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## TUGGIN' ALONG

Eastern's Greek community keeps their competitive energy high as Tugs comes to a close.

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## TOP CAT

Eastern softball freshman pitcher Michelle Rogers earns the title of Top Cat for throwing two complete games over the weekend.

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"TELL THE TRUTH AND DON'T BE AFRAID"

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## New used bookstore opens in Square

By Cassie Buchman  
City Editor | @DEN\_News

As the owner of Bob's Bookstore, which opened recently in the square, Joe Judd has had a busy couple of weeks getting books, making bookshelves, and all the work of opening and maintaining a new store.

"I have to be here all day, all night," he said.

Bob's Bookstore, which will receive a new shipment of books Monday, will sell and buy every genre of books from fiction, to poetry, and books on psychology, with two exceptions.

"We will not buy romance or textbooks," Judd said.

This will not be a problem for Eastern students as they rent their textbooks, a fact that Eastern graduate Judd remembers fondly.

"I went to college, I came here and I got rid of my TV," he said.

"In college the people I knew read; I had friends that read. The friends I have now, the one thing we talk about is 'What are you reading?'"

Many of Judd's books so far have come from his personal library, as well as Goodwill and other stores.

The bookstore is located at 601 Monroe Ave.

Judd said he is going to respond to what people want to read.

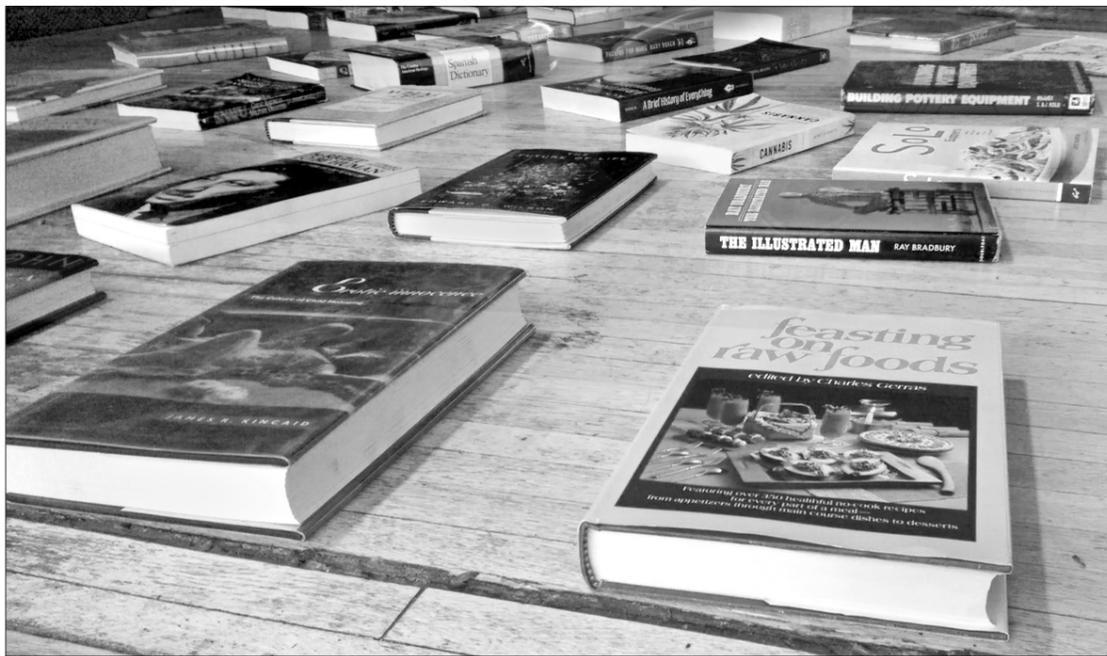
"If someone wants to have books on Dungeons and Dragons, then why not?" he said. "We have everything from Kafka to Kingston."

Bob's Bookstore is named after Judd's father, an avid reader.

"He has always been very helpful, and he likes books," he said.

Judd said he liked having a university nearby.

"There's more academics," he said. "People in college, who have



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A variety of used books are displayed in the windows of a new business, Bob's Bookstore in the Charleston Square.

taught and worked in the college."

Judd also owned a bookstore in Chicago called Myopic Books. He anticipated some changes being in a town like Charleston because of its size and different atmosphere.

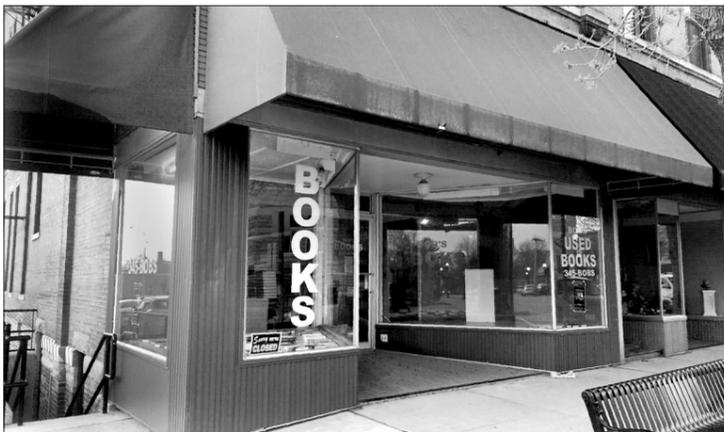
"There probably won't be any homeless people sleeping in front of the store begging for change," he said.

Myopic Books was broken into and robbed several times, something Judd does not think he will have to worry about in Charleston.

"They used a knife, broken bottle, a gun," he said. "I never could figure out what they were going to steal. We had a safe, and books are heavy."

He does think there will be some drunk people, as they are located by bars and a college campus.

"I think maybe drunk people



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A front view of Bob's bookstore, which is located at 601 Monroe Ave. intersecting with 6th Street.

will come during Homecoming," he said. "I went to school here. It's a fun place."

A couple of drunk people have already been to the store.

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## City passes resolution affecting wage act

By Stephanie Markham  
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The Charleston City Council unanimously passed a resolution Tuesday incorporating some of Gov. Bruce Rauner's proposals to create "empowerment zones," which means the city does not have to follow the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act when bidding for things like construction projects.

The act states that workers paid with public funds must receive a wage of no less than the general prevailing hourly rate in the area.

Mayor Larry Rennels said private individuals can seek to have the same labor done as the city without having to pay prevailing wage.

"That means we're making taxpayers pay more for a job than a private individual would have to pay for the same job," he said.

The resolution, titled Supporting Local Government Empowerment, states that the community should decide whether or not employees should be forced to join a union or pay dues as a condition of employment.

Rennels said the City Council should not be making those decisions.

"In most cases in the state of Illinois, if there is a union, the people either have to be members of the union, or if they don't want to be members of the union, they still have to pay the union dues," he said.

According to an article in The State Journal Register, Illinois Democratic attorney general Lisa Madigan issued formal opinions stating Rauner's proposed "right-to-work zones" and letting local governments opt out of prevailing wage agreements are both illegal.

Madigan said federal labor law only allows "right-to-work" laws to be enacted on a statewide basis, not individual counties, according to the article.

Each council member present at Tuesday's meeting voted in favor of the resolution, including Brandon Combs, Jeff Lahr and Tim Newell. Council member Matthew Hutti was absent from the meeting.

Rennels said he has concerns that the resolution the council passed is not what people have perceived it to be.

He said the resolution does not mirror Rauner's "turnaround agenda;" instead, it contains only specific items the council members were familiar with and agreed with.

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## Anti-cancer group hosts 5K

By Jihad Abbed  
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Eastern's Colleges Against Cancer organization is hoping to improve upon last year's Relay for Life as it prepares for the event Sunday at the Panther Trail.

Hope Robertson, College Against Cancer president, said raising money is a big part of the event, but the main goal is spreading cancer awareness. She said any money raised is a step closer to finding a cure.

"Just knowing about Relay is a big contribution," Robertson said.

She said she attended it last year before she became CAC president, and was disappointed in different aspects of the day.

She said she was concerned with how it was put together and how the people there were acting toward the event.

Relay for Life is a part of Greek Week, which means there are people who are obligated to be there without intention of being fully involved.

"One of the issues last year was that people were coming drunk," Robertson said. "Just sitting, not participating in any of the activities we had."

The event requires \$15 from each participant as opposed to last year when teams had to come up with a certain amount of money together.

"I'm hoping this year that people actually get the message that this is a serious thing," she said. "It's not just another event to go to."

She said she wants everyone to be involved while at Relay for Life, which is something the committee has worked to improve for everyone who attends.

The committee is made up of members from last year and first-time contributors who Robertson said has been helpful in bringing new ideas to the event.

She said the Colleges Against Cancer staff partner came just halfway through last year, which caused things to be somewhat "jumbled" together.

There are different fundraising opportunities at the event, including food vendors, various games and guys in

addresses making their way around the venue.

There will be cancer survivors at the relay, along with a dinner for those continuing their battle with cancer.

The Luminaria segment of the entire event is one of the biggest parts of Relay for Life, when all is quieted and a list of those who have "fallen" from cancer is read aloud.

Robertson said any money raised would be considered successful, whether it is through direct participation at the event or online donations.

"The more people that get involved in Relay, the more money that is raised," Robertson said. "And we'd that much sooner find a cure."

The Relay for Life is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday at the Panther Trail. McAfee Gym is reserved for the event in the case of bad weather.

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## CUPB meeting delayed one week

Staff Report

The Council on University Planning and Budgeting will not be meeting this Friday.

Instead the group will meet on April 17.

David Emmerich, chair of CUPB, said the reason for the rescheduling was because of conflicting schedules.

The group planned to discuss the EIU IT review, however the schedule conflicts would not have allowed for a full and fair conversation.

## Local weather

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Jae Eun Kim, a senior mathematics major, watches the horror film, "Oldboy" during the Asian Heritage Month: Student Panel on Asian Movies Thursday in the auditorium of Coleman Hall.

# Hollywood, Korean cinema compared

**Benjamin Misselhorn**  
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In honor of Asian Heritage Month, a student panel compared Asian movies with their Hollywood remakes Thursday evening.

The panel consisted of two presentations showing the differences between Asian and American cinematography.

Presenters Sukeong Han, a sophomore economics major, and Seungho Choi, a senior philosophy major, are both exchange students from South Korea. Their presentation revolved around actor Min-Sik Choi and director Jun-ho Bong highlighting their experiences in the world of cinema as well as portraying the films they were affiliated with.

A clip from the movie "Lucy"

starring actress Scarlett Johansson and actor Min-Sik Choi was shown to the audience.

The movie featured English subtitles when Johansson spoke, but were then removed when Choi spoke.

Following the clips of the film was an introduction to director Jun-ho Bong and movies that he had directed such as "Memories of Murder," "The Host," "Mother" and "Snowpiercer."

Marisa Von Ruden, a junior English major, and Monica Burney, junior history major, compared Korean and American movies.

Von Ruden displayed a side-by-side comparison the movie "Oldboy" both in South Korea and America.

She highlighted the various dif-

ferences of character development that each movie portrayed.

"The Korean version focuses more on inner thought of the main character while the American actor is very violent and unclear," Von Ruden said.

However, Burney focused on Japanese horror films that were then remade in the United States.

"The difference is that American versions are much more horrific and terrifying," Burney said. "Japanese films develop a much deeper plot."

An example of this comparison was through "The Ring."

A YouTube video also featured a scene from each movie to demonstrate the difference in cinematography.

Some commonalities that were discussed between the two coun-

tries were the paranormal villains, use of technologies, and that many movies were released at the same time.

Following the presentations, Jinhee Lee, a history professor, led a series of discussions.

The discussion centered on the various topics that were illustrated from the presentation.

Lee asked students multiple questions on their feelings toward the movies shown and how people viewed the cultures within the world of cinema.

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# Campus ministry to pray for Christians

**By Roberto Hodge**  
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Students from ACTS Campus Ministry will show their support for those killed at Garrison University in Kenya by hosting a "Prayer Vigil" at 7 p.m. Sunday in Coleman Hall Auditorium.

On April 1, a total of 147 students at the university in Kenya were killed because of their Christian beliefs.

Donzell Lampkins, public relations chair for ACTS, said members of the church and communi-

ty can come and pray with them showing their support and unity for those who were killed.

He said because of the killings, those in ACTS felt as if they needed to bring unity to the campus; they will not only pray for the lives lost in Kenya but for others killed because of their religion as well.

"We feel that we need to promote religious equality," Lampkins said.

Those who were killed because of their open faith in Jesus have been considered martyrs, accord-

ing to the press release.

Lampkins said the goal for those hosting the event is to have the prayer to symbolize their unity and support for the victims, survivors and all who have been affected by the tragedy. He said Christians are targeted a lot because people have their own beliefs and they may not line up with those who practice Christianity.

"It's OK to have your own beliefs, but it's not OK to discriminate and kill," Lampkins said.

Andrew Robinson, a communication studies professor who

will be giving the keynote, said through the prayer they hope to achieve a sense of awareness regarding what has been going against Christians around the world.

"To ask for God's protection for Christians around the world, to comfort family and friends of those murdered by radical terrorists," Robinson said.

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# Sage runs for VP of student affairs

By Luis Martinez

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Courtney Sage, the current speaker of the senate, will be the second candidate running for the position of vice president of student affairs.

Sage said the transition from her current position on the senate to possibility becoming the next vice president of student affairs would go smoothly because of the experience she already has going into this year's election.

"The one thing that is different is what the speaker does compared to what vice president of student affairs does," Sage said. "The speaker oversees everyone and the vice president for student affairs is over Pantherpoolza, Panther Service Day and the RSOs."

Sage said while both positions have different responsibilities, they both share a similar mindset. Sage joined student government last spring as a senator.

"At the end of that semester, I ran for speaker with the mindset that I would help bring the senate back to more professional standpoint," Sage said. "Bring (the senate) to accountability, responsibility, bringing that back."

Sage said the mindset was her main platform when running for speaker of the senate both last spring and last fall.

"I've looked at making us more accessible on campus, to make people aware of what we do," Sage said. "Our big goal is to make people aware that student government is something that is big on campus, that we really try to hit every aspect of campus life."

Sage also said she would go into the vice president of student affairs position

with the same mindset she has as the current speaker of the senate.

"Now it's the mindset of reminding people why we're here, why we're proud of being a panther," Sage said. "That's kind of where my campaign comes from."

If elected vice president of student affairs, Sage said one event she wants to do is called "Year of the Panther."

One of the things Sage would like to do in the "Year of the Panther" is creating a panther statue on campus.

"University Enhancement is currently looking into that," Sage said. "That is something that I would focus on, is getting a monument here, getting the fundraising started."

Sage also said while this is going on, they would work on starting a spirit campaign where there would be events focused on school spirit.

"You have these RSOs that have these events and three people show up," Sage said. "We don't want that, we want RSOs to have the opportunity to thrive and to get their word out."

Each of the candidates were asked how they would deal with student apathy on campus during the debate on Monday. Sage said she would like to see the calendar on Eastern's website to be full of all sorts of RSO events.

"I would love if the RSOs had the opportunity to use or knew that they could use that calendar so it was more full of actual events that are going on," Sage said. "You see Doudna has this but you never see BSU is doing this or LASO is doing this, so that calendar needs to be more accessible."

Sage also said having events like the



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Courtney Sage, presents her speech at the student government debate Monday in the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Monday in the Oakland room.

Prowin' with the Prez series help students realize they have the opportunity to speak with the president.

"That's something I think brings people in, and I think getting away from forums is a good idea," Sage said. "You should still have forums about certain issues, but sometimes a forum seems like a lecture. I think if we get towards more

events that are more contact, talking to each other a lot more, that's what I want to see things like that."

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# City bar faces fine, suspended license

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Panther Paw Bar and Grill faces a fine of \$865 and potentially have its liquor license suspended from July 1 through July 6 following a liquor hearing Thursday.

The hearing was originally set for April 2, but was rescheduled to Thursday.

Panther Paw Bar and Grill was charged in connection with serving alcohol to underage patrons during a failed compliance checks by the Charleston Police Department.

Marty's and Dirty's Bar and Grill also failed the compliance checks on Feb. 7.

The evidentiary hearing took place for Panther Paw Bar and Grill because the owner denied the allegations at a liquor hearing Feb. 23.

Marty's and Dirty's Bar and Grill both admitted to the allegations.

For all of these establishments, it was their first offense in 12 months.

Allowing patrons under 21 in an establishment with a liquor license violates Charleston city codes, and selling alcohol to minors violates city codes and Illinois compiled statutes.

Rachel Cunningham, the city attorney, said she was engaged in negotiations with the Panther Paw Bar and Grill.

An agreement was reached between Cunningham and those representing the bar.

Kevin Geisler, the attorney representing the Panther Paw Bar and Grill, wrote an affidavit that was signed by Chris Clayton, the owner of the Panther Paw Bar and Grill, who was under oath.

Neither Clayton nor Geisler were present at the hearing.

The affidavit was signed with the intent of avoiding unnecessary litigation.

An affidavit is an official legal document used as evidence confirmed by an oath or affirmation.

Clayton also waived any appeal period for the results of the hearing.

The Panther Paw and Grill would have been able to appeal the mayor's decision to the State Liquor Commission if they had not waived the appeal period, which would have been 20 days.

Panther Paw Bar and Grill will not be able to serve alcohol during its suspension but will still be able to serve food.

The Panther Paw Bar and Grill also allowed people to use their parking lot and facilities for the Fourth of July events and activities going on in the city.

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# Tarble exhibit transforms weather into art

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Nathalie Miebach turns weather into art in the "The Weather's Getting Weird" exhibit currently on display at the Tarble Arts Center from Friday to May 20.

Miebach does not just interpret the weather and turn it into art; she uses different materials to turn actual weather data into a 3D sculpture.

Miebach got her start by taking astronomy classes at Harvard University and then began taking basket-weaving classes.

"It sort of clicked in my head," Miebach said. "Maybe that is how I can make this more three dimensional. So when we got to do a final paper, I handed in a sculpture instead of a paper."

She said she started to use sculpture to address questions she had about science. She did her research on the weather and used basket weaving as a grid to translate numerical data.

"By assigning values to the vertical elements, I'm giving each pair of reeds an

hour of the day," she said. "The horizontal reeds — I'm translating when the moon rises and sets and when the suns rises and sets."

Miebach said over time warps start to develop because the numbers create different forms.

"When I translate these numbers into woven form, I don't change the information for any kind of purpose," she said.

Miebach said one of the reasons it takes so long to create the pieces is because she wants them to function within a scientific context.

"I show my work in science museums and science labs so they have to function in that way," she said. "You can't veer too far from the actual information or because it becomes just an interpretation."

All of her artwork has meaning to it. The certain colors, materials and labels represent something.

"There's a dimensionality in numbers that you can reveal by translating that into another medium," Miebach said. "It almost becomes a three dimensional

data chart."

Miebach's work is intricately designed by using paper, wood and weather data to tell the story of a storm. Some pieces are small, while others take up the majority of the space of a wall.

One of her pieces, "Retiring Bob," tracks Hurricane Bob as it moved along the East Coast. Parts of the piece actually move and show the viewer the path it took as made its way to Portugal. It includes a graveyard of names of the retired hurricanes.

Miebach also writes music scores using weather data.

"The score is basically just using three values; temperature, humidity and barometric pressures," she said. "I'm literally just plotting what the averages are."

She collaborated with musicians to compose a two-minute score, which is featured in her exhibit. Miebach also incorporates some of her musical scores back into her art.

Her pieces are shipped to and assembled at Tarble.

Garrett Goblen, who graduated last se-

mester and is a university employee for Tarble, helped in putting together the exhibit.

"It's playful work and it's really fun to look at," Goblen said. "Each color represents something. All the pieces are made up of weather data."

While Goblen assisted Miebach with her exhibit, he did not actually assemble it for her.

"What's really funny about her work is that she's really the only person that understands how it all goes together," he said.

Goblen said her work is so intricate and complex that it is mind blowing.

"I've never really seen anything here at least in which artists use data or something that they can't control to make their art," he said. "These are basically weather graphs that are three dimensional and super interesting and fun to look at."

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## Help should already be on its way

Every year, the campus sees several potentially injure-inducing events come and go, but for the most part, the university has done a good job to make sure injuries do not occur as a result of these events.

If injuries do occur, there is normally someone there to handle and give assistance the injured.

This should be the staple. There should always be someone there to help those who could be potentially hurt. Injuries can and will happen. Without those with medical training, injuries, depending on the injury, could grow more severe.

There is a clear need for these people to be present despite any empty assurances that people will not be hurt. Unfortunately, this has not always been the case on campus.

Most recently, despite the lack of a first responder present, whether that is a police officer or a paramedic, Tugs still commenced Monday. This resulted in the injuries of at least three students with no one but their team to help them.

I witnessed a woman limp away from the Campus Pond held up only by her two friends. They had to move her to a place or person who would help her. She was not the only one. Two other men had strained their muscles, which is not surprising in a competition where people do just that: strain their muscles to the point of injury.

They pull exerting all of their strength on staying away from the water.

It is a recipe for potential injuries, especially from people who do not train for the event all-year around like athletes do in most sports.

These are obvious potential risks that beg the question: Why did they not cancel the event until they got a first responder available.

On Wednesday and in past years, at least one first responder has always been present, so without one there, the Tugs event should have been cancelled.

Talking with a couple of the advisors for the event, they seemed very nonchalant to the fact that their was not someone there to help in case of emergency.

They should have been paying more attention to the safety instead of moving forward with the four-day competition.

At most, cancelling the event would have been a nuisance for the coordinators, but would not have thrown off the week. These events are spread out through the week allowing for cancellations, normally for weather related incidents.

Rescheduling it Tuesday would have made the event could have and should have been possible.

Injuries are no joke and yet it seems like it was to those handling the event.

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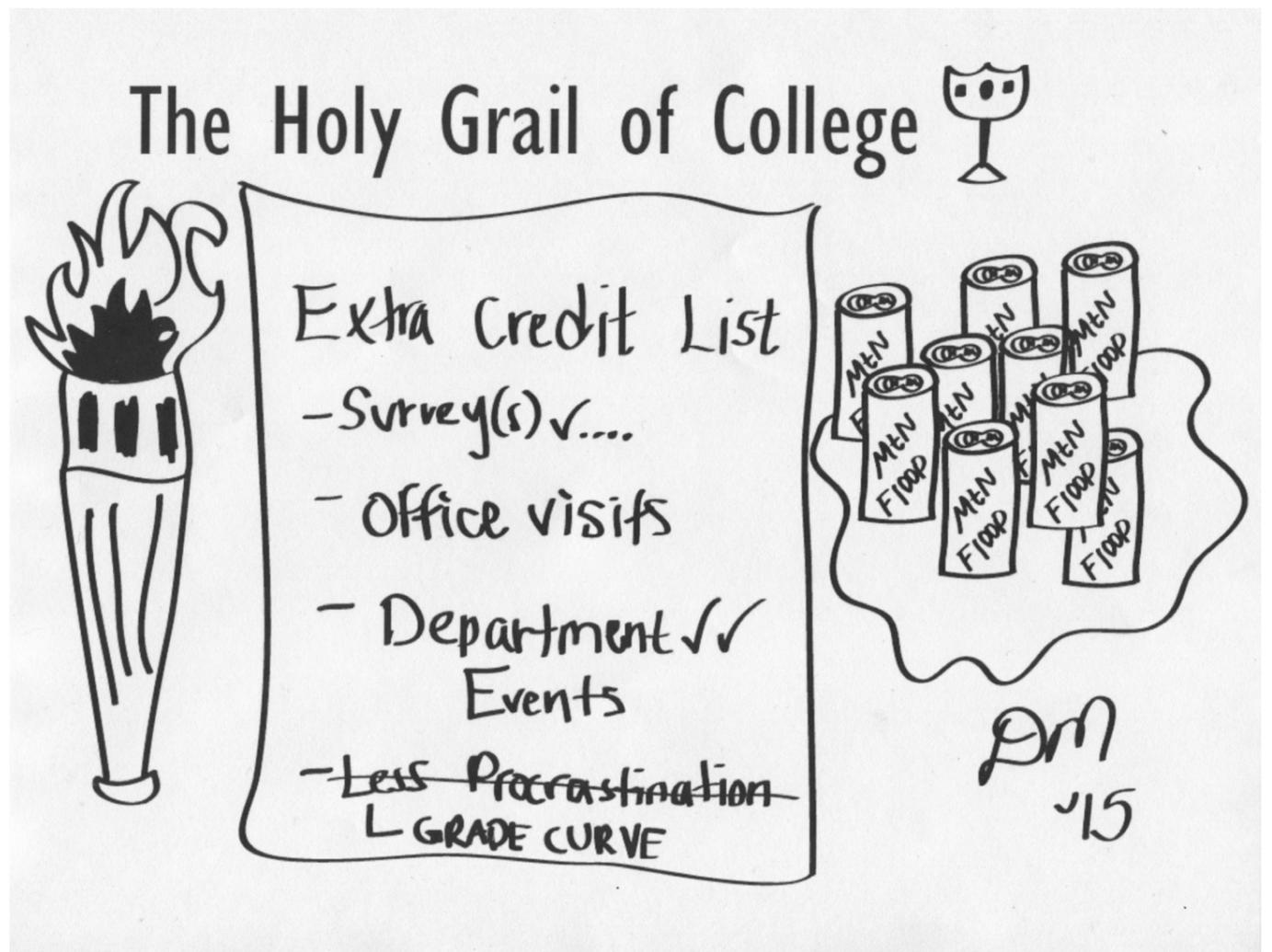
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## STAFF EDITORIAL

During Wednesday's Student Senate Meeting, revised budgets were proposed and approved after the Apportionment Board's request.

Campus Recreation, University Board, and Student Government all have agreed to cut money from next year's budgets.

All three groups will see a cut in workforce or services to maintain the \$445,000 total budget.

The Student Recreation Center will cut student payroll by \$18,515, and a \$7,000 maintenance fee.

To compensate for the reduced payroll, the recreation center will cut open hours by 12 hours a week.

UB will limit their services by reducing funds for the movie and special event sections.

"Free Movie Fridays" will be limited to once a month as opposed to once a week, and speakers and acts that the special events committee chair would coordinate will also diminish.

The budgets will be sent to Dan Nadler, the vice president of student affairs, and await final approval.

Tylen Elliot, the chair of UB, said that while other universities have more opportunities to bring entertainment acts to their campuses, Eastern couldn't afford to do so.

Students should really consider statements such as Elliot's.

The budget revision will directly effect student life, with restricted campus recreation hours and forms of entertainment.

Students can often be heard complaining of the less than perfect conditions and amenities of the campus.

What many students do not take into account, however, is the process in which items and organizations about the university are cut, and why the cuts are made.

As enrollment numbers continue to decrease, Eastern does not have the funding to increase or maintain the current budgets.

The budgets are revised in effort to keep in balance

with the decrease in student fees.

Great time and thought is put into revising budgets. Students within their organizations are having to recognize the cuts, and decide what services or parts of their organization they can do without.

Although no one wants to cut back, the four groups under the Apportionment Board understand the necessity for restriction.

We at *The Daily Eastern News* are proud of the university's effort to be fiscally responsible during this time.

We also want to state the importance of being perceptive toward the financial situation of the university, and to remind students to be patient and considerate of the cuts being made.

All aspects of the university, including students, should own the responsibility of making due with less.

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

## Universities should examine Rauner's plan

On Nov. 5, former Governor Pat Quinn had to accept his days in office were coming to an end.

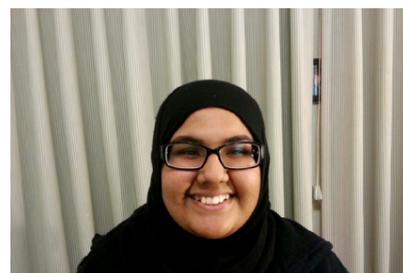
It was time for Bruce Rauner to take over after the polls had proven he was the winner, although it seems some of the people of Illinois are starting to question their vote for him.

Since coming into office, Rauner has talked about the structural change that he wants Illinois to go through in this time of crisis for the state. One of the biggest results of this change is the budget he has posted for next year that is waiting for Congress' vote of approval.

Public Universities all over Illinois are wondering what the votes are going to look like when the budget goes through Congress and if their appropriations will be cut by 31.5 percent just as Rauner proposed.

At a meeting with the Chicago Tribune this past Monday, Rauner said he believed universities are all bureaucracies with no money going toward the students and in the classrooms.

The thousands of dollars students pay for their education, the efforts made by admissions offices to try and recruit as many students as they can so they can bring in more money, and the administration's paychecks are



Shirmeen Ahmad

proof of that, but there is so much more that comes with universities.

Students are learning about the fields that they one day want to be working in. Each class adds to their skill set of what they can do when they leave. The amount of options a university offers with its programs and student population lets students learn about diversity and new perspectives, all which will be visible in the real world.

Rauner believes universities should let the state be good at everything and let universities only be good in certain areas. So students will only be choosing which

campus holds their area of study. This seems to be his vision down the line.

But the question is: what happens until we get to that time when universities are structured that way? The students who are in school now are fltering with all the programs that help them grow not being affordable. Faculties who hold their own expertise are being cut from departments so that students have a hole in their education.

Before Congress votes on this budget, they need to ask questions. What happens to all the people that are getting kicked out of their careers because the government is taking money away from universities? What will the next generations look like if higher education is falling and does Rauner's goal mean that some universities will crumble in the meantime before it is achieved?

Students also need to let their legislators hear their voices so Congress understands the seriousness of that vote. So much is at stake and before drastic changes are made. Every point of view and plan needs to be thought through.

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# Women in sports industry offer advice

By **Stephanie White**  
Entertainment Editor

Four women from different areas in the sports industry discussed how they moved up in their fields, balanced their home and work life, and how to be confident.

In the University Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Thursday night, panelists spoke to students, faculty and staff about how they live their lives in the sports industry.

Kathy Schniedwind, a retired head athletic trainer at Illinois State University, said when she started off in the field, nobody knew who she was, but she went to sporting events and panels to throw her

name out in the field.

She said doing this got served as a promising introduction into the industry for her.

Schniedwind said not to be shy or to push away opportunities to get your name, but instead to put your talent out in the real world because that is how to get a job.

"In the past I always heard students tell me they did not want to go to a sports panel because they did not know anybody," she said. "I told them that is when you go, otherwise you lose an opportunity to get further in your career."

Angie Nicholson, the coach of the women's softball at Eastern, said she is able to have a job and a family at the same time.

She said anyone is able to have a successful career and a good family if they want it hard enough.

"I used to have to work far from home. I had to stay in a hotel for a long time and this was when my children were still babies," she said. "My husband would drive from home with them just so we all could be together."

She said with the type of lifestyle she has, she is glad her husband supports her career and their marriage is like a partnership.

"My husband stays at home and takes care of the kids while I work. I like that my children are experiencing this kind of marriage," Nicholson said. "It shows women can work while the man stays at home, which is not something people are used to."

Maria Woods, the senior associate athletic director at University of Illinois, said she had a similar relationship to Nicholson's. She said she met her husband through work.

She said when she started her career as an intern, she was shy and always second-guessed herself.

"The people I worked with told me I knew what I was doing and to stop second-guessing myself. Once I stopped doing that people knew that I knew what I was doing," she said. "People started to respect me more and did not question what I told them to do."

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"They came in drunk, said the place looked great and I looked yummy," Judd said.

Many sober people have also had a positive reaction to the opening of the new store.

"People have been really helpful," he said. "I really feel welcome. The city has been very nice to us."

Because many people in Charleston's population are Eastern students who are leaving in the summer, Judd will take that time to connect with the larger Charleston community.

"School's going to be out, and I'll concentrate on getting acclimated with the community," he said. "There seems to be a distance between the town and the university."

Judd wants the bookstore to be a place where people who love to read can come and study, read books and attend book readings and other literary events.

"I saw this place filled with young people, old people, university students, high school students," he said. "If you can have all this, you can have people around town, people who want to read books by local authors."

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## » WAGE ACT

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The Capitol Fax website lists Charleston as one of five towns that have passed "turnaround agenda" resolutions, which also includes East Dundee, Clinton, Cambridge and Makanda.

According to an article in the Chicago Tribune, Rauner's "turnaround agenda" proposes that local voters should decide a multitude of things, including what issues can be collectively bargained, the pension and health benefits for the local government, and whether employees should be forced to join unions or pay dues.

"That document he published a couple months ago has 50 or 60 items on it, and that's why we didn't accept all of those," Rennels said. "We simply put things in our resolution that we felt were important to the efficient running of the city and to the taxpayers."

The "turnaround agenda" also states that Illinois should not impose costly mandates on local governments, which Rennels said was an important issue to Charleston.

Rennels said more than 280 unfund-

ed state mandates have been imposed on communities across Illinois in recent years, and because the city must comply without state assistance, the city is often left with no choice but to raise real estate taxes, though the amount those can be raised is also limited.

"We're asking the state to please give us a little more control over our own destiny," he said.

The resolution was one of 20 items on the City Council's agenda Tuesday, and it was not placed on file for public inspection.

Rennels said the council sometimes places items on layover for two weeks before passing it, which also gives the public time to consider the item and return with comments. However, he said most of the time the council passes items the first time they appear on the agenda.

"If it's something that is a situation where, maybe we're going to change a stop sign or something on a street that we think people need to have the opportunity to know what's coming beforehand, we

will put it on file until the next meeting," Rennels said.

Rennels said he does not know if the resolution will make finding work more difficult for those who wish to join unions.

Joann Daugherty, a library specialist at Booth Library, is a member of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees union for public service workers.

Daugherty said she does not see the logic in parts of the resolution because the city already has a process of choosing the lowest bidder for labor.

"It's trying to target one group as causing all the problems, when I don't think that's where the problem is," she said. "They need to change what they are doing, because it's not right to target one group as the cause of everything. I don't want to see families lose income."

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Hannah Rachor, a sophomore, goes to catch a ball while Bailey O'Dell, a senior, moves into position at the EIU vs. Jackson State softball game on Sunday at the Williams Field.

## Panthers set for three games with UT Martin

By Sean Hastings  
Staff Reporter | @DEN\_Sports

After dropping both games of a non-conference double header the Eastern softball team will get back to their conference schedule starting with three games against UT Martin in Martin, Tenn.

The Panthers' season record currently stands at 7-7 with a 12-20 overall season record.

The 7-7 record has the Panthers in sixth place in the conference.

UT Martin sits one spot ahead of them in fifth with an 8-5 record.

Despite the losses to Ball State, junior April Markowski doesn't believe it was all bad and can help them with the upcoming games.

"I don't think we left Ball State

**"Yes, we lost but I think we know what we did wrong and know exactly how to fix it. So it is important to go into this weekend with a positive attitude."**

**- April Markowski,  
junior outfielder**

necessarily on a bad note," she said. "Yes, we lost but I think

we know what we did wrong and know exactly how to fix it. So it is important to go into this weekend with a positive attitude."

A reason why the Panthers have lost their three straight games is their hitting.

Freshmen pitchers Jessica Wireman and Michelle Rogers have given the Panthers good outings and a chance to win, and Markowski knows they need to start supporting them if they want to beat UT Martin.

"We will definitely need to get our hitting back and hit like we know how," Markowski said. "Our pitchers have been doing great, we just need to hit now."

Leading the Panthers offensively, as she has all season, is senior Bailey O'Dell.

O'Dell has struggled a bit of late but still has a batting aver-

age of .363.

Fellow senior Kenzi Tate leads the Skyhawks offense with a .369 batting average.

Both hitters are in the top 10 for batting average in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Tate is eighth in the conference, and O'Dell is 10th.

Eastern coach Angie Nicholson expects to keep the same pitching rotation of Rogers starting game one, and Wireman pitching the next game.

Rogers has an earned run average of 3.65 contributing to her record of 6-9.

She has pitched 94 innings on the year in 22 appearances.

Wireman has an earned of 4.53 with a record of 5-10 on the year in 88 innings pitched.

She has also appeared in 22 games for the Panthers.

Sophomore Elizabeth Wiegand is the leading pitcher for the Skyhawks with a 2.88 ERA and a 10-5 record.

She has 44 strikeouts in 94 2/3 innings pitched.

Wiegand has the ninth best ERA in the conference and Rogers have the 13th and 16th best respectively.

The Panthers will begin their three games with UT Martin starting Saturday with the first pitch scheduled for 1 p.m.

Game two will follow at 3 p.m. The final game will be played on Sunday at 1 p.m.

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## Track & Field teams head to Western Illinois

By Mark Shanahan  
Staff Reporter | @DEN\_Sports

The Eastern men's and the women's track and field teams will be participating in the Western Illinois Lee Calhoun meet this weekend.

Eastern coach Tom Akers said Western Illinois is an annual meet, but Eastern hasn't been to it in awhile.

"Western Illinois, Illinois State and I think three or four other school that will have a little bit smaller squad sizes so it's going to be pretty low key compared to what we just got done doing," he said.

Eastern had recently hosted

the Big Blue Classic, which was a three-day event. Western Illinois is just a one-day meet this Saturday.

Akers is happy with the progression each team has made through the first two outdoor meets.

"I think opening up with our first two meets, I've been pretty pleased with what I've seen so far," he said. "The question is we got to stay healthy and continue to progress and hopefully as we get a little better weather for competition, hopefully our performances will continue to get better."

Red-shirt junior Norvel Mo-

ammed was named Ohio Valley Conference Male Track Athlete of the Week this week for placing first in two events last weekend.

Akers doesn't think that there is any event group that is underperforming compared to the others.

"I think right now almost all event areas are doing pretty well, so I don't think there's any one event area lagging behind the others," he said. "Each group just needs to continue to get better and maybe a few more people step up and perform a little better, but right now I think we got some pretty solid performances across the board."

Like Eastern, Western Illi-

nois has an outdoor track that is around their football field, but the stadium is bowl shaped.

"It's a very similar set up, it's in their football stadium, it's around their football field, but it is sort of down in a bowl," he said. "So if there is some wind it sort of funnels it right down there through the track, but it's a good facility."

Akers didn't name anyone who would not be making the trip this weekend, because the lineup will be named Thursday.

"I think most of our top competitors are feeling pretty good, and we'll sort to see probably when we make our lineup Thursday," he said.

Akers is open to resting athletes this week however because of the meets coming up later in the season.

"We've still got a lot of meets ahead of us and a closer meet next weekend at U of I where we'll be able to take a lot more competitors," he said. "If there are some people that aren't quite ready we'll definitely rest them this weekend"

The Western Illinois Lee Calhoun meet is Saturday in Macomb.

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# Rogers unfazed by long weekend

By **Jehad Abbed**  
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Eastern softball freshman pitcher Michelle Rogers threw two complete games over the weekend picking up a win while allowing just 2 runs between Tennessee Tech and Jacksonville State.

Eastern went into the weekend scheduled to play double-headers on Saturday and Sunday with Rogers starting with the ball in her hand in two of the four games.

She ended her weekend racking up 205 pitches combined through 14 innings between the two games. She was 1-1 for the weekend losing to Tennessee Tech, but achieved a 2-1 victory over Jacksonville.

A 4th-inning solo homerun from freshman catcher Alyssa Richards was the deciding factor in Rogers' loss Saturday to Tennessee Tech.

The Panthers lost 1-0 to the Golden Eagles in what seemed to be a pitcher's duel between Rogers and freshman Danielle Liberatore.

"Some of my pitches were moving well. Just hitting my spots," Rogers said. "I wasn't getting a lot of calls, but I was still hitting my spots, which is the big part."

Rogers struck out four Tennessee Tech batters while walking only one

and allowed six hits for the game. She said her screwball was working really well along with her drop curveball.

Liberatore managed to throw a 2-hit shutout while striking out 15 against the Panthers in seven innings pitched.

Rogers said she was not terribly upset by the 1-0 loss, despite how well she performed.

"It can be frustrating," she said. "But everyone was trying so I can't be too mad."

Rogers was able to pick up where she left off when she started at pitcher again against the Gamecocks on Sunday. She said she can be sore sometimes, but is now used to pitching back-to-back days on weekends.

"I just try to focus on what I did right, and try to repeat it," Rogers said.

She struck out five Jacksonville State batters while throwing 111 in the Panthers' 2-1 victory giving Rogers her 6th win on the season.

Senior catcher Hannah Cole hit a triple down the rightfield line in the 6th inning scoring junior outfielders Jenette Isaac and April Markowski to give Rogers the offensive support she needed for the win.

Rogers said she usually does not expect to pitch two complete games over the weekend, but her and fellow



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Eastern softball freshman pitcher Michelle Rogers pitched allowed just 2 runs combined throwing 14 innings over the weekend. Rogers is now 6-9 after gaining the win over Jacksonville State Sunday.

freshman pitcher Jessica Wireman usually split the starts.

She prepares for games by trying to think about what she worked on in practice and making sure to use it

while pitching.

"I just tried to slow down and really focus on hitting my spots," Rogers said. "Knowing its okay because my team has my back."

Rogers looks back on successful outings like this past weekend and tries to repeat the things she feels she did right for future starts.

Rogers is 6-9 so far in her first sea-

## Panthers prepare for regular season finales

By **Cody Delmendo**  
Staff Reporter | @DEN\_Sports

Eastern men's tennis is back in action this weekend as they host their last two regular season matches against Morehead State and Eastern Kentucky.

The Panthers are 1-1 at the Darling Courts this season with a loss to conference leaders Austin Peay and a win over Murray State during spring break.

Eastern overall comes in with a 3-14 record, which includes four-straight losses against SIU-Edwardsville, Belmont, Tennessee Tech and Jacksonville State.

The current streak hasn't helped their conference record, which sits at 2-5 and almost at the bottom of the conference standings. Eastern is only ahead of Murray State and Tennessee State.

"We have been in every match. We just haven't closed out matches. When you have a young team, it is always the toughest thing to do is learning how to close out a college match," Eastern coach Eric Stark said.

Eastern needs to win their last two matches to qualify for the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament.

"We are just focused to go out there and play each match hard, focusing on the start and closing out doubles," Stark said.

The Panthers have struggled all year in doubles with a record of 8-32 overall. The best duo Eastern has been able to show this season is junior Robert Skolik and freshman Preston Toulitatos.

The No. 1 doubles partners have a 5-9 record in doubles matches, which is the best on the team.

The Panthers haven't won the doubles point since they defeated Murray State March 21. Since that victory Eastern has been shutout swept in doubles twice, against Belmont and Tennessee Tech.

Morehead State has struggled of late as

well sporting a 5-14 record overall with a 3-4 conference record.

The Eagles come in with three straight losses behind them, which included No. 60 Alabama and conference opponent Eastern Kentucky.

"Morehead is always a battle, there will be a lot of energy and it will be important to get off to a good start in doubles," Stark said.

The Eagles have played a tough schedule with three top 100 teams in the nation this season.

Along with Alabama, Louisville and Purdue, a team the Panthers battled in their first match of the year, Morehead State has seen their tough times but will still qualify for the OVC Tournament.

A day after the Panthers battle the Eagles, Eastern will look to upset Eastern Kentucky, which sits at 14-7 on the season and 6-1 in conference.

Their conference record is good enough for second place behind Austin Peay.

"Eastern Kentucky is a great indoor team and they are strong at the bottom of their lineup," Stark said.

The Colonels strong suit maybe the way they perform in singles matches with a 106-84 overall record for their team. Eastern Kentucky has double-digit victories in each of its six singles matches.

They are also respectable in doubles with a 39-36 record. While their No. 1 singles matches are 2-11, their No. 2 and No. 3 doubles spots combine 23-11 record.

"This is Division I, nobody gives you a match, when you have opponents down you have to put them down for good, a down opponent is a dangerous opponent, but we'll learn,"

The Panthers will look to put down the Eagles and Colonels at 1 p.m.

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## Eastern to host top-seed Southeast Missouri in upcoming weekend series

By **Bob Reynolds**  
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The Eastern baseball team is heading into a weekend series at Coaches Stadium against top-seeded Ohio Valley Conference member Southeast Missouri.

The Panthers are coming off a rain-shortened 5-4 win against Indiana State Wednesday at home.

Eastern coach Jimmy Schmitz said the win Wednesday provides a big confidence boost for his club.

"The big key is that it shows the team the things that we have been preaching," he said. "That is going the other way. If that means late in the game when you're down you kind of have to base an approach the other way and then we had the good bunts."

The key play Wednesday was when freshman catcher Hunter Morris laid down a bunt down the first base line, which scored junior shortstop Mitch Gasbarro from third base to give the Panthers the lead in the bottom of the seventh inning, which they would ultimately hold on too.

Sophomore pitcher Chase Thurston picked up his first save of his career Wednesday in one inning of work.

Red-shirt junior Matt Wivinis is expected to pitch game one of the three-game series Friday.

Wivinis is coming off an outing where he threw 7.2 innings against Tennessee Tech and received the win for the Panthers.

Wivinis comes into the game with a 1-5 record with a 4.67 earned run average and 22 strikeouts on the season.

Schmitz said every time Wivini-



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Andrew Grahn, a senior pitcher, pitches in the game Wednesday at Coaches Stadium against Indiana State. The Panthers took a 5-4 against Indiana State.

is takes the mound, he looks like he is more comfortable being on the mound.

"That is the key for us that he feels good and we feel good behind him," he said.

Eastern plans to start junior pitcher Jake Johansmeier Saturday and senior pitcher Garrison Stenger Sunday.

Johansmeier is 0-4 on the season with a 7.23 ERA and has 22 strikeouts on the season.

"This is how we wanted to go with it," he said. "We feel good with 'Wiv' on the mound Friday to give us a good shot to win the first game."

Stenger worked four innings Wednesday and picked up his first win of the season. He will go into Sunday's game with a 1-6 record overall and a 10.55 ERA with 34 strikeouts on the season.

The Redhawks come into the weekend series with a 19-13 record

overall and are atop the OVC with an 11-4 record.

They are led by senior Andy Lennington, who has a .391 batting average on the season. Lennington has 23 runs batted in and three home runs.

Juniors Ryan Rippee and Branden Boggetto lead the Redhawks with five home runs each.

Rippee is hitting .287 on the season with 30 RBIs and Boggetto has 27 RBIs on the season and is hitting .258.

Junior pitcher Joey Lucchesi leads the Redhawks' starting pitchers with a 4.17 ERA and he is 4-1 on the season with five games started.

The Panthers and Redhawks will get their series underway Friday at 3 p.m. at Coaches Stadium.

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CAYLA MAURER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Kenny Micks, a senior Spanish major, tugs with Sigma Nu Wednesday at the campus pond. Sigma Nu defeated Sigma Alpha Epsilon with a time of 2:07. Sigma Nu will tug against Lambda Chi Friday at the campus pond.

## WHEN TUGS COME TO SHOVE

Greek life gears up for the final rounds of tugs Friday and Saturday

By Cayla Maurer  
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Months of preparation, hard work and practice have led up to the muddy mess that is tugs.

They were allowed to officially practice with the rope on Feb. 8.

Each Greek house voted two captains to oversee the tug team and the captains choose tuggers. Each team is made of 10 people on the rope and two alternatives.

Tara Leslie, a junior Sigma Sigma tugger, said her

first time tugging against Delta Delta Delta was one of the hardest things she's ever done.

"There was no doubt in my mind that we weren't going to win, but Tri Delta pulled us in a bit and we were in crazy mud," Leslie said. "But we pulled our stuff together and ended up winning."

Tri Sigma always wears tie-dye because they never wear their color, purple, while tugging. Tuggers also wear to braids and a pink bandanna in memory of a former sister's mother was diagnosed with breast cancer right before a tugs match.

Kenny Micks, a senior Sigma Nu tugger, said Sigma Nu tuggers prepare year round as far as lifting.

During the spring semester

member's train as a team doing cardio and weight lifting daily.

"As soon as we're allowed to touch the rope, we are inside or outside practicing five to six days a week, at least an hour a day," Micks said.

Micks said tugs is so competitive because tuggers are representing their chapter and don't want to their let house down.

**"Yes, we're tugging for points, but more importantly we're tugging for the other girls on the rope."**

-Lexi Malkusak, Kappa Delta tugger

Micks also said winning a tugs match is life nothing else in the world.

"I've played football my entire life, but winning a tug is a way

better feeling," Micks said. "The amount of strength, energy and effort that goes into the whole season and then just one tug is incredible."

Lexi Malkusak, a freshman Kappa Delta tugger, said Kappa Delta has a traditional of wearing knee-high black socks, bandannas and shirts with their nicknames given by the captains

on the back.

Kappa Delta also has a superstition of not washing their uniforms until their last tug is over because it would be bad luck.

As a first year tugger, Malkusak wants people to know that a lot of hard work and dedication go into tugging.

"It's not just tugging a rope across a pond; it's endurance, it's muscle, it's teamwork," Malkusak said. "Yes, we're tugging for points, but more importantly we're tugging for the other girls on the rope."

Malkusak said defeating Sigma Kappa was surreal yet rewarding.

"We've been working months for this and we were so excited," Malkusak said.

Kappa Delta will tug against Sigma Sigma Sigma Friday to claim a spot in the championship round Saturday.

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**WEEKEND PLANS**

**Friday - 4/10**

**Nathalie Miebach: The Weather's Getting Weird**  
Tarble Arts Center  
10 a.m.- 5p.m.

- Through her basket weaving, her main method of translation, Nathalie Miebach will explore the intersection of art and science by translating scientific data from meteorology, ecology and oceanography.

**UB Movie: Annie Lumpkin Auditorium**  
7 p.m., Free

- Foster child Annie's (Quvenzhané Wallis) life changes when business tycoon Will Stacks (Jamie Foxx) takes her in as a campaign move.

**Saturday - 4/11**

**Student Recitals: Patrick Moody and Eric Ellsworth**  
Doudna Fine Arts Center  
12-1:30 p.m., Free

-The EIU Department of Music presents Patrick Moody, both giving their senior teacher licensure tuba recitals.

**EIU's First Hover Cup McAfee Gym**  
2- 5 p.m., \$5 per person

-Presented by EIU's Society of Physics Students, teams of two to five people will race their homemade hovercrafts for the chance to win a giant Jenga set, a \$50 gift card to the Penalty Box and more. No experience is required to enter.

**Faculty Recital: Marilyn Coles with Paul Johnston**  
Doudna Fine Arts Center  
7:30-9 p.m., Free

-Faculty member Marilyn Coles, mezzo-soprano, will be accompanied by faculty member Paul Johnston, piano. The duo will perform a concert of composition favorites.

**Faculty member to perform last duet**

By **Darronte Matthews**  
Verge Reporter

It is almost time to bid farewell to one of Eastern's most adored voices and teachers as she graces the Doudna Fine Art Center's Recital Hall one final time.

Dr. Marilyn Coles is preparing to end her 27-year long career as a professor in the Music Department by performing her solo concert at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

Dr. Coles will be accompanied by Paul Johnston, an associate professor of jazz studies and jazz piano, in what he says will be their second full length program together.

The concert is free entry and will be consisting of over 20 songs, four of which are Johnston's own jazzy compositions and other will include an aria from *Carmen* and selections from the American Songbook.

Coles said the concert, mixing of jazz, classical and opera pieces, is expected to last a little more than an hour and while it will be her finale show, she wants it to be a celebration.

But after almost three decades of teaching at Eastern, her students and colleagues had wonderful things to say about her, so in regards to why she finally decided to retire, Coles just said it was time.

"I just decided that maybe it



**SUBMITTED PHOTO**  
Dr. Marilyn Coles will perform for the last time as a faculty member Saturday at the Doudna Fine Arts Center.

was time," Coles said. "All of my friends were retiring around me, so I thought maybe it was time."

Coles has had a highly impressive singing career, not only in the United States but also in Europe. She's lived in Austria and Germany, became fluent in German and spent ten years abroad teaching and singing in opera houses and performing in England, France and Italy.

Dan Crews, director of patron services, acclaimed Coles' voice and mentioned the lasting effect she has had on her students during her time at Eastern.

"Dr. Coles is a very beautiful singer and it's nice that our students get to work one on one with such a professional like she is." Crews said. "It's nice that she's been able to bring her professional experience, from singing in Europe, here and sort of inspire new generations of singers."

Coles said her mother claimed she could tell that her daughter had a gift for singing at the age of three months, but her actual public singing didn't start until three years later.

"I started singing in churches at the age of three and I just sang all the time," Coles said. "Every time anybody came over, I was ready to sing and every time we got into the car, I was singing."

This habit of singing all the time has led her to become a mezzo soprano, which is the singing voice that opera singers normally use.

Although she decided to pursue the classical route, she said her favorite genres of music are both classical and jazz, which is what she'll be singing on Saturday.

In regards to jazz music, Crews also had some kind words about Coles' accompanying pianist Paul Johnston.

"He's a fantastic pianist and a great composer," Crews said. "He's a very nice guy, fantastic musician

and will be a great accompanist for Dr. Coles."

Johnston said he started composing his own music while in college. In fact, one of his college compositions will be featured in Saturdays show.

He's also very happy to be working with Coles who he said was very welcoming to him when he first came to Eastern.

"Dr. Coles has been very dedicated and a wonderful service to the department and university," Johnston said. "We will certainly miss her."

Crews had a similar melancholy reaction to Dr. Coles' upcoming departure.

"It's going to be a big void here without Dr. Coles because of the role she's played, not only in the department and in the college, but also in the lives of so many students," Crews said.

After she retires in June, there was only one question left for Dr. Coles: what's next?

"I don't know yet; I'm just going to wait to see what's out there, it's like falling off a cliff," Coles said. "I'll do some volunteer work; I love to travel and definitely plan to go back abroad."

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**Review: 'Furious 7' bigger, better, faster**

The 'Fast and the Furious' saga has had a place in my heart since the first movie. 14 years later, and I'm still hooked.

"Furious 7" is a rollercoaster of emotions from happy and heart-felt to sad and nostalgic. Characters from previous movies make a comeback, even if they're in just one scene, but it is a nice throwback to the past movies.

Everyone who wants to see this movie, I have two tips for you. One, watch the first six movies in order from start to finish. Learn the background and characters. Understand what has happened up to this point. Notice every detail. If you are going to see the movie for the action-packed scenes, I understand, but you will be very confused as you try to untangle the relationships that have to be laid out over the series.

Two, bring your tissues. I'm not



**CAYLA MAURER**  
VERGE EDITOR

kidding. People get hurt, relationships change and issues from past movies arise. Of course, Paul Walker's untimely death played a large part in setting the tone. The farewell to Paul Walker will pull at your heart strings.

The movie is set up right where it left off with the capture of Owen

Shaw. Shaw's big, bad brother, Deckard Shaw, (Jason Statham) is out to avenge his brother by killing everyone who was involved with his demise.

From the get-go there are action-packed fighting scenes that show us Deckard Shaw is not going down without a fight and a few deaths notched in his belt.

Movie goes will go on a whirlwind ride of past events including Letty Ortiz (Michelle Rodriguez) and Dominic Toretto (Vin Diesel) returning to Race Wars and seeing old friends and to Dom, Brian and Mia (Jordana Brewster) back at the Toretto house where friends became family.

Big scenes like the \$3.4 million Lykan Hypersport driving through three buildings in Abu Dhabi will remind you that this is a 'Fast and Furious' movie. Because the movie

has so many reminders of previous movies it's hard to realize that this movie has its own place. But this scene and others show you that it is bigger and better than ever.

The movie has funny moments as well. Roman Pearce (Tyrese Gibson) lightens the mood with his witty sense of humor when he wants to be in control finally. His snarky comments and quit wit make Tej (Ludacris) resort to drastic resources to get him out of a plan toward the end of the movie.

Overall, 'Furious 7' is the perfect end (sort of) to a saga that has been a favorite to many over the years. The stunts are bigger, the relationships are stronger and the story ends with the opening for another movie.

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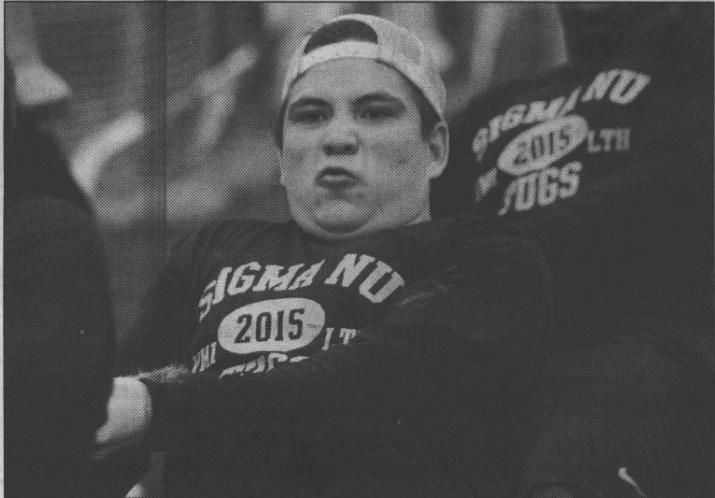
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# Tuggin' it out

Despite the less-than-desirable conditions, Eastern sorority and fraternity tug teams competed Wednesday in the hopes of securing a spot in the final rounds on Friday and Saturday.



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Mark Galvan, a sophomore Kinesiology and Sport Studies major, tugs with Sigma Nu Wednesday at the campus pond.



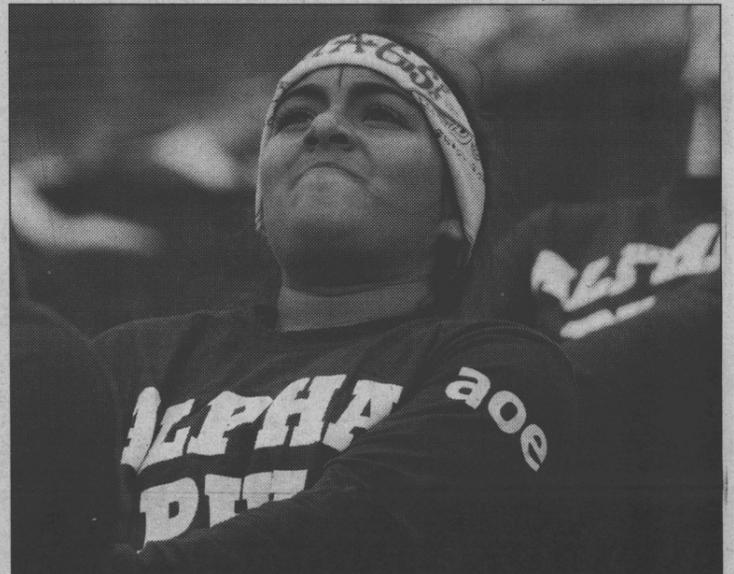
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Members of the Kappa Delta tugs team celebrating defeating Sigma Kappa with a time of 1:29 Wednesday. Kappa Delta will face Tri Sigma Friday.



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Members of Sigma Chi tug against Phi Kappa Theta Wednesday at the campus pond. Sigma Chi defeated Phi Kappa Theta with a time of 27 seconds.



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Jen Rodriguez, a sophomore member of Alpha Phi tugs Wednesday at the campus pond. Alpha Phi was defeated by Alpha Sigma Tau with a time of 1:56.

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## Festivals provide affordable music, vacations for students

It's almost that time of year again: music festival season. The deluge of flower crown, crop top and glow stick Instagram posts is almost upon us.

Hollywood royalty and lowly peasants alike are about to grace the Coachella Valley for a two-weekend long music festival, while posting up-to-the-minute play-by-plays of the music and fashion to social media sites.

All the while, final projects and exams are looming in Charleston, threatening social lives and sanities.

I might be living vicariously through the social media feeds. It's almost like I'm actually there.

Along with social networking sites, clothing stores and even music streaming programs like Spotify are hopping on the "festi" bandwagon.

According to an article in the Los Angeles Times, around 90,000 patrons were in attendance last year during each of the two weekends of the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Annual Festival in Indio, Cali.

That number pales in comparison to the nearly 300,000 people that attended Lollapalooza in Chicago's Grant Park in 2013 according to NBC Chicago.

The combined amount of social network, media and commercial coverage of festivals like these has created a sort of movement in its own.



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When planning a summer splurge or vacation, music festivals can provide all the entertainment, living arrangements and dining options necessary for a solid getaway, wrapped up in one little neon-colored wristband.

Each festival offers something different to its patrons, whether that be genres of music, art, or even a unique atmosphere.

At the Electric Forest Festival in Rothbury, Mich., attendees are offered traditional camping options as well as the option to relax in hammocks throughout the trees at the site.

Highlight reels from the previous year's festivals are often posted to YouTube to immerse prospective patrons in the experience that each venue provides.

Realistically, these are great oppor-

tunities for students with tight budgets to see artists and performers that they wouldn't otherwise be able to afford. Some one-day tickets for festivals offer dozens of performances for the same price as one artist concerts.

These tickets sell out remarkably fast though. According to Crain's Chicago Business, single-day tickets for Lollapalooza sold out within 40 minutes of the box office opening, and three-day passes soon after. In other words, if you want it, jump on it.

There's no shortage of festivals throughout the country, offering anything from electronic dance music to country and rock. Some even offer a variety of genres.

Summer music festivals can offer once in a lifetime experiences and memorable summer trips for broke college students.

With so many new festivals and virtually no boundaries, who's to say what will come next?

The Verge has covered student musicians and DJs in the area. Maybe Charleston residents will team up with Eastern students and create a day of local and student performances. Can we call it 'Chuck'chella?

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# Teammates strategize over hovercraft competition

By Rose Sacco  
Copy Editor

Eastern's Society of Physics Students will be hosting its first home-made hovercraft competition at 2 p.m. Saturday in the McAfee Gymnasium.

A meeting of the Society of Physics Students last semester prompted the group to come up with the idea to get more involvement in physics activities.

The Eastern and Charleston community were encouraged through flyers and Facebook posts to sign up for the competition as well as build their very own hovercraft.

Groups of two to five people were the only requirement for sign-up.

With prizes such as a giant Jenga set, a \$50 gift card to the Penalty Box, a homemade trophy and a \$100 cash prize, this competition is set on putting a fun spin on physics.

Two teammates are preparing for the big day by building a hovercraft unlike the rest.

Tom Sticha, vice president of the Society of Physics Students and a senior engineering physics major, and

Nick Nezamis, president of the Society of Physics Students and senior engineering cooperative major, are a hovercraft wonder-duo.

"We wanted to design something a little different, make it smaller...more sleek," Sticha said.

The teammates built their project using as little as four necessities: plywood, a shower curtain, a leaf blower and duct tape.

They are hoping to beat their competition in the race across the finish line by hovering the fastest while on the hovercraft.

"You turn the leaf blower on, the air blows into the curtain and it pops it up and allows you to float like a hockey puck around," Sticha said.

Their hovercraft typically pops up half a foot off the ground at start-up.

The teammates credit their (hopefully) winning strategy to trial and error while testing their hovercraft.

"We figured out that this material was really weak when we built it. Then we upgraded to heavy duty staples," Nezamis said.

Earplugs will be readily available at the competition, as the noise of many hovercrafts can be a bit overwhelm-



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Tom Sticha, senior engineering physics major, and Nick Nezamis, senior engineering cooperative major, built this hovercraft with plywood, duct tape, a shower curtain and a leaf blower.

ing.

"I am impressed with the other opponent that is going up against us. He has CO2 cans and check valves. So, you can go all out for this," Nezamis said.

Although the deadline to sign up and receive a T-shirt to the event has since passed, late registration for the

event is available with an entry fee of \$5 per person.

Besides the race, there will be prizes for best looking hovercraft, most creative and more.

"I just hope that if people signed up, we can show them that it is not that hard as you think it is. You do not have to be an engineering major

or physics major to build something like this," Nezamis said.

The teammates are hoping to further this competition and make it an annual tradition for the Charleston community.

The Society of Physics Students tried to reach out to the surrounding high schools but, according to Sticha, "there were more logistics involved in safety."

"I wish we did something like this in high school," Sticha said.

Nezamis believes a competition like this can have a huge effect on the correlation of students and physics.

"It would be a way to intrigue more students in high school to try to go for more science-related things," he said.

Because of that, Sticha and Nezamis are offering the extra leaf blower and plywood they have left over to any group willing to participate.

Groups interested in participating should contact Sticha at [tmsticha@eiu.edu](mailto:tmsticha@eiu.edu).

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## Review: All Time Low impresses again

If anyone ever looks into my high school music collection, they would find many bands, song and albums that I do not listen to as often now.

One band I have listened to since my freshmen year of high school in 2006 was All Time Low.

There are many reasons why I still love this band and the songs they create; they haven't gotten into any huge scandal, they haven't broken up and they do a lot for their fans.

Plus their songs always have a certain feel to it that you don't have to look up who it is singing the song, you know it is them.

They released a new album, "Future Hearts," a little less than a week ago, and let me tell you they do not disappoint. They are the same band, but there is something different, but a good different.

When I listened to them in high school they sang about the same problems I was going through, along with every other teenager out there. They do the same thing to me now at the age of 23.

They sound the same, but the lyrics and the meaning behind them feel more mature. I'm not saying their past stuff was childish; they just grew up. It feels like they grew up with me.

The songs in the past were good, but they were stuff other bands sang about. There was a story behind it, but it was a story everyone else was telling.

Now there is a more unique story, a story of what happened to them after all the basic high school drama stopped mattering, even though it didn't really matter in the first place.

There is more substance to the story they are telling through their album.

A few songs on the album called



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"Tidal Waves," "Missing You" and "Kids in the Dark" show this especially. Even their tone of voice is more mature compared to their older songs.

What I like most about the album is that it feels they grew up with not only me, but also the fans that have listened to them since their song "Dear Maria Count Me In," made them who they are today.

The last two songs, "The Edge of Tonight" and "Old Scars/Future Hearts," show through their lyrics how they have grown up from their previous songs.

All Time Low, you have pleased me once again, making me fall in love with music all over again. You have without a doubt made me realize how a story can be turned into not only a song, but also a whole album.

They do what artists did in the past and the fact that there is still a band out there that does this kind of music makes me happy and have hope that real heartfelt music is still alive and well.

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## Halestorm brings power of live shows onto 'Into the Wild Life'

On their third full-length release "Into the Wild Life," the four musicians of hard rock band Halestorm finally captured the raw power of both sound and emotion present in their live performances that have been previously lost in production.

The album is set for a North American release date of April 14, though the Pennsylvania-based group streamed it online starting Saturday.

The defining charm of the band is the stamina and skill that members have been building up in their live shows since they started Halestorm as children.

Their debut self-titled album introduced the group's unique personality, giving listeners a mix of songs with sexual innuendos, love stories and some subtly dramatic themes.

**"The defining charm of the band is the stamina and skill that members have been building up..."**

The band's 2012 follow-up "The Strange Case Of..." carried over much of the lyrical sassiness and stretched the group's song range both in the heavier, hard rock direction and in the more intimate, ballad direction.

However, the fault of Halestorm's songs up until this point is that, though they are not intentionally trying to be too radio-friendly, the slight overproduction combined with the mass appeal of the band started to lean them more in that direction.

The band even won the Grammy for "Love Bites (So Do I)"



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off its second album in the Hard Rock/ Metal song category.

But "Into the Wild Life" combines the elements of Halestorm that gives it a mass appeal, such as the members' willingness to dabble in other genres while maintaining a hard-rock edge and simple, relatable lyrics, and carries them to a whole new di-

mension.

When the band tested out one of the new songs from the album, "Mayhem," during a Chicago summer festival, I can remember being blown away at how completely different the song sounded than anything Halestorm had played before.

"Mayhem" will satiate Halestorm's more metal-leaning crowd; it gives the message that life is a drag and needs a little mayhem now and then, and it's the perfect track for singer and guitarist Lzzy Hale to stretch her vocal chords.

The song builds up to an intense ending where she forgoes the scripted lyrics and screams "I wanna feel the walls shake," over and over until she carries out an extended scream tinged with a mature raspy sound.

Another heavy track is "Apocalyptic," which is like the "I Get Off" of this album in concept but seemingly hides less behind the guise of "This is actually about how much we love playing music," and is straight to the point.

On the other end of the spectrum is the song "Amen," which ventures to entirely new territory in that it is church-themed and bridges on blues-rock.

"Dear Daughter" pulls the album in yet another direction; it is a slowed-down piano song speaking to young girls about confidence and getting through hard times.

"Sick Individual" is probably the most fun song on the album; it has a catchy groove to pull listeners in, then breaks into the chorus, "I'm a sick individual, and I'm doing this thing called whatever the f--- I want, want, want."

Overall, the simpler recording process enhanced this album, matching Halestorm's powerful stage presence and combining all of the group's best qualities while maintaining just enough heaviness.

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