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Changes to SGA constitution approved by SAC, Senate

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Changes to the Student Government Association's (SGA) constitution have been approved by Student Senate and Student Activities Council.

Revisions include the implementation of a code of conduct, clarification of disci-

plinary actions and the addition of an attorney general. The constitution review committee, which is in charge of reviewing the SGA constitution, worked on the revisions.

The current ethics administrator position in SGA would be changed to the attorney general position.

Matthew White, executive vice president of Student Senate, said the previous

section of the constitution required the ethics administrator to inform the person who received a complaint that they were being investigated. He said this allowed them to cover their tracks too easily.

"The attorney general can look into something without the person knowing," White said.

Terry Madsen, information technol-

ogy chair, said the ethics administrator's new role as attorney general would take on more of a "prosecutor role."

"What this new system does is the attorney general can now investigate a complaint on his own," White said.

However, the attorney general may re-

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Justin Breen, 21, criminal justice major from Springboro, Ohio, posed for photographer Todd Jackson for cap and gown photo at Gradfest. Graduate candidates could order photos, buy yearbooks and pick up caps and gowns at the event.



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Mandy Dunn, sophomore political science major from Berea, took advantage of the 24-hour study space in Java City.

Library offers 24-hour study space

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The library now officially has a 24-hour study space in the Java City atrium and the computer lab, a project that Student Government Association has been working on for a while.

The main library will be closed but there will be a security guard in the atrium from 1 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.

Madelyn Street, SGA academic affairs chair, said the 24-hour study area was announced at an implementation team meeting Monday.

"I went to that meeting and it was announced that faculty and administration have finally given in to student's want," Street said. "We are super excited and so thankful they did this."

Provost Janna Vice, a member of the implementation team, said they announced the 24-hour study area at one of their meetings but said the project was undertaken by the library.

"We're pleased to be able to provide students with a convenient safe place to study as they prepare for their final examinations," Vice said.

Terry Masden, SGA information technology chair, said the 24-hour study area was something he had been working on through SGA.

"When I became a chair that was one of the many things I wanted to get done," Masden said.

Julie George, the interim coordinator of public services at the library, said the library has received requests many times over the years for a 24-hour study area, but said it is very expensive to do, which is why the 24-hour study area has been available during finals week.

George said the idea for the study area came when she saw a letter to the editor in *The Eastern Progress* from a student who wanted a 24-hour study space. George said the library contacted the student who wrote it to get an idea of when

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Graduates get in the spirit

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Gradfest is an annual event that Eastern puts on every year for the upcoming May graduates. Gradfest began Tuesday in Keen Johnson and goes from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and ends on Thursday.

At Gradfest, a lot of things are going on for graduates including choosing cap and gown sizes, deciding to purchase a class ring, buying a video of the ceremony, figuring out if they want to go to graduate school at Eastern and much more.

Although it may be stressful for seniors to make all these decisions, Gradfest eases the fact in six weeks they will be moving on with their lives.

One of the many stations set up was known as the Senior Challenge, a donation that is taken every semester for seniors to benefit the University.

"This is put on by the juniors and seniors to donate before graduation," said Senior Challenge booth worker Jessie DaPisa. "This is to pull higher ratings in polls. It looks good for Eastern Kentucky University if their seniors are donating money before they even graduate. This money goes to

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Courtney Robbins, 22, communication studies major from Richmond, Paige Culnan, 22, communication studies major from Berea, Vuki Mandich, 22, occupational science major from Chicago, and Kelsey Edmondson, 21, occupational science major from Williamstown, visit the Alumni Association table.

Transition from heat to air conditioning starting early

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The transition from heating to air conditioning began on campus a month early and the transition's completion is anticipated for the end of next week.

Marc Whitt, associate vice president of public relations at Eastern, said the process of switching to air conditioning began Monday in some residence halls on campus.

"We are anticipating all residence halls by the end of this week will have air conditioning," Whitt said.

He said he expects all of the academic buildings on campus to be switched over by the end of next week.

Whitt said Facilities Services is in charge of the transition and said it checks the weather forecasts prior to the switch.

"This has been a very different winter and spring," Whitt said.

He said the transition this year was done a month earlier than usual and said this being Kentucky, there will always be the chance of things turning cold again.

Whitt said he appreciates the cooperation from everyone on campus dealing with the heat in the mean time.

"The administration really appreciates the patience campus wide," Whitt said.

AT&T service issues attributed to user increase

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Local AT&T users have recently been experiencing disruptive service.

AT&T is attributing the wide spread service issues of campus to a growth in its service users using up the capacity of the network and therefore causing people on Eastern's campus to become frustrated with various service issues.

"There has been an unprecedented growth of the use of wireless services, devices, which takes up a lot of the capacity of the network," said Cathy Lewandowski, senior public relations manager of AT&T Strategic Communications. "AT&T specifically is working with Eastern Kentucky University official to enhance the mobile Internet coverage on campus."

The over-use of AT&T devices causes a lot of strain on the network, especially when many people are using their devices at the same time, for instance at a football game.

Or when the devices are used for many different tasks, like if a student or faculty member multitasks, using devices such as the iPhone and the iPad as an "all in one" device also takes up a lot of the capacity to the AT&T network.

"We are currently working with our technicians to

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AT&T is currently working with technicians to add capacity to some towers, including one on campus, in order to decrease disruptions in service.

POLICE BEAT

All information is taken from Eastern police reports.

March 12

A female student reported someone had stolen \$40 from her wallet in Alumni Coliseum. The student said her wallet was inside her backpack, which she had placed in the girl's track locker room. When she returned to her locker, the money was missing. Her backpack was not secure inside the locker, but the locker room does have a number pad that requires a code for access. She claimed nothing other than money was stolen from her wallet.

March 13

Police responded to Commonwealth Hall after a female student, said her ex-boyfriend, a male student, had been coming to her room. The female stated she does not wish to have any contact with him and said he was hitting her door and

yelling for her. She does not wish to file charges at this time but was advised on the procedures to do so. Police contacted the male and advised him to break contact with her.

March 16

A male student in Keene Hall reported to police his door had been forced open. The residence adviser noticed the damage while completing a building floor check. The RA did not believe the damage was substantial enough to contact police. When the student returned to his room and noticed the damages, he contacted the EKU Police Department. Police noticed wood chips scattered across the floor, and it appeared as though it was struck with enough force to break in some areas. The door was still intact. The student confirmed nothing was stolen from inside his room. Facilities Services was contacted and installed a replacement door for the room. The damage to the door was valued at \$300. Police spoke with various students on the floor, but no one said they saw or heard anything.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Why Would An Atheist Want More Christian Missionaries?

Mark Coppenger, professor of Christian Apologetics at Southern Seminary, will be presenting about a column published by a British atheist. He will also be discussing topics from his book, Moral Apologetics, where he talks about various Christian ethics and culture. The event is being sponsored by the Christian Student Fellowship at 7 p.m. March 28 at the Wesley Foundation. Free desserts will be offered. For more information, contact Stuart Warren at stuart_warren16@eku.edu.

Electronic disclosure of government information debate

The philosophy and religion department is sponsoring an Oxford-style debate concerning the electronic disclosure of government information via the Internet. Eastern professors Ginny Whitehouse, Pat Costello and Mike Collier will be debating the topic from three different perspectives. The debate will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. March 26 in the Adams room in the Wallace Building. For more information, contact Patrick Puckett at 622-1400.

Coffee Time Lecture Series

The Department of Mathematics and Statistics has recently started the Coffee Time series. The talks discuss various mathematical or statistical topics to help students better understand it. The next lecture will be presented by Steve Szabo, Ph.D., at 2:45 p.m. March 28. Free coffee and cookies are available at each presentation. For more information on the series, contact Lisa Kay at 622-1621.



The Colonel's Calendar

Week of March 22 - March 28

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>4 p.m. Softball vs. Western Kentucky University, Hughes Field</p> <p>7 p.m. Miseducation of the Black Greek Xperience, Student Life, Powell Room 11</p> <p>Take Back the Night, EKU Safe, Wallace Room 149</p>	<p>3 p.m. Baseball vs. Jacksonville State University, Hughes Field</p> <p>8 p.m. Humperdinck's Hinsel & Gretel Opera Workshop, O'Donnell Hall SSB</p>	<p>11 a.m. Men's tennis at Tennessee Tech</p> <p>2 p.m. Softball at Jacksonville State University</p>	<p>1 p.m. Women's tennis at Marshall State University</p> <p>1 p.m. Patricia Griffith Guest Pianist, Gifford Theater</p>	<p>6 p.m. Backcountry Cooking, ConneXtions event, Presnell Building</p> <p>7:30 p.m. Wikileaks: An Oxford Style Debate concerning the unauthorized disclosure of classified government information via the Internet, Department of Philosophy and Religion, Wallace Room 149</p>	<p>1 p.m. Softball at Ohio University</p> <p>3 p.m. Baseball vs. Marshall State University, Hughes Field</p> <p>3:45 p.m. Would George Washington let his children play violent video games?, Department of Government, Library room 108</p>	<p>1:25 p.m. Is it Time to Change the Marijuana Laws?, CACTUS, Ferrell room Combs Building</p> <p>7 p.m. First Amendment Night at the Movies, Department of Communication and Society of Professional Journalists, Library Room 108</p>



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quest an investigating committee if they feel it is necessary.

Rachel Mollozzi, student body president, said, "If complaints do come into the picture, they [attorney general] can look into them and remain unbiased."

After the attorney general comes to a decision, Ally Sipes, Student Court chief justice, said Student Court would make a decision. She said this method is more efficient

because you would have nine people making the final decision, as opposed to four or five random SGA members.

"We thought it'd be more appropriate to have a solidifying body who makes the decisions at all times," said Ally Sipes, Student Court chief justice.

Madsen said the constitution review committee "made changes to the disciplinary process, so it's not nearly as long," and it would be a "much more expedient process."

Mollozzi said the code of conduct was a topic of discussion at the Advisory Board meeting last week.

"In the Advisory Board, we talked a lot

about questioning of the code of conduct," Mollozzi said. "Advisers felt there does need to be a specific set of actions"

The code of conduct was created by Student Court after last year's elections. The only changes made to it were grammatical.

"They were a little grammatical and wordy," Sipes said. "We changed this to make it very clear so that everybody knows. We try to make sure people behave with the upmost integrity at all times."

Mollozzi said if the changes are approved and do not work out, next year's administration could make further changes.

"It's not like we want to throw things on

next year's administration," Mollozzi said. "See how it goes this year, if it doesn't work, next year they can change it."

The grammatical changes were brought during previous branch meetings.

"Other branches made those changes, so we had to adopt them too," Madsen said. "There are no dramatic changes at all, just reworking."

The changes will be presented for approval at the next Residence Life Council (RLC) meeting Sunday. If RLC approves the changes, they will be presented to the Board of Regents at their next meeting in April.

GRADFEST

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the university to help with such things as scholarships."

Kenton Murphy was also sitting at the Senior Challenge table to keep the students informed of the donations they could make.

"The goal is to get at least 10 percent of seniors to donate at least some," Murphy said. "The most popular is donating a dollar which gets you off the calling list for a year after you graduate. If you are on the calling list, we call you ever so often to see if you want to donate."

Also, if seniors donate \$20.12, the price reflecting the year of graduation, they receive a T-shirt, and if someone donates \$30.00 they could get a cord for graduation.

There is also a registration table set up for seniors to check in at.

Bobetta Bullins, who helps run the regis-

trar table, explained Gradfest.

"Registrar's office usually deals with the inventory part of graduation such as the cap and gown," Bullins said. "Once you start to walk around you see that Alumni is a very big part as well. At Gradfest, it helps you feel more confident about graduation."

Bullins then said about the different tables that were present.

"Here at Gradfest you write down what you want your name to look like on your diploma, help with job search once you graduate, you can purchase a DVD of the graduation ceremony, and also talk to Mile Stone pictures to see if you will want to purchase pictures of you walking across the stage once you get your certificate and diploma," Bullins said.

AT&T

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add capacity to some of our wireless towers, (one of which is located on the campus)," Lewandowski said. "We do sincerely apologize for the inconveniences, we want students to know that we are aware of the service interruptions that some of Eastern Kentucky has been experiencing and we are also working to reach a solution to add enhanced coverage capacity to the cell tower on Eastern's campus."

Occupational therapy major, Whitney Peters, 19, from Paris said she has been losing service a lot recently.

"I can't text anybody, I can't call anybody," Peters said. "I've had to send my text messages twice."

Peters said she has only noticed the services issues while on campus.

"It only happens on campus," Peters

said. "I can send anything perfectly anywhere else."

Jeremy James, 19, construction management major from Bowling Green, also said he has had bad service on campus.

"3G didn't work at all," James said.

Kristan Paynter, 19, graphic design major from Danville, said she has been having problems with text messages.

"I couldn't send or receive text messages," Paynter said. "They all came in clusters."

Having one of the nation's largest 4G networks, a new iPhone coming out each year, and the new iPad 4G just coming out Friday, the use of AT&T's services keeps expanding tremendously, which is a large factor in the issues occurring on campus.

To get direct help with your AT&T issues you can call the local AT&T store at 623-0403.

STUDY

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the study space would be useful and did some number crunching.

George said it costs \$500 a week to pay for a security guard to be there.

"Instead of telling students 'no we can't afford it,' we'd like to do it, see what kind of use we get, and if it's not used very often then we can say, 'well we've done it and it wasn't used,' but if it gets tremendous use then we can say, 'you know what, this is something we need to build into our budget,'" George said. "It's sort of an experiment."

She said the library is going to offer the space from now until the end of the semester.

"We have always been centered on students but we're really just trying to look at as many ways as we can to help students be successful," George said.

Library associate, Savannah Marlow, said she is excited about the study area because it is something people have wanted for a while.

"We've had a lot of patrons express a desire for a 24-hour study area all the time," Marlow said. "We want to stay relevant to student lives."

This week in photos



A group of students escaped from the high indoor temperatures by spending the night in hammocks in the Ravine. Air conditioning is expected to be on in all Eastern buildings by the end of next week.

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CIA visits Eastern to explain career opportunities to students

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The CIA visited Eastern March 19 to hold two informational sessions explaining the career opportunities offered and how to apply.

The main focus of the agency is to coordinate intelligence collection, evaluate and disseminate vital information on political, military, economic and scientific developments abroad to safeguard national security and to keep policymakers informed they are looking to hire.

Most people assume the CIA is looking for criminal justice or homeland security oriented people. The CIA actually extends offers to applicants from all educational and professional experience; in short it hires an extremely diverse workforce.

On the idea of this workforce, Stacy, a presenter at the conference who would not give a last name or any other information

because of security reasons, said the CIA can hire such a variety of career paths because a lot of the work it does takes place in offices.

"The CIA is not what you see in the movies, the majority of the CIA is not in the field but takes place in offices and think-tanks," Stacy said.

Within the CIA, there are three distinct sectors of employment: The intelligence directorate, the directorate of science/technology and the directorate of support. The main positions the presentation stressed are core collectors, headquarter based officers and language officers.

Core collectors are field based with the task of recruiting and handling agents and bridging the gap between the policymaker and operations. Headquarter based career tracks are different in that most of the work occurs in the Washington D.C. area. Language Officers are mostly used for interpretation of cultural mannerisms and transla-

tions of information.

These officers are in high demand because the CIA does not "bring you on to teach you a language," said Pam, the other presenter who could also not provide any other information because of security.

You must be on the level to teach that language at college level. The needed languages are Arabic, Chinese, Farsi, Korean, Pashto, Dari, Somali, Russian, Kurdish, Turkish, Urdu and Indonesian to name a few "mission critical" languages. With the wide variety of positions available and the diverse pool of applicants, the CIA can offer experience found nowhere else.

There are two ways to obtain that experience: one is the NCS summer internship in Washington, D.C., and the other is applying to the CIA through its online application. The internship is for freshman and sophomores to gain experience over two separate 90-day summer programs. The requirements for the internship are a 3.0 GPA, lim-

ited work experience, passing of security processing and willingness to work in the Washington D.C. area.

For the online application, the form has a 72-hour window, so it is advised that all material be organized at the time of start.

Through the presentation on ways to apply, many of the attending students, like Chris Faas, 21, criminal justice major from Nicholasville, said they were encouraged to apply.

"It was interesting to see CIA agents in real life," Faas said. "The information given at this presentation showed me that opportunities at a federal level are obtainable and the career options available at the CIA aren't limited to certain fields and it was also interesting to hear about such a secretive organization from the source itself."

To apply or get more information about application process itself, visit the CIA career page at cia.gov/careers/index.html.

Eastern organizations lend hand to tornado relief effort

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A devastating tornado hit West Liberty and Salyersville Friday, March 2. Buildings, offices, homes, schools, restaurants and businesses were torn down, leaving people out of work. Hit by the tornadoes were the West Liberty newspaper, the Licking Valley Courier and the elementary school Salyersville Grade School in Salyersville.

The owner of the newspaper lost his business, almost all the equipment used to publish the newspaper and his home. The owner, Earl Kinner, has not missed an issue since the newspaper was first established, said Deborah Givens, journalism professor.

The Society of Professional Journalists (SPJ) is hosting an event at CiCi's pizza to help raise money for the courier. Everyone is welcome to come out and eat while supporting the cause by dropping receipts into a box beside the cashier. The event will be on Thursday, March 29 from 5-8 p.m.

"The whole community is welcome to come out and support," said SPJ President, Stephen Hauser. "It supports our colleagues and is the least we can do to help someone in our business."

Kerri Hinkle, a senior SPJ member and journalism major from Lexington, worked with CiCi's to coordinate the event. CiCi's will give SPJ a percentage of the profits made during the fundraiser, and a check will be written to the Kentucky Press Association foundation for the total amount made at the fundraiser to be donated to the Licking Valley Courier.

Givens said the fundraiser will also be in conjunction with First Amendment Week.

"It's a good way to tie everything together and highlights how important we think a strong newspaper is in a community," Givens said.

Givens encourages whoever can't make it to the fundraiser, to donate to her or Hauser. Donations can be made to Givens at Combs 317 or by calling 622-6564.

The Department of Curriculum and Instruction in collaboration with Kentucky Education Association Student Program (KEA-SP), Collegiate Middle Level Association (CMLA) and Elementary Methods is sponsoring a book drive for the Salyersville elementary school to replace what was destroyed during the tornadoes that passed through Magoffin County on March 2.

The students were able to return to classes in a temporary school building on March 19, but their school library was completely destroyed, which lost their entire collection

of children's books.

April Blakely, undergraduate coordinator and assistant professor in the department of Curriculum and Instruction, said the elementary school contacted Eastern's KEA president asking for help and the department jumped on the chance to help.

"As a teacher in the education program, we just felt very strongly about the needs of the schools that were destroyed," Blakely said.

She said the project as of Tuesday had been in action for less than 24 hours and had already received help from the local community.

Hastings is giving the Curriculum and Instruction faculty a 30 percent discount to buy books for the drive, and Blakely said the Barnes and Noble campus bookstore has even made some large donations.

Blakely said students in the department have been coming up with ideas to help.

"They're looking for their niche and creating their own momentum," Blakely said.

The Elementary Education Methods students and assistant professor Angie Madden will be sending a Scholastic book order to the school April 4.

Blakely said the department will make several trips to Salyersville to deliver books and money donations, making the first delivery Monday.

She said kindergarten through sixth grade books are needed to replenish the library and any books that the library decides it doesn't need, the students get to keep.

Dorie Combs, the chair of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, said she is excited to help because she wants to help the students get back to a normal way of life.

"I'm very excited because we have a school in need and it won't cost any of us a lot [to help]," Combs said. "Going to school is very important because it means the kids are warm and safe during the day."

Children's books can be dropped off in Combs 103 or Combs 215 and any faculty or students that would like to donate money toward purchasing accelerated reader books or write a check to the Salyersville Elementary School library fund should send the money to Dorie Combs by campus mail to Combs 215. Anyone who would like to donate money to buy scholastic books should send money to Madden by campus mail to Combs 215.

"Sometimes nothing will help you more than a good book to read," Combs said.



FILE PHOTO

With a minimum donation of \$12, participants will receive a handmade pottery bowl, meatless vegetable soup, bread and a drink. All of the proceeds will go to various Madison County organizations.

Art students handcraft bowls for annual charity event to fight hunger

By KEVIN SMITH
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Ten thousand dollars.

That was the magic number donated last year by Madison County residents for an annual charity that, in exchange for their contribution, gives patrons a handmade pottery bowl. It's called the Empty Bowls Event, which is now in its 14th year, and it's where citizens come together in March in order to work for those who cannot.

The charity fundraiser was first established in central Kentucky by Eastern's very own art professor Joe Molinaro, who said he was looking for a project for his students to give back to the community.

The bowls for the event are handcrafted by Eastern students, and they prepare about 800 bowls.

"We sometimes have all-night work sessions in which the students volunteer to work into the early morning hours finishing the bowls and getting everything prepared for the event," Molinaro said.

Some former graduate students show up to continue the tradition long after they have moved on from Eastern, Molinaro added. Local businesses also chip in, donating supplies and refreshments, he said.

A spokesperson from the mayor's office confirmed that Mayor Barnes and city commissioners Richard Thomas, Robert Blythe, and Donna Baird are going to be among those serving food and drinks this year.

The event is scheduled for Friday, March 23, and will be divided into two parts. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., lunch will be served at the First Baptist Church, located at 425 Eastern Bypass in Richmond. And from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., patrons will receive dinner.

Although the minimum donation for a bowl is \$12, those who attend can donate as much as they please. For their contribution, donors will receive a bowl of homemade soup, bread and a beverage.

During the event, attendees will be treated to local musical entertainment from the Samaritan Singers as well as The Madison Dulcimers. Patrons may keep the bowls and rest assured they have helped make a difference in someone's life. The bowls, Molinaro said, likewise serve as a reminder there are still people in the community who go hungry long after the event has passed.

All proceeds raised from the event will be distributed to four Madison County organizations: Food Bank of Kentucky River Foothills, God's Outreach Community Food Bank, Home Meals Delivery and the Salvation Army.

Lea Wells, the event's coordinator, said she was impressed by the amount of community support the event attracts each year.

IF YOU GO

Where: First Baptist Church, 425 Eastern Bypass in Richmond

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Dupree Hall recontracts less than half of fraternities

By TAYLOR PETTIT
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As recontracting continues for housing across campus, some halls may be looking at many empty beds.

"The numbers are low," said Lindsay Greenwell, associate director of Student Life.

Greenwell said she has talked to all of the Greek chapter presidents to remind and encourage students to recontract for campus housing within the Greek Towers for the fall.

The lowest numbers were found in Dupree Hall, where the current number of students who recontracted is approximately around 65 to 70 fraternity men.

"To me, that's a concern," Greenwell said. "As a fraternity hall, if it's not at least half full of fraternity men...The perception is not good."

Greenwell said the sororities are not seeing the same issues, which she said she believes can be chalked up to a "live-on" re-

quirement. A "live-on" requirement being that a new member is required to live on the assigned floor for a certain amount of time.

"Girls really have a bonding experience living on the floor," said Breanna Uebelhor, 20, pre-vet major from Lexington. "I don't know if guys have the same bonding experience."

Uebelhor, treasurer of Eastern's Panhellenic Council, said she has never lived on the floor, but the experience adds to a Greek experience.

"You can tell the difference and the separation from people who have lived on the floor and those who haven't," Uebelhor said.

The Greek chapters on campus actually rent to live in the Greek Towers. They pay this rent through the dues each member pays.

"Fraternities look at it as a recruiting tool, 'Hey, we can put new guys up there,'" Greenwell said. "That's putting a lot of eggs in one basket."

Greenwell also said an issue involving low recontracting numbers for fraternities

may also have to do with the fact many fraternities do not look at the retention of their new members as often as sororities.

"The floor really is for new members who join," said Joe Katzman, a 21-year-old psychology major from New York City. "A lot of people like to live off-campus."

Katzman, who is a member of Sigma Nu and IFC (Interfraternity council), said he has lived in Dupree for two years and thinks many fraternities bank on pledge classes to fill up beds in the fall.

"They think they will just fill them back up in the fall," said Katzman.

Jacob Powell, a 22-year-old psychology major from Henderson, also said that because of various fraternity suspensions and sanctions, some students may be apprehensive about living in Dupree.

"When your chapter is on suspension, it limits how much you want to be involved on the floor," Powell, president of IFC, said. "People who would normally live on the floor, don't."

Greenwell said most groups were sur-

prised how low their recontracting numbers were and are currently working to bring those numbers up.

But Powell said this year he feels it is out of the ordinary.

"I think it's a combination of small issues," Powell said. "Normally, this isn't a huge issue."

But Powell said another major factor in low recontracting numbers is the fact many upperclassmen prefer to live off campus.

"As everyone gets older, they move off campus," Powell said. "It becomes a problem as the younger guys get to know each other and they move off, too."

But Katzman said overall, he sees positives in living on the floor.

"People like living on with everyone," Katzman said. "That's how I got to know everyone."

Housing denied comment or confirmation of recontracted students because the recontracting period will remain open until April.

Greek Weekend kicks off March 22

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Greek Weekend, a weekend dedicated to Greek events and competition kicks off this weekend with a throwback to a 90s classic - Now That's What I Call Greek.

The weekend will run from March 22 through March 25 and will include various events for all Greek chapters.

"It's important to show how these communities work together and celebrate together," said associate director of Student Life Lindsay Greenwell.

The events include the Greek Games, an awards ceremony and the highly anticipated Greek Sing.

"For most people they look forward to Greek Sing," said Samantha Estes, 21, public relations major from Oldham County. "I feel like a lot of different chapters really get into it."

Estes, who served as a chair for the weekend, said the competition factor of the event is the biggest draw for participation.

"It's a good way for everybody to come together," Estes said.

The weekend will be similar to others in the past but Greenwell said the event has been "enhanced."

"The decision to move it after spring break was a major factor in that," Greenwell said.

Greenwell said various members of the Greek community have participated in addition to the Greek hall council.

"I think the biggest event will be the kick-off," said Greenwell.

"It's important to show how these communities work together and celebrate together."

**Lindsay Greenwell
Director of Student Life**

Greek Weekend Schedule

Thursday, March 22

11:30 a.m., Kids Fest
3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Greek Weekend Kick-Off at Greek Towers (rain location Powell Lobby). Co-hosted with Greek Towers Greek Council

Friday, March 23

7 p.m., Greek Sing, Brock Auditorium
\$5 general admissions (proceeds to benefit the United Way of the Bluegrass)

Saturday, March 24

11 a.m., Executive Appreciation Brunch (RSVP required)
5 p.m. to 10 p.m., The Greek Challenge at the Intramural Fields

Sunday, March 25

2 p.m., Greek Awards, Brock Auditorium

Sigma Chi banned from Greek Weekend

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All fraternities and sororities in good standing are invited to participate in Greek Weekend.

But Sigma Chi, as part of a punishment for hazing, has been forbidden to participate in the events.

The group, which was investigated by the Hazing Investigation Committee in

January, is also forbidden from participating in intramurals as an organization and to host or co-host any events as a group until the end of the semester.

"Obviously, we think they are mistaken," said Bradford Marsili, 22, biology major from Harlan. "We feel they made a bad call."

The group appealed, but its appeal was denied in February.

The Committee found that the group was guilty of hazing pledges. The Committee found that pledges were "made" to write "embarrassing poems" to sorority women, according to investigation documents.

The women were then asked to sign a paper that stated the pledge had read the poem, according to investigation reports.

"As president, my main concern was Greek Weekend," Marsili said. "Because it doesn't affect just us. There was another sorority and fraternity we were matched up with for [events]."

The group was not suspended or punished in any other way besides requiring all members to attend a hazing seminar in April.

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Seth Littrell, editor

Eastern's neighbors need help



The towns of West Liberty and Salyersville were directly hit by tornadoes during the storms on March 2. Several homes and businesses within the area were damaged or destroyed.

Recently tornadoes and storms cut huge swaths through Kentucky and surrounding states, leaving in their wake unimaginable destruction and more than 20 dead. Some of the hardest hit towns in the commonwealth are West Liberty and Salyersville, which are less than a two-hour drive from Eastern.

Richmond was very lucky not to get severely hit by the storms, but now that they have passed and we're still standing, it's time to get to work helping those who weren't so fortunate.

The people of West Liberty and Salyersville are our neighbors. They are our fellow Kentuckians, going through the same day-to-day struggles as we do. Only now they are faced with the added troubles created by destroyed businesses and homes. But despite how close this disaster oc-

curred, there has been little work done by groups on campus to aid in relief.

We at *The Progress* realize college students are not very well off financially. Sometimes, even obtaining the basic necessities can be difficult. But we are also motivated members of a community that can bring hundreds of people to aid a cause when need be. As a campus, we have the ability to bring attention about issues to the people around us.

There are also other ways of helping beyond donating money. Students can donate time and manpower to helping clean up the damage left by the storms, which, as you can see from the photos above, is significant. Another way students can get involved is simply by bringing awareness for these places and others to people who were untouched by the tornadoes. Spread the word so more people will

come to help these towns back on their feet.

A year ago, an earthquake and subsequent tsunami ravaged the shores of Japan. It was a true disaster, and the response from students at Eastern was nothing short of spectacular. Many students went out of their way to give whatever support they could to people that were half-a-world away. It was proof of the impact we can make in the aftermath of a disaster.

Now, the disaster has hit a little closer to home. Still, those involved are no less devastated by what happened. Lives have, both literally and figuratively, been destroyed by this tragedy. Once again, it is time for Eastern to step up and set an example of the way people should care for other people in their time of need.

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Kentucky house bill addresses voters' rights issue

The United States prides itself on being a democratic nation valuing individual rights. Yet, the land of the free and home of the brave has failed to uphold a universal system to outline voters' rights. In Kentucky alone, over 186,000 taxpaying citizens are denied the privilege of voting due to a past felony conviction. However, in neighboring states Ohio, Indiana, Missouri, Tennessee and West Virginia, former felons who have served their time are given their democratic voice back, giving them an added incentive not to commit future crimes. Kentuckians need to help individu-

als move forward by focusing on positive community reintegration so that former felons may become productive members of society rather than stigmatize them for past mistakes. By supporting House Bill 70, which will restore the voting rights of most non-violent offenders after they have finished serving their punishments, community members can help this group of citizens move forward in a positive manner.

In order for House Bill 70 to reach the November ballot, it must pass out of the State Senate; an endeavor proven impossible in recent years. Thus, a surge of

community support is needed. Citizens need to take action by calling the "Legislative Message Line" (1-800-372-7181) and leaving a message saying "Please support House Bill 70" for both the Senate Judiciary Committee as well as Madison County Senator Jared Carpenter. If you care at all about equality, then please support Kentucky's restoration of voters' rights. After all, the right to vote is the most valuable and precious right we have.

Molly Johnson,
Student

Proposed tobacco-free policy 'highly restrictive'

I want to express my disagreement with the proposed tobacco-free policy currently under consideration by the faculty senate. Most importantly, this policy would infringe significantly on the personal liberty enjoyed by faculty, staff, and students. It is time to increase our freedoms, not diminish them. Other problematic issues in the policy include the following:

- The "anonymous reporting site," which seems like a vehicle for intrusive monitoring of individual behavior.

- The "corrective action and disciplinary procedures" for infractions. Do we really want people disciplined or even fired for smoking? The blanket prohibition on all types of tobacco, even those that do not produce smoke.

- The fact that "All members of the University community share in the responsibility for 'bringing it to the attention of visitors.'" I for one want no such responsibility.

For those concerned about second hand smoke, a better approach would be the enforcement of the current policy, which I have never seen enforced, even when people clearly, consistently, and publicly violate it. What is the point of having this highly restrictive policy if the moderate current policy has proved difficult to enforce?

Todd Hartch
Associate Professor

Hot classrooms create bad learning environment

After leaving the learning sweatshop, err, I mean class, I began to wonder how much money is Eastern saving by not turning on the air conditioning? I know budgets are tight these days and every penny counts, but seriously, it was 79.5 degrees in my first class in Combs and 79 in the next, which followed immediately after. I know this because I checked the thermostats prior to watching my professors' futile attempts to lower the temperature. It should also be noted that a good portion of these classes have no windows

and no fans, and the only thing opening the doors did was let in some extra noise.

So after leaving class, sweating like I had just done a session of Tae Bo with Billy Blanks, the first thing on my mind was a shower. I imagine that thousands of other students on campus share a similar mindset. Albeit water may be cheap, but I imagine when you add the cost of heating the water to a comfortable temperature and multiply this by the number of showers, it probably results in a considerable sum of money. In the end, if East-

ern is even saving any money its probably miniscule. Not to mention they are creating a horrible environment to try to learn in. Plus, it does not seem too far a stretch to say it is only a matter of time before a student (especially if they are hungover) faints due to dehydration, and busts their head on something. In that case, any money Eastern saved will vanish into the hot muggy air we sit through every class.

Benjamin Bothen
Student

Student faces stress of post-college job hunt



My Turn:
Tristan Meiman

So I'm going to be very blunt with you. I am afraid. My time in college is coming to an end, and after 18 years of constant education I should be proud of the milestone I have reached.

This is somewhat true. I am very proud of the accomplishments I have made throughout my life. But where has this sudden wave of fear come from? Graduation. The sight of the end is both exciting as well as terrifying. That fear is related to our country's current job market.

Now, I refuse to go into a discussion about our country's politics or economical situation because to me it's nothing

but a blame game and I refuse to give myself excuses. All I know is the job market is an extraordinarily demanding and over-all competitive world.

And that is where my fear lies. Like most students who are graduating this May, I have discovered the search for a career can take a toll on one's mind and at times, self-confidence. Example: I am about to graduate and even though I apply for a job that is relevant to my field, I do not get it. Hell, maybe I can't even land a basic part-time job though I have a college degree.

Something like that makes all the written papers, all the exams, the all-nighters and all those times studying for nothing. The feeling of being a disappointment to not only myself but also my friends and parents sank in. For a brief time I wasn't myself. Instead of the talkative, happy, carefree person that I usually am, I felt empty and extraordinarily depressed.

This was something that I dreaded from the moment I declared my major in

journalism. I have no regrets on becoming a journalism major. In fact, I love what I do, but the thought of entering a world where it feels like one has to beg to get a job that they have spent their entire college career for is a bit discomfoting.

I have applied for a series of jobs, both part time and full time. Applying for them is not the issue. The chance of work is, if anything, a glimmer of hope in the dark world of unemployment.

There is no doubt about it. This time in my life is not the best thing I have experienced, so I have to look at the positives. I am alive. My friends and family love me more than I could possibly imagine. And in only two months, I will be a proud graduate of Eastern Kentucky University.

This is just a small bump in the road that will soon be fixed. And in the future when I'm working at my dream job, I can look back on this article and smile. So to the future Tristan Meiman I say, "Well done, Tristan. You did it!"

Hazing puts unfair stigma on Greek life



My Turn:
Cari Tretina

Coming from central Virginia, I knew absolutely no one at Eastern in 2009. I had joined the ECU 2013 Facebook group, but messaging a person once via a social media site does not constitute a friendship.

The eminent danger of me spending my four years in Kentucky alone made me decide to attend Colonel Camp, which turned out to be one of the best decisions I ever made. I had a great time and immediately made some of my closest friends. Once returning from Colonel Camp, talk of fall sorority recruitment began. My daily attire consisted of athletic shorts, a T-shirt and a bandana, and I didn't even own a pair of heels; joining a sorority was not an interest of mine.

After realizing literally all my friends and every girl on my floor in Palmer were going through the five-day recruitment process, loneliness, once again, forced me to participate. Since I was rushing for the sole purpose of entertainment, I could have cared less what the sororities thought of me. The first night, and one of the most important nights of recruitment, I wore Pepto-Bismol colored shorts with a not-matching striped, lighter pink

polo, plaid Nikes and, of course, ankle-high, white long socks. Needless to say, I was looking fly.

Somehow making it to the last night, I decided I wanted to make a lasting impression with one of the chapters. I accomplished said goal by high-fiving every single member as I entered and exited the room.

My high-fives must have worked because the next day I became a new member of Alpha Gamma Delta, and I couldn't have been happier. Laughter, excitement and unforgettable memories filled my new member period. Not once during those eight weeks did I ever feel uncomfortable, out of place or pressured. All of the members of Alpha Gam were kind and considerate. I was never forced or blackmailed to do anything I didn't want to do.

Flash forward to 2012, and things have not changed a bit. However, a few fraternities on campus have caused a negative stereotype for the entire community. A couple of exceptions should not create the rule. Not only have I been in Eastern's Greek community for three years, but I am currently Alpha Gamma Delta's president for a consecutive term. My chapter has never hazed. Being a president of a Greek organization requires a lot of communication and interactions with the other chapters on campus. With that said, I have become quite close with the other sororities here at Eastern. They, too, do not haze.

Just like everything in life, you should never judge a book by its cover. Yes, it is true some fraternities on our campus have gotten in trouble for hazing, but that does not automatically set a standard for the entire Greek community. Every chapter, not just the sororities, donate hundreds of dollars to charities and philanthropies each year, on top of completing countless hours of community service. Sororities and fraternities even require a member to keep a certain GPA to remain a part of the chapter, so if positively contributing to society is not convincing enough, then the demand for academic excellence should do the trick.

Alpha Gamma Delta changed my life. The girls in my chapter looked past my hideous fashion sense and got to know who I was on the inside. I'm a stronger and more driven person, and hazing has nothing to do with these changes. The values and purpose my chapter has taught me is to thank. Greek Life does not promote demeaning someone or advocate making others feel inferior; Sororities and fraternities are here to allow a person to grow and thrive as a human, caring individuals wanting to make a difference in the world.

We don't bite; we don't enjoy hurting others; we don't think differently of those not involved in Greek Life. We are just like you, just with a different shirt on.

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"Internships"

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- I think interested students should have the opportunity to participate in internships or service learning positions to ensure that they don't enter their professional lives with little idea of the workplace.
- I conducted a middle school band, and it was fun.
- I really need an internship.
- I'm (interning) with the church, the Catholic Campus Ministry. It's great.
- Well, you love paid internships, but other than than if you have a job and everything it's kind of hard to do an internship.
- It's a good way for you to put your foot in the door.
- Getting a lot of experience.
- Somebody who has internships on their resume looks a hell of a lot better than somebody who doesn't.
- My major is special education, but the internship I applied for is not related. It's working for the NFL actually, as a PR rep. I'd be working for Tampa Bay. I like the NFL and I've always wanted to do something like that so I was like, "Why not apply?"
- I've never had an internship before. I don't really know much about them.
- My internship was easy.
- I interned for Woodmen of the World. They sell life insurance. I just sat at the desk and waited for whatever she needed me for and she didn't need me for much, so I just sat there.
- I'm a sophomore, maybe in a year or so.
- They suck, and I hate them.
- It's all about who you know.
- My internship is wack. I'd never work there.
- Internships are awesome, it's a great way to get your foot in the door.
- I'm an English major. We sit in on classes, but we don't really have to do internships.
- Internships are really helpful to get your name out there.
- Internships open up the door for a lot of other jobs that you may be interested in.
- No, I'm not doing one just because I'm an education major. So I guess the closest thing to an internship I'd be doing is my student teaching.
- I don't guess... I haven't really heard of anything.
- I'm going on a missionary trip, so no.
- I just haven't been looking, really.
- I'm particularly looking for paid ones, but I'm not totally against the idea. I haven't found one yet though.
- I'm more interested in relaxing than working this summer.
- If it happens, it happens... I'm not searching for anything in particular though.
- I'm in PGA golf management and we're required to take internships over the summer. You never really get to learn it unless you experience it.

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DRUGGING AND DRIVING

MADISON COUNTY REPORTS 10 DEATHS, SEVEN INJURIES CAUSED BY DRIVING UNDER INFLUENCE OF DRUGS

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Last year, 10 people died in Madison County and another seven were injured in car crashes caused by drivers under the influence of drugs.

Nearly 2,000 collisions were reported in Kentucky involving drivers suspected of being under the influence of drugs, according to the Kentucky State Police 2010 annual report.

Driving under the influence of any drug affects the brain and can impair motor skills, reaction time and judgment. More than a third of drivers who were stopped for erratic behavior or caused a crash had at least one illegal drug in their system. Over 30 million Americans admitted to drugging and driving, reported the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

"Police officers are just starting to get tools to identify legal and illegal drugs related to driver behavior," said Terry Kline, program coordinator and professor for Traffic Safety Institute at Eastern.

The court system does not have appropriate research that indicates a level of drug use that affects driver performance. Without tools for arrest and research for conviction, drivers are often not found guilty of DUI unless they plead guilty, Kline said.

"Currently there is no law against drugging and driving in the state of Kentucky," said Jared Smith, a police studies major in the criminal justice department. "There is no law that stops you from being high while you're driving, if you're stopped by police and they find marijuana on you, that's when you get in trouble."

Mass media is not used enough in this arena, and no drugged-driving message has been disseminated, said Richard Compton, director of National Highway Traffic Safety Administration in a research done for the National Institute on Drug Abuse in March

2010. Reducing drugged driving rates will require good data on the extent of the problem, so researchers can measure the impact of interventions.

"You just don't see as many wrecks related to drugs as you do alcohol," Smith said. "There is so much focus on drinking and driving because programs such as MADD put money toward research programs and advertising."

An estimated 10.5 million people reported driving under the influence of illicit drugs, according to a recent National Survey on Drug Use and Health. The study found over 12 percent of users were among college-aged people.

Of the total number of positive drug tests, marijuana accounted for nearly 50 percent; cocaine was detected in a fourth of the positive cases while opiates were detected in less than 15 percent, according to a 2010 study by the National Institute on Drug Abuse.

"In most drug related wrecks among college students, police usually find marijuana in their system," Smith said. "Marijuana is the easiest drug to get a hold of and cheapest for students to buy."

Marijuana affects areas of the brain that control the body's movements, balance, coordination, memory, judgment, as well as sensations, according to the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Because these effects are complicated, more research is required to understand marijuana's impact on the ability of drivers to react to complex and unpredictable situations.

"Usually someone who is driving high is very paranoid," Smith said.

"They are really cautious and usually go slower than the speed limit; this is when they get caught. It's not because they are swerving, they're too careful and stand out."

Drugs are often used in combination with alcohol, but police officers have no incentive to look for drugs other than alcohol, according to Compton's research. It is much easier to prosecute an impaired driving charge based on alcohol impairment than it is for drug impairment.

Officers typically look for signs of alcohol impairment first. If alcohol impairment is found, the investigation usually stops at that point. Officers don't continue testing to see if there were drugs involved. Compton's research indicated officers should not approach drugged driving in the same way as alcohol-impaired driving because drugs are much more complex than alcohol.

Impairment increases significantly when marijuana use is combined with alcohol. Studies conducted by the National Institute on Drug Abuse have found that many drivers who test positive for alcohol also test positive for marijuana, making it clear that drinking and drugged driving are often related behaviors.

The Institute for Behavior and Health, Inc. has concluded the costs of drugged driving each year include \$33 billion in damages every year.

"I do think there needs to be more focus on drugging and driving," Smith said. "If we don't bring drug and driving awareness to the public now, drivers will continue to push the limit and try to be daredevils."



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Angela Sensabaugh owns and operates bakery Stella Jane's Bakery, along with her husband John.

It might be one of Richmond's best kept secrets, opening its doors in November 2011.

John wanted to create a bakery after seeing Berea had no such establishment and opened one in December 2010. However, John, a general contractor, and Angela had no experience in the bakery business. They began experimenting with recipes.

Some recipes came from family members and the Internet, while others they just made up on their own.

"We would fry up the donuts and call everyone we could think of to come in for taste testing," Angela said. "We just continued this trial and error process until we got everything tasting just the way we wanted."

The next challenge was a name. But this challenge had an easy solution.

"This actually came pretty easy," Angela said. "We put my grandmother's name and John's grandmother's name together and got Stella Jane's."

Stella Jane's is not the place to find "fake" donuts, my friend. If you're looking for a delicious, authentic, sugary treat, there is no competition. The

donuts' smell, feel and taste reflect their homemade origin. Angela has perfected the true bakery-style donut.

Stella Jane's offers the classics, such as glazed and chocolate-dipped, as well as a maple-dipped. Cake donuts come in a variety of flavors such as white, chocolate, coconut and blueberry.

Filled-yeast donuts such as raspberry and Bavarian cream are put out daily, but many other flavors are available for special orders.

"We also have chocolate dipped Boston cream Long John's, cinnamon rolls and apple fritters," Angela said. "Apple fritters are our most popular item."

Stella Jane's cinnamon rolls are big enough to split between two people, but so mouthwatering you might not want to share. They also offer special orders with a four-dozen minimum as well as special occasion cakes and catering.

"We also make fresh Parker House yeast rolls," Angela said. "Par bake then freeze them, so that customers can take them home to finish baking them when they want."

Delectable delicacies aside, what really sets Stella Jane's apart is freshness. You won't find day-old donuts here. Everything is served fresh.

This cash-only, family-operated establishment opens 7 a.m., Tuesday through Saturday, which is the perfect time to grab a donut before your first class.

Through April 22, Stella Jane's is offering a special for all of Eastern's faculty, staff and students. Come in with your EKU ID and get a dozen donuts for \$4.99 (limit two dozen) and \$13.99 for a dozen specialty donuts (limit two dozen).

You can contact Angela Sensabaugh at 859-358-6386 with orders or questions. Stella Jane's Bakery is located at 330 Eastern Bypass in Richmond, near Domino's and the UPS store. The Berea shop is located at 809 Paint Lick Road.

5th Annual EKU Triathlon taking place on April 14

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Sometimes a trip to the gym just doesn't cut it. For those looking to swim, run and bike their way through a friendly, competitive atmosphere, EKU Campus Recreation's fifth annual triathlon should be exactly the workout needed.

Taking place 8 a.m. on April 14 the upcoming triathlon promises to exceed last year's impressive turnout.

"The 2011 triathlon had 80 participants and was the first year that we used digital timing through a professional racing company Head First Performance," said Greg Corack, assistant director of Intramurals & Sport Clubs. "They administer numerous races throughout the region."

Corack added this race provides an approachable challenge for both dedicated athletes and those without any experience.

"This sprint triathlon is a great opportunity to experience the sport at a distance that is achievable for all fitness levels," Corack said.

And at \$15 for students, \$25 for faculty, staff and alumni members of the Fitness and Wellness Center, and \$35 for all others, Corack said the registration fees are a major draw for the event.

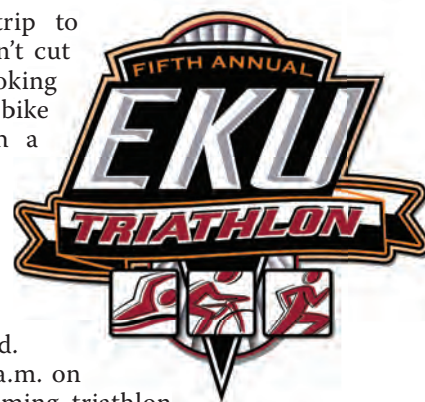
"The price point is also very affordable as it is hard to find a triathlon for only \$15 anywhere," Corack said.

Don't have a bike of your own to compete with? Not a problem.

"Students can sign up as a team and race with friends who may have a bike or contact Betsy Hagan at Campus Recreation to rent a commuter bike for the event," Corack said. "These bikes rent fast, so make sure to contact her now to reserve your bike for the race."

Though all competitors get a wicking race shirt and a gift bag for competing, there are also prizes for first place in each division, split into male and female races: Students, 39 and under, 40 and over, and team.

Registration for the triathlon is open until April 9 at the Fitness and Wellness Center. For more information about the race, check out the Campus Rec website at campusrec.eku.edu.



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BRING ON YOUR WRECKING BALL

A TRACK-BY-TRACK REVIEW OF BRUCE SPRINGSTEEN'S LATEST ALBUM

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Bruce Springsteen has always been a man to speak to our times.

Following the shocking events of 9/11, he responded with the inspiring album *The Rising* that shared both the confusion and broken heart of our nation and uplifted with a sense of unity and hope. The War in Iraq and the tumultuous Bush era were met by the bleak *Devils and Dust* and the biting *Magic*, while the exhilaration and exaltation of the Obama inauguration saw his celebratory *Working on a Dream*. Whatever the state of the union, he soon provides the anthem.

He is rock's greatest historian, outlasting his contemporaries and out rocking his followers, and as he once sang, teaching us more with a three minute record than we ever learned in school.

Years and a crippling financial crisis later, Springsteen's back with the most direct, confrontational and angriest album he's ever made: *Wrecking Ball*.

In his greatest works, the concern has always been the same: Measuring how far our reality has drifted from the American dream. And in Bruce's mind, they've never been further apart. He's had it with the greed and corruption infecting our country from the top down and wants it stopped by whatever means necessary.

It's his protest album, his Occupy E Street.

This "us vs. them" mentality is often too broad and never subtle, but it is most certainly rousing, and the music is undeniably as fresh and joyous as ever, bringing in a wide variety of influences and sounds sure to surprise diehard fans and newcomers alike. So in order to fully delve into the variety in what may go down as his

most political album, as well as to pay tribute to the living legend, here's a track-by-track breakdown of Springsteen's latest.

"**We Take Care of Our Own**"- This is the album's first single, and the one track that screams "Classic Springsteen" on the album. Much like the eternally misinterpreted 80s hit "Born in the U.S.A.," this song sports a chorus that dares any wannabe Reagan out there to play this on their campaign trail this upcoming election season. "The road of good intentions has gone dry as a bone" in a country that Bruce ironically notes has all but abandoned "taking care of our own." Key Lyric: "There ain't no help, the cavalry stayed home/There ain't no one hearing the bugle blowin'."

"**Easy Money**"- If the previous track set the landscape, this one digs into the individual stories populating this world. Here, the protagonist urges his lady to put on her red dress, as Springsteen's heroes tend to do, and hit the town for the night. But all the strings and "woos" can't hide the fact that the bankers up on the hill are moments away from destroying their lives. And the worst part? "They'll just think it's funny." Key Lyric: "I got a Smith & Wesson 38/ I got a hellfire burning and I got me a date."



"**Shackled and Drawn**"- An early favorite that's ready to win over even the sternest Bruce haters. He growls his way through a modern take on a slave song with a chain-gang beat about a man who wants nothing more than to work, but can't find it anywhere. "What's a poor boy to do but keep singing his song?" When the songs are as layered and foot-tappingly addictive as this one, how could you resist?

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Mass Effect 3 splits opinions

GAME PROVIDES EXCITING, SATISFYING END TO CLASSIC TRILOGY

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I usually go into big finales with a grain of salt, but I've learned that when the game company Bioware needs to buckle down and deliver, it won't disappoint. Not only did I believe that *Mass Effect 3* was a satisfying ending to the story of Commander Shepard, it also exceeded my expectations in terms of both gameplay and story, and it lent itself to some legitimately tear-jerking moments.

This game tells the final chapter in the most intriguing way by starting you as an out-of-commission officer under house arrest and the threat of the reapers, a race of ancient super intelligent machines whose sole purpose in life is to wipe out not only humanity, but anything else with a pulse.



Earth is under siege in the beginning, and an entire army of unstoppable reapers are sucker punching every planet they can get their robotic tentacles on. It's up to you, a gang of friendly acquaintances and your bare influence to gain the trust and assistance of every species in the galaxy. Of course, with the current circumstances, they don't have much choice, but fortunately you do.

The main draws to the game would be its solid third person shooting implementing a user-friendly weapons managing system. Another being strategic RPG orientation, which allows you and each squad member you acquire from the story each with their various skills and techniques to customize to your liking.

More importantly the dialogue system which moves the plot along with your influence being how you, the player, chooses to respond either as a Paragon (positively) or Renegade (negatively) to a question or situation in the form. Throughout the game, you come across dozens of small debates you can choose to influence, making the game feel even more organic and real.

This series has been famous for engaging its players with its superb writing and abstract character interactions that make you feel legitimately invested in your relationships with every person or alien you run into.

Stories that follow the "choose your own path" execution usually fail to invest the audience either by giving them too much freedom or not enough. Fortunately, the *Mass Effect* games give players enough freedom to guide the story whilst keeping it grounded in its own original story.

This game does suffer from the hype and expectation that leads to fans' heartbreak, but should not be looked at as a game made just for fans, or at least people who've played the last two games. That said, this is a trilogy and should be enjoyed as such, this game could be an introduction but people will have a more indefinite rewarding experience if they played the first two, and with a story this large it deserves your full attention.

While this game has faults in certain executions, and an ending that can lead to a lot of people's disappointment, it's used in a way that can be seen as satisfying to everyone, without sacrificing originality.



CONTROVERSY ERUPTS OVER FANS' DEMAND FOR NEW, IMPROVED ENDING

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Mass Effect 3 was released only two weeks ago, but though it should have been a contender for video game of the year, it is a major disappointment instead.

That is not to say the game is bad, quite the opposite. *Mass Effect 3* is perhaps the best game in the trilogy...until the last 10 minutes. If you want to know exactly what is wrong with the ending, a quick Google search is all you need. But to avoid spoilers, I will only say that as a long time fan of the series, I nearly returned my copy to GameStop two days after purchase.

The *Mass Effect* series has long been advertised as a game where the player are ultimately in control of where the story goes.

Bioware has always, up to this point, listened to the fans input on what they wanted to see. However, in the end it seems that all of the sway that the fans had was merely an illusion, and the franchise was really controlled by Bioware and their parent company EA Games.

It goes without saying the fans of the *Mass Effect* franchise are not taking this sitting down. They are using letter-writing campaigns, online polls and petitions, and most importantly, they have organized the Retake *Mass Effect* movement.

When the Retake movement was still small, Bioware/EA kept quiet, instead allowing trusted gaming websites like IGN, Kotaku and G4TV to fight for them. Here professional video game journalists called the members of the Retake movement "spoiled," "entitled," and "childlike" for wanting to see closure to a series it has invested hundreds of dollars in since its inception.

Instead of allowing these insults to bother them, the Retake *Mass Effect* movement has continued with its peaceful attempts to bring closure to the *Mass Effect* series. It has since started a drive for Child's Play, a charity that gives toys and video games to children in hospitals. And all the while its numbers have grown as more players completed *Mass Effect 3* and were disappointed by the ending.

Bioware then spoke up early last week saying, "We have no plans to change the ending, because it is an artistic ending." This was met by critiques from independent reviewers and literary experts who pointed out enough plot holes in the ending to make the San Andreas Fault look like a crack in the pavement. Upon hearing this, Bioware again took to silence, waiting to see just how big the Retake movement would become.

Finally, Bioware has its answer. As of now, the Retake movement's Facebook page has over 40,000 members. It has the support of Forbes Magazine. Video game news sites are starting to take its side. And now Bioware is open to suggestions from the still-growing movement.

In closing, I leave this message to anyone on Campus that is involved with the Retake movement: "Keep holding the line."



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Silent House surprises with innovative shooting technique

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The plot is simple: A young woman attempts to escape apparent intruders in her father's lake house. It is a generic horror story you have seen about one million times already, right?

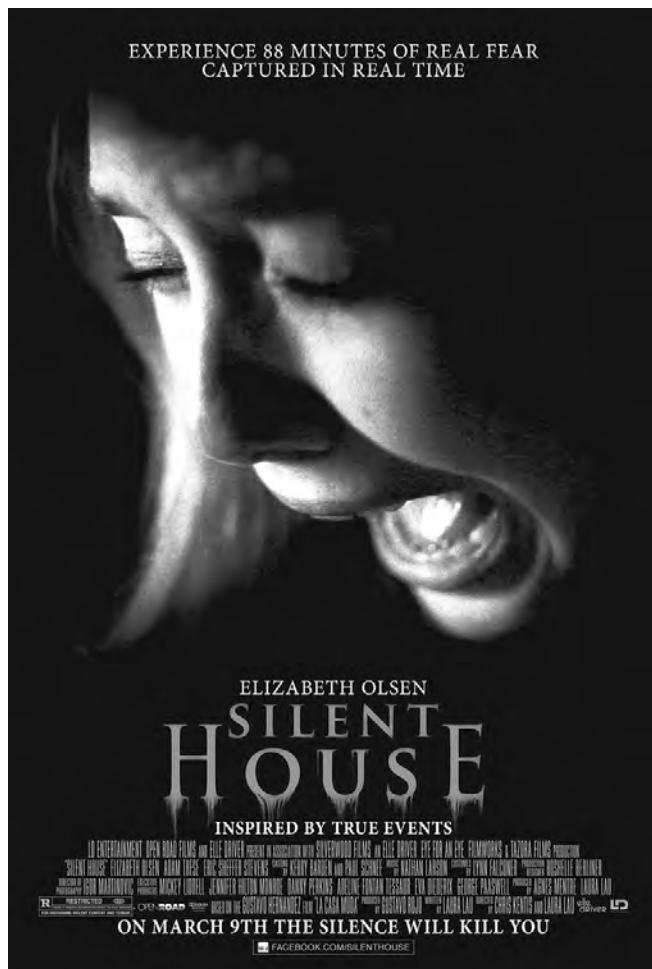
Don't be so sure. *Silent House* is the American take on a Uruguayan film called *La Casa Muda*. The tagline for the Spanish-language film boasts "real fear, in real time," because the movie is shot to appear as though it is one long 78-minute take. The filmmakers wanted the audience to experience the horror exactly as it is happening to the characters.

The American version employs this same technique by literally following Sarah (Elizabeth Olsen) as she helps her dad and uncle fix-up their old lake house so they can put it up for sale.

It's not long before the creepy old house starts to get to Sarah, who sends her dad off for a safety check of the creaky upstairs. Before she knows it, someone, or something, in the house, injures her dad. Her search for help begins a tense psychological battle between Sarah and the unknown thing in her house.

Silent House is slightly longer than 85 minutes and was shot in 10-minute segments, then edited to appear as if it flows continuously. That being said, 10-minute shots are very impressive. Considering Elizabeth Olsen is almost always the only actor on screen, she bears the burden of carrying the story along for any amount of time by herself and in such close quarters, it is quite the daunting task.

While the film was shot on a high-definition professional photo camera, this isn't necessarily the same style as a found-footage film like *Paranormal Activity*. The charac-



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ters never hold the camera, and the camera itself isn't a part of the story. One would assume the camera choice is one of convenience rather than effect.

However, the effect is very interesting. The house in the film is boarded up, so even during the day it is pitch black inside. For a more natural look, the only light used is flashlights, electric lanterns and work lights. So, you don't end up with the, "Hey, why is it so well lit in the forest at night with no moon?" effect that tends to happen in horror movies. The authenticity and balance between light and dark added to the suspense.

However, suspense was not lacking. While the twist ending could be seen about a mile away, I can't say I wasn't still absolutely terrified by the idea of what I was seeing. Other horror movies cut back and forth from character to character in ways that limit the scare. A single camera straightforward approach makes you sit through everything without a cut-away to protect you from what is happening on screen. There is no "safe" angle.

Of course, Elizabeth Olsen should be given credit for being a great victim. She has solidified her status as a queen victim by sniffing, crying and screaming at all the right moments. But, it will be interesting to see where she goes in the future. Hopefully, this won't be the best moment of her career.

The story is not exactly what is to be expected, but it doesn't veer far from the traditional horror formula we all know and love. If nothing else, the technique is worth more than the story itself. And who said a movie couldn't be great on those accounts? If you saw the trailer and weren't impressed, it's definitely worth another look.

Verdict: B-

The Walking Dead wraps up second season

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When AMC first announced it was going to bring a zombie show to cable television in the fall of 2010, it was easy to be skeptical. A show based off of a gory, black and white comic book series sounded like the kind of B-movie premise fit for the SyFy network rather than

the sterling home of critical darlings *Mad Men* and *Breaking Bad*.

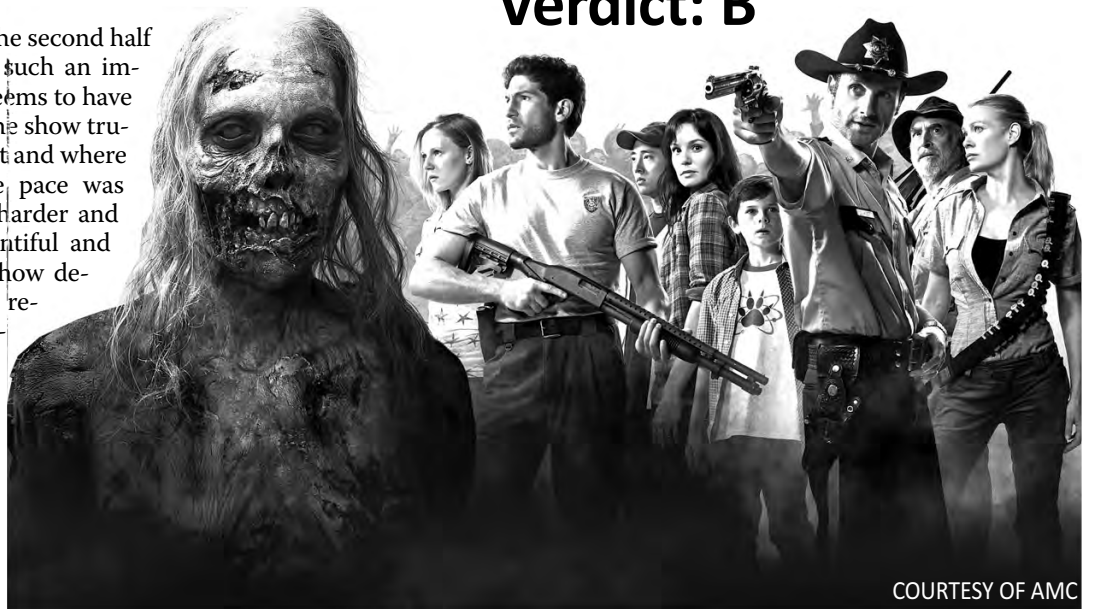
But with famous director Frank Darabont (*The Shawshank Redemption*) backing the project and AMC's track record with serialized programming, even the skeptics had reason to take notice. And after its stellar Halloween premiere, *The Walking Dead* proved with its high production values, tense action and surprisingly affecting drama that it had the potential to become the next great genre show. Or, as many fans were quick to dub it, the next *Lost*.

This is certainly high praise for any show, and whether *The Walking Dead* has lived up to the title is up for debate. What is certain is the show's popularity, which continued to impress with record-shattering ratings throughout its second season. Unfortunately, much of the discussion regarding this season has been dominated by the show's backstage drama, particularly Darabont's very public dispute and dismissal halfway through the season and his replacement by showrunner Glen Mazzara. The result was a somewhat tonally divided season that was as frequently surprising, suspenseful

and entertaining as it was inconsistent and frustrating.

Much of that frustration stems from the show's confused identity; it can't decide what kind of show it wants to be. You can often see the writers trying to make the slow-paced, thoughtful breed of drama that always dominate award seasons: *A Mad Men*, *a Sopranos*, etc. At this point, however, this is where the show falters most. Character developments, especially Lori's incoherent mood swings, can come across as unrealistic, and interactions, such as Hershel and Rick's endless ruminations on God, can feel too heavy handed.

Perhaps that's why the second half of the season felt like such an improvement. Mazzara seems to have a solid grasp on what the show truly is, what the fans want and where to go from here. The pace was faster, the action was harder and the zombies more plentiful and frightening. And the show deserves major credit for refusing to let any audience member of their toes with their dedication to unpredictable twists and shocking deaths. Ultimately, there were enough big, buzz-worthy "moments" to make the season



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an exciting, worthwhile watch, from Carl getting shot in the premiere up to Shane's surprising death in the penultimate episode.

Given what we saw in the finale, it is clear the third season is setting up to be a weirder, wilder beast of its own. It looks to fully embrace its inner comic book roots and hopefully finally live up to its great potential. For now, however, *The Walking Dead* remains a solid and addictive show, easily the best of its kind around today.

Verdict: B

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Key Lyric: "I always loved the feel of sweat on my shirt/Stand back son and let a man work/Let a man work is that so wrong?/I woke up this morning shackled and drawn."

"**Jack of All Trades**"- This somber, slow-paced track takes the protagonist from the previous and makes him world weary and defeated. He'll do any job you'll give him, but has long ago accepted that the rich get richer and the poor stay poor: "It's all happened before, it'll happen again." Things take a violent turn by the end as he imagines finding "the bastards" to "shoot'em on sight," right before Tom Morello of Rage Against the Machine explodes the finale with a moaning guitar solo. Key Lyric: "The hurricane blows, brings the hard rain/When the blue sky breaks, feels like the world's gonna change/And we'll start caring for each other like Jesus said that we might/I'm a jack of all trades, we'll be alright."

"**Death to My Hometown**"- An Irish romp set to a "We Will Rock You" beat, Bruce sports his best island accent for this drinking song turned bitter and fiery. This ditty's an obvious allusion to his old classic "My Hometown" a nostalgic ode to troubled times. Here, however, the greedy thieves of Wall Street have long ago ruined the ideal, with Springsteen piling on charges leading up to nothing less than a shotgun blast. Key Lyric: "Sing it hard and sing it well, send the robber barons straight to hell/The greedy thieves who came around and ate the flesh of everything they found/Whose crimes have gone unpunished now, who walk the streets as free men now/They brought death to our hometown, boys."

"**This Depression**"- A desperate for help from a broken soul, clearly refers to two very different kinds of depression. Simple and understated, even with Morello's second impressive featured guitar backing it, this track is a hymn to any who have felt lost and hopeless, whether financially or otherwise. Key Lyric: "This is my confession/I need your heart in this depression."

"**Wrecking Ball**"- Kicking off the B-side (for those of you who still care, as I do, about an album's structure) is a song Springsteen debuted in concert in 2009 to memorialize the demolition of the old Giants Stadium. It has outlived and surpassed its original purpose, retransformed on the album into an anthem for the downtrodden who persevere through hard times come and gone. Very American and very much Springsteen, it has only grown in power and meaning considering it features one of beloved and departed sax player, Clarence Clemon's, last performances with the band. Key Lyric: "Hold tight to your anger/And don't fall to your fears."

"**You've Got It**"- Probably my least favorite on the album. A bluesy, swaggerific Bruce croons his way through a track romancing a loved one with that indescribable "it" factor. It's a simple love song meant to break up an album dominated by big messages and protests. But to me, it seems slightly awkward and phoned in. Key Lyric: "Well, now, listen up my reckless love/It's precious so don't waste it/Can't tell you what God made it of/But I know it when I taste it."

"**Rocky Ground**"- This will likely be the most discussed and divisive song on the album. It's an experimental track where producer Ron Aniello's hand is most felt. Set to a light hip-hop beat featuring loops, preacher-scream samples and

a gospel girl chorus, the song employs religious imagery to paint an America that has strayed so far from its path that it's unclear when or how we could ever return, climaxing in, I kid you not, a female rapped verse written by Bruce. But the rap is honestly eons better than any rap written by an aged rock star has any right to be. Still, it won't be for everyone. Key Line: "You pray for guidance, only silence, now meet your prayers/The morning breaks, you awake, but no ones there."

"**Land of Hope and Dreams**"- An older concert staple that's finally made its way onto an album. Those who felt the track was a bit overblown probably won't have their minds changed here, but the album version is more upbeat and bright, and the song's helplessly idealistic message manages to stay on the right side of corny to become genuinely uplifting. Look out for another epic, emotional sax solo from the Big Man himself. Key Lyric: "This train...Dreams will not be thwarted/This train...Faith will be rewarded/This train...Hear the steel wheels spinnin'/This train...Bells of freedom ring."

"**We Are Alive**"- A pitch perfect ending that ties together the aggressive first half with the hopeful second. Building from an acoustic intro, Springsteen gives voice to the dead and oppressed who refuse to be forgotten. This one will stick with you. Key Lyric: "We are alive/And though our bodies lie alone here in the dark/Our souls and spirits rise/ To carry the fire and light the spark/To stand shoulder to shoulder and heart to heart!"

Only time will tell how the album holds up. For now, *Wrecking Ball* is yet another late career triumph, and musically one of his greatest efforts.

Verdict: B+

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kind of season he's had this year," Allgood said.

Allgood added there has never been a problem with Jones on or off the court.

Senior Joshua Jones credits Jaron Jones with inspiring other members of the team.

"The work he puts in every day is a testimony to the fact that hard work pays off,"

Joshua Jones said. "His hard work has been an inspiration to the rest of the team."

Jones said he's only had two main inspirations during his basketball career.

"My brother and mother. They have always supported me and pushed me," Jones said. "I always play for them."

Jones said he plans to sign with an agent at the end of April. But he isn't picky as to whom he would like to play for.

"I would be blessed just to have a chance to play," Jones said. "I would work hard for any team who drafted me."

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Hughes hit a solo homerun in the bottom of the third for the Colonels, but the Falcons just kept scoring. They got five more runs in the fourth and another two in the eighth. Eastern had one last run when Daniel hit a solo homerun in the ninth.

The Colonels wrapped up the series with a 4-8 loss. Junior pitcher Shane Grimm got the loss, allowing three runs on five hits while striking out two. Soloman led Eastern's offense, going two-for-two with an RBI and a run scored.

The game was scoreless until the fourth inning, when Eastern scored two runs. Soloman, Hagen and Garcia all were on base from hitting singles when the Falcons' pitcher hit junior Andrew Wilson, pushing Wilson on base which allowed Soloman to score. Junior Matt Phipps

hit a single to bring Hagen in. Phipps was later thrown out at second base, ending the inning with three men on base.

Bowling Green responded in the fifth inning with a single run, but the Colonels were still ahead 2-1. The Falcons took the lead in the sixth and seventh and never looked back. The team scored two runs in both innings, putting them up 2-5. Eastern tried to rally in the bottom of the seventh with two runs scored to put them in striking distance of the Falcons, 4-5. A sacrifice fly by Daniel brought in Grisham and a double by Soloman brought in Rodriguez. But Bowling Green scored three more runs in the top of the ninth to put the game out of reach for the Colonels. The Colonels tried to rally in the bottom of the ninth by loading the bases, but they got all three outs without scoring a run.

The Colonels return to the diamond Friday, March 23, for a three-game home stand against Jacksonville State.

First pitch is scheduled for 3 p.m.



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Junior Cheyanne Pounds belts a hit against Southeast Missouri University. Eastern went 2-1 against the team during a weekend series.

MEN'S TENNIS

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first set from Virginia's Philippe Oudshoorn. With the momentum on Janz's side, he would try to keep the talented Oudshoorn on his toes. But Janz was unable to close out the match as he eventually fell in the third set, 6-7, 6-4, 6-4.

The most intense battle came from the No. 1 seeds.

The No. 1 player in the nation Mitchell Frank found himself down against the Colonels top competitor, Hugo Klientovsky. After taking the first set, Klientovsky was unable to secure the second, and in the third, the senior rallied himself to a match point opportunity. Although Hugo was unable to pull off the upset, it shows how tough the senior veteran has been all year.

Coach Oertel commented on the play of his senior leader Klientovsky.

"To be in that scenario, to be able to have a match point, or a match game against the #1 player in the country is a tremendous statement for the level of player that Hugo is," Oertel said. "Hugo was more disappointed than anybody that he didn't win it. But it was just a big statement to the level of player he is even to be in the scenario he was in."

A LOOK AHEAD

Eastern will resume OVC play when they travel to Tennessee to face Tennessee State University. The Tigers will try to turn their season around against the Colonels.

Coach Oertel had a simple answer for what he thought the Colonels needed to do to stay undefeated in conference play.

"We just have to maintain our level that we're capable of playing. I'm pretty confident we'll be fine if we just maintain our level," Oertel said.

The match is scheduled for 3 p.m., March 21 in Nashville.



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The Colonels won one game but lost two to Bowling Green State Saturday.

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hit the ball really well," Robb said.

Robb said she was going to work on her spins and where she places the ball to prepare for the next game.

Worthington said there will be no looking back for the team.

"They know what they can do now and we just go on from here," she said.

The team takes the field again Wednesday, March 21, for a double-header against Morehead State.

First pitch is scheduled for 1 p.m.

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Softball team bounces back at home



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Freshman shortstop Lauren Mitchell robs Southeast Missouri of a run Saturday. The Colonels came home from a road trip and took two out of three to begin conference play.

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Eastern's softball team (8-13 2-1 OVC) did some multi-tasking last weekend.

It opened conference play and shook off its recent road woes by winning two out of three games against Ohio Valley Conference opponent, Southeast Missouri (10-14 3-2 OVC).

The Colonels began the series by splitting a doubleheader Saturday against the Redhawks. Eastern won the first game, 3-2 in eight innings.

The first game stayed scoreless until Katie Tackett's homerun, her fourth of the season, in the bottom of the fourth inning.

Southeast Missouri's Brittany Smith reciprocated with a two-run blast of her own in the top of the fifth to tie the score, 2-2. The teams remained knotted up until the eighth inning. Diane Gallagher and Carissa Reisinger had back-to-back bunt singles in the bottom of the frame to put runners in scoring position.

Raquel Howes added a bunt single of her own to load the bases. Tackett then stepped to the plate and drove in the winning run with a shot to center field.

Freshman pitcher Shaylon Robb recorded the win, allowing only two hits, no walks and striking out one.

In game two, Southeast Missouri had to work for its victory just as the Colonels did in the first one. The Redhawks needed eight innings to defeat Eastern, 7-5.

Larkyn Woods got the Colonels on the board first with a two-run home run in the bottom of the second inning. Howes then came to the plate in the last half of the fifth and hit a two-run blast of her own, extending Eastern's lead to 5-1.

Southeast Missouri would answer back with four runs in the top of the seventh to send the game into extra innings. The Redhawks Kaitlin Wallace

provided the margin of victory for the team with a two-run home run in the top of the eighth, making the final score, 7-5.

In the series finale Sunday, Eastern returned to the win column with a 4-2 victory over the Redhawks.

Diane Gallagher scored first for the Colonels in the bottom of the third with an RBI single. With the bases loaded and two outs in the bottom of the fourth, a dropped flyball by a Southeast Missouri center fielder would result in three runs for Eastern. Xia Wilson hit an RBI single in the top of the sixth to cut the lead to two, but it was as close as the Redhawks would come.

Freshman pitcher Leanna Pittsenbarger (5-6) started the game and pitched 4.1 innings, allowing one run on three hits and walking two. Fellow freshman Shaylon Robb pitched the final 2.2 innings to earn her first career save.

Coach Worthington said she was proud of the team's tenacity during the series.

"We were in all three games, they were all close," Worthington said. "It's nice to see them {the team} keep plugging away to get the result we want."

She also said the team is improving and didn't discount the importance of being back home.

"These games were key and they set the tone for what we're going to do next," Worthington said. "It would've been hard not to get a couple of wins here to bounce back."

She added Robb's insertion into the game was because of the team having a breakdown in the fifth inning of past games.

"The fifth inning is where we generally lose it, whether it be on offense or defense," Worthington said. "So I said why not have a different first inning and try new combinations to see what works."

Robb credits the weekend's victories to teamwork.

"We came together at the end of the game and

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Despite high winds, women's golf team finds way to excel

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The final round of play in the 2012 Bison Challenge at Paiute Golf Resort in Las Vegas was cancelled last Sunday due to strong winds.

The Lady Colonels overcame the fierce winds in the first two rounds and posted two strong scores. The 18-team event was hosted by Bucknell University.

The Lady Colonels finished in third place after shooting a two-round total of 633. University of San Francisco finished in second place after shooting a 631. Oral Roberts University won the event by 17 shots with the score of 614.

"We played good for a lot of stretches in the tournament," Head Coach Mike Whitson said. "For the most part, I thought we had a very good week and a great attitude in really windy conditions."

The Lady Colonels had two people to finish individually inside the top 10. Senior Katie Wiedmar finished tied for fifth place with a two round score of 154. Wiedmar narrowly missed out on finishing tied for first place by two shots.

"I thought I played pretty well given the conditions," Wiedmar

said. "It was kinda windy so some of the scores were higher than they usually were."

The strong winds were able to affect more than just the flight of the ball, once it was in the air. The wind also affected the way ball moved after landing on the grass.

"It was hard because the ground was firm, so the ball was rolling a lot more towards downwind than what we are used to in Kentucky," said Weidmar. "Since the ground was firm the ball was rolling out and you had play your shots differently."

Junior April Emerson finished tied for eighth place with the two round of 155.

"I felt like I did pretty well considering the circumstances," she said. "It was really windy so my first round I shot a 75, I was really thrilled with that."

Playing in windy conditions can also put on an additional mental challenge to the game. "Playing in those kinds of conditions you really have to think more and use your head," Weidmar said. "Sometimes I strive better [sic] in those situations."

The Lady Colonels hit the links again on March 25-26 at the Saluki Golf Invitational hosted by Southern Illinois University.

Men's tennis team loses two on the road

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Eastern's men's tennis team went on the road this weekend to face two tough opponents before diving back into conference play.

First, the Colonels would take on James Madison University (5-6).

After successfully taking down the Dukes, the Colonels would go up against the No. 5 team in the country, University of Virginia (14-1).

Despite good efforts, including two matches decided in three-setters, the Cavaliers were able to sweep Eastern.

Eastern (11-6, 1-0 OVC) took the court Friday with hopes of defeating a solid James Madison squad. Thanks to the solid play of its top-seeded veterans, it was able to do so.

No. 2 seed Niklas Schroeder would set the tone for the Colonels by defeating Australian native Ryan Pool in straight sets. After a hard-fought victory in the first set, Schroeder was able to close out the second more comfortably. The score, 7-6, 6-1.

Right behind him was No. 1 seed Hugo Klientovsky who beat his opponent, Greg Vladimirovsky, in straight sets, 7-5, 6-2.

Fellow seniors Parul Verma and Philip Janz refused to be denied, as they were the last two to pick up victories for the Colonels, solidifying the win.

First it was Verma. The No. 4 seed got the best of his opponent Florent Sentenac and orchestrated a solid performance to take the wmatch, 6-2, 6-3.

Janz would then play closer. The No. 3 seed survived a tie-breaker in the first set, then went on in the second to close out the match against Bertrand Moulin, 7-6, 6-3.

Afterward, head coach Rob Oertel shared his thoughts on the contest.

"That match was kind of the theme of the season the way our top four guys have been playing at another level," Oertel said. "It was not an easy match to go on the road and play a good program at their place, and we're just settling into the outdoor season. So I was pretty happy with the scores to get straight set wins. Our top guys took care of business against some good tennis players."

The next day the Colonels would face another top program.

The University of Virginia came in boasting a 14-1 record with its only loss coming at the hands of Ohio State. Virginia also had the country's top player in Mitchell Frank.

The Colonels gave it their all, and on several occasions looked as if they could upset the 2011 NCAA runner-ups, but it was not to be as Virginia was able to ward off the Colonels long enough to win each match.

The Colonels only win of the night came from freshman Craig Campbell and junior Jan Dombrowski as they were able to win their doubles match against the team of Brian Fang and Ian Urigen. They upset the duo, 8-3.wAlthough the Colonels fell short of their goal and the potential upset, two nail biting matches occurred at the No. 3 and No. 1 singles position.

No. 3 seeded Colonel Philip Janz stole the

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Jaron Jones makes All-District

SENIOR GUARD REAPS THE BENEFITS OF HARD WORK, INCREASED HIS SCORING BY 15 POINTS THIS YEAR

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Colin Powell once said, "There are no secrets to success. It takes hard work, preparation, learning from failure."

Senior guard Jaron Jones may have been listening when Powell made the quote because he went from averaging 2.5 points per game (ppg) during his junior year to 17 ppg his senior year.

Jones was recently selected to the National Association of Basketball Coaches All-District 19 second team. District 19 consists of Ohio Valley Conference schools. In addition, the team is voted on by the member coaches and represents the finest student-athletes in the country.



SONYA JOHNSON/PROGRESS

Senior guard Jaron Jones emerged as a team leader this year, becoming one of the top players in the OVC.

Jones is by no means new to basketball.

"I started playing basketball at six years old," Jones said. "I had played a little T-ball and football when I was five."

Jones added basketball has always been his sport of choice because he was always taller than the rest of the guys.

He said Kobe Bryant, Nick Young and Derek Rose are some of his NBA idols.

"I see a lot of similarities in Young's game and mine," Jones said.

Among coaches, Phil Jackson is one of his favorites.

"I like Jackson's coaching style because he lets the players do most of the talking because they're the ones who are playing the game," he said. "Jackson instructs when he needs to, but other than that he sits back and lets the players vibe off of each other and work together."

Jones doesn't take his selection to the team lightly.

"It's an honor, I'm very blessed," Jones said.

Head Coach Jeff Neubauer said Jones is a tale of two players.

"His first year here during his junior year he was only playing 10 minutes a game and averaging two points," Neubauer said. "His senior year he averaged 17 points per game and became one of the top five scoring and field goal percentage guys in our conference."

Neubauer added Jones has really transformed himself as a player between his junior and senior year.

"He has become a much more effective shooter, more effective driver, got fouled quite a bit," said Neubauer. "He is also playing with a whole lot more confidence."

Neubauer also said Jones has literally become the most improved player in the country this year.

He said drive is Jones' best quality.

"After watching the transformation between his junior and senior year, Jaron is a driven young man," Neubauer said. "He didn't come here, score two points a game and leave a defeated man; he decided he was going to make it happen for himself."

Fellow senior and teammate, guard Jeff Allgood, said Jones has been a good teammate during his time here at Eastern.

"He's worked hard to have the

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Football team has good first day of spring practice

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The Colonels football team began its spring practice season Monday.

Eastern opens the spring season fresh off of winning a share of the Ohio Valley Conference championship. In addition, the Colonels will return 17 of 22 starters from last season (10 offense, 7 defense). The group of 17 includes eight first team All-Conference players.

Mondays and Tuesdays will be helmets only for the players with Thursday and Saturday's practices being in full pads.

During Monday's session the team did the usual stretches and ran some plays. In addition, each side of the ball broke off into its own group. For example, the offense was in one group, defense in another, and special teams.

Coach Dean Hood said he thought Monday's practice was good.

"We really restructured our pre-spring stuff where we're doing a lot more football movements," Coach Hood said. "I think that really helped our guys to come out here and be faster from day one."

Hood added offensive coordinator Dane Damron was a little behind with his offensive line due to being a first-time coordinator, but that he was able to get them up to speed.

"He missed out on spring ball last year, which meant he missed out on summer and had to get his offense going in the fall," Hood said. "But during the offseason, you're allowed to meet with your players for two hours a day to watch film. He has spent that time watching film with the players which helped them to during the offense and defense better."

Hood said during these spring practices the coaches are mainly watching to see who is properly executing the football movements, so it's too early to tell who stands out.

"You won't know for sure until it's live ball and full pads," said Hood.

Baseball wins one, loses two in weekend series

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Pitcher Andrew Wilson runs the bases in Eastern's series against Bowling Green State University.

The Eastern Kentucky University baseball team went 1-3 last weekend at home against Bowling Green State University. The Colonels (7-11) won game one 10-8, lost game two 2-22, and lost the last game 4-8.

The first game went well for the Colonels. Senior pitcher Matt Harris earned the win, pitching over seven innings with eight runs allowed on twelve hits with three strikeouts. Senior Jacob Daniel was the star in the batting lineup going four-for-four with five RBI.

Both teams started the game with one run each during the first inning. Senior A.J. Jamison hit a double, stole third and was hit in by a sacrifice fly by senior Richie Rodriguez. The Falcons (7-12) responded in the third inning by scoring two runs. The Colonels took the lead and kept it in the bottom of the third, scoring seven runs. Jamison singled to right field and landed in scoring position. Junior Austin Grisham hit a single and Rodriguez was walked, leaving the bases loaded for Daniel's double to score three runs.

Senior Dustin Dunlop double scored and a homerun by sophomore Bryan Solomon put the Colonels up 7-3. The inning ended after sophomore Sean Hagen was scored on an RBI groundout by senior Michael Garcia. Eastern extended their lead in the fourth when Garcia scored on an RBI single by Daniel. Bowling Green attempted a comeback in the sixth with two runs, but another RBI from Daniel pushed the Colonels even further ahead. The last rallying point for the Falcons was in the eighth when they scored three runs. But it wasn't enough to get past Eastern, who took the game.

The second game wasn't as fortunate. The Falcons defeated Eastern 2-22. Senior pitcher Greg Terry recorded the loss allowing seven runs on seven hits in two innings with two strikeouts. The Colonels were out-hit 5-21. Bowling Green scored first in the second inning with a run but really took the game away in the third, scoring 14 runs. Junior Alex

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