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**New policy changes RSO-Eastern affiliation**

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In the past, student groups on campus were known as Registered Student Organizations or RSOs. RSOs are student-run and student-led. Examples of these groups are fraternities, sororities, groups such as Feminists for Change and club sports.

In the past, the relationship between these student groups and the university has not been clearly defined in terms of liability and responsibility on the university's part.

A new policy adopted by the RSO risk management committee and the division of student affairs, which was approved by the board of regents, more clearly defines the role of the university concerning student groups.

These student-run organizations have now been put into a three-tier classification system based on their assessed risk to the university.

The legislation, which passed last September, had been in place on a trial basis un-

til the current semester. It is now being fully enforced.

Mike Reagle, associate vice president for student affairs, said to come up with this three-tier model, all RSOs were classified based on their ties and closeness to the university and placed in one of three categories.

"This will clearly help students understand what the relationship is," Reagle said.

SSOs, or Sponsored Student Organizations, have the closest ties with the university and therefore receive more university support and benefits than the other two categories. In return, an SSO must abide by all university rules, must have a faculty adviser and be directly linked to a university department.

Currently, there are no SSOs on campus. The Student Government Association was placed in this category to begin with, but has since been removed after evaluating its validity as a student organization, Reagle said.

"Because SGA was dispersing funds to

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**Requirements/Benefits of Registered Student Organizations**

**SSO**

- Covered by University insurance
- Require Eastern faculty/staff adviser
- Can accept tax-deductible contributions
- Allowed to reserve university space

**VSO**

- Not covered by university insurance
- Do not require faculty/staff adviser
- Cannot accept tax-deductible contributions
- Allowed to reserve university space

**RSO**

- Do not receive any benefits from the university
- Required to carry event-specific insurance to use university facilities

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Student remembered for art, drive**

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Alex Williams was, simply, "giving." As friends and family described her life, she was giving of love, support and friendship.

On Aug. 30, Williams died of complications due to progressive pneumonia, a battle she had been fighting for about a month.

April "Alex" Williams, 24, was known for always being able to brighten a mood or even an entire room with just her smile.

At her life celebration on Sept. 3 at the Clark Legacy Center, this was clear as people commemorated her life by laughing and reminiscing at the warm memories they shared of Williams.

"She could make anybody laugh," said Elise Pezzi, who met Williams in elementary school. "She could make the best situation out of the worst situation...I have so many good memories with her."

Williams, an art major with a concentration in art history, was involved in the Art Student Association (ASA) and slated to be vice president this semester. She also made the dean's list.

"There are not many people on this campus who plan a future in art history, so we clicked," said Gay Sweely, professor and mentor to William's independent study. "She was somebody that wanted to know about everything and everybody."

Williams had plans of going to graduate school to pursue a degree in curatorial studies, and her overall goal was to open her own museum.

"[She had] her drive and determination," said Saundra Williams, Alex's mother. "She had a plan for her life. She was going to U of L [to get] her joint masters in curatorial studies and master in public administration...She wanted to own a museum and teach art history too...[She was] a jewel, a perfect polished beau-

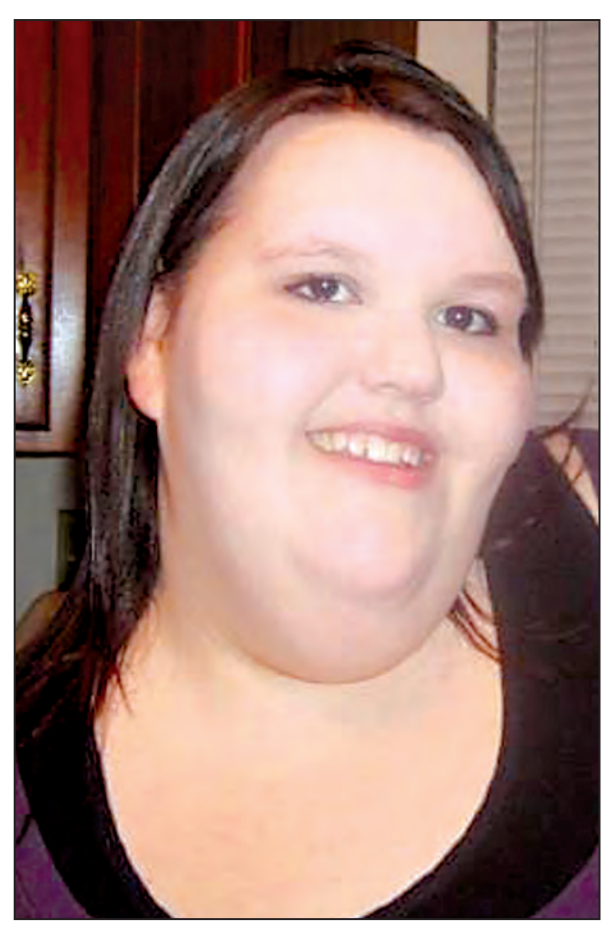


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tiful jewel."

Williams was known for not only her circle of friends at Eastern, but the friends she kept throughout her life.

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Part one in a series on campus life

**Lessons taught through community**

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Adjusting to campus life as a freshman can be challenging. This is not a new phenomenon. To counteract this dilemma that plagues first year students, University Housing at Eastern developed ConneXtions, the pioneer in a series of living learning communities on campus.

Housed in Palmer and Commonwealth Halls, ConneXtions is geared toward getting new students involved and coaching them to be successful, said Kenna Middleton, director of university housing.

"This is real, real different than high school," Middleton said. "We tried to develop a program model to give them [freshmen] social and academic success tools."

University housing created a curriculum for the program that includes teaching students things such as how to do laundry, budgeting and eating healthy while using a microwave.

Along with acquiring life skills, students in the program are required to participate in at least four on-campus programs each semester, log three study hours per week and have two one-on-one meetings with the Resident Adviser on their floor. These requirements are listed in a community agreement that students sign.

Studies show students who are more engaged on their campus contribute to better retention rates and higher GPAs, Middleton said.

She added that when the idea of establishing living learning communities on campus was born, the goal was to create a safe-haven for freshmen and provide them a ready-made

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**SGA plans initiatives to improve student-government relationship**

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Student Government Association (SGA) began working on new projects over the summer with the goal of improving SGA overall.

Student Government President Rachel Mollozzi said SGA spent \$5,000 on surveillance cameras for the Lancaster parking lot as one of the starting projects.

Mollozzi added that SGA bought the cameras to cut back on crime.

"What can be more important than allowing students to be safe?" she said.

This summer, as well as going to leadership retreats, painting the SGA office and developing goals for the year, SGA focused on communication.

Mollozzi said SGA is working to ensure its members are aware of their duties and are given a proper orientation. SGA is planning on improving communication within the organization by having joint branch meetings twice a semester and having branch liaisons who

will report to each of the other branches twice a semester.

"We really wanted to work on internal structure as well as external structure," Mollozzi said. "One of the issues last year was lack of communication."

Mollozzi said one of the SGA's main goals is to restore credibility back to SGA.

Mollozzi said another goal they have is to improve communication between the students and SGA. To do this, SGA members have updated its website and created a template for a newsletter they plan on distributing bi-monthly.

Improving the ticketing system for parking was also on the list of improvements to make for the upcoming year.

Student Court Chief Justice Ally Sipes said they were getting lots of appeals from people who got tickets because their parking permit was turned the wrong way. To fix this, they now print parking pass numbers on both sides of the pass.

"Just another way to make it easier so students won't get tickets," Sipes said.



Rachel Mollozzi



Matt White



Ally Sipes



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In addition to improving the ticketing system, installing cameras in Lancaster lot and pushing for a card-swipe student involvement program, members have also redone the office

Sipes added that she has worked with Mollozzi, who came up with a way to notify drivers when they get a ticket on campus. Sipes said they noticed a trend in parking tickets for residents who park far away from their dorm and don't go back until the end of the week, and end up getting multi-

ple tickets for the same offense and are unaware about the tickets that began mounting.

"Instead of those tickets just piling up

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# POLICE BEAT

All information is taken from Eastern Police reports.

## Aug. 30

■ A female student reported her laptop was stolen from a countertop in Room 310 of the Moore Building between 1:30 p.m. and 9:20 p.m. The laptop was a black Acer valued at \$550. The student said the last time she had seen the laptop was on a countertop at 1:30 p.m. When she returned at 9:20 p.m., the laptop, which was left unsecured, was missing and the charger was still plugged into the wall.

## Aug. 31

■ An employee reported new fencing that had been put around the intramural field had been damaged. The employee noticed the damage at 2 p.m. and said the fence had been kicked over and broken and suspected the damage might have occurred after

the lights regularly go off on the field at 11:30 p.m.

■ A male student's wallet was stolen when he was playing basketball in the Fitness and Wellness Center between 4:30 p.m. and 6 p.m. Stolen from the wallet was \$15, a Peoples Bank debit card, a Kentucky driver's license, an EKU Colonel Card, a Walmart gift card and \$5. The total stolen value was estimated at \$15.

## Sept. 1

■ Justin MacMillian was arrested on the seventh floor of Palmer Hall after police found him intoxicated in the bathroom. Police detected the odor of alcohol on him. MacMillian had bloodshot eyes, slurred speech and was unsteady on his feet. He said the alcohol he consumed made him feel bad and requested Madison County Emergency Medical Services. Madison County EMS arrived to treat MacMillian, but he refused to transport with them. Police decided MacMillian was a danger to himself and others and was arrested for alcohol intoxication.

# Air conditioner caused smoke in Wallace

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Students and faculty were evacuated from the Wallace Building last Wednesday afternoon when smoke began filling the halls.

At 11:42 a.m., one minute after the alarm sounded, the Richmond Fire Department responded.

As traffic was re-routed and people were evacuated, officials began to search for a cause or origin of the smoke.

According to the police report about the incident, a part in an air conditioning unit malfunctioned and caused smoke to spread throughout the building.

Bryan Makinen, director of environmental health and safety, said the issue was in the southeast corner of the building, and after it malfunctioned, smoke slowly filled all

four floors.

"Whenever we have an emergency of this nature, it takes much cooperation of many different departments," Makinen said.

The Division of Public Safety and Madison County EMS also responded to the emergency.

Students and faculty were able to evacuate the building in an organized and timely manner, Makinen said.

"From that standpoint it was good," he said. "A calm, efficient, effective evacuation is the best thing anybody can do."

After the incident, the building was ventilated and Facilities Services managed to repair the broken unit. Wallace re-opened at 1:15 p.m. the same day.

# CLARIFICATION

In the Sept. 1 issue of The Eastern Progress, it was incorrectly stated that the Elmwood Estate donated to the university contains five bedrooms. The home actually contains 15 bedrooms.



# The Colonel's Calendar

Week of September 8-14

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p><b>12 p.m.</b> Hot Dog Eating Contest, Upstairs Powell</p> <p><b>5 p.m.</b> Student Life Leadership Series —Public Speaking, Herndon Lounge, Powell Student Center</p> <p><b>7 p.m.</b> New Student Days event, C. L. Lindsay—Student Rights &amp; Academic Freedom, Brock Auditorium, Coates Building</p>	<p><b>10 a.m.</b> Services Promotion, Information Technology, Powell Corner</p> <p><b>5 p.m.</b> Soccer vs. Marshall University</p> <p>Volleyball at Kennesaw State University</p> <p>Surviving the Literature Review Series: Zotero, Discovery Classroom, Noel Studio</p>	<p><b>11 a.m.</b> Humanitarian Project Kids Fest, Student Life, Irvine-McDowell Park</p> <p><b>12 p.m.</b> Volleyball vs. University of Alabama at Birmingham</p> <p><b>5 p.m.</b> Volleyball vs. Troy University</p> <p><b>6 p.m.</b> Football vs. Missouri State</p>	<p><b>1 p.m.</b> Soccer vs. University of Detroit-Mercy</p> <p><b>3 p.m.</b> Dance Theatre auditions</p> <p><b>8 p.m.</b> Sept. 11 Tenth Memorial Event, Keene Hall</p>	<p><b>10:45 a.m.</b> Milkshake day, Upstairs Powell</p>	<p><b>12 p.m.</b> Café Burrier opens, Family and Consumer Science, Burrier Building</p> <p><b>3 p.m.</b> Cooper/Clayton Smoking Cessation, Campus Recreation, Herndon Lounge, Powell</p> <p><b>4:45 p.m.</b> Job Club Workshop, College of Business and Technology, Business Technology Center 049 Auditorium</p>	<p><b>10 a.m.</b> Study Abroad Fair, Jagers, Middle Powell</p> <p><b>12 p.m.</b> Mix-it-Up Lunch, Multicultural Student Affairs, Faculty Dining Room, Powell</p> <p><b>4 p.m.</b> Greek Life, Using Your Greek experience to Network, Dupree Hall conference room</p>

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# Program brings high school students to campus

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When you look around your classroom, you may be surprised by the amount of students who are as young as 15 years old. You may have thought you said goodbye to these underclassmen on graduation day, but now that Eastern has collaborated with two Madison County high schools, you may unknowingly see some of the students in a new program called middle college.

Vickie Moberly, educational extension agent, said middle college is meant to bridge the gap from high school to college. She added that the program is for students who are tired of the traditional high school experience and willing to take an opportunity to make them feel like they are gaining more from their educational experience.

This year, the students enrolled in middle college are juniors who can give a two-year commitment. Next year, the college will allow up to 60 juniors and 60 seniors to earn their high school degree on Eastern's campus.

The middle college staff is currently made up of two high school teachers, a secretary and the principal, John Fields. Courses are conducted in classrooms that are not in use at certain times in the day.

"It has been incredible how welcoming the entire campus has been to us," Fields said.

The school is a project-based society which encourages students to gain skills to keep them in college and allow them to graduate. The students are not only taking college-level classes, but they are also completing their core con-

tent classes as well, Fields said.

"This is probably the kind of job that comes once in a career," said Stephanie Smith, English and history teacher for middle college.

The students are put in an accelerated environment in order to learn how to hold themselves more accountable, Smith said.

"These classes are more rigorous with the intent to better prepare them for college-level expectations," Smith said.

This program has many perks for the students, such as free books, free tuition and a new MacBook to use for the next two years.

The students also have a class schedule that is not a typical 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. high school schedule. Instead, the students' schedules are very similar to that of normal full-time college students. The difference is that the students only take one college class and the rest of their classes are high school level courses.

Another perk is the students can earn at least 18 hours of college credit minimum between the two years.

Even though the students participate in classes, they cannot participate in all aspects of campus life or all aspects of a typical high school experience.

The students do not have access to sports except through Eastern's club and intramural sports. They also will not have a prom, certain extracurricular activities that high schools offer, specialized elective courses and many more activities associated with a traditional high school experience.

Students said these conditions do not bother them,

though. Last names are not given because their peers are unaware what students participate in middle college.

"This is so much better than being in high school," said Torrie, a student in middle college. "There are no cliques and everyone is getting along."

She said she thinks middle college is a much better opportunity for her.

"I like having the freedom and the responsibility to do what I am supposed to do when I am supposed to do it," said Amber another middle college student. "I'm not told what to do every step of the way."

The program gives students the opportunity to make their own decisions and succeed in their own way.

"I'm treated just like a college student," said Kyle.

Because their peers do not know they are not freshmen, they are not recognized as a high school student. They are just like any other student hoping to do well in their classes, Moberly said.

New middle college students experience many of the same feelings incoming freshmen feel.

"I was overwhelmed at first, I wasn't ready for the sudden change, but I think the change will gradually ease out," Kyle said.

Thanks to two members of the original planning team, Vickie Moberly and Carol Gabbard, former director of GEAR UP grant and special projects facilitator for College of Education, the students are exceeding expectations, Moberly said.

"When given the opportunity, they rise to the occasion," Moberly said.

## This week in photos



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### Student Life hosts BINGO

The first BINGO gathering of the semester, hosted by Student Life, took place at 9 p.m. Tuesday in Powell Lobby.

## Students/faculty look revive radio station

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Eastern may be seeing a new type of student media on campus in the form of a student-run radio station. Recent graduate Tony Manuel and professors from the department of communication have begun talks regarding starting a station due to interest from the student body.

"Many students in freshman orientation expressed interest [in a radio station]," said Liz Hansen, chair of the department.

Eastern had a similar radio station several years ago, but declining student interest caused it to close down. Years later, Manuel did an independent study on student-run radio stations to see how successful they were and whether or not starting a new station at Eastern would be beneficial, said Jim Gleason, public relations professor.

As a result of the study, Manuel and a group of professors began an effort to create a new radio station. The project is not recreating the old station, but rather building a new station from scratch. "It's largely a ground-up effort," Gleason said. "And I don't think that's a handicap at all."

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**Jim Gleason**  
Public relations professor

The project is still in its planning stages, so location, budgets and the technology necessary for a station have not yet been decided.

"We're talking months before this thing is done," Gleason said.

Gleason added that he thinks students will be very involved in putting the station together.

"I love that students get to be a part of that because it's part of real life," he said.

As of now, the programming for the station has yet to be determined, but Gleason said it will be very open to student preferences.

## Mobile security slated as guest services

By LEO COMERLATO  
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Eastern's public safety department has a new tool at its disposal: a mobile command center.

The command center was provided to the police force by The Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, a local community action team that partners with universities to provide transportation opportunities.

The vehicle came at no cost to Eastern initially, but additions were made to it that amounted to approximately \$11,500, said Capt. Michael Kastiz, director of emergency management.

The command center resembles a large RV, and its amenities are anything but average. It will feature a laptop that has software installed to assist in receiving emergency reports, providing assistance to those who need it and bridging communication channels, which will allow inter-agency communication if an emergency might affect people off campus. Additionally, the Madison County Emergency Management Agency and Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) will be providing radio equipment for the command center.

Campus police said the command center will be used in a case-by-case

basis and will be available to law enforcement agencies across Madison County. The command center is meant to act as an easily identifiable structure for first responders in the event of an emergency.

One function of the command center is running the guest assistance program at Eastern football games. The program allows people in the stadium to text MAROON to 78247 in order to notify campus police of any emergency issue or request help. The mobile command center will be parked in the police parking lot across from the stadium, allowing campus police to respond faster to emergency messages.

## Rec program encourages health with Well 4 U

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Campus Recreation started its Well 4 U at EKU! program for the semester last week.

Well 4 U is a program that gives students the chance to win big-ticket items in exchange for attending campus events. Students can submit their ID number into a monthly raffle each time they attend one of the events and have an opportunity to win big at the end of each semester.

"People who don't have a motivation to work out, it gives them motivation work out," said Emilee Smith, 20, elementary education major from Lawrenceburg.

Campus events often focus around the eight dimensions of wellness, which are emotional, environmental, financial, occupational, intellectual, physical, spiritual and social wellness. Students track which dimensions they have fulfilled by filling out a card, which can then be entered into a drawing each semester for prizes such as GPS's, TVs and cameras.

But students don't have to just attend events all semester to fill in slots on their cards. They can also fill in slots by going to the gym to exercise.

"A lot of people seem to do it," said Nicole Browning, 20, anthropology major from Cincinnati, Ohio.

Cards can be picked up at the Fitness and Wellness Center or found in a Well 4 U brochure, and students can drop the completed cards off at the Fitness and Wellness Center. Students can begin submitting cards after fall break.

"The program has completely changed," said Meghan Scott, a health educator at Student Health Services.

Scott said the changes to the program would hopefully encourage more students to become aware of the eight dimensions of wellness.

Scott added that she thinks the changes will make it "easier" and inspire "hopefully more participation."

For more information on the Well 4 U program, visit [www.campusrec.eku.edu/well-4-u-eku](http://www.campusrec.eku.edu/well-4-u-eku).





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Seth Littrell, editor

## Policy alienates organizations through selective process

Eastern has always been known for its friendliness to new student organizations. In fact, since day one of freshman orientation, students are told how easy it is to start a student group for just about anything.

"All you need to start your own campus group is three friends!"

Unfortunately, that is now only a half-truth.

Eastern's Office of Student Life recently made changes to the way it deals with student groups, including a method of categorizing them that leaves some groups with little more than a name and that same old group of friends.

There are now three different group categories. The first group Sponsored Student Groups (SSOs), meaning these organizations get a title affiliated directly with Eastern and get the insurance coverage to conduct whatever events they want on campus.

The second—Wait a minute...Isn't that what all student groups are supposed to get? Isn't that the whole point of creating a student group?

Are people signing up to *not* get these things? The answer to that is no, Student Life just doesn't seem to want around. They don't even get to relate themselves directly to Eastern, let alone think about putting on an event. They don't even get a mailbox in the student life office. This category is called the "Man, I just really feel like doing some mundane paperwork that will never help me" category.

The second category is of Voluntarily Student Groups (VSOs) VSOs get to operate like any other group at Eastern, but don't get the insurance coverage to host events anywhere on campus, so they have to pay insurance themselves. This category currently contains every student group on campus, which means Eastern, conveniently, doesn't have to cover any of them anymore.

Now, VSOs can be upgraded to SSOs, but the upgrade comes at a cost that many may find unappealing. To become an SSO, groups must take on a university advisor, who will guide the group through any decisions they make in a manner similar to the Student Government Association. That's right, if the university is going to pay your insurance, the university is going to have a hand in deciding what your group does. And your only other alternative is going to be higher dues for members so that you can afford to actually do stuff on your campus.

The third category, Non-Affiliated Student Groups

group that isn't registered with Eastern and run things themselves. But that idea contradicts what we started with, that groups of all kinds are welcome on campus.

How did anyone think this was a good idea? We've been told that all student groups were created equal the entire time we've been on campus. Apparently not. Apparently, some student groups are just a little less equal than others. The problem with this is that those groups are now hindered from becoming as successful as the ones that Student Life deems worthy of its money and efforts to keep up. By switching to this system, Student Life is effectively dooming many groups to an ineffective campus presence.

Student organizations are started with the express purpose of gaining a following with students, hence the name "student organizations." This new system of categorizing will stop many organizations from even getting their names out to students. Groups are going to fall apart because the campus activities they use to draw new members in and keep existing members will require insurance that they simply can't afford. People

shouldn't be forced to leave campus to get involved with a campus group.

This also won't help cure the continually complained-about problem of student apathy. If people aren't willing to go to group events at Powell corner, how likely are they to show up elsewhere?

So yes, it is still easy to start a student group on campus. But good luck getting anywhere with that group unless Student Life decides you are worth its investment.



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(NSOs) has it even worse. They are groups the university just doesn't seem to want around. They don't even get to relate themselves directly to Eastern, let alone think about putting on an event. They don't even get a mailbox in the student life office. This category is called the "Man, I just really feel like doing some mundane paperwork that will never help me" category.

This category might as well not exist, honestly. It would be easier for these people to just start an "underground"

## CAMPUS COMMENTS

### "Powell"

All Campus Comments are anonymous.

- They are overpriced.
- Indigestion
- Diarrhea
- Horrible food
- Crowded
- It's not that bad.
- Last choice.
- It's a short break if you don't have enough time to go somewhere better.
- Improved; I like the Asian place!
- Depressing
- I'm pissed they took the smoothie place out!
- Lack of protein
- Great food!
- It's good, but a lot of it is overpriced.
- Cookies are awesome!

Compiled by Adam Turner and Jaclyn Taylor

## Writer gives universal guidelines on living life with vigor



For the "Back to Campus" edition of The Eastern Progress, I was asked to provide advice to incoming freshmen. This was much tougher than it sounds, because most advice is contextual and doesn't apply to everyone at all times. I've spent the last two weeks contemplating the prompt, and I feel like I've come up with a few universal guidelines that everyone, not just freshmen, can use.

### Throw Away Your Cellphone

Not in a literal sense; I don't actually want you to toss your iPhone in the trash (your parents probably paid a lot of money for it). But don't make your phone the primary focus of your social world. Phones can be very useful, providing anything from simple forms of communication to GPS services to a game where terrorist birds are hurled via slingshot to deliver deadly attacks upon unsuspecting livestock.

Wherever you may be, look around. Statistically speaking, odds are that someone in the vicinity has their eyes glued to a small, pocket-sized orb of light. There may be someone walking by with blazing speed, iPod at max volume, head

fixed on the pavement in front of them. There may be a man sitting nervously in the corner, rapidly switching his attention from his phone to everyone around him. Even more peculiar, there may be people who appear to be having a conversation with themselves, when in actuality they have a Bluetooth headset subtly propped on one ear.

These people more than likely won't meet anyone new today. These people won't have the chance to escape from the monotony of their daily routine, mechanically having the same interactions day in and day out. When asked the question "How's life?" these people will more than likely respond with something along the lines of "Same old, same old." This isn't what college is supposed to be about. Eastern is supposed to be a place where people from any and every background get together, share ideas and expand the collective mind of the campus.

Thanks to the overwhelming popularity of upcoming technology, people have become much less attached to one another under the guise of interconnectivity. I am issuing a challenge to the campus,

freshmen in particular, to turn your phone off for one full day. We made it 10,000 years without this technology; see if you can make it 24 hours. Just because you're not on Facebook doesn't mean everyone you know has instantly vanished (although it may seem that way). They will be there in morning. Give good, old-fashioned interpersonal communication a try and talk to someone on campus you don't know, someone who looks lonely, someone who looks cool or someone who just looks like he or she needs somebody to talk to.

**"Often, people come to Eastern dead-set on the collegiate path they want to take, but there is no GPS for life."**

### Open Up

Don't fall into the trap that so many people do when picking a career path or even a major in college. If your father is the CEO of a meat-packing plant, don't think the

only viable option you have is packing poultry, especially if you know in your heart that's not what you want to do with the brief amount of time you have here on earth. Often, people come to Eastern dead-set on the collegiate path they want to take, but there is no GPS for life. It is unlikely that a computerized British voice is going to instruct you to take the next left to success, and much like driving, there are

countless routes you may want to go down. You may be rerouted, or you may stray entirely from satellite detection. If you don't like your major, change it. If you don't like your classes, drop them.

You're here (hopefully) on your own free will, and you only get one chance, so don't take it for granted. If you're holding this paper, you're lucky; and if you can read it, you have a skill that millions of people would die for. Too much time and money goes into the college experience for you to at any point feel trapped, alone or scared.

### Take Responsibility

Parties are fun, drugs are abundant and friends are good to have, but be cautious. If these things become your primary goal, you will lose sight of the whole reason you, your parents or the government is paying exorbitant amounts of money for you to attend school. There is a time and place for a good time, but without the right amount of responsibility, you'll fall down the slippery slope to failure. Balance, moderation and responsibility are imperative if you want to make the most out of your college experience.

All of these things may sound very fortune cookie-esque, but if you follow these vague guidelines, I promise you will get more out of college than you would have otherwise.

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# Part one in a series: Family values inspire love of news



My Turn:  
Carl Tretina

While basking in the hot and sticky Virginia summer weather at the daycare's pool I maintained, I overheard a few of the children discussing the upcoming school year. These three 10-year-old boys weren't conversing about the classes they were taking or debating over the academic credibility of their school. They were talking about the girls, "losers" and the football team.

While sitting with three of my co-workers in our pitiful excuse for a break room, they started talking about the fast-approaching semester. One was a new high school graduate, one was a community college student and the other was attending a university. These young adults weren't arguing over the Republican primary candidates or comparing the curriculum requirements within their majors. They, too, were talking about the girls, "losers" and the football team.

Am I the only one frightened? My generation is the next in line to the throne. The forthcoming citizenry, if you will. We should be the next CEOs of companies or politicians. Instead, we will be taking orders at Chick-Fil-A or laying down your new carpet. From the gigantic leaps in technology to the lack of parental encouragement and discipline, the majority of my peers

do not have the need to grow up. Instead of giving you vague qualities the Millennial Generation lacks or ignores, I'm going to provide you with nouns—actual tangible items. It takes three essential tools for a generation to use and thrive from to become a prepared and knowledgeable forthcoming citizenry: News, books and school.

When I was a young child in elementary school, I woke up around 6 a.m. every day. I would stumble down the hallway to my parents' bedroom where my mother would be watching the local morning news program. Even though my eyes were barely open, I watched it. Up until my upperclassmen years of high school, every morning for 30 minutes I watched "NBC12 Morning News." Now, my favorite television shows are "Fareed Zakaria's GPS," "State of the Union" and almost anything on C-SPAN. The homepage on my laptop is, by no surprise, CNN.

I was unknowingly conditioning myself. Since I was exposed to the news at such a young age, it is natural for me to have a burning need to know what is occurring around the world. Most of my peers and children now are watching "Family Guy," "South Park" and "Jersey Shore." Even though these shows—except "Jersey Shore"—are hilarious, they should not be the only shows one enjoys.

A key part in developing my obsession with news was the fact my parents never changed the channel when I entered the room. Just because I was their pride and joy did not mean I had sudden control over the remote. The few times we ate in front of the

television, my parents would force me to watch the evening news against my pleas. I either had to stop complaining, eat my food, watch the news and enjoy the night-life, or eat my food, watch the news and go straight to bed. However, I'm starting to get the feeling not every household has the same mentality.

According to the Pew Research for the People and the Press, in 2008, 39 percent of Americans from 18-29 years of age enjoyed keeping up with the news a lot. In 2010, that number dropped to 27 percent. Here is the cherry on top: 75 percent of Americans, ages 18-29, think it is not important for a person to keep up with the news for one's job.

The news literally affects every aspect of a person's life. A salmonella scare in California could affect which produce you purchase at the store. The increase in the amount of illegal immigrants crossing the border in Texas could affect your taxes. A terrorist attack in New York City could affect the security of the entire nation.

National news is critical, but it is not sufficient. We must also be mindful of global news. Our world is becoming so interconnected due to globalization that what one country does will affect the entire world. A bombing in Saudi Arabia could affect gas prices. Greece becoming bankrupt could affect the bonds that country has purchased from the United States. A fatal earthquake in Japan could affect the air quality in parts of America.

Technology could be the key to solve the world's problems, but right now, it is a hin-

drance. News stations have the capabilities now to not only send reporters overseas, but also to show high-quality video and audio productions on live television. However, instead of watching our soldiers fight against tyrants and terrorists, according to the BBC, the most-watched night on any network in the last 20 years is the 2011 "Super Bowl." The Millennial Generation is using advanced broadcast related systems and inventions on reality and mind-numbing programs. I guess making sure the Steelers get defeated by the Packers was much more important than Egypt's Mubarak resigning. My mistake.

Every problem has a solution, though. By watching 30 minutes of the news every day, a person can hear and see at least five news reports. If half an hour is too much time taken away from your "Futurama" addiction, use the hindrance that is oh-so prevalent—technology. iPhones, iPods, Droids, BlackBerrys and almost every other portable electronic device has Internet capabilities. While riding the shuttle or waiting for your class to begin, scan through the top news stories of the day on CNN's, BBC'S or the local news channel's website. Some knowledge is better than none at all.

To make our generation a prepared forthcoming citizenry, we must know what is happening in our country and around the world. We have freedom of the press for a reason, so take advantage of it. As Albert Camus said, "A free press can be good or bad, but, most certainly, without freedom a press will never be anything but bad."

# Experiences highlight formula on dealing with 'boys,' 'bros'



My Turn:  
Mary Barezak

Over the years I have compiled my own formula to explain how boys work. So here it is, the 5 Bs that make up college boys.

One, the cardinal of all cardinals: **Beer**. Even if boys don't like beer when they're in college, they choke it down with their buds because it forges a sense of camaraderie.

Chances of him picking beer over you is fifty-fifty. Here's when you know you need to get out: he has no money to take you out to dinner or to go on spring break with you, but has plenty of cash to blow on beer for the weekend. If you come between him and his bros, forget it.

**Bros** is the second component to boys. Bro. Brosky. Broham. Bra. Bromance. Bro code.

The obnoxious list goes on. Bros love to hang out. All the time. To play video games, drink beer, watch a movie, check on their Fantasy Football leagues, pull pranks, drink more beer, make bets, beer pong and lose bets, etc.

My advice, don't waste your time. It's not worth the heartache night after night wondering if his friends are encouraging him to go for it with the drunk sorority girl who gets kissy when she's drinking.

You'll be embarrassed every time you're with him and he sees one of his friends and has to scream "Brooooo!"

And to number three: **Bangin' Babes**. Of course. Lots of guys are scared to think they're only going to be with one woman the rest of their life, so college is their excuse to take all they can get before they graduate and have to settle down.

Another component that makes up most boys is number four: the **Bong**. I'm assum-

ing it comes with the territory of being a bro. But he's going to use excuses to make smoking pot OK to you. And he won't think he's a "pot head" because compared to how much everyone else smokes, he might not be. But if it bothers you, then he should respect you enough not to do it. And if he does it behind your back, he's not worth the trouble no matter how much you're in love.

My last component is: **Bod/Buff**. This is pretty much a hit or miss thing. Either they work out all the time and are obsessed with getting bigger to impress girls and their bros. Or they aren't.

That's my formula, put it to good use so that you don't make the mistakes that I did.

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# Student sees tarnished SGA, despite new year



My Turn:  
Chris Thurman

There are few things as important on this campus as having a body of student-elected officials present at all hours to listen to students' needs and ideas and to serve as a medium between those students and the administration as well as to serve as strong representatives of those who elected them.

While the Student Government Association of Eastern has done nothing short of spectacular work since its inception, the blunders of last year's executive council, whether this year's council likes them or not, are going to continue to haunt the image of SGA for some time, especially when one of the key players in last year's debacle is now sitting in a very high position. The shameful manner in which accusations flew back and forth across the Senate floor and the manner in which "investigations" were conducted had this student, among others at this university, ashamed that we had elected officials who would act in this manner that is certainly unbecoming of any representative of Eastern.

So, SGA, how can you redeem yourself in the eyes of the students? How can you make sure that the plague of last semester's memory does not smear your attempts at making this year a success?

To begin with, you need to realize that you are at the mercy of public opinion.

I completely tuned out of the goings-on in SGA when the childishness of the administration became front-page news. To come to the realization that you need to keep the student body interested requires a certain humbleness that comes with your

individual positions.

It has also become quite obvious the willingness of certain members of SGA to flaunt their religious beliefs while serving in their offices, even going so far as to be seen publicly heading projects that coincide with their beliefs. For instance, a few key members of last year's administration were seen publicly planting anti-abortion signs and fliers around campus.

It is my belief that such displays of opinion should be reserved for those who have not made it their duty to represent all of campus. While I am by no means saying this belief is a wrong one to have, I simply must state that it is unbecoming of these officers to think of their own beliefs so highly that they take part in forcing images of dead fetuses around campus for all to see. To get through this issue is simple: Reserve the flaunting of your beliefs to your personal Internet profiles, and keep your name (and especially your image) out of activities that may make some of the other students on campus feel alienated because they don't share your particular beliefs.

Finally, and perhaps most important, you need to stop blaming each other for every little squabble or disagreement that comes up within or out of SGA's offices and meetings. The pure idiocy the readers of The Progress were subjected to last year was nothing short of embarrassing. To read of the accusations and complaint forms that were flying across the floor made me shake my head on more than one occasion, especially since I knew we had voted for these people to basically bitch at each other instead of getting things done around campus. Keep in mind that you are all elected representatives, and to get overheated publicly shows that you are nothing but weak.

I would like to see some calm resolutions out of whatever problems may arise this year; maybe then I will have respect for SGA once again.

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## GIVING

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"She definitely burned real bright while she was here," said Jeremy Wright, a friend of Williams' since age 14. "There's people from California, the boonies, Alabama; every single one of them was here. No matter where she went in life, where everyone else went in life, she was always kind of a constant. That was her in essence."

Williams was also known for her selflessness toward others.

"Alex was a giver," said Emilie Carter, Williams sister. "She had a really quick wit. She could make anybody laugh. Her primary goal in life was to make other people happy and to bring other people joy."

Friends said Williams was the person you could call whenever in need of a friend.

"She made you feel good being around her...It was a talent; it was a gift," Pezzi said. "She was just always there. When I felt like the world wasn't going to be there, she was there."

In addition to assisting friends and family in need, friends said Williams also delved fervently into her many talents, which included cooking, being the "hostess with the mostess" and art in all media.

"She took art to a new meaning in her life," said Aaron Sisco, 23, occupational health and safety major from Pikesville. "She put all of her emotion into her artwork. She loved all the things other people didn't see."

Williams entered student art shows on campus and had her art purchased last se-

mester.

"I remember she was really proud of that," said Brita Brigmon, 24, art major from Richmond and president of ASA.

Williams' artistic flair showed up in almost every aspect of her life.

"She liked to style everything," Wright said. "She put her artistic fingerprint on everything."

Williams was known for not only being able to see the world as a beautiful place, but to laugh a little along the way.

"I remember laughing with her perpetually," Sweely said. "We laughed for three years straight...that woman was laughing all the time."

Her wit and attitude was what defined Williams to many of the people who knew her.

"[I'll always remember] her sarcastic at-

titude," said Kristopher Porter, a friend since age 14. "Saundra said she was reciting the Lord's Prayer in the ambulance. The EMT guy told her to save her breath, and I could just picture her saying 'shut up' and throwing her hair back. That's just who she was."

But friends said Williams would always be remembered for the connections she made with the people she met.

"She was extremely accomplished...but she accomplished so many things more than a piece of paper," said Brittany Higginbotham. "She accomplished touching people's lives."

Her friends and family have remembered Williams by the imprint she left with them.

"She's painting the sky now," Carter said.

## SGA

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because they [students] aren't going back to their car, we thought an email would help," Sipes said. "As soon as you get a ticket and they put it into the system, you should get an automatic email to your school email account."

Sipes also said SGA is working on making students more aware they can get silent

advisers, a faculty or staff member to advise students, when seeing the student court for any offense.

Student Government Vice President Matt White said SGA has \$27,000 to distribute to student organizations each semester at appropriations meetings.

"It's always a great opportunity to help out student organizations," White said.

White said a goal of SGA is to be more visible around campus.

"One of our big things we're really working on is reaching out to students," White

said.

Mollozzi also said finding new ways to get students involved was discussed.

Mollozzi said a goal SGA is working on is a card-swipe incentive program that entices students who go to campus events to win prizes.

"One of our goals is to increase student involvement," Mollozzi said.

She said this program, based on a similar program at the University of Kentucky, will enable SGA to track what types of students come to different events and educate them

on how they can promote the events better to different groups.

Another project White said SGA will be following through with is a Kentucky Harvest canned-food drive throughout October and November. The food will stay in the community to help local people in need.

Mollozzi said a list of SGA goals for the year are posted in the SGA office and are available for anyone to stop by and read.

"We've all been working really hard this summer, and we're just excited for a good year," Mollozzi said.

## CONNEXIONS

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community geared toward success.

"Most students drop out or stop out not

because of academic reasons, but because of social reasons," Middleton said. "If they are acclimated and invested, they are more likely to be successful."

ConneXtions gives students a network of friends to turn to for support when they are homesick or need advice and provides a wide variety of extracurricular activities to choose from, Middleton said.

This is the aspect students said is most beneficial.

"You get to meet a lot of new people," said Jacob Creecy, 18, a graphic design major from Flemingsburg. "You get to do a lot of stuff that people that are not in this pro-



Jacob Creecy



Elizabeth Schradin

gram don't get to do."

Elizabeth Schradin, 18, an undeclared major from Cincinnati, Ohio, said she likes the constant stream of activities living in ConneXtions provides her.

"There's a lot of things always going on," Schradin said. "It's, like, not boring. We are always entertained."

Middleton agreed the ConneXtions program gives students otherwise inaccessible opportunities such as going to theater productions.

"Part of being in college is being able to experience new and different things," Middleton said. "We try to offer cultural experiences they may not have had."

ConneXtions was such a huge success at its onset nearly 10 years ago, Middleton said, the program grew to have a waiting list of more than 500 people and spawned the creation of more living learning communities on campus.

"We had to take a step back and look and say, 'Are we really meeting the needs of these students?'" Middleton said.

There are currently 14 living learning communities on campus and 60 percent of residence on campus live on one of these floors.

## RSO

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other organizations it did not seem appropriate to put them in the same category," Reagle said in an email.

VSOs, or Voluntarily-affiliated Student Organizations, have chosen to be affiliated with the university, but are not "agents of the university," according to the policy. They are entitled to benefits of Student Government Association funding, access to OrgSync and the right to reserve university space.

VSOs are not covered under university insurance and are required to maintain an appropriate level of their own insurance, which is decided on their assessed risk to the university. The university must be named as "additional insured" in the policy. All groups which were previously categorized as RSOs fall into this category.

A major change the policy brings forth is remanding the previous requirement for a faculty adviser for a group to be qualified as an RSO. Reagle said students had difficulty finding advisers, hindering them from becoming an official RSO. Additionally, the presence of a faculty member gave a false sense of the university having control over

the entity. The new policy eases these burdens on student groups.

NSOs, Non-affiliated Student Organizations, have no access to university support and benefits, according to the policy. They have chosen to not affiliate with the university and are not agents of the university. In addition, these groups cannot reserve space on campus, are not allowed access to OrgSync and are not required to carry insurance unless they sponsor events on campus.

If any of the groups believe the classification they received is incorrect, they have the option to appeal.

Lindsay Greenwell, associate director of student life, served on the RSO risk management committee and said the policy is not intended to separate Eastern from these groups.

"The goal is not to distance the university, but to determine who is responsible for RSOs," Greenwell said. "This policy is to protect the university."

Reagle said the policy gives student groups more freedom and encourages the creation of student groups on campus.

"Ultimately, we hope more groups will be created and more students will become involved in this important part of campus life," Reagle said in an email.



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## Adventure Program plans semester trips

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Have you ever wanted to explore caves or spend a weekend backpacking? Are you perhaps just interested in gaining some release from all that stressful schoolwork?

Adventure Programs offers a release through the outdoor adventure trips offered this semester. The trips are relatively inexpensive and cover most expenses, including food, transportation and gear. If you enjoy the outdoors and need a break from classes, then you may want to check out some of the following opportunities.

The next trip scheduled is a chance to give back to the community and go rock climbing. From Sept. 23 to Sept. 25, students can spend the weekend in Red River Gorge helping to build and repair trails one day and rock climbing the next for only \$15. This trip is a good way to earn service hours while enjoying the outdoors.

The following weekend, Sept. 30 to Oct. 2, students can explore Mammoth Cave, the world's largest cave system, and camp there for only \$65.

Fall Break is usually a time for visiting the home- stead, but students who want a mini-vacation can sign up through Adventure Programs to visit the Dolly Sods Wilderness in West Virginia for a backpacking experience. From Oct. 7 to Oct. 11, participants can enjoy the wilderness while camping and backpacking. This trip costs \$85.

The next two trips scheduled will be rock climbing trips of different types in Red River Gorge, but both will cost only \$15 each. The first is on Oct. 29 and is a sport climbing trip, which is like the usual climbing done at the climbing wall. The second trip on Oct. 30 is a traditional climbing adventure, where the climber sets his or her own anchors.

For those who will not be able to make it to the service trip opportunity in September, another is scheduled to take place from Nov. 11 to Nov. 13. As with the previous, participants will pay \$15 to spend one day help-

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## Don't Just Play...Live the Game

NEW UNDERGROUND GAMING CENTER OFFERS HOME TO HARDCORE GAMERS AND A TWIST ON LASER TAG

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It's no surprise that Richmond has been receiving a lot of new businesses lately. New bars, new places to eat and now, Eastern students will have a recreational place to game with friends.

Richmond Underground Gaming Center [RUGC] is Richmond's newest alternative recreational business. Offering customers endless hours of laser tag along with console and PC gaming, this place almost seems too good to be true.

"At first it was just going to be laser tag," said Rusty McAlister, owner of RUGC. "What better way to grab students' attention than gaming and laser tag?"

The staff at RUGC has a different name for its version of laser tag, calling it "live-plays." Players are given replicas of traditional firearms to use against each other in 9 vs. 9 matches. Depending on what match is played, whether it's death match, capture and hold or bomb defuse, the rules change with each variant.

The weapons players are given range from the M16 combat rifle, Commando carbine, P90 and Scorpion compact. Each gun comes with scopes that provide players with red-dot sighting for improved accuracy. Players are not only

equipped with guns, but sensors to be worn over their heads. These headbands, as well as the guns, are your targets. Instead of clunking around in a heavy vest,



RUSTY MCALISTER



**Richmond**  
Underground  
Gaming Center

you are required to aim for the gun and head, thus increasing the challenge of the game. And these guns are not cheap by any means. Each of the guns ranges from \$1,000 to \$1,500 a piece.

The arena is located in the basement and is filled with large wooden crates and plenty of dark areas for cover. Thankfully for you, it only costs \$6 a game. At an even better deal, Eastern students, military and law enforcement receive a discount.

Though this live gaming is a cool enough feature by itself, that is hardly all RUGC has to offer. The center also allows customers to play selected Xbox 360, PS3 and PC titles. Customers will have the following at their disposal:

- 10 high-performance computers on 24-inch HD monitors
- Five Xbox 360 gaming consoles with X Rocker gaming chairs on 40-inch HD TVs
- Three PS3 gaming consoles on 55-inch 3D HD TVs
- Fully functional Xbox 360 Kinect system

As time goes on, staff members said the RUGC will host video game tournaments such as "Rock Band," "Call of Duty" and more.

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## Artist explores veteran mindset in art piece

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Living in a country involved in war for 10 years, it is easy to become removed from the reality of what war truly is.

So when Matthew Foley, 28, from Harlan, a fine arts major and an army veteran, had an opportunity to do an alternative assignment for one of his GSO orientation class exams, he decided to get creative and show the realities of war through an art therapy piece.

"The objective was to create a dialogue between people accustomed to American war culture and those who are not," Foley said. "It was a double effort to assist vets to reshape post-form identity."

Entitled "Illumination of a Warrior's Mind," the piece was created in three panels, Foley said.

The panel on the far left shows a representation of the pre-war stage of a soldier's mind, illustrating the youthfulness of the warriors who are fighting America's battles. The excitement of the unknown as



Matthew Foley's artwork, entitled "Illumination of a Warrior's Mind," is currently on display on the third floor of the Crabbe Library.

the young men endure weeks of training and preparation for their battles in the future was an important aspect, Foley said.

The middle panel is an illustration of the mind during battle, which is the soldier's mindset of "moment to moment" existence. Foley said this stage was the moment in which loss of identity is suggested through the chaos of war.

Finally, the panel to the far right was Foley's illustration of the post-war mindset.

"A striped version of panel number one, soldiers are left without the structure of self-identity," he said. "The question arises, 'Where do we go from here?' as many sol-



diers return to civilian life."

Foley said he created the artwork first using charcoal made from a burned list of fallen soldiers in the current conflict. He then invited veterans at Eastern to help destroy the panels. The artwork was to be a dialogue of grievance, to reshape a soldier's perception of what war was to them and to help attach a value to loss. The veterans who participated did not know of the different stages represented on each panel; it was a process in which Foley wanted to show proper grieving was a constructive process.

"The destruction process was to gray out



RACHEL TUSSEY/PROGRESS

the concept of what creation and destruction is," Foley said.

Foley said he contributed his piece to "The Journal of Military Experience," a book written by Eastern student veterans chronicling their experiences while serving. Foley said he also created the cover illustration of the book, entitled "The U.S. Island."

Foley's artwork will be on display in the Main Street Gallery starting Sept. 11 with the show "Thoughts in the Presence of Fear" and is currently on display on the third floor of the Crabbe Library.



MATTHEW FOLEY

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## Q&A WITH THE GREATEST OF THESE

The Greatest of These is a band that hails from Eastern Kentucky. According to the band's website, "Each member of the band brings a unique musical perspective, being influenced by different avenues of rock and roll." All throughout their shows, you can feel the emotion behind the songs and the band's passion for music. The Greatest of These recently returned from a tour after releasing their latest album, "Zeroth Law."



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**Band Name:** The Greatest of These

**Members:**

Todd Melton: Lead Vocals/Guitar  
Steve Jones: Guitar/Back-up vocals  
Trent Garrison: Drums  
Dustin Tennill: Bass

**How long has The Greatest of These been together?**  
Since 2003.

**How did you come up with the name?**

Melton: It is actually from a Bible verse, pretty non-rock and roll, but it says something like, "Have faith, hope and charity, and the greatest of these is charity." I was trying to make it a positive thing.

**What kind of music does The Greatest of These play?**

Garrison: The Greatest of These plays rock and roll music.

**What is your favorite song that The Greatest of These plays?**

Melton: I have a lot of favorites right now because we just released the album, but I would have to say, "So Long."

Jones: "Under Pressure" by David Bowie and Freddie Mercury. Out of our originals, I can't pick one. We put so much of us into them all, it's kind of like kids, and you can't



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The Greatest of These just recently completed a tour for their newest album, "Zeroth Law."

put one above the other.

Garrison: "I Can Hang Myself."

Tennill: "Dead in Your Aim."

**Do you have any favorite local bands?**

Melton: The Sooners, Switchmen, Hard Sunday, Semantics, Ash Wednesday, Several Hundred People, RedShadeBlue and The Strip District.

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# Is Google+ really going to be a Facebook killer?

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Google+ is Google's first step into social networking, putting itself up against Twitter, Myspace and of course, Facebook. When really diving into Google+, it has the best of most of the social networking perks. You can "follow" people, like on Twitter, and use it just like Facebook.



Google+ is different in many ways. The first difference you may notice is that it is an invitation-only site. Once you finally get the coveted invite, you get 150 invitations to send out to your friends and family that don't already have one. After that, you get to embark on the "Circles." "Circles" is how you "follow" or "friend" your friends. You put them in "Circles" labeled friends, family, acquaintances or any other group you'd like.

Another benefit, it's free...other than time spent waiting for your personal invite to join.

In an interview with statenews.com, Nicole Ellison, an associate professor of telecommunication, information studies and media at Michigan State University, said she is not convinced that Google+ will kill Facebook.

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"While Google+ is unlikely to take over Facebook's user base completely, many students probably will use both services for a while," Ellison said. "There is a fair amount of energy involved in a transition like that [starting a new social networking profile], and recreating a network of 600 or 700 people will take some time."

In my opinion, Google+ is not the "Facebook Killer" it was set out to be. I think, in the future, it could be, but right now, no. It is a lot like Facebook and Twitter in a lot of different ways—too many ways. It seems to be a more mature form of Facebook, especially since it is invite-only and its users can choose who gets on the site and who does not.

You really do get the best of the social networking worlds with Google+, but it does have a striking resemblance to Facebook. If you are looking for something different and are tired of all the invites to Facebook games, you should definitely check it out. But remember, Google+ is still in its beginning stages, so it has a lot of kinks to work out.

# 'To Infinity and Beyond'

WRITER LOOKS BACK ON PIXAR CHILDHOOD CLASSIC 'TOY STORY' WITH NEW PERSPECTIVE

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Rewind to 1995. Many of us were beginning the process of exiting our toddler years to enter the new and exciting world of childhood. Our parents were beginning to grant us a small amount of freedom, small being the keyword. On Nov. 22, one movie opened in theaters nationwide and took the box office by storm, becoming the highest grossing film of 1995. I am, of course, talking about "Toy Story."

"Toy Story," directed by John Lasseter, was Pixar's first feature film and the first-ever feature film to be made entirely in CGI. The movie stars Tom Hanks and Tim Allen.

Woody, voiced by Hanks, is Andy Davis' favorite toy. As the favorite toy, Woody is the de facto leader of the toys of Andy's room, who come to life after Andy leaves. Andy gets a new toy, Buzz Lightyear, the intergalactic space ranger, voiced by Tim Allen. Woody soon gets side-lined as Buzz takes over as Andy's favorite toy. After a series of events, Woody and Buzz Lightyear become separated from Andy's room and must put aside their differences to work together to get back to Andy before his family moves away.

As a child, I remember "Toy Story" being my favorite movie at the time. I didn't watch movies for plot, acting or theme. I watched for action, which "Toy Story" had. Watching Buzz Lightyear "fly" across Andy's room never got old.

As an adult, I find myself still enjoying "Toy Story." While I still like the action scenes, I now appreciate the smart humor, like Mr. Potato Head using his detachable eyes as a periscope. As an adult, I also find several significant themes in "Toy Story," like jealousy, abandonment and finding purpose in life.

nificant themes in "Toy Story," like jealousy, abandonment and finding purpose in life.

I also appreciate the film's use of symbolism. Buzz's arm breaks off after an attempt to fly out of an open window goes awry, symbolizing his broken spirit. To further symbolize this break, Buzz has a mental breakdown, also adding to the humor of the movie.

One of the many great things about "Toy Story" is the voice work. Don Rickles as the cynical and pessimistic Mr. Potato Head, R. Lee Ermy as Sarge, the leader of the Army men, and Jim Varney as Slinky all did phenomenal jobs. All the characters were well-developed and lovable, thanks to the excellent voice cast.

Another great element of the film is the animation. While we may take computer-generated imagery (CGI) for granted nowadays, it was a major innovation in 1995. As the first film made entirely in CGI, it had audiences enchanted by the cutting-edge special effects and beauty.

"Toy Story" is still an excellent film all ages can enjoy. The animation is fantastic and the voice acting is remarkable. I highly recommend this movie as a nostalgia bomb that will have you shouting, "To infinity and beyond!"

# Folky Jessica Lea Mayfield is worth a listen

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Jessica Lea Mayfield is one of those artists who really pours her heart into what she's singing about. In the case of her debut album, "With Blasphemy So Heartfelt," released in 2008, she sings about the heartbreak of a relationship gone south.

According to online interviews (re:YouTube), Mayfield has been playing in bluegrass bands since a very early age, although the style of her studio albums are more folk than bluegrass. She's toured and opened for folk-bluegrass band The Avett Brothers for years.

Growing up in Kent, Ohio, Mayfield met fellow Ohio native Dan Auerbach, singer and guitarist for the Akron-based blues band, The Black Keys. Over the course of two years, Mayfield and Auerbach recorded what would become "With Blasphemy So Heartfelt." After unsuccessfully trying to get her signed to a label, Auerbach started his own label to get Mayfield's music out to the public.

The debut album consists of 12 tracks, all (save for "Bible Days") focusing on relationships, bad or good.

Standout tracks include—well, honestly, I like the entire album. Sometimes it's depressing, sometimes it's what I need, but it's always soulful. Instead of standout tracks, maybe I should say "downloadable tracks" or "tracks to YouTube." In that case, "Kiss Me Again," "For Today," "I Can't Lie to You, Love," "We've Never Lied" and "I'm Not Lonely Anymore" are great tracks to check out. Again, I realize this is almost half the album, but it's worth it.

Mayfield's second album, "Tell Me," released in February 2011, keeps most of the feel of her first album while still managing to change up her sound via back-up vocals, electronic, almost techno-sounding beats and stronger sounds emerging from her other band members.

Just listen to the track "Grown Man" to hear the stark contrast between Mayfield's second offering and her debut. That's not to say it's bad, just different.

What remains the same in "Tell Me" is the subject matter. You still get more of the relationship material, just presented in a more upbeat style. Mayfield's bluegrass twang still



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comes through on the record, the best example being "Our Hearts Are Wrong" and "Somewhere In Your Heart."

What makes Jessica Lea Mayfield so great is her ability to completely pour out her emotions in a song. You're not going to hear her on mainstream radio and you don't need to. She speaks for herself, not a record company.

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# GAMING

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To recap: 9 vs. 9 laser tag, student discounts, midnight releases, console and PC gaming? Sounds too good to be true, but true it is. On top of everything else, it's affordable as well. Here is a list of prices for the RUGC:

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ing improve the trails of the Red River Gorge; but the day after that, students will spend the day riding mountain bikes.

For students who want to participate, but don't have a lot of cash, Adventure Programs will take students to the Pinnacles in Berea on Nov. 19 for a day hike experience for only \$5. If mountain biking is your thing, you can go with Adventure Programs to Laurel Lake, Ky., on Nov. 20 for only \$10.

The final trip of the semester will be a trip to Steele, Ala., from Dec. 2 to Dec. 4 and will be a bouldering trip (scaling boulders without ropes in a safe environment). Students can climb for two days for only \$40.

There is limited availability on all trips, so students should register soon in order to reserve a spot. Students can sign up for trips at the front desk near the climbing wall in the Fitness and Wellness Center. Contact Brian Clark at 622-6867 for more information on trips or general questions.

# Q&A

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Jones: The Sooners.

Garrison: The Sooners, Switchmen, Ash Wednesday, Several Hundred People and RedShadeBlue.

Tennill: The Sooners, Switchmen, Several Hundred People and RedShadeBlue.

**How long have you been playing your instrument?**

Melton: Fifteen to 20 years for guitar, and the same amount of time for singing.

Jones: Seventeen years.

Garrison: Six years for the drums and two years for guitar.

Tennill: Since '95 to '96.

**What is your favorite drink of all time?**

Melton: Peach Nehi [soda] and vanilla chai tea.

Jones: Peach Nehi and Jack and Coke.

Garrison: Kentucky Ale.

Tennill: Mt. Dew.

**Musically, what is your guilty pleasure?**

Melton: Lady Gaga.

Jones: "Guitars. I own five and it's not enough. If they weren't so expensive, I would have more."

Garrison: Marilyn Manson and old school gangster rap.

Tennill: "Jazz and musicals. I play bass for Madison Central's musicals."

**Is there anything you want to tell your fans?**

Melton: "I don't have the words. They have made it possible for this tour that is coming up in the summer. It certainly makes for a good time when our regulars are there. I choose to believe that it's because they like our music, and not because we are always playing in bars."

Jones: "The support they give us is what keeps me going. As much as I love playing, it can be very stressful at times; but when we see the devoted at our shows and they're singing our songs...nothing else matters."

Garrison: "We really appreciate our fans. We owe a lot to the people who have been following us around for the last 8 years."

For the full interview, video and pictures, be sure to visit [www.centralkylocalmusicnow.wordpress.com](http://www.centralkylocalmusicnow.wordpress.com).

# Wayne gets lazy with 'Tha Carter IV'

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"Every wannabe fly 'til you swat 'em."

Probably one of the most anticipated albums of 2011, maybe even more so than Jay-Z and Kanye's "Watch The Throne," Lil Wayne's newest creation, "Tha Carter IV," is almost unavoidable since Wayne is probably one of the most successful rappers on the radio right now. This album is the fourth installment of the "Carter" series, which, unlike his mixtapes, tends to have more hooks and a bit more structure, a common practice with today's rap artists.

But from the cover all the way to some of the actual songs on the album, it's debatable on whether or not this album can even be taken seriously. Similar to "The Carter III," which featured Wayne as a baby on the cover, this cover features what seems to be 6 or 7-year-old Wayne with tattoos on his face and neck. This is simply laughable, especially for a hip-hop album. Where "Tha Carter III" was somewhat understandable because it was a tribute to Nas' "Illmatic" and Notorious B.I.G.'s "Ready to Die," no matter how much you look at this one, you'll still be asking yourself, "Why?"

But people don't spend their money on albums for their covers. Music lovers buy albums for amazing word-play, content, features and just all around good music...right?

Sadly, Lil Wayne has watered down

his flow to essentially taking idioms or commonly used sayings and making references to them, which makes his verses boring. This type of flow would normally be fine, but his songs are structured in such a way that listeners are left waiting to get to punch lines that don't have very much weight at all. Unfortunately, everything in between is extremely forgettable.

Some examples of such boring lyrics include: "If time is money, I'm an hour past paid;" "Man, when that cookie crumble, everybody want a

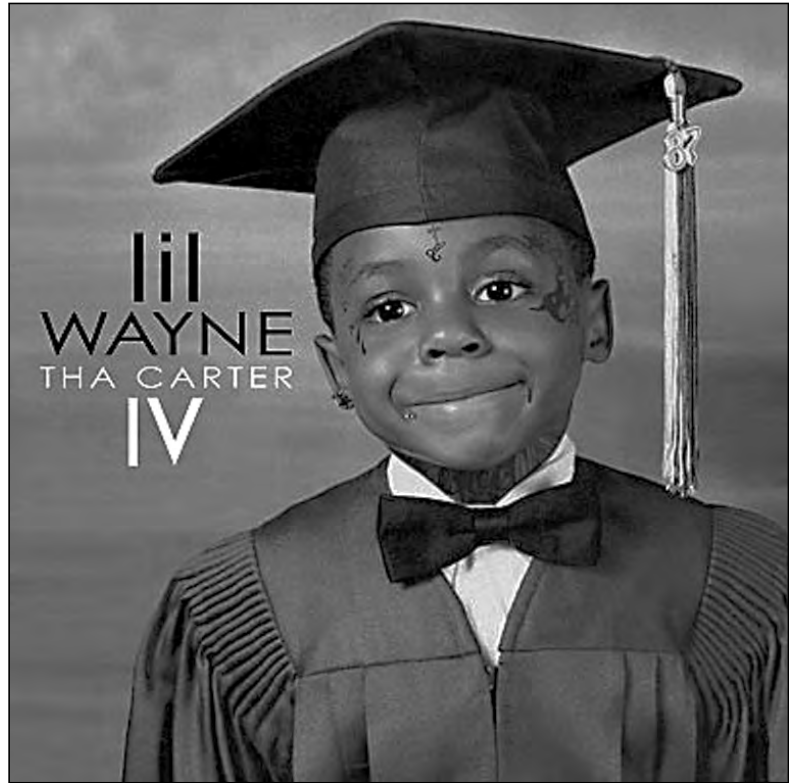
In other words, in every song that features another singer, Lil Wayne is outshone by the other singers.

It becomes clear it wasn't the most productive thing to recruit Andre 3000 and Nas, hip-hop legends, to rap on tracks that Wayne wouldn't even write one word to. The best song on the album doesn't even have Lil Wayne on it, and that's simply because the other rappers have the skills that Wayne lacks when creating an enjoyable piece of work. He was brave to include it, but it's a shame Lil Wayne chose this route because it makes him look even worse when listeners like Busta Rhymes or Tech N9ne's verse more than the rest of "Tha Carter IV."

There is one thing for certain, though: The features, from the likes of John Legend and T-Pain, work, and they work well. The production is also loud, energetic fun and a great album to work out to, which is why even with the lack of creativity, skill or whatever you want to call it, the album is still not totally intolerable.

The album is too fun to hate, but it's not even close to "Watch The Throne" or even in the same ballpark as Kendrick Lamar's "Section.80."

- Highlights:  
 "Nightmares of the Bottom"  
 "How to Hate"  
 "Interlude"  
 "Outro"  
**Verdict: C+**



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crumb;" and "Life is a bitch, and death is her sister"

And there's so many more. As you can see, Wayne's style would be considerably easy to imitate. With this album, there is a lack of creative word-play and the content suffers for that.

Perhaps the redeeming quality of the album isn't even Lil Wayne's work.

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# PEEL

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three straight birdies, which led to a second round score of 68—three under par and the best round of the tournament—good enough for second place and a spot in the 2011 U.S. Amateur.

"I wasn't surprised at all when I heard he qualified," Dolan said. "Not surprised at all."

Peel and his family's first few days at Erin Hills, Wis., home to the amateur tournament, were spent soaking up the lavish atmosphere, Peel said. He added that he lived the life of a regular PGA tour player: Signing autographs, playing with free golf balls and tying his spikes in a posh locker room.

"I remember walking the course for the first time, and it was just being breathtaking," Peel said. "You're out there early in the morning, all alone, everything's quiet and you can just feel the moment. That's when I finally realized I was at the U.S. Amateur."

Peel said the highlight of the trip for him was not only playing in his first USGA event, but doing so with his 16-year-old brother Brendan on the bag as his caddy.

"Getting to experience that with him was just

awesome," Peel said. "He keeps me pretty level-headed and knows my game so well. We were a good team together, and it was a special time for us."

Despite an early birdie on the fifth hole, Peel's first round of the amateur had a few hiccups: Double bogeys on the second and 11<sup>th</sup> holes left him at +3 with seven to play.

"Brendan really helped me out," Peel said. "He got me back on the right path."

In a dramatic turnaround, Peel ended with birdies at 12, 15 and 18 to finish at even par-70 for the first round.

His second round, which was scheduled for later the same day, had a strange twist as weather stopped play from finishing on time. But Peel was one of the few golfers to catch a break and finished his round early the next morning.

Sitting at even par with six holes to play, Peel slipped up with a double-bogey on the par-4 fourth hole.

"We knew that around even par would be the cut, so I just told myself I had to birdie at least two of these next holes to have any chance," Peel said. "I just stayed patient and relaxed."

Peel birdied the very next hole, and then on the eighth hole, fired another birdie to even out his round. At the end of day, Peel was tied for 61<sup>st</sup> with 19 other golfers at even par.

Peel then played in the playoff hole for the final four spots, but came just short and finished tied for 65<sup>th</sup>.

"It wasn't the ending that I wanted, but I had a great time," Peel said. "I learned a lot about myself. It was a special time for me and my family."

Peel said one of his goals was to represent his university while out on the course.

"I wanted to represent Eastern well," Peel said. "I wore Eastern colors both days, and it really was cool when some people told me that saw me and my Eastern bag on the golf channel during live coverage of the tournament."

Peel, who has a business management degree, said he plans to take another year as an amateur after graduation. He added that he hopes to turn professional, but doesn't want to rush anything.

"I enjoy playing golf every day," Peel said. "I mean, what could be better? This game is the greatest game. I have my whole senior season ahead of me."

Which leaves him only with his current list of dreams: Bringing an OVC Championship back to Eastern.

# CROSS-COUNTRY

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Kosgei said she also has some physical goals.

"I want to work on my strength, conditioning and mileage in addition to staying motivated," she said.

Fundamentals are the biggest problem areas Erdmann said he wants his teams to work on.

"I want the players who need to, to improve their physical conditioning, and for the teams to run closer together," Erdmann said.

The women's next meet is the Queen City Invitational on Sept. 9.

The men's next contest is scheduled for Sept. 17 at the U.S. Naval Academy Invitational.

# FOOTBALL

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"After the first snap, I felt like I'd done it before," McClain said in a post-game press conference. "I was nervous the first play, but after that it felt good. It was a positive experience. I made some mistakes and learned a lot, so we'll just carry that into next week and keep working." The freshman completed nine of 26 passes for 119 yards but was picked off twice.

"I think he proved that we made the right decision," Hood said of McClain. "It was a tough decision on our part. I felt like he played a good game, and the film backed that up."

The Wildcats responded early in the fourth quarter with a 36-yard field goal by Anthony Cantele to cut the deficit to 7-3.

The two teams traded three-and-outs until the two-minute mark when Klein ended an 11-play drive with the winning touchdown pass to Harper.

KSU's Klein was 13 of 21 for 128 yards and rushed for 78 yards.

Jeremiah Williams led the Colonels with 19 yards rushing on 14 carries.

Tyrone Goard led the Colonels with two catches for 58 yards, including a 43-yard reception.

## A LOOK AHEAD:

This week, Eastern returns home to face Missouri State out of the Missouri Valley Conference. The Bears, who lost last week 51-7 to Arkansas, beat the Colonels last year in Springfield, 31-9.

In last year's contest, Eastern couldn't contain MSU running back Chris Douglas who rushed for 128 yards and one touchdown on 10 carries. Douglas, who had an 86-yard touchdown run last year, returns this year for his senior season.

The Bears did lose quarterback Cody Kirby, who finished with 199 yards passing, one passing touchdown and two rushing touchdowns. This season, Kierra Harris steps under center for MSU.

Eastern's offense couldn't muster much in last season's game, but T.J. Pryor threw for 315 yards in the loss and was sacked six times. Pryor, who sat out in last week's game, is listed as probable for this week. If he's not ready to go, McClain should be back under center.

"I think he is probable," Hood said of Pryor. "But we will know a lot more as the week goes on. He threw a little bit last week, but it was still sore."

The game is set for a 5 p.m. kickoff Saturday night at Roy Kidd Stadium. Eastern students can attend all football games with free admission.

# ALVES

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I feel like what Peevy and company did was a bit overboard. Do I want to hang him for a violation of Smith's First Amendment rights? No, because that's going overboard on my end.

Do I think he was being a bully? Wholeheartedly.

Here at Eastern, I have the utmost respect for the media relations department – Mike Clarke, Kevin Britton and Steve Fohl all do an excellent job. They have been more than friendly, helpful and probably have put up with more trouble than necessary from my staff and I.

But as a journalist, I have a job to do. Adding extra roadblocks in front of a task is just that – a roadblock – limiting the ways a journalist can cover student athletes. I think it's detrimental to the value of news. The newspaper decides what is news, not some man sitting behind an office door.

If every reporter had to get permission from someone to interview a source, then NO ONE would ever get anything done. Could you imagine calling the parents of every student who lives on campus just to say, 'Hey, can I ask your daughter a question about parking?'

Yeah, I doubt it. Why are athletes different? Yes, I understand these athletes aren't professionals. They do need to be somewhat isolated from the media in certain

ways. A reporter shouldn't be able to come into the showers to do an interview with a tennis player. (Although, if my reporter went to those lengths I would have to applaud them for extra effort.)

But notice I used the word "somewhat." Don't over do it and lock them away in a secret compartment.

Peevy used the phrase: "We give them an opportunity to be a student first, not a professional athlete."

Student first, huh? Giving them this "special treatment" makes the athletes seem like they are better than rest of the student body, and even more specializes them than their athlete status already does.

The Kernel made a fair argument when they brought up the fact that "UK has these guidelines that are written, but you never have to sign anything. They're guidelines, but just that."

Amen. And lastly, why would you create a rift between anybody that has the power of the printing press? Not a very smart idea.

Peevy also embarrassed himself by his endless tweets on the subject, where he argued with supporters of The Kernel like a fifth-grade schoolgirl.

Now here's a thought: President Eli Capilouto, since Peevy's in the mood to revoke credentials why not ban Peevy from using social media? Since he clearly seems to not have a professional grasp on what an appropriate Tweet is.

But why bother sinking to his level? Not even the world's longest rope could pull you out then.

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# Wildcats steal game from Colonels in last minutes



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Eastern's running back Kyle Lumpkin (No. 33) uses a stiff arm to break away from a Kansas State defender. Eastern led most of the game until KSU scored a late touchdown to take the 10-7 win.

By RYAN ALVES  
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For 38 minutes last Saturday night, Eastern football won the battle.

But in the final two minutes, Kansas State University won the war as the Wildcats' quarterback Collin Klein found a streaking Chris Harper down the right side-lines for the winning touchdown with 1:46 left on the clock.

The Colonels' final possession and last hope at up-setting a Big-12 team came to an end when their final heave was intercepted.

"Our president came in and probably said it best," said Head Coach Dean Hood in a postgame press conference. "He said, 'I could be happier, but I couldn't be prouder. I just hurt for the kids. They played so hard, put it on the line, accepted every challenge of every situation of the game and never backed down. I'm just really, really proud of them, just hurting for them because we really wanted to

come away with a 'W'. That's just the bottom line in this whole thing."

The Colonels came into the season-opener without its two top offensive weapons, quarterback T.J. Pryor and wide receiver Orlando Harris. They were also sporting a true freshman at quarterback—Jared McClain—in front of a sellout crowd of over 50,000.

But like they have in years past, the Colonels came out strong on defense, forcing five turnovers and only allowing 303 yards of total offense.

"Every week is a life in-and-of itself, but if we prepare like we did this last week and if we play like we did out there, we can play with anybody," Hood said. "I mean, that's a Big 12 team."

On Kansas State's opening possession, they fumbled the ball, allowing Eastern to take over deep in Wildcat territory. The offense couldn't manage any progress and the Colonels had to settle for a field goal, but missed the 42-yard attempt wide right.

Later in the first quarter, KSU muffed a punt, which Eastern re-

covered again in Wildcat territory, but an interception on third-and-goal thwarted the Colonels' chances again.

Offensively, Eastern managed just 71 yards of total offense in the first half, but limited KSU to 114 yards.

"We have a lot of work to do offensively and we have a good staff," Hood said. "Coach [Dane] Damron will rise up and take any criticism and look at themselves with a critical eye. They are good kids. They want to win, they want to work hard and they will do whatever we ask them to do. We will look at the film and see where it is we need to improve and we will get better."

Eastern's defense set up the best scoring opportunity of the game for the Colonels when senior Patrick McClellan scooped up a KSU fumble and raced 18 yards down to the Wildcats' one-yard line. Two plays later, McClain found the end zone with a quarterback keeper through the right side.

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## Weather sends Lady Colonels soccer home in 1-1 tie with Runnin' Bulldogs

By GREG SCHULTE  
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The storms on Sunday slowed down the game, but did not stop Eastern's women's soccer team from battling it out with Gardner-Webb, ending the game with a 1-1 tie.

**EKU 1** "First half came off with momentum," said Coach Lindsay Basalyga. "There was a momentum shift at halftime, but overall, we had a good day of soccer."

After a victory of 4-0 at UNC

Asheville on Friday, the team was ready to duke it out with Gardner-Webb. Freshman Devon Saini scored a goal four minutes into game time. The game was delayed for an hour during halftime due to bad weather. After halftime, Gardner-Webb was able to kick in a goal, putting the teams at a tie.

As the storms and game progressed, Eastern worked hard to try and score another goal and bring them to victory. Five corner kicks and three shots on the goal were attempted, but with no luck. At the end of regulation, the game

was called off due to the storm, leaving the game tied.

"We played very well," Saini said. "There were a few technical things that we can work on before the next game."

Sophomore goalie Lauren Fant said the team is working on its offense.

"We are getting into the attack and just trying to keep pushing forward to get more goals," Fant said.

The Colonels are scheduled to take on Marshall at 5 p.m. Friday and Detroit Mercy at 1 p.m. Sunday, both at home.



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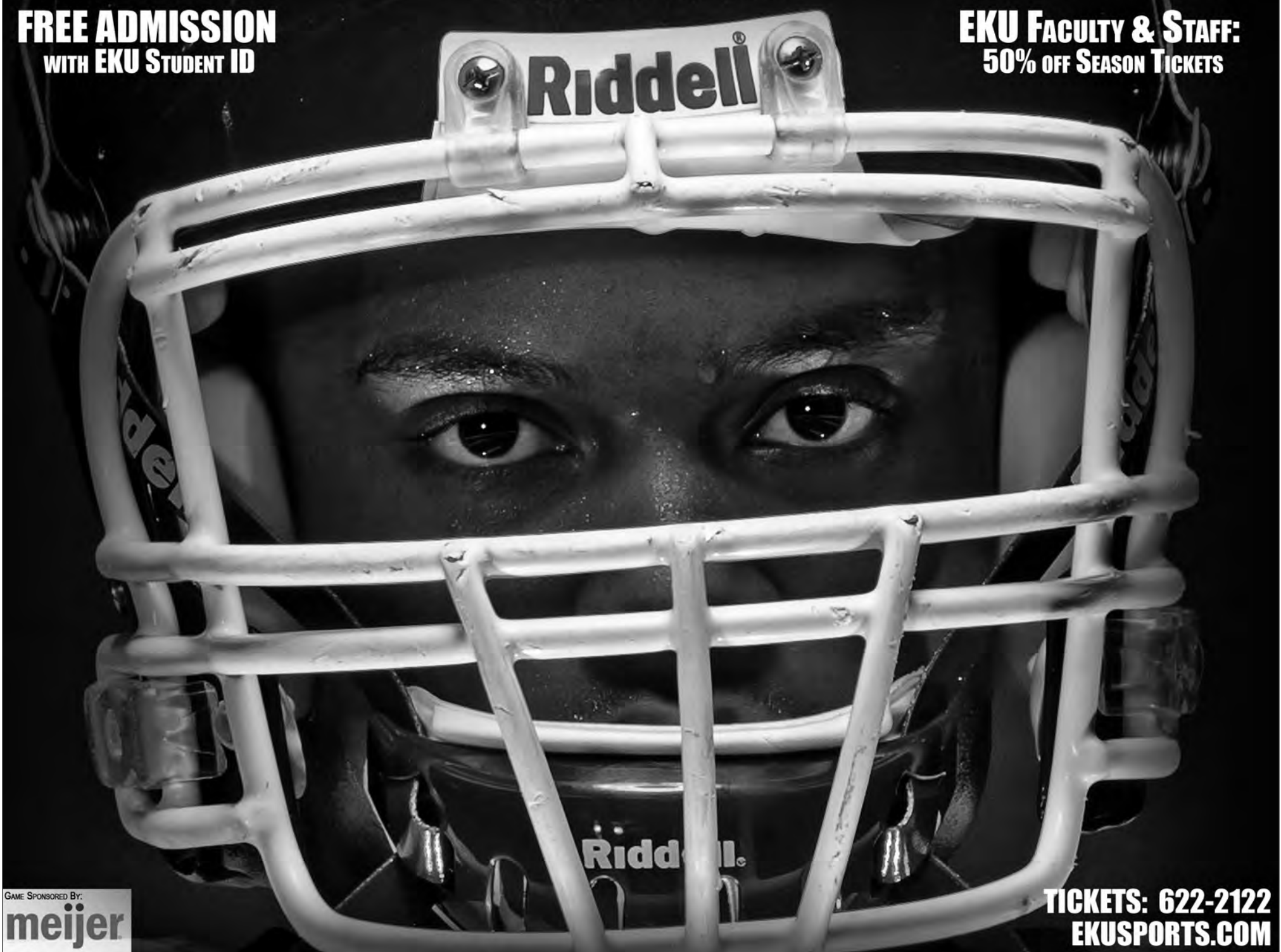
Eastern's Stephany Ellison (No. 13) attacks the ball in the Lady Colonel's 1-1 tie with Gardner-Webb last Sunday.

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## Living out a dream

EASTERN'S BILLY PEEL LIVES OUT DREAM BY QUALIFYING FOR PRESTIGIOUS U.S. AMATEUR

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Striding down the first fairway at Arlington Club, fresh off the muggy and cloudy morning's first tee-shot, Billy Peel was smiling from ear to ear.

Who could blame him? He was on the golf course—his second home—with his friends and teammates qualifying for this year's seeds, playing the game he's head-over-heels in love with.

Not to mention, he's just a week off from what he said was the most exhilarating golf outing of his life and the fulfillment a lifelong dream: Tying for 65<sup>th</sup> out of 312 at the 111<sup>th</sup> U.S. Amateur Championship.

"It was the best time," Peel said. "This has been one of my dreams since I started playing competitive golf. I had a lot of fun."

But with Peel, to talk about the most prestigious amateur golf tournament in the world, you first have to start some 16 years ago at Columbia Country Club in Potomac, Md., when he first gripped a golf club.

"My parents had been members of the country club for a while," Peel said. "And I was really into swimming at an early age, but then we all grew tired of it. So my parents started dropping me off at the golf course. And I started playing from then on."

Columbia is also where Peel said he met Bob Dolan, the club's golf pro, who, to this day, still serves as Peel's coach and mentor.

"He started participating in a lot of our junior programs, and then he came to me one day and said he was serious about making golf his sport," Dolan said. "We've been together ever

since."

Peel's answer for why he's kept Dolan around for so long is a simple one.

"He knows my swing better than anyone in the world," Peel said.

Peel said the two worked hand-in-hand every day, perfecting mechanics, fitness, swing techniques and learning the ins and outs of the game together, something that has been the key to Peel's success.

As Peel grew older, he said the fruits of his labors began to ripen. Quickly, he became Winston Churchill High School's top golfer. By graduation day in 2007, Peel said he had a first-team all-state selection (2005), The Gazette's Golfer of the Year honor (2006) and four straight State Championships under his belt. As a senior, he even sank the record-setting putt that gave Churchill a team score of 604 in the state tournament—the lowest in history.

"High school was really when it began to click for Billy," Dolan said. "He started to come into his own about that time."

When it came time to select a college to call home for the next four years, though, Peel said he wasn't getting as much attention as he'd hoped.

"I really wanted to play division I, but wasn't getting many looks," Peel said.

But then the father of a close friend who had played at Eastern told Peel about Richmond.

"On my first visit down here, I really didn't like it that much," Peel said. "It just wasn't what I was looking for. But then on my second visit, I spent an entire weekend with the guys on the team. After that, I was in love. The team was great."

When he got to campus, Peel joined the team. But his first year as a Colonel, he wasn't on scholarship and took a redshirt year. And that year in 2002, Eastern won the Ohio Valley

Conference Championship—the last time they've claimed the title.

"I mean, I was on the team, but I really didn't contribute that much," Peel said. "So this year, our goal is to win one. I want to go out a champion."

Peel said he progressed over his first two years at Eastern, and eventually by his sophomore year, was able to play his way into a scholarship.

"He's really matured over the year," Dolan said. "That has really helped his college game. He's excelled at three things—his fitness, mechanics and mental game—that's why he's where he is today."

In 2009, golf also gave him the perfect day. On Feb. 10, his 20<sup>th</sup> birthday, he dunked his second-ever hole-in-one.

"The golfing gods were on my side that day," Peel said.

Last year, Peel led the team in scoring with 73.2 stroke average, the fifth-best in the OVC. He finished the year with second team All-OVC honors and scored four top-10 finishes.

And this past August at the U.S. Amateur sectional qualifying event in his home state of Maryland, it all came full-circle for Peel who said he has dreams of playing professional golf after graduating.

Peel's opening round didn't go quite as planned, he said. He opened with a four-over par 75, but was able to survive the cut.

That night he got a call from a familiar voice: Dolan.

"We just talked about how we knew he could go out tomorrow and shoot a low score," Dolan said. "I reminded him about how well he'd been playing and that all he needed was a few putts to fly."

And the next day, with 18 holes left to fulfill his lifelong dream, Peel made good on his mentor's words. During a stretch on the front nine, Peel made

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## UK's Peevy should climb off high horse



Ryan Alves

Column as I see 'em...

The decision for DeWayne Peevy, the University of Kentucky's associate athletic director for media relations, to revoke an invitation to cover a media event from Kentucky Kernel sports reporter Aaron Smith, was in layman's terms...bullshit.

The story, which broke after The Kentucky Kernel published it in Aug. 29's issue, garnered national media coverage, enraged journalists and set the Twitter world abuzz, with Peevy himself receiving the most heat.

Here's the background:

Smith, using superb reporting skills, called two students, Brian Long and Sam Malone, who had reportedly become walk-ons for the UK basketball team. He found their phone numbers in the public student directory, which the university offers all its students.

Smith called them to confirm their status as walk-ons, to which both players responded, "Yes."

He then asked if he could interview them both. They said, "No."

Pretty innocuous stuff if you ask me.

But Peevy, from atop his high horse, deemed it fit to "punish" Smith and The Kernel, saying that they "broke the guidelines" the media relations department gives all media outlets when covering Wildcat athletics.

Peevy said the following rule is posted in every media guide: "Request telephone interviews at least 24 hours in advance through the media relations office..." and that it was OK for Smith to contact the players to ask if they were on the team, but once he found out they were on the team, he should have scheduled an interview through the media relations department.

Listen...no offense, but journalists work on a thing called a deadline and we don't always have time to jump through hoops just to ask someone a few questions.

From firsthand experience, working around all the athletes' class schedules, workouts, travel schedules, games and free-time almost makes it impossible to conduct a good interview.

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## Cross-country races past Marshall in dual meet

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Life may be full of uncertainties, but there are at least two things you can count on: the sun rising in the east and Coach Rick Erdmann's cross country teams being at the top of the Ohio Valley Conference.

The teams began their quest of another winning season last Friday as they hosted the Marshall Relays on a sweltering summer day.

Both teams were victorious, with the men winning 17-46 and the women winning 15-49.

Although Erdmann was pleased with the victories, he said he had some concerns.

"I was a little bit disappointed in some of the runners because there were some who had a good year last year, but didn't look to be in as good a physical shape [that day]," Erdmann said.

A senior on each team had the best time of the relays. David Mutuse ran a 14:31.90, while Lydia Kosgei recorded a time of 10:59.

Mutuse and Kosgei said they were both happy with their respective times in the Marshall relays.

Each one, however, has different personal goals for their last season on the team.

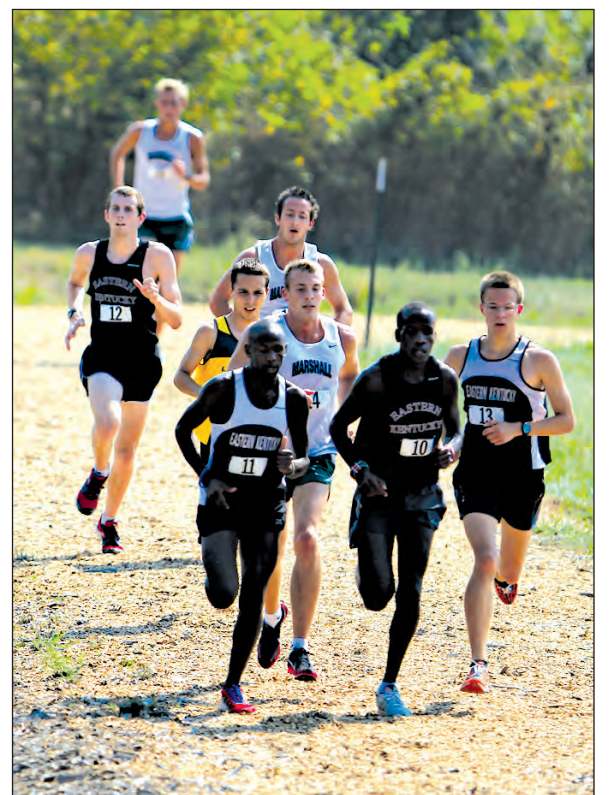
"I want to improve on my personal best time and help the team to do better and place high in the conference," Mutuse said.

One of Lydia's goals is to do something she hasn't ever done before.

"I want to qualify for the NCAA; I've never been able to do that," Kosgei said.

She added that a runner must place in the top 10 in the region in order to qualify.

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Some of Eastern's men's cross-country team race down Wood Chip Trail in last Friday's Marshall Relays. Eastern won the dual meet 17-46, and had four runners finish in the top five places.

## COLONEL CORNER Heather Bruce



Heather Bruce, a senior from Ontario, Canada, plays on the defense for Eastern's women's soccer team.

Hometown: Kitchener, Ontario, Canada

High School: Cameron Heights Collegiate Institute

Major: Communication

Q. What inspired you to play soccer?

A. My older sister inspired me to play. Growing up, I always went to practice to watch her and fell in love with the game.

Q. What's your favorite soccer team?

A. Barcelona—Spanish League.

Q. What's your favorite class this semester?

A. Psychology, Conflict Management, Leadership.

Q. What's your favorite TV Show?

A. Criminal Minds.

Q. What's your favorite movie?

A. Pineapple Express.

Q. What's your favorite band?

A. Hardcore Backstreet Boys.

Q. What's your favorite restaurant?

A. A small hole-in-the-wall restaurant back home called Korean BBQ.

Q. What's the best part about being an Eastern athlete?

A. The community. Everyone coming out to support EKV sports.

Q. How does it feel being a senior?

A. I still feel like a freshman. These four years have just flown by.

Q. What are your plans after college?

A. Going back home to Canada and working for a major sports corporation.