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University working to fill vacant posts

Searches held to find two deans, two vice presidents

By DENA TACKETT
News editor

Eastern has its own version of musical chairs and right now, the music is in full-swing.

Eastern's version doesn't involve chairs though, it focuses on department deans and vice presidents.

The university is engaged in four searches to find replacements for two vice presidents and two department deans.

Russell Enzie, former vice president of academic affairs; Don Feltner, former vice president of university advancement; Kenneth Henson, dean of the college of education; and Truett Ricks, dean

of the college of law enforcement, have all left positions to be filled.

Ricks retired in December 1997. Gary Cordner, professor of law enforcement, filled the position as acting dean after five candidates were rejected.

The candidates were rejected because none could fill the position when needed, which was July

1997. None could accept the position until December, so the search was reopened.

The second search, which began last fall with an ad in the Chronicle of Higher Education, is in its final stages. The committee in charge of finding the replacement narrowed the candidates down to three, said Rita Davis, acting vice president of academic affairs.

Two of the candidates visited

campus last week to meet with President Robert Kustra.

The committee will send its recommendation to Kustra next week and he will pick the dean, Davis said.

"We had just as many candidates as the last search," Davis said. In the last search, 23 candidates applied.

"There aren't many people in law enforcement. Not like in some fields," Davis said. "Law enforce-

ment is such a unique field, so there are fewer qualified people to choose from."

Davis would not release the names of the candidates, but she said that Cordner was one of them.

Enzie announced his retirement from the position of vice president of academic affairs summer 1998 and stepped down last semester. Rita Davis, former associate vice president of academic

"Our goal is to eliminate all bugs,"

Lamar Patterson, acting director of food services



Photos by Brian Simms above, and Andrea Brown/Progress

(Above) Dennis Waddell, left, a freshman, Eric Feldman, middle, a sophomore, and Kurtis Thomas, a freshman, eat at Quackers on the

Pond Monday. (Below) Lamar Patterson, acting director of food services, speaks about the problems at Powell Cafeteria Tuesday.

Eyes focused on campus eateries

Meeting with health department allows Top Floor to stay open

By JAQUIA SMITH AND DANIEL REINHART

An arsenal of paperwork has held back the roaches, at least for now.

Powell Top Floor Cafeteria, which was threatened with being shut down last week due to a roach problem, will stay open because they have filed the correct documents.

Powell Top Floor filed the notice of conference Feb. 5 and will meet with health department officials at the health department office Feb. 23.

The conference was called because of Powell's failure to comply with written notice to "correct violations regarding cockroach infestation," according to the health department. The request for a conference is also regarding Powell's permit to operate.

See Top Floor/A8

Food services representatives answer questions about facilities

By SHAWN HOPKINS
Assistant news editor

Tuesday night, food services finally got an opportunity to answer its critics.

In what was described as a Town Hall type forum, Lamar Patterson, acting food service director, and other food service managers answered questions about roaches, food quality, prices and other food-related questions.

Approximately 30 students attended the forum plus Patterson and the managers of the campus cafeterias, which include Stephen Shattuck, manager of Powell Cafeteria, Andreilimo Cardoso, who manages Stratton, and Bonnie Smith-Jones, manager of Martin Dining Hall.

The meeting started with a discussion of food services' Tuesday night, food services finally got an opportunity to answer its critics.

See Forum/A8

Todd Hall is home to crime

By DENA TACKETT
News editor

Todd Hall is known to most people on campus as one of the Central Towers. But, since last spring, it has also been known as the center for something else — violent crime.

On Jan. 17, a female student reported being raped in her fourth floor room of Todd Hall. She accused Jeffrey Knoblauch, a freshman police administration major from Pickerington, Ohio, of the crime.

Knoblauch was arrested Jan. 21 and charged with 1st degree rape. Knoblauch, a resident of O'Donnell Hall, was allegedly waiting on the fourth floor when the student returned to her room around 3 a.m. Knoblauch, according to the case report, was not checked in at the front desk.

Although Knoblauch's case is still pending, the fact that he was not a resident of Todd Hall and was walking around on a female floor at 3 a.m. would mean he was in violation of the open house rules.

When a visitor is in a residence hall he or she must be accompa-

See Todd/A8

A violent spree

Todd Hall has seen its share of violent crimes in the last year including robbery, assault and alleged rape.

April 19, 1998 — Damien Behanan and Robert Williams enter the room of Adam Coronie and assault him, tying him with telephone cord and putting him in a closet. They steal two bottles of cologne, \$8 and a diamond earring. Later, they are convicted of burglary and robbery.

Oct. 6, 1998 — Two males wearing ski masks allegedly enter the room of Jonathan Cox, force him and Melinda Alcorn to the ground and take their money. No one has yet been charged with the crime.

Jan. 17, 1999 — A female student says she is raped in her Todd Hall room. The accused, Jeffrey Knoblauch is currently out of jail on bond. His next court appearance is March 2.

► Student Association

First weekends to begin in March

By SHAWN HOPKINS
Assistant news editor

Eastern students who complain that there is nothing to do on the weekend might change their minds come March 5.

At least that's the idea behind First Weekend, a plan that grew out of President Robert Kustra's desire to foster more of a campus community by encouraging students to stay on the weekends more often. The idea is to extend campus services and events on the weekend to make being here more attractive to students.

Kathy Kustra, wife of President Kustra, who administers the program along with Eastern student Josh Bleidt, said the program is aimed at students who are usually here.

One weekend a month, not

necessarily the first, would be set aside for increased activities and extended services.

"The main purpose is to create more activities and things to do for the students who stay here on the weekend," Kathy Kustra said.

That doesn't rule out enticing other students to break their suitcase college habits.

"(In the future there is) a hope that this will encourage more students who do go home on the weekend to stay," Kathy Kustra said.

The First Weekend approach is three-pronged, according to Kustra.

It includes extending existing services such as computing and library hours, encouraging student associations such as Greek organizations and the Black

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TODAY
Hi: 73
Low: 59
Conditions:
Cloudy

FRI: 50, Thunderstorms
SAT: 40, Partly cloudy
SUN: 50, Partly cloudy

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Classes are canceled Monday due to Presidents' Day.

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'Scare zone of surround sound' to drive birds off campus

By JAQUIA SMITH
News writer

"I got hit on the shoulder with bird poop," said Erica Ashley, a freshman occupational therapy major from Louisville.

Ashley is not alone. Facilities services has been looking for a way to lessen the amount of bird droppings on campus.

In its newest attempt, facilities services spent \$5,000 to rid the campus of the birds.

The system is called the "bird scare," said Jeff Cantrell, supervisor over pest controls.

Four electronic bird repellors are located around campus. There is one giant bird wailer, which is an electronic deterrent with 94 different sounds, four high-frequency speakers and two low-frequency speakers, plus four outlets

for add-on speakers.

The wailer cost \$3,000 and is located on top of Keen Johnson Building. Also, there are four smaller wailers that cost \$500 each.

The Bird Gard ABC is similar to the wailer, but smaller. It also makes sounds, making it unlikely that the birds will be able to roost, Cantrell said.

These smaller deterrents are located on the top of Walters and Combs halls, as well as the Coates and Moore buildings.

The five machines cost a total of about \$5,000, Cantrell said.

Cantrell's plan is to move the birds off campus with the sound mechanisms to scare the birds.

"What I am doing is creating a scare zone of surround sound," Cantrell said.

The biggest problem was in the courtyard area, near the

benches. Tons of birds go to that area before dusk and disperse droppings.

So, Cantrell set up one of his electronic bird repellors and began to push the birds away from the campus.

The birds causing the problems are called Starlings. Starlings tend to travel in flocks for various reasons, such as roosting.

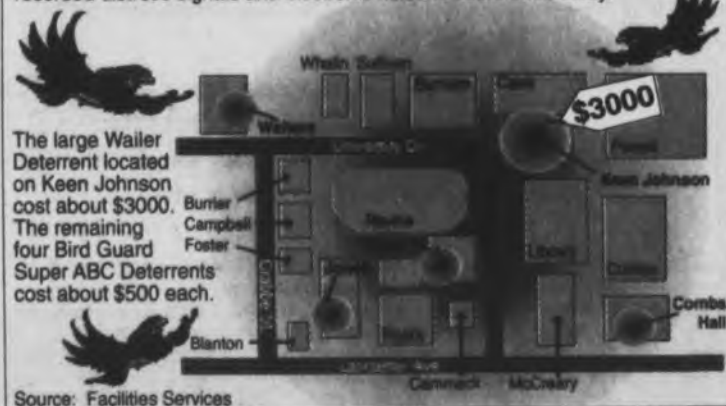
Every day at 4:30 p.m. the sounds are turned on. The machines are left on until roosting time is over at 7:35 p.m., Cantrell said.

The noise is high in the air and when a bird flying toward the trees hears it, it frightens the bird and it turns away and goes somewhere else, Cantrell said.

"It is not possible to get totally rid of the Starlings," said Gary Ritchison, a specialist on birds in the biology department.

Bird repellent

Eastern is currently employing electronic bird repellors to deal with the problem many students have been facing while walking to class. The repellors use recorded distress signals and electronic noise to scare birds away.



Source: Facilities Services

Amy Campbell/Progress

Perspective

BUGS BE GONE



Brian Simms/Progress

Kristie Farmer, a junior from Louisville, dishes macaronni and cheese to Sophia Wright, a junior from Belize Monday in the Powell Cafeteria. There is debate on campus about whether food services should be contracted out.

Powell cafeteria should expell pests to better serve students who must eat on campus

Powell's Top Floor Cafeteria has failed health inspections because live cockroaches roam the kitchen. It has also failed its students.

Eastern's students rely on the cafeteria to provide quality food at affordable prices. If the health department closes it down, those students will not be served.

Many students do not have cars and must eat their meals in the facilities available on campus. If Powell's cafeteria closed, the options and hours in which to find a meal are limited.

These students cannot simply hop into their cars to find the closest fast food joint on the weekend — and that is what they would need to do if the cafeteria is closed.

Cafeterias open on the weekends on campus are hard to come by, and with one's future teetering on the brink of being shut down, they will be even harder to come by.

Students on the meal plan have paid to receive quality meals throughout the

week. What will happen if Powell closes?

Students should receive a refund for missed meals. Or another cafeteria on campus should extend its hours in order to pick up the customers Powell could not feed.

Students may complain about the quality of food provided by food services, but the fact is that it still needs to be provided.

Eating off campus is a luxury some students don't have, and therefore cafeterias need to remain open to serve them.

If Powell cafeteria closed it would be an embarrassment for food services, but it would also be detrimental to students who have no other place to go.

Powell is not serving its students by being lax in its upkeep of its facilities.

Students need more from the university, but they'll settle for what's been promised — a place where they can get a meal without leaving campus.

Dave Matthews concert step in the right direction

Hats off to Center Board. After a long dry spell it is finally bringing a big act to town.

On Feb. 17 Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds will play in Brock Auditorium.

But don't stop there. Keep it coming Center Board and bring some more worthwhile entertainment to campus.

That is the only way Eastern will be able to stop the hemorrhaging flow of students down I-75 every weekend that leaves the campus lifeless.

Brock will be packed when Matthews and Reynolds arrive thanks to an overwhelming student response.

The 1,500 available tickets sold out in only a few days.

The concert is during the week instead of on the weekend, which is when most students abandon campus. But the sellout is still evidence that if you book a good act

students will buy.

Having the concert in Brock instead of McBrayer means fewer tickets, but the better acoustics and the cooler temperatures in Brock will mean a better experience for students and staff who attend.

Students should also take a more active role in campus activities. Don't just complain — get involved and demand the university bring in good performers, thought-provoking lecturers and plays.

And when an act does come to town skip the traditional bar scene and support the effort.

The university needs to listen to student calls for more activities on campus over the weekend.

So be silenced doomsayers who believe students will not stick around campus even if Center Board arranges for Jesus to open up His Second Coming tour in McBrayer Arena.

'First Weekend' missing in action



ANDREA DECAMP
My Turn

DeCamp is a journalism major from Richmond and copy editor of the Progress.

Dave Matthews is coming to Eastern and all I've got to say is it's about time. I don't mean just for Dave, but for somebody, anybody, to grace our campus with his presence.

I've only been at Eastern since June, but so far I have been very disappointed with activities at Eastern and in Richmond.

Every college town I have been to has had something for students to do. It's no wonder the campus is deserted on the weekends. I'd probably go home too, except my family lives in Richmond.

This summer I had the opportunity to meet President Kustra in one of my classes. He talked about an exciting new idea he had to keep students on campus during the weekends.

He proposed a First Weekend theme that would take place the first weekend of every month during the school year.

The weekend would focus on several activities designed to give students something to do during the weekend, such as guest speakers, concerts, plays and sporting events.

Kustra said he hoped to start small, keeping students on campus one weekend a month.

This could generate more interest for students and eventually keep students at Eastern every weekend.

Recent talks about the weekend have focused more on keeping computer labs and other services open. I don't think these things will keep anyone on campus, and I

thought a main factor of the idea was cultural stimulation. A computer doesn't cut it.

I understand that you pay for what you get, and tuition and fees are very low at Eastern. Maybe the university doesn't have enough money to bring speakers and plan events on a large scale.

Still, with the amount of students Eastern has, one would think the university or the city of Richmond would have more to offer its students.

Yes, I moved here from a place where things move at a quicker pace, near a large metropolitan city, so I am used to having more resources close to home.

But I also went to school at the University of Nebraska, where most people think we walk to classes through cornfields. And yes, they had more culture and more diversity.

So for one day this semester, students will have something to do. Something to remind them that yes, they are on a college campus and there is more to do than go downtown.

I hope that all students are aware of the importance of this event. It doesn't matter if you like Dave Matthews or not, this is our time as students to show the university we want more. More things to do, more things to see and more things to hear.

I hope that as students we show the university there are things we want and are willing to pay for, so that in 20 years we can remember doing something at Eastern.

Campus Comments

THE ISSUE

The new leadership of Eastern's food services organized a town hall style forum this past Tuesday to answer students' questions and comment on recent changes.

They also discussed the possibility that food services could be contracted out.

The Progress asked students if they were satisfied with Eastern's food services.

KAE LAN HOLLAN



Hometown: Powell County
Major: Philosophy
Year: Junior

It's too expensive. They don't offer enough healthy choices. I'm a vegetarian.

JOSH STOPFEL



Hometown: Louisville
Major: Biology/Chemistry
Year: Senior

I am satisfied because I'm not a picky eater. The quality isn't particularly great, but it's edible.

CINDY STERNE



Hometown: Lexington
Major: Computer science
Year: Freshman

They have good food and my parents pay for it — I don't have to pay for it.

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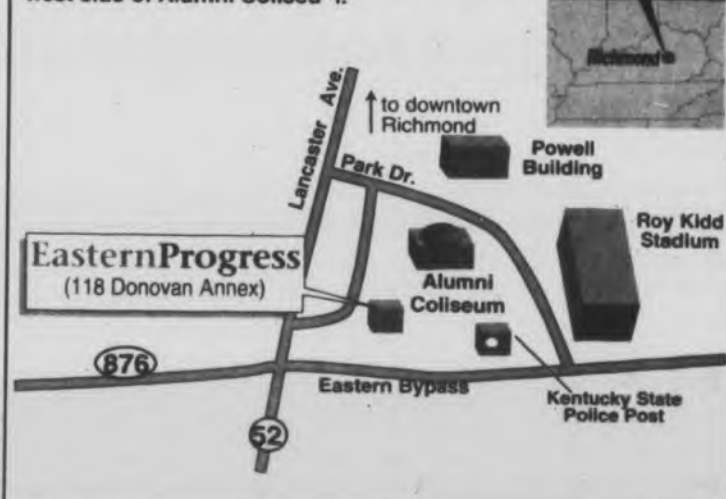
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E-mail essential for modern communication



LISA MOORE
Technology

Moore is coordinator of ResNet and a graduate student at Eastern.

E-mail is one of the most basic and widely used forms of communication in today's world. It is a good idea that we understand the basics and how to use them. This week I'll address some of the basics and during the next few weeks I'll talk about more advanced features.

An e-mail address looks like this: <resnet@acs.eku.edu>.

The resnet part of the e-mail is the name of who is actually receiving the e-mail. The *acs.eku.edu* is the hostname or the machine where the e-mail is going. In the example, the hostname is the VAX machine at Eastern.

Whenever you have an e-mail address you have some type of program that you use in order to read it. You may use a VAX terminal on campus or in your room, you may use a mail client via Netscape or Internet Explorer or you may use an e-mail program such as Eudora.

Whichever method you use, it is primarily the same for all of them. You logon to the mail server, which I, in the example the VAX. You give your password and you see your e-mail messages. You can read them, delete them, keep them, reply to them, forward them, etc.

The first thing you should know about e-mail is that there are three e-mail protocols (technical rules) used.

There is POP (Post Office Protocol), SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol) and IMAP (Internet Message Access Protocol).

You use the SMTP protocol to send messages and the POP and IMAP protocols to retrieve messages. For example, if you have a VAX account at Eastern and are sending an e-mail to another person on campus with a VAX account this is the way it works.

You send the message using SMTP to the VAX. It stays on the VAX until the other person retrieves their messages using the POP protocol.

Some people use IMAP instead of using POP protocol to retrieve their messages.

This is the main difference between the two. When you use POP protocol to retrieve the messages, they are moved from the mail server to your machine where you have the only copy. If you use IMAP instead, the messages are kept on the mail server instead of moving to your machine.

What this means is that you can check your e-mail from various locations and the messages are never removed from the mail server, so you can see them anywhere you check your e-mail.

The IMAP protocol is OK for organizations that are smaller and run a mail server, but it can be a lot

more tricky for an ISP (Internet Service Provider) when customers use this protocol because their mail server can fill up quickly.

These various protocols are used by mail client programs to communicate, but there is another way to retrieve e-mail by using a Web-based mail service, such as Rocketmail <www.rocketmail.com> or Inname <www.inname.com>.

A web-based mail service is where you have an e-mail account you log onto from the Internet and read your messages in this fashion. So, if you're at Eastern or back home in New York, you can read your e-mail as long as you have the Internet.

There are various parts of an e-mail message. The following are the most basic

Header

a. To:

This is simply the complete e-mail address of the person who is going to receive this e-mail message.

b. CC

This means Carbon Copy. If you put an e-mail address after this, then that person will also get a copy of the message. Everyone can see this person's e-mail address and will know they are also receiving the message.

c. BCC

This means Blind Carbon Copy. If you put an e-mail address after this,

then this person will also get a copy of the message, but no one will know. Their e-mail is hidden from all others who receive the message.

d. Date

Usually this is automatically filled in for you. It will give the date and time that the message has been sent.

e. Subject

This is a very important part of the message header and shouldn't be disregarded. This should be a short summary of the message. It is important because if the person you're sending the message to receives many e-mails each day, then he will use this subject line to help him decide which e-mail is the most important to be read and when.

When you receive an e-mail you typically only see the sender's information, the date and the subject line.

The Body

The body of the message is also important. It is what you're saying to whomever you're sending the message. You should keep it as simple as possible and there are etiquette rules to remember when sending a message. I'll cover more about the body next week.

Attachments

You can attach things to your e-mail messages. Attachments can be

any person from your computer, such as an image or text file or letter from WordPerfect, just to name a few.

Keep these things in mind when sending/receiving attachments to e-mails.

If you're sending an attachment, for example an Excel spreadsheet, does the person you're sending the attachment to have Excel on their machine, or a spreadsheet program that will read the Excel version? If not, you may need to send another format. It's always good to query the person you're mailing before you send, if you don't know.

If you receive an attachment on an e-mail you should first look and see if you know the sender before you open it. If you don't, I would suggest not opening it. There is currently a Trojan horse, not an actual virus, called picture.exe that is transmitted as an attachment to e-mails.

Signatures

The last part of an e-mail message is the signature. Typical signatures give the following information: sender's name, address, phone number and web address, if appropriate. Many signatures also give quotes or words of wisdom being shared by the sender. Keep in mind that signatures should be kept short and that everyone who receives your e-mail will

Roughing up students sends wrong message



ALYSSA BRAMLAGE
Seven and One

Alyssa Bramlage is a senior journalism major from Ft. Wright and editor of the Progress.

Portrayals of Catholic schools are usually not favorable — sisters with rulers, priests making boys kneel on broomsticks with their hands underneath.

But when I was in Catholic school, the nuns didn't have their rulers like they did in my parents' day.

They were loving and encouraging women who would discipline their students through extra homework or through skipping recess for the day.

Students in South Korea would probably appreciate those means of discipline rather than what they receive now.

In Friday's Lexington Herald-Leader, teachers in South Korea's public schools go to more drastic measures to discipline children.

One teacher threw a book at a student, almost blinding her in one eye.

The student's mother filed charges, but students and other parents rallied in support of the teacher.

It is accepted that teachers use any means necessary to teach children discipline.

Any means except understanding and patience.

Teachers use belts, shoes, broomsticks and other objects to keep children from doing such horrendous things, like talking while the teacher is passing out homework.

One teacher even dragged a high school student to a graveyard, flogged him and then buried him up to his chin.

Corporal punishment is allowed in South Korean schools if it is "inevitable for educational purposes," the Herald-Leader reported.

I don't think I'm alone when I say I'm glad corporal punishment is not legal in American schools.

One South Korean teen-ager was so disturbed by her treatment in school she drank pesticide and killed herself.

Her teacher hit her in the head with a rolled-up newspaper.

One teacher even dragged a high school student to a graveyard, flogged him and then buried him up to his chin.

That is not the kind of treatment that aids learning.

Children, and people in general, usually learn better if the teacher has patience instead of anger, kindness instead of hatred, and understanding instead of a short fuse.

I admit it takes a special kind of person to put up with some of the things teachers deal with on a daily basis.

But then that should be part of the training when teaching a teacher how to teach.

People skills are important when you deal with people all day.

I wish everyone who has any role in education at any level would work on people skills and learn what type of instruction certain people need.

Some students may thrive on being yelled at or pushed a little too hard, but others need encouragement and positive reinforcement to reach their potential.

I know we don't believe in beating students into submission here in the United States, but we still need to be aware of the effect teachers have on students of all ages.

Logging helps Kentucky economy



JOHNATHAN C. GAY
Your Turn

Gay is a senior political science major from McCreary County.

As someone who grew up in eastern Kentucky, I am seriously concerned about its economic stability. Perhaps no problem plagues us quite so badly as the lack of good jobs.

I have been involved in politics for a couple of years now and have seen that some of our outstanding leaders share my concern. One is McCreary County Judge-Executive Jimmy Greene.

When I picked up a recent edition of The Eastern Progress, which contained an article from my friend Aaron Phillips criticizing Judge Greene, I was quite dismayed. Although I do not relish placing myself in the role of disagreeing with a fellow hillbilly, I feel that I must do so.

I disagree vehemently with the idea that logging should be stopped in McCreary County. Logging is one of the few industries still left to the people of eastern Kentucky. In McCreary County, 40 percent of the families fall below the poverty line, according to census data.

While logging in itself will not cure eco-

nomics of the region, it does add up. The idea of tourism as a substitute is noble, but it has not yet panned out.

Although many people would love to turn our region into a grand nature park where everyone can come and bike and hike, this will not put food on our tables.

I can think of two cliches for those who think it will: "Show me the money!" and "It's the economy, stupid!"

Hemp hasn't proven itself to be a viable alternative either, although its companion crop has put many a shiny new truck in front of the trailer.

Until these alternatives prove to be economically prosperous (and I doubt that they will), we are stuck with three choices — move, starve or use our natural resources.

Judge Jimmy Greene understands this. His hard work has paid off for McCreary County in the form of a new federal corrections institute. He deserves praise, not scorn. As for the idea of purchasing private property to build a prison, I am sure that will please some hard-working landowner and I am all for that.

Letters

Unwelcome roommates

To whom it may concern:
When I first came here two years ago, there were no roaches actually seen in Keene Hall.

Now all of the residents notice the little disgusting creatures living among us.

We pay to live in a dorm that is not really worth what we are paying for it. Some people are taking matters into their own hands.

The ninth floor already put powder around the edges of the floor, and the fifth floor put "roach motels" in some of the rooms and in every corner of the bathroom. It is getting way out of hand. I always said Keene Hall was the nicest dorm, and I would rather not say otherwise.

I am wondering what housing is planning to do about this.

Would they like the students to take actions into their own hands? They don't have to live in a roach-infested hall.

Now I see why it is worth paying just a little bit more for an apartment.

I think going along with the recent article, the Progress should go all out about the roaches.

Make the "heads" of Eastern embarrassed when they read this newspaper talking about all the roach problems around campus. Maybe they will actually get something done if they continually read about roaches living on campus for free.

Eric Feldman
Resident on the fifth floor Keene Hall

UWR benefits students
As chair of the University

Writing Requirement Advisory Committee, I would like to respond to two pieces about the UWR that recently appeared in the Progress.

The first article, which appeared Jan. 21, worked well to remind the university community of basic information about the UWR. In fact, the no-show rate for the administration of the exam following that article dropped about four percentage points.

A few points in the article, however, may have been misleading and should be clarified. First, students who do not show up to take the exam after they have registered for it do not "fail" the exam. They simply do not receive credit and have not met their requirement. The longer students take to successfully complete their UWR requirement, the more likely they are to be limited in the hours for which they can register.

Secondly, the readers of the exam papers do not determine the pass/fail cutoff score. The UWR Advisory committee does that.

Additionally, the article identified Ron Wolfe as chair of the UWR committee. Wolfe is chief reader of the UWR exams and serves on the advisory committee, but he does not chair it.

The second Progress piece on the UWR, an editorial appearing Jan. 28, stated that instead of testing the writing abilities of students, the university should raise its "acceptance standards." Eastern Kentucky University has identified itself as a school of opportunity and as such does admit students who initially may lack writing skills necessary for success in college. Eastern offers

opportunities for such students to make up these deficiencies. The UWR taken after the completion of 60 hours is the university's opportunity to see if such progress has occurred.

The UWR stops students who have not acquired the necessary writing skills and alerts them of their need for further study and/or practice.

A basic quality of the educated person is the ability to communicate with others, particularly in writing. As long as Eastern keeps its open-door policy, some check of students' ability to write effectively will be needed.

The UWR is intended to encourage students to practice effective writing in all their classes and to encourage faculty in all disciplines to support the use of writing as a learning tool.

The Progress editorial stated that the university should "increase the emphasis on writing" in general education classes. Increased emphasis on writing would help students realize the value of writing and the additional practice should improve their skills. However, without further evidence of change in student abilities, it would not necessarily eliminate the need for the UWR.

I believe most students, when they complete their University Writing Requirement, feel an increased confidence in their abilities and are pleased that potential employers know their writing skills are being monitored.

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► **Briefs**

compiled by Dena Tackett

Debate focuses on God and The Bible

The department of philosophy and religion will sponsor an Oxford-style debate entitled "In what sense was The Bible inspired by God?" at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18 in the Adams Room of Wallace Building.

The debate is free to the public.

Patrick Nnoromele, associate professor of philosophy and religion, will argue that "God directly inspired all the words of The Bible."

Bond Harris, professor of philosophy and religion, will take the position "Maybe, maybe not," and Robert Stebbins, retired professor of history, will argue that "Nothing in The Bible was inspired by God."

Moberlys welcome new edition

Harry Moberly Jr., director of judicial affairs and disabled services, and wife, Kerrie, manager of the division of special programs, had a baby Monday. Harry Robert weighed 8 pounds and 8 ounces and was 21 3/4 inches long.

Rolling Stone, milk offer internship

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Tickets for "The Birds" will be on sale from noon to 4 p.m. Feb. 16 through Feb. 26 at the Gifford Theatre box office. Student and senior citizen tickets are \$4 and adults are \$5. "The Birds" will run at 8 p.m. Feb. 24-27.

Love Grams for sale

The Central Towers Area Council will sell love grams from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. today for the Valentine's Dance on Feb. 12 in Keen Johnson Ballroom.

► **Police Beat**

compiled by Shawn Hopkins

These reports have been filed with the Eastern's division of public safety.

Feb. 7

Heather Murray, 21, Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication after being found unconscious with her foot honking the horn in her car near Brockton.

Feb. 6

Julie Newton, McGregor, reported the driver side mirror had been broken on her car while it was parked in Martin Lot.

Mary Maggard

Telford Hall, reported her license plate had been stolen.

Feb. 5

David Glovak, Wallace Building, reported his Raiders jacket had been stolen from Wallace Building.

Terry W. Lewis

, 24, Manchester, was arrested and charged with disregarding a stop sign and his third offense of driving under the influence.

William Ferrell

, Brewer Building, reported a window had been broken in Coates Building. This building had previously been used by all Greek fraternities and sororities on that day.

Eve R. Gortney

, 19, Paint Lick, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication, drinking alcoholic beverages in public and possession of alcohol by a minor.

Feb. 4

David Fields, Wallace Building,

reported a fire at Wallace Building.

The source of the problem was found to be a burnt air handler motor on the roof. Smoke detectors on the first and second floors failed to activate, even though the smoke was thick and two-feet from the the ceiling on these floors.

Edd W. Holderman, 19, Richmond, was arrested and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of alcohol by a minor, reckless driving, driving under the influence, possession of a fictitious operator's license and possession of marijuana.

Brian C. Driscoll, 20, Ft. Mitchell, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication.

Tim Allen Woolf, 19, Florence, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication.

Feb. 3 Doug Adams, Alumni Coliseum, reported items including a CD player had been stolen from a car parked in the southeast section of Commonwealth Lot.

William Schneider, Palmer Hall, reported several pieces of stereo equipment and CDs had been stolen from his vehicle while it was parked in Commonwealth Lot.

Jamie Hill, Martin Hall, reported her car had been broken into in Mattox Lot and her radar detector had been stolen.

Pauletta Perkins, Keith Building, reported someone had

Large group attends forum

About a hundred students and faculty showed up to debate the pros and cons of the Banner system and its effects on the flip Friday schedule Wednesday in Brock Auditorium.

The change in scheduling will affect labs, practice times and classes. Students with concerns included members of the volleyball team.

"We came to the decision (to eliminate flip Fridays) by default," said Vance Wisenbaker, dean of social and behavioral sciences. "There were no choices."

Karen Janssen recommended faculty members meet with department chairs to discuss concerns.

If faculty have comments, Janssen urged them to e-mail her at <cedjanss@acs.eku.edu>. She also said for students to e-mail Student Association President Adam Back with their concerns.

His e-mail address is <stback@acs.eku.edu>.

The Banner system is the new year 2000 compliant software program Eastern purchased to handle student records and schedules.

The program does not comply with the flip Friday schedule, Eastern will most likely eliminate its existing schedule.

stolen a set of maps from University Building.

Feb. 2

Brooke Dunal, Keene Hall, reported a window had been broken on a car parked in Keene Hall Lot. The car's radio and a set of headphones were stolen.

Timothy J. Short, 21, Berea, was arrested and charged with drinking alcoholic beverages in public and carrying a concealed deadly weapon, steel knuckles. Short also had in his possession a dagger and a handgun.

Jan. 31

A woman reported she had been assaulted (grabbed) by an unknown man while walking in Fountain Food Court.

Jan. 30

John A. Weaver IV, 20, Corbin, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication and disorderly conduct after being found unconscious on the sidewalk of University Street.

He was charged with disorderly conduct after becoming verbally abusive toward the police officers present.

Renee Welch, Richmond, reported a car fire in Alumni Coliseum Lot. Witness Biu Hash and the Richmond fire department extinguished the flames.

Jan. 29

Jeffrey L. Sexton, 20, Monticello, was charged with possession of alcohol by a minor after being seen trying to sneak beer into Commonwealth Hall.

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Plus factor

New program helps students, aims to increase retention rates

By MICHAEL ROY
Staff writer

When Becca Houghtaling was approached to help out with a new program set up by Academic Services, she knew it would be a "plus" in her life.

Houghtaling, a senior history major in the Honors Program, was one of several students asked to help out with a trial run of the Plus Program, a new program set up to provide students with additional help and to increase retention rates.

For Houghtaling, it also meant gaining experience by helping a teacher in the classroom and students afterward.

"I can't stress how wonderful it was to work with a faculty member," Houghtaling said.

She helped out students in science professor Malcolm Frisbie's class. Houghtaling's tasks included teaching smaller groups of students during lab times.

Houghtaling found that a "small class is more influential" in helping students who otherwise may go unnoticed in larger classes, she said. She also feels some students are "afraid of injuring their pride" if they ask questions.

"It is a good experience to the students and the student mentors," Houghtaling said.

In addition to being a mentor for students, Houghtaling and others in the program had their own mentors — the faculty members they helped in class.

"I think this is a really good program," Houghtaling said. "It is a win-win situation for everyone involved."

The Plus Program, which is starting this semester after a trial run last year, was set up by the academic success office in association with the office of academic affairs to help student retention.

The program provides students with mentors they can talk to about classes and other problems they may have.

What retention means for Eastern is how well the university maintains student enrollment from their first year and each consecutive year until graduation, Aaron Thompson said.

Thompson is in charge of the program at Eastern.

Thompson was brought to Eastern by former vice president for academic affairs Russell Enzie to look at the retention rate.

Hanging in there

Kentucky university students were tracked from 1991 to 1997. An average of 35% of those students graduated in that time period, and an average of 60% persisted. Persistence means that the students were still in school at the end of the study period.



Source: CPE Database

Amy Campbell/Progress

Thompson had done a similar study of retention rates at the University of Missouri.

His job is to look at retention throughout the entire campus.

"Enzie was worried by retention rates," Thompson said. "There is a gap that widens compared to elsewhere."

Thompson said nearly 20 percent of students drop out for academic reasons.

Most students drop out for social reasons, he added.

These can include family problems, money and even homesickness.

What he hopes to do with the program is let students know there is help for them on campus.

Thompson also worked with Karen Carey in the Institutional Research department on collecting data about why students drop out.

The data has yet to be tabulated into specific numbers, Carey said.

Carey admitted that Eastern's retention rate is lower than it should be compared to other universities.

According to the Council on Higher Education's Annual

Accountability Report on Eastern for 1996, 58.6 percent of freshmen tracked for a six-year period did finish school.

However, this was below the target goal of 62 percent.

In addition, Carey also agreed with Thompson that students may be unprepared or unwilling to live away from home.

"We can't change things at home," Carey said. "They don't know what life is like at college."

Carey suggested some things Eastern might do to combat low retention is provide more things to do on campus during weekends and to help incoming freshmen with the transition from home to campus, stressing that faculty needs to help, too.

"We need to help students succeed academically," Carey said, "by giving them the resources they need."

The program provides both student/peer mentors and faculty/staff mentors.

Lesley Ellington, Thompson's teaching assistant, is in charge of the peer mentor program. She found out about the program and

the retention problem through Thompson and wanted to help.

"I really feel this can help students feel more at home," Ellington said.

Ellington and Thompson looked at various schools and took all of the positive points and came up with the Plus Program, Ellington said.

Thompson and Ellington got help with the peer mentor program from students in the Honor Program.

The program's main goal was to pair students up with a teacher in our kind of studies, said Teresa Campion, a senior communications disorders major.

Campion feels the main goal of the program and those involved is to keep people in school.

Campion said she feels the job is halfway between a teaching assistant and a friend.

Even though Campion feels the mentor can help, it is up to the student to keep his or her end of the bargain.

"They have to be held accountable by someone else," Campion said.

She feels a main goal of both is to be accessible.

"Be willing to socialize with them (the students) in a non-academic setting," Campion said.

Moriah Williams, another honors student involved in the Plus Program, said she feels the program is beneficial to students and faculty.

"I have already seen an improvement," said Williams, a senior forensic science major.

Among those improvements, Williams said, is students seemed more excited in classes and asked more questions than before.

Williams likes the idea of students going to an intermediate person.

"It is kind of hard to let them know they can come to me for more than homework," she said.

Williams said she would tell future students it is OK to go for help.

"It introduced me to new people," she said. "It makes you feel good."

The program is currently looking for some new people to be mentors and students who are looking for someone to talk to.

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 - Secured balance scale
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 - 10 - 15 nursing books
 - Case of toilet paper
 - Pair of hiking boots
 - 3 hose nozzles
 - 2 hose adapters
 - 10'x10' piece of carpet

Source: Public Safety
Amy Campbell/Progress

By JAQUA SMITH
News writer

Eastern's division of public safety and the Richmond police department have been very busy since the start of the new semester.

Both departments credit their busy schedules to recent increases in crimes of convenience — easily committed thefts.

Richmond police arrested four members of a local car theft ring Jan. 7. Members of the ring allegedly stole four vehicles, drove them to the country and damaged them, according to a police report from the Richmond City Police.

Three of the vehicles were badly damaged and the fourth, a 1999 Dodge Durango, was burned and destroyed. Police arrested Brandon Crowder, 18, and Shawn Lear, 20, and charged them with burglary, auto theft and receiving stolen property. Two juveniles were also charged in the case.

Most were stolen because the keys were left in the cars' ignitions while they were running, Richmond Police Chief David A.

Harkleroad said.

"The majority of thefts are crimes of convenience," Harkleroad said.

He added most of the time people who steal things look for the easiest person to steal from.

Cars off campus have not been the only ones prone to vandalism and theft. Eastern's own facilities services reported a vehicle missing on Jan. 15.

Facilities services reported to public safety a parked, running vehicle used by facilities services had been taken from a lot near the Turley House. The vehicle was found several hours later, parked in a different location on campus. Public safety has no clue who temporarily "borrowed" the car.

Cars aren't the only things that can be stolen, though. Dorm rooms are a prime area for theft, especially when students leave their rooms unlocked.

Brent Cole, a sophomore from Pikeville, went home for Christmas break and when he got back to his dorm room, his color television was stolen. Cole was the last person in his dorm room, that he knew of, and he locked his

door when he left for break.

A business card to a local pawn shop sat in the TV's place.

"When I left, it was still in my room. Now it is gone," Cole said Feb. 2.

Cole's situation ended with a strange turn of events, Feb. 2. He left his room to take a shower, and when he returned, a television was sitting outside of his door.

Cole wasn't even sure the TV was his, but when he plugged it in his remote worked.

Not every person will have their stolen things turn up so easily.

Police say prevention is the key to stopping people from stealing things.

Keep your doors locked and do not leave your car unattended while running.

The director of public safety Thomas Lindquist said it is a good idea to use common sense when it comes to keeping valuables safe.

Lindquist cautions people to always lock their cars and dorm rooms.

"It is difficult to get things back once they have been stolen," he said.

Channel Surfing

Survey to determine which stations FrontierVision should offer

By DON KNIGHT
Managing editor

Cable customers in Richmond could soon be asked which channels they can do without and which ones they can't.

City Commissioner Mike Brewer suggested a cable survey during a special meeting of the city commission called Tuesday to discuss Richmond's cable problems with FrontierVision's regional manager Jim Underwood.

"I wouldn't be opposed to a joint survey between us and the city," Underwood said. "We could put it in with the billing."

The survey is in response to the commission's request to add the Chicago station WGN to the cable lineup.

Adding WGN would only cost customers an extra 10 cents a month according to Underwood.

But before WGN can be added, another channel must be removed to make space available.

"You're going to upset some-

body if you take something off," Underwood said.

Commissioner Brewer suggested removing the Odyssey channel to make room for WGN.

Other suggestions from the commission included combining government channels or moving the public access channel from channel five to channel 40.

FrontierVision uses channel 40 for testing, and Eastern uses the channel to provide free movies to students.

"We use it (channel 40) for constant testing," Underwood said. "I don't think it will work."

If FrontierVision decides to add WGN it could take 60 days to accomplish.

The only way to add channels without removing any would be to upgrade the cable system.

Richmond's system will be updated to a digital system in April.

The digital service will provide more channels including multiplex channels.

Multiplex channels are the

"You're going to upset somebody if you take something off."

Jim Underwood,
FrontierVision regional manager

multiple of premium channels like HBO one, two, three and four, Underwood said.

Digital service would be an option for customers and it would cost an extra \$13 a month.

Since Eastern has a bulk account, digital service will probably not be an option for students on campus, Underwood added.

Mayor Ann Durham asked Underwood to prepare for adding WGN.

Other topics discussed included customer service and signal quality.

Several subscribers in

Richmond and other central Kentucky communities serviced by FrontierVision have complained about the company's customer service.

In response to those complaints, changes in procedure were made at the call-in center.

And those changes have made significant improvements in service according to Underwood.

The percentage of callers who get busy signals went from about 20 percent down to 2 percent, Underwood said.

Commissioner Tom Tobler said he received several complaints about the quality of the local CBS affiliate channel 27, which is channel two on Richmond's cable.

The signal coming into FrontierVision for channel 27 is good according to FrontierVision.

A defect in a hookup at a customer's house could affect only one channel and any customers with a problem should call the service center, Underwood said.

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Program serves, graduates frosh

By MARY COHLEE
Staff writer

Student Support Services is a federally funded program designed to retain freshmen and encourage them to receive a college degree.

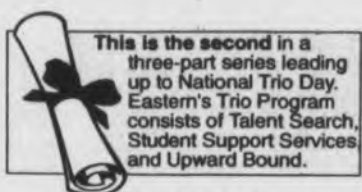
It began at Eastern in 1975 and is the only one of the TRIO programs at Eastern that directly serves, retains and graduates freshmen.

"Unlike Talent Search and Upward Bound, who reach out to high school and middle school students to help them go on to college, SSS serves students once enrolled at EKU to help them be successful and earn a degree," director Kate Williams said.

In the past funding cycle, SSS earned a perfect score on its grant proposal and received its first five-year grant. The program is only funded for 208 students each year.

"Most grants are given only in four-year periods. Receiving a five-year grant is a prestige reserved strictly for the top scoring 10 percent of proposals in the nation," Williams said. "There are a total of 808 SSS projects in the nation."

Student Support Services serves traditional and non-traditional students, beginning as freshmen.



This is the second in a three-part series leading up to National Trio Day. Eastern's Trio Program consists of Talent Search, Student Support Services and Upward Bound.

"SSS is attuned to the special needs of adult learners, offering an array of services geared to meet their needs," Williams said.

NOVA is the section of the program that detects the students who may be qualified to receive help from this program. Applying and qualifying for the Student Support Service program is the first step to getting involved.

"NOVA identifies up to 130 new freshmen each year who may benefit from some extra academic and/or personal support," Williams said. "Students are eligible for the program within certain ACT ranges (not less than a composite score of 17), indicating a need for some extra academic support, but also demonstrating a strong potential for success."

NOVA is a component of SSS that is basically an intensive Freshman Year Experience program that focuses on instruction, mentoring, tutoring, personal, career and financial aid counseling, academic advising and a variety of self-understanding and campus exploration activities.

"The NOVA component is the heart of the program," Williams said. Since approximately 50 percent of Eastern's freshmen drop out of school during their first year, the NOVA component is developed with freshmen retention in mind.

"Students who advance to their second year in college will have a greater chance in completing college," Williams said. "Even though the overall goal of SSS is to help students earn a degree, SSS reports an 85 to 90 percent freshman retention rate."

There are several aspects of SSS that are beneficial to students. Theresa Morris, a child development major, was out of school for 12 years before enrolling at Eastern.

"The NOVA program provides counselors who are always on call. I could talk to them about anything that was on my mind," Morris said.

Peer mentors play a large role in the lives of NOVA participants.

"My peer mentor helped me a lot. Being from a small town, it was good to have someone who could help me adjust to college life," said Shonda Osborne, a recreational therapy major. "I became a peer mentor myself and I am still in contact with my first class of advisees."

The amount of adviser atten-

tion and support are important parts of the Student Support Services.

"We met with our advisers two or three times a week or, if we need to see them more often, they were there to listen," said Ron McCauley, a social work/corrections major.

Many participants feel that being a member of the Student Support Services' NOVA program has made a difference in their lives.

"When I first came to Eastern I did not know anything about campus, however this program taught me how to make the transition and adapt to college life," said April Irvin, NOVA scholarship recipient.

Another NOVA scholarship recipient Oshia Hobbs thanks her NOVA adviser, Jane Tinsley and Student Support Services for where she is today.

"My visits to Jane have really made a difference in my life," Hobbs said. "Through the Student Support Services, she has helped me get back into school and take a class that helped me declare my major in social work."

Like Hobbs, Irvin credits the program with turning her life around.

"If it wasn't for the NOVA program I do not know where I would be," Irvin said.

Vacant: University tries to fill vice presidents, deans posts

From the front

affairs, is filling the position until a replacement is found.

Last fall, after months of the search committee scanning applications and interviews, four candidates were brought to campus.

After meeting with the candidates, President Kustra and the committee decided to reopen the search.

"I liked all the candidates and all came to Eastern with a set of strengths that impressed all the faculty they met," Kustra said in January. "I just felt, in the end, none of the candidates were that near-perfect fit and we owed it to ourselves to go out into the marketplace and renew the search."

Doug Whitlock, vice president for administrative affairs, acts as chair of the search committee. He said the list of candidates will probably be narrowed down to a dozen in about six weeks.

Kustra appointed Baker, Parker and Associates, a consulting firm out of Atlanta, to aid the committee with the search.

"They (the consultants) are in the process of identifying candidates for us through their resources," Whitlock said. "They are identifying those they feel would be a good fit. It brings a whole new dimension to what we did before."

Whitlock said the consulting firm is working to identify people who may not be actively searching for a job.

Last semester, the final candidates were brought to campus during finals, which Whitlock said was a negative factor.

"We certainly want to bring the candidates in well in advance of finals," Whitlock said. "That is one of the things that worked against us last fall."

The new academic officer is wanted in office by July 1.

Davis said she still isn't sure if she will enter the race for the position.

Two other positions still needed to be filled are that of vice president of university advancement and dean of the college of education.

Don Feltner, former vice president of university advancement, announced his retirement in October, but stayed in office until Dec. 31.

Feltner stayed on with the university on a 50-day contract throughout January, and will begin an 80-day contract in July to finish up some projects he started.

An ad appeared in the Chronicle earlier this week announcing the position.

The position of dean of the college of education was also announced in the Chronicle.

Henson will retire from the position as of June 30, but will remain at the university as a professor of education. The position will be filled July 1.

Davis, who is leading the committee, said it will start reviewing applications Feb. 15.

"The committee will probably meet by the first of March and decide the interview list," Davis said. "It will begin interviewing candidates immediately following Spring Break."



Russell Enzie, former vice president for academic affairs



Don Feltner, former vice president of university advancement



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The university is holding searches to find replacements for these administrators and to find a dean for the college of law enforcement.

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Forum: 30 students voice opinions of food services

From the front

current health department problems.

"The recent situation with bugs is embarrassing, but nowhere near the extent that the media has made it seem," Patterson said.

Patterson also claimed that Powell is in no danger of being closed.

"The health department cannot shut us down at this point. There has to be a hazard to the students," Patterson said.

Patterson said they were doing as much as possible to control the situation.

"Our goal is to totally eliminate all bugs," Patterson said. "We do want the cleanest, most sanitary environment for our students."

After the roach problem, the meeting moved on to the changes that have been made under the new food services administration.

A lot of criticism was focused on the Powell cafeterias, especially Top Floor. Shattuck stood to the side as students criticized the roaches, food quality relative to other cafeterias on campus, employee friendliness and even overall atmosphere.

Other student issues discussed were franchising, hours of operation and the new acceptance of the board plan across campus, including the Fountain Food Court.

Chad Collins, a junior computer-aided design major from Lake Forest, Calif., was happy with being able to use his Colonel Club Card at the Grill, but not with the exchange rate.

"What I don't understand is that people come upstairs and pay \$6 for a meal and come down here you get \$3.75," Collins said.

Lewis Diaz, who is a football player and is required to be on the board plan, also had a problem with the hours of operation and how some of the dining areas aren't open on the weekend.

"I understand a lot of people have to go home, but the few that

do stay behind, we get shafted," Diaz said.

Patterson and the managers of the cafeterias also took the opportunity to talk about recent changes they have made and their feelings on the possibility that food services will be contracted out to an outside company.

These changes include the opening of the board plan, new cooking methods, such as more cooking from scratch, and cost-cutting measures to pass savings on to students.

Patterson said if food services was contracted to an outside company, the university would lose the flexibility to make such changes.

"Once the contract company comes, they are going to squeeze everything they can to make money," Patterson said. "We're not in the business for profit, we're in the business for service."

The food service representatives made a point to mention the short time they have had to implement the changes.

The change that perhaps most interests students, franchising the restaurants in the grill to give students easier access to such popular places as McDonalds, is on hold until the contract issue is worked out.

"Right now we're faced with a dilemma. The university hasn't decided whether to continue to run food services or contract out to an outside company," Patterson said.

Food service also encouraged students attending the meeting to speak up if they had a problem.

"We're going to find out what the students want," Patterson said.



Stephen Shattuck, manager of Powell cafeteria spoke at Tuesday's forum.

Top Floor: Cafeteria stays open until Feb. 23 meeting

From the front

Lamar Patterson, acting director of food services, said food services isn't in danger of losing its license to operate.

"This is not a health hazard to the students at this point," Patterson said. "We expect the problem to be taken care of by then (the meeting)."

But dean of student development, Skip Daugherty, believes the clearing of the pests might take a little longer.

"The problem did not start overnight, so it won't be solved overnight," Daugherty said.

The university is contacting outside pest control companies to take care of the problem, Daugherty said.

It is not yet known when the first sprayings will take place, he added.

Facilities services will compare chemicals used by the outside company and itself. It will then be decided who will spray this weekend.

All of the campus food operations are taken care of by facilities services. Facilities services goes to each establishment and sprays for pests once a month.

Jeff Cantrell, supervisor over pest control for facilities services, is licensed by the state in pest control.

Powell will not be affected by the fogging. The plan is to start the spraying and fogging at midnight, so the building should open as regularly scheduled.

Patterson said Powell is completely sanitary and the bugs are

not in the food, but the "press exposure" has kept students away.

"It doesn't bother me that much. There are lots of places I eat that have problems that I don't know about," said Vanessa Huff, a junior marketing major from Lexington.

Despite Powell's problems, the other three departments of food services — Quackers on the Pond, Martin Dining Hall and The Grill — have received outstanding ratings.

Powell Grill recently had a surprise inspection by the health department, looking specifically for bugs.

The report cited that no bugs were found on their last inspection. They received a 95 out of 100 on the November inspection.

"We just try to keep our establishment clean," said Priscilla Hall,

"The problem did not start overnight, so it won't be solved overnight."

Skip Daugherty, dean of student development

assistant manager of the Grill.

Quackers on the Pond received a 93 rating on its August inspection.

Martin Cafeteria received a 99 on its inspection Nov. 26.

Todd: Residence hall home to violent crime

From the front

nied by someone of the same sex and also must be registered at the front desk. Knoblauch was not, according to the case report.

Kenna Middleton, director of housing, said those rules are often harder to enforce in a co-ed residence hall.

"If you lived in Todd on the fourth floor and I came to visit you at 12:30 on Tuesday night, should I be required to stop and register in?" Middleton said. "It's a good safeguard, but if it were Telford, I could go on up with no questions asked."

Middleton said certain measures are taken to provide safety in Todd Hall, which houses 86 women and 110 men.

"The RAs and night supervisors do rounds at a variety of times throughout the night," she said. "But when you have a building 10 or 11 floors, as you migrate down, people manipulate the system."

Of the four co-ed halls on campus, Todd Hall attracts the crime. Middleton said this is not representative of co-ed housing as a whole.

"This (crime) hasn't been an issue throughout co-ed housing," Middleton said. "Co-ed halls were well received and students are very

"There are individuals out there who can learn to manipulate any system, regardless if it is co-ed or single gender."

Kenna Middleton, director of housing

satisfied with these. As from an adult standpoint, if you looked at disbanding co-ed housing, it would be a step back instead of a step forward."

Middleton said crime can happen in any dorm.

"There are individuals out there who can learn to manipulate any system, regardless if it is co-ed or single gender."

During the past year, more than one individual manipulated Todd Hall's system.

April 19, 1998, Damien Behanan, a resident of Commonwealth Hall from Albany,

Ga., and Robert Williams, a resident of Brockton from Radcliff, forced their way into the fifth floor room of Adam Coronise.

Coronise was physically assaulted, tied with telephone cord and shoved in a closet. Behanan and Williams stole two bottles of cologne, \$8 and a diamond earring.

The two were seen on the 11th floor of Todd wearing ski masks and were caught later that night.

Behanan was sentenced Nov. 5 to 10 years in prison. He received 10 years for two counts and 5 years for two other counts, but the judge ruled he could serve them concurrently.

Williams was sentenced Dec. 3. He received 20 years for the incident.

Last semester, another robbery took place in Todd Hall, only this time guns were involved.

On Oct. 6, two males wearing ski masks knocked on the door of Jonathan Cox's room and ordered him and Melinda Alcorn to lay on the ground and give them all their money.

Clarence Scarborough was arrested and charged with criminal facilitation of 1st degree robbery. He was seen with the two male suspects planning the robbery.

First: Event-filled weekends start March 5

From the front

Student Union to plan more events on weekends, and planning new events such as concerts to give students something to do.

Kustra admits the program is aimed mainly at freshmen, who she said, are more likely to go home every weekend.

Skip Daugherty, dean of student development, said freshmen tend to have a small sense of campus community.

"We're trying to develop a freshman culture to be more like senior culture," Daugherty said.

Daugherty said the feasibility of having things such as computing open more than just the one weekend is one of the things being tested.

Kustra agreed that enough people need to use the services to justify extending the hours.

"Those responsible for administering these services say, well, we expanded these hours and people aren't using them," Kustra said.

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Doch Deine Liebe war mein grösstes Ziel.
Deshalb haben wir uns getraut,
Und uns vor dem Altar in die Augen geschaut.
Wir gehen nun ins fünfte Jahr,
Jeder Tag war wunderbar.
Bis der Tag ist dann gekommen,
Wo du mich hast in Deine Heimat genommen.
Der Abschied von meiner Familie viel mir schwer,
Doch gewann ich dadurch viel mehr.
Liebe Menschen waren eine Gabe,
So dass ich jetzt zwei Familien habe.
Nun bin ich schon viele Jahre hier,
Und fühle mich ganz wohl bei Dir.
Durch Deine Liebe, die Du mir gibst,
Und mir jeden Tag sagst, dass Du mich liebst.
Wie am ersten Tag als wir uns kannten,
Und in Babenhausen zu uns fanden.
Ich bin glücklich, dass es Dich gibt,
Meinen Schätzen, den ich abgöttisch lieb.
Und ich danke auch der Arme dafür,
Dass sie Dich schickte zu mir.
Ich sage Dir in diesen Zeilen,
Mein Herz wird immer mit Dir eilen.
Egal wohin der Weg auch geht,
Wo unser Zuhause auch immer steht.
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Trial and tribulations Our lives have definitely seen.
Yet through it all,
You find the strength to choose me.
After a sea of time,
My love is still true.
I will never see a higher beauty,
For my heart belongs to only you.
Three years ago,
I thanked you for my son.
Little did I know, instead,
My beautiful princess would come.
Two and a half years have gone by,
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To see my princess grow and learn,
To hear, "I love you, Daddy" float from her lips.
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Three-thousand times.
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Your husband,
Steve



Heather McGuire,
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you are my everything.
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Chris,
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I love you, bird,
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Hey Never-tell,
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Love, Crazy Dre



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Geo



Chris,
This year will be our last Valentine's Day as just boyfriend and girlfriend. For the next years of our lives, we will celebrate as husband and wife and that makes me very happy. You better remember to get my heart cookies. Happy Valentine's Day!
Wuves, Hugs, Kisses, Shannon



Pain is Temporary, but Pride is everlasting.
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Hold Strong!
Happy Valentine's Day!



Tonya Chism,
To my Heaven. Some people say "look up into the heavens". The only thing I have to do is gaze into your eyes.
Love, Unas



Paul, I love you more than anything in the world. Happy Valentine's Day and one year anniversary! Love, Christi



► Next Week

Find out why everyone still loves 'Sanford and Son' and what's hot on Nick at Night's TV Land



► Inside Sports

Football Colonels sign 15 recruits, including two quarterbacks and one kicker, and track team scores at UK meet/B6

Accent

Staci Field, editor

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Romance and true love can be found if you are in the right place at the right time...as these tales from the heart attest

Cashier and customer find love in checkout line



Photo submitted

Alicia and Jonathan met while she was a cashier. She remembered him as the guy with the 'chocolate eyes' and the UK baseball cap.

I missed a day of school due to a cold, but I did, however, go to work that night for a wonderful reason I know now.

My eyes and nose were running as I worked the cash register. I was checking some customers out when I really "checked" the guy behind them out.

I was like, "Who is that?" My ears were burning, as I was too shy to look him in the face. On the counter, he had some Tylenol sinus medicine and I told him I knew how he felt.

After talking some, I was thinking, "Wow! Not only is he good looking, but he's nice too!"

A week later I saw the same guy with the UK cap enter my workplace. He came through my checkout line again and asked me if my cold was better!

I was thinking, "Hmm, not any customer would remember a cashier's health."

On Sunday, two weeks since I last saw him, my sister (who worked with me), said that some guy named Jonathan went through her line and wanted to know if I was her sister. He told her he was interested in me and wanted to know when I worked next.

She told him the next day. I was thinking, "Great, a stalker." The only guy I'm interested in is the guy with the chocolate eyes and UK cap who I'll probably never see again. Well, on Monday I saw - HIM! He came through my line. When he gave me his check, I glanced down at the address and it was Jonathan Dye!!!!!! I was ecstatic. Jonathan asked me if it would be okay if he called me sometime and I said, "Sure." (Inside I was like YES!!!! - any day, morning, noon, or night. Whatever you do, just call me!)

That, my friends, was the beginning of a beautiful relationship.

Alicia Snow is a freshman from Russell Springs.

Warm, sensitive, quiet, youthful male, 35, seeks country girl, companionship, love, assistance developing self-sufficient farm. R.F.,

SWM seeks SWF for lifetime of love

At 23, I was bored with my job and life in the city and decided to answer the above ad in The Mother Earth News, a back-to-basics magazine. I was too shy to meet anyone in Louisville, and the thought of living in the country appealed to me.

At the end of October, 1981, I wrote a letter to R.F., not expecting to get a response. On Nov. 4, Ray Fox wrote the first of many letters to me. (Later I would find out he received more than 100 letters in response to his ad.) We wrote to each other about our views on religion, smoking, drinking, marriage and family. When I expressed how my mother thought I was nuts to meet a potential husband this way, Ray wrote:

"I think putting an ad in a magazine for a potential mate is a bit crazy. Finding someone in the country (fewer people) with common interests sometimes is as hard as in the city. All of life is taking a chance. I am one of the most conservative people around, but I had to take a chance if I wanted my dream."

Ray said he was particularly impressed with my love for my family. I liked his sense of humor and the fact that he loved cats because I had a kitten from whom I could not be separated.

By December, I realized I had begun to like Ray — a lot — and we hadn't even met. Heck, we hadn't even spoken on the phone! But, with each letter, we discovered so many things we had in common. In early January, the word love made it into each of our letters — two letters that crossed in the mail. I wrote that I was lying awake at night thinking of him — sleepless in Louisville, if you will.

I was getting seriously hooked on this guy! In mid-January, we talked on the phone for the first time. Neither of us recalls how long the conversation lasted, but remember it being easy-going and fun.

In retrospect, I'm not exactly sure how I lost leave of my senses. I never trusted men before and here I was about to fly off to New York to spend three weeks with a total stranger in a remote part of the state.

And that's exactly what I did come April. He picked me up at the Elmira Airport, planted a big kiss on my lips, then loaded me and my suitcase into his F-100 Ford pick-up and drove me out to his 70-acre farm.

We soon found out the feelings we'd expressed in the letters were genuine and we knew our love was here to stay. After my three-week visit I returned to Louisville to turn in my resignation, ironically at New York Life.

We made plans for Ray to drive down to Louisville to meet my family in July, then move me and my cat up to his place. We'd live together for a year. If neither of us wanted to get married by that time, we'd go our separate ways. But God and fate had brought us together and there would be no turning back. In October, we set a date to be married, June 4, 1983, in Louisville. We'll have been married 16 years this June and have two children — Sara, 13, and Joey, 10.



Photo submitted

Rita and Ray met after placing a personal ad in a magazine. After only seven months she went to New York to visit and later moved in with him.



Photo submitted

Derrick and Rosalind went to a Homecoming dance where Rosalind became sick. But ill or not, Derrick had met the woman of his dreams.

Canceled Homecoming date turns into blessing in disguise for couple

Rosalind and I became a couple by accident. She took me to my only homecoming dance. We went together because my original date canceled.

We went to homecoming only as friends. At the dance she got sick and threw-up so I took her home. She felt so bad about getting sick. I didn't care about that. I just wanted to make sure she was OK.

The week after Homecoming, she began to like me because I did not get mad at her and was nice about the whole situation.

So we started to get to know each other better. She called me and we talked for five hours straight about us and where the relationship was going. Finally I just asked, "Are we official?" She said yes and from there it grew.

Now six years after our first meeting Rosalind she has gone from being someone in my life to being my life. We are the best of friends.

We play like best friends, fight like brothers and sisters and love like husband and wife.

All because my original date canceled, I did not get mad and she took a chance.

Derrick Miller is a sophomore broadcasting major from Lexington.

Wedding reception becomes 'golden opportunity' for finding true love

I met my significant other while I was on a high school field trip. There were about 12 girls and three guys on the bus. I was the only guy who would associate with the girls.

I was trying to hit on a girl I had been trying to go out with over the last month. She and her friend wanted to move up front, but I didn't so I stayed in the back all by myself. Then this group of six girls came to the back to talk to me.

I then said my first words to my current girlfriend. She smiled, and I was hooked. I spent the rest of the field trip following her around. On the bus ride home, they (she and her friends) were looking for someone to take them out. I was the only one on the bus who had a car, so they agreed to go out with me. There was nothing going on in town so we went to a wedding.

When we got to the wedding, Amy (my girlfriend) was talking to her boyfriend at the time. He was angry that she rode with me even though she had four of her friends in the car. So he left the wedding and left her crying. Here was my golden opportunity. I asked her if she wanted to dance. We then went on to dance. During the next two days, I called her and flirted with her at school. Within three days she broke up with her boyfriend. We went on a date in a week and after two weeks we started our relationship of one year and three months to this date.

Thanks for everything Amy

Noah Blandford is a freshman marketing major from Lebanon.



Photo submitted

Noah and Amy met on a field trip at school. She broke up with her current boyfriend that day and the rest, as they say, is history.

'Let's be friends' not so bad for guy to hear after all

I met this girl at a local nightspot and got her number. We dated a couple of times and then I got the call guys love to get. "Let's be friends."

She called me one Friday and said some of her friends were going out and wanted to know if I wanted to come along. I said no and that I was going to hang out at a friend of mine's house.

Well, I was sitting at my friend's house and something told me that I needed to go out to where the girl and her friends were. This is when I met Jackie.

She was the friend of the girl I had once dated. We hit it off nicely and I can remember our first slow dance to "Desperado" by The Eagles. I got her number and we dated from then on.

On Dec. 29, 1995, I married her.

I will always think we were destined to be together because of that strange feeling I got that told me to go and meet that girl and her friends.

Geoff Sprinkle is a middle school education graduate student from Lexington.



Photo submitted

More On page B4 learn how Bryan and Cara Makinen bumped into each other.

What's On Tap

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► Movies

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Patch Adams (PG-13) 1:40, 4:50, 7:25, 9:55
 Varsity Blues (R) 12, 2:20, 4:40, 7:15, 9:40
 A Civil Action (PG-13) 9:20
 She's All That (PG-13) 1:05, 3:15, 5:25, 7:35, 10
 Simply Irresistible (PG-13)** 12:35, 2:45, 4:55, 7:10
 Payback (R)** 12:20, 2:40, 5:05, 7:30, 10:05
 Message in a Bottle (PG-13)** 1:30, 4:20, 7, 9:45
 My Favorite Martian (PG)** 12:30, 2:50, 5, 7:20, 9:30
 Blast From The Past (PG-13)** 1:10, 4:30, 7:05, 9:50
 The Thin Red Line (R) 12:25, 4:10

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Kathy Kustra, wife of Eastern President Robert Kustra and former director of Public Aid in Illinois, will speak on "Women In Leadership" as a part of the ECU Women's Studies Lecture Series.

While director of Public Aid in Illinois, Kustra was responsible for 9,000 employees and a multi-million dollar budget. Later she went into business as a private consultant before coming to Eastern. In addition to other topics, she will discuss the challenges and skills in balancing one's professional life with the needs of family.

Golf passes available at discount

Eastern students are eligible for a discount on golf passes at Arlington Golf Course in Richmond. A semester-long membership is \$60 and offers

unlimited use. Arlington is open from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m., but next month the hours will increase to 8 a.m. until dusk. Call 622-2206 for more info.

TODAY

■ 9 a.m. Camp Placement Day, representatives from 50 camps in 15 states will be on hand for summer jobs, Keen Johnson Ballroom

FRIDAY

■ 6 p.m. "How to adopt an infant girl from China" seminar at 507 West Main St.

SATURDAY

■ 8:45 a.m. Habitat for Humanity Demolition, meet at Daniel Boone statue

SUNDAY

■ 3 p.m. Student trumpet recital, Brock Auditorium

MONDAY

■ Holiday — Presidents Day, No classes

TUESDAY

■ 8 a.m. Spring Break housing reservations, Housing Office, Jones Building, Room 106

■ Noon Tickets go on sale for "The Birds," Gifford Theatre box office, call 622-1323

■ 3:30 p.m. "Women In Leadership," Kathy Kustra speaker, Kennamer Room, Powell Building

■ 8 p.m. Student horn recital, Brock Auditorium

WEDNESDAY

■ 12:10 p.m. Ash Wednesday Mass, Catholic Newman Center

■ 6:30 p.m. WXII's "Crash Into Dave" Pre-Show Party at The Big Easy, Dave Matthews' tickets will be given away

■ 7 p.m. Ash Wednesday Prayer Service at Meditation Chapel

■ 7:30 p.m. Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds, Brock Auditorium

UPCOMING

■ 7 p.m. Feb. 18, "What's So Funny about 'The Birds'?" Crabbe Library, Room 108, guest speaker Andrew Harnack

■ 7:30 p.m. Feb. 18, debate, "In what sense was The Bible inspired by God?" Adams Room, Wallace Building

■ 6 p.m. Feb. 19, Parents' night out, Baptist Student Union, open to all students and faculty, call Rick at 623-3294 or Vickie at 622-2777

Tap Events

To Post an event in What's on Tap, contact Nicole Johnson at 622-1872 or e-mail the Progress at <progress@acs.eku.edu>. Submissions are due by noon the Monday before publication.

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Arts

Paul Fletcher, editor

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Matthews, Reynolds acoustic road show to 'Crash' into Brock

BY PAUL FLETCHER
Arts editor

It's not often fans can see an established star in a small and intimate setting like Brock Auditorium.

Next week's acoustic concert tour by close friends Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds will allow fans to do just that.

"I think the show at Brock will be really laid back," said Kevin Navratil, a 21-year-old junior from Fremont, Neb. "I expect him to play off the top of his head without any set schedule."

Matthews and Reynolds are touring the nation, playing college campuses and other small venues. Reynolds has appeared as guest guitarist on all of the Dave Matthews Band's albums and has also toured with the band.

On Jan. 19, Matthews and Reynolds released "Live at Luther College," a 23-song, two CD set containing a performance from Decorah, Iowa.

The concert was recorded on Feb. 6, 1996. (Critics have said this is Matthews' most consistently satisfying album to date.)

Matthews draws influence from many worldwide cultures, and, according to the Dave Matthews Band Web site, believes making music should be about bringing people together.

"It's a good focus," he said. "To try to bring people together rather than separate them."

Matthews has been "bringing people together" since 1991, the year he formed the Dave Matthews Band.

Matthews' world flavored music has proven to be popular with fans around the globe.

"[I like Dave] because of the originality in his music," said Brian Hunt, a 26-year-old junior graphics design major from Somerset. "No song he's made has ever been bad."

Hunt, who has seen one previous Matthews performance, is also excited about seeing Tim Reynolds, who is a critically acclaimed guitarist.

"Tim Reynolds is an excellent performer," Hunt said. "It's an honor to have fourth row seats in such a small arena."

From Richmond, the tour will move to the Palace Theater in Louisville.

DAYS to DAVE



Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds

When: 7:30 p.m. Feb. 17

Where: Brock Auditorium

Tickets: Sold out

More: DMB's Web site at

<www.dmband.com>

Above: Dave Matthews (left) and Tim Reynolds will play Brock Auditorium on Wednesday Feb. 17.

Photo submitted

Dave and Tim on the road

The current Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds acoustic tour includes several regional colleges besides Eastern.



Get warmed up for Dave

WXII, The X, will sponsor a "Crash Into Dave Pre-Show Party" on Wednesday night outside The Big Easy. Register between 6 and 7 p.m. for three third row tickets to the Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds acoustic concert to be held later that night at Brock Auditorium. The drawing for tickets will be held at 7 p.m.

Gibson seeks his 'Payback' in exciting new action film

BY TONYA GAMBREL
Staff writer

\$70,000 is all he wants — nothing more, nothing less — and he will go through unbelievable torture to get it.

Mel Gibson, who plays Porter in the new movie "Payback," shows intelligence and skill as he struggles to get his life back. This dark story is based on the novel "The Hunter," by Richard Stark.

Porter is not afraid of anyone. He has been beaten and shot and doesn't care about what else happens to him. This makes him a threat to the Outfit, a large mafia operation in New York.

They can't figure out why this guy is so hard to get rid of and why he would risk his life for the \$70,000 stolen from him.

Deborah Kara Unger plays Porter's wife, Lynn. She recently starred in "The Game" with Michael Douglas. After she dies of a drug addiction supported by the Outfit, Porter is even more motivated to get revenge.

Porter's biggest enemy is Val, played by Gregg Henry, who recently starred in "Star Trek Insurrection" and the upcoming "The Big Brass Ring."

Val may appear like he has it all, with his cocky attitude and slick suits, but he is really a sneaky thief trying to move up in the criminal world. He mistreats women and the members of the Outfit don't like him.

Val has a female companion, Pearl, played by Lucy Liu. She is known from the hit series "Ally McBeal."

Pearl's character helps break the tension by her compelling desire to beat up men. She definitely can hold her own and doesn't hesitate to beat up any man who gets in her way.

As a temptress in black leather who favors whips and fighting like a man, she is a tantalizing character. Living for danger, she is associated with the Chinese mob, which is after Porter because of a past endeavor.

Porter is left with only one person he can trust after his wife dies. This woman is Rosie, an upper-class call girl who has an intimate past with Porter. It is obvious she would do anything for him and wishes she had tried harder to make things work for them in the past.

Rosie is a big help to Porter even though she knows it puts her own life in danger. Maria Bello, best known for her leading role as Dr. Anna Del Amico on NBC's "ER," plays Rosie.

David Paymer plays Stegman, the

lowly guy who just doesn't have what it takes to be in the Outfit. He runs a cab mafia, deals drugs and gambles. His character is funny because all of his plans end up in disaster.

Paymer's most recent hit was "Mighty Joe Young," starring Bill Paxton. He has also starred in other famous titles such as "City Slickers" and its sequel, as well as "Mr. Saturday Night," with Billy Crystal.

The head of the Outfit, Bronson, played by Kris Kristofferson, can hardly imagine Porter a threat until one of the top executives is murdered. Bronson thought Porter was a joke, but he soon learns Porter is a serious threat to the Outfit.

Gibson brings comedy to the bloody action in "Payback." He seems so relaxed, like he is enjoying this wild chase to get his money. Porter outsmarts the members of the Outfit by turning their own tricks against them.

He severs a gas line to a car full of men who think he is in the building, but he is standing behind the car smoking a cigarette, waiting to be seen before he blows them to pieces.

"Payback" offers some great action scenes and Gibson plays them well with coolness and style.

In a few places, there were long time lapses between action scenes, but overall the movie was pretty good.



Above: Mel Gibson stars as Porter in "Payback." Left: Gibson and Maria Bello. Bello stars as Rosie. Bello is best known for her work in the hit NBC series "ER."

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Be mine: Couple shares their story on meeting



Don Knight/Progress

Bryan and Cara meet after he pushed a door into her. It was love at first sight for the two who were married two years ago.

His Side

This is a little story about how two people met and fell in love. One fateful Friday not too long ago, I was standing in the pasta line at the Grill with two of my friends and realized that I had forgotten my money. To save myself a little embarrassment, I quickly made an exit from the line and took off for the campus money machine. I made my way out of the line and through the crowd. The next obstacle was to get through the doors. In my hurry, I flung open the door, expecting to make a run for it, when — BANG — I hit this tremendously beautiful woman standing on the other side.

This was one of the more embarrassing situations I have experienced. Here she was, this innocent person who wanted to come to the Grill to eat and socialize. I apologized profusely and made sure that I did not maim her or injure her in any way, then made my way to the money machine. I returned to the Grill and got back in line, not too far behind the victim I had just mowed over with the door. Still being embarrassed, I hung my head low and pulled my cap down to try and hide myself the best I could so that she and her friends would not see me. I explained the situation to my friends and they laughed.

Later that day, I was innocently sitting in the spot I had seen her sit before when out of the blue a girl asked me if I had hit anyone with the door recently. After turning several shades of red, I admitted that I was the guilty one. I figured I was going to be laughed at or ridiculed until she said, "That was my roommate you hit and she wants to meet you." I gave her a call later that evening.

After several days, she called me and we officially met at a basketball game. Four months later, on July 4, we became engaged at Lake Reba as the fireworks show began. This was, and still is, her favorite holiday. The following May we were married and have been happy ever since.

Bryan Makinen is a senior industrial risk management major from Erie, PA.



Couple meet after running right into each other, literally

Her Side

It all began one Friday afternoon when my friends and I decided to get something to eat in the Grill. I had my hand on the door, ready to go in, when one of my friends pointed out something on the wall. We all paused when suddenly the door was pushed open knocking me back. I was pretty embarrassed to be caught standing in front of the door like a moron, but not quite as embarrassed as the door pusher. He stuttered an apology, I stood there with my mouth hanging open and my friends laughed their heads off.

Not for long though, because all of a sudden he was a couple of people behind us in line as my loyal friends kept nudging me and whispering. You see, by that time I had already told them that I thought he was really cute and wouldn't mind meeting him.

Luckily for me, I had noticed that he was in a fraternity of my guy friends was pledging that semester. So as soon as we were done eating, I rushed to my dorm and called Mikey. I begged him to find out who it was. He said he would see what he could do. I was in my room packing when my roommate, Fay, burst in and said "Guess who I just met, the guy that hit you with the door!" (That's what we called him for lack of a better name.) She said she saw Mikey and he was sitting next to him. She proceeded to tap the guy and ask him if he had hit anyone with a door that day. The guy got really embarrassed, but confessed to the crime. They gave him my phone number. By the time Fay had finished the story, I was bouncing up and down with excitement, but I was also on my way out the door to go to Cincinnati for the weekend. So we all left and when I returned I had a message on my machine that said, "Hey Cara, remember me, I'm the guy that hit you with a door."

I called him back and I guess like they say, the rest is history. Bryan and I will be celebrating our second wedding anniversary in May.

Cara Makinen is a junior from Richmond.

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Activities

Nicole Johnson, editor

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Got a whole lotta Schick goin' on

Men and women intramural basketball teams are razor sharp

By NICOLE JOHNSON
Activities Editor

March Madness is coming to Eastern. The women's and men's intramural basketball teams, GAS and the 1st Round Draft Pick, have advanced to one of eight teams eligible to play in the 1998-99 Schick Super Hoops Regional Tournaments.

They earned this opportunity by defeating dozens of other three-on-three teams during the Schick Super Hoops Tournament.

The women's team, GAS, consists of Sarah Benbow, 24, Amanda Schroder, 24, and Gretchen Newhouse, 25.

All three women are graduate assistants at Eastern, which helped give the team a name.

GAS stands for both "graduate assistants" and "Gretchen, Amanda, and Sarah," the first names of all three ladies.

Newhouse and Schroder are sports administration majors and Benbow is a parks and recreation administration major.

The men's team, 1st Round Draft Pick, includes Marc McCulley, Michael O'Bryan, Mike Wallace and Jay Doleman.

The men have four players so they are able to have to substitute players to have the best team possible.

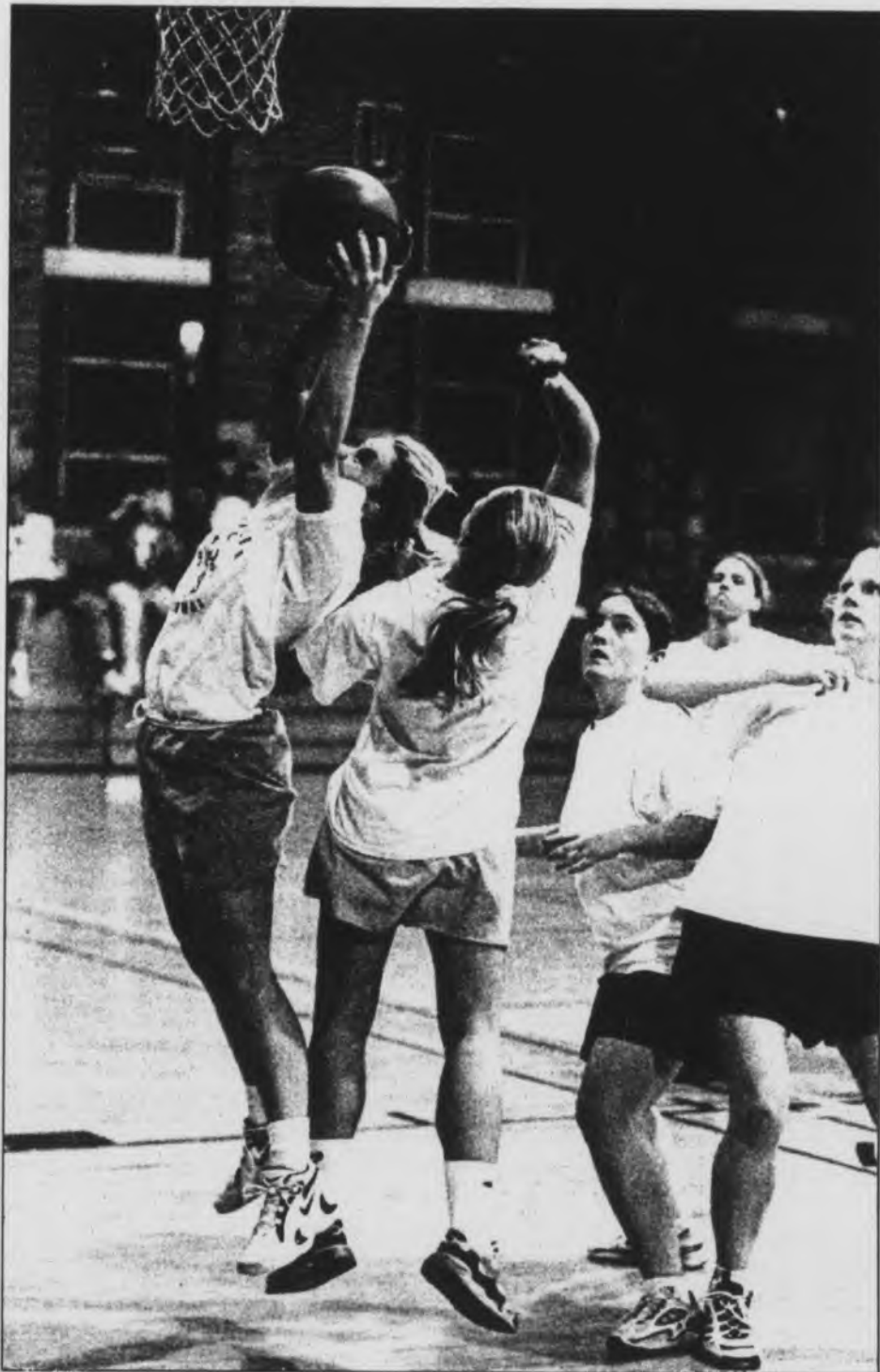
"We've got a pretty good team. Jay and I are the big men and Mike and Marc are the guards. I think we play pretty good together," said Michael O'Bryan, a 21-year-old secondary education junior.

On Feb. 13 GAS and 1st Round Draft Pick will compete at Georgia State University, battling as many as 50 other schools to earn regional supremacy.

Schick Super Hoops is the official collegiate three-on-three basketball tournament of the NBA and a part of the National Intramural Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA).

This year's tournament marks the 15th anniversary of the program.

All the campus champions will be recognized in an issue of Sport Magazine and are posted on the official Schick Super Hoops website at <www.nmgssports.com>.



Andrew Patterson/Progress

Amanda Schroder, a member of GAS, goes up for a shot. GAS reigned victorious Thursday night and will now advance to the Schick Super Hoops Regional Tournament in Georgia.

Tear down the walls of poverty

Habitat for Humanity needs volunteers to help demolish an old house

By SAM GISH AND NICOLE JOHNSON

Help the community by tearing down an abandoned house.

Eastern's chapter of Habitat for Humanity will demolish a dilapidated old building on Irvine Street to pave the way for a new home.

"I'd love for anyone to come out and be involved," said Sarah Blossom, president of Eastern's branch of Habitat for Humanity.

Habitat needs volunteers for both Saturday and Feb. 20 to help tear down the worn residence.

Blossom, a 21-year-old occupational therapy major, has been involved with Habitat since she was a freshman.

Over the last four years, she has helped build homes around the country, in locations like Miami and South Dakota.

Blossom said the reason she decided to get involved with Habitat was because of the family and Christian principles Habitat was founded upon.

Habitat for Humanity International (HFHI) was established in 1976 to help provide affordable, decent housing for all people.

HFHI is founded on Christian principles and its volunteers help build and rehabilitate homes for low-income families.

The families are able to purchase the homes at no interest and no profit. Most repay the mortgage in about 20 years.

Families must commit to a minimum of 300 hours of "sweat equity" toward their home.

The mortgage payments go toward building homes for other families.

Families are selected for homes by need, their willingness to help and their ability to repay the loans.

Businesses and individuals from around the community donate all materials and volunteers perform a variety of tasks from committee work to building the homes.

Blossom believes in Habitat's ability to make a difference in the community.

"You can change lives," Blossom said.

Volunteers who need a ride to the work site should meet at the Daniel Boone statue at 8:45 a.m. on Saturday.

All other volunteers should gather at 505 Irvine St. at 9 a.m., prepared to have fun.

The shifts are divided from 9 a.m. until noon or noon to 4 p.m., but volunteers may work throughout the day if they wish.

For sign-up information, call Karlyn at 622-2874. Individuals and organizations are welcome to participate.

To receive more facts about Habitat for Humanity and how to get involved, call Blossom at 622-4528.

The next meeting of the campus chapter of Habitat for Humanity is Feb. 24 at 9 p.m. in

Habitat for Humanity Demolition

When: 8:45 a.m. Saturday
Where: Meet at the Daniel Boone statue if you need a ride, or meet everyone at 505 Irvine St. in Richmond

Greek Gladiators



Denise Johnson, a Pi Beta Phi junior occupational therapy major, battles Laura Newsome, an Alpha Omicron Pi senior occupational therapy major, at Saturday's Greek Games.

Don Knight /Progress

Summer jobs offered for students

By NICOLE JOHNSON
Activities Editor

If you haven't secured that killer summer job yet, plan to be in the Keen Johnson Ballroom today with resume in hand for Camp Placement Day.

Camp Placement Day is sponsored by the department of parks and recreation and is an opportunity for Eastern students to meet potential employers from 15 states.

Eastern students can work for the summer at different camps, like 4-H and

Wilderness Camp, with young children.

Students fulfill numerous roles, from general camp counselor to business management.

Those who possess specific skills like riding or archery can teach. Students get free room and board plus pay. Camps generally last for 8-10 weeks and begin in June.

Camp Placement Day will be held in the Keen Johnson Ballroom today from 9 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. For more information, call 622-1835 or 622-8084.

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Seven Deadly Sluggers

Eastern begins season with seven returning starters

By SHANE WALTERS
Sports editor

In 30 years of Division I coaching, head baseball coach Jim Ward's record on the field has been one of a winner. After the completion of the 1998 season, his career coaching record stands at 849-630-5. Ward is beginning his 31st season as a Division I head coach and his 20th year at Eastern.

Ward's Colonels finished the 1998 season with a 24-29-1 overall mark and 12-12 record inside Ohio Valley Conference play, which tied Eastern for fifth place in the regular season standings.

Eastern has seven starters back from a lineup that batted 326 and stole a league-high 112 bases last season. Three of those starters earned first-team All-OVC accolades last season - junior shortstop Jason Sharp, senior outfielder Sean Murray and junior catcher Joe Smith.

Southeast Missouri is the unanimous choice to win the OVC baseball title in 1999 according to a vote of the league baseball coaches, but Ward's squad was picked to finish third behind SEMO and Eastern Illinois.

With 12 lettermen and seven position starters returning, there seems to be a very mature approach to the season. Ward and his staff added 13 new recruits to the roster.

"This signing class is the most talented since I've been at Eastern," Ward said to sports information last season. "These are the type of players we need to achieve our goal of OVC championships."

Of the 13 newcomers, Harrison County stand-out Kiley Vaughn and Northmont High School all-star Kenton Schulze may lead the pack early in the season.

Schulze batted .429 his senior year with three home runs and 26 runs batted in for Northmont High, while Vaughn was a 1998 pre-season all-state choice and honorable mention All-American by USA Today newspaper.

"Kenton put together outstanding offensive statistics his senior year at Northmont and for the Greenville American Legion team this past summer," Ward said. "He has outstanding power potential and should play a significant role at Eastern during his career."

Key returners for Eastern include the Colonels' leading hitter last season, senior right-fielder Sean Murray, who hit .402 last season and Sharp, who hit .347 with seven home runs and 35 RBIs.

Also returning for the Colonels is senior catcher Joe Smith (.272, 6 HRs, 31 RBIs), senior third baseman J.D. Bussell (.344, 5 HRs, 28 RBIs) and junior outfielder Brad Sizemore (.338, 6 HRs, 40 RBIs).

Senior right-handed pitcher Eric Bess (9-4, 6.27 ERA) will lead a Colonels rotation in the early season that will

include junior Corey Eagle (4-5, 6.11 ERA) and last year's transfer stand-out junior Shane Billau (1-1, 11.17 ERA).

Another new recruit, Michael Martini, a freshman left-handed pitcher from Harrisburg, Pa., may fill a void for the 1999 Colonels' pitching rotation early.

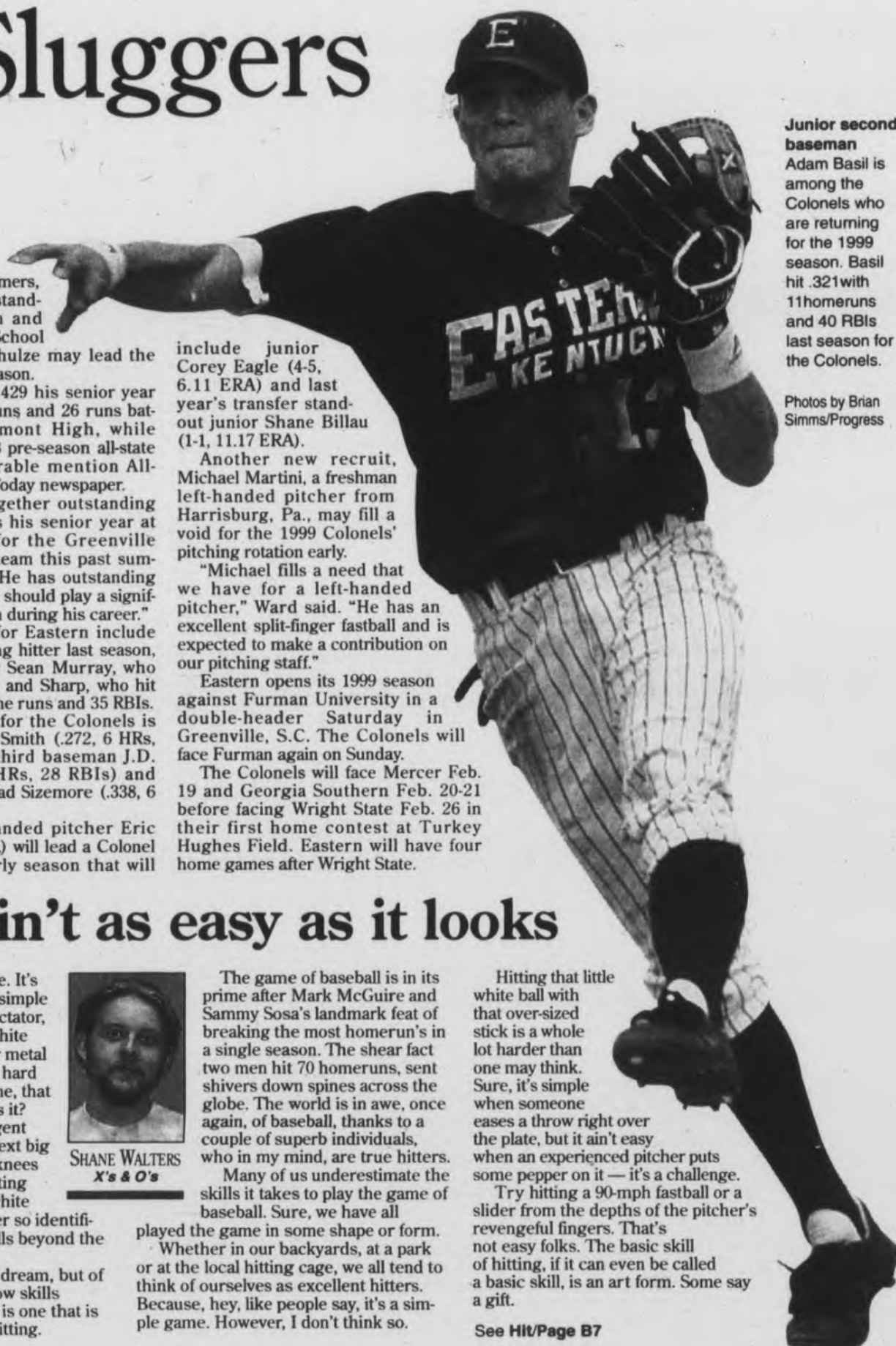
"Michael fills a need that we have for a left-handed pitcher," Ward said. "He has an excellent split-finger fastball and is expected to make a contribution on our pitching staff."

Eastern opens its 1999 season against Furman University in a double-header Saturday in Greenville, S.C. The Colonels will face Furman again on Sunday.

The Colonels will face Mercer Feb. 19 and Georgia Southern Feb. 20-21 before facing Wright State Feb. 26 in their first home contest at Turkey Hughes Field. Eastern will have four home games after Wright State.

Junior second baseman Adam Basil is among the Colonels who are returning for the 1999 season. Basil hit .321 with 11 homeruns and 40 RBIs last season for the Colonels.

Photos by Brian Simms/Progress



Hitting that small white ball ain't as easy as it looks



Head coach Jim Ward leans on junior third baseman Jason Sharp during a contest last season. Sharp hit .347 with seven home runs last season.

It's fundamental - maybe. It's easy, some may say. A simple task, at least to the spectator, involving hitting a small white ball with a long wooden or metal object. Simple, right. How hard can it be? It's a simple game, that game called baseball - or is it?

Every young lady and gent dreams of becoming the next big league hitter. Scuffing-up knees sliding into third base, getting hit, ever so hard, by that white ball and practicing that ever so identifiable swing until the sun falls beyond the clouds.

We all are guilty of that dream, but of all the basic catch and throw skills involved in baseball, there is one that is overlooked by so many - hitting.



SHANE WALTERS
X's & O's

The game of baseball is in its prime after Mark McGuire and Sammy Sosa's landmark feat of breaking the most homerun's in a single season. The sheer fact two men hit 70 homeruns, sent shivers down spines across the globe. The world is in awe, once again, of baseball, thanks to a couple of superb individuals, who in my mind, are true hitters.

Many of us underestimate the skills it takes to play the game of baseball. Sure, we have all played the game in some shape or form.

Whether in our backyards, at a park or at the local hitting cage, we all tend to think of ourselves as excellent hitters. Because, hey, like people say, it's a simple game. However, I don't think so.

Hitting that little white ball with that over-sized stick is a whole lot harder than one may think. Sure, it's simple when someone eases a throw right over the plate, but it ain't easy when an experienced pitcher puts some pepper on it - it's a challenge. Try hitting a 90-mph fastball or a slider from the depths of the pitcher's revengeful fingers. That's not easy folks. The basic skill of hitting, if it can even be called a basic skill, is an art form. Some say a gift.

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► Football



Dean Hood accepted a position as defensive secondary at Ohio University.

Hood accepts position at Ohio University; team signs 15

By SHANE WALTERS
Sports editor

Eastern Kentucky defensive coordinator/recruiting coordinator Dean Hood has accepted a position as defensive secondary coach at Ohio University of the Mid-American Conference.

"Dean has done a really good job here at Eastern and we're certainly going to miss him," Kidd said.

Puzzles sometimes lose pieces, whether its a major

piece like Hood or actual players. Eastern's spectacular football puzzle program lost 15 pieces - 15 pieces coach Roy Kidd had to replace.

Kidd and his staff signed 15 high school and junior college recruits for the upcoming 1999 season.

The signees include five from Kentucky, three from California, two each from Georgia and Tennessee and one from the states of Illinois, Florida and West Virginia.

"We needed a kicker, a quarterback that can run and throw and offensive and defensive linemen. We had 15 scholarships to give and wanted to give many of them to Kentucky players," Kidd said.

The Colonels staff signed four recruits from Kentucky to scholarships, led by two defensive backs, 5-foot-11-inch 175-pound Jonathan Jackson from Henderson and Williams Randle from Eastern High

School in Louisville.

The Colonels brought in a little southern comfort with two quarterback recruits from Georgia and Tennessee. Robbie Knight, from Murfreesboro and Sherrick Wright, from Atlanta, will compete with junior Walyon Chapman and Chad Collins to fill the void left by University of Nevada at Las Vegas transfer quarterback Jon Denton.

A strong leg is just as

important as a strong arm, thus 5-foot-10-inch Jamie Flynn's position as the Colonels' new punter/kicker from Milford Academy in Washington, Ill.

Eastern also recruited its backbone on offense, the running back, with 5-foot-10-inch Marvin Smith and Clyde Tyler, a 5-foot-11-inch freshman from Charleston, W.Va.

The Colonels also brought in recruits from junior colleges

to help out on both the defensive and offensive side of the field.

Tait Afualo, a 6-foot-6-inch 315-pound offensive lineman from Santa Ana, Calif., will contribute his skills immediately to the Colonels' offense.

On defense, Kidd and his staff recruited Kevin Harris, a defensive lineman transfer from the University of Kansas, along with J.J. Johnson and Reggie Montgomery, both transfers from California.

► Women's Tennis

Eastern Invitational holds accolades for everyone but Eastern

By CHRISTINA THOMPSON
Assistant sports editor

As the women's spring tennis season swung into action last weekend at the Eastern Kentucky University Invitational, the Lady Colonels could not overcome their inexperience as they lost to competitors from the University of Louisville, Bowling Green State University and Tennessee Tech.

"There was a host of seniors on the three other teams, while we had four freshman in our starting lineup," head coach Tom Higgins said.

The invitational was played in a round-robin tournament format with individual competition in six singles spots and three doubles s.

Eastern was forced to play without its lone senior, Ellen Smith, who was out of action due to an injury. Other team members were hampered by the flu.

Despite the outcome of the tournament, coach Higgins was encouraged by the team's determination.

"I was pleased with our effort, but not the results," Higgins said. "We were just out-experienced."

The Lady Colonels now begin preparing for their next matches. The team returns to action Feb. 19 when it faces Western Kentucky and Murray State at home.

Then on Feb. 21, the Lady Colonels have two more home matches at the Greg Adams Tennis Center against Radford University and Toledo University.

"We still have 80 percent of our season left, and we will keep working," Higgins said.

The men's tennis team face Austin Peay Friday, Radford Saturday and Tennessee Tech Sunday.



Freshman Susan Ferguson returns the volley from Megan Rhodes of Bowling Green State University, Sunday at Greg Adams Tennis Center.

WEKY general manager joins athletic department

PROGRESS STAFF REPORT

Eastern Kentucky University director of athletics Jeff Long announced that Dan McBride, current general manager of WEKY radio of Richmond and former athletics ticket manager at Eastern, has been named acting assistant director of athletics for administration at Eastern.

McBride, 32, served as Eastern's athletics ticket manager from 1992-97 and has been WEKY radio's general manager since August 1997.

"Dan's experience as a former athletics department employee and the business relationships he has built while at WEKY radio made him a natural choice for this position," Long said.

"He has continued to demonstrate his love for this institution by staying very involved in supporting the athletics program. Dan will be extremely helpful as we pursue

some new initiatives in the department."

McBride, a native of Richmond and a 1985 graduate of Model High School, received his bachelor's degree from Eastern in 1989 in public relations.

"Having grown up in Richmond and gone to school on campus for more than half my life, I look forward to the opportunity to continue to be associated with the university that has meant so much to me," McBride said.

"This is an exciting time for Eastern with the dynamic new leadership in place in President Bob Kustra and athletics director, Jeff Long. Great things are ahead for Eastern and I'm happy to be a part of this new energy and focus on athletics," McBride said.

McBride begins his appointment at Eastern, Feb. 16.



Dan McBride was named acting assistant director of athletics for administration at Eastern.

Shawn Afflick (right) races against an Ole Miss opponent at the Rod McCravy meet Saturday. Davina McCluney (far right) earned fourth-place in the 60 meters with an overall time of 7.66. Photos by Andrew Patterson/Progress



Colonels coast at Rod McCravy meet

By CHRISTINA THOMPSON
Assistant sports editor

Eastern Kentucky University's men's and women's indoor track teams laced up their sneakers and once again headed up the interstate to Lexington. There the two teams competed in the Rod McCravy Memorial Track and Field Meet at the University of Kentucky last weekend.

The two teams were led by Daniel Koech who ran to second in the mile run with his time of 4:12.77. Koech also finished in the top 10 in the 800-meter run.

Daniel Blochwitz had a strong showing in the 800 when he finished in fourth with his time of 1:51.39. That time was the number two all-time school finish in the event.

Blochwitz was also a member of the 4x400-meter relay team, which finished fifth in 3:16.07. Other members of the relay team were JaiDante Burton, Bryan Blockson and Shawn Afflick.

Also achieving top 10 finishes for the men's team were Ryan Parrish with his sixth place finish in the mile run (4:16.80). David Machungo finished fifth in the 3000-meter run (8:38.25).

Eastern's women's team had an impressive showing with several competitors earning top 10 finishes.

In the mile run, Hannah Benjamin finished fourth in 5:08.00. Heather Davel and Jennifer Wheeler finished eighth and ninth, respectively.

Davina McCluney earned fourth in the 60-meter dash with her time of 7.66. McCluney also finished fifth in the 200-meter dash in a time of 24.77, which was the number four all-time school record in that event.

In the 60-meter hurdles, Kenyatta Grigsby finished sixth in 8.73 while Alysia Barton finished tenth.

Eastern had three top 10 finishes in the 3000-meter run. Sarah Blossom finished seventh in 10:05.56. Theresa Olsen followed in eighth, and Jennifer Brown finished tenth.

Amy Bidle came in eighth in the high jump with her finish of 5-2 1/4.

The teams don't compete this weekend as the athletes prepare for the Ohio Valley Conference indoor track championships. The championships will be held Feb. 19-20.

► Men's Basketball

Governors, Tigers topple Perry's squad



By SHANE WALTERS
Sports editor

It's not over until the final buzzer sounds.

The Colonels (3-19, 2-12 Ohio Valley Conference) will face Kyle Macy's Morehead State Eagles Saturday at Morehead, before ending regular season play with three straight home contests beginning Tuesday night.

The 9-14 Eagles are coming off an 82-79 loss to Tennessee State, while Eastern is coming off of a two road game losing streak against Austin Peay and TSU.

Freshman guard Whitney Robinson, who won his third OVC Rookie of the Week award for the season last week, contributed 25 points during Eastern's 86-72 loss to the Tennessee State Tigers and 17 points in the Colonels 80-64 loss to Austin Peay.

Robinson is leading the team in scoring, averaging 17 points this year, and leads all Colonels with 63 three-pointers made on the year.

"I'm very proud of our guys for not quitting," said head coach Scott Perry. "We had opportunities in both games to take leads, but we just weren't hitting the basket."

Jerome Jackson led Austin Peay with 19 points Saturday, as the Governors beat Eastern 80-64 in Clarksville.

The Colonels led 19-18 early in the contest, but Nick Stapleton made a layup seconds later to put the Governors on top for the remainder of the contest.

The Governors' largest lead was 61-37 following two free throws by Kevin Easley with 11:12 remaining.

Darius Acuff led the Colonels in scoring against Austin Peay with 20 points.

Acuff is averaging 12.2 points per contest for the season.

"We need to continue to work hard and put something together for these last two weeks. We want our players to remember these experiences this year and learn from them as we build for the future together," Perry said.

The Tigers of TSU clawed the Colonels in Nashville last Thursday by 14 points, giving Eastern its 18th loss of the season.

Jason Johnson scored a career high 29 points to lead the Tigers to victory over Eastern.

"Jason Johnson was big-time," Perry said. "Quite frankly we don't have an answer for him when he plays like he did."

Johnson scored 15 of his points during a 23-3 Tennessee State run late in the contest that put the Tigers up 57-47, and ending Eastern's hope at a comeback.

► Women's Basketball

Lady Colonels lose to interstate OVC road rivals

By CHRISTINA THOMPSON
Assistant sports editor

Eastern Kentucky's women's basketball team has found pulling out a victory on the road can be difficult, as the team lost their two away games last week against Austin Peay University and Tennessee State University.

On Saturday, the Lady Colonels traveled to Clarksville, Tenn. in hopes of beating Austin Peay for the second time this season. However, Austin Peay had its revenge as it beat Eastern 74-54.

Eastern shot a dismal 30 percent from the floor for the game and had only one player in double figures. Austin Peay, which had the lead for the entire game, out-rebounded the Lady Colonels 54-39.

"We played really poorly and without much effort," head coach Larry Joe Inman said. "We didn't take care of the basketball and we didn't rebound well."

Freshman Mikki Bond led Eastern in scoring with 10 points while shooting 44 percent from the floor.

Austin Peay had three players score in double figures. Leading the way was Angelica Suffren who recorded a double-double with 21 points and 11 rebounds.

In earlier action, Eastern

traveled to Tennessee State where the Lady Tigers defeated the Lady Colonels 70-60.

Eastern went into the locker room at halftime with a slim 32-30 lead, but the Lady Colonels couldn't hold on in the end as Tenn. State sealed its victory with an 11-4 run in the final five minutes of the game.

The Lady Colonels shot only 30.8 percent for the game and hit only one three-point basket in the contest.

"We missed some shots that we should have hit," Inman said. "That's the difference right now."

Leading the team was sophomore Charlotte Sizemore, who recorded her fourth double-

double of the season with 13 points and 11 rebounds. Senior Jennifer King added 11 points of her own, and Bond chipped in 10.

With the two losses, Eastern's record dropped to 11-11 overall and 8-7 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Inman hopes to see the team begin to make a turnaround.

"We've got to snap out of this way we've been playing," he said.

The Lady Colonels hope to end their three game losing streak when they travel to Morehead State (4-18, 2-13) Saturday when they face the Lady Eagles at 3 p.m.

Eastern vs. Morehead State
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Hit: Basic fundamentals of hitting are extremely crucial

From B6

Hitting in baseball is a skill that keeps growing with the player. McGuire started his career with the Oakland A's before donning the red and white of the St. Louis Cardinals. While in Oakland, McGuire was a reasonable player, but as time passed, his hitting skills improved.

Sure, McGuire gained a few pounds and enormous biceps, but it's not just a power thing. Hitting is something I'm sure every coach has stressed as much as catching a pop-up.

Believe it or not, hitting has categories. There are hitting fundamentals, mental approach in hitting, contact hitting, hitting opposite, hitting breaking pitches and hitting for power.

What? I thought it simply

involved tossing that white ball up in the air and whacking the heck out of it with that big ol' stick. Nope, it's a little harder than that. Don't believe me? OK, for all of you non-believers in the importance of hitting, check into Eastern Kentucky University's hitting camp this week held at Begley Building.

Eastern's head baseball coach Jim Ward and his staff will be there conducting, yes my friends, a hitting camp. If, in your mind, baseball still involves hitting a small ball with a big stick, don't hesitate to watch an Eastern baseball contest this season at Turkey Hughes Field.

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