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Rednour, Humphrey win SGA elections



Corey Wilson/Progress

More than 550 students cast their vote online Tuesday during the SGA elections.

By JENNIFER ROGERS
News writer

The Powell Building lobby was more than tension-filled Tuesday night as campaigners eagerly awaited the returns that would tell them who students chose to fill senate and presidential seats next fall.

Their wait was soon ended when Skip Daugherty, dean of student development, signed and announced the official election results.

Ritchie Rednour and Jessica Humphrey were elected to the presidential and vice presidential spots. They defeated their opponents Mary McGregor and Barry Lee 737 votes to 476 votes, a 261-vote margin.

A total of 1,239 students voted in the election, which featured a new online format to supplement manual voting. Of those students who voted, 567 took advantage of the on-line procedure, and 671 chose to vote in the Powell Building.

Immediately after the results were announced, Rednour addressed his supporters in the Powell lobby.

"We couldn't have done this without you all, every one of you all," Rednour said.

Rednour will begin his term in office by focusing on promises he made to voters.

"During our campaign the last two weeks we have made a lot of promises to people," Rednour said. "Our main focus is to direct those promises and prove myself. Something that we've stressed more than anything is a new kind of leadership for all students. We want to make this organization inclusive."

Rednour said making changes in student government might take time.

"Every student should know that if they have any type of problem, no matter how big or how small, like I've always said, they should know to call the SGA office," Rednour said. "That's not something we can do overnight."

Rednour will give some issues precedence over others.

"Obviously, as you all know, we have some issues that we are going to have to address immediately, such as, we have an interim adviser," Rednour said.

Rednour was surprised at the amount of support he got.

"One thing that impressed me more so than anything else is folks coming up to me saying, 'Hey, how can we help you

out.' They have the same passions and concerns that I do, it's obvious."

Rednour was also quick to compliment his opponents.

"Mary and Barry, they ran a great campaign, they did a very good job," Rednour said.

Rednour is ready to work with campus administration.

"I do look forward to working with President Kustra," Rednour said. "I'm so excited about this."

Rednour attributed his victory to several factors.

"Obviously the voter turnout helped me win, however, in my opinion, of course this is my first campaign, it was going up to students, talking to them on a one to one basis that helped the turnout," Rednour said. "That's what we've been doing. I've been to every room in every residence hall, almost every organization."

Rednour also said the election as a whole was a success.

"It's only going to get better, and I think that's exciting," Rednour said. "I

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'Free Beer' signs a mystery to all

By JENNIFER ROGERS
News writer

Though the final results are in, one aspect of the presidential election is still open to speculation.

According to Nick Bertram, current Senate speaker pro tem and one of Ritchie Rednour's supporters, signs advertising "Free Beer" were hung up around campus Monday night.

The signs said Rednour will enforce changes like "limiting visitation to one opposite sex visitor per week" and "mandatory 30 hours community service per student per semester."

The sign also said all students were invited to an "off-campus keg party courtesy of the Rednour for

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EKU gets funding for tech building

Cammack renovations not going to happen

By DENA TACKETT
Managing editor

In the final hours of the of the General Assembly's biennial session, Eastern received another project to add to its list of capital projects approved by the state.

Eastern was approved for a fully funded business and technology building, but the state-funded \$5 million Cammack renovation was taken off the list.

"I think the business and technology building is a higher priority than spending \$5 million on Cammack when it could be done by selling bonds," said Rep. Harry Moberly, chair of the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee and free conference committee who decided the fate of the budget and also director of judicial affairs and disabilities services at Eastern.

"The thinking was that Cammack Building would not take \$5 million to renovate and that could be done with existing funds," Moberly said.

The business and technology building was not part of Eastern's original budget, but has been in the university's strategic plan since 1998, said President Robert Kustra. The strategic plan is a list of 12 important projects Eastern wanted to accomplish before 2003.

In the strategic plan for 1999-2003, the university placed a building for the college of business at No. 5 on the list, with a technology building at No. 6, Kustra said, adding that he was not sure if the list was in order of priority since it was drafted before he became president.

Both of the buildings were estimated to cost \$15 million each. Those figures were only estimates, though, and not budgeted money.

The new business and technology building will cost \$15 million.

"The plan is just to create a vision for the future," Kustra said. "It's not a budget, it's a plan. It's an ideal of what you want." The building will be a multi-funded project.

The state will sell bonds for \$5 million of total \$15 million. Another \$4 million will come from the Economic Development Bond Pool Fund, which is where bonds are sold in Frankfort and the money is allocated to the counties. Eastern will then apply for the money through Madison County.

The remainder of the money will come from construction technology funds, for which Eastern must also apply. Eastern will not be required to provide any funding for the building, said Jim Clark, vice president of government relations and budgets.

Although the project has been in the strategic plan for years, no formal plans have been made for the building, Clark said.

"There will be multiple beneficiaries when the project is completed," Clark said. "There is a lot of serious planning

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New Kappa



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The members of Kappa Alpha Psi, clockwise, are Alonzo McGill, Maurice Clark, Lorenzo McGill, Kristopher Nevels and Jeramy Jewell. The six restarted the fraternity in March.

Kappa Alpha Psi, Eastern's only black fraternity, comes back to campus after eight years away

By JENNIFER MULLINS
Assistant accent editor

It's been almost eight years since the men of Kappa Alpha Psi have had a presence on Eastern's campus. The colors crimson and creme, are back though, and that's just how it should be according to the fraternity's members.

"I feel that it was past due for a fraternity like ours on this campus," said Lorenzo McGill, Kappa Alpha Psi member.

"I think we can bring a sense of definition, not only to the minority students on campus, but the campus as a whole," said Maurice Clark, the chapter president.

McGill and Clark along with Jeramy Jewell, Alonzo McGill, Kristopher Nevels and Charles Tinsley make up the six man fraternity.

The group is unique not only because of its "revived" status, but also because it is the only

black fraternity on campus. Due to their unique status, the men said they plan to work hard to show themselves as positive role models.

"I believe that we are strong, successful black men who will be able to get things done on campus," said Clark, a senior, social work major from Virginia Beach, Va.

In fact, one of the main objectives of the Kappa Alpha Psi Organization is to encourage honorable achievement in every field of human endeavor. The members seem to agree that one of the top reasons they chose Kappa Alpha Psi is because of its high regard for achievement and individual success.

"The reason I chose this fraternity is because of the positive aspects associated with the organization and the fact that achievement is our biggest priority," said Lorenzo McGill, a

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James Branaman/Progress

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., speaks in Brock Auditorium yesterday.

Kennedy still loyal to Mother Earth

By JAMIE VINSON
News editor

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. said yesterday recycling and buying compact cars are good consumer practices. But to save the earth, people have to get involved in environmental groups and politics.

Kennedy said democracy is the key.

"In the long run, democracy always, always, is the most efficient system we have," Kennedy said.

"We didn't inherit this planet from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children," Kennedy quoted from a proverb.

Eastern has been celebrating Earth Day throughout the month of April with a series of events which included environmental workshops for teachers, Madison County Roadsides cleanup, planting trees and guest speakers including Wendell Berry and Kennedy.

Kennedy is chief prosecuting attorney to the Hudson Riverkeeper and senior attorney for the National Resources Defense Council.

Kennedy flew into Kentucky late last night from Puerto Rico where he is pursuing the effort to shut down a U.S. Navy bombing range on a

Puerto Rican Island.

"They've been doing this (bombing) for 50 years," Kennedy said. He said this is destroying the island including the beautiful landscape, tropical hardwood floors, coral reefs and endangering species.

"But also probably the most important impact has been the impact on the people of the island of Vieques," Kennedy said.

Kennedy said approximately 10,000 people live in the community. Many residents have lost their hair and have uranium in their blood. Kennedy added that the community has the highest cancer rate, mortality rate and infant mortality rate in Puerto Rico.

"I love my country and I love the Navy, but this is something that we should be involved in," Kennedy said. "It's not about protecting the fishes and the birds for their own sake, but recognizing we protect the environment because it enriches us and particularly it enriches the community."

Kennedy started working as the prosecuting attorney for Riverkeeper in 1984.

"The Hudson River was a

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Experience NOT needed

Eastern should allow professor's experience to count for something when deciding who teaches

Quick quiz. Your professor walks into your speech class the first day and tells you not to worry because even though he hasn't ever given a speech, he has his Ph.D. in human communication and he made terrific grades in school while getting that degree. Do you feel like he can give you the kind of education in that particular class which you deserve?

Some students in the mass communications department say no. They started a petition to save the job of Chris Swindell, a visiting instructor in the department, who has been told he will not be hired on with

the university because he will not have his Ph.D. within three years.

Those students argue that Swindell's more than 20 years experience as an anchor, editor, reporter, photographer, writer, producer and public relations practitioner say more for his ability to teach than any degree.

Swindell teaches performance, introduction to broadcast and broadcast writing.

His students are right.

It shouldn't matter if a teacher has the "appropriate" degree or not. A teacher should be a person who is able to teach students in the subject at hand. There is

more to getting an education than teaching straight out of a book. Students need to know what it is like in the field at question. If someone else is hired in that position who can teach these students nothing about the real world experiences they will encounter in the broadcasting field, it will only undermine those students' education.

Swindell is only one example of such injustice at this university. The sad thing is that it is not only an injustice to the teacher, but to the students as well who deserve to learn from someone who has been there and done that.

No one would want to go to the operating table under someone who has no real experience. No one would want someone flying his or her airplane that has only read about it in books and passed the required tests.

Sure, there are many subject areas where a teacher with a terminal degree should be required. But when the job these students will be doing is as hands-on as broadcasting, for example, life experience should be taken into consideration.

So why should Eastern's students be forced to settle for anything less than a teacher who knows his stuff?

► Campus Comments

THE ISSUE

A new Student Government Association president was elected Tuesday for the 2000-2001 academic year. Dena Tackett, managing editor of the Progress, asked students what the new president should address first.

ANNE PIERCY



Hometown: Somerset
Major: Geography
Age: 35

The food in the cafeteria is too expensive and there is not enough healthy food on the menu.

BRIAN GIBSON



Hometown: Somerset
Major: Biology
Age: 26

The parking in Lancaster. I never get a parking place and all my classes are across campus and it takes 10 to 15 minutes to get to them.

BRITTANY BECKETT



Hometown: Lexington
Major: Public relations
Age: 23

There needs to be more student involvement. They need to do something to get people involved in school and in decisions because those decisions will ultimately affect everybody.

AMY KENNEDY



Hometown: Monticello
Major: Middle school education
Age: 43

The food in the cafeteria is too expensive for the quality of food. I commute and don't eat three meals a day there, so I have no need for a meal ticket.

First and foremost

New SGA officers should be voice of students

The student body ushered in a new pair to lead its Student Government Association this week. While Ritchie Rednour and Jessica Humphrey had platforms they ran on and have their own plans, there are some things they shouldn't forget.

The first and most important thing the new president and vice president must remember is they are there for the students. Both Rednour and Humphrey should be as open and accessible to the students as possible. Things like phone numbers and e-mail addresses should be posted on the SGA Web site so students can easily get a hold of them. They should also spend a lot of time in the SGA office, in case someone drops by with a question or a problem.

Because they do work for the students, everything they do should be done out in the open, not behind closed doors. Actions and decisions should be clearly explained, and publicized so everyone is aware of what is going on in the SGA. By following this simple practice, the pair will more than likely have a better relationship with students. There will be less

questions about what is being done and why decisions are being made.

Their responsibilities must reach beyond the SGA meetings on Tuesday afternoon. Rednour has a seat on the Board of Regents. This means Rednour will be able to vote on very important issues, such as tuition increases and implementing new policies. Rednour needs to remember the students when he is making these decisions. When the issues of tuition is raised, he must always do what is best for the student. Tuition increases are difficult on everyone, and should be given extra special consideration when by the student regent when it is time to vote.

They also must remember they are the voice of the students. The SGA president and vice president should speak on any issue that affects students, no matter if the SGA has the authority to act on it or not. They should research issues, and go to the person or persons who do have the authority to act on them. Rednour and Humphrey have a responsibility to make sure they are vocal, and allow the student body's opinions, beliefs and voice be heard.

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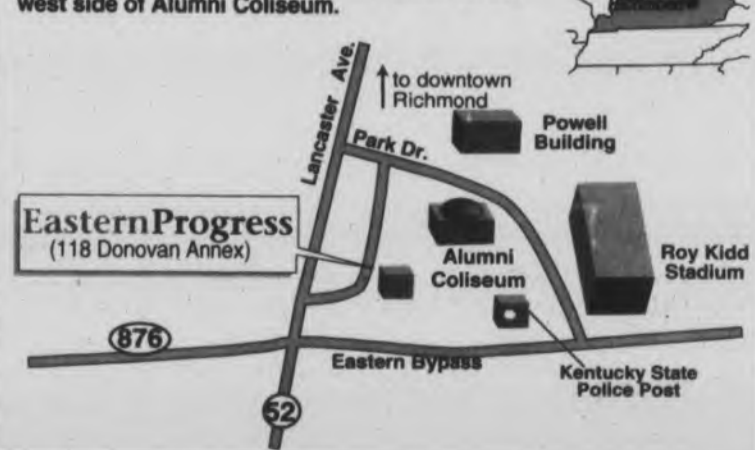
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Editor's paying the cost to be a fan of The Boss



PAUL FLETCHER
My turn

Paul Fletcher is a sophomore journalism major from Irvine. He is also editor of the Progress' alternative magazine, on the EDGE.

Come hell or high water, Fletcher continues his Springsteen homage around the country

Sunday, March 19, 3:37 a.m.
North of Nashville, Tennessee on I-65... Frickin' rain. Is it EVER gonna stop? I've driven over 200 miles and it's rained every inch of the way. How in the hell can that happen? What, am I cursed tonight? I've gotta get home, gotta make some time man! Rain's really slowing me down. I've got 200 more miles to go. It ain't no short drive to Memphis!

Well, tonight was No. four. Six more to go. I really don't have time for this, running all over the country chasing Bruce Springsteen. Starting to fall some what behind in my school work. And don't forget the final issue of the EDGE! Need to make that one special.

Ah, I'll get caught up. Always do. The shows are worth it...to me anyway. Junk food and lack of sleep...I'm used to it. I love being out here on the road. All night on the road...

St. Louis is next, two weeks from tonight. Got GREAT seats for that one! Of course I haven't had a bad seat yet. I've been lucky so far...scalpers have been pretty good about upgrading. That reminds me, I've gotta get to work on finding tickets for Nashville and Pittsburgh.

Well, it's getting daylight and still raining. Windshield wipers about to put me to sleep. Damn this night, or this day or whatever!! I guess morning'll come twice today...usually does for me...

Wednesday, April 12, 6:00 p.m.
Broadway, Nashville, Tennessee... What's up with these people in Nashville? You'd think they've never seen a guy wearing an American flag jacket, a Nashville t-shirt (what else would you wear to Nashville??), a bandana around

his head and dark glasses. People are taking pictures of me like I'm some kind of tourist attraction...

7:15 p.m. Nashville Arena...
Well, this is a hell of a seat! Wish I'd had this seat in St. Louis. Man that show ROCKED!! Best show on the tour so far; great sound, lot of different songs...AWESOME show! I hope tonight is good too. WHAT am I saying???? They're all good!

Thursday, April 13, 2:30 a.m.
Somewhere on that lonesome stretch of highway known as the Cumberland Parkway...

Another good show last night...No. 6 for the tour. Only four more to go... Dead deer laying right in the center of my lane!...no time to brake!...trucker right up my tail pipe!!...gotta swerve around it!!...wow, that was a close one. Barely missed it...better get woke up and pay closer attention...

Saturday, April 15, 11:30 p.m.
Trying to get the hell out of Louisville on I-65...Traffic's terrible. Thunder Over Louisville and the Springsteen show are really tying things up. Glad I'm heading north tonight. Don't feel like stopping either. Driving all night...I should make Angola by daybreak. I'll check into the lodge and get some sleep, get up in the afternoon and explore my "new home." It's gonna be an interesting summer up there. Looking forward to it. The people at the newspaper seem to really like me. Well, I'll find out Monday...right now I just wanna drive...me and the open road...the way it should be...and reflections on tonight's show...No. 7...only three more to go...

► Letters to the editor

Greek row won't use any university money

It has been a long road, but finally after over 28 years the Greek community will be looking at a place it can call home. Soon Greek Row will be a reality and evidently the misinformed had sparked criticism about the funding of what is a very large project.

In response to the editorial last week, I would like to clarify a few items. The project is to be at no expense to the non-Greek student population at Eastern Kentucky University. A \$4 million bond is being issued to Eastern in the support and development of Greek housing, which would be located on the property behind Keene Hall. All expenses related to the bond money will be paid back by those leasing the houses over a 30-year period with the option to renew. Eastern is only acting as a facilitator in the financial sense. It is planned that 12 lots will be available for Greek houses. Only six will be open in the first phase of development, and the remaining six will open during the second phase two years later. Each organization must put down somewhere in the range of \$50,000 to \$60,000 in good faith payment. The Greek organizations that are financially able to make the payment for one of the first six lots will be eligible for a house. Think of Eastern as being a loan officer and each Greek organization as being a homeowner. It is a fact, all funds will be paid back with interest, and at no expense to those who are unaffiliated with the Greek community.

As Greeks, we reside in residence halls too. We understand the concerns involved in Eastern's aging residential facilities. Maintenance on residence halls is a continuous effort whether it is through the academic year or during the summer months. Greek housing is something that only comes around as an option about every 10 years. The time has come and the time is now.

I truly hope that everyone, both Greek and non-Greek, see its advantages. If anyone should have any questions concerning Greek row, feel free to call the IFC office at 622-8153 or e-mail me at stucking@acs.eku.edu. I hope to clarify any misunderstanding there may be.

Cary M. King
President,
Interfraternity Council

New vacation policy is unfair to employees

I am writing to express my concern and dismay over EKU's new vacation policy.

This new policy, an accrual system if you will, allows one to utilize vacation time only after it is "earned," unlike the old system, which provided the appropriate amount of vacation time to be used anytime throughout the calendar year. The expressed reason for this change was to eliminate the occasional inconvenience of adjusting the final paycheck of an employee who left EKU having used more vacation than he or she had earned.

Is the new policy really unfair? Maybe not. But was there a compelling reason for this change? This change in policy seems hasty and capricious and yet another example of problem solving in the absence of any real problem. That's the way the real world does it is no more valid a reason for change than, that's the way we've always done it for the status quo. Are there other reasons for this major policy change?

I can easily understand the need to alter procedures to accommodate the limitations of new software. But, it really scares me to think that we implement major POLICY changes driven by software limitations! If software selection is the real reason for this change, then just be honest with us. You may be surprised how understanding and reasonable we can be in the absence of subterfuge and smoke screens.

This policy will cause a compression of vacations into the last part of each year, which will in turn create many management and logistical problems for those of us directing the work efforts of a limited number of employees servicing an ever growing demand.

This new policy will also encourage abuse of sick time. An employee who needs a few days off from work and is denied vacation time, will likely utilize sick time instead.

This policy is perceived by many as reduction in benefits and has a negative impact on morale. To use vacation time early next year, one can "carry over" time from this year. But no matter

how you add it up, you get less vacation time this year!

The biggest losers in this may be the food service workers who are still employed by EKU. This new policy limits the accrual of vacation time based on a maximum of 40 hours per week. There is no provision for vacation accrual on "overtime". Many of our full time food service employees work in excess of 40 hours one week and fewer than 40 hours the next. Under this new policy, some full time employees are denied their full vacation benefits simply because their 2080 hours per year are not logged in neat, forty hour chunks.

In the past, EKU compensated for below market wages by providing the best benefits in the County. Today, I'm not sure we would make the top ten. We might maintain a workforce of dedicated, hard working individuals at below market wages, but not without trust, respect and appreciation, founded on integrity and a benefit package that won't be chiseled from under their feet.

David L. Williams
Assistant Director Facilities Services

Students should respect Richmond residents

I wish that you college kids would stop partying off campus. Every time you come to Killarney Ln. to party, I call the cops to bust it up. And I'll keep on doing it until you get the message to stop! You wake up my kids on a school night(Thursday night) every week. So on Friday's my kids are tired and can't concentrate at school. Families live on this street, and you wake up people who have to go to work the next morning. Don't you have any respect for others?

Just remember that I am one of those people, and I will call the local police everytime you make a sound and wake up my kids or me. You may hate me, but one day you'll be in my shoes and you'll know how I feel. And when I do go out to say something to you, I get a nice "F" you. Boy they teach you nice english at college. I'll be keeping my street quiet no matter what it takes, just remember that.

Lori Price,
Richmond resident

When used with respect, guns are nothing to fear



JOHN HAYES
My turn

John Hayes is a senior journalism major from Jackson. He is also the sports writer for the Progress.

As I read the article "Guns cause more harm than good," in an earlier edition of the Progress, numerous thoughts ran through my mind.

Thoughts such as sympathy, amazement and wonder entered my head. Sympathy for the loss of a loved one and friend from the careless use of a firearm, amazement from the statements I read in the article, and wonder as I think of the shape our nation has gotten itself into.

But this is what makes our country what it is, freedom to think and feel however we damn well please. Freedom to choose religions and the right to choose the leaders of our communities along with the freedom to question their actions if one sees fit. The right to use the press as our sounding board for all to read and hear is another fundamental right we as United States citizens, should cherish and uphold.

One right, though, has been scrutinized heavily over the last few years by conservative politicians and citizens alike. The second article of The Bill of Rights is one that gives every American the privilege to keep and bear arms and that this right shall not be infringed upon and by God, if the Constitution says it, it's good enough for me.

Yes, I agree with Jeremy Stevenson on the fact that we are a nation of excess and

that there are too many vices such as sex and drugs. But the American people have chosen education instead of abstinence when it comes to these deadly subjects. Why can't we do the same with firearms and educate people on how to respect, and yes I said respect, them?

Without respect, the result is a friend snuffing out the life of another or another senseless shooting by a young kid at a near-by school.

Without respect, the result is a friend snuffing out the life of another or another senseless shooting by a young kid at a nearby school. As a young child, I was taught how to use a firearm in the correct way and the respect that should go along with it. I haven't encountered any trouble out of the use of guns because and I repeat this, I was taught at a young age how to use one.

I agree totally that the next generation's world will be so much more complex and violent than the one we inhabit now and that is a very frightening thought. But is taking away firearms the answer? Think about it for one second. If the law-abiding citizens forfeited their right to firearms, would this leave only the criminal with the right to possess a gun?

That's why we should tell our children about guns. We should tell them of the power that they possess and to respect that power. We should educate the ignorant on the issues that surround this controversial topic and last and definitely not least, we should know about firearms, because as citizens of the United States, we have THE RIGHT to.

Corrections

■ A story in last week's Progress misspelled Earth Day Committee member Nicole Seltam's name.

■ Another story misidentified the university president who hired Tom Myers. Myers was hired by Bob Martin.

■ In last week's issue of the Progress, Christopher Dean's, fraternity was misidentified. Dean, who was nominated for the treasurer position in RHA, is in the Theta Chi fraternity.

■ Director candidate Rick Carl D-Amato was the third person to visit campus applying for the Teaching and Learning Center Director position. Other

candidates include Olatunde Ogunyemi and John Szarek.

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Eastern takes back the night

By SHA PHILLIPS
Assistant news editor

Richmond took back the night Tuesday. Gena Lewis, coordinator of the annual event, said this is the third year for Richmond to participate in the event.

"It's held all across the nation," Lewis said. Take Back the Night began in 1976 in Belgium.

"The purpose is to raise awareness about violence against women," Lewis said.

The event began at the Madison County Courthouse on Main Street in Richmond at 6 p.m. Tuesday and ended in the Ravine on Eastern's campus.

"We feel that there isn't enough information about abuse and this is one way to draw attention to the issue," said Sara Zeigler, a professor at Eastern.

State representatives Harry Moberly, Jr. and Kathy Stein spoke at the meeting.

Moberly said he came to the walk to show his interest in the issue of violence against women.

"We've made a lot of progress in Kentucky on this issue, but there needs to be awareness because the problem still exists," Moberly said.

As the director of judicial affairs and disabled services, Moberly said he sees abuse surface occasionally, particularly in the family housing.

Stein discussed three house bills in the General Assembly this year. She described them as tragedies because they "died" in the Senate after passing the House.

House Bill 12, a bill about women's pay equity, was one of them.

"Some of the floor debate there discussed the issue that you've come so far, quit you're whining, forget about it, you've gotten this far why are you asking for more," Stein said.

HB 380, a gender equity on boards and commissions bill, did not pass the Senate either.

"The biggest disappointment we had was in a bill that did not pass Senate after it passed the House is prescription pay equity," Stein said.

She said HB 450 would have required health insurance plans that cover prescription medication to cover oral contraceptives for women.

"But I am very hopeful that we will be back in 2002 to do that," Stein said.

A former Eastern student, Angela Hall, said she feels college-aged women need to get reacquainted with their rights and need to start standing up for themselves.

"There has been a real turn around since the 70s as far as the women's movement is concerned, and I want to support the growth of it again," Hall said.

While some students attended the event



Jessica Leake/Progress

Eastern students and others marched around Richmond Tuesday during "Take Back the Night."

for extra credit in some classes many felt the message was strong.

"I think any man that would hit a woman or abuse a woman in anyway is a low-life and a coward. A woman needs to do whatever it takes," said Matthew Ratliff, a junior police administration major from Williamsburg.

Michelle Tingle, a social work major, said she feels safe on campus during the day, but not at night.

"There needs to be better lighting in the

Lancaster parking lot and on the streets and maybe more police patrol," said Tingle.

The group chanted as they walked and once they reached the Ravine, they said a prayer. Then Sister Wind provided musical entertainment.

Take Back the Night was sponsored by Walker, Emmons, Luxon and Shannon attorneys at law, McNay Settlement Group, Eastern's Women's Studies Department, Mystique Media and Meme Tech.

Support group helps stutterers

By JENNIFER ROGERS
News writer

A new Eastern support group is working to raise awareness about a problem that affects less than 1 percent of the population.

The support group will address the condition of stuttering primarily for adults and their families. The support group will hold their first meeting from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on April 24 in the Kennamer Room of the Powell Building.

The group is sponsored by the Eastern Speech-Language-Hearing Clinic and Chapter of the National Student Speech-Language-Hearing Association. Faculty and graduate students from the communication disorders program will facilitate the group.

Martin Diebold, a professor of communication disorders, thought the program was needed.

"After seeing there are students on campus who stutter, we thought it would be a good idea," Diebold said.

The group's first meeting will focus on three main points: getting awareness out to the public, offering benefits to its members and providing general information on stuttering.

The group is geared toward all adults who face stuttering.

"It's really for adults who stutter, and that would include college students as well as adults in the community," Diebold said.

Diebold has very few expectations for attendance at the first meeting.

"They usually start out pretty small, and then the numbers add," Diebold said. He estimates that 100 to 140 people on campus stutter.

The group will also work toward treatment of stuttering.

"Right now we know of no cure for stuttering," Diebold said. "It's going to be a matter of helping

“People who stutter are not any different emotionally or physically than anyone else. Their disorder only becomes apparent when they speak.”

Martin Diebold, professor of communication disorders

people who have this disorder to cope with it."

But coping in itself can be a challenge.

"People who stutter are not any different emotionally or physically than anyone else," Diebold said. "Their disorder only becomes apparent when they speak."

Diebold said people who stutter often face embarrassment, fear and may avoid certain situations where they have to speak.

"Not everyone has this anxiety, fear and embarrassment," Diebold said. "We encourage them to get speech and language therapy for those problems." He noted that support groups can act as a supplement to therapy.

Diebold advocates family involvement in the process as well.

"The main ways families can help is by learning as much as possible about the disorder," Diebold said.

Diebold also noted the relative rarity of stuttering support groups. He said the closest one is located in Lexington and has provided Eastern's group with valuable support.

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Kristopher Nevels, Lorenzo McGill, Maurice Clark, Alonzo McGill and Jeramy Jewell are members of KAP.

Fraternity: All races are welcome to join

From the front

junior, from Cobern, Va.

"This organization had all of the qualities I was looking for and that I felt like I already possessed as a man of great character," said Alonzo McGill, a senior, from Coeburn, Va.

Sandra Moore, who is director of Multicultural affairs at Eastern, said she is delighted with the Kappa's being back.

"I'm real happy, I think it provides students with another fraternity to join," Moore said.

"I think it will bring many positive things to our university," she said.

Moore said it was a joint decision between the university and the Kappa Alpha Psi to allow the organization to become active once again. She said that the fraternity had not been active in a number of years because of little interest shown by students.

But this time, the interest was there and the men say they are ready to show just what Kappa Alpha Psi is all about.

"We plan to do all types of things with the other fraternities

and sororities on campus, as well as things to help out in the community," Jewell said.

"We hope to do things with the youth of the community, and show our selves as positive role models," McGill said.

Moore of the Multi-cultural office said she looks forward to seeing the Kappa's putting their projects into action.

"I'm really excited about all aspects and aspirations that the organization has for themselves," said Moore.

On May 3, the Kappa's plan to host the "Kappa Klassic," a three on three basketball tournament will have an entry of \$15 and will be open to all students. The event will be held in Weaver Gym and has the members excited.

"We really look forward to doing something to bring people out and enjoy themselves" said Alonzo McGill.

"We will offer trophies, food and a chance just to have a good time," said Maurice Clark.

Although the Kappa's are something "new" to campus, the organization is a very historical

group that carry respect and admiration throughout the Greek community. The organization was founded in 1910 and initiates more than 1,800 members annually. They have more than 354 chapters nationwide, and pride themselves on their admiral and respectable status.

Though the fraternity is predominately black, the fraternity said that it doesn't discriminate against any future members. According to the organization's webpage, the fraternity is open to all college men everywhere regardless of their color, religion or national origin. The fraternity prides itself on its principles of achievements and dedication to democracy.

The members of Eastern's chapter seem to echo the sentiments of the national organization. They feel that they have a job to do and that they have the knowledge and skills to accomplish their goals.

"Since we are the only black fraternity on campus, we owe it to all students and to ourselves to unite through diversity," McGill said.

SGA: McGregor still plans to be involved

From the front

think that it shows your students are willing to participate in their student government."

Rednour's first official duty will be to choose his cabinet.

"I take office the 25th (of April)," Rednour said. "There's not like a set guideline as to how I choose my cabinet."

Rednour is reluctant to impose any deadlines on himself for choosing his cabinet because of how he plans to choose cabinet members.

"I want to do extensive

interviews. I don't want this to be a hand-picked cabinet," Rednour said. "I want to get people who have the same sincerity and passion for the job that I do."

McGregor still plans to be involved in student government.

"I'm not sure what (position), but I still want to help students," McGregor said. "We had a lot of good ideas and I hope they carry over."

The new on-line voting system came through the election with one problem: it was temporarily out of service.

T.J. Hall, senate elections chair, said he didn't think the problem had a lasting affect on the election's outcome.

"They switched to a different server, I believe, when it went down," Hall said. "Then they transferred to a different server, so then they combined both of them. That's what took so long."

Hall said the system was down for about 25 minutes.

"They fixed it almost in no time," Hall said. "We didn't panic or anything, we knew it was going to be fixed."

Sign: 'It was just something childish,' Bertram said

From the front

President Campaign."

Bertram said he didn't have enough information to say who put the signs up.

Mary McGregor, Rednour's opponent, didn't know who was responsible for the signs either.

"I know it's not really any of my close friends or anyone from my camp," McGregor said. "That's really the least of my concerns right now."

McGregor wanted to maintain her integrity throughout the campaign.

"I had nothing to do with it," McGregor said. "I would never

stoop to that level. I have more integrity than that, and I wouldn't compromise that for anything."

Bertram worked to get rid of the signs.

"A little after midnight, I was paged by Skip Daugherty, and he said that he had just happened to come back to the Powell Building," Bertram said. "Those signs were posted on there."

Bertram and others had to locate the other signs before their job was done.

There were between 20 and 30 signs total taped on all major academic buildings, the Powell Building, the Keen Johnson building.

"I didn't get any sleep last night at all," Bertram said. "I was up all night going all over campus ripping down these signs with some help of the other people. Had we not found them, I really don't expect that it would have hurt the campaign, nor do I think it would have helped the campaign."

Bertram doesn't agree with that kind of campaign tactic.

"It was just something childish. I wouldn't have wasted my time doing something like that. You should focus on positive politics rather than negative politics, because negative politics take too much time, and they don't provide good results," Bertram said.

Faculty Senate passes admission proposals Monday

By JACINTA FELDMAN

Editor

After two hours of discussion — and lots of dissent — the faculty senate unanimously passed a proposal Monday that sets new guidelines for getting into Eastern.

Under the proposal, which received some revision during the meeting, incoming students would have to have at least a composite score of 18 on the ACT, at least a score of 18 on the individual math, reading and English portion of the ACT and a 2.0 grade point average to receive full admission to the university.

Students who did not meet all the requirements may be enrolled as Pre-Baccalaureate, Probationary or Special Admissions status.

The proposal, which must also be passed by the Board of

Regents before it can go into effect in Fall 2001, got both positive and negative remarks, and took on three amendments before it passed the senate.

Many senators stood in favor of the proposal. Several said having standards in place would help eliminate the perception that Eastern is a school of "last resorts," and a place for students who aren't really ready for college.

Others worried that basing admissions solely on standardized test scores is not fair, especially to minority students. Some said they didn't have enough information to make a decision. Associate psychology professor Virginia Falkenberg tried to table the issue until the next meeting in October.

"I'm in favor of an admission policy, my department is in favor of an admission policy, but the

question is is this the admission policy," said told the senate.

The motion failed, and the discussion continued.

Senate decided incoming students must have individual scores of at least 18 in only math, reading and English, not science reasoning. It also decided students enrolled with probationary status must have a GPA of 2.0, and created a fourth level of admissions: Special Admissions.

After the meeting, Falkenberg, who was very vocal and tried to stop the senate from voting on the proposal, said she was satisfied with the version that was passed.

"It's a question on whether you decide to fix it here on the floor or fix it later, we decided to fix it on the floor," she said.

"Each of those amendments had to pass, or I wouldn't have voted for it."



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Budget: New building was not on CPE's list of recommendations

From the front

that has to take place in the next six to eight months, but I think everyone is anxious to start that."

Clark said the location and other specifics have not yet been discussed.

The business and technology was not on the list of recommended projects from the Council on Postsecondary Education, the higher education governing body in the state.

Rep. Moberly said that wasn't an issue. "They never recommended the

student health building, but the Governor recommended it, and it's in the budget," he said. "The Council didn't think a university's board of regents should be able to name its own priorities and I disagree with that."

The Health Education Center was the other state-funded project Eastern received from the 2000-2002 budget. Eastern received a total of \$22 million in state-allocated money for the two projects.

The state will provide \$7 million for Phase I of the two-phase health center. Phase I will include the planning and design of the building.

Clark said the building will more than likely be located on the baseball field between Alumni Coliseum and the track. The baseball field would be moved across the Eastern Bypass on the university's property.

Eastern also received authority from the state to undergo several other projects, including a construction of a Greek Row, acquisition of the Elmwood property on Lancaster Road and the renovation of Combs Hall.

The university will have to pay for these projects itself, so it will have to decide which to place highest on the priority list.

These projects will not be determined by the April 28 Board of Regents meeting, but Kustra said they would be by late May.

Kustra said some projects are waiting on the new vice president of student affairs, who he hopes will be in office by Aug. 1.

The search committee began looking at applicants this week for the position.

"That person will provide the leadership to move those things forward," Kustra said.

Kustra said overall, he thinks Eastern fared well on the budget. "We are more than satisfied with what we were given," he said.

Capital Projects

The General Assembly authorized Eastern to undergo several capital projects in the next two years.

Student Housing — fire safety	\$2 million
Combs Hall Renovation	\$5 million
Minor Maintenance Projects	\$12 million
Minor Equipment Projects	\$5 million
Begley elevator	\$750,000
Property Acquisition	\$3 million
Greek Row Construction	\$4 million
Elmwood Renovation	\$2 million
Law Library Security System	\$110,000

Eastern got base budget increase of 2.7 percent

Over the next two years, ECU is eligible for up to 14.6 percent through trusts

By JACINTA FELDMAN
Editor

The state is done doling out money for the next two years, and Eastern has come away from the negotiation table with more than administrators thought they might get, but not as much as they would have liked.

"Maybe satisfied isn't the right word," said President Robert Kustra, who spent a lot of time in Frankfort trying to persuade legislators the university needed more money. "It's better than the 2.4 percent the council wanted to give us originally, so I'm grateful for the 2.7 and the 3.7."

But, he said, Eastern still needs more.

Eastern received a 2.7 percent increase for the first year of the biennium and a 3.7 per-

cent increase for the next. That translates into almost \$187 million in 2000-2001 and \$197 million in 2001-2002.

This low base increase will probably mean low increases for faculty and staff salaries this year, Kustra said.

The university knows from calculating a 2.7 percent increase that the increase for faculty and staff can be no more than about 2 percent, he said.

The Council on Postsecondary Education recommends percentage increases to the legislature for each university. It compares the Kentucky university with its benchmark universities to come up with the suggested increase. This year the CPE recommended Eastern receive a 2.4 percent increase for both years. It was the standard suggestion it made for all the

universities except two: Western Kentucky University, which received a base increase of 5.2 percent the first year and 4.9 percent the next, and Northern Kentucky University, which received the biggest base increase, a 10.8 percent increase the first year and a 9.8 percent increase the next.

Representative Harry Moberly, who was on the committee to create the budget, said the formula the CPE used to determine their recommendations was flawed. He said Eastern's benchmarks weren't as comparable as the rest of the state universities.

"That flawed formula cost Eastern a lot of money," Moberly said. "That's just the result of incompetence and favoritism in the Council of Postsecondary Education."

Kenneth Walker, the CPE's vice president of finance said there was no bias in choosing the benchmarks.

"We went through a process

with the university president to choose the benchmark institutions ... so I don't think the benchmarks are flawed or the process is flawed," he said.

Moberly said legislators worked to get the universities more funding, but there was a lot of pressure from the surrounding media to not go against what the council had recommended. He said if there wasn't all this "propaganda" Eastern probably would have gotten a larger increase.

Kustra said there will be two open forums, one on April 24 at 3 p.m. and the other on April 26, at 8 a.m., to discuss what the low base increase means for faculty and staff.

But while the base is small, there is some extra money in the Postsecondary education budget for incentive programs. This money, which Kustra said Eastern will qualify for, must be used for very specific projects and programs.

Walker said when the incen-

tive funds are figured into Eastern's increase, the school stands to receive an increase of 14.6 percent during the next two years. That's about \$10 million. Eastern could also qualify for up to \$4.9 million for the Bucks for Brains program, an endowment fund which gives universities money, which they must match, to hire endowed professors.

"That's a substantial show of support from the governor and the General Assembly," he said.

But nothing is finalized yet. Gov. Paul Patton has 10 days from when the budget was passed to veto any item in the budget.

Kustra said he never asked for a specific number for an increase, but somewhere around 4 percent would have been more in line with what the university needs.

"I guess 4 percent would be a safe number to say. I'd be willing to take it," Kustra said. "We come close to it in the second year, but not close enough."

Kennedy: President should pass Congress' environmental laws

From the front

national joke in 1966," Kennedy said. "It was an open sewer, it was dead for 20 miles."

Kennedy said today the Hudson River is an international model. He says the miraculous resurrection of the Hudson has inspired Riverkeepers across North America.

"It's the fastest growing national movement in the country," Kennedy said. Kennedy added he expects to have keepers on every significant waterway across North America within five years.

Kennedy said what is happening on Capital Hill is a grave threat.

He said if the laws that passed through Congress were actually passed by the president we would have no significant environmental problems right now.

Kennedy said these insults led people to react in 1970 and led 20 million Americans to protest and demand that political leadership return to American people the ancient environmental right that had been taken.

"The political system responded," Kennedy said. Kennedy said Republicans and Democrats got together and passed 28 envi-



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Student named worker of year

BY SHIA PHILLIPS
Assistant News editor

Misty Ball is rolling through life accumulating a long list of accomplishments.

On April 6, Ball was named Student Employee of the Year. She has worked in the Office of Student Life since August of 1997.

"She's one of those students I wish could stay a student," said Jeannette Crabtree, administrative assistant and Ball's supervisor.

But Ball is graduating with a degree in marketing in December. She said she is ready to get out into the "real world."

"I'm ready to put into action what I've learned," Ball said.

Ball, a 20-year-old from Irvine, said she has done just about anything and everything in the office. She helps with payroll, filing, faxing and other office work. However, Ball said her favorite part of the job is the people she works with.

"I wouldn't have stayed there that long if they weren't so nice," Ball said.

Her co-workers said she is a pleasure to work with also.

Paige Stevenson, a co-worker and student employee, said she is very assertive and kind.

"She's a person I enjoy working with," Stevenson said.

When Crabtree came to the



Cory Wilson/Progress

Misty Ball works in the Office of Student Development.

office in December of 1999 Ball took on the job of training her in the workings of the office. Crabtree said she is always in sync with what's going on.

"It's like she can read your mind," Crabtree said.

That's one of the reasons

Crabtree nominated Ball for Student Employee of the Year. Crabtree said she is not only someone you can count on, but she has a sense of humor.

Suzanne Tipton, payroll clerk for student employment, said Ball is always smiling. Ball works in an

"She's one of those students I wish could stay a student."

Jeannette Crabtree, administrative assistant

"

office down the hall from Tipton. "When Jeannette's out of the office, she doesn't have to worry about it because of Misty and the other student employees," Tipton said.

Every year student employment gives "wacky awards" to the students. The first year Ball was titled Miss Kentucky Sunshine because of her humor. The second year Ball was given the Martha Stewart Award. Ball said it was because she did her laundry for the first time.

Ball was selected by a committee in student employment out of 30 nominations. Every office with student employees had the opportunity to nominate a student for the award.

Ball said it was shocking to receive the award out of so many other hard-working students. "I was blown away," Ball said.

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Rape now said to happen off campus

BY JAMIE VINSON
News editor

An alleged rape reported on campus March 28 in Alumni Coliseum parking lot did not happen on campus.

"We received notification that it did not happen on campus," said Thomas Lindquist, director of the division of public safety.

The incident was first reported March 28 between 1-1:15 a.m., according to Lindquist.

Lindquist said the incident occurred in Alumni Coliseum parking lot on the Northwest side

of the lot near Model Laboratory School.

The victim reportedly was sent to Pattie A. Clay Hospital after the alleged incident, according to Thomas Myers, vice president of student affairs.

The university took safety precautions after the incident, which included an increased level of security, and a memo sent out by Myers warning residents of the incident.

However, public safety spent several weeks interviewing and investigating the incident. Lindquist said the process has

been slow because some of the facts of the case did not match up.

According to a report from the division of public safety, the victim was interviewed on April 10 and 12.

On April 12, the victim admitted she had been raped along a country road some where near Richmond by a person with whom she was acquainted.

According to the report, the victim had picked up the perpetrator along Main Street in Richmond and drove him to the location of the rape.

According to the report, the victim does not want to report the incident to the Kentucky State Police or have any further investigation at this time.

The report states that the victim's clothing evidence will be held for 30 days in the event that she should desire a prosecution and then they will be returned to the victim.

The investigation has been reclassified as "administrative information" and removed from the division's uniform offense report files since the crime did not occur in Public Safety's jurisdiction.

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RHA's top officers ready, willing

BY JAMIE VINSON
News editor

And the President and Vice President are...

The Residence Hall Association announced the winners of elections at their meeting on Monday. Elections were held Monday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in various residential halls.

Stacia Chenoweth and Shalana Johnson will hold the top ranking positions in RHA next year.

Chenoweth will serve as president, and Johnson will serve as vice president.

Chenoweth said she is ready for her upcoming role as president and is looking forward to a great year.

"I'm super excited," Chenoweth said. "I think we have

a great executive board."

Johnson says she has motivation for her position.

"Charles Kingsby said, 'Do noble things, not dream them all day long,'" Johnson said. "That's what I plan to do as vice president of RHA."

RHA voted as a group by secret ballot for treasurer and secretary.

The candidate RHA selected for secretary was Adam Hensley and Christopher Dean for treasurer.

Members of RHA had the



Chenoweth is the new RHA president.



Johnson is the new RHA vice president.

choice to vote for the candidates presented by RHA or make a vote for someone else.

Hensley said he is very excited about the opportunity to be secretary of RHA.

"I wasn't really surprised because I ran unopposed," Hensley said. "I'm really happy I got the position. I hope I can do all I can for RHA next year."

Hensley added he plans on contributing to RHA by showing interest and being involved.

Chris Bullins, current president of RHA, says he is

assured the new officers will benefit RHA.

"I feel very confident about the leadership that will guide RHA into the 2000-2001 academic year," Bullins said. "All four executive officers are energetic and capable of representing the organization and the residents in a successful manner. I encourage students to contact any one of the four with comments or suggestions, as they are the voice of the residents on Eastern's campus."

The new officers will assume office at a banquet, which will be held in the Board of Regents room at 5 p.m. Monday.

New officers will be sworn in at the banquet, according to Bullins. This will also be the last official function or meeting of RHA for this year.

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State farmer, poet talks about change

BY JAMIE GADDIS
Staff writer

Wendell Berry, a Kentucky farmer, poet, novelist, essayist and teacher, doesn't look like a man who makes demonstrations rallying on the streets of Washington D.C. or someone who speaks harshly against the economy, resulting in his arrest. Berry makes an impact as great as protesters who raid cities and vandalize property to get a point across.

Berry expresses his issues through both his life and his works. He is concerned with the environment and what today's society needs to change.

"The crisis that is befouling our farmers here is a result of the global economy," Berry said.

Berry told the audience how the global economy has given consumers the world to maneuver in but has confined farmers to a few acres.

Berry has worked on a farm in Henry County since 1965 and is known for his numerous books of essays, poetry and novels relating to his hunger for an environment in which citizens would be most fully human.

He has taught at Stanford

University, New York University, Georgetown College and the University of Kentucky. His home in Henry County is on a 125 acre farm where his family has lived since the early 1800s. Although Berry did not initially intend to live there, he and his wife raised an agriculture family.

"It is a real farm, not a writer-professor's country estate," Berry said. "Its chores include milking cows and currying horses, mucking out stalls and mending fences and mowing hay and all other time-consuming

sometimes back-breaking, labor that family agriculture requires."

Berry came to Eastern's campus for the annual Earth Day celebration to help express the need for awareness of all aspects of the society. He spoke Tuesday night in the Adams Room of the Wallace Building before a room

packed full of students, teachers and environmentalists, as well as many others who were merely attending for extra credit.

Berry made his speech in effort to think about the ground level of where the society is and what it can do to help change the environment.

"Most of the people in our country and apparently most people in the developed world have given proxies to the corporations to produce and provide all of their food, clothing and shelter," Berry said.

Berry explains that these services and many other kinds were once carried on informally and inexpensively by individuals, households and communities and now large corporations are in control of virtually everything. Berry said if the people don't make an effort to do their part in bettering

the local economy, citizens will have no control over anything.

"I hope we won't wait till the suffering will become as great as it can be until we decide to do something about it," Berry said. "At that point, it might be too late."

Free market, labor wages, individual contribution, corporations and Wal-Mart were among many of the points stressed in Berry's speech. He thought it was more interesting to raise your own food rather than conveniently driving to Wal-Mart to buy it.

"I think everything he said was right," said Bill Ellis, retired Eastern history teacher. "Places like Wal-Mart destroys the little people."

Berry tried to show his audience how people need to help their local economy rather than support the large corporations who will eventually do away with all small local farms. He gave different examples of how individuals could make an impact by simply supporting themselves, which in turn would help their community.

"Without prosperous local economies," Berry said, "the people have no power and the land, no voice."

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Eastern hiring associate deans

By JENNIFER ROGERS
News writer

Three colleges are in the process of creating and filling positions for associate deans.

The colleges of law enforcement, health sciences and education are all beginning the search to fill the new positions.

The college of law enforcement currently is meeting a candidate for the position.

"I hope to make a selection by next week," said Gary Corder, dean of the college of law enforcement.

Corder cited the amount of work he was expected to do as the main reason for the new position.

"I think the most important reason is that there's an incredible work load in the dean's office," Corder said.

Corder's primary duties include working on grants and contracts for the college. That aspect of his job has been steadily increasing.

"The amount of those grants and contracts has gone up dramatically in the past two or three years," Corder said.

Funding for the law enforcement's new dean will come from their Program of Distinction.

"The money is not coming from the ECU budget or anything like that," Corder said. "It's coming from the Program of Distinction."

According to Glen Kleine, chair of the associate dean selection committee for the college of

law enforcement, the job will be an equal division of administration and teaching.

The college of health sciences is just beginning the process of hiring an associate dean.

David Gale, dean of the college of health sciences, said an increased work load led his college to begin the search as well.

"There's 159 faculty members and we need someone for dealing with faculty development," Gale said. "We're in the process of searching now."

The college of health sciences went from five to 10 departments under Phase I reorganizations, leaving the dean with greater responsibility.

The college of education is also just beginning their search, citing overwork as the reason for the new position.

"I guess the main reason is because of duties and responses that colleges are expected to participate in are greatly expanding, taxing poor deans," said Mark Wasisko, dean of the college of education.

Wasisko said his primary duties are teaching, supervising grants and contracts, and maintaining relationships with other colleges, the Kentucky Department of Education, and the state legislature.

"All those things are not getting done," Wasisko said. "Some of those things are going to be passed on to part time positions."

Budget clause legalizes regent

By DENA TACKETT
Managing editor

Eastern's newest regent is now official, and it only took an act of legislature to make him that way.

Gary Abney, who was appointed to Eastern's Board of Regents in January by Gov. Paul Patton, is the brother of Bill Abney, professor of fire safety and engineering technology.

According to Kentucky statute, a person cannot serve on a university's board of regents if a relative is employed by that university.

That was before Rep. Harry Moberly added a clause into the state budget that made Abney legal. The budget was passed Friday out of the free conference committee.

Moberly, chair of the House Appropriations and Revenue Committee and free conference committee which worked out the budget, is also an employee at Eastern. Moberly serves as director of judicial affairs and disabilities services.

"What gave me the incentive is that the question had been raised as to how a court would interpret the law, but not by any party who didn't want him to be on the Board," Moberly said. "It was just that it could be a problem."

In the modified budget, produced by the free conference committee, Item H reads "Notwithstanding KRS 164.360(2), any person employed at a public postsecondary education institution at least 36 months before the person's relative was appointed to

the board of regents of that institution shall continue to be an employee of that institution."

According to KRS 164.360(2), which was effective May 30, 1997, "No person shall be employed at an institution where his relative serves on the board of regents for that institution."

Moberly said the previous nepotism provision was intended to keep a member of a board of regents from hiring his or her relative after being appointed, not to keep him or her from being appointed if a relative is already employed.

"I think it's fair that a member of the Board could not hire a relative if appointed," Moberly said.

Bill Abney has been an employee at Eastern for 25 years.

"I think it's good that they've gone ahead and made it so it's not an issue," Bill Abney said.

Gary Abney said his brother's position at Eastern will not affect his actions as a Board member.

"I really don't think my coming on the Board will have any impact on his job or what he has accomplished at this university," Gary Abney said.

Abney is an Eastern graduate who spent 29 years as a banker in Richmond after graduation.

Abney was president of

Richmond Bank and Trust Company, National City Bank and First Southern National Bank.

Abney, 52, retired from banking 10 months ago and is planning to acquire a business in Florida with his family.

Abney said he agrees that someone on a board of regents should not be allowed to hire family, but that his situation is different.

"I have no intention to use any influence I have to take care of any family members," Abney said. "If there ever was a question, it always makes it good to have it clear and written in black and white, though."

Moberly said he thinks the three-year employment requirement is reasonable.

"I could have made it 15 years and taken care of this particular situation, but three years seemed fair," Moberly said.

Moberly said Jim Gilbert, chair of the Board of Regents and Richmond attorney, brought the matter to his attention. He said Gilbert was concerned about how a court would interpret the law.

"I thought we ought to clear it up," Moberly said.

Moberly said the fact that the law was just passed doesn't mean Abney was serving on the Board illegally.

"It has nothing to do with rather he is an actual member," Moberly said. "His actions are the same as any other regent."

Another worry the Board had was whether a court could force it to pick between the Abneys as

to which would keep his job.

"There was some possibility they would say they would have to make a decision that one of them would have to leave," Moberly said.

President Robert Kustra said the whole situation was awkward, but that he doesn't believe Abney was illegal.

"It really was a crazy situation, where the law was intended to keep someone on a board from hiring a family member, not to keep someone off of the board who had a relative at the institution," Kustra said.

Another concern is that Abney would have a vote on matters that could affect his brother, such as contract renewals or projects for his department.

Abney said that wouldn't be an issue.

"If anything ever came up where I would be voting on something that would affect my brother, I would abstain from any Board action," he said.

Although Abney is safe for now, since the clause was added to the budget instead of introduced as a separate bill it will expire in 2002 at the end of the biennium.

Moberly said time constraints are what provoked him to put the clause in the budget instead of trying to make it a law.

"There was no particular reason," Moberly said. "I was somewhat limited in time to introduce bills with my other duties."

Moberly said he probably will introduce the provision as a bill in the next General Assembly session in 2002 when the budget expires.



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Dark play reaches into killer's mind

By JENNIFER MULLINS
Assistant Accent editor



JENNIFER MULLINS
Play guru

Travel into the mind of a serial killer. See what makes him tick. Try to understand why he did what he did.

That is what Dan and Iris Henniman try to do in "Down the Road."

The play is the story of Dan and Iris Henniman, played by Andrew Borne and Rose Coleman. The two are hired by a publisher to interview and write the

story of serial killer Bill Reach, played by Fonzie Geary.

The Hennimans end up in a town full of nothing but gas stations and restaurants, and, of course, the prison. The prison houses Reach, a man that has killed over 19 young women.

The set of the play was simple and bleak, made up of a bed, nightstand, table and air-conditioning unit on one side. On the other side was a small table and a door, which represent a room at the prison.

The story opens with Dan and Iris arriving at the motel and immediately Iris becomes interested in a water heater that adorns a nearby porch.

The two talk about the reason they are there and why Reach requested that they interview him separately. Dan expresses his nervousness about the situation.

The next day Dan arrives at the prison for his first interview with the killer. Reach is sitting at the table, handcuffed, dressed in his orange jumpsuit. He seems happy about the interview and the book deal. Dan acts nervously, fidgeting in his seat and apologizing to Reach for asking if there were more than 19 victims.

Reach then goes into detail about the way he lured his first victim into his car and later killed her. Fonzie Geary did a superb job of describing the details with a look of excitement on his face.



James Branaman/Progress

Fonzie Geary, left, plays Bill Reach, a.k.a. the serial killer, and Andrew Borne, plays Dan Henniman, a journalist who delves into the mind of a twisted serial killer who has been convicted to a life prison sentence.

The next scene opens up with Dan and Iris in their hotel room talking about Dan's day. The two quickly turn the conversation to their ongoing process of making a baby. Dan states that he has been thinking of names and Iris suggests that they try again that night. Borne and Coleman had great chemistry as a couple.

The next day it is Iris's turn to interview Reach. Reach tries to use his intimidating tactics to make Iris as nervous as he made Dan, but Iris sees what he is trying to do and plays along with

Down the Road

When: Today-Saturday

8 p.m.

Where: Gifford Theater

Cost: \$5 adults, \$4 students

him. The days of interviewing continue, and the town, as well as the story, begin to take their toll on the couple. They begin to wonder if a man like Reach is really human and if what they are doing is right.

Iris tells Dan that they should give it more time and try to stick it out. Dan is hesitant but

decides to stay.

It becomes almost as if Dan and Iris are obsessed with Reach and trying to discover why he killed all

those people. They scrutinize all of the material about Reach night after night.

And then it happens, Iris seems to uncover the secret of Bill Reach. Iris questioned Reach about his college experience and his past relationships. Although he had finished college with a degree and was a good looking man, Reach never felt successful, or so Iris theorized. Reach called her theory garbage and became irate when she continued to question him about his past.

Iris felt that she had finally discovered just why Bill Reach did what he did. She told Dan that she believed the reason he killed was because it made him different and attracted constant attention.

Dan was not sure if Iris's theory was correct; instead he had an obsession of his own. He was dead set on finding out if Reach had indeed had more than 19 victims.

The two become entranced with Reach and the graphic way he describes killing his victims. They begin to question Reach's motives and wonder if he is embellishing his killings to shock readers.

The husband and wife team begins to question themselves also about what they are doing. They argue about the ethics of what they are doing and if they are adding to the sickness of Bill Reach by describing his gruesome acts.

Different, is a word that definitely describes the play. The set, the characters and the plot all make for a complex experience.

The way the characters move about the set is also unusual. At different times in the play, Reach is in the Henniman's motel room, although he is not actually physically supposed to be there. His presence is symbolic of his presence in the Henniman's thoughts.

I would suggest this play to anyone over 18. There is some language and detail that some would consider offensive, but without those elements the feeling of reality would not have been there.

On a scale of 1-4, I would give the production a 4. The acting was incomparable and the story was intriguing. The theatre department could not have cast the roles any better or picked a better play. This is definitely worth your time and money.

Bluegrass bands give audience taste of mountain music

By KRystal ROARK
Assistant Accent editor

Tom Adler and Brian Powell, disc jockeys for WRVG in Georgetown and emcees for Saturday night's bluegrass concert in Brock Auditorium, kicked off the show with a grand introduction of bluegrass legends the Osborne Brothers calling them "the stars of the Grand 'Ol Opry since 1964."

With cowboy hats perched atop their heads, Sonny and Bobby, the two famous brothers in the band, were easy to pick out among the suit-clad band members.

Ready to showcase his skill and the unique sound of his particular instrument, each of the six musicians took turns stepping up to the single microphone for his respective solo.

After each performance, the audience thunderously applauded, impressed by the musical showmanship, as each stepped back to join the band, a collective member once again.

It was the Dobro, or steel guitar, however, that seemed to generate more catcalls and "yeehaws" than the fiddle, guitar, mandolin, bass or banjo.

As the band slipped into "Kentucky," the crowd nodded in approval at "I miss the hound dogs chasin' coons," and they twitched in their seats to

"Tennessee Hound Dog," a particularly upbeat song.

Sonny, a jolly fellow, who often giggled in glee, finished the fast-paced tempo with a big, "Shew!" which tickled the crowd.

As their portion of the show began to come to a close, audience members shouted requests for "Rocky Top," afraid the band would skip the old-time favorite.

A real crowd-pleaser, the Osbornes finally finished their set with the much-requested song, drawing a standing ovation.

As they exited off-stage, they did not keep their fans waiting for an encore performance long.

When they came back onstage for their final number, they were much obliged to meet the chanting crowds' request for "Blue Moon," an eerily sweet ballad.

A short intermission later, Adler and Powell were back on stage introducing J.D. Crowe and the New South band.

A white-haired Crowe, who shied from the spotlight, was only too happy to stand back and let guitarist Richard Bennett do all the talking.

See Bluegrass, B5



James Branaman/Progress

Bobby Osborne, left, on mandolin and vocals, his brother Sonny Osborne on banjo and vocals and Terry Smith on bass and vocals are just three members of the Osborne Brothers. The bluegrass band played on campus along with J.D. Crowe and the New South band Saturday night in Brock Auditorium. The concert was part of Eastern's month-long Earth Day 2000 events.

OT major represents students nationally

By DONNA QUEEN
Staff writer

An Eastern student has received a national honor. Jeff Healand, a 32-year-old senior occupational therapy major, has just won an award from the National Association for Occupational Therapists.

He has been selected as the student representative for this organization for the entire nation.

Healand was also the chairperson of the student committee for a year after which he was elected to the executive board of the association. He works with committees to give student perspectives about problems with the field.

"What I like about occupational therapy is that it looks at the whole person, not just the problem they are having, but how they feel about it," Healand said. "Psychology is involved, not only their mental health but what others around them feel about them. It's about family and community education and it's much more holistic than other kinds of therapy."

Originally from Rockville, Md., Healand got into occupational therapy because of his experiences when he was a job coach at a respite center.

Healand had been an elementary education major, but left school when he decided that it wasn't really what he wanted to do. Through his job at the respite center, he met Eastern students who came to work with his clients. He decided that this was

something he was interested in so he went back to school and joined the OT program at Eastern.

Healand works not only with people who have disabilities, but also other kind of problems.

"A lot of people think it is job related because of the word 'Occupation,' but really it's just helping with daily life," Healand said.

"For example, if you ski and injure yourself so you can't anymore, an OT can help re-teach skills or teach adaptive equipment. I learned a lot more than I ever thought I would."

After Healand graduates in May, he will begin six months of fieldwork in Maryland in a facility called "The Waystation." This 40-hour per week job is necessary for prospective OTs to get experience in the field and is done without pay. Experienced OTs guide new graduates and help them hone their skills to be ready to practice occupational therapy.

"The Waystation" does a variety of things. They have an adult day care center. Adults who live at home or some other setting come to the Waystation to do daily activities. It also has a vocational training aspect.

They also work with the homeless through a

mobile transport, which they use to actually go out into the community where there is a need for help.

"I'm really excited about it," Healand said. "It's exactly what I want to do. I'm hoping to learn there and then come back to Kentucky and get a job."

Healand already has some experience in the field. Each semester OT students get the opportunity to help others while working in the community. Healand first did pediatric field work at Buckham Children's Center in Hazard Ky., where he did group activities with troubled teens in anger management and counseling.

Later he worked at a hospital with an activities director and various groups. They did a life skills group, for example, to help patients who have bipolar disorders, and schizophrenic medical management groups to help them understand the importance of taking their medications.

This semester Healand has been doing fieldwork at Berea Health Care, working with the elderly. He interviews people, often getting their life stories while helping them to be able to do more. He works with sensory awareness projects for those

whose senses are failing, and with Alzheimer's patients, helping them with their orientation, talking about past events.

"It's interesting work because people are now living to be older and have some amazing stories," Healand said. "I'm fascinated by it."

Healand is very focused on his work. Most of his outside interests are connected to his chosen field. He volunteers at the Kentucky Horse Park in a program that gives rides for the handicapped. He works with children who have cerebral palsy and other disorders. But he also works sometimes as a DJ at weddings and other events. He did this professionally during the time between when he left college and came back to join the OT program.

Healand has been married for six years. His wife is a professor at the University of Kentucky and teaches developmental courses at Lexington Community College. After he finishes his 6 months at Waystation, Healand plans to return to Eastern to get his Master's degree.

"Basically you have to like people to be an OT," Healand says. "I knew this was what I wanted from the time I entered the program. I had decided that I wouldn't go back to school until I found something that I was passionate about."

"I am passionate about being an OT and caring for people with problems."

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Jeff Healand,
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HOLY WEEK SERVICE
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EARTH DAY EVENT
5 p.m.
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MUSIC
8 p.m.
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WEDNESDAY

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7:30 p.m.
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MUSIC
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MUSIC
8 p.m.
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NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Ministries celebrate Easter Sunday

Religious organizations on campus offer various services for holiday

By JAIME HOWARD
Accent editor

Everyone knows about typical Easter traditions; staying up late to color Easter eggs and the fluffy Easter bunny bringing a basket full of candy and other gifts. But is that what Easter is really all about?

The meaning of Easter and the Resurrection of Christ will be explored beginning on April 20 through Easter Sunday by numerous campus ministries.

SonRise Service

One option is the 59th Annual Christian Campus Minister's Association (CCMA), Easter SonRise Service.

"Each of the campus religious organizations can attend," said Rev. Rick Trexler from the Baptist Student Union.

Trexler said Ray Treese, a member of Chi Alpha, will be preaching and

Eastern's Jazz Vocal Ensemble will perform under the direction of Mickey Ballard.

The "worship experience," according to Trexler, will take place in the Ravine at 7 a.m.

"It is a celebration of the Resurrection of Christ," Trexler said.

The event is also open to the public. There is no dress code and the service will last about 45 minutes.

Trexler said an opportunity for offering will take place during the service. The funds raised will go to Emergency Meals Fund that can help out students in need of food with meal vouchers.

Good Friday, etc.

Numerous events are also planned through the Lutheran Campus Ministry.

Pastor Andy Rutrough said three of the events are also done in conjunction with the Episcopal Church of Our Savior.

Services for Good Friday will be held at the St. Thomas Lutheran Church at 1285 Barnes Mill Road. Writings from Bonhoeffer, an influential writer of the 20th Century, will be discussed.

The Easter Vigil, an ancient

service of a series of readings, will take place on Saturday at the Episcopal Church, 2323 Lexington Rd.

Regular services will be held on Sunday at 8:30 a.m. back at St. Thomas Lutheran Church. Children's pageant will be at 11 a.m., along with nine baptisms that day.

Ken Southgate, campus minister for The Wesley Foundation United Methodist Campus Center, also said they are participating in the CCMA.

Holy Week

St. Stephen Catholic Newman Center, along with St. Mark Catholic Church, has put together Holy Week Services.

They will have an Ecumenical Prayer Service at noon through Friday of this week at St. Mark's Church.

"It's not a Catholic thing," said Madeline Schott, accountant for St. Mark Catholic Church. "It's a prayer service."

Schott said this is an event open to all faiths. Each day has a representative from churches all over Madison County that conducts the service. It is also followed by a light lunch.

Holy Week also consists of Holy Thursday services at 7 p.m. at the Newman Center. Good Friday services will start at 12:10 p.m. at the Newman Center and resume at 7 p.m. at St. Mark. Holy Saturday services, Easter Vigil Mass will be at 8:30 p.m. at St. Mark, and Easter Sunday services at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. at St. Mark and noon at the Newman Center.

Family time

The majority of Eastern students will return to their hometowns to attend their prospective churches, but those who are left on campus have a variety of Easter Sunday services to choose from.

Tricia Murphy, a senior education major said although her family members attend different churches they still visit with each other on Easter Sunday.

"It's a time for all of us to get together to eat and spend time together," Murphy said.

Easter Services

Ecumenical Prayer Service, April 20-21
■ Noon St. Mark Catholic Church
(followed by free light lunch)

Holy Thursday/Maundy Thursday
■ 7 p.m. Catholic Newman Center
■ 7 p.m. Episcopal Church of Our Savior

Good Friday
■ 12:10 p.m. Catholic Newman Center
■ 7 p.m. St. Mark Catholic Church
■ 7 p.m. St. Thomas Lutheran Church

Holy Saturday
■ Easter Vigil Mass 8:30 p.m. St. Mark Catholic Church
■ 7 p.m. Episcopal Church of Our Savior

Easter Sunday
■ 7 a.m. Ecumenical Sunrise Service Ravine
■ 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. St. Mark Catholic Church
■ 8:30 a.m. St. Thomas Lutheran Church
■ 11 a.m. Lutheran Kids Pageant and Baptism
■ Noon Catholic Newman Center (followed by free refreshments)

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Campus business chapter goes to nationals for second year

By KRISTAL ROARK
Assistant Accent editor

They are off to nationals again for the second year in a row.

Vanessa Huff, president of Phi Beta Lambda, the biggest business organization in the world and Eastern's collegiate level of the Future Business Leaders of America, said the chapter's increased enrollment has helped in its success at state and national levels.

She said past membership was huge, but after graduation in 1998, the chapter was left with only three members.

At the same time, the previous advisor, who had been with the chapter 28 years, retired, and new advisor, Cheryl Wiedmaier, took over.

Huff, who is a senior marketing major, said recruitment and public relations activities have helped make up for 1998's enrollment loss.

She said the following year, 10 students actively participated in the campus chapter, and since the beginning of this year, 38 students have become active.

"It's taken us two years to get to where we are now," Huff said.

Their recruitment activities won the chapter first place for the largest membership percentage increase in the recent state competition in Louisville April 2 and 3.

While in Louisville, Phi Beta Lambda competed against approximately 20 chapters around the state.

Wiedmaier, who is also an assistant business professor, said the chapter began preparing for the state competition at the end of the fall semester.

She said the chapter usually has a basic idea of the kinds of questions that are going to be on the exams.

However, of the 30 different competition categories, not all are strictly business. Huff said students could also compete in non-business categories, such as interviewing.

There were also competitions in team events such as best chapter scrapbook, which was graded on creativity and business-like appearance, for which Eastern's chapter won third place. The chapter won fifth place for their annual business report, as well.

While at the competition, members were either graded on written exams in such areas as accounting, or on a skills test for the more applied categories such as word processing.

Those who placed either first or second at state got to compete at nationals in Long Beach, Calif. July 13-16.

Donna Hamilton, a senior accounting major who competed in the accounting II category, said she thinks studying for the Certified Public Accountant exam would have helped her earn a stronger place in the competition.

Placing second in her category, however, has earned her the ability to represent her school and state at nationals.

She will also be joined by Huff who placed second in marketing and Sheila Adkins, a graduating office systems and technology major, who also placed second in business communication.

"Phi Beta Lambda has really taken me places I never thought I would go," Adkins said.

Sara Kaufman, a nursing major, placed second in the medical terminology category, but the category is not yet a national event, so she will not go on to compete in California.

Michael Gregory, a computer science major, placed fourth in computer concepts. Most of the students entered categories of the competition that directly pertained to their major.

While in California, the three women will compete against chapters from 38 states.

"Kentucky always does really well at nationals," Huff said. Last year, only one student had the opportunity to compete at nationals in Chicago.

Wiedmaier said in the years ahead, she thinks Eastern will see more of its students compete at the national level.

"I expect, as confidence levels rise, more students will go to nationals," she said.

Phi Beta Lambda is selling candy to help raise money for the three women's trip to California.

Huff said the chapter may host a car wash and a campus hotdog wagon to help supplement the money raised from candy sales. She also said donations are welcome.

Eastern's chapter of Phi Beta Lambda meets every Monday at 4:45 p.m. in the Combs Building, Room 307.

The club is not limited to business majors. Huff said all majors are welcome.

National finalists



Donna Hamilton placed second in the accounting II competition.



Sheila Adkins placed second in the business communication competition.



Vanessa Huff placed second in the marketing competition.

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Earth Day, Women's Studies showcase poet, storyteller

By JAIME HOWARD
Accent editor

With the excitement of visits from Pulitzer Prize winner Joel Pett and Kentucky poet Wendell Berry, some might forget about another visitor on campus as part of Earth Day 2000 activities.

Marilou Awiakta, Cherokee/Appalachian poet, storyteller and essayist will present a public program Wednesday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the South Room of the Keen Johnson Building.

Isabelle White, professor of English and part of the Women's Studies department, said they are looking forward to having Awiakta on campus.

"Her interest in both environmental and women's issues and her pride in her heritage make her a very interesting speaker," White said. "She'll be visiting some classes as well."

Awiakta, a native of Oak Ridge, Tenn., is the author of "Abiding Appalachia: Where Mountain and Atom Meet," "Rising Fawn and the Fire Mystery" and "Selu:

Seeking the Corn Mother's Wisdom." An audio version of "Selu" with music by Joy Harjo was nominated for a Grammy Award in 1996.

Awiakta has also received various awards. She was named the Distinguished Tennessee Writer Award in 1989 and the 1991 Award for Outstanding Contribution to Appalachian Literature.

Marilou Awiakta

When: Wednesday,

7:30 p.m.

Where: South Room, Keen Johnson Building

She has also produced three documentary films for PBS and is part of Appalshop's "Tell It On the Mountain: Appalachian Women Writers," released through National Public Radio.

Not only is Awiakta's visit part of the Earth Day events, it is also

part of the year long Celebration of Appalachian Women series and the inaugural event of the Friends of Women's Studies organization," White said. "Our first event, a supper hosted by the Kustras, will be held on April 26 before Awiakta's talk."

The supper will be held at Blanton House and funds collected from Friends of Women's Studies will be used to provide scholarships for travel and textbook purchases for women's studies minors.

Attendance at the supper is by invitation only. For more information about Friends of Women's Studies, call the Women's Studies office at 622-2913.



Awiakta will be speaking April 26.

Late activist honored for Earth Day

PROGRESS STAFF REPORT

Eastern gave its first Earth Day Environmentalist Award Wednesday as a part of the university's observance of the month-long Earth Days in the Cumberlands celebration.

Established to recognize individuals who have made a significant impact on sustaining both the environment and their community, the honor was awarded posthumously to Letcher County native Joe Begley, who died in March at the age of 81.

His wife, Gaynell, and their family were presented with the award.

"We are pleased that our first Environmentalist award honors the legacy of a man who displayed such passion for the land and the people of the region he so dearly loved," President Robert Kustra said.

Best known for his activism against strip mining in eastern Kentucky, Begley played a key role in the establishment of state and federal strip-mining laws and Kentucky's 1988 broad-form mineral deed amendment.

Begley and his wife have also helped their community of Blackey by fighting for severance tax on coal and unmined minerals and protesting against unjust utility rates.


They have also fought to save a local school and help bring a library, citizens center and public water to Blackey.

In 1977, the couple was invited to the White House when President Jimmy Carter signed the first federal strip-mine law.

Twenty years later, in 1997, Begley and his wife received the Helen Lewis Community Leadership Award presented by the Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED).


"Throughout his life, he showed us how we could make a positive difference in our own communities," Kustra said.

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Sims explores Cyberspace

By SHANE WALTERS
Contributing writer

A broken flywheel and a group of gorillas have nothing in common to the average Discovery Channel guru, but in the world of Cyberspace, Brian Sims has combined the two into a possibly lucrative business idea.

Sims, a senior finance major at Eastern, grew up in an auto shop owned by his father, Marshall, in Harrodsburg. After watching his father grease and lube automobiles since the age of 10, the 23-year-old decided to take his auto knowledge to the next level.

Sims is the first winner of a monthly contest designed to help Kentucky college students get their ideas for an Internet start-up company. The contest is offered through the Gorilla Group, an interactive Internet company of the Kentucky Science & Technology Corp.

The Gorilla Group is "a dynamic web site, with high octane workshops, expert assistance and seed capital that will help start that hot new idea or enterprise," according to the company's web site.

Each month interested students (individually or as a small team of up to 5 people) can submit a concise business plan that addresses the essentials of their idea, product, company, etc. and execution strategy to the Gorilla Group. The plans are to be submitted and received electronically by 5:30 p.m. ET on the first Friday

of each month.

The award for winning was comprised of a \$1,000 start-up fee along with expert advice from some of Kentucky's entrepreneurs and access to venture capitalists who can fund Sims' Cyber idea.

Sims has a business meeting April 24-26 with various adventure capitalists to help further his online dream.

"With their knowledge and connections, maybe they can help me excel," Sims said.

"I've always wanted to do this, but I didn't have the capital; now I do."

Brian Sims,
finance major

His idea grew from watching his father commuting back and forth from his garage to other local auto garages in Harrodsburg in desperate need of answering questions on how to fix auto problems.

"My company will be structured to have an auto mechanic Q&A forum where there's a lack of knowledge," Sims said.

The Internet company will act as an e-Shareware in real time

that will offer auto mechanics across the country answers to various mechanical questions.

In a sense, the site will be similar to a real-time chartroom. The site will also offer mechanics the opportunity to purchase parts online.

"We figured the best way to get the attention of Kentucky students is to give them some cold hard cash to help start their company," said KSTC President Kris Kimel.

Sims said he discovered the Gorilla Group through a friend while working at Prudential Securities in Lexington.

On April 4, the Gorilla Group announced that Robert May, an MBA student at the University of Kentucky, won the second "Start-up Battle" business plan competition.

May's winning plan involves a web-based marketing company (MyIDEA.com) to generate product ideas and improvements for corporate customers.

With the Gorilla Group's help, when Sims graduates in May, he said he hopes to have an initial stock offering worth millions.

"I've always wanted to do this, but I didn't have the capital; now I do," Sims said.



Sims won \$1,000 to start an internet company.



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Bluegrass: Legends grace campus

From the front

Unlike the Osborne Brothers, New South was short a fiddle, and because each of the band members had his own microphone, they were less centered around solo performances and focused more on group sound.

Bennett called out each song before it was played, and the band was greeted with fanatic screams at the introduction of "Nine Pound Hammer."

"Summers' Wages," a particu-

larly moving ballad, stilled the crowd to a relaxing sway.

"Rock Salt and Nails" got the crowd moving once again with such lyrics such as "If the women were squirrels, I'd fill my shotgun with rock salt and nails."

Crowe's energetic solo in "Foothill Special" left him with a broken banjo string, which caused him to step off stage for a moment, but the band easily moved on to "The Banks of the Ohio," while he made his repair.


Unfortunately for their fans, when they finished their set and stepped off stage, that was it for

J.D. Crowe and the New South.

After all was said and done, it was easy to see why both of these bands are highly acclaimed in the bluegrass world.

As men, still in their work clothes, would walk down the middle aisle to the stage to snap a picture of their music idols, it was also easy to see how much they were loved by their devoted fans.

Although only a hand full of students came to the concert that night, it seems there would be few objections to having these bluegrass legends come back in the future.



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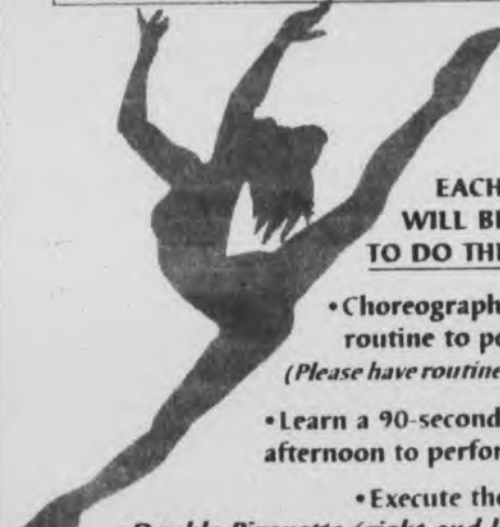
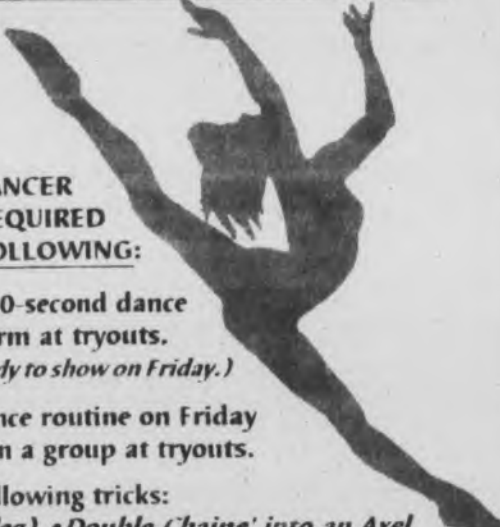
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Is this why I admire Cal Ripken Jr.? No.

I admire

Ripken because

he lets his play

speak for him. I

have never

heard Ripken

utter one

obscenity on or

off the field. I

guess I like

Ripken because,

well, he's every-

thing John

Rocker isn't: respectful, dignified,

appreciative.

Rocker, on the other hand, is an

anti-semitic, racist, ignorant gun-

packing red-neck who happens to

have a 99 mile per hour fastball.

I just made a point.

What I just did is no different

than what Rocker did. I chose a

person and attacked the very

things I only think to be true

about them. I don't agree with

what Rocker did, but I can't help

but sit back and grin and think to

myself, "Wow this freedom of

speech thing is really good."

I mean face it, allowing Rocker to

say the things he did made it easy

for everyone to know what an idiot

he is. In a country where the liberty

of freely speaking is not enjoyed

one would have to speculate as to

how truly stupid someone is.

John Rocker instituted a punish-

ment on himself that no suspension

from baseball could possibly match.

Rocker has lost the chance to ever

be considered a "good guy."

Only parents as red-necked

and ignorant as Rocker would

allow for their child to wear a

Rocker jersey to school, or to bed

for that matter.

Let Rocker start pitching

again. He will be the most hated

man in the league. It will be sad

almost; I mean seeing a strapping

24-year-old man being escorted to

the mound by security guards the

next time he visits New York.

I'm the farthest thing from a

Braves fan you'll find, but I feel the

most sorry for the Braves organiza-

tion—they have to travel with this

guy, they have to listen to all the

sorry little comments that come out

of this person, most of all, for the

rest of their lives, they will have to

answer questions like "So what was

it like playing with John Rocker?"

What are they supposed to say?

"It was great. Playing with

Rocker was one of the most exhilar-

ating and rewarding experi-

ences I've ever had."

No, instead they will have to

come up with a way of sounding

nice, because they don't want to

really say what they think.

Rocker is set to return to the

mound this week. We will see a

Rocker who is apologetic, a man

sorry for the wrong he committed.

I only hope somewhere in all of

his act, there will be just a bit of

sincerity.

CONGRATS TO WARD

Eastern baseball has some-

thing to be proud of this week.

The Colonels are in control

of the OVC, and look to have

the best chance of winning the

OVC.

Coach Ward won his 900th

game this past Saturday against a

group of sore losers from

Tennessee Tech.

Coach Ward picked up his

900th win in his 32nd year as a

head coach.

As uncommon as it is for a

player to hit 3,000 base hits, it is

equally uncommon for a college

coach to win more than 900

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coaches have more wins in their

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Congratulations to Coach

Ward for this tremendous accom-

plishment.

Biro, humble but dangerous



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Jackie Biro, braves the bad weather and manages to give a smile Monday afternoon at Arlington Country Club.

Biro's got a good golf game, but please don't tell anyone

BY ANDREW KERSEY
Sports writer

Jackie Biro would not want you to know that she is the top golfer on Eastern's women's golf team.

She also would not want you to know that she teamed up with former Eastern golf star Beverly Brockman in 1997 to help the team to a second place finish in the Ohio Valley Tournament as a freshman.

She probably would not want you to know that she was the top golfer on the team as a sophomore either.

In a game that seems much more individual than a team

sport, Biro wants people to know that she plays for the team and not for herself.

"My goal is not to be the No. 1 golfer on this team. The only reason I'm number one is because I'm swinging good right now," Biro said.

Even though Biro is the top golfer on the team, you would not know it when you spoke with her. She exudes a quiet confidence smothered with modesty and respect for the ability of her fellow teammates.

She insists that everyone on the team is just as good as she is, and that her solid play is the result of her being fortunate to

come into "some good runs."

Last week in the Colonel Classic, Biro finished tied for 11th place individually and helped the team to a ninth place finish. Biro spoke highly of the efforts of her teammates rather than her own play. She commended the play of juniors Krissy Kirby and Colleen Yaeger.

"Anybody on this team is capable of stepping up on any given day and being number one," Biro said.

Head golf coach Joni Stephens says Biro is a modest person with a very good work ethic and sense of dedication.

"Jackie has never been one to toot her own horn," said Stephens. "She works very hard and stays focused all of the time."

Biro's intensity on the course has been prevalent since she

and her twin sister Michelle came to Eastern from Kalamazoo, Mich. The founder of the team, Sandy Martin, saw both sisters play and helped them get scholarships. Biro helped lead the team to two runner-up finishes in the last two OVC tournaments finishing second and third individually.

The quiet confidence that Biro uses on the course transcends into a simple plan composed purely of concentration. When she steps out to play, she has a plan of exactly what she wants to do. The plan is to play without pressure. She clears her mind of all interruptions and distractions.

What kinds of distractions bother her while she tries to focus?

"I try not to think about any classes or homework I have to do

later, or if someone made a negative comment to me that day. I just wanna play the course," said Biro.

The pressure of meeting people's expectations, Biro admits, had bothered her a little before this season, but she had strong support from her team, friends and family.

"I did feel some doubt about my ability, but I had plenty of people to help me through it," Biro said.

Biro says that she is not nervous about the upcoming OVC tournament. Even though Eastern finished last of the four OVC teams that competed in the Colonel Classic, Biro feels that Eastern is capable of competing strongly.

"Well have our work cut out for us, but I feel confident about our ability," Biro said.

Yaeger, Biro tie for second place



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Leslie Fossitt stares her tee shot down the fairway in the Lady Colonel Classic at Arlington Saturday.

Colonels play host, finish in fourth place

BY JEREMY STEVENSON
Sports editor

Joni Stephens kept the Lady Colonels at home this weekend in order to teach them a lesson in hospitality.

The Lady Colonel golf team played host in the 2000 Eastern Lady Colonel Classic this weekend at Arlington.

The tournament boasted a field of 17 golf teams from all throughout the south and mid-west.

After it was all over, Eastern came away with a fourth place finish. The Colonels finished behind Tennessee Tech, Arkansas State and OVC foe Murray State. Eastern's score of 321 put them seven strokes behind the winner, Tennessee Tech.

One thing can be said of Eastern, they were consistent.

Juniors Colleen Yaeger and Jackie Biro led the Colonels with scores of 77, putting them five-

strokes over par.

Yaeger and Biro finished the Lady Colonel Classic in a tie for second place overall.

The three other Eastern golfers to play in the tournament were separated by only three strokes when play was completed.

Sophomore Kelli Wilson finished in 40th place, shooting an 11-over par 83 for the tournament.

Coming in 49th place for the Colonels was Michelle Biro. Biro shot a 13-over par 85 in her effort.

Rounding out the Eastern competitors was junior Samantha Moses. Moses played herself into a tie for 57th place overall.

The Lady Colonels are now preparing for the OVC Championships.

Eastern will look to bring a championship home to Eastern. If the women win the OVC tournament, they will advance to NCAA Regional play.

Tennis travels to face Racers, lose all but one match to foe

BY JEREMY STEVENSON
Sports editor

Eastern's men's tennis team had a rough road trip to Murray last weekend. Eastern's match with the Racers was one Coach Higgins would like to forget. The Racers beat Eastern 6-1.

The only bright spot for Eastern was a 7-6, 6-3 win for freshman Daniel Dodson over Murray's Sebastian Venjar.

No other Colonel would win in singles competition.

German native Nikola Aracic beat junior Brad Herrera in straight sets. Herrera dropped the first set 6-4 and went on to lose the second 6-3.

Christian Lentz had trouble finding his game against the Racers. Lentz did not win one game against Racer Thiago Gondim. He fell in straight sets 6-0, 6-0.

Harrodsburg native Lee Lester kept his match much closer, but lost in straight sets as well. Lester fell to Alex Sundsten 6-4, 6-4.

Brian Stephenson had trouble getting his racket into the right motion against Craig Mione. Mione defeated Stephenson in straight sets by a score of 6-3, 6-1.

Junior John Forrister played Murray's Bryan Meurer very close in the first set. Meurer would need a tiebreak to steal the first set from Forrister 7-6. Forrister was not as close in the second match. He fell to Meurer 6-3.

In doubles play, the Colonels salvaged one of three matches. Jason Crutchfield and Dodson combined to defeat Racers Meurer and Mione by a score of 8-3.

Herrera, Stephenson, Lentz and Lester all lost in doubles play.

The Colonels record fell to 2-13 overall and 2-3 in OVC play.



Corey Wilson/Progress

Christian Lentz hits a backhand in a match against Austin Peay March 31.

Chapman is the man



James Branaman/Progress

Waylon Chapman drops back to deliver a pass during the Maroon/White game Saturday at Hanger Field.

Chapman leads Maroons, throws for three touchdowns

By JOHN HAYS
Sports writer

It was an air raid at Hanger Field as the Colonels concluded spring practice with its annual Maroon-White game Saturday evening. Behind the arm of senior quarterback Waylon Chapman and the receiving of Alex Bannister, the Maroons defeated the Whites 28-14.

"I liked the way we threw the ball," Coach Roy Kidd said. "We obviously can catch the ball."

We have experience at quarterback and receivers but we only have about three guys on the offensive line with experience so we'll have to work on that aspect."

The Chapman-Bannister combination showed what was in store for the rest of the evening on the opening play from scrimmage.

Starting on the 30-yard-line, Chapman connected on a 28-yard completion to Bannister.

Chad Culver punched the ball in from the one and Jamie Flynn's extra-point made the score 7-0 with 9:11 remaining in the first quarter.

Defense would be the name of the game for the next 14 minutes with both teams trading possessions four times.

After an impressive 15-yard completion and an elusive scramble of nine yards by redshirt freshman Shedrick Wright, the White's found themselves on the Maroon 46-yard line.

Two plays later Wright connected on a 35-yard touchdown pass to Jarvis Chivers to tie the score at seven with 7:53 remaining in the first half.

"White's going to have to learn to turn it loose," Kidd said. "He's going have to wind her up and let it go."

It took eleven seconds for Chapman to hook-up with Bannister, this time on a 70-yard touchdown pass, one of three that the two seniors would connect on.

On the Maroons first drive of the second half, Chapman took over at his own 24-yard line. After completions of 17, 12, and 36 yards to Anthony Boggs, Chapman spotted a wide-open Bannister for a 40-yard score, making the score 21-7.

"I kinda got in a groove tonight," Chapman said. "I didn't feel any pressure tonight and the offensive line did a god job and we just played well as a team."

White took over and drove the White Team 70 yards, gaining 23 on the ground himself, and finishing the drive with a seven-yard touchdown catch on a flea-flicker from Aaron Murray cutting into the Maroon lead 21-14.

On the first play Chapman found a streaking Bannister on a post pattern down the middle of the field for their second 70-yard touchdown and completing their trifecta, resulting in the 28-14 final. "Bannister's a great receiver," Chapman said. "He's tall and where he's worked on his speed a lot."

Chapman finished the night completing 17 of 31 passes for 356 yards, 3 touchdowns and one interception. Bannister was on the receiving end of eight of those for a total of 251 yards and three touchdowns.

Maurice Clark pulled in three catches for 25 yards. Chad Culver ran the ball 10 times, gaining 49 yards and one touchdown while Maurice Clark had 11 carries for 41.

The White team was led by White who connected on eight of 18 passes for 107 yards and scrambled for 44 yards on nine carries.

Murray pitched in 29 yards on 10 rushes.

Defensively, linebacker Thomas Morgan and free safety Jeremiah Bell had eight tackles each. Sophomore Sunset Graham and George Taylor had an interception apiece.

Eric the great



Corey Wilson/Progress

Eric Willenbrink tees off in the Johnny Owens Classic at Kearney Hills on April 1.

Colonels force host to playoff, lose to Ball St. on playoff hole

By JEREMY STEVENSON
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Drama can be found most anywhere, at anytime. This past weekend, drama showed up in Indiana, as the Colonels played in the Ball State Invitational. Eventually, it would take a one-hole play-off between Eastern and host Ball State to decide the winner of the tournament.

But perhaps the most dramatic moment was in the final round of play on the 18th hole.

Senior captain Eric Willenbrink did what everyone who ever plays or has played golf dreams of doing—he eagled the 18th hole for the win.

"I hit a 7-iron stiff, I tried to keep it under the wind. It looked good all the way to the hole and then it disappeared. I threw my club about 50-feet in the air, basically I was in disbelief,"

Willenbrink said.

It was Willenbrink's eagle that sealed his win, but it was his play in the first two rounds that made his eagle soar. Willenbrink blistered The Players Club in Yorktown, Ind. for a score of 70 in his first round, and a five-under par 67 in the second round. Willenbrink's third round of 74 gave him a total of 211 for the tournament and a two-shot win.

The Colonel's second place finish overall was a total team effort.

Sophomore Brad Morris kept up his impressive play with a score of 220 for the tournament. Morris finished in a tie for 17th place overall.

Chad Creech finished his play with a score of 221. He was followed by James Milam's 223 and Brandon Tucker's 227.

At the end of the third round, there was still business to be attended. Eastern finished with a score of 875, in a tie with Ball State.

Each team sent its five best to the tee box for one more hole. One more hole would prove to be one too many for the Colonels. Ball State had three birdies in the play-off to claim the victory.

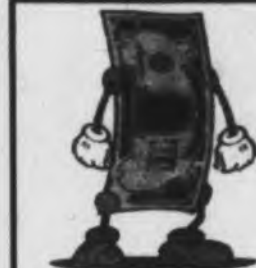
As usual, the Colonels had the best finish out of the three Kentucky schools represented in the tournament.

This past weekend's drama on the greens has the Colonels riding a wave of momentum and confidence heading into the OVC Tournament.

"We played very solid, even though, as a team, we didn't play that well in the last round," Willenbrink said. "It gives us a lot of confidence going into the conference tournament next week."

The Colonels next test will be the one they have been preparing for all season. Eastern heads to Paris, Tenn. to play in the OVC Conference Championship April 24-25.

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Coach Ward gets 900th

By JOHN HAYS
Sports writer

The baseball team had three goals heading into last weekend's match-up with the Golden Eagles of Tennessee Tech.

■ They needed to win at least two of the three games to maintain a one and half-game lead over Southeast Missouri State.

■ They wanted to ensure Coach Jim Ward's 900th career victory would take place at home rather than on the road.

■ And since Sunday was Parent's Day at Turkey Hughes Field, they surely wanted to show off in front of moms and dads who made the journey to watch the game.

The Colonels, behind the pitching of Scott Santa and Corey Eagle, accomplished exactly that.

However, Ward would have to wait one game before the celebration began. The Golden Eagles defeated Eastern 7-0 in the opening game Saturday at Turkey Hughes Field.

Tech jumped to an early lead on a first inning two-run homer by Mike Miehl's off Chip Albright. The Golden Eagles would tally three more in the third on singles by Mark Gilliam and Miehl.

Meanwhile, Long (4-1) held the Colonels at bay, retiring nine of 10 Colonels in one stretch.

Although Albright (5-3) gave up seven runs on seven hits, he was able to garner seven strikeouts in seven innings.

"Chip really didn't pitch that bad of a ball game," Ward said. "They got a couple guys on early and the guy fisted one out of the ballpark."

Ward's goes for 900

Sterling pitching performances. Explosive offense. Golden Glove defense. Three key ingredients in winning baseball games. The recipe was perfect in



James Branaman/Progress

Coach Ward looks on as his team tries to bring home his 900th win against Tenn. Tech on Sunday.

Saturday's nightcap as the Colonels added a pinch of each, defeating Tennessee Tech 10-1.

The win, which was Coach Ward's 900th, ranks him 19th in all-time career wins among college coaches.

"I am thankful I have had the opportunity to coach here at Eastern," Ward said. "We've been so fortunate to have great players over the years. Individual stuff is great, but our whole motivation as a team is to win."

The game started as though Ward would have to wait a while for the celebration.

After allowing a run-scoring single by Miehl's in the first inning, Santa found himself in a

jam. With runners on first and third and only one out, Ward made his way to the mound to settle his pitcher.

"We were a little nervous," Ward said. "We even talked about who we would have to go to for long relief if he didn't get out of the inning."

Santa (3-2) settled down after the conference on the mound, striking out Chad Rogers and getting Brad Kleeman on a bouncer to third to end the inning.

Santa held Tech to just three hits for the remainder of the contest, retiring 14 of 16 Golden Eagles the rest of the way.

"Yeah, I settled down after the first," Santa said. "I was able to

throw my game after that. I started getting my stuff to work and tried to keep them off balance."

The Colonels took control of the game in the bottom of the first. Back to back singles by Lee Chapman and Jason Sharp gave Eastern a 3-0 lead sending Tech starter Michael Fessler (0-1) to the showers.

Eastern began a five-run fifth by putting its first six hitters on base.

Chapman earned two RBIs with a single to score Vaughn and Williams. Adam Basil scored on a wild pitch by Jason Kuhn and Chapman came around to score on Mike Brown's fielders choice making the score 8-1.

Chapman gathered two hits along with four RBIs and Sharp added two hits along with two RBIs.

Santa finished the day with eight strikeouts, allowing one walk and one earned run.

Not to be outdone, Eastern's defense made their presence felt early in the game. Vaughn made a dazzling play on Scott Terry's grounder in the hole at short in the second inning and a gem in the third on another grounder.

The Colonel's well-rounded performance and Ward's milestone put the finishing touch on a day perfect for baseball.

When asked about reaching the 900-win club, Ward responded modestly.

"I never gave it a lot of thought," Ward said. "Each spring brings new teams and new seasons. I've always taken things a year at a time and don't look at long-range goals. But it's been fun, real fun."

Colonels make parents proud with win over Eagles

The look of pride that masked the parent's faces almost overshadowed the confidence that masked the faces of their sons as they posed for a team portrait on the infield grass at Turkey Hughes Field Sunday.

The confidence was evident along with the pride, as Eastern gave their moms, dads and grandparents a fitting Parent's Day present, an 8-3 victory over the Golden Eagles.

Corey Eagle tossed a three-hitter, Adam Basil and Lee Chapman hit home runs and every Colonel starter reached base in a dominating performance.

"It was everything today," Ward said. "Good pitching, good defense, a couple of timely home runs. It was a complete game and the score indicates that."

Basil's 400-foot two-run blast off Bubbie Buzachero put an exclamation point on a fiery first inning that included Kiley Vaughn staring down Buzachero (1-3) after being hit by a pitch and Tech's assistant coach Mike Anderson was ejected for protesting a call.

Eagle (5-5) got out of a sticky situation in the first by striking out Miehl's and Curtis, stranding runners at second and third base.

"Corey didn't give them much of a chance today," Ward said. "They didn't have any real threats until the eighth when they scored their two runs."

From there Eagle cruised through Tech's line-up, retiring 11 Golden Eagles in a row down one stretch. Eagle struck out six and walked three in eight innings of work.

"I felt like after the first inning I settled down," Eagle said. "I started hitting my spots and the defense played well behind me. I got a little tired in the eighth but the offense stepped up. Anytime you score 10 runs you have a good chance at winning."

Eastern scored five runs in the third on a pair of singles by Aaron Williams and Lee Chapman. Williams finished the game going 4-5 with 2 RBIs and 6-8 for the series. Chapman went 3-5 and scored two runs.

"Aaron's getting an opportunity to play and making the most of it," said Ward. "We've got to find a spot for him. He's a contact guy and doesn't strike out much."

Tech scored two in the third and another on a Chad Roger's home run off Eagle in the eighth.

The win continued the Colonels OVC series winning-streak to five and improved their record to 17-18 and 12-3 in OVC.

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