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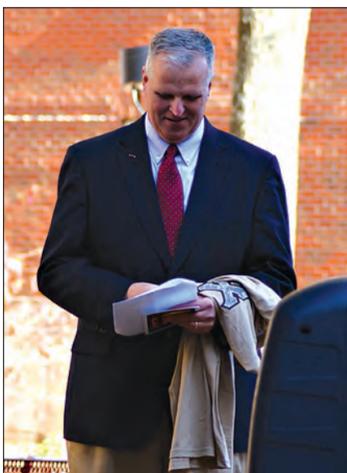
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Veterans remembered, commemorated



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(Above, counter clockwise) Students examine names written on flags to thank and memorialize soldiers. (Top corner left) Col. Brett Morris is inducted as a member of the new veteran fraternity. (Bottom corner left) Students from ROTC participate in the ceremony. (Bottom left) Lt. Gen. Robert Yerks answers questions for a reporter. (Bottom right) Members of the VFW rifle squad watch as the closing ceremony begins.



NATIONAL ROLL CALL LED BY FACULTY, STUDENTS KICKS OFF VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

STAFF REPORT
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Last Friday Eastern took part in a Veteran's Day ceremony echoed simultaneously at schools in all 50 states.

The National Roll Call, started by Brett Morris, Eastern's associate director of veteran's affairs, was picked up by 183 other colleges across the country. At Eastern, the ceremony began at 6 a.m. with a reading of the names of all 6,313 casualties of Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom. The reading of the names concluded with remarks from President Doug Whitlock, Lt. Gen. Robert Yerks, Student Body President Rachel Molozzi and Rep. Ben Chandler.

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"There was a lot of VIPs," said Jared Smith, 30, police studies major from Somerset. "That really shows the caliber of event it was."

The ceremony also featured a nationwide minute of silence, a 21 gun salute from a VFW rifle squad, the playing of "Taps" by members of Eastern's band and "Amazing Grace" played on the bagpipes by an Eastern alum.

"The ceremony was fantastic, very emotional," Smith said.

Hundreds of students, faculty and staff from Eastern attended the ceremony throughout the day. Many signed American flags with messages to the troops or the names of fallen soldiers and planted them in the ground near Powell.

"The amount of people who turned out was great," said Michael Combs, 30, history education major from Somerset.

Midway no longer holds spots, only interviews

By SETH LITRELL
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A four-year agreement made between Eastern and the new Midway Pharmacy College has recently been changed because of Midway's new accreditation standards.

Originally, the agreement was a guarantee from Midway stating the pharmacy college would hold 10 spots for qualified pre-pharmacy students from Eastern to be admitted each academic year. In return, Eastern changed its pre-pharmacy option program in order to match it up with Midway's requirements.

However, after the changes, Midway is now only able to guarantee an interview with the 10 Eastern students each year, not admission.

Lori Wilson, interim chair of Eastern's Department of Chemistry, said the agreement is still a very positive thing for the university's students, despite it not ensuring students a place at the pharmacy college.

"It's very competitive to go to pharmacy school," Wilson said. "That's why this is a good thing, because it's difficult to get into pharmacy school."

In order for students to meet the necessary requirements to apply for acceptance into Midway, they must take a number of specific classes and maintain a 3.0 grade point average throughout their time at Eastern.

Wilson said 36 students applied for pharmacy school last year. Of the 36, only seven were accepted into the program at University of Kentucky, the only school in the state of Kentucky to accept any of the applicants. Another 14 other students were enrolled in various programs throughout the country. In total, only 21 of the applicants were accepted into pharmacy schools last year.

"Getting an interview is, probably, half the battle," Wilson said. "It's hard to get an interview."

According to email correspondence between Midway and Eastern, the first plan for guaranteed acceptance, received last year, was extended to the



Lori Wilson

Alleged armed robberies take place on campus

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Within the span of 11 days, two Eastern students have been victims of alleged armed robberies.

At approximately 11 p.m. on November 1, in the Keene Hall parking lot, two men approached a student and demanded money, according to a public safety alert sent out by Eastern's police department. According to the alert, the suspects' actions led the student to believe they were armed.

At approximately 4:30 p.m. on November 12, in the Commonwealth Hall parking lot, another armed robbery was reported to have occurred. In this case, two male suspects were reported approaching a student with a knife and demanded money. The student complied, and the suspects fled the area, according to

another public safety alert.

"We have no evidence that the two cases are related, but the two are similar, and we've taken that into account," said Lt. Brandon Collins of the EKU Police Department.

While both cases involved two male suspects, the description of the suspects differ in each incident. The Nov. 2 incident said one of the suspects was a Caucasian male approximately 5 feet 7 inches to 5 feet 8 inches tall with short black hair. The other was an African-American male approximately 6 feet tall, also with short black hair.

The Nov. 12 incident also reports a Caucasian and an African-American as suspects but with differences in height. The Caucasian suspect was reported to be approximately 6 feet 1 inch tall, while the African-American suspect was reported as being approximately 5 feet 10 inches.

Because the investigations on both incidents are still ongoing, more information on the cases could not be released at the time of press. However, Collins said the campus police are paying special attention to the cases.

"They are diligently conducting an investigation, and these types of investigations can take a little time," Collins said.

The public safety alerts sent out by the police department contained safety tips for students, faculty and staff. These hints include immediately reporting any suspicious persons loitering around university facilities, scanning the surrounding area before exiting or approaching a vehicle or building and being observant of approaching strangers.

The alert also reminds students that, if they become the victim of a crime, they should not try to physically detain or apprehend the criminal, but instead call the police department.

IN MEMORIAM

Lecturer, former director of farms memorialized for love of life

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Michael Judge was more than a man who walked through life; he ran with it.

Judge died Sunday, Nov. 13 at University of Kentucky Medical Center.

"Genuine, what you see is what you got," Tom Knight, retired professor, said. "The only front I knew him to put up with was with his health."

Knight joined the university in 1978, with Judge joining in 1981. Knight said they became fast and steady friends.

"Michael and I would go hiking, some kayaking," Knight said. "But, he had this passion for cross-country, so he would always get there an hour or two before I did."

Judge had trained a group of Richmond locals and Eastern faculty and staff in 2001 for a marathon in Ohio and spent every lunch break going for a run.

"His first love was running," Carla Hagan, Assistant Professor of Agriculture, said. "Every day at lunchtime he would run. He was always in training for something."

Judge not only had a passion for running and the outdoors - He had a passion for Eastern.

Judge joined Eastern in 1981 as the Direc-

tor of Farms, as well as some time as the interim department chair in the Department of Agriculture. He left Eastern in 2004 to work for the Kentucky Department of Agriculture then the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy. He returned to campus in Fall 2010 as a lecturer.



Michael Judge

"I always thought it was odd that one of Michael's favorite sayings was, 'Nothing is ever simple,'" Roger Thomas, Executive Director in the Governor's Office of Agricultural Policy, said in an email. "This was odd because Michael had a very unique ability to find simple solutions to complicated problems. I cannot imagine ever working with anyone I have more respect for than the respect I have for Michael Judge."

Judge was revered for his ability to work with anyone under any circumstances.

"He was an exceptional boss," Hagan, who worked with Judge for 13 years, said. "Extremely well liked by everyone. He was always really respectful of you as a person. No decision was made without asking everyone at the table to express their opinion."

Judge had dealt with various working situations, not just in his career, but throughout his life.

Knight said Judge developed the ability to work with anyone from his time working on the farm as a young man. Judge's parents died

when he was young, and as the youngest of nine siblings, grew up running the family farm.

"You have those people that can work with anybody," Knight said. "He could win anybody over."

Knight said Judge could work with anybody based solely on his character.

"It was just his nature," Knight said. "He was literally an old country boy. He could join in high society or join in with the old boys on the country porch."

The ability to talk to anyone was also reflected in the relationships he had with his students.

"He was just the type of person who would talk to whoever," Halee Gilmore, 21, agriculture major from Cardington, Ohio, said. "A really great guy, always had a smile on his face."

Judge's smile had a lot to do with his love of teaching, Hagan said.

"He had a real dedication to his students," Hagan said. "When you would tell him the students liked something he did, he would be so excited, excited like a little kid."

Hagan said one of her fondest memories of Judge was that excitement for his students.

"He would take his students to Chicago [Board of Exchange]," Hagan said with a laugh. "He would be on Southwest every day to check for the cheapest tickets."

"He made it fun to learn," Gilmore said.

One of Judge's other passions was his family. Judge had two sons, two stepdaughters and

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POLICE BEAT

All information is taken from Eastern police reports.

Nov. 8

A male student reported an unknown person entered his room on the 12th floor of Telford Hall and stole his social psychology textbook valued at \$100, animal behavior textbook valued at \$90 and statistics textbook valued at \$120. The student said his bathroom and room door were both locked when he left. He said when he returned the bathroom door was open. Police could not detect any signs of forced entry.

Nov. 9

A female student reported that someone had damaged her 2004 Nissan Xterra where it was parked in the Commonwealth parking lot. She said someone had broken the cap off her gas intake and said she believes someone may have been attempting to steal her gas. She said she

filled her gas tank on Wednesday before parking it and said she didn't know anyone who may have damaged her vehicle.

Nov. 10

Police were dispatched to Keene Hall where a male student reported someone had taken his black Diamondback eight-speed mountain bike that was described as being old and faded in color from the bike rack on the southwest corner of the Wallace building sometime earlier that day. The bike is valued at \$300. The student said the lock was improperly secured to the bike and was only attached to the bike tack at the time of the theft. The student had the bicycle lock in his possession.

Nov. 13

Police traffic stopped a black Jeep driven by student Alexander Jamison after he turned left and ran a red light at the Kit Carson Drive Madison Drive intersection. After making contact with Jamison, police detected the odor of an alcoholic beverage about his person. Jamison said he had consumed some alcoholic beverages and was asked to step out of the vehicle onto the sidewalk. Jamison was given the alphabet D-Q, walk and turn, HGN and one-leg stand field sobriety tests. He

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Campus groups asked to join in Thanksgiving food drive

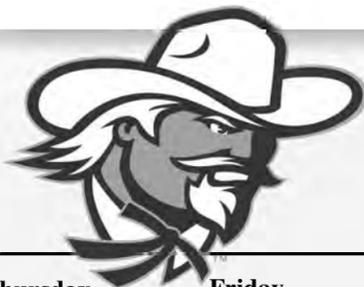
The Older Wiser Learner's are working with local elementary schools to do a Thanksgiving basket food drive. Any organizations, groups or clubs who would like to participate can contact Calisa Murphy at 859-248-1028. The deadline for the baskets is Nov. 23 at 2 p.m.

Items needed to donate to local homeless

EKU Student Sociologists are conducting a food and resource drive for the homeless in the Eastern Service Area. The group needs individual portion and snack foods, packaged nonperishable canned and bagged foods, toiletries: feminine hygiene products, dental hygiene products, individual soaps and shampoos. Clothes, particularly winter clothes, laundry and dishwashing products, bottled water and over-the-counter cold and pain products, such as aspirin and Tylenol, are also appreciated. Donations are requested from any students and can be dropped off in pink bins located on a table outside Keith Building room 109.

Appalachian books featured at main library

During the months of November and December, the John Grant Crabbe Main Library will be exploring Appalachian Heritage in fiction and nonfiction. Some featured titles include "Bloodroot" by Amy Greene, "Jabber Crow" by Wendell Berry, and "The Mountain, the Miner and the Lord" by Harry Caudill. Featured titles are hand selected by library staff members.



The Colonel's Calendar

Week of Nov. 17 - Nov. 23

| Thursday | Friday | Saturday | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday |
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| <p>11 a.m. Great American Smoke Out, Campus Recreation, Powell Corner</p> <p>5 p.m. Mastering a Group Interview, Student Life Leadership Series, Herndon Lounge</p> <p>7 p.m. Women's basketball game vs. University of Louisville</p> | <p>7 p.m. Men's basketball game at Liberty</p> <p>8 p.m. "PIZZA!!!" Telford Hall event, Telford Hall 10th floor study room</p> | <p>8 a.m. Kentucky Law Enforcement Memorial Foundation 5K Road Race, Funderburk Building</p> <p>1 p.m. Football vs. UT Martin</p> <p>4:30 p.m. Men's away basketball game vs. William and Mary</p> | <p>3 p.m. Duo piano recital, ECU Arts and Culture, Foster 100</p> <p>2 p.m. Women's basketball game at Western Michigan University</p> <p>3:30 p.m. Men's away basketball game vs. Lehigh</p> | <p>TBA Men and women's cross country at NCAA Championships</p> <p>8 p.m. Symphony orchestra concert, Brock Auditorium</p> <p>"Milkshakes and Cookie Decorating!!" Burnam Hall event, Burnam Hall basement</p> | <p>3 p.m. Cooper/Clayton smoking cessation, H.E.A.T., Herndon Lounge</p> <p>6 p.m. Sand volleyball, Martin Hall event, Intramural sand volleyball court</p> <p>9 p.m. The Finals Destination, Palmer Hall event, Palmer lobby</p> | <p>Thanksgiving break begins</p> <p>10 a.m. Residence halls close</p> |

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INDUCTION OF FACULTY

Dr. Hal Blythe and Dr. Charlie Sweet, Co-Directors of the ECU Teaching & Learning Center

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Small Business Center named Kentucky Center of year

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Eastern has added another notch to its belt of awards.

The Small Business Development Center [SBDC] located in the Business and Technology Building, has won Kentucky Center of the Year award for the first time.

The traveling trophy was started in 2006 and has been to Elizabethtown and Louisville multiple times since its beginning. The Center of the Year is handed out to centers based on their performance in a year with the time span being from October 1 through September 30. The award is won by succeeding the state's office's goal set for an SBDC.

Michael Rodriguez, director of SBDC at Eastern, said the purpose of the SBDC is to provide free services to help create and restart small businesses.

"The main thrust of what we do is one-on-one consulting service," Rodriguez said.

Rodriguez said they help businesses with everything from a general business plan, to helping get loans from the bank and even marketing their business on Facebook and other media outlets.

Rodriguez mentioned that students within the College of Business and Technology get the opportunity to learn first-hand how to work with clients that come to the SBDC for help. Rodriguez said his clients are being used as case studies for some of the classes.

"The students are getting to see first-hand the ins and outs of running a business," Rodriguez said.

Christian Braun, 22, corporate communications and technology major from the Cincinnati area, started DreamWalker Mobile App Marketing, LLC last spring by contacting Rodriguez.

"SBDC helped me quickly license my business through the state and the IRS," Braun said. "They also continue to help me with taxes, business plan, ideas, funding and basic office supplies. They are very supportive, and they want you to succeed. Without their support, I would not be blessed with this opportunity."

Braun mentioned he has learned to make to-do lists and to use time management by going through school, having a part-time internship, being a member of Pi Kappa Alpha and running a company all at once.

"I 100 percent encourage any students

who are considering entrepreneurship to contact SBDC immediately and take advantage of the resource," Braun said.

Andrew Pennington, 21, a general business major from Corbin, started Contractor Yard Sale with the help of the SBDC and Rodriguez.

"Try to get the point out that you have to make your own destiny," Pennington said. "You have to create the life you want. No one will come knocking asking you to be the next Mark Zuckerberg or Bill Gates. Whether you want to be an actor, a business person, a political activist or something like a baseball mascot, you have to take life and mold it into what you want."

One of the upcoming workshops is "Using Facebook to Market Your Business," which is December 1, 1-4 p.m. at the First Southern National Bank Community Room in Lancaster.

If you would like to learn more about upcoming workshops, services, and events, contact Michael Rodriguez at 622-1384 or at ekubiz.com. The SBDC also has a Facebook group, Small Business Development Center at Eastern Kentucky University and a Twitter account, @ekusbdc.



SUBMITTED BY MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ

The traveling trophy, awarded to the Small Business Development Center, is housed in the Business and Technology Center.

New co-ed veteran fraternity first step towards social fraternity

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The Greek community on Eastern's campus recently welcomed a few good men, and women, to its ranks.

Last Friday, during the closing ceremony of the National Roll Call event on Powell Corner, Ryan Donahue, president of EKV VETS, announced the creation of a new fraternity on campus.



Jared Smith

Lambda Phi Chi, as the fraternity is called, is the nation's only co-ed professional fraternity exclusively for veterans, said Jared Smith, 30, a police studies major from Somerset and president and founding member of the new organization.

Smith said he and Michael Combs, 30, a history education major, also from Somerset and a founding member and vice president of Lambda Phi Chi, started the fraternity to assist veterans who are interested in becoming part of the Greek community.

Smith and Combs both agree the Greek community can be a bit stifling to newcomers, especially to freshly discharged veterans.

"It is hard because people don't understand their [veterans] mindset," Smith said.

The pair wanted to help their fellow veterans who may be interested in joining a social fraternity, so they designed the organization to be a stepping-stone to more traditional fraternities.

"We are here to offer them [veterans] a service," Smith said.

Smith and Combs have worked for the last six months to prepare everything including selecting letters, colors, a crest, a motto and bylaws for the new organization.

With a background in the Greek community as a member of Phi Delta Theta, Smith thinks being involved with a Greek organization added value to his overall college experience and wants other veterans to have the same opportunity.

"I had a lot of fun, and my college experience was there because of my Greek experience," Smith said.

Matthew Rawlings, vice president of EKV

VETS, supported the project and thinks it helps round out the programs offered to veterans on campus. VETS focuses on integrating veterans in with the general student population on an educational level. Lambda Phi Chi will do the same in a social sense, Rawlings said.

"That is a big step to trying to get the 900 plus vets on campus involved with the campus community and the Richmond community," Rawlings said. "The fraternity is an extension toward the Greek community."

Although the general premise surrounding the organization is to foster veterans to join a social fraternity, it is not required to join one, Smith said.

He also noted one can be a member of Lambda Phi Chi and any other social fraternity simultaneously.

The group will work "hand-in-hand" with the Greek community to ensure interested members have every opportunity to become acquainted with the social Greeks.

"They can get used to how it is set up if they want to transfer to a social fraternity," Combs said.

Another reason Smith saw a need to have an organization such as this on campus is because of an observation he made. He said he noticed a lot of younger veterans were hesitant to join VETS. He thinks a Greek organization will reach to younger veterans more efficiently.

"One of the main attractions for younger students is the Greek Community," Smith said.

Since the announcement last Friday, the fraternity has already garnered 15 members. The organization has set a goal of having 50 members before the school year is out.

"Right off the bat as soon as it was over, we had people coming up and asking about it," Smith said.

Rawlings thinks the group will far exceed its goal.

Lambda Phi Chi has its sights set high and wants to be the pilot for a nationwide fraternity that will hail from Eastern.

"I feel like for EKV, it is another big thing for them," Smith said.

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four grandchildren.

"He was very proud of them," Knight said.

But what friends say they will remember most is the friendship Judge extended.

"When you called Michael Judge a friend, it was a true friendship," Knight said. "A lot of people leaned on him and he was taken out from under us."

A time of remembrance will take place Nov. 17 in Walnut Hall in the Keen Johnson building from 2 to 5 p.m. In lieu of flowers, a scholarship fund has been set up in the Office of University Advancement.

PHARMACY

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school because the chemistry program at the university is accredited by the American Chemical Society. Wilson said the accreditation is not easy for schools to obtain.

"They don't accredit all chemistry departments; you have to have a strong program that meets the requirements of ACS. That appears to be why we got offered this. I think if we initially did not have that we wouldn't have gotten the opportunity," Wilson said.

The changes to the agreement went into place within the last week, and Eastern had already sent out a press release regarding the original plan.

Wilson said that she thinks, despite the changes, the new agreement will increase the number of students coming to Eastern to study pre-pharmacy.

"I think that, nationwide, there's a shortage of pharmacists, and we have seen our pre-

pharmacy numbers increase over the last 10 years," Wilson said. "I think that having this agreement, that ensures a path for those who want to do rural pharmacy, is important. Given that we attract a lot of students from eastern Kentucky that want to live there, I think that they would find this very attractive."

Wilson said the major attraction for students would be the fact they could complete their prerequisite courses and transfer to Midway before graduating with a bachelor's degree. Wilson also said students who decide not to pursue pharmacy school, or who don't get accepted into pharmacy schools, will have a good enough knowledge of chemistry to get another job.

"One thing we felt was important was to design a curriculum that had enough upper-division chemistry so that if they don't get into Midway, or another pharmacy school, they have a solid chemistry degree that could get them a job in a chemical factory such as environmental labs, biotechnology labs, any industrial labs as a chemical technician," Wilson said.

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Solutions for parking problems suggested by SGA

By KRISTIE HAMON
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Student Government Association is looking for solutions for parking and is considering a few new options.

Senator Donovan Nolan has been working with a committee to better parking on campus and has come up with the idea of moving all freshmen parking to a lot across the Bypass and having a shuttle system transport the students to their residence halls.

"That will free up hopefully more employee lots as well as residential spots," Nolan said.

Nolan said he has been in contact with several people getting information about what would happen if this plan were to be enacted.

"I know the numbers and I know that parking passes are only going to go up \$10 to compensate for the lack of freshmen parking, so we'll still have the cheapest parking passes in the state, and the freshmen wouldn't have to pay for their parking," Nolan said.

Nolan said there is still a lot of work to be done but would ideally like to have a new parking plan implemented by next fall.

"Right now it's looking like it could go

before a vote, to see, but I really don't know yet," Nolan said. "It's still in the early stages. Hopefully I'll know something by the end of this semester, middle of next semester."

Executive Vice President Matt White said parking has been an issue on campus since before he came to Eastern, but he said this year a solution will be presented.

"Parking is something that the students have not been happy with for years," White said. "Student Senate works every year to try and do something about it."

White said there have been many different options to consider as possible solutions including considering where new parking spots can be made, implementing a shuttle service, moving freshmen parking to the Perkins lot or even doing a land swap with the City of Richmond.

President Rachael Molozzi said the land swap option is "simply an idea" at this point but explained it to be an exchange of property between Eastern and the City of Richmond.

"There is some area there by some softball fields that we have talked about in years past, possibly do a land swap with the city, so like they would give us that land, we turn it into a parking lot, and then in return we would give them something else," Molozzi said. "I don't know what that land would be,



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A solution for parking problems suggested by SGA is a land swap with the City of Richmond. The idea has been brought up that a park located near softball fields on Crabbe Street would be turned into parking.

where that land would be; I don't even know if they would give us the softball fields. But it's just simply an idea that me and Stephen [Faulkerson] have been talking about."

Nolan said he is committed to working on a solution for parking on campus.

"Every year people complain that there's

a problem with parking but no one takes the initiative to actually try to fix it, so I'm hoping that with this initiative it'll actually get changed and hopefully we'll see some progress on our parking, and it'll cut back on some of the complaints that we have," Nolan said.

Part 11 in a series on campus life

Health sciences community offers opportunity for academic growth

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In 2006, Eastern established a health science living learning community for first year students up to seniors. The community was created to provide a space for students in the area of health sciences to learn and grow.

"Students need a place where they can be in a quiet environment and have academic support," said Nicole Hale, the associate director of academic initiatives from University Housing.

The community is open to students with health science majors such as occupational therapy or nursing. Undeclared majors are able to live in the community only if they have interests within said areas of study. There are 70 people currently living in the McGregor Hall health science living learn-



ing community.

"I like it," Morgan Johnson, 19, nursing major from Irvine said. "It has been beneficial."

Johnson said the community is friendly, and it's nice to see people you know from your floor in your classes.

Tori Carper, 19, an occupational therapy major from Grayson said she agrees with Johnson.

"I've learned more, and it is nice having roommates to help each other out," Carper said.

For students to continue living in the community, they are required to have five hours of volunteer work for the health science program each month. Students are also required to attend programs, which are socially based and related to the student's course content. The programs range from group study sessions to helpful study tips related to topics students are currently learning. Each month has a new area of study for these programs.

"I could do without all the programs, but the volunteer hours are beneficial," Alexis Hobbs, 19, an occupational science major from Meade County said.

Hobbs said she has met a lot of people in her major, and it is helpful when scheduling classes.

Emily Land, 20, occupational therapy major from Beattyville agrees with Hobbs. Land said the programs are a lot, but it is nice knowing there are people around to help.

The community works with faculty and staff in health science majors to further better the students in their studies. The faculty helps students apply for programs they need to get into for their major and help them meet the requirements of these programs.

"Living in the community is a good opportunity for our students because science courses can get intense, and professors have high standards," Hale said.

Hale said the community provides students with special activities they can get involved in, which will give them excitement and encouragement from people who are actually in the field.

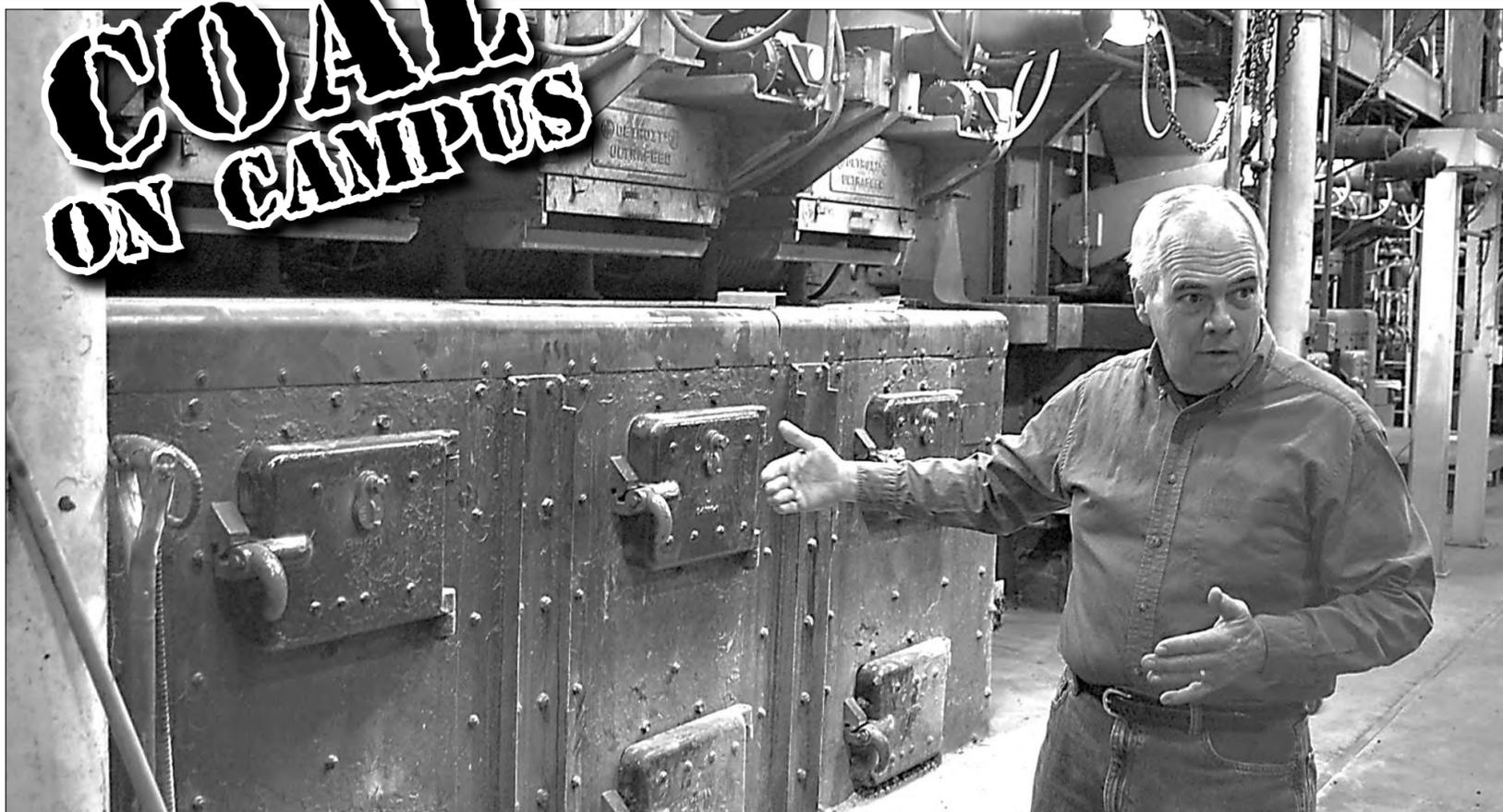
This week in photos



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Miss Greek Eku Sorority Pageant

Jordan Meece, a 20-year-old public relations major from Somerset, Ky., was asked to create a plan for an event for one of her classes but chose to take it further and put on the event. The pageant was Nov. 12 in Brock Auditorium.



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David Hepburn, assistant director of Facilities Services, shows the coal burning boilers located adjacent to the Gibson Building beside Walters Hall on Kit Carson Drive.

Plant provides heat, hot water for campus

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Just behind the Turley House, there is a building where a discreet operation is run from a small control room. Dump trucks come and go at regular intervals throughout the day; large smoke stacks emerge from the edifice and joust into the skyline.

There is an intricate network of pipes running underground, which steam from the structure and travel to various buildings on campus.

This building is a coal burning facility, and during the winter months, it heats and provides hot water to the majority of the main campus. The facility burns somewhere between 7,500 and 8,000 tons per year, James Street, associate vice president of capital management and facilities management, said in an email.

Just as with any coal burning operation,

the facility on campus is required to meet certain requirements per the EPA, Rich Middleton, director of Facilities Services, said.

"We operate under a federal Title IV permit issued by the state division of the EPA air quality in Frankfort," Middleton said.

According to the EPA website, Title IV is part of the Clean Air Act, which specifically addresses acid deposition control, specifically relating to the ash and emissions from coal burning facilities.

Middleton said Eastern works directly with an environmental engineer to make sure it doesn't exceed the limitations on emission. The engineer also ensures Eastern stays up to par with regulations as these guidelines regularly change.

"It is sort of a living document," Middleton said. "We have added responsibilities on a yearly basis."

The environmental engineer, along with others working at the plant, all keep a watch-

ful eye on the smokestacks at the facility, Middleton said. The opacity of the steam coming from the stacks is an indicator of whether or not the facility is burning cleanly and within EPA regulations. The emissions coming from the building should be colorless and nearly invisible.

Middleton said he can see the plant from his office window and routinely observes the emissions, or rather, the lack thereof.

"This is the most comforting thing about this operation," Middleton said. "It keeps us in line with the EPA and makes us realize we are doing absolutely nothing to damage our environment"

The plant also utilizes a bag house to capture any particulates and, along with ash, it is hauled away and recycled. It is used to line landfills for filtration purposes, Hepburn said.

"Everything we create here has value," said David Hepburn, assistant director of Fa-

ilities Services.

The operation also has tactics and equipment in place to ensure efficiency. Hepburn said efficiency not only makes the operation more economical but also helps to reduce emissions.

"We make sure we get all the BTUs, or heat, out of it [coal]," Hepburn said. "We are very good at that. We get the most out of it and stay within our limits."

The control room at the plant monitors everything from the amount of coal going in to the boiler to the air intake and the purity of the water used.

Middleton said the university is working toward becoming even more energy efficient in the future and using the facility more in the summer months.

"We are heading toward that, heating all of our domestic water in the plant," Middleton said.

Lecture explains positives of biomass compared to coal

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On Nov. 15, the EKU Energy Club welcomed Rodney Andrews, Ph.D., as part of their Energy 101 Series to discuss where Kentucky stands on the energy crisis in America.

The lecture, entitled "KY's Place in a Carbon Constrained World," brought up topics such as coal consumption, modernizing power plants and alternate energy sources.

Andrews, director of the University of Kentucky's Center for Applied Energy Research, said he became interested in energy after training in chemical engineering and working with materials for vehicles.

"This is a real challenge we're all going to face for the next few decades," Andrews said. "I'm just trying to make people aware of what those challenges are."

Bree McCarny, coordinator of the Kentucky Energy Club, was responsible for bringing Andrews to Eastern.

"He's got a really good, broad view of the reality and opportunities Kentucky has and how that plays into it," McCarny said.

Andrews began his lecture discussing where Kentucky currently stands in regards to energy. Currently, Kentucky gets 92 percent of their energy strictly from the coal

combustion. The other eight percent comes from hydroelectric energy, natural gases and others.

Although the total emissions of carbon dioxide are high across the country, Andrews said they are still projected to rise.

"Unless we want to turn our economy off, the rate of energy is expected to grow," Andrews said.

This is partially because of countries, such as China and India, going through "their own industrial revolution," Andrews said.

As far as a renewable energy source to replace coal goes, Andrews said he believes "biomass is going to be our biggest player in Kentucky."

EKU Energy Club Vice President Adam Kinion, 22, microbiology major from Houston, Texas, said he agrees with Andrews and believes we should "stick with coal and biomass because nuclear power is kind of scary." But he also said he thinks the U.S. could eventually move onto solar energy.

Andrews said he feels the state is not ready for solar or wind energy because of our location and climate.

Other members of the EKU Energy Club believe Andrews is right about using biomass as an alternate source of energy.

"I definitely think we need to find an alter-



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Rodney Andrews discussed coal consumption, modernizing power plants and alternate energy sources at a recent EKU Energy Club event as part of the club's Energy 101 series.

nate method just because of the CO2 emissions," said EKU Energy Club President Kendra Hargis, 21, forensic biology major from Lexington. "I'm a big fan of biomass right now, but I see the pros and cons of each method."

Andrews said, regardless of other ways our state can obtain energy, Kentucky needs to be prepared to deal with coal and its costs.

"My point with this is coal will be a major player, and we have to deal with that and the consequences of that," Andrews said.

Andrews said modernizing our power plants across the country could also make a difference on emissions of carbon dioxide in our atmosphere.

Members and supporters of the EKU Energy Club think students could put the topics discussed in the lecture to real-life use.

Hargis said she feels, in regard to poli-

tics, learning more about the energy crisis and where we stand allows students to make more educated decisions.

"I think students need to become more educated on energy and Kentucky's role in energy and how that is impacting the energy debate," Hargis said.

"We're hoping students become more aware of energy issues," Bruce Pratt, Ph.D., director of the Center for Renewable and Alternative Fuel Technologies, said. "There's not any one core solution to the energy issues the U.S. faces."

"We have to recognize that we have to do something about our fossil energy," Andrews said. "We have to diversify in this state, but we have to be realistic."

If you would like more information about the EKU Energy Club, please visit www.craft.eku.edu/insidelook/eku-energy-club.

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Seth Littrell, editor

Coal should make way for cleaner forms of energy

Coal is much more than an energy source.

It is an economic boom and livelihood for many. Coal has been around for thousands of years, with evidence showing the Romans used it in the second century, according to the Department of Energy.

Coal is a monument of society. But it is an archaic vestige of society, as well.

In today's society, we have various options for energy like wind and solar. Such industries as wind employ more people than coal, according to Beyond Coal's website.

Critics of alternative energy cite cost as the reason to support coal, despite the numerous issues it causes.

The overarching power of the dollar should not win over health, stewardship and preservation of community.

Burning coal has been linked to various health problems from toxic mercury that is rained into streams and rivers, smog that aggravates conditions like bronchitis, emphysema and asthma and toxic coal ash that can contaminate drinking water.

Mercury, when exposed to pregnant women, can cause birth defects and developmental disorders.

Half of America's families live in a place where smog levels are significant enough to trigger asthma attacks in young children, according to an activist group's website.

And coal ash, while known to be toxic and dangerous, lacks many protections from the Environmental Protection Agency. Eastern uses coal ash, as do many schools and towns, to de-ice the roads in the winter.

But what is the cost of our reliance on coal? In a world where technology abounds and the want exists for other options, why do we rely on energy that poisons our water, air and bodies?

Appalachia contains "one of the most diverse assemblages of plants and animals," according to the World Wildlife Fund. Not only does burning and mining coal sacrifice our health and the health of our children, it infringes on the beauty of the land we, along with other species, call home.

The destruction of land causes suffering to our communities.

The movement is not just some grassroots hippie movement to save the trees; politicians have put their money where their mouth is in order to fight against the use of coal.

New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg donated \$50 million to the Sierra Club's Beyond Coal campaign. New Jersey Governor Chris Christie is currently leading a battle to clamp down on a Pennsylvania coal plant he believes is violating pollution control standards.

As cost seems to be the only message pro-coal advocates have as future leaders, it is up to us to create, encourage and support work for affordable alternatives such as the University of Arizona has done in its work for affordable solar energy.

It is time we encourage our politicians, our school and our communities in Kentucky to make a clear and avid stance against coal.



Economic benefits of coal outweigh the alternatives

When you got up this morning, were you shivering cold from the recent change in weather? Was your shower icy, or warm and comforting? Were you able to flip on the lights, or did you have to remain in the dark?

If your morning was pleasant, warm and illuminated, you may have coal to thank.

According to the National Mining Association, nearly half of the electricity generated in the United States comes from coal.

When burned responsibly, coal is the most affordable source of power fuel, historically averaging less than one-quarter the price of petroleum and natural gas, according to the NMA.

So why is there this looming controversy over the mining and use of coal and coal-based products?

It seems as if one is to weigh the facts, using coal only makes sense.

Yes, the burning of coal does emit sulfur dioxide and particulates. Yes, these pollutants cause respiratory diseases that are responsible for nearly 500,000 cases of premature deaths each year, according to greenenergyhelp-

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Coal gives us energy, provides us with jobs and pays Uncle Sam more than its fair share. All the while, we keep smoking our Marlboros and eating McDonald's.

As the license plates we all see on a daily basis say, "Coal keeps the lights on," and so much more.

Were it not for coal, Kentucky may have proven to be a completely different place with a completely different way of life. But as it stands, we produce coal, thoroughbreds and some damn good bourbon.

We should be proud of that.

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College students must address dependence on drinking for fun



My Turn:
Cari Tretina

It has been a terribly long week. You have had multiple exams, a paper due and a presentation to give with your unhelpful group. Exhaustion has overcome your body. However, a celebration is in order. You have worked very hard and deserve to treat yourself to a night of fun.

What will you do to release the stress on this Friday night? Perhaps you will curl up in bed and watch your favorite movie. Maybe you will play a hilarious game of Apples to Apples with your roommate and friends. You might even consider playing bingo in Powell tonight.

All of these thoughts may cross your mind, and you might legitimately consider partaking in one of these activities. You would have a fairly good time participating

in any of them, but you know of one form of celebration that is guaranteed to bring an excellent night: drinking.

After you make the decision to consume alcohol, all of those other choices seem silly and childish. The radiant light glowing from the Liquor Mart sign is now beckoning your name. You buy a fifth of fruit punch Burnette's Vodka and plan to empty it by the end of the night. Excitement, jokes and adventure all are waiting for you. Anticipating the night, you begin to converse with your friends about how you imagine the night will play out. Here are some of the things you may say:

"We should black out."

"I want to get so drunk that I forget the days of the week."

"Let's get so wasted tonight that we don't remember our names."

An hour later and the night has begun. To start the night you and your friends play Kings. Your shots are normal size and are followed by a chaser. The music cannot be heard outside of the room, and everyone is laughing and having a grand time.

Three hours later and you are drinking

straight from the bottle; the music can be heard all the way down the hall; one friend is sobbing her eyes out, your roommate is screaming, and your other friend is stripping and running up and down the hallway.

The next morning you awake to find your roommate passed out on the floor, spilled liquor on your laptop and a half-naked stranger in the bed next to you. This is all on top of a piercing headache and the slowly rising vomit in the back of your throat. Oddly enough, you are still pleased with how the night turned out.

I just have one question: Why? Why do we make our bodies suffer to have a good time? Why do we result to the bottle to have fun? Why are we so fond of not remembering and losing control of ourselves?

There are a plethora of other social events and activities that are much safer and not as dangerous, which provide the same amount of enjoyment. Yet, college students and our parents alike choose to get drunk.

Straight to the point, drinking has been around forever and it makes people feel cool. Alcohol has been consumed for liter-

ally thousands of years, and it is not going anywhere. People have become accustomed to the idea that it is socially acceptable to get belligerent and act like a fool. Also, drinking has been depicted by the advertisement industry as a keen substance. The popular and "in" crowd are always sipping on some sort of alcoholic beverage.

I am no exception to this norm: I, too, partake in weekend festivities just as much as any other person. Drinking is a major part of our lives. Because of its long standing tradition and the stigma that comes with it, drinking is a permanent part of society.

The extreme prevalence of alcohol requires you to have self-control. It is completely fine to feel good and to have a few drinks. It is not OK, or healthy, to projectile vomit every time you drink. There is a difference between having fun and being a raging idiot. Essentially, don't take your drinking advice from Snooki; moderation is key.

There is no escaping the presence of alcohol and liquor. You can resist, but the temptation to join the majority will always be there. Good luck.

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My Turn:
Matt Chadwell

The funny thing about inspiration is that many times, it comes when you least expect it. For some, it may come in the form of a song, a book or encouraging words from a parent or close friend. Inspiration is part of what motivates us to chase our goals, to keep dreaming or just to go to class sometimes. Regardless of its origin, the words you say could potentially change a life forever, and you may never realize it.

Inspiration, unexpectedly, came in the form of a professor of mine on the fourth floor of the Wallace building several semesters ago. This professor was one of my

Spanish professors speaking candidly about life. He said, “La vida es una oportunidad, no una obligación,” or “Life is an opportunity, not an obligation.” After hearing these simple yet profound words, I began to look at things differently. There are so many things in life we view as obligations that are actually opportunities: going to work, going to class, going to the gym, etc.

However, the more thought I gave it, I realized how right he really was in his statement. Going to work is an opportunity. Employment gives you the opportunity to make money, to build relationships, to expand your horizons, to be a productive member of society and so much more. Sure, we would all like to be millionaires and never have to work, but what’s the fun in that?

Attending class is an opportunity. We are so fortunate to be able to obtain a college education, and yet, we often take it for granted. There are so many around us who

are less privileged, who would greatly appreciate the chance to further their education. Of course it is a financial sacrifice, and some believe a little too much of one, but if you think education is expensive, try ignorance. Education is one of the few things we are willing to pay for, and we often choose not to receive it. How many times are you ecstatic when you hear your class is canceled? Obviously, we all enjoy not having a class once or twice, but skipping altogether is looking at it the wrong way. This attitude views class as an obligation, rather than what it really is: an opportunity.

We have the opportunity, even privilege, to take the time to study and learn, while a large portion of the world doesn’t have that possibility. So the next time you are lying in bed, thinking about how you want extra sleep rather than going to class, realize class is an opportunity. Frankly, that extra bit of sleep is insignificant in the grand scheme of things.

Research before taking sides in coal the debate



Our Turn



Seth Littrell



Kristie Hamon

Coal mining is arguably the most important political issue in eastern Kentucky. The industry touches on a number of national concerns, including the economy, worker’s rights and the environment. This is a big issue, but unfortunately it is also one very few people seem to be educated on.

Now, let us preface this by saying we are two of the many out there who are ignorant on the issue. We both come from parts of Kentucky where coal

is not an immediate issue, so growing up we never saw the importance in researching it.

But now, when we look for information regarding coal mining, we are met with two distinctly different yet oddly similar camps.

The anti-mining folks love to tell stories about what prisons mining towns are. The miners get up and go to work every day for a meager sum of money, all of which is then given back to the coal company because they own the only stores in town. To make matters worse, no coal company on earth follows safety or environmental regulations, so when miners aren’t busy getting killed in caves, they are slowly poisoning themselves by drinking polluted water.

The pro-mining people have a sob story of their own to counter this. They point out that so many of the towns in Eastern Kentucky are only around today because the awesome coal mines kept them alive. In an otherwise inhospitable land, mines stand tall as the savior of local communities and customs. If you were to take the company out of the picture, the town would die, and its citizens would be forced to either move away or stay and slowly starve to death.

So these are our choices? We can either support a feudal system that’s murdering those involved in it or let society in Eastern Kentucky die? It’s times like these we miss being up north. But even worse is that neither one of these sales pitch-

es really addresses the issue of coal mining. One paints a horrifying worst-case scenario of living in a mining town, while the other spins a virtuous best-case scenario of the same thing.

These camps seem, to us, to be less committed to finding the truth and more committed to simply winning the argument for their side. They pull to their respective sides by their heart strings, often lacking both research and firsthand testimony.

Our advice is this: find the facts before taking a side. Don’t be lured in by the emotional draws of either argument, but instead do research yourself. It will be more work, but you’re work will help forward the cause of finding the truth on this huge issue.

>Letters to the editor

Christians motivated by love of god, not desire for bliss

William Sutton’s November 3rd letter to the editor raises some interesting issues, but it shows a significant lack of familiarity with what has happened in the philosophy of religion over the past 40 years. There has been an explosion of top-notch work done by theists and atheists, much of it focusing on the problem of evil.

It is true that part of the Christian answer for why there is evil and suffering is that we are fallen or sinful. However, this is not the whole story. God didn’t create us this way, rather, he created us with freedom of the will, which we have chosen to use properly and sometimes improperly.

Logically, it is impossible to create a person with genuine freedom of the will and ensure that such a person will never choose wrongly. God is omnipotent, but this doesn’t entail he is able to do that which is logically impossible. And I would argue he

grants us freedom, so we can choose to authentically love him and others, or not.

Freedom of the will and human sin are not the sole answers given by theists in response to the problem of evil, however. Suffering is required for some kinds of moral development, which might be a reason for God allowing it to exist, for now. For example, how can one develop courage unless there is adversity to face? How can one develop compassion apart from the existence of lack or suffering? There are numerous other replies to the problem of evil worth checking into for those on either side of the God question who are interested in exploring the issue in more depth, available through the EKU Libraries.

Near the end of his letter, Sutton commits two informal logical fallacies: “The fallacy of hasty generalization and the fallacy of attacking the motive” when he asserts

that what “really motivates Christian believers is the desire for eternal bliss.” This is true for some; I have no doubt. But is it true for all? Or is it the sole motivation? I’m not sure how he could know. Moreover, even if many believers are motivated in this way, that has no bearing on the truth of Christianity. People have all different sorts of motives for their beliefs, but the motive for having a belief and the evidence for and truth of that belief are separate issues.

For myself, and many of my fellow believers, what motivates us to seek to follow Christ is the love of God, and the desire to love him and others in response, grounded in the belief that he does in fact exist.

Mike Austin
Associate Professor of Philosophy

Homosexuality not a trend, but a growing part of society

When I first read Covie Schmidt’s article, I wasn’t sure of my feelings. Now the only clear feeling I have towards this bigoted attempt at social commentary is rage.

Allow me to elaborate on several key fallacies and gross misrepresentations. My disgust came when the reference to homosexuality being a “trend” arose. Was it the writer’s opinion that being a flaming fairy is a recent societal innovation, on par with 72-day celebrity marriages? If that is the case, let me broaden your horizons – ever heard of Gertrude Stein, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Samuel Barber, Leonard Bernstein, Alexander the Great, Walt Whitman or Sappho?

If the writer was referring to the progress made by our dear alphabet soup community, LGBTQA, etc., in promoting anti-homophobic media, well my dear, the times they are a changin’. Society seems to be realizing that a happy, healthy family doesn’t always resemble the Cleavers. My partner and I are both successful in our respective fields of work. We live in a suburban home; we shop at Meijer; we are

southern Democrats; we believe in God; we run a family foundation to give scholarships to teens in eastern Kentucky who want to go into allied health; we pay taxes (more than the average Kentuckians annual income), and we hope to adopt children one day. Please don’t tell me that I don’t deserve a voice, or we should hide because we make you uncomfortable. For every sane, happy, successful LGBT representation you are “bombarded with,” we are bombarded with a dozen insane, unhappy and unsuccessful representations of straight people. I’d venture to say that “Top Chef” Cat Cora or writer Dan Savage have their lives “more together” than Lindsay Lohan or Brett Favre. I’m just sayin’.

But, if you’re so curious about this, why not take a class on sexual health and learn something? If you think anal sex is the only thing that separates the “breeders” – yes, we have names for y’all, too – from the rest of us, I’d be curious to hear your opinions of various aspects of lesbian relationships. Interestingly, the Schmidt article only equated men who have sex with

men, the new term used in the medical community – we can’t leave out the closet cases, with homosexuality. Would that suggest the author doesn’t mind being “bombarded” with promotions of lesbianism? What about our dear transsexual friends? May I remind y’all that Kentucky was a pioneer in striking laws that criminalized sodomy? Kentucky v. Wasson (1992) is a terribly boring read, but it did start a movement that changed America – now we can legally do what our straight neighbors have always done.

What I still can’t figure out from this diatribe is what exactly anal intercourse has to do with the federal deficit? Pardon the phrase, but you seem to have pulled that one out of your ass. But I’m very glad our collective centuries of struggle for civil rights have given you the freedom to appreciate and explore your own lawful sexuality. Don’t forget the condom.

Randy Toler

CAMPUS COMMENTS

“Thanksgiving”

All Campus Comments are anonymous.

- Mashed potatoes, Indians and the Mayflower.
- Food, food and more food.
- I’m a fat kid and I love to eat.
- It’s a great time for families to get together for one meal a year.
- I think about reenacting the pilgrim voyage to America.
- Turkey, stuffing...and my sister.
- Lots of food.
- Food and putting up the Christmas tree.
- Family, turkey and lots of food.
- Pilgrims and Indians, of course.
- Nothing but food.
- I’m that much closer to Christmas Break.
- Plucking feathers from dead turkeys.
- I have a big family, so it’s one of the few times when we get together.
- I don’t really think about it too much.
- The Black Friday Sale the day after Thanksgiving.
- Food.
- Stuffing my face and shopping the day after.
- Having all of the family together... with a turkey.
- Family, food and get-togethers.
- Happiness in knowing you have someone.
- I’m actually going to watch *Harry Potter* the entire weekend.
- I’ll probably be job searching for after graduation.
- The Indians and pilgrims coming together.
- Shooting guns, like hunting deer and turkeys.
- Camping out on Black Friday...I don’t know how to put into words how excited I am.
- Massive amounts of food.
- Food and Christmas movies.
- Putting up the Christmas tree after I stuff my face.
- Football!
- Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parade, of course.
- Seafood like lobster, shrimp and scallops because I’m tired of turkey and think that’s what Thanksgiving should be.

Compiled by Kyle Woosley

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Student says university should promote safe sex practices, distribute condoms

It seems that Todd Hartch doesn’t understand the situation regarding the cessation of resources providing free condoms to Eastern’s students and has quite foolishly misjudged human nature on several counts. Hartch has committed a logical fallacy in his interpretation of the statement “college students are going to have sex.” By interpreting this as some sort of damning statement that implies every single student on campus is a sex-crazed Quagmire, occupied with nothing more than sweat soaked flesh and ever weakening bed frames. The obvious answer to which is, of course, abstinence- the “morally right” choice.

This is nothing short of alarmism. The statement of the previous editorial said “college students,” not “all college students.” These two interpretations are hugely different and reside at the very core of the issue at hand. The latter is an utterly false assumption

that does nothing more than demonize the speaker’s opponents and polarizes the audience against them. The former is closer to the truth of the matter in that, yes, some college students are indeed going to have sex; precisely because we are, as Hartch himself stated, “moral free agents” who are capable of making decisions based on their own rationality, experience and understanding.

Hartch’s idea of abstinence as the best protection against unwanted pregnancy and disease is not a bad idea, but positing it as the only alternative is incredibly stupid and shortsighted. It reveals how little he actually understands about human nature. I’m all for abstinence, because it is the only 100 percent effective method. The fact of the matter, though, is it only works if one is willing to be abstinent. I enjoy sex to a great degree, but I’m certainly no slave to my testes. Sex can be fun, relaxing and a great way to connect

with another person; there can even be closeness without it necessarily being “romantic” or part of a relationship. And for some that appeals more than “saving themselves for marriage,” especially considering with near absolute certainty, one’s first sexual encounter will be quite awkward.

Besides those who see sex as a form of interaction or self-expression, there are instances where a poor decision gets made. It’s especially easy in today’s hyper-sexualized society, blossoming teens are constantly bombarded with propaganda bordering on dogma that sexy is what you’re supposed to be, and if you aren’t, you’ll be nothing short of ostracized. That, however, is a topic that can fill its own page. Now it stands to reason if one is planning on having sex, one should be prepared for the situation, but as we have already established, “good” decisions are not always made. We

are, after all, only human. But it seems that rather than taking every step available to help our young college students protect themselves- providing condoms, actually discussing safe sex, offering health services and counseling- Hartch seems content to sit high upon his pedestal looking down upon us animalistic savages and judge us for making the “wrong” decision when his is obviously the right one to be made. Human beings do possess great dignity, Hartch. How about you stop cheapening it by not depicting us as prisoners of our sexual desires, and instead, work to help foster good decision making that relies on more than an unrealistic expectation that is met by only a few.

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EKU Theatre's *Next Fall* tells moving, modern love story

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Every school year EKU Theatre puts on several student-run plays, tackling a wide variety of different genres and time periods, from Shakespeare to more modern works. Luckily, students won't have to wait until next fall for the department's latest production, *Next Fall*, which premiered Wednesday, Nov. 16.

Written by Geoffrey Nauffts, *Next Fall* is a Tony-nominated play that originally opened off-Broadway in 2009. The play revolves around Adam (Christopher Mueller) and Luke (Trenton Ackerman), two gay men separated by both age and religious differences. Adam is in his 40s and an atheist, while Luke is a significantly younger Christian. Despite this, the two form an inseparable bond. The play traces the ups and downs of their committed relationship of more than five years

through a series of flashbacks.

The play begins with a terrible car accident that puts an unconscious and severely injured Luke in the hospital. Adam is then forced to find some sort of comfort in Luke's friends, Holly (Charis Mings) and Brandon (Micah Daniel Bennett), and his divorced parents Arlene (Amanda West) and Butch (Trey Savilla), while reflecting back on his time with Luke. There is an unspoken tension in the room, however, because neither parent knows that their son is gay.

Addressing such touchy topics as homosexuality and religion is certainly a risky endeavor for a school play, but director James Moreton sees the focus as something much simpler and more universal.

"Basically what the play's about, regardless of where you are in life, do the right thing while you can," Moreton said. "This is the only

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Featuring Christopher Mueller as Adam, Trenton Ackerman as Luke and Trey Savilla as Butch (pictured left to right), *Next Fall* is set to run Thursday through Sunday.

The BUZZ on BEES

LOCAL APICULTURIST WORKS TO PROMOTE BEEKEEPING IN EASTERN KENTUCKY

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Teacher. Writer. Beekeeper? As unlikely as it may seem, Tammy Horn wears all of these hats and more, bringing to eastern Kentucky a buzzing passion and enthusiasm for a lost art in our modern world: apiculture, or beekeeping to the uninitiated.

Horn, apiculturist and director of Coal County Beeworks, a project of the Eastern Kentucky Environmental Research Institute, recently published her second book, *Beeconomy: What Women and Bees Can Teach Us about Local Trade and the Global Market*. Her first, *Bees in America: How the Honey Bee Shaped A Nation*, was published in 2005 and dealt specifically with the history of beekeeping in America. As the title suggests, her new book widens its focus to the relationship between women and bees around the world, their history and why beekeeping is a worthwhile pursuit for women in today's society.

"This one is global, really looking at the women who've been forgotten in the past, as well as contemporary women who are making some amazing headway in terms of research and commercial development," Horn said. "And then for the future... reforestation around the world and the ways that a pollinator habitat can maybe help address the global challenges we are having."

Horn noted the potential benefits beekeeping could provide to women.

"I start with the basic premise that women live longer than men, on average women make 30 percent less than men, and women have more direct contact with the very young population and the very old population," Horn said. "So in my mind, that positions women to benefit from the products of the hive, especially honey."

Horn herself has managed to make beekeeping a full-blown career, but it was not always this way.

Horn's interests originally gravitated toward education.

"I am an English professor, that is my training," Horn said. "I had become a beekeeper in 1997, and I guess for me it's always been important to be open-minded about the world and its opportunities. And so even in 1997 when I finished my doctorate degree, it was apparent that it would be very difficult for me to have a linear career."

Horn credits her family background with preparing her for a non-traditional lifestyle.

"I come from Depression-era people, and I come from a family of teachers too who all had very alinear careers," Horn said. "I think a lot of people don't really invest in thoughts of having another career that is equally attractive to their first career choice. And that to me makes people bitter, you know, because they get into a career and they find out it's something they don't want to be and they feel trapped."

And though she may have never felt trapped in her teaching career, she certainly saw opportunities to do more with her life.

"I started working with surface mine companies to see what the environmental impact statements were, and I thought that these documents were on file, but there wasn't one single document, and that's how it started," Horn said. "And it was a hell of a lot more fun than grading composition papers to ungrateful, surly students who resent everything about this major that they choose. And I figured there was nothing about my first profession that was going to change anytime soon. My English profession, as I see it, is going nowhere at all. 'Those nouns and verbs are going to be the same if I took a year or two off' was my thinking."

Despite many people's low regard for the field and subject, Horn sees the plight of the bees as a

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Whose Line comedians head to EKU this month

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The EKU Center for the Arts is proud to present Colin Mochrie and Brad Sherwood in *An Evening with Colin and Brad: Two Men. No Script*. In this show, Mochrie and Sherwood stick with their *Whose Line Is It Anyway?* roots and have a completely impromptu performance.

According to their website, "The entire show is driven by audience participation. Audience mem-

bers yell our suggestions and Colin and Brad do the rest. Also, throughout the show audience members are brought up on stage to add an extra element of the unexpected."

The EKU Center for the Arts website states, "Using their quick wit, Colin and Brad take contributions from the audience to create hilarious and original scenes—just like a live ver-

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Mannheim Steamroller brings the joy to Eastern in winter concert

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Since 1984, they have traveled more than 27 million miles, hung more than 2.6 million square feet of video screen and booked more than 41,000 hotel rooms in eight different time zones for its annual Christmas tour. They are Mannheim Steamroller, and they have changed the way we have interpreted Christmas music and the way it is performed.

Just last Friday, the EKU Center for the Arts had a sold out show for the popular musical styling's of none other than Mannheim Steamroller.

"The two words I love to hear is sold out," Deborah Hoskins, executive director of the EKU performing arts center, said. "We love bringing in first class acts. This show was 100 percent successful!"

Manheim Steamroller has been known for its creative use of synthesizers along with its mixture of traditional orchestral instruments. When they all come together, the result is unlike anything you would expect to hear as traditional Christmas music. This particular style of music was a game changer for Chip Davis, founder of Manheim Steamroller.

The show itself was something to marvel. While the band performed on stage, occasional light effects were displayed amongst the audience at the most perfect times. Not only was the light show impressive, but behind the band stretched out a large screen that displayed videos. The band played along to synch up with the action portrayed on the screen, with the majority of the videos being somewhat Christmas related, of course.

From his base of operations in Omaha, Nebraska, Davis has sold more than 40 million records, 27 million in the Christmas genre, making the group one of the top 50 biggest selling musical artists of all time and the biggest selling Christmas artist of all time. He's produced hundreds of sold-out Mannheim Steamroller concerts around the



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Mannheim Steamroller has sold over 27 million Christmas records, making them the highest selling act in the genre.

world, and his American Gramophone record label stands as one of the most successful independent music franchises in history, according to Mannheim Steamrollers website.

"Word-of-mouth enthusiasm" combined with a deliberate series of creative marketing techniques is part of the success of both Mannheim Steamrollers and American Gramophone. Davis' vast fan base allows him to consistently hit the platinum sales level, according to the website.

With the holiday season right around the corner, soon

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Double review: Drake and Childish Gambino's newest

DRAKE'S TAKE CARE IS A SOLID SOPHOMORE EFFORT FROM EMOTIONAL, VULNERABLE RAPPER

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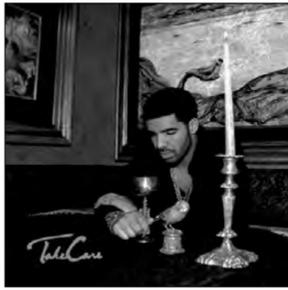
Drake, the Canadian rapper who sweeps the radio stations with his singles and tracks he's featured on, is out with his sophomore installment *Take Care*.

You already know all about Drake, though, so let's just get straight to the review. His album cover is cool and fresh. There is nothing out there right now that compares.

Now, on to the music. Drake has really established what lane he wants to ride in with this album. He established he's not going to be very lyrical; his rhyme scheme is going to be pretty straight forward 90 percent of the time; he's going to sing; he's going to be emotional and just plain soft at times; and he's not going to really bring much as just a rapper to hip-hop fans. I think he's accepted this and is OK with it.

Why do I think he's OK with it? One: he is one of the wealthiest rappers in the business. Two: he likes appealing to women with the tracks that some men may deem as soft or weak. And three: the man knows how to put together an incredible album.

The thing about Drake is he paints these pictures of himself as this tough-as-nails, care-less, gangster-like rapper that he quite frankly doesn't really



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fit. People don't realize, however, he paints those pictures like Van Gogh, and maybe it's because he really studies the people he hopes to portray.

Either way, you have to give the guy credit for being able to present his ego and his exaggerations in an enjoyable, musical way. Is it sort of fiction? Yes, but everything good in art isn't necessarily based on fact.

Drake has studied what just sounds good with what instrumentals. Other rappers could learn from him in this aspect. The production is amazing, and that is one thing to expect from Drake. It has a lot of experimental sound. It doesn't necessarily sound like something you would hear on the radio, which usually is a good thing. Drake just has a great production team, and though he lyrically doesn't really do it any justice, he becomes a part of the instrumental. It's really quite fascinating.

Drake may be classified as weak or too emotional, but what people fail to realize is that he's doing what a lot of rappers are afraid to do- to show that he's vulnerable.

It reminds me of J. Cole in a way, actually. Not lyrically, but the fact Drake from time to time reminds us he was a "normal" guy and didn't always have a bunch of money. He probably still has a family that loves him, has problems with women and still has emotions and thoughts that everyday people possess. I think, subconsciously, that is why people like him so much.

Check out the vulnerable, not very lyrical Drake on *Take Care*. For Drake fans, this will be a must have. This guy can put together a great album despite not being able to rap as well as his peers; good music is good music.

It shows Drake's going to be here for a while. Will he evolve like we hope? He hints that it will.

"My sophomore I was all for it, they all saw it....my junior and senior will only get meaner...Take Care..."

Verdict: B

CHILDISH GAMBINO IMPRESSES WITH EXCITING WORDPLAY AND UNIQUE STYLE ON RETAIL DEBUT ALBUM, CAMP

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Donald Glover, writer, comedian, actor and, most importantly, a rapper, has made with his first album *Camp*.

Now fans can finally hold a copy of Childish Gambino's work, if desired. It's a good day, world. With just 13 tracks, one might think he may not have a lot of time to establish himself as an artist; fortunately, it was just right. The first song, "Outside," allows you to recognize he has something to say right off the bat.

What exactly is that? Well, Gambino doesn't really look through the same window as some of these other hip-hop artist with lyrics like "Workin' two jobs so I can get into that white school...And I hate it there, they all make fun of my clothes and wanna touch my hair." On *Camp*, Gambino expresses his parents didn't have very much money, people don't think he acts "black enough," he doesn't rap "hard enough" and white kids think they're not racist because "The Wire" is in their Netflix queue. Gambino, thankfully, is a break-away from the traditional "hard" rapper that just so happens to have a massive love for Asian women and fashion.

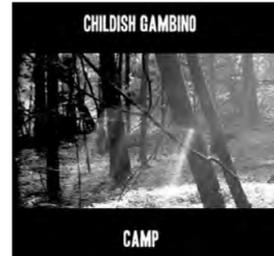
As far as lyrics go, you should probably pull up the hip-hop lyric website *Rap-*

Genius to be able to follow all the references and witty lines because Gambino is full of them. The wordplay is exciting; the energy is exciting; he is honest, and the people love every bit of it. I mean this guy can twist- rap fast-, punch-line rap, sing the hell out of any chorus, and whatever else can come to mind.

Gambino really has reached a new level of lyrical ability with this piece, and in doing so, he's actually created more of his own style. Some of the choruses seem a little forced and come off a little lame at times, though. Like "All you haters...see you later" on *That Power*. This, quite frankly, does not do Gambino justice on showcasing his creativity. You'll get the impression he wanted to make this album very official by giving basically every song a chorus; it sort of backfires. But does that take away from the album? Well, not really. It's just something we wish was different. Gambino is what NPR music called the "Prince" of hip-hop where legends Kanye West and Jay-Z are the kings. Gambino literally says

whatever he wants, shows his appreciation for artwork and maintains a level of depth some artists who've been in the game for years still have yet to showcase. Gambino put together an incredible album with *Camp*. So far, I can relate to this one more than any other album of 2011. Hopefully, you can too.

Verdict: B



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Uncharted 3 disappoints writer

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Words cannot describe the sheer magnitude of disappointment that I have for this game.

When playing this game, you start out as Nathan Drake in a regular setting, which is a huge change to the first two games. It was at this time I got a funny feeling that tells me if something will be great or awful. Fans of the series—not unlike myself—will always compare this experience to *Uncharted 2* and even the first game, which were both fantastic.

Don't get me wrong; this was definitely a good game and it serves its purpose, but it serves it almost too well. Most of the characters other than Nathan and Sully seem completely uninterested in their surroundings at all, and in a game where cinematic exchanges are a major part of the experience, this one falls flat. There was no sense of severity in character actions, and the convenience of plot points gets extremely out of hand.

One performance in particular is Emily Rose, who portrays my favorite character, Elena Fisher. Rose's performance falls flat as a piece of paper. The character itself is barely in the game at all, and when she is she acts as if she just had a small lobotomy.

As I said, a lot of the plot points are either too convenient or completely pointless. I will give the

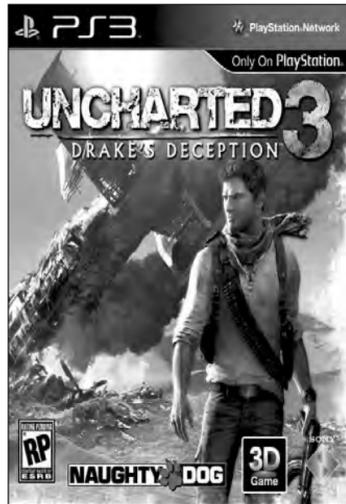
game credit for having some of the best level designs in the series, especially one featuring ships. But the shooting mechanic seems somewhat worse than the last game and not as exciting. And with the other two games, there was a huge game-changing pay-off that forced players to suspend their disbelief; however, that moment never comes in the new *Uncharted*. Everything that might seem "supernatural" is played off in a disappointing explanation.

I must say, though, that this game had the greatest moments of suspense in terms of platform run, jump and shoot sequences that I will remember for as long as I'm sane. If there is one thing Naughty Dog (the company that made this game) is good at, it's their art direction and implementation of levels through creative design. If you are looking to play these games just for how they look and play, then look no further.

The gripes I have with the story and actor portrayal are centered on the fact that it is completely generic to the point of extreme letdown. I would've liked to see more exposition on Drake's life, and how he met up with characters other series staples such as Sully, Chloe Frasier or Elena.

By no means is *Uncharted* totally bad; it is definitely worth a look. But rating the game on its experience as a whole, I have to give it a thumbs down.

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Albert Brooks' 2030 is a futuristic, sci-fi masterpiece

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Most prophetic science fiction novels are set in a purely fictional world. The places are made up, the scenarios aren't realistic and the message is conveyed through satire and exaggerations of the world in which we live.

2030 by Albert Brooks takes a much more direct approach at this predictive style of story-telling. The novel is set in the not-so-distant future right here in the United States of America, which operates under the same political structure we do today. Although there are Orwellian undertones throughout the novel, *2030* is a much more realistic guess at what the year 2030 will hold.

In the book, the newly elected President Bernstein, the first Jewish President, has taken the highest office in the land with an abundance of problems he is expected to solve. Recent technological advancements in the medical field have led to great hikes in life expectancy, and a culture war between the younger generation and the "olds" has been ignited. Not only has cancer been cured once and for all, miracle drugs have been created to make people look, act and feel younger. This is becoming more and more apparent with the amount of drugs and surgeries emerging that attempt to provide a fountain of youth for aging Americans. Segregation has shifted from racism to ageism as the younger generations struggle to pay the debts inherited by their oddly youthful predecessors.

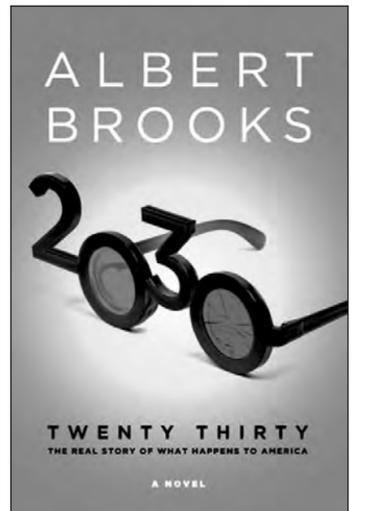
Along with these discrepancies, President Bernstein is also responsible for handling one of the worst natural disasters to ever hit California, leading to protests nationwide, an adultery scandal, a hostage situation and countless other conflicts most presidents have to deal with at some point in time. The way Brooks describes these issues from countless viewpoints forces the reader to feel empathy for everyone involved, despite having every reason to hate them.

The plot line in *2030* is very in-depth, but don't let that discourage you from giving it a chance. The most interesting part of the narrative is the constant shift of perspective.

Told objectively from a 3rd person perspective, Brooks does an excellent job of weaving the story into one coherent whole, suitably ending each character's story concurrently toward the end of the novel. It allows the reader to see how the actions of each character effects all of the others. The tale is so thoroughly intertwined that at a certain point individuals will briefly run into one another and only the reader understands the significance of their conversation.

Brooks is also known for his humor, and *2030* has no shortage of laughs. From beginning to end you'll be pausing to chuckle as the people around you scratch their heads in confusion. Considering it's his first full-length novel, Brooks does an excellent job at tying this intricate story together. Each character is introduced separately, but their impact and influence on all the other characters become obvious as the story progresses.

Although the story may not be entirely accurate- it will be much longer before a Jewish president is elected- it is a very interesting, exciting and hilarious read. *2030* provides a critical take on the issues our modern society places importance upon and how these trends could escalate in the future. It points out the absurd, builds empathy for opposing viewpoints and provides an interesting narrative that is both poignant and entertaining.



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problem worth discussing.

"Most people have very negative perceptions about honey bees, and I had to be very convincing about what is a national tragedy in my mind, the greatest national agricultural tragedy since the Great Depression," Horn said. "We lose one in every three beehives every single year and that will have long-term consequences."

These consequences, Horn said, are the primary reason more people should care about apiculture.

"When we don't have pollinators, the availability and prices of food are affected dramatically," Horn said. "Take for instance something like almonds. Almonds can't be pollinated by anything other than honeybees. Their trees have evolved along with honeybees so that is its only pollinator. And when we don't have bees to do that almond bloom, then the price of almonds goes through the roof. So anytime you don't have fresh fruits and vegetables and nuts available, and available at reasonable prices, your diet is being affected."

How she hopes to improve the state of bees in our country and world is where Coal Country Beeworks comes into play. According to her website, the initiative collaborates with coal companies to reclaim surface mine sites with pollinator forage and habitats.

"The essential mission of Coal Country Beeworks is that economic diversity depends upon landscape diversity," Horn said. "I think what happens a lot of times with economic programs is that you try to put the horse before the cart, and you can't in my opinion."

Thankfully, Horn has a developed plan already prepared.

"I argue that if they have bees on their surface mine sites, then the trees and the under canopy that they plant will have a higher seed-set rate and thus a higher success rate and coal companies get their bond money back more quickly, because coal companies have to pay bond money up front," Horn said. "And so even if it's just 30 days earlier than they would've without honeybees, they've more than paid for my services as a beekeeper. And the long-term goals of the reforestation project have been fulfilled. We want that diversity of forestry."

The widespread deforestation occurring around the world is a huge challenge we must now face, Horn said.

"In Kentucky, and I'm quoting the University of Kentucky right now, we lose 34 acres of forestland every day," Horn said.

"How that gets reclaimed and how that gets replaced is of concern. There is a beautiful quote by Theodore Roosevelt, 'Forests are the lungs of our nation.' But they're also the kitchens for a lot of pollinators. There are lots of pollinators that we don't really consider when we go in and start to hack down a couple acres here and a couple acres there. We're affecting pollinator habitats. And it's fairly easy for the average person to plant things back that would help."

If interested in getting involved with apiculture, Horn offered a few suggestions:

"I don't have the conventional, linear way into beekeeping that other people can have, so what I suggest is that people go to a bee school, where they can hear a variety of different speakers and see the equipment and talk to different people," Horn said. "There is a state apiarist website. Get a subscription to a bee journal and then hook up with the local bee association so that you have a community of people that you can talk to. And be prepared that if you ask three beekeepers one question, you'll get 10 different answers. You'll be a beginner for 20 years, that's the thing."

Two people Horn feels are getting it right and aren't getting enough attention are James Street, acting executive vice president of capital planning/facilities management, and David Williams, associate director of facilities services administration.

"I'd like to highlight what James Street and David Williams have done with the Ravine," Horn said. "James Street, they call him, quote unquote, the Dean of Green. He does ECU's landscape management. David Williams is the boots on the ground guy. He gets it done. He is the landscape architect and design guy. They have planted some of the most beautiful pollinator trees. James Street committed \$20,000 to do pollinator habitats around ECU, and David is doing it, very quietly. And in his phrase, it is not a burden to do this. These are beautiful flowers, sunflowers, purple cone flowers, all of these things that are just gorgeous."

Looking toward the future, Horn is currently working on her next book, *Apiforestation: The Future of Beekeeping*.

"My third book will be all about bees and trees, and the way that I see it," Horn said. "It's a trilogy, looking at the past, present, and future."

Whether writing about bees or working with them hands-on, Horn remains one of our country's most active champions of the honeybee.

For more information about Horn and her various projects, check out her website at tammyhorn.com.

Animaniacs is classic cartoon of yesteryear

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Cartoons are not what they used to be. Turn to Cartoon Network or Nickelodeon any time of the day, and you'll find dumb-down cartoons that are bland and childish. What happened to the cartoons that weren't aimed at just children, but their parents as well? Here is an ode to

one of those great cartoons: *Animaniacs*.

Animaniacs was an animated series created by Tom Ruegger, distributed by Warner Bros. Television and produced by Amblin Entertainment and Warner Bros. Animation. Steven Spielberg served as executive producer of the show, which ran from 1993 to 1998.

The voice talent of *Animaniacs* included Rob Paulsen, Jess Harnell and Tress MacNeille as Yakko, Wakko and Dot Warner, respectively. Other voice talent consisted of Maurice LaMarche as Brain and Nancy Cartwright as Mindy. Highly acclaimed Broadway singer Bernadette Peters serves as the singing and speaking voice of Rita the Cat.

Animaniacs featured a wide variety of characters. In most cartoons, a large cast of characters leads to the quantity-over-quality effect, where you have many characters, but none of them seem to stand out from the rest. *Animaniacs* took the route of quantity with quality, each character being unforgettable.

Animaniacs appealed to both children and adults through its use of slapstick humor, pop culture references and good ole-fashion *Looney Tunes*-style wackiness.

The slapstick humor and wackiness of *Animaniacs* went hand-in-hand, with characters often pulling out massive sledgehammers seemingly from nowhere and whacking other characters until those characters see stars. Characters often broke the fourth wall, acknowledging the existence of the audience.

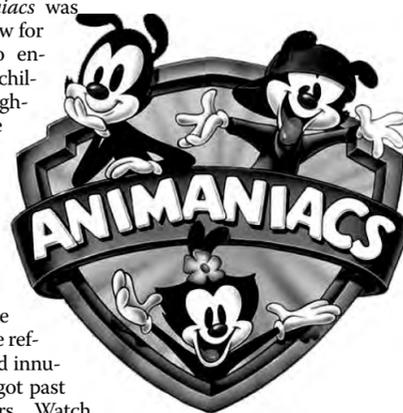
Animaniacs also made use of '90s pop culture. The line "Bill Clinton plays the sax" is in the theme song.

Animaniacs made use of some surprisingly mature references and innuendo, too. In one episode, a teacher asked Yakko, "Can you conjugate?" Yakko responded, "Oh me? I've never even kissed a girl!"

Another great line comes when Wakko ate a paperweight. The owner of said paperweight demanded, "Give me back my paperweight!" to which Wakko said, "Okay, but you'll have to wait a while," with a bashful grin.

One final, highly memorable line came when the Warners hid a turkey from a pilgrim. The pilgrim demanded, "Give me the bird!" In the now-typical *Animaniacs* fashion, Yakko responded, "We'd love to, but the Fox censors won't allow it," breaking the fourth wall by acknowledging the owning company and referencing the middle finger, something mature audiences could laugh about.

Animaniacs was a great show for all ages to enjoy, from children laughing at the slapstick humor to the parents and adults who could appreciate the pop culture references and innuendo that got past the censors. Watch re-runs of this show.



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life we got. It's the whole idea of living life while you can and being a good person and helping each other while you can, because your chance could be gone tomorrow."

Moreton said he thinks students should check out the production to experience its in-depth reflections on life, death and mortality.

"It is something we need to be aware of because we all think we're going to last forever," Moreton said. "When you are younger, you kind of think, 'I'll beat the rap.' You can talk about dying intellectually, but when it honestly knocks on your door, it's different."

And though the play is centered on a gay couple's relationship, Moreton said he believes its broader social messages are handled with subtlety and class.

"It's about a gay relationship, but had this play been written 50 years ago, it would've been about an interracial relationship, and had it been written 20 years before that, it would've been an interfaith relationship," Moreton said. "It has a social agenda about it, which makes people a little more aware that gay people are people. They just happen to like the same sex sexually; that's only the difference. Some of them are ministers, some of them are actors, some of them are football players, and that's just the way it is. So there's a social agenda about it, but I don't think it's real heavy handed."

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ATTIG

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missioner's Honor Roll pick three times and a two-time OVC Medal of Honor recipient. "Not surprised at all," Director of Athletics Mark Sandy said about Attig winning the award. "He's an outstanding student and a great leader on the football team and obviously a good football player."

It's players like Attig that make Eastern what it is.

In a recent NCAA report, Eastern has graduated 82 percent of its student athletes who entered college in 2001-2004 on scholarship. Eastern's graduation success rate is the highest in the conference and among all Division I institutions in the state of Kentucky.

Sandy gives credit to two things that helped Eastern succeed.

"It's the type of student-athletes our coaches recruit. They try to recruit students who could be successful at EKU," Sandy said. "And we have very outstanding people in the Bratzke Center, our academic support area. They do a great job working with our student-athletes when they get behind or they need a tutor and encouraging them."

Attig is a prime example of the successful Eastern student-athlete.

Attig considers time management important. He said setting up a routine where you can set aside time for studying or working on projects is crucial. He stressed how important it is to watch your time carefully.

"You really try and focus on the game and the weekend, but you also got to focus on the test you might have coming up," Attig said. "It gets pretty nerve-racking if you've got a test on Friday and a game on Saturday. With them so close together, you've got to have your priorities straight."

For some people, balancing sports,

school and personal relationships would be difficult. Attig says his drive in school, football and the community helps him strive to succeed in his relationships. He enjoys spending time with his teammates off the field and has a girlfriend of four years.

When dealing with studying, Attig has found numerous ways to stay on top of his work. If he knows he has an away game that weekend, he finishes all of his homework and studying so he can stay focused on the game during the bus drive.

When working on group projects, he meets with his group early in the week so games don't interfere. He studies with classmates and goes to them if he's ever having difficulties. The professors in the communication department were also a big help to him.

He sees athletics as a good way to get an employer's attention.

"Athletics brings a lot to the table," he said. "Right now, with me applying for jobs,

when being interviewed by people, I tell them I was part of an athletic team and their eyes always light up. They see you're a part of a team, that you were always striving for a goal constantly. Employers like to see that you were a part of a team atmosphere."

Even with his schedule packed with school, sports and relationships, Attig still finds time to go out and serve his community. Over the course of his college career he has worked for Habitat for Humanity and the OVC's canned food drive. Over the summer, Attig and several other football team players went to Winchester and helped put siding on a house. He said the football coaches do a good job informing the team of different community service opportunities.

"I just did enough to get by in high school," Attig said. "When I first got here I wasn't that great so I was a little worried that, maybe, it's not all about football, it's also about school."

STOVALL

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what she does best: lead her team.

"Whenever you're looked at as a leader it comes with a lot of responsibility," Stovall said. "So I've taken it in stride. I know my teammates look up to me, so I just try and lead by example on and off the court...it's a good thing to know that my teammates trust in what I say and stuff like that."

Stovall's major is communications, and her minor is broadcasting. She said she hopes to work in reporting or broadcasting from the sidelines on TV one day.

But first, if all goes well, Stovall wants to play the game she loves.

"I want to try and play overseas first," she said. "Then after a few years join the workforce."

Right now, though her graduation day rapidly approaches – a first-time occurrence on her dad's side of the family – she's focused on this season and leaving her mark at Eastern.

"May 5th, 1:30 p.m. I already got it in my head," Stovall said of the date she walks across the stage. "But I'm not overlooking this year. I feel like we have the potential to do great things. I'm focused on my senior year."

When the Lady Colonels trav-

el to play Appalachian State and Campbell University, Roberts hopes the crowd support will be some extra motivation for the senior, which will then translate on the court.

"I think it adds motivation," Roberts said. "It means a lot to student-athletes to go home and play. Parents and high school coaches invest a lot in these girls, so it's a blessing for us to get her home. It being her senior year, this is huge. It will be an exciting Thanksgiving homecoming for her."

Stovall hopes to show the faces in the crowd what she's made of.

"It's kind of like they get to the finished[ed] product," Stovall said. Roberts agrees.

"If Jasmine keeps bringing what she's been bringing, she will have the opportunity to go out with a bang," she said.

That is exactly what Stovall wants to accomplish in this next game.

"I want people to remember me for my hard work on and off the court," Stovall said. "When I'm on the court I'm going to be intense and emotional. I want people to know that when they step out on the court with me I believe in their talents. This team is capable of leaving a long-lasting legacy."

VOLLEYBALL

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Coach Duncan said middle blocker is the team's thinnest position.

"With the two people who can play middle blocker out with injury, we have no more depth at the position," Duncan said.

But Duncan also stressed nothing is off the table as far as game-planning for tonight's tournament is concerned.

"There is not a line-up we won't consider," she said.

Coach Duncan said she was pleased with the play of Michalski last weekend. Michalski has

seen very little action this season because of the way her commitment to the game is shown and lack of preparation for the season during summer break.

"Her [Michalski's] bare minimum mentality is the mentality of a lot of young people; bare minimum isn't going to get you anywhere," Duncan said.

But Duncan also said Michalski was more engaged in practice last week. She also said Michalski did a great job when she had to step in for Burkle.

Edmond cited chemistry as a reason for Friday's loss.

"We weren't working together; our weren't on," Edmond said.

She said Burkle's ankle inju-

ry in the fourth game was also a factor. Burkle said she believed the team simply lost focus both nights.

"We expected the other team to give the victory to us instead of earning it," Burkle said.

Duncan's message to the team this week is simple: "We can do this."

She also had some words for the rest of the field in the tournament.

"Winning the tournament with our injuries will be a tall order, but we aren't backing down; we are not conceding," she said.

The Colonels will play Southeast Missouri at 7 tonight in the opening round.

CROSS-COUNTRY

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This win has earned the men's team, as well as Kosgei, a trip back to Terre Haute for a chance at the championship.

"We did our best and wanted to make a difference," David Mutuse, a member of the men's cross country team, said.

Sophomore Soufiane Bou-

chikhi started off the victory by finishing sixth out of 218 runners on a 10K race with a time of 30:05.1. Senior Ben Cheruiyot was behind him in 15th place with a time of 30:35.9. These times earned both Bouchikhi and Cheruiyot All-Southeast Region honors.

Even though he was not able to get Southeast Region honors, senior Peter Sigilai was an important player in the end as he pushed hard to beat two Wil-

liam and Mary runners and a Louisville runner to finish 26th overall with a final time of 30:54.9.

On the women's team, Kosgei's win helped bring the Eastern team to 19th place out of 35 teams.

Kosgei and Eastern's mens team are getting pumped as they await their chance to run in Terre Haute, Ind. for a chance at the NCAA Championship.

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Football stumbles in chance to clinch OVC title

By RYAN ALVES
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On third down, trailing 28-21, with a little more than a minute to go, Eastern's defense needed one more stop to force Tennessee Tech into a fourth down punting situation.

One more stop is all it would take for T.J. Pryor and the offense to get the ball back and potentially make another game-winning comeback, which would sew up the Colonels' record 21st Ohio Valley Conference championship.

One more stop for all the glory. They didn't get it; as Tech's Tre Lamb scrambled for a 7-yard gain and a first down, knocking off the Colonels' chance to clinch.

"Coach Hood saved all three of his timeouts so we could get a chance to go out there on defense and get a three-and-out and give the ball back to the offense," senior defensive lineman Emory Attig said. "We just couldn't do it."

The loss, Eastern's first in conference at Roy Kidd Stadium in two years, put No. 20 Tennessee Tech (6-3, 5-2 OVC) in prime position to earn its first conference title since 1975.

Eastern (6-4, 5-2) now has to win its next game versus UT Martin and hope for a Tech loss to Austin Peay to clinch the crown. After last week's 24-point comeback in the fourth quarter, Eastern was on the cusp of doing it against Tech.

On the Colonels' final drive, which started on their own 17-yard line, Eastern picked up two first downs and moved into Tennessee Tech territory, but Pryor was sacked on third down with just two minutes left, forcing the Colonels to punt.

"It was just a long day for the offense," Pryor said. "We didn't capitalize like we should have."

Eastern was held to just 194 total yards — their second-lowest total of the season, while the Colonel defense, which has been the team's strong suit all year, gave up 17 Tech first downs on 367 yards of total offense. Lamb finished 16-of-20 for 126 yards and 70 yards rushing. Running back Adam Urbano had 137 yards rushing.

"The margin for error in college football is not very much," Head Coach Dean Hood said. "They just played a little better than us. They

punted a little better. They kicked a little better. They tackled a little better. They caught it a little better. They threw it a little better. They did everything a little better."

Eastern came out hot early, taking a 7-0 lead with eight minutes to go in the first quarter as H.B. Banjoman scored on a 1-yard touchdown run. Tech then evened it up on a Lamb touchdown pass to Zack Ziegler to start the second quarter.

The Colonels jumped out ahead again as Pryor hit tight end Matt Lengel on a 1-yard TD pass on fourth-and-goal with 8:45 left in the half. But less than five minutes later, Lamb tied the game again when he found Cody Matthews on a 16-yard touchdown pass.

The Golden Eagles took its first lead of the game early in the third quarter, after blocking an Eastern punt and a 1-yard touchdown run by Dontey Gay. But the Colonels wouldn't quit, as Attig forced a fumble that was recovered by Patrick McClellan. Three plays later Pryor found Goard on an 11-yard touchdown pass and catch to even the score at 21-21.

However, Tech's game winning touchdown came five minutes later as Lamb ran in a four-yard score.

"We didn't come out hard enough," Pryor said. "They came out and hit us in the mouth."

Junior running back Matt Denham led all rushers with 151 yards on 25 carries, while Pryor was just eight-of-17 for 65 yards. Eastern only managed nine first downs. With one week remaining, six teams have a chance to win the OVC title and earn the league's automatic bid to the FCS Playoffs, the NCAA Football Championship Subdivision.

Tennessee Tech sits in prime position to clinch with a win over Austin Peay. Eastern can claim the title by beating UT Martin (5-5, 4-3) if Tech loses. But, Jacksonville State (6-4, 5-2) can take the championship by beating Tennessee State if both Eastern and Tech lose.

"The one thing I know about the OVC is that it's the most unpredictable thing ever," Attig said. "I think the talent level has gotten a lot better. You never know what's going to happen."

Kickoff is scheduled Saturday for 1 p.m. at Roy Kidd Stadium.



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Eastern linebacker Kevin Hamlin (No. 44) returns a second-half fumble into Tennessee Tech territory. The Colonels' defense was resilient at times but couldn't stop the Golden Eagles in the end.

OVC Champion Scenarios

Scenario 1 - If Eastern, Tech and Jacksonville State all finish with 6-2 records, Tech would claim the title.

Scenario 2 - If Eastern and Tech both win and Jacksonville State loses, Tech would claim the title.

Scenario 3 - If Tech and Jacksonville State win and Eastern falls to UT Martin, Tech would claim the title.

Scenario 4 - If Tech loses and Eastern and Jacksonville State both win, Eastern would claim the title.

Scenario 5 - If Eastern, Tech, Jacksonville State, UT Martin and Tennessee State all finish with 6-3 records and Murray State (6-4, 4-3) loses to SEMO, Tennessee State (5-5, 4-3) would claim the title.

Scenario 6 - If six teams all finish with a 6-3 record (Eastern, Tech, Jacksonville State, UT Martin, Tennessee State and Murray State), the OVC's automatic bid to the FCS Playoff will be determined by a blind draw.

COLONEL CORNER

Raechele Gray

By GREG ADAMS
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Women's Basketball
Major: Public Relations
Class: Junior
Hometown: Shelbyville

What got you interested in basketball? I started playing when I was 6 years old. My sister started playing first, she was really good. I would always play with her and my older cousins in the backyard and I pretty much wanted to be like her.

Why did you decide to transfer to Eastern? The coaching staff, their interest in me, plus seeing the potential we had here with the class they had coming in. And I definitely wanted to stay D-1.

Who is your favorite professional

basketball player? Magic Johnson is my favorite basketball player of all time.

What's your biggest fear? Failing, I hate messing up and I hate failing in anything.

If you could have one super power what would it be? Read minds.

If you could go anywhere in the world for free, where would you go? I love to travel, I want to go everywhere. I'd say probably Paris.

What's your favorite and least favorite food? My favorite food is crab legs, I love crab legs! My least favorite food, I don't know. I eat a lot of things.

What's the last movie you watched in theaters? Brides Maids.

If I turned on your iPod right now, what

would I hear? Mostly hip-hop and R&B. You'd probably hear Lil Wayne or like Jay-Z, and a lot of Kanye.

Besides basketball what's something you couldn't live without? Music, I don't know what I'd do without it, for real.

Who do you want to meet before you die? Definitely Obama, yeah he's the man.

Do you have any nicknames? Diddy Bop. My first nickname was Rae-Diddy. That came from my mom and my friends back in middle school. When I would play and do well they would do the Diddy song, so they would do that and when I got to college my friends laughed at my nickname and were like no we're gonna call you Diddy Bop, like baby bop.

Women's hoops falls in season opener to Xavier

By GREG SCHULTE
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It was a hot battle Saturday between Eastern women's basketball team and Xavier's team, but Xavier came out as the victor with a final score of 66-61 bringing a loss to the opening season.

"It was a great team effort from top to bottom, and I was pleased," said Head Coach Chrissy Roberts.

The Xavier Musketeers, who are now 1-0, were receiving votes on preseason polls. They are 31st in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Poll and 36th in the Associated Press Poll.

"I felt good about the game even though we came up short," junior Brittany Coles said.

The Lady Colonels scored 15 points thanks to Freshman Carla Booth and Coles contributed with 13 points.

"We played as a team and we are going to get better," Booth said.

Because of a free throw in the second half, the Colonels were down 30-28. Xavier continued to push forward bringing the score to 43-34. The Colonels would not go down easily, though. They continued to fight their way back. Coles went for a three pointer and then a layup. Booth's first trey of the day brought the score finally back to 43-42 with 9:58 on the clock.

"I think our team grew from the University of Cumberland's game and because of that we played harder against Xavier," Roberts said.

With another 3-pointer, the score was now tied at 47-47 until junior Jalissa Bryant put Eastern back in the lead with a layup.

A third 3-pointer by Booth put the score 53-52 with 4:44 left on the clock. A 3-pointer by Tyeasha Moss and two free throws by Shatyra Hawkes put Xavier back in the lead 61-55 with 37 seconds left. Coles was able to score a 3-pointer, but Eastern could not come up with a steal on the defensive end and was forced to foul.

"Free throw shooting and rebounding are things we need to work on as well as to transi-

tion defense," Coles said.

Xavier turned the ball over 11 times and held a 16-6 advantage in points off turn overs, while Eastern turned it over 19 times but only gave it away twice in the last 12 minutes of this heated game.

With a final score of 66-61, the Colonels went home with a loss but a lot stronger and ready to take on the next opponent.

"We have improved and will continue to get better," Roberts said.

The Lady Colonels will be hosting their last exhibition game against Lincoln Memorial on Tuesday. Then on Thursday Louisville they will be coming to McBryer Arena to put the team to the test.



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Jasmine Stovall (No. 33) guards the ball in a recent exhibition game with Lincoln Memorial. Eastern won the game 80-75.

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Lineman tackles scholar award two years in a row

WITH A 3.8 GPA, SENIOR EMORY ATTIG SHOWS HIS PROWESS EXTENDS TO THE CLASSROOM AS WELL AS THE GRIDIRON

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Emory Attig is ending his college career on a definite high note.

For the second consecutive year, Attig, a senior on Eastern's football team, has won the Ohio Valley Conference Scholar-Athlete award.

The award is the highest honor an individual can earn in the OVC. Each year three men and three women of junior or senior status are chosen from a group of 20 finalists by a vote from OVC Faculty Athletics Representatives based on their accomplishments in academics, athletics and their leadership qualities.

In order to be eligible the players had to perform well athletically, have at least a 3.25 GPA and conduct themselves in a manner, which has brought credit to the student-athlete, his or her institution, intercollegiate athletics and the OVC.

"I actually got a call from someone in our athlete academic success center who told me that I'd been selected as one of the six people in our conference," Attig said. "It was pretty cool!"

Attig, a native of Alpharetta, Georgia, is in his final season of eligibility with the ECU football team. The defensive tackle has been a starter for the team dating back to the 2009 season.

In 2010, he was named a second-team All-OVC selection after registering 35 tackles, 8.5 tackles-for-loss, 3.0 sacks and forcing and recovering a fumble during the season. And this season, Attig was also selected as a member of the Capital One Academic All-District football team.

Attig just hasn't been getting things done on the football field, though. Off the gridiron he already has an undergraduate degree in communication and is working on a second degree in business. He carries a 3.84 grade point average, has been a Dean's List honoree six times, named a Colonel Scholar for the last six semesters, an OVC Com-

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Georgia's on her mind

SENIOR WOMEN'S BASKETBALL PLAYER FINALLY GETS CHANCE TO PLAY IN FRONT OF FAMILY FOR THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.

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Senior Jasmine Stovall is definitely thankful for her family.

And with the Thanksgiving holiday approaching, Stovall will soon get the chance to show her family the real reason for the season. She, along with the rest of Eastern's women's basketball team, are traveling to Atlanta, Ga. over the holiday break to play two games in the Starwood Hotels of Atlanta Thanksgiving Classic on Nov. 25-26.

"It means a lot to travel back home," Stovall said. "It's always nice to have a support system in the stands."

Stovall, who is originally from Lawrenceville, Ga., about 25 minutes from downtown Atlanta, will get the rare chance to play in front of her family.

Her family from Georgia has only seen her play once in an Eastern jersey. And her family that is traveling from Mississippi has yet to see her play college basketball.

Eastern's lone senior, Stovall played her prep ball at Central Gwinnett High School, where she averaged 15.3 points, 7.5 rebounds, four assists and two steals her senior season while leading the Knights to a 17-7 record.

Stovall also got the opportunity to play against and with some of the best talent in the area – most notably Maya Moore, who won back-to-back national championships with UCONN in 2009 and 2010.

"She is a great player," Stovall said. "I learned a lot from her because we were also teammates on our AAU team, the Geor-

gia Metros."

Moore also taught her a few things on the court.

"This one time in a game I tried to go one on one with her, but she blocked it back past half court," Stovall said. "But then the next time I came down and hit a jumper on her."

After high school, Stovall chose to attend Central Florida University, but after a two-year stint with the team, things weren't working out.

So Stovall picked up the phone and got in contact with Eastern's program.

Head Coach Chrissy Roberts became familiar with Stovall while she was the recruiting coordinator at Eastern Carolina University during Stovall's senior year in high school.

So when she reached out to Eastern, where Roberts was now the coach, the decision was an easy one for both sides.

"She is very athletic and a great defender," Roberts said. "We like to play fast, and she likes to play fast. Some play-

ers are all or nothing, but she has a nice mid-range game and a nice pull up jump shot."

Stovall's competitive nature is what Roberts truly fell in love with.

"It's her fire," Roberts said. "She's a competitor, and you can see that she's like that everyday in practice."

After transferring in 2010, Stovall took some time getting used to life in Richmond, some six hours away from home.

"Atlanta is much more fast paced,"

Stovall said. "But I love it here."

On the court, it has taken some time for Stovall to get comfortable. In her first season she averaged just 1.6 points and 2.4 rebounds in 25 games.

But though the 5-foot-9-inch guard's career at Eastern won't light up any record books, Roberts said her hard work is what really shines.

"Her hard work stands out," Roberts said. "It will pay off. She's a senior that provides leadership and does all things we need her to do. She's taken on the challenge well...She just goes hard. The effort is there. The enthusiasm is there."

Stovall herself knows her career hasn't quite gone the way she wanted it to, but it hasn't detracted her from doing

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Cross-Country qualifies for NCAA championship meet

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History was made at Tom Sawyer State Park in Louisville last Saturday when Eastern's men's team qualified for the NCAA Cross Country Championships for the first time, and Lydia Kosgei, from the women's team, became the sixth woman in OVC history to qualify as an individual.

"We were pleased to qualify automatically," said Head Coach Erdmann.

The team ran at the NCAA Southeast Regional Championship last Saturday helping to lead the men's team and Kosgei further down the road to victory. In the women's race, Kosgei ran a 6K race coming in second overall with a time of 20:05.4. This win leads her to being the first woman in Eastern's history to qual-

ify for the NCAA Cross Country Championships as an individual.

"I am very optimistic about her doing well," Erdmann said. "She has a great attitude when training."



Lydia Kosgei

North Carolina State brought home first place on the men's team with 68 points, but Eastern was right behind them with a will to get second place as well as a chance to compete in the NCAA Championships. In the men's race, 32 teams competed. The Colonels scored 139 points while behind them was William and Mary (152 points), Virginia Tech (161 points), North Carolina (162 points) and Louisville (188 points).

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Volleyball drops final two regular season games

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The volleyball team may have lost the final two games of the regular season, but they gained a spot in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

The Colonels (14-17, 9-11 OVC) lost on the road last weekend to Tennessee Tech on Friday and then to Jacksonville State on Saturday.

Friday's game was almost a comeback for the ages for the Colonels. They fell behind 2-1, rallied to tie the game and led 11-9 in the fifth and deciding set but were not able to finish the comeback.

Ashley Edmond led the scoring in the game with 21 kills. Freshman Alexis Plagens added 14 kills of her own. Freshman Hannah Burkle, who sustained an ankle sprain during the fourth game, also con-

tributed with 11 kills. Freshman Dena Ott rounded out the scoring with 33 digs.

In Saturday's loss to Jacksonville State, Plagens had 12 kills. Junior Toni Michalski helped the effort with four kills and three blocks.

Head Coach Lori Duncan said Burkle's injury makes six starters who have either



Ashley Edmond

been injured or had family issues to deal with since September. But she also added this team has dealt with adversity better than last year's group.

"If last year's team had sustained these injuries, we might have won four or five games; we definitely wouldn't have made the tournament," Duncan said.

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