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The Colonel's Battalion was in the field and Progress Photographer Corey "Deuce" King was there with them. **B1**

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## ARAMARK being sued for discrimination

Former employees allege they were fired because of race, national origin

BY SHA PHILLIPS  
Assistant news editor

Three former Eastern employees are suing the ARAMARK Corporation, Eastern's food service management company. The charges are workplace discrimination.

Andreino Cardoso, former manager of Stratton Cafeteria, Isaiah Patterson, former director of food services, and Marcus

Pendergrast, former cook in the Powell Building, have brought charges against ARAMARK.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission is investigating the cases for the three men.

Cardoso said he was fired from his job almost four months after ARAMARK was contracted to manage Eastern's food services. He claims he was harassed and

then fired.

In the letter of termination from ARAMARK, Cardoso was fired for "substandard performance due to lack of food production records" and "for violation of company policy."

Cardoso says he was fired because of his race and national origin.

"What happened to us is happening to other employees employed by the company and it happened to other employees who left the company," Cardoso said. "Unfortunately not all employees

who are wrongfully discharged will pursue the case in court."

Cardoso said he had a good employee record until ARAMARK took over.

David Freeland, food service director, says once the case runs its process there will be nothing there.

"The allegations are not true," Freeland said.

Patterson was fired in August 1999. Before being fired, he was demoted to assistant manager.

"They said I wasn't competent to do the job," Patterson said. Patterson also said he was

harassed by Robert Shutsky, ARAMARK operations director,

and Randy Clay, district manager.

Patterson said his harassment included not paying him for hours worked.

"After ARAMARK took over, they had me and another minority manager scheduled to work every weekend," Patterson wrote in a statement. "The white managers were not scheduled for the weekends."

Pendergrast claims he was fired in November 1999. According to Pendergrast, a letter of termina-

tion said he was given a job responsibility and he refused to do it. Pendergrast claims he did the job, which was mopping the floor.

Before he was fired, Pendergrast said he was called "big and ugly, flat nose and nigger" by Shutsky.

Pendergrast said he was then going to report the incident to Freeland. He said Shutsky said he would not have the chance to do so.

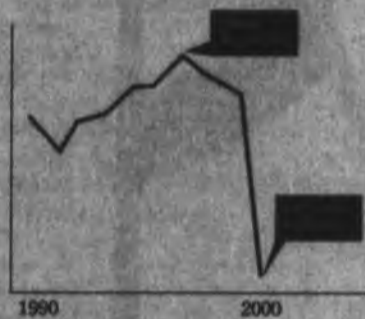
Cardoso said settlement negotiations with ARAMARK are pending. Pendergrast said he is not willing to settle.

## Where is the money?

### Show me the money

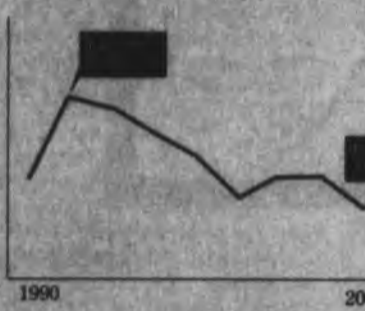
#### Uncommitted Fund Balance

Eastern's uncommitted fund balance, which is a part of the overall fund balance, decreased by more than 92 percent during this year.



#### Enrollment

Student enrollment declined by more than 400 students in the fall. A decline in enrollment means a decline in the amount of money from tuition.



#### Budgeted Positions

Despite the 400-student decline in enrollment this year, Eastern created 40 more positions in 1999-2000. The positions are for a variety of programs.



Jacinta Feldman/Progress

### Uncommitted funds down by \$4.7 million

BY DENA TACKETT  
Managing editor

In the past year, Eastern has experienced steep decreases in two important financial areas within the university, while seeing increases in other areas.

Eastern's uncommitted fund balance, which averaged more than \$5 million from 1990 through 1999, is now down to \$389,000.

President Robert Kustra is not worried though.

"I'm comfortable with the condition of the university," Kustra said. "I don't have any problems at all with our financial condition other than I wish Frankfort had been a little kinder to us in this last budget session. But we'll get over that."

The uncommitted fund balance comes out of the overall fund balance, which is the difference between actual income and actual expenditures within a single year that is carried forward into the next year. That money is carried over as nonrecurring revenue, meaning it will only be available on a one-time basis, and is spent on such things as equipment and maintenance purchases.

Eastern's overall fund balance has also decreased, going from more than \$14 million in 1995-96 to less than \$8 million. The uncommitted fund balance is so low because Eastern has spent the money on various projects, many of which received matching funds from the state.

"The positive side of that, though, is that it did enable us to do far more to buildings and mechanical systems that we otherwise would not have been able to do, because you have the opportunity to get their dollars too," said Doug Whitlock, vice president for administration and finance. "That's the whole objective behind the trust fund."

Two and a half million dollars of the \$8 million uncommitted fund balance went to match state funds for facilities improvements over the last two years. The matching state appropriations came from a facilities trust fund from the Council on Postsecondary Education.

Eastern also spent \$750,000 of the fund balance for improving the university's computer network.

Parts of the fund balance have also gone to putting a traffic light at the University and Lancaster intersection, which was \$200,000; providing roofs to various buildings; restoration of residence halls; and other maintenance more than \$400,000 in cost.

Former Eastern President Hanly Funderburk, who retired in 1998, said he was concerned about the school.

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From left to right, Josh Cumpton, president of ΣΠ, Scott Jackson, president of ΛΧΑ, Travis Robinson, president of ΦΚΤ and Stephen Reed, a member of ΚΑ, sit in the field across the Eastern Bypass where the proposed Greek Row will be built.

## Field of Greeks

Construction to turn the area behind Keene Hall into Greek Row could begin as soon as next Spring

BY JAMIE VINSON  
News editor

Greek organizations will soon have a house to call home. Construction for a new Greek Row is estimated to begin in spring semester 2001.

Dean of Student Development Skip Daugherty says the university is showing its support of Greek organizations on campus with the development of housing.

"The university has acknowledged the fact to go to the next step for our Greek's on campus, which would be established housing which we will call Greek Row," Daugherty said.

Greek Row will be located across the bypass behind Keene Hall.

"We have some land over on Hall Drive, which is parallel to Keene Hall, between Keene Hall and the Perkins Building," Daugherty said. "That's right now a big valley that we have set aside."

Daugherty says plans for a Greek Row have been circulating for years and initially began as early as 1979.

"We tried many ways to find a way to get fraternity row or Greek Row started," Daugherty said. He added groups have tried to borrow the money before and lease the land.

Daugherty said when President Kustra came to Eastern, they asked the Board of Regents to approve the sell of bonds to build houses.

Scott Jackson, president of Lambda Chi Alpha, is looking forward to Greek Row.

"It's long overdue," Jackson said.

Travis Robinson, president of Phi Kappa Tau, agrees.

"I think it will serve the purpose of a fraternity as a common place," Robinson said. "It will be bring unity. Alumni will actually have a place to come back to where they know they can go."

Daugherty says the money for the construction will come from the housing corporation.

"We have enough space over there for a total of 13 houses," Daugherty said. "Of these, we plan phase 1 and phase 11 and this includes parking, the houses and electrical. It will be just like on-campus housing, which will be leased to the housing corporation."

Daugherty says the housing corporation will be responsible to the university just as the residence halls are.

"We are the landlord and the expectation is that they will follow the guidelines and regulations that we have established," Daugherty said.

Daugherty says students who live in Greek row will have to follow guidelines and in many ways living on Greek Row will be just like living on campus.

"They will have the same restrictions. They will have to have 60 hours and be 21 years of age to live there. That's the same as living off campus," Daugherty said.

The Greek Row will not take any students out of the residence halls. Instead, the students who go to live on Greek Row will be those students who would be moving off campus anyway due to the requirements, according to

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## Budgeted funds discussed in forum

BY SHA PHILLIPS  
Assistant news editor

Deciding what to do with money is always tough, especially when there are several options in which to choose.

President Robert Kustra held open forums for Eastern's faculty, staff and students to discuss the budget for the university set by the General Assembly.

Eastern was given a 2.7 percent increase for the first biennium and a 3.7 percent increase for the second year.

At the packed forum on Monday, Kustra said he wanted to bring everyone up to date on the budget situation.

"I have not been pleased with the Kentucky State Government's approach to funding higher education, and particularly not pleased at all with the way they have treated Eastern Kentucky University," Kustra said.

A packet of information was given to everyone who attended. It included the types of funds Eastern has, which are

recurring discretionary funds, non-recurring discretionary funds, capital construction funds and trust funds. Each of the categories cannot be intermixed.

Jim Clark, vice president of government relations and budget, explained that in the recurring discretionary funds are salary and operating increases. He also talked about options for the 2000/2001 budget expenditures.

One alternative is a 2 percent salary increase, which would cost around \$1,400,000.

Another option is raising staff salary as recommended by the the Buck study, which would cost the same amount. The study looked at classified employees' salaries to determine who needs a raise.

The money could also go into staff benefits. If the university chooses to put the money into operating and travel, the cost would be around \$140,000. The money could also go into unranked tena-

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Heather Nichols/Progress

Chad Vaughn raises his hands in anxiety and mistrust at the open forum Monday.

## Classified employees underpaid, study says

PROGRESS STAFF REPORT

A study done on Eastern's classified staff found that employees are underpaid. The study, performed by Buck Consultants, said it would take the university \$1.4 million to raise salaries to a level where they should be.

Vice President for Administration and Finance Doug Whitlock said the study was intended to address three issues: recommendations on implementing changes in health insurance, a more competitive pay rate for classified and professional staff and to determine or analyze whether these employees are in the right positions under their job descriptions.

"We hope the budget will address compensation," Whitlock said. He added, however, this is something that will have to be worked on over the next year.

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**TODAY**  
Hi: 66  
Low: 45  
Conditions: Partly Cloudy

**FRI:** Showers  
**SAT:** Partly Cloudy  
**SUN:** Partly Cloudy

### ► Reminder

Remember teachers, next week is dead week, so don't pile on the homework or the tests.

# Perspective

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Jacinta Feldman, editor

## Budget isn't as bleak as some say it is

Eastern has chance to get a healthy increase

While some campus administrators are saying how bad Eastern and many of the other state universities fared in the state's budget this biennium, they should really be thanking the General Assembly for providing extra funds for many other programs.

Eastern, and most of Kentucky's other state universities, received a 2.7 percent base increase the first year and a 3.7

percent the second year. This is a small base increase, and not as much as some of the other schools got, but it is not as bleak as some of administrators make it out to be. And it is not as small as it could have been. The Council on Postsecondary only recommended a 2.4 percent increase for each year.

Base increases are not the only increases the school can receive. They also have a chance to earn

money through incentive funds, which is money built into the postsecondary education budget for very specific programs and projects.

When incentive funds are figured into Eastern's increases, the school has the possibility of receiving up to a 14.6 percent increase over the next two years. That totals about \$10 million. Eastern could also qualify for up to \$4.9 million for the Bucks for Brains program, an

endowment fund which gives universities money, which they must match, to hire endowed professors.

Eastern should also remember the nearly \$49 million the General Assembly authorized Eastern to spend on 10 capital projects over the next two years.

When all these extras are added together, it looks like Eastern actually came out looking pretty good after all.

More money is always a more

attractive possibility, but the budget the school received is a good, fair one.

It is true that there are lots of things the school won't be able to do. And some of those things that won't get done really do need to be fixed, such as increasing classified employee salaries.

But instead of thinking about what can't be done, administrators should focus on what the school is going to be able to accomplish with the money it did receive.

### Campus Comments

#### THE ISSUE

The Kentucky General Assembly gave Eastern the authority to use almost \$49 million for specified capital projects over the next two years. Photographer James Branaman asked students what they thought needs improvement on campus first and foremost.



**JENNIFER FEE**  
Hometown: Louisville  
Major: Journalism  
Age: 22

The Donovan Annex is an old building and the technology of today could improve it. The Progress is there to serve the school, and with better technology, it could serve us better.



**JIM CAMPBELL**  
Hometown: Carroll County  
Major: Music  
Education  
Age: 20

We need a new music building with its own auditorium. Currently, we practice at the Foster Building, but then have to go to Brock Auditorium or other places on campus for performances — if they are available.



**DEVON THOMAS**  
Hometown: Walton  
Major: Sports Supervision  
Age: 20

I don't really think we need much renovation to the buildings on campus. The money could be used for other things.



**ANGELA SCHREIBER**  
Hometown: Newport  
Major: Elementary Education  
Age: 20

Instead of renovating buildings, I still think we need more parking. I live on campus and still have trouble finding spaces and have to park in Lancaster or Brockton.



Allison Craig/Progress

## Pay up

Eastern needs to pay classified employees what they're really worth

They work hard for their money and we better treat them right. To say it another way: Eastern's classified employees deserve a salary that is competitive with the rest of the state.

The university has hired a company to evaluate Eastern's status. The study is being done by Buck and Associates from Nashville. The company is conducting a competitive analysis of how much Eastern's classified employees make compared to other institutions.

The university needs to take the information provided by the study seriously, because these people deserve to be taken seriously. Classified employees — which include food services, secretaries, facilities services employees, and anyone who is not an administrator or teacher —

work just as hard as the other employees at this institution, and should be compensated accordingly for their work.

President Robert Kustra said at the budget forum held on Monday that some department heads had expressed that faculty members should be willing to give up their miniscule raises from the 2.7 percent increase allotted by the state so that the university could spend it on such things as to increase classified employee's wages.

This is something that every faculty member should take seriously. Sure, you may not be able to afford an extra week in the Bahamas this summer on Eastern, but you will be able to go to sleep at night knowing that you made another person's life a little better.

If the faculty decides not to give up its

pay raise, Eastern should examine other ways of compensating its classified employees. As an institution, Eastern should try to make sure it is competitive with other universities in the state not only in education, but in every aspect. Why should its classified employees be counted out?

Next time you go to the restroom and reach for the toilet paper, be glad that there is a classified employee who stocked it for you. Next time you walk to class on a snowy day, remember who cleared the sidewalk for you. Next time you go to get that burger out of the food court, be thankful this university has classified employees. Because without these people, many of the day-to-day operations of this university would cease. Is that worth paying for?

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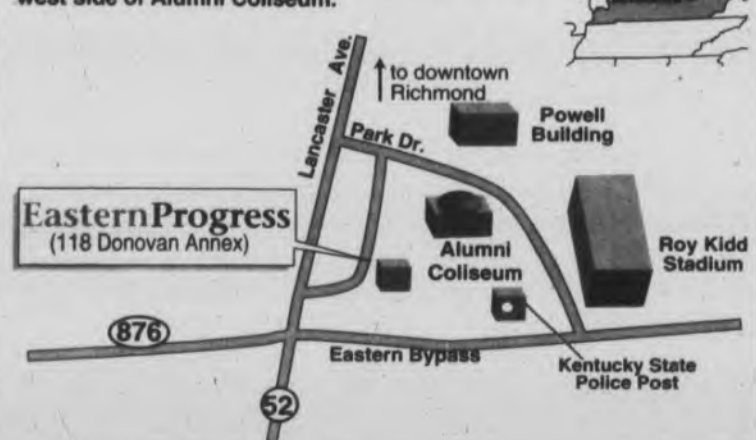
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► Letters to the editor

**Joining an environmental group is only way to help**

As Eastern has celebrated Earth Day throughout the month of April, I have watched as several students, myself included, have participated in some of these events and activities. Last Wednesday, April 19, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. spoke to a good-size audience about "Our Environmental Destiny."

While it's all well and good that students are showing an interest in the environment, Kennedy pointed out something that many students may not realize. Recycling, reusing and conserving are nice things to do to make a person feel like they are helping save the earth, but joining an environmental group is the only way to make a real difference. Kennedy noted that earth-conscious consumers only make up approximately 5-10 percent of the total population, so hardly a dent can be made by their personal consumption choices. Environmental groups are powerless without a large membership to give them support, financially and physically, and political clout to submit and pass legislation aimed at helping the environment.

I'm not saying that people shouldn't recycle or be aware of how much they waste, but for those students who genuinely want to save the environment, the only answer is to become a member of an environmental group. Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. is, after all, an expert on the subject. As chief prosecuting attorney for a very influential environmental organization, he has done the research several times and his advice should be heeded.

Public policy is set into motion by some sort of public outcry or concern, and we all know that several voices are louder than one. So as April comes to a close and Earth Day has passed, make your voice heard in Washington by becoming a member of an environmental group. Don't just talk the talk, walk the walk!

Amy Meyer  
International Economics major

**Progress had wrong facts in Kennedy story**

There were three errors in this [April 20] morning's Eastern Progress. I might find more, because I have only read one article. Your piece on Robert F. Kennedy contains a spelling error, incorrect information, and then the story just stops with that sentence that a lot of writers use, "...28 envi." Is this article to be continued next week?

Mr. Kennedy did not say that if the laws that passed through Congress were actually signed by the president, we would, "...have no significant environmental problems right now." He said there would be no significant environmental LAWS. Notice the spelling of "he" without the "y" is more effective.

If this little care was given to a story concerning a person of national importance, how much less care and attention can we expect with more regional or local interest issues? This lack of spelling, information and editing is, at minimum, incompetent journalism from an "award-winning" paper.

Tom Martin

**Kennedy speech was 'refreshing experience'**

In reference to the speech "Our Environmental Destiny" given by Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. last Wednesday, I must admit that I found it to be a refreshing experience. There were occasions when he used statistics to pull at our heartstrings, such as the fact that "the average six year old child in Bangladesh suffers from a permanent loss of seven IQ points due to the high lead content of the air." There were times when he spoke of the inequality of government policies which aid large corporations in obtaining access to public resources at a mere fraction of their fair-market price, which he referred to as "socialism for the rich." However, more often than not, the foundation of his speech relied upon a sound economic concept to underline the urgency he felt we should all have toward gaining control over our environmental destiny.

One cannot hope to change how profit-minded corporations treat United States natural resources without first forcing these companies to internalize the externalities. Mr. Kennedy alluded to the economic externality theory when he said "if you want to bring a product to the market place, you must pay the full price to bring it there." From an economic perspective, he is right. Companies should not be allowed to profit from publicly owned resources without the responsibility and associated costs of production. These costs would undoubtedly be included in the cost of the product available in the market place, however, it is only when all costs are known to the consumer that the market can truly operate efficiently.

I found Mr. Kennedy's speech

refreshing because his involvement in the environmental effort is not an attempt to save a tree, a bird or a fish, merely for the sake of that tree, bird or fish. His efforts are an attempt to provide a safe and bountiful environment for himself as well as others. It is refreshing to me to know that because his efforts are based on a sound economic concept, his hard work will likely pay off.

Judi York  
Economics Major

**Kennedy is 'advocate for land and the people'**

He's an advocate for the land and the people, but more importantly, he's a fiery prosecutor who targets corporate polluters. No, he's not Superman. He's Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. That's right, the legacy continues.

Last Wednesday, Kennedy lectured on the topic of "Our Environmental Destiny" to celebrate the 30th anniversary of Earth Days in the Cumberland's. Kennedy, chief prosecuting attorney for the Hudson Riverkeeper and senior attorney to the National Defense Council, believes that "human issues are important issues."

Kennedy stated, "Environmental advocacy is about protecting the community, the people and the land. The environment enriches us. It's the base of our economy. Kennedy's lecture focused on the importance of protecting the environment for the future, the economy and our children."

If the people of the United States stopped and thought about under-developed countries and the extraordinary amounts of pollution that these people face due to little or no environmental controls, maybe we wouldn't take our clean air and water for granted. Countries like China and Thailand have no Clean Air Act. People walk the streets with masks on and escape to places to drink cappuccino and breathe clean air out of a tank. Could this be where the United States is heading?

The people of the United States seem to be more concerned with economic growth and prosperity. What about protecting the environment that we live in right now? If we invest in the environment, we will ensure the economic vitality of many generations to come. But, if we continue to prosper economically by destroying the environment and allowing corporate entities to enter into the market, it will eventually cause economic catastrophe. Is it that important for this generation to reap the benefits now and pass the costs on to our children in the future?

As Kennedy stated, "Democracy is the most efficient system in the long-run, but the most inefficient in the short-run." If the people of the United States do not stand up for themselves and fight for their country, corporate entities will determine their future for them. The best thing for the environment is to have free market rules. Show where the pollution is and let the government provide the subsidy.

As of now, taxpayers receive the pollution cleanup bills for these corporate entities. I believe the government should enforce laws that will protect our environment now and in the future. Just as Kennedy stated, "If we destroy nature, we impoverish ourselves and we diminish our children. We didn't inherit this land from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children." Isn't this reason enough for everyone to get involved?

Lesley Whitt  
Accounting major

**Progress' headline about Kennedy misleading**

I attended the lecture, "Our Environmental Destiny," by Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. in Brock Auditorium.

I am writing in response to Jamie Vinson's article, "Kennedy still loyal to Mother Earth." The header on the second page of the article incorrectly paraphrasing Kennedy was particularly alarming: "President should pass Congress' environmental laws." Alluding to politics on Capitol Hill, Vinson commented on Kennedy's statements by writing "he (Kennedy) said that if the laws that passed through Congress were actually passed by the president we would have no significant environmental problems right now."

First, which president was Vinson referring to? Carter? Reagan? Clinton? Secondly, our environmental problems today are no the result of only one or two presidencies, but rather a summation of numerous missed legislative opportunities to amend some of our destructive mistakes.

As I recall, Kennedy's point was that even though we have an infinite amount of environmental work to do, beginning steps were taken in the late 1960s and early 1970s as a result of public voice and action. The establishment of the first Earth Day (1970), the Endangered Species, the Clean

Air Acts have led us in the direction we need to continue pursuing.

Thirdly, I wish part of Vinson's article header was correct. However, today's Republican-led 106th Congress of the United States, birthed by Newt Gingrich and the Gingrichites in 1994-1995, has arguably been the least environmentally-friendly Congress...ever. Both of our senators, Mitch McConnell and Jim Bunning, recently received a 0% on their environmental scorecards as reported by the League of Conservation Voters. Check for yourself how our own representatives and senators are voting on these issues: <http://www.lcv.org/>; <http://www.biology.eku.edu/KOS/kosaction.htm>.

The day the phrase, "Congress; environmental laws," is truthfully spoken about a Republican majority is the day I run down the street shouting out praises of Trent Lott and Jim Bunning.

Echoing Vinson's comments on Kennedy, we should not only recycle and be smart consumers locally, but also alert our politicians of our desire to conserve what we have-while we still have it. As the popular slogan goes, "One Earth, one experiment." We're all in it together.

Shannon Galbraith  
Graduate student, Biology

**Ph.D. not always as indicator of intelligence**

If you really want to foul something up, ask a Ph.D. to solve a simple problem. If two or more are gathered together, they will automatically form a committee. They will study and analyze the problem and in about six months after the research grant isn't renewed, move on to another project.

Some of the best instructors I ever had were not Ph.D.s. I will never forget an old army sergeant in Germany who handed me a manual on how to turn on a radio. The book was written by an officer who had a Ph.D. in engineering. He devoted a whole three pages on how to turn on a radio. By the time I finished reading the three pages, I was so confused. The old army sergeant said, "Turn the power on." Now see the switch in the center of the two dials? Flip it up. The army sergeant had something the degreed officer didn't.

Practical experience or as Dr. Bill Cosby would say "The Real World" experience. Dr. Cosby (I know, I know. He has a Ph.D.) Then again he is a comedian and he will do anything for a laugh. He wrote a book anybody in college should read, students and professors alike "Congratulations now what?" It deals with people who spent four years in college and find themselves in the real world.

I also wonder about doctoral degrees that are awarded by a university. You know the ones. Doctor of Human Letters which recognize a person for their achievement in a particular area. All of a sudden, boom, someone who never stepped foot on a college campus has a Ph.D. Dr. Bob Hope, Dr. George "Goober" Lindsey (Ok. He has a college degree.), Dr. Phyllis Diller, Dr. Bing Crosby, Dr. Jerry Lewis, Dr. Oprah Winfrey and I believe there is Dr. Jay Leno, Dr. Dave Letterman and Dr. Carol Burnett are all examples.

Ever hear of Jane Mansfield? She was a bombshell movie actress in the 40s and 50s. She never received a Ph.D. to my knowledge, yet she invented a concept that is now used in cellular phone technology to this day. I hope I have made my point.

Darrell W. Peters  
Eastern alumnus

**New story about rape raises more questions**

On April 6, The Eastern Progress reported the "alleged" rape of Jane Doe in the Alumni Coliseum parking lot by an unidentified perpetrator. On April 20, the Progress clarified the original report and stated the alleged rape happened off-campus on a "country-road," the hitherto unknown perp turns out to be an acquaintance, the car in which they were riding was operated by Jane Doe, the assailant was an invited passenger in the car, and most baffling, Jane Doe reported the incident to the campus police, but declined to report it to the KSP and refused to charge the wrongdoer.

From the scarce facts, a rational person may conclude there was a rape or there was no rape. If there was a rape, then why wasn't Moe Doe charged? On the other hand, if there was no rape, then why isn't Jane Doe made to answer charges of false reporting? Aside from an unexplainable case of disorientation that caused Jane Doe to confuse a country road with the sprawling and well-paved Alumni Coliseum parking lot, there are other confusing aspects of the incident. Could it be that something is rotten in Denmark?

Joe Gambino  
Richmond Resident

**Alzheimer's steals more than memory, steals life**



DENA TACKETT  
My turn

Dena Tackett is a junior journalism major from Pike County. She is also the managing editor of the Progress.

I remember walking up to my granny one day after school. She was working in her flower garden, like always, and wearing one of those little granny dresses every grandmother seems to wear. Granny always had the most beautiful flowers.

All of the sudden she turned to me and said, "Hello, Tina, how was your day?" "Granny, my name is Dena, not Tina," I said to her. She just shook her head and said she didn't know why she called me that. I didn't think anything about it then, because she was old and old people forget things, right?

That was the first of many times when she got my name wrong.

More and more, she would forget little things, like where she put her keys or other stuff. None of us really thought anything was wrong at first; she was just forgetful.

Then one day I was sitting at Granny's kitchen table eating some cantaloupe when she rushed in and said, "You all better get out there and feed those chickens before Wick gets home," and then she turned and left the room. Wick was my grandfather who had been dead at the time for a half a decade.

That's when we took her to the doctor. My family already knew what he would say, though, when he told us what his diagnosis was. She had Alzheimer's.

Of course, I was only about 10 years old, so I didn't know what that was. I thought we would give her some soup, make her get some rest and she would be back to normal in no time. I had no idea what a horrible, life-stealing disease Alzheimer's was.

In the years to come I would find out, though.

Granny's mind slowly slipped away over the years. She went from forgetting small things, to regressing to when she was a child and always thinking she needed to get ready to go to school. I think Granny only went to around jr. high, and she always wanted to go back. At least that's what I've heard my aunts say. Later she started carrying around a baby doll everywhere she went. Then she would get her broom and sweep the grass in front of her house. One time she even left church and started walking down the road. When my aunts finally caught up with her she said she just wanted to go home. The church was at least 15 miles from her house.

That was the good days, though. I know it sounds crazy, but I would give anything to drive by and see Granny working her heart out trying to sweep the grass in front of her red brick home. I



Photo Submitted

Madge Tackett, or Granny as Dena calls her, has Alzheimer's disease.

remember how I used to laugh when I would see her out there.

She used to laugh a lot, too. Her eyes would light up and she would giggle and none of us would know why. It was like she was watching an old "I Love Lucy" episode in her head and none of the rest of us could see it.

The things she would do were so cute. Today she doesn't do anything, though. A nurse stays with her 24/7 because she has finally gotten to the point where she can't even eat on her own. It is like this disease just came in and took over her body like an alien in some cheap horror flick. She is no longer there.

I don't go see her as much as I should, either. It just hurts so bad to walk in there and see her laying on the bed not knowing where she is or who she is. Or who I am. For those of you who don't know what Alzheimer's is like, you are truly blessed and I pray that you can never understand how heartbreaking it is to see a loved one go through it.

Granny's flowerbed is gone now, just like all the memories she should have of her life. I wish Granny could remember growing up with her brothers and sisters, marrying my grandfather or seeing her own children grow up.

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# Employees hit by lightning

PROGRESS STAFF REPORT

Thursday afternoon two Eastern employees were struck by residual lightning while on top of Commonwealth residence hall.

The employees, both officers of public safety, were making preparations to spot tornadoes in severe weather.

Officer Michael Marcum, 31, is a trained tornado spotter and was setting up to track severe weather with the aid of Officer Samuel Sanders, 22.

Both officers were found lying in the hallway when a reporting officer arrived. Ambulances from the Madison County Ambulance Service responded to the scene.

Marcum and Sanders complained of ringing of the ears and muscle aches due to the mild electrocution they suffered.

They were transported to Pattie A. Clay Hospital for treatment.

# Corbin center receives, needs donations

BY JENNIFER ROGERS  
News writer

Eastern's next extended campus building project got some help from donors.

Eastern plans to build a new extended campus center in Corbin. The center will receive funds from private donations to supplement its cost.

The center, officially named the Southeast Regional Postsecondary Education Center, will be located in Corbin and will serve the tri-county area of Whitley, Laurel and Knox counties.

The center has already received \$250,000 in the form of an anonymous challenge grant and a \$50,000 leadership pledge

from National City Southeast Kentucky Bank and National City Central Kentucky Bank.

The \$250,000 grant calls for a dollar-to-dollar match of any donations made to the project within the next year.

The donations from the National City Banks were inspired by a desire to give back to the communities they serve.

"We've had a good relationship with Eastern over the years," said Bob Jones, president of National City Southeast Kentucky Bank.

Jones said by funding the center, the tri-county area would see more educated, qualified workers. This would help to improve the overall quality of life in the area.

Jones also said the donation was made by the two banks because they felt they could make a bigger impact by pooling their funds.

Eastern President Bob Kustra said the donations will come in addition to state allocations for the center.

"The state appropriation is \$5 million," Kustra said. "We don't have a final number on the cost but by the time you build and outfit it with computer labs that will probably add another two or three million."

The center will most likely be completed by 2002.

"I think you're talking three years by the time it's up, running and ready to go," Kustra said.

# News Briefs

## Board of Regents meet Friday

The Board of Regents will meet at 3 p.m. Friday in the Jaggars Room of the Powell Building. Certain committees will begin meeting at 1 p.m. in locations of the building.

## Annual Retirement Dinner Monday

The Annual Retirement Dinner for Eastern employees will begin

with a reception at 5:30 p.m. and a dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Monday in the Stratton Building Dining Room. Tickets are \$12 and are on sale at the Coates Administration Building at the cashier's window. They will also be sold at the door the night of the dinner.

## Volunteers needed for school districts

The Ohio Valley Education Cooperative received an AmeriCorps VISTA Summer

Associate Award from the Corporation for National Service. Fifty-four volunteers are needed to serve several rural school districts. The volunteers will work at a Summer Literacy and Technology Camp and support literacy based summer program.

Volunteers will receive \$312 bi-weekly and after completing a 10-week program will be eligible for a \$1,000 education stipend. Interviews for positions are scheduled for the week of May 15. For more information contact Jan Evers at 502-647-3533 ext. 222.

## Updated exam schedule

The updated exam schedule also appears on Page 12 of the Spring 2000 Schedule Book.

### Monday, May 8

8-10 a.m. 8 a.m. MWF  
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 11:45 a.m. MWF  
1-3 p.m. 1 p.m. MWF  
3:30-5:30 p.m. MAT 107, 124  
6-8 p.m. 6 p.m. Monday classes

### Tuesday, May 9

8-10 a.m. 8 a.m. TRF  
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. ACC 201, 202, ENG 090, 095  
1-3 p.m. 1 p.m. TRF  
3:30-5:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. TRF  
6-8 p.m. 6 p.m. Tuesday classes

### Wednesday, May 10

8-10 a.m. MAT 090, PHY 131  
10:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. MWF  
1-3 p.m. 2:15 p.m. MWF

3:30-5:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m. MWF  
6-8 p.m. 6 p.m. Wednesday classes

### Thursday, May 11

8-10 a.m. 9:15 a.m. TRF  
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 11:45 a.m. TRF  
1-3 p.m. CHE 112, 362, MAT 095, NAT 095  
3:30-5:30 p.m. 4:45 p.m. TRF  
6-8 p.m. 6 p.m. Thursday classes

### Friday, May 12

8-10 a.m. 9:15 a.m. MWF  
10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. 10:30 a.m. TRF  
1-3 p.m. 2:15 p.m. TRF  
3:30-5:30 p.m. 4:45 p.m. MWF

### Saturday, May 13

9:15-11:15 a.m. All Saturday classes

Note: Classes that meet for more than a single period will have the final examination at the exam time designated for the first period.

# Police Beat: April 14-21

compiled by Sha Phillips

The following reports have been filed with Eastern's Division of Public Safety.

**April 21** Abdulrahman S. Al-Mohaimid, 29, Alexandria, was arrested and charged with speeding and driving under the influence of alcohol.

**Khalid Salch Al Angari, 28,** Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication.

**Jon M. Caddell, 19,** Danville, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**Joshua B. Hoskins, 19,** Lancaster, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication.

**April 19** Derek J. Fountain, 18, Richmond, was arrested and charged with possession of a suspended driver's license.

**April 18** A Brockton woman reported receiving harassing telephone calls.

**Nate Price, Todd Hall,** reported a package sent to him was picked up at the Todd Hall front desk by someone else.

The Richmond Fire Department responded to a fire alarm in the Begley Building after steam from a shower activated the system.

**April 17** The Richmond Fire Department responded to a fire

alarm in the Powell Building after steam from cleaning activated the system.

**April 16** Timothy Henshaw, Richmond, reported his vehicle was damaged while parked in the fenced area of the Commonwealth Hall parking lot.

The Richmond Fire Department responded to a fire alarm in Telford Hall after a burnt pretzel activated the system.

Alan S. Thomas, 20, Shelbyville, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication.

**April 15** The Richmond Fire Department responded to a fire alarm in the Powell Building after steam cleaning in the trash room activated the system.

**April 14** Da'Lance Roberts, 18, Richmond, was arrested and charged with improper turn signal, possession of alcoholic beverage by a minor and possession of marijuana.

James Vanwinkle reported a broken light on the second floor of Dupree Hall.

The following reports, which appeared in "Police Beat," have been resolved in Madison County District Court.

Joseph Drayer, 19, Centerville, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one day in jail for alcohol intoxication.

Robert L. Stan, Jr., 19, Centerville, pleaded guilty and

was fined \$98.50 for alcohol intoxication.

**Richard A. Neal, 21,** Richmond, had the operating a vehicle on a suspended license charge amended down to license to be in possession and was fined \$168.50.

**Christopher Bright, 19,** Louisville, was sentenced to 10 hours of community service.

**Eric L. Dixon, 26,** Richmond, pleaded guilty and was fined \$25 for disregarding a traffic control device and had the charge of operating a vehicle on a suspended license amended down to license to be in possession and was fined \$118.50.

**John R. West, 46,** Cincinnati, pleaded guilty and was fined \$98.50 for alcohol intoxication.

**Steven M. West, 22,** Cincinnati, pleaded guilty and was fined \$98.50 for alcohol intoxication.

**Adam Sergent, 20,** Baxter, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to one day in jail for alcohol intoxication.

**Nick Lee Greene, 19,** was sentenced to 40 hours of community service for possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

**James T. Benton, 25,** Vonore, Tenn., pleaded guilty and was fined \$98.50 for alcohol intoxication.

**Thomas S. Griffin, Jr., 24,** Trenton, Tenn., pleaded guilty and was fined \$490.50 for driving under the influence of alcohol.

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Sun. School 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday Evening: 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Prayer Service: 7:00 p.m.

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Sun. 9:30, 10:20 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
Bible Moment: 624-2427

**First Presbyterian Church (PCUSA)**  
330 W. Main St.  
Phone: 624-5323 or 623-5329  
Church School 10 a.m.  
Sun. Worship 11 a.m.  
Wed. Dinner 6 p.m. (no charge)  
Call for transportation.

**Richmond Church of Christ**  
713 W. Main St.  
Phone: 623-8535  
Sun. 9 & 10 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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**Richmond House of Prayer (Full Gospel Church)**  
330 Mule Shed Ln.  
Phone: 623-8922 or 624-9443  
Sun. School 10 a.m., Sun. Worship 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.  
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Phone: 623-9400  
Sun. Mass 5 p.m., Sunday Supper \$1 at 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m. Inquiry classes for becoming Catholic, Wed. 9 p.m. Newman Night for all students

**Madison Hill Christian Church**  
960 Redhouse Rd.  
Phone: 623-0916  
Sun. School 9:45 a.m. Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Wed. Wave 6:00 p.m. (Labor Day-Memorial Day)

**Trinity Missionary Baptist Church**  
2300 Lexington Rd.  
Phone: 624-9436 or 623-6868  
Sun. 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Wed. Youth & Prayer 7 p.m.

**Rosedale Baptist Church**  
411 Westover Ave.  
Phone: 623-1771  
Sunday School 9 a.m.  
Worship Sun. 10:15 a.m., 6 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7 p.m.

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Sun. School 11 a.m.

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Sun. Worship 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m., 6:30 p.m., Wed. Worship 6:30 p.m.  
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Sun. Traditional Service 8:30 a.m., Sun. School 9:45 a.m.  
Sun. Contemporary Worship 11 a.m.

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Sun. School 9:45 a.m.  
Sun. Worship 10:45 a.m., 6 p.m.  
Wed. Worship 7 p.m.  
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Coffee Fellowship Sun. 10 a.m.  
Sun. School 10:15 a.m.



Luke Ramsay/Progress

### Campaigning on campus

Scotty Baesler, former Congressman, spoke on campus Monday for his campaign for U.S. Congress.

## Graduate dean position created

By JENNIFER ROGERS  
News writer

Eastern's graduate programs will report to new leadership next fall.

All graduate programs will fall under the leadership of a new graduate dean, a position created out of Phase II of the reorganization, which began last April.

Libby Wachtel, associate vice president for planning and program coordination, said the position is needed.

"It is a new position in the sense that prior to the current year there was a dean of the graduate school and that individual also had the title of vice president for academic affairs," Wachtel said.

Wachtel currently fields the duties the graduate dean will have. She sees the need to appoint a dean specifically to work on graduate programs.

"I think that the faculty, Dr. Marsden and the president decided there was a need for what I call dedicated leadership for graduate education on this campus," Wachtel said.

Wachtel thinks appointing a dean

will benefit the graduate programs.

"I think it will strengthen the graduate programs here on campus," Wachtel said.

The graduate dean will serve in a part-time position, according to Michael Marsden, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

Marsden said the recommendation for a dean's position came from the graduate council.

The dean will be responsible for supervising graduate studies, but as part of the part-time requirement will also teach one class during the spring, summer and fall terms.

Marsden said he supports the teaching requirement that comes with the job.

"I think the graduate dean should be an active teacher-scholar," Marsden said.

Applicants for the position come from existing faculty members. The dean will take office on July 1.

The position will be funded through the Phase II reorganization.

"We will be funding this through a reallocation of funds," Marsden said. "We're moving funds around."

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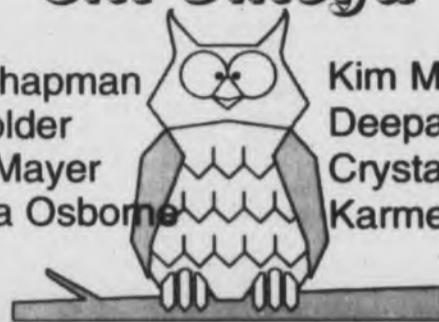
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## Search underway for vice president

By JAMIE VINSON  
News editor

The university is conducting a search to fill the position of vice president of student affairs.

The position, currently held by Tom Myers, became open when Myers was asked by President Robert Kustra to step down and return to teaching next year.

Paul Blanchard, director of and professor in the government department, is the chair of the committee, which is composed of 14 members including five students.

"The president asked me to be chair," Blanchard said.

Nick Bertram is one of the student members of the committee. Bertram says student involvement is important.

"The vice president of student affairs is one of the most supporting persons in the university," Bertram said. "Student input is critical."

The committee has been at work for a few weeks.

"The first meeting was on April 5," Blanchard said. He added the committee has been together as a group for about three weeks. "We were asked by the president to move very quickly," Blanchard said.

Blanchard says there have been several applicants for the position, but no names can be revealed at this point.

"We've had nearly 50 applicants," Blanchard said. "The committee spent a week and a half reading through applications."

The committee narrowed the applicants to the top 12.

"We're in the process of looking at references and talking to them by phone," Blanchard said. Blanchard says that in the next week the committee will narrow the list even further, down to four or five possibilities.

"We'll be inviting them to cam-

pus finals week or maybe the week after that," Blanchard said.

"The president wanted that to happen while students are here."

Blanchard said the committee is trying to get students involved in the interviewing process.

Blanchard says Kustra and some students came up with a fairly extensive description of what they wanted in the person who obtained the position as vice president of student affairs.

"It appeared in an ad that was sent out on the EKU web page," Blanchard said.

Bertram says he looks for several things in a person for this position including someone who has "a passion for students and student affairs." Bertram also says the new vice president for student affairs should be someone who really wants to benefit and help students.

The vice president reports to the president, serves as a member

of the President's Administrative Council and is charged with providing leadership and direction for a comprehensive array of student services. The vice president will also oversee the planning and development of a new wellness and fitness center and the move of Student Services to a new building scheduled to open in 2002, according to the ad.

The position requires a graduate degree, earned doctorate preferred, in higher education, student affairs or a closely related field. A minimum of eight years progressively responsible management experience in student affairs, experiences in supervising professional staff, budget preparation, program development/enhancement, demonstrated commitment to student development, strong communication and interpersonal skills, and demonstrated experience working with diverse students and staff populations are also required, according to the ad.

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Mon.-Thurs., May 8th - May 11th.....9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Friday, May 12th.....9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

COLISEUM.....May 8th - May 11th, 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
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# Student named major of year

BY ALLISON ALTIZER  
Staff writer

Lisa Laird is calm, self-assured and well liked. She has an easy smile, and waves at various students and faculty members as she crosses campus. It seems as if she knows everyone in the health education department.

She is also very busy. Not only is she a full-time student pursuing her master's degree, but she also works part-time teaching classes at the National Business College and is president of Eta Sigma Gamma, the honorary society of health education. Oh, and she is married and raising her seven-year-old daughter, Megan, and her fifteen-year-old niece, Sarah.

Don Calitri, chair/professor in the health education department, describes Laird as "very knowledgeable."

"She is a hardworking, dedicated student. I consider her a non-traditional student in that she has both a husband and child," Calitri said. "Yet, she meets those responsibilities and remains active in the department and in the college."

In January, Laird was rewarded for her hard work. Eastern's

department of health education nominated her for Health Education Student of the Year, a prestigious award given by the American Association for Health Education.

"The main objective of the award is to recognize outstanding students in health education," Calitri said. "Approximately 25 to 30 students, nationwide, are recognized. Criteria include a high grade point average and involvement in the university and the community."

"I had no idea, Laird said. "I got a letter in the mail saying I had been nominated. I was very honored."

During spring break, Laird and various other members of Eastern's department of health education traveled to Orlando, Fla. to attend a national convention for American Association for Health Education. In order to help pay for the trip, Laird was provided with funds from the department, as well as funds from the Office of Student Development. Toward the end of the week, during a breakfast meeting, Laird was presented with her award.

"I was given a certificate, and I

**"The health education department has been very supportive and instrumental in my education, as well as having a major impact on me as an individual."**

Lisa Laird,  
health education major of the year

was able to have a round-table discussion with previous presidents of the association," Laird said. "We discussed various health issues. It was a rare opportunity."

When Laird first began college, she was a nursing major.

"I liked the healthcare aspect, but I wanted to be prevention-focused," Laird said. "At that time, I made the decision to get out of nursing and take a proactive approach to healthcare. I was tired of fixing what was already a problem."

Last year, Laird received a bachelor's degree in community health education. She is currently working towards a Master's of Education in allied health. She hopes to complete her master's

degree and then work toward her Ph.D. or obtain a Master's of Public Health.

"My education will open doors to teaching at the university level or researching in the health field," Laird said.

Laird is grateful for being chosen Health Education Student of the Year.

"It was an honor being nominated and receiving the award," Laird said. "The health education department has been very supportive and instrumental in my education, as well as having a major impact on me as an individual. I feel they prepared me well for my future, and even though I received the award, they deserve the credit."

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# Court decides Monday if lawsuit ends

BY SHA PHILLIPS AND JACINTA FELDMAN  
News writers

A Madison County judge will decide Monday if a civil lawsuit involving Eastern professor Wayne Swezig and Education chair Leonard Burns will end or go on to trial.

The two sides were in court yesterday asking Judge William Jennings to grant a summary judgement, which, if granted, would end the case.

Swezig, professor in the department of academic counseling and education studies, filed a suit against Burns, claiming the university did not award him merit pay for the 1996-97 academic year and defamation resulting from a memo Burns sent to other campus administrators concerning a sexual harassment complaint.

In 1995, Swezig claimed he made complaints of an evaluation to Burns. He then said Burns

gave him heavy course loads. Swezig did not receive his merit pay in the 1996-97 academic year.

The libel and slander counts are based on the memo Burns sent to several administrators regarding sexual harassment charges in 1997 from Susan Marz, a former secretary in the department.

Burns' lawyer, Stephen Barker, who filed the motion for summary judgement, said there was no basis for the case. He said there was no disputing the fact that Burns had put a memo in Swezig's file about a sexual harassment complaint, but that was part of university policy and was protected by qualified privilege.

"They are issues these people (university administrators) have to be able to discuss freely without fear of these kinds of lawsuits," Barker said.

Swezig's lawyer, John Lackey,

said the issue of when the complaint was made and when the memo was filed was what made this a case of intentional defamation.

Notes taken about the complaint by University Vice President Doug Whitlock were dated 1996 and the memo was filed in 1997. Burns' lawyer said the date on Whitlock's notes was just an error on his part, but Lackey said it was proof that Burns intentionally used this information to harm Swezig's reputation.

Lackey said the complaint was made in 1996, but was not considered serious and no documentation was ever filed on it.

"Everything smoothed over, but he (Burns) kept it in his back pocket for malicious use later," Lackey said.

Judge Jennings said he will make a decision on whether to grant summary judgement in the case on Monday.

"It is an interesting issue, the more you read, the more you can read into it," Jennings said.

If the case does go to trial, Swezig's attorney has filed another motion to add to the witness and exhibit list.

In the statement of facts Lackey submitted, Swezig wants to bring evidence that Burns was "terminated or otherwise involuntarily separated by several of his former employers due to harassment, persecution and other similar workplace behavior."

Burns' lawyer responded and objected to Lackey's motion stating it is too late to submit new evidence. Barker's motion also says the exemption is not commonly applied in civil actions.

"Kentucky law is clear that in civil actions, there must be a connection in some special way beyond a mere similarity in certain particulars," according to the motion by Barker. "Such a connection does not exist in the present action."



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## Greeks: Sororities not as interested

From the front

Daugherty. Daugherty says the number of people living in these houses will vary. The numbers will depend on how much each fraternity wishes to spend or if they decide to take rent to pay the university.

"We're going to be allowed to have between 16 and 24 people live in the house," Daugherty said. "That will be determined when you rent or build the houses. They'll have some input as to how big of debt they want to have."

According to Daugherty, sororities are not going to be involved in Greek row at this time. Sororities are well established on the floors of residence halls.

"The sororities would have the opportunity to participate. As my understanding at this point in time, they're not interested because they do not like to lease houses and they are very happy within the floors as far as the nationals," Daugherty said.

Erin Frey, president of Panhellenic, says she will not see sorority housing while she is here because of a lack of interest.

"We have floors and everybody would have everyone live together," Frey said. "We have an advantage with floors."

Josh Cumpton, president of Sigma Pi, believes Greek Row will increase numbers in the fraternities.

"Younger guys will come out more," Cumpton said. "Fraternity houses are what you see in movies."

The cost for Greek Row is only an estimate at this time, according to Daugherty. It is believed the construction costs will be between \$500,000 and \$600,000 per house. The development will also assume costs of land development and parking lots as much \$1 million. Daugherty says the Greek organizations will have to share those costs over a period of time.

"I think our bonds are for about 20

years, but our lease is going to be for 30 and then we will have a chance to re-new," Daugherty said. "We just have to do the math on that to figure out how it's going to work."

Money for construction will come from a \$4 million bond. The interest will be paid by the fraternities, which participate in the program.

"We're going to base our lease on a 12-month situation," Daugherty said. "We're going to have to do some number crunches."

For the most part, the deal is done with the exception of a few details, which still need to be worked out, according to Daugherty.

Daugherty said \$500,000 used to be enough to build a house, but that it might not be at this time. He added this could cause problems and is something that will have to be addressed. Many Greek organizations were expecting a Greek development, but others were not.

"Some of the groups have been saving up money all along, knowing it's going to happen," Daugherty said. "It's about the fifth time we've been here to the well so a lot of people don't believe it's even going to happen even now."

Daugherty says the university is searching for a new vice president of student affairs and when that person is found, the project will come a long way.

A smaller version of Sullivan Hall is what Daugherty envisions for the Greek houses.

"The way that land slope is over there it will probably be you walk into the main floor, there will be a full basement, then have upstairs living quarters," Daugherty said. "The main floor will have a kitchen, not a commercial kitchen. It will be for the people that

live there. It will be serving meals for 75 people."

The upkeep of these houses will be a combined effort. The university is responsible for air conditioning and exterior upkeep, but the upkeep of the interior will be the responsibility of the individual fraternities.

"They'll have university facilities as far as electricity, telephones and computer access," Daugherty said. "There will also be an RA-type situation. The fraternity will be responsible for that."

Daugherty says Greek Row will be beneficial to Eastern because of the strong Greek system on campus.

"Houses bring a new dimension to the Greek system," Daugherty said. "It will give us a sense of community for the Greeks, one location. It will take some pressure off of downtown. It will give the alum something to tie into. They are very active. I mean face it, our Greeks are really active students. They are more visible and seem to have a closer tie to the university."

Daugherty said there will also be negative aspects of Greek row including problems with supervision. But overall, the Greek Row will be a challenge to the university and the Greek system, according to Daugherty.

Robinson says he does not see anything negative which would come out of the development.

"It will not only increase unity within chapters, but within the Greek system," Robinson said.

Cumpton says a lot of tensions will be eased between the fraternities and the university community.

There is not an estimation as to when Greek Row will be finished.

### "Houses bring a new dimension to the Greek system."

Skip Daugherty,  
Student Development  
Dean

## Forums: Small base increase could result in small pay raises

From the front

tive academic or administrative priorities.

Kustra said a number of people have suggested using the staff benefits option.

Kustra also said Eastern has switched from the third party administrator, Anthem, to Medical Benefits. The university will save \$280,000 from the switch.

The savings can be put toward the employee's premium payment.

"That's a \$35 a month reduction in a family policy," Kustra said.

The \$280,000 could also go into the pool insurance money. But Kustra said there is enough in the pool and a good track record on the general claims performance and there is no reason to put the money into the pool.

Ronald Mink, technician, suggested putting the money into the insurance pool for one year.

"Our track record shows that one out of every five years we have a bad year," Mink said. "We're in our third year that we haven't had a bad year."

Mink recommended giving the lower paid staff a 2 percent increase to help retain them.

"It will put them on a higher level to where they won't want to leave," Mink said.

Kustra said he had some faculty and chairs tell him the budget expenditures should be used to raise staff salary rather than faculty, as recommended in the Buck report.

Wayne Jennings, professor of physical education, asked Kustra to identify the people who came to him and said that Kustra declined to answer.

Kustra said giving a flat rate raise to everyone is possible. A flat rate would give everyone the same dollar amount instead of a percentage raise.

"There's nothing that prohibits us from doing that other than making sure when you get to the bottom line you've been as fair and equitable with everybody as possible," Kustra said.

On Friday, the members of the Board of Regents will decide on a date to approve the budget. Kustra said it would probably be May 19 or 20.

## \$3 million made during bond sales will be used to install sprinklers in four residence halls

PROGRESS STAFF REPORT

Eastern sold \$3 million in revenue bonds April 18 to complete sprinkler installations in some of its residence halls this summer.

Moody's Investor Services, which introduced the first bond ratings of Aaa through C, gave Eastern an A3 underlying rating for the Series M Housing System Revenue Bond financing. The New York-based company studied different aspects of the university to come up with the rating.

An A3 rating means that there is little risk for the issuer of the bonds. The money will be spent installing sprinklers in Keene, Todd, Dupree and Clay halls.

These will be the last of Eastern's high-rise dorms to receive sprinklers.

In a press release, Moody's said the

favorable rating was based on stable housing demand indicators and favorable debt service; the university's established regional market position and student demand; and its historical sound operating performance driven by strong support from the state.

Eastern's 16 residence halls have annual revenues in excess of \$8.3 million. There are more than 4,800 residence hall rooms and 208 apartment-style units available.

The bonds are expected to be insured by Ambac and given an Aaa rating. An Aaa rating, according to Moody's Web site, "offers exceptional financial security, while the creditworthiness of these entities is likely to change, such changes as can be visualized are most unlikely to impair their fundamentally strong position."

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# Money: Administrators say athletics is way to get enrollment numbers up

From the front

"Based on what I know, I'm disappointed in the financial condition at Eastern Kentucky University if what has started in such a short amount of time is a trend," Funderburk said from his home in Alabama Tuesday. "If there is ever a downturn in the budget, you need a fund balance."

Funderburk said being conservative with money is the smart thing to do.

"It may be outdated, but it has worked before and it will work again," he said.

Funderburk also said that a university that is weak financially will also have downfalls in other areas.

"If you're not strong financially, your academic programs will suffer because you can't compete for the best people," he said. "For the last decade, we were able to get the best people."

### Enrollment

Another dramatic decrease has been Eastern's student enrollment over the past five years. Enrollment decreased 2.63 percent from the fall of 1998, when 15,402 students were registered at the university. That number fell to 14,997 last year.

"We really have no way of knowing whether there's going to be another reduction in the fall or whether there's going to be an increase in the fall," Kustra said. "But our guess is that we will probably stabilize somewhere in that same area of where we were in the fall of 1999."

Kustra said since he has been

out recruiting high school students, he has found that as low as 35 percent of some school's graduates plan to attend college.

"That just hits us square between the eyes and causes us to get more creative and inventive when it comes to admissions," Kustra said.

Kustra said the university is planning on starting to "look beyond its borders," both in the region and state, to find students. He said he believed the problem will decrease, though.

"I'm comfortable our enrollment is not going to suffer greatly, it's just a question of what it's going to take to make sure that doesn't happen," he said.

Kustra also attributes the low student head count to an understaffed and underpaid admissions office and changes in university policy, such as the payment requirement implemented last fall where students are disenrolled if payments are not received.

### Budgeted positions

Despite Eastern's decline in enrollment, it gained 40 employees last year.

Eastern's employees' salaries come from the educational and general part of the budget. State appropriations and student fees, such as tuition, pay for those salaries.

"As you take a look around the campus, we've tried to provide support for the academic mission that was not here when I got here, like the Center for Teaching and Learning," Kustra said.

Other positions included in the 40-person increase are for child

development, enrollment management, the counseling center, aviation and other specialized programs, computing services to handle a 27/7 lab and other positions, Kustra said.

Kustra also said that many of the positions in the total 1,550 this year are ones that will not be here in a couple of years because of the reorganization. Many of the former deans who returned to teaching will retire soon.

### Athletics

Another of Eastern's financial determinants is increasing, but not in a good way.

The athletics expenditure over revenue category increased nearly 48 percent last year, meaning that Eastern now spends that much more than it takes in on the athletics department.

Ticket sales for all athletic events have been on a steady decrease, but are expected to increase from 206,278 to 244,000 in the next year because of Football Coach Roy Kidd's upcoming 300th win and Travis Ford being named the new head men's basketball coach, Kustra said.

The rest of the athletics budget comes from student fees and other resources.

Kustra said that the overwhelmingly high deficit does not worry him, because Eastern's athletics have been neglected in the past and the university is now making up for that.

"I don't think you could find many people who could disagree with the statement that for the last 15 years, athletics has been

systematically under funded, whether that's by design, accident, intention or unintentional," Kustra said. "It's a fact that the numbers will support, especially when you compare funding to our sister institutions in the OVC."

Kustra said one thing the university is trying to do to make up for the past is removing athletics coaches from their teaching responsibilities, since no other schools in the Ohio Valley Conference requires coaches to be in the classroom.

The positions left by the coaches not teaching adds to the number of budgeted positions, Kustra said.

Another budgeted position Kustra created when he became president in 1998 was that of a strength coach, since Eastern was the only university in the OVC without one.

"You have to decide whether you're going to have an athletic program that is OVC caliber or don't be in the OVC, and I don't think anybody would think those thoughts," Kustra said. "For the most part I think people consider OVC and Division I-A competition to be Eastern's tradition and where we ought to be. We just haven't been willing to pay for it lately and we're changing that."

Rita Davis, associate vice president of enrollment management, said having a strong athletics program helps the university with recruitment.

"From my perspective in enrollment management, it's very important to put a winning team that represents Eastern Kentucky University out there on a bus,"

**Athletic Expenditures over revenue**

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Travis Ford Roy Kidd

Eastern's athletics deficit keeps growing, but President Robert Kustra said he is positive ticket sales will increase this year with Coach Roy Kidd's 300th win coming up and Travis Ford on the court.

Jacinta Feldman/Progress

Davis said. "The marketing is just unbelievable. We could not pay for that kind of marketing."

Davis said it doesn't matter how the students get here, as long as they get here.

"If we have one student that comes to Eastern Kentucky University next fall because Travis Ford is our new head basketball coach, that's fine. We'll take that student and get them in an aviation program, a nursing program, a business program, and improve their lives," she said.

Kustra said Eastern will continue to support the athletics department until the university discovers there is no need.

"Some people on campus do not like to think that the athletic program and the image of our sports drives enrollment and the reputation of the university, but it does and until somebody can prove otherwise we would be foolhardy not to provide that program

with the resources the rest of its competitors have in the OVC," Kustra said.

### Tuition

While Eastern's financial status is decreasing, students are getting an increase in tuition. Tuition increased 9.13 percent last year and will increase again next year.

"Our budget for this year would be in very, very serious condition if we had tried to maintain our current tuition level that we had prior to this last increase in the fall," Kustra said. "Given the state's less than enthusiastic support for this new biennium, the tuition is to some extent helping us get through this difficult period."

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Eastern ROTC cadet Crabtree on belay as another cadet rappels during their recent Field Training Exercise in southwestern Kentucky.



Cadets are waved forward during an assault on the enemy while participating in the Field Training Exercises in southwestern Kentucky.

**H**umbly the sun tried to punch through the early morning fog as the faint sound of boots moving through the grass replaced the silence. Methodically, in an almost unrealistic slowness, a dozen figures behind painted faces dressed in camouflage became visible. Their lurking, hunched-over bodies slid forward along the terrain, weapons pointed forward, each scanning a specific area.

The point man makes a slight gesture with his hand and the group sinks into the earth - invisible. More hand signals - someone is just ahead within the tree line.

Helmets come off and every man-made sound screams through the wilderness. Somewhere ahead of us in the thick brush, which pushes up around the tall trees just coming into spring, a dry twig snaps. Helmets on. The air is calm.

My nose is peaking through a tuft of tall, brown grass. A ladybug climbs to the top of a single blade and, wings fluttering a million times a second, takes off into the sky.

Moments of cumbersome silence drag by and I can hear my heart pounding.

Suddenly the world explodes.

It's almost impossible to think over the constant roar of the dueling machine guns as they belch fiery death towards the enemy. Black boots stained with red-brown mud slam into the soft earth all around me as soldiers

rush past firing madly into the ranks of the aggressors. Leaders on both sides scream orders. Soldiers react quickly, rushing forward and to our flanks. Immediately behind me something explodes and chunks of dirt fly past my head in small swirls of white. The air is thick with purple smoke and the acrid smell of gunpowder.

Stillness. Peace. It feels like an hour but my watch says only 10 minutes have passed.



An Eastern cadet moves through the obstacle course.

Everyone is seated on the side of a small hill. Wide, white smiles shine through their camouflaged faces betraying tired, sweat-drenched bodies. Between long drinks from canteens is a discussion of what just happened. The emphasis is on technique, what could have been done better and what was learned.

Over the course of four days members of Eastern's ROTC unit, in conjunction with units from the University of Kentucky, Xavier University and

Morehead State, conducted a Field Training Exercise (FTX) in southwestern Kentucky.

Almost 200 cadets received practical experience in soldier's skills such as rappelling, day and night land navigation and basic rifle marksmanship with the M-16.

Members of the Colonel's Battalion also spent time in the Engagement Skills Trainer, an indoor combat scenario simulator, which allows a squad of soldiers to conduct operations in order to develop team cohesion and tactical proficiency.

Cadets were also provided with an up-close and personal look at the Army's premier helicopters, the AH-64 Apache, CH-64 Chinook and OH-58D Kiowa Warrior. Soldiers from Kentucky's Army National Guard afforded cadets an in-depth look at the M1 Abrams Main Battle Tank among other weapons platforms.

The main objective of the experience was to prepare cadets for a month of rigorous training at Fort Lewis, Wash. However, there was a second objective attached to this FTX.

Eastern's commander, Lieutenant Colonel Morris, stood before young, strong faces. Morris squinted as the sun fell hard upon him.

Male and female cadets look to him eagerly as he speaks with passion regarding the fragility of world peace and the ebb and flow of national security. And above all else, the essential role of a United States Army officer.

Looking out among the tired but proud faces assembled before him, he speaks of the future and the role of a United States Army officer.

"Who will lead this great nation?" Morris asked. "Who will lead this great nation?"



Eastern cadet Richardson engages his target during Basic Rifle Marksmanship.



Eastern cadet Crabtree and UK cadet Billings look over their targets on the rifle range.



Cadets listen as pilots from C Trp. 2/17th Cav tell them about the OH-58D Kiowa Warrior helicopter.

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Covey Wilson/Progress

Swiftly, along with Gold Tooth Display, will perform their alternative style music at M.F. Hooligans Thursday night.

## PROGRESS PICK

'Alternative' rock of ages

Do the names Swiftly or Gold Tooth Display mean anything to you? If you are a fan of local musicians, they just might.

Swiftly and Gold Tooth Display are both alternative rock bands that will be performing this Thursday at M.F. Hooligans. Swiftly is a Richmond-based group, while Gold Tooth Display hails from Lexington.

Jeff Duncan of Swiftly said that Gold Tooth Display will be opening for Swiftly and that everyone should enjoy the music of both bands.

"This will be a great time for everyone. Neither group have played Richmond for a while this should be something everybody can enjoy," said Duncan.

Both Swiftly and Gold Tooth Display have toured around the country as well as released their own CDs. Swiftly has opened for groups such as Better than Ezra and Third Eye Blind.

Duncan said that his group will be promoting their most recent CD entitled "ON." He also said that Gold Tooth Display is working on an upcoming CD.

### When

Thursday, 9 p.m.

### Where

M.F. Hooligans

### Cost

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## TODAY

### DISCUSSION

2-4 p.m.  
Professional Development Event "GED 2002 Everything You Need to Know." Crabbe Library, Room 108. For more information call 622-2928

### MUSIC

8 p.m.  
Faculty Brass Quintet  
Gifford Theatre

## FRIDAY

### ALUMNI WEEKENDS

6-7:30 p.m.  
Faculty/Alumni Reception  
Arlington Center, Main House

### Casino Night

8:30-10:30 p.m.  
An Alumni Weekend Event "Faux" gambling. Arlington House. Cost \$10

## SATURDAY

### BASEBALL

1 p.m.  
Eastern vs. Belmont  
Turkey Hughes Field

## AWARDS

7 p.m.  
EKU National Alumni Association 2000 Awards. Keen Johnson Ballroom. All faculty, students and staff are invited to attend

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### MUSIC

3 p.m.  
Faculty Recital  
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8 p.m.  
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## TUESDAY

### BASEBALL

3 p.m.  
Eastern vs. Wright State  
Turkey Hughes Field

### MUSIC

8 p.m.  
Vocal Jazz Ensemble, Mickey Ballard, director. Brock Auditorium. Admission \$1

## WEDNESDAY

### ART LUNCHEON

12:30 p.m.  
"Looking East: Chinese Art and Ideas." A lecture series on art in China. The University of Kentucky Art Museum

## MUSIC

8 p.m.  
Single Reed Concert, Connie Rhoades, director. Gifford Theatre

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Announcement

**Spring Commencement Change**  
The 2000 Spring Commencement, scheduled for Saturday, May 13 will begin at 10 a.m. instead of 1:30 p.m. as previously announced. Ceremonies will be held in Hanger Field. The inclement weather site is Alumni Coliseum.

### Summer School Notice

Students planning to take General Education courses at another institution this summer need to receive prior approval to ensure that the class will transfer to Eastern. Students should take a catalog and a summer schedule from the other school and your CARES report to enrollment management in Keith 125 to obtain approval. Students taking major or support courses should obtain approval from their administrative assistant.

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# Kids, cows and pigs, oh my

Area children visit Meadowbrook farm

BY KRISTAL ROARK  
Assistant Accent editor

Although a typical Madison County landscape is painted with furrowed farmland and rolling green pastures, many local schoolchildren have never set foot on a farm. And if asked where milk comes from, most would undoubtedly say a grocery store, not a cow.

In an effort to increase agricultural awareness among the children and provide them with a basic introduction to an operating farm, Eastern's agriculture department, over a decade ago, began scheduling three days of farm fun for area schoolchildren at the university's Meadowbrook Farm near Waco.

Michael Judge, Eastern's farm director, says the goal of the day is to teach kids about where their food comes from.

"When I was a kid, everybody had some sort of tie to a farm whether through parents or grandparents. Nowadays, the kids just don't have that," Judge said.

While at Meadowbrook, the children are given an hour-long tour by Judge, other faculty and staff and a handful of agricultural students who provide the children with important knowledge about the 721-acre farm and its facilities.

"We couldn't do this without them," Judge said of the agriculture students who volunteer their time.

As the first school bus arrived, preschoolers from Bellevue Elementary School, buoyant despite their heavy coats, excitedly hopped off the bus.

This enthusiasm is what Jonathon Alford, a graduate from Eastern's pre-veterinary program, looks forward to each year.

"My favorite part of the tour is all the questions the kids ask," Alford said.

The first leg of the tour introduced the 30-or-so children to the dairy cattle. Although their udders were heavy with milk, this did not stop the cows from skittishly backing away from the rowdy youngsters.

The next stop was the dairy



Luke Ramsay/Progress

Matthew Hoover, left, pretends to drive a tractor while Marcus Willis waits his turn. Both are preschool students at Bellevue Elementary.

parlor where the cows are milked at 5 a.m. sharp each morning.

While there, the children's mocking "moos" reverberated against the metal building's walls, as Judge showed them with an electric-powered gate, how the cows are corralled each day to be milked by a huge machine that efficiently milks several cows at one time.

Although farm concepts are simplified for the young audience, who range in age from preschool to third grade, it is obvious the animals are what really interest the younger children.

"At this age, the kids just like to see the animals," Judge said, as he nodded toward the preschoolers.

Next, the preschoolers were led to the milk room where Judge explained how a 1,000-gallon tank holds the milk from the cows before it is picked up by a truck and transported to a processing plant.

While in the room, he humorously held up a giant baby bottle, complete with a huge nipple, to show the children how baby cows, just like baby people, can be fed with bottles.

After this, the rambunctious group was led to two flatted wagons, complete with bales of hay, for the hayride they had all been looking forward to. As the tractor lurched forward, the children sang "Old McDonald" in their

sweet voices, repeating over and over the verse about Old McDonald having a cow, their newest farm acquaintance.

Slowly, the green John Deere tractor crept along the puddled road that led past pastures of grazing cows to the muddy pigpens, the farrow house, where baby pigs are born, and the nursery.

Judge warned the children of the stink that would greet them when they arrived at the pigpens. They smelled the pigs before they saw them, however, and, just as he had predicted, many of the preschoolers clamped their small hands to their curled noses to escape the strong smell of manure and hogs.

As a distraction, Judge scrambled to catch a small, wriggling pig, the runt of the litter, and allowed the children to pet its pink body.

As they left the farrow house, the preschoolers gulped fresh air and walked toward a small John Deere tractor parked off the side of the road, which lazily wound its circular way to the multiple facilities and barns on the farm.

Much to their delight, each were given the opportunity to sit on the tractor and "drive," although its engine was turned off. More than one tried to sneak back in line for a second turn.

They were then led to a quiet

beehive where one little boy volunteered to wear a beekeeper's hat with its protective netting and a pair of thick gloves. Judge demonstrated how a smoker, with its accordion-style pump for releasing smoke into the air, is used to calm bees before honeycomb is removed from the hive.

After this, the children, who were beginning to tire, were led to two pens. The pen which held the bored borro was soon ignored by the curious children for the pen that was shared by two sheared lambs — one gray, one black.

Outside the sheep pen, a 5-gallon bucket sat on the soggy ground and overflowed with lamb's wool, oily to the touch. Judge explained that a sheep's coat is oily so as to keep the animal dry in the rain.

The brave youngsters who had been unafraid to touch the unfamiliar material, unconsciously wiped their greasy fingers on their pants legs as they were led away to their last destination — a shop that housed rabbit cages, baby chickens and kittens.

While there, the children gently touched the baby animals that meowed and cheeped in protest at the prying fingers that reached from all directions.

After the trembling animals were safely put back in their cages, the preschoolers were led to a dry patch on the pavement where they were to enjoy a quick snack of milk and cookies, grimy fingers and all.

Judge sighed as he looked on. One tour down and many more to go.

In the three days that Meadowbrook Farm invites county schools to visit, nearly 700 children a day are led through tours just like this one.

However, with the weather as nasty as it was this particular day, several teachers had called and cancelled.

"When the weather's good, it's a great experience," Judge said. "They bring picnics and set in the grass and sing songs."

Regardless of the weather, the children seemed to have truly enjoyed themselves.

"I liked the kitties," 4-year-old Marcus Willis said.

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## Smile, you're on CollegeClub.com

Internet photo gallery devoted to colleges comes to Eastern's campus

By JENNIFER MULLINS  
Assistant Accent editor

If a camera-wielding student approaches you asking to take your picture, your first response will probably be "what for?"

The amateur photographer might tell you that the pictures are for the CollegeClub.com photo gallery. You may be wondering why are they taking pictures of random college students? What's the deal?

The deal is that CollegeClub.com is an Internet site devoted solely to college students.

The site is home to a photo gallery that includes pictures from college campuses nationwide. It also provides various free services to students including free email, resume posting, email that can be checked over the phone and many other services.

Students are able to look at all of the photos that have been taken throughout the entire academic year as well as download the photos to their own disk. A feature on the site called "my photo gallery" allows students to pick and choose their favorite pictures from the university gallery.

So by now you're probably wondering who are these people taking the pictures? How did they get this job and why are they doing it? It is all a matter of fun and freedom, say those involved.

Samara Allen is an Eastern student and a representative of CollegeClub.com.

"I like this job because I can do it when I want to and I can interact with people and really have fun," Allen said.

Allen's co-worker and fellow student Erin Makelvich agreed.

"I'm in college. I've got a job on campus. I make my own hours. What could be better," Makelvich said.

Allen and Makelvich, along with three others, make up Eastern's CollegeClub.com campus representatives. The five take pictures anywhere and everywhere on campus and throughout the Richmond community.

"The best place to take pic-



Photo submitted by CollegeClub.com

Students were caught on campus by the eyes of one of the CollegeClub.com photographers.

tures is downtown," Allen said. "We have a way to check how many students looked at the pictures, and the downtown pictures always get looked at the most."

Although the campus representatives are not required to take certain photos at certain times, there are a certain amount of photos that each is required to take.

But besides the number of pictures they are required to take, the CollegeClub.com reps have no other restrictions.

"We take pictures downtown, in the grill, in the residence halls, everywhere," Allen said.

"We're not selling anything, we're offering a free service," Makelvich said. "So it really doesn't create any problems."

Makelvich and Allen said that no matter where they take pictures, they usually always get at least two of the same responses.

"They always want to know why we want to take their pictures and then a lot of them will say 'I don't look good,'" Allen said.

"I've seen some of the prettiest girls and most handsome guys say they look bad, so they don't want to be photographed," Makelvich said.

The two say that sometimes they actually get in pictures with people to make them feel more comfortable.

"Sometimes they don't want to be in a picture by themselves, so we'll get in the picture with them," said Makelvich.

Besides taking random pictures, they said that CollegeClub.com also looks for groups and organizations that want to be photographed.

"We look for fliers and posters so that we will have something to take pictures of, so we not only get pictures, but some of the events are really fun," Allen said.

If all of this sounds too good to be true, and you think you have what it takes to be a CollegeClub.com representative, you may get a chance to do just that. Today, the regional coordinator for the campus representatives will be in front of the Powell Building accepting applications from anyone interested.

The campus representatives say that you do not need any certain skill to do the job, and that it provides excellent sources to add to your resume.

"How many college students can put on their resume that they work for an Internet company," Allen said. "I mean, it is pretty impressive when you think about it."

So if you have had your picture taken by these campus representatives, you can easily check them out by going to CollegeClub.com and logging on.

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# PRSSA sets Habitat goal

BY KRYSTAL ROARK  
Assistant Accent editor

If all goes well, the Eastern's chapter of Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA), with the help of various campus organizations, will have raised its projected goal of \$42,500 for a Habitat for Humanity house by the beginning of fall semester.

Approved by President Robert Kustra nearly four weeks ago, the organization hopes to raise the money to pay for the exact cost of purchasing land and building supplies for a Habitat for Humanity home, which will be donated to a deserving family.

If the fundraising goal is met, Warner Allen, PRSSA president, said this will be the largest philanthropic, fundraising effort by a student-run organization in Eastern's history.

According to the Habitat for Humanity International Headquarters in Americus, Ga., the University of Louisville is the only Kentucky university to have successfully reached this goal in the past.

PRSSA sees the project as an opportunity to unite campus groups and promote awareness of

Habitat for Humanity on campus. "This will be the first time the whole campus can get together like this," Allen said. "We'll build morale higher than the roof we'll put up."

Allen said he proposed the project after a representative from Habitat for Humanity of Madison County spoke to PRSSA about community activism.

After investigating approximately 100 colleges and universities throughout the United States which have helped sponsor Habitat houses, PRSSA decided to take on the challenge.

"I'm really proud of them and how they've taken it to this level," Maureen Everett, mass communications department chair, said.

To accomplish the goal, PRSSA is asking alumni, faculty and student groups to contribute \$40 to the cost of one square foot of the house or \$360 to the cost of one square yard.

"It'll be something everyone will be proud of," Allen said.

According to Allen, the project has been endorsed by the Panhellenic Council, Interfraternity Council, Student Government Association, Student Athlete Advisory Committee, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship,

Student Alumni Ambassadors, Kappa Delta Tau, the Catholic Newman Center, the Wesley Foundation and the Student Contractor Association of the department of technology.

"This is an excellent broadening experience," Everett said. "They'll get to see how people who are less fortunate live, and it's a real eye-opener."

Habitat for Humanity in Richmond has coordinated the construction of 21 houses in Madison County since 1992 and will be the lead agency for Eastern's Habitat house.

Habitat for Humanity chooses the family that will participate in the construction, occupy the house and pay the interest-free mortgage. The organization also arranges to acquire the property, arrange the mortgage, provide building plans and supervise construction.

Allen said if the land is donated, overall costs will be reduced by \$10,000.

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# Grads come back after half century

BY VIRGINIA CHAMBERS  
Staff writer

This weekend, if you are on campus, you may see some not-so-familiar faces strolling around.

Friday and Saturday, Eastern Kentucky graduates are invited to revisit their alma mater during the annual Alumni Weekend.

This year, the university will be recognizing classes of 1945, 1950, 1955, 1960, 1965, 1970, 1975, 1980 and 1985, along with those who graduated one year before or one year after the special reunion classes.

The schedule of events consists of two days of activities, according to a recent press release, Jim Bickford, the president of ECU National Alumni Association said.

"Alumni Weekend is a celebration to be enjoyed by friends and family. We hope graduates will

make a special effort to join us for this special day," Bickford said.

When graduates arrive on Friday afternoon, they are invited to go "back to the classroom." Several professors have opened class sessions to alumni on Friday afternoon. There will also be an information seminar, "Who needs a will?"

Friday evening, a faculty and alumni reception will be held at the Arlington Main House and "Casino Night" will follow it immediately. Each guest is given \$2,000 of "Colonel Money" and winnings can be used to bid on Eastern paraphernalia at an auction.

Saturday's main events are campus tours, a class photo, University Archives and a Space Theater show.

Lally Jennings, associate director of Alumni Relations, says a display is generally set up for the

alums to look at. The display includes everything from old issues of Milestones and the Progress to photographs.

Chasity Ballard, a member of the on-campus group designed to help with alumni, has helped with Alumni Weekend for three years.

"I usually give tours of the campus and transport them from Keen Johnson Building to the planetarium and back," said Ballard. "They are usually very impressed by the planetarium."

The day includes a recognition of Eastern's pioneers, which are those who graduated 50 years ago. Ending the days whirlwind of events is an "Alumni/Honoree Reception and Desert" at the Keen Johnson Building.

"They seem very excited," Ballard said. "They get to see their friends they went to school with and share old memories."

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## From the sports staff to the golfers—we're sorry

I made a mistake (ha). Nothing life threatening, but I feel bad nonetheless.

Last week there was a bit of a mix up here at the Progress. You see, Andrew Kersey wrote the wonderful feature story on Jackie Biro. I wrote the story for the Lady Colonel Classic. Each week the ever-helpful folks in the sports information department fax over all the results from the week's athletic competitions, without Karl Park and his staff I would be lost. Last week, Andrew picked up the statistics for the first round of the Colonel Classic and I picked up the stats for the second round. Andrew used his stats in his story. I used my stats in mine. This all adds up to one thing: the women's golf stories in last week's issue were wrong.



JEREMY STEVENSON  
Mental floss

I now will attempt to polish our slightly tarnished image and report the REAL results.

Some things about the story were right. There were 17 teams in the tournament.

But, Eastern did not finish fourth. We actually finished in seventh place. Still, a very good finish for the ladies.

In individual play, Eastern had two golfers in the top 10. Krissie Kirby competed in individual competition and came away with an impressive score of 155. Kirby finished in a three-way tie for fourth place.

Colleen Yaeger had the second best finish for the Colonels, her two-round score of 156 put her in a tie for seventh place overall.

The centerpiece of last week's feature story, Jackie Biro, played very well too. Biro finished one stroke behind Yaeger with a score of 157. Biro's score put her in a tie for 11th place overall.

Krista Dillman and Leslie Fossitt competed in individual competition as well. Dillman's two-round 161 put her in a tie for 27th place in the individual standings. Fossitt finished two places behind Dillman with a score of 162.

Rounding out the Colonel team effort were Kelli Wilson, Michelle Biro and Samantha Moses.

Wilson shot a score of 163 for the two-day tournament and finished in a tie for 33rd place.

Biro and Moses each shot 170 and finished in a tie for 55th place.

Again, I apologize for the errors. I take pride in what I do here and when I make a mistake, it is not taken lightly. If any of you ever spot an error in the reporting of any member of the Progress, please feel free to call and let us know. We are all students, still learning our trade like the rest.

### Adios Chuck

I am saddened by the departure of one of the finest sports writers in the business.

Chuck Culpepper has departed the Bluegrass State for greener pastures in Portland at The Oregonian.

If any of you do not know who Chuck is, he was a columnist for the Herald-Leader. If he worked at the Progress, this would be his space if that helps you know what a columnist is supposed to do.

Anyway, whenever I am asked why I like sports writing or why I love to write about the things that matter to me, I always have to reply with "Chuck Culpepper."

I met Chuck a couple of years ago when he spoke to my sports reporting class, and recently I met up with him at a seminar in Lexington. We spoke and I asked him if I could send him my work and have him look at it, without hesitation he said that he would not mind at all.

Since then, Chuck has taken time out of his schedule to read the things I write for you all and he tells me ways I can improve. Chuck has gone out of his way to help me; the least I can do is give a couple lines of thanks.

# Colonels near 'salvation'

## Albright hurls two hitter; Eastern 'rains' over EIU

By JOHN HAYS  
Sports writer

As the saying goes, "When you're hot, you're hot." The baseball Colonels lived up to the old adage last week, winning at Xavier and Wright State and coming home to sweep OVC foe Eastern Illinois. The wins extended the team's season-high win streak to seven.

Eastern improved its overall record to 22-18 and 15-3 in the conference to stay one game behind league-leading Southeast Missouri State.

Chris Frailly's two-run home run in the eighth inning helped the Colonels hold off the Musketeers of Xavier 6-3 last Tuesday at Hayden Field in Cincinnati.

With Eastern leading 3-2, Frailly followed a Mike Brown single with a blast over the right field wall off Jeff Barger (3-4).

Spencer Boley scattered six hits and two runs while striking out three in six innings of work. Mike Martini earned his second save of the season, working the final inning and striking out two. Frailly and Kiley Vaughn each had two hits, leading the Colonels barrage of 15 hits.

### Wright State goes wrong

Aaron Williams and Lee Chapman each had three hits and a quartet of Eastern pitchers limited Wright State to nine hits in a 3-0 victory last Wednesday in Dayton, completing a two-game sweep of the Buckeye State.

Vaughn's RBI single in the fourth inning and Chapman's two-run single in the eighth was all the combination of Shane Billau, Nic Lively, Jeff Sharp and Corey Eagle needed.

Billau (1-1) worked the first five innings allowing only four hits while the bullpen held Wright State to five safeties the rest of the way.

Wright State starter Chris Bedford (3-5) allowed the Colonels runs in seven innings.

### Colonels sweep EIU

With the temperatures hovering around 40 degrees accompanied by 25 mile per hour winds at Turkey Hughes Field Friday, Chip Albright decided to warm things up a bit.

Albright hurled a two-hitter and Jason Sharp homered as Eastern defeated Eastern Illinois 2-1 in the opening game of a huge OVC doubleheader.

Albright (6-3), OVC Pitcher of the Week, struck out eight and walked one over seven innings. He faced 25 EIU batters and retired the last nine he faced.

Eastern scored both of its runs in the second inning. Sharp's solo shot to right centerfield and Frailly's RBI single scoring Mike Schneider gave Albright the cushion he needed.

Sharp's homer off John Larson (4-5) was his eighth of the season. Larson held the Colonels to five hits while striking out eight and walking none.

Lee Chapman's three-run homer coupled with the relief pitching of Jeff Sharp and Mike Martini gave Eastern a 6-4 win in the second game against EIU.

After a pair of singles by Aaron Williams and Adam Basil, Chapman blasted a shot to right field. Gabe Thomas followed with a single to centerfield scoring Sharp and giving Eastern a 4-0 lead after three innings.

Eastern added two more runs in the fifth on a sacrifice fly by Williams and a fielder's choice by Chapman.

Scott Santa gave up eight hits and four runs over five innings. EIU touched Santa (4-2) for three runs in the fifth on a pair of singles by Brian Nickell and Dave Pohlman.

Sharp and Martini worked the final two innings giving up one hit. Martini earned his third save of the season.

Vaughn went 3-4 for the Colonels and Chapman added four RBIs to lead the Colonel attack.

After EIU scored four runs in the first inning, it looked as though Eastern starter Corey Eagle was in store for a rough outing. The Colonels offense came to the rescue in the home half of the inning, sending 14 batters to the plate and scoring eight runs on its way to a 12-8 win Sunday afternoon.

Gabe Thomas's three-run homer and Adam Basil's two-run single along with four EIU errors gave Eagle and the Colonels breathing room in the first. Eagle settled down, working eight innings, striking out nine and walking one before giving way to Shane Boley in the ninth.

Eastern added two runs in the fourth on Chapman's two-run single and two more in the eighth on Sharp's double that scored Chapman and Williams.

Williams led Eastern, going 3-4, scoring three runs. Sharp added two hits and three RBIs while Basil chipped in with three runs batted in.

Eastern banged out 30 hits in the three games.

The Colonels have not lost an OVC series all season and the sweep extended Eastern's conference winning-streak to five. The Colonels welcome the University of Belmont to Turkey Hughes Field Saturday. Starting time is slated for 1 p.m.



Corey Wilson/Progress

Senior Shane Billau spit shines a ball as he watches Friday's battle with EIU.



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Few fans attended Eastern's game against EIU Friday due to rain. Those that did found shelter under umbrellas.

# Colonels host first NCAA series

By BRYAN WILSON  
Sports writer

Despite the cold and rainy weather conditions last Friday, the men's and women's track and field teams laced up their shoes and hosted Eastern's first NCAA Collegiate Series. Universities from the surrounding area including the University of Kentucky, the University of Louisville, the University of Cincinnati and Midway College were on hand to compete in the meets.

Coach Rich Erdmann said the conditions were not perfect, but the meet went on as scheduled.

"The cold conditions were lousy," Erdmann said. "The weather effected everybody equally. It was just a nasty, awful day."

Both the men and women finished third overall with final results of 127 and 133 total points, respectively. Cincinnati was the men's first place winner with a score of 225 total points. The women's first place winner was Louisville with 223 total points.

The men and women's track competitions had 11 meets each, ranging from 100-meters to 5,000-meters. The men's team had runners to finish first in the 3,000-meter steeplechase and the 1,500-meter run.

Daniel Koech finished with a first place time of 4:02 in the 1,500-meter run. James



File photo/Progress

Kathy Dodsworth brought home the win for the Colonels in the shot-put.

Mutuse finished first in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9:16. Alex Bannister finished first in the 200-meter dash.

The Colonels had men runners to finish in at least the top five in most of the races, but it was not enough for the overall victory

in the one-day event.

In the women's track competition, the first place runners were Jennifer Brown in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 17:49, Celestina Ogbolugo in the 1,500-meter run with a time of 4:51 and Davina McCluney in the 200-meter dash with a time of 25:48.

"There were some good performances," Erdmann said.

One such performance was the running of Jennifer Brown. Brown showed her ability as a strong performer by finishing first in the 5,000-meter run, then finishing second in the 3,000-meter run.

"That showed some toughness and some courage," said Erdmann. "I thought she ran very well."

In the field competition, there were eight events. Eastern finished first in only one event, the discus throw. Lady Colonel Kathy Dodsworth threw the best with a distance of 41.21 meters.

Dodsworth also finished fifth in the women's shot put with a throw of 10.52 meters.

The men's field team got a strong performance from Tyrone Walker. Walker finished second in the high jump with a jump of six feet two inches.

"Our lack of being competitive in the field events just kills us," Erdmann said. "We have a limited number of men we can participate."

Eastern's next competition will be in Philadelphia, Pa. at the Penn Relays April 26 through 29. The season will wrap up in Murfreesboro, Tenn. at the OVC track and field championships on May 5 and 6.

# Making the bats talk

By DEVIN KLARER  
Assistant sports editor

Softball is a sport whose name can be misleading. There is really nothing soft about the ball or the game. Home plate collisions, screaming line drives, headfirst dives into the dirt are not things commonly associated with the word soft. Yet they are all part of any game of softball.

Just ask the Eastern softball team. They do not know the meaning of the word soft. They play hard day in and day out and it shows in their stats and their record.

Eastern is undoubtedly the hardest hitting and maybe the best offensive team in the conference. Through April 16, the Colonels led the OVC in RBIs and home runs, and were second in the league in runs, hits and doubles.

The Colonels rank third in the OVC in batting average with a combined team average of .255. Their whopping home-run total of 22 is twice as many as the closest team in the category in the OVC.

Even after losing three games at second-place Middle Tennessee this weekend, the Colonel's offensive power surge this year has helped them to stand out as one of the teams to beat in the OVC.

In most seasons, a 10-7 record in the OVC would be good enough for one of the top two spots, but head softball coach Jane Worthington says that the league standings are bunched up because all of the top teams have yet to play each other. She also says the Colonels will be in a good position if they can win the big games in the second half of the conference season.

"We basically control our own destiny. If we can knock off some of the top teams, then we'll be right back at the very top," Worthington said. "We're in pretty good shape, but we've got to take care of business, too."

The Colonels hard-nosed play helped them to overcome the loss of one of their best players. Before being swept at Middle Tennessee this weekend, the women won seven of their last nine games, including four out of five at home last week.

The Colonels were without slugging shortstop Amy Herrington two weeks ago, but still swept Morehead State and took two out three from UT-



Corey Wilson/Progress

Bethany Herrington gets a base hit against UK on March 1.

Martin. Herrington was sidelined after suffering a concussion from a collision just days after being named OVC Player of the Week. Herrington returned to action last week against Tennessee Tech and picked up right where she left off with a double in the win.

Worthington says that Herrington's condition has improved, but that the team did not risk playing her until her condition was fully diagnosed because of the freshman shortstop's history of concussions. Worthington also says that the Colonels did well without Herrington, but that her loss was still felt.

"If you take a look at her batting average, it's obvious that we really need her bat in the lineup," Worthington said.

Herrington was having a stand-out season in her first year as a Colonel before she went down with the concussion. She and fellow Colonel Kim Sarrazin have lit up the OVC for five home runs each, and are both among the league leaders in RBIs as well as homers.

"They definitely both have the potential to hit a home run every

time they come to the plate," Worthington said.

Sarrazin, a senior, showed her versatility by moving from her usual position behind the plate to hold down the shortstop position in Herrington's brief absence. Sarrazin is having the best season of any Colonel to this point. She is at or near the top of the OVC in almost every offensive category. She leads the league in doubles, triples and RBIs and is tied with fellow Colonel Herrington for third in home runs.

Junior Renee LeBlanc has also been a large part of the Colonel's offensive attack this year. She is in the top 10 in the OVC in batting average, runs scored and several other offensive categories. Worthington says that LeBlanc's home run production has been an unexpected bonus.

With the conference season half over, Worthington thinks the team will only get better with each passing game.

"The more we play, the more consistent we'll become," Worthington said. "I think experience can only help with such a young team."



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# Basil, the spice in Colonel baseball

BY ANDREW KERSEY  
Sports writer

Second basemen Adam Basil played at the same high school as Cincinnati Reds stars Ken Griffey, Jr. and Barry Larkin. Though Basil did not play in the same time period of these great players, his senior picture still hangs in the same hall as Griffey and Larkin.

Basil and Larkin are even from the same hometown of Westchester, Ohio, a community of about 47,000 just north of Cincinnati. Basil, a confessed New York Mets fan, said he was actually cheering for the Reds when the two teams squared off for a one-game qualifier last season to determine who would go to the National League playoffs.

"I've always cheered for the Mets, but in that case, I had to root on the home team," Basil said.

Basil, a fifth-year senior, has played baseball all of his life. He and his four brothers have all played, or are playing, in leagues ranging from little league to the college ranks. Baseball has been a big part of the Basil family since Basil and his four brothers were strong enough to swing a bat. Basil's father, Jay, and mother, Linda, spent many days at the recreation field encouraging, coaching and supporting the young men.

"Dad made us a batting cage in the backyard when I was about eight," Basil said.

Basil played against his younger



Corey Wilson/Progress

Adam Basil leads the Colonels in batting average, hitting .419 for the season.

brother Jason in high school and in college.

Jason and Basil played four times in high school while Basil was at Moeller and Jason was at cross-town rival St. Xavier. Little brother Jason and his team swept big brother's team in all four games they played. Basil says that his little brother still likes to hold that over his head.

"Some of the most memorable times our family has had is when the boys played together, or

against each other," said Jay Basil.

After high school, Basil headed to Eastern, and two years later Jason headed to top 10-ranked Georgia Tech. This season, Basil had his chance at redemption when Eastern played a double-header at Georgia Tech in Atlanta. Basil and Jason had a chance to showcase their talents in front of about 20 members of their family.

"It was really exciting because

most of our family that attended had never seen us play before," Basil said.

Once again, Jason claimed bragging rights as Georgia Tech defeated Eastern in two games that went down to the wire, 5-4 and 3-2. In individual statistics, Adam says he got the best of Jason, but winning the games would have been nicer.

Leading the way in statistics is nothing new to Basil. As a switch-hitter, he has the highest batting

"...but we always have confidence in him in the clutch because of his leadership qualities."

Jerry Edwards,  
assistant coach

"

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It turns out that Basil is also the guy on the team who the players go to for glove doctoring. He says that his teammates give him their gloves for repair because he is the only one on the team who knows how to rethread the ripped gloves.

"I've got two or three in the works right now," Basil said.

When Basil is not rethreading gloves, playing baseball or listening to Dave Matthews, who he plans to see in concert in Cincinnati over the summer, he is getting ready to graduate and try for a career in his minor, finance. Basil is a computer information systems major, but said he got interested in finance when took a couple classes to fill a 300 level course requirement.

Before any career moves take place, Basil and his team are focusing their energy towards the OVC tournament, and hopefully the long road toward the NCAA regionals.

The coaches have confidence in the team's ability as well as Basil's strong batting ability. The coaching staff looks to Basil for leadership and big plays in the clutch.

"Adam is definitely an offensive threat, but we always have confidence in him in the clutch because of his leadership qualities, and his positive frame of mind every time he steps up to the plate or sets foot out on the field," said assistant coach Jerry Edwards.

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- Review tryout requirements
- Review dance team rules and regulations
  - Learn dance routine
  - Review required tricks

**TRYOUTS**  
**SUNDAY • MAY 7 • 2 PM**  
**WEAVER DANCE STUDIO**  
(Video tryouts can be arranged, if absolutely necessary.)

**EACH DANCER WILL BE REQUIRED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:**

- Choreograph a 90-second dance routine to perform at tryouts. (Please have routine ready to show on Friday.)
- Learn a 90-second dance routine on Friday afternoon to perform in a group at tryouts.
- Execute the following tricks:
  - Double Pirouette (right and left leg)
  - Double Chaine' into an Axel
  - Triple To-Touch
  - Herkie (right and left leg)
  - Tilts (right and left)
  - Jump Split to Floor
  - Split Leap into a Straddle Leap
  - Reverse Split Leap
  - Switch Leap
  - Barrel Leap

Optional Trick (combination of tricks, or trick not listed above)

Practice times for the 2000 2001 school year will be 7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. on MWF, and 7:45 a.m. - 9:10 a.m. on TR, with other practice times scheduled as needed. Please arrange your Fall 2000 class schedules accordingly.

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