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## Regents pick firm to help select new president

By JAMIE NEAL  
News editor

The preliminary stages in Eastern's presidential search have begun. Eastern Board of Regents Chair Jim Gilbert recommended to the board that he be authorized to negotiate with presidential search firm Academic Search Consultation Service of Washington, D.C., or any other consultation firm that he thinks appropriate for services in conducting a presidential search.

Eastern's current President Hanly Funderburk has told the board he will retire June 30, 1998

when his contract ends after 13 years of service. During the regents' meeting Monday, Gilbert passed out a statement and resolution about the presidential search.

"It is important to begin planning for this process now so that the search can be handled in a deliberate fashion and provide for appropriate constituent input," the statement said. "To this end, the Chair has reviewed information from several presidential search consultation services. Academic Search Consultation Service, a non-profit organization based in Washington,

D.C., appears to be the most suitable for our purposes."

The senior consultant for the organization is Allan Ostar, who served for many years as the chief executive officer of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities. This has given him a sound understanding of comprehensive regional universities and their leadership needs.

Gilbert said he has been talking with consultation firms since approximately January or February.

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## Patton to speak at graduation; receive honorary degree

By JAMIE NEAL  
News editor

An announcement that Gov. Paul E. Patton has accepted an invitation from Eastern to speak at Spring Commencement May 10 and has been approved by the university's board of regents to receive an honorary degree, doctor of laws, caused some questions during the board's meeting

Monday.

The honors committee of the board nominated Patton for an honorary degree and explained their reasoning in a statement to the board members. It cited the governor's accomplishments and included this quote from Patton: "I intend for this administration to be remembered 20 years from now as one that changed for the better the way government operates and serves its

people. I want to set Kentucky on a course so that our children and grandchildren will have the opportunity to realize their dreams."

Some board members debated whether the timing was good to give the governor the degree since there is so much activity happening with Patton's higher education proposal.

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## Computer fees could be added

By LANCE YEAGER  
News writer

It should come as no surprise to students that tuition will increase again next year, but there may be a new computer/technology fee to consider as well.

This proposed fee and the amount of increase for the activities fee will not be considered by university officials and the Board of Regents until after the special session on higher education May 12, according to Charles Whitlock, executive assistant to the president.

The university information technology committee has proposed the university establish a computing/technology fee to improve computing services already existing for students and to create more services.

The committee voted last month to propose a \$40 fee for full-time students and a \$20 fee for part-time students. These fees would be assessed in both the fall and spring semesters. The summer session fee would be \$20 and the intersession fee would be \$10. The proposal states an implementation date of Fall 1997, but the Board of Regents must approve the proposal first when it

meets after the special session.

Eastern is the only state-funded university without a computer/technology fee. The proposed fee is the same as the one assessed students at the University of Kentucky.

Based on the enrollment numbers for the fall semester, the fee would generate more than a half million dollars each semester.

Academic computing and telecommunications services, which is headed up by director Jim Keith, would be responsible for determining how money collected from the fee would be spent.

Committee member David Sousa, a professor of physics and astronomy, said the fee would help the university extend lab hours, hire students to man the labs, establish multimedia rooms in each building and network the dorms for access to the Internet.

"It was a concern for some of us that students will have to pay more, but students are demanding more computer services," Sousa said.

He added some students are arriving at Eastern to find computer facilities aren't as good as they were in their high schools because of the

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Amy Kearns/Progress

### Yer Out

No. 13 Adam Basil, a second baseman for Eastern, watches as No. 26 Jason Sharp gets the out at second and throws to first in hopes of a double play in Tuesday's game against Cincinnati. This was the

last Colonel home game of this season. The Colonels lost 3-0, for a 20-28 record going into the final two weeks of play. For more game details, see Page B7.



Amy Kearns/Progress

The owners of a new bar in downtown Richmond, Dwayne Clift, Nathan Gambrel and Scott Atkins, plan to open The Rock within two and a half weeks.

## Between The Rock and ...

Interest in geology generated name for new downtown night spot

By LANCE YEAGER  
News writer

Dwayne Clift had owned the building at 112 E. Main St. in Richmond for several months, with plans for opening a bar.

Although he hadn't planned on having a partner in the business, the fact that his wife was eight months pregnant made him think about how little time he would have for his family as the sole owner of a bar.

Then, around Thanksgiving, he found a note on the door from two men inquiring about renting the building.

Scott Atkins, 21, and Nathan Gambrel, 27, were also interested

in opening a bar.

So, now it's May and the three are business partners, working day and night to finish renovations on their dream which will be called "The Rock."

Clift, 24, said the name was inspired by his interest in rocks as he studied geology at Eastern for a while.

The three men have done all the construction work in the building, aside from plumbing, in what have at times been 20-hour days.

Clift helped his father with his construction business in Florida, gaining much of the knowledge the three men needed to build the club.

The Rock, a spacious room with plenty of dance floor including an elevated stage, will be a dance club open only to patrons 21 and over.

A disc jockey will spin music from a booth peering over the dance floor, which will be accented by tracks of overhead lighting.

"We will absolutely have the best light show in town," Atkins said.

The three partners are tossing around ideas for some sort of dress code and say the music will lean toward Top 40.

"Whatever the clientele wants," Clift said in regard to choice of music.

They say a great staff is already

lined up, stressing that people will not have to wait 15 minutes to get a drink.

"I've always had a problem with slow service," Clift said.

With The Rock due to begin rolling in two and a half weeks, the large bar inside is currently sitting empty, waiting to be leaned upon by a rowdy group of old friends.

A dim light shines through the room and silence allows the owners to hear the laughter of revelers visiting other bars on the street. Those are the sounds they hope will soon be bouncing around The Rock.

"We like this community, and we just want to provide an entertainment source," Atkins said.

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Reminders

- Finals begin Monday.
- Dorms close at 6 p.m. May 10.
- Book buy back ends May 10.

CLASS PATTERN

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## Renovations to be implemented at Martin, McGregor

By JACINTA FELDMAN  
Activities editor

Residents returning to Martin and McGregor Halls in the fall semester will be in for a surprise.

Those halls are scheduled to undergo a "very substantial renovation project," Kenna Middleton, director of residence development, said.

"A face-lift is basically what it's going to be," Middleton said.

The physical plant is going to paint, do some work on furniture, work on the doors and look at the bathrooms in those buildings, she said.

Martin Hall's second and third floor will each be converted to

have three sets of suites, Mike Lynch, president of Residence Hall Association, said. The conversion is in conjunction with the redesign contest the RHA held during the fall semester.

"The architect took the best features of the designs," Jim Harmon, policy chair of the RHA, said.

The suites in Martin Hall will not have separate bathrooms, but will be based on communal bathrooms.

Lynch said RHA passed a resolution that all the residence halls be renovated. He said the halls were prioritized in a list in order of need, and McGregor was

ranked high on that list.

Middleton said after Mattox Hall was renovated this year, the RHA went through it, and decided they would like to see all the residence halls upgraded to Mattox Hall's standards.

"We were able to look at what was done to Mattox, what was good in the buildings, and try to come up with a list of recommendations of things that needed to be done," she said.

Lynch said eventually all the halls will get some attention.

"There are several things that are going to be done this summer. ... There are going to be some things that will just happen, and they aren't really renovations," Middleton said.

The physical plant will be doing some maintenance work in many halls, she said.

RHA has passed many propos-

als for renovations in the residence halls this year.

Some of the changes that might be made for the fall semester are:

- Creating a community room in the Brockton Area. There will be some rules that govern the room, like a key check out system, and a system to schedule the room for use.
- Changing Sullivan Hall into a coed dorm.

This dorm would be for honors students, non-traditional students and graduate students.

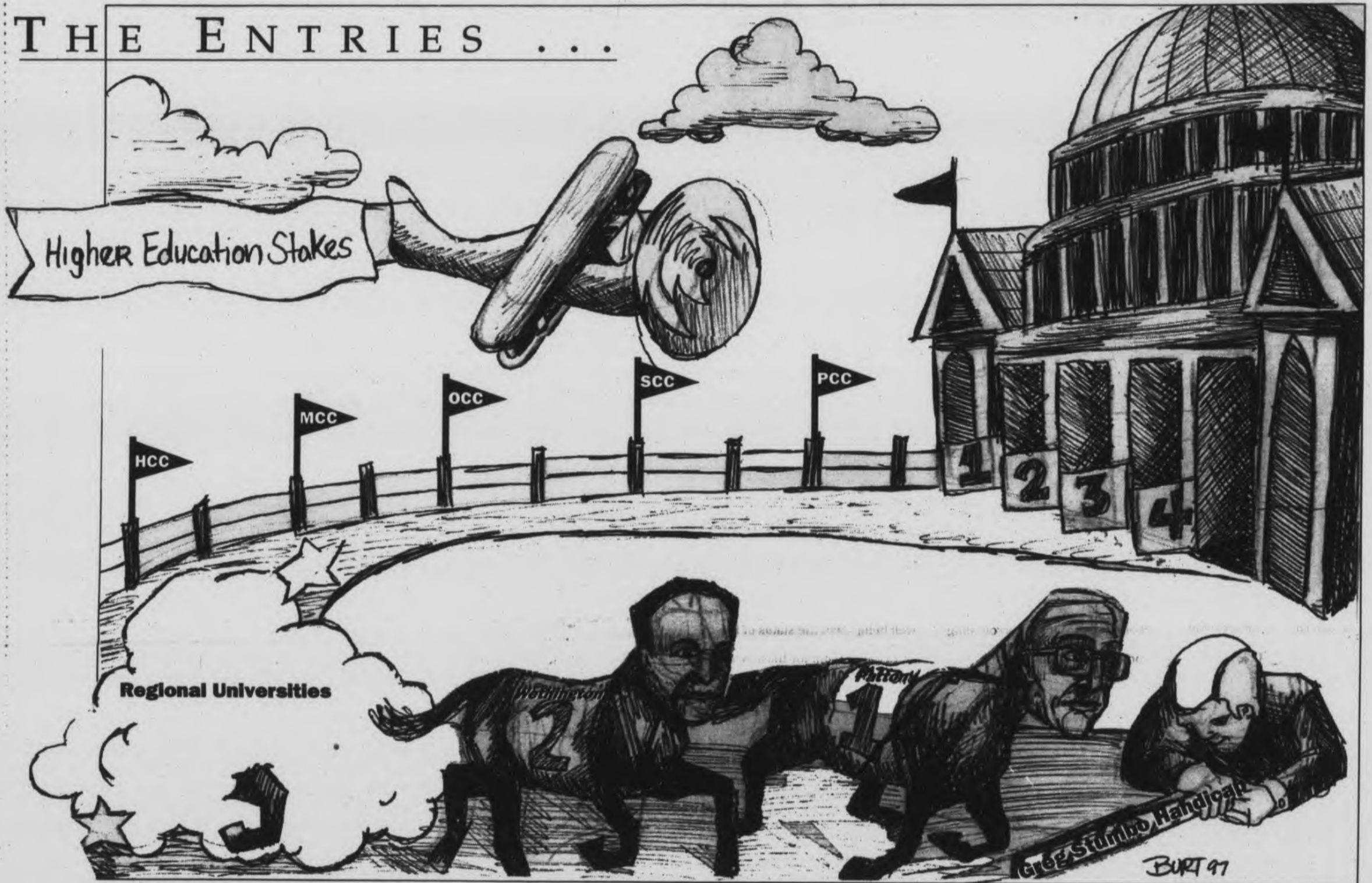
The Sullivan proposal has been passed on to President Hanly Funderburk for his signature.

# Perspective

## AND THEY'RE OFF . . .

The Kentucky Derby won't be the only state tradition renewed this month. The gloves are off, and the race is on in a good-ol' Kentucky political duel, with the future of Kentucky's higher education system hanging in the balance.

### THE ENTRIES . . .



### THE STRATEGY . . .

THE BILL	PATTON'S PLAN	HIS OPPOSITION	PROGRESS POSITION
<b>Establishing Goals</b>	<p>1. Establish specific and measurable goals for postsecondary education. These are some of the goals Patton has outlined specifically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ A seamless, integrated system of postsecondary education</li> <li>■ A comprehensive research institution ranked nationally in the top 20 public universities at the University of Kentucky</li> <li>■ A nationally ranked metropolitan research university at the University of Louisville</li> <li>■ An efficient and coordinated system of institutions delivering educational services to citizens in quantities and of a quality comparable to the national average</li> </ul>	<p>1. These goals have not been opposed as a group. On the surface, they look to be vague, but in reality, most have come to be more specifically laid out.</p>	<p>1. While it is good that Gov. Patton is looking ahead and setting goals, these seem to be vague. They will, however, be modified during the May 12 special session the governor called last week. Overall, the goals seem to make sense, and the end objective is efficiency. We would ask that legislators and the governor keep in mind, though, that efficiency can be bad when it eliminates human response. We don't want a system that alienates students because it is so efficient it doesn't help students get their degrees.</p>
<b>Powerful Governing Body</b>	<p>2. Establish an effective coordinating agency for postsecondary education. Patton wants to accomplish this by replacing the Council on Higher Education with the Council on Postsecondary Education and by making the 13-member body more powerful by allowing it to review all capital projects regardless of amount.</p>	<p>2. Some opposition to this point has included the idea that the new council could be manipulated as easily as the existing Council on Higher Education has been at times. Patton himself described CHE as "ineffective" and "dysfunctional."</p>	<p>2. An effective governing body can only be a powerful governing body. Without power, a governing body is simply a shell. The plan could only work with a power-wielding body at the helm. We hope, however, the governor will not forget that the body must be familiar with higher education, including community colleges and technical schools.</p>
<b>Community Colleges</b>	<p>3. Develop an efficient, structurally united, independent, community-based educational system to provide the first two years of a liberal arts bachelor's degree, a comprehensive program of one and two year workforce development instructional courses and remedial and continuing education programs. The system shall offer diplomas, certificates, associate and technical degrees.</p>	<p>3. This provision in the Governor's plan touched off statewide controversy over whether the community college system would be better served separated from UK. The University of Kentucky has launched a full-scale grassroots lobbying campaign aimed at stopping the governor's plan. Some of the points made by the university include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The community colleges prepare students to go to UK</li> <li>■ A degree that says University of Kentucky on it will be held in greater esteem by possible employers than a degree from a community college otherwise</li> <li>■ Students in the community college system could lose federal financial aid funding if Patton's plan goes into effect</li> </ul>	<p>3. Community colleges should be separated from the University of Kentucky. Quite possibly, the one telling fact here, students at UK's community colleges make up over 50 percent of the the entire student body, yet get only 13 percent of total funding. Under the governor's plan, the community colleges would fare much better.</p>
<b>Funding</b>	<p>4. Six funds will be formed to reward excellence and to improve access. They will be formed in either the special session or in future budgets. This legislation proposes a \$100 million increase in funding for postsecondary education by 2000. New funding for the 1998 fiscal year will be appropriated in the special session held May 12.</p>	<p>4. "The data from our research clearly shows that we're not spending enough on postsecondary education," said Gov. Paul Patton in his speech delivered March 26 covering his plan for higher education. "It also shows we're not getting enough back from the money we're spending." Rep. Harry Moberly, D-Richmond, director of student judicial affairs and services for students with disabilities at Eastern, agrees with Patton's plan. "I may not agree with every detail, but at least now we have a governor who cares about higher education," he said. "I think his plan is good for regional universities."</p>	<p>4. Patton was smart to add this funding. It is his leverage to get what he wants. Every university in this state has one thing in common, and that's the struggle for funding. In the back of every university president's mind is some special project he/she wants to get built during his/her term as president. Funding for these projects and funding to keep programs that keep faculty happy, is the backbone to the interworkings of the university. The thought of \$100 million after years of yearning for money and projects has every regional university president salivating.</p>

# Prayer should be personal

When people are uncertain, they often become afraid. It's a natural reaction. The unnatural surfaces when people recognize that fear in other people and use it against them to gain money or power or whatever it is that is deemed important.

One of the great tragedies of the age is that so many Christians are baffled by science. They either do not understand it, or they refuse to accept science because it lies in direct contradiction with some of the teachings of the Bible.

For example, science tell us the world was created millions of years ago and the first major land animals were the dinosaurs. The Bible says God created the world in six days about 6,000 years ago — there is no mention of dinosaurs. Therefore, Christians ignore scientific fact; they say it can't be true.

For centuries now, scientists have been exploring the universe, and the one absolute seems to be that the universe is big.

In the solar system, there is one star with nine planets. It takes light from the sun eight minutes to reach the earth, and we are only the third planet.

In the galaxy, there are billions of stars, and thanks to the Hubble Space Telescope, astronomers are receiving pictures of millions, possibly billions, of other galaxies out there. Size reference: the nearest

galaxy from the northern hemisphere is 2.1 million light years away.

As big as the universe is, one has to wonder sometimes, where is God? Is he really out there? Does he hear prayers?

These are troubling questions that can haunt anyone; they lead to doubt and fear, which are among the most destructive emotions on Earth.

Now, if you have access to the Internet, the place to go is <http://www.primenet.com/~prayers/>. There you will find Prayers Heaven Bound. Check it out.

These people are offering others a new way to communicate with God. Prayers, in the form of letters and drawings, will be launched on a microwave radio beam "into space, into time, ... into forever."

According to their home page, once sent the prayers become available to be intercepted by God.

Just in case they haven't already sold you on this idea of beaming up prayers to God directly, they will offer arguments on their own behalf. They promise they are not selling mystical claims or tricks, but scientific facts based on the same technology used by NASA.

I suppose dropping names makes them sound more credible; the thing

to remember is they are not connected with NASA. They just happen to use similar technology.

They say, "It is well-known to modern science that the radio waves on which the message is carried will endure until our Universe ceases to exist — another way of saying until the end of time. That is an unprecedented lifetime guarantee!"

That much is true. Based on Newton's laws of motion, we know that once

something gets going it will continue to go at a constant speed until some other force acts to stop it. Here on Earth, we have friction. Friction does not exist in space, and since space is mostly empty, these waves could very well reach the end of the universe if there is such a thing.

Their argument sounds at least fair so far, doesn't it? Here comes the attack.

"Until now, the best you could do was to say prayers aloud in the hope that he would hear. You might also pray silently and believe that he knows what is in your thoughts. Prayers, especially thankful ones, are often published as advertisements in newspapers, but we have to say (with no disrespect) that there is not much evidence that God subscribes to daily newspapers."

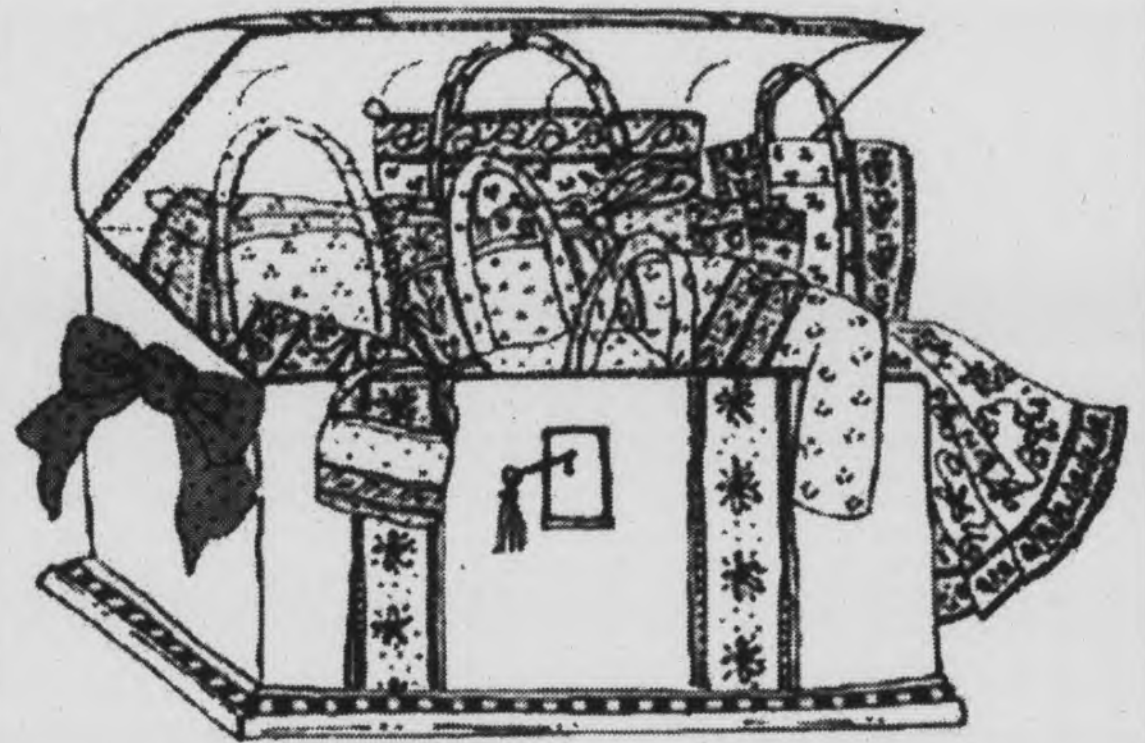


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## Letters to the Editor

### Financial aid confusion cleared up

The division of student financial assistance would like to thank you for recognizing that the first cycle of 1997-98 award letters was mailed April 15, making Eastern the first public institution in Kentucky to begin awarding federal-state funds. The misconception that we were late in mailing 1996-97 award letters (even though UK was the only public institution to mail freshman letters before Eastern) worked to our advantage.

This year, due to support from Eastern administration and given the fact the United States Department of Education had all their information available on time (allocation letters, Federal Pell payment schedules, etc.), the division of student financial assistance was able to correspond with our students in a more-timely manner.

Most members of the Eastern community do not understand the award letter is just one small part of the total financial aid process. Having the computer system with 1997-98 student data enables us to inform students what other information is needed to actually disburse funds in August. The earlier we begin processing student data, the easier it makes our job. I realize it is very difficult to understand the complexity of processing and disbursing Title IV funds according to federal-state regulations. This complexity caused the confusion in the recent Progress article — a confusion shared by many people on campus.

If enrollment is indeed up for the 1997-98 academic year, the division of student financial assistance will be glad to have the perception that early award letters played a significant role in this outcome. However, I would be remiss if I didn't mention how the university at large has increased its recruiting and retention efforts.

I speak of the endless hours the admission staff has spent on the road recruiting, of the efforts of the division of billings and collections to revise and enhance the fee payment process and the hours devoted to touch-tone registration (Colonel Connection). I am pleased to see so many of Eastern's offices responding to our students' needs (evening hours, open during lunch), just as the division of student financial assistance has always attempted to do.

Susan Luhman  
director, student financial aid

### Thanks to those who helped HMD

As the semester closes, we would be remiss not to publicly thank the wonderful students who have participated in Home Meals Delivery this year. The student volunteers always showed up on time and with smiles on their faces to deliver hot meals to senior citizens and those unable to cook for themselves. They included students from these groups: Eastern Nutrition Club, Baptist Student Union, Kappa Delta Tau, Newman Center, Wesley Foundation and Sigma Chi.

Because these students will be gone during the summer, we could use some additional volunteer help from students, faculty and staff who might be around over the next months until our great volunteers come back. We need some help not only with delivery, but also with picking up fresh food and putting up some of our donated fruits and vegetables. Please call me at 623-8994 to volunteer.

Jeanie Crump  
Home Meals Delivery Inc.

### Visitor threatened

I would like to bring attention to an event that occurred over the weekend of April 26. As an out of town visitor, I was escorted by a few acquaintances to a party.

After being at the party approximately 30 to 45 minutes, one of the guys that had taken me there was demanded to leave by an intoxicated fraternity brother.

For what reason he was asked, I did not know. My friend and I remained there another 10 to 15 minutes because we had been left without a ride to the place where we were staying.

As two innocent bystanders trying to sort through things, my girlfriend and I were verbally attacked and physically threatened by the same fraternity member. His "brothers" removed him from the room we were in by surrounding him and shoving him outside the door. At the same time, they consoled him by telling him everything was alright, as if he were the victim.

As a female, I tried to stand up for myself. But in all actuality, what could I do?

As I spoke what I felt, one of the brothers asked me to refrain from my opinion. Contradictory to everything the fraternity stands for, members treated

me and other visitors without any respect while demanding respect for themselves. All my life, I assume I was misled, for I was taught that respect is treating others with kindness and hospitality — not threatening them.

I thought "brotherhood" was a positive effort to guide each other in the right direction.

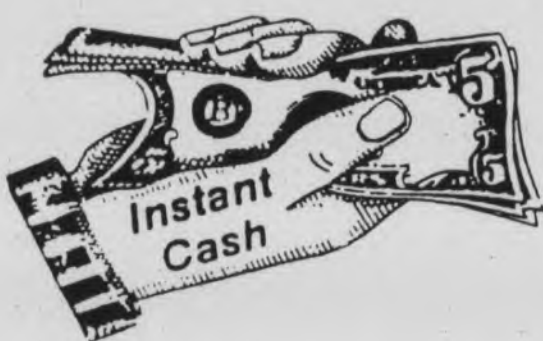
I had no idea it meant when a fellow member is, no doubt, out of line, to stand by his side instead of calling his attention to the matter.

As an outsider of the "Greek community," I would like to believe that not all are the same as this group, but I have been left with no other impression.

I would, however, like to commend the one member that actually chose to ignore the negative structure of this brotherhood and who was more concerned with my well being than the status of his club.

In conclusion, for those who are thinking of pledging to such clubs, I hope you pledge for the right reasons like leadership qualities and bettering communities — not following domineering dictators.

Valerie Williams,  
Bowling Green  
WKU student



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- No Wait .....
- No Fuss .....
- No Flight ....



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► News Briefs

**Computer lab to stay open later**

With Dead Week approaching, students are preparing to hit the books, so they don't have to burn the midnight oil. For students like senior Ladel Haskett, Dead Week means studying at home with a book in his hand, awaiting his diploma at the upcoming graduation.

"I plan to do a lot of cramming these last couple of days at Eastern," Haskett said.

Retha Anglin, macrocenter coordinator of the Combs Building, said the computer lab hours will be extended this week and next week.

Anglin said the lab on the second floor will be open Monday through Wednesday until 1 a.m., Friday until 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 3 p.m.-11 p.m.

Anglin said that next week might draw more students since it's Finals Week.

**English department honors students**

The English Department recently honored 11 students at its writing awards banquet. Undergraduate and graduate students were awarded in academic and creative categories with winners selected from literature courses as well as composition and creative writing courses.

The banquet featured presentations by Hollywood screenwriter Charles Edward Pogue and Kentucky fiction writer Gerald Toner.

The winners included JoAnn Rausch, Chris Ping, Jay Dean, Courtney Kimmel, Loretta Bruce, Kimberley Seale, Karen Snow, Beckie Denton, Jeff Perkins, Alice VanHook and Elizabeth Nalley.

► Police Beat

The following reports have been filed with the university's division of public safety:

**April 24**  
Rachel Fields, Brockton, made a report of disorderly conduct in Brockton when Reginald Stidham smashed the front window of 125 Brockton after a dispute.

**April 22**  
Windy G. Johnson, 19, Clay Hall, was cited with possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

**April 21**  
Janna Parrot, Burnham Hall, reported someone had pulled the backing off one of the sofas in Burnham Hall Lobby.

Paula M. Dimarzio, 29, Richmond, was arrested and charged with improper registration,

**Final Exams**

► Below is a schedule of final exams. Night classes meet on class schedule.

Class	Exam Time/Date
8 a.m.	8 a.m. 5-5
9:15 a.m.	8 a.m. 5-7
10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m. 5-6
11:45 a.m.	10:30 a.m. 5-5
1 p.m.	1 p.m. 5-7
2:15 p.m.	1 p.m. 5-5
3:30 p.m.	3:30 p.m. 5-8
4:45 p.m.	3:30 p.m. 5-7
8 a.m.	8 a.m. 5-6
9:15 a.m.	8 a.m. 5-8
10:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m. 5-8
11:45 a.m.	10:30 a.m. 5-8
1 p.m.	1 p.m. 5-9
2:15 p.m.	1 p.m. 5-8
3:30 p.m.	3:30 p.m. 5-6
4:45 p.m.	3:30 p.m. 5-9

John Ridener/Progress

"This was a chance for the department to recognize excellence," Marshall Myers said. He is an assistant professor of English and one of the contest organizers.

**WEKU/WEKH names program director**

Rachel Roberts has been named promotion/development coordinator and John Francis has been named the new program director at WEKU/WEKH, the public radio service of Eastern Kentucky University.

Roberts previously served as a donor relations assistant for Berea College.

Compiled by staff

Francis, responsible for operations at the station for the past six years, produced last year's "Stars and Stripes — The Great American Brass Band Festival," which aired on more than 80 public radio stations nationwide.

**Fall Progress staff announced**

Two experienced staffers will head the 1997-1998 staff of the Progress.

The new editor is Tim Mollette of Paintsville, who was the managing editor this year. He interned at The Kentucky Standard last summer and will intern in the news art department of the Lexington Herald-Leader this summer.

Jamie Neal, of Lexington, is taking over the position of managing editor having worked as both news and features editor this year. Neal is interning at The Spencer Magnet this summer. Last summer, she interned at The Winchester Sun.

Other members of the staff include Julie Clay, news editor; Kristy Gilbert, assistant news editor; Charles Lewis, news writer; Jacinta Feldman, accent editor; Laetitia Clayton and Ericka Herd, activities editors, and Michael Roy, arts editor.

On the sports team is Brian Simms, sports editor; Lance Yeager, assistant sports editor, and Daniel Reinhart, sports writer.

The rest of the editorial staff is Alyssa Bramlage, copy editor; Jeanna Cornett, assistant copy editor; Burt Bucher, James Carroll and Damian Blanton, staff artists; Don Knight, photo editor; Amy Kearns, assistant photo editor; Michael Dahl, staff photographer, and John Ridener, online editor.

The ad staff includes Lee Potter, ad manager; Amy Campbell, ad design director.

Compiled by Alyssa Bramlage

represent only the judge's decision in each case.

**William B. Parsons, 21,** Keene Hall, was found guilty of public intoxication and fined \$71.50.

**Colin Dunlap, 20,** Palmer Hall, was dismissed on charges of operating a vehicle on a suspended license.

**Shane B. Delaney, 21,** Williamstown, was dismissed on charges of possession of marijuana.

**Charles Brogdon, 18,** Keene Hall, was dismissed on charges of possession of marijuana.

**Donald Clay Gross Jr., 25,** Richmond, was found guilty of driving under the influence and fined \$461.50.

**Landon Edwards, 19,** Columbia, was found guilty of driving under the influence and fined \$161.50.

The following reports appearing in "Police Beat" have been resolved in Madison District Court. These follow-up reports

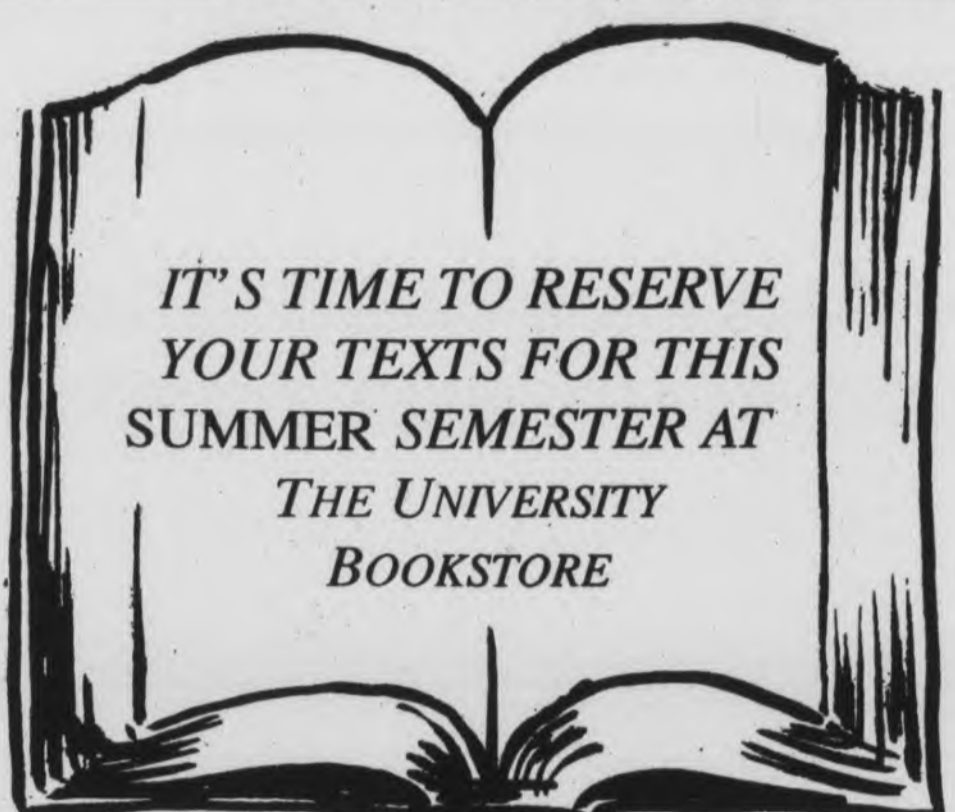
no proof of insurance and driving on a suspended license.

**April 19**  
**Christopher S. Pinkel, 23,** Richmond, was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication, disorderly conduct and resisting arrest.

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► **Campus Leaders:** Anelia Shimanski, president of international students

# Shimanski hopes to teach

By JULIE CLAY  
Assistant copy editor

For someone who used to lock herself in the bathroom to avoid her parents' English lessons as a child, Anelia Shimanski has come a long way from Kiev, Ukraine.

Both her parents teach English — her father is now an interpreter after teaching English and geography at Kiev University, and her mother teaches international relations.

"When I was a child, I hated English," Shimanski said. "I saw no reason to speak it, and I'd tell them to leave me alone."

But her early grounding in the language served her well when as a sophomore in high school, she began taking three hours of intensive English in school.

"My parents have high standards," Shimanski said. "When I got a C in school in fourth grade, it was a disaster for me. My dad said, 'Thou shalt not have C's.'"

Her proficiency enabled her to go to a better school in Kiev, and in 1992, she came to the United States to enter in Kentucky's Governor's Scholars Program in Danville.

Shimanski is the president of the International Students Association and has lived in the United States for three years while attending Eastern for a degree in German.

Shimanski has enjoyed her term as international student president this year, but will step down and serve the next president as a major consultant next year.

Her voice still has traces of an accent, but she says most people think she is Italian rather than Ukrainian.

"I didn't know for some time she was Ukrainian, at first she was very quiet, but she has adapted very nicely to us," said Michael Lewis, a former professor of Shimanski's. "For someone whose first language was not English, she did very well in the honors civilization classes."

Shimanski is preparing her senior thesis for the honors program on how teen magazines influence children in the United States.

"In Russia, we don't have many magazines for children," she said. "The ones I have read here have changed me, so I'd like to study their effects."

Shimanski wants to take her American education and teach



Don Knight/Progress

Shimanski, a senior German major, has lived in the United States for only three years. She will step down from her post as ISA president in the fall.

German in the United States.

If she went back to the Ukraine, Shimanski doesn't feel they would accept her American education as is, and would require her to do additional study at a university there.

"I want to be a teacher here," Shimanski said. "American children are easier to work with, and the atmosphere is more relaxed here."

In her old school that her 11-year-old sister is now attending, they have just done away with uniforms and have loosened up somewhat from Shimanski's era.

"You still can't speak out in class, and if you chew gum in class, you are in big trouble," Shimanski said, shaking her head.

"It's even worse in college, they are so strict you can't tell jokes in

class — they expect you to be adults in college."

Shimanski has gone home each summer from Eastern, and said she has noticed big changes in her homeland.

"There are six new McDonald's coming to Kiev, and the biggest one is very close to me," she said. "Everywhere you look, there are Western businesses, cars, stores. The economics are getting better too; people have more jobs."

She still wants to stay in the states though, even if her degree could allow her to teach anywhere in the world.

"I could go anywhere because American education is so good and so wonderful," Shimanski said. "If you work hard and study, it's very good."

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Faculty senate elections will be Monday.

Regents: Approve sale of University Inn

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He said it is not positive that Academic Search Consultation Service will be the firm used for the presidential search, but that it is likely. He said he will talk about terms with the firm and then bring them back to the board for approval.

The procedure to begin looking for a new president, including taking resumes and getting input, will begin next fall and the consultant firm to aid in the search will be in place by this summer, he said.

The first substantive item the consultation firm and regents will do in the search is to form a search committee and have them meet with the consultation firm to talk about the overall guidelines of the search, Gilbert said. He said the search committee would probably be comprised of regents, faculty, students and that there will be a representative for most of the university constituent groups, possibly even including alumni.

"It will be large enough to give input and small enough to be workable," Gilbert said of the search committee.

Although Gilbert said he doesn't know when the committee will be

formed, he said it will be approved by the board of regents ultimately and will be given the charge to work with the consultant firm to bring back a certain number of names for possible presidential candidates. He said the committee will likely be in place by September when he expects work to begin on the search.

According to the statement Gilbert passed out to regents, the board is committed to identifying and employing the most highly qualified individual possible as Funderburk's successor.

Also during the meeting, the board approved a resolution authorizing the administration of the university to proceed with the sale of University Inn on the Eastern Bypass.

The 3.2 acres of land, including where the inn sits, has been in Eastern's possession for about 15 years. It was used to house students in the university's criminal justice training program; they are now housed at Mattox Hall.

"What will we do? I know they're using Mattox Hall now; we don't intend to keep them in the middle of campus," Gilbert said.

Funderburk said the board had had

a request in to the Kentucky General Assembly for several years asking for state funds for a residence hall for the criminal justice program students. "I believe that it will be forthcoming in the regular session in January or February," he said.

The proposal to sell the property will go to the Finance and Administration Cabinet where it will be appraised. The agency will set a bottom line price and then state government agencies will have a chance to purchase the property, Gilbert said. If no government agency does so, the board will have the option to publicly auction the property off or take sealed bids. They will have the ability to reject any bid that does not meet the minimum price.

The proceeds from the sale of the Inn will be used for either the purchase of additional property for the university or for a fund for excellence. Funds for excellence at regional universities were indicated in Gov. Patton's higher education reform plan. This is money that can be used to improve or create programs at the university.

"I would probably recommend the money for new property," Funderburk said.

Fees: Tuition to increase by 3.4 percent next fall

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money the Kentucky Education Reform Act has thrown into computing at the secondary level.

Along with a possible computing fee, students will also be paying more for tuition in the coming school year.

The Council on Higher Education establishes the tuition rate for the Commonwealth's universities and colleges.

Debbie McGuffey, director for

communications and government services for the Council on Higher Education, said the council bases the rate of tuition increase by surveying surrounding states' tuition rates and per capita personal income compared to Kentucky's.

Next fall, Eastern undergraduate students can expect a 3.4 percent increase, while graduate students will see a 3.1 percent increase. All the Commonwealth's regional universities will assess this same rate of increase.

This will raise in-state undergraduate tuition from \$870 to \$900, and out-of-state undergraduate tuition will rise from \$2,610 to \$2,700.

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These figures do not include the activity fee, which was \$115 this year, or the proposed \$40 computer/technology fee.

Patton: Board approves governor's plan

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"Are other institutions doing this?" asked Board Member William DeVries. "It sends a political message."

Faculty Regent Richard Freed explained that the process to give the governor the honorary degree began before the higher education plan was presented and some controversy surrounded it. "This process started before the issue — before the brouhaha."

Student Senate President Melody Mason stated her opinion on the issue.

"I see what he's saying," she said of DeVries statement. "It does look political, but there's nothing wrong with it, especially since we have shown support for the plan."

"I support your recommendation, I just question the timing of it," DeVries said.

It was noted that speakers at commencement are usually nominated for the honorary degree.

DeVries also mentioned that University of Kentucky President Charles Wethington is an Eastern graduate.

"This doesn't serve necessarily as

support for the plan does it?" DeVries asked.

Chair Jim Gilbert said it didn't serve as support for the plan and the board proceeded to approve the nomination.

Although the board's approval of Patton receiving an honorary degree did not serve as support for his higher education reform plan, Gilbert did ask the regents if they wanted to take a stand on the plan during the meeting.

"It seems to me that irrespective of the primary concern of the newspapers and other people involved in this state, we have a governor and a plan committed to improving the quality of higher education in this state. It's my feeling that we have an opportunity here to make some changes to higher education that will last beyond the tenure of many of us here into the 21st century," Gilbert said.

Regent Alice Rhodes asked University Attorney Giles Black if he thought there were any legal problems in the board taking a position on the issue.

"I think it's a judgment call," Black said. "It's certainly the position of the board to take a position. They should make whatever statement they deem

appropriate. Other institutions will do the same I'm sure."

President Hanly Funderburk told the regents that he had sent letters to graduates and had contacted legislators about his views. Both Funderburk and Mason have publicly supported the reform plan.

"I certainly encourage support of this," he said. "I believe it is vital to the economic well-being of this state."

Mason said that she thinks there are a few flaws in the plan but she didn't think the board could go wrong by supporting the plan and that she thought it should.

Freed said he has been particularly impressed by the way Patton has learned and changed as more has been talked about on the plan.

Honors Chair and Regent Gilbert Miller said he didn't think the board's support for the plan would look political.

The board also discussed changes that would be made in the reform with the Council on Higher Education and misinformation it said had been given to the public about the reform.

The board approved supporting the governor's plan.

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# Arts

## The few, the proud, the ones who have played Alumni

From Karen Carpenter to They Might Be Giants, a look back

By MICHAEL ROY  
Arts editor

While Eastern has never played host to bands like The Beatles, Led Zeppelin or Pearl Jam, several musical artists have invaded Alumni Coliseum over the years.

Center Board, which has been headed by Skip Daugherty since 1971, has provided a list of musicians that to some may seem so-so by today's standards.

Several have been either country or light pop artists on the order of Barry Manilow, James Taylor and Smokey Robinson.

In addition, other blasts from the past included The Beach Boys, the late Karen Carpenter and her brother, Chicago and The Temptations.

During the late 70s, disco and funk bands like Kool and the Gang and A Taste of Honey (ask your parents who they were) played to the masses on campus.

Even top cheese (burger) Jimmy Buffet played campus four



Among those who have played Eastern were Toad the Wet Sprocket, the Carpenters, Wallflowers, Smokey Robinson and Jimmy Buffet.

times.

The 1980s brought such rock bands as The Georgia Satellites and The Fabulous Thunderbirds to campus. Even during 1988 Homecoming, top R&B star Keith Sweat played.

Recent years, attempts have been made to bring a more modern sound to campus. Alternative bands like Toad the Wet Sprocket with a then-unknown band called The Wallflowers played in Spring 1993.

Following that have been shows by Letters to Cleo (1995)

and this year's Violent Femmes/They Might Be Giants concert.

Mostly though, Eastern has appealed to the boot-scootin' set with Dwight Yoakam's 1989 show, Alabama's past visits, Kenny Rogers' show in 1970 and recent shows featuring the likes of Tim McGraw and George Jones.

Students have complained, loudly in some cases, in the past about the fact that no good acts ever come.

If you are one of them, let those in charge know.

### Center Board deserves praise for diversity

The difficult thing about entertaining college students is simply that they are all individuals with different tastes and different needs.

Nearly all those needs have been fulfilled by Center Board. For those students who were about to rock, Center Board saluted them. However, those with tastes extending beyond rock and roll were not left empty-handed.

Within the past month, there have been a major rock concert with Violent Femmes and They Might Be Giants and two individual free concerts featuring a diverse range of acts including One People and The Reel World String Band. These groups encompass roots, funk, soul, reggae, rock, bluegrass and country.

Just as there are a great number of students with different musical tastes, there are a great number of students who need something other than music in order to be entertained.

These students' needs have been met as well. Comedy in the Grill continuously provided Wednesday-night comedians for student enjoyment.

As with anything, some students are going to feel left out. What these students must do is support events that are somewhat similar to those that they would ideally like to see here.

If you are a country fan, and there is a bluegrass concert, go. Rock fan? Go to the acoustic concert that you know you won't like.

Chances are you will. Within the diversity, there is diversity.

Most acts don't play just one genre of music. One People, a group that performed a free concert in Brock Auditorium two weeks ago, performed music that combined funk, roots, soul and reggae—either of which could have filled a concert that may have satisfied just one-fourth of the attendees. Instead, they opted for that which would provide the most enjoyment.

The same goes for other concerts as well. The Reel World String Band played everything including bluegrass, children's lullaby-type songs and Appalachian dance music with a touch of blues.

Despite the praise for Center Board, it must be known that input for these activities does not come just from Skip Daugherty or the office of student development. Residence Hall Association and the Student Government have also been instrumental in providing entertainment that will interest the entire campus community.

Though students' interest may not have been piqued by anything presented to them in the past, they must rest assured that their interests have not gone without notice.

In a world where the squeaky wheels usually are the ones to get the grease, these organizations are doing their part to insure that we are all satisfied, whether we have a voice or not.



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### Review

## 'Volcano' entertaining, predictable lava epic

By BRENDA AHEARN  
Staff writer

"Volcano" is the second disaster epic this year, featuring the catastrophic dangers lurking beneath the very ground people walk on.

In this picture, Angelenos face death and destruction as molten rock spews up from the depths of the earth.

"Volcano" is not "Dante's Peak." The two movies were shot from different perspectives. In "Volcano," starring Tommy Lee Jones, a city known for its earthquakes and racial tensions is put in jeopardy.

In this film, the people of Los Angeles must deal with an eruption of lava from the La Brea Tar Pits (where methane gas and oil continue to rise to the surface, you may remember the Tar Pits from "The Last Action Hero").

Tommy Lee Jones plays the chief of the Office of Emergency Management, he has control of all city resources in an emergency. The problems begin the day he is supposed to start his vacation.

If you are going to this film looking for deep, intricate plot twists, don't. Read the title and the brief sentences at the opening of

the film, and you know the whole story.

A volcano erupts, placing Western Los Angeles at risk and one man, with help from a good back up crew in the office, emergency workers and some good civilians, saves the day.

What makes this film worthwhile is the superb acting by Jones and the idea behind the story; man vs. nature. In this story, the people of L.A. get over their differences and work together to save the city.

In the end they succeed; the city is saved, the hero and his daughter live, nearly everyone survived and from the way things look at the end the hero might end up with the girl in the future.

The underlying theme, that if everyone just works together all things are possible, is summed up at the end by the lost child.

He looks out over the crowd at all the people who have been fighting the volcano covered in ashes from head to toe and says, "They all look the same."

Overall it's a good film not so much for its plot, but for the tense atmosphere and acting. One knows what's going to happen in the end, but getting there is where all the fun is.

## Summer movies offer up explosions, action

By MICHAEL ROY  
Arts editor

That time is getting near once again. Yep, it's time for the summer movies.

You know them. Those films with big explosions, hot stars and no plots to speak of that usually make millions of dollars and have Happy Meals made to splash their logos all over the place.

The major studios need them, big time. This past spring, they were shut out of the Oscars by a slew of independent flicks.

Adding to that bumper, the studios saw such would-be blockbusters like "Dante's Peak," "Private Parts," "Donnie Brasco," "Evita" and "The Devil's Own" all wilt under Jim "I can't tell a lie" Carrey, a retro slasher flick, and the Second Coming of Darth Vader and company.

Below is what several in Hollywood are predicting will be the big five hits of the summer.

"The Lost World: Jurassic Park" (May 23) Steven Spielberg's sequel once again takes us back to the land of rampaging Barneys, this time who have migrated to another island.

Jeff Goldblum is back as the skeptical Malcolm, leading a new group to the park.

"Batman and Robin" (June 20) "ER" hunk George Clooney dons the Batsuit and teams with Chris O'Donnell's Robin to stop Arnold Schwarzenegger's scene-stealing



Photo submitted

George Clooney and Chris O'Donnell play the Dynamic Duo in the upcoming "Batman and Robin."

Mr. Freeze and Uma Thurman's slinky Poison Ivy from destroying Gotham City.

(After failed attempts by Jack Nicholson, Jim Carrey and Danny DeVito, of course.)

Alicia Silverstone is also in it as Batgirl and Joel Schumacher directs again.

"Men in Black" (July 2) After "Independence Day," you would think Will Smith would be tired of aliens.

Guess again as he teams with Tommy Lee Jones as the title characters, government agents whose job is to keep E.T. and his kind from wiping out mankind.

"Titanic" (July 2) "Terminator" director James Cameron has decided to raise the famed ship for this telling, complete with filmdom's first computer generated Titanic.

The film is reportedly still shooting, so that date may change.

"Air Force One" (July 25) After

playing an outer space smuggler, an archaeologist, a CIA agent and recently good cop opposite Brad Pitt in "Devil's Own," Harrison Ford now plays the Commander in Chief, who gets taken hostage along with his family aboard the well-known plane.

Have fun this summer, and if any of these films don't spark your interest, there are always home videos, endless reruns and good books that can be read.

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# Profiles



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**Vivian Lasley**

Outstanding Kentucky Student

**Lasley has two disabled brothers who inspired her to work with children with disabilities.**



Hometown: Pineville

Major: Special education; moderate/severe disabilities K-12.

Year: Senior

## Lasley recognized for dedication as Outstanding Kentucky Student

By LAETITIA CLAYTON  
Staff writer

Attending college as a non-traditional student is not always an easy task, and when you throw in other factors, such as a family and a long commute each day, it seems even tougher.

Even though she has felt like quitting at times, Vivian Lasley has not let any of these things stop her from striving toward her goal to teach disabled children. It also helps that her family, especially her husband, Greg, and her husband's family have been "super supportive" in helping out with her daughters: Keishia, 11 and Alesa, 8.

Lasley, 36, came to Eastern four years ago and enrolled in the special education program. This semester, she received the Kentucky Council for Exceptional Children Member of the Year Award as Outstanding Kentucky Student.

Lasley, who is from Pineville, began taking pre-pharmacy courses in 1983, but soon realized it was not what she wanted to do.

Since she has two brothers with disabilities, working with disabled children seemed like a natural career choice. In addition, it was something close to her heart.

**Q:** What first inspired you to want to teach disabled children?

**A:** I have two brothers who have disabilities. They have

always been my motivators. They wanted to be accepted by our society. They do have a place in our communities.

It's up to us as educators and people of the community to make them feel like they belong. We really are our brother's keeper.

**Q:** Have you taught children without disabilities? If so, what are some of the differences between them and disabled children?

**A:** Yes. I have worked as a substitute teacher for Bell County. I did some substitute teaching before that in a private school.

Basically, there is no difference. We've got to see beyond the disability and see the child as an individual.

**Q:** What is the most rewarding thing to you about working with disabled children?

**A:** The excitement that you see — just to see them accomplish something.

I worked at a middle school, really it was practicum, and there was a young man there who was autistic.

I fixed a schedule for him to visually see what he was picking out from the lunch line. After he got his tray, he would cross that out with a pen, then the silverware, then the milk.

Toward the end of the semester, he started doing some of those steps independently.

You could see in his eyes that he knew.

**Q:** Do you see a lot of prejudice against disabled people in our society?

**A:** Before I went to Eastern, I did. My family had a different view of what special education was. My father felt belittled by doctors.

Years ago, they (special education teachers) were more like babysitters. Special education is a changing field. It's for the better of the child, especially the Council for Exceptional Children, an international organization. They are a big advocate for helping disabled children.

You need to belong to an organization like that for your professional development.

**Q:** Do you feel like the main thing you have to teach these children is to make them see they belong?

**A:** Yes. They need to be aware that there are ways for them to get support from the community to survive.

If there's one thing I learned from my education, they've taught me it's parents and educators and the community working together for the benefit of that child. It's no longer one-sided.

### Best wishes to the people who appeared in profiles this year!

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# Activities

## GRADUATION: More than 1,300 seniors expected to participate

By SARAH BROWN  
Staff writer

Connie Van-Meter, a 22-year-old student from Shelby County, will be one of the many students graduating this May.

Van-Meter is a psychology major, non-teaching, who plans on going to Louisville after graduation to attend graduate school or find a job, whichever comes first.

"I guess I'm excited about graduation. I'm just really ready to get out of here and start something new — to start my life," Van-Meter said.

The recognition ceremony for May graduates is May 10. Each college will be represented by the dean and members of the faculty. Each college will also have a reception either before or after the graduation ceremony.

About 1,350 students have applied for May's graduation with the registrar's office.

Graduates are encouraged to wear caps, gowns and hoods to the ceremony. This apparel can be obtained from the university store.

The vocal soloist at the commencement ceremony, Marcia Moser, is involved in a very special way.

Her mother, Shirley Moser, a 1985 graduate of Eastern, played the organ for her own commencement.

"It's sort of a strange coincidence that I played for my own commencement and my daughter is singing at hers," Moser said.

Shirley Moser graduated with a master's in organ performance, while her daughter is graduating with a master's in vocal composition.

Diplomas will be mailed to all successful degree candidates within 10 weeks of certification-process completion.

If there is a change in a candidate's name or address after applying for a degree, inform the office of the registrar in Jones.

If arrangements need to be made for disabled degree candidates or family, arrangements should be made with the office of student judicial affairs and services for the disabled at 622-1500 before closing time.

The academic procession will form at 1 p.m. at the east end of the Alumni Coliseum parking lot near the State Police Post for the commencement ceremony in the Roy Kidd Stadium to begin at 1:30 p.m.

In case of bad weather, candidates are to assemble in the Fred Darling Gymnasium in the Alumni Coliseum at the same time.

Graduate school candidates should attend the college ceremony of their academic major.

### Receptions

Before the ceremony

College of Education: The recognition ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. in Brock Auditorium, reception will immediately follow the ceremony in the Main Lobby of the Powell Building.

College of Natural and Mathematical Sciences: Walnut Hall in the Keen Johnson Building at 10:30 a.m.

Immediately after ceremony

College of Allied Health and Nursing: Alumni Coliseum.

College of Applied Arts and Technology: Campbell Building.

College of Business: Brock Auditorium in Coates Administration Building.

College of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Athletics: Gymnasium of the Weaver Building.

College of Law Enforcement: Gymnasium and cafeteria of the Stratton Building.

College of Social and Behavioral Sciences: Ballroom of the Keen Johnson Building.



**You Go Girls**

Lisa Cuadros, (right) a freshman nursing major, and Natalie Mays, an undeclared freshman, bust a move at the '80s dance Monday.

Don Knight/Progress

## Ravine 'rocks' with FCA worship

By JACINTA FELDMAN  
Activities editor

Today is National Day of Prayer and to celebrate, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes is sponsoring the FCA Praise Gathering.

"What better way to praise the Lord through prayer, than prayer openly and publicly?" Adam Harrison, co-captain of FCA, asked.

Harrison, a sophomore, said the Praise Gathering will include speakers, skits and live bands.

Derek Isaacs, recruiter for FCA, will be one of the speakers. Isaacs said the other speakers are Harvey Cozart, a former Eastern basketball player; Scott Swicegood, trainer for Eastern's baseball team, and Jonas Hill, an Eastern football player.

The skits will be about the love of Jesus and how he will never let you down, Harrison said.

"They are going to be real light — nothing real deep or anything," Isaacs said.

Two Christian rock bands, Just Us and Him and Cord of Three, will perform at the gathering as well.

The FCA hopes to make the Praise Gathering an annual event, Harrison said.

"Everybody who really loves the Lord, or anybody who is curious about finding out what Christians are about and how awesome God is," is invited to the Praise Gathering, Harrison said.

Isaacs said the FCA wants the Praise Gathering to unite all the Christians on campus.

"We're trying to unite all the Christian organizations to come together," he said.

All the Christian organizations on campus were invited to participate in the Praise Gathering, Isaacs said.

The Praise Gathering is scheduled to begin about 8 p.m. in the Ravine, Harrison said. It will last until around midnight, he said.

"It's going to rock," Harrison said.

## Special Olympians to visit campus this summer

By WILLIAM MYNK  
Staff writer

Some of Kentucky's most determined athletes will be competing on campus next month.

The Kentucky Special Olympics Summer Games will be hosted by Richmond and Eastern Kentucky University June 6-8.

Special Olympics is an organization that allows disabled and mentally challenged athletes an opportunity to compete and enjoy athletics.

Special Olympics is a non-profit organization supported by volun-

teers and through donations and sponsorship.

Madison County will be represented in the games by 90 athletes and 15 volunteer coaches.

Each athlete will need \$50 to compete in the games over the three-day event; this fee is covered by donations.

Donations and sponsorships of athletes through Special Olympics are tax-deductible and can start at as little as \$50 through \$15,000.

For those who want to help Special Olympics and cannot sponsor an athlete, volunteer positions

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Madison County Special Olympics volunteer

are available.

Lynn Bauer, a volunteer with the Madison County Special Olympics, sees a great need for volunteers in the organizations.

Bauer said, "Our program, sup-

ported by volunteers, enables each athlete to reach their goals and dreams."

While sponsorship and volunteerism are important factors in Special Olympics, the organiza-

tion's top priority is the athletes.

Special Olympics gives its athletes an opportunity to gain confidence, self-worth and new experiences through athletic competition.

Bauer said, "Many athletes have never been out of Richmond, or have not had many of the experiences often taken for granted by normal children."

For donation information or to find out how to become a volunteer, contact Lynn Bauer at 624-5206, or contact Mark Jozefowicz during the day at 622-1062.

Alpha Gamma Delta would like to congratulate their new initiates!

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**W i t h**  
Vivian Lasley  
Outstanding Kentucky Student

**Lasley has two disabled brothers who inspired her to work with children with disabilities.**



Hometown: Pineville

Major: Special education: moderate/severe disabilities K-12.

Year: Senior

## Lasley recognized for dedication as Outstanding Kentucky Student

By LAETITIA CLAYTON  
Staff writer

Attending college as a non-traditional student is not always an easy task, and when you throw in other factors, such as a family and a long commute each day, it seems even tougher.

Even though she has felt like quitting at times, Vivian Lasley has not let any of these things stop her from striving toward her goal to teach disabled children. It also helps that her family, especially her husband, Greg, and her husband's family have been "super supportive" in helping out with her daughters: Keishia, 11 and Alesa, 8.

Lasley, 36, came to Eastern four years ago and enrolled in the special education program. This semester, she received the Kentucky Council for Exceptional Children Member of the Year Award as Outstanding Kentucky Student.

Lasley, who is from Pineville, began taking pre-pharmacy courses in 1983, but soon realized it was not what she wanted to do.

Since she has two brothers with disabilities, working with disabled children seemed like a natural career choice. In addition, it was something close to her heart.

**Q:** What first inspired you to want to teach disabled children?

**A:** I have two brothers who have disabilities. They have

always been my motivators. They wanted to be accepted by our society. They do have a place in our communities.

It's up to us as educators and people of the community to make them feel like they belong. We really are our brother's keeper.

**Q:** Have you taught children without disabilities? If so, what are some of the differences between them and disabled children?

**A:** Yes. I have worked as a substitute teacher for Bell County. I did some substitute teaching before that in a private school.

Basically, there is no difference. We've got to see beyond the disability and see the child as an individual.

**Q:** What is the most rewarding thing to you about working with disabled children?

**A:** The excitement that you see — just to see them accomplish something.

I worked at a middle school, really it was practicum, and there was a young man there who was autistic.

I fixed a schedule for him to visually see what he was picking out from the lunch line. After he got his tray, he would cross that out with a pen, then the silverware, then the milk.

Toward the end of the semester, he started doing some of those steps independently.

You could see in his eyes that he knew.

**Q:** Do you see a lot of prejudice against disabled people in our society?

**A:** Before I went to Eastern, I did. My family had a different view of what special education was. My father felt belittled by doctors.

Years ago, they (special education teachers) were more like babysitters. Special education is a changing field. It's for the better of the child, especially the Council for Exceptional Children, an international organization. They are a big advocate for helping disabled children.

You need to belong to an organization like that for your professional development.

**Q:** Do you feel like the main thing you have to teach these children is to make them see they belong?

**A:** Yes. They need to be aware that there are ways for them to get support from the community to survive.

If there's one thing I learned from my education, they've taught me it's parents and educators and the community working together for the benefit of that child. It's no longer one-sided.

### Best wishes to the people who appeared in profiles this year!

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# Activities

## GRADUATION: More than 1,300 seniors expected to participate

By SARAH BROWN  
Staff writer

Connie Van-Meter, a 22-year-old student from Shelby County, will be one of the many students graduating this May.

Van-Meter is a psychology major, non-teaching, who plans on going to Louisville after graduation to attend graduate school or find a job, whichever comes first.

"I guess I'm excited about graduation. I'm just really ready to get out of here and start something new — to start my life," Van-Meter said.

The recognition ceremony for May graduates is May 10. Each college will be represented by the dean and members of the faculty. Each college will also have a reception either before or after the graduation ceremony.

About 1,350 students have applied for May's graduation with the registrar's office.

Graduates are encouraged to wear caps, gowns and hoods to the ceremony. This apparel can be obtained from the university store.

The vocal soloist at the commencement ceremony, Marcia Moser, is involved in a very special way.

Her mother, Shirley Moser, a 1985 graduate of Eastern, played the organ for her own commencement.

"It's sort of a strange coincidence that I played for my own commencement and my daughter is singing at hers," Moser said.

Shirley Moser graduated with a master's in organ performance, while her daughter is graduating with a master's in vocal composition.

Diplomas will be mailed to all successful degree candidates within 10 weeks of certification-process completion.

If there is a change in a candidate's name or address after applying for a degree, inform the office of the registrar in Jones.

If arrangements need to be made for disabled degree candidates or family, arrangements should be made with the office of student judicial affairs and services for the disabled at 622-1500 before closing time.

The academic procession will form at 1 p.m. at the east end of the Alumni Coliseum parking lot near the State Police Post for the commencement ceremony in the Roy Kidd Stadium to begin at 1:30 p.m.

In case of bad weather, candidates are to assemble in the Fred Darling Gymnasium in the Alumni Coliseum at the same time.

Graduate school candidates should attend the college ceremony of their academic major.

### Receptions

#### Before the ceremony

**College of Education:** The recognition ceremony will be held at 10 a.m. in Brock Auditorium, reception will immediately follow the ceremony in the Main Lobby of the Powell Building.

**College of Natural and Mathematical Sciences:** Walnut Hall in the Keen Johnson Building at 10:30 a.m.

#### Immediately after ceremony

**College of Allied Health and Nursing:** Alumni Coliseum.

**College of Applied Arts and Technology:** Campbell Building.

**College of Business:** Brock Auditorium in Coates Administration Building.

**College of Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Athletics:** Gymnasium of the Weaver Building.

**College of Law Enforcement:** Gymnasium and cafeteria of the Stratton Building.

**College of Social and Behavioral Sciences:** Ballroom of the Keen Johnson Building.



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### You Go Girls

Lisa Cuadros, (right) a freshman nursing major, and Natalie Mays, an undeclared freshman, bust a move at the '80s dance Monday.

## Ravine 'rocks' with FCA worship

By JACINTA FELDMAN  
Activities editor

Today is National Day of Prayer and to celebrate, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes is sponsoring the FCA Praise Gathering.

"What better way to praise the Lord through prayer, than prayer openly and publicly?" Adam Harrison, co-captain of FCA, asked.

Harrison, a sophomore, said the Praise Gathering will include speakers, skits and live bands.

Derek Isaacs, recruiter for FCA, will be one of the speakers. Isaacs said the other speakers are Harvey Cozart, a former Eastern basketball player; Scott Swicegood, trainer for Eastern's baseball team, and Jonas Hill, an Eastern football player.

The skits will be about the love of Jesus and how he will never let you down, Harrison said.

"They are going to be real light — nothing real deep or anything," Isaacs said.

Two Christian rock bands, Just Us and Him and Cord of Three, will perform at the gathering as well.

The FCA hopes to make the Praise Gathering an annual event, Harrison said.

"Everybody who really loves the Lord, or anybody who is curious about finding out what Christians are about and how awesome God is," is invited to the Praise Gathering, Harrison said.

Isaacs said the FCA wants the Praise Gathering to unite all the Christians on campus.

"We're trying to unite all the Christian organizations to come together," he said.

All the Christian organizations on campus were invited to participate in the Praise Gathering, Isaacs said.

The Praise Gathering is scheduled to begin about 8 p.m. in the Ravine, Harrison said. It will last until around midnight, he said.

"It's going to rock," Harrison said.

## Special Olympians to visit campus this summer

By WILLIAM MYNK  
Staff writer

Some of Kentucky's most determined athletes will be competing on campus next month.

The Kentucky Special Olympics Summer Games will be hosted by Richmond and Eastern Kentucky University June 6-8.

Special Olympics is an organization that allows disabled and mentally challenged athletes an opportunity to compete and enjoy athletics.

Special Olympics is a non-profit organization supported by volun-

teers and through donations and sponsorship.

Madison County will be represented in the games by 90 athletes and 15 volunteer coaches.

Each athlete will need \$50 to compete in the games over the three-day event; this fee is covered by donations.

Donations and sponsorships of athletes through Special Olympics are tax-deductible and can start as little as \$50 through \$15,000.

For those who want to help Special Olympics and cannot sponsor an athlete, volunteer positions

**"Our program, supported by volunteers, enables each athlete to reach their goals and dreams."**

Lynn Bauer,

Madison County Special Olympics volunteer

are available.

Lynn Bauer, a volunteer with the Madison County Special Olympics, sees a great need for volunteers in the organizations.

Bauer said, "Our program, sup-

ported by volunteers, enables each athlete to reach their goals and dreams."

While sponsorship and volunteerism are important factors in Special Olympics, the organiza-

tion's top priority is the athletes.

Special Olympics gives its athletes an opportunity to gain confidence, self-worth and new experiences through athletic competition.

Bauer said, "Many athletes have never been out of Richmond, or have not had many of the experiences often taken for granted by normal children."

For donation information or to find out how to become a volunteer, contact Lynn Bauer at 624-5206, or contact Mark Jozefowicz during the day at 622-1062.

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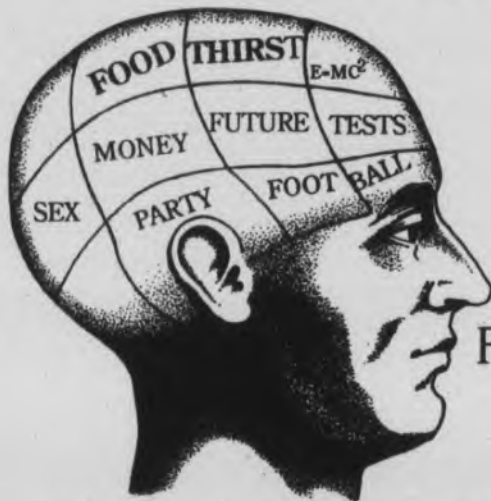
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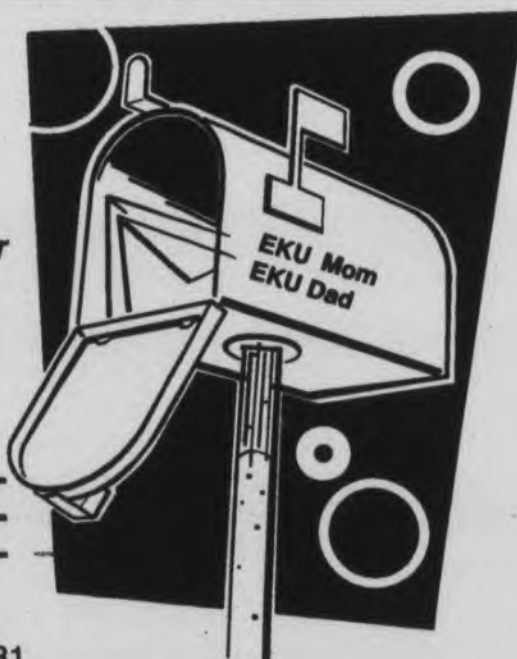
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# Sports

## on TOP of their CLASS

This is the 15th year the Progress has published best Eastern male and female competitors. Coaches and members of the media were given ballots to vote for senior athletes.

### McCombs singled out as top male for 1997

By Chad Queen  
Sports editor

Beginning today, former Colonel linebacker Tony McCombs' life settles into a new environment at the Arizona Cardinals mini-camp.

McCombs was drafted in the sixth round by the Cardinals.



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McCombs said being sent so far away from Kentucky surprised him. He mentioned the Cincinnati Bengals or Chicago Bears as some teams in the region he thought may draft him.

After sitting out his first year at Eastern, McCombs contributed at his linebacking position and earned numerous honors.

During his three-year career, McCombs was selected First Team All-OVC each year.

He also showed up in the top 10 ranks of the conference for most of his career in tackles and quarterback sacks.

Nationally in 1995, McCombs was named All-American Second Team by the Football Gazette and Sports Network.

Also, Bob Griese's Yearbook named McCombs the 1996 pre-season, I-AA National Defensive Player of the Year as well as naming him to the First Team All-American team.

After last season McCombs was singled out by the Associated Press earning a spot on its I-AA All-American first team.

McCombs said the things he takes from Eastern and from coach Roy Kidd's program are "respect, pride and never give up."

#### Hard Hittin'

Colonel teammate Chris Guyton said he witnessed McCombs' pride in one aspect of his play.

"When you and Tony are in the game, if you get to the tackle first, in the back of your head



Don Knight/Progress

Tony McCombs chases a Tennessee Tech ball carrier last season. Today, he travels to mini-camp out West with the Arizona Cardinals.

you know Tony will be there and hit you in the back," Guyton said. "It's just a part of the game."

McCombs' last season led the team in tackles with 123.

Since 1986, 33 former Colonel players have made it to the NFL, either by the draft or free agency. McCombs joins seven other Eastern players who are presently on an NFL roster.

It's two of the other seven McCombs said he's trying to find out about life in the pros from: 1988 football grad John Jackson, who now plays for the Pittsburgh Steelers and 1996 football grad Jason Dunn of the Philadelphia Eagles.

McCombs mentioned the mental aspect of the pro game and the ins and outs of team camps as issues he wants answered.

Besides adjusting to life in the pros, McCombs also said the lifestyle, particularly the heat in Arizona will be another adjustment.

Dean Hood begins his fourth season as an Eastern defensive coach. Hood said McCombs future in the NFL is a promising one.

"He (McCombs) definitely is a pro type player," Hood said. "There's no question about his physical ability. He's a vicious hitter."

While at Eastern, McCombs studied corrections/juvenile services. McCombs said he's about a year short of earning his degree. He also said he plans to take care of his degree.

"I'm going to finish it, no matter what it takes," McCombs said.

### Brockman tops on course, named Best Female Athlete

By Kristy Gilbert  
Assistant sports editor

Ten years from now, as aspiring Colonel golfers thumb through the record books, they will find the impressive career and statistics of Beverly Brockman.

Under Brockman's name will be the three Ohio Valley Conference individual titles and the many tournament titles that she holds.

For example, just this year Brockman won the Saluki Invitational, Eastern Invitational, the Lady Colonel Classic and the 1997 Ohio Valley Conference Individual Title.

As we travel further back in time to the beginning chapter of Brockman's career, we see her as an 8-year-old spending her summer vacation mornings in the swimming pool and her evenings with her parents at a golf course.

Brockman's first taste of golf competition started when she made the Marion County High School golf team as an eighth-grader.

When Brockman arrived on campus, the Eastern women's golf program was just being established. The program was added to Eastern women's intercollegiate athletics program July 30, 1993, and the first competition was Sept. 11, 1993.

#### Setting the Standard

Coach Sandy Martin, talked of how our friendly rival down I-75 was a little interested in Brockman, but fortunately for us didn't see the greatness that was in store for Brockman's game. Brockman attended Eastern.

As a freshman, Brockman highlighted Eastern's first year of existence by winning her first OVC tournament and by helping the Lady Colonels finish second in the conference in their first year of existence.

She continued her strong play as a sophomore and won three tournaments, helping Eastern again finish second in the OVC Tournament.

Then in 1995-96 play, she was back to the top of the OVC and took her second OVC title in three years.

"Beverly is the type of player that is a leader in her actions as well as words," Martin said.

Martin also said the best compliment that would best describe Beverly's golf play was one by the head coach of Murray State. Murray's coach said, "Beverly has set the standard for the conference with her strong play and demeanor."

As Brockman closes another chapter of her life and her college golf career, she says she has had nothing but fond memories of her stay at Eastern.

"I would like to thank coach Martin for a lot of my game — both the mental and physical sides of my



Eastern public information

Beverly Brockman closed her college career on top winning the last four tournaments of the spring.

"game," Brockman said. "Through my five years on campus, I have made a lot of close friendships."

Brockman graduates this May with a bachelor's of science degree in physical education with an emphasis on wellness.

Brockman said she plans to work part-time at a physical therapy clinic this summer in Richmond. She will be working in the physical rehabilitation of patients.

"I am sure that whoever will be her employer, that she will be a great asset," Martin said. "She will do well because of her work ethic and great enthusiasm in anything she does."

As for her future in golf, she hopes that someday she will have the opportunity to possibly be a teaching pro and give private lessons. She also hasn't given up on the idea of possibly playing on the pro circuit, but she said this will be later on.

Brockman has had a storied career at Eastern, helping to establish the women's golf program as one of the best in the OVC Tournament. Now she looks to carry on her winning attitude through her working career and life.

# 1982 on TOP through the years ... 1996

Beverly Brockman and Tony McCombs join the list of Eastern senior athletes that were rated the best.

Beginning in 1982 the Progress started publishing the best senior.

Many of the best to this day are in Eastern's athletic record books.

#### 1996

**Samantha Young (Basketball)**  
Most three-point goals made, 83  
Most three-point goals attempted, 234 (1995-96)

**DeMarkus Doss (Basketball)**  
Ninth all-time leading scorer 1,442  
Second in career dunks, 97  
Seven dunks in one game

#### 1995

**Kim Mays (Basketball)**  
Fourth all-time leading scorer, 1,587  
Most points scored in a game, 44 pts (1992-95)  
Most points scored in a season, 719  
Highest scoring average, 25.7  
Most FT made, 226 (1994-95)  
Back-to-back Player of the Year

**John Sacca (Football)**  
1580 yards throwing  
11 touchdowns  
Led team with 12 rushing TDs

#### 1994

**Ann Carlson (Tennis)**  
OVC Medal of Honor player her freshman and sophomore years  
Academic All-American (junior year)  
Named top senior in the college of business

**Chad Bratzke (Football)**  
Named first-team All-OVC as def. lineman (junior)

#### 1993

**Jaree Goodin-Wiseman (Basketball)**  
Second all-time leading scorer, 1,679  
Most field goals made in a single game, 18  
Most rebounds in a season, 914 (1989-93)

**Markus Thomas (Football)**  
Most yards rushing, 300 against Marshall (1989)  
Most points scored, 328

Most TDs scored, 54  
Most yds. rushing, 5,149

Most yds per carry 6.57 (1989-92)

#### 1992

**Angie Cox (Basketball)**  
All-American as a junior  
Sixth on all-time scoring list with 1,425  
Holds record for most assists 488  
Highest assist avg four years, 122

(1988-92)

**Tim Lester (Football)**  
Best rushing avg. 20.7 against Austin Peay 1988  
Ended career with 3,640 yards rushing on 682 carries  
Avg. 5.34 yds. per carry during career at Eastern  
Chosen by the Los Angeles Rams in

NFL Draft

**1991**  
**Kelly Cowan (Basketball)**  
Fifth all-time leading scorer, 1,515 (1987-91)  
Honorable Mention All-American  
Two years in a row first All-OVC  
Avg. 16.7 and 5.7 rebounds



Joe Banko is only the second Colonel baseball player taking top honor.

Jackie Humphrey is a former Olympian. Humphrey was named tops for two years.

Elroy Harris ranks eighth for I-AA rushers.

**Kelly Blount (Football)**  
All-American linebacker  
Led team in tackles and assists 1991

**1990**  
**Lisa Malloy (Cross Country)**  
Was the 1988 and 1989 OVC Cross Country Champ  
1989 GTE CoSIDA Academic All-American  
Selected to District 3 All-District in 1989  
1990 inducted as an Academic All-American

Broke the indoor 3,000-meter record for Eastern, 9:29.39

mark for the 1990 season slugging percentage base on balls, triples and is tied for the led in RBIs.

**1989**  
**Jackie Humphrey (Track)**  
1988 Olympian  
Holds Eastern records for

Indoor 55-Meter Hurdles, 7.64 1987  
60-Meter Hurdles, 8.35 (1987)  
200 Meters, 24.7 (1988)  
Long Jump, 18-9 (1985)  
Outdoor 100-Meter Hurdles, 12.83 (1988)

**1988**  
**Elroy Harris (Football)**  
Most points scored, 128  
Most TDs scored, 21  
Most TD rushing, 21 (1988)

**1988**  
**Jackie Humphrey (Track)**  
(Same as Above)

**1987**  
**Pam Raglin (Track)**  
Holds Eastern Records for:  
Indoor 800 Meters, 2:12.9 (1986)  
1000 Meters, 2:45.72 (1986)  
1500 Meters, 4:16.84 (1986)  
As a freshman, named OVC female Athlete of the Year

**1987**  
**Bobby Collins (Basketball)**  
Led team and conference with 71 steals (1988)  
At 6-foot-1 smallest player to play forward in college basketball (1988)

**1986**  
**Fred Harvey (Football)**  
NCAA I-AA Defensive Player of the Year in 1986

# Perry's contract revealed Stephens to begin in June

**Perry's contract**

April 21 administrators placed their signatures on new men's basketball coach Scott Perry's contract. Perry made it official by signing it April 25.

**Base Salary: \$88,000**

**Appointment Period: April 22, 1997- June 30, 1997**

**Salary for Appointment Time: \$13,027**

**Teaching Duties: Instructor, Coaching basketball**

**Special Condition: "adhere to NCAA regulations."**

**By KRISTY GILBERT**  
Assistant sports editor

New men's basketball coach Scott Perry will make \$68,000 this coming year, according to his contract obtained by the Progress in an open records request.

Perry's contract includes the conditions that he must adhere to NCAA regulations.

The new coach can be fired or suspended without pay if it's found Perry violated any NCAA rules.

According to Doug Whitlock, executive assistant to the president's office, Perry will have the usual one-year contract, but his coaching performance will be evaluated after five years.

Perry's current salary will have him making \$15,000 more than former coach Mike Calhoun's 1996-97 salary. He will also be making \$3,000 more than recently hired Kyle Macy, head coach of Morehead State University.

Calhoun made a total of \$53,000 which was compiled from \$42,875 head coaching duties and \$10,125

from teaching. Calhoun taught coaching basketball for five years as he served as head men's basketball coach.

Lonnie Davis, professor and chair of the physical education department, said both the men and women's head basketball coach teaches the two-hour basketball methods class each semester.

"As a department chair, I have not been told anything would be different," Davis said. "I assume he (Perry) would be teaching the class; no one has told me anything different."

Staff changes under Perry have not been announced as of press time. Perry could not be reached for comment.

Byron Jones, one of last year's assistant coaches, said as far as he knows, Perry is planning on bringing in his own people.

April 11, it was announced that former University of Michigan assistant coach Perry would be taking over the reins as head coach of the Colonels. Perry began his position April 22.

**By CHAD QUEEN**  
Sports editor

Eastern's men's golf team finished 13th out of 21 teams last weekend at the Michigan State Invitational.

State marked the last competition of the year for the players and the last Eastern coaching experience for the retiring Colonel golf coach Lew Smither.

Taking over Smither's position of Eastern golf coach and Arlington pro next year will be Pat Stephens. Stephens is a native of Richmond, and for the past six years has been head pro at Gibson Bay.

Stephens said his first day at Arlington will be June 16.

As for his new coaching job Stephens said taking care of scheduling and swing corrections will be some of his major duties.

Smither has worked with Stephens as a player in the early

'80s when Stephens played for Eastern. The same partnership came together from 1989-92 when Stephens was an assistant professional at Arlington.

"I think Pat will be an outstanding coach," Smither said. "He's dedicated to the game, and he loves to work with young people."

Eastern loses one senior from this year: Chris Bedore.

"There is the making of a real fine golf team," Smither said. "I'll be disappointed if they're not."

Smither mentioned Josh Lee, Brandon Tucker and Mason Guy as Colonel golfers who will surprise people next year.

Finishing the books on the 1996-97 campaign, Smither said Eastern's 13th place put them out of consideration for a spot in the NCAAs.

Including State, Eastern played 12 rounds in a 10-day period.

In Michigan, only two golfers of

the 106 competitors finished under par for the event.

"It's hard to stay at the top of the heap all the time," Smither said.

Colonel senior Chris Bedore paced Eastern's contingent, finishing tied for 20th, shooting 10 over par during the three-round tourney.

Rounding out the Colonels scoring Andy Games finished tied for 30th, Kris O'Donnell tied for 40th, Brent Marcum tied in 81st place and Eric Willenbrink finished as the 106th golfer.

Two members of Eastern's team were singled out as a result of their contribution during the year. Bedore was named the OVC Male Golfer of the Year, while Smither was singled out as the conference's Men's Golf Coach of the Year.

Smither said this year's team was the best team he's had in many aspects. One of its best traits, Smither said, was in public relations.

"People of this community should be very proud how they were represented by this group of men," Smither said.



Pat Stephens is the new men's golf coach.

## Baseball, softball heading into OVC tourney action

**By KRISTY GILBERT AND CHAD QUEEN**

While Eastern softball begins conference tourney play this weekend, traveling to Morehead State, baseball still has two weeks remaining in its season.

Eastern softball will be the sixth seed and battle Eastern Illinois in the first round of the tournament at noon on Saturday.

"The team that has the best weekend can win the tournament," Worthington said. "Anyone in the conference has the skill to win the tournament; it just depends on who gets hot."

The Colonels have finished their regular season with a 20-27 overall record and 12-13 in conference play.

According to coach Jane Worthington, they would have liked to finish a little higher in the conference, but she is pleased with their efforts due to the adversities of injuries that they endured through the season.

The Colonels will be saying goodbye to senior second baseman Jeanie King. King has been a team captain for three years and has been a four-year starter for Eastern. King will be graduating this May with a bachelor's of science degree in corrections and juvenile services.

"Jeanie is a team leader and really good person that will be greatly missed," Worthington said.

Before the Colonels begin their tournament run, they picked up two wins against Austin Peay 3-2 in eight innings and 8-7 in the second game at home.

Both games were won in the late stages of the game with Angie Dunagan getting the winning run in the bottom of the eighth inning in the first game of the day.

Missy Phillips came through in the second game both at the mound and at the plate when she got the winning run in the bottom

of the seventh inning in the second game.

Eastern also got wins against Tennessee State 7-4 and 9-1.

As for baseball Eastern (20-28, 10-8 OVC) is in sole possession of third place in the conference.

The Colonels are only two-and-a-half games off of first place Tennessee Tech.

Only six games remain for Eastern until the conference tourney May 15-17.

Saturday the Colonels play a double header against Tech. Sunday both teams return to the field to wrap up their three game series.

May 10-11 Eastern wraps up its regular season with three games at Eastern Illinois.

To make the conference tourney field six of nine teams will compete. The No. 1 seed hosts the competition.

The winner of the tourney gets an automatic bid to NCAAs.



Joe Smith tries to beat the throw Tuesday.

## Track nears end of season

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After focusing on relays for a majority of the outdoor track season, Eastern coach Rick Erdmann's squad continues a push towards individual results.

The final goal is NCAAs June 3-6. The Lady Colonels have posted some competitive times in the sprint and distance medley relays, but these events aren't run at NCAAs.

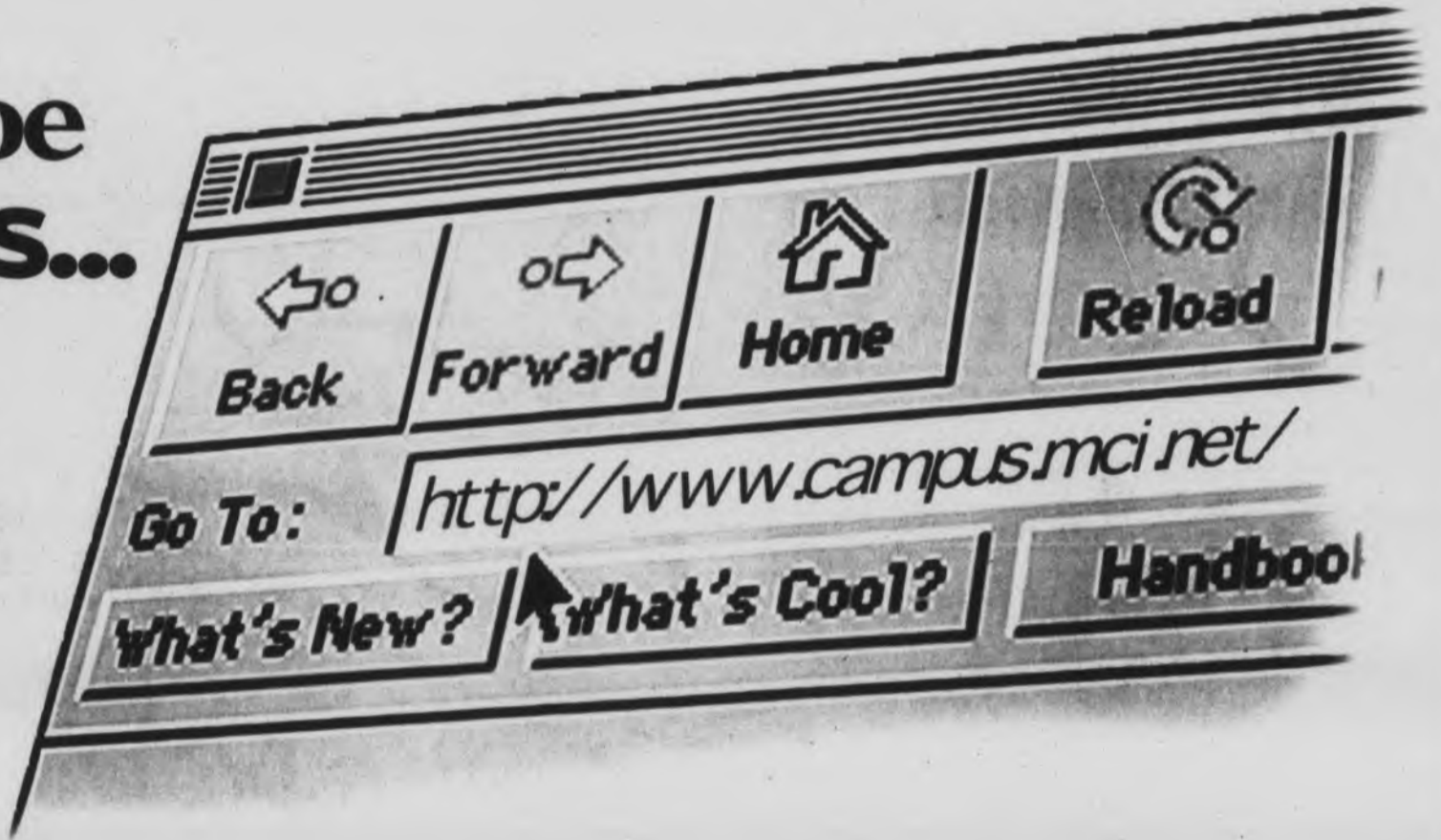
Saturday at the Indiana Invitational, Colonels Scott Fancher and Daniel Blochwitz, along with Lady Colonels Vashti Canty, Ericka Herd and Felecia Hawkins, will compete.

And Sunday, Jamie King travels to Columbus, Ohio to run the 1,500 meters at the Jesse Owens Invitational. King is close to the top in qualifying for NCAAs in the 1,500 meters.

Erdmann also mentioned Colonel runner Daniel Blochwitz having a good chance to qualify for NCAAs. Erdmann said Herd has an "outside shot" to make it to NCAAs in the 800 meters.

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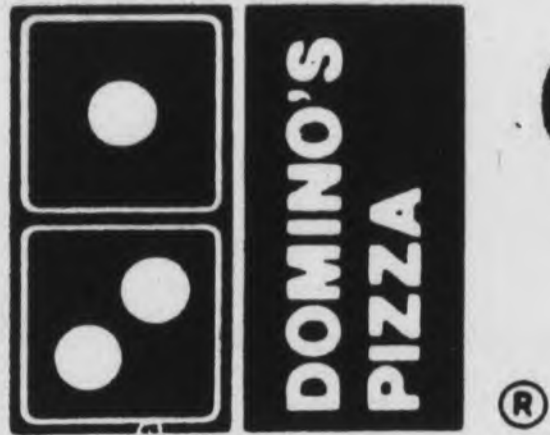
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## Progress has covered campus for 75 years

**A**fter two previous campus newspapers quit publishing years earlier, G. Lee McClain thought it was time to start a new student publication.

That was in 1922. McClain was principal of Model High School. His office served as a work station for the handful of students who put out the first issue of The Eastern Progress.

Feb. 22, 1922, McClain and Progress editor Lucille Strother saw the first Eastern newspaper distributed across campus.

The Progress has changed a lot over the years. The first issue appeared when Eastern was still Eastern Normal, not even a teacher's college yet.

The first paper was only six pages. The front page had no art, no photographs, one story about the theater, three sports stories (including one about baseball star Earle Combs). One headline said Eastern Normal might soon be a college, and another read 'Present Enrollment Reaches 850.'

In the early years, a regular publication schedule wasn't established. The second issue of the Progress was not published until March 20, 1922.

Later, in 1928, The Progress began publishing a newspaper on a weekly basis. That experiment was short-lived, and it returned to a bimonthly until 1960, when it once again began publishing weekly.

Since that first publication in 1922, The Progress has welcomed five new university presidents, witnessed the school becoming a university and reported it all.

The Progress has told thousands of stories about the people who have lived, worked and taught at Eastern through the last eight decades.

The Progress has reported on the events of the 20th century from the Depression to the Gulf War, bringing the news to its readers.

As the years went by, Eastern became a teaching college and then a university and

through it all there was The Eastern Progress. The name remained a standard — except 1944 when the staff decided to change the name to "The Eastern Progress and Engineer," a short-lived exception.

Nameplate changes reflected both change of attitudes and the change of newspaper styles over the years.

Ron Wolfe, chair of the department of mass communications and former Progress editor, said attitudes of different staff members and the world wide events played a role in nameplate designs.

But the issues of the Progress published during the past eight decades tell more than just of the history of Eastern; the past pages of The Progress also contains the history of journalism technology as well.

The Progress of the past did not have the color photos of today, or the graphics and art used in newspapers at present.

"Each staff has its own identity. Every staff excels in one area or another, this staff excels in news design," said Libby Fraas, advisor of the Progress since 1987.

As advisor, one might think Dr. Fraas, or "Doc" as she is called at the Progress, has control over what goes into the paper. This, however, is not the case. Fraas said she is of course concerned with protecting the University from libel but it is not her job to censor the student's work.

One concern during her tenure has been to get new technology into the office, and Fraas bought the first Macintosh computer her first

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### A Matter of Style

Various nameplates over the years

#### ► 1922

## THE EASTERN PROGRESS

VOLUME 1 EDWARDS, MADISON COUNTY, KY, FEBRUARY, 1922 NUMBER 1

#### ► 1927

## THE EASTERN PROGRESS

Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College and Normal School

VOLUME 5 RICHMOND, KY, NOVEMBER 19 1927 NUMBER 1

#### ► 1944

## EASTERN PROGRESS AND ENGINEER

Special Publication of Eastern Kentucky State Teachers College

VOLUME 22 RICHMOND, KENTUCKY, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1943 NUMBER 1

#### ► 1986

## The Eastern Progress



# er's impact on campus, careers

## 60s

### Ammerman respected, ticked-off former university president

Craig Ammerman laughs when he talks about how mad University President Robert Martin used to get at him.

"I remember sitting in a chair across from him and he was so mad he was pounding on his desk," Ammerman said, chuckling. "I could see that desk bouncing up and down on the floor."

That desk-pounding visit to Martin's office was only one of many Ammerman made during his time as editor of the Progress in 1968-69.

"We had our differences," Ammerman said. "But I never knew anyone who cared about anything as much as Dr. Martin did about the university."

Ammerman said the differences between the men were usually a result of a column or editorial he had written.

The aspiring journalist may have never landed in the seat across from Martin's desk, or had to endure the scoldings had it not been for a freak football accident that crumbled his leg in high school.



Ammerman now owns his own publishing company.

Ammerman, a New Jersey native, moved to Richmond as a youngster when his father changed jobs. After years in Madison County, the family decided to move again, but Ammerman wanted to stay behind where he was a star for his high school team under then little-known coach Roy Kidd.

"I was going to go to Eastern to be a big football star," Ammerman said.

A leg injury put a damper on his dreams, so Ammerman did the next best thing when he got to Eastern — he covered the Colonels as sports editor for the Progress.

"I had written some sports for the Richmond Register while in high school, so a friend convinced me to go to work at the Progress," he said.

After a year in sports, Ammerman was named editor. His tenure at the top came at a controversial time with the 60s movement and Vietnam War, and that helped land Ammerman in the president's office over and over.

"It was easy to be controversial with everything that was going on back then," he said.

After his year as editor, Ammerman left for the Lexington Herald where he covered sports. He then moved to the Associated Press where he moved from Kentucky to West Virginia and then to New York, all the while changing jobs within the AP.

His work as Bureau Chief of AP's New York office helped him land a job as an editor with the New York Post. From there, Ammerman took over the struggling Philadelphia Bulletin paper.

"I knew it was in trouble," he said. "But I wanted the challenge of having my own paper. I wanted to do my own things."

The Bulletin was the second-largest afternoon paper in the world at the time Ammerman took over. Twenty months later, the struggling paper folded.

Ammerman left the newspaper business after the Bulletin closed and has spent the last dozen years running his New Jersey based publishing company that focuses on health-related publications.

— Don Perry

## 70s

### Francis handled crisis and pressure as first black editor

Delma Francis learned how to handle crisis early in her journalism career.

During her first semester as editor of the Progress in 1974-75, Francis had a disagreement with the managing editor over a column he had written. When she cut a paragraph from the column, the managing editor stormed out of the office and took the news editor with him, leaving Francis with a depleted news staff.

"He was upset and called it censorship," Francis said. "I called it editorial discretion."

Her decision to exercise editorial discretion left her in a jam, but one she and the staff overcame by filling in the gaps with young, eager journalism students.

Francis said the incident added to a pressure-filled role as the first black editor of the Eastern Progress.

"I just felt like I was under pressure all year," she said. "I felt somewhat isolated from other black students because there simply weren't that many. That causes a little bit of a problem for me



Francis was the first black editor for the Progress.

because some may have viewed me as not being loyal."

Francis said she wasn't in anyway trying to be antisocial to the other black students by not participating in their organizations, but simply couldn't find the time between school and the Progress.

When she was editor, there were about 500 black students enrolled at Eastern.

Francis said that was the case at many regional colleges

then. In fact, as editor she received mail from groups that didn't expect a minority to answer.

"I remember a white supremacy group kept sending me letters wanting me to run them. I guess they didn't know I was black," she said laughing.

After successfully completing her pressure-filled year — which also included having to defend herself to the student senate after the disgruntled managing editor told the officers she wasn't fit to run the student newspaper — Francis began her successful journalism career.

Upon graduation, the Lancaster native took a job with the Lexington Herald as a cop reporter — a job she has a lot of respect for, but one she said she won't do again. "You just see too much stuff."

She left the Lexington paper to take a job with the Louisville Times, where she worked for 10 years before moving north to Hartford, Conn., to her first editing job. Her stint at the Courant ended when Francis moved to Richmond, Va., and embarked on another first in her journalism career. She became the first woman to work on the city desk at the Richmond Times-Dispatch.

"It was a challenge because the men had never worked with a woman and didn't know what to say," she said. "They'd be talking and say 'Damn' and turn to me and say, 'Oops!' and apologize. I told them there wasn't any need for that."

"It was harder being the first woman than being the first black editor at the Progress," she said.

Francis left Richmond for the Minneapolis Star Tribune, where she works as editor of the Minneapolis Youth News section of the paper.

"I love my job," she said. "What other profession do you get paid for being nosy?"

— Don Perry

## 80s

### Final editorial had editor making the headlines, broadcasts

In a sense, Mike Marsee saved the best (or at least the most controversial) for last.

After working for three years at the Progress, two as sports editor and the final year as editor, Marsee wrote an editorial that sparked a statewide controversy and put himself and the Progress staff in the news.

The editorial, which he calls one of the biggest things he did as editor of the Progress in 1987-88, was published in the final issue of the year and said the university shouldn't invite then first-year Gov. Wallace Wilkinson to speak at graduation because he supported legislation that cut higher education funding.

There had been a protest in Frankfort earlier that year because of the budget cuts, and apparently the issue was still hot enough to garner more attention.

When the Progress was published that week, the phones stated ringing. Instead of being



Marsee sparked a controversy that gained state wide media attention in his final editorial.

news reporters, Marsee and the Progress staff members became news makers.

Marsee said he and the staff took calls from news outlets — from television news people to reporters with the daily papers — from across the state wanting to talk about the editorial and why the staff opposed having Wilkinson at the graduation.

"Then there were even rumors about a possible protest," Marsee said. "A couple reporters even asked me if I was supporting a protest."

Marsee said he had no idea the editorial would cause such a fuss.

"It was a little embarrassing," he said. "I told one reporter that I didn't want graduation to turn into a circus, and I certainly didn't want to cause it to turn into a circus because I was graduating too."

The ceremony went off without a hitch and Gov. Wilkinson did make his expected appearance to a few muffled boos, Marsee said.

That was just one of several events — be it the most memorable — that happened at the Progress. Marsee said he could categorize as a learning experience.

"I couldn't even start to tell you what working at the Progress has meant to me," he said. "And being editor gave me the chance to see the whole newspaper and how it worked."

The editor job was made a little more difficult that year because Marsee would be working under a brand new adviser for the Progress. Dr. Elizabeth Fraas took the position in 1987.

"By her own admission, she had some learning to do, too," Marsee said. "So we kind of learned from one another."

After graduating, Marsee got a job as sports editor at the Corbin Times Tribune.

He left there after two years for a job with the Danville Advocate-Messenger covering sports and news.

He is still at the Advocate-Messenger today, where he works in the sports department.

— Don Perry

## 90s

### Progress coverage of Gulf War intriguing for military writer

Jan. 15, 1991 was a defining date in Jeff Newton's young journalism career.

Minutes after the Progress editor put another issue of the paper to bed, an Associated Press report said there had been bombings in the Persian Gulf moments earlier.

The Progress had devoted a good portion of the next day's front page to stories concerning the possibility of war, and Newton knew that would be old news by the time readers picked up the Progress the next morning.

Newton and Ron Wolfe, who was acting adviser at the time, decided to call the Lexington Herald-Leader, where the paper was being printed, and tell them to stop the presses.

"There was a conscious agreement that we couldn't let that paper hit the streets with old news in it," Newton said.



Covering the Gulf War was the beginning of military reporting for Newton. It was also his favorite achievement as editor.

With that in mind, he called the Herald-Leader to stop the printing and called his staff back into work for what promised to be a long night of deadline writing.

"It worked out well though," Newton said. "Because the Herald-Leader wanted to hold our paper anyway so they could get theirs out

sooner with news of the war breaking out."

The delay in printing allowed the Progress staff to work until 5 a.m. on a revised front page. The paper arrived on campus a little later than usual the following day but with accurate and timely breaking news stories.

"That was an incredible experience," Newton said. "That is probably the crowning jewel of my college journalism career."

Two versions of that single issue of the Progress hang on the office wall to commemorate the historic event that caused a staff to publish two editions of the same newspaper.

That long Wednesday night when the war broke out was the beginning of a strong interest Newton formed with military reporting.

After leaving the Progress, Newton worked for a year at U. College National Magazine in Los Angeles. He then went to the Czech Republic where he covered the war in Bosnia.

Newton returned to the states and to Kentucky where he landed a job at the Elizabethtown News-Enterprise. He left that job after three years to work as a military writer for the Fayetteville Observer-Times in Fayetteville, N.C.

Newton's working at The Progress not only fostered an interest in military reporting, but also gave him a start in the profession.

"I would not be where I am today without the people at the Progress," Newton said. "There isn't a week that goes by that I don't think about how much that has helped me."

— Don Perry

## Eastern University for 75 years

1997

### LBJ visits Eastern

June 1, 1961

Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson visited Eastern where he gave the commencement speech at graduation and then participated in a groundbreaking ceremony with University President Robert Martin for Alumni Coliseum. Martin became president after O'Donnell retired in 1960.



1978



J.C. Powell succeeded Martin as Eastern President in 1978. He served until 1985.

### EKSC becomes EKU

Feb. 26, 1966

Gov. Edward T. Breathitt signed a bill making Eastern and three other state colleges universities.

Fall 1966

First Greek organizations recognized on campus.

1985

### Funderburk new leader

Alabama native Hanly Funderburk became Eastern's most recent president.

1988

### Planetarium opens

Nov. 16, 1988

A lawsuit delayed the opening of Hummel Planetarium for nine years after the University purchased it from Spitz Space Systems Inc. in 1979.

### Progress turns 75

The Eastern Progress celebrated its 75th year of publication.

### Gulf War begins

Jan. 15, 1991

All across campus, yellow ribbons and signs showed support for U.S. troops fighting in Desert Storm.



# Blown deadlines, 'shoddy' research blamed for absence

By BETH WHISMAN  
Copy editor

Students' faces probably showed confusion when they found empty newspaper stands across campus Feb. 22, 1973. The Progress' absence caused quite a stir at Eastern — enough to gain student senate's attention.

In a March 1, 1973 article, Managing Editor Betsey Bell reported the student senate held an emergency meeting where President Robert Martin explained the paper's absence.

Martin gave three excuses: Editors did not meet their deadline for print, the AP Stylebook was not followed, and editorials were "shoddy" and poorly researched.

1973 Progress over-all adviser Donald Feltner said the editors missed deadline, and that caused the Progress' absence on campus. He said the Richmond Register could not print the paper until Saturday.

Feltner said, "It wasn't fair to the advertisers." So, the editors decided to wait until the next Thursday to publish, he said.



**Bob Babbage**, former Kentucky Democratic Party chairman, secretary of state and gubernatorial candidate, was editor of *The Progress* in 1973, when the newspaper missed a week of publication.

Feltner is now vice president of university relations and development.

He said students tried to make censorship an issue, but Feltner denied it.

"He (Martin) didn't censor the paper," Feltner said. "The editors just didn't

tend to their knitting.

"It was a learning experience for a new editor."

Former Secretary of State Robert Babbage was editor. At the student senate meeting, he said he was told by administration to keep certain names out of news stories and to "play down" stories with bad repercussions.

According to Feltner, Martin and Babbage just had different agendas to fill, so they clashed sometimes. It was not a matter of censoring the press, he said.

Ron Wolfe was the day-to-day adviser in 1973. Today, he serves as chair of the mass communications department.

Wolfe said Babbage and Martin were "at odds" sometimes. He said Babbage directed some editorials against the administration, and Martin thought Babbage didn't research enough before pointing his finger.

"He (Martin) did let you know what he thought about stories," Wolfe said. "But, he never directly censored the paper."

Wolfe agreed with Feltner about the



**Former Eastern President Robert Martin** was at the helm when Babbage was editor of *The Progress*. Martin and Babbage disagreed on the content of the paper.

men's different agendas.

He said sometimes Martin didn't think Babbage's points were accurate, and Babbage stood emotionally by his editorials.

"They looked at things differently," Wolfe said.

Despite the editorial disagreements,

Wolfe said the missed deadlines were the final straw. He said the editors had problems with meeting the deadline, so not enough copy made it to the press in time.

Randall Shew was the publisher of *The Richmond Register* in 1973. He said the editors only sent about 20 percent of copy to be printed. Shew said it was "physically impossible" to meet the Thursday morning publishing deadline.

Although the Progress had never missed publication before, Feltner said Shew had complained about late-arriving copy before the incident.

"We had complaints from the Register about no copy arriving for a while," Feltner said.

He also said the Register staff members were tired of having to work harder Wednesday nights just to get the paper out on time.

Despite the week's problems, the paper did publish the following Thursday. Students and faculty could find the Progress in its usual spots on campus.

## Staffers die on way to cover ball game

By BRENDA AHEARN  
Staff writer

They died Nov. 18, 1972. James Austin House and Roy Russell Watson, former Eastern Progress staff members, never made it to the football game they intended to cover. The small twin engine plane they were traveling in went down over Trigg County, Ky. Nearly 25 years later, they are still fondly remembered.

"He (House) was my idol. ... He was quiet, but very talented," said Mary Douglas Arthur, House's sister.

"Jimmy once told me, 'Enjoy life, smile and speak to everybody ... but always smile,'" Arthur said.

Co-workers on the staff keep the two journalists' memories alive. House and Watson are names 1972 staff members haven't forgotten.

"Both of them were type-A personalities; everything they touched they did well. They knew everybody. They were very visible on campus, and they were a lot of fun to be around," said Larry Bailey, who worked on the Progress with House and Watson.

Almost a year after their deaths, Jack Frost wrote an editorial about House. He said, "Jimmy called the shots just as he saw them — a quality which he not only used in his writing, but in most phases of his life. He generally said what he thought; shyness was not one of Jimmy House's traits."

On the opposite side of the page, Craig Ammerman wrote an editorial about Roy Watson. He said, "Roy didn't expect the world to give him, or anybody else, anything on a silver platter. He once said that his parents had given him a good name. He figured that was all he needed, and in Roy's case, it was."



A plaque outside the bookstore memorializes James House and Roy Watson, who were killed in a plane crash en route to cover a ball game.

Arthur was 18 years old when her brother died. House was to graduate in one more semester, and he was working as the editor of *The Richmond Register*. He was covering the football tournament in place of the sports editor. The sports editor's wife was nervous about the plane and didn't want him to go, so House went instead because he had wanted to see the game.

"They called me at 6 a.m. This is one of those things you know exactly where you were when you heard it had happened," Bailey said.

Nearly a quarter of a century after his death, Arthur still deals with a nagging pain when she talks about her brother. When she speaks of him, her usually light, boisterous voice falls down to a lower tone that sounds caught between the joy in the memories of a loved one and the pain of knowing they met their end too soon.

"He died doing something he loved. Not many of us get to do that. It was an old plane; I think it was technical malfunction or human error," Douglas said, "but I don't think it was his 'time.'"

## Progress: Awards becoming tradition

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year on the job.

The Progress office has followed the changes in journalism technology, upgrading over the years to larger, more powerful computers that do everything from art to page layout and design.

Now, the Progress completely paginates its front pages and some ad and features pages, carrying them on disk to be outprinted by the printer.

Digital cameras are used to get breaking news photo coverage and almost all other photos are scanned in electronically. This has eliminated the chemical dark room.

Over the years, the Progress staff has worked to present the best newspaper possible and their efforts have been acknowledged by the profession in the many awards they have won.

The Progress has won three national Pacemaker awards, which are proudly displayed on the office wall.

Fraas said she is most proud of the first Pacemaker. "I can still hear the announcement that was made. We were shocked because we had never won before. We were so very excited to be named a finalist," Fraas said.

Fraas said the Progress had always had a good reputation, but it was the first time it had reached that echelon. "It was surprising in a way, but it raised our expectations from then on," Fraas said.

Although the Progress is entirely produced by students, Fraas said that is not allowed as an excuse for mistakes. She said the students who work at the Progress are reminded to keep

their priorities straight at all times: Students must be students first; the Progress comes next. "Students must be responsible, I'm probably their worst critic when they make a mistake," Fraas said. Former editor Jeff Newton said the thing he remembered most about working on the Progress, other than deadline Tuesday nights, was the Persian Gulf "WAR" issue. The Progress held production because they didn't want to come out with late news of the war. Newton described that as one of the turning points in his career — he is currently working at the Fayetteville, N.C. Observer-Times as a military reporter. "I still get calls from professors wanting to know if I'm still flying straight and you don't get that from a lot of colleges," said Newton.

Information for this story was compiled by Brenda Ahearn, Don Perry and Two Eastern Publications: *The History of Milestone and Progress.*



Roy Kidd's football Colonels captured two Division I-AA national titles in 1979 and 1982. Eastern was runner-up in 1980 and 1981.

## On the Playing Field

### Hughes highlights greats

**A**lthough I am not 75 years old (sometimes I do feel like it), I have been on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University in one shape or form for the past 44 years, beginning in 1953 as a first-grade student at Eastern's Training School in the Cammack Building.

Before hitting the scene at Eastern Kentucky State College, there had been many outstanding athletes, coaches and athletics administrators who had already plied their particular skills for the Colonels.

Names such as Charles T. (Turkey) Hughes, Rome Rankin, Tom Samuels, Paul McBrayer, Thomas E. McDonough, Gertrude Hood and George Hembree laid the foundation of excellent athletic opportunity and achievement as coaches and administrators on this campus from the 1920s through the late 40s and early 50s.



**KARL PARK**  
From Press Row

### Let's talk Turkey

Coach Hughes, in particular, was a very interesting person. Hughes held many athletic roles during his tenure at Eastern.

He had already served the school as head football coach, head basketball coach, athletics director and head of the physical education department previous to my enrollment at Eastern as a freshman in 1966. In fact, he was one of the founding fathers and the first president of the Ohio Valley Conference.

I began covering his Colonel baseball team as the sophomore sports editor of *The Eastern Progress* and watched him lead Eastern to back-to-back league titles. I respected the way he led his ballclub with his reserved, business-like approach and soon found out that when he began a statement with "By Grab," those around him knew to pay close attention to what the crafty veteran was about to say because it was of heightened importance to that particular moment.

In 1970, I became sports information director. During the past 27 years at Eastern, there have been numerous memories of thrills, excitement, anticipation, anxiousness and yes, even disappointment.

It would be impossible to rank in some kind of reasonable order the most significant to those of lesser meaning. However, being a part of a national championship is hard to beat!

Coach Roy Kidd's football Colonels absolutely dominated I-AA football from 1979-82, recording two national titles and two national runnersup during that four-year span. The first national football crown came in 1979 in a 30-7 defeat of Lehigh University. The second occurred four years later when the Colonels took the measure of the University of Delaware, 17-14.

### On the hardwood

Eastern has made two trips to the NCAA Basketball Tournament since 1970, both memorable outings. The 1971-72 team, coached by Guy Strong, won a three-way playoff for the OVC crown in Frankfort's Civic Center, defeating Morehead State, 98-86, for a trip to the big dance. This team matched up with Hugh Durham's Florida State Seminoles crew and lost 83-81. Eastern propelled into its other 70s NCAA Tourney appearance by a controversial 78-77 win over arch-rival Western Kentucky in the finals of the 1979 OVC Tournament.

Eastern was trailing Western 77-76 with under 15 seconds to go and the Colonels had the ball. Eastern shot the ball with around five seconds remaining, got the rebound, missed, got the rebound, missed, got the rebound, shot and a foul was called.

A quick look at the scoreboard showed 0:00 on the clock. Referees huddled at the scorer's table. Gene Keady's Western club went to the locker room thinking they had won and were on their way to the NCAA. However, after much deliberation, Eastern was going to be allowed to shoot two free throws with still no time left on the clock.

Dave Tierney, a 6-2 substitute guard, was chosen to shoot the free throws. He was about to live a moment that every boy or girl who has ever played the game of basketball has lived thousands of times in their dreams or on their driveway baskets or backyard goals.

Tierney shot his first, grazing a little bit of rim on its way through the net. Seconds later, Tierney eyed the basket, let it fly and as the TV commercial says, "Nothing but net."

In moments, Eastern's players had climbed to the tops of the basket and were standing on both rims in celebration. In one of the most unbelievable of finishes, Eastern again headed to the state of Tennessee for an NCAA Tourney appearance.



Turkey Hughes coached football and baseball at Eastern.

The Colonels lost however, 97-81 to Tennessee.

### And don't forget

These are just a few of the memorable highlights of Eastern athletics through recent history. There are so many more — like coach Jim Ward's Eastern baseball Colonels going to three straight and four total NCAA Regionals in the 80s; coaches Rick Erdmann and Tim Moore's directing of nearly 30 OVC championships in men's and women's track and cross country; coach Larry Joe Inman's women's basketball team putting together a remarkable school-record laden 24-6 1996-97 season and the Lady Colonels' first trip to the NCAA Tourney; Amy Clements, track and cross country star of the early 90s, finishing among the top 10 finalists for NCAA Woman of the Year honors; coach Sandy Martin showing her versatility with her third different coaching assignment at Eastern (track, tennis

and golf) and leading those golf charges to an OVC title in just their third year of existence in 1996; coach Geri Polvino's 600-plus volleyball wins (more than 800 counting his 11 years at Stetson); more than 300 victories in men's tennis from 25-year coach Tom Higgins and 30-plus wins in women's tennis in his short tenure as that squad's mentor; the emergence of one of my favorite sports — softball — as a women's intercollegiate athletic opportunity; several OVC golf titles under the direction of retiring coach Lew Smither; and the nearly 20-year tenure as Eastern athletics director Donald Combs.

Intercollegiate athletics at Eastern has provided countless number of students opportunities to prepare their minds and bodies for life after college. For that fact alone, I am glad I have been involved or have been on the fringe of Eastern athletics for nearly half a century.