

Employee civil lawsuit dismissed

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A civil court case involving employees at Eastern's library closed on Dec. 14.

According to the suit, library employees Jacquelyn Couture, Elizabeth Cunningham and Deborah Whalen filed a lawsuit against former library supervisor, Charles Hill.

Court documents said the case had been dismissed with prejudice, meaning the lawsuit has been completely resolved.

The three employees claimed Hill created an unfavorable work environment. They also said emotional stress was caused due to threats and unprofessional behavior. Hill allegedly confronted the employees and made comments that, due to his military experience he had the ability to "kill with his bare hands" and he had a friend who owed him a favor and would not oppose to "pop a cap".

Carrie Cooper, dean of libraries, confirmed that no employees involved in the

lawsuit have been dismissed from their jobs. She declined further comment.

According to case documents, Hill was "obsessed" with knowing what employees were saying about him. One of the employees said a recording device was planted on her desk in secret.

The lawsuit also alleged that Hill acted in retaliation to receiving low scores on supervisor evaluations, causing him to become "incensed." The three employees reported that Hill had not attended professional con-

ferences in 2007 and 2008. Hill, on the other hand, said he had attended the conferences, which had been paid for by Eastern.

Reporting of this misconduct resulted in suspension with pay for one month and the loss of his supervisory position.

Whalen also said that Hill had made romantic overtures toward her. She rejected these advances, which allegedly caused Hill to contribute to the hostile work environment.

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SGA takes steps toward semester goals

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As one semester draws to a close, and another takes off, Eastern's Student Government Association (SGA) is continuing forward from where it left off in December, working on several policies and debating issues that could be affecting students drastically in the future, such as tuition changes.

Student Body President and Student Regent Caleb Armbrust said the organization accomplished several tasks last semester and is planning to move forward and do much of the same over the next four months.



Caleb Armbrust

But Armbrust stressed the only way SGA can rise to its full potential is to hear what you, the student, has to say, and he encourages anyone to stop by his office, even if only just to "chat."

"In order for us to help students," Armbrust said, "we need to hear from students."

Last semester, SGA tackled several items, including changing components to the code of student conduct, relating specifically to the tailgating policy. The policy, itself, was not changed; instead, reminders were emphasized on proper behavior and put selected students in charge of their peers, in order to create a better tailgating experience.

SGA also took the first steps toward creating a smoke-free campus environment, by recom-

mending the current committee be reformed to take a better look into the rulings about smoking on campus. This can lead to new rules being enforced at a later date, or smoking to be banned, entirely.

In addition to that, SGA, along with James Street and Facilities Services, worked to resolve a patch of mold issues in a handful of residence halls.

"We dealt with the mold," Armbrust said. "You can call that a victory."

And Senate took a special interest in the tuition debate.

This semester, Senate's Vice-President Andrew Holcomb said talks on campus tuition would remain a hot debate.

"Tuition is all about keeping it affordable," Holcomb said, "but also allowing the university to provide all the necessary services to allow students to gain a quality education."

Holcomb, who also sits on the Financial Planning Council, said several proposed models would be analyzed, as well as the scheduling of more tuition forums for students to voice their opinions.

Long-term projections also come into play, Holcomb said, adding that considerations will be looked at in order to secure the financial health of the university for future stability.

The Rally for Higher Education will take place later this semester as well, and Armbrust encourages all students to write to their local Senators and Representatives in hopes of lobbying to keep tuition increases at bay.

Other tasks on the list for

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Student government goals and achievements

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Tailgating Policy's Code of Conduct
- Smoking Ban
- Handling mold problems in the dorms

GOALS

- Working to secure affordable tuition
- Making strides with the smoking ban
- Working to increase the amount of guest meals to upstairs Powell
- Supporting non-traditional student needs

Award-winning journalist to open series

CHAUTAUQUA SPEAKER TO EXPLORE "THE EVOLUTION OF GOD"

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The first presenter of the Chautauqua spring series was named one of Foreign Policy magazine's top 100 global thinkers.



Robert Wright

Robert Wright is an award winning journalist who received a National Magazine Award for Essay and Criticism for his column on "The Information Age."

Wright currently holds editorial positions at Bloggingheads.tv, which he co-founded, and TheProgressiveRealist.org. He has written for The New Yorker, The Atlantic, and The New York Times.

Wright's lecture is titled,

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New e-mail causes problems for students

MOBILE PHONES UNABLE TO SYNC WITH SYSTEM

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On December 20, Eastern's IT Department switched the e-mail system to Microsoft Live.

The new system offers over 100 times the amount of additional space compared to the old system, as well as access to Microsoft Office, so students who need to use Microsoft Word or PowerPoint will be able to create files from the



e-mail system. The transition is not complete yet, but IT says it soon will be.

"We had initially predicted that we would have all currently enrolled students finished on January 12, 2011, but the process has moved a little slower than expected," Steven Fulkerson, director of networking and telecommunica-

tions said. Fulkerson said there are two problems hindering the transition. The first was moving all of the messages from the old e-mail accounts over to the new accounts.

"We have about 9,000 accounts migrated and expect to have all currently enrolled students finished sometime late next week,"

Fulkerson said. Tra' Schelle Brown, a senior broadcast media and sociology major, said she wasn't impressed by the new system.

"I don't like it as much as the old system," Brown said. "I was accustomed to the old system. Now I have to learn where all the controls are. I lost all of my contacts and old e-mails and I had to import them again."

The second problem IT is facing is configuration with mobile phones. Many students, such as junior middle grade education major

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Tutoring services offers success across campus

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With a new semester underway, it is important for students to know where they can get help for classes that might be giving them a little trouble. Eastern has attempted to make overcoming difficulties in classes a little easier by making several tutoring programs available.

The ECU Tutoring Program is committed to helping students meet the demands of college level coursework, become independent learners who succeed and graduate. They do this by providing tutors for accounting, American Sign Language (ASL), chemistry, economics, foreign languages, mathematics, statistics and physics.

"I was having a pretty tough time with math," said Roy Smith, a 41-year-old sports management sophomore from Brodhead. "I went to the math tutoring for a couple weeks and it really made a difference. Some of those guys really

know their stuff. Overall, it's a good deal. They helped me out a lot."

In addition to ECU Tutoring, there is also the Bratzke Center, Noel Studio and Common Knowledge.

The Bratzke Center offers student-athletes free tutoring in a wide variety of subjects, and strives to keep student-athletes successful in their academics, while enabling them to continue to practice and participate in Eastern athletics.

The Noel Studio for Academic Creativity's primary service is consultation. They offer students assistance specifically with communication projects for undergraduate and graduate students. Students can reserve appointments for an hour at a time and will get help with the planning and executions of communication related projects.

Common Knowledge, formerly known as Tech Commons, provides one-on-one techni-

cal support and homework assistance.

"Our statistics show if you are having a hard time in a class and go to tutoring you are more likely to succeed," said Matt Schumacher, a retention analyst for Eastern. "If students need help in a subject we don't already offer tutoring in, we will get in contact with that department and make sure they get the help they need. We don't want anyone to fall through the cracks."

According to records provided by Eastern's tutoring and retention department, tutors have spent an average of more than 4,000 hours in contact with students per semester throughout the last five years. Their records show that the students who utilize this resource generally pass the class they were receiving tutoring in.

For more information, to request tutoring assistance in a course not currently offered or to view tutoring schedules for all of Eastern's tutoring programs you can visit: <http://www.advising.eku.edu/tutoring> or call 859-622-6778.



All information is taken from Eastern police reports.

Dec. 10

Police responded to a complaint of a male running throughout Keene Hall in his underwear and causing a disturbance. Upon arrival, an officer found Stephan Kulas at the front desk wearing underwear and a pair of socks. The officer detected a strong odor of alcoholic beverages on Kulas's person, slurred speech, blood-shot eyes and he was unsteady on his feet. Kulas was permitted to dress and then was arrested for alcohol intoxication in a public place and lodged in Madison County Detention Center.

Dec. 11

Police responded to a complaint of marijuana coming from a dorm room in Telford Hall. Upon arrival, the officer detected the odor and believed it was coming from the room in question. Brianna Bishop stated that she had not been smoking marijuana and gave permission to search. Officers found two prescription bottles without labels containing muscle relaxers, sleep aids and anti-convulsants. Police also found a marijuana pipe and three baggies with trace amounts of marijuana. Bishop was cited for possession of marijuana, prescription controlled substance not in original containers and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Dec. 12

A female reported that an unknown person was attempting to enter her room with a key and banging on her door. Officers

made contact with John Kutter on the third floor of the Martin Hall north wing. Kutter stated that he lived on the fourth floor of the south wing and been drinking and became confused about where he was. Kutter was arrested for alcohol intoxication in a public place and was lodged at the Madison County Detention Center.

Officers were called to Combs Hall after some students became confrontational with housing staff and became upset when they received an alcohol violation on campus. Robert Houghton was arrested for alcohol intoxication in a public place after officers observed his blood-shot eyes and inability to stay steady on his feet. Officers also detected a strong odor of alcohol on his person. Houghton was lodged in Madison County Detention Center.

News Briefs

Inner tube water polo sign-ups

Intramural Inner tube Water Polo is currently accepting registration until Jan. 18. Any individuals interested in registering a team can register online at eku.imtrackonline.com. Those registering must be aware of all Intramural rules and policies. Registration is free.

mfa/jb.php or contacting Russell.Helms@eku.edu

Veterans group to meet Jan. 14

A free webinar on Reintegration Problems and Concerns of Military Service Members Returning from Combat will be offered 1 p.m. Jan. 14 in SSB 549. The presentation will give an overview of adjustment issues returning soldiers face including community, employers, and education. Emotional and behavioral changes that war causes will be explained. An overview of programs that assist soldiers with issues upon returning home will be offered. The Veterans Advocacy Workgroup will meet directly afterward for discussion and changes to the G.I. Bill. For more information, contact Brett Morris at 622- 7838.

Literary journal on sale

The second annual issue of Jelly Bucket, the literary journal produced by Eastern's MFA Creative Writing Program is now on sale. The student designed and edited journal contains poetry, fiction and essays from authors around the world. Copies of the Jelly Bucket can be purchased by visiting www.english.eku.edu/

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THE COLONEL'S CALENDAR
Week of January 13 - 20

What's Happening

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's basketball vs. Jacksonville State Men's basketball vs. Jacksonville State 6 p.m. Kenamer Room, Delta Zeta Spring Recruitment 4 p.m. Parking Appeal, Conference Room D Powell Building 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5 p.m. Herndon Lounge, Delta Zeta Spring Recruitment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Women's Basketball vs. Tennessee Tech Men's Basketball vs. Tennessee Tech Last day Graduate School will accept applications for May 11 graduation 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> University closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day Last day to drop a full semester course without a "W", add a full semester course or receive full refund. 4:15 p.m. Residence Life Council will meet in the Jaggers Room. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registration for Intramural Texas Hold'Em begins 8 p.m. Jaggers Room, Chi Omega Spring Recruitment Wednesday 	

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Eastern police still investigating campus vehicle break-ins

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Campus police said they are still investigating the series of vehicle break-in thefts that took place last semester.

As previously reported, the ECU Police Department received eight reports of theft from vehicles in the Lancaster and Keene Hall parking lots between Nov. 28 and Dec. 1. They anticipated the break-ins to be related to one party, but say they are not at liberty to give an update on the investigation.

"At this time this is an active case," said Lt. Brandon Collins. "I am not able to release information until it is closed, because it could compromise the investigation."

Currently, campus police have not

had any more reports of a break-in. That doesn't stop some students from taking extra steps to secure their belongings.

"Having a convertible, I am just as or more cautious than anyone else," said Austin Gehring, a 22-year-old sophomore. "I always try to hide anything that may be valuable from plain sight."

Student John Taylor Hardin, stolen valuable items were reported significantly in the break-ins.

"I knew a few people who were robbed," said Hardin, a 19-year-old freshman. "It was mostly their laptops and iPods."

If an incident occurs or you have information that could assist in this investigation, contact the Eastern Police Department by dialing 911 or 622-1111.

CHAUTAUQUA

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"The Evolution of God and the Moral Animal."

His lecture will be based on books he has written titled, "The Evolution of God" and "The Moral Animal: Evolutionary Psychology and Everyday Life."

Wright was a finalist for the 2010 General Nonfiction Pulitzer Prize for "The Evolution of God," a New York Times bestseller.

Wright, having a background in teaching both religion and philosophy, will present his ideas exploring the history of God in Islam, Judaism and Christianity, and try to reconcile these various religions.

Minh Nguyen, coordinator of the Chautauqua lecture series, said Wright's book "The Evolution of God" explores the evolution of the concept or idea of God in the three Abrahamic religions.

Nguyen said Wright's lecture aims to provide an account of human morality from a Darwinian or evolutionary perspective, and strives to reconcile science not only with ethics, but also with religion.

"Wright will bring a lot to the Chautauqua theme," Nguyen said. "Part of the

aim of the current series is to trace the natural and evolutionary history of humans. It also aims to examine the idea that humans belong to nature, but yearn to transcend it via religion and art, for instance. To the extent that Wright's lecture attempts to trace the evolution of that concept is designed to satisfy genuine human needs, he has a lot to offer here."

Wright is also expected to touch on the nature of humans as moral animals to go along with his book, "The Moral Animal: Evolutionary Psychology and Everyday Life."

"Wright presupposes that we take a Darwinian approach to the understanding of human yearning to transcend our own physical nature and to embark on what may be characterized as a religious quest," Nguyen said.

"Wright will articulate and defend the evolutionary logic behind various subjects having to do with morality," Nguyen said. "He will explore notions such as friendship and sibling rivalry."

Wright will speak Jan. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the O'Donnell Auditorium in the Student Services Building.

For more information about ECU's Chautauqua lecture series, visit www.chautauqua.eku.edu or contact coordinator Dr. Minh Nguyen at minh.nguyen@eku.edu.

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Dominic McCamish, have had trouble with their mobile configurations.

"I don't care if they keep it (new system) as long as they sync it with outlook and phones," McCamish said.

Fulkerson said while syncing to the iPhone has been a problem, he doesn't think it will be much longer.

"The iPhone configuration seems to be working well, but we have had a few problems with the Android phone. The Android operating system can vary significantly between cell providers and so the configuration has been a little different for each one.

However, I think our helpdesk folks have now worked with all of the different versions and have the configuration process mastered."

Despite the troubles IT has run into, many students have not had trouble with the new e-mail accounts.

"I haven't had any problems with e-mails, everything is working fine," said Ian Doyle, a freshman public relations major.

Robert Jones, a sophomore graphic design major, said he thought the new e-mail system was "about the same" compared to the old ones, a view many students shared.

Overall, Fulkerson thinks the change in systems has been successful.

"The transition seems to be going well," he said.

SGA

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the upcoming semester, include seeing through the smoking ban, working with Aramark to create more guest meals in upper Powell, Spring elections and working with the committee for non-tradition-

al students.

Senate hopes to help non-traditional students by establishing counseling services for veterans and working to ensure that non-traditional students feel welcomed among the campus community.

For more information on Student Government and how you can get involved, stop by their office in Powell 132, or call (859) 622-1724.

LAWSUIT

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The lawsuit said that Hill was involved in the disappearance of a crystal sculpture in association with the donated Colyer Family Papers. Hill said, according to court documents, the sculpture "was, at one time, in the office."

A report was filed on Hill in fall 2009 with Jenny Allen, Director of the Equal Employment Office. Details of the report were unable to be disclosed. Allen was unable to comment.

According to the lawsuit, these behaviors caused the women to fear for their safety. All three women sought compensatory damages.

"The situation has been resolved and the agreement is confidential," said John Lackey, a Richmond attorney representing the three women. Lackey also said the terms of the agreement were sealed and not available for discussion.

Marc Whitt, Eastern spokesman, said the university was not directly involved in the case and it is Eastern's business practice to refrain from discussing personnel issues. Whitt also said that this case was unusual, "as normally" disputes between employees and their employers would be handled internally.

"We are pleased the resolution has been brought in this matter," Whitt said. "The matter has been resolved."

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PERSPECTIVES

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Kaylia Cornett, editor

MyMail is just an inconvenient Outlook

This time of year is all about change; we tip our hats to fresh starts and brand-new beginnings.

In fact, society draws special attention to the word “new,” — a new year, renewed gym memberships, new haircuts, even.

Whatever the case may be, sometimes change isn't always necessary.

One particular change Eastern is in the process of completing has proven to be merely an inconvenience for students — MyMail.

The new e-mail system, called Microsoft Live, was approved to replace Outlook over winter break on Dec. 20, 2010.

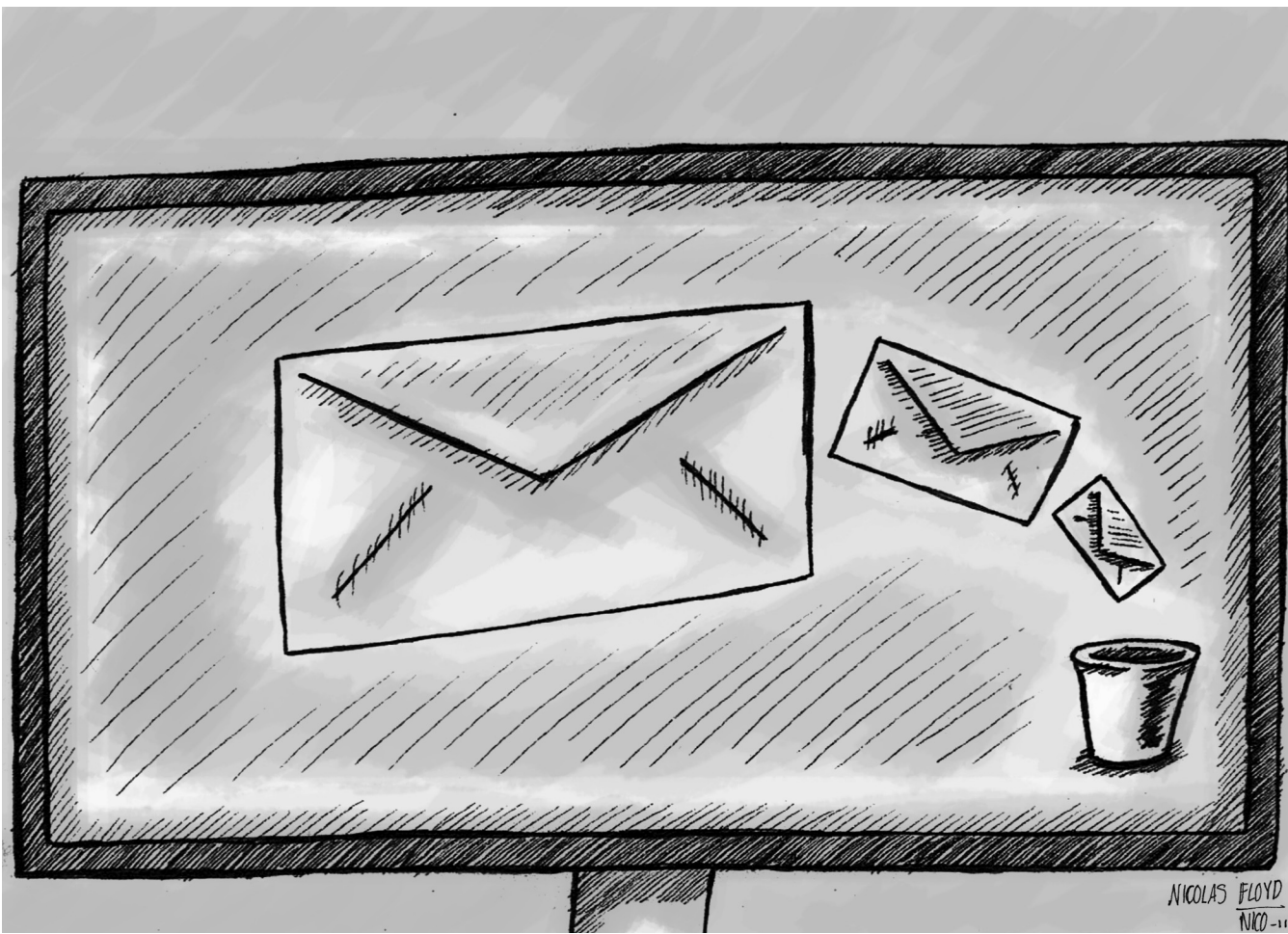
Since the “big switch,” student e-mail has been nothing but a hassle, as problems seem to range from not receiving messages entirely to receiving duplicates.

Other problems being experienced by students, include: contact deletion, linking problems between mobile devices and the main account, error code messages, e-mails not forwarding to the new MyMail account and instead, staying in the old account and not being able to access hotmail accounts at the same time.

While these problems will most likely be solved as the semester drags on, this begs the question — What was so wrong with Outlook?

Outlook worked fine and everyone knew how to operate it.

The new system boasts 100 times more storage, lifelong access and the ability to use Microsoft Office programs,



tain considering Microsoft Live boasts a handful of features that Outlook didn't.

Is better quality usually free?

No.

On the other hand, timing for this system switch was a bit off-balance as well.

In the long scheme of things, it would have made more sense for IT to postpone the change to Microsoft Live until the summer, not during Christmas break — three months versus three weeks, that's hardly enough time to arrange an entire system shift for 16,000 students.

Perhaps this decision was based more on trial by error, meaning making the switch now will help to work out the kinks and see what problems are being experienced, in hopes of making the system more efficient through generating larger feedback.

But the downside of this is that more than likely, e-mail traffic is much higher during Christmas break

as opposed to the summer months, as students are still around working on campus and gearing up for the next semester more quickly than in the summer.

IT could have taken more time to work on getting e-mails transferred to the new account and worked out the bugs using feedback from summer school students as they, and not the entire student body population, tested the waters.

Meanwhile, as the new Microsoft Live system does seem to be more beneficial for students and future alumni, until the bugs are worked out, Outlook offered a better outlook.

Some technological waves work, other advancements 'byte'



Let's face it, technology is advancing day-by-day and second-by-second. As we speak, Steve Jobs is plotting his next Apple product that will revolutionize the way we scratch our own rears, called the iScratch. I hear it comes with a webcam, like everything else Apple related.

Over the break I watched “Tron” in 3D. And if there's one thing I've noticed, it's that ever since “Avatar” broke box-office records as a 3D masterpiece, all people want is more “in your face” movies.

The concept of a movie presented in the third dimension sounds awesome to the average person, but when presented on the big screen, things could prove otherwise.

For example, imagine “The Notebook” in 3D. I'm not in anyway disrespecting this certain romantic film — I've seen it, I cried, but it just wouldn't make sense to remake it into a 3D classic.

Back to “Tron,” the story was cool, as well as the visu-

als. But, the 3D aspect was not as impressive as I had hoped.

This isn't a movie review, but instead just a realization that there are just certain movies that benefit from 3D effects, and certain movies that don't. If every movie goes 3D, your average ticket price goes from \$7.50 to near \$12.00 just to wear some goofy glasses that you eventually return.

So with movies starting to change, I also looked into Microsoft's new addition to the Xbox 360, the Kinect. For those of you that haven't seen or know what the Kinect is, in short it's a really fancy webcam that captures your movements and incorporates them into the actual game.

Like the idea of movies in 3D, the concept sounds cool, but only if done right. I tested out one of the games for the Kinect and I'm not going to lie, I enjoyed myself. Well, until I had to stop mid-game to catch my breath.

I understand that the Kinect was designed and targeted to a more family oriented environment, but for gamers it's a huge change. For most gamers, like myself, we've been used to the idea of sitting in one spot and letting our thumbs do

such as Word, PowerPoint and Excel.

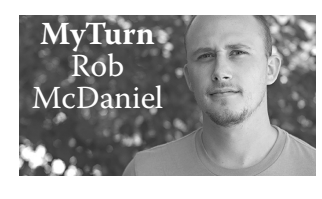
While the addition of these programs is beneficial, students have access to these at any computer on campus, and some students are still having problems using these resources as provided through the Microsoft Live server.

Another advantage, IT claims, of Microsoft Live is that it is free, unlike Outlook, adding that IT will save \$75,000 a year.

But, realistically, how long will this new system actually be free?

In theory, nothing stays free for long. Will Microsoft Live always remain free? In essence, this is hard to ascer-

Free speech is a right, but is it always expressed morally?



Being a college student isn't just about memorizing facts, or learning a skill for future career goals.

College, at least for me, has been a place where I have figured out who I am as a person, what I am capable of and where I want to be in the future.

One of the ways that Eastern has challenged me during my time as a student, is by making me face situations that I am uncomfortable with, or disagree with.

And helping me view those situations from a point of view that is as non-biased as possible.

These challenges have helped me discover what I'm passionate about, and what I couldn't care less about.

The most recent challenge was Westboro Baptist Church and their “right” to protest military funerals.

Anyone who has turned on the news in the last few years might have seen the Westboro Baptist Church.

They've made the news by protesting military funerals saying that fallen U.S. service members are going to hell because America tolerates homosexuals.

I can't speak for all of Eastern's veterans when I say this,

but as a veteran I find these protests extremely offensive. Do these people really have the right to protest funerals for men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country? Do they have the right to take families saddest moments and make them worse? Do they have the right to ruin that last goodbye? Constitutionally speaking, maybe they do.

I don't support what the Westboro Baptist Church is doing, and I sincerely hope that it doesn't seem that way. I'm just not entirely sure that you can say that what they are doing isn't protected by their First Amendment rights, which guarantee citizens the right to peacefully assemble and freedom of speech.

As far as morality goes, I think that these protests are not only wrong, but are also a disgusting act of treason. I know, treason may sound a little harsh, but what this “church” is doing is the greatest form of disrespect I can or would want to imagine a person committing against our nation's heroes.

But, as I've learned in college, just because you find something offensive doesn't necessarily mean that the people committing the offense don't have the right to do so.

Actually it's quite the opposite.

If you think about it, why would you need freedom of speech if it only protected things that people will not

find offensive? Whether you want to admit it or not, the only type of speech that really needs protection, is the kind that will offend people.

What makes this so offensive is not so much what the church is doing, but where they are doing it. Would people really care what this church is doing if it wasn't at a funeral of a service member? Honestly, I don't think so.

The preachers who have come here to Eastern in the past have expressed similar views, but it's not on CNN or Fox News because they aren't saying it at a military funeral.

The real issue isn't whether or not Westboro Baptist Church has a right to say these things, but that they are doing it during a time of grieving, at a military funeral.

They are entitled to their opinions, and they are even free to share them. That's the wonderful thing about our country. We have the freedom to express our thoughts and feelings.

However, the families of our fallen heroes also have a right to grieve in private.

If it wasn't for the men and women who have given their lives in service of this great nation, we would not have any of the freedoms that we, and the Westboro Baptist Church, take for granted.

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Staff writer urges Eastern community to take Progress reporters seriously



College is preparation for the “real world.”

College is where we learn to network, become professionals in whatever we choose to study and interact with professors and faculty that will treat us as adults. College is just one step away from our professional lives.

Well, supposedly. As a reporter for The Eastern Progress, interviewing faculty and students is not just something I do for fun. Writing stories is preparation for my career. I assume most of my peers will agree, getting out there is what prepares journalism students for what lies beyond that incomprehensible graduation date.

I take this preparation seriously and with the utmost diligence. I do not cut corners on my stories and I firmly believe in good journalistic ethics of quoting my sources with the utmost accuracy.

I work hard at becoming more than a writer. I work to become the best reporter I can be. As any other student on this campus, I want to be successful not just in my studies, but at my future career.

As well, most students at Eastern are surrounded by professionals and faculty that take their career preparation seriously. Most faculty, no matter what department, support internships and work experience. But, as a journalism student, it's more often that I am met by those that take my job at The Eastern Progress, as a joke.

The Eastern Progress is a student newspaper with the mission to report on imperative information that students need to know and information they deserve to know.

Judging by many Eastern organizations, departments and faculty attitudes and in-

terview policies toward The Progress, they believe students deserve to know very little. Judging solely by how often faculty and officials take the time to write professional e-mails and take the subject matter of my stories seriously, many of these people consider student news, to be no news.

Attitudes like these impede a reporter's ability to report accurate and well-researched news.

For example, some agencies on campus only allow reporters to talk to the top chain of command. These people are often too busy to know the logistics of every situation and therefore cannot provide the information we need to know.

As per my own experience, I can say talking to the “Director of Something or Other” on an issue that happened at the bottom rung does very little to provide me with the facts I need to not only provide an interesting story, but more importantly, an accurate one.

My frustration is not only aimed at the people whose salaries are paid by my tuition, but also at my peers in various organizations. We are all seeking to be professionals and we should conduct ourselves in this matter.

Yes, this is college, but the middle of an interview is not the time to discuss those very “collegey” things.

My plea is to be treated as a professional. To be treated with some respect that I am not just doing “that little newspaper thing” but, I am working on what most faculty agree to be one of the main goals of college. I am preparing myself for a professional career.

My plea is to be treated as I treat every single one of my interview subjects, with professionalism.

Those that do treat me and other Eastern Progress reporters with respect, earn ours. They allow for better stories, more accurate facts and overall, a better rapport. I thank those that take the time to remember that we are not just students, but someday professionals.

>Letters to the editor

Student body president encourages students to voice their opinion, get involved

Fellow Colonels,

I hope that each of you had a wonderful break and were able to relax and prepare for this semester. It's hard to believe that I will be graduating at the end of this semester if all goes well, and there are a few things I wish I had done or known about while I was here.

I wish I had been more involved with SGA my entire time at Eastern, because it is truly a wonderful establishment. We are a group of students that merely seek to help other students and ensure that students are well represented in any decisions that the university makes.

In the fall semester we stayed busy with committee meetings and other various tasks to try and bring about things we felt the student body would like.

Planning is well underway for the spring

concert and we're staying involved with tuition and dining, as the semester proceeds forward.

As your voice to the university, it's of the utmost importance that you express your concerns and ideas to us. If you have not already learned where the SGA office is, feel free to stop by and say hello. We are located in middle Powell to the left of the information desk. We have free stuff and a TV, so it's a good time.

I would also like to encourage each of you to make the most of your time at Eastern, because it will be over before you know it.

Caleb Armbrust
Student Body President (2010-2011)

A different perspective on Pattie A. Clay

I was interested to read Kristie Hamon's op-ed piece on the relative merits of using Pattie A. Clay Hospital vs. a Lexington hospital. I'm sorry she has had bad experiences in the ER there.

In the interest of fairness however, I would offer another point of view.

In August 2008 I awoke with “the worst headache I'd ever had.” After some initial delays as to what to do, I did the smart thing and went to the Pattie A. Clay emergency room. While there, I was quickly and professionally processed, tested and diagnosed, to my chagrin, with a potentially life-threatening burst aneurysm in my brain.

As brain surgery is not performed in Richmond, I was immediately sped by ambulance to Lexington where the diagnosis was confirmed, and eventually my aneurysm was repaired.

Thankfully, my recovery was relatively uneventful and has been complete, with no side effects whatsoever. Frankly, I give the ER doctors at Pattie A. Clay credit for saving my life. My aneurysm was the first time I'd ever had to go to any hospital's ER.

Until I was housed at Central Baptist in Lexington later that day I'd never spent the night in a hospital, except, I suppose, when I was born.

All told, my outcome was a happy one for my family and me. I'm from Richmond and I've heard stories about Pattie A. Clay, just like I've heard stories about most other hospitals — the ones in Lexington included.

Regarding some of the more outrageous ones, I always wonder just how true these tales might be. I would caution Ms. (Dr?) Hamon not to make such rash generalizations. If she had been the object, as I was, of a poor, inexperienced Central Baptist nurse's painful 3 a.m. hunting expedition into my left arm, as she vainly tried more painfully with each succeeding gouge to reinsert an IV, she might feel differently about the merits of the revered “Lexington” hospitals.

Craig Combs
Richmond resident

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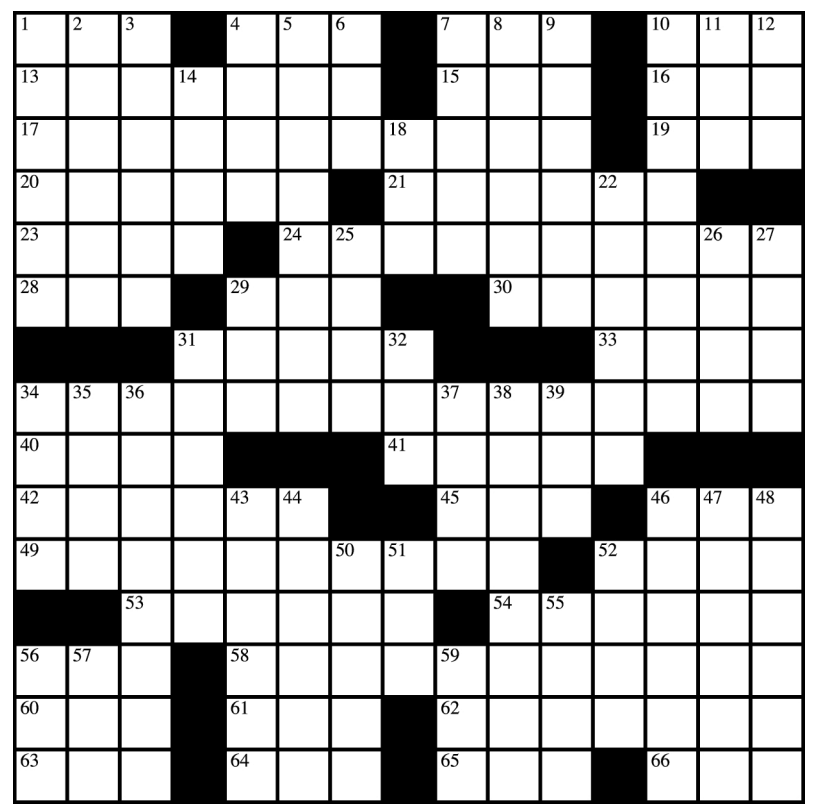
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New Year's Dissolution



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Patricia Revel, 23, a senior elementary education major from Richmond works out using the elliptical machines at the Fitness and Wellness Center alongside a group of other students.

By ADAM TURNER

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After a long night of celebration and fun, you fall asleep with a lot on your mind. It is January 1. The whole year lies ahead. A fresh start, full of opportunity and hope. There is something about another year that gives us a feeling of excitement, a feeling that just maybe the mistakes of the past can be prevented and amended in the future.

And with this rejuvenated sense of self inevitably comes the latest batch of New Year's resolutions.

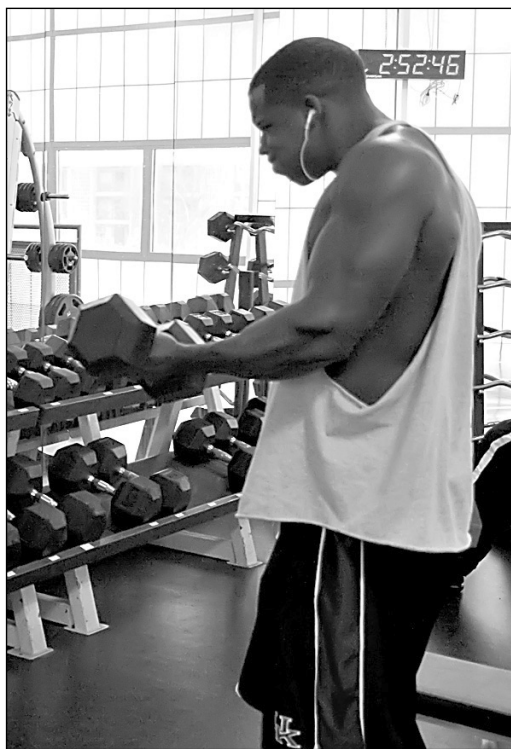
These resolutions are, of course, goals one makes at the start of each new year. They are promises to better or change oneself in some significant way, anything from improving one's grades to budgeting one's finances more effectively.

Perhaps the most popular and reoccurring resolution each year for many people is to lose weight and get in shape.

This is abundantly clear to all who dare to travel to the Fitness and Wellness Center within the first few weeks of school in search of a quality workout. Students and teachers alike are forced to pace around machines and treadmills, waiting for their chance to continue their training.

20-year-old sophomore Ryan Burton certainly was feeling the frustration this can cause: "Ever since I've got back, the gym has become increasingly crowded. It is a little annoying to wait for machines at times when you're trying to keep your momentum going, that's for sure."

Though it can be rather difficult to adjust to the big crowds, especially for regular gym-go-



TREY BURKE/PROGRESS

Dale Beatty, 22, a senior Criminal Justice major from Lexington, lifts weights at the Fitness and Wellness Center during the first week of classes.

ers, this is still an encouraging scene.

In our generation often associated with excess, laziness and obesity, so many can still be found willing to push themselves to get into shape and accomplish their goals.

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The New You

By KAYLIA CORNETT

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With each new year comes the prospective idea of a "new you."

Individual New Year's resolutions were splattered all over Internet social networking sites, like Facebook and Twitter, merely hours into 2011.

Among the most popular include: taming tummy flab, eating right, spending more time with the family, etc.

However, some celebrities spiced theirs up a bit.

According to ABC News, Kate Gosselin is in the process of securing a brand-new replacement for ex-husband, Jon.

Kim Kardashian told Rachael Ray she wanted to try and be single the entire year she was 30, adding that it's just so hard for her because she's such a "hopeless romantic." Right.

And most people would probably assume Miley Cyrus would slow down on the five-minute salvia highs, but she reportedly told fans she wanted to travel more this year, go on some cool trips.

But from A-list celebs to normal college kids, how can you keep your promise to yourself?

Follow these tips in hopes of keep-

ing your resolutions for at least a few more days.

1. Create a support system

Whether you need some gym motivation or a person to smack your hand when it ventures toward that fizzling Mountain Dew bottle, find a friend who has the same goals in mind. Battling a challenge with someone close to you will make it easier. You'll have someone to share misery stories with and someone to encourage you to hold out a little longer.

2. Reward yourself

If your resolution deals with eating right, reward yourself with some candy, snacks or anything else high in calories after a week of chocking down lettuce and legumes. Or if your resolution includes gym mats and weight machines, pencil in a workout at the dance club with friends on Friday nights. It's still a great way to burn calories, meet people and have fun.

3. Create a specific goal

Hone in on what you really want to accomplish with this resolution. If you want to lose 10 pounds, or heck, even 20 pounds, picture yourself fitting into those sexy jeans in the back of your closet, about to dry-rot because they haven't seen the light of day since high school. Picture yourself achieving your goal, and it will provide greater motivation for success.

MOVIE REVIEW

A tale of two Bridges

JEFF BRIDGES PROVES HE'S STILL ON FIRE IN NEW RELEASES, "TRON: LEGACY" AND "TRUE GRIT"

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Over winter break, tons of movies are released in hopes of attracting Academy Award voters, baiting them in with controversial subject matters and transformative performances.

Jeff Bridges has never been an actor to clamor for awards, however.

After decades of great performances and nominations, he only recently was given his due with a Best Actor award for his role in "Crazy Heart." This December he starred in two more very different but equally notable films, one a sequel and one a remake. Which one is worth your time and money?

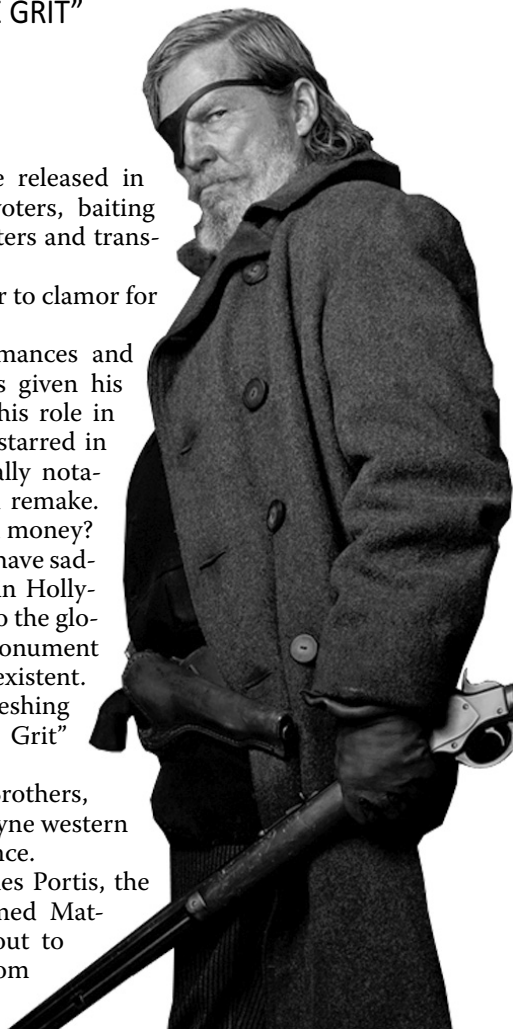
First up is True Grit. Westerns have sadly become something of a rarity in Hollywood in recent years. Compared to the glory days of John Wayne and the Monument Valley, the genre is seemingly nonexistent.

That is why it is always a refreshing surprise when a movie like "True Grit" gets released.

Spearheaded by the Coen Brothers, "True Grit" is a remake of a classic Wayne western and his only Oscar winning performance.

Based off the 1968 novel by Charles Portis, the story follows a 14-year-old girl named Mattie Ross (Hailee Steinfeld) who is out to capture and turn in the criminal Tom

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Resolution of a lifetime



New Year's resolutions are often made with good and long lasting intentions, but we often find ourselves quitting before we started. We have the right attitude, but not enough inner fortitude to fulfill our self-goals.

Not this year. Not 2011.

So one of my "resolutions" was to drop 20 pounds. Will that happen? Probably not. Maybe I'll hit 10, get complacent and start eating pot roast at Culver's on a nightly basis.

But one of my resolutions that will happen, if it is really a resolution, is to release my first full-length album.

I was one of those individuals who always said I would do it, and then four months later I was still saying I would do it. But I am

doing it, luckily with the push I needed.

I was approached by a big-time record producer a month ago, who wanted to produce two hit songs, get them on the radio and then hot shot an album right after.

Problem was, the dollar amount would have basically cost my first three children, both of my cars, three Ben Affleck movies and just about everything else I own.

Yet, here I was faced with the chance of a lifetime. The chance to see my music take off, but it was just a risk with no guarantees. The more I collected my thoughts, the more inclined I was to say thanks but no thanks.

This producer had been a part of multiple top 10 singles, more than 50 million album sales and little old me was turning my chance down.

My New Year's resolution was to see my music

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ALBUM REVIEW

The final chapter for the King of Pop

MICHAEL JACKSON'S LEGACY LIVES ON THROUGH FIRST POSTHUMOUS ALBUM

By **KAYLIA CORNETT**
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On March 5, 2009, Michael Jackson addressed a London crowd of more than 2,000 people, announcing he would perform 50 concerts at London's 20,000-seater O2 Arena.

This would be the greatest comeback in music history. Time Magazine reported that Jackson's speech lasted only three minutes.

"I love you so much," he said, to fans. "I'll be performing the songs my fans want to hear. This is the final curtain call."

At that point, no one knew how true that would be. In the midst of the mass hysteria, tickets were sold at record speeds of 40,000 each hour - or 650 a minute.

Unfortunately, these concerts never came to fruition due to his untimely death.

Jackson's legacy now lives on through the movie that documented his return, "Michael Jackson's THIS IS IT" as well as through an upcoming event, called "Michael Jackson's THE IMMORTAL World Tour," which will span North America beginning in October of this year.

More recently, Jackson's last album release (mid-December 2010), "Michael," features 10 powerful songs recorded by Jackson in the months before his passing.

The album, which boasts collaborations with Akon, 50 Cent and Lenny Kravitz, once again shows Jackson's perfectionist artistry.

His single "Hold My Hand," a duet with Akon, hit airwaves within days, but doesn't seem to be making waves on the charts as his older classics did, such as "Billy Jean," "Beat it!" and "Man in the Mirror."

Despite that, the album is still a solid production from the King of Pop.

His voice sounds just as it did in his prime, crisp and clean, and all songs are complete with his signature "OOooooo OOOoooo!"

"Michael" proves Jackson was a true performer, and several songs on the album are worth a listen, such as "Hollywood Tonight," which stays true to Jackson's older upbeat rhythms. Another is "(I Can't Make It) Another Day,"



featuring Kravitz, which has a certain stunning, impacting melody, similar to Jackson's older "Dirty Diana."

Overall, the album is a good completion to any Jackson collection, and a fine way to listen to the King of Pop one last time.

However, none of the songs on this album can match the greatness of those on his "Thriller" and "Bad" albums. In that sense, "Michael" is a small letdown, as fans will never get the chance to experience Jackson in another element, one that could match his older accomplishments.

To purchase Jackson's "Michael," log on to iTunes and download it in its entirety for \$11.99.

Other Jackson albums, including "Thriller," "Bad" and "Dangerous" each cost only \$9.99.



UPCOMING EVENTS



Rascal Flatts at Rupp Arena, Lexington, Jan. 27, 7:30 p.m.



The Band Perry at WKU Diddle Arena, Feb. 17, 7 p.m.

Brad Paisley at KFC YUM! Center, Louisville, Feb. 19, 7:30 p.m.

Kid Rock at KFC YUM! Center, Louisville, Feb. 11, 10:30 p.m.

Plain White T's at 20th Century Theater, Cincinnati, Feb. 27 @ 8 p.m.



Avenged Sevenfold and Stone Sour at Rupp Arena, Lexington, Jan. 28, 6:30 p.m.

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What is your New Year's resolution?



"My new year's resolution was to make a 4.0. It'll be good for my GPA."

Yameen Thomas, senior Political Science major from Charlotte, N.C.

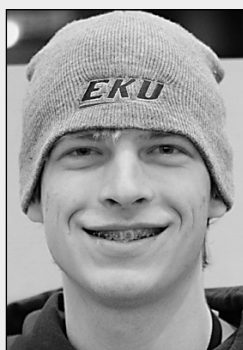
"I was just looking forward to the new year. I just don't have that new year's culture where I am from."

Gonzalo Garcia, general MBA grad student from Uruguay.



"Get back in shape and balance the whole school, work and social thing better."

Jared Godbey, junior deaf and hard of hearing education major from Stanford.



"I want to get in shape. I feel lazy and fat."

Andrew Wooldridge, sophomore wildlife management major from Frankfort.



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Burton's goal was simple enough in theory, to go to the gym 5 days a week for the rest of the semester, but others had more specific things in mind like 18-year-old freshman Philip Kyles.

"I will definitely gain on my bench press this year. That's my goal."

This isn't exclusive to exercisers either. All over Eastern's campus, evidence of students working to fulfill their resolutions can be seen. Upper Powell's cafeteria is jam packed with students trying to eat better and save money. Classrooms are full of eager and attentive students taking notes, striving to improve their attendance and grades in this new semester. Fewer smokers can be seen walking across campus or warming up bus stop benches.

This all seems, as mentioned above, extremely encouraging, both for Eastern's college students and for people everywhere. It would seem to speak measures about our ability to take control of our own lives and redirect them in positive, life-changing ways.

Unfortunately, things are rarely as they seem.

As many who have attended Eastern in years past are well aware of, roughly a month into the spring semester things begin to change.

The gyms slowly become vast oceans of sparsely populated weight machines and stair masters. Except for one or two rushes a day, Powell turns into a wasteland. Less and less students attend class on a regular basis, and more and more students can be found biting their nails, picking up cigarettes and drinking again.

According to recent research, around 88 percent of all New Year's resolutions fail every year. Think about it. In a room full of 100 people, only 12 will accomplish what they set out to do.

On a campus full of thousands of students, that makes chances of success frighteningly slim.

The question now is simple: Why does this problem exist and why is it so widespread? Where does all of our early determination and enthusiasm go?

Kyles felt it was an issue with commitment: "I don't think it's motivation that's really the problem. Everyone is motivated at the start. The reason so many fail is more about them failing to set a pattern. If you aren't able to establish a pattern, it is much easier to get discouraged and just give up."

There are many potential causes for this issue, one being that we often try to take on too much at once. The brain, like any other muscle in your body, can become over-worked and under-nourished. For instance, when you try to cut back on your weight, put down the nicotine and become more studious all at the same time, something has to give. Your willpower and self-control will begin to fade, and sooner or later, most if not all your resolutions will fail.

"People don't set realistic goals. If they don't see results immediately like they want to they just quit going. We need to learn to be happy with even small improvements because even that is progress," Burton stated.

Another possibility is simply boredom and laziness. Many people, college students especially, grow tired of constantly worrying about counting calories and managing bank accounts. Slowly but surely, they decide to give in and forget about the promises they made to themselves in January.

Whatever the reason, it is obvious that the way we approach our resolutions needs to change. When a New Year's resolution to lose 20 lbs evolves into looking nice for spring Break and then gaining it all back, it's clear that our yearly ritual has become a deeply flawed, if not completely broken, pastime.

Don't think you are up for the challenge? If you are someone who feels like your goals are constantly moving out of grasp, don't give up. There are plenty of ways to get back on track, some of which are listed in this article's sidebar.

Just remember to slow down, take it one step at a time, and keep in mind why you made it a goal in the first place.

After all, New Year's resolutions only come around once a year. Might as well make the most of it.

BRIDGES

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Chaney (Josh Brolin) who robbed and killed her father. While looking for help from someone who has "true grit," she comes across a Deputy U.S. Marshall named Rooster Cogburn (Jeff Bridges), a man known for his drunken boorishness as well as his merciless nature. After much protest from Texas Ranger LaBeouf (Matt Damon), who is also on the hunt for Chaney for a different crime, the three ride off towards danger in pursuit of a murderous crew.

Though the entire cast delivers, the real draw here is Bridges' character Cogburn. Stepping into the legendary Waynes' boots would be a daunting challenge for any actor, but Bridges makes it all his own with a spectacular award worthy performance.

The original book matches the Coen Brothers' black humor sensibilities extremely well, making this version the more faithful of the two to the source material. Their effort is an un-ironic and unabashed love letter to the Westerns of yesteryear.

It is not perfect. The ending fizzles out right when it should explode. And it probably can't compete with the brothers' very best work, such as " Fargo " and the former Bridges' masterpiece, " The Big Lebowski. " Still, this is a lovingly crafted and entertaining film anchored by fantastic performances and a still captivating story.

Verdict: A

Racing to theaters is Disney's newest sequel/reimagining, " Tron: Legacy. " Never seen the original " Tron " that this film's plot follows? No worries. Neither has ninety percent of this movie's audience. The first movie

was a mild success at its release, but quietly disappeared into obscurity. Copies of it are still extremely difficult to obtain.

" Tron " was at its heart a trippy light show and is now seen as the beginning of Hollywood's infatuation with special effects. The film's exciting vision of a world inside of our computers managed to attract a small but rabid cult fan base, however, enough to encourage Disney to make this sequel.

The film has received the 21st century makeover, with stunning special effects, impressive directing by Joseph Kosinski, and solid acting including Jeff Bridges reprising his old role as videogame designer Kevin Flynn as well as a younger, computer generated version of himself who serves as the story's villain.

The plot is still a little muddy and sometimes difficult to buy into, but former " Lost " scribes Adam Horowitz and Edward Kitsis keep the story entertaining and fun enough not to sweat the details. Besides, you know the real reason you're there: The awesome effects. They really do elevate the film to new heights. Check this one out in 3D if you can. Verdict: B

So the answer is somewhat murky. Both films are highly entertaining examples of unpretentious winter blockbusters done right. And it is not too late to catch them in theatres. So the question really becomes what you are in the mood for, a classical Western or a futuristic sci-fi flick.

Either way you go, one thing is for sure: Bridges brings it, proving once again that he is one of the best actors in Hollywood.

ZANCAN

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take off and become something, yet I was turning it down.

I did not realize it until later, but I turned it down for good reason. I held fast, kept my faith intact and just believed that I was making the right decision.

My band mate, Ben, had a connection to another producer. So we contacted him seeking out advice. What we got in return was a Grammy nominated producer who was going to record my first album.

Last semester I wrote a column about taking music seriously and how I made a promise to my dad's former band that I would finally make something out of it.

Several years ago, my dad's band beat the band that would become Styx in a battle of the bands. My dad would go on to play a few shows with his band.

That was 40 years ago.

And here we are, 40 years later my band is heading into the studio to record with... Styx's record producer and sound engineer! Unreal!

It all came around full circle. How amazing is it that my dad and I get to share another link to music, with a band he played with

years ago?

I learned in this entire experience that life is about patience.

I turned down an opportunity that most people would never turn down, without much of a back-up plan. But there was a plan all along; I just needed to have faith.

Over Christmas break I was not completely excited to go home. A lot of personal things I thought I would have to confront were staring me in the eyes.

But coming home was the best thing for me, because my dreams are coming true. In just a few short weeks I hit the studio with a group of amazing musicians that will contribute to an emotional, raw, in your face, rollercoaster of a ride album.

And I have my dad to thank. As I stood at his grave a few days after Christmas, I smiled and shook my head. He and I might be closer now than we were when he was alive. And we were best friends when he was alive. It shows he is still watching over me.

I thought losing 20 pounds would be the easy resolution and making an album would be the hard one. Guess I was wrong.

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MEN'S

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in the conference. They are very well coached, they are a good group and play a lot of guys. They are easily the deepest team in the league right now."

Josh Daniel, a senior guard for the Colonels, poured in 16 points in the loss to Tennessee Tech, three of which pulled Eastern within three points of the Golden Eagles late in the game. Sophomore Willie Cruz also chipped in 15 points of the bench.

Guards Justin Stommes and Joshua Jones, usual contributors to the box score, were held to just seven points combined on 1-of-11 shooting. This type of play has Neubauer preaching consistency.

"The one word we are using right now is consistency," Neubauer said. "That's as a team and as an individual. That has kind of been our M.O. this season. We have guys that have played well in one game but not the next. For us to be great that has to show up every game."

Eastern leads the all-time series by a count of 16-13. However, Eastern Illinois has won three straight games against the Colonels in Lantz Arena, including the 2010 OVC tournament quarterfinals.

The game against Eastern Illinois starts a four-game road trip ending with Morehead on Jan. 22, which can be seen on ESPN.

Tipoff is set for 8:30 p.m. Thursday.



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Senior Devin McDonald, right, dribbles into the open court against Alyce Lloyd College earlier in the year. Eastern starts a four-game road trip with Eastern Illinois and finishes with Morehead.



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Cherie White, center, drives past the defense in an earlier game against Chicago State. Eastern picked up the win against the Cougars 74-61.

WOMEN'S

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the biggest threat to find the open player, dishing out an average of 5.5 dimes per game.

"Nixon is extremely quick and knows how to score, we have to find a way to contain her," Roberts said.

King is the Panthers second leading scorer, averaging 13.1 points per game. The forward has proven to be a tough test down low.

"King, on the inside she can finish left or right," Roberts said. "She is long and tough."

The Lady Colonels look for Coles to continue the hot hand. The sophomore has scored at least 13 points in the past four games. Against Western Michigan, Coles poured in a career high 25 points:

As a team, Eastern is 4-0 this season when scoring 70 or more points, but are 0-10 when they score less than 70 points.

Jones has recorded a double-double in three straight games, totaling 13 for her career. The forward finished with 20 points and a team-high 10 rebounds in the loss to Tennessee Tech.

The two teams meet for the 27th time in history. Eastern leads the all-time series 14-12, but have dropped the last six straight to the Panthers. On the road the Lady Colonels are 6-7 against Eastern Illinois.

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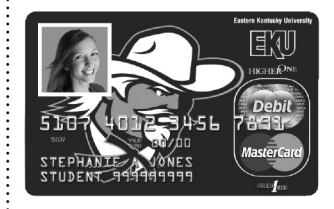
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Tennis team starts spring swing with double-header

By Ryan Alves
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The men's tennis team looks to build on a successful fall season Saturday, with a home double-header against Union College and the University of the Cumberlands.

The Colonels competed in three different fall tournaments and the 2010 USTA/ITA Ohio Valley regional championships.

As a team, Eastern went 36-35 in singles matches and 10-19 in doubles play in the fall tour.

But Oertel expects bigger and better from his team this spring.

"Our No. 1 goal is to win the OVC and make it to the NCAA tournament," Oertel said. "Anything less is absolute failure. We should be better than we were last year. We have seven out of eight guys returning and there is no reason we shouldn't be better."

Senior Alex Das started the fall season winning three out of his first four matches but lost four out of his next six. Das, the lone senior on the team, led the program to its first ever bid to the NCAA tournament in the spring of 2009. Das finished a perfect 5-0 in singles play in the OVC and 24-7 overall in singles last spring.

Despite the senior's struggles to end the fall series, Oertel is optimistic about Das' spring swing.

"I expect nothing less than a repeat of him having the year he had last year, and hopefully better than he was," Oertel. "He had a hell of a year last year and I expect the same."

Eastern finished 36-6 in OVC action for the 2009-2010 season. Juniors Philip Janz and Carles Pons also went undefeated in conference play with 6-0 and 7-0 records respectively.

Janz started off slow, losing his first three matches in the 2010-2011-fall tour, but finished strong winning three of his last five.

Pons started off the season right, placing third in University of Virginia Fall Classic's green singles ladder. Nine of the 17 teams competing that weekend were among the top-ranked 75 teams in the nation. The junior finished the fall tour with a 6-4 record in singles play.

A big surprise to the fall series was the play of Parul Verma. The junior made it all the way to the finals in the Virginia Classic but fell to Virginia's Brian Fang in a third-set tiebreaker. Verma finished with a 9-3 record to lead all Colonels' in singles play.

Oertel knows the importance Verma's success is to the team.

"All fall, Parul has brought a steady focus and determination to the court," Oertel said. "He had a hell of a fall for us and I hope he can carry this over to the spring because it will be big for our team."

Union:

Union College, a NAIA school, comes into Richmond boasting a few ranked players. For the first time in school history, three Bulldogs are ranked in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA) NAIA Top 50 Preseason Rankings for singles play.

Freshman Yvon Haessig is the top-ranked Bulldog, landing at No. 14. Senior Nicolas Ernst is at No. 22, with sophomore Pierre Vernin coming in at No. 36.

Haessig has already made waves for the Bulldogs as he placed seventh at the 2010 USTA/ITA NAIA National Small College Championships and won the ITA Southeast Regional Singles Championship.

Ernst was named the Appalachian Athletic Conference Player of the Year in 2010 as well as a NAIA Second Team All-American. Vernin made the All-AAC First Team and the All-AAC Sportsmanship Team in 2010.

"We will be challenged," Oertel said.



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The men's tennis team won the 2009-2010 OVC Championship and received the program's first ever birth to the NCAA tournament. The Colonels return seven of their eight starters.

"They have three new international player's and it's the coaches second year with his team. I am glad we start off with them they will be a great test to start our year."

In addition to singles rankings, Ernst and Vernin are listed as the 12th-ranked doubles team.

Union won the 2010 AAC regular-season and tournament championships and advanced to the Round of 16 at the NAIA National Championship Tournament.

Eastern defeated Union College last spring 5-1, and play is schedule to get underway at 10 a.m. Saturday.

Cumberlands:

The Patriots of the University of the Cumberlands return five starters from last

year's squad. They will look to rebuild after a disappointing 4-16 finish to the 2010 spring season and a winless 0-3 record in Mid-South Conference play.

Oscar Pantoja earned MSC Honorable-Mention for his action in singles play in 2010. Pantoja, finished the fall series with an impressive 4-1 record in singles play. He is one of four seniors looking to lead the Patriots.

"Cumberlands will be another test for us but the most important thing for us is to get a lot of good tennis on Saturday and take it one match at a time," Oertel said.

The Colonels defeated the Patriots in 2010 an impressive 6-0 in singles play.

Match time is set to begin at 6 p.m. Saturday.

Colonels gear up for track and field season at local invitational

By CHRIS MCGEE
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Coach Erdmann's winning ways know no bounds. This weekend, the track and field teams will be participating in the University of Kentucky Invitational in Lexington.

The meet will not be judged or scored, but gives coaches a chance to evaluate their runners to see how well they have kept up their physical conditioning during the long holiday break.

Coach Erdmann said physical conditioning was the sole focus of concentration during the break between cross

country and indoor track and field. The teams went their separate ways during the break as far as physical conditioning is concerned. However, both teams will be returning star runners for the track and field season. Soufiane Bouchiki and Alex Dreyer will be returning for the men and Kat Pagano for the women.

Although each of the women will have individual goals as far as track times are concerned, there is one primary team goal: an Ohio Valley Conference championship. "This is our best year to win a championship," senior Kat Pagano said. She said one reason for this feeling or belief was the fact some of the other schools lost some of their senior runners. "We have some freshmen on the team who did

real well in cross country who will be competing in indoor track and field. In addition, we have quite a few returning upperclassmen," Pagano said.

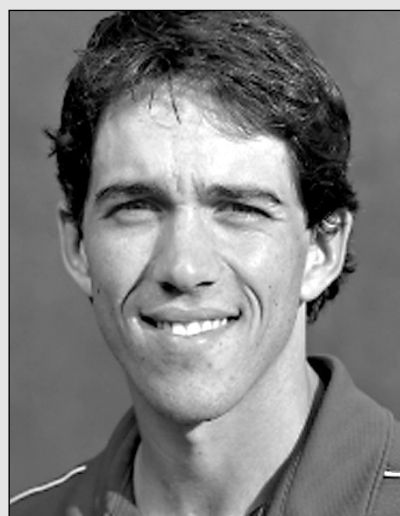
The event will consist of 400m relays, hurdles and high jumps.

The meet this weekend will serve a secondary purpose. It will reveal any possible flaws that a member of either team may have. No one will be able to hide his/her lack of conditioning if any exist.

"I will know who has maintained their physical conditioning (during the break) after the meet," Coach Erdmann said.

Colonel Corner

Q&A with Alex Das



Senior Alex Das posted a 24-7 overall record in 2009-10.

Alex Das is a senior on Eastern's men's tennis team. Das went undefeated in Ohio Valley Conference play in 2009-10 and led the Colonels to their first ever appearance in the NCAA tournament. In 2008, Das was named OVC Freshman of the Year. Das plays No. 1 singles for the Colonels and also plays some doubles matches.

Q: Why did you choose to come to Eastern Kentucky University?
A: I began talking to Coach Oertel about four years ago. I decided to attend here because they have an aviation program, which is my major. I wanted to attend college somewhere that I could both play tennis and major in aviation.

Q: Have you always played tennis?
A: When I began playing sports at age five or six, I played soccer which is very popular in Europe and Spain which is where I'm from. At about eight or nine years old, I began playing tennis one summer, became proficient in it and have been playing ever since.

Q: Who is your favorite actor?
A: If I had to pick just one, it would be Denzel Washington, but George Clooney is good also.

Q: What is your favorite food?
A: In the United States, my favorite food is Italian. As far as Spain is concerned, my favorite food is paella, which is rice that is cooked in a very large dish.

Q: What do you miss most about Spain?
A: Food and friends.

Q: What is it like being the lone senior on the team?
A: It's not too weird. We are a veteran team. Most of the guys have been here awhile. We only have one freshman on the team.

Q: What aspect of the game of tennis is your strong suit?
A: My competitive nature. I am more competitive than most guys. I want to win.

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Justin Stommes (left) was held to five points on 1-of-5 shooting against Tennessee Tech.



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Alex Jones (right) averaged 16.5 points and 14.5 rebounds the last two games.

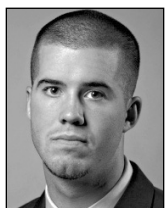
Men's hoops looks to rebound after loss to conference foe

EASTERN STARTS FOUR-GAME ROAD TRIP AGAINST EASTERN ILLINOIS PANTHERS

By **RYAN ALVES**

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The Colonels look to redeem their most recent loss to Tennessee Tech when they travel to face Eastern Illinois Thursday.



Josh Daniel

Senior Spencer Perin's game-high 20 points weren't enough as Eastern fell to the visiting Golden Eagles 78-66. It was Tennessee Tech's first win in five tries against the Colonels.

The Golden Eagles shot 64.3 percent from the floor, dominating the Colonels in the paint, outscoring them 40-16 for the game. The Golden Eagles success inside opened up the outside shot, going 58 percent for the game from deep. Tennessee Tech made four-of-five three-point attempts in the second half.

"Against Tennessee Tech we really struggled at the defensive end," Head Coach Jeff Neubauer said. "Every phase of our man-to-man defense really wasn't up to par. That's what we're focusing on fixing right now."

Eastern (7-9, 2-4 OVC) came into the game against Tennessee Tech riding a two-game winning streak and now they will return to the road, where they are 1-7 on the season.

"I think that's (playing on the road) difficult for every college basketball team," Neubauer said. "Most teams have more success at home. It's especially difficult with a young team. That's where we're at right now. We have to learn how to win on the road."

A look at Eastern Illinois:

Eastern Illinois is coming into the

game against Eastern off a loss to Ohio Valley Conference foe Southeast Missouri.

The Panthers (6-9, 2-3 OVC) led by as many as 17 points but could not hold off the Redhawks, who surged late for the 78-75 win.

For Eastern Illinois it was a tale of two halves against SEMO. The Panthers shot 50 percent in the first half from the field but cooled down to 35 percent after intermission.

Jeremy Granger led all scorers with 17 points for the Panthers. Shaun Pratl added 15 and James Hollowel chipped in 14 of his own in the loss.

"Our recent games with Eastern Illinois have been good games," Neubauer said. "They are a team that really got over the hump last year and tied us for third

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Remaining Season Schedule

home games in bold

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Coach Roberts wants her team intense from start to finish

LADY COLONELS HOPE TO FIND WINNING WAYS WITH THREE ROAD GAMES IN FIVE DAYS

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In the Lady Colonels' last six losses the intensity to finish off opponents has been missing.



Brittany Coles

Eastern held early leads but couldn't close the door on their opponents.

On Jan. 6, Eastern led by 10 points against Jacksonville State at the half but gave way to 50 Lady Gamecock points after intermission to lose late.

And against Tennessee Tech, its latest defeat, Eastern raced out to a 17-3 in the opening minutes of the first half. The Lady Golden Eagles took a four-point lead into the locker room and expanded it to 15 with 12 minutes to go. Eastern never got within seven points the rest of the way.

Head Coach Chrissy Roberts says she might do something crazy if the Lady Colonel's fire and intensity isn't there when they take the court against Eastern Illinois Thursday.

"I might not take them back at half-time of the next game," Roberts said. "We come out too relaxed and it needs to be from start to finish. Until we get that mentality we'll drop five more in row."

The Lady Colonels (4-10, 1-5 OVC) must also recommit to rebounding the ball. The team has been outrebounded in the past six losses. On the season Eastern is a winless 0-9 when they lose the battle on the boards.

Sophomore Alex Jones has hit the glass hard, coming down with at least 10 rebounds in the past three games, but the

Ohio Valley Conference's second leading rebounder per game (10.1 rpg), can't be the sole rebounder for the Lady Colonels.

"We have got guards that can rebound, it's just making a commitment to getting it done," Roberts said. "If we think that ball is important to us we will go get it."

The Lady Colonels face a very long, tall and athletic Panthers team, but a size advantage is nothing new to Eastern.

"We are used to playing against bigger guards," guard Brittany Coles said. "So I don't think it should be a problem because we have seen the height before."

Two key members for Eastern Illinois are sophomore Ta'Kenya Nixon and Mariah King. Nixon, the team's leading scorer (15.2 ppg), leads the conference in assists as well. The guard proves she isn't just the biggest threat to score, but also

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A Kentucky-based NBA team: To be or not to be?



Darren Zancan

Derrick Rose. Kobe Bryant. Dwayne Wade. Tim Duncan.

If you close your eyes long enough, upon opening them you could see these players and a slew of others playing opposite a professional basketball team in Louisville.

Imagine being able to boo the likes of the Miami Heat without having to head to South Beach.

The groundwork is in place for a NBA team to come to Kentucky. But that doesn't mean it will happen.

Las Vegas has been clamoring for an NBA team for a while now, so if the NBA were to expand, I could see it heading to Vegas first.

I find it funny that LeBron James, of all people, talked about contraction in the NBA.

Yet others are talking about expansion.

The Louisville Metro Council recently retained an attorney to gauge the possibility of getting pro team for the city of Louisville. City officials hope the new KFC Yum! Center would be a good enough attraction for Commissioner David Stern and his crew of NBA officials to make the decision.

Several millions of dol-

lars were put aside in hopes of landing a team.

Kentucky is not new to professional basketball, though it's been awhile. The Kentucky Colonels played in the American Basketball Association, or ABA from 1967-76 and they played their games in Louisville.

When the NBA and ABA merged, Kentucky lost the Colonels.

Now officials are hoping to bring back the Colonels, or whoever this team would be called.

Would it work? I've talked to a lot of people that say the reason there is not a professional basketball team in Kentucky is because of the college scene and the fans support it gar-

ners. Maybe because they are die-hard college basketball fans and they don't have an objective opinion.

I'm not against it or for it.

But if you ask me, the NBA is already in financial trouble. The league went forth and purchased the New Orleans Hornets. Stern already said he wants to clear out roughly \$350 million, because that's how much the NBA is losing.

There was a time not too long ago that the Indiana Pacers looked to be in financial trouble. Attendance was low, and overhead did not offset the gain.

When overhead outweighs a company's finan-

cial gain, they close shop. It's the same for the NBA, if that were to happen.

On the flipside, if there was a professional team in the state, more statewide college basketball players might get a closer look.

Scouts would be in the area more often, so college players might be more visible.

For a school like Eastern, players could benefit from it.

Either way, it does not look like it will happen anytime soon, but the buzz is already in the air. Kentucky will pull out the big guns to fight for a team, and that means every other city will bring out their guns as well.

What about Seattle? I'm

sure they'd want their beloved SuperSonics back.

What if Kentucky got a team, and they were called the Kentucky SuperSonics?

If it got to the point where a team had a realistic chance of coming to the bluegrass state, would they reach into the vault and bring back the Colonels? Is there room for two Colonels in the state?

The only way to settle that debate is a friendly game between the Eastern Kentucky University Colonels and the new Colonels. That's really the only fair way to do it.

I'll bring the popcorn, you just bring your A-game.