

SGA ELECTION COVERAGE

Presidential election coverage pending appeal
Go to www.easternprogress.com for continued updates.

Eastern Kentucky University THE EASTERN PROGRESS

www.easternprogress.com

© 2011 Richmond, KY

Student publication of Eastern Kentucky University since 1922

14 pages, Thursday, April 14, 2011

SGA elections in upheaval



PHOTOS BY MARLA MARRS/PROGRESS

Presidential candidate Matt Thacker talks with running mate Korey Bruck before the Student Court hearing. Current SGA President Caleb Armbrust speaks with Mollozzi and White.

Candidates appeal removal from ballot

By TAYLOR PETTIT
taylor_pettit@mymail.eku.edu

After a two-hour appeals trial Tuesday evening, two executive candidates were in jeopardy of being removed from the election's ballot, nearly five hours after the polls had closed.

Student Court moved early Wednesday morning to uphold a decision by the Elections Committee to remove Rachel Mollozzi and Matthew White from the executive slate ballot, thereby disqualifying them from Tuesday's SGA elections.

The Elections Committee made the decision to remove Mollozzi and White after conducting a three-hour investigation Tuesday afternoon, even as polls were still open. The investigation was initiated when presidential candidate Matthew Thacker filed a complaint alleging that Mollozzi's campaign vi-

olated SGA's election regulations by hanging a campaign poster too close to a computer lab.

According to SGA's bylaws, all campaign materials must be no closer than 10 feet from any computer labs, which is where many students would likely cast their electronic ballot for the SGA elections.

Mollozzi and White, in turn, filed a complaint with Elections Committee against Thacker, alleging that he too had violated the same rule by hanging a poster too close to a polling station. The Elections Committee, however, dismissed their complaint.

Now, Mollozzi and White's fate lies in the hands of the SGA Advisory Board, which was meeting late Wednesday afternoon to determine whether to overturn the decision upheld by Student Court keeping them off the ballot. The results of the Advisory Board meeting were unavailable at press

time.

"I just want people to be aware of what happened," Mollozzi said. "This is wrong. It's embarrassing to me, obviously."

THE COMPLAINT

The campaigning dispute stems from an incident Tuesday when Thacker said he was alerted to a Mollozzi-White campaign poster hanging near the computer lab in the McGregor Hall lobby. Thacker provided a photograph of the poster to the Election Committee when he submitted his complaint, saying that Mollozzi-White had breached the 10-foot rule for campaign materials.

Using the photograph as evidence, the Election Committee determined that the poster, which had subsequently been taken down, had been placed a distance of 9 ft. 3 inches from the computer lab, a distance that was consid-

› SEE HEARING, PAGE A5

Court hearing causes backlash from student body

By SETH LITRELL
seth_littrell@mymail.eku.edu

Hundreds of students showed up at the Kennamer Room in Powell Tuesday in support of presidential and vice-presidential candidates Rachel Mollozzi and Matt White, who were removed from the ballot after being found guilty of a campaign violation.

Several of the supporters had to leave Kennamer Room, because the room went over the 75-person capacity.

This wasn't taken well by the crowd of people.

Ryan Thompson, a senior criminal justice major, felt the decision to keep the hearing in Kennamer after seeing the crowd was unfair to the students.

"I think it's just discourag-

ing student involvement, and that's their job is to encourage it and they just did the opposite by that," Thompson said. "And I think it's sad, and I think SGA is a joke right now and if they don't get this right then, I don't know how they're gonna fix it."

Jessie Snider, a sophomore therapeutic recreation major, said that she thought the room chosen for the hearing should have been changed once the SGA officials saw the crowd that was waiting to get inside.

"Any of the classrooms are open this time of night," Snider said. "If we can keep Combs until five in the morning for Greek recruitment, we can have it for SGA elections, it's a really important thing."

A group of students who had

› SEE STUDENTS, PAGE A5



MARLA MARRS/PROGRESS

Hundreds of students attended a Student Court hearing that found SGA candidates Rachel Mollozzi and Matt White in violation of an SGA bylaw. The hearing lasted past midnight.

Students approve fee to expand rec center

By DANA COLE
progress@mymail.eku.edu

As students voted for student body president Tuesday, they also had another important choice to make; to support a referendum to institute a student recreation fee or not.

Roughly 2,150 voters chose to support the referendum and it passed by nearly 250 votes.

This \$65 fee will be applied to reduce the debt of expanding of the current Fitness and Wellness Center. The expansion is the second stage of a three-part process that was put together when the Fitness and Wellness center was built.

The fee will be added in fall 2012 and upon complete repayment of a bond used to fund the expansion; the fee will no longer be assessed.

Although the referendum passed, students across campus have mixed feelings about adding \$65 per semester, and \$130 per school year, to an already rising tuition rate.

Spencer Barrett, 20, a public relations major from Lancaster, voted against the referendum. Barrett said the expansion, which

will add nearly 1,000 square feet and renovate 7,000 square feet of the existing facility and boasts a swim-up smoothie bar, several saunas and hot tubs, is a bit egregious.

"I felt that those things were unnecessary," Barrett said.

Barrett is also concerned about paying \$65 for something he may not get to use while a student at Eastern.

"I just feel like we didn't really know when it was going to be completed," Barrett said.

Robert Bennett, 24, a recreation major from Clyde, NY voted for the referendum and thinks that these amenities are a necessity for Eastern as the current facilities are inadequate.

"I believe that the facilities that are in the referendum are needed," Bennett said. "Granted we have two pools on campus, we don't have hot tubs, we don't have steam rooms and we don't have the available weight lifting for those that weight lifts on a regular basis."

Bennett said misunderstanding of the referendum is why some students chose not to support it.

"People don't that even though some of us will graduate and not be here for its finishing, that there is opportunity for them to come back and use it at much cheaper rates," Bennett said.

Students that pay the fee, but graduate before the facility's completion, will be offered an alumni pass at a reduced rate.

Leaving a legacy for future Colonels is another reason Bennett supports the referendum.

"For the years to come, it will be beneficial for the students that come in," Bennett said. "If we are going to be alumni of ECU and this is going to be our alma mater, we've got to look at this and say, 'How can we make this better for other people? How can I better someone else's education?'"

Christine Gildersleeve, 34, SGA Senator at Large and human services graduate stu-

"I think it is a legacy we as students can leave for the students coming in, in future generations."

Christine Gildersleeve
SGA Senator



All information is taken from Eastern police reports.

March 31-April 1

■ Police responded to a report that approximately 300 feet of high-voltage wire had been stolen from a fenced in area of the science building construction site. The workers left the site at approximately 4 p.m. Thursday night, and when they returned at approximately 9 a.m. Friday morning the wiring was gone.

April 4

■ A male student reported that his cell phone was stolen from the Fitness and Wellness Center. The student left his keys, wallet and phone wrapped up in a friend's pants in a cubby. A staff member approached him saying his keys and wallet were found in the bathroom. The approximate value of the phone is 500.

April 7

■ A male student reported he observed someone get out of a dark silver car and steal the crosswalk sign in front of the Student Services Building. The student said he was walking near Starbucks when he saw the car stop in the crosswalk. The student said he heard someone yell, "GO!" At

that point a white male wearing a grey T-shirt and blue jeans got out of the vehicle and took the sign. Once the sign was inside the car, the vehicle left. The student reported that the vehicle was a sports car with tinted windows and unknown Kentucky tags.

April 9

■ Kieth Kaiser was cited for marijuana possession and possession of drug paraphernalia. Kaiser and three other students were in the smoking shack in front of Walters Hall when an officer approached them and asked if anyone had marijuana on them and if he could search them. Kaiser stated that he had marijuana and two pipes on him that he handed over to the officer. The other students were allowed to leave.

Student court seeks new freshman justice

By KRISTIE HAMON
kristina_hamon@mymail.eku.edu

The SGA is currently looking for a freshman to serve as a student court justice.

Each student appointed as a justice is eligible to serve until graduation or until choosing to resign.

"Currently we don't have a freshman justice," said Ally Sipes, student court chief justice.

Sipes said justices need to be open minded and unbiased. "Mostly justices just have to be familiar with the student handbook and the constitution," Sipes said.

Sipes said one of the student courts main responsibilities is to make sure the SGA follows the constitution. Sipes also said that student court rules on cases involving parking tickets and fines, election disputes, disciplinary cases, ethics and provides advisors to students facing charges under the EKU Student Judicial Code.

"Once something happens we have to fix it," Sipes said. A new freshman justice is being sought because someone recently resigned and the position needs to be filled.

Sipes said that they have to have all classes represented in the court and currently all are represented except the freshman class. Sipes said they take applications all the time in the SGA office. Justices meet at biweekly branch meetings.

"As soon as we interview them they go before senate and once they are approved they will be sworn in immediately."

There are applications available in the SGA office and more positions will be opened next year.



CINEMARK
For advance tickets & showtimes visit
cinemark.com
or call 1-800-FANDANGO + Exp Code 2150#

CINEMARK AT RICHMOND CENTRE EXIT 87 OFF I-75

ADULT MATINEE BEFORE 6PM \$6.00 • ALL DAY TUESDAY \$6.00
SENIORS DAY - ALL DAY MONDAY \$4.50
FIRST MATINEE SHOWTIME (7 DAYS A WEEK) \$4.50

RIO [G] - 3D 12:05 2:30 4:55 7:20 9:45	SCREAM [R] 12:00 1:15 2:35 3:50 5:05 6:15 7:35 8:45 10:05
RIO [G] 1:20 3:45 6:10 8:35	ARTHUR [PG-13] 11:55 2:25 4:55 7:25 10:00
HANNA [PG-13] 1:10 4:10 7:00 9:40	YOUR HIGHNESS [R] 12:15 2:40 5:15 7:40 10:10
SOUL SURFER [PG] 11:55 2:25 5:00 7:35 10:05	SOURCE CODE [PG-13] - DIGITAL 12:30 2:50 5:15 7:30 9:55
HOP [PG] 12:20 2:45 5:05 7:25 9:50	DIARY OF A WIMPY KID: RODRICK RULES [PG] 12:05 2:30 4:50 7:15
THE LINCOLN LAWYER [R] 9:45	
INSIDIOUS [PG-13] - DIGITAL 12:10 2:35 5:10 7:40 10:10	

NO PASSES-NO CLASSIC SUPERSAVERS



THE COLONEL'S CALENDAR

Week of April 14 - 20

What's Happening

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>All Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track and Field at University of Tennessee Sea-Ray Relays Track and Field at Mt. Sac Relays <p>2:30 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RSO Essentials, Conference Room A in Powell <p>4 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> University Singers, Memorial Service Chapel <p>8 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EKU Band, Brock Auditorium 	<p>All Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track and Field at University of Tennessee Sea-Ray Relays Track and Field at Mt. Sac Relays Men's Tennis vs TBA in Paducah, KY Women's Tennis vs TBA in Paducah, KY <p>8 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EKU Opera, SSB 	<p>1 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baseball vs. Morehead State University Softball vs. Southern Illinois University <p>2 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EKU Opera, SSB <p>All Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track and Field at University of Tennessee Sea-Ray Relays <p>Track and Field at Mt. Sac Relays</p>	<p>1 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baseball vs. Morehead State University Softball vs. Southern Illinois University <p>3 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EKU Trombone Studio, Brock Auditorium 	<p>8 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EKU String Orchestra, Brock Auditorium 	<p>3 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Baseball vs. Marshall State University <p>4 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Softball at University of Kentucky <p>8 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EKU Concert Band, Brock Auditorium 	<p>9:30 a.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Free chair massages, Jagers Room, Powell <p>8 p.m.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> EKU Saxophone Ensemble recital, Brock Auditorium

2127 Lantern Ridge Dr.
Richmond, KY, 40475
Richmond Center
(859) 623-8388

KOTO

Min. \$8 Delivery On Campus Only
(Delivery Charges will apply)

STUDENT DISCOUNT: 50% OFF
On Hibachi Chicken Only
With Valid EKU Student I.D.

Mon-Thurs 4:30 pm - 10 pm
(Not Including Holidays.)

Not valid on any other special offers
One ID good for one meal

40%-90% OFF
EVERY ITEM EVERYDAY
BRAND NAME SWIMWEAR
90% OFF EVERYDAY

f VISIT US ON FACEBOOK "EDEN SQUARED"

EDEN SQUARED, LLC FOOTWEAR
HANDBAGS
APPAREL
ACCESSORIES

321 GERI LANE, RICHMOND, KY 40475
859-626-7882

New Designer Shoes \$3, \$6, \$9
Usually \$60-\$300!

5,000+ Brand Name Swimwear
90% off!

"More brands than you will ever see in one store!"

WAKE UP TO SUNDAY FUNDAY

Rolling Rock Light Cans 99¢ MIX & MATCH
5 Domestic Beers \$10 Buckets
99¢ Tequila Cornhole

TUESDAY

Trivia Competition & Live DJ
LADIES NIGHT
\$1 Well Drinks
\$1 PBR Cans
WAY TOO MANY SPECIALS TO FIT HERE

LIVE MUSIC NEVER A COVER
Fridays & Saturdays
Kitchen Open Till 1pm - 1am

Too Many Beers for a Club.

Debate looks into legality of abortion

By SETH LITRELL
seth_littrell3@mymail.eku.edu

Last Thursday Eastern played host to a lively debate on abortion. The speakers were Fletcher Armstrong for the pro-life side and Meg McLean for the pro-choice side. The debate was hosted and moderated by Student Government President Caleb Armbrust. The debate was brought about after last week's display by the pro-life group Genocide Awareness Project (GAP), which compared abortion to acts of murder such as the holocaust and lynching during the time of the Jim Crow laws in the south.

McLean began the debate by speaking on the terms used to denote which side of the issue people may take. She said that these terms can be more divisive than explanatory. For instance, while someone may consider him or herself pro-life, their opponent would be assumed as anti-life, which she said is not the case.

"Pro-choice is just that, a position that supports choices," McLean said. "I do not want to be misrepresented, mine is not pro-abortion as I said, I am here to represent,

advocate and underscore the civil rights issue encompassed by the term pro-choice."

"In terms of Social Policy, America seems to swing on a pendulum of social progress followed by conservative backlash," said McLean.

Armstrong followed up McLean's presentation by saying that he agrees with all of her beliefs, and he would admit that abortion should be completely legal if evidence could be presented showing that an unborn child is not a human being.

"I'm willing to take for granted that all of us want to live justly with respect to our fellow man... we just simply disagree on who constitutes our fellow man and who does not," Armstrong said.

He also said that, similar to McLean's point that being pro-choice does not make her anti-life, being pro-life does not make him anti-choice.

"I am vigorously pro-choice. I am pro-choice about whether a woman can choose her health care provider, what school she goes to, religion, career and charities... I support those choices for every person, male or female. But some choices are sim-



MARLA MARRS/ PROGRESS

Fletcher Armstrong, right, discusses a point with Meg Mclean, left, during the debate "Should abortion remain legal?" Armstrong debated the pro-life side of abortion.

ply wrong and even immoral. And one of the most immoral choices we can make is to kill another human being," Armstrong said.

Armstrong made his case by playing graphic video footage of an abortion happening.

"In America today, unborn human beings have the right to life, if and only if their mothers want them," Armstrong said.

After both members of the debate were given a chance to refute the statements

> SEE CHOICE, PAGE A5

Student receives prestigious \$30,000 scholarship for grad-school

By DANA COLE
progress@mymail.eku.edu

In January 2010, a young man walked into the office of Linda Frost, director of Eastern's Honors with the dream of becoming a Truman Scholar.

Nearly fifteen months and a mountain of hard work later, that dream became reality.

Miles Owen, a junior emergency medical care management major from Charleston, S.C., was one of only 60 nationally chosen college juniors to receive the coveted Truman Scholarship.



Miles Owen

Owen, the first student from Eastern to ever to be awarded the Truman, competed against students from schools such as Harvard, Princeton and MIT for this award.

The Truman is a \$30,000 scholarship in the name of President Harry S. Truman to be used towards graduate school.

"It is a scholarship that is the actual monument to President Truman," Owen said. "He doesn't have a statue or a building or something, it's this scholarship that is his actual monument."

The application process consisted of several essays, which included developing a public policy and an intimidating interview in Atlanta for which Owen prepared by reading Truman's 1500 page biography, subscribing to several national newspapers, reading page after page of public policy documents and participating in a mock interview.

"They were asking me good questions and it was a challenge and it was fun to kind of think up, 'Okay, what do I believe in?'" Owen said. "You can't prepare for that, you can't fake it. You have to have beliefs and you have to know how to say them."

According to its website, "The mission of the Truman Scholarship Foundation is to find and recognize college juniors with exceptional leadership potential who are committed to careers in government, the non-

> SEE TRUMAN, PAGE A5

White Hall dedicated as historical journalism site

By SETH LITRELL
seth_littrell3@mymail.eku.edu

Richmond's White Hall was recognized as a national historic site in journalism by the Society of Professional Journalists last Tuesday. It is now the 99th historic journalism site in America, and only the second in Kentucky. The event was brought about as a joint project between the Department of Communication at Eastern and the Society of Professional Journalists.

"I am extremely proud of the role our students and members of the Department of Communication had in bringing this event to fruition," said Eastern President Doug Whitlock. "Cassius M. Clay, in fact the entire Clay Family, have long been central figures in the history of Madison County."

White Hall was the home of Cas-

> SEE HALL, PAGE A4



MARLA MARRS/PROGRESS

National president of the Society of Professional Journalists, Hagit Limor, delivered the dedication speech.

PRE-ORDER GOODIES BY APRIL 22

Use it  or lose it!

Don't let your FLEX fly away!!

VISIT THE MARKET PLACE, G3'S AND OTHER LOCATIONS ON CAMPUS TO SPEND YOUR FLEX!!

WANT A PRODUCT THAT YOU DON'T SEE? ASK A SUPERVISOR FOR HELP!!



Presented by: **EKU Dining** in the **Fresh Food Company**


Cooking with the Sous Chef Thursday, April 28th 12:00pm

For students interested in attending, reserve a spot at 859-622-5005 or email greg.dejaynes@eku.edu

Graduate Studies Psychology & Education

Apply Now for Summer & Fall

- Master's and Certificate programs in Psychology
- Master's and Rank I programs in Education
- Competitive Tuition
- Online Classes
- Online Programs
- Onsite Classes in Barbourville, London, and throughout Southeastern Kentucky



1:1 ONE 2 ONE
UNION COLLEGE
Graduate Studies

606-546-1210
unionky.edu/grad



OPEN FOR COMMENCEMENT
May 7, 2011
from 8:00am-1:30pm
(Located in the Weaver building)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL: 622-7225



Chautauqua speaker to address malaria

By **KATELYNN GRIFFIN**
progress@mymail.eku.edu

Sonia Shah will highlight the last installment in this semester's Chautauqua Series at 7:30 p.m. in O'Donnell Auditorium. Shah's lecture is entitled "The Fever: How Malaria Has Ruled Humankind for 500,000 Years."

The lecture is based on her latest book, by the same name, and will focus on the role malaria has played throughout history, including the building of the Panama Canal, as well as the impact the parasite has had during times of war.

An investigative journalist, Shah discusses her five years of reporting from malaria-infected areas, such as Cameroon, Malawi and Panama. She has tracked malaria's devastating impact on humankind and the affects the disease has on populations throughout the world. Although malaria can be treated or even prevented, it is estimated that 500 million people will be infected with the disease every year. Nearly one million of those who become infected, die.



Sonia Shah

Shah is a highly regarded writer and has written several books about science, human rights and international politics. Her writings have appeared in numerous magazines, including Playboy, Salon and Orion.

Two of her other popular books are "The Body Hunters: Testing New Drugs on the World's Poorest Patients" and "Crude: The Story of Oil." Shah attended Oberlin College, where she received a BA in journalism, philosophy and neuroscience.

This is the twelfth and final lecture of this year's Chautauqua program. The theme for the series was "Natures Humans." Shah's lecture is part of Eastern's celebration of Earth Day and First Amendment week.

The partners involved in bringing Shah to EKU include the College of Health and Sciences, Department of Environmental Health Science, Department of Chemistry and the Department of Communications. Other sponsors are the Environmental Research Institute and the Society of Professional Journalists.

For more information about Eastern's Chautauqua Series, visit chautauqua.eku.edu or contact coordinator Dr. Minh Nguyen at minh.nguyen@eku.edu.



VISIT THE BUSINESSES YOU SEE IN THE PROGRESS!

TRUMAN

CONTINUED FROM A3

profit or advocacy sectors, education or elsewhere in the public service..."

Owen fits this bill perfectly.

Upon his graduation from high school in 2005, Owen decided to join AmeriCorps as a volunteer, and spent 4 months cleaning up the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in St. Bernard Parrish, located east of New Orleans.

He then went on to work for the US Fire Service as a wild land fire fighter.

His efforts in St. Bernard earned him honorary citizenship to the city and led him to find his passion for being a change agent and helping others in times of disaster.

"Down there, that's kind of where I connected with it," Owen said "And ever since then I've been involved."

Frost thinks it's this experience that gave Owen a competitive advantage.

"Miles is just a pretty incredible person. I mean there aren't a lot of students who do what he did," Frost said. "I'm sure this is one of the key reasons why he won, and that is to take time off after high school and to really think about what he wants to do with his life instead of going straight to college."

True to the definition of a Truman Scholar, Owen has exemplary leadership skills.

"He has a tremendous ability to lead," Frost said. "I

liked watching him lead because it was an active, intellectual process."

A public servant at heart, Owen works for the Office of Student Life at Eastern under assistant director Brian Perry as a community service intern. This job has afforded him the opportunity to plan and lead several alternative break trips and plan various events in the community. This includes planning a trip to St. Bernard Parrish and assisting in developing a long-term relationship between Eastern and St. Bernard Parrish.

Perry said Owen "embodies" the idea of "active citizenship" by choosing to make a career of civil service rather than just volunteering occasionally.

"He is more committed to service than the average person," Perry said. "I think he is passionate about giving back to the community, not just giving back, but improving communities and really making a difference."

Owen wants his epitaph to read just as John Keats' did, "Here lies one whose name was writ in water."

He doesn't want people to remember him, but to remember what he stood for.

Owen plans to use the scholarship to pursue a master's of public policy degree at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University with a specialization in crisis leadership. He wants the eventual capstone of his career to be working for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

"He's going to do something incredible, I'm sure," Frost said. "He already has."

CHOICE

CONTINUED FROM A3

ings have the right to life, if and only if their mothers want them," Armstrong said.

After both members of the debate

were given a chance to refute the other statements, the floor was open to questions from members of the audience. One student asked how the GAP displays justified comparing unborn fetuses to the victims of lynching's and the holocaust. Armstrong said the connection between the groups is that they were considered groups with sub-human rights.

An issue brought up by students was when the developing fetus should be considered a child.

"I think my answer to that is pretty easy," Armstrong said.

"My answer, quite simply, is birth," McLean said. "At that point that fetus becomes a human being, and the reason is because it is independent."

VOTE FOR BEST OF RICHMOND 2011

THE EASTERN PROGRESS NEEDS YOUR VOTES TO DETERMINE THE BEST OF RICHMOND 2011!


VISIT EASTERNPROGRESS.COM AND CLICK ON THE BEST OF RICHMOND 2011 LINK.

If you don't see your choice, write it in and your vote will be counted.

Voting ends one week from today at midnight on April 15th.

The results will be published in the April 21st issue.

SUPPORT YOUR FAVORITE LOCAL BUSINESSES!



SOFT SHOE

Locally owned and operated • EKU Bypass Light #9
Open 10 am to 8 pm Mon - Sat, 1:30 pm to 6 pm Sunday 859-623-8561




NEW

EKU

NIKE

Branded Custom Sportswear

exclusively at **SOFT SHOE**

2011 SPRING GAME



SATURDAY, APRIL 16
4:00 PM
ROY KIDD STADIUM

FREE ADMISSION

RESERVE YOUR 2011 SEASON TICKETS NOW BY CALLING 859-622-2122!

FACEBOOK.COM/EKUCOLONELS EKUSPORTS.COM

EASTERN KENTUCKY

SOFTBALL

vs. SIU EDWARDSVILLE (DH)
SATURDAY, APRIL 16
1:00 PM

vs. SIU EDWARDSVILLE
SUNDAY, APRIL 17
1:00 PM

BASEBALL

vs. MOREHEAD STATE (DH)
SATURDAY, APRIL 16
1:00 PM

vs. MOREHEAD STATE
SUNDAY, APRIL 17
1:00 PM

FACEBOOK.COM/EKUCOLONELS EKUSPORTS.COM

TRIAL

CONTINUED FROM A1

ered a violation of SGA campaign laws.

"A McGregor resident told me they had a campaign poster posted in and around the computer lab," Thacker said. "Sarah Carty, the elections committee chair, had sent out numerous emails making sure that people took down their signs and so I went to check it out."

Mollozzi and White, however, contend that their campaign did not place the poster in McGregor Hall that Thacker cited in his complaint.

"It's obvious that there was a poster placed in the wrong spot, but it's not clear who put it there," said Matt White, who is running for Vice President on Mollozzi's ticket. "I can stand by my team and say that we did not put it there, which leaves it to the fact that someone moved it...It could have been the RA. It could have been a desk worker. It could have been anyone. It could have been Thacker."

In the trial before Student Court, however, the Elections Committee brought forward Michelle Harris, an RA in McGregor Hall, who testified that she had seen Mollozzi herself hanging posters in the McGregor lobby.

"I'm not good with measurements, but I would say 8 or 9 feet [from the computers]," Harris said during the trial. "I personally did not see any posters moved."

During the trial, Mollozzi and White contended that there was not conclusive evidence that they hanged the poster, and they asserted that removing from the election

ballot was too stringent a punishment.

"As the leader of the organization, I think it's gone too far with removing somebody at the very end of an election," said Caleb Armbrust, the current SGA president, who acted as counsel for Matthew White at the appeal trial. "This doesn't happen in United States elections...We live in a democratic society. This is not the first time I've seen the election committee overstep their bounds as the elections committee."

The Elections Committee asserted that its original decision was correct, and in this case the burden of proof was on Mollozzi and White to show where the Committee had erred in its ruling.

"I will obviously back the opinion of my committee," said Sarah Carty, chair of the Elections Committee. "The ruling was just and fair."

ADVISORY BOARD

Mollozzi and White have appealed the decision to the SGA Advisory Board, a committee that is composed of the advisors from each SGA branch and cabinet.

The Advisory Board could pose some complications, however, seeing how all of its student members play some role in the current election and could be perceived as having a conflict of interest, White said.

On Wednesday afternoon, SGA officials said they would announce the winners of the election by 6 p.m. that same day. However, with the Advisory Board still weighing Mollozzi and White's appeal, it remains to be seen whether their

candidacy will play a role in the election.

For their part, Mollozzi and White said they believe they've been given an unfair shake during the election process.

Earlier on Monday, a member of Thacker's campaign, Margaret Hale, filed a complaint against Mollozzi, accusing her of "verbally harassing" her during a conversation that followed last Thursday's candidate debates.

The Election Committee, which received the complaint, found Mollozzi guilty and informed her she needed to write a 250 word letter of apology. In addition, the Committee ruled that she was banned from campaigning from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on election day.

Mollozzi, however, appealed that complaint to Student Court, which partially reversed the decision, saying that Mollozzi's First Amendment rights would be infringed if she were not allowed to campaign. But the Student Court upheld the Committee's decision that Mollozzi still

submit a written apology to Hale.

Hale's complaint and then later Thacker's complaint, White said, seemed to suggest that he and Mollozzi's campaign were being singled out.

"Us, as a team, have been targeted," White said. "People see us as a threat. Not in a bad way, but in a manner that we could win."

"Us, as a team, have been targeted. People see us as a threat. Not in a bad way, but in a manner that we could win."

**Matt White
Exec VP Candidate**

HALL

CONTINUED FROM A3

sius Marcellus Clay, an abolitionist in the mid 1800s. He published an anti-slavery newspaper called The True American that ran articles and editorials both for and against slavery. The paper drew hostility from many of the residents in the Bluegrass area, and a mob of disgruntled citizens took the equipment and sent it by train to Cincinnati, where Clay continued to publish.

Some of Clay's family members were in attendance for the dedication.

"I have a close connection, obviously, with White Hall, having been here more times than I can remember," said Rev. Charles Herrick, great-great grandson to

Clay and current president of the Clay Family Society. "But I also have a connection with the Society of Professional Journalists... I'm especially pleased to have that connection also."

SPJ President Hagit Limor presented the plaque, denoting White Hall as a historical site. Limor said that, while Clay was not perfect, he took a brave stand for what he believed in when it was not popular.

"Here we are talking about a man who was full of imperfections, as anyone who has studied him knows, in his personal life," Limor said. "He was a cantankerous guy. But when it comes to what he stood for, he defines (the word) hero. He stood up for his unpopular beliefs in the midst of and despite all that he had been brought up to assume is true. He reached within himself to refute that belief system."



PHOTO SUBMITTED BY LAURA BUTLER
Rev. Charles Herrick, great-great-grandson of Cassius Clay, addresses those in attendance at White Hall's dedication ceremony.

READ THE PROGRESS ONLINE
www.easternprogress.com



food & cake expo

w/ **Duff Goldman**
from Food Network's
Ace of Cakes

SATURDAY APRIL 23 2011
ALUMNI COLISEUM, ECU

10:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

- ★ CAKE DECORATION COMPETITION
- ★ EXHIBITORS FOR FOOD PRODUCTS AND COOKING SUPPLIES
- ★ EMCEE - JACK PATTIE

Visit www.gracenowky.com or email info@gracenowky.com

Expo Only — \$7 Adult/\$5 Child 12 and under
Expo/Grace Plus Ace — Premium Seating — \$40
Expo/Grace Plus Ace — General Seating — \$30

PROCEEDS BENEFIT
GRACE NOW FOOD PANTRY
OF RICHMOND, KY

THE CURE FOR THE DINING HALL BLUES.

EKU Night, Wednesdays, from 3 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

9 Student Meals all for \$3.99 each.

- Big Zax Snak® Meal
- Buffalo Wings Meal
- Grilled Chicken Sandwich Meal
- Chicken Finger Sandwich Meal
- Kickin' Chicken Sandwich Meal
- Nibblerz Meal®
- Boneless Wings Meal
- Chicken Salad Sandwich Meal
- Garden House Zalad

VALID AT THIS LOCATION ONLY:
**1111 Kim Kent Dr.
Richmond
859.624.9722**

ZAXBY'S

Each restaurant independently owned and operated. Offers not valid at any other locations. Must present student ID to receive offers. © 2011 Zaxby's Franchising, Inc. "Zaxby's," "Nibblerz Meal" and "Zax Snak" are registered trademarks of Zaxby's Franchising, Inc.

AD SPONSORED BY THE EASTERN PROGRESS

PERSPECTIVES

Perspectives 6

Thursday, April 14, 2011

www.easternprogress.com

Kaylia Cornett, editor

Abortion debate is a stalemate

Due to recent on-campus events, such as the Genocide Awareness Project (GAP) murals outside of Powell and last Thursday's debate, the burning hot topic of abortion is on many Eastern students' minds.

It's without a doubt a controversial debate, one that has been going on for years and will likely continue for years to come. One can assume the argument will never reach a clear resolution. Which side is right and which side is wrong? Who will "win" at the end of the day?

Most of us know the arguments by now.

Who has rights? What qualifies as "living?" When it is tolerable and when it is not? To reiterate them here would be unnecessary. We are, as a society, so familiar with these arguments in recent years, partly because of the two main groups wrapped up in this debate - the pro-life movement and the pro-choice movement.

As in many parts of life, the more extreme voices from each side drown out everyone else, often reducing the discussion to a schoolyard-shouting match. It's like an angry, sometimes even violent game of chess, where only one side can win.

Black or white.

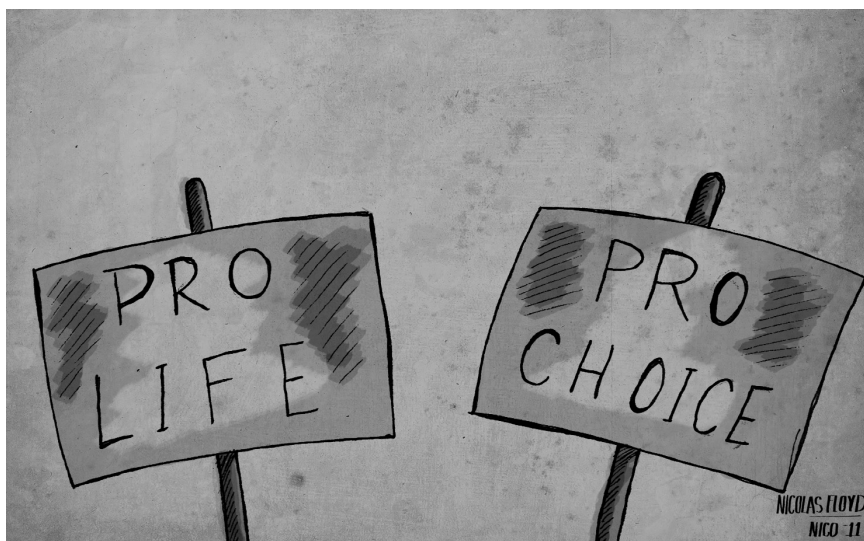
Your move.

Even the names of the movements seem to imply this harsh division.

The title pro-life is a misnomer, equating anyone with a differing opinion as "pro-death" or "baby-killers," while pro-choice seems to imply all against them are enemies of individual freedom. Each side has their own strategies and techniques, whether it be graphic, manipulative images or scientific, somewhat cold critical thinking, to defend their position and argue their case; however, it becomes more and more clear every day that no agreement or compromise will likely ever be made. This is unfortunately one area in life that people will probably never come to a consensus about.

It is a moral gray area.

It's an ethical stalemate.



So is the answer really to continue endlessly arguing and debating about what is likely a problem with no solution? To continue abstracting the issue and detaching ourselves from the truth of the matter, to the point that the debate has become more about the argument itself rather than the people it affects?

That is what we are supposed to be fighting for - the women and families at the heart of this issue. We tend to remove ourselves from the specifics in order to approach the topic.

The common examples include the victim of gang rape, the fetus aborted in the third trimester, the abused child, the failed coat-hanger abortion. But we've warped these undeniably sad situations and events into generalizations and stereotypes, used as nothing more than pawns in each group's agenda. We recognize the statistic, but forget about the real people who make up those frightening numbers.

As easy as it is to oversimplify, it's important to remember that no abortion is the same. Each is serious, sad and ultimately, life changing in its own way. It is never something taken lightly. It is safe to say that no one does it recreationally or without any internal debate. It is a serious matter and one that deserves serious contemplation. It is also something that no per-

son who has never been through it can truly relate to. It can inspire our empathy and even provoke a strong reaction, but it is just that - a reaction.

Only the women and families who have dealt with the issue directly can ever know what it's like. Therefore, in the end, it seems to remain a decision that must be made on an individual basis. Regardless of any legislation in place, abortion will likely always be a part of our world, as it has been for centuries.

If abortions will always be around, the primary debate about it certainly seems less important and even counterproductive at times. While all of the information out there should definitely remain easily accessible, to spend all of our time focused on winning an argument seems futile. In a matter of ethics and morals, little ground can ever be made.

So rather than focusing on the legality of it all or who is right and who is wrong, why not work toward a world where less abortions are felt necessary? Where rape isn't a constant threat. Where both means of planned pregnancy and adoption are made more readily available to the public without a sense of embarrassment or regret attached to them. When it is deemed needed or necessary, a world where women have safe, reachable options of surgery and don't feel they have to resort to taking their own lives or operating on themselves. And of course, a world without the shame that often accompanies these topics. If more effort was focused on these points rather than arguing for argument's sake, perhaps we could reach a point where the debate solves itself. Neither side necessarily right or wrong, but content with their beliefs and content in a world without all of the sadness, anger and hate that goes along with the topic of abortion.

Because where we stand right now is certainly not that place.

Your move.

>Letter to the editor

A reduction of general education courses would be 'very bad'

While many students take general education to be, at best, an inconvenience, and at worst, a waste of time, there are several reasons for thinking that such courses are valuable for students, and that a reduction of general education hours below a minimum of 36 is a very bad idea.

While it is true that college is intended to provide students with the necessary credentials for the career of their choice, it has other important functions as well. First, it can and should help one become a better person. From my own experience, my undergraduate and graduate education has helped me to be a better citizen, employee, spouse and parent, than I would otherwise be. We need scientists, lawyers, medical professionals, businesspeople, educators, law enforcement professionals and others who have cultivated the skills of critical thinking and are familiar with some of the most important elements of human thought. The trend towards narrow specialization at the expense of a general education does not take this into account.

Second, in a democracy, it is essential that citizens vote and participate on the basis of good reasons, and not be at the mercy of the political spin

doctors who try to use non-rational and even irrational persuasion to manipulate voters. A solid foundation in the arts, humanities and sciences can help prevent this. Even if you don't remember much in 10 years from a philosophy, psychology or physics class, the skills in critical thinking that you acquire in these different fields will stay with you and serve you well. And these same skills can also prevent you from being at the mercy of the subtle manipulation used by some advertisers.

Third, while I understand the desire to take more classes and develop more expertise in one's major field of study, there are some problems with this line of thinking. First, many people change careers several times over the course of their lives. The foundation of knowledge and critical thinking skills cultivated in general education classes will serve one better over a lifetime than three or four more courses in one's major. Second, in recent years, both the Harvard Business Review and The Atlantic have published articles making the case that companies ought to hire individuals with a humanities education, because they are trained to think in innovative ways. If you want to succeed in business, rather than getting an

M.B.A., you should study philosophy, said Matthew Stewart (The Atlantic, June 2006).

The CEO of Cellcom, the leading cell phone provider in Israel, put it this way: "The knowledge I use as CEO can be acquired in two weeks... The main thing a student needs to be taught is how to study and analyze things (including) history and philosophy" (http://blogs.hbr.org/cs/2011/03/want_innovation_thinking_hire.html).

Fourth, while many other schools in Kentucky and elsewhere have reduced or gutted their general education requirements, it does not follow that we should necessarily do the same. Perhaps Eastern could become known as a place to provide students with a truly broad and deep education, so that they are better placed to be successful over the entire course of their lives.

In summary, general education requirements have many important purposes. It is in the interests of students, employers, Eastern and society at large to keep this important element of a college education.

Mike Austin

Dept. of Philosophy and Religion

What should happen to Mollozzi and White?

- A) Be placed back on the ballot
- B) Have votes docked
- C) No Punishment
- D) Re-vote

Vote online at easternprogress.com

Eastern Kentucky University THE EASTERN PROGRESS www.easternprogress.com

326 Combs Building, Richmond, Ky. 40475

The Eastern Progress (ISSN 1081-8324) is a member of the Associated Collegiate Press, Kentucky Intercollegiate Press Association and College Newspaper Business & Advertising Managers, Inc.

The Progress is published every Thursday during the school year, with the exception of vacation and examination periods. Any false or misleading advertising should be reported to Adviser/General Manager, Reggie Beehner at (859) 622-1875.

Opinions expressed herein are those of student editors or other signed writers and do not necessarily represent the views of the university. Student editors also decide the news and informational content.

>Have an opinion?

Log on to www.EasternProgress.com and tell us what you think. You can submit a letter to the editor, comment on stories and opinion pieces, or take our weekly online poll.

Letters to the editor should be no longer than 500 words and should include your name, association with Eastern and a contact phone number or e-mail for verification purposes, not for publication.

Letters to the editor may be edited for length prior to publication. Letters must be submitted by Tuesday at 6 p.m. in order to be considered for publication in the same week.

The Progress reserves the right to edit or remove online comments if their content is judged to be illegal, directly insulting to an individual or otherwise unhelpful to the conversation.

>Editorial Staff



Darren Zancan
Editor-in-chief

darren_zancan@mymail.eku.edu



Kaylia Cornett
Managing editor

kaylia_cornett18@mymail.eku.edu



Maggie LaFleur
Design editor

maggie_lafleur1@mymail.eku.edu



Marla Marrs
Photo editor

marla_marrs@mymail.eku.edu



Seth Littrell
News editor

seth_littrell3@mymail.eku.edu



Taylor Pettit
Assistant News editor

taylor_pettit@mymail.eku.edu



Adam Turner
Features editor

adam_turner66@mymail.eku.edu



Ryan Alves
Sports editor

ryan_alves@mymail.eku.edu

To report a story or idea, e-mail us at progress@mymail.eku.edu, or call 622-1572.

>Contact us

To place an ad:

Doug Ponder
622-1489

Classified/subscriptions:

Gina Portwood
622-1881

To suggest a photo or order a reprint:

marla_marrs@mymail.eku.edu

To subscribe:

Subscriptions are available by mail at a cost of \$30 per semester or \$50 per year payable in advance.

SGA needs to get it together...there, I said it



MyTurn
Kaylia
Cornett

I'm about to describe to you a long-winded course of events, that once again stems around the enthralling, inept and, now, corruptly childish, world of SGA.

At this particular moment, approximately 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, I have just arrived at my desk in the Combs building, on the morning of deadline. Shortly before, I was notified presidential candidates Rachel Mollozzi and Matt White were removed from the election ballot after last night's spew in Student Court. Around 11 p.m. Tuesday, I was standing among the heart of what is arguably one of SGA's largest political debacles that has probably ever taken place within the organization's history. And with SGA's track record this semester, I'm not surprised with what happened. This debacle took public form in Powell's Kennamer room, where nearly 300 animated students were crammed shoulder-to-shoulder to watch Student Court rule on a verdict that could eliminate presidential candidates Mollozzi and White from the ballot on the night of elections – five hours after the polls closed. It all stemmed from another complaint that had been filed. This time, by opposing candidate, Matt Thacker.

Keep in mind, Student Court is discussing this after the votes should have already been tallied and a president should have been announced. Was all this even necessary in the first place? What if, for some reason, Mollozzi and White didn't win the election? This entire late night feud would have been irrelevant. The only success of last night's court hearing was to split, even greater, an already broken organization. Aside from that, minutes into the late-night discussion, nearly two-thirds of the students who had gathered, were forced to leave in order to upkeep the fire code that regulated only 75 occupants. Of all the times for them to actually follow codes and regulations, they choose now?

At any rate, as I earlier stated, Student Court ruled this morning to dismiss Rachel Mollozzi and Matt White from the election ballot. And at this time, the elections committee is tallying the votes of the remaining candidates garnered in Tuesday's election. Needless to say, a lot of students are pissed.

This brings me to my second point. If a governmental body decides to remove candidates from a ballot after the election has taken place, wouldn't it only be fair for there to be another election? That's hundreds of wasted votes. That's deliberate disregard for the student body voice. Of course, that's only my opinion. But it seems some members of SGA aren't too concerned with the student body opinion, as they so rightly claim or doing the proper thing these days, as it is clear over the course of the last semester nearly all executive entities of

the organization have been accused, and accused the other, of violating their own Constitution and bylaws.

SGA has become a ME first organization, instead of a student first government. So professional. It has escalated into an internal screaming match; I picture a room full of toddlers in suits screaming over a gavel. That is what SGA has been downgraded to at this point – childish. But again, it's my opinion. And, running with the theme of ignorance, the complaint that was filed and the Court's reasoning was determined under complete idiocy, especially after I, personally, know that similar instances that dismissed Mollozzi and White occurred several times during last year's campaign, and no candidates were eliminated from the ballot.

To set the stage, Rachel Mollozzi and Matt White were accused of posting campaign fliers in McGregor 9 feet 3 inches from the lobby's computers. Opposing candidate Matt Thacker filed the complaint. The poster was already removed at the time the elections committee measured the distance of the poster from the computer. Ultimately, Student Court booted Mollozzi and White from the ballot, based on a guess. There was no evidence to prove they or anyone from their campaign posted the fliers. Really? I hope this is not how the federal government works. And to think, these judges might be the future justices of America. Great. I hope when they grow up they won't be ruling on anything serious, like murder.

To add to the display of stupidity, Monday night, Student Court met and ultimately changed some aspects of their bylaws, which doomed the pair in this case. But the Court's ruling based on these newly changed decisions were entirely irrelevant because the advisory board hasn't even approved them yet. In layman's terms, the court's rulings Monday night don't mean shit. That being said, the old bylaws that outlined nearly the same procedures are, in my opinion, stupid as well, which brings me to my third point.

Last year, I was an advocate for the Armbrust/Holcomb campaign. On the day of elections, I wore a T-shirt I had made for the pair showing my support. That afternoon, I walked into the library, along the way passing one of Armbrust/Holcomb's opponents, who was standing on the library's front steps handing out campaign slips. I told him he could keep the one he extended in my direction, and thinking nothing of it, continued into the library. I walked inside to study before one of my afternoon classes. I wasn't even around a computer; I went to the Grand Reading Room. Not long after, I received a text telling me to change my shirt or stay away from all the computers on campus. A complaint had been filed against me for "campaigning" near voter labs. I was unaware any "rule" existed. I wasn't allowed to walk in Powell, either.

How ridiculous of a bylaw is that? Am I supposed to strip half-naked to walk around certain parts of campus? Usual-

ly there are computers all over the place; it is college. People have access to the Internet from their pockets. Aside from that, back to my point, one of last year's vice presidential candidates was campaigning on the steps of the library. The steps! The steps of the place with arguably the most public computers on campus. And he wasn't kicked off the ballot. By Election Day, the students who give a shit about voting have already made up their minds about who they are going to vote for anyway. Like a piece of paper is really going to change the apathy rate? Besides, this is college, not a national election! Which is a good thing, considering the incompetency that has plagued the organization this year, not specifically the administration, but the group as a whole. Where are their advisors during all this? The administration in place now has done all in their power to "fix" SGA's name after the latest eruptions.

But there isn't much that can help it now. The entire organization is in shambles, and everyone can see. We need an entirely new group of people in SGA. And when I say "entirely new group"... I mean, an entirely new group. After all this, I find it hard to trust anyone that boasts an SGA logo from this year's organization. That sounds bold. But what are students supposed to think?

SGA has become CORRUPT and EVERYBODY sees it! It's apparent there are members with hidden agendas. For some reason, a dueling complaint filed by Mollozzi and White against Thacker was completely dismissed at last night's hearing. Why...? Did it not merit the same amount of precedence? This year's election has come down to a "me" instead of a "we" campaign. What about the students? Where do they come in? Nearly everyone is sick of SGA's incompetency. As a journalist, I'm even sick of hearing about it, writing about it. But we have to write it, because it's news. SGA members have even blamed us for their own faults. The blame lies squarely at your feet. We were just the ones to report it.

Why do we even have a Student Government if they don't even know what they're doing? SGA needs to get their stuff together. No one will respect them if they can't respect the people in their own organization.

An organization that was once filled with *real* students caring about *real* issues has evolved into a childish group of bitter people seeking the betterment of themselves. Filing complaints that are at this point, entirely unnecessary. What is the point of all this? Why would anyone want to elect leaders who just throw complaints at one another? I'm beginning to wonder if any of the candidates are even worth voting for.

I'm not saying this because I have a personal dislike for anyone in the organization. In fact, I once was a member, and during my four years here witnessed members truly care about students. But I simply don't know what has happened. SGA is losing its place as a voice.

READ THE PROGRESS ONLINE

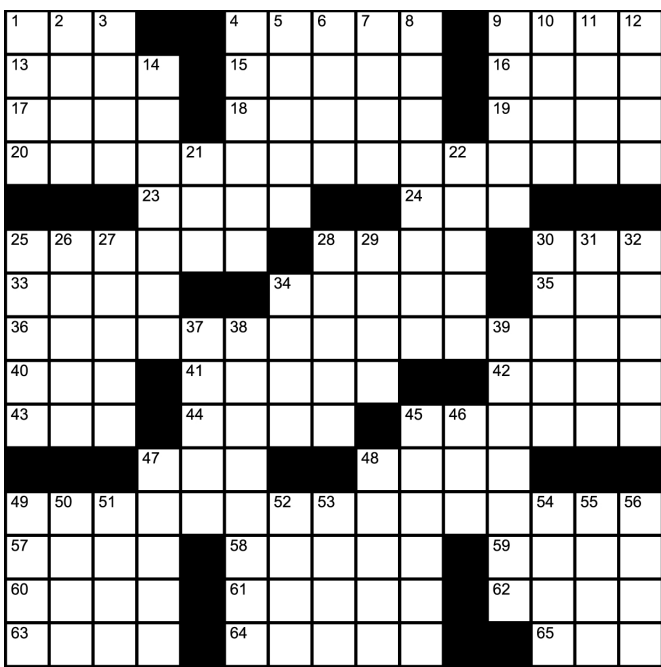
www.easternprogress.com

THE EASTERN PROGRESS

www.easternprogress.com

YOUR SOURCE FOR CAMPUS NEWS

(Check The Classified Section For The Answers)



Across

1. Exclamation of derision
4. Aquatic South American rodent
9. Northern Atlantic fish (pl.)
13. "He's not 'fer' that."
15. "Encore!"
16. Cut, maybe
17. Call at first base
18. Handrail support
19. Lady of Lisbon
20. "___, Keep Out." (2 wds)
23. Two (Spanish)
24. Aged
25. Line of persons forming a barrier
28. Yorkshire river
30. Astern
33. Length x width, for a rectangle
34. Baffled (2 wds)
35. ___ juice (milk)
36. Ambassador with full authority
40. Pistol (slang)
41. Ruled, like composition paper
42. Pleasant
43. ___ and outs
44. Bad look
45. Transgressed

Down

1. Door fastener secured with a padlock
2. Biology lab supply for cultures
3. LP player
4. Provide housing for military
5. An S-shaped curve (pl.)
6. Make a raucous noise
7. Dock
8. "___ your tie."
9. Gave up
10. Aroma
11. Effort
12. "Don't go!"
14. Resident of Las Vegas, e.g.

21. "Much ___ About Nothing"

22. A fold in cloth
25. Bay of Naples isle
26. Acrylic fiber
27. Marsh growth
28. Aquatic mammal
29. Secondhand
30. At full speed
31. Compel through pressure
32. Trifled (with)
34. Excellent
37. More sick
38. Circular graph
39. Team's turn at bat (pl.)
45. Bad looks
46. International Trade Dept. (acronym)
47. Outmoded
48. Freud contemporary
49. Chief cook
50. Euros replaced them in Italy
51. "... or ___!"
52. Auspices
53. "O patria mia" singer
54. Give off, as light
55. Rescue from danger
56. To catch, e.g. a fish

THINK SUMMER AT EKU!

- **Smaller classes.**
- **Graduate sooner.**
- **Be productive and enjoy your summer at the same time.**

Summer I
May 16-June 24*

Summer II
June 27-August 5*

*See more class schedules at www.eku.edu/schedulebook.

800-465-9191 www.eku.edu/summer

EKU is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity educational institution.



STUDENTS
CONTINUED FROM A1

had been forced out of the room began loudly chanting "Vote now. Mollozzi and White." right outside Kennamer's doors. Their chanting was seen as disruptive, and the building manager in Powell called the campus police hoping this would settle them down. By the time the police arrived, most of the students had already moved outside to watch the trial from the building's exterior windows. Campus officers remained on site for a short period of time before returning to their patrol. The building manager declined comment on the situation, and said only that he was a student worker doing his job.

The students outside took a large sign that said "Vote for Mollozzi and White," from in front of one of the Greek towers. They tore it into two pieces, and put the pieces in the windows with the words facing those still inside the hearing. Another student later put up a sign that read, "Is this

close enough?"

A separate group of students held an American flag in the windows to protest their being forced out of the hearing. Some even began singing the National Anthem.

While many were angry about being forced to leave, others were focused more on the cause of the trial itself. The timing of the decision to pull Mollozzi and White from the ballot was considered a violation of rights by many students.

"Who gives them the right to silence our voices?" Alissa Chase, a senior nursing major, said. "Them pulling off Rachael is like they're silencing what we voted for. I'd be OK if they docked her points if she was found guilty, but just pulling her off is saying, 'we don't care what you voted for, we're gonna go for someone else.'"

Chase referred back to the 2010 elections in Mollozzi's defense, where presidential candidate Matt Chadwell and vice-presidential candidate David Anderson were docked a fraction of their votes as a consequence of violating SGA bylaws.

"I just feel like the judicial sys-



PHOTOS BY MARLA MARRS /PROGRESS

In response to the complaint against Rachel Mollozzi and Matt White, supportive students crowded the sidewalks and lobby of the Powell Building Tuesday. When forced to leave the building, students began chanting, "Mollozzi and White," while waving an American flag and homemade signs in front of the windows.

tem should be a little bit more substantiated before doing something as rash as pulling someone off the ballot on the day of the election, during election," said Matt Truett, a senior double majoring in English and Spanish education. "It wasn't even prior to eight in the morning, when the polls opened; it was... when

the polls were open that they removed her from the ballot, because she was still on the ballot when we did vote," Truett said.

Truett said that the SGA has taken away student's rights as voters by removing Mollozzi and White during the election.

"That invalidates voter's rights," he said. "And I just think that they

made a rash decision, that I feel like they have a responsibility to recant, and that they should just post all four people on the ballot, count the votes and take it from there. I think that it's completely irresponsible on the people who are supposedly supporting us as students, I think it's a very irresponsible choice."



**GRAND
OPENING
FRIDAY, APRIL 15TH
LEXINGTON'S' PREMIER
NIGHTLIFE
DESTINATION**

ELECTRIC COWBOY™

COUNTRY BAR AND DANCE CLUB

**BRING THIS INVITATION ON FRIDAY APRIL 15TH
FOR FREE COVER 7P – 9P**

2320 Palumbo Drive, Suite 150 • Lexington, KY 40509

859.309.2000 • www.ElectricCowboyLexington.com



facebook.com/ElectricCowboyLEX

Must be at least 21

FEATURES

Adam Turner, Editor

The Eastern Progress | www.easternprogress.com

Thursday, April 14, 2011

B1

SLIGHTLY STOOPID ROCKS BUSTERS

By TAYLOR PETTIT
taylor_pettit@mymail.eku.edu

Slightly Stoopid, is a band that isn't easily summed up. "Reggae-rock-funk-punk, with a little bit of hip-hop thrown in there," said Ryan Moran, otherwise known as RyMo, drummer for Slightly Stoopid, who joined the band around 2004.

"We're not genre specific. We are who we grew up listening to and we cross genres pretty effortlessly," he said.

Slightly Stoopid will be bringing their unique vibe to Buster's in Lexington on April 27 alongside the band Meat Puppets.

The tour begins on April 20 at The Greek Theater in Los Angeles, playing with legendary punk band, Bad Brains, and RyMo

said he expects this tour to be unlike any other.

"It's going to be nuts," RyMo said. "Everyone just catches a good buzz, kind of what we want to do is bring the joy of live music. It's just a high-energy crazy time, just fun."

Slightly Stoopid has also added some unique places to tack on to this tour, including Anchorage, Ala. and various Midwest dates, compared to the usual tours of places with palm trees.

"We were at Covington not too long ago, but we're excited for Lexington. Really excited to go to Alaska, never been," he said.

But RyMo said they never mind the travel.

"In Australia we were pretty happy. Just sneak off and go to the beach. Skating, surfing, smoking. That's how we like to live," he said.

Slightly Stoopid, through their various tours across the globe, have played and opened for many big names, leaving RyMo without an absolute favorite.

"I can't even choose, maybe Dave Matthews Band, which was a lot of fun. Touring with Snoop was crazy, when we grew up listening to him."

But, opening for a personal legend has topped the list.

"We played Lollapalooza in 2010 and the sheer size was just over the top," he said. "We played in between Social Distortion and Green Day. And I mean, to open for Social D... it's crazy."

The band's wide range of genres is largely influenced by the band's wide range of influences, RyMo said. As his own, he includes NOFX, Rancid, Bad Religion, Fishbone, "all the Marley brothers" and Led Zeppelin, "who are one of the reasons I started playing drums."

He says Fishbone is what has been playing in his head recently.

"Had them on all morning man, just had to shut them off to talk to you," RyMo said.

The current tour will include a mix of small club shows and festivals, including the Beale Street Music Festival in Memphis, Tenn. and Summer Camp Music Festival in Chillicothe, Ill.

"Fest dynamic is awesome, cause we play and then get to see some of our friends play," he said. "But, club shows are cool because those fans are there to see you. I really like the small shows, they're just crazier."

After this tour, RyMo isn't sure what lies ahead, but knows he'll be there to enjoy the ride.

"As of now, we've grown a good amount, added a couple of members," said RyMo. "The sound has gotten a lot bigger. So, just doing our thing, making music, keep having fun, making people fans, it's what it's all about. To improve and do your best, what else is there to do?"



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Spotlight on Campus Community

CHRISTIAN STUDENT FELLOWSHIP OFFERS INTIMATE, ON-CAMPUS ORGANIZATION FOR STUDENTS

By JOE LOWERY
joseph_lowery5@mymail.eku.edu

There are several religious-oriented organizations on Eastern's campus. If you walked up to someone and asked him or her to name one, they may name the most well-known, Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU).

But CRU isn't the only religious organization on campus. There are smaller organizations, such as the volunteer, student-led non-denominational group called Christian Student Fellowship (CSF).

Matthew Finley, vice president and worship leader of CSF, said there's one major difference.

"The biggest difference is size," he said.

CSF averages 20 people per week, said Jill Doane, former president and current co-worship leader.

"There's been nights we've had 60 [students]," Doane said.

Finley said a smaller student population allows for a more personal feel.

"With us you get more personal experience, more of a family vibe," he said.

Finley said that for students first coming to college, the transition can be difficult.

"People come to college and are exposed to new ideas," he said. "[With CSF], you can feel like you're a part of something."

Finley's words rang true with Doane, who served as president of CSF from fall 2009 to spring 2010.

"I liked the atmosphere,"

Doane said. "[It's nice] to be able to worship God in the middle of the week and take a break from college."

For Doane it's about students having a good time.

"[CSF] gives students a chance to come together in a safe place to worship God and be around people who worship God," she said.

Although Doane is no longer an Eastern student, she still enjoys the weekly meetings.

➤ SEE FELLOWSHIP, PAGE B3

EASTERN FILM DEPARTMENT HOSTS STUDENT-PRODUCED FILM SHOWCASE APRIL 14

By ADAM TURNER
adam_turner66@mymail.eku.edu

Though many people are familiar with the popular blockbusters out today, it is really the indie community that constantly pushes the film medium forward. Independent filmmakers are the heart and soul of the industry, still interested in telling captivating stories in new and exciting ways when most of the business has shifted its focus to earning another buck.

Luckily, Richmond has its own thriving film community in Eastern's Film Department. And on Thursday, April 14, students will have an opportunity to see exactly what Eastern has to offer in the field of cinema. From 6-8 p.m. in the Ferrell Room in Combs Building, ECU Film will host a movie showcase.

The event will highlight the films made by the department over the past few summers as well as the best student work from several broadcasting and electronic media courses. These films represent the hard work of all of those involved in these pro-



grams at Eastern, from directors to editors to actors. Free pizza will be offered this evening, in addition to a raffling off of ECU Film T-shirts.

If you're curious to see what our creative film community has put together or want to become involved yourself, make sure not to miss Thursday's movie showcase and feel free to contact Chelsea Sligh with questions at chelsea_sligh@mymail.eku.edu.



SONYA JOHNSON/PROGRESS

ECU Theatre's 'California Schemin' runs from Thursday through Saturday, at 8 p.m., and at 2 p.m. Sunday. Above: The cast rehearses a scene before opening night.

'California Schemin' plots out an entertaining evening

By CRYSTAL BROCKMAN
crystal_brockman3@mymail.eku.edu

Looking for an evening that's full of slapstick humor, off-the-wall comedy, some sexual tendencies, singing and dancing?

If so, then you should catch Eastern Theatre's latest production of "California Schemin."

This crazy comedy is about a man named Roger Gallais, played by Micah D. Bennett, who is willing to do anything to save his home/office from demolition and from his estranged wife, Lola Montezuma, played by Whitlie Rose.

Lola devises a plan, with the help of her boyfriend, Nobby Carlyle, played by David White, to blow up the building for the in-

surance money.

Along with all the deception between Roger and Lola, the play includes intriguing and wacky subplots with Roger's friend and co-conspirator, an oil heiress and a secretary/comedian.

Anything and everything happens within this play, leaving the audience to wonder if everything will work out in the end for all the characters involved.

The production is written by Ron House and directed by Scott Secore, professor of theater.

"The reason why the director chose this production is because he wanted a dumb/fun show to work on. It is fun to perform,

➤ SEE SCHEMIN', PAGE B3

Q&A WITH SWITCHMEN

Switchmen hails from Lexington. They play all over Central Kentucky, even as far south as Paducah. Their style is something along the lines of a grungy, blues-rock with a little bit of "intimate classical-folk-blues." Their shows range from a smooth acoustic set to rock-n-roll. They light up the stage with passion for what they do, and you can tell they love their fans by the awesome merchandise they have set up for everyone to buy.



Chelsea Bongiorno
Contributing Columnist

How did the band start?

Craigslist. And we actually would get together and rehearse at Underdog's, a bar in Lexington.

How long have you guys been playing together?

Since Aug. 29, 2009

How did you come up with the name, Switchmen?

"Seth and I were sitting in a bar and we were talking about bootlegging and the days of prohibition and what not and it was a very simple thing, we

just started Googling those words and how the alcohol was transported during prohibition, because I have bootleggers in my family and the second word to come up [was] Switchmen," Dickerson said.

What kind of music does Switchmen play?

"The acoustic, I call it, like a swampy acoustic, and the rest is like a grungy blues-rock," Preston said.

In your song writing, what is your greatest influence?

"Sound. Generally, also girls, there is always some crazy

Switchmen Members

- Chad Dickerson: Guitar, Lead Vocals**
- Seth Murphy: Bass, Cello, back-up vocals**
- Zack Preston: Drums**



Wild Turkey 101)

Musically, what is your guilty pleasure?

Dickerson: Billy Joel

Murphy: Techno Opera "like the stuff from the movie 'The Fifth Element'"

Preston: Herb Alpert and the Tijuana Brass. "You cannot listen to Spanish Flea and not be happy." That, and Bollywood music.

What is your greatest musical influence?

"I really like that I have a classical background, and I like to bring it in, like forms and melody. I started listening to punk rock in middle school and I try to merge those two. It appeals to everyone," Murphy said.

"I'm definitely a blues man at heart," Dickerson said.

"I'm really into progressive jazz. I get a lot of influence from around the world," Preston said.

How did you come up with the design for your logo?

"It is an actual picture we got, well with our current drummer."

Is there anything you want to tell your fans?

"We appreciate them, we love talking to them. We love being an influence and buy our record."

For the full interview, video and pictures be sure to visit centrallylocalmusicnow.wordpress.com.

women," Dickerson said.

What is your favorite song that Switchmen plays?

Dickerson: "Sell Out" - Switchmen

Murphy: "Lido Beach" - Switchmen

Preston: "Let You In" and "Spent" - Switchmen

Where is your favorite venue to play at?

Dickerson: The Paddy Wagon and Busters

Murphy: Fat Boy's BBQ in Georgetown. "They don't pay much but they give you some of the best BBQ in the state."

Do you have any favorite local bands?

Dickerson: The Greatest of These, The Sooners and Jack Holiday and the Westerners (out of Louisville)

Murphy: Asylum on the Hill (based out of Lexington)

Preston: Lucky Pineapple (based out of Louisville)

How long have you been playing your instrument?

Dickerson: Guitar - 17 years; Singing - 2 years

Murphy: Cello and Bass, both for 8 or 9 years

Preston: Drums - 17 years

What is your favorite drink of all time?

Dickerson: Jack and Coke, double tall (emphases on the double tall)

Murphy: Long Island Ice Teas

Preston: Top shelf tequila and good bourbon (favorite:



NEW WORLDWIDE HOLIDAY CELEBRATED ON APRIL 16 HONORS INDEPENDENT RECORD STORES

By ADAM TURNER

adam_turner66@mymail.eku.edu

"There's nothing as glamorous to me as a record store."- Paul McCartney

"Immersing yourself in the environment of a real record store where music is celebrated and cherished adds real value to the experience of buying music. In some ways, that retail experience is as important as the music."-John Mellencamp

"Music is an important part of our culture and record stores play a vital part in keeping the power of music alive."- Chuck Berry

Record stores have long been crucial, uniting elements within the music industry. Their business has unfortunately slowed within the last decade do to the ever-increasing presence of digital downloads from places such as iTunes and Napster, a trend denounced by many musicians, critics and audiophiles alike.

Thankfully, recent years have seen a gradual increase in both their business and vinyl record purchases, thanks in small part to Record Store Day.

Record Store Day is an international holiday celebrated on the third Saturday every April by over 700 independently owned record stores in America, as well as hundreds of others around the world. Chris Brown, a record storeowner, originally founded it in 2007. He, along with several other businesses, toyed with the idea of setting aside a holiday to celebrate and honor the art of music. By the following year, the band Metallica kicked off the first official holiday at Rasputin Music in San Francisco.

Since then, the day has blown up into a huge phenomenon for the record industry. Bands perform free, in-store performances all around the world and release rare, limited albums and singles to commemorate this new holiday. The event has increased in size and publicity since it began, and this year promises to be the biggest yet.

Taking place on Saturday, April 16, Record Store Day 2011 will offer a number of special releases and performances that should not be missed. This year's appointed ambassador Ozzy Osbourne will contribute full-length vinyl versions of his newly expanded anniversary editions of albums "Blizzard Of Ozz" and "Diary Of A Madman." The Rolling Stones will release a limited edition, 7-inch record of their single "Brown Sugar." Green Day and Husker Du are releasing a split 7-inch, and the Foo Fighters will put out a new covers album as well. Hundreds of other noteworthy artists will be contributing as well, and a full list is available on the event's website, recordstoreday.com.

In addition to these new releases, musicians and bands will be gracing independently owned record stores across the nation with performances, meet and greets and signings. For those who think Kentucky may be lacking in this department, you are luckily mistaken. Several popular record stores exist all around Kentucky, including CD Central in Lexington and Ear X-Tacy and The Great Escape in Louisville. Many of these stores are also hosting in-store performances this weekend. So make sure to support your local record store and help keep Record Story Day alive and thriving by checking out a nearby location.

"The record store. Where true fandom begins. It's the soul of discovery, and the place where you can always return for that mighty buzz. The posters. The imports. The magazines. The discerning clerks, paid in vinyl, professors of the groove. Long live that first step inside, when the music envelops you and you can't help it. You walk up to the counter and ask the question that begins the journey: 'What is that you're playing?' Long live the record store, and the guys and girls who turn the key, and unlock those dreams every day."-director Cameron Crowe

Open Monday through Saturday: 9am to 9pm

Early and late appointments available

ALL DAY EVERYDAY
Any and all color services \$70.00
Walk-ins are welcome

\$10.00 off any chemical service
\$5.00 off women's cuts
\$2.00 off men's cuts
with a copy of this coupon

Owner: Lane Taylor
624-3601 • 625-0777
539 Mahaffey Drive
Across the Eastern Bypass from Long John Silver's, Behind Concord Cleaners

Thanks to everyone who participated in the AOH Cut-a-thon!

Meet Your New SGA Officers!

TBA - Contact:
Tech Commons (859) 622-2496
Tech Commons Lounge (behind Downstairs Powell cafeteria)

Where:
Your newly elected Student Body President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of SAC, and Vice President of RLC

Who:
You Elected Them!

Now is your chance to meet them!
Your new officers will speak and you will have the opportunity to ASK THEM ANYTHING!

FREE PIZZA!!!

Free T-shirts, Sunglasses, & Cups!

Brought to you by...
SGA Student Court

Common Knowledge...
Uncommon Connections

PANDORA™
UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS

NOW CARRYING PANDORA!

The Boutique at Merle Norman

2008 MERCHANT DR. • STE 9
RICHMOND, KY 40475
859.624.9825

OPEN MONDAY-SATURDAY: 10:00-7:00
CLOSED ON SUNDAY

U.S. Pat. No. 7,007,507 • © • All rights reserved • PANDORA.NET

'Your Highness' lives up to early buzz

By **TRISTAN MEIMAN**

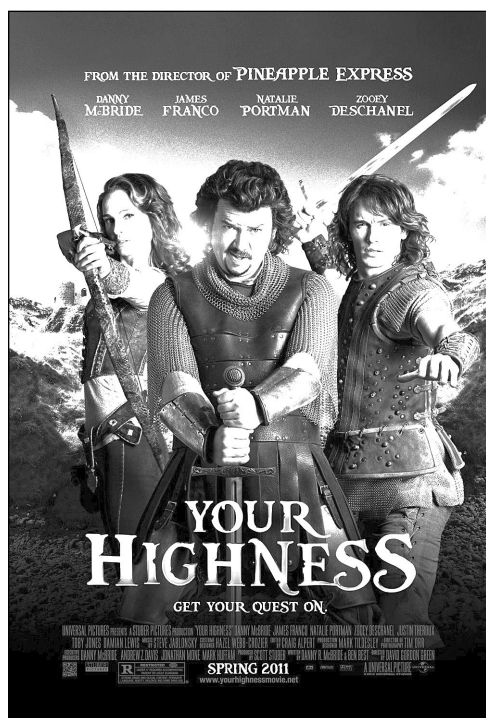
tristan_meiman@mymail.eku.edu

Recently, I have been pleased with the movies Hollywood has thrown at us. With a perfect balance of comedies and dramas, the movie industry seems to be more prosperous than ever. And lets not forget about the summer when big blockbusters will be at their peak and continually wow viewers. But it's not the summer, and although it's just right around the corner, we're stuck with what we have now. Luckily, most of it's plenty entertaining such as the new release "Your Highness."

"Your Highness" is a comedy that tells the story of two princely brothers, Fabious (James Franco) and Thadeous (Danny McBride), as they embark on a quest to save Fabious's fiancée Belladonna (Zoey Deschanel) from the evil warlock Leezar (Justin Theroux). Well, that's the basic plot anyway. The main back-story is that Thadeous is a lazy prince who wishes to kick back, smoke royal medieval weed with his squire, Courtney (Rasmus Hardiker), and live the royal life rather than follow his noble and heroic brother Fabious. This was until Leezar captured Belladonna, and Thadeous was ordered to join his brother on a quest to become a real man.

So with the obvious plot device smacked into the face of the audience, the movie now had some foundation. But something was missing. Enter Isabel (Natalie Portman) a beautiful, hardcore fighter hell bent on avenging her fallen family; she seemed unstoppable. She soon joins the boys on their quest, seeing as their target is the same. So now with the aid of Natalie's appearance, the movie was set.

David Gordon Green, who is famous for directing the popular film "Pineapple Express," is the film's director. For those who



have seen "Pineapple Express," you can imagine what is inferred in "Your Highness." There is a good balance between the pot references and blend of comedy and story. The rest was followed up by sexual innuendos and sometimes the audience would be reminded what the plot was in the first place.

While the movie was hilarious, the plot seemed a bit cliché. Man steals girl, guy goes to get girl, but is tagged along with his useless younger sibling. Soon after the younger sibling proves that he's worth something and saves the day...well, kind of. I won't ruin the ending for you all. While the movie is hilarious, I feel like the plot is cliché and overused. But it's Hollywood, what do you expect?

Verdict: B+

APPLE RELEASES iPad 2

By **GREG SCHULTE**

greg_schulte@mymail.eku.edu

Apple CEO, Steve Jobs, has done it again by releasing his newest creation to the public: the iPad 2. But many people are asking the same question - What's so different about it?

After being on medical leave for an extended period, Jobs came back to announce that he, along with his team of Apple innovators, had created "a completely new design" for the new iPad 2. Many reviewers, though, are curious to see if it will be able to evolve past the original iPad since that was such a large step in technology for Apple.

The iPad 2 is equipped with an A5 chip unlike the original, which has an A4 chip inside. Jobs explained in his keynote speech that he and his team looked at the A5 chip as one of their greatest accomplishments for the iPad 2. This chip will allow the device to go nine times faster than the original. At the same time though, it will still have the same battery life as the original, which was ten hours and over a month of standby.

Another big accomplishment is the new camera that not only has been installed on the front of the iPad 2, but also on the rear. This way people have more of an angle for taking pictures and you can switch back and forth between cameras. The camera also is downloaded with Facetime, which is a video-conference program. The picture of the person you are talking to has very fine graphics and takes up the whole iPad screen so that you can see more of the person you are speaking to. You can talk to another person that has an iPad, iPhone and, of course, the Mac as well.

An important observation that Jobs pointed out was the size difference between the iPads. The iPad 2 is a third thinner than

the original, making it basically look like a piece of paper. Jobs expressed his concern in the keynote about how important weight issues can be for a piece of technology like this, which makes it great to have around. For an artistic view, Jobs has created faceplates that you can hook on to the iPad 2 to give it more of a decorative look.

"This could be successful, but why spend all that money on an iPad when you could save a little more and get a Mac laptop with the same perks as an iPad," said Lance Maynes, a senior in occupational science.

Every positive must have a negative though, and some people have different feelings about this device. The Eastern



Computer Store did not order any of them because they felt there was no need since the iPad is still trying to work its way into the college life due to the cost. Specific reviewers online have stated that besides a few new perks, it is still basically an iPad original. The first iPad was such a great step for Apple because of its whole new design and some customers of Apple products may not be ready for it.

"Seems like it's too soon because it's a small market and most people in our age group are more focused on iPhones," said Chase Mills, a senior in computer information systems.

The Apple iPad 2 is compatible Verizon, as well as AT&T. In order to let everyone have a chance to own this new device, they did not change the price. The price starts at \$499 and will continue to increase depending on how strong you want the device to be Wi-Fi wise.

The iPad 2 was released in early March, so it's only a matter of time before we find out if this device makes a spot in the technological records or if it just becomes another one of Apple's expensive showpieces.

FELLOWSHIP

CONTINUED FROM B1

"I come back to visit often and sometimes sing with Matt," Doane said.

Doane isn't the only member to donate her time to CSF.

Rob Newman, CSF director, has been volunteering for 22 years.

Newman said being involved with CSF for so long helps keep him young.

"We've been blessed over the years to meet new people," he said.

Newman said the ultimate goal of CSF is to provide a safe atmosphere for students.

"We want them to have a home away from home, and while they're here at Eastern we want them to have a closer walk with God," he said.

Finley sees the CSF as a way for students to come together.

"To me it's just fellowship of fellow believers. All we've got different opinions, but we're all there for the ultimate goal - to worship together," Finley said.

Recently the devotional topic lead by Newman posed the question, "Where are you on the road of life?" Newman spoke of personal responsibility and not blaming others for hardships in life.

CSF meets Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in the Wesley Foundation.

SCHEMIN'

CONTINUED FROM B1

fun to create and fun for everyone to see," said Thomas Gibbs, stage manager and senior theatre arts major.

The cast and crew have been working on the play for only four weeks, practicing five to six days a week. The set of the home/office was built in two weeks. Even with this short amount of time, the cast and production crew have proven their skills in the theatre department.

Wednesday was opening night in the

Gifford Theatre of the Campbell building. The play will continue to run at 8 p.m., through Saturday, April 16. There will also be an afternoon showing Sunday, April 17 at 2 p.m.

"I want everyone to come out and see this play and help support the theatre department," Gibbs said. "There was such a huge turn out for Sweeney Todd, I just hope I see that many supporters for this play as well."

Tickets will be available at the Gifford Theatre box office, open noon to 4 p.m. during the week. Student and senior citizen tickets are \$5 and adult tickets are \$6. For reservations, call 622-1323.

WORSHIP DIRECTORY

Church of Christ
461 Tobiano Dr. (Go 1/2 mile past 1-75 on Eastern By-pass. Take Goggins Ln. 1 mile to Paso Fino Dr. Go Right on Tobiano Dr. Church is on the left.)
Sunday 9:30 & 10:20 am; 6 pm
College Bible Study: Wed. 7pm
Ride: 624-0317
www.UnivChurchofChrist.org

Cornerstone Baptist Church
"The place to find the answer to life's questions."
100 Cardinal Dr. (Just off Goggins Lane)
Phone: (859) 623-3373
Pastor Greg Carr
Sunday Morning Small Groups: 9:20 am
(Classes for all ages)
Sunday worship: 10:30 am
Sunday Evening: 6:00 pm
Wednesday evening: 6 pm
(Small groups for children & youth)
www.cornerstonerichmond.com

Episcopal Church of Our Savior
EKU students bible study and Holy Eucharist: Monday 5:30 pm
Holy Eucharist: Sunday 8:30 am and 11:00 am
Godly Play Church School
Adult Forum: Sunday 9:45 am
Evening Prayer: Wednesdays 7pm
The Rev. Richard Burdren
2323 Lexington Road
(859) 623-1226
our_saviour@bellsouth.net
oursaviourky.org

First Baptist Church
ALIVE! In the power of God!
Rev. Bill Fort, Pastor
425 Eastern By-Pass (behind Qdoba)
Sunday Worship: 8 am, 11 am, & 6 pm
Bible Study: 9:40 am
Wed. Bible Studies: 6 pm
For more information email: jeff.prosser@firstbaptistnet.com
Office: (859) 623-4028
www.firstbaptistnet.com

First Presbyterian Church
330 West Main Street
Phone: (859) 623-5323
Sunday School: 9:45 am
Sunday Worship: 11 am
Free Sunday Lunch: 3rd Sun. of each month
Free Wednesday Dinner: 6pm
www.RichmondFirstPres.org

Vineyard Community Church
Richmond Mall (Main Entrance)
Pastor: Joe Wood
Phone: (859) 661-2319
Email: pjwood@vineyardrichmond.com
Website: VineyardRichmond.com
Service: Sunday at 9:30 and 11:00 am

First United Methodist Church
401 West Main Street
Across from Lancaster and Main Street
Pastor: Gene Strange
Sunday Mornings
Worship: 8:30 & 10:45
Small Group: 9:40
Sunday Nights
Mosaic-A ministry for 20-and-30-somethings: 5 pm
Wednesday Meal: 5:30 pm
Small Group: 6:30 pm
More info: contact Stacy Jordan at: youngadults@richmondumc.org

Journey Community Church
1405 Barnes Mill Road
Rev. R.G. Morrin (Pastor Bob)
(859) 624-9878
www.journeycomm.org
Pastor Bob: bmorrin@juno.com
10:45 am Sunday Service
We love your questions - text Pastor Bob during the sermon and your questions will be answered

Northridge Church
Meeting on the EKU campus @ the Wesley Foundation
401 University Drive at the corner of Kit Carson Drive
Sunday Serve at 11 am.
We invite you to come and THINK deeply about your faith, have the space to SEEK God at your own pace, and be equipped to ACT courageously in your world.
Phone: (859) 623-5322
jacobdlee@hotmail.com

Red House Baptist Church
2301 Red House Road (Hwy 388) North of Richmond
Phone: (859) 623-9471
College/Career Study: 9:30 am
Sunday School: 9:30 am
Sunday Worship: 10:45 am
Evening Worship: 6:00 pm
Mid-week evening meal: 5:30 pm
Prayer Meeting & Study: 6:30 pm
Pre-school/Children & Youth Activities: 6:30 pm
Email: rhbc@redhousebc.com
www.RedHouseBaptistChurch.org

St. Thomas Lutheran
1285 Barnes Mill Road
Phone: (859) 623-7254
Sunday Service: 9:30 am
Sunday School: 11:00 am

Eastside Baptist
"Begin your spiritual journey..."
Sundays at 10:50 a.m.
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Eastside-Baptist.com
859-623-9646

Richmond Church of Christ
1500 Lancaster Ave.
Sunday Bible School: 9 am
Worship: 10 am
Sunday Night Service: 6 pm
Wednesday Free Meal For Students: 5:30 pm
Service: 7 pm
College Class: Sun. & Wed. Colonels for Christ: 8:45 pm on Thursdays at 316 University Drive (on campus)
Phone: (859) 623-8535
richmondcc@richmondcc.org

Richmond Seventh-day Adventist Church
3031 Berea Road
(4.2 miles off EKU Bypass, on the corner of Hwy 25 and Oliver Road)
Pastor William Little
Phone: (859) 624-2484
Wed. Bible Study: 6:30 pm
Sat. School: 2 pm
Sat. Worship: 3:10 pm
FREE potluck every 2nd Saturday of the month, following 3:10 pm worship service.
Sleep in on Saturday morning & come worship with us in the afternoon!

Rosedale Baptist Church
"Knowing Jesus and Making Him Known"
411 Westover Ave. (2 blocks off West Main Street)
(859) 623-1771
Rev. Chris Dotson, Pastor
Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 am
Worship: 10:30 am
Adult & Youth Discipleship: 6:30 pm
Wednesday: 6:30 pm-children and adult programs
For more info contact chrisd@rosedalebaptist.net
Transportation: (859) 623-1771
RosedaleBaptist.us

Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Madison County
"An open-minded congregation which encourages teh individual search for truth outside the confines of any particular religious doctrine..."
1081 Willis Branch Road, Richmond, Ky 40475
Sunday Service: 10:45 am
Sunday Children's Program (K-5): 10:45 am
Website: www.madisoncountyuu.org
Email: dpoldham.uu@gmail.com or jackmcdowell@eku.edu
Or call: 9859) 585-0452 or (859) 623-4614

First Church of the Nazarene
1925 Lancaster Rd, Richmond, KY
Pastor: Dr. Art Hobbs
Sunday School: 9:45am
Morning Worship: 10:45pm
Evening Service: 6:00pm
Wednesday: 7:00pm
859-623-5510

RIPTIDE RESTAURANT BAR & MARINA

Live Music
Friday & Saturday Nights
9:00pm - 2:30 am

Private Parties Available Upon Request

I-75 EXIT 99 - LEXINGTON, KY

Present this ad and receive 25% off all entrees and appetizers or free cover charge to see band!

655 Eastern Bypass
Richmond, KY 40475
859-624-2828

PAPA JOHN'S

STUDENT SPECIAL
Large One Topping Pizza \$6.00
delivery to campus or carry out only with valid EKU ID.

Delivery charges will apply.



PHOTO SUBMITTED

Jessamyn Duke takes advantage of her rear mount in her recent AAMMA title fight. Duke won the fight in just 52 seconds. Her impressive performance landed her a spot on VH1's newest women's MMA reality show, which will debut this summer.

DUKE

CONTINUED FROM A1

during the last fight would not happen again.

"I really want to be a powerful fighter and I saw the video and I never want to look like that ever again," Duke said. "It was an awesome and I needed that to happen to me. Overall it was a hugely positive experience for my career and was exactly what I needed."

So, Duke began a hardcore weight lifting program in preparation for her AAMMA title fight against Sarah Cook April 2.

"Once I found out who I was fighting and when I was fighting a month out," Duke said. "I took those four weeks and put myself back through a boot camp to get my cardio back up. I got back into the hardcore cardio and got back into

all the classes at the gym."

Duke's intensive weight and cardio training paid off in her fight against Cook; she was no match for Duke's power in the mount position and eventually tapped out to Duke's rear naked choke (a MMA move).

The fight only lasted 52 seconds.

Duke already has her first title defense booked for May 7, and she knows this time she might have additional people in her corner. If the reality show is in the filming stage at the time of the fight, then a filming crew could be present.

"I know the producer is completely behind me and supporting my fighting," Duke said. "They want me to fight and keep doing what I'm doing. They just want to be around to highlight it and document it. They want me out there because it helps the show."

After her title defense, Duke has her eye on a tournament that she hasn't had a chance to compete in

the past two years due to injuries: the 2011 Muay Thai Classic Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa.

"This will probably be the last year I will be able to compete in the tournament because I will be pro next year," Duke said.

Duke's teammates, training partners and friends are extremely excited and happy that she gets the opportunity to be on the show.

"I'm very happy to see her do well since she is my friend," said Gina Begley, fellow teammate. "I'm very glad I can be a good training partner to help her."

Elliot is extremely proud to see what Duke has already accomplished in her young career.

"I'm very, very proud as a coach and as a teacher," Elliot said. "You always hope your student will go on to achieve great things. That's the best compliment a coach can ever get if they achieve more than you."

FOOTBALL

CONTINUED FROM A1

here last year but didn't get much playing time because of injuries. They are starting to come together as a group. In our last scrimmage we rushed for 258 yards on 58 attempts and only had three sacks in 105 plays. It's been a real positive step for them."

Eastern also returns several key components around the offensive line such as upperclassmen wide receivers Orlandus Harris and Tyrone Goard.

"Anytime you are getting older and have a chance of playing another season you learn what it takes to win," Springston said. "And leadership says that in order to win, you, me and everyone else has to do what it takes. Those guys are fun to work with and the future is bright for the Colonel offense because they have been through the battle."

Hood has also seen promise in transfer Jeremiah Williams who can play in the backfield or at the slot position.

"We really thought he (Williams) was going to be more of a hybrid guy, motioning him into the backfield, orbiting him over the top and pitching him the ball that way," Hood said. "But

after a few days we realized he was just too good playing tailback. It's really helped our running game."

Senior Emory Attig, who plays defensive line, sees a different side to the defense he will anchor next season.

"I think defensively as a whole we look a lot faster," Attig said. "Some of the younger guys are starting to fly around and play a lot faster now that they are learning. Some of these guys no one knows their names yet, but oh they will."

Hood, who also doubles as the defensive coordinator, realizes how much improved the group that led the conference in rushing defense and was second in total defense, is.

"This is year four in the system, and the older guys are teaching the younger guys," Hood said. "Now they don't have to think about what they are doing and they can not worry about themselves and play recognition comes faster."

The spring game, scheduled for April 16 and a 4 p.m. kickoff, will be a good test for the Colonels.

"It will be a real good opportunity for the younger guys to get some game-like experience and make strides from where they didn't get to play much last year," Attig said.

TURNER

CONTINUED FROM A1

of the game. And if a fan begins to question the legitimacy of a sport, it loses its appeal.

That doesn't mean use them on every individual pitch; the game already lasts long enough. Not even every single close should be reevaluated. Baseball is built on the drama of safe or out, strike or ball. But when entire games are being decided because of one bad call, clearly something's got to give. Especially in

TENNIS

CONTINUED FROM A1

team is gunning for you.

"I'm not sure we've ever had that happen," Oertel said. "Everyone gets up for conference matches and we had a huge target on our back. So it's a great accomplishment for them."

Eastern heads into the weekend's OVC tournament feeling as confident as ever. The Colonels have a first round bye and will play the winner of Jacksonville State and Morehead State — two teams Eastern defeated earlier this year 6-1 and 5-2 respectively.

"I feel good about our first round match-up against either team," Das said. "But any of the teams could beat us if they had a good day. We just hope the one game we play they aren't having that kind of day. We shouldn't be nervous. We have experience in the tournament. I think we are the best team."

On the other side of the bracket is Austin Peay who awaits the winner of Tennessee Tech and Murray State.

this HD era where technology like TiVo and channels like ESPN allow every individual pitch and play to be broken down and examined at different speeds and multiple camera angles.

Perhaps implement a limited number of challenges per game like other sports. That ensures only the biggest, most apparent mistakes get reviewed. Also, you could encourage more "group-umping" where other umpires can provide input and overrule a call if need be.

I don't have all the answers. But I do know that it's time for baseball to change in a way that will benefit the umpires, the teams, the fans and the game itself. It's time to enter the 21st century, baseball.

"I expect a lot tougher matches," Oertel said. "Everyone will be more familiar with us now. I don't think they will be as scared of us as the first time around. We won't get any free points because of fear."

Das thinks the Colonels are playing their best singles tennis of the year, but understands the team could use some work on the doubles portion.

"We've been trying to switch around our doubles lineup to be more competitive at No. 3," Das said. "One through six singles we think we can win every match, but we could use some more work at doubles."

In the grand scheme of things, a regular season OVC title wouldn't hold a candle to a second straight OVC tournament championship and a bid to the NCAA's, but Oertel and his team welcome the accomplishment and know that bigger and better things are ahead.

"It's (OVC) another trophy we want to add," Oertel said. "Winning back-to-back tournament championships has never been done before and we want to make ECU history."

The three-day tournament will be held at the Larry J. Heflin Tennis Center in Paducah, Ky. Eastern's first round match begins at 3 p.m. Saturday.



Alex Das

CLASSIFIED ADS

FOR RENT

FOR RENT

HELP WANTED

HELP WANTED

EKU STUDENTS, STAFF & FACULTY

NOW AVAILABLE
1 & 2 Bedroom Apts.
Katelyn Court
623-3556
391 Gibson Ln.
Katelyncourtapts
@Bellsouth.net

MORROW RENTALS
SHADETREE APARTMENTS
447 BIG HILL AVE.
1 & 2 BEDROOM
NICE, QUIET & AFFORDABLE
623-9156
582-3304 • 582-9104

HELP WANTED
AD REPRESENTATIVES
JUMP-START YOUR CAREER WITH THE EASTERN PROGRESS AD DEPT.
ASK ABOUT PRACTICUM/ CO-OP CREDIT.
COME TO COMBS BLDG 326 FOR AN APPLICATION.

eku
MILESTONE
yearbook
To pre-order YOUR copy of the 2010-2011 Milestone Yearbook, email Melanie Stapleton at melanie_stapleton11@mymail.eku.edu today!

01 - 10 words	\$4.00	\$2.00
11 - 20 words	\$8.00	\$4.00
21 - 30 words	\$12.00	\$6.00
31 - 40 words	\$16.00	\$8.00
41 - 50 words	\$20.00	\$10.00

50% off
Classified word ads
with ECU ID!



* Classified Ads must be prepaid.
Deadline for submittal is 12:00 PM on Mondays.
You may pick up a Classified form from Combs Bldg 326, call 622-1881 to place your ad by phone or email your add to progressads@eku.edu

THE EASTERN PROGRESS
Combs Bldg 326 * Phone: 859.622.1881
Email: progressads@eku.edu

Available immediately!
3 & 4 bedroom LUXURY TOWNHOUSES
All appliances including dishwasher, washer & dryer.
Students welcome
(859) 626-1312

FOR SALE
GREAT INVESTMENT for parents to use as housing for students!

223 Winton Drive.
6 bedroom brick home with basement, 3 full baths, over 2600 sq. ft. of living area in great condition with lots of upgrades. Good size yard, end of street. List Price \$129,000. Call Don Foster
(859) 582-1100
Prudential Don Foster Realtors

NOW LEASING SHAWNEE TRAIL
1, 2 and 3 Bedroom
623-4061
Shawneetrail
@Bellsouth.net

HELP WANTED
LIFEGUARDS AND POOL MANAGERS. PPM is hiring for clubs and water parks in Lexington, Louisville, and Richmond. \$7.50-\$13 per hour. Email brad40965@aol.com for application.
BARTENDING. \$250/DAY potential. No experience necessary. Training available. 800-965-6520 x. 283.

Puzzle Answers
Puzzle on A7

1	H	A	H		4	C	O	Y	P	U	9	C	O	I	D	12		
13	A	G	I	N	14		15	A	G	A	I	N	16	E	D	I	T	
17	S	A	F	E	18		19	N	E	W	E	L	20	D	O	N	A	
20	P	R	I	V	A	T	E	P	R	O	22	P	E	R	T	Y		
				23	A	D	O	S			24	O	L	D				
25	C	O	R	D	O	N		28	O	U	S	E	30	A	F	T		
33	A	R	E	A			34	A	T	S	E	A	35	M	O	O		
36	P	L	E	N		37	I	P	O	T	E	N	T	39	I	A	R	Y
40	R	O	D		41	L	I	N	E	D		42	N	I	C	E		
43	I	N	S		44	L	E	E	R		45	S	I	N	N	E	D	
				47	D	E	C			48	A	N	T	I				
49	C	L	E	A	R	H	E	52	A	D	E	D	54	N	E	S	56	
57	H	I	L	T		58	A	G	I	L	E		59	G	M	A	N	
60	E	R	S	E		61	R	I	D	E	R		62	S	I	V	A	
63	F	E	E	D		64	T	S	A	R	S		65	T	E	G		



"LIKE" Eastern Progress Advertising for news and specials!

*The Eastern Progress is not responsible for the content or validity of these paid classified ads.



SONYA JOHNSON/PROGRESS

April Emerson tied for 37th at the EKU Lady Colonel Classic. Eastern placed sixth out of 13 teams.

Golf teams dig deep for top 10 finishes

By **STEPHEN HAUSER**
stephen_hauser2@mymail.eku.edu

Despite a rocky first round, the women's golf team dug deep out of the bunker to finish in sixth place in a field of 13 at the EKU Lady Colonel Classic.

The women's team didn't execute on their shots missing opportunities to score lower. The team shot a score of 314 in the first round, putting them in seventh place.

"We sort of backed ourselves into a corner after the first round," Head Coach Mike Whitson said. "I was proud of the way we came back, I really thought we played well in the second round. We had a decent third round and a decent finish."

Morehead State University won the tournament with the team score of 901 beating out Arkansas State University by two strokes. Murray State University led the first two rounds of the tournament, but slipped and finished in third place with the 904. Eastern was 34 shots behind shoot-

ing a score of 935. Juniors Linda Hogberg and Lisanne Schmidt had the best outing for the Colonels, both shooting a 233 tying for 22nd place overall.

"I played really good my second round, I hit it well and putted well," Hogberg said. "I didn't have a great first round but I picked it up I guess. I got over it and played better."

Junior Kara Fant was just three strokes behind teammates Hogberg and Schmidt finishing tied for 33rd place overall. April Emerson tied for 37th.

"Emerson had her best round in awhile last round," Whitson said. "So I think she is really showing some signs of turning the corner."

Next up is the Ohio Valley Conference Championship in Dickson, Tenn.

"I sort of like the way we are playing going into the tournament," Whitson said. "In golf, we really can't control how the other teams do. We are expecting to go down and play very well"

The men's golf team found themselves near the bottom of the leader

board after the first round at the UK Bluegrass Invitational. The Colonels shot a 312, good for 16th place overall in a field of 18.

The Colonels would chip away and battle back atop the leader board one round at a time. Eastern had a strong finish in the third round to finish 10th place overall with the score of 907.

Auburn University won the tournament posting an overall team score of 868, followed by the University of Kentucky with a score of 874

Junior Brian Fister led the Colonels, tying for 27th place overall out of a field of 98 players.

"I played well as I did before in the conditions," Fister said. "I gave myself a lot of opportunities and didn't capitalize on them. It kinda got away from me."

Junior Billy Peel Jr. had another solid performance as he finished three strokes behind Fister. Peel finished tied for 39th place overall shooting a score of 227.

The Colonels return to action on April 16-17 at the Earl Yestingsmeier Invitational, hosted by Ball State University.

Women's tennis sweeps weekend opponents, face Morehead State in opening round of OVC tourney

By **Ryan Alves**
ryan_alves@mymail.eku.edu

Eastern's women's tennis team concluded its regular season with two convincing 7-0 victories over the weekend.

The Colonels (13-10, 5-3 OVC) started with Southeast Missouri State, winning two of the three doubles points and every singles match in straight sets.

Next came, Tennessee State and likewise, Eastern cruised, winning every doubles and singles match. The Colonels only lost one game in either singles or doubles the entire day.

"When you know in your head you are better than a team you have to set other goals for yourself," Oertel said. "Double-bageling someone is not easy at all. Kudos to our girls."

Eastern may be peaking at the right time, having won five of its last six matches, just in time for the Ohio Valley Conference tournament.

The Colonels sit in a tie for third place with Austin Peay and Murray State. Eastern faces off against Morehead State in the first round of the OVC tournament. The Colonels rallied from a 2-2 tie earlier this year against the Eagles, and eventually came out victorious 4-3.

In that game, sophomore Jessica Albuquerque outlasted Morehead State's Alix Young in a 3.5-hour match to give the Colonels the 3-2 margin. Then freshmen Milena Poffo (No. 5) battled back from one set down to seal the victory for Eastern.

"It was a close match with them," Oertel said. "I don't expect anything but another close one."

Five of Eastern's eight conference matches have ended in a 4-3 decision, something Oertel knows is beneficial.

"In a way these games helped us," Oertel said. "Now pressure situations won't affect us. Now if we get into a close 4-3 match in the tournament it will feel like just another day on the courts."

Morehead's (11-11, 4-4 OVC) top two singles performers of the year were Jessica Montemayor (13-6) and Brooke Helms (8-4). Both scored victories at No. 4 and No. 6 singles in the previous matchup with Eastern.

"They play a lot of different girls at a lot of different positions," Oertel said. "We will have to be ready to play."

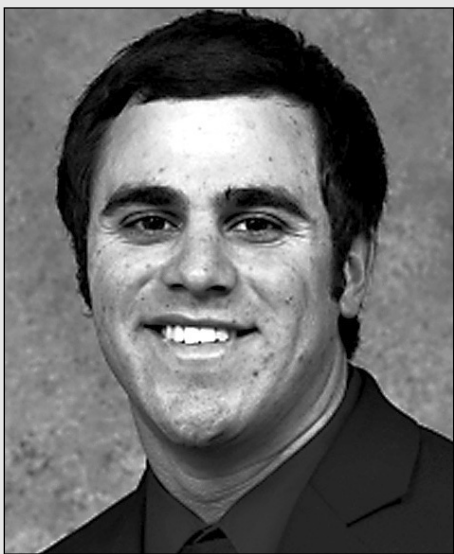
The women's first round match against the Golden Eagles of Morehead begins Friday April 15 at 11 a.m. The OVC tournament will be hosted by UT Martin and will be held at the Larry J. Heflin Tennis Center in Paducah, Ky.



SONYA JOHNSON/PROGRESS

Freshmen Saioa Oscoz won in straight sets, 6-0, 6-1, in her match against Southeast Missouri State University.

Colonel Corner Q&A with Richie Rodriguez



Junior infielder Richie Rodriguez's sophomore year was one of the best he's had during his career at Eastern. He had good numbers in every category. Perhaps his best stat is the fact that he was the fourth toughest batter to strike out in the Ohio Valley Conference last season. He averaged only 0.31 strikeouts per game.

Q: What made you decide to attend Eastern?

A: When I came here on my visit, I liked the coaches, the field and the positive team environment, but I would mainly say it was the coaches.

Q: How old were you when you began playing sports?

A: I was six or seven when I began playing sports.

Q: Have you always played baseball?

A: Yes

Q: If you could, which baseball player would you most like to meet?

A: Jimmy Rollins

Q: What's your favorite food?

A: I'm gonna go with a Cuban meal: steak, rice and beans.

Q: What's the last movie you saw?

A: "The Fighter"

Q: What's your dream car?

A: Porsche Cayenne.

Q: What do you enjoy most about playing baseball?

A: I enjoy meeting new teammates and being athletic.

- Chris McGee

**DVDs
MOVIES
NOVELTIES**

Interstate News & Tobacco
161 N. Keeneland
859.624.1122

Large selection of classic movies
Tobacco products & magazines

OPEN 8AM-3AM

- Viewing Booths
- Big Screen Room

10% OFF
with college ID

**CHECK OUT
EASTERNPROGRESS.COM
FOR MORE
SPORTS NEWS**

The Botany Bay
Largest selection of body jewelry

Smoking accessories
Legal smoking blends . Posters
Clothes . Incense

Richmond Porter Plaza
Just off I-75 at exit 87
623-4367 Behind Suzuki on the Bypass

Lexington 932 Winchester Rd.
925-4367 **Hours:** 11-7 Mon - Sat

ART ATTACK TATTOOS
Tattoos and Body Piercing
(859) 575-4018

Custom Designs • Black & Gray • Lettering • Traditional
Cover-ups • Portraits • Tribal

**Professional
Licensed & Certified
Welcoming Atmosphere
Walk-ins or Appointments
Health Dept. Approved**

140 E. MAIN ST. • RICHMOND, KY 40475
WWW.MYSPACE.COM/ART_ATTACK_TATTOOS_LLC

**NEW MEMBER SPECIAL
30 DAYS FOR \$30**

exhale studios

Pilates and Yoga Studio
234 E. Main Street
Downtown Richmond
859-312-7047
www.exhalestudios.us

Unlimited Classes for 30 days from date of purchase for \$30. Valid for new studio members only.

Baseball needs second opinion on replay system



Adam Turner

In game one of the 2010 American League Division Series between the Yankees and the Twins, Yankee outfielder Greg Golson dove for a fly ball, making the game's last out. However, umpires ruled the catch a trap, and after some dispute from the Yankees, the game went on. The play did little damage, as the side was retired shortly after and the Yankees won.

In close calls like these, when entire game's outcomes are on the line, an implementation of instant replays would be a much needed addition to the game.

Earlier this year, Eastern faced off against Pepperdine. Richie Rodriguez, who looked to score the go-ahead run for the Colonels, was called out at home for "malicious contact" with the catcher. He was ejected, as was Coach Jason Stein and Eastern lost 3-1.

One of the biggest blown calls in any sport took place last June when Detroit Tiger's pitcher Armando Galarraga lost his perfect game thanks to a blown call by a first base umpire, one out away from a flawless victory.

In most sports, these scenarios would be challenged, instant replays would be evaluated and after further consideration a corrected call would easily have been made.

But in baseball, these plays are just another "classic" part of the game. Coach doesn't like the call? Go ahead and argue. Stay out of the dugout for too long and you're out of the game. The umpire doesn't like the call? Well, just apologize the day after. Nothing will change. I'm sure we'll get over it.

Baseball has made it through cheating scandals, the color barrier and is now trying to separate itself from steroid use in the sport. Perhaps the next hill to climb is dealing with the umpires and their blown calls.

The problem may not be with the umpires, but instead how Major League Baseball handles situations like Galarraga's blown perfect game. It seems to me that baseball execs are stubbornly refusing to allow for any sort of human error by the umps.

Some have suggested holding the umps accountable for their errors, and possibly even docking their pay for the most severe cases, but who decides what plays are bad enough to merit a fine? And umpires are paid to make tough decisions. It's a big part of the job. Can you truly fine someone for trying his or her best under stressful conditions?

I have another solution in mind: instant replays.

Currently video reviews are used only for disputed home runs or fan interference. It's a good start, but why not take it a step further and let replays always be available? Because as it stands right now, the game can sometimes become more about the judging of a game than the playing

› SEE TURNER, PAGE B4

Men's tennis three-peats as season champs



PHOTO SUBMITTED

The men's tennis team after clinching their third straight regular season OVC Championship.

By Ryan Alves
ryan_alves@mymail.eku.edu

When Eastern's Hugo Klientovsky knocked home the winning point in his 14-12 third set tiebreaker against Tennessee Tech's Justin Kirstein, the Colonels could finally celebrate.

The match was all but over by the time the junior finished, but Eastern (19-4, 7-0 OVC) had now clinched its third consecutive Ohio Valley Conference Regular Season Championship.

And for the Colonels, who haven't lost a regular season league match since 2008, a three-peat is pretty sweet.

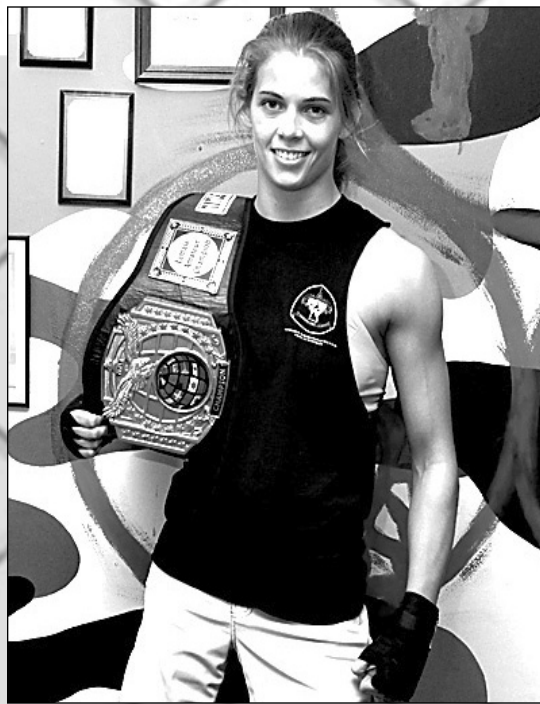
"It feels really good to be regular season champions right now," senior Alex Das said.

The Golden Eagles of Tech were no match for the Colonels, who cruised to a 7-0 win last Saturday, which was their fourth perfect victory in league play this season. Eastern swept all six singles matches and won two of the three doubles matches.

"We probably are playing our best tennis right now," Head Coach Rob Oertel said. "Getting that first round bye and having that Friday off is big. There's a lot of emotion that goes into the OVC tournament."

Several Colonels — Das, Klientovsky, Philip Janz and Parul Verma did not lose an OVC singles match this year — a feat Oertel knows is no easy one when every

› SEE TENNIS, PAGE B4



SONYA JOHNSON/PROGRESS

TOP LEFT: Jessamyn Duke applies an armbar to her opponent. BOTTOM LEFT: Duke synches in a rear-naked choke. MIDDLE: Duke with her AAMMA women's title. TOP RIGHT: Duke goes for a triangle choke. BOTTOM RIGHT: Duke practices her ground and pound position.



GRAPPLING WITH FAME

EASTERN'S BUDDING MMA STAR TO APPEAR THIS SUMMER ON VH1'S REALITY TV SHOW

By STEPHEN HAUSER
stephen_hauser2@mymail.eku.edu

Up-and-coming female fighters from across the country will get the chance to fight it out on VH1's all-female martial arts reality show this summer.

And one of those fighters is Eastern's very own Jessamyn "the Gun" Duke.

The show takes place in Las Vegas, in different gyms throughout the city.

"It's a different kind a show, it's more like highlighting a female fighter's life in and out of the gym," Duke said. "It's about everything, so it's a chance that people will get to know me. Which is really cool because they can get to know me and want to watch me fight."

Duke and professional women's MMA fighter Kim Couture met this past January when Duke flew out to Las Vegas to train for a fight. Duke saw Couture training at Wanderlie Silva's gym and after Scott El-

liot, trainer and owner of AFS Academy, persuaded her on, the two engaged in a conversation.

"I was like no, it's OK I don't want to bother her because she was training," Duke said. "Finally, Elliot had to drag me over there to her and she recognized me instantly and we talked."

Couture contacted Duke two days after she returned home.

"It was during this time that they were looking for females that would be good candidates to be on a VH1 reality show," Elliot said. "She made some phone calls and said that she had the perfect girl for you. The next thing you know she (Duke) was being contacted by the producers of the show."

Duke's rise in the MMA world was a quick one.

A couple years ago, Duke was alone in a brand new city wanting to try something she had never done before. She saw an ad for a kickboxing course online and instantly signed up. She quickly fell in love with the sport and made her MMA debut on Oct. 5, 2010.

At the Absolute Action MMA 5-Battle Against Breast Cancer event, Duke met

legendary fighter Cristiane "Cyborg" Santos, after defeating her opponent.

"Her fight was so impressive that even Santos stood up out of her chair to watch," Elliot said. "She totally beat down this girl so viciously they called it the beat down of the night. Santos looked at the promoter of the fight and said 'one day me and her.'"

This past December, Duke graduated with a bachelor's degree in fitness and wellness from Eastern. Since graduating, she has been able to focus all of her time on fighting.

Despite the excitement of being a TV star, Duke's lost her next fight by unanimous decision.

But she figured out her problems and made changes.

"A big part was my diet, my size and my strength," Duke said. "I wasn't eating like I should've been eating and I wasn't the size I needed to be competitive at that weight class. I got muscled around because of that."

Duke then took some time off to focus on gaining strength, size and mass. She made a vow to herself that what occurred

› SEE DUKE, PAGE B4

Football Colonels hope spark from last season will carry over into 2011

By Ryan Alves
ryan_alves@mymail.eku.edu

At the close of the 2010 football season, the Colonels staged a miraculous comeback, winning their last four games to salvage a winning record.

Now a few months later, with Eastern's annual spring game right around the corner, the Colonels hope last year's resurgence will continue to fuel their play.

"I think we got a little spark from finishing that way," Coach Dean Hood said. "But we have to see what we'll do with it. Do we pour a bucket of water on it or do we throw some bigger pieces of wood in there?"

“Do we pour a bucket of water on it or do we throw some bigger pieces of wood in there?”

DEAN HOOD
Head Coach

quarterback position.

Due to injuries and transfers, the Colonels went from four quarterbacks to one in a short period last year leaving redshirt junior T.J. Pryor as the

there? I think our guys have responded the right way this spring."

Hood began the offseason, having to replace 13 seniors that graduated last year, which is never an easy task. He did so with a 23-man recruiting class.

"The only guys we have are the guys who came at midterm and that's four guys," Hood said. "But they are all progressing very well."

A reoccurring storyline for Hood's club has been the

only full-time, healthy QB on the depth chart.

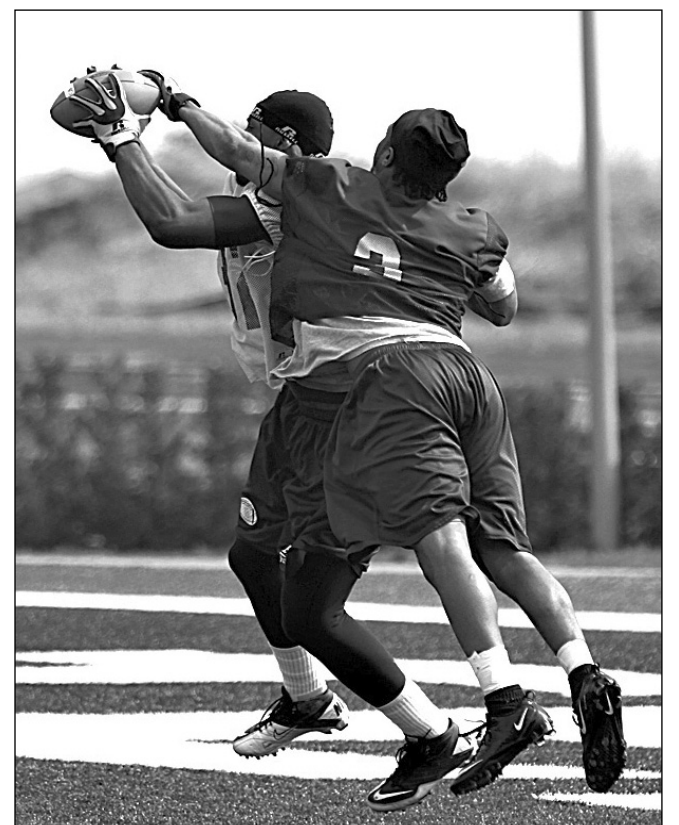
But Eastern received commits from three quarterbacks in this year's class, including transfer Victor Perez.

"It takes a while at that position to learn everything you need to know, but he (Perez) has been doing a tremendous job," Hood said. "T.J. and Brendon have really helped him out and we are excited about having him."

At the end of last season, one position that seemed to solidify itself was the offensive line. And with only one senior graduating last year, the muscle up front is only getting cohesively stronger.

"The offensive line takes such a great camaraderie to put together solidly," Offensive Coordinator Springston said. "But we have added Kevin Brown in at guard who was

› SEE FOOTBALL, PAGE B4



SONYA JOHNSON/PROGRESS

The Colonels' football team picked up a sizeable, 23-man recruiting class this spring after losing 13 seniors in 2010.