

# McGregor Hall floods once again

**WATER MAIN BREAK CAUSES EVACUATION OF ENTIRE DORM**

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Andrea Snow was a sophomore living in McGregor Hall when the building experienced a flood that left many students displaced.

Two years later, Snow found herself experiencing an all-too-familiar situation as she and 415 other students were evacuated from their dorms early Tuesday morning.

"It was complete chaos," said Snow, an apparel design and merchandising major from William-

stown. "We're just living out of our bags, hoping we have a place to sleep tonight."

According to Associate Vice President for Public Relations Marc Whitt, a water main broke at 12:35 a.m. The break, which caused three feet of standing water in the basement, along with three to four inches of water in the lounge, laundry room and 14 student rooms, happened when a coupling on a water main failed inside the residence hall.

The flood damaged a high voltage transformer causing loss of power in the building.

"This indistinguishable alarm woke me out of a deep sleep," said Amanda Lockett, who lives on the sixth floor. "All I knew was I needed to grab my keys and wallet and

get out. They told us to grab overnight clothes just in case. If we aren't allowed in our rooms by tonight (Tuesday) they will provide us lodging for the night. I am basically carrying my life around with me."

Many students said they felt that Eastern should have handled the situation better.

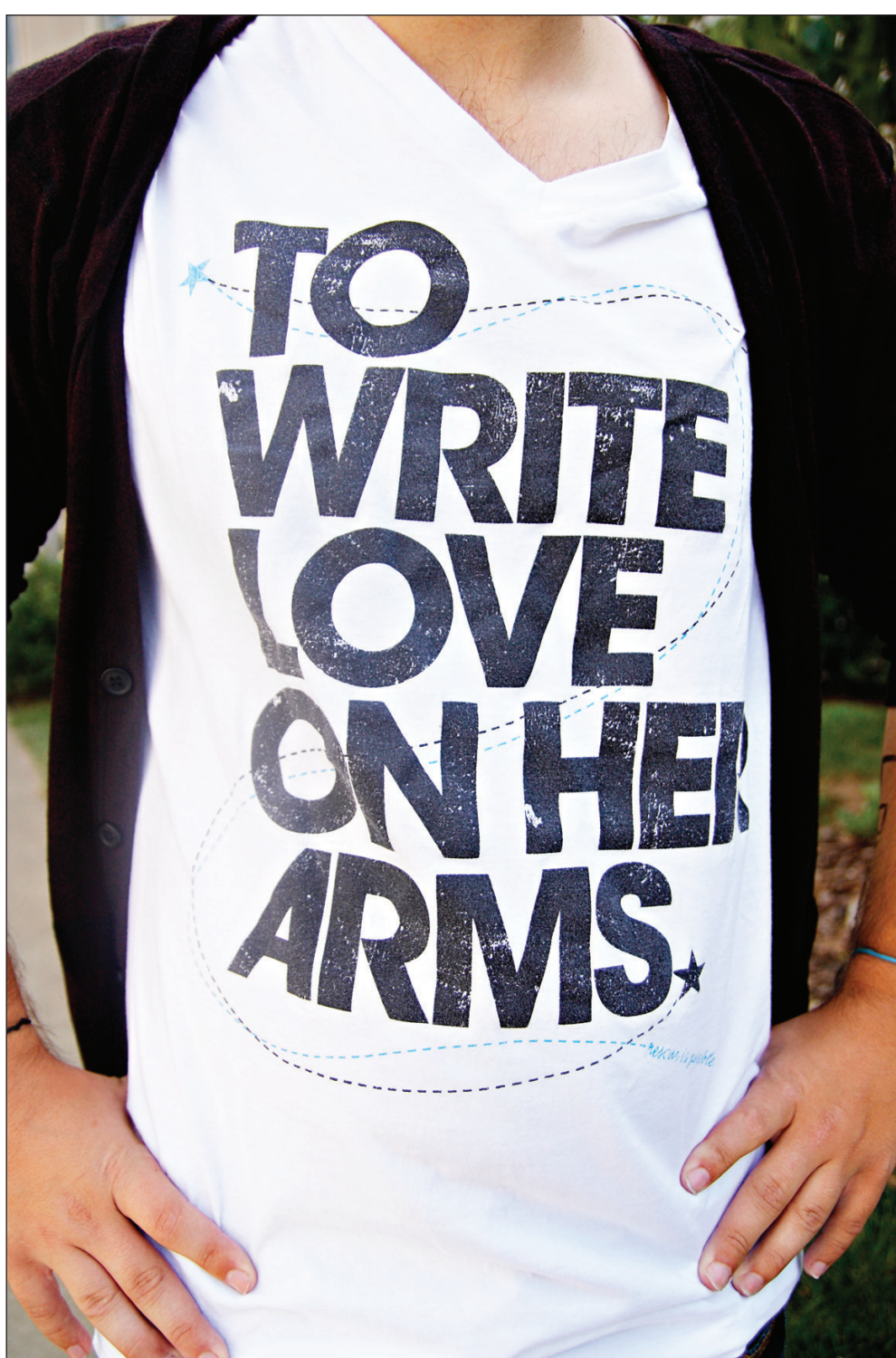
"We walked around campus until three a.m. until we finally found a room in Telford," said Jamie Manning, a sophomore elementary education major from Williamstown. Manning waited with her things in Powell for news on if she would be allowed back in her dorm that night. "I feel like I'm homeless."

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Students were not allowed back into McGregor until late Tuesday night. Some made other living arrangements; returning Wednesday morning.



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**EASTERN STUDENTS WROTE 'LOVE' ON THEIR ARMS IN SUPPORT OF SUICIDE AWARENESS**

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For Jenny Besten, writing the word "love" on her arm was a way to support those who suffer from depression, self-mutilation or have had suicidal thoughts.

Then Besten realized she wasn't just doing it for others, she was also doing it for herself.

"Originally I did it just to show my support," sophomore Besten said. "But after a while, it became more

personal."

Thousands of people participated in writing love on their arms Wednesday, Sept. 8, as a part of National Suicide Prevention Week.

The idea of writing love on your arm was started by a non-profit movement called "To Write Love on Her Arms." The mission is simple: To present hope and find help for people struggling with depression, addiction, self-injury and suicide.

According to TWLOHA's mission, the story and the lives it represents are things of contrast – pain and hope, addiction and sobriety, regret and the possibility of freedom. The project's title, "To Write Love on Her Arms," was also a goal, believing that a better life was possible.

Besten said she heard of the movement from a friend in high school and started doing it three years ago, hoping it would help her ongoing battle with depression and cutting.

"I heard a friend talking about it (cutting) before and how the rush of endorphins would make her feel better," Besten said. "I was going through a rough time then, and I felt like I couldn't talk to anybody. When I remembered what my friend said, it just clicked into place and (I) thought doing that stuff might help me too."

Several Eastern students could be seen last week with the word scribbled all over their arms. Some just wrote it once, while others littered their arms, hoping to

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# Scholar urges audience to respect animals



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Peter Singer lectures on ethics and animals.

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Peter Singer's Australian accent filled the packed Ferrell Auditorium in the Combs building Thursday, Sept. 9.

"We ought to be thinking of ourselves as more of a part of nature," Singer said.

His lecture, "Ethics and Animals: Extending Ethics beyond Our Own Species," was part of the Chautauqua lectures at Eastern focusing on "Nature's Humans."

Singer is the Ira W. DeCamp Professor of Bioethics at Princeton University and the founder of the animal rights movement. The activist was born in Melbourne, Australia in 1946 and educated at the University of Melbourne and the University of Oxford.

He was introduced to the audience by

Bob Mitchell of the psychology department. Mitchell wrote a chapter for the book "The Great Ape Project," which Singer edited, although Thursday was the first time the two had met face-to-face.

Singer's presentation hinged on thoughts of ancient philosophers including Aristotle and Kant, and he spent much of his time describing how they shaped Western tradition and our ethical feelings on animal placement in society.

He first educated the crowd on why we think the way we do about animals, then explained why animal rights are important.

Aristotle's thinking was that "our universe had become structured to believe that the less rational beings exist for the sake of the more rational beings," Singer said. "We still do think of animals as beings that we are entitled to enslave."

He also said he thinks humans, as a whole, believe that our ability to solve problems which requires our brain capacity puts us higher about animals.

"Animals can be bought and sold and they can be used to satisfy our purposes," Singer said. It was philosopher Copernicus who came to the conclusion that "it doesn't matter what we do to them (animals)."

Singer said Copernicus believed the pain and distress and suffering of the animal really do not matter at all.

But Singer said he thinks humans' poor treatment of animals could lead to bigger problems for society's ethics.

"If a person is cruel to animals, perhaps that can lead them to be cruel to humans, and that's a bad thing," he said.

It took centuries for people to start real-

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## Police Beat

All information is taken from Eastern police reports.

### September 3

■ Ryan Bonner was arrested and charged with alcohol intoxication in a public place after police responded to a complaint of a male in Powell Plaza throwing tables and chairs. Upon arrival, police observed Ryan Bonner, who exhibited slurred speech, bloodshot eyes, and was unsteady on his feet. Bonner admitted to drinking alcohol that evening, and agreed to show the officer which table he had flipped over. One of the table's metal legs was broken off. Due to his level of intoxication, Bonner was arrested.

### September 6

■ Police responded to a report of theft in McGregor Hall. Upon arrival, an officer met with a male student who reported that someone had stolen his Xbox 360, controller, two games and backpack. The male said since there was no forced entry into the room, he thought someone may have found his roommate's lost key and used it to gain entry into their room. The total stolen value was \$460.

### September 7

■ Police responded to a complaint of a strong smell of marijuana coming from a dorm room on the 16th floor of Keene Hall. Upon arrival, the officer detected a strong odor of burnt marijuana, which appeared to be coming from the room in question. The sole occupant of the room, Vinay Puram, opened the door and the officer noticed that Puram's eyes were bloodshot and glassy. Puram appeared to attempt to hide something from the officer. When asked, Puram voluntarily handed over an orange glass pipe. Puram then admitted to smoking marijuana and gave the officer permission to search his room. Because of his cooperation, Puram was cited and released.

## News Briefs

### Vagina Monologues auditions

Auditions for the 2010 Vagina Monologues will be held at 9 p.m. Sept. 16 in Burrier 100. There will also be auditions at 9 p.m. Sept. 21 and at 6 p.m. Sept. 23. For more information, contact Margaret Hale at 622-2913.

### 'Fear and Loathing in America'

This week's Colloquium at ECU Libraries will be moderated by Dr. Mark Konty and will be devoted to discussion of commentary written shortly after the events of Sept. 11, 2001 by controversial journalist and writer Hunter S. Thompson. The Colloquium will take place at 3:30 p.m. Sept. 17 in Crabbe Library 204G. For more information, contact Rob Sica at 622-3052.

### Lake Cumberland Service Project

The Office of Student Life will be hosting a trip to Lake Cumberland for a cleanup service project 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sept. 18. Contact Brian Perry at 622-3855 to register for the project.

### Sierra Leone's Refugee All-Stars

The Center for the Performing Arts at ECU, scheduled to open in the fall of 2011, will present the Sierra Leone's Refugee All-Stars in concert at 7 p.m. Sept. 19 in Brock Auditorium. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Tammy Cornett at 622-7356.

### Time Management workshop

Students can receive helpful strategies to assist with managing their time in a workshop presented by the Counseling Center at 5 p.m. Sept. 21 in SSB 568.

### Major Expo

Students can receive everything from information about their majors to help picking one in the Major Expo presented by Academic Advising and Career Services at 11:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Sept. 21 in middle Powell. For more information, contact Steven Emmel at 622-5042.

### Poetry Slam

Andrea Gibson, Denise Jolly and Sonya Renee will be performing their original works at 6 p.m. Sept. 22 in the O' Donnell Auditorium of the Student Services Building. There will be a reception at 5 p.m. with the opportunity to meet the poets. The event is free of charge and open to the public. For more information, contact the Women and Gender Studies department at 622-2913.

## Happenings

### THURSDAY

7 - 9 p.m. - "Cleaning a Route" workshop at the Fitness and Wellness Center

9 - 10 p.m. - Vagina Monologues auditions in Burrier 100

### FRIDAY

11 a.m. - 2 p.m. - "Rock the Vote" on Powell Corner

5 p.m. - Soccer vs. Presbyterian at home

### SATURDAY

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. - Lake Cumberland Service Project

6 p.m. - Football vs. Chattanooga in Chattanooga, Tenn.

### SUNDAY

Last day to withdraw from class with no fee

### TUESDAY

11 a.m. - "Becoming An Effective Scholar" in the Faculty Lounge of Keen Johnson

6 - 8 p.m. - Introduction to Slack Lining at the Fitness and Wellness Center

### WEDNESDAY

11:15 a.m. - Understanding Student Veterans at the Faculty Lounge in Keen Johnson

## Weather

### THURSDAY

Isolated T-Storms  
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Precip: 30%

### FRIDAY

Sunny  
High: 80 Low: 55  
Precip: 0%

### SATURDAY

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### SUNDAY

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### MONDAY

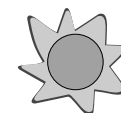
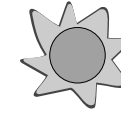
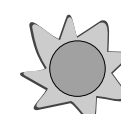
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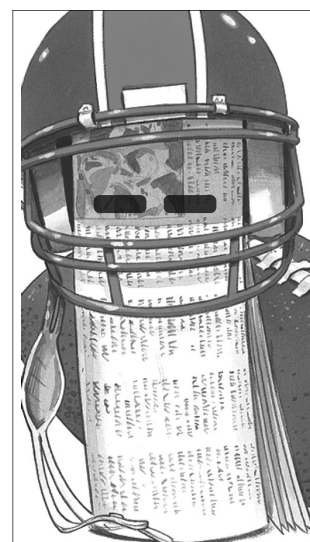
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# Biofuel project receives \$2.4 million

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Eastern's biofuels department will receive additional funding from the federal government — in the form of \$2.4 million. Officials announced at the 2010 BioEnergy Field Day that the U.S. Defense Logistics Agency is granting a second round of funding to the department.

Eastern's Center for Renewable and Alternative Fuel Technologies, also known as CRAFT, is in partnership with General Atomics of San Diego. It began in 2008 with an initial funding of \$3.7 million.

CRAFT's mission is to create a local fuel economy by converting biomass, such as crop-grown switchgrass, into usable transportation fuels, Program Director Bruce Pratt said. This is done by digesting sugars from biomass and feeding it to specialized

algae, he said. The result is the production of oil that can be converted into biodiesel and JP-8 jet fuel.

By developing a local, commercial-based bio-fuel, national security increases and the reliance on imported fuel is decreased.

Biofuel is a small aspect in a wide range of alternative energy, Pratt said. Different regions around the country have local resources that can aid in the research of bio-energy, such as the extensive sunlight in Arizona or the tides in Maine. Eastern Kentucky's region is a great candidate for bio-fuel production due to a moderate climate, rainfall and the ability to grow biomass.

"It's a very complex project," Pratt said. "The funding has given our faculty the ability to increase research capacity, upgrade equipment and build a modest research building dedicated to CRAFT."

Federal funding has also had an impact on incorporating student involvement in

CRAFT. There have been a large number of students who have assisted in the research, along with two classes so far that are associated with the program. There has also been an increase in the number of graduate students working toward a degree in chemistry.

Students involved in the projects and research of CRAFT are introduced to unique ways of creating alternative fuels in our current economy through a number of studies, such as the conversion of biomass to energy. This project will aim to convert many available sources of biomass in Kentucky, such as corn stover, into sugars to be fed to algae for oil production.

Fuels are commonly made out of squeezing the oils out of foods, such as soybeans, Pratt said. CRAFT's projects focus on utilizing the algae as a way of preserving food products for other uses, such as soybeans for margarine or cooking oil.

CRAFT is looking at other ways of producing alternative oil with future funding, he said. One of these was demonstrated at the field day when the dissolving of plastics into 100-percent biodiesel was poured into a motorcycle and then driven around the farm.

Pratt said he believes the research going on at Eastern shows a promising future for biofuels research in Kentucky.

"We are a teaching institution, not a Tier One research facility," he said. "However, I don't think we get the recognition we should. I'm hoping publicity around this project will attract students as much as possible so we can prepare them for their futures."

"I'm excited for the future of alternative fuel research in Kentucky, and also for ECU's involvement in a cutting edge technology."

# Hypnotist gives new students sobering advice

NEW STUDENT DAYS EVENT  
TEACHES RESPONSIBILITY  
WHEN DRINKING

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On Thursday, Sept. 9, hypnotist Keith Karkut came to Eastern for one purpose and one purpose only: to get a group of freshmen drunk on stage in front of all of the new students on campus. However, there's a trick to Karkut's method: he uses only water and the minds of his volunteers to achieve his goal. There is not a single drop of alcohol present at Karkut's event.

Karkut began his show by giving some basic information on the dangers of drinking alcohol. He quizzed the audience on things like the cure for drunkenness, how long it takes alcohol to move



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Keith Karkut brought his traveling hypnotist show to Eastern for new students.

through the bloodstream and the different characteristics of various blood alcohol contents.

While being legally drunk is a blood alcohol content of .08, at .06 people begin to lose ratio-

nal thought and experience mood changes. At .20, a person can't feel pain and has diminished reflexes.

"If you reach a blood alcohol level of .40, you have a 50/50 chance of life and death," Karkut

said.

Karkut then explained his event to the crowd. Anyone who wants to be hypnotized may come onto the stage and try it. From that group, people who are not good subjects for hypnosis will be sent down back into the audience. The remaining group then was put into a hypnotic state and were given bottles of water to get "drunk" off.

"We're gonna drink that water, and you're gonna think you're drunk," Karkut said, motioning to the packages of bottled water stacked off to the side of the stage.

Karkut then began a series of hypnosis tests for the audience to see who would be a good candidate to come on stage. The tests seemed a little odd at first.

Students were asked to touch their nose and pat their head three times, then clasp their hands together with index fingers pointing outward. If their fingers drew

together as if they were magnetized, they were good candidates for hypnosis.

Those who passed the first test were then asked to stand up, and told that their leg was stuck to the ground. They were told to move their legs, and the ones who couldn't do so passed the second test. These students were asked to come up on stage, where Karkut tried even deeper hypnosis.

Karkut spent remainder of his show narrowing down the students on stage, which was full, to find about 20 or 30 who were the best candidates for hypnotic intoxication.

He would put the entire stage of volunteers to sleep, and then give each one a different identity they would then act out upon waking up.

One student was Godzilla, who listed his family members as Toyota, Kia and Mitsubishi. Another

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izing that animals could have morals and plans of their own, he added.

The more modern mainstream and dominant view today is that "we ought to be kind to animals and avoid being cruel to them," Singer said. The mainstream view also includes the idea that animals' self interests don't count on the same scale as humans.

He spoke of the parallels of human equality and human slavery to animal equality and animal slavery.

Singer showed the audience large screen photos of egg manufacturing hen units where hundreds of malnourished chickens occupied small wire cages full of feces and ammonia-filled air.

He also showed photos of stalls for dairy milk, which are made to be anemic

and kept away from iron. Pigs are also kept in similar conditions, he said, where they are constantly bred and confined to a tight, dirty space.

Singer said just because we as humans can reason (or talk) does not give us reason to believe all humans are above all animals.

"A dog or a horse is more conversable than a one-month-old human," Singer said. "The case is not can they (animals) talk, or can they reason... but can they suffer? The capacity to suffer is what makes you a being of moral significance."

The animal rights movement has started to show some progress, especially over the last 10 years, Singer said. Sal stalls are phasing out and there are increasing numbers of people swearing off eating chicken or meats altogether.

For more information about the Chautauqua lecture series, visit [www.chautauqua.eku.edu](http://www.chautauqua.eku.edu).

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student was Tarzan, who ran into the audience searching frantically for Jane, until Karkut snapped him out of it. The crowd favorite seemed to be the four guys who thought they were N'Sync and the Backstreet Boys. Chris Johnson, a freshman who was on stage until about halfway through the program, said he doesn't remember exactly what he did.

"It was more of a reaction than I thought," he said, describing what he could recollect from being on stage.

Once Karkut had significantly shrunk the crowd on stage, he sat them down and put them to sleep once more. Then he placed a bottle of water in front of each of them and told them they were at a party, and that they were drinking. He woke them up with loud party music, and immediately the students began partying like there was no tomorrow.

The fun was cut short when with-in only a few minutes of drinking, a stu-

dent collapsed on the floor. Karkut then stopped the music and snapped his fingers to wake the partying students up.

As the students sat back down, Karkut asked if anybody had seen the student fall. Nobody on stage had, and only a few in the audience had.

It was then that Karkut's message seemed to hit home with the audience. Karkut took a few moments to reiterate his message.

"I'm not here to tell you not to drink," he said. "We're all adults here."

The stunned crowd listened intently as he reinforced his message of personal responsibility when around alcohol. Karkut ended his show with a sobering statistic.

"Two to three percent of college students will not live to see their graduation, due to alcohol," he said.

The freshmen watching Karkut took his message to heart. Kimberly Greer said it definitely made her think about how she was going to act around alcohol.

"I'm still a little freaked out by it," she said.

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spread awareness in suicide prevention.

"A lot of people ask what it's about," sophomore Kitty Keaton said. "So it makes those who are unaware, aware. Maybe if someone is going through something, they see people care. They know I care and there are others out there that care."

In teens, suicide is the third leading cause of death, according to the TWLOHA's website. More than 30,000 people a year commit suicide.

"The thought of suicide is scary; it's extraordinarily scary," Besten said. "For me it was like, 'Oh my God, what almost happened?'"

So to help get the word out, students took the step to show their support.

"It makes them feel less alone and shows them we take suicide serious," sophomore Emily Mack said. "When people hear other people talk about suicide, some think it's just talk and don't

take them serious and just blow them off."

Mack has written "love" on her arm for four years. She, too, has friends who deal with depression and cutting.

"It's scary because I'm not a counselor, so there is only so much I can do," Mack said. "They need to go to someone who can help, but it's hard because we want to help fix their problems too."

More than 121 million people worldwide suffer from depression, reported the TWLOHA website.

"Doing this shows we support them," Keaton said. "Every little bit can help. A lot of people deal with short-term and long-term depression. I know a lot of teenagers go through it and have the thought of suicide."

A national Facebook event formed, and by the end of the week, more than 200,000 people joined the movement to "trust that we can replace guns, ropes, blades and bottles, with hope."

"Hopefully the more people participate in this, the more we can help others before it is too late," Mack said.

## Gas leak shuts down Danville campus

A bulldozer hit a 4-inch natural gas pipeline Tuesday afternoon in Danville, causing Eastern's Danville campus to shut down.

No one was injured, but the gas leak closed most of Danville Manor Shopping Center, caused several houses to be evacuated, along with classes canceled Tuesday evening.

According to Associate Vice President for Public Relations Marc Whitt, Tuesday night is one of the busiest nights on campus and more than 200 students were affected by the leak.

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Terrance Tuggle, a sophomore history education major from Lexington, said the officials treated the displaced students as though they were a hassle.

"We were [treated like] the equivalent of refugees," Tuggle said.

Students were told on Tuesday to try and find a place to stay that night with friends on or off campus, and if they couldn't, to email the Housing Department by 5 p.m. so arrangements could be made for them.

As of 4 p.m. Tuesday afternoon, water-line repairs were underway and water was flowing properly. A replacement transformer was placed in the mechanical room

and work on the connection began.

Throughout the night, Housing kept students updated on the status of the repairs in the building on the website they provided. At 10:45 p.m., it was announced that students could reoccupy their dorms at 11:15 p.m., almost 24 hours later.

Several students already had hotel rooms lined up, because they had no idea if, and when, their dorm rooms would be open. Most could not wait until almost midnight to get back inside.

"They should have had a better back up plan instead of just scrambling for one at the last minute," said Kendra Harrison, a junior education major from Belfry. "They couldn't tell us when it would be fixed, or even how they would notify us. The people were rude. It was ridiculous."



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Kevin May, Terrance Tuggle, Jeremy Featherstone and Andrea Snow take up temporary residence in Powell Lobby after their residence hall flooded.

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# Faculty Staff

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# Student shares how Islam impacts college life

Jenny Johnson, senior journalism major, will be writing a series of articles throughout the year that focuses on students of different religions

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His mother was sitting on the ground hugging the television, praying.

It was the day of 9/11. Soufiane Bouchikhi recalls his mother's fears.

"She was crying because she knew Americans were going to blame Muslims for this," he said. "She knew they would say bad things, false things, about Islam."

Bouchikhi, a native to Belgium, was raised Muslim his whole life and said his parents taught him everything he knows about the faith. He has never been interested in another religion, but has respect for religions different than his own.

He said he thinks the biggest problem between religions is that there is no understanding among religions. He wishes that somehow there could be a common understanding or at least some dialogue among different faiths.

And this past month, Eastern celebrated the Islamic holiday Ramadan in an attempt to accomplish a similar goal of inter-faith dialogue.

According to the Quran, "Ramadan is the month during which the Quran was revealed, providing guidance for the people, clear teaching and the statute book."

The Quran explains that observers of Ramadan should fast the whole month, but those who are ill or traveling may substitute the same number of days during a different period.

The Muslim Student Association at Eastern hosted an evening meal to celebrate this religious practice and invited Dr. Ihsan Bagby, associate professor of Islamic studies at University of Kentucky and board member of the council on American-Islamic relations, to speak

on the importance of Ramadan to Muslims.

Bouchikhi attended this event; however, because he is on the track team at Eastern, he chose to fulfill his duty to Ramadan differently.

First, because he needs to eat in order to have enough energy to perform for his sport, he did not fast this month. Nevertheless, he will fast when he is on winter break and is able. Also, because he is choosing to fast at a different time, Bouchikhi's family is giving money to the poor in his name, because one goal of Ramadan is to realize the need of the poor. Because Bouchikhi cannot physically empathize with the poor, he said he will support them financially.

While at Eastern, Bouchikhi considers himself a moderate Muslim because he doesn't have the time or opportunity to have total dedication to the religious practices.

For instance, it is a religious practice in Islam to pray five times a day. Bouchikhi lives in a residence hall at school and said he doesn't practice praying because of his living conditions.

"I wouldn't want to make my roommate uncomfortable and I want to act normal," he said.

Bouchikhi said in Belgium, he would go to mosque and pray with his family. However, he hasn't been to a mosque since he's been in Kentucky. At the mosque in Belgium, Bouchikhi said he would pray for forgiveness and to be allowed into heaven.

"You will feel peace there," he said. "It is a good place to empty your mind. Some pray just to be seen. When I pray, I want to be in view of God."

Also, Bouchikhi said there are different challenges in college, such as the way women dress, that challenge him from being fully committed to his faith, because in Islam, it is a sin to even look lustfully at a woman.

"It's just really hard and I'm not ready for that yet, to be solely focused on the religion," he said.

Religion has more impact on Bouchikhi's social life. He said he has only been to two or three parties with friends since being at Eastern and chooses not to go anymore.

"Everyone says you can't have fun without drink-

ing," he said. "That isn't true."

Bouchikhi said he doesn't drink because of his religion, but also because he's noticed it has caused so many problems.

Bouchikhi said it may be better for his religion to be home with his family and able to focus on his religion, but he is enjoying his time in America.

"I really like the U.S. because I've made so many friends in a short time," he said. "In Belgium, people are not this social. It is also hard because I miss my family, especially my mom."

Bouchikhi quoted the prophet Muhammad, "Your heaven lies under the feet of your mother."

Bouchikhi wears a ring on his pinky finger that his mother gave him. This ring reminds him of his mother and gives his mother peace that he is wearing it. He said she has taught him most of what it means to be a Muslim.

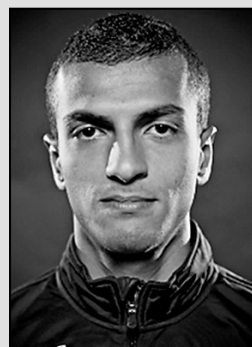
Bouchikhi said as a child, his parents did not force him and his siblings to do anything, but only taught about the religion and prayed for them. In this way, Bouchikhi was able to make decisions and gain convictions concerning the faith on his own, such as observing laws and praying.

He remembers the image of his mother crying after 9/11 and is disheartened that violent acts like that happen.

Commenting on the current news about Ground Zero, Bouchikhi said he doesn't agree that a mosque should be placed there; however, he is in favor for a Muslim Community Center to be built near the site.

"It is always good to teach about religion, education," he said. "It's always good to bring people together and talk about what's good and what's not good."

Conversations with friends are not normally about religion. He said especially with unbelievers, it is hard to start up a conversation about God. However, he said he thinks religion is a matter of the heart. "You don't believe with your mouth, you believe from your heart," he said. "Being a Muslim is inside the heart: believing in God and being a good person."



Soufiane Bouchikhi



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# PERSPECTIVES

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Lindsay Huffman, editor

## McGregor shows lack of preparation

After Hurricane Katrina tore through the Bahamas and the Gulf Coast in 2005, the citizens of the United States were outraged at the lack of preparedness shown by Bush and his administration. The government seemed to have no plan, no place for the victims to stay and no idea how to handle such a chaotic situation. And even today, New Orleans is still sifting through the wreckage left behind by Katrina.

Especially after this disaster, one might think people would be more prepared to handle similar situations.

Unfortunately, that wasn't the case at Eastern early Tuesday morning when the residents of McGregor Hall were evacuated due to their own mini-hurricane in the dorm. The situation was practically the same as 2005, except the flood was on a much smaller scale and was confined to one building.

But its effects were very similar: residents had no place to stay, some students' possessions had water damage and the university seemingly had no initial contingency plans to help these people.

And don't forget—this has happened before. Two years ago, a similar flood occurred in McGregor Hall.

Shouldn't Eastern have created some sort of a plan after it happened the first time?

Even if a plan had been created, it was not executed Tuesday. Many students had nowhere to go. They were shoved to Powell, to other residence

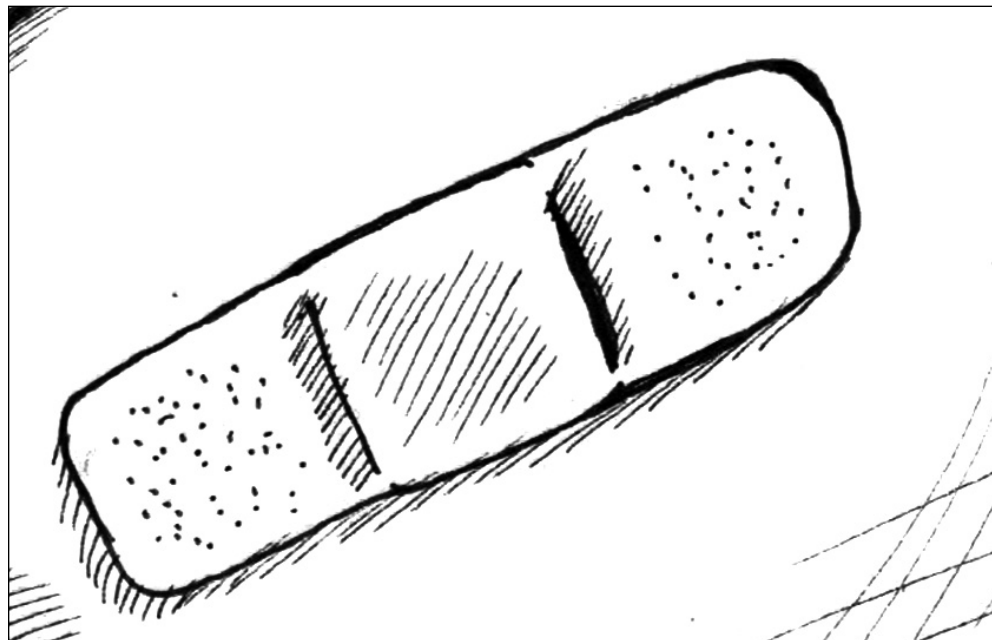


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halls and some had to stay with friends off campus.

The whole ordeal was frenzied, to say the least. Even when students couldn't help the situation, Eastern still had no way of accommodating them in case of emergency.

And it isn't as if there couldn't be options. One viable option the university utilized already was putting students into residence halls with empty rooms. In addition to that, Eastern could have some spare cots so displaced students can sleep in either Powell or Alumni Coliseum. Perhaps making a deal with a local motel would be beneficial as well, saying the university will reimburse the

establishment in exchange for letting the students stay the night.

But many of the McGregor students had no place to go. Students had to stay in a residence hall that wasn't their own, some paid for their own hotels (and may or may not be reimbursed) and some were fortunate enough to have friends willing to take them in for a night or two.

If the university wants to be known as a resident campus, where more students live on campus rather than off, then the university should be prepared for the days when things go wrong.

And maybe this is the bigger prob-

lem overall: why did the flood happen in the first place?

Sure, accidents happen. Water pipes break; a building floods. People deal with it; life goes on. Usually when something like that happens, administrators set up an arrangement, just in case the same thing happens again. However, administrators also usually invest in some preventative measures to ensure that a similar situation doesn't happen.

If McGregor Hall flooded two years ago, why did another water pipe break so soon thereafter?

Eastern is, admittedly, an old university. Some residence halls have been on campus for decades, and it's very possible that it's been decades since some of these halls have been renovated.

Even though money may be tight, residence halls should take precedence in the school's budget. It's not just about making the students' living experience more comfortable—although living in a renovated dorm is sure to be very nice—but it's about making sure students are safe.

Busting water pipes? Probably not the safest things for the students or their possessions.

Hopefully, Eastern will use hindsight with the McGregor Hall flood and put an effective emergency plan in place. Again, if Eastern wants to be mainly a residential campus, then the state of preparedness for residence hall disasters will have to be changed.

### >Letters to the editor

#### Gay psychology professor 'proud' of Eastern for domestic partnership benefits

Dear Editor:

It saddened me to read the letter in the EKV Progress from my colleague in the history department. I was actually flooded with emotions. I became a psychologist and came to academe because I perceived it as the most accommodating environment and best career choice for a gay person. However, it has been a long haul during my 20-year career at EKV as an out lesbian. It has not been easy.... It's weighed heavily on me personally, my career and my family.

At the beginning of this academic year, I was very surprised

and delighted to learn that the EKV Board of Regents, with the support of President Whitlock, extended the benefits plan taking us closer to equal pay for equal work. It really boils down to: why should I not have the same rights, privileges and benefits as the rest of my colleagues at EKV? This policy is the right thing to do and the fair thing to do, and it puts the right message forward if EKV wants to be an institution of academic recognition. The other major universities in Kentucky have adopted this policy and the sky has not fallen.

I have had a personal stake in wanting sponsored dependent/domestic partner benefits. My partner of 25 years, Barb, is a registered nurse and about 15 years ago she developed a medical condition that required a change of workplace. It threw our family into a crisis because she had to leave her employment, but was not sure where she would find a nursing job that was safe for her health. She also had the extra burden of making sure that she had good medical coverage. At the time, it would have been very important to us if she could have been added

to my medical insurance at EKV, but that option has not been available to us until January 2011. Barb became a nurse case manager, but her job is in the private sector and has never been secure. Having the option of adding her to my medical insurance, should she become unemployed, would reduce a great deal of anxiety for both of us.

From 1998-2001 I was a Faculty Senator who worked on adding sexual orientation to EKV's antidiscrimination clause, approving partnership benefits and I also completed some extended research for a Board Commit-

tee considering these benefits. For 10 years this issue has been stalled until President Whitlock and the Board of Regents acted on a proposal by the University Benefits Committee to pass it. I really never thought I would see this happen during my tenure at EKV, and I am really proud of this institution and all of the people who have worked hard to make this happen.

Dr. Sue Strong, Professor of Counseling and Educational Psychology

#### Student organization leaders reply to professor's concerns

First, we find some inconsistencies in Dr. Hartch's argument against Domestic Partner Benefits. He says this policy undermines marriage by encouraging non-married persons to live together and have a sexual relationship. Yet, is Dr. Hartch currently working toward helping the LGBT community obtain the right to marry? Should this legal right be granted, the issue of non-married individuals co-habiting would be less of a concern. Furthermore, to institutionalize benefits coverage for married individuals only would exclude long term, committed heterosexual relationships.

Dr. Hartch also mentions that

this policy conflicts with the Kentucky Constitution. But does the State Constitution's policy on marriage not conflict with the 14<sup>th</sup> Amendment of the national Constitution? The wording of the Amendment makes clear that, "No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States." Homosexuals are citizens of this nation, just as heterosexuals are; thus, the law should apply to them equally. Furthermore, giving cohabiting adults health benefits does not equate to marriage however scary it may seem.

Dr. Hartch also cites the financial burden that this policy will

have on EKV and the State Government. Do the many heterosexual couples receiving partner benefits currently not cost any money? Why is it acceptable for funds to be spent on straight coupled faculty members and not on our LGBT Faculty? Certainly, Dr. Hartch does not hold the belief that a straight professor is inherently superior or more deserving of money than a professor with a partner of the same sex.

We, the leaders of the listed RSOs, believe that fairness and equality for all members of the EKV community are worth the cost. We do not believe that any member of the faculty, staff or any citizen of the United States is any

more deserving of the rights, freedoms, and equality promised to us by this Government and this University than others.

If you share our appreciation of the inclusion of domestic partner benefits for all faculty and staff at EKV, please congratulate Dr. Whitlock, and the Board of Regents, on their efforts to maintain equality on this campus.

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>Letters to the editor

Student responds to previous letter

To Dr. Todd Hartch, care of the Editor:

I have some thoughts on your letter concerning domestic partner benefits. Unfortunately, space does not allow me to express my gratitude for stating your arguments fairly, or my respect for your academic achievements. Three degrees from Yale, including a Ph.D., is especially impressive to a student who struggles to make it to a 9:30 class consistently.

I want to point out a few simple flaws that, I believe, have misled your opinion on this topic. To the first point you made, that domestic partnerships undermine marriage, I have to point out the load that the phrase "undermines marriage" carries. I hope dearly to be married someday, but a definition of marriage that is not my own will make the institution valueless to me. That phrase seems to use to say that marriage is less valuable if homosexuals can do it; that simply because of who they are, they taint the institution. It is an assumption akin to the racist belief that a country club is more elite if it excludes black members.

You remind the readers that Kentucky voters amended the state constitution to define marriage as heterosexual and to deny the validity of any similar legal status, and then accuse the university of violating that amendment. This is false on the face of it. The university cannot create a legal status, only the legislature can. I worked for the legislature last session and they will not repeal that amendment anytime soon, for the same reason that the

amendment was added, despite a near-identical law already being on the books: the political power of homophobia.

In 2004, when the amendment was proposed, the Republican strategy to get Bush re-elected was to motivate social conservatives to the polls. The easiest way to do this was to create a great gay straw man that wanted to marry. Voters nationwide have, then and since, united against allowing homosexuals equal rights because of the hold that sexism has on the American psyche.

I interned in Frankfurt this session and was on the floor as they debated this year's budget. I learned how the sausage is made, and we all know that recently, that dish has been lean. The state has been as good as it can to this university, but I do disagree that this policy causes undue financial burden. To continue to deny our monogamous gay faculty the benefits that you enjoy is only to extend heterosexual privilege, to imply that their relationships do not deserve the same dignity. Any financial burden is more than due.

It is worth noting that you did not mention gay relationships in your letter. I have assumed that it is the most important practical point, as the law currently forbids only gay marriage. Even so, to deny unmarried, heterosexual, monogamous faculty members these benefits is to continue the heterosexual idea that marriage is the only legitimate, socially respected choice for any monogamous couple.

Zac Caldwell

Professor supports benefits decision

President Doug Whitlock has signed off on a regulatory change that ended a decade-long push for domestic partner benefits for ECU employees, and history professor Todd Hartch is concerned.

Apparently, Hartch fears that ECU students have been awaiting guidance from Whitlock and the Board of Regents on whether they should all move in together and make a big pile. Has the university undermined marriage by encouraging students to forego that particular honor in favor of all manner of social intercourse?

Now I consider myself to be something of an expert on marriage, having experienced it with two different women - which the university seemed to think was OK, or perhaps, simply none of their business. Of course it might also be argued that, given the state of heterosexual marriage these days, we straight folks are in no position to offer marital advice to anyone. But both my wives happily enjoyed all of the benefits available to any other state employee's family without any extraordinary governmental scrutiny.

It seems to me that the primary focus of the Regents has always been, and should always be providing the continual assurance to each and every ECU student and employee that we are a community of equals where all are respected, and none are second-class. The university's interest lies in assuring that our students are excellent learners, our faculty are excellent teachers, and both have what they need to be successful.

But I've been racking my brain, and I just can't figure out how my marriage is harmed by domestic partner benefits. Fortunately, that question is getting a thorough examination in the California case, Perry v. Schwarzenegger, where the judge asked anti-gay marriage advocates to provide

evidence that traditional marriage is harmed by gay marriage. When the judge pressed the lead attorney to identify how straight people would be affected, he responded, "Your honor, my answer is: I don't know." He was certain, however, that children are better off in a stable home, whether that is a traditional union or a civil union.

As all history professors surely know, traditional marriage was really about property and the joining together of men's fortunes (women considered essentially chattel well into the twentieth century) for political reasons - not sex - so any anxiety over who is sleeping with whom seems a bit misplaced.

Now, I suppose one should always be concerned with the legislature's potential response, but in this case four other public institutions (UK, NKU, UofL and WKU) have already approved domestic partner benefits without any loss of funding. Perhaps Hartch will encourage "our generous friends in the legislature" - who have steadily reduced state support for higher education, thus placing increased burdens on our students - to stop dragging their feet and modernize the state tax code so that we might finally end the biennial sleight of hand that produces an untrustworthy budget built on structural imbalances and bad estimates.

As Hartch suggested, students should contact President Whitlock - but thank him. My hope is that you will agree with the Faculty Senate which supported domestic partner benefits with a unanimous vote last spring. Thank Whitlock and the Regents for assuring that the Essential Eastern is a place where every student, every employee, every individual is equally and highly valued.

Richard Day

Retired staff member applauds Whitlock's decision

In his well-thought-out Letter to the Editor Professor Todd Hartch listed three reasons why he opposes ECU's offering domestic partnership benefits to employees. I would like to respond briefly to each point.

1. Providing these benefits does not undermine my marriage. I can't imagine how the marriages of others are threatened either. I think this is an assumption that needs to be challenged. HOW exactly will providing equal benefits to all undermine marriage? This "traditional marriage" assertion provides no con-

sideration for the plight of our homosexual brothers and sisters who have been in a real-life Catch-22. Homosexuals are not to be granted these legal rights because they're not married and yet they are legally forbidden to marry. The alternative to providing benefits, other than continuing to treat the GLBT community as second class citizens, would be to allow them to legally marry. I'm sure that would make them even happier.

To me, marriage is not some abstract ideal. It's real people in real committed loving relationships. All

humans, straight or gay, are capable of this great love and commitment and should be treated equally under the law.

2. I'm not a lawyer so I can't speak to the state constitution. I will point out that ECU is not the first state university to offer these benefits. Other fine institutions within Kentucky and around the country offer these benefits. I imagine that if the benefits indeed were unconstitutional the issue would have arisen before now.

3. I also wonder, in the larger scheme of things, if the cost to the University

will be more than marginal. Again, other universities offer these benefits so they must have done the cost/benefits analysis. My guess is that offering these benefits will help ECU in recruiting higher quality faculty and staff and that is a real advantage.

Finally, as a retired ECU staff member, I'd like to congratulate President Whitlock for doing the right thing in bringing ECU to greater equality and fairness. I'm proud of him and ECU.

Jack McDowell

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  - 22. "Dear old" guy
  - 25. Enlarged mass in upper pharynx
  - 28. Fed. construction overseer
  - 30. Barley bristle
  - 31. "Awright!"
  - 34. Bad day for Caesar
  - 36. Burn slowly
  - 38. With every moment
  - 39. Victorian, for one
  - 40. "I" problem
  - 41. Idaho resident
  - 42. West African republic
  - 46. "Yadda, yadda, yadda"
  - 48. Overcome with noise
  - 50. Horse handler
  - 51. Carpenter's tool
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  - 55. Be theatrical
  - 58. Ices
  - 59. "Frasier" topper, perhaps
  - 60. "Frasier" actress Gilpin
  - 62. Finger, in a way
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# THANK YOU



In respectful appreciation of President Whitlock, the Board of Regents and the Faculty Senate, we acknowledge the significance of implementing dependent and domestic partner benefits at Eastern Kentucky University.

We are proud to be part of an EKU community that embraces respect, diversity and equal opportunity for **ALL** of its members. With inclusion of dependent and domestic partner benefits for all faculty and staff, the **POWER OF MAROON** proves itself strong once again.

We recognize that this act of inclusivity meets **EKU's core value of dignity and diversity**:

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# FEATURES

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## Prominent poet to visit Eastern

Acclaimed performance poet Andrea Gibson visits Eastern on Sept. 22 in SSB

By RAINA RUE  
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Hailing from Colorado, queer and proud poet Andrea Gibson has been making her mark on the performance poetry world since 2000, when she competed successfully with the Denver Slam Team at The National Poetry Slam in Providence, Rhode Island.

After winning the Denver Grand Slam Championship four times, Gibson placed fourth at the 2004 National Poetry Slam, and finished third at both the 2006 and

2007 Individual World Poetry Slam. Gibson became the first performance poet ever to win the Women of the World Poetry Slam.

Gibson's poems cover a variety of contentious subjects, such as gender norms, capitalism, the war in Iraq and civil rights. Equally as serious, but not as controversial, many of her poems are sweetly endearing odes to love, and some are cathartic laments of love lost.

This groundbreaking artist recently shared e-mail correspondence with The Progress before the tour for her newest album, "Yellowbird," makes a stop on campus later this month.

EP: When you first started writing, did you know that you wanted to do spoken

word, or was it a gradual shift from just written to performance poetry?

AG: I was writing for years before I had even heard of spoken word. It's while writing that I feel most connected to the pulse of why we're here. It's where I feel most alive. I was 23 the first time I heard spoken word performed live. It rocked me. But I had terrible stage fright and had never been on a stage before because of it.

Eventually I was able to convince myself to get up there. That first night my hands shook so hard I almost dropped the notebook I was holding. Still today, my hands shake just as hard. I never read off paper because of it. Nothing scares me more than performing.

EP: Have you ever dealt with haters or hecklers at a show?

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Many Eastern students look forward to concerts months in advance - buying tickets, making plans and gearing up for the long drive to catch a glimpse of their favorite band or musician, usually in Louisville or Cincinnati. But what many students don't realize is that some great acts are coming to the Bluegrass, practically unnoticed.

Buster's Billiards and Backroom, since moving to its new location at 899 Manchester St. in Lexington, has booked a slew of rockin' bands and lined up a notable list for the future, such as The Hold Steady, Deftones, Michael Franti & Spearhead and more. For a complete list, visit their website at [www.bustersbb.com](http://www.bustersbb.com).



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Buster's concert schedule has boasted big names, such as Will.i.am, Mike Posner, Third Eye Blind and Augustana.

Buster's is open from 5 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. Wednesday - Saturday.

## 'Rocksteady' with Big Head Todd

Big Head Todd and the Monsters perform at Buster's Sept. 16 with Carbon Leaf and Fair City Lights

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*Longevity in the music industry is hard to come by. Musicians often get the "one-hit wonder" treatment and blow away like the wind. Nine albums and 25 years later, the band Big Head Todd and the Monsters has survived the test of time.*

The Colorado-born trio brought their act to Lexington at Buster's Backroom and Billiards to show off its new album "Rocksteady" Thursday. So before they trekked to Lexington, I had the chance to talk with lead singer Todd Park Mohr about the ride the band has been on, the new music and how the song "Blue Sky" became a favorite of Hillary Clinton's.

DZ: First off, I wanted to touch on

a couple of things you guys have done more recently. In 2005 you released a single "Blue Sky" and it was requested by the crewmembers of space shuttle Discovery that you write a song for their launch. Tell me how that went down.

TM: Well, we got on a Big Head Todd and the Monsters cruise on the Caribbean and one of the members was a fan of the band, but was a higher up at NASA and we kind of became friends, so he asked me to write a song for the launches, because all they have is like "Rocketman" and no one has really written music specifically for the space program.

So I thought about it for a little while and it just happened with that "Blue Sky" song and thought it would be a perfect fit for NASA, and they agreed. They got a lot of enthusiasm behind the song and it ended up getting us some great VIP tours of the shuttle. I got to put my head in the portal of the door. It's had a really neat life. One of the astronauts took a picture of the disc in outer space, so that was really exciting. Then Hillary Clinton kind of used the song as her campaign song.

DZ: How did the song transition into that?

TM: Well, I guess, an aid of hers was a fan of the song "Blue Sky." Part of the inspiration of it was astronaut Eileen Collins, who was the first female command-

er of the shuttle. So it has a feminine undertone to it, so I think that appealed to Hillary. You know the fun thing about it right now is, NASA is having a song contest, and the top two songs will be wake up call songs on the next space shuttle in November. If you go to their website it's pretty fun. They have the top 40 songs for wake up calls. They're all over the map, Springsteen, U2, and our song is third, right behind the Star Trek theme and Steppenwolf's "Magic Carpet Ride." The only other song up there is by Rush. It's exciting because there are a quarter-of-a-million people voting for our song.

DZ: What's it feel like as a band, to be together for a long time, and to be recognized by NASA and Hillary Clinton,

knowing your music is not only catching on with fans, but also these other big name people?

TM: It's an honor and very flattering. Obviously, the space program represents the brightest and the best of mankind, in a way, so to be associated with that is an honor. Anytime people recognize us, it means a lot. They played our song on Letterman last night, which was pretty fun.

DZ: Let's talk about the new album "Rocksteady." What went into the process of writing it and the music behind it?

TM: Well what happened was, I had written over 30 songs and about October of last year we started to

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Be sure to check out next week's issue for an in-depth interview with up-and-coming musician Graham Czach

# ROCKSTEADY

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record them at Jeremy's house, our keyboard player. He has a studio at his house, and he is a pretty talented producer. We just started recording everything without knowing where we would end up. We ended up with two separate albums with the diversity of the songs. On one side was R&B, blues and Caribbean feel and the other songs were kind of hard rock songs. So we sort of have two albums, and it's neat for us, because we never had an album with so much focus. Our music is a little eclectic, so it was fun doing almost a fun R&B album.

**DZ:** You wrote a song called "Muhammad Ali." Was there any specific reason behind it?

**TM:** My father and I use to watch him. He was a huge fan. He had had a pretty inspirational life as a boxer, public figure and human being. So that is that side of it. Then every lyric in the song is something that he said. He's such a poetic person, who loves speaking in poetry. He is perfect to write a song about. What gave me the idea is actually a Tom Russell song and I kind of rewrote it, so it's not entirely my composition.

**DZ:** In 1986 you guys formed the band, so it's been 25 years as a band, is that correct?

**TM:** I guess so. Wow. (Laughs)

**DZ:** Congratulations. How does that feel, especially when music changes and fans come and go. You've done a lot with fans and music distribution online. You gave away music for free, so what does that mean to you that people



still listen and show up for tours?

**TM:** Again, it's a great honor and we are all really proud of still being here after 25 years. From my point of view, music is an important part of lives and culture. I am gratified that I am in a job that is rewarding to me. Obviously, we have very loyal fans, so that means a lot to us. They keep us running. So we have, as you mentioned, we have an unusually close relationship with our fans. We go on trips with them. We sign autographs after shows and let them meet the band. We are a fan band.

**DZ:** That's a really good thing to be, especially with music in this day and age. You guys play a lot of shows over the course of a year. Is it hard to do this everyday, or is it the love of playing that gets you going?

**TM:** We'd never have any other life.

**DZ:** Essentially after 25 years the band becomes family, and average fans don't see the road life, so what's it like to have a band family?

**TM:** It's been awesome. We have a great relationship. We enjoy being with each other and playing music together. We work together really well. It's a fabulous partnership.

**DZ:** What's the future hold for you guys?

**TM:** Well this upcoming winter we are doing a blues project for Robert Johnson's 100 anniversary

of his birthday. Then after that we will probably come out with another album at some point.

**DZ:** Will the next album be the other side of things you haven't released yet from the studio?

**TM:** Yes, that's correct.

**DZ:** I know you are playing in Lexington, so good luck on the tour and the great success you have found.

**TM:** We are looking forward to being there!

Big Head Todd and The Monsters formed in 1986. "Sister Sweetly" went platinum upon its 1993 release.

## Achievements haven't given them a BIG HEAD

1. "Blue Sky," written in 2005, ranks third on NASA's Top 40 wake-up playlist, behind U2's "Beautiful Day" and Aaron Tippin's "Big Boy Toys"
2. Hillary Clinton's 2008 campaign song was also "Blue Sky"
3. Big Head Todd was formed in 1986, and is now celebrating their 25th anniversary
4. Their 1993 album "Sister Sweetly" went platinum, spawning three singles that made the rock charts
5. By the end of their 2010 Tour, the band will have played nearly 65 shows

## 'The Social Network' details turbulent early years of Facebook

By ADAM TURNER  
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Picture your typical day. If your evenings are dominated by commenting on friends' photos, updating statuses and "liking" various things, you are certainly not alone. Hundreds of millions of people, from college students to busy moms, from famous musicians to elementary school children, people all over the globe, flock to the social networking website, Facebook, every day.

Odds are you are probably logged on in some form as you read this. For some of you, even your grandmother has a Facebook account these days.

So to hear that a movie based on this very same website was created should come as no surprise. On the contrary, it's hard to believe it's taken this long for someone to make this film.

"The Social Network" is the name of this project, and given the enormous expectations that would naturally accompany a film revolving around the biggest website of all time, it's attracted a lot of huge talent.

The movie's director, David Fincher, is well-known and respected for hits such as "Se7en," "Fight Club" and "The Curious Case of Benjamin Button." Widely acclaimed screenwriter Aaron Sorkin is responsible for the classic film "A Few Good Men" and the popular television show "The West Wing." The large and talented ensemble cast includes Jesse Eisenberg ("Zombieland"), future Spider-Man Andrew Garfield, and singer/songwriter Justin Timberlake, among many others.

All of this A-list talent would be wasted if there weren't a captivating story to tell, but fortunately there is. Based on author

Ben Mezrich's mostly non-fiction book "The Accidental Billionaires: The Founding of Facebook, A Tale of Sex, Money, Genius and Betrayal," the film details Facebook's earliest years, which were wrought with drama, lawsuits and boundless ambition.

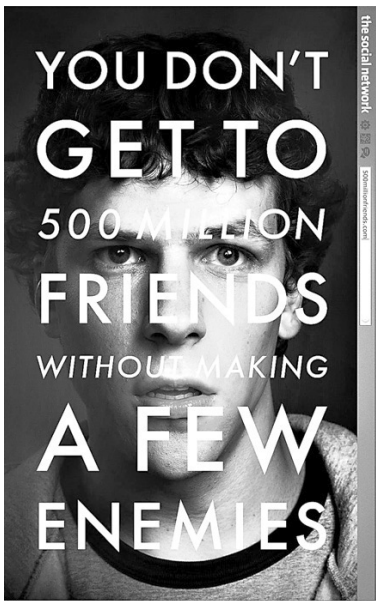
In order to capture as much truth as possible regarding Facebook's beginnings, the film reportedly utilizes several different characters' perspectives, allowing audience members to form their own decisions about what actually occurred throughout the website's first years.

Some early buzz for the film seems positive, and considering the staggering number of active members using Facebook, the film could potentially attract a very large audience.

Though anticipation for the film has been significantly high thanks to an intriguing trailer recently released to theaters and the Internet, one person who is not so thrilled by the prospect of a Facebook movie is the creator of the website himself, Mark Zuckerberg.

Zuckerberg, who is portrayed by Eisenberg in the film, has claimed that both the film and book are more fiction and dramatizations of history than actual fact, and that he has no plans of seeing the movie whatsoever. Whether or not the story is entirely truthful may never be known and ultimately probably won't matter to its audience.

What does matter, though, is that come Oct. 1, "The Social Network" will most likely be all anyone will want to talk about. So if you get a chance in the upcoming weeks, make sure you check out what could be one of 2010's most interesting films.



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**FAR LEFT:** Freshman Austin Plenzler, a sports management major from Springboro, Ohio, hurled a ball at the Greek Dunk, which took place in front of the Greek Towers.

**LEFT:** Kristian Rigsby, a sophomore athletic training major from Ashland, Kentucky, gets a little riled up while listening to the religious demonstrator, outside of the Wallace Building Tuesday.

## POET

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**AG:** Yes. Not nearly as much as I would have liked, though. I would love it if more people heard my poems who disagree with what I'm saying. After all, that's whom I'm writing a lot of them for. But as far as haters... my worst experience was a man rushing the stage screaming, "You fucking faggot." That wasn't fun.

**EP:** Writing-wise, who are your favorites/inspirations?

**AG:** Buddy Wakefield. Derrick Brown. Shira Erlichman. Mary Oliver. Toni Morrison. Ken Arkind. Hundreds more.

**EP:** Music, other than Chris Pureka and the other wonderful musicians featured on "Yellowbird," who are your favorites? What do you listen to when you write?

**AG:** Shira Erlichman is also a songwriter. I love her music. Gregory Alan Isacov, a local musician out of Colorado. Radiohead. Nicole Reynolds.

**EP:** Do you specifically relate to college-level kids, or do you kind of look at schools as just another gig at just another venue?

**AG:** I love performing at colleges and universities. I went to school at a very conservative catholic college. Nearly every teacher I had was a nun or a monk. I'm not joking. Nobody I knew was talking about

anything that students I meet are talking about. I get really excited to be a part of the kind of conversations that happen during my visits to universities. My favorite is when I get invited to perform at a college I applied to and wasn't accepted to. Also performing at schools that I wouldn't have even bothered applying to. Harvard was a trip.

**EP:** You speak a lot about the war and our soldiers overseas—what experiences have made you so passionate about this subject?

**AG:** There are a lot of veterans in my family. I remember being very young, flipping through the photographs my father had taken in Vietnam. After 9/11 I got involved in the anti-war movement. I met soldiers who turned my head inside out with their stories. They occupy a huge part of my heart.

**EP:** Have you always been such a hopeless romantic?

**AG:** I've not always been such a romantic. I spent a lot of my life stubborn and



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closed. Then one day I met someone who cracked me open. And I liked the cracks. Everyone looks better with some ruin in their step.

**EP:** When you first began sharing your work, who was your audience? Were your friends and family supportive in getting your work "out there?"

**AG:** My audience was the Denver Poetry Slam. My friends were incredibly supportive. My best friend is the reason I was able to take the leap and try to make a living out of spoken word. My family still struggles with

how much I say the "F word." But they're coming around.

**EP:** Tell me a bit about your first real gig.

**AG:** My first real gig was in NYC. I got invited to be the feature reader at the Bowery Poetry Club. They said they'd pay me \$100 if I'd come. I was so excited to get offered a "gig," I spent \$250 on a plane ticket to fly from Colorado to New York to do that one show. It was perfect.

**EP:** Weirdest experience at a show/with a fan?

**AG:** The time I was performing at an elementary school and a woman came up after my performance and asked me to sign her boob.

**EP:** So many of your poems are heart-wrenching for fans to hear and must be difficult for you to perform at time. Have you ever gotten so emotional that you had to stop in the middle of a piece?

**AG:** I've never gotten so emotional that I've had to stop, no. But I've come very close.

**EP:** Have you ever been to Kentucky? Any thoughts/fears/questions about the Bluegrass?

**AG:** I have never ever been to Kentucky and I've been touring so long there are very few states I haven't been to. I am super excited and I got huge hugs for everyone who put work into making the show happen! Yay!

For more information on Andrea Gibson, her work and her tour, visit [andreaigibson.org](http://andreaigibson.org), and be sure to attend her performance at 6:30 p.m. on Sept. 22 in SSB.

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They are required to take 12 marketing hours, along with general education requirements, plus the 29 hours of PGA classes. Each student participates in a three month co-op, which is often a short internship. The students also take on a longer internship.

"The biggest challenge is matching a facility with the student," Program Coordinator Tyler Caviness said. "Unfortunately you (sometimes) get students that come back and hated their internships. It's a gamble. I lose a lot of sleep wondering if I made the right decision for the students."

Caviness has been a part of the program for just over a year. He handles internships for students and helps develop relationships between the student and the possible destination.

"We've got so many good things going



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**Ross Lingenfelder analyzes a swing on the new V1 Coaching Software 2010 Simulator.**

for us," Caviness said. "We have so many ideas. It's tough to find a focus area. It's a young program, so we have a lot to build on. But it's only going to get stronger every year."

The class work can be demanding. Students are required to take classes in food service organization and management. They learn about golf facility management, the analysis of a golf swing and turf grass management.

"It's pretty intense," senior Michael Woods said. "You learn so much here."

Woods came to Eastern to be close to his family, but three years later, he said he felt it was the right fit.

"From Day One I fell in love with the

program." Woods said. "It's great preparation for my future."

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"We can capture their first swing as a freshman and then evaluate it three years

later," Lingenfelder said. "I am here to help with their instruction and to help make them professionals in the field."

Lingenfelder said more than 200 professional swings are available to compare to the students' swing. He can split the screen and show Michael Woods' swing and Tiger Woods' swing at the same time, then break the two down for an evaluation.

Lingenfelder also looks at the stance, grip, the depth of the swing and posture.

The program also features the SAM (Science and Motion) Putt Lab.

The putter sends motion from the shaft of the putter through a camera to the computer. Then an evaluation of the stroke, tempo of the shot, alignment and length of stroke are entered into the system.

"My mechanics changed for the better with professional instruction," senior Eric Fedus said.

Fedus said he wants to be the head professional at a golf facility upon graduation.

Students can apply for PGA membership after graduation if they meet the required criteria.

"I wasn't really aware of the business side of things when I came in to the program," Fedus said. "That was the biggest thing."

He also said one of the biggest selling points of the program is the close relationship the students have with each other, as well as the instructors.

"I've made more friends in the four years here than I ever have before," Fedus said.

Kincer echoed the sentiment.

"The program is very fraternal," Kincer said. "We're like a family. We get to know these kids well. That's why this job is so rewarding. I do it because I love it."

**FOOTBALL**

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who had a pivotal run of 41 yards against Louisville that put them into scoring position.

"Yeah, we have four guys who are doing a good job in the running game," Hood said. "But no one has really jumped up and said 'this is my job. You better play me.' Matt may have done that Saturday."

This week, against UTC, the Colonels have several players who are going to their home areas to play in front of fans, families, coaches and friends.

"We have several kids from the Chattanooga area and a lot of kids from the Georgia area also," Hood

said. "From Atlanta up it's been a real good recruiting area for us."

One of those players is Harris, whose is from Brainerd High School in Chattanooga. Another from the Georgia area is Senior Defensive Tackle Andrew Soucy.

"I've got about 15 to 20 people coming," Soucy said. "It's only about an hour from my house in Woodstock, and for the first time I am having some of my high school coaches come and watch me. It's my last chance to play in front of them."

**Game note**

This is the fourth time these two teams have met, the last dating back to 1987. Eastern leads the series 2-1-1.

**ZANCAN**

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Here's how it worked. I got into my golf stance, on the green driving area. There are three cameras; one on my left, on my right and one behind me. As I swung, the cameras recorded the entire swing.

After I finished, I met with PGA Golf Management Player Development Coordinator Ross Lingenfelder to get my evaluation. It's interesting, and amazing, at the same time all of the things I learned in one swing.

Ever watch a football game on television when then broadcasters take the yellow markers and draw all over the screen, diagramming a play? That's what he did.

He went through a thorough evaluation of my swing...which by the way was rock solid. If you don't believe me, ask the pro! He drew lines where my swing was supposed to start and finish. He



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**I compared my swing with Tiger's.**

marked how the head of the club should be in relation to the ball. I learned where my legs, knees and head should be and the position of my lower half.

I've played golf on and off for several years, so I know enough about the sport, but to hear it and see it from a pro was pretty intense.

He has more than 200 videos of different golfers, their drives and

their stances. So I got to compare mine to mister ladies man himself, Tiger Woods.

My first swing was reminiscent of John Daly's, minus the excessive booze. So we corrected one mechanic, which resulted in a more powerful and straight drive.

So I took about 10 to 15 more shots just to see if the tweak in my mechanics paid off. It did. Straight and powerful. It's amazing how one piece of technology works. Out all the components together and it does wonders.

I left impressed, not only with the simulator, but the atmosphere as a whole. As I sat down with Director Kim Kincer, she talked about how amazed she was with the atmosphere when she arrived here a few years back. I can see why.

I thought about dropping journalism, picking up my Titleist golf clubs and joining PGM.

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**Puzzle 1 (Hard, difficulty rating 0.63)**

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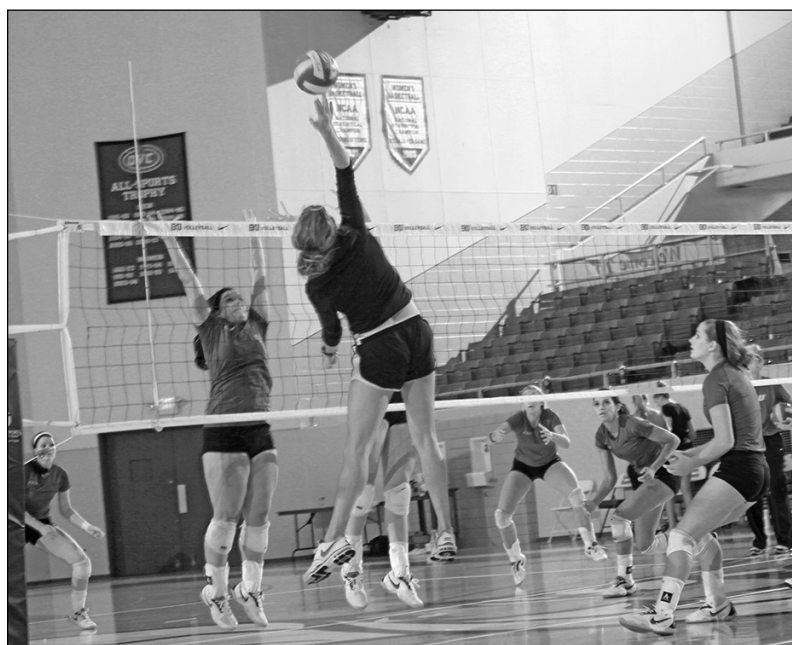
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After three consecutive away tournaments, the volleyball team heads into a home court battle with Tennessee Tech Friday.

## Volleyball open conference play at home against Tech

By STEPHEN HAUSER  
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The women's volleyball learned exactly where their team stands over the past three weeks. They host their first Ohio Valley Conference game Friday, at home, against Tennessee Tech University.

The Colonels had a fierce non-conference schedule, facing teams such as Cal State Fullerton, UNLV and Pepperdine.

"We learned that we will have to create our own intensity and keep it up throughout the entire match," Coach Lori Duncan said.

One area of the game that has been a problem for the Colonels is finishing games.

"We have the ability to finish the sets and matches, but it's more of a mentality thing," senior Autumn Harms said. "We were leading in the first game of the Pepperdine match, but we just couldn't finish out the set."

The Colonels played three tough non-conference tournaments away from home, hoping to tighten up for the conference schedule.

"It has allowed us to face the different types of play and different levels of competition," senior Abby O'Connor said. "It has allowed us to learn how to adjust

with the way other teams play."

The Colonels lost starters Lauren Synder and Toni Michalski to ankle sprains in the Appalachian State match.

"We really need to get both of them back into play, because they are really important to our team," Duncan said.

The Colonels head into the Tennessee Tech University match with a record of 1-8.

At first glance their record might cause some major concern for most people. For this group of Colonels though it is not the case. Last year they started off the season 0-9 and still finished out the season going 9-9.

"You have to keep in mind that conference is all that matters, we get a clean slate," O'Connor said. "We've already done this before and we know that we can win."

Eastern has to do a few things correctly if they wish to defeat Tennessee Tech University.

"We are going to have to come out and set the tempo early," Coach Duncan said. "We are going to have to keep the tempo throughout the entire match and we must expect to succeed."

The Colonels play Friday at 7:00 p.m. and play on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. against Jacksonville State University.



SONYA JOHNSON/PROGRESS

Janelle Coates' first career goal tied up the game against Western. Coates' goal helped snap the Colonels scoreless drought. Eastern was held scoreless their previous four contests.

## Freshman's first career goal lifts Colonels to tie with Western Kentucky Hilltoppers

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Strong defense and relentless offense helped break Eastern's four-game scoreless drought. The women's soccer team traveled to Northwest Indiana to face an undefeated Valparaiso University team last weekend and left with a 0-0 double-over-time tie.

On Sunday, in-state rival Western Kentucky came to town looking to knock off the Colonels. Instead the both teams battled to a 1-1 double-over-time tie.

The Colonels' defense operated like a well-oiled machine until 27 minutes into the first half.

Western's Kaylan Pratt took the rebound off Eastern's goalie Stephanie Lynch's initial block and put the ball inches above Lynch's outstretched hands into the back of the net.

"This is a game of inches," Coach Lindsay Basalyga said.

But Western's goal did not destroy the morale or the communication as it had done in previous games this season.

The Colonels tightened down their defense and did not allow the Hilltoppers to score on any of their five corner kicks.

Eastern's offense scored the equalizer just nine minutes later. This is the first time the Colonels have scored a goal after falling behind.

Freshman Janelle Coates received a goal kick from Lynch and drove downfield. Coates beat her defender and had only one more person to beat, the goalie. She ripped the ball from 20 yards away and sent it sailing into the back of the net.

"It felt really awesome to score the goal," Coates said. "What made it even better was the fact that it was my first time playing forward, because I usually play center mid."

This was the second straight game in which the Colonels headed into halftime with a tied score. They were outshot 11-3 in the first half.

"Tying up the game before halftime was a great way to enter the locker room," Basalyga said. "It set a great tone heading into the second half."

The Colonels made a few personnel changes during halftime, but mainly discussed ways to exploit the Hilltoppers' weakness. And the offense really clicked in the second half as they fired off six shots.

There were numerous offensive opportunities for the Colonels to make a huge play or put the ball in the back of the net. Unfortunately, the ball ended up just an inch or two ahead of the player.

Basalyga said she was very pleased to see the way the offense was playing, but had a few suggestions for increasing scoring opportunities.

"I do believe that they could take riskier chances to try score," she said.

The defense was not able to take many breathers during the second half. The Colonels' defense had to defend four corner kicks Western. They also forced Western's offense into five offside's calls.

"It feels really good that our defense shut them down after the first goal," Lynch said. "We are learning to defend as a unit, we also need to make sure that we play for a full 90 minutes."

The Colonels played a physical second half, considering they recorded seven of their 16 fouls.

The Colonels were outshot 3-1 in both over-times, but neither team could find the back of the net.

Eastern's players seemed pleased with the tie against Western, but like any team, they really wanted a victory.

"We really wanted to win that game," Coates said. "It should really push us to want to win the next few games."

# Colonel runners gear up for Old Timer's Classic

By CHRIS MCGEE  
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Both the men and women's cross-country teams hold a distinction no other team in the Ohio Valley Conference holds; they are regionally ranked.

Both teams out ran Marshall on September 4.

The men made the biggest splash jumping seven spots, from 15<sup>th</sup> to eighth, in the Southeast region. Eastern jumped ahead of Kentucky, who's ranked 11<sup>th</sup> and sit right behind Louisville (ranked sixth). The women held their place in the top ten, sitting at number nine.

The Colonels' head to Western Kentucky compete in the WKU Old Timer's Classic in Bowling Green.

The men have been competing in this event since its inception in 1981, winning last year. The women's team, however, didn't compete in the event last year, instead choosing to race in the Vanderbilt Invitational, which was hosted by Tennessee State University.

"I wanted the girls to have a chance to run this course in order to give them every advantage," Coach Erdmann said.

The decision paid dividends for the team. Out of 20 teams in the competition, the Colonels took second place. They beat teams such as Georgia Southern and Valparaiso. In addition, they bested two regional foes in Tennessee State and Morehead State.

Marshall and Austin Peay are two other schools that attend Saturday's invitational. Although the Colonels will try

to outrun Marshall for a second time, Western Kentucky will be the main target for the teams, Erdmann said.

The Colonels have one main strategy for the meet: togetherness.

"I want our guys to run as close together as possible for the first few miles," Erdmann said. "This is our main strategy in preparing and practicing for this event. In addition, it was the one glaring weakness from last year's classic."

Erdmann said that team spirit is so important in a sport like cross country, where individual performances, while important, don't matter much if the rest of the team doesn't also perform well.

"We concentrate on the team," Coach Erdmann said. "That is how we win or lose as a team."

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## Colonels put scare into Cardinals



### Eastern looks to rebound against Chattanooga

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Eastern football players are looking to avoid a 0-3 start for the first time since 2005, when they travel south to the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga.

The Colonels, coming off a 10-point loss to Louisville last week, may or may not have their starting quarterback T.J. Pryor available at game time. Pryor, who's still listed as questionable, was sidelined early in the third quarter against the Cardinals for a strained groin.

"Everybody on our training staff is doing a great job with him," Coach Dean Hood said. "They feel like they're going to have him ready for the game, but the big question for us is how much practice time he's going to get. What things are we going to be able to do with him? It's going to be a day-by-day thing."

But Hood and his team is confident in the back-up Brendon Gregory, should Pryor not be available. Gregory led Eastern on its only offensive touchdown drive of the season against the Cardinals, finishing the game 4-for-9 passing.

"Brendon is a tough kid, a bigger kid, and brings some different things to the table than what T.J. does," Hood said. "Our guys are always behind him...he's a guy who can go out there and do some things for us."

Wide receiver Orlandus Harris gave Gregory some advice as he stepped on the field.

"When Brendon came in I just told him on the sidelines to keep his head up and it was his time to step up," Harris said. "We're going to be alright with him."

After Gregory, the Colonels are thin at the quarterback

position, and if the situation arose, Hood would have to make the decision to go with red-shirt freshmen Jacob Russell or Alex Conley.

"We have two redshirt freshmen and we love them both," Hood said. "But we hope to keep it that way."

Offensively the Colonels look to tackle some of the big issues they need to correct in order to put a halt to the losing skid.

"We're not putting up points like we should," Harris said. "We have to get our defense has to get off the field. They are playing good for us."

The Mocs of UTC (0-2) are out of the Southern Conference and pose as another challenge for the Colonels. UTC lost to Appalachian State in their opener 41-42 and last week lost another close game to Jacksonville State 21-17.

"They are for real," Hood said. "I think they are a lot like Missouri State, a 5-6 team that has a lot of people coming back. We looked at their film from a year ago and they are playing everyone in the Southern Conference very tough. And they played arguably the best team in our conference on paper pretty tough."

UTC will start a big-time quarterback against the Colonels. BJ Coleman, a transfer from the University of Tennessee, has thrown for more than 400 yards this season and four touchdowns. Coleman has also rushed for two touchdowns.

Jacksonville State Head Coach Jack Crowe was said he was the best quarterback his team would face all season and didn't know why he wasn't playing at Tennessee.

The Mocs also boast a strong rushing attack from Sophomore Brian Sutherland and Senior Erroll Wynn. Both have rushed for more than 100 yards this season.

The Colonels are looking to jumpstart its rushing attack, and may see some more game action from Matt Denham,

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TREY BURKE/PROGRESS

Top: Eastern defense clamps down on Louisville's run game.

Bottom: T.J. Pryor suffered an injured groin in the third quarter and never returned. Pryor is day-to-day.

## With new indoor accommodations, golf management gets in full swing

PGA accredited program offers behind the scenes look at golf management.

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The Professional Golf Management program started small with 20 students five years ago.

Now, more than 100 students are a part of Eastern's accredited Professional Golf Association (PGA) program.

The golf program is different than the actual varsity sport. It concentrates, not only on the physical part of the sport, but the "behind the scenes" aspects of golf, like club repair, retail and marketing.

Director of the PGA Golf Management Program Kim Kincer joined the program when it was just a small outlet in the Combs Building on campus. It has since moved to the BTC building and sports classrooms. Students in the program also have access to a golf simulator and a state-of-the-art



TREY BURKE/PROGRESS

Michael Woods drives a ball on the golf simulator. In the program, Woods learns correct swing mechanics from professional instructors.

science and motion-putting lab.

"We are one of only 20 universities in the country with an accredited program," Kincer said. "The seven states that border us do not have programs."

Kincer met with the PGA official accreditation committee in June of 2006, knowing it might be a year un-

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## Tiger Woods and me, out on the digital links



I stood next to Tiger Woods and out drove him. My swing was just as accurate. My posture was dead on and my clothes were sexier.

It makes me think that with some more practice, and a nice set of plaid pants and sweater vest, I, too, could join the ranks of the Professional Golf Association (PGA).

OK, in reality, I wasn't technically in person, face-to-face with him, but on a large television screen as we stood side-by-side hitting balls. I was recorded for an evaluation, and he was there for me to see how the pros do it.

I got to test out the new V1 Coaching Software golf simulator that belongs to the Professional Golf Management program here at Eastern.

It's like a driving range, mixed in with enough cameras to think the paparazzi were there. Then there is a giant flat screen television and computer station to watch either the embarrassment of a terrible swing or drive of a champion.

So I felt compelled to write about it in this week's column. The staff that handles the PGM program was kind enough to let me pick up a seven iron and drive as many balls as I could. They came along to take some pictures of this event.

I was honored to find out I was one of the first to try out the simulator.

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