A Physical Education professor at Eastern Illinois University, Larry Ankenbrand has been associated with sports in the Charleston area for many years.

Always there to lend a hand, Dr. Ankenbrand was made Honorary Tournament Manager in December during the 30th Annual Charleston High School Basketball Tournament as well as Friend of Athletics in the Eastern Illinois University Athletics Hall of Fame.

Dr. Ankenbrand said, “I’ve been a go-for ever since I’ve been here,” but he enjoys what he does.

A graduate of Eastern Illinois University, he returned to Eastern in 1977 to teach and has been lending a helping hand with Eastern and Charleston High School, ever since.

Much of his involvement with the Charleston High School stemmed from his sons, Eric and Jay, who both played basketball for Charleston.

Dr. Ankenbrand, whose wife, Maureen, teaches at the high school, remains a Charleston fan.

“I still love Charleston ball,” he said. “I’d go even if Maureen wasn’t teaching.”

“His service that he has done for the holiday tournament has been outstanding,” Charleston Athletics Director Jerry Calandrilla said. “He has helped with the tournament long before I ever thought about coming to Charleston. With him getting inducted into the Hall of Fame at Eastern this year it was a no-brainer to continue with his accolades as the honorary tournament manager.”

In earlier years, he served on the seeds and pairings committee as well as the all tourney team. His main goal was to see that ticket sales and other operational duties were going smoothly.

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“You just had to make sure people showed up (ticket takers). If someone didn’t show up, I might have to do it for a while”, said Ankenbrand.

For Eastern, Dr. Ankenbrand has volunteered at athletic events for nearly thirty years. He was President of both the Panther Club and El Club, served on the Panther Club Board of Directors, and served as bench official for both men’s and women’s basketball games for 25 years, and his work continued through football, track, and the Special Olympics.

What Dr. Ankenbrand did for athletics, he also did for education. He served as Dean of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. He was also Associate Dean of the College of Education, and Chair of the department of Physical Education.

After graduating from Eastern in 1959, Dr. Ankenbrand took legendary basketball coach Ernie Eveland’s place as a driver’s education teacher at Paris. There, he was head track coach and assistant basketball coach. He then taught at Salem, Casey, and Joliet, where he met his wife, and then at Lockport before teaching classes at Chicago State.

After teaching, he went on to earn his master’s from Indiana State in 1966, his doctorate at Missouri in 1972 with advanced doctoral work at Illinois State.

Still teaching and volunteering at age 72, Dr. Ankenbrand says, “I’m not going to retire. I love it too much. I’ll just quit and do something else.”

Jaguars, Monkeys, and Crocodiles

Imagine being able to hold a crocodile in your arms or interact with the Mayan people. Dr. Marylin Lisowski, Early Childhood, Elementary, & Middle Level Education, got that chance.

Dr. Lisowski began building this program over a year ago, finalizing dates and writing up contracts; always refining the details. The program was an attempt to explore biodiversity and the culture in the Yucatan’s Northern Caribbean Coast.

The program allowed Dr. Marylin and ten other individuals to explore the Sian Ka’an Biosphere Reserve in the Yucatan for ten days.

The reserve is made up of 1.6 million acres and protects a variety of wildlife, such as tropical forests, reef, savanna, jaguar, howler monkeys, crocodiles, etc.

The ten people that were escorted by Dr. Lisowski included graduate students from Eastern Illinois University, retired faculty, and other environmentalists from around the country. [Continued on page 3].
This rare opportunity allowed the group to interact with scientists already stationed in the Yucatan and learn about programs already in place, including crocodile tagging. The group, including Dr. Lisowski, were not only able to watch as other scientists tagged the crocs, the team was actually able to partake in the exciting event.

Dr. Lisowski spoke of how they tagged both fresh water and salt crocodiles and how, due to the crocodiles’ nature, they would look for them at night. She talked of how they would shine spotlights on the water to search for their glowing red eyes. Once spotted, the team would ‘lasso’ the crocodile and pull them into the boat for tagging. In order to tag the crocs, they would have to duct tape the crocodile’s mouth shut.

“I found out that duct tape is everywhere. We were in the jungle and here’s duct tape!” said Dr. Lisowski.

The team also watched the interactions of the spider and howler monkeys and took part in a jaguar spotting program. Although the team was hoping to take part in a Turtle Conservation project, because of the timing of the trip, they were unable to.

They got to spend time in the water in underground caverns known as Cenotes to avoid the sweltering December heat. While in the caverns they would snorkel and observe the underwater life.

Back on ground they were able to observe the Mayan culture. The team was even invited to join in a Mayan New Year’s Eve Piñata celebration.

“Mayan culture is so alive and thriving,” said Dr. Lisowski, which is contrary to what many Americans think of the Mayan culture today.

Dr. Lisowski has been working on another program that will take flight this summer when she travels to Africa.

**Physical Education Graduate Research Fair**

The Physical Education graduate research fair, hosted by the Physical Education department, was held on December 8th, 2006.

The research fair is organized to give students in the graduate Research Methods courses within the Physical Education department an opportunity to share their work with their fellow students and faculty.

Twenty-two graduate students in the department conducted research over the course of the fall semester and presented their work in a poster presentation.

The presentations were held in the Lantz Arena concourse.
Outstanding EIU Student Teachers Honored

Out of 313 student teachers during Fall semester, nine students were nominated for an Outstanding Student Teacher Award.

Letters of recommendation from cooperating teachers, building administrators, and EIU supervisors indicated students of high caliber, dedication, intelligence, and enthusiasm.

All nominees exhibit passion for teaching and learning, along with a willingness to go beyond the required in order to help ‘their students’ learn.

The winners of the Outstanding Student Teacher Award are, Nicole Geiselman, Ted Walk, Michelle Orlando, Gina Tomlin, and Jenna Fracaro.

In response to being awarded as an Outstanding Student Teacher, Michelle Orlando, pictured above, said, “I am so grateful that I had such an amazing experience! I enjoyed and will cherish each minute that I spent in Mrs. Stewart’s 5th grade class for the rest of my life!”

Another outstanding student taught, Gina Tomlin, student taught for Lynn Clayberg’s math class at Charleston Middle School said, “Student teaching was such a great learning experience. I truly feel like this semester has prepared me for my own classroom.”

2006 Science Showcase

High school students from all around Central Illinois gathered at this years 6th Annual Science Showcase which was held on December 7th of 2006 in the Grand Ballroom. Students had the chance to use their creative senses and scientific minds and show their projects. [Continued on page 5]
One young group of scientists from Paris high school was interviewed by the Charleston Times-Courier newspaper and spoke of how they did a science project based on the work of Crime Scene Investigators (CSI). The group performed DNA extraction and finger and lip print testing.

The showcase was created and presented by Dr. Marylin Lisowski, professor within the Early Childhood, Elementary, & Middle-Level Education department. In order to strengthen science education in local schools, Dr. Lisowski takes part in grant writing and training for local teachers during a summer science and math program.

During a summer session, the teachers are trained to use the new technology given to them through the grant program. This allows them to then integrate the technology into the classrooms for the students. Dr. Lisowski said, “We try to focus on rural or isolated school districts where one school isn’t seeing what others do.”

Dr. Lisowski also spoke of how the showcase gets the teachers and children excited about science in a time when the United States is lacking in this educational area. According to Lisowski, “It’s a phenomenal opportunity for teachers to network and receive support as well as shine themselves.”

**Illinois Superintendent of the Year, 2007**

Dr. Kevin Settle, superintendent of Mount Vernon City School District 80, was named the 2007 Illinois Superintendent of the Year.

The award, sponsored by the Illinois Association of School Administrators, was presented on November 19th during the third general session of the Illinois Association of School Boards, Illinois Association of School Administrators and Illinois of School Business Officials 74th Joint Annual Conference in Chicago.

“It was so nice to be there with my colleagues and so many members of my family,” he said of the award ceremony. “To be recognized when there are so many other hard-working, deserving superintendents in the state is a huge honor.”

Dr. Settle, who was selected from more than 850 Illinois superintendents, will represent Illinois in the National Superintendent of the Year recognition during the 2007 AASA National Conference scheduled March 1-4 in New Orleans.

The National Superintendent of the Year Award is cosponsored by the American Association of School Administrators and ARAMARK.

Dr. Settle graduated from Charleston High School (1972) and attended Eastern Illinois University to earn a bachelor of arts in mathematics with teacher certification (1976). He received both a master of science degree (1981) and a doctor of philosophy degree (1993) in educational administration from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale.

He began teaching mathematics at Webber Township High School in 1977 and in 1982 became the high school’s principal.
Faculty Awarded the Oracle by Association of Fraternity Advisors

During the 2006 Association of Fraternity Advisors Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, Dr. Charles G. Eberly, Counseling and Student Development, received the Oracle Award from the Association of Fraternity Advisors.

Oracle: The Research Journal of the Association of Fraternity Advisors, was established in 2005 to advance the study of college fraternities and sororities through a peer reviewed academic journal promoting scholarly discourse among partners invested in the college fraternal movement. The Oracle Award was established in 2006 to recognize a commendable article published in the journal.

Dr. Eberly’s article, An Exploratory Study of the Experiences of Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual Fraternity and Sorority Members Revisited, was published in the August 2005 inaugural issue of Oracle.

This article revisited a ground-breaking study about the experiences of GLB fraternity and sorority members.

Dr. Eberly co-authored the article with Douglas N. Case of San Diego State University and Grahaeme A. Help of the University of California at Berkeley.

The Association of Fraternity Advisors (AFA) is a professional organization that represents over 1,400 fraternity and sorority professionals from across the United States and Canada.
Alumni Spotlight

Bob Marsh, graduated from Eastern Illinois University in 1980 with a master’s degree in Physical Education. From there, Marsh moved from working in Mattoon in elementary PE to entering into Christian higher education. He left Illinois for Texas for several years before returning in 1990 to coach at Greenville College and become a bi-vocational pastor at a church in Mulberry Grove.

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After six years of coaching and pastor work, he entered into a position in Sports Ministry at Moody Bible Institute.

In 1998 he was asked to take a full-time pastoral job at Grace Community Baptist Church in Trenton, Illinois. He was soon ordained. Since being at Grace Community Baptist Church, the congregation has grown from 60 people to over 200.

He takes his bachelor's in physical education and his years of training in Sports Ministry to the highest level. He has started programs with his church for flag football and vintage baseball, as well as local volleyball tournaments. [Continued on page 8]
Terrence Donahue graduated from Eastern Illinois University in 1981 with a bachelor’s in Health Education. He returned in 1983 to pursue a master’s degree in Gerontology, but his studies were cut short due to a severe accident that took five years to recover from. Once back on his feet, he spent five more years with Athletes in Action, a sports ministry with Pro and College athletes and coaches.

Donahue then spent nine years as senior vice president of the world’s largest Train-the-Trainer company, overseeing a portfolio of 20 training programs, 35 full-time trainers, and generating $30 Million in annual revenue.

He has personally trained over 11,500 trainers, performance consultants, instructional designers, and training managers on three continents. Known by many as the “Trainers’ Trainer”, his clients included McDonald’s, Scandinavian Airlines, Nike, Citibank Europe, and Chick-fil-A.

He then moved on to work as the Director of Training for one of the SC Johnson & Sons companies in Racine, WI.

Recently though, Terrence Donahue took on a new role.

Donahue is now the Vice President of Instructor Quality for the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) in Chicago, Illinois.

In his role, Donahue is responsible for supporting the performance of over 12,000 registered ServSafe® instructors and exam administration proctors.

He works closely with the Risk Management, Product Development, Revenue Development, and Customer Service teams to support the largest base of instructors delivering food safety training in the world.

Donahue, like Bob Marsh, is proud to be a husband and father on top of all the hard work he does.

Terrence Donahue asks that anyone wishing to contact him to feel free to do so. You may contact Terrence Donahue at:

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28th Annual Counseling and Student Development Spring Conference

The department of Counseling and Student Development will host their 28th annual Spring Conference. The conference will be held on February 23rd, 2007 in the University Union.

This year’s conference will include four presenters.

Dr. Thomas Johnson, a clinical psychologist and professor at Indiana State University, will be presenting on Motivational Interviewing (MI). He will describe MI and provide an introduction to techniques which have proven useful in motivating clients for change. His presentation is titled “Introduction to Motivational Interviewing and MI Approaches to Working With Resistance.”

Dr. Richard Elghammer, a veteran to the conference and Clinical psychologist and director of the Elghammer Family Center, will present on “What Every Counselor/Therapist Should Know About Mental Health Medications.” He will discuss how medications are problematic to therapy, altering the therapeutic process, and strategies and solutions to this problem.

Dr. Gloria Leitschuh, a professor within the department, will be presenting on “Dynamic Supervision for Community Counselors.” She will discuss ways to become a better, more engaging supervisor to enhance the supervision process within the community.

Dr. Nancy Farber, also a professor within the department at EIU, will be presenting on “Dynamic Supervision for School Counselors.” Farber will share her own school counseling experiences and plans to create an interactive session on supervision within the schools.

The registration fee is $55.00 and all forms must be returned by February 20th, 2007.

For more information contact: Debbie Gerdes in the Counseling and Student Development Office at: 581-2400.

New Advisor in Physical Education

Nancy Crone joined the Physical Education Department this past October as an academic advisor.

Crone, alumni of the College of Education and Professional Studies, graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a Master’s of Science degree from the College Student Affairs program in August of 2005. During her master’s program she worked as a graduate assistant with the School of Continuing Education.

The Dean of the School of Continuing Education, William Hine, hired her on contract after her assistantship had ended in May of 2005 until the time she was hired on with the Physical Education department in October of 2006. During that time, she worked as an academic advisor for the Bachelor of Arts in General Studies degree program.

Now, along with being an academic advisor for the Physical Education department, she is also an adjunct faculty member for the School of Continuing Education teaching a course called Adults in Transition.
Adventure of the American Mind Changes Name to Teaching with Primary Sources

The Eastern Illinois University program, Adventure of the American Mind, began in January of 2004 with the help of U.S. Senator, Dick Durbin. Durbin secured the funding for the program, as well as nine others in Illinois.

The program is run by Cindy Rich and the College of Education and Professional Studies. After the program became a division of the Library of Congress Educational Outreach program, it changed its name to Teaching with Primary Sources.

This program enables teachers to learn how to use the Library of Congress’ large selection of digitized primary sources for classroom instruction. The Library of Congress’ Teaching with Primary Sources program is an educational consortium of schools, universities, libraries, and foundations.

TPS is built from past successful programs run by the Library of Congress, such as American Memory Fellowship and Adventure of the American Mind. These programs reached more than 10,000 teachers.

“We are very excited about Teaching with Primary Sources continuing the wonderful outreach with area schools that An Adventure of the American Mind began,” said Diane Jackman, dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies.

Dean Jackman also stated that, “Our program has been recognized for excellence and has served as a model for new participants, and EIU project director Cindy Rich serves on the Library of Congress Teaching with Primary Sources Advisory Board to help establish the national program.”

The program currently provides almost 250 workshops and more than 60 presentations at the local, state, and national levels.

More than 1,000 educators have been made aware of or increased their knowledge of the resources available at the Library of Congress through this program and Eastern.

Some of the workshops and programs offered have been in collaboration with the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, the Regional Office of Education, the Illinois State Board of Education, and a variety of professional organizations.

Through the Adventure of the American Mind program, more than 40 area schools have received close to $70,000 in equipment for educational use.

The focus of the Eastern Illinois University Teaching with Primary Sources program will still be to provide relevant and high-quality professional development for Illinois educators to encourage pratonage of the Library of Congress web site and to present the collections as valuable resources to enrich educational experiences for Illinois students.

For more information, please visit the EIU Teaching with Primary Sources website at: http://www.eiu.edu/~eiutps

or call Cindy Rich at 217.581.7857

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Special Education Students Recognized During Annual Honors Convocation

The Annual Honors Convocation for the Department of Special Education was held on Saturday, December 16, 2006 in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Approximately 300 were in attendance, including the awardees, their family and friends, and faculty members from the Department of Special Education.

Award recipients are chosen by the faculty of the Department of Special Education based on their scholarship, leadership, and service.

Among others honored are the Fall 2006 graduating class from the Department of Special Education and student officers from Sigma Rho Epsilon, a Special Education Honorary Society and Student Council for Exceptional Children.

Graduate students receiving awards were Maryanne Boren, Kenneth E. Coffey, Laura Brewer Geiger, Amy Jo Hall, Holly Hickok-Kearns, Lynn R. Holdheide, Russell J. Howe, Amy L. Jackson, Valerie L. Johnson, Michael A. Leonard, Arshad Mehmood, Lorie A. Meyers, and Tanya Vipond.


Awardees from the Junior class were Sara J. Brandenburg, Meghan E. Cassady, Lauren M. Florio, Amy L. Gielow, Laura E. Jennings, Christine T. Kuspa, Amy M. Le Jeune, Michelle Lisikiewicz, Amanda M. Raz, Lisa M. Taylor, Kathryn A. Yaeger.

Awardees from the Sophomore class included Kate E. Anderson, Ashley A. Chamberlain, Katherine A. Hutson, Jacquelyn L. Klacza, Brian Korstanje, Morgan L. Liford, and Allyson M. Niggl.

These students are also eligible for award nominations from the Department of Special Education throughout the 2007 calendar year.
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Sigma Rho Epsilon and Student Council for Exceptional are an integral part of student service to both the Department and profession of Special Education. Student Council for Exceptional Children is a professional organization for students and a subsidiary to the Council for Exceptional Children. Officers of this organization were:

**Spring 2006**
- President – Kelli Janssen
- President Elect – Megan Mulcahy
- Vice President – Samantha Lampton
- Secretary – Lindsey Herzog
- Treasurer – Katie Wiebers
- Publicity – Lauren Florio
- Membership – Andrea Purvis
- Fundraiser – Rachel Fowler
- Newsletter – Jessica Seals

**Fall 2006**
- President – Megan Mulcahy
- President Elect – Katie Wiebers
- Vice President – Stephanie Sloman
- Secretary – Jenna Kasik
- Treasurer – Kelli Janssen
- Publicity – Lauren Wood
- Membership – Mackenzie Varek
- Newsletter – Jennifer Riegle
- Fundraiser – Jessica Cusack

Sigma Rho Epsilon is an honorary organization for students preparing to work with individuals with exceptional needs. Their officers included:

**Spring 2006**
- President – Michelle Stephens
- President Elect – Jessica Wendling
- Vice President Membership – Nancy Zegler
- Vice President Program – Megan Ghast
- Secretary – Kelsey Gregory
- Treasurer – Ellen Brown
- Service Coordinator – Julie Templin
- Publicity – Nicole Baker
- Historian – Katie Wiebers

**Fall 2006**
- President – Jessica Wendling
- President Elect – Rachel Fowler
- Vice President Membership – Julie Templin
- Vice President Program – Kirsten Harback
- Secretary – Bonnie Cielenski
- Treasurer – Katie Wiebers
- Service Coordinator – Amy Jackson
- Publicity – Jackie Martin
- Historian – Lindsey Herzog

Additional Awards included the 2007 Telefund Award, the Errett & Mazie Warner Special Education Scholarship, the Iva P. Miller Special Education Memorial Scholarship, the
12th Annual Stephen Wayne Kennard Scholarship, and the Dr. Robert Zabka Special Education Scholarship.

Telefund Awards are made possible through contributions from EIU alumni, faculty, and staff. They were awarded to Lisa M. Hahn and Michael Leonard.

The Warner scholarship is made annually to students who show outstanding character and scholastic achievement. The Warner scholarship awardee was Kelli D. Janssen.

The Iva P. Miller scholarship is given annually for scholastic achievement and recognition of special promise in the initial phase of the special education program. The Miller Scholarship awardee was Meghan E. Cassady.

The Kennard Scholarship was endowed by Mrs. Carl Fallen, with matching funds provided by AMOCO Corporation. It is named for Stephen Wayne Kennard, brother of Mrs. Fallen and Michael Kennard, and son of Ike and Joann Kennard. Scholarship awardees were Ellen Brown (Fall 2006) and Laura Brewer Geiger (Spring 2007).

The Dr. Robert Zabka scholarship is awarded annually and is endowed by Dr. Zabka, Professor Emeritus, Eastern Illinois University. Scholarship awardee for the Dr. Robert Zabka scholarship was Emma Melinda Ladage.
Faculty and Student News

The College of Education And Professional Studies will conduct its 10th annual Research Fair and Luncheon from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 19, in the Buzzard Atrium and Faculty Lounge areas (Buzzard Hall, Room 2444). The event is open to all university faculty, staff, and students, as well as to the general public.

The College of Education and Professional Studies Research and Grant Committee is extending the deadline for grant applications for the 2007-2008 fiscal year (April 1st, 2007 to March 30th, 2008). The grants are limited to no more than $800. CEPS faculty are eligible. Guidelines for the grant and applications may be found on the CEPS website at http://www.eiu.edu/ceps/grants/index.php. The deadline is Wednesday, March 21st, 2007 at 4pm.

The Department of Secondary Education and Foundations is awarding six scholarships to be dispersed in the Fall 2007 semester. The department is currently seeking applicants. Applications can be picked up in 2147 Buzzard Hall. The deadline to turn in applications along with a letter of reference and a current resume is 4:30 p.m. March 23.

MTIEP/MTEA 13th Annual Conference, “A Greater Difference Begins with You….So Teach”, will be held Friday, March 30, 2007. The keynote speaker is Perry Hill, IV, an EIU Alumnus.

Dr. Larry Ankenbrand established a scholarship for students in the Physical Education Department in September of 2006. A $250.00 award will be awarded to a student of Physical Education this spring.

Gustavo Albear, Secondary Education and Foundations, will be a faculty discussant for the Society for the Philosophical Study of Education and The American Philosophical Association-Central Division at the Annual Conference in Chicago, Illinois, April 18-21, 2007. The theme will be “Is there a Place for Philosophy in the Accreditation and Certification of Educational Programs for Teachers?”

Dr. Jon Oliver, Physical Education, had a manuscript entitled “Inline Skating-Rollerblading” accepted for publication in the upcoming Berkshire Encyclopedia of Extreme Sports.

Dr. Marylin Lisowski, Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle Level Education, had a book review published in the international journal, “The Environmentalist.” The review was titled “Out of the Blue,” a scientific treatise on the ocean.

EIU’s AlcoholEdu team was awarded honorable mention status in the 2006-2007 Prevention Excellence Awards Program. Team members include Daniel Nadler, vice president of Student Affairs and adjunct assistant professor in the Counseling and Student Development department; Eric Davidson, Health Service; Rachel Fisher, Health Service; Amy Charlton, Health Service; Lisa Hartman, Health Service and graduate student in the Counseling and Student Development Department; Kimberlie Moock, Orientation; and Jody Stone, Housing.

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Cheryl Warner and Teresa Freking, Secondary Education and Foundations, will be co-presenting at the ATE 2007 Annual Meeting in San Diego. They will be presenting a thematic session titled “Videoconferencing as a Supplement to Clinical Experiences: Benefits, Barriers, and Essential Design Features”.

Dr. Marylin Lisowski, Early Childhood, Elementary and Middle Level Education, will receive funding for her third annual Mathematics and Science Partnership Grant. The grant was for $187,588. The program was created for professional development training for teachers of science and mathematics. Teachers from 40 school districts are participating in the project.

Dr. Ollie Mae Ray, Health Studies, is teaching a course this semester titled “African American Influences on Dance in the United States, 1500-2000s”. The course is sponsored by the School of Adult and Continuing Education, African-American Studies Program and the Siddall and Ray Foundation Inc. The course will cover the history of influence of African-Americans on dance, preservation of African drums, music in the rural south and urban north, and contemporary impact of African – Americans on music, dance, and theatre.

Dr. Scott A.G.M. Crawford, Physical Education, had an “Issues” piece published in the January 2007 Journal of Physical Education Recreation and Dance. The topic was, “What should be done to prevent the circulation of repeat sex offenders in coaching?”

Dr. Charles Eberly, Counseling and Student Development and Dr. James C. Harden, Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle-Level Education, presented at Beyond Words: The Museum of Oppression. They did an interactive presentation that focused on the meaning of oppression and how to support each to reach a higher level of existance. They presented on January 23rd, 2007.

Dr. Marylin Lisowski, Early Childhood, Elementary, & Middle Level Education, conducted an ecological expedition to the Yucatan December 26th-January 2nd. The expedition was coordinated with scientists and Mayan leaders of Sian Ka’an Biodiversity Reserve.

Jessica Natale, a senior recreation administration major, is a recipient of the 2006 National Order of Omega Undergraduate Scholarship. Natale is a member of Delta Zeta and served as the 2006 president of EIU’s Alpha Theta Chapter of Order of Omega.