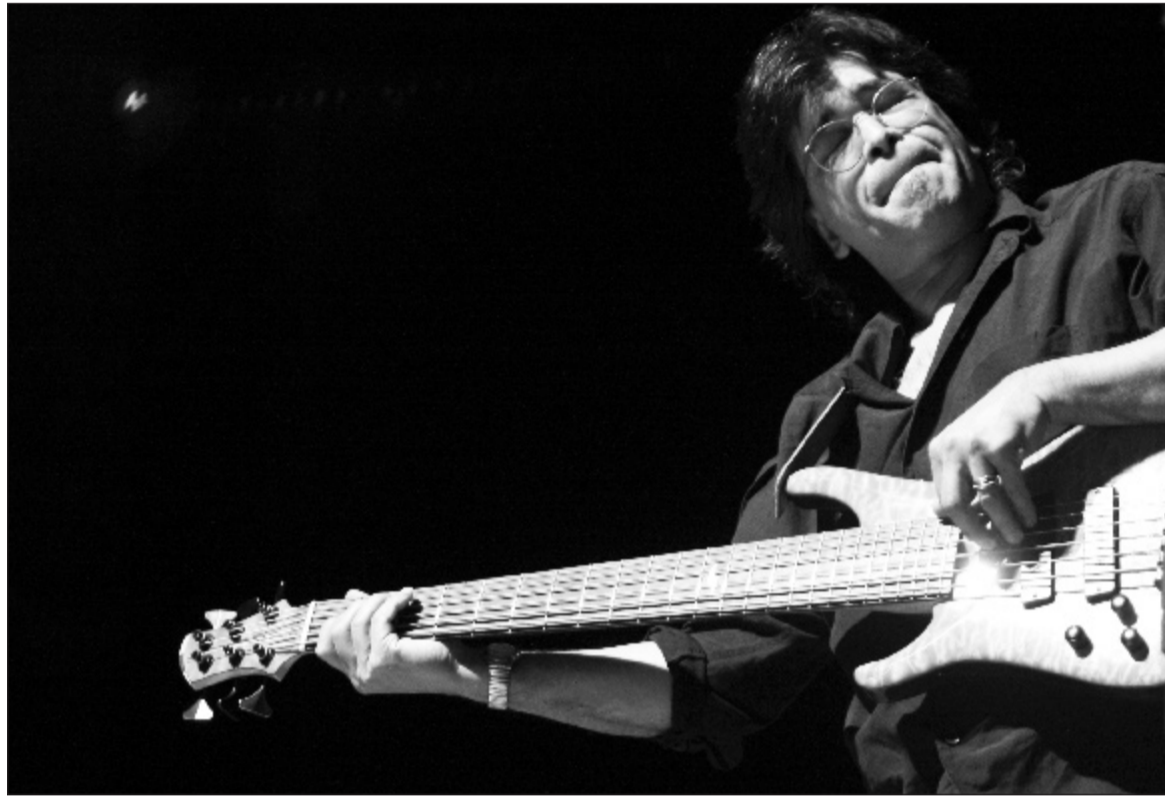


CAMPUS | CONCERT



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The Yellowjackets' bass player, Jimmy Haslip, performs during the Valentine's Day Concert Saturday night in the Dvorak Concert Hall. The Yellowjackets are a jazz quartet with drums, saxophone, keyboard and bass.

VALENTINE JAZZ

30-year band still nominated for Grammy awards

By JENNIFER BROWN
Staff Reporter

For Harrison Cole, the Yellowjackets Saturday night performance topped his list of jazz con-

certs at Eastern.

"It was excellent," said Cole, a senior performance major. "It was the best jazz concert festival in my four years at Eastern."

The Yellowjackets, which has been together for 30 years, consists of four instrumentalists.

The lead saxophonist, Bob Mintzer, is the leader of the band, has written more than 200 band

arrangements and has been a musician for more than 34 years.

In 1986, the Yellowjackets won its first Grammy for best R&B instrumental performance and in 2009, the group was nominated for best contemporary jazz album and best instrumental composition.

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UNIVERSITY | OPEN POSITION

Kirby on campus for interviews

Second candidate eyes opening for vice president for business affairs

By KRYSTAL MOYA
Administration Editor

Patrick Kirby did not follow steppingstones to find his way to Eastern's door as a candidate for the vice president for business affairs position.

Rather, he took random forks and unmarked paths to find him standing in the top three of 39 applicants for a position that has the responsibility of overseeing almost every fiscal property of the university.

"I found myself in higher education almost by accident," Kirby explained. "And, almost by accident, I stumbled across Eastern's position."

Kirby, a high school dropout, 20-year career Army soldier turned college graduate and financial expert for defense contracts, took a turn into higher education administration after hearing Nancy Harrington, president of Salem State College in Salem, Mass., speak at a seminar.

"She inspired me to venture into the realm of higher education," he said. "At the age of 37, I retooled myself to a mind

focused on financial management ... and I entered the world of higher education not as an administrator, but as a financial professional."

But Kirby, who works as the associate vice president of financial affairs for St. Edwards University in Austin, Texas, does not center his interest in the position on just finances. He also puts an extreme focus on collaboration and communication throughout the university.

"My vision of this position is not one where the person comes in with a heavy agenda as to what they want to do. I don't have any intention of entering tomorrow's interviews with a premier agenda in my head," Kirby said. "I firmly believe that in a university setting, we are not here to further our own agendas, rather we need to get down to our grassroots and communicate with the most steadfast of our constituents—students, faculty and staff."

Kirby said he does not "want to pretend" he has a full grasp on the issues that face Eastern in the interviews tomorrow.

"It is kind of like looking at a family," he explained. "You can look at the family and see what they are about, but if you are inside the family it is a whole different story."

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LOCAL | ELECTION

2 run for mayor position

Incumbent Inyart will be against write-in Richey

By JOE ASTROUSKI
City Editor

Charleston voters will have two choices in the April 7 mayoral race — incumbent John Inyart or write-in candidate Troy Richey.

Richey, of 238 West Vine Ave., said the city focuses too much on select areas like Lincoln Avenue and ignores others.

"It just seems like the north side gets neglected," Richey said, adding that many streets there are in poor shape. "They should concentrate on the city as a whole."

He said, if elected, he would also work to improve the city's economy.

"I want to use the position as mayor to clean up the city, bring more businesses, bring more jobs," Richey said.

He said the city should do more to entice new businesses.

"I honestly think they should offer tax breaks for businesses to come in, and help them find the proper place for their business," he said.

As a write-in candidate, Richey's name will not appear on the ballot, something he admits could hurt his campaign.

"It's definitely going to be a chal-



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Charleston Mayor John Inyart at the Feb. 3 City Council meeting in City Hall. Inyart was originally running unopposed for the position of mayor, but Troy Richey has announced he will run as well.

lenge," Richey said.

He also said he plans to begin campaigning door-to-door soon.

Richey said he is holding a "meet-the-candidate" party at the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 1821 20th St., on Feb. 22 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Inyart, who is at the end of his first term, said that, under his watch, the city has worked to remove run-down properties and bring more attractive housing for students.

"The city has stepped up its efforts to eliminate run-down properties,

forcing the owners of properties ... to make improvements or tear down dilapidated structures," said Inyart in a December news release.

Inyart pointed to Melrose Place Apartments on Fourth Street, a \$3 million development that he said replaced four old homes.

In the same news release, Inyart said the city has worked to encourage new businesses along Lincoln Avenue.

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CAMPUS | HEALTH

HIV testing available for students

By KAROLINA STRACK
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February's calendar has been filled with various activities relating to black history, and today will be no different except for one unique event — HIV testing.

The event, sponsored by the Delta Sigma Theta sorority, will provide free and anonymous HIV tests to students.

The Champaign Health Department will conduct tests from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the Martinsville Room of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Results take an average of 20 minutes, which is also an incentive for students to wait and get the results, said Shawn Peoples, the adviser for Delta Sigma Theta.

If someone tests positive, they have the option of talking to a counselor and working with the Champaign Health Department in their treatment and counseling.

According to the Center for Disease Control, blacks have the highest prevalence of HIV/AIDS infections in the United States. Within that group, black women have a higher risk in comparison to black men.

"Our sorority received a grant to test for HIV for Brothers and Sis-

ters United Against HIV to target the African-American college population between the ages of 18 and 24," Peoples said.

The program is in its fourth year and has generally seen a turnout of 75 to 100 students for testing with the majority of participants being black women.

The testing will be one of the few times students are able to get tested on campus for HIV.

Health Services on campus does not offer HIV testing, because it does not have counselors available for those that do test positive, according to Catherine Spannagel, sexual health education coordinator for the Health Education Resource Center.

"The health clinic tests for almost all STIs except for HIV — the funding just isn't there for it," Spannagel said.

With the grant no longer available, the program will mostly likely continue, but only once a year, Peoples said.

In previous years testing has been conducted at Easter in February as part of African American Heritage Month and in April, but the April date will most likely be the one that is cut, Peoples said.

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