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AMANDA WHITLOCK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Mending the bridge: Marion Hill an ironworker for the Physical Plant, as well as four other Physical Plant workers, were replacing the Plexiglas panels on the pedestrian overpass Nov. 20. Some of the panels melted during a fire last spring.

SIUC student killed in car accident on Thanksgiving night

Two killed, six injured in head-on collision

Greg Cima
Daily Egyptian

A 21-year-old SIUC junior died in a head-on collision near Naperville Thanksgiving night.

Damian Vincent Zanon, of Winfield, was pronounced dead after a two-vehicle accident at about 11:30 p.m. Thursday in unincorporated DuPage County. Zanon was the passenger in a car driven by his longtime friend Brian W. Kilgore, 22, of West Chicago, who also died in the wreck.

Kilgore's vehicle collided head-on with a mini-van driven by Sreedharan Kartha, 54, of Naperville. Two of the mini-van passengers, ages 10 and 13, were still in critical condition Monday morning.

Police have not determined the cause of the accident and it is still under investigation.

Zanon was a junior in mathematics at SIUC, and worked at the DAILY EGYPTIAN as a dispatch driver. Co-workers said Zanon planned to go into the education program with a specialization in mathematics to teach children.

"He was so young. He had so much to do, so much left," said Kathleen Stewart, a senior in journalism. "He's going to be missed by so many people."

Stewart, ad manager at the DAILY EGYPTIAN, said Zanon could always make her laugh and made any situation good.

"He should have been a comedian," Stewart said. "He always put a smile on everyone's face no matter what."

Stewart said Zanon had been her friend since they were in high school and decided to attend SIUC after visiting her. She said she helped find him a job at the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Stewart said Zanon wanted to be a teacher

and he was like a big brother to children who attended an after-school program he was in charge of at the YMCA in Glen Ellyn.

"He was just a very friendly person," said Holly Tanquary, a senior in captioning and account technician for the DAILY EGYPTIAN. She said he was very assertive and confident and said "hi" every day without fail.

"I'm just going to miss his smile and his warm greeting," Tanquary said.

Ranise Ruggeri, a junior in art and the production ad manager, said she planned to go to St. Louis with Zanon to music shows. She said Zanon was a nice guy who could never do anybody harm.

"I didn't get to know him as well as I wanted to," Ruggeri said.

Kali Rafferty, a senior in journalism, said Zanon was musically talented and played "all music instruments known to man."

She said Zanon would find something funny just to make people laugh. She said he always wanted to go out and was the life of the party.

Amanda Bickel, a senior in journalism and an advertising representative, laughed and said one night at Finch Penny Pub when she threw ice at him, he dumped water in her purse, and she dumped it out on his head. She said Zanon could always find something amusing in a situation.

"It's just going to be hard waiting for him to come in at two every day," Stewart said.

Services will be held today at 10 a.m. at Christ the King Church in Lombard. The burial will be private.

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Zanon

"He always put a smile on everyone's face no matter what."

Kathleen Stewart
co-worker, senior in journalism

Deans submitted budget cut recommendations to Wendler

Chancellor asks for up to 10 percent cuts

Jane Huh
Daily Egyptian

College deans submitted budget cut recommendations to Chancellor Walter Wendler by Nov. 22 after reviewing ways to shave as much as 10 percent of their budgets for fiscal year 2004, but the specifics of those cuts are still unclear.

Wendler asked deans to work on finishing their budget cut recommendations in July, citing the state's economic slump as a reason. Wendler declined to comment on the situation.

State projections indicate that the state could face a \$2 to \$4 billion

budget hole next year, which would result in a decrease of funding for higher education even more so than last year.

Deans were asked to cut about 5 percent for this year, said George Swisher, dean of the College of Engineering.

Whether the state drops another hit on education or not, Wendler plans to move forward with the procedure of requiring the units to cut 5 percent of their budget just in case. Coupled with the short-term cutting plan, he has suggested that each unit prepare a long-term budget proposal that would allow the unit to trim 10 percent of its budget.

In November, the Chancellor indicated that his office would also get hit with significant budget cuts.

The Faculty Senate approved

Wendler's request at their meeting in October, defeating 14-6 a resolution calling for the University to find funds from other sources.

The Chancellor will review the recommendations and present the final budget cuts.

Shirley Clay Scott, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, said she drafted her recommendations after consulting with various groups and committees within the college.

"We're going to figure out how to promote the best student-learning in the most cost-effective way," she said.

Scott and Swisher say they do not know when to expect the Chancellor's decisions.

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Contract negotiations to begin Wednesday

Faculty union, administration start three-day stretch

Ben Botkin
Daily Egyptian

The Faculty Association and SIUC administration will begin a three-day stretch of negotiations Wednesday, and the labor talks may even last beyond Friday.

At the most recent negotiations Nov. 22, there was a slight amount of progress made, with both sides agreeing to meet for three consecutive days beginning this Wednesday, said James Kelly, an associate professor of journalism and chair of the Faculty Association's public information committee.

Each negotiation session is expected to last all day, and both sides may decide to meet Saturday, Kelly said.

The Faculty Association, which gained membership approval Nov. 20 for a strike, can call for a professor walkout if members believe that sufficient progress isn't taking place at the bargaining table. Both sides have been in negotiations since February.

Chancellor Walter Wendler has said that classes will not be canceled if a strike takes place. The administration formed a committee to make preparations for the event of a strike.

Morteza Daneshdoost, president of the Faculty Association, has said

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NATIONAL NEWS

Democrat veteran takes on Bush
 John Kerry simultaneously wears his bleeding heart on his sleeve and Vietnam War medals on his chest - a useful trick as he seeks to challenge George W. Bush on issues such as the war on terrorism and impoverished children for the presidency in 2004.

Senator Kerry, of Massachusetts, yesterday became the first high-profile Democrat to declare himself a starter for his party's nomination to challenge Bush, who is dauntingly high in the polls.

The Democrat contest is looking set for a Melbourne Cup field, likely to be led by failed 2000 candidate Al Gore. Little-known Vermont Governor Howard Dean is running, but in the wings are senator Tom Daschle, the Senate party leader, former House leader Richard Gephardt, Gore's former running mate, senator Joe Lieberman, and senator John Edwards, a green but photogenic South Carolinian.

Lantern-jawed Senator Kerry, 58, brings considerable resources to his quest, not least a vast personal fortune, thanks to second wife, Teresa Heinz, who inherited an estimated \$650 million estate from her late husband, Republican senator John Heinz, of the tomato sauce family fame.

On the Meet the Press talk show yesterday, Senator Kerry announced he had set up a committee to explore financial and popular support for his bid, and signalled a left-leaning campaign that rejected the tactic of cosying up to the popular Bush.

U.S. manufacturing declines again
 NEW YORK - Economic activity in the manufacturing sector declined for the third consecutive month, even as the overall economy grew for the 13th straight month, a report said on Monday.

Contrary to economists' forecasts and market expectations, the Institute for Supply Management (ISM) said its index of manufacturing business conditions read 49.2 in November, below forecasts for a reading of 51.3 and below the 50 mark that divides between expansion and contraction.

The reading denoted a contraction in a sector that comprises less than one-fifth of the economy. The index read 48.5 in October and 49.5 in September.

Stocks halved early gains and bonds cut more than a third of their early losses on the news, which was out of sync with a recent batch of more upbeat reports on the economy.

"The trend is well established that the overall economy is holding up, but the manufacturing sector is feeling the brunt of the downturn," said Norbert Ore, director of ISM's survey, in a release, adding that "there are not really any signs of potential change either upward or downward."

The ISM new orders index fell in November to 49.9 from 50.9 in October and 50.2 in September. A barometer of future production, the new orders index is down sharply from a recent peak of 65.3 in March and signals further sluggishness ahead.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Four Palestinians die in violence
 JERUSALEM - Four Palestinians were killed today in separate incidents in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, including a teenager who was shot to death when rock-throwing Palestinians clashed with Israeli troops in Jenin.

In Gaza, a Palestinian gunman wearing an Israeli army uniform opened fire on a military outpost near the Jewish settlement of Netzanim, but was shot and killed by troops within a minute, the Israeli battalion commander said. The militant Islamic Jihad movement claimed responsibility.

Meanwhile, Palestinian militants attempting to fire a mortar shell at Israeli positions near the Erez checkpoint between Gaza and Israel mistakenly hit a group of Palestinian laborers, killing one and wounding 12 others, Palestinian security officials said.

In the West Bank town of Tulkarem, a Palestinian bystander was caught in the crossfire as Palestinian militants battled Israeli troops attempting to arrest them, said one of the militants, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

The militant, a member of the Al Qassa Martyrs' Brigades, linked to Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement, said members of the group opened fire at the troops when they emerged from unmarked cars. One of the militants was lightly wounded.

U.N. arms inspectors enter Baghdad
 BAGHDAD - United Nations arms experts have swooped on a military industrial complex in Baghdad on the fifth day of inspections for alleged Iraqi weapons of mass destruction.


A team of inspectors entered unhindered the Karamah (Dignity) compound run by Iraq's Military Industrialisation Commission in the Waziriyah industrial district of the capital.

The site is few kilometers from the headquarters of the inspectors at the former Canal Hotel on the outskirts of Baghdad.

Immediately after entering, the experts barred any movement from or to the complex.

An Iraqi engineer who was stopped from entering said the site has no workshops. He said work inside focuses on engineering designs. The compound has a high fence around it. A large placard at the main entrance shows an image of Iraqi President Saddam Hussein with the slogan: "The eagle returns free."

Stressing their mission is still in its early days, the inspectors say they have found no evidence yet of banned weapons programs and encountered no obstruction by Iraqi authorities seemingly eager to avoid any dash that might hasten war.

Today		Five-day Forecast	Almanac
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POLICE REPORTS

University

- Thirteen vehicles were damaged and stereo equipment was stolen between 1:07 and 3:31 a.m. in two parking lots in Southern Hills. Police have no suspects.
- A wallet was stolen between 7 and 10 p.m. Nov. 19 at Morris Library. Police have no suspects.
- Jason Edward Cox, 23, of Anna, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, improper lane usage and illegal transportation of alcohol at 12:23 a.m. Nov. 24 at the intersection of Highway 51 and Pleasant Hill Road. He was taken to the Jackson County Jail.

Carbondale

- Thomas J. Hardy, 19, of Carbondale, was arrested and charged with residential burglary at 11:28 p.m. Sunday at a residence in the 700 block of South Wall Street. Two females called 911 from their bathroom when they saw an unknown man enter their apartment. Hardy was allegedly found in one of the women's bedrooms. He had allegedly rifled through property in the home. Police said he was found with \$250 cash, a woman's identification card, checkbook and wallet. The woman was contacted and she reported \$200 and the personal items were stolen from her at Pinch Penny Pub, 700 E. Grand Ave., earlier in the evening. Two women were contacted when police found another residence in the apartment complex had been entered. Nothing was reported missing in the second residence. Hardy was taken to the Jackson County Jail.

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NEWS BRIEFS

ON CAMPUS

Southern Clayworks present holiday ceramic sale this week

The SIU student organization Southern Clayworks will be selling ceramic ware from 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesday in the Pulliam Woodshop. Ceramics will also be on sale Thursday through Saturday in the Student Center.

Grassroots literary magazine available now

The fall 2002 issue of Grassroots, SIU's undergraduate literary magazine, is now available for free in the Department of English office in Famer 2380. This semester's issue features 14 poems and six short stories.

Deadline for material to be submitted for the Spring 2003 issue is Jan. 28. Poetry, prose, screenplays, scripts for stage, photographs and artwork are accepted.

Tina Collins named director of Office of Records and Registration

Tina Collins is the new director of the Office of Records and Registration. She was previously the assistant registrar at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tenn., and was an instructor in business and health.

She received a bachelor's degree in public administration and a master's degree in public and community health from Austin Peay. Collins expects to receive her doctorate in higher education administration from Vanderbilt University next year.

Native American scholarships offered for 2003-2004

The former American Indian Association, of SIUC is offering scholarship awards to undergraduate and graduate students for the academic year of 2003-2004.

To be eligible, an SIU student must be a full-time continuing undergraduate or graduate student or an unconditional admitted new undergraduate student at SIUC. Students must have a minimum grade point average of 2.0 for undergraduates and 3.2 for graduates. Students must be of Native American heritage.

Assistant professor of architecture presented with award of excellence

Norman Lach, assistant professor of architecture, has won the 2002 Excellence in Education award from the American Institute of Architects Illinois. Lach received the award Nov. 9 during the institute's annual presentation in Chicago.

Lach is involved in a number of education advancement activities and is currently the Southern Illinois delegate to the Illinois Council of the American Institute of Architects and serves as an intern development coordinator for the group.

REGIONAL

Pagan Alliance announces holiday food drive

New Ages Other Worlds in Murphysboro is the drop-off center for the annual Southern Illinois Pagan Alliance Holiday Food Drive. The organization will be collecting canned and dried foods for charity and local food pantries until Dec. 16.

Carbondale teens arrested in burglary**Electronics, movies taken**

Arin Thompson
Daily Egyptian

Three Carbondale teen-agers were arrested in connection with a burglary that occurred Saturday around 7 p.m.

The four residents of a home on the 500 block of South Beverage Street were away on a Thanksgiving visit. They asked a neighbor to watch their home.

The neighbor reported hearing a loud noise and went outside to investigate. Upon investigation, he noticed the air-

conditioning unit was removed from a window of the home. He then saw three figures leaving the rear of the residence, so he grabbed his cell phone and followed the three to the 600 block of South Thompson Street. He then phoned the Carbondale police and the three were detained.

The neighbor could not be reached for comment.

The police arrested three teen-agers, aged 14, 15 and 16. Two of the teens were released to their parents. The 15-year-old was taken to the St. Clair County Jail and later sent to the St. Clair County Juvenile Detention Center.

One of the teens was carrying an authentic-looking .45 caliber BB pistol tucked into his waistband. The teen-agers were in possession of material from the home when they were detained. They had taken electronic equipment and movies, according to Dan Reed, police officer for the Carbondale Police Department.

Reed said there are a number of reasons why one of the teens was held. It could be that he had previous incidents with the law or that he was on probation, Reed said.

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Shadow of AIDS lurks in Student Center**Series of events for AIDS Awareness Week scheduled**

Jessica Yorama
Daily Egyptian

Among the student and faculty population making their way through the building, the grim reaper will be making an appearance in the Student Center.

The darkly clad figure will be there to remind students what unprotected sex could mean for their future while simultaneously reminding them to take into account their past.

The symbol of death lurking is an appropriate symbol for the events scheduled for AIDS Awareness Week titled "Is AIDS lurking in your shadow?"

Although the disease has forced itself into the conscious of society, many remain unaware of the vast impact it has had on the world.

According to the Epidemic Update, by the end of this year, 42 million individuals worldwide will be infected with the HIV virus.

Fifty-eight percent of the people infected last year were under the age of 25.

"We just want to make

sure that everyone is informed and aware," said Susan Corsasco, director of Student Programming and Center Events.

In an attempt to keep SIUC students informed, SPACE, along with various other sponsors, have organized a week full of events beginning with a showing of the movie "Kids."

While Nikki Hornsberry, who coordinated the week's events, said she believed all of the programs to be entertaining as well as informational. She said the film should have the biggest impact on students.

"A lot of people will come to see the speaker but not really hear what she's saying because they don't feel it applies to them," said Hornsberry, a graduate student in workforce education, from Rockford. "The movie really hits home because it shows people our age in an everyday environment, and they can relate to it better."

The informational week will continue with a lecture by Treatment Educator Debra Patterson on Tuesday, as well as a video presentation, "Living Down Under," on Wednesday, which will be followed by a roundtable discussion.

The week will conclude

Is AIDS in your shadow?**Monday**

• 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Radio Remotes

Tuesday

• 7 to 9 p.m. Video: "Kids" Student Center Auditorium
• 7 to 9 p.m. International Bridges Night Student Center Ballroom B

Wednesday

• 7 to 9 p.m. Lecture "Is AIDS Walking in Your Shadow?" Student Center Ballroom B

Thursday

• 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Old Main Buffet - \$1 of every buffet sold will be donated to pediatric AIDS research Old Main Room
• 2 to 6 p.m. FREE Anonymous AIDS Testing Newman Center
• 8 to 10 p.m. Video: "Living in the Down Under" and roundtable discussion Student Center Ballroom B
• 8 to 10 p.m. "The Ornament Project" Join us for karaoke and create magical ornaments for children living with AIDS Student Center Big Muddy Room

Friday - Red Ribbon Day - Wear your red ribbon in support of those living with AIDS

• 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Health Information Fair Student Center Gallery Lounge
• 11 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Faces of AIDS Opening Ceremony Student Center Ballroom B
• 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Faces of AIDS Student Center Ballroom B
• 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Performance: "Before It Hits Home" Student Center Auditorium (\$2 admission)

Saturday

• 7 pm- 10pm Concert: "A Voice For a Cure" McLeod Theater

with a health fair on Friday and play, "Before It Hits Home," performed that night by Oops Entertainment. Finally, the week will conclude with a concert, "A Voice For a Cure," performed by SIUC choir Voices of

Inspiration at 7 p.m. Saturday at McLeod Theater. A portion of the proceeds from both the play and concert will go to the Southern Illinois Regional Effort for AIDS.

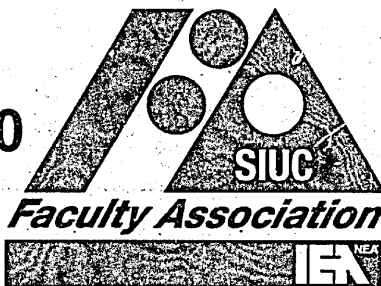
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It's not just about money.

But just where is the extra \$20 million SIUC has this year?

The administration has recently implied that because the state of Illinois is in a budget crunch, SIUC is also in a budget emergency. They have said that it's unrealistic to fill empty faculty lines and increase faculty salaries because of the current budget situation. But when we do the math, we come up with a lot of money unaccounted for.

Source of Funds	Approximate Amount of Missing Money
State Appropriation Increase (Taxpayers)	\$5,000,000 (According to the October 10 Daily Egyptian, \$122 million was appropriated to SIUC in FY2003 compared to \$117 million in FY2002)
Tuition Increase (Students)	\$8,500,000
Unfilled Faculty Lines (Faculty)	\$1,200,000 (20 fewer Faculty positions in 2002-3 than in 01-2)
Academic Units (Departments and Colleges)	\$5,300,000 (The 5% cutback for FY2003 from academic units as demanded by the Chancellor)

**The actual current situation**

The Students are paying more but getting less...

- There are fewer courses offered each semester
- Classes are larger when they are offered
- There are fewer Faculty to teach courses, advise graduate students, and direct dissertations

The Faculty are doing more but getting less...

- The ratio of Students to Faculty gets larger each year
- Faculty workloads are increasing
- They are doing more research with less time

The Administration is getting more but doing less...

- Fund raising remains at low levels
- The Faculty are unhappy and leaving town
- The Students are unhappy and leaving town

We want to know what Chancellor Wendler is doing with all this extra money. Don't you?

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Imagine a university without faculty.



An illuminated Christmas tree and table display are set up in Morris Library to benefit 15 abused children in the Southern Illinois area. The donations will be given to the shelter so that the mothers will be able to purchase Christmas presents for their children.

Sharing and caring

Poshard Foundation for Abused Children hopes to give happy holidays to 15 children

STORY BY LINDSEY J. MASTIS
PHOTOS BY AMANDA WHITLOCK

A tall, decorated Christmas tree stands in the hall of Morris Library to attract donations to help the 15 abused children.

The Poshard Foundation for Abused Children has worked with DJ Pat Benton of Magic 95.1 to sponsor children living in the shelters that are the most needy and raise money to give them a memorable and happy holiday.

Glenn Poshard, vice chancellor for Administration, said the display in Morris would help people to get into the spirit of Christmas.

"We work with these children all over Southern Illinois and they are the most vulnerable," he said. "These are children that have to live their life in fear and they have been abused physically and mentally."

The children's ages range from 3 to 14 and they all live with their mothers in a Southern Illinois women's shelter. Each child wrote a short description of what they like about the shelter and some mentioned what they learned about domestic violence.

The paragraph, located in a display next to the Christmas tree, includes the initials of each child to protect their location from an abuser.

J.W., 14, is one of these children. He spends his time learning about the consequences of abusers.

"The Women's Shelter is a place where parents like your mom come," he wrote. "They come to a shelter because they will get beat on by husbands or boyfriends."

The money collected will be given

to the counselors at the shelter to assist the mothers in purchasing presents for their children. Stephanie Graves, assistant to the dean of Library Affairs, said the money would help purchase items the children need and want.

"If the child needs a coat, they're getting a coat," Graves said. "The University community is encouraged to participate."

In addition to the donations, Kroger has donated gift certificates to each family for a pre-cooked holiday dinner.

The Library Administrative Offices will take donations during office hours but money can be donated at any time at the Circulation Desk. All donations should be

turned in by Dec. 12.

Checks should be made out to the Poshard Foundation. To adopt a child, write a check with the initials on the memo line. For a general donation, leave the memo line blank. Donations are tax deductible.

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The Christmas tree in Morris Library was set up by the Poshard Foundation for Abused Children. Donations, which can be given to the circulation desk will benefit 15 kids this Christmas.

SIUC campus offers ample space for final cramming

Gus Bode

Campus ministries provide students a study haven



Gus says: If I attend, will the powers that be have mercy on me?

Kristina Dailing
Daily Egyptian

With only two weeks left in the semester, gingerbread houses, warm cider and a midnight breakfast can offer students relaxation and a "warm fuzzy" feeling.

Several of SIUC's religious organizations have planned special holiday events to help students through finals.

The Newman Catholic Center is having its annual midnight breakfast Sunday. Community volunteers serve pancakes, sausage, donuts, juice and coffee from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. while SIUC faculty will provide tutoring to students needing help before finals.

Sandy Beebe, a clinical instructor, has worked at the breakfast since 1998 and said it is a great place for students to come to study or relax.

"Students can come study and eat, study and then eat again," Beebe said.

There will be different rooms in the center designated for certain topic areas and students can work with a professor from that field of study.

"There will be different groups participating and it doesn't matter what religion you are," Beebe said. "It is open for anyone to partake."

The Wesley Foundation at the United Methodist Student Center will also be offering events for students during the holiday season.

During the Lights Fantastic Parade Saturday, the United Methodist student center will host an open house with lemonade, cider, coffee and cookies for students interested in watching the parade.

"It's a great, warm place to watch the parade

because it comes right by here," said Frank Disney, director of the United Methodist student center.

Disney said that students are also invited to decorate gingerbread houses Sunday after the foundation's weekly Sunday dinner at 6 p.m. Students will be able to take home their graham cracker and frosting creation home to snack on during finals week.

The Interfaith Center will also have an open house from 5:30 to 8 p.m. during the Lights Fantastic Parade. There will be a light dinner, hot chocolate, snacks and music by the Unitarian Folk Orchestra.

On Sunday, the center will host a green Christmas to teach earth-friendly strategies for the holidays. The event will start at 6 p.m. and includes a potluck dinner and a "Green Elephant" give-away.

The Interfaith Center will also host an end-of-the-semester International Coffee Hour and a holiday open house from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. with refreshments and music by the fireplace.

The Hillel Foundation for Jewish Campus Life has planned a Chanukah party on Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Interfaith Center.

Ilan Israel, vice president of the organization, said the party will be open for anyone who wants to socialize and relax. Some of the traditional holiday food will also be offered and the group will light candles for the sixth night of Chanukah.

"We want to have as many programs as possible and the holidays help us to do that and bring people together," Israel said.

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Big Muddy room stays open late

Moustafa Ayad
Daily Egyptian

As the end of the semester closes in, study time becomes more and more important. Students challenged by distractions at residence halls or apartments can now seek refuge at the Student Center Big Muddy room.

From Dec. 2 to 12, the Student Center will allow students the opportunity to study from 11 p.m. to 3 a.m. in the Big Muddy Room, located in the basement of the Student Center. All students are welcome to attend and are encouraged to do so.

Doug Dagggett, associate director of the Student Center, said the program was initiated to provide additional late night study areas for students.

The normal hours of the Student Center are still in place, and students wishing to take advantage of the late night study area in the Student Center must use the south entrance by Neckers Hall. All other doors will be locked.

Dagggett also said that there will be dining services present at the study session, and students wishing access to refreshments should bring money.

As well as an open study area for students, the Big Muddy Room also has 12 Ethernet connections available so students may log on to the Internet via laptop computers.

Since the study area is in the basement, people with mobility impairment should call ahead of time as to make the necessary arrangements regarding entrance and access to required materials and study areas.

Students with mobility impairment who want to study in the Big Muddy after building hours should call the Administrative office at 536-3351 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to make arrangements for access, said Kathleen Plesko, director of Disability Support Services.

Morris library will also be open for extra hours this week.

The library will be open 24 hours a day except for Friday and Saturday. Those days the library will be open until midnight.

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Contest to award funds to business starters

Past entrepreneur and SIUC alum to act as sponsor

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

With the financial support of an SIUC graduate who knows what it's like to start from scratch, entrepreneurs in Southern Illinois have the chance to receive money to start their own business.

As part of the Southern Angels Business Plan Contest, revealed on Nov. 22, Peter Gregory is being referred to as the "angel investor" of the project that will award \$40,000 in an effort to encourage entrepreneurial spirit and increase jobs in the area.

"It's one of the most scary, rewarding and fun experiences, starting a new job," Gregory said. "I'd fund a furniture factory if I thought it'd make a good job."

Gregory, who graduated from SIUC with a degree in computer science in 1984, said he wants to help prospective business starters take good ideas into the marketplace and turn them into reality. He plans to do so with the help of the SIUC Office of Economic and Regional Development's Southern TECH program, both of whom will contribute half of the total award money.

Anne Lindberg, who works with the program, said part of their role is to work with business plan development, market research and working with other companies to get them involved.

"Our job comes in transforming innovation into enterprise," she said.

The winners of the business plan contest, selected based on the most innovative and potential business ideas, will receive up to \$7,500. Individuals or teams may enter the competition, and there are two stages. The first stage involves applying and submitting a four-page business plan summary by Feb. 14, and the second will be for the applicants that a review committee decides are worthy of advancing. For the finalists, a complete business plan is due by April 1 and will include an oral presentation to the contest judges.

Those who advance will automatically receive \$500 if they make the deadline. After that, final-stage winners in each of five divisions will receive cash prizes of up to \$2,500. The grand prize winner will win an additional \$5,000, while second and third places will each be awarded \$1,000 less than the previous.

Prudence Rice, associate dean for the office of research and development, was at the unveiling of the contest to link the "research arm of the University" to the contest.

"State officials have said we're the technological engine of the southern part of the state," Rice said of the University's accomplishments in research. "Research is becoming more important and much more visible in Southern Illinois."

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For more information on the Southern Angels Business Plan Contest or to fill out an application, visit www.siu.edu/~SOAngels

Gift of giving



LESTER E. MURRAY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

After 14 years, the SIUC Physical Plant is still feeding its employees. The Physical Plant gave a Thanksgiving dinner Nov. 21 for all its employees, both civil service and student workers. Jay Brooks, superintendent of Building Services, and Vice Chancellor Glenn Poshard were in attendance to thank all the employees for their good work during the past year.

Time at computer may lead to ailments

Scott Rank
Iowa State Daily (Iowa State U.)

AMES, Iowa (U-WIRE) — All that quality time in front of a computer screen to finish a project, beat a video game or surf the Internet may cause health problems.

According to the study released by Chiba University in Japan, the more time a person works in front of a computer, the more likely he or she is to suffer a group of physical, mental and sleep-related ailments. Researchers said workers stuck in front of a computer most commonly complained of headache, eye strain, joint pain and stiff shoulders.

Mental symptoms such as lethargy, anxiety, insomnia and anxiety were most common among workers who spent more than five hours in front of a computer screen, researchers said.

Shengchao Yu, doctorate student in computer engineering, spends between eight and 10 hours per day in front of a monitor. He said he agreed with the results of the study.

"I definitely get eye strain from staring at the computer," Yu said. "I also get lower back pain."

"As far as mental effects, I definitely feel better when I'm not in front of the computer. However, I'm not sure the computer monitor causes my anxiety. It might be my work itself that's

stressful," Yu said.

Suzanne Zilber, staff psychologist for Iowa State University Student Counseling Service, said she believes factors other than staring at the monitor cause these health problems.

Getting the proper amount of exercise, exposure to direct sunlight, and sleeping the right amount are paramount to avoiding depression, she said, and those who spend lots of time in front of their computer probably neglect these things.

In order to combat this stress, the study suggests prevention of mental disorders and sleep disorders requires the restriction of video display terminal use to less than five hours per day.

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Student Voice Committee

Communication needed for RSO funding allocation

Student leaders note a general RSO fee and budget flexibility could improve allocation process

Editor's Note: With a campus of more than 20,000 students, representing different countries, religions, beliefs and cultures, a student's voice can be lost in the crowd.

Through a newly established student discussion group, "Student Voice Committee," a variety of students can express their own opinions and form in one unified SIUC student voice.

This will be the first in a weekly series that brings together student leaders and representatives from different areas around campus to address issues that concern students, faculty and administrators at SIUC.

This week, Neal Young, vice president of Undergraduate Student Government, Michael Rivers, president of Black Affairs Council, Nathan Stone, executive director of Student Programming Council, and Corey Velazquez, president of Residence Hall Association, addressed funding for registered student organizations and if current allocations of funds should change.

DAILY EGYPTIAN: Should USG be the group to allocate funds for RSOs?

Neal Young: Obviously I am going to say yes. USG is a recognized constituency group of students on campus. The money that goes into the SOAF fee is paid solely by students. If we were to hand that one more thing to the administration to do, I don't think the students could count on it being done in an equitable manner. I think it would go to the highest bidder.

I am not going to deny there are obvious problems. There has never not been problems with the money, but I don't think there will not be problems with the administration handling it. But the only difference is, there will be no one there to change it, if the students demanded a change.

Nathan Stone: I agree with Neal in the fact that the students should give out the money or a completely separate entity of just a finance committee. But I think their needs to be some sort of stable non-voting member there, whether it is a member of the faculty or administration that is there every year to see the process through, year by year. The biggest problem I see right now and has been the biggest problem, is every year, new people are getting in there and learning new things. It is not completely understood until halfway through; there needs to be some sort of consistency.

Corey Velazquez: I agree that it should be given out by the students, but

the only part I disagree with is it should be all USG. It should be comprised of a panel that are knowledgeable, especially in finance, that have been around more than a year and aware of what the needs of the RSOs are. As a second identity, improve the finance people from some of the larger RSOs, so the power is spread out on the allocation of who gets what. I think that would be more representative of a wide range of students.

DE: What are some alternative ways funds could be distributed to RSOs outside USG?

Velazquez: Sit down some of the priority one and priority two RSOs and see how interested they are in the process. Each one could send one person to make an equal vote, but make more of a collective committee decision. I am not sure how USG does it, but they vote on it. Make it more spread out, not just USG but some of the other groups.

Stone: I disagree with the whole 'priority ones.' I have always been a big priority one advocate but the problem with that is that USG changes every year. One year, the Greeks and BAC together are the priority ones; this year USG is not priority-one heavy at all. My only fear with having priority ones is the allocation would always be priority one heavy and the smaller organizations probably would not get as much.

Young: I agree with what Nathan is saying about that, though it would seem like an idea for priority one to be involved in that, but the problem is there are only 11 priority one organizations and there are 450 non-priority one organizations.

With USG, any student has the right to fill an empty seat; any student has the right to come and let their voices be heard. USG is supposed to be a separate body of students elected by their peers to do a certain job, and one of their jobs has been to try and make sure the allocation of those funds are there.

Ultimately, I don't think there is a delicate balance. There is nothing you can do to make everyone happy. All you can do is try to make a system that treats everyone fairly and holds everyone to the same yardstick. I don't believe that handing that power over to the administration is a way to make that fair; it should be with the students.

Michael Rivers: I was on the finance committee last year and I don't believe the finance committee was fair with the way they handled RSOs. As an organization when you come to USG and ask them for money, you are supposed to get interviewed and talk to all seven members of the finance committee. That is not how it happened last year. The organizations would come in, the finance committee would break up and two members would talk to one group and two other members would talk to another group. To me, that is not fair that those members are talking to the group and the finance committee gets together afterwards and discusses what the members talked about.

Granted, I know they were trying to make the process more fair last year, but I could say I want a particular organization to succeed and say that was a



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- Undergraduate
- Political science major



Michael Rivers

- Black Affairs Council, president
- Undergraduate
- Electronic systems technology major



Nathan Stone

- SPC, executive director
- Undergraduate
- Radio-television major



Corey Velazquez

- Residence Hall Association, president
- Undergraduate
- Electrical Systems Technology major

good idea, then talk to the rest of the members and they could say I don't think that person is doing a good job, so I don't think they deserve that money.

The way it use to work, the priority one organizations would allocate money out to organizations that are under their 'umbrellas.' For example, BAC is a priority one organization. It would co-sponsor an event and what they would allocate money to other organizations that would help with the event.

That way would be better for the priority one organizations because it would incline of the organizations to work together more. Priority one could work 18 organizations they have under them, but if they do not have communication at all to get the money, they would be difficult. However when they do come to you and talk to you, that improves upon the communication and there will be more co-sponsorship of events here at SIU which is needed.

Stone: On top of that, if you have a priority one umbrella organization allocating the money to the organizations that are underneath of them, they probably know more than what is going on under these certain groups than the finance committee does. Like with the Inter-Greek Council, they have a better grasp of what is going on with the fraternities and sororities and how much it will cost for a specific event.

Rivers: Another issue is, last year the USG administration set the budget for this year. The way USG is working for this year, we have to follow that budget, unless we have to come back and check with them and say we would like to do things differently. To me, that is USG trying to control everybody. If we come to USG and say we want to do this event and USG says no, then we can't do that event. The problem is not that last year the administration made the budget. There are the ABCs for RSOs, which are guidelines from the state for student organizations. As long as the person is not going against the rules of the state, they should be able to adjust their budget the way they see fit.

Young: I don't disagree with that. Especially SPC, should be able to make a general outline of what they need to do, the problem that you run into is, where you draw the line and where you set the boundaries for what is good and what is not.

If you have an organization that says, 'hey let's not have this concert and buy ourselves T-shirts,' that may be within the guidelines of what the state has set up for the RSO. But I can guarantee you that the large majority of the student body who would say, 'I'd rather

they had a concert than buy themselves T-shirts.'

Priority ones should have flexibility, you are right about that, but the problem you run into is that we have a set amount of money, which is about \$500,000.

The only way to get more is to raise the fees. I don't want to pay anymore.

Rivers: You have BAC, which has about 18 organizations under it; Hispanic Student Council has about seven or eight, Inter Greek Council has about 20. If USG allocates Inter Greek Council and BAC, that is a happy big group of people right there. That is a lot that USG would no longer have to deal with. How many organizations do you fund in last year?

Young: About 260 [for spring allocations]. More people don't want to do spring allocations, they wait until fall when they want to do an event the next month then they ask for the money to do that.

Rivers: I disagree with that. We have to pay USG will give us the money, but if we have the funding already then we know what we can do and how far we can do with it.

Young: Just a minute ago, you said the president has to make out the budget. Well, every organization is like that. Without fail, they will come back to us and say, 'We don't want to do this, we don't want to do this.' USG says ok, you can transfer the money if you don't want to do this anymore. But we have to have some kind of general accountability.

Stone: The problem is the large RSO, especially for us [SPC], we are on a high budget, where we make a lot of money on the concert. Or we can lose a lot of money on a concert, which is the problem we are having right now.

As long as the organization is doing what is in the best interest of the students, then they should be able to transfer money around within their budget. However, if they are spending money to go to Appiebee's then USG should step in.

Velazquez: It would be nice if we had a pot of our own to get money from, instead this one big generic word 'student activity fee.' It should be a separate fee or the other should be removed and be named the student government fee or RSO fee.

I think programs should be evaluated. I hate to see a program expect 1,000 people, but only 100 show up and 100 have shown up last year and 100 will show up next year. It is a waste of

money. It could be the best program in the world, but it is not fitted for SIU.

The concern lies in that student who has gone here for four years and said he has not been to one event the activity fee has paid for. That student coming up to you saying I haven't gone to one thing, which is the person who we are accountable to; it is the actual student. That is why I try to take a stance, which event could I host that will have the largest impact and the largest audience.

Get the most bang for your buck, and it seems we are watching every penny; things seem to get tighter and tighter.

DE: What are some ways to make the current system for allocating funds more efficient?

Young: Trying to get in touch with all of the smaller groups is the hardest part, especially for the big organizations that are helping them.

Velazquez: Trying to find that perfect balance with the larger groups. It would be very nice if we could house all the RSOs under one super building. And, it all comes down to communication. Even having priority one groups meet and talk about what is going on. I have my president's roundtable Thursday. I have groups underneath me. We talk about what has gone on this semester and plan for next semester.

Stone: I think we should have an RSO president's roundtable and talk about what everyone is doing.

Velazquez: Also, at the Southern at 150 meeting, they were promoting the multicultural center. I said you cannot get as diverse as the RSOs on this campus. That building should be for the RSOs.

Conclusion: A large student group, such as USG, should have control of the allocation of funds for RSOs. Although USG was favored as the group to continue the process, more involvement and communication between the RSOs and finance committee should occur. A major problem is the budgeting of events by the organizations themselves. It was agreed more structure and flexibility of events and funding should take place. However, priority ones who umbrella smaller groups should frequently talk weekly as other groups do, to discuss possible co-sponsorship with each other and other large organizations. All in all, the process cannot be completely revamped, but these vast improvements could make the fund allocating system more efficient and fair.

Organizations Invited to the Student Voice Committee:

- Undergraduate Student Government
- Student Programming Council
- Graduate Professional Student Council
- Hispanic Student Council
- Black Affairs Council
- Residence Hall Association
- International Student Council
- Inter-Greek Council
- Saluki Rainbow Network
- Representative from Disability Support Services

RSOs interested in sending a representative to a Student Voice Committee meeting, contact the Daily Egyptian at editor@siue.edu or calling 536-3311.

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COLUMNISTS

For what it's worth ...

Dedicated to my Angel, who watches my back no matter the cost, and to anybody who has said goodbye to a loved one.

You have sacrificed so much for so many ungrateful people, including myself!

I have been warned about expressing my feelings!

But I owe you more than that! If at anytime I can keep your spirit alive I will do so!

I really didn't feel any connection to you until you passed through me! I dream of you every once in a while and wish I could explain everything to you!

I am sorry I didn't give you the chance that you wanted and deserved! But I didn't know the full extent of my actions, nor did it ever change my love for you!

You've given me the love and support that I need to be the person I'm destined to be

And even I sometimes question it, but I know things went the way it was meant to!

Over time I have seen the hearts of people!

Even though

you're not here anymore I know that you still love me unconditionally!

When I felt defeated by life, you gave me the energy to move on!

On the days I wanted to give up on life, you gave me the strength to live one more day!

You've given me the love and support that I need to be the person I'm destined to be!

And for that I would die if it should mean that you could live!

I took your presence for granted and can only imagine what life would be like if I hadn't!

You are so much better than I could ever be, and you really do bring out the best in me!

You mean so much to me that there are no words that can effectively



The Power of Words

BY MARGARET JAIVEOLA SIMPLIBEAUTIFUL@hotmail.com

describe your value!

To me! And throughout this ordeal I've learned that you are my heart and soul!

There is so much I want to say that the words are in disarray!

There is so much I could say about the circumstances of this letter!

I'm just not so sure it would make things better for you!

I have a constant reminder of you in my head, while you remind me of my childhood!

The losses I've had to endure this year combined don't come close to the loss of you!

Things still aren't the best right now, but it is better!

You force to be more positive in the face of negativity!

I know that I'm not in the position to be asking you for anything but!

If you could continue to visit me in my dreams I would be grateful!

There is no turning back the clock, so I have to accept what I did to you!

In the end there will be so much guilt, but only one regret!

I know this doesn't come close to giving you any justice!

I only hope you know it was for you!

For what it's worth I am sorry, and more importantly I do love you...

Margaret is a senior in speech communication. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Friendship and the need for loneliness



Check Please!

BY BILL KELLY billyk@siu.edu

"Wise up, folks. We're all alone out there and tomorrow we're going out there again."

- "The Big Chill" Loneliness is a part of life, and we all get it from time to time. Notice I didn't say suffer from loneliness because I don't think anyone really suffers; they just feel sorry for themselves.

Some people choose to be alone while others can't help but avoiding solidarity. I suppose loneliness is a recurring stage in our lives that happens to come during the times when we need people the most.

With the holidays creeping up on us again, it almost seems pointless to grasp onto the spirit of the season if you don't have someone to share it with.

I think most people experience solitude during the transitional parts of their lives. For example, from middle school to high school is quite a big step for some people — friends are dropped and new ones are added. It's hard to pinpoint a reason why this happens, but I can assure it happens again from high school to college. In fact, that is a bigger transition because college ultimately changes who you are, dismissing who you used to be, and forming you into a new person.

Again, this is another part of life we can't avoid because certain changes need to happen in our lives in order for us to grow up. But after college and going into the real world is where most people drop their old lives, go through a few lonely stages and begin new lives all over again.

Honestly, how many people are you still friends with from grade school? Of course, there are exceptions to every statement so I'm not saying that all friendships are doomed. However, I feel I am simply making note of a difficult reality that a lot of people have to deal with. This reality consists of lonely times filled to the brim with long lost memories of a best friend who no longer fulfills the emptiness in our lives.

Friends do come and go, but the ones that stick around help us through the stages of loneliness. It's always nice to get that phone call, letter or e-mail from a good friend who wants to take you out for lunch and catch up on old times. It's funny how everything can be discussed over a simple meal; maybe the essence of public dining is to bring people closer together.

Have you ever noticed that when people want to catch up, they always ask what you had planned for lunch or dinner? The reason they ask is because everyone usually has plans — lunch with a coworker or dinner with a spouse — and they would like to somehow fit into your now busy schedule.

Keeping in touch with people is important because eventually you need to get outside the stages of loneliness and enjoy yourself with other people. But the reality is that we're all lonely every now and then and that isn't necessarily a bad thing. The time spent alone is the time spent in between the transitions of life, whether it is from high school to college or college to the real world.

And so I said to the waiter, "Can I get the check please?"

Check Please appears every Monday.

Bill is a senior in cinema. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

LETTERS

There is more to Africa

DEAR EDITOR:

Johanna Hanink's guest column on Nov. 19 falls into a time-tested mantra. What is the objective of the column? Is it telling Americans not to venture a trip to Africa? Since the 15th century there has been a long list of travel journals, adventure stories and films — Tarzan included — that present Africa as a continent that removed from civilization and always in turmoil. Hanink's column joins the list. Does she mean in the duration of her sojourn, she saw and experienced nothing positive in the Gambia and Senegal? She paints West Africa with broad strokes based on her experience and analyzes more than 50 countries through the prism of that experience.

When there is turmoil in other parts of the world, largely Europe, one points to the specific country, large or small, be it: Ireland, France and the Basques, Kosovo, Albania or Cyprus. But in Africa, a Rwandan conflict is an all-African conflict, so a conflict in the Ivory Coast becomes West African; better still an all "lucky one-in-five" African conflict.

While in her arrogance she may voice her take on Africa — people live there and have aspirations that are as human as hers — despite the sound and smell of a West African bus-load: "dangerous, loud and bad." There is more to the various African countries than what some visitors want to see. W.E.B. Du Bois saw it in the mid-twentieth century, left America and became a Ghanaian.

To those who will visit African countries, you may or may not have "the privilege of peace and seats." However, you will meet people who are open and ready to share the little they have with you. Make a trip with the BAS program and see for yourself.

Leonard Gadrakpo, PH.D. assistant professor/coordinate, African Cultural Continuity Study Abroad / BAS

Power determines success

DEAR EDITOR:

Everyone who cares about this country should read Marc Torney's column on Nov. 22 about the recent assault on civil rights and liberties. I honestly wonder what it will take for people to care about the Bill of Rights and why it was implemented in the first place. It seems as long as most people can go shopping a few times a week and be entertained by TV, they are willing to give up all kinds of freedom. Another problem, perhaps, is that nobody bothers to read enough history to understand why governments should never be given the kind of power we are now handing over. Finally, it is sad that everybody in leadership positions is so afraid to speak out. But, apparently, courage is no requirement for success in this country.

Katie Fogg Carbonada

University is in need of major overhaul

DEAR EDITOR

First, an open note to Chancellor Wendler: I am on sabbatical leave this academic year (2002-2003) and am receiving half pay from SIUC while visiting other institutions. Nonetheless, if the Faculty Association goes on strike, I will regard myself as on strike; if my colleague's pay is withheld, mine should be as well. This is nothing personal against you. You have been hired into a very difficult position. Hopefully you will succeed in getting a contract between the Faculty Association and the Board of Trustees soon. No one wants a strike.

To the University community: Private companies, which do not know their profits from year to

year, still manage to negotiate collective bargaining agreements. Likewise with state agencies, even in uncertain budget times. There is no reason the Board of Trustees could not have reached agreements with all bargaining units on campus long ago. They have failed in their public charge. The problem with this campus is the Board of Trustees. I have visited or worked at many universities. I have never seen one so badly managed as ours. The Board members should be pressed to resign. The new governor, in cooperation with the Senate Education Committee, the Illinois Board of Higher Education, and campus and community constituency groups, could then appoint a new team to get this place moving forward. It is time for the Faculty Senate and other constituency bodies to consider a vote of no confidence in the Board of Trustees.

Mike Sullivan Assoc. Prof. of Mathematics, SIUC

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Annual scholarship gala to benefit SIUC female undergraduates

Art exhibit, silent auction will raise money for awards

Carrie Roderick
Daily Egyptian

Females who have attended SIUC have benefited from more than \$30,000 in scholarship awards since 1997 because of the annual Women in the Arts Scholarship Benefit.

The event has women artists from the Southern Illinois area exhibit pieces of work to benefit women students. This year's display, "Sampler of Women in the Arts 2003," will be from Feb. 10 through March 26 in the University Museum.

Artists have the choice of whether or not to put their work up for sale. Those who would like to sell their exhibited work are asked to donate a percentage of their sales, which is decided by the artist, to the scholarship fund.

Deborah Morrow, secretary for Women's Studies, said the number of scholarships they have been able to offer has expanded.

"We've actually probably tripled the number of scholarships available for undergraduates," Benz said. "As a

three some organization we made the decision that we would try very hard never to have any overhead expenses."

The event originated in March 1997 and has accumulated between \$30,000 to \$35,000 in undergraduate scholarship funds over the years, Morrow said.

To have their works considered, artists must submit slides or photos of up to three pieces in painting, drawing, printmaking, collage, fiber arts or photography by Jan. 10. The works must have been completed within the last 24 months, be able to be wall mounted, measure less than 6 feet in any direction and weigh 50 pounds or less.

Lorilee Huffman, curator of collections at the University Museum, said people are encouraged to submit their work so the museum can get a good representation of Southern Illinois women and their artistic talent.

The SIUC's Women Caucus, Women's Studies Program, the University Museum and the Carbondale branch of the American Association of University Women, sponsor the event.

Linda Benz, assistant director for external reporting for SIUC's Institutional Research and Studies, said the three women organizations

created the benefit together. She said Constance Shanahan, research project specialist for Research Development and Administration at SIUC, developed the idea.

"She considered that we can raise more funds working together and then splitting it three ways, as opposed to putting on our own events and seeing what we could do," Benz said.

The Women in the Arts Scholarship Benefit's program will be March 26 at the University Museum with music by female artists and food. This is the first year the event will be at the University Museum.

There will also be a silent auction on that day. Benz said there are items available for all age groups at the auction.

Past items have ranged from Alan Jackson tickets to athletic gear to beauty salon certificates.

Admission is \$10 for the general public and \$5 for students, senior citizens and children.

Reporter Carrie Roderick can be reached at croderick@dailyegyptian.com

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ID thefts become threat to shoppers

Justin Noel Shimko
Oklahoma Daily (U. Oklahoma)

NORMAN, Okla. (U-WIRE) — Students worrying about identity theft while online should not stop surfing the Internet or shopping on the Web.

Instead, they need to be more cautious while finishing up the holiday season, said FBI spokesman Gary Johnson. And online is not the only place to be cautious.

"(Students) probably don't realize the people that can have access to their information," said Johnson, who operates out of the FBI's Oklahoma City office.

With students on the computer more, roommates, suitmates and friends of roommates can easily access Social Security numbers, credit card information and anything else used on the computer to purchase or access online.

Through buffers and histories stored on computers, anyone can access information at that computer, Johnson said.

After the Nov. 25 arrest of three people connected with the theft of more than 30,000 identities, the Federal Trade Commission and other agencies have been swamped with calls about the safety of identities in this high-tech age.

Authorities say it was the largest identity theft ring broken up in U.S. history, with false loans and run up credit charges estimated at more than \$2.7 million.

Claudia Bourne Farrell, spokeswoman for the FTC, said that people worried about identity theft have taken over the complaint database.

Both the FBI and the FTC said the most important piece of information to protect is the Social Security number.

"The Social Security number is the skeleton key to your

credit file, so always be very cautious in giving it out," said Donald Girard, spokesman for Experian, a credit bureau.

Never make a copy of your Social Security card and never freely give it out, FBI Johnson said. Memorize the number and keep it locked in a safe place, along with rarely used credit cards and other vital information, he said.

Johnson said that students who live in dormitories, Greek houses and other high occupancy residences should promptly remove mail when it's delivered and deposit outgoing mail in protective receptacles.

Johnson said it is better to use a debit card rather than a check when making a purchase. He said the card holds less information than a check does.

To prevent becoming a victim of identity theft, the FTC said to periodically run a credit report.

In the recent identity theft, the FBI learned from the Ford Motor Credit Co. that someone was using a company password and access code to pull about 15,000 credit reports.

The ring was uncovered after victims noticed something was wrong.

Credit bureaus Experian, TransUnion and Equifax all said to run a credit report once a year. If someone notices irregularities in the report, a "fraud alert" statement can be placed in the credit file. The alert would tell vendors to contact a person before granting credit.

Johnson said students are not at the highest risk of identity theft similar to recent arrests. On campus, identity theft is usually using someone else's ID to enter a bar, he said.

But if someone is a victim of identity theft, Johnson said to contact the police, a credit reporting agency and the victim's creditors.

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in the past that he wants the union to avoid a strike if possible and continue bargaining. He said he hopes that the three days will yield positive results.

"I'm crossing my fingers that we're going to get some issues resolved," he said.

The faculty union represents a bargaining unit of 684 tenure and tenure-track professors at SIUC who are working under the terms of a contract that expired in June. Both bargaining teams have had disagreements about salary packages, and other issues include workloads, tenure and student/faculty ratios.

Kelly said the Faculty Association wants to continue focusing on reaching a contract agreement through negotiations at the bargaining table.

"That is where an agreement will be reached," Kelly said.

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AIDS

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The week will also include such events as free AIDS testing and the "Ornament Project" Thursday, where people will be given the opportunity to make ornaments for children living with the disease.

Homsberry said coordinating the week's events has been a particularly educational and serious time for her, as an black female, the domination with the highest population of HIV infection.

As Hombsberry pointed out, the world has gone from a little more than 1,000 people infected in 1981 to 42 million in 2002.

She hopes that statistics such as this will encourage students to stop by informational tables in the Student Center. Hombsberry also hopes students will keep in mind they must protect themselves and take into account one simple fact: "AIDS does not discriminate."

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Dress rehearsal teaches etiquette of business world

Cynthia Boyd
Knight Ridder Newspapers

ST. PAUL, Minn. (KRT) — Dana Yoder learned the proper handshake Monday night, the one that impresses prospective bosses from Fortune 500 companies and graduate school interviewers — and maybe even future in-laws.

Yoder is intent on a career in the-ater management. So she, along with about 90 Northwestern College classmates, donned black suits and fancy shoes and came to dinner.

Call it one of their final courses, or better yet, a dress rehearsal for entry into the world of work. These college seniors came to master the multi-course dinner and learn the manners their mamas didn't teach them.

Or, maybe it's only now that they want to learn how to eat soup at a business dinner, work a room full of prospective clients, know which fork to use first, and how to perform a proper introduction.

"We're trying to transition them from college to career," explained Bridget Kenadjan, employer relations specialist in the Career Development Center at the college and coordinator of the annual Professional Protocol dinner for seniors. For eight years, students at this Arden Hills college have come to dine and walked away confident about how to get along, she said.

Enter Berva Bocklage, director of the Midwest School of Etiquette in Minneapolis, graduate of the Protocol School of Washington in Washington, D.C., and teacher of the business handshake and other good manners to employees of Fortune 500 companies and colleges throughout the Twin Cities and beyond.

"Manners and etiquette can only help with whatever they will be doing in their lives," Bocklage said.

Manners are the framework to human relations. Take the job interview, or even dinner conversation with work colleagues. "We always say, you don't speak about your health, politics, about religion or money," she said.

Good manners mean you cut your meat one piece at a time, use antiperspirant on your palms if they tend to get sweaty and you're shaking hands, and never eat before your host picks up his or her napkin.

Forget about blue jeans.

"Dress for the job you hope to aspire to," Bocklage said.

No white socks, but, she advised the gentlemen, DO wear socks.

Some Northwestern students saw good manners as the bottom line, the clincher in competition for a place in graduate school, at a desk in a cubicle or as a theater manager.

Say the final interview was dinner, said Jesse Frey of Medford, Wis., who



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Northwestern College seniors practice the proper handshake technique during a seminar on manners led by Berva Bocklage of the Midwest School of Etiquette in Minneapolis.

is planning on pursuing an advanced degree in psychology. "I'd hate to go and feel so uncomfortable I'd both

the interview," he said.

And as for that handshake, there's etiquette to that, as well. The proper

handshake is firm and enthusiastic, Bocklage said, not sweaty or clammy or bone crushing.

U.S. Supreme Court enters debate over affirmative action on campus

Shannon McCaffrey
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON (KRT) — The Supreme Court set the stage Monday for what could be a landmark ruling on affirmative action, agreeing to decide whether universities can use race as a factor in admitting students.

The high court in recent years has chipped away at government affirmative-action programs dealing with such things as government contracts. But it has not spoken on the use of racial preferences in higher education in more than two decades, which leaves legal experts wondering how it will rule.

At issue is whether the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and its law school violated the Constitution by rejecting white applicants while accepting minority students with lower grades and test scores.

If the high court strikes down such public university programs, it would be a near-fatal blow to the use of affirmative action, which was conceived of as a remedy for discrimination. If it supports the university, it could provide a blueprint for how such programs should work.

James Cott, associate director of the NAACP's Legal Defense and Education Fund, called the pending challenges to affirmative action, both involving the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, the "most important civil rights cases to come before this court in a quarter of a century."

The high court's rulings in the Michigan cases will apply directly only to public colleges and universities. But experts say all schools, public or private, that use race-conscious admission policies are likely to take cues from the high court's ruling.

"Whatever the court decides, it will have a profound impact on who goes to colleges and graduate schools in this country. It will have a profound impact on the face and complexion of higher education," said Mark Rahdert, a constitutional law professor and associate dean at Temple University's Beasley School of Law in Philadelphia.

The white students who were turned away claim they were discriminated against in violation of federal civil-rights laws that ban race-based bias, and the Constitution's guarantee of equal legal protection. The university says its intention was simply the enhanced educational benefit that comes when students of diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds live and learn together.

The law school case involved Barbara Grutter, a businesswoman who was denied admission to the Michigan law school in 1996 when she was 43. She claims that minority applicants received preferential treatment, and she still wants to attend law school at Michigan.

In the second case, which involves undergraduates, Jennifer Gratz and Patrick Hamacher argue that they also were denied admission because of race.

The 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati ruled in favor of the University of Michigan law school in a 5-4 decision handed down in May. The court heard arguments in the undergraduate case but has yet to rule. The high court's decision to hear that undergraduate case before the lower federal court had ruled is unusual.

Attorneys for Grutter called on the Supreme Court to clear up confusion from its 1978 ruling on affirmative action.

In that case, Allan Bakke, a white man, was turned down for admission to medical school at the University of California at Davis while minorities with lower scores were admitted. The school reserved 16 percent of its admission slots for minorities.

In a 5-4 decision, the Supreme Court ruled that such racial quotas were impermissible. But Justice Lewis Powell wrote in a separate opinion that schools could consider race as long as they did not use quotas. Universities often have used the late justice's opinion as a benchmark for affirmative action. It also has been criticized as vague.

Grutter's attorneys said there was a "sharp and substantial disagree-

ment in the lower courts about the lawfulness of using race and ethnicity as a factor in admissions to achieve a diverse student body."

They noted decisions in the U.S. Court of Appeals' 5th and 11th circuits that ruled against affirmative action plans at public universities.

University of Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman said overturning the Bakke ruling "could result in the immediate resegregation of our nation's top universities, both public and private."

"Now is not the time to turn back the clock," she said.

University lawyers said Michigan did not have a quota but sought a "critical mass" of minority students.

"We want enough students so that there are differences of opinion," the university said in court papers.

The university said that between 1992 and 2000, the proportion of minority students at the law school hovered between 13.5 percent and 20 percent. If race were disallowed as an admission factor that number could shrink to 4 percent for an incoming class, they say.

Terry Pell, president of the Washington-based Center for Individual Rights, a conservative public-interest law institute that is representing the white applicants, acknowledged that minority enrollment dropped sharply at flagship public universities in Texas and California after race was eliminated as a factor in admission. But those numbers are rebounding, proof that racial preferences are not needed to secure "minorities' educational opportunities," Pell said.

The court is expected to rule by the end of June.

On Monday, an array of civil rights groups and activists, including the Revs. Jesse Jackson and Al Sharpton, promised to rally outside the Supreme Court building when it hears the case early next year.

The cases are Grutter vs. Bollinger and Gratz vs. Bollinger. Lee C. Bollinger was president of the university at the time the suits were filed.

Canadian colleges draw more Americans

Ayelet Iffrah
Daily Bruin
U. California-Los Angeles

LOS ANGELES (U-WIRE) — Canada, eh? In record numbers, American students, looking for a cheap but high quality education, have begun to apply to Canada's universities when going through the college admissions process.

Over the past three years, the numbers of Americans enrolling in Canadian colleges has risen around 90 percent, said Matt Jonah, head of international admissions at Mount Allison University in New Brunswick.

According to Jonah, the reason for the increase has been largely financial. Due to both a favorable exchange rate between the U.S. and Canadian dollars and a greater government subsidization of college costs in Canada than in the United States, tuition at a top-ranked university, including housing, fees and meals, can cost around \$11,500.

In a slowing economy, with many prestigious universities in the United States costing as much as three times this figure, students are increasingly being drawn to schools up north.

In addition, there is not necessarily a trade-off for the low costs, as attending school in Canada does not mean sacrificing high quality studies.

"The United Nations has ranked Canada as having the best quality education in the world for numerous years, but Canadians are humble and do not promote themselves as well as some other countries," Jonah said.

Mount Allison University was recently ranked second in Maclean's University Rankings, a magazine used to judge top Canadian colleges. Last year, of approximately 2,100 applications, 120 were sent by American applicants, according to Jonah.

However, while Canada is becoming a more appealing option, some believe it does not present as

many opportunities as American schools, in terms of reputation and diversity of career options.

"UCLA had a lot more to offer than the Canadian schools I was accepted to. It was a big opportunity for me to come here," said Jacqueline Ng, a first-year biology student. Ng is an international student from Canada.

Though she was accepted to the University of Toronto, one of the largest and most prestigious doctoral schools in Canada, it still paled in comparison to the science departments at UCI, A, Ng said.

Some students are choosing Canada because of other factors as well. With universities in the United States receiving more applications every year, and the admissions process becoming more competitive every year, Canada has emerged as another, less stressful, option.

The application process in Canada is usually considered easier than that in the United States, as neither the SAT nor any other standardized tests are typically used in deciding admissions.

Many universities also forgo requiring personal statements or admissions essays and accept students primarily based on their high school GPA and teacher recommendations.

Adding to the simplicity of the process, students generally do not have to fill out an application for each school they're applying to. In Canada's application system, applicant complete a form for each of the country's provinces, which then send their information simultaneously to all the schools within its boundaries.

Canada is also considered a good option for students looking to experience a different culture while still living close to the United States and without having to study in another language. Its reputation for cleanliness and safety are also benefits that have led to the attraction of so many Americans, Jonah said.

Still, the transition may prove difficult for some students ill-prepared for such a drastic change.

Speaker contrasts Italian, U.S. child care systems

Hilary Kindschuh
Daily Nebraskan (U. Nebraska)

LINCOLN, Neb. (U-WIRE) — Last Tuesday a group of University of Nebraska faculty and graduate students found out Italy is known for more than pizza, pasta and the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

Italy is also well-known for its long maternity leave and friendly policy toward early childhood care, according to Carolyn Pope-Edwards, professor of psychology at the University of Nebraska.

Pope-Edwards talked about the Italian system of child care in a lecture titled "Bambini: The Italian Approach to Infant-Toddler Care." The presentation was part of the Family and Research Policy Initiative Luncheon Series.

Chris Wiklund, office supervisor for the Center for Children, Families and the Law, said the luncheon

series, which was geared toward UNL faculty and graduate students, featured presentations on current research projects.

Pope-Edwards said she researched the difference between parent and teacher expectations for early childhood care in American and Italian cultures. Her presentation focused on the system in Pistoia, which is one of the most innovative Italian cities in early childhood care, according to Pope-Edwards.

"It kind of challenges your cultural assumptions about what children need," Pope-Edwards said.

Pope-Edwards also presented a video, which is part of a series titled "Children of the World's Societies," which investigates how early childhood programs reflect certain cultural issues.

The first part of the video featured footage from an infant center

in Pistoia in October 2001.

"The babies are visibly very secure," Pope-Edwards said.

This was obvious in the way they played and rested, she said.

The parents also seemed secure, and the older children were accepting of each other, she said.

Pope-Edwards interviewed teachers, administrators and four sets of parents in Pistoia for the video, she said.

The video highlighted the differences between early childhood care in Italy and the United States.

For instance, Italian cities spend a lot of money on early childhood care, Pope-Edwards said. In fact, it is free to parents, she said.

The city of Pistoia spends about 15 percent of its budget on early childhood care, Pope-Edwards said.

Another difference between the two countries is that early childhood caretakers are paid better in Italy

than teachers in the United States, Pope-Edwards said.

"We're really robbing our teachers in America," she said.

Pay is not the only difference between the teachers of the two cultures, however.

One important aspect in Italian culture is that caretakers hold children in their arms and kiss them, Pope-Edwards said.

Italian families have greater trust in people outside the home, she said.

"Our society is so much bigger and anonymous," Pope-Edwards said.

"We tend to do things in a very institutional way in the U.S.," she said.

Furthermore, Italians put a lot of stress on the importance of the extended family, Pope-Edwards said.

"They are comfortable sharing their kids with others," she said.

The quality of Italian education also is influenced by the fact children in Italy stay with the same teachers and classmates for about three years, Pope-Edwards said.

All in all, Pope-Edwards said, Italy put a lot of energy, thought and resources into the part of the education system that is most negative in the United States — early childhood education.

"Americans seem worried that if we had services like that it would be usurping the family role," Pope-Edwards said.

More than 30 U. Nebraska faculty and graduate students attended Pope-Edwards' presentation.

Graduate student Twila Wingrove said she thought the talk presented a great opportunity to learn about policy in Italy compared to policy in the United States.

"We could learn from Italy," Wingrove said.

Nationwide campus ads condemned as political propaganda

Kyle Brouwer
Michigan Daily (U. Michigan)

ANN ARBOR, Mich. (U-WIRE) — College newspapers across the nation are being accused of becoming forums for anti-Palestinian propaganda this fall due to ads for Campstruth.org. The ad claims to be spreading the truth about Israeli-Palestinian relations, but students are finding the ads to be nothing more than a biased outlook intended to generate hard feelings against Palestinians.

Pete Beatty, editor in chief of The Chicago Maroon at the University of Chicago, said he does not see a purpose in the advertisement. "The text itself is a dangerous generalization."

The Maroon ran the ad despite reluctance from the editorial staff, Beatty said, and it was discontinued two issues later after angered students called, e-mailed and visited The Maroon to express their objections to the ad.

One version of the ad, which ran in student newspapers for the universities of Chicago, Illinois and Maryland, as well as The Michigan Daily at University of Michigan showed Israelis mourning on Sept. 11 while armed Palestinians celebrated. Another widely-run version showed an Israeli athlete regarded as a hero to Jewish children, and a suicide bomber as the hero of Palestinian children.

Marcella Rosen, president of

Campstruth.org, defends the nature of the ads. "It's powerful advertising. You see something quickly and it's intended to make you think," Rosen said.

College campuses provide a responsive atmosphere for advertising like this to make an impact, she added. Rosen said the advertising campaign is in defense of the Israeli nation. "The Palestinians started this battle on campus. We were forced to respond," she said.

College campuses have been the site of both Israeli and Palestinian demonstrations in the past. In April, 79 students were arrested at the University of California at Berkeley when a Palestinian rally turned into a verbal clash with hundreds of students supporting Israel.

The conflict as it exists on campus is one of words, Rosen said, "It's awful but it's going on."

Beatty said intention of the ad is to upset people. He added that the staff of The Maroon expected to receive some criticism for the ad, but, "Those who say that our running the ad is an implicit approval of our part of the ads' content are breaking through the wall between a newspaper's editorial content and advertising content."

The Chicago Maroon received a variety of criticism and after speaking with the Chicago chapter of the Muslim Student Association, the editorial staff hasn't lost any standing with the students, Beatty said.

Israeli speaker offers solutions

Adam Frank
Badger Herald (U. Wisconsin)

MADISON, Wis. (U-WIRE) — University of Wisconsin students and community members gathered in Ingraham Hall Tuesday night to hear Ilan Pappé offer his view on the current situation in Israel and potential methods for remedying the mutually bloody conflict between Israelis and Palestinians.

Ilan Pappé is a teacher of political science at the University of Haifa in Israel and the academic director of the Research Institute for Peace at Givat Haviva. He gained global notoriety last May when he was nearly fired from the university after allegedly supporting a student who uncovered evidence of an Israeli massacre of Palestinians during Israel's 1948 war of independence.

Pappé is among a series of speakers

brought to campus to offer students information on the current situation between Israel and Palestine, as well as give their ideas on possible solutions to the conflict.

Pappé believes there have been no successful attempts at bringing peace to the Israelis and Palestinians, because those who have attempted to forge it went about it the wrong way. "The main thrust of peace-making was a business-like approach," he said. "[They were] looking for visible aspects of the conflict without looking at the situation analytically."

He believes that if a solution is going to be found, people are going to have to get closer to the root of the problem. He said this is a difficult task for an external power like the United States or United Nations, because in order to help, one must be immersed in the culture and history of the region.

Ayelet Halamish, an Israeli student at the University of Wisconsin who attended the speech, thought Pappé had some good ideas. "I think [Pappé] did a good job of identifying some of the issues," she said. "This is a problem that needs to be solved very soon."

"I believe that one thing people or Americans don't realize is that Israel is the only democracy in the Mideast, and the [Palestinians] are trying to get rid of that," Halamish said. "They want to go back to ninth-century mob rule and keep it that way."

Both Pappé and Halamish are hopeful that a resolution will arise in the near future. According to Halamish, people all over Israel are afraid to leave their homes. She described a country that once consisted of streets full of friendly people, now a land of empty streets and restaurants.

Brown U. professor fights bioterrorism

Bamboo Dong
Brown Daily Herald (Brown U.)

PROVIDENCE, R.I. (U-WIRE) — A Brown University professor is working in conjunction with the government to combat bioterrorism.

Dr. Andrew Arstein, associate professor of medicine and an expert on infectious diseases, is researching a new method to quickly produce the smallpox vaccine.

He is conducting studies to determine whether the vaccine developed from the new method is as effective as the old one.

In the new method, derivative smallpox viruses are grown in laboratory tissue cultures rather than in cattle tissues, which take longer. The new method of developing smallpox vaccines is expected to speed up the

process and make it easier for the vaccine to be produced in larger quantities.

"It's just a more advanced and modern way of producing vaccine," Arstein told the Providence Journal.

He said in an interview with the George Street Journal that bioterrorism is unique because the pathogens used are manmade. He said few physicians have clinical expertise in dealing with these rare infectious diseases.

Memorial Hospital of Rhode Island in Pawtucket, where Arstein is conducting his research, is one of three sites in the United States chosen to test the effectiveness and safety of the new vaccine.

The vaccine is being produced by Acambis, a Massachusetts-based pharmaceutical company.

State officials announced this past July a plan to inoculate all health workers in Rhode Island against a possible smallpox terrorist attack, according to an ABC News report. Rhode Island officials said that in case of an emergency, they wanted to be able to shield state residents from a bioterrorist attack.

State health officials said at the time that mass immunizations would require a tremendous amount of organization and preparation. Because Rhode Island is a small state, emergency inoculations can be given if the need arises.

Arstein, who used to work at the Walter Reed Army Institute of Research in Silver Spring, Md., is a leading researcher in his field. He has appeared at numerous national conferences to speak about anthrax and smallpox.

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Delay or deception risks war; Bush warns Iraq

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WASHINGTON (KRT) — President Bush pointed Monday to a looming Sunday deadline for Iraq to detail its illicit weapons programs and warned that stalling tactics to delay United Nations inspections would signal that Saddam Hussein has decided to risk war.

"Any act of delay, deception or defiance will prove that Saddam Hussein has not adopted the path of compliance and has rejected the path of peace," Bush said at a Pentagon ceremony where he signed legislation authorizing \$393 billion in military spending for fiscal 2003. "America will confront gathering dangers early, before our options become limited and desperate."

Meanwhile, U.N. weapons inspectors paid a six-hour visit Monday to the heavily guarded Karame missile development plant in Baghdad. A subsequent U.N. report said that some equipment that had been tagged by previous inspection teams was missing from the site. According to the report, Iraqi officials said some of the missing items had been transported to other sites and that some of it had been destroyed by U.S. air attacks.

Also Monday, Iraqi air defenses fired on U.S. and British warplanes for a second consecutive day as they patrolled the "no-fly" zone over northern Iraq, U.S. officials said. The planes retaliated. U.S. and British forces created "no-fly zones" following the 1991 Persian Gulf War to protect Kurds in the north and Shiite Muslims in the

south from Iraqi aggression.

The United States maintains that Iraqi attacks on allied jets are a violation of the U.N. Security Council resolution passed last month. That measure, passed unanimously by the 15-nation council, gave inspectors a mandate to search for weapons anywhere in Iraq at any time without any interference. The resolution presented Iraq with a "final opportunity" to comply with disarmament before it faces "serious consequences."

Bush used his comments on Iraq, his first since inspections resumed last week, to lay out criteria for deciding how to deal with future Iraqi defiance.

"In the inspections process, the United States will be making one judgment: Has Saddam Hussein changed his behavior of the ... at 11 years? Has he decided to cooperate willingly and comply completely, or has he not?" Bush said.

"So far the signs are not encouraging," he said, referring to Iraqi anti-aircraft attacks on allied planes and to Iraqi "letters filled with protests and falsehoods."

Bush said Iraq's weapons declaration, which is due on Sunday, "must be credible and complete" or the Iraqi dictator will have demonstrated to the world once again that he has chosen not to change his behavior.

In a separate speech to Air National Guard leaders in Denver, Vice President Dick Cheney contended that confronting Iraq is essential to winning the war on terror.

"There is also a grave danger that al-Qaida or other terrorists will join

with outlaw regimes that have these weapons to attack their common enemy, the United States of America. That is why confronting the threat posed by Iraq is not a distraction from the war on terror. It is absolutely crucial to winning the war on terror. Saddam Hussein is harboring terrorists and the instruments of terror," Cheney said, although he cited no hard evidence to back up those allegations, according to a transcript of his remarks provided by the White House.

Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz, in London to meet with members of Iraqi opposition groups, said the only hope of "achieving the peaceful outcome is if we can confront the Iraqi regime with a credible threat of force behind our diplomacy."

If Iraq does not cooperate with weapons inspections and "inspectors are forced to go back to the old cat-and-mouse game the world saw so often before, then the effort to resolve this problem peacefully will have failed," Wolfowitz said in a speech to the International Institute for Strategic Studies.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said Bush has made no decisions on how he might proceed with Iraq, but "Saddam Hussein will have to figure out how long the United States intends to go along until we find out what Saddam Hussein is really doing.

"The president is skeptical that Saddam Hussein will comply and it's too soon to say. One week is not adequate time," Fleischer said.

Christmas tree farms turn to Mexico as demand continues to slip in U.S.

Bradley Meacham
The Seattle Times

SEATTLE (KRT) — Feliz Navidad is taking on new meaning for Washington's Christmas tree growers.

Rising personal income in Mexico and other parts of Latin America means a bigger market for many kinds of luxury items — including real Christmas trees.

It couldn't come at a better time for growers, who are gradually losing the battle with fake trees for the American living room.

Trees have long been exported to American expatriates and military personnel abroad, as well as to markets such as Hong Kong and Japan. But the trees will never be much more than a novelty niche in non-Christian cultures.

By contrast, demand for trees in Mexico, with a Roman Catholic-dominated culture and a growing middle class, grew rapidly in the 1990s.

Mexico now accounts for 9 percent of Christmas trees harvested in the Northwest, according to the Pacific Northwest Christmas Tree Association in Salem, Ore.

This year growers will export about 1.2 million trees to Mexico, at wholesale prices ranging from \$12 for Douglas fir, the most popular export species, to \$30 for noble fir.

"The sky's the limit," said Bryan

Ostlund, the association's executive. "Mexico City alone could keep us busy for years."

Though precise export statistics are hard to come by because permits don't provide specific totals and middlemen handle much of the shipping, growers say the volume is increasing.

Home Depot, Wal-Mart, Costco and Mexican chain stores are booming south of the border, making it easier for consumers to find Christmas trees.

The Mexican government is encouraging the Christmas tree trade. The Mexican consulate in Seattle recently did a study of the Christmas tree industry for a Mexican maker of plastic tree bases and expects trade to grow as ties strengthen.

Trees now are loaded into refrigerated containers to the border, where they are reloaded into Mexican trucks for transport to the retailers.

Though the North America Free Trade Agreement made trade economical, a tree shipment to Mexico City still takes at least a week.

The Bush administration last week announced plans to allow Mexican trucks throughout the U.S., potentially streamlining future shipments to south of the border.

"Export is definitely a bright avenue," said Tom Taylor, a salesman for Noble Mountain Christmas trees in Chehalis, Wash. "It's outside our

traditional market and any growth there helps at home."

Most trees grown in Washington, the country's fourth-largest producer, and Oregon, the biggest, are shipped to other states, with California alone accounting for 46 percent of trees harvested.

But unfortunately for growers, the domestic market is shrinking as busy consumers increasingly put up low-maintenance artificial trees.


Real and fake trees each had about half the nationwide market in 1990. But since then the number of fake trees has grown to 60.3 million, or 68 percent of the households with Christmas trees.

The total number of real trees sold dropped to 27.8 million in 2001 from 35.4 million in 1990, according to the National Christmas Tree Association in St. Louis.


New markets could help Washington tree farmers who say they're struggling in the face of stricter environmental regulations and rising land prices.



"It's definitely getting more difficult to run a business," said Mark Steelhammer, owner of KLM Christmas Tree Farm in Rochester, Thurston County.

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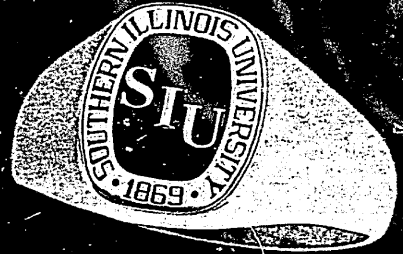
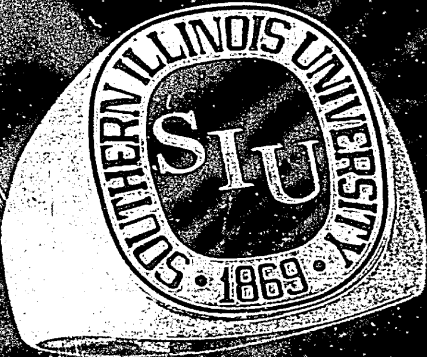
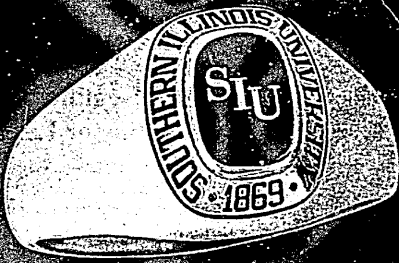
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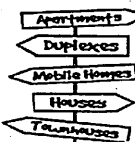
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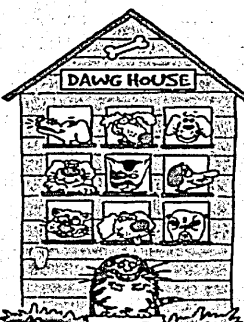
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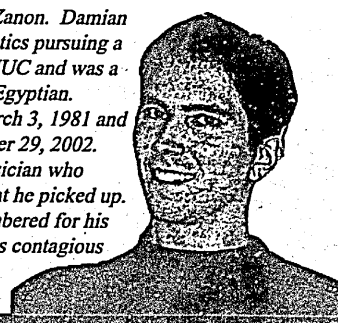
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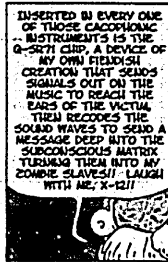
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Dormant Life



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"I don't get it ... every time we make an escape plan, the guards seem to know about it."

Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. Black
Today's Birthday (Dec. 3). Your life is like an open book. You haven't held anything back, but this year: maybe you should. You're very brave to blow the whistle on something that isn't right, but don't forget that discretion is sometimes the better part of val'cr.
To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.
Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is an 8 - If you act quickly, you can make an important connection. You can meet a person who'll help you expand your options. You don't have to do this in person, though that would be more fun.
Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 5 - Going through the pills may not be your favorite activity, but you're good at it. Be creative and find new ways to stretch your resources. Leave your savings in the piggy bank.
Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is an 8 - You could develop an attraction so strong that it's practically impossible to resist. If this is a fascinating person who's trustworthy and wise, don't worry. If not, run.
Cancer (June 22-July 23) - Today is a 5 - Keep your attention on the job at hand, and try not to complain if there are changes. You're a quick learner, and you do much better under stress than people expect. You can handle whatever comes your way.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is an 8 - All of a sudden you're lit up again. Is it the season, the fact that you're so well loved, or both? Don't hold back when showing your appreciation.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 5 - Domestic matters take precedence through Thursday, so you might as well launch a huge project. You'll be up for it.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 9 - You've shown amazing talent, but don't be limited by what you've done before. Stretch, study and practice.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 5 - Should you get expensive gifts for everyone and go deep into debt, or dig for the best bargains on things your family will love? Which do you think is smarter?
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 9 - You're one of the natural teachers. Today is also why you're a student. Save yourself a batch of trouble by learning from another person's experience.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 5 - No need to explain anything. Do what's expected, and keep your mouth shut. Besides, this is a much better day to shop.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is an 8 - Looks like you and your friends can get away with just about anything over the next couple of days. Play hard, but don't forget domestic obligations.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 5 - You could feel stifled by somebody with a forceful personality. Actually, it's a good idea to go along with the program now. Don't make waves unless absolutely necessary.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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PEROW
MARIED
WOBELL

Answer: A "ORBIT WIPED POETIC TARTAR"

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Henri Arnold and Mike Arginton

"I can't move the line. Cut it!"

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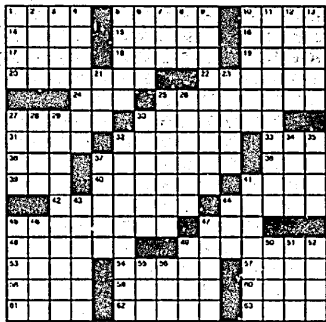
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 - Frische
 - Standard of perfection
 - Math branch
 - Air cargo
 - Seeing regularly
 - Not well
 - Waterfalls
 - Astonish
 - Shedding, as feathers
 - Composer
 - Porter
 - Struggled for brain
 - Brooks or Blane
 - Half a drum?
 - Squirms
 - Double curve
 - Are crossers
 - Tire type
 - Pesty insect
 - To Detsy!
 - Water lily
 - Gushing forth
 - A/C measure
 - Restricted
 - Firm foundation
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 - Church table
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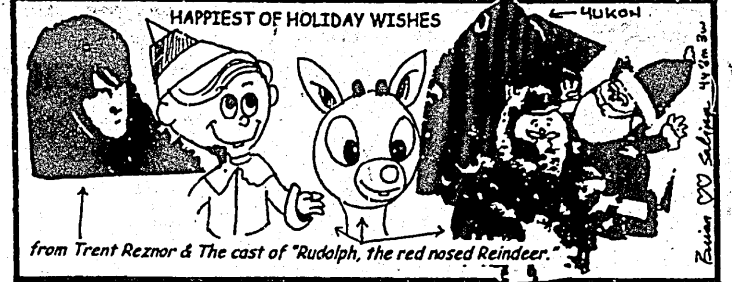
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- 25 Estimating expenses**
- 26 Greek letters**
- 27 Play parts**
- 28 Detachable**
- 29 Homeless shelters**
- 30 First**
- 32 Irresistibly drawn**
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- 37 Fierce anger**
- 41 Connoisseur**
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 25 E S T I M A T I N G
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 28 D E T A C H A B L E
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 35 D - D A Y
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No Apparent Reason

by Brian Eliot Holloway



Girls and Sports

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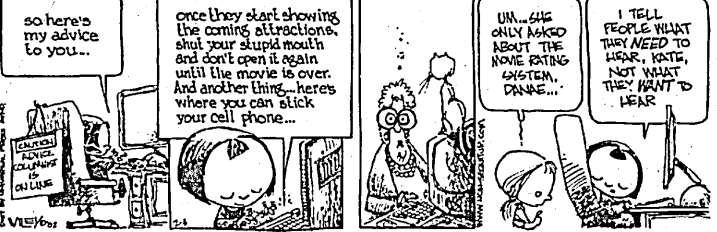
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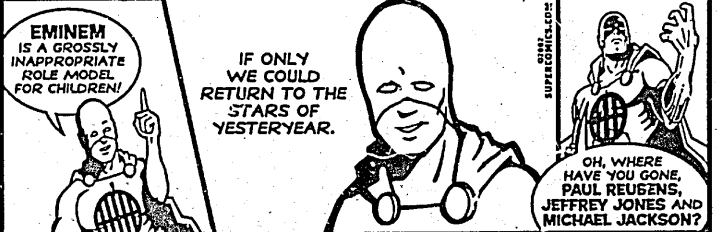
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Halftime leads slip away for Saluki women

SIU women's basketball team off to 1-2 start

Ethan Erickson
Daily Egyptian

After three games, the SIU women's basketball team has learned at least one thing — leading at halftime is meaningless.

The Salukis (2-1) dropped their first two games after taking leads into the locker room but picked up their first win thanks to a furious second-half rally after trailing by 12 points at halftime.

In the season-opener Nov. 23 at home against DePaul, SIU led by as many as 16 points in the first half and held an 11-point halftime lead but fell to the Blue Demons 69-60.

Molly McDowell's two free throws gave the Salukis a 60-58 lead with 3:26 to play, but it was all DePaul from that point as the Blue Demons (3-1) finished the game on an 11-0 run.

DePaul dominated the interior, scoring easy buckets with frequency, especially in the second half. The Blue Demons out-rebounded the Salukis 40-27 and grabbed 15 offensive boards.

"We didn't always block out," said head coach Lori Opp. "We'd sometimes get caught standing and watching. We gave up too many easy buckets."

DePaul fought back from the halftime deficit with an 18-4 run after the two teams traded baskets for the first two minutes of the half.

During an eight-minute stretch, the Salukis committed 10 turnovers. Four of these were by point guard Dana Pinkston, who was playing in her first Division I game.

The junior finished with 12 points and 10 turnovers. McDowell scored a team-high 15 points.

The Salukis then hit the road for a contest at Kentucky, where they were plastered 79-53 after leading by four points at halftime.

The Wildcats (2-1) embarked on a 25-3 run in the second half to put away the Salukis' hopes of an upset at Memorial Coliseum.

SIU went 0-for-21 from three-point range, ending a streak of 48 consecutive games with a three-pointer.

The three starting Saluki guards finished with seven points on 1-of-20 shooting from the floor.

SIU was able to keep the game close in the first half behind junior forward Katie Berwanger's 12 points in the first stanza. She finished with 20 points and 10 rebounds, both career-highs.

"[Kentucky] was very athletic," Opp said. "They had great speed. They scored 52 points in the paint, and all of those weren't from post players."

The Salukis finally picked up a win Saturday against Tennessee Tech (1-2) after falling behind by 18 points in the second half.

Trailing 48-32 with just more than 15 minutes to play, the Salukis put on the full-court press after Pinkston hit two free throws. The press immediately led to a Hillary Phillips steal and a short jump shot by McDowell.

This was the beginning of a 20-4 run that tied the game at 52 with 6:04 to play. The Salukis had eight steals during this run.

After completing the comeback, SIU was not going to let the game get away from it again. The contest stayed close the rest of the way and was tied at 63 with 1:58 remaining before Jodi Heiden knocked down two free throws to give the Salukis the lead for good.

The Golden Eagles would not score again until Arleigh Brackin hit a three-pointer with 7.4 seconds to play to cut the Saluki lead to two points. McDowell was then fouled and iced the game with two free throws.

"The second half we started hitting our shots and we played with a lot more intensity," McDowell said, "and that's what turned it around."

Opp agreed that intensity was lacking early in the game.

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Dana Pinkston, point guard for the Salukis, drives to the basket in Saturday's game against Tennessee Tech. The Salukis overcame a large first half deficit to go on to a 70-65 win.



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SIU volleyball Head Coach Sonya Locke shows lots of emotion during the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament in Peoria, IL. Locke celebrates after a win against the Illinois State Redbirds in the first round of the tournament.

Bench comes up big for Salukis

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

Kristie Kemner put down 51 kills and recorded 53 digs to help the SIU volleyball team advance to the finals of last weekend's Missouri Valley Conference Tournament. She was named to the all-tournament team along with Lindsey Schultz, who recorded 42 kills of her own including 27 during the Salukis' win over Southwest Missouri State in the semi-finals.

But it may have been sparsely-used players Kelly Harman and Amber Britton, not their all-conference counterparts, who led SIU to the brink of an MVC championship.

The two combined for only three kills, but the timing of them sparked about 30 more.

With the Salukis down 4-9 in game four of their opening-round match against Illinois State, Harman, who had only three kills on the season before the tournament, smashed a ball through the Redbird right side. She did the same two plays later, sparking a 14-4 run that sealed the match for

the Salukis.

"I don't know if we could have pulled away if Kelly hadn't come in and gotten those two kills," Kemner said about her teammate after the game. "It was right off the bat; it was immediate impact, and we had to have that."

Harman was substituted into the game alongside freshman Marissa Washington, who recorded four huge solo blocks in the victory.

Neither Harman nor Washington was expected to participate in the Saluki attack and according to junior setter Britten Follett, that was the key to Harman's kills and SIU's rally.

"They weren't expecting me to set the ball to either of them," Follett said. "They thought they were a new sub and I was going to keep the ball away from them. They got an open shot and they capitalized on that."

During the SMS game, Harman sparked the Salukis with her serving. SIU was trailing 10-18 and facing elimination when it earned a side-out. Harman reeled off three straight points off serves and sparked yet another rally, set-

ting up Britton's moment of glory.

The Salukis cut the lead to 20-25 and head coach Sonya Locke, who later said she had nothing to lose at that point in the game, put Britton in to serve.

By the time she finished serving, SIU had a three-point lead and Britton had two aces.

"She's got a wicked serve," Locke said of Britton. "We have players on our team that don't get a lot of playing time. But every person on this team has a strength."

Although Britton played very little in only 16 of the team's 121 games this season, she had four aces and no serving errors. Kemner, who said she has been the victim of countless Britton aces in practice during the past four years, was thrilled to see her teammate's serve make someone other than her look bad.

"She gets aces in practice over and over again," Kemner said. "It's about time she aces somebody else."

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The awards keep flowing in

Water Dawgs finish second and third in final meet of the semester, but sweep MVC awards

Christopher Morrill
Daily Egyptian

The SIU swimming and diving teams have done it again.

After traveling to Evanston Nov. 22 for the Northwestern Invite and falling to the Wildcats and Illinois, the Salukis swept the Missouri Valley Conference Swimming and Diving awards.

On the men's side, sophomore Marcelo Possato broke the SIU record in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 1:47.49. It was the best time for that event in the MVC this season and a Northwestern pool record. Matt Munz, who clocked a time of 1:47.51 in 2001, formerly held the record.

"It was one of the greatest weeks of my life," Possato said. "[When I finished] and I looked up at the scores, I knew. I know every one of those times. It is my goal to help the team, but I want every one of those records."

Possato was also able to help the Salukis' efforts in Evanston by winning the 100 backstroke with a time of 50.10. It was also a Valley best for the season.

Possato was the lead swimmer in the 200 (1:34.28) and 400 (3:26.10) medley relays. Both races ended in third-place finishes and are the best in the MVC this season.

This was Possato's second swimmer of the week award. He also won Oct. 29.

SIU sophomore diver Devin Aikins brought home the Diver of the Week Award for the second straight week.

Aikins finished second in the 3-meter dive with 446.35 points another Valley season best, and fourth in the 1-meter board with a score of 275.65.

The Saluki women also won their share of prizes. Freshman Briley Berger broke two Valley records. She finished third in the 500 freestyle with a time of 4:59.03, breaking the record of former Saluki Leane Pienaar (4:59.94) set in 2001. Bergen's time is a new league best as well.

She also finished third in the 1,650 freestyle with a time of 17:11.09, another MVC best this season. Bergen's time over the first 1,000 yards of the race was 10:18.90. It is the best of any 1,000 freestyle this season and better than the Valley record of 10:20.50, a record also held by Pienaar.

Bergen also swam the lead leg of the 800 freestyle relay. The group finished third with a time of 7:39.59, yet another MVC season best. This was Bergen's first award.

Bergen's teammate, sophomore Andrea Johnson, has won the MVC Diver of the Week Award for a third straight week. She finished fifth in 1-meter diving with 223.90 points and sixth in the 3-meter dive with 338.90. Her 3-meter score was the best in the MVC this year.

"I've been working really hard this season," Johnson said. "I'm flattered that I got the award. It's all starting to pay off. I hope to be stronger at the end of the season."

This was Johnson's fourth award this semester.

After winning all the MVC awards and setting so many records, it sounds like the Salukis would have dominated in Evanston. The final scores were close, but neither the men nor the women finished first. The men (904) fell to Northwestern (920), but beat No. 24 Southern Methodist (900).

The Saluki men were knocked out of the poll that formerly ranked the Dawgs No. 1 Mid-Major, but men's head coach Rick Walker looked on the bright side of it.

"When you get knocked out, but can take someone else out with you, that's alright," Walker said.

SIU women's head coach Jeff Goetz said that despite losses to Northwestern and Illinois, his team still swam a great meet.

"That was the best they swam as a team since conference last year," Goetz said, "and you have to remember we graduated some of them."

The Salukis now have a long time off. Their next meet is Jan. 18 against Western Kentucky at the Recreation Center. It will be the first home meet since Kansas came to SIU Sept. 27.

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Kemner recorded 15 kills and freshman Marissa Washington led the Saluki defense with four solo blocks.

Following only five hours of rest, SIU took on a well-rested SMS squad in the semifinals. The Salukis dropped a heart-breaking game one 31-33 but recovered to take game two 30-27.

SMS clobbered the Dawgs in game three, winning by 10 points and taking its momentum into game four. The Bears were leading by as many as eight points, but the Salukis, led by the serving of seldom-used Amber Britton, capped a mammoth comeback with a 30-28 victory.

The Dawgs vaulted themselves into the finals when Kemner tapped a ball over two SMS defenders to end game five and the match.

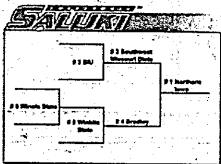
Bears head coach Melissa Stokes was quick to give SIU credit and said it displayed heart and character, but later blamed the comeback on laziness.

"You can't get up by six points and let a ball hit the floor without effort," Stokes said. "We had one or two balls hit the floor without effort, and I think if a team thinks it's OK to do that, that allows a team to get back in it. And before you know it, it's a tight ballgame."

"I think we showed a little lack of effort and it was very disappointing."

Senior middle blocker Lindsey Schultz put down 27 kills to lead the Saluki attack, and Kemner recorded 20 kills and 30 digs in the victory.

It was a stark contrast from the finale against Northern Iowa. Schultz ended the match with only eight kills, and Kemner dug only 10 balls as the Panthers shredded SIU.



Northern Iowa hit 426 during the match to the Salukis' 176, nearly doubled SIU's kill total and repeatedly smashed through any attempted blocks. The only bright spot for SIU was that junior setter Britten. Follett surpassed Debbie Barr during the match to break the Saluki single-season assists record.

The loss eliminated SIU from the national tournament as it found out Sunday when its name was never called on the NCAA tournament selection show.

The Salukis were not surprised by the snub. The only "quality" wins they had were against SMS, which lost to Washington and Nevada during the weekend, securing SIU's exclusion from the tournament.

But the Salukis do not care. They exceeded all expectations this season and do not plan on letting an NCAA selection committee determine the success of their 2002 campaign.

"It's been a great season, and I'm very happy with where we ended up," Schultz said. "It would have been nice to win the tournament, but we were a preseason eighth and we finished third. We were a pre-tournament third and we finished second."

"You can't ask for anything more."

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Weber has also purchased Sweet 16 T-shirts that will be given to the first 250 students.

There will also be a fireworks display before the game tips off, similar to the one that sparked a Saluki win over eventual national runner-up Indiana.

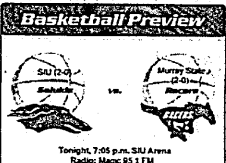
After the ceremonies, students will be able to watch a game between two teams that participated in last season's NCAA Tournament.

The Racers are 2-0, but both games have been at home against Division II teams. The Racers are the preseason pick to win the Ohio Valley Conference.

Junior Chris Shumate is averaging 21.5 points per game in those two contests and has hit half of his three-point attempts after missing most of last season and receiving a medical redshirt.

Weber said that although this Racer squad may not have the individual talent of past teams, it is more of a complete team than any Racer team since he has been at SIU.

"They have a team now that plays



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The Word on the Salukis: The Dawgs are off to another good start with a couple of wins over two tough teams. Things will not be any easier tonight when SIU takes on a Murray squad that returns four starters from last year's team, which made it to the NCAA tournament.

The Word on the Racers: The Racers have won their first two games by an average of 24.5 points, but the numbers are misleading since the both victories came against Division II opponents. Murray will have to handle all when it takes on a team its own size in SIU.

Bottom Line: A win tonight against a team that has a shot at returning to the NCAA tournament would definitely help the Salukis chances at receiving an at-large bid when March rolls around.

together," Weber said. "We've beaten them the last couple of years, and I'm sure they'll be ready to play."

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"We felt like we were missing out on some of the hustle plays, and that's what this team is most noted for," Opp said.

Forcing turnovers also went a long way toward stopping the Golden Eagles' Emily Christian, who had 17 points at halftime and 23 points 2:50 into the second half. After that, the Salukis were able to keep the freshman forward scoreless.

"[Christian] was putting on a clinic," Opp said. "We asked them at half-time who you wanted to guard her."

Phillips guarded Christian for most of the second half, but she had a lot of help from her teammates. One player who Opp said was key to the comeback was junior college transfer Stephanie Brown, who played 11 of her 14 minutes in the second half. She also had three steals, eight points and six

rebounds in the final stanza.

"She was only credited for three steals," Opp said of Brown, "but I really felt like she made a huge difference."

McDowell finished with 17 points, 13 of which came in the second half. Heiden added 15 off the bench and Pinkston had 10 points and three steals, all in the second half. Despite her team's record, Opp is still very optimistic of her team's chances this season.

"I think we're going to be very good," Opp said. "I think we're going to experience growing pains. It's going to take time, but that's what the non-conference games are for."

Saluki notes ... Freshman forward Afton Gill, who has been sidelined by recurring headaches, began practicing Monday. Junior forward Alissa Jachnke missed Saturday's game due to illness.

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Volleyball takes Valley to the brink

Salukis stun MVC, take second at conference tournament

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

PEORIA — Northern Iowa's Kim Kester had smashed a ball into the ground, ended any hopes the SIU volleyball team had of winning a Missouri Valley Conference Championship and abruptly terminated the Salukis' Cinderella season.

For the seniors, the season had ended with not only a loss, but a lopsided one. The Panthers had crushed SIU in every conceivable category — 3-0 defeated it in straight games 21-30, 19-30 and 24-30.

But following the match SIU head coach Sonya Locke was beaming, as were her assistants. Kristie Kemner, initially inconsolable, looked as if her team had won by the time she made it to the postgame press conference. Saluki fans were smiling and the rest of the players had a look of contentment on their faces.

For SIU, scoring fewer points than No. 8 Northern Iowa did not amount to a loss.

"I think we're pretty pleased with

the way things worked out," Kemner said after Sunday's loss. "Yes, [the championship] would have been icing on the cake, but we got our cake, so now we can eat."

Kemner was referring to the Salukis' stunning run through the first two rounds Saturday that earned them a berth in the conference championship and respect across the Valley.

Saturday, not Sunday, is what the Salukis said they would remember.

SIU defeated Illinois State 15-30, 31-29, 30-26 and 30-24 in the morning before upsetting Southwest Missouri State 31-33, 30-27, 20-30, 30-28 and 15-13 in an afternoon barnburner.

Locke, who was awarded the MVC Coach of the Year Award Friday, said Saturday's victories completed the team's tournament goals. She told her team, especially its seniors, not to worry about losing to Northern Iowa.

Locke labeled the season as beyond successful after her team defeated SMS in the semifinals.

"For me, this was a dream come true for this season, and unfortunately we fell short," Locke said. "But I hope we all go home with smiles on our faces because it was a great season."

"I'm very, very pleased I was able to coach this group of young women."

SIU began its road to the final the same way it began every match of the tournament — with a loss. Illinois State doubled up the Salukis to take game one of the tournament's first match and quickly built a 14-6 lead in game two. The Salukis, who hit a miserable -.086 in game one, took game two 31-29 and never looked back, winning games three and four convincingly and defeating the Redbirds for the first time since 1990.

Locke, who had never defeated Illinois State in her 12-year career before Saturday and was sick of hearing about it, exploded after an Erin Jones kill attempt found the middle of the net to end the match. She leaped into assistant coach Matt Affolder's arms and proceeded to run up and down the court in her high-heeled shoes, screaming and dancing.

"It was accomplishing a goal. That was the first step," Locke said of her post-game celebration. "The second high step I took was for my players — and anything after that was personal."

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Kristie Kemner and Britten Follett hold up the second place trophy in celebration after the championship game of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament. The Salukis knocked off the number two seed to get to the final against Northern Iowa.

LESTER E. MURRAY
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Saluki men's basketball opens with a pair of wins

Fireworks, giveaways planned for tonight's game against Murray St.

Ethan Erickson
Daily Egyptian

The SIU men's basketball team is off to a 2-0 start thanks to a high-scoring stacking five. In the two home games, only one Saluki starter didn't reach double figure scoring. Darren Brooks scored nine points in the opener against George Mason, but he would make up for that in the Salukis' second game.

The Dawgs opened up their season with a physical 83-74 win over George Mason at home.

The pugnacious Patriots, who dressed just seven players due to injuries, were able to come back from an early 11-2 deficit to keep the game close and eventually tie it at 53 in the second half, but SIU's inside presence took over the game.

Junior center Sylvester Willis had back-to-back buckets from offensive



LESTER E. MURRAY — DAILY EGYPTIAN

Sylvester Willis comes up big for the Salukis in Wednesday's game against Colorado St. The Salukis won the game 83-71 and improved their record to 2-0.

rebounds to give the Salukis a 67-59 lead.

The frontcourt tandem of Willis and senior forward Jermaine Dearman combined for 31 second-half points and helped the Salukis to 75 percent

shooting as a team in the second frame. Dearman also topped the 1,000-point mark in the game, but he was more concerned about the game's outcome than the record.

"It was kind of a rough game, but that's how they're going to go at the beginning of the season," Dearman said. "The first few games aren't too pretty."

Sophomore guard Stetson Hairston led the Salukis in scoring with a career-high 18 points, and Dearman added 17 points and nine rebounds. Willis added a career-high 16 points, all in the second half, and senior guard Kent Williams chipped in 15 points.

"It was a go-4 warm-up game for us," Williams said. "We were ready to get the real season going, got some jitters out of the way, and George Mason is a good team. They're going to win a lot of games this year, but for us it was good just to get it going."

In the second game during the break, the Salukis showed that Kent Williams is far from the only weapon in their arsenal in an 83-71 victory over Colorado State Wednesday night.

Williams went scoreless in the first half and shot 4-for-13 overall in the game, but backcourt-mate Brooks picked up the slack with a career-high 20 points, eclipsing the 19 he scored against Georgia in last season's NCAA Tournament.

Brooks' personal 6-0 run gave SIU its first double-digit lead in the second half.

The sophomore guard hit a jump shot from just beyond the free-throw line, then promptly stole a Colorado State pass in the Rams' backcourt and scored a lay-up. After Hairston missed a shot on the next Saluki possession, Brooks slid through the Rams' defense for his fifth and sixth points in a span of just more than a minute.

"This game really showed everything, my whole package — rebounding, scoring, defense," Brooks said.

But Brooks and head coach Bruce Weber said this game was won on the defensive end. The Saluki defense held the Rams' leading scorer, forward Brian Greene, to just two points that came very late in the game. Greene came into the game averaging 18.8 points per game and had scored in

double figures in 30 consecutive games.

The Saluki defense also had some success guarding the Rams' second-leading scorer, Andy Birley, allowing him to score only two of his 11 points in the second half.

"[Birley's] what makes them go, and our focus was to shut [Greene] down and shut Birley down," Williams said.

It was a team effort offensively, as all of the Saluki starters scored in double figures, and Willis was one rebound shy of a double-double, finishing with 13 points and nine rebounds.

Williams wasn't surprised that his teammates were able to help the team endure his rough shooting night.

"We got plenty of guys that can do things on this team," Williams said.

The Salukis' next game is at 7:05 tonight when SIU will welcome the Murray State Racers to the SIU Arena.

The banner commemorating last year's Sweet 16 appearance will be unveiled, as Weber wanted the students to be able to watch the unveiling of the banner.

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