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The cold cometh



MAX BITTLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Barber Nasee Yehuda looks out the front window of Arnette's Barber Shop, 108 E. Oak St., while giving a haircut Thursday evening in Carbondale. Temperatures and rain steadily fell throughout the day Thursday as a winter storm approached Carbondale.

First winter blast brings cold temps, threat of snow

Brandon Weisenberger
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The wintry month has arrived. On December's first day, forecasters call for heavy snowfall and cold temperatures, all after a streak of unseasonably warm weather through-

out the region the past few weeks. Meteorologists predict a 40 percent chance of snowfall in the morning while afternoon temperatures are expected to hold stable in the low 30s. A return to sunny skies and temperatures in the 40s is expected over the weekend. National Weather Service Meteorologist Tim Halbach said drivers should be careful today, particularly in central and northern Illinois, where freezing rain and six to 10 inches of snow is possible.

"It looks like it's going to get messy," he said. On Thursday, two wrecks occurred on Interstate 270 by St. Louis, sending at least two people to the hospital. Police linked icy conditions to the deaths of a woman near Topeka, Kan., and man in northeast Oklahoma. In Carbondale on Thursday, rain drizzled steadily throughout the daytime and evening hours with temperatures hovering in the 30s and 40s. Carbondale Police said there were no accidents in the city Thursday.

Statewide, inclement weather caused several dozen flight cancellations at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport, and some central Illinois schools sent students home early. Nearly 2,000 snow trucks were prepared to combat winter's first storm, state officials reported.

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Lights on parade

Winter Weekend festival offers other events too

Alicia Wade
DAILY EGYPTIAN

If a humdrum holiday season has people down, this weekend promises to put the cheer back into the festive time of year. Carbondale Main Street and Carbondale Community Arts' Fantastic Winter Weekend starts today and lasts through Dec. 4. With more than 10 events planned throughout the weekend, organizers say the Fantastic Winter Weekend promises to be fun for everyone. The first of the weekend events started Wednesday in the Student Center with the 28th annual Holiday Craft Sale, sponsored by the SIUC Student Center Craft Shop. Seventy-five regional craft vendors packed the Hall of Fame and International lounges with their booths. Crafts from purses, pottery and wooden puzzles to wineglasses, jewelry and candles create a wide variety of choices for shoppers. The Holiday Craft Sale runs Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. It offers free admission as well as a free shuttle from the SIU Arena parking lot.

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Bad Dawg

Student who portrays Gray Dawg suspended for two games

Brandon Weisenberger
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Mooning the opponents' fans and attempting to "kidnap" their cheerleaders did more than bring a mix of cheers and jeers for SIU's Gray Dawg. The actions landed the man behind the fur, Brian Ardaugh, a two-game suspension and premature end to his last semester as a mascot. Ardaugh, a senior from Plainfield studying engineering technology, said he learned Wednesday he would not be able to participate as Gray Dawg when the men's basketball team hosts St. Louis University on Saturday because of inappropriate behavior displayed at last Saturday's football playoff game at McAndrew Stadium. He also sat out Wednesday when the women's basketball team hosted Austin Peay State University. After the Salukis scored their first touchdown Saturday against the University of

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Awareness main issue on World AIDS Day

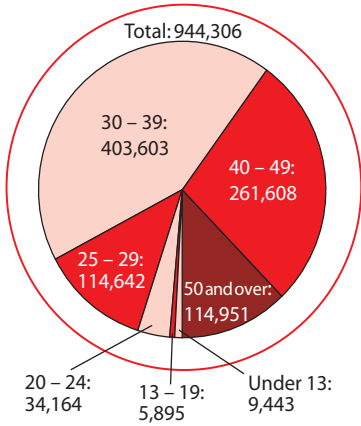
Sean McGahan
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Today is World AIDS Day. Across the globe, experts are seeking to increase research, those living with the disease are spreading awareness and family and friends are recognizing the millions who have died. From the slums of Africa to one of the top research sites in California, AIDS has affected people on an international level since its emergence in the early 1980s. According to the England-based AVERT charity for HIV and AIDS, the amount of death and suffering has been staggering. More than 25 million people have died from AIDS worldwide since 1981, according to AVERT's Web site. An estimated 39.5 million people are currently living with HIV or AIDS. HIV infection primarily damages the body's immune system, leaving it open to attack by opportunistic viruses and tumors. AIDS is a collection of

symptoms — ranging from neurological damage to pulmonary illnesses — that can cause death or require people to undergo a lifelong series of pills and treatments. SIUC Professor of Health Education Mark Kittleson has worked to assess the epidemic since its early stages. When he arrived at the university in 1989, he began work developing educational programs to help spread awareness. From 1998 to 2003, he worked on an HIV behavioral assessment paid for by a grant from the Illinois Department of Public Health. "We wanted to assess high-risk individuals on their behavior toward contracting HIV and efforts the state was doing to help combat HIV," Kittleson said. He said one of the largest problems in the public's understanding of HIV is that it is perceived as far less dangerous than when the epidemic started because of advances in treatment and medication. "They don't think it's that seri-

AIDS in the United States

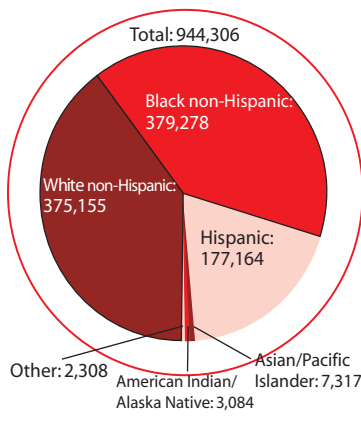
AIDS cases by age
(Breakdown of people diagnosed with AIDS through 2004 by age)



Illinois is the sixth most prevalent state for AIDS in the nation with 31,020 cases.

ous because we have the medicine," Kittleson said. "Fortunately, we do have the medicine, but we still need to have the people taking the necessary precautions."

AIDS cases by race
(Breakdown of people diagnosed with AIDS through 2004 by race)



He said misleading media reports of declining AIDS related-deaths are a large factor in these misconceptions.

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DAN CELVI ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tracey Taylor introduces her film “Walking on Sunshine” on Thursday night in Ballroom D in the Student Center. Taylor, who graduated from SIUC in 1997 with a bachelor’s degree in journalism, wrote, directed and produced the film, which was made in 2004.

No more ‘sunshine’

SIUC alumna’s film shows danger of AIDS unawareness

Sean McGahan
DAILY EGYPTIAN

For most of her life, Tracy Taylor was walking on sunshine.

That changed in 2004 when she searched the Internet about the prevalence of AIDS in black women that heeded some unexpected results.

Taylor — who graduated from SIUC in 1997 with a journalism degree — discovered AIDS was the No. 1 killer of black females in her age group.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, AIDS is the leading cause of death for black women ages 25 to 34 in America. Black women account for 68 percent of those diagnosed with HIV or AIDS in America from 2001 to 2004.

She said the information inspired

her to start writing her first motion picture — “Walking on Sunshine” — which she also directed and acted in.

Taylor screened the film Thursday night in the Student Center Ballroom D as a part of AIDS Awareness Week at SIUC.

“Walking on Sunshine” follows the lives of two black sisters who are largely oblivious to the ways they put themselves at risk for HIV and AIDS. It follows the sisters through the early years of the epidemic in 1989 through 2004.

The film premiered on Black Entertainment Television in December 2004 and garnered nominations for an abundance of awards — including the 2005 NAACP Image Award for Outstanding Television Movie.

Taylor said her goal with the film is to inform those who are as oblivious as she was to the threat AIDS presents.

“Walking on Sunshine” — like the song — is kind of a carefree, happy-go-lucky attitude that nothing can go wrong with me. But it can,” she said.

Denisha Bell, a senior from Calumet City studying early childhood

education, said the viewing opened her eyes.

“She got her point across in a film that actually got through to African-Americans,” Bell said.

While the film focused on two black sisters, Bell said it could speak to all people because the threat does not discriminate.

“AIDS affects everyone, and by this film, I know how much of an impact it is in my culture, and therefore I’ll try to educate as many African-Americans as well as Americans to get tested,” Bell said.

Ashley Allen, a junior from Country Club Hills studying social work, said the film was a good reminder of the dangers of unprotected sex.

“I learned to protect myself all the time and to be aware HIV and AIDS is out there,” she said.

Taylor said this warning and shared knowledge was her intention.

“Many people are disarmed because they don’t have the information,” she said. “If you don’t have the information, you’re going out ‘walking on sunshine.’”

Net neutrality not a neutral subject

Brandon Augsburg
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Those late-night commercials touting Net neutrality aren’t talking about picking sides in a cyber battle, they’re talking about keeping the Internet free.

A new telecommunications bill, H.R. 5252 which is the nation’s first in more than a decade, was proposed by Republican Sen. Ted Stevens from Alaska and has stalled on the floor of the U.S. Senate because it lacks proper Net neutrality provisions. The bill, as it is currently worded, would allow the Internet to continue development under a free market system and would not hinder the ability of network providers to raise fees and control content.

According to the Google Help Center, Net neutrality “is the principle that Internet users should be in control of what they use on the Internet.” Net neutrality is fundamentally about equal access to the Internet and allowing the continued free flow of information from a censorship and a monetary standpoint, the Web site said.

With the Congressional session drawing to a quick close, advocates of Net neutrality say they believe they have gained a victory this year.

Timothy Karr, campaign director for freepress.net and savetheinternet.com, both groups that promote Net neutrality, said advocacy groups took a defensive stance this year as they “desperately tried to stop the phone company juggernaut.”

“Now that we have this momentum moving into the next year, 2007, we’ll be trying to proactively support legislation that is much more supportive of a democratic Internet,” Karr said.

Anti-Net neutrality groups, such as handsoff.org, want the government to keep its hands out of the

Internet and let the free market determine where it goes. They tout the speedy development of the Internet as the product of an unregulated and untouched system. According to handsoff.org, the future of the Internet lies with the protection of the free market in the Internet, and Net neutrality would stifle innovation and advancement.

Representatives from handsoff.org could not be reached for comment.

The pro-Net neutrality groups, such as itsournet.org, are calling on Congress to pass regulations to keep the Internet free. They want to make sure companies cannot create a tiered Internet system and want Congress to pass a bill that would prohibit the creation of a “pay-for-speed” Internet access plan.

“The [current] bill does not sufficiently protect Net neutrality, it allows phone and cable companies to create a tiered Internet where corporations can pay for access to special services,” Karr said.

Jim McGann, a representative of Qorvis Communications, a pro-Net neutrality lobbyist, said the next round of lobbying would begin once the chairpersons of various Congressional committees are announced. He said his company chose to use a grassroots approach this year, but he would consider a more traditional approach in the future.

“So what happens in the next Congress, though, is really unknown right now,” McGann said. “We’re clearly going to be talking to people. I’m sure the other side that’s working against us will be doing the same. We’re going to continue to make our case for Net neutrality because people like the way the Internet works today.”

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Net neutrality, for or against?

Why net neutrality is a must:

- It would ensure that the Internet stays an open and non-discriminatory medium.
- It would keep network providers from double-charging consumers — once for Internet access, and again for user services on the Internet.
- It would allow start-up entrepreneurs to start Internet companies without the fear of being immediately muscled out by big companies.

Source: savetheinternet.com

Why the Internet should be left alone:

- Fair competition ensures the widest array of consumer choices.
- The government has no business regulating Internet content.
- Government policy should not favor or inhibit any competitors.
- Internet users should have total freedom of equipment and applications.

Source: handsoff.org



WORLD & NATION

First lady Laura Bush walks into the Blue Room to show the official Christmas tree, an 18-foot, 6-inch Douglas fir, while hosting a media preview of the 2006 holiday decorations at the White House in Washington, D.C., on Thursday.

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Senators vote to raise min. wage, own salaries

Christopher Wills
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPRINGFIELD — The state Senate sent legislation to the governor Thursday that would increase the state minimum wage by \$1, giving raises to hundreds of thousands of Illinois workers.

Senators also voted to raise their own salaries and those of other top state officials by 15.6 percent. That still needs House approval, however.

Under the minimum wage legislation, Illinois businesses would be required to pay most workers at least \$7.50 an hour beginning July 1, 2007. That would be followed by three 25-cent increases, bringing the minimum to \$8.25 an hour in 2010.

Advocates estimate 308,000 Illinoisans now make less than \$7.50 and would benefit directly from the increase. Slightly more people probably would get raises if the minimum wage increases, even though they make a little above \$7.50.

Gov. Rod Blagojevich has led efforts to raise the minimum wage and plans to sign the bill into law, even though it differs slightly from what he first proposed.

The Democrat originally wanted to link the minimum wage to inflation, so it would increase every year. He also sought to end the practice of letting businesses pay 50 cents less than the state minimum to workers under 18.

Both proposals were dropped in a concession to business groups who argue a higher minimum wage will force employers to raise prices and cut jobs. They predict the impact will be especially severe in parts of Illinois that border states that still use the federal minimum wage of \$5.15 an hour.

Some critics argue Illinois should wait to see if Congress raises the federal minimum to \$7.25 next year.

But supporters say that still wouldn't be enough, and Illinois should act on its own.

The Senate approved the increase 40-17. The House had approved it Wednesday.

Someone working 40 hours a week at the current state minimum of \$6.50 makes \$13,520 a year, significantly less than the federal poverty level for a family of three — \$16,600.

At \$7.50 an hour, that worker would make \$15,600. At \$8.25, the total reaches \$17,160.

Al-Maliki facing revolt from within

Hamza Hendawi
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki faced a widening revolt within his divided government as two senior Sunni politicians joined prominent Shiite lawmakers and Cabinet members in criticizing his policies.

Vice President Tariq al-Hashemi said he wanted to see al-Maliki's government gone and another "understanding" for a new coalition put in place with guarantees that ensure collective decision making.

"There is a clear deterioration in security, and everything is moving in the wrong direction," the Sunni leader told The Associated Press. "This situation must be redressed as soon as possible. If they continue, the country will plunge into civil war."

Al-Maliki's No. 2, Deputy Prime Minister Salam Zikam Ali al-Zubaie, also a Sunni, argued that the president's government failed to curb the spread of sectarian politics.

A boycott by 30 lawmakers and five Cabinet ministers loyal to anti-American Shiite cleric Muqtada al-

Sadr was in protest of al-Maliki's meeting with President Bush in Jordan on Thursday. The Sadrists said the meeting amounted to an affront to the Iraqi people.

Al-Maliki appealed to the Sadrists to end their boycott and admonished them for an action that he said violated the commitment expected from partners in his 6-month-old coalition government.

"I hope they reconsider their decision because it doesn't constitute a positive development in the political process," al-Maliki said at a news conference on his return

to Baghdad. "Political partnership means commitment."

Meanwhile, in an interview with ABC, al-Maliki confidently claimed that his forces would be ready to take over responsibility for security in Iraq by June, a timeline that is about 12 months shorter than what has been floated by top U.S. military commanders.

"We and the President (Bush) agreed to keep the same (U.S.) forces on the ground but to train more Iraqi forces," he said, according to excerpts from the interview to be aired later Thursday.

Bush draws line on troop withdrawal

Tom Raum
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

AMMAN, Jordan — President Bush on Thursday rejected calls for a measured withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq, even as Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki, facing doubts about his ability to dampen violence, asserted his forces could take full control by June.

A day after publication of a leaked White House memo questioning al-Maliki's leadership capabilities, Bush shared a news conference stage with him and offered what sounded like unconditional support. "He's a strong

leader," Bush said. "He's the right guy for Iraq."

Still, Bush and his advisers acknowledged formidable challenges for the Iraqi leader in quelling rising sectarian violence.

"There is a real sense of urgency, but there is not a sense of panic," said Stephen J. Hadley, Bush's national security adviser and the author of a leaked memo that underscored doubts about al-Maliki.

The president used the news conference in the Jordanian capital to get in front of reports that a special committee headed by former Secretary of State James A.

Baker III and former Democratic Rep. Lee Hamilton would call for a phased withdrawal of troops to begin.

"I know there's a lot of speculation that these reports in Washington mean there's going to be some kind of graceful exit out of Iraq," Bush said. But he said if there is talk of a timetable, "all that does is set people up for unrealistic expectations."

Al-Maliki, meanwhile, declared in an interview with ABC News that Iraqi forces would soon be in a position to take over security for the country — a position U.S. officials have questioned.

"I know there's a lot of speculation that these reports in Washington mean there's going to be some kind of graceful exit out of Iraq."

— President Bush

"I can say that Iraqi forces will be ready, fully ready to receive this command and to command its own forces, and I can tell you that by next June our forces will be ready," he said.

WIRE REPORTS

TURKEY

Pope offers silent prayer in mosque in hopes of ringing message of reconciliation

ISTANBUL, Turkey (AP) — Pope Benedict XVI joined an Islamic cleric in prayers under the towering dome of Istanbul's most famous mosque — in a powerful gesture seeking to transform his image among Muslims from adversary to peacemaker.

The pope's minute of prayer was done in silence, but the message of reconciliation was designed to resonate loudly nearly three months after he provoked worldwide fury for remarks on violence and the Prophet Muhammad.

"This visit will help us find together the way of peace for the good of all humanity," the pope said inside the 17th-century Blue Mosque — in only the second papal visit in history to a Muslim place of worship. Benedict's predecessor, John Paul II, made a brief stop in a mosque in Syria in 2001.

Benedict's steps through a stone archway and into the mosque's carpeted expanse capped a day of deep symbolism and lofty goals. Hours earlier, he stood beside the spiritual leader of the world's Orthodox Christians and passionately encouraged steps to end the nearly 1,000-year divide between their churches.

AMSTERDAM

A third of Amsterdam's red lights to go out

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands (AP) — City officials say they will turn off the red lights and shutter a third of the prostitution "windows" in Amsterdam's famed Red Light District, where scantily-clad ladies of the night have beckoned customers for hundreds of years.

The move is part of a crackdown on crime in the area.

"We're not knights on a morality crusade, and this is intended to target financial crime, not prostitution per se," city spokesman Martien Maten said Thursday. "But we do think it will change the face of the Red Light District."

The Dutch government legalized prostitution in 2000 to make it easier to tax and regulate.

Maten said the city was now making use of a new law to revoke brothels' licenses when it suspects operators have used them for money laundering or other illegal financial activity.

"In concrete terms (that) means that those involved won't be able to continue their businesses" after the measures takes effect Jan. 1, the city said in a statement.

But advocacy groups for prostitutes said the move was misguided because it will hurt the women who act as independent contractors renting space behind the windows. Brothel owners said they would appeal the decision in court.

HOLLYWOOD

Desperate Housewives' Eva Longoria to tie knot with Spurs star Tony Parker

NEW YORK (AP) — Her marriage didn't work out on "Desperate Housewives," but things are looking rosy in real life for Eva Longoria: She's engaged to her beau, basketball star Tony Parker.

"Tony flew into Los Angeles last night after his game and surprised Eva at her home as she got off work," Liza Anderson told The Associated Press on Thursday via e-mail.

"The proposal was romantic and perfect. The couple plans to wed in France in the summer of 2007 in what they describe as a big, happy ceremony with lots of family and friends."

The 31-year-old Longoria, who plays crafty Gabrielle Solis on the hit ABC show, met Parker, a 24-year-old Frenchman, in the San Antonio Spurs' locker room after a game two years ago.

Longoria divorced Tyler Christopher, who stars on ABC's "General Hospital," in 2004, after two years of marriage.

OUR WORD

Going bear hunting

Expectations run high for the SIU football team, as they should be — the Salukis’ 38-11 record since the beginning of the 2003 season is reason enough. Reaching the Division I-AA Championship playoffs for four straight seasons is another obvious culprit.

Regardless of any rough sledding in the regular season (anybody remember those consecutive losses in October?), it’s hard to picture the Salukis as an underdog anymore when it comes to football, but that’s the case as they travel up to Missoula, Mont., to face the mighty Grizzlies on Saturday. Yes, Montana, ranked No. 2 in the I-AA national polls, is at least a slight favorite in this matchup, but that is to be expected.

After all, they are ranked No. 2, and it’s been a while since SIU has seen the top 10, and of course there’s the home-field advantage. Montana has a 23,000-seat house that will be pumped up and ready for victory. Also, you have to figure there will be some sort of period of adjustment for our valiant explorers of championship football.

Like those who long ago searched the wilds of this nation to find unknown treasures and great prosperity, SIU football has spent its

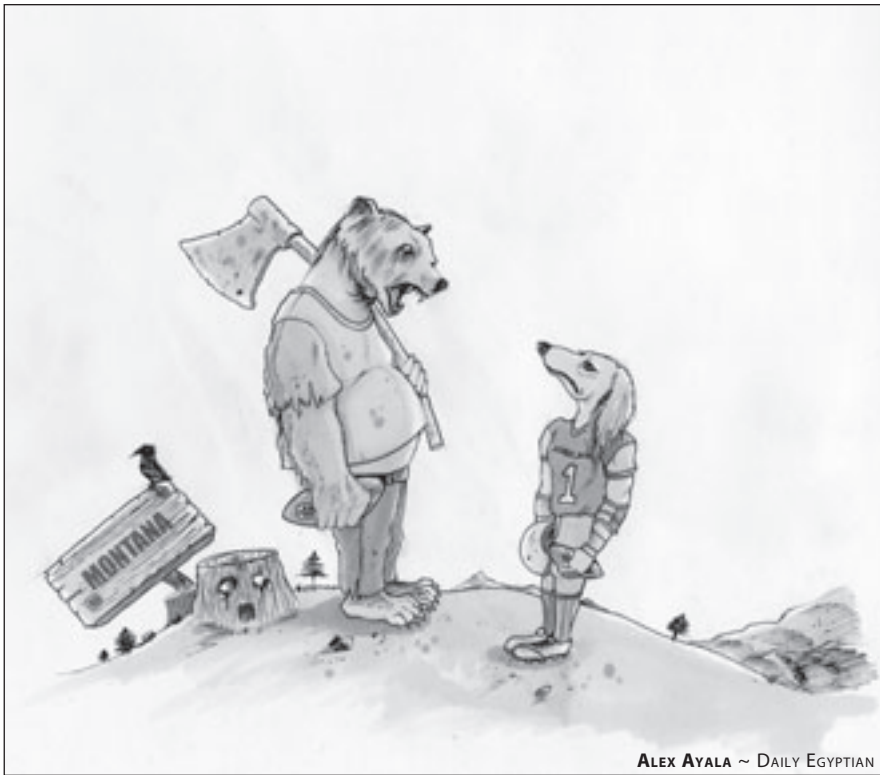
recent playoff runs going off to places we know little of around here in search of a national championship. Last year, it was Appalachia, now it’s the “Big Sky Country.”

Last year, these maroon Lewis’ and Clark’s came up short against an Appalachian State University team featuring a battle-tested quarterback who tore them apart. With Montana, we can only speculate on what kind of weapons they have and how they will be used.

From home, we send our best wishes and hope for some sort of reliable source of info on how the guys are doing (if not ESPN or ESPN2, then at least ESPN Ocho will do). When they come back, as victors or as the defeated, we will throw our arms around them and say, “Great job” or, “You’ll get them next time.” If the latter has to happen, an existence of truth will come with it, SIU has become much better at reloading talent, but that doesn’t mean it wouldn’t hurt a little.

Still, the thrill is in the hunt. For so long after a national championship in 1983 there has been nothing to follow on the gridiron past Thanksgiving. Now, the Salukis are, for a second straight year, playing in December.

It doesn’t get better than this, no matter the final score.



At this point, you know what comes in this situation. It’s time for you to show your true colors, find a TV and get your best disses going against Montana (some ammo: In January their minimum wage jumps up to \$6.15 an hour, ours is already at \$6.50, ha ha.) The SIU team knows what to do — talented seniors, led by All-American running back Arkee Whitlock feel their

college careers are far from over and that their teammates are ready to back them up.

Sure, Montana hasn’t been on the Salukis’ travel itinerary before, but SIU has a little experience in the wilderness, so they should be okay while walking in the path of these Grizzlies. Still, it doesn’t hurt to wish for a little good luck and a machete or two.

GUEST COLUMN

AIDS: Know your facts

COUNSELING CENTER STAFF

Today is World AIDS Day. World AIDS Day started in 1988 to break both the silence and denial fueling the stigma and prejudice surrounding HIV/AIDS.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) seized the public’s attention when it was formally recognized in 1981. During this time in the early 1980s, the number of deaths related to the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), the virus that causes AIDS, and AIDS skyrocketed. In recent years, modern medicine has made it possible for individuals infected with HIV/AIDS to live a longer and better quality of life with this illness. Currently, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) reports there are

over 1 million people in the United States living with HIV/AIDS. Moreover, approximately 40,000 individuals in the United States become infected with HIV each year.

HIV attacks the body’s immune system, which is the body’s defense against diseases. If detected and treated early in the disease trajectory, HIV can be treated successfully. A person is considered to have AIDS when the immune system has become so weak it can no longer fight off a whole host of infections the immune system would normally be equipped to fight off.

There are a multitude of misconceptions about how HIV is transmitted. HIV is not transmitted by holding hands, kissing, hugging, sharing eating utensils, toilet seats or swimming pools. HIV is passed on through

exposure to the virus through direct injection with contaminated needles, child birth and breast-feeding. More commonly, the virus is sexually transmitted via anal, vaginal, and/or oral penetration.

The only safe sex that prevents HIV/AIDS is abstinence; therefore, it is essential to practice safer sex if you engage in any type of sexual practice. Safer sex serves to reduce your risk of contracting HIV and other sexually transmitted infections (STIs). Safer sex involves taking the following precautions. Talk with your partner about his/her sexual history (i.e., number of partners, high risk sexual encounters, etc.). Utilize good judgment and self-control, which is weakened by alcohol and drugs and is the basis of safer, healthier sex. Minimize or abstain

from drug and alcohol use before engaging in sex play. During sexual encounters, utilize barrier methods such as condoms, dental dams and finger condoms to prevent coming in direct contact with fluids. Know your HIV status by getting tested.

There are a number of testing options available such as blood, urine and oral swab tests. SIU students can get tested for HIV and other STIs at the Student Health Center for \$6. The Jackson County Health Department offers an HIV testing program called “Ask for Chris,” which is anonymous and free. “Ask for Chris” uses the oral swab test called OraSure, which means there are no needles and no blood draw. You can also buy Home Access, an anonymous HIV home test kit in a drugstore or at [cess.com. This home test kit costs anywhere from \\$45-\\$50. It includes the testing materials, prepaid mailing materials and access to free telephone support for your testing and result questions. For further reference, students can call or visit the Sexuality Education division of the Wellness Center located on the first floor of the SHC. The Wellness Center provides students with access to sexuality education, sexual and reproductive health care, and counseling that can reduce their risk of contracting HIV, other STIs and unplanned pregnancy.](http://www.homeac-</p></div><div data-bbox=)

On this World AIDS Day, get informed, exchange the facts and take action. It is only through these steps that we can break the silence and stigma that affects the United States and the world at large.

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WORDS OVERHEARD

“ When I saw the orphans and saw Bangladesh, it was like, ‘What better thing to do with your life?’ ”

Shema Jamaluddin
Kids for Kid’s Sake event coordinator

All he wanted was a sandwich

Artwork and column by
Alex Ayala

Have you ever made a late-night run to get rid of the munchies, only to get yourself into some sort of altercation you thought could've been avoided, maybe a battle of words?

If you're the rapper with "No Name," then yes you have.

On a recent Wednesday night, Gregory Scott Aarons, an undecided freshman from Chicago's south side who goes by the alias "No Name," went to Grinnell Hall, fueled by a craving for a ham sandwich and chicken strips. When he got to Grinnell, Aarons encountered an unusually large crowd in the basement, one assembled to witness hip-hop in one of its purest forms.

That night, the Registered Student Organization Underground Arts was conducting its second monthly show called "Fight Klub."

Fight Klub was inspired and named after an MTV2 show which pitted talented battle rappers against each other in a contest of words, resulting in a cash prize and a boosted reputation within the hip-hop community. The UA event was even more underground than the broadcast version — the only green here happened to be the felt cloth on the billiards table.

The rap competition waged on while competitors stood under the spotlight of a ceiling lamp. An eager crowd of around 100 people surrounded the battle emcees.

Aarons has practiced the art of rhyming and improvisation since his childhood days, and this seemed like an opportunity to shine and show-

case his ability.

"As a kid, I used to rap to songs of other rappers such as LL Cool J, and I would put my own lyrics and name on it," Aarons said.

When Aarons entered the crowd, rapper "Real" was obliterating the competition. Aarons acknowledged the emcee's talent but wasn't one of those shouting out "oohhhs" and "aahhhhs."

"I waited for 20 minutes, and nobody challenged him, so I figured he was pretty competent," Aarons said.

What those around him didn't know was that Aarons was waiting for the opportunity to go against the best of the best that night. After a call for a new challenger against "Real," Aarons squeezed through the masses like a lucky ticket holder at a carnival raffle. To the amazement of the crowd, this rugged, bearded man with the puffy camouflage coat delivered strong verses right away.

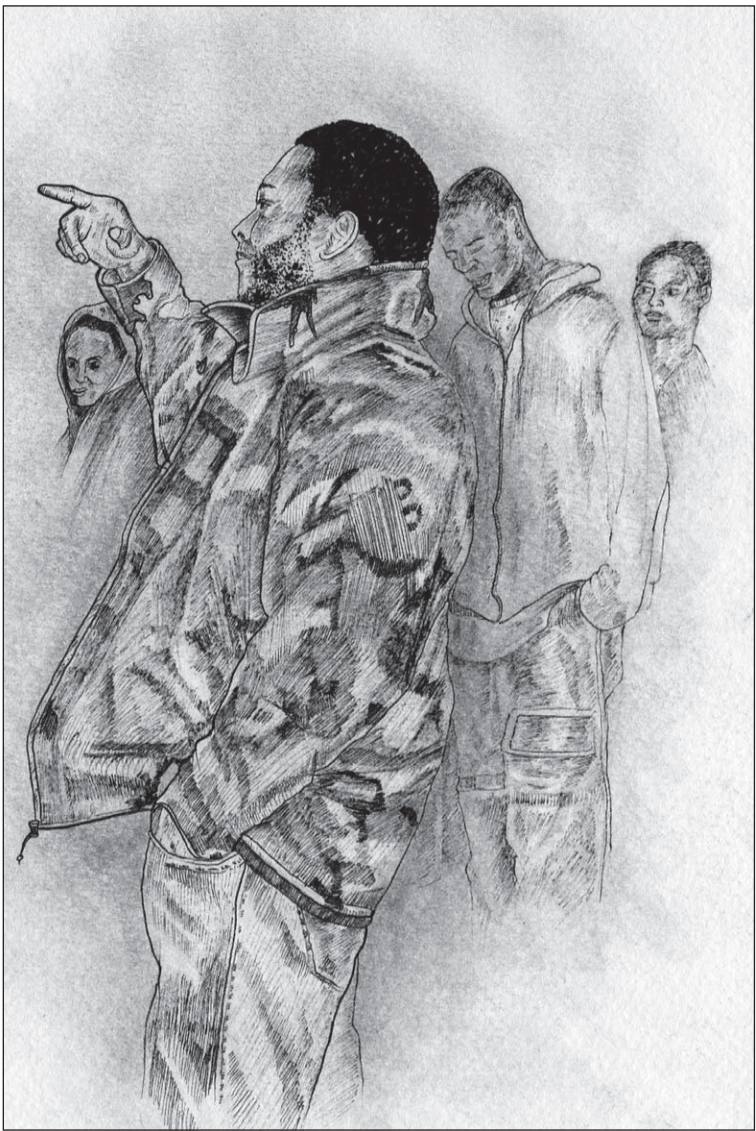
The coat was so out of place that it was referred to by his opponent, who said he looked like someone returning from Iraq. Aarons responded by saying, "I did."

In about a half hour, Aarons had gone from being a stranger to engaging in an underground rap battle. For Aaron, spitting some rhymes is not much of a battle compared to when he was an active soldier in Iraq.

Less was at stake while in Grinnell after having been deployed to do security duty in Al Asad and Al Qa'im in the northwest section of Baghdad, he said.

Over the next few rounds, metaphors and similes spit out of Aarons as if he was Muhammad Ali in pre-fight mode. Aarons was declared an easy winner.

Most in the crowd were tempted to hear more from Aarons against a new challenger, but Aarons exited the circle and proceeded to the



Grinnell cafeteria for his sandwich and chicken strips.

"I was just hungry at the time," Aarons said.

A similar hunger and desire to perform is the benchmark inspiration most of the performers in Fight Klub have. They hope to engage in an activity that has been with them since childhood. While everything hip-hop has become a marketing gimmick for BET, MTV and the World Wide Web, those involved in these organized emcee battles are

trying to find a way to capture the essence of hip-hop.

This art form has come close to extinction in Carbondale as students who love it struggle to find forms of entertainment that fit them.

With the weekly Hangar 9 hip-hop shows being moved away from the Strip to Nights Over Egypt, only time will tell what will happen to hip-hop at SIUC and to artists such as "No Name," who are hoping to add their kind of flavor to this town.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Workers deserve wage increase

DEAR EDITOR:

This is about your Nov. 29 article, "Maximum questions for minimum wage increase," featuring the Dickensian economic theories of State Rep. Mike Bost. It strikes me that Bost would have made a fine slaveholder in the Antebellum South.

The slaveholders' arguments against raising their workers' wages (from zero to something) were much the same as Bost's today. They asserted, for instance, that if any one state required its plantation owners to pay their cotton pickers what their time was worth, that state

would not be able to compete with neighboring states. Even worse, the price of cotton shirts for middle-class clerks in Philadelphia would go up!

Similarly, Bost, whose own job pays rather more than the minimum, thinks the people who make slave wages ought to sacrifice for the team.

But minimum-wage workers are not the ones who caused oil prices to skyrocket over the last few years. They are the ones, though, that will have the hardest time heating their homes this winter or buying food that is more expen-

sive because of increased transportation costs. They should not be blamed for the inflation that hurts them more than it does anyone else.

In a country as wealthy as ours, it's a disgrace to pay honest workers less than a livable wage. Fortunately, on Nov. 30, Bost was outvoted in the Illinois House of Representatives. Too bad he wasn't outvoted at the polls in the last election.

Jim Glover
associate professor of recreation

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Children from the Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders program relax before being picked up by family members Wednesday afternoon in the Wham Building. **DuVale Riley**
DAILY EGYPTIAN



Graduate program benefits autistic children

Ryan Rendleman
DAILY EGYPTIAN

One university program has taken an active approach to helping children with autism.

The Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders is located in the Wham Building. Anthony Cuvo, professor of behavior analysis and therapy and the director of the center, said it provides training for graduate students to teach them to effectively work with children with autism. Through this, he said, the program benefits children in the southern Illinois region.

"Our unique niche is a graduate student training program," Cuvo

said. "And then the children benefit from that."

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site, autism is a spectrum disorder that impairs the development of a person's social interaction and communication skills. The individual usually exhibits odd behavior or has unusual interests, the site said.

Cuvo said the center started on campus in 2000 when he and a colleague started training graduate students to work with children with autism. The center was eventually set as the Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders and has continued to grow. It is part of Illinois' "The Autism Program," which helps develop ser-

vices for children with autism.

The center offers programs to help assess children with autism and to treat the disorder, Cuvo said. He said children with autism generally exhibit three main characteristics that aid in the evaluation of their condition, which include language development, inappropriate social behavior and a repetitive interest in certain behaviors.

Cuvo said the center has many services for children with autism and their families. He said the treatment helps children develop their language and social skills, but results vary with the amount of treatment as well as the severity of the disorder.

"The younger we get them and

the milder the autism and the fewer of the other disorders they have, the better the prognosis," he said.

Alessa Bennan, a graduate student from Chicago studying behavioral analysis and therapy, said she has always enjoyed working with children and realized through her experiences in the past few years as an aid for a boy with autism that she wanted to work with autistic children.

"That's why I keep doing it, because I see progress, and that's a really cool thing to see," she said.

Kirsten Schaper, a speech language pathologist for the center, said autism affects males more than females by a 4-1 ratio. Psychological

disorders in general occur more frequently in males, she said.

Cuvo said autism is a genetic disorder and that environmental factors play a role. The genes, or combination of genes, that create the disorder are unknown, he said.

While treatment can do a lot to help children with autism develop more normally, Cuvo said effects of the disorder never fully leave those who suffer from it.

"There's always going to be some residue of autism," Cuvo said. "Even if they make great strides."

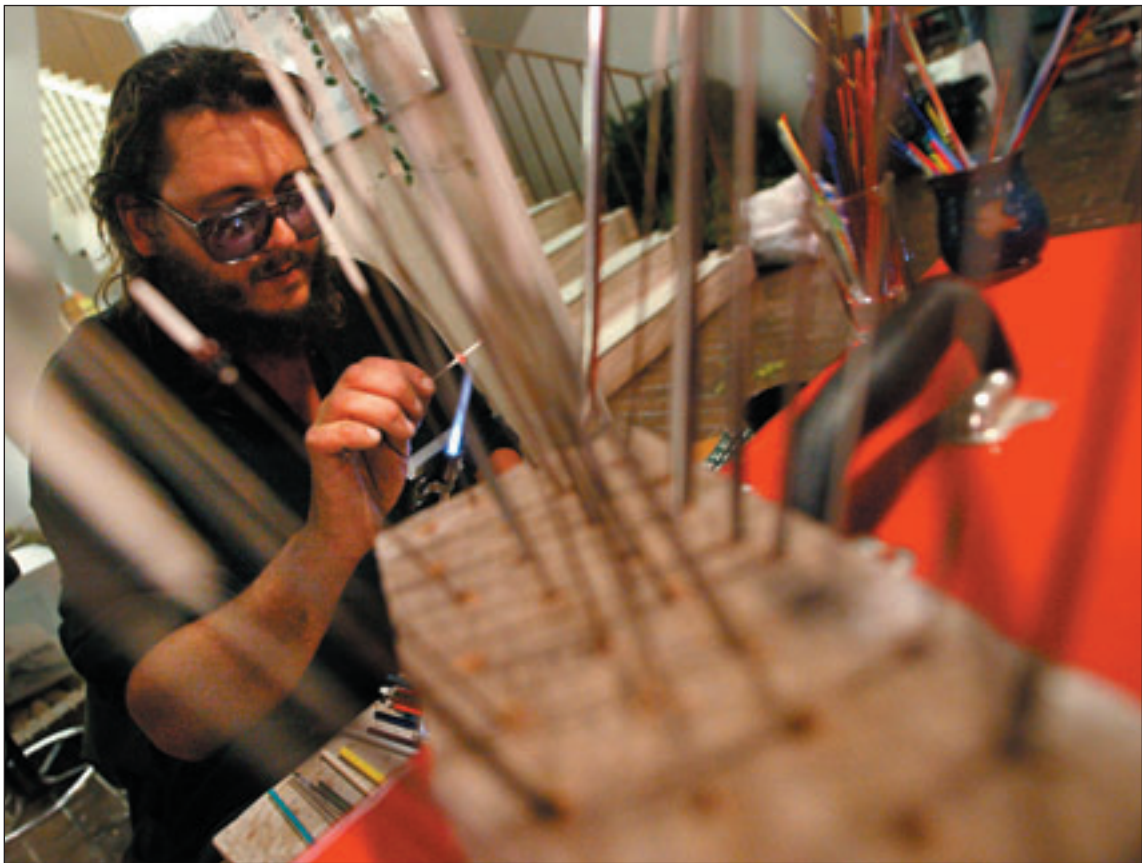
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LEFT: Paul, 4, runs across the room after being sent over in a game of Red Rover on Wednesday morning in the Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders program.

ABOVE: Children in the Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders program make bird feeders during one of the interaction activities Wednesday morning in the Wham Building.



JAKE LOCKARD ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN
J-Bird Elwell shapes a glass bead with a propane torch during the Holiday Craft Sale on Thursday afternoon in the Student Center.

Report talks about South Africa’s increasing AIDS-related deaths

Clare Nullis
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAPE TOWN, South Africa — Fewer than half of South Africa’s 15-year-olds will live to see their 60th birthday because of HIV/AIDS, according to a new report.

An estimated 950 people died per day during 2006 from AIDS-related diseases and a further 1,400 were infected each day — a total of 530,000 new infections, said the report by the Actuarial Society of South Africa and the Medical Research Council.

The report, issued every two years and widely used as a model for predicting the course of the disease and its impact, included an estimate that 5.4 million of South Africa’s 48 million people were infected with the AIDS virus by the middle of 2006 — a figure in line with the government’s own estimates issued earlier this year.

Only India is believed to have more people infected with HIV than South Africa.

The report said life expectancy dropped from 63 in 1990 to 51 in 2006. In the hardest hit province of KwaZulu-Natal, it was as low as 43.

“The Demographic Impact

of HIV/AIDS in South Africa: National and Provincial Indicators for 2006” said that 15-year-olds had a 56 percent chance of dying before the age of 60, compared to a 29 percent chance of dying in 1990.

“The youth of today are facing a bleak future, and much still needs to be done to protect and support this vulnerable group,” said Leigh Johnson, one of the authors of the report.

The South African government, long under fire for doing too little to prevent the spread of AIDS and to promote effective treatments, recently revamped its strategy. It gave responsibility to Deputy President Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka and effectively sidelined Health Minister Manto Tshabalala-Msimang, who has been criticized for praising garlic, lemons and the African potato as remedies while disparaging the benefits of antiretroviral medicines.

Mlambo-Ngcuka is due to unveil a plan for prevention, care and treatment of HIV/AIDS in 2007-2011 at World AIDS Day ceremonies today. The final five-year plan will be released in March, to allow time for activist groups, who were previously ignored by the government, to have

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— Leigh Johnson
one of the authors of the report

their say.

The new report said high rates of AIDS mortality will persist in South Africa at least for the next decade, but much depended on the provision of treatment. It forecast that if 50 percent of people with AIDS were given treatment, then by 2010 approximately 388,000 AIDS deaths would occur each year.

This compared to approximately 291,000 deaths if 90 percent of people progressing to AIDS started treatment.

The report said approximately 230,000 HIV-infected individuals were receiving antiretroviral treatment by mid-2006, and a further 540,000 were sick with AIDS but not receiving any therapy.

Kan. court refuses to intervene in abortion case investigation

John Hanna
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TOPEKA, Kan. — The Kansas Supreme Court refused Thursday to intervene on behalf of two abortion clinics in a dispute with the state attorney general over patient records that were leaked to “The O’Reilly Factor.”

The clinics had asked the court to seize the records of 90 patients from Attorney General Phill Kline and appoint a special prosecutor to investigate how Fox News’ Bill O’Reilly got access to abortion records for a Nov. 3 broadcast.

The court offered no explanation for its ruling in a one-sentence order signed by Chief Justice McFarland.

Kline received edited versions of the records in October from a Shawnee

County judge after a two-year legal battle. He said he was investigating whether clinic doctors performed illegal late-term abortions and violated a state law requiring them to report suspected child abuse.

The clinics, operated by Dr. George Tiller in Wichita and by Planned Parenthood in Overland Park, argued that Kline was on a “fishing expedition” that violated the patients’ privacy. They also said Kline, a strong abortion opponent, could not conduct an objective investigation.

O’Reilly interviewed Kline during the segment where O’Reilly discussed the leaked information. A spokeswoman for Kline, who lost his re-election bid four days after the broadcast, has said he doesn’t know how O’Reilly got the records.

Kline accused the clinics of trying to thwart his investigation and argued that the court had no authority to appoint a special prosecutor or take over a criminal investigation.

The ruling means Kline, a Republican, can continue his investigation, refer potential cases to county prosecutors or file charges himself before leaving office Jan. 8.

Pedro Irigonegaray, an attorney representing the clinics, declined to comment, saying he had not examined the ruling.

Kline said: “These motions were without legal basis, and the decision is appropriate.”

Paul Morrison, a Democrat who will succeed Kline, said he has not decided whether he will continue the investigation.

FBI joins British investigation of poisoned spy

Jennifer Quinn
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LONDON — The FBI is joining the British probe into the poisoning death of a Kremlin critic, the agency announced Thursday as investigators found traces of radiation at a dozen sites in Britain and a former Russian prime minister reported symptoms consistent with poisoning.

British authorities requested the involvement of the FBI, agency spokesman Richard Kolko said. FBI experts in weapons of mass destruction will assist with some of the scientific analysis, he said.

There is no suspected link to the U.S. in an investigation that extends to five airliners and locations from London to Moscow. Russian officials said radiation levels were normal on two suspect Russian jets and appealed to British officials for information on how to test Russians who traveled aboard the two British Airways planes on which radiation has so far been detected.

Yegor Gaidar, who served briefly as prime minister in the 1990s under Russian President Boris Yeltsin, vomited and then fainted during a conference in Ireland on Nov. 24, a day after ex-KGB agent Alexander Litvinenko died of radiation poisoning. Doctors treating Gaidar in Moscow believe he was also poisoned, said his spokesman, Valery Natarov.

While Litvinenko was a

fierce critic of the Kremlin who during his waning hours blamed President Vladimir Putin for his poisoning, Gaidar, one of the leaders of a liberal opposition party, is a figure with little influence in today’s Russia whose moderate criticism of the Kremlin has focused on economic issues.

Gaidar’s illness has added strands to a growing web of speculation in Russia over the death of Litvinenko and the Oct. 7 killing of investigative reporter Anna Politkovskaya. Some critics see the hand of hard-liners in the country’s ruling elite, while Kremlin backers have suggested a murder plot by self-exiled tycoon Boris Berezovsky to blacken the government’s reputation.

Andrei Lugovoy, another former KGB spy who met with Litvinenko on the day he fell ill, served as Gaidar’s bodyguard at one point. But there was no other immediate link with Litvinenko, who was poisoned by a rare radioactive element called polonium-210.

The former Russian prime minister’s daughter, Maria, said Putin had called her father on the phone to inquire about his health and wish him a smooth recovery.

Gaidar, 50, was feeling better Thursday, according to Natarov. “His condition is stable and improving. Doctors say there is no threat to his life at the moment.”

An autopsy on Litvinenko was to be conducted Friday. Since he became sick a month ago, the story behind the former spy’s poisoning has riveted the world with twists and turns like that out of a James Bond film.



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AIDS

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“There’s not as many deaths in the United States because people are taking the necessary medicines, but we’re still seeing a substantial increase in the number of people who are infected,” Kittleson said.

Kelly Klinger, a 32-year-old graduate student studying social work, is fighting to prevent these misconceptions.

As president of the SIUC chapter of AWADAIDS Network International, Klinger and her group of about 20 members have worked to bring prevention strategies and education to the campus. She said the Registered Student Organization aims to combat the epidemic across the Carbondale community.

“Once people are educated, they no longer believe things they used to believe,” Klinger said. “It kind of breaks the barriers when people are finally educated and hear the truth about how this is really spread and how you can contract it.”

She said the group tries to make it a comfortable topic that people would be open and willing to discuss because it is closer to home than many believe.

“It’s not talked about, it’s pretty taboo, so we try to bring it home that people are living with it here,” Klinger said.

Idriss Alabi, a sophomore from Benin studying accounting, said his country in Africa has not been as highly affected as most, but the problem is still prevalent.

Alabi said contraceptive use and abstinence have been growing trends that have helped limit the epidemic.

The key factor, he said, is educating people about prevention techniques.

“Most of the people who are educated in Africa learn about it, and they know about it,” Alabi said. “People who don’t go to school, it’s more difficult.”

He said he was not informed about HIV and AIDS until he was 16 years old.

“Many people, they have sex before they are 16,” Alabi said. “They need to be educated at a young age.”

Kittleson said this is true for American education as well.

“People think knowledge is harmful,” Kittleson said. “They say, ‘If you talk to kids about sex, they’ll do it. If you talk to kids about contraceptives, they’re going to use it,’ and that’s not the case at all.”

He said research shows young people who are provided with information are more likely to delay sexual involvement and more likely to use protection when they do become sexually active.

“We need to get off this fear that knowledge is harmful,” Kittleson said. “We need to talk to kids about sexuality because this is the most critical time to talk to them about it, because these are decisions that are killing people.”

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LIGHTS

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On Thursday, vendor Richard Cox, owner of Weaver’s Cottage, straightened the tassels of the scarves and shawls he was selling as customers walked by. Cox said he has been a vendor selling his hand-woven wares at the craft sale since 1988.

“It takes about two days to thread the loom, and then the actual weaving takes a couple of hours,” Cox said.

However, the craft sale is not just about returning vendors, but also about returning customers. Debra Quamen of Makanda said she has been attending the event for almost 20 years.

“I enjoy looking around and seeing the neat little things they make,” Quamen said.

She also said the craft sale had grown substantially through the years, saying it used to be contained on one floor of the Student Center and has now crept over two lounges.

Other events are planned throughout the Main Street area of Carbondale as well as on campus. Carbondale’s Civic Center will house several activities, including today’s madrigal dinner sponsored by the Carbondale Convention and Tourism Bureau and a chili supper Saturday.

Saluki basketball is also a part of the Fantastic Winter Weekend, and Roxanne Conley, executive director

of Carbondale Main Street, said the first 500 people who visit the 710 Book Store table at the game will receive a free glowing bracelet to wear to the biggest event of the weekend — The 16th Annual Lights Fantastic Parade.

The parade will step off at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, running along Illinois Avenue between Grand Avenue and Jackson Street, and will feature more than 70 lighted entries. Conley said bands, motorcycle units and even llamas will be in the parade. The grand marshals of the parade are SIU President Glenn Poshard and his wife Jo.

Conley also advised motorists that Grand Avenue as well as public parking areas along the route will be closed starting at 1:30 p.m.

Several businesses are offering open houses during the weekend to people wanting to sample a taste of what Carbondale provides. Conley said the weekend is an opportunity for everyone to appreciate what downtown Carbondale has to offer.

“It brings people into the downtown area who haven’t been there before,” Conley said. “The lights shut off during the parade, and people can see what is in the stores. I know they come back.”

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Parade route



DAWG

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Tennessee-Martin, Ardaugh said he tried to grab some Skyhawk cheerleaders and “kidnap” them. UTM’s fans were apparently not amused.

“Their fans were booing at me and cussing at me, and I was like, ‘I’m not going to have that. This is my home turf,’” Ardaugh said.

That’s when the pants came down.

Ardaugh slid down his shorts halfway and displayed Gray Dawg’s furry backside for the fans. Not long after, Ardaugh said someone pulled him off the field.

Saluki marketing director Mike Trude said several UTM fans and school officials sent e-mails to the Athletic Department and SIUC administrators voicing discontent with Gray Dawg’s actions.

Trude said Ardaugh’s behavior was inappropriate.

“Somehow, he offended some people, and we don’t want to tolerate that,” said Trude, who made the decision with Athletic

Director Mario Moccia to suspend Ardaugh.

Ardaugh, who has portrayed Gray Dawg for two years, said he was upset that he would not be able to participate in Saturday’s game, which would be the last of his SIUC career. He is set to graduate Dec. 16.

Trude said he offered Ardaugh the chance to serve as Gray Dawg for a Dec. 19 home women’s basketball game and a men’s game the next night, even though the two games are after graduation. Ardaugh, who hails from a south Chicago suburb, said he probably would not participate because of troubles with living and travel arrangements after he graduates.

His last appearance as Gray Dawg is set for Saturday during Carbondale’s Lights Fantastic Parade.

Ardaugh said the suspension was unfair because his actions mirrored that of any mascot.

“Mascots are kind of like cartoon characters, like when Bugs Bunny dresses up like a girl and pulls Daffy’s pants down,” he said.

“I feel as if I did something that a normal mascot or character would do.”

At the Oct. 14 football game at Illinois State University, Redbird fans threw plastic footballs at Saluki players, mocked head coach Jerry Kill’s wife and teased the coach for his history of suffering seizures.

Trude said although Ardaugh’s behavior was inappropriate, the decision to suspend Ardaugh had nothing to do with the ISU incident.

“We feel that our student athletes, our cheerleaders, our (Saluki) Shakers, our mascots, whoever it might be out in the public eye have a responsibility to represent the university and the Athletic Department with the utmost respect and decorum and ... we don’t want anything to be taken that they do in a bad light because it reflects directly back on the university,” he said.

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SHARE 2 BDRM 2 bath @ Lewis Park in Jan. great location, \$330/ mo + 1/2 util call Drew @630-302-1102.

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Apartment

1, 2, & 3 BDRM APT, town house, duplex, house, avail now, many ex-tras, 549-8000, www.university-heightsrentals.com

1 BDRM FLAT, Avail Dec, full size w/d, d/w, fenced deck, ceiling fans, large closet, breakfast bar, pets con-sidered, 457-8194, www.alpharent-als.net for virtual tours.

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PART TIME HELP, cleaning & delivering appliances, good pay, need strong back, 525-9822.

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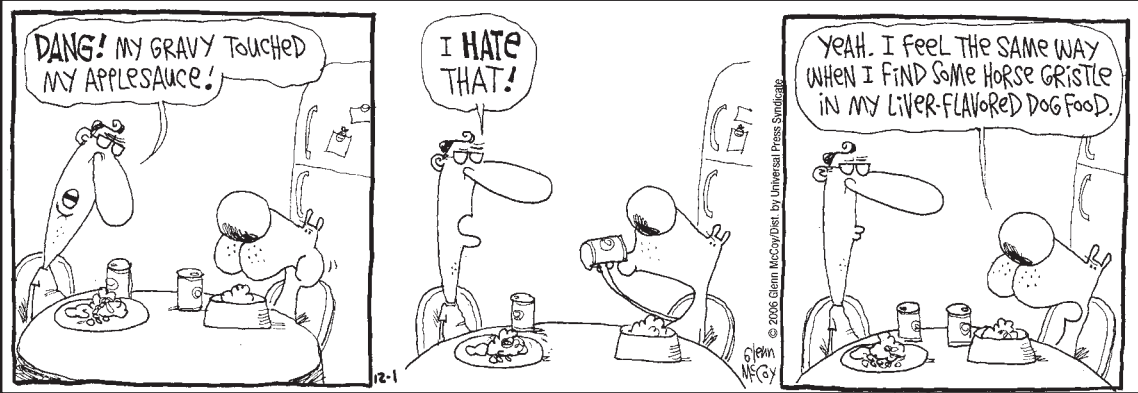
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By Linda Black
Today's Birthday (12-01-06). You can have great adventures this year, action, romance and brilliant discoveries. Don't do it all, vicariously, sitting on your couch. Get out and be a major player.
To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.
Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 10 - Be your own scout and check out the territory you mean to acquire. Some of the information can be found in books but a visit is still required.
Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - You don't have to make a lot of noise about your success. Living comfortably is the reward you've been after. You're making it happen.
Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is an 8 - You and everyone else on your team have a common objective. Don't let them forget what it is for a minute. Your full intention is required.
Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - It's a tough job but that's why it pays so well. Don't take any chances. Before you say you'll do it, get a very comfortable contract.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 10 - Make a list of all the stuff you'll be, do and have by this time next year. It's early but the odds are in your favor now.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - You'll develop the plan. You can even draw it on a big chart, so the others know what they're supposed to do. Make an offer they can't refuse.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 9 - You're looking very good, and so is somebody you love. Graciously let yourself be talked into doing something you'll greatly enjoy.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 5 - First, finish the job you started and collect your reward. Later, celebrate with a person who always makes you smile.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 10 - Get started early and use the skills that you've been practicing. Wonderful sensations are waiting to be experienced, by you.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 5 - A few of the items you've had stashed away have appreciated in value. The trick is to figure out which ones have, and get them to the right market.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is an 8 - Having a wide range of points of view at your disposal is good. Ask the others if any of them understand this gibberish. Somebody undoubtedly will.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 5 - You remember things that other people like, and other people like that about you. And, it can help your career, but only if you're sincere.

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Level: 1 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

Solution to Thursday's puzzle

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Crossword

ACROSS

1 In the sack

5 Threw a party for

10 Plot of land

14 Flat charge

15 Basra man

16 Wharf

17 Enigmatic

19 Driving force

20 Draft animals

21 Gave one's consent

23 Move like a peacock

26 Audibly

27 Spats

30 Goose or speed followers

34 Sch. of Trojans

35 Consecrate with oil

38 Stable youngster

39 Great landmass

41 Blood giver

42 Quaker pronoun

43 Open-handed blow

44 "This Is ___ Tap"

46 Drivers' org.

47 Lends a hand

49 Family favoritism

51 Fencing move

54 Singer Mariah

55 Storehouse of arms

58 Train like Rocky

60 Bound upward

61 Phoebe and Phobus

66 Biblical wise men

67 Minute amount

68 Digits per hand

69 ___ gin fizz

70 Gossiper

71 Units of length

DOWN

1 Chair rest

2 Reddish brown horse

3 UFO crew

4 Way around

5 Discharge

6 ___ go brag!

7 The Chinese "way"

8 On a par

9 "Saturday Night Fever" dance

10 Water conduit

11 Bean ___ (tofu)

12 Latest thing

13 Sized up

18 Additional

22 Rookie reporter

23 Press flat

24 Vigorous struggle

25 Ethnic

26 Utterly ridiculous

28 Shuts off

29 Cloverleaf segment

31 Goat coat

32 Make happy

33 Hot and sticky

36 Zilch

37 Pitfall

40 American dessert

45 Nearby

48 Sat. follower

50 Import tax

52 Offensive

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“It’s a tough place to play, and it was a dogfight, I thought, here last year,” Eikenberg. “I’m assuming it will be nothing less, hopefully, a dogfight out there Saturday.”

Eikenberg said she hopes it will be a gritty affair, which would conform to her team’s defensive style. She said the game against Austin Peay was “one of the ugliest games” she’s ever taken part in and expects more of the same against Weber State.

“We just better be the more scrappy team. We don’t have a choice,” Eikenberg said. “We have to play like that right now. We have to make things happen off of our defense.”

The Wildcats’ shooting has been

SNOW

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Justice, though, put any doubt to rest and said the offense has been doing fine with adjusting to the new strategy.

“It’s worked great for us so far,” Justice said. “I’ve been working with these guys for two or three years, and they pick up on things easily. They are good guys, and we seemed to have figured it out, so I think we will be fine.”

Another obstacle that could hinder the Salukis could be the weather. The Missoula forecast for Saturday calls for a high of 27 degrees and a low of 13 degrees with a chance of snow.

The Salukis have not played in those types of conditions all season.

Hill said weather would not be a

streaky this season — their three-point percentage against Utah was 18.8. In the previous game, though, Weber State shot 55.6 percent from beyond the arch.

In 2005, the Salukis held the Wildcats to 12.5 percent three-point shooting en route to the victory.

Eikenberg said success for SIU is all a matter of confidence.

“I have no doubt this team works extremely hard,” she said. “They give us great effort, but their confidence gets rattled so quickly.”

Eikenberg singled out sophomore guard Kaci Bailey as a team member who plays with elevated confidence.

Bailey scored a career-high eight points against Austin Peay with a game-high 30 minutes of playing time. Eikenberg said Bailey is playing

factor once the Salukis got their adrenaline flowing during the game.

“We have all played in cold weather, so once the game starts, I don’t think it will be a problem for us at all,” Hill said. “It’s like anyone who has played football in their back yard in the cold — once you’re done, you are in your T-shirt anyway. The weather is not a factor.”

The Salukis will undoubtedly need another superlative performance from senior running back Arkee Whitlock.

Whitlock, who has been on fire since early November, will be a major factor in how the Salukis fare against the Grizzlies.

With a very strong Montana secondary and an even stronger defensive line, the Salukis could shy away from

like the type of leader she needs from her point guard.

“I thought she had great communication with the team,” Eikenberg said. “She was pulling people in, she knew exactly who she was going to. I thought she had great control of the court.”

Eikenberg added the Salukis could be successful if they could maintain their confidence and poise — Bailey said she is up to the task.

“I have confidence in myself,” Bailey said. “I feel like I know what I’m doing, so I’m just trying to give my energy to everybody else and just overall playing with more confidence.”

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throwing the ball as much and concentrate on giving Whitlock a majority of the touches.

Whitlock said he would use the fact that this game could be his last as motivation and added he will be playing to extend the Salukis season.

“I’ve never faced them or know how good they are, but watching them on film they look very good,” Whitlock said. “It’s hard to put how the game will go right now, but we just have to get prepared for it, and I am just trying to get better and find ways to make the team win, and I’m sure the other guys are doing the same.”

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Football players arrested on burglary charges

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DeKALB — A Northern Illinois University football player and his twin brother, a member of the University of Wisconsin football team, are accused of breaking into an off-campus apartment and trying to steal an Xbox game console, authorities said Thursday.

Wisconsin sophomore cornerback and All-Big Ten Conference pick Jack Ikegwuonu and his twin brother, Northern Illinois safety William Ikegwuonu, face residential burglary and criminal trespass charges, authorities said. The 20-year-olds

were arrested Saturday, according to DeKalb police Lt. Jim Kayes.

The felony charge of residential burglary carries a maximum penalty of four years in prison and a \$25,000 fine. The criminal trespass charge is a misdemeanor, Kayes said.

Police were called to an area of apartments mainly inhabited by students, where a tenant returning home at 2 a.m. Saturday noticed his apartment open, police said. The man said he spotted two men in the apartment, one holding the Xbox, which was dropped when the men ran from the apartment, according to authorities.

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Despite its close proximity, the Salukis might not be the favorite basketball team in St. Louis. SIU boasts a couple of players from the St. Louis area, including senior Jamaal Tatum and juniors Jamaal Foster and Randal Falker.

Lowery said the fact that the Salukis have outrecruited the Billikens (5-1) from of their own backyard should only add to the excitement of the game.

“We recruit that area well,” Lowery said. “We’ve gotten guys that people think should be playing there.”

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The Boston Red Sox have been rumored to be heavily shopping their diva of an outfielder Manny Ramirez. Since acquiring the rights for Japanese pitcher Daisuke Matsuzaka, the BoSox have been actively seeking a trade for Ramirez, a potential Hall of Famer. Should the Sox try and trade one of their best players?



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"No. Even though he may be a plague off the field, he provides a spark that you can't measure in statistics. But for the most part, the people of Boston love Manny."

"I don't think the Red Sox should trade away Ramirez. That would leave them with a sketchy outfield of J.D. Drew, Coco Crisp and Willy Mo Pena — three players who are usually injured. Despite all of Ramirez's antics and drama, trading him away would spell disaster for Boston."

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"Not only is Manny one of the top-5 hitters in baseball, his antics and mishaps roaming left field have provided me much entertainment over the years. Though I'm sure Red Sox fans could do without the brain farts in the field, the team wouldn't fare as well without him batting behind Big Papi."

SALUKI 'Quote of the Week' Will Justice

"This is my last go. This is the last chance I will have to play the game. I want to keep playing right now. We are going up there with a vendetta because we want to win this game. We are going up there into a hostile environment, and we are going to try and show them what we can do."



-Saluki football center Will Justice, a senior, on his motivation going into the quarterfinal playoff game against the University of Montana.

Do you have questions for the Saluki Banter that you want answered?
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Three Salukis shine at U.S. Open

Santoro, Hedo and Possato make finals

Matt Hartwig
DAILY EGYPTIAN

No records were broken, but the SIU swimming and diving team got the job done at the U.S. Open.

Three of the six Salukis who entered the Open made it to the finals Thursday — Antonio Santoro, Dennis Hedo and former Saluki Marcello Possato qualified for the finals after finishing in the top 25.

Meanwhile, Julie Ju, Stephen Ackermann and Alex Marrucho, who also qualified for the meet, didn't fare as well.

Although the three didn't make the finals, they still have a chance to qualify for the finals in different events — the 100-meter backstroke, 200-breaststroke and the 100-200-freestyle will take place today.

Head swimming and diving coach Rick Walker said Ju was

feeling sick the entire day, which may have led to her disappointing performance — she finished in 73rd place.

"Those who didn't qualify are a bit disappointed, and the first swim was a little bit rough for us, but we came back in the afternoon and did better," Walker said.

Of the three Salukis who qualified for the finals, Santoro received the 23rd seed for the 400-freestyle C-circuit finals while Possato garnered the 14th seed for the 200-backstroke B-circuit finals.

Perhaps the biggest surprise, though, was Hedo, who finished 13th in the 50-freestyle to qualify for the B-circuit finals.

Hedo knocked off Ian Crocker, an Olympic gold medalist and a world champion from the University of Texas, in the preliminaries Thursday — Crocker would knock out Hedo in the finals, though.

After an early lead in the first 25 meters, Hedo was ahead — Crocker pulled away on the second leg and

beat Hedo, who finished in 16th place, in the finals.

Hedo said he was happy to make the finals and qualifying for the B circuit was a pleasant surprise.

"I wish I could have done a little bit better in the finals, but I'm happy with my day," Hedo said. "It's cool to race against guys like Crocker because I have their posters on my wall."

The finals weren't exactly fruitful for Possato and Santoro either — Possato finished in 16th place while Santoro finished in 24th place.

Santoro said he did better during his morning swim, and his slow start in the finals buried him.

Walker said he was pleased with his team's overall performance, which met his goals.

"I think these guys came in here with a mission," Walker said. "We upped the ante out there, and we got to the top 24."

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Baze ties Pincay's record with win

Beth Harris
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SAN MATEO, Calif. — Russell Baze inched closer to surpassing Laffit Pincay Jr.'s record of 9,530 victories Thursday, riding one winner in six mounts at Bay Meadows to tie the nearly 7-year-old mark.

"Honest, Laffit, I'm not dragging this out," a smiling Baze told Pincay, who will return Friday for his fifth day of watching and waiting.

Baze has ridden four winners in his last three days of racing.

He will try to break the record

Friday, with scheduled mounts in seven races at the 72-year-old track where Seabiscuit ran.

"Surely one of them will jump up and win," he said.

Baze lost his first three races before guiding Christie's Fame to a 4 1/2-length victory in the sixth.

He was aboard Christie's Fame for the first time, having picked up the mount about an hour earlier after jockey Ricky Frazier took off because of illness.

"I bet he was really ill after that horse won," Baze joked.

Far from the glamour, rich races and

classy horses that define thoroughbred racing in Southern California and New York, Baze got the job done in his typical workmanlike fashion.

He sent Christie's Fame to the lead out of the gate and settled along the rail. They maintained a length lead on the backstretch. Chased by Afeelyated, Baze peeked under his left arm to check his competition before going to the whip briefly in the stretch.

"It set up like I thought it would," he said. "She's kind of naturally fast. At the quarter pole, I couldn't see anybody catching me."

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FOOTBALL

Saluki quarterback Nick Hill attempts to dodge Tennessee-Martin defensive lineman Will Grant's grip while running the ball during the Saluki first-round playoff game against University of Tennessee-Martin on Saturday afternoon at McAndrew Stadium.

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Salukis in the snow?

SIU will face No. 2-ranked team in playoffs for second straight year

Brian Feldt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The two most playoff-experienced teams in Division I-AA football will collide Saturday. The Salukis will travel to Missoula, Mont., to take on the No. 2-ranked University of Montana. The winner will advance to the semifinals of the Division I-AA

National Championship. SIU and Montana possess the two longest consecutive seasons in the playoffs — the Salukis' four straight appearances (2003-06) is second only to Montana's 14 straight showings (1993-2006). The Salukis could be presented with a tough challenge: The Grizzlies have a 132-18 all-time record in Washington-Grizzly Stadium and are 21-4 in home playoff games. The Montana football program has trained its fans to erupt just as opposing quarterbacks are about to snap the football. SIU head coach Jerry Kill said the atmosphere in Missoula could be like no other the Salukis have seen all season.

"They are going to have 25,000 people there, and the place is going to be packed," Kill said. "The QB gets underneath the center, and that place goes crazy. They are probably some of the most educated fans in the country, so it will be a great experience for our kids and a great opportunity for us." With all the expected noise at the line of scrimmage, Saluki center Will Justice said the team has been practicing different antics to defend against it. "We have been doing a little bit of stuff because of the noise factor at Montana," Justice said. "We talked to the McNeese State offensive line coach, and we've been working on a silent snap count this week."

The silent snap count, which Justice said was used last year against the University of Northern Iowa, will allow for less confusion when calling a play at the line of scrimmage. The approach seemed to work successfully against the Panthers in 2005 despite the 25-24 Saluki loss. Then-starting quarterback Joel Sambursky threw for 253 yards and two touchdowns while the offense racked up 465 total yards — a very reasonable number. With first-year quarterback Nick Hill now in the huddle, the Salukis will try the technique with a new quarterback.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Salukis travel to Weber State

Scott Mieszala
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Momentum might finally be on the Salukis' side. The SIU women's basketball team ended a three-game slide Wednesday with a win over Austin Peay State University. The Salukis look to carry their momentum into Saturday's game against Weber State University. The Salukis (2-4) defeated the Lady Governors, 54-41, after a string of losses against Saint Louis University, the University of San Francisco and the University of Kentucky. After the game, senior forward Carlai Moore said the Austin Peay game was a "must-win" with the team preparing to embark on its four-game road trip, which begins 3 p.m. Saturday at Weber State. "I think a win builds confidence within the team," Moore said. "It's a great motivational push for us." The Wildcats are fresh off a 77-43 loss to the University of Utah — a game in which Weber State shot 26.4 percent from the field. Last season, SIU hosted Weber State in its season opener. The Salukis prevailed, 55-48, with strong performances by junior guard Erin Pauk and the since departed Amy Hayden. Head coach Dana Eikenberg said she expects the same kind of game from the Wildcats in Ogden, Utah.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Bounty on the Billikens

Saluki basketball team looks to avenge 2005 loss to Saint Louis

Jordan Wilson
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A game in Carbondale couldn't come any sooner for the SIU men's basketball team. After traveling thousands of miles to an Orlando tournament and experiencing a flight delay after the Louisiana Tech University game, the Salukis will finally be back at their old stomping ground in time for a Saturday matchup with Saint Louis University. And just as they did against Louisiana Tech — a game SIU won Wednesday, 50-36 — the Salukis will be looking to avenge a 56-42

loss against the Billikens last season. In a postgame radio interview, forward Matt Shaw said the Salukis haven't forgotten that loss. "They beat us bad last year, so I know that'll be on everyone's mind," Shaw said. "Playing at home is a big plus for us." In that game, the Salukis shot a dismal 28 percent from the field, including an 11-percent clip from the three-point line. The Billikens, on the other hand, shot 46 percent from the field. Unlike last year, the Salukis enter their matchup with the Billikens on a high note. In 2005, SIU traveled to SLU after a disappointing 1-2 showing at the Alaska Shootout, which included a loss to a Division II school. Saturday's game will feature a Saluki squad that has already proven its resilience on the road and has showcased a full lineup of players who are capable of making

big plays. Head coach Chris Lowery said his team has gotten off to a quick start thanks to sprucing things up on the offensive side of the ball. Spreading out the offense has led to wide-open shots, especially for Shaw, who is the team's leading scorer at 13.3 points per game. "We're going to get better," Lowery said on the Magic 95.1 postgame show. "We widen everything. We use our penetrate and pitch." Even though the Salukis (5-1) have been on the road as of late racking up frequent-flyer miles, the away-from-home atmospheres haven't dampened their progression. Not counting an eight-point loss to the University of Arkansas at the Old Spice Classic in Florida, the Salukis have still outscored their last four opponents — all away from home — by a 60-53 average.

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Matt Shaw goes up for a shot during the SIU vs. Murray State game Nov. 19 at the Arena. The Salukis play at home against Saint Louis University on Saturday afternoon at 2:05 p.m.
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