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University to pay for loan mistake

Students won’t have to give back loan money

Joe Crawford

A group of graduate students who received too much loan money this semester will be relieved of their debt by the university.

Victoria Valle, assistant vice chancellor for enrollment management, said the 15 students who received the bills, some of which were for thousands of dollars, would not be held accountable for their debt and the university would pay the amount owed to the Department of Education.

Officials originally said 19 students were affected, but Valle said the number was inaccurate.

The students, all of whom have fellowships, were billed mid-semester as a result of the university’s move to comply with a federal regulation requiring their stipends be counted as a resource when determining loan eligibility. The change caused the students to be ineligible for loans they had already received.

Valle said forcing the students to pay back the money would be inappropriate.

“It was not fair to them because they went in with the anticipation they would have this money,” she said.

Financial Aid Director Billie Jo Hamilton has said the university had planned to come into compliance with the federal regulation for about a year but her office did not find out the names of the affected students until October.

Valle said the university will change the way it treats the fellowships next semester so the stipends will not be considered a financial resource.

See FELLOWSHIP, Page 5

Southern Illinois Dance Company shows its best at performance

Sirvedele celebrates with tight end Byron Gettis following the first touchdown of Saturday afternoon’s 34-27 win over Massachusetts in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division I Football Championship at McAndrew Stadium. SEE PAGE 12 FOR STORY.
Who will you win the Super Bowl?
A. Packers
B. Colts
C. Patriots
D. Cowboys

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sunde.com Question: What do you think about the Saluki Way master plan?

1. The plan is sound and reflects the wishes of many students, parents, and alumni. It is a smart approach to building the stadium.
2. I do not like the plan, and I think it is a waste of money.
3. The plan is not what I had hoped for, but I think it can be improved.
4. I don’t know enough about the plan to have an opinion.
5. What’s Saluki Way?

POLICE REPORTS

Tyler Harold Mikes, 18, of Des Plaines was arrested and charged with possession of cannabis 30 grams and under, delivery of cannabis 30 grams and under, and possession of drug paraphernalia at 8:18 p.m. Wednesday at Mac Smith Hall. Mikes was unable to post bond and was transported to Jackson County Jail where he was later released on bond.

Mark Walter Gronkje, 19, of Embrum was arrested and charged with possession of cannabis 30 grams and under at 10:41 p.m. Thursday at Mac Smith Hall. Gronkje was issued a Carbondale pay-by-mail citation and released.

Donald Scott Lienmann, 20, of Grayville was arrested and charged with zero tolerance underage consumption of alcohol and driving without headlights when arrested at 2:49 a.m. Friday at the corner of Douglas Drive and South Sabbath. Lienmann was released on a personal recognizance bond plus his driv-

CORRECTIONS

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POLICE REPORT

A theft under $300 occurred between 4:26 p.m. and 5 p.m. Thursday at the Student Center. Mikos was unable to post bond and was transported to Jackson County Jail where he was later released on bond.

SCOUT REPORT

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Rain holds off for 17th annual Lights Fantastic Parade

Barton Lorimer  
Daily Egyptian

Steamboats and flying saucers do not generally travel on U.S. highways, but such a sight is a yearly tradition in Carbondale.

Thousands of onlookers lined the streets of Carbondale Saturday night to watch a variety of floats strung with many more lights, marching bands and Girl and Boy Scout Troops. Together, the groups were part of the 17th annual Lights Fantastic Parade.

Tom Reddick, a carbondale resident, who has been parade coordinator each year, said 52 floats and community organizations marched in the parade. Some of the floats, like the lead float built by the city 17 years ago, were fitted with more than 20,000 lights.

Nancy Strempel, a member of the Lights Fantastic Committee, said she was pleased with the parade’s fabulous crowds and weather.

“I’m not too positive about an event like this,” Strempel said. “I’ve read all the comic books and I just proved to us that he had X-ray vision.

Saturday’s pleasant weather was a rarity for December in Illinois. Most northern and central regions of the state had sleet and freezing rain. But with warmer temperatures in Carbondale, and a stroke of luck holding off the parade carried out its originally planned.

Reddick said the parade was originally modeled after the Festival of Lights Parade in East Peoria. Since then, other cities in Illinois are modeling their light parades after Carbondale.

People in town to support the parade would begin. Bryan Vagner, driver of the Rotary International float, was one of the participants lining Mill Street. Committee members may have been a little dicey to last the parade and a fire extinguisher was handy.

The opening float of the Carbondale Lights Fantastic Parade marked 17th year the city has held the parade Saturday evening in Carbondale.

Suhakim may be one reason crowds were larger than previous parades, Strempel said. The crowd got to be so large that three children climbed the roof of Carbondale Trophy Company to watch the parade.

Traffic traveling on portions of Route 13, U.S. 51 and Washington Streets were redone. From 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. to make way for the parade. City officials and the Carbondale Police Department mapped alternate routes almost a week in advance.

The parade was not the only weekend event requiring traffic direction. The SIU football team played in the playoff quarterfinals at McAndrew Stadium, the Saluki men basketball team took on the Indiana Hoosiers in front of a sell-out crowd at the SIU Arena and Carbondale Community High School boys’ basketball team fixed East St. Louis at home.

Brandy Oxford  
Daily Egyptian

She said the term is used to describe the piece and has no idea what the auction’s advisory board, said they were able to keep the cost of the auction under $5,000 because they did not have to rent a facility and everthing from the art and signage to beer and wine were donated.

Opalinski said the board hoped to bring in about $30,000 between the evening’s one live and two silent auctions, although it is an “as is” auction, therefore nothing was pulled off the block. He said this auction is an opportunity to obtain fine pieces of art for good prices.

Most of the donations came from the artists, mostly faculty, alumni and graduate students. But a few pieces came from community members who collected with an interest in the auction.

We have a few things that were donated, what we call orphan art, Cradit said.

She said the term is used to describe art that no longer fits an individual’s collection or is put aside to make room for new pieces or, in the case of the live auction two Salvador Dali pieces, were part of a collection that was being downsized.

Cradit said the event was a great opportunity to show support for the artists and obtain nice pieces for good prices.

“People have a choice of so many things to support, particularly this time of year,” and think sometimes art isn’t always put on the front burner,” Cradit said.

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Clinton assists in hostage situation

Glen Johnson
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PORTSMOUTH, N.H. — When the hostages had been released and their alleged captors arrested, a regal-looking Hillary Rodham Clinton stepped out of a Washington home, the picture of calm in the face of crisis.

It was a vintage example of a candidate taking a front-and-center turn into it. And a politically savvy move: The presidential voting begins, the timing could hardly have been more perfect.

The crisis had involved at least one hostage in aạl home and another hostage by a local farm official. Clinton, the New York senator who has been the most irresponsible and the Communists — the only way for the authoritarian leader to come to power. It was the first competitive presidential race in the country. There had been a flood of oil revenues to move his country onto a more assertive position on the global stage.

But with ballots from 54.7 percent and 11.7 percent, the Communist Party has sprung up in places. It’s not a newspaper

Putin wins ‘dirty’ election with 60 percent of vote

Lynn Berry
WASHINGTON

MOSCOW — Vladimir Putin’s party was crushing victory in parliamentary elections Sunday, paving the way for the authoritarian president to take another step down the road to dictatorial power.

The United Russia party, which has been centered on Putin and for Putin, who has used a flood of oil revenues to move his country onto a more assertive position on the global stage.

Putin is constitutionally prohibited from running for a third consecutive term, but he clearly wants to stay in power. A movement has sprung up in recent weeks to urge him to become a "national leader," though what duties and powers that would entail are still undefined.

Pollsters indicated United Russia’s performance was given an overwhelming majority of 36% seats in the 450-seat State Duma, a lower house. The Communist Party won 12 seats. Two other pro-Putin parties — the nationalist Liberal Democratic Party and populist All Russia — also appeared to have made it into parliament, with 9 percent and 7.7 percent, respectively, in the early count.

One Liberal Democratic Party deputy will be Andrei Lugovoi, a former KGB officer and chief suspect in the poisoning death of Kremlin critic Alexander Litvinenko in London last year. Russia has refused to hand Lugovoi over to Britain, and the Duma seat provides him with immu-

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Alfred de Montesquieu THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

KHARTOUM, Sudan — Sudan’s president will meet a British delegation to discuss a death sentence imposed on a British-born Marxist for allowing students to name a teddy bear Muslim, a presidential spokesman said Sunday.

Sudanese President Omar al- Bashir is the only one who can pardon Gillian Gibbons, the 54-year-old British teacher who has been imprisoned since Thursday. "The (Sudanese) president will meet the British delegation at 10:30 (Monday morning) at the presidential palace," Mahfoudh Farid told The Associated Press. "He will discuss the case and a possible pardon." Al-Bashir’s decision to sit down with the two politicians could be a breakthrough for London’s relations with Khartoum.

Al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula said it would get more attention had the victims been black and the defendants been white. The American people have faith that Americans will get justice in a crisis, even if the evidence is not strong enough to convict the defendant of the crime.

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The Hermione, a British ship, was captured by pirates. In addition, the United States government has said that there is a "probable" link to and the identity of the pirates involved in the case.

The UN Security Council said that it is "deeply concerned" about the piracy to the Hermione, a British ship, and ordered the UN to intensify its efforts to arrest the pirates and remove the threat from the Gulf of Guinea. The Security Council also said that it is "deeply concerned" about the number of piracy incidents in the Gulf of Guinea, which has increased in recent years.

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"The widespread usage of horses by voter-registration officials has apparently led to a situation in which the number of votes cast by horses has been substantially higher than the number of human votes cast in these elections. This is a serious problem that needs to be addressed.

"People are being forced to threaten to vote, otherwise they will get their salaries or pensions," said Boris Nemtsov, leader of the liberal Union of Right Forces party.

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Ahmed expressed hope that the background of the two politicians would help bridge the gap between Britain and Sudan. "That is very important, we are British and we are Muslim," said Ahmed. "We understand the sensitivity and culture of this part of the world and also our own culture and norms and customs."

Iraqi death toll falls for third straight month

Baghdad — The Iraqi government killed less last month to 718, an Associated Press tally showed on Sunday. The death toll since just before the 2003 bombing of a Syrian air base was the lowest in nearly two years, while acknowledging that Iraqis are seeing an uncertain future.

With an estimated 100,000 to 120,000 of this sort of murder, the number of Iraqis who have died since the start of the war. Some 100 are thought to have perished in the bombing of the Shi’ite holy shrine.

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If the fellowships are considered employment, it does not count as a resource, she said, so the university plans to communicate with the students’ departments to determine what services they already provide or could provide in the future.

Vale said because of the way the stipends will be paid, the students will have to pay taxes on the money.

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SIU football needs you

ANDY FRUTH
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SIU has advanced to the semifinals of the FBS (1-AA) Football Championship only twice in its long history. The first time was 1983, arguably the best year in SIU football history when we went on to win the national championship. The second time was Saturday after a 34-27 home victory over UMass. We are now one game away from winning our second national championship in 24 years.

What made Saturday’s victory even sweeter was that No. 1 Northern Iowa and the 1983 season have been the only two times before and that time we ended up winning it all. SIU football has never been known for its basketball program, so we are going to need big play or a tremendous opportunity to show a national television audience that we are pretty darn good in football, too.

Things like this don’t happen to SIU football very often. In 2007 football season could be the greatest football seasons in SIU history hasn’t had a big stop or a big play. We are going to need as many people in McAndrew Stadium next Saturday as possible to help propel the SIU football team to its second national championship in 24 years. In order to do this we are going to need big commitments from everyone, especially SIU students.

Show some pride in your school. Go to the game, not just the tailgate. We all have an opportunity to be a part of something special. Things like this don’t happen to students at ISU or Western. We are one game away from a national championship. Pay the six dollars for Petro’s sake and get into the game.

Even though SIU is better known for its basketball program, next Saturday we have an opportunity to show a national television audience that we are pretty darn good in football, too. We’ve been to the semifinals one other time before and that time we ended up winning it all.

History hasn’t been written yet for the second time we advanced to the semifinals but if we all do our part, the 2007 football season could rival the 1983 season as one of the greatest football seasons in SIU history.

Fruth is a graduate student in curriculum & instruction.
Girls and Sports
by Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein

The Duplex
by Glenn McCoy

THE DUPLICATE

Across
1. Go over 21
2. Make a choice
3. West of LA
4. Slovenian
5. In NFL, it's where
6. Name of a... your phone
7. Indian bread
8. Kitchen aid
9. Specialized property protection
10. Marijuana
11. Even
12. Greek letters
13. Pleiades
15. One of the 7
16. Ms.
17. Another name for a musician
18. Kitchen add-on
19. Make a choice
20. Walmart's friend
21. Furniture chain
22. In the past
23. Carnival oddity
24. Do a survey
25. Roswell, NM
26. Kukla's friend
27. Oil cartel, in Libya
28. Choir singer
29. Co... 
30. One of the 6
31. A U.S. resort
32. Adam
33. Syrian leader
34. Business setup
35. A 13-letter show
36. Farm plot
37. In the past
38. Neighbor
39. Quaker
40. Add-on
41. Grocery sack
42. Bang

Down
1. First marshals
2. United real estate
3. Rose, look and look
4. Golf
5. Musical thing
6. One of the 4
7. Was
8. Make a choice
9. Add-on
10. Yawn

Across
1. In the 15
2. Someone's cousin
3. Baseball
4. Full of foliage
5. Magazine
6. Hindi
7. Spanish
8. Mancala
9. Culture base
10. Skunk secretly

By Barry Silk

WAGER

Across
1. Horse-garage connection
2. Hook ticket
3. Drafting
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Sudoku
By the Mepham Group

Level: 1

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 Friday's puzzle:

Friday's Puzzles

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square:

UPSIDE DOWN

By Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8. You're figuring out the game and that means, you're winning more often. You love it when this happens. It looks good on you, too.

Astronaut's cousin

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Friday Jumbles: WAGER

Anaconda tamarines

When he got a dead battery from the junkyard, it was — FREE of "CHARGE"
"We came out with a couple different formations, and we protected real well. They like to blitz, and I don’t know if we confused them, but our game plan at the beginning of the game was great.

The Minutemen (10-3) would pull to within seven points, but enter half trailing, 27-13. The Minutemen came with 6:52 on the clock in the third quarter just 11 yards away from a touchdown that would pull to within seven points, on Warner’s two-play, screen a nightmare come true.

The score gave the Minutemen a chance to cut into the Saluki lead was the most upsetting moment of the season. The Salukis knew they were going to end up in Coen’s territory again.

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Saluki Insider

Who do you predict will make the playoffs in the AFC?

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“This conference looks pretty clear, especially at the top. The Patriots, Colts, Steelers and Chargers will win their divisions, but won’t be able to take the first-round bye. Then the wild card teams will be the Broncos and the Jaguars, with an outside chance of the Bills sneaking in instead of Cleveland.”

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“Jacksonville will surprise some people out of the AFC, but the picture will look pretty typical: Cleveland will make the playoffs, but has no chance at sustaining any of its second-place magic. New England was the first to clinch and will be able to lay the last game out of the AFC. The rest is just semantics.”

GUEST COMMENTATOR: ALAN TURNER

“The Patriots and Colts obviously have a lock and have a lot of talent. Pittsburgh has a lot of history and will win the division. Jacksonse is a tough, hard team that just noms people down. Cleveland has been a surprise with their new quarterback, and I think San Diego has struggled but LaDainian Tomlinson will carry that team.”

— SIU football senior wide receiver Alan Turner

FOOTBALL

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

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the team don’t have the knowledge of the system to perform in such situations.

Indiana (6-1) played a seven-man rotation due to a depleted backcourt, open injuries and suspensions. Freshman guard Eric Gordon, who led the Hoosiers with 22 points, never left the floor before the 10-minute mark.

The Indiana players who saw the court were able to win out on the hustle plays most of the time, and coach Kelvin Sampson said his squad was able to come together as a unit.

“We were a good team tonight instead of some talented kids, and that’s what we’re trying to get,” Sampson said.

Sampson said he focused primarily on the Salukis’ 63-49 victory against Mississippi State Nov. 23 when studying film of the team in preparation for the game.

In that game, senior forward Randal Falker led all scorers by controlling the paint for a 23-point, five-rebound performance.

Against Indiana, the focus of Falker on the inside seemed to be the same as the first half with nine points and five rebounds on the interior.

Falker’s double teams and pressure from Hoosiers leader D.J. White seemed to get to the senior leader, as he was held to just three points and two boards in the final 20 minutes.

White said halftime defensive adjustments limited Falker’s looks against the Hoosiers’ zone defense and a more active approach in rebounding out of the zone solidified the stifling.

“Five guys all attacking the glass and rebounding — that’s all we needed,” White said.

White capitalized with 12 rebounds, 10 points and three assists.

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December 3

Reliant

Student Health Center Auditorium — 4:00pm Education Category Sponsord by Wellness Center — 336-4441

Poe & Recess Calendar Panel

Student Center Ballroom 8 - 7:00pm Education Program Category Sponsord by Multicultural Programs & Services — 453-3214

December 4

SUIC Wind Ensemble

Shreiner Auditorium — 7:30pm Sponsord by School of Music — 536-8742

December 5

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Performing Culture Spotlight Performances

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Salukis make semifinals in Kill’s third attempt

Scott Mieszala
Daily Egyptian

Saluki coach Jerry Kill said he wanted to enjoy the SIU football team’s biggest win since 1983 before thinking about the next game — for about 90 minutes, anyway, perhaps a little longer than his postgame Diet Coke would last.

The No. 4-seed Salukis advanced to the semifinals in their third try under Kill’s reign, holding on for a 34-27 quarterfinal win against Massachusetts. SIU is now one win away from the Football Championship Subdivision title game.

“Right now, I told our kids we’re going to enjoy the moment,” Kill said. “This is a great feeling and I’m going to enjoy the moment,” Kill said.

Subdivision title game.

SIU (12-1) struck first with a 69-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback Nick Hill to sophomore tight end Byron Gwynn at the 10:32 mark of the first quarter. It was Hill’s first career touchdown.

The Minutemen (7-6) responded with a 72-yard touchdown pass from senior quarterback Liam Coen to senior wide receiver Gordon Directory in the second quarter, but the extra point attempt was no good.

SIU extended its lead to 10-7 when junior running back Willie Mullins scored on a 20-yard run in the second quarter. Mullins totaled nine points, but the team’s inability to convert on open shots hurt SIU.

The SIU men’s basketball team is getting back to the basics after its second double-digit loss in as many games.

After the Salukis’ 64-51 loss at the hands of No. 15 Indiana Saturday, junior guard Bryan Mullins said the team has lost its identity.

“Our identity is that we don’t make mistakes on offense,” Mullins said. “We’re wide open, we don’t get credit in the paper for those. We’ve got to make mistakes, but we’ve got to make wide-open shots, especially at home, and on the road like we did last time, you’re not going to win.”

Before Saturday, the Salukis were shooting 33.8 percent from behind the arc but dropped their season percentage to 29.4 percent with the performance.

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Second try the charm

Third try the charm

Salukis can’t hit open shots from outside

Megan Kramer
Daily Egyptian

It wasn’t that Indiana’s defense was stellar. SIU simply couldn’t find the inside of the rim. The stone-cold Salukis (3-2) managed to shoot 7.1 percent from 3-point land Saturday against the Hoosiers, who snapped SIU’s 15-game home winning streak at the SIU Arena with the 64-51 victory.

Coach Chris Lowery said the Salukis’ failure to capitalize on the Hoosiers’ defensive efforts left them wide open for the long-range shots hurt their chances of winning.

“We haven’t won the 50-50 plays in two games,” Lowery said. “The things that you don’t get credit in the paper for — blocking out, diving on the floor, taking charges.”

The failure to execute on such plays due to a mental lapse in decision-making seemed to be at work on the sidelines, and Lowery said he only played an eight-man rotation because others on the bench were just not as good.

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