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Snipped horse tails cause concerns

ELIZABETH ZINCHUK

Daily Egyptian

Two separate incidents at the Southern Illinois Equestrian Center in Marion have robbed six horses of their tails and possibly well-being.

The first incident happened Jan. 2 and the second incident happened Jan. 7. Jeff Jenkins, the center's owner, said shortening horses' tails can negatively affect their health, especially in the summer season, when flies and other parasites bother them.

"This is so wrong," Jenkins said. "We didn't know what to do."

Jenkins said he suspects people cut the tails to get an extra buck. People can sell the tails for as much as \$80 each in places such as hair salons where horse hair is often used for high-end hair extensions, he said.

According to the website Horse Tails R Us, an online horse tail retailer, a tail can go for \$125 to use as an extension for show horses.

"It has a horrible effect on the horses," Jenkins said. "It takes a month for one inch to grow back so it's going to take a couple of years for them to get their tails back."

According to news station KOAA, horse tail thievery is nothing new. The trend started in Wyoming but has also been an issue in Colorado stables.

However, Jenkins said he was surprised to see the trend move to the Midwest.

"This problem has to be stopped," Jenkins said.

Michelle Cornman, who keeps her horses at the center, said she hopes the person or persons responsible are caught quickly.



LAURA ROBERTS | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Jeff Jenkins looks at the tail of a horse Friday at Southern Illinois Equestrian Center. Jenkins said six horses' tails were cut off at the center Jan. 2 by an unknown intruder. He expressed concern for the horses' health because the animals use their tails to swat flies that can carry diseases.

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Carbondale Chooses Green Energy Option

SAMUEL WOOD

Daily Egyptian

The City Council unanimously voted to enter a 100-percent renewable energy plan Wednesday night in an electrical aggregation meeting aimed to lower resident's electricity costs.

The two-year plan was 2-percent more costly than Collinsville-based provider Homefield Energy's base quote, which uses a state-mandated minimum 9-percent renewable energy. Despite this, residents will still see a 22-percent drop in their

electric usage rates once they take effect in March.

Renewable energy is defined as any naturally occurring, theoretically inexhaustible energy source not derived from fossil or nuclear fuel. Select Energy LLC, the company that represented the group of cities in the energy aggregation process, told city manager Kevin Baity Homefield's acceptable renewable energy sources include solar, wind, photovoltaic, landfill gas, biomass, hydroelectric and bio-diesel sources.

A media representative was unreachable regarding Homefield Energy's exact uses of renewable energy by press time.

Councilman Chris Wissmann said the renewable energy plan is a cheap way to greatly impact the environment.

"I don't see a moral or financial reason to go other than the 100-percent option," he said.

Councilman Lance Jack said it would be irresponsible for the council not to choose the 100-percent renewable energy plan.

"Given the price difference, it

clearly would make no sense for us to do anything other than to go with 100-percent renewable," he said.

City residents who receive electricity through Ameren will automatically be added to the new program unless they choose to opt out and select a third-party electric supplier, Baity said, and customers from any other electric company can switch to the new, renewable energy plan once their contract expires without penalty.

Residential and small business rates will be 44 cents per kilowatt-hour, which is a unit of energy

equal to the work performed by 1,000 watts operating for one hour. If the council chose Homefield's 9-percent renewable energy base quote the rate would have been 43 cents per kilowatt-hour.

The contract is projected to save about \$275,000 a month for the nine communities involved with Homefield Energy which includes Marion, Chester, Elkhart, Tamaroa, West Frankfort and unincorporated Perry County, Baity said.

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Recent incidents stir state, campus gun control debate

MATT DARAY

Daily Egyptian

Gun control became a national hot topic after recent affairs such as the ones in Aurora, Colo., Newtown, Conn., and, most recently Bakersfield, Calif.

The university took steps to oppose firearms on campus by joining more than 355 colleges and universities in the Campaign to Keep Guns off Campus. Students and officials expressed concern about what concealed carry would mean for campus safety.

Andy Pelosi, the campaign's founder and executive director, said the group's goal is to educate the public about the move to keep concealed handguns off college campuses.

Though universities can sign a petition to support anti-gun movements, Pelosi said they can do even more.

"We'd love for (colleges and universities) to be more involved, whether it's contacting their state officials ... getting their faculty involved, contact their elected official, getting law enforcement ...

to oppose guns on campus," he said. "So (there's) definitely more (to do) than signing a petition."

Todd Sigler, Department of Public Safety director, said preparations and training for any potential incident remain an ongoing effort.

"We ... are getting ready to conduct some training on this issue later this spring, probably in March," he said.

Sigler said DPS is prepared to handle a campus shooting and would have the Carbondale Police department as well as state trooper support if a crisis occurs. He said

there have been few firearm-related incidents on campus, and the department deals with B.B. gun-related incidents more often.

"I have always been in a position that we need to be very cautious about anything that would affect the campus environment," Sigler said. "I don't favor concealed carry for campuses, but I understand there may be exceptions put in place. It all really comes down to what the final legislation is going to look like."

Evan Swiech, a sophomore from Bloomington studying cinema and photography, said he thinks DPS

provides a safe environment for the campus. Swiech said he would be more concerned if a shooting happened closer to the area. He said he thinks the university is prepared for any potential event by using the emergency text alert system.

"Because there hasn't been any (shooting) here and the (last semester) bomb threat was well handled, I feel pretty safe," he said.

Pelosi said his organization opposes concealed carry for multiple reasons.

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Two horses stand outside the barn Friday at Southern Illinois Equestrian Center. Based on the breed of the horse, it can take two to five years for the tail to completely grow back.

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“I am really upset at whoever did this and (I) feel betrayed,” Cornman said. “I couldn’t imagine who would want to hurt them.”

Cornman said the police have found no leads, but she has tried to spread the word about the crime so the violators can be caught.

“They violated the trust of the community,” she said.

Cornman said a communal trust was breached when this happened since the horse stables are a local center.

“They are incredibly kind, loving animals,” she said. “The fact someone would take advantage of them is outrageous.”

Cornman said Jenkins has taken care of her horses, and they always

have enough room and hay.

Gina Hill, Autumn Ridge Acres owner, said while a similar experience has not happened to her establishment, she is concerned that people would commit such an act and hopes whoever cut the tails is found.

Hill said she thinks a similar issue has not happened in Carbondale partly because Autumn Ridge Acres has video surveillance and a manager on duty at all times.

“It is a good idea to have surveillance so we can prevent these types of things from happening,” she said.

Jenkins said he has placed a camera at his center to hopefully avoid any future incidents.

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Dave Lubbs, of Carterville, works on a bicycle's brakes Thursday at Phoenix Cycles in Carbondale. Lubbs said he has worked at Phoenix Cycles for five years and is now the shop's manager. Lubbs said the shop usually sees one to two bicycles per day during January with students making sure their bikes are in good condition for the upcoming semester.

CONTROL

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"(Authorized concealed carry) training does not rise to the levels of what law enforcement has, they're not trained in tactical situations," he said. "Plus, we also think just having guns on campus is going to foster an unsafe environment."

Some national groups have a different opinion.

"Congress should recognize that the right to self-defense does not end at state lines," Chris W. Cox, executive director of the National Rifle Association's Institute for Legislative Action, said in an article on the group's website. "The NRA has been successfully advocating in favor of strong Right-to-Carry laws for the past 25 years. We take a backseat to no one when it comes to the right of law-abiding Americans to carry concealed handguns for self-defense."

Hazel said he is not thrilled with the idea of concealed carry legalization, especially if it is on campus.

"I feel like it would make me uneasy just cause I wouldn't know if everyone is responsible to (carry guns)," he said.

Swiech said he favors ending the concealed carry ban, but he doesn't think guns should be allowed on campus.

"I feel like I wouldn't exactly be safe if people were allowed to use guns on campus," he said. "It still is a school setting and if that were to be allowed it would be pretty scary thing for some of the people as it would be in any school setting."

Though the university hasn't had a shooting incident, Chancellor Rita Cheng showed support in a Dec. 20 email to students and staff.

"The tragedy at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Conn., has shocked and saddened all of us," she said in the email. "Our hearts go out to the families as they endure the pain of putting their loved ones to rest."

Cheng also asked for a moment of silence the next day at 8:30 a.m., when the Pulliam Hall clock tower rang 26 times to honor the lives taken.

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Citing a PowerPoint presentation during Wednesday's meeting, Baity said the supplier has also pledged to match Ameren's electric rate should it be lowered in the future.

He said notifications on the change will be mailed to all Ameren customers this week. These letters will include contact information for residents who wish to opt out of the program. Councilman Don Monty expressed concern that these notifications may not reach all tenants because of the city's

transient population. Baity said the letters will be marked "current resident" to accommodate properties that may change tenants.

Monty also advised residents who expect a dramatic decrease in their monthly electric bill to check the bottom line of their bills, as

the 22-percent cost reduction will affect only their usage rate. Taxes and other miscellaneous fees will remain intact, he said.

Baity said he expects Carbondale to be the consortium's only city to choose the fully renewable energy option, and council member Jane Adams attributed this to the city

and region's uniqueness. "Carbondale is different," she said. "I think that our choice is easy tonight."

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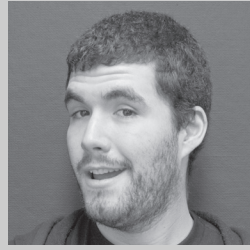
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Meet the editorial board



Lauraann Wood

I came to the DAILY EGYPTIAN in January 2010, and I get the honor of serving as the newspaper's editor-in-chief this semester. I am a news/editorial major here at SIUC, and I bounce back and forth between my passion for editing and entertainment reporting. I've loved journalism since I learned about Nellie Bly, and I know this opportunity has only served as a stepping stone to the bigger picture. I'm excited to see what this semester has in store for the Daily Egyptian, and I'm excited to help grow such a young and thriving staff.



Austin Flynn

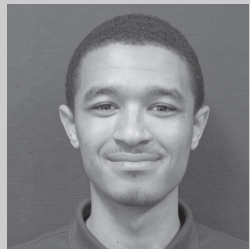
This is my first semester as the managing editor of the DAILY EGYPTIAN and last semester as a SIU student. I have written for the paper for four semesters and have had articles in the sports, campus, city and pulse sections. However, I have the most interest in pulse. I am a news-editorial major, and I've been playing video games ever since I learned to crawl. That's what I hope to write for when my time at this campus is over. My

secondary job is to make sure everybody in the DAILY EGYPTIAN office smiles from time to time, and I like to think I'm not too bad at that.



Karsten Burgstahler

I am the campus and pulse editor this semester, which is only my second at both SIUC and the DAILY EGYPTIAN. I'm a news-editorial major, and my dream job is film criticism. I love to write about film and do so any chance I have. SIUC is key to the Southern Illinois economy, and I'm thankful for the opportunity to bring the community relevant news for our readers' everyday life.



DeMario Phipps-Smith

I'm this semester's sports editor and basketball beat writer. This is my second semester on the sports desk at the DE, and I am finishing the last semester of my junior year at SIU as a Radio/TV major. I have an intense passion for Saluki sports, and along with the rest of sports desk, we hope to bring the best SIU sports coverage to our readers.



Sarah Schneider

In my seventh semester at the DE, I am here to get a new project off the ground. The Weekender is a three-section paper that will be on stands every Thursday. As this new endeavor's editor, it is my job to make sure the content serves its intended purpose, which is to inform and entertain. I am very excited for this new adventure, as it is intended to be different from what you would find in the DAILY EGYPTIAN. While I enjoy writing news stories, I have found that I have a passion for feature pieces. Everyone has a story to tell, and I can only hope that I will have a career where I can tell those stories.



Sarah Gardner

I'm Sarah Gardner, and I am a sophomore double majoring in photojournalism and photography. This is my fourth semester with the DE. I have learned a lot about the world of journalism by working for this publication, and I am very proud to serve as one of two photo editors this semester. One personal goal I have for the photo staff this semester is to use social media to live-tweet

from events, post photos to our instagram account—dailyegyptianphoto—and start a blog to give our readers a chance to see more of our daily work.



Kayli Plotner

I'm a 20-year-old junior from Oakwood majoring in journalism and double-minoring in public relations and political science. I plan to someday be a media relations executive for a major hospital. I hope to make the DAILY EGYPTIAN's social media presence greater than it has ever been and help make sharing information a two-way street. Aside from constant tweeting and working at Menards, I enjoy, pageants, Illinois basketball, being outdoors coffee and penguins.



Ashley Zborek

Howdy. My name is Ashley and I am a sophomore from Lockport studying advertising. I enjoy sit-down restaurants, being creative and playing with my kitten. I joined the DE during my first semester at SIU as a campus reporter, and I have since worked my way up to opinion editor. This semester, I plan to use the opinion page to give the SIUC community a voice.

My goal is to take advantage of the intelligence this campus has to offer.



Chris Zoeller

I am excited to start my fourth semester here at the DE. I learned a great deal about being a photographer as the photo editor for the fall semester, and I am excited to see what else I can learn before my time is up here at SIU. In my second semester as photo editor, my co-editor Sarah and I will strive to bring the same photo quality to our paper as we have in the past while we find new ways to bring you more content and improve our online presence.

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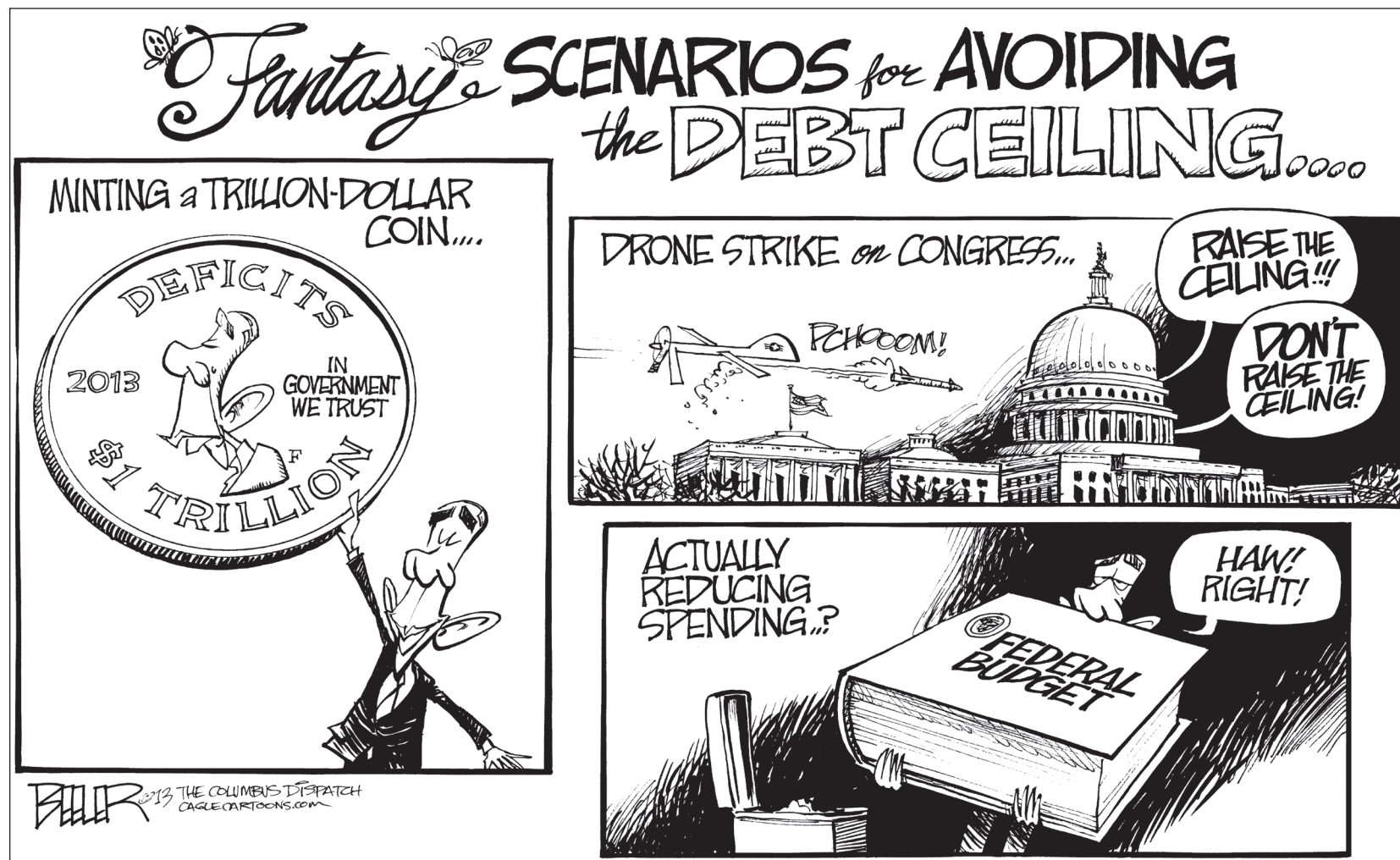
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THEIR WORD

Obama needs some binders full of women

RUTH MARCUS
Washington Post

About all those white guys: What a shame. Not an outrage, but a shame. The face of power that President Obama has chosen to present to the country and the world with his second-term Cabinet picks is striking — except for the African American president at the top of the pyramid — for its retro look, white and male.

It's "Mad Men" Goes to Washington, except Peggy's leaving.

On the foreign policy team, white guy for secretary, white guy for defense secretary, white guy for CIA.

For Treasury secretary, white guy. Obama's replacement as chief of staff — as yet unnamed, but the rumor mill names no one but ... white guys.

To be clear: I've got nothing against white guys. Some of my best husbands are white guys.

White guys get to be secretary of state, too, and John Kerry will be the first in 16 years. But to look at the most

“But to look at the most important jobs in the government, in 2013, and see such lack of diversity is just so dreadfully disappointing.”

— Ruth Marcus, Opinion Writer

important jobs in the government, in 2013, and see such lack of diversity is just so dreadfully disappointing.

Especially because it could easily have been so different.

Imagine the tableau of Obama flanked by secretary of state nominee Susan Rice and defense secretary nominee Michèle Flournoy. That would have been the ultimate you've-come-a-long-way moment.

And what would have been so nice about it is it wouldn't have been a stretch.

The gratifying thing about my now-imaginary Rice and Flournoy picks is that they would have occurred organically, reflecting the rise of women in the foreign and defense policy establishments.

Thinking about Obama's selections, I had a

flashback to the moment in December 1992, when newly elected Bill Clinton exploded in anger over “bean counters” at women's groups “playing quota games and math games” in lamenting the lack of diversity in his still-evolving Cabinet choices.

Clinton had a point. He ended up with what was then the most diverse Cabinet in history. And there is something distasteful and fundamentally demeaning about judging a Cabinet solely by the color of its skin or the composition of its chromosomes.

To make this personal: I believe that I bring something to the task of being an opinion columnist because I am a woman, but I do not think I was given the job for this reason.

It would be hurtful — in the sense

of injured feelings, but also of harmed reputation — if readers were to see a female byline at the top of this column and assume, she got this gig because she's a woman.

And yet, an opinion page with only white-guy columnists — just like an opinion page with only conservatives, or only liberals — would be lacking in the most important diversity: of viewpoints and experiences.

This ought to happen in the natural course of events, with writers of both genders displaying the talent — or foolhardiness — to become columnists. But an editorial page editor who found herself, or himself, with a stable of only white, male columnists would be wise to do some reshuffling, and some outreach.

The White House will point to women in other Cabinet positions — although one, Labor Secretary Hilda Solis, has just announced her resignation — and to women in sub-Cabinet roles. Okay, but State, Defense and Treasury, along with Justice, are the Big Boy jobs.

It matters if some of those boys are girls. It sends a disturbing signal when they're not.

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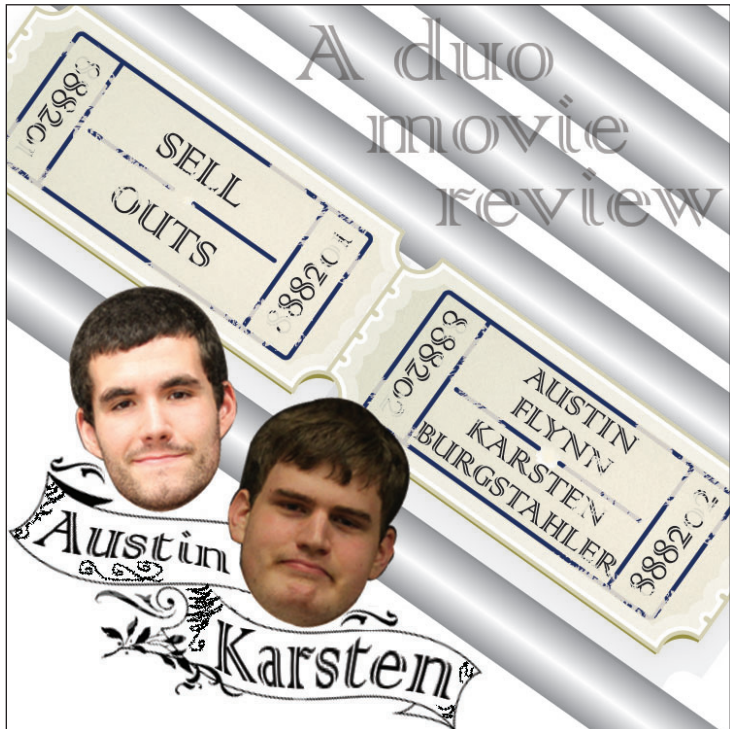
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January is a traditional film “dumping ground.” Studios often save releases they feel are not holiday-season worthy and release them during this obscure month. Several new releases look to rise above the status quo and become diamonds in the rough, such as the films “Zero Dark Thirty” and “Broken City.”

“Gangster Squad” is another film which has that potential. The 1940s mobster tribute, which boasts Oscar nominees such as Ryan Gosling and Sean Penn, follows several detectives who are assigned to take down notorious gangster Mickey Cohen. However, is the cast able to elevate the relatively simple plot? Is the violence a bit too much?

Austin Flynn: I was ready for a well-written gangster flick after seeing this movie’s trailers. Unfortunately, the film just didn’t have a strong script. The movie barrels along with action scene after action scene, and it relies heavily on gunfights to keep viewers involved. “Squad” is a fast-paced film, but it left me wanting more character development. While Emma Stone is featured toward the end, for example, I thought her part was very small and lacked any big-picture importance.

Karsten Burgstahler: I completely agree. Stone’s star power is undeniable. While she nails the femme fatale role, she could’ve been given more to do. Mireille Enos, who plays Josh Brolin’s wife, also had a shortened role. Brolin plays the same hard-boiled and always-serious character in nearly every movie. Penn steals the show as Cohen; he dominates the screen in each of his scenes. He clearly has a good time as he spits out corny gangster lines such as “Santee (sic) Claus is coming to town!” while he opens fire. The plot is minimal, yes, but honestly I didn’t expect much more. I hoped for more, but this always seemed like a simple revenge flick to me.

AF: Once I accepted the movie as the shallow blood-and-guts film it is, I’ll admit it was an enjoyable shoot-’em-up flick. The squad reminded me of a 1940s “A-Team” with members who specialize in cool. Gosling starts the movie as a smooth-talking boozier, which was a smart casting choice. Penn plays the gangster boss well, but I couldn’t take him seriously because I kept seeing his “I Am Sam” character in Mickey Cohen, which frankly is a very strange combination. The film’s finale was expected but fun, and it left the impression most people would expect from such a flick.

KB: It’s funny you should say that. It does leave a bloody imprint, Tommy guns and all. However, director Ruben Fleischer added a stylized violence angle. Several gunfights occur in slow motion, and blood often splatters the camera. The film is a gangster picture and modern violence fusion, which works for a while but is eventually a distraction. “Squad” definitely scores style points, and Gosling is perfect for his role so I can’t understand why Fleischer added scenes that gleefully approach violent “Saw” territory. The film is enjoyable, but it squanders clever ideas. I simply expected more.

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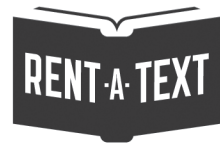
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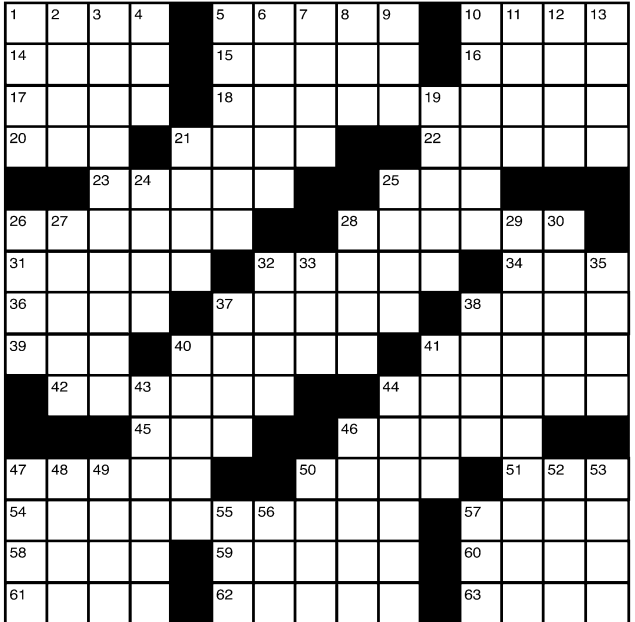
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Occupations
 - 5 Of the kidneys
 - 10 Lose one's footing
 - 14 Make eyes at
 - 15 Overdo the role
 - 16 Sit for an artist
 - 17 Singer Clapton
 - 18 Pleading with
 - 20 Positive reply
 - 21 Intense rage
 - 22 Leases a flat
 - 23 Like a mohawk hairdo, e.g.
 - 25 Major conflict
 - 26 Make less tense, as a situation
 - 28 4 score and 10
 - 31 Rejoice
 - 32 Fill cracks
 - 34 Snoop Dogg's music style
 - 36 Pepper grinder
 - 37 To the ___; relevant
 - 38 Hawaiian island
 - 39 Sick
 - 40 Sounds of cannon fire
 - 41 Grand home on an estate
 - 42 Embroidered hole
 - 44 One who rents to a tenant
 - 45 Traitor
 - 46 Mammal with a long snout
 - 47 Spoken; oral
 - 50 Transmitted
 - 51 Yank
 - 54 Know-how
 - 57 Bull: Sp.
 - 58 Correct text
 - 59 To no ___; uselessly
 - 60 Thus
 - 61 Collections
 - 62 Answer
 - 63 Recolored



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- DOWN**
- 1 Baby kangaroo
 - 2 Meanie
 - 3 In a happy way
 - 4 1/60 of a min.
 - 5 Reprimand
 - 6 ___ board; nail file
 - 7 Too inquisitive
 - 8 Lunched
 - 9 Gypsy Rose ___
 - 10 Orb; globe
 - 11 Cut of pork
 - 12 ___ sure; has doubts
 - 13 Cribbage markers
 - 19 Grouchy one
 - 21 Clenched hand
 - 24 ___ up stakes; move out
 - 25 Basketball's ___ Chamberlain
 - 26 Actress Moore
 - 27 Banish
 - 28 Religious sisters
 - 29 Temporary
 - 30 Large Internet mail provider
 - 32 Crotchety one
 - 33 Goal; purpose
 - 35 Sound of a contented cat
 - 37 Robert Frost or Joyce Kilmer
 - 38 Kiln for drying
 - 40 Part of a knife
 - 41 Beef or chicken
 - 43 Bursts forth
 - 44 Feeling friendless
 - 46 ___ B. DeMille
 - 47 Highest cards
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 - 50 Ginger cookie
 - 52 Encourage
 - 53 Beneficial
 - 55 Paving liquid
 - 56 Eden resident
 - 57 Actor ___ Knight

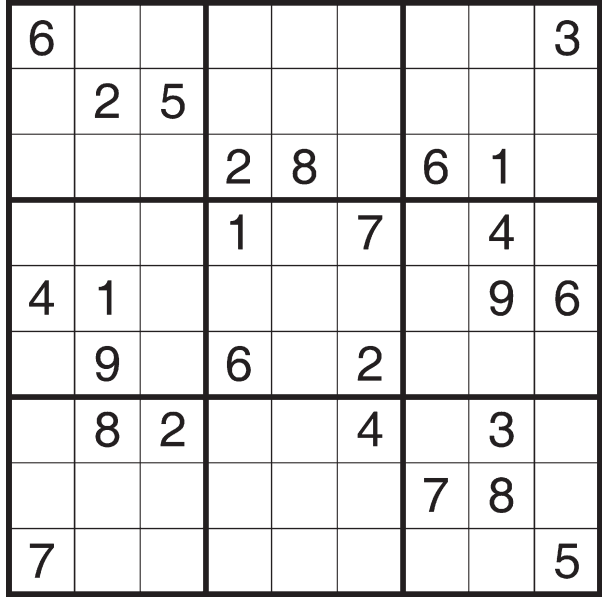
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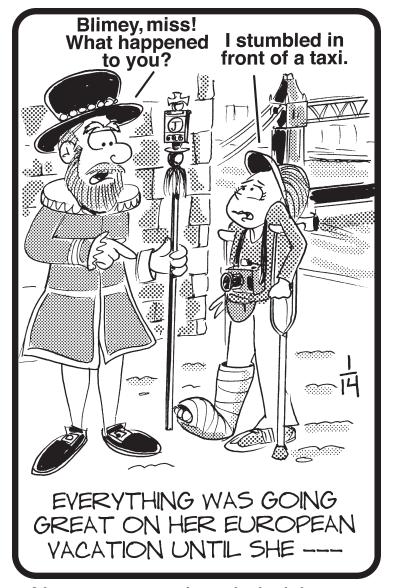
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Track displays mid-season form at Saluki Open

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The Saluki track team nabbed seven event wins in front of its home crowd to conclude the beginning of the 2013 indoor track season Saturday at the Saluki Open.

Junior Dougie Palacios notched a triple jump title and posted a 14.99m mark, which is just one of four first-place finishes for the Salukis.

The men also finished first in the 60m hurdles, mile run and 3000m run.

Senior Tess Shubert won the 400m race at 56.78 seconds. The women also captured titles in the high jump, 400m and 800m races.

Sophomore Oscar Medina placed fourth in the men's mile, which is a personal best. Medina said it was a solid start to the season.

"I was pretty happy that I finished this strong and still felt like I had a little bit more," he said.

He said the team will become stronger and faster as the season progresses and the team uses the first couple of meets to get back in the swing of things.

"You always need that first race just to get your legs going and get your mind set to race mode," he said.

Sophomore Mobola Rotibi placed first in the women's 800m at 2:18.67.

Rotibi finished her freshman year strong when she ended the outdoor season with a 2:11 time. After a year though, she said the season is much different.

"Last year it was a lot easier because I didn't have much expected of me. It was like just run as fast as you can," Rotibi said. "This year, there is a lot more expectation."

Coach Connie Price-Smith said she loves the way the team performed after a break from competition.

"We're starting off really well," she said. "We



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Senior distance runner Zach Dahleen, center, closes the gap with Kevin McNab, left, an unaffiliated runner, while keeping Belmont University's Erick Kigen behind him Saturday during the Saluki Open at the Recreation Center. Dahleen went on to finish in 4 minutes and 09.21 seconds, which was more than four seconds ahead of McNab and more than seven ahead of Kigen. Dahleen claimed one of eight titles for the Salukis during the Friday and Saturday events.

had a good meet in December, and we come back after a break and so far today has been pretty good as well."

Price-Smith said the team is young but filled with athletes who will compete hard and finish strong.

"We have a lot of sophomores and juniors, but I think we have a really strong team," she said. "We lost a few people from last year, but the ones that are coming back are going to do really well and we are going to have a lot of NCAA qualifiers."

The Salukis will continue its indoor season Jan. 19 in Champaign at the Illini Classic.

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Salukis, past and present, shine at weekend Open

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The Salukis finished their final season preparations and hosted the Saluki Open Friday and Saturday, Jan. 11-12.

Of the competition's 10 schools, it was the Saluki throwers who stood out the most, as they placed no worse than third in any of their four events.

Sophomore thrower Bradley Sauer notched 20.31m on his final throw in the weight event, which placed him first among the Saluki throwers. The toss topped a new personal best Sauer set just a month ago in the Saluki Fast Start.

It was a battle of current and former Saluki throwers on the women's side as sophomores DeAnna Price, sophomore Sophia Lozano and senior Kim Fortney met strong competition from former Saluki greats Gwen

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—DeAnna Price
sophomore thrower

Berry and Jeneva McCall.

McCall and Berry took the top two spots in the women's weight throw, as they edged out this year's Salukis by more than three meters. Lozano, Price and Fortney banked throws over 19 meters in the event.

"I lost Brittany Riley and then Gwen came along and now I lost Jeneva," Coach John Smith said. "It's probably going to be Deanna, Sophie and Big Red (Bradley Sauer) to come along and fill in that spot. I don't know who the next superstar is going to be, but it's looking good

right now."

The team will have big shoes to fill because Riley set the world record in weight throw. Berry and McCall also placed in the top two spots in each event they competed in and continued their high play in the shot put events.

Four Salukis placed in the top five and Fortney led the Salukis with a 16.15m toss.

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neck and neck in our marks and I'm just hoping that we are going to make those top three places next week."

Freshman thrower Josh Freeman helped to continue the Salukis' shot put success as he led the team with his 17.21-meter throw. Sophomore thrower Curtis Wideman was a close second with an even 17-meter throw.

Junior Kenya Culmer took the top spot in the women's high jump and senior high jumper Ryan Sidwell took third in his competition.

Sophomores Alex Lietz and John Baughman took the top two spots

in the men's pole vault with Lietz setting a personal best, but it was former Indiana State vaulter Kylie Hutson who stole the moment. With a 4.35-meter vault, the ex-Sycamore set a Recreation Center event.

"She's a really good competitor," head coach Connie Price-Smith said. "We had to compete against her for a long time when she was at Indiana State, so having her come over here and competing and seeing that level of athlete is really nice for our kids. The competition and numbers are important, and the more competition that we have here the better our kids can get because they see that they can accomplish these things too."

The Saluki track and field team will compete again Saturday in Champaign at the Illini Classic.

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Hinson said Beane Jr. is one of the team's best defenders but he still has some growing to do.

"I think his next step is to become a sophomore," he said. "Seriously, he's just got to live

and learn and get through these mistakes right now. His next step is to not be depressed about the mistakes he's made."

Senior guard Jeff Early was key in Saluki rebounds. He snatched a career-high 13 rebounds, and four came from the offensive glass.

Jackson said Early doesn't have

to score a lot for his presence to be felt.


"Jeff was huge out there," he said. "We obviously aren't a big team, but you can pretty much count on him to get eight or more rebounds in any given game. He is always willing to do whatever it takes for us to get a win."

Indiana State coach Greg Lansing said the Salukis were able to impose their will at rebounding despite his efforts to prevent it.

"We put on the board before the game, 'don't let (SIU) be the more desperate, determined team, and that's what they were from start to finish,'" he said. "We got

outplayed every minute of that game; we got outcoached every minute of that game. Give all the credit to Southern Illinois for wanting it worse than we did."

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Salukis make lumber of Sycamores



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Junior guard Desmar Jackson drives for a layup Saturday against Indiana State University sophomore Justin Gant at SIU Arena. Jackson tied his career-best 29 points as the Salukis defeated Indiana State 76-71. Head coach Barry Hinson threatened to send Jackson home last week unless his off-court conduct changed. Hinson said in his post-game remarks that Jackson has done everything he has asked, him and the team can now move forward. The Salukis will travel to Peoria Tuesday to take on Bradley University.

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The men's basketball team flustered Indiana State defensively as the Sycamores shot 43 percent from the field in a 76-71 victory Saturday night in the SIU Arena.

The Salukis completed a season high 32 of their 42 free throws. Junior guard Desmar Jackson and freshman guard Anthony Beane Jr. converted on 19 of the team's total shots from the charity stripe.

Jackson was stifled with only 6 points on 3-7 shooting in the first half. Despite his slow start, the junior had his best second half as a Saluki when he scored 23 points and drained a game-high 12 free throws. Jackson came off a personal best 28-point outing against Wichita State Wednesday.

Coach Barry Hinson called Jackson out publically for conduct he deemed detrimental to the team just days before Saturday's game.

"He's done everything I've asked him — He's been aggressive, he's been responsible, he's been on time, he's treated this program like it's a privilege and not a right," Hinson said. "This last week, he's realized that I love him and want the best for him, but he's also realized the definition of tough love. I think we can move forward now."

Freshman guard Anthony Beane Jr. scored 11 points and grabbed six rebounds. Eight of his points came in the first half, and he converted on a critical 3-point play to narrow the Sycamores' lead to a point in the closing seconds of the first 20 minutes.

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SIU flushes late lead against Aces

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The Salukis tipped off against the Evansville Purple Aces Sunday in Indiana hungry for their second consecutive win over a conference opponent.

However, the women's basketball team couldn't deliver in its 71-65 fall to the Purple Aces.

Since an early December victory over SIUE, the Salukis (4-10, 1-2 MVC) have won three of their last four games, including a win over Drake, hitting a school-record 15 shots from beyond the arc in a single game.

Evansville (4-10, 2-1 MVC) got off to a fast start thanks to senior guard/forward Taylor Ware, whose 10 points led all scorers in the first half. The early points helped give the Aces a 21-point lead to seemingly put the game out of reach.

However, foul trouble and a determined Saluki defense kept Ware scoreless throughout the rest of the game.

SIU took advantage and went on a rally of their own and took the lead early in the second half.

"We went to more of a guard lineup," coach Missy Tiber said. "We made two threes right away and kind of got some energy back. We were just moving the ball really well and making some shots."

The SIU guard-oriented offense kept

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— Missy Tiber
SIU women's basketball head coach

the game close through the second half, but Evansville benefited from the size advantage by scoring 16 second-chance buckets.

The size difference proved to be too much as Evansville went on an 8-2 run with under two minutes left in the game to take the win, 71-65. SIU struggled to defend in the post as Evansville scored 36 of their 71 points in the paint and beat the Salukis in rebounds, 41-26.

"We shot the ball enough to win the game, we just didn't guard when we needed to and get key rebounds," Tiber said. "I told the team you can't expect to go on the road and win a game when you get out-rebounded by 15."

The loss ties the all-time series with Evansville at 23 wins each.

The Salukis will look to change their luck Thursday in Terre Haute, Ind., against Indiana State.

Globetrotter fans call the shots

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Harlem Globetrotter Handles Franklin minded his own business on the court when Big Easy Lofton tried to spice up the game.

Big Easy went to the bench, picked up a filled bucket of water and rushed the court to look for Handles. As the crowd laughed, Big Easy drenched Handles with the water before he noticed he was on his tail. Minutes later, Big Easy picked up another bucket and chased Handles into the crowd. The crowd braced itself in anticipation of a big splash, but instead dozens of tiny confetti pieces poured from the bucket.

This was one of the many antics the Harlem Globetrotters displayed Friday night in Carbondale for their 2013 World Tour. However, this wasn't the typical show fans experience from the Globetrotters.

For the first time, fans can help determine the outcome of a game.

In the Globetrotters' 2013 "You Write the Rules" World Tour, enthusiasts voted for one rule change each quarter for both the Globetrotters and their opponents, the Global Select, to adopt. The rules were decided via Twitter or HarlemGlobetrotters.com.

Fans voted to make a 4-point shot possible in the first quarter. Two circles behind the 3-point line were added on each side of the court so players could attempt such a shot.

The Globetrotters took advantage of this rule as Bones Millien hit four consecutive shots from the circles to gain an early lead.

All shots made were worth double the points in the second quarter. This made for a high scoring time block.

In the third quarter, fans voted that for the first two minutes of the quarter, two basketballs could be used simultaneously on the court. Handles and Ant Atkinson took advantage of this rule as both players

impressed the crowd with their ball handling skills.

With the game close at the end of the third quarter, the fan-voted final rule change decided the game's outcome. They loved the long range three-pointers from earlier so much they voted to include the four point shot again.

The Globetrotters drained multiple four-point shots in the fourth quarter to gain the narrow victory against the The Global Selects.

Ariel "Mighty" Mitchell is a new Globetrotter, and her specialty is her ability to shoot and dribble around defenders. Mitchell played college basketball at Dillard University in New Orleans. She said she always wanted to play professional basketball, so she couldn't pass up an opportunity to play with the Globetrotters.

There is a great family atmosphere with the Globetrotters, she said, so she loves to be a part of the team.

"Coming out to every game is amazing because the families are looking for family entertainment, and the Globetrotters bring great family entertainment," she said. "We look forward to putting smiles on kid's faces and also the parents."

Mitchell said fans also enjoy seeing a woman on the court with the Globetrotters.

"After I make a shot, the crowds always go crazy because they love to see a woman out there playing a man's sport," she said.

Alison Troehler, of Herrin, and her son Drake were one of many families in the crowd to enjoy the Globetrotters' antics. Troehler said her son laughed the entire time.

Drake said he enjoyed the contest, but one player's performance stood out.

"Ant hung from the basket upside down while everyone was telling him to come down and get (his) head in the game," Drake said.