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Remembering Renee

DAVID OSBORNE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Little girls tend to be afraid of bugs and other icky critters. As part of the program at Touch of Nature, school children often used dip nets to scoop crayfish, tadpoles and other critters from a pond for study. One such group included some sixth grade girls who were reluctant to get involved. Enter Renee.

Shannon Weger, Renee's co-worker, recounts the story.

"One of the last weeks Renee worked here, she was working with a group of kids from Marie Schaefer School, and one particular group of girls was very afraid to touch the critters and to get muddy. And Renee inspired them. She showed so much enthusiasm and so much love for what she was doing that the girls came around and it broke down the barriers they had. In a thank you letter that came back to Renee, one of the girls had said in the letter, 'Renee, thank you for showing us all that you did in the pond. You were the best counselor.'

"And I'll always remember — it was in quotes — it said 'dirty girls rule.'

Renee DiCiccio worked with Weger as an outdoor educator for Touch of Nature, first as a student worker, then as a full time seasonal employee after she graduated from SIUC in December 1999. Her career was ended abruptly when she murdered by a former boyfriend, Donald Forcum, one year ago Sunday.

Renee had an enthusiasm described as contagious or infectious. Carlo DiCiccio, Renee's father, recalled a poem Renee had written two days before her death.

"There was this boy at Touch of Nature who had no idea what nature was all about. He was more interested in riding his dirt bike through the fields," DiCiccio said.

The young man went on a canoe trip with Renee at Touch of Nature, and came away with a new appreciation for nature. Renee wrote the poem, "Remember Me" for Smith. He would

later read the poem at a memorial service for Renee.

Renee was only 7 years old when she told her father she wanted to be a zoologist. A quote from Renee at age eight posted on ReneeCritters.com, a memorial website started for Renee, reads, "My favorite hobby is birds and cats. I have five birds, one cat and six kittens. About twenty birds come by every morning to be fed. About ten cats come for milk. Also one pregnant cat. This morning about fifty birds came. One day I hope one hundred birds come."

DiCiccio said Renee was always feeding birds and cats that would come around the house, and more and more would show up.

In high school, Renee joined a mentor program at Brookfield Zoo in Chicago. She would stay with this program for four years.

"While she was there she took care of the Australia House," DiCiccio said. "She worked with wombats and helped deliver Australian wombat puppies."

It seemed only natural that Renee would come to SIUC and earn a degree in zoology.

Alan Shearer recalls how Renee loved all wildlife, animals and plants.

"If there was a bug that would crawl across the sidewalk, she would be the first one to grab it and look it and show it to people," Shearer said.

Renee's co-workers at Touch of Nature said Renee's enthusiasm was hard not to share. Weger recalled Renee was most alive when she was reflecting off of other people.

"People became engaged in her enthusiasm," Weger said, "and it would feed her enthusiasm even more."

What coworker John Wallace remembers best was her "eruptive personality," her inability to do anything quietly.

"She couldn't laugh quietly — she would erupt with laughter," Wallace said.

Renee left a lasting mark on those she came into contact with, a mark that time has not erased.

Shearer said the impact she had was amazing.

"There's not a day goes by that I don't see an animal or a butterfly or something and think of

Remember me

I am water
I am stone
I am breath
caught in the mist
I am bird
I am butterfly
I am flower
reaching for sun
I am tree
rustling in the wind
I am bat in cave
I am still
I am the veins
by which flows
the blood of the earth
I am flying insect
I am haunted gravel
I am hope and
I am discovery
I am laughing
Remember me, I am river

Renee DiCiccio
July 10, 1977 - June 10, 2000
written two days
before her death

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Community loses 'tireless volunteer'

Friends remember Joyce Guyon's commitment

MOLLY PARKER
& ALEXA AGUILAR
DAILY EGYPTIAN

p.m. Thursday.

"She was a great organizer, but she was also willing to take on the mundane tasks, be it dishes out chili or ice at some function," Dillard said.

And she was always doing all the extra unwritten duties of a president's wife with tremendous dedication and commitment, said interim Chancellor John Jackson.

Jackson said he has known her since 1974 when he was serving the University as dean of the College of Liberal Arts.

Jackson said she was always doing things for the campus including hosting lavish formal dinners at her house.

The dishes served from those dinners would later be showcased in a cookbook written by Guyon and illustrated by her longtime friend Kay Zivkovic, a professor in the School of Art and Design. Proceeds go to benefit a Saluki Gourmet Scholarship.

"She was intensely committed to the

Joyce Guyon and her longtime friend Mary Ellen Dillard were raising a tent pole for the Chautauqua Tent Festival. It was hot, the sweat was pouring down their faces, Dillard remembers.

They were laughing.

"Guyon — we gave up good paying jobs for this," Dillard told her, since they had both recently retired from teaching.

But it seems as though she would do anything for the community — and that is how she will be remembered by so many.

Elizabeth Joyce Guyon, 66, wife of former SIUC president John Guyon, died early Friday morning at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale of head injuries from falling down a flight of stairs in her home. Jackson County deputies and ambulance personnel responded to the call to 222 May Apple Lane around 11-

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Forcum faces up to 100 years in prison

Guilty: Murder in the first

DAVID OSBORNE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

MURPHYSBORO

— DNA evidence and bloody fingerprints helped convict a former SIUC senior in the slaying of his ex-girlfriend.

Donald E. Forcum, 29, of Carbondale, was convicted on May 28 of first degree murder for the June 10, 2000 killing of SIUC alumna Renee DiCiccio. DiCiccio, who was a month shy of her 23rd birthday at the time of the attack, graduated in December 1999 with a bachelor's degree in zoology.

State's attorney Mike Wepsieck had called the murder the result of intense jealousy. Forcum and DiCiccio had been romantically involved and were roommates. The couple broke up in the spring of 2000. Forcum had moved out of the apartment at 72 England Heights Road less than two weeks before it would become the scene of the attack.

Forcum, who majored in food and nutrition, was also convicted of attempted first degree murder for the attack on Brett Janecke, DiCiccio's house guest on the fateful night. In the first day of testimony, Janecke, 23, of Warren, recounted the horror of the attack. Janecke told the court how his attacker entered silently and brutally

attacked without warning, hitting, slashing and stabbing at him as he tried to rise from the couch where he had been sleeping. Janecke's voice cracked as he told the jury how he had been unable to help DiCiccio when he heard her ask Forcum if she was going to die.

"Yes, you're going to die now, bitch," was the chilling reply.

Janecke had never met Forcum, and could not posi-

tively identify him as the assailant. Janecke did identify the voice of the attacker as the same as a caller who had left series of threatening messages on his answering machine. A deputy later identified the voice on the answering machine tape as Forcum.

The bulk of the state's case depended on DNA evi-

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KERRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Donald Forcum is escorted from the Jackson County Court House during the May trial where he was convicted of first degree murder, attempted murder, home invasion, and armed violence.

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Renee," Shearer said.

That impact lives on in butterfly garden started in Renee's honor last summer. Still small, the original garden was started when those attending her memorial service last year scattered wildflower seeds in her memory. Wallace said Touch of Nature is close to starting a larger, more formal butterfly garden in her honor as they gather more input from her family.

Most agree Renee was probably happiest when making an impact on people when sharing her love of the natural world.

DiCicco said Renee loved kids and nature, and had talked about continuing to work as an outdoor educator or teacher, perhaps in another program like that at Touch of Nature.

"She would get right down to their level, and she was able to communicate with the child," DiCicco said.

MEMORIAL

Donations can be made to the Renee DiCicco Memorial Fund through the SIU Foundation. The funds will go toward the development of a butterfly garden at Touch of Nature to honor Renee DiCicco. To view Renee's memorial go to <http://www.ranescritters.com>.



Carlo DiCicco talks to reporters after a jury found Donald Forcum guilty of murdering his daughter Renee DiCicco.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEDNESDAY

Brown Bag Concerts
 Jim Skinner Blues band
 June 13 at 12 p.m.
 Town Square Pavilion.

Beethoven Society:

Grand Festival Concert
 June 13 at 7 p.m.
 Admission is \$5.00 at the door.
 Shryock Auditorium

THURSDAY

Board of Trustee meeting
 June 14 at 10:30 a.m.
 Student Center Ballroom B.

Sunset Concert

Boom Shaka (Reggae)
 June 14 at 7 p.m.
 Shryock Auditorium

WEATHER



TODAY:

Sunny
 High: 92
 Low: 70



WEDNESDAY:

Sunny
 High: 91
 Low: 71



THURSDAY:

Sunny
 High: 90
 Low: 69

GUILTY

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dence and bloody fingerprints found on several items at the scene to positively link Forcum to the murder. The rest of the state's evidence was largely circumstantial.

Patricia Gross, Forcum's public defender, tried to cast doubt on the evidence, pointing out that Forcum had lived in the residence until just a few days before the murder. She called a DNA expert to testify the DNA could have been deposited by Forcum weeks prior to the murder. In particular, she tried to show that Forcum's DNA could have transferred from the carpet to DiCicco's body when her attacker dragged her from the living room to the bedroom. Forcum would have shed skin cells containing his DNA while he resided with DiCicco.

In the end, it took the jury a mere 80 minutes to convict Forcum. The jury also returned a special interrogatory finding "exceptional brutal and heinous" behavior involved in the crime. This could extend his sentence out to 100 years.

Forcum was also convicted of home invasion and armed violence. He is scheduled to be sentenced on July 23.

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The changing face of the Student Center

New first floor, new book store owner, new director for summer

LIZ GUARD
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Outside the Student Center, the gardens are flourishing, the fountains are flowing and people are hurrying in and out of the building as usual, but inside, it's a different story.

In preparation for the fall semester, the interior of the Student Center is being completely renovated, the University Bookstore is under new ownership and a new director will be taking over the reins.

The cold, drab concrete and the pasty white walls have been exposed on the first floor to show the many years of wear and tear. The Information Station has been temporarily moved to a nearby television lounge, and the yellow caution ropes and orange cones warn Student Center patrons something is not the same in the heart of campus.

Only patchwork has been done here and there for the past 40 years, but the time has come to do a total overhaul on the first floor.

Ken Jaros, associate director of the Student Center, said the administration wanted a new, uniform look that would be inviting to students.

All flooring and walls have been ripped out and will be replaced. The new tile is made of 100 percent recycled materials: rock and coal fly ash. Laborers are working quickly to complete the renovations, but the finished product

cannot come soon enough for John Wade, a cashier for Chartwell's Food Service in the Student Center.

"My main complaint would be the noise, and they've turned on the alarms a couple of times and the lights have been flickering," Wade said. "It's been challenging the past couple of days. Hopefully they'll be done soon."

Jaros said the work should be done by July 6, but could be finished slightly before or after the set date.

"We hope these new renovations will assist the University in recruitment and retention," Jaros said.

The renovations are not the only thing changing the Student Center. Follett's Higher Education Group took over the University Bookstore on May 22 and now holds the lease. The day-to-day operations have been the same, but the shelves remain empty. The greeting card racks are half-filled, there are barely any books on the shelves and the clothing racks are practically empty. But workers in the bookstore are stocking quickly to prepare for classes to start.

T.J. Rutherford, interim director of the Student Center, said new merchandise will begin pouring in to refill the bookstore as soon as the orders arrive.

The search for a new director is also on the list of changes for the Student Center. Nancy Hunter Pei, director of Student Development, said the committee has been approved to contact the three candidates for on-campus interviews. Pei and the 'committee' are currently working to contact the candidates.

"Ideally we will have our decision by July 1,



STEVE JANNKE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Remodeling is an interesting site to see at the Student Center. Onlookers watch as Ken Jaros, Associate Director of Operations at the Student Center (center), supervises the work being done by workers from Robnett Painting.

but with complicated schedules it may be hard," Pei said. "We won't be too far off and we'll have a new director at least by the beginning of the fall semester."

The Old Main Room will also be open for the first time during the summer. Soup and

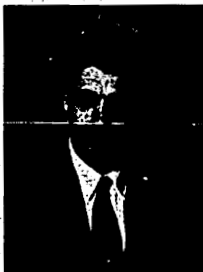
salad will be served, Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

"We've never done it before and we're trying it for the first time," Rutherford said. "A lot of people wanted us to try it, so I hope they like the change."

Wendler prepares to lead SIUC forward

Walter Wendler will be back on campus this week with three-year contract

MOLLY PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN



Wendler

It was raining in College Station, Texas on Friday, and the newest member of the SIUC administration was ready to saddle up and ride to Southern Illinois, where his new job was waiting — and where the sun shined all weekend.

"I'd gas up and head up there tomorrow if I could," Wendler said after hearing no rain was in the forecast for Illinois during the weekend.

Wendler, vice chancellor for Planning and System Integration at Texas A&M University, was named chancellor on May 7.

His three-year contract starts on July 1, and he will be back on campus this week for a budget workshop and for the Board of Trustees meeting Thursday.

He said he also plans to take some time this week to look for a home. Wendler will receive a \$27,500 housing allowance on top of his \$210,000 base salary.

Wendler is the fourth person in five years to take the position since John Guyon resigned in the summer of 1996.

After Guyon retired, Donald Beggs served as interim chancellor for two years while a chancellor search was under way. Jo Ann Argersinger was hired in 1998 but served less than one year. She was fired by the board because of managerial conflicts with then President Ted Sanders. John Jackson filled the position while constituency groups called for a nationwide chancellor search.

However, Wendler said that he does not plan on leaving anytime soon.

"It is a fine institution with tremendous potential and my plan is to stay there for a while," Wendler said. "I'm not thinking about my next job."

Although the position has been in flux, Wendler seemed confident he would be able to pull the University closer to solidified leadership. He definitely has the enthusiasm.

"I'm smiling while I'm trying to figure out how to tell it to you," Wendler said, anticipating the beginning of his career at this University. "I spend most of the day here working for [SIUC] and enjoying every minute of it."

He's referring to the two legal-size boxes full of SIUC information he has been sifting through at his desk in Texas.

The last time Wendler was in Carbondale was May 9 for his formal appointment to the chancellor's position. In his day-and-a-half trip he met with city and campus administrators, the news media and had dinner with the board.

City Manager Jeff Doherty, who met him for lunch, said Wendler seemed to show a lot of concern about the community and understood the strong connection between the city and University.

"He understands that both Carbondale and SIUC are intertwined and that what's good for one is good for the other," Doherty said.

Wendler expressed the same sentiment. He said he has formed the impression that both Carbondale and the campus are very proud of SIUC, citing a strong sense of tradition and pride.

"All that starts to excite me all the more," Wendler said.

Faculty Association President Morteza Daneshdoost met with Wendler on his May 9 visit to SIUC and expressed a theme that seems to run throughout the campus — communication is what makes things work.

"I'm sincerely looking forward to have a relationship with the chancellor that we work side by side to improve the University as a whole for everybody," Daneshdoost said.

Although Wendler does not start for another month, he is excited about digging into all that is SIUC.

"I am certainly ready to get going," Wendler said. "I'm looking forward to it with tremendous anticipation."

Fisher declines plea agreement

Mother of victim allegedly tripped Fisher off about investigation

BRETT NAUMAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Prominent Carbondale landlord Henry Fisher appeared in a Williamson County courtroom Monday and rejected a plea agreement offered by State's Attorney Charles Gamati before his final preliminary hearing began.

Fisher, owner of Home Rentals, and one of Carbondale's largest rental property owners, is charged with criminal predatory sexual assault of a child younger than 13.

Repeated attempts made by the Daily Egyptian to find out the terms of the plea agreement from the State's Attorney's office were unsuccessful.

Court documents located in the Circuit Clerk's office also stated that the girl's mother has been charged with obstruction of justice in conjunction with the case. The girl's mother allegedly furnished false information to Herrin Police Officer Mark Brown, according to her criminal file.

The documents said she let Fisher know that police were going to investigate a sexual assault complaint made against him by her daughter. But on Feb. 2 and Feb. 5 she told Brown that she had not informed Fisher of the investigation.

Police possess a 12-page typed transcript of a conversation between Fisher and the girl's mother. The victim's mother is charged with a class four felony. The Illinois Compiled Statutes states that if convicted she could receive between one and four years.

Authorities also possess conversations on mini-disc between Fisher and the victim gained from eavesdropping devices. In addition to the devices, police were also issued warrants to monitor Fisher's cell phone.

The prosecution has more than a dozen witnesses scheduled to testify against Fisher including police officers, Department of

Children and Family Services officials and family members of the victim.

Initially, Fisher's lawyers Richard White and Randy Patchett indicated that they wanted a speedy trial, but Fisher's case has currently been stalled by no less than eight motions. Rulings on the motions will not take place until Aug. 9.

When contacted about the plea agreement after the preliminary hearing, Patchett jumped in front of Fisher and fielded all questions about the case. He refused to comment, insisting that questioning him was asking him to break a lawyer's rule of ethics.

The Fisher defense team is mainly questioning the validity of medical examinations conducted on the victim by state physicians. Fisher's motion states that while Dr. Deanna St. Germain apparently did not find signs of sexual abuse, she did indicate there were signs of a history of fondling and molestation.

Motions filed by Fisher's attorneys also question the reliability, accuracy and competency of St. Germain's findings. They also suggest that she is a consistent witness for prosecutors in sexual abuse cases and want to exclude her testimony to specific physical findings.

Other Fisher motions seek to determine the competency of the victim and three of the prosecution's witnesses whose ages are 3, 5 and 7.

Fisher's lawyers also want the victim to submit to independent psychological and medical examinations to combat the prosecution's findings.

This incident does not mark the first time Fisher has been accused of sexual assault. The Carbondale rental mogul, whose business caters toward SIUC students, was arrested in 1994 for home invasion and four counts of sexual assault toward one of his tenants.

Fisher proved to a Jackson County Circuit Judge that a prior relationship existed between his accuser and himself, causing the charge to be dismissed.

If convicted of the class X felony which he is currently charged with, he could face between six and 30 years in prison.

The faces and places of 'Our Word': summer 2001

The DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial board for the 2001 summer semester is made up of 13 individuals. The profiles of these editorial board members display varying backgrounds, which will make for an overall balanced opinion.

Throughout this brief summer semester, the DAILY EGYPTIAN will voice its opinions on a number of topics involving SIU and the community of Carbondale.

The editorial board will meet weekly to examine and discuss these issues. The board, made up of 11 editors and two

newsroom representatives, will then send its collective view to the Voices Editor, who will reflect those opinions in the OUR WORD editorial.

While the summer semester generally remains tamer than the fall and spring semesters when it comes to explosive issues or major controversies, the year of 2001 could be the exception to that rule.

In the aftermath of the Patrick Gant incident, when Carbondale police officers maced a crowd of black students at an April 22 house party and arrested

Gant, a joint task force was created and will continue to meet over the summer. Also, Walter V. Wender will start his tenure as SIUC chancellor at the beginning of July, taking the reins from interim Chancellor John Jackson. The much-maligned Undergraduate Student Government will begin the Michael Perry era now that the last rocky year has come to an end.

There are many issues affecting our community and the DAILY EGYPTIAN will utilize this page as a forum for dis-

cussion on these issues through reader mail and guest columns, while also assisting the reader in understanding the issues that affect their lives, as our mission statement reads.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial board consists of 13 distinct individuals, but they are all identical in their commitment to providing the reader with an accurate, balanced and truthful perspective on the issues that shape this University, community and ultimately each and every one of us.



Alexa Aguilar

Editor-In-Chief

Age: 20
 Hometown: Salem
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: Political Science

This is my fourth semester at the DAILY EGYPTIAN. When I'm not working or attending class, I enjoy spending time with my 4-year-old daughter, reading, watching movies and keeping up with current events. After graduation, I plan to abandon the Midwest forever and become a reporter at a mid-size newspaper.



Sarah Roberts

Managing Editor

Age: 21
 Hometown: Johnston City
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: English

This is my third semester at the DAILY EGYPTIAN. My strongest political views relate to the First Amendment and women's issues. Career goals include finally leaving Southern Illinois and landing a cushy magazine job on the west coast. I look forward to bringing a fresh perspective to the editorial board and so far the worst part of my job has been having to write this bio.



Molly Parker

Government Editor

Age: 19
 Hometown: Simpson
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: Political Science/Aerospace Studies

This is my second semester at the DAILY EGYPTIAN. I love the outdoors and politics — old school politics, that is. The kind that is crude, dirty and full of passion.



Brian Kite

Copy Chief/Graphics Editor

Age: 23
 Hometown: Champaign
 Major: Graphic Design
 I enjoy painting, billiards and planning what to do when I win the lottery. I hope to work in the graphics/advertising field designing magazine layouts, ads and other related media. I've been at the DAILY EGYPTIAN for two semesters.



Chris Marcum

News Editor

Age: 28
 Hometown: Harrisburg
 Major: Theater
 Minor: Journalism

This is my second semester at the DAILY EGYPTIAN. Being an unabashed, unashamed media gourmand, the DE is a perfect fit for me, as is the theater. I hope to pursue both to some degree during my remaining time here.



Marleen Trout

Campus Editor

Age: 22
 Hometown: Carbondale
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: Spanish

I am a mother, volunteer English teacher and honors student. I enjoy reading and spending time with my family and friends. I've been working at the DAILY EGYPTIAN for four semesters.



Andy Egenes

Sports Editor

Age: 22
 Hometown: Liberty
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: Marketing/Sociology

This is my sixth semester at the DE. After graduation, I have a job as a sports writer in the Quad Cities. This summer, I plan to spend time on the golf course and running around with my tasteless friends.



Jesse Drury

Photo Editor

Age: 24
 Hometown: Evanston
 Major: Photojournalism
 Minor: English

This is my fourth semester at the DAILY EGYPTIAN. After years of discovery I have found news photography to be my passion. I get to see the events of the world unfold in front of me, as well as be a voice of the people.



Brett Nauman

Judicial Affairs Editor

Age: 21
 Hometown: Bloomington
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: History

For the third straight semester I will spend my free time reporting news at SIUC. I hope to have a lucrative career in the newspaper business after graduating from SIUC.



Mark Lambird

Newsroom Representative

Age: 21
 Hometown: Olney
 Major: Agricultural Education
 Minor: Language Arts/History

This is my second semester with the DAILY EGYPTIAN. After graduation I hope to teach high school in or near my hometown.



Andrea Parker

Newsroom Representative

Age: 21
 Hometown: Chicago
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: English

I enjoy writing poetry, short stories and columns. I have a strong Christian background and believe nothing is too hard to accomplish, with the help of God. I've been at the DE for 3 1/2 semesters.



Geoff Ritter

Weekender Editor

Age: 21
 Hometown: Pekin
 Major: Journalism
 Minor: History, German

While I have several goals for the future, the most important by far is to just keep having fun until the very end. Therefore, I love spending my time at the movies, reading books, listening to music, hiking, running off on road trips and just having a good time with good friends.



Joseph D. Johnson

Voices Editor

Age: 19
 Hometown: Murphysboro
 Major: Journalism/Cinema
 Minor: Creative Writing

This is my second semester with the DE. I love writing, reading, bowling and listening to all kinds of music. I strongly oppose Corporate America, racism, homophobia, WTAA and the death penalty. I'm a fan of culture jamming, the Beat generation, Vonnegut and the Cubs. Viva La Resistance!

Task force plans to stay busy during summer

Public meetings planned for June, July and August

MARK LAMBIRD
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The city and the University are looking to a joint task force to answer questions of race relations raised by a spring incident involving black students and the Carbondale Police Department.

The task force has convened for two meetings since its inception in May. Both of these meetings were organizational in order to set the course the task force will follow in the months to come.

At the first meeting, the task force spent most of its time selecting its name. The task force has now become the Carbondale/SIU Task Force on Race and Community Relations.

The task force was formed at the end of April after an incident involving the Carbondale Police Department and Patrick

Gant, a senior in elementary education. Police officers were called to 204 E. College St. to respond to a complaint of loud music.

The incident escalated when Gant went into his home after taking his identification from a police officer. The officers followed Gant into his home to arrest him and several people in attendance were sprayed with Mace.

Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard and interim Chancellor Jackson formed the task force less than a week after the incident. But now the two have stepped away from the task force they formed, just as it begins its laborious job. Jackson said it is time for the task force to get to work.

"It is time for them to do the charge we gave them and we have complete confidence in their ability," Jackson said.

Jackson said he thinks the task force should host at least three public meetings this summer. The meeting places include the Civic Center, the Eurna C. Hayes Center and the Student Center.

The last of the three scheduled meetings will be on August 28, one week after the fall semester begins. Officials hope this will dispel concerns that students would not be able to take part in the meetings. Of the 25 task force members, six are SIUC students.

Dillard also said that he has not taken part in the meetings as a sign of his confidence in the group.

"I wanted to make sure they knew we trust them to make the decisions without any pressure from the city," Dillard said.

Bill Norwood, former member of the SIU Board of Trustees and co-chair of the task force, said he is pleased with the way the task force is coming together in its early stages. Norwood was chosen by Dillard to be the co-chair for the city.

Mike Kimmel, the president of the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce, said member attendance has been good at the first two task force meetings.

Members of the task force were encouraged not to make public statements until after the first public meeting. The first public meeting will be at 7 p.m. on June 26 at the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue.

Gus Bode



Gus says:
Why wasn't I selected for the task force?

SIUC gets a 5.7 percent increase in state budget for 2002

Ryan signed budget Monday

ERIC D. JOHNSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Gov. George Ryan signed the 2002 budget Monday morning allotting SIUC a 5.7 percent increase over the current year's budget.

The \$13.3 million increase will be used mainly for utilities, library materials and supplies. It will also benefit faculty, staff and academic funding.

"The increase is especially important for SIUC due to the dramatic increase in utility costs and the high inflation in library supplies," said Scott Kaiser, spokesperson for the president.

Despite a projected budget shortfall and lengthy deliberation by legislators over what projects should be included in next year's budget, SIUC managed to rake in just under its requested amount.

SIUC President James Walker, interim Chancellor John Jackson, various administrators and students met in Springfield April 18 for "Lobby Day" to allow SIUC to be recognized among other state-funded schools.

According to Kaiser, Walker and Jackson had a significant impact on the success of the heightened budget.

"Dr. Walker was very visible and worked very hard to get our message across. The legislation knows we are doing good things here at SIUC and they have funded us well for it," Kaiser said.

Jackson said the project was effective and

that SIUC's share of the budget was a direct result of strong lobbying efforts.

"The effort was headed by President Walker and he deserves credit. It was a group effort of course, but President Walker needs to be applauded," Jackson said.

Among the most prominent projects, Morris Library will receive \$1.9 million for its renovation and expansion. The funds will be used to pay for architectural and engineering costs. The project is expected to take up to three years.

"Next year we hope to receive the money for construction. The project should be completed between two to three years. For the most part, when you receive the planning money the rest of the steps fall into place," Kaiser said.

Garrett Deakin, SIUC's budget lobbyist, was

optimistic about the money SIUC received for 2002.

"I thought it was a very good budget year for SIUC," Deakin said, commending Ryan for keeping with his promise to give 51 percent of all new dollars to education.

Kaiser expressed the same sentiment toward the governor and Southern Illinois legislators, who have a record of pulling together to support requested projects.

"The governor has a strong commitment to education and we want to credit the governor and the legislation for their commitment," Kaiser said.

The \$247.4 million SIUC budget consists of:

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While you were out ... News from the intersession

CARBONDALE

Student's unsolved death officially ruled homicide

The mysterious shooting death of an SIUC student was ruled a homicide by the Jackson County Coroner's office on May 17.

Coroner Thomas Kupferer said Marcus Thomas, 21, was shot in the back on March 17 by a .22-caliber handgun. The bullet entered his back and traveled upward through his body coming to rest near his neck.

Kupferer said Thomas bled to death after running almost two blocks to a nearby apartment where he was discovered on the living room floor hours later by the apartment's occupants. Police also discovered a bloody T-shirt near the apartment.

Kupferer speculated that Thomas died shortly after entering the apartment. Officials have speculated that Thomas might have been ambushed near his home and he was running away from his attacker when he entered the apartment.

Illinois state Senate confirms new BOT members

The state Senate confirmed Ed Hightower, superintendent of Edwardsville school district and Liberty Bank President Mark Repling to the Board of Trustees the last day of session on May 31.

The reappointments of Molly D'Esposito and Harris Rowe were also confirmed.

Gov. George Ryan appointed the two newcomers and reappointed the two veteran trustees on April 11.

The board consists of four Republicans — A.D. VanMetzer, D'Esposito, Rowe and Repling, Gene Callahan and John Brewster are Democrats. Hightower was appointed as an independent.

The board's next meeting is 10:30 a.m. on June 14 at the Student Center Ballroom B.

SIUC student dies in auto accident

An SIUC student died in a car crash May 7 near Green Ridge Road in Jackson County.

David McKay, 21, was pronounced dead at the scene of the accident. He was a junior in agriculture at SIUC.

Another SIUC student, Daniel Stine, 20, was the driver of the 1991 Ford pickup truck which left the road, struck a tree and then burst into flames.

Witnesses were able to pull Stine from the truck. He was then transported to Memorial Hospital in Carbondale and treated for burns and other injuries.

Stine was issued a citation for driving under the influence of alcohol.

Brown Bag Concerts return with summer

The ninth year of Brown Bag Concerts, a favorite summer lunchtime hangout for many Carbondale residents, kicked off last Wednesday with Ol' Fishkins. This Wednesday will feature the Jim Skinner Blues Band.

The Brown Bag Concerts are from 12 to 1 p.m. each Wednesday through August 8 at the Town Square Pavilion in Carbondale.

Brown Bag Concert Schedule:
June 13 — Jim Skinner Blues Band
June 20 — Big Larry and the Downhome Blues Band

June 27 — Caravan
July 4 — No concert
July 11 — The Natives
July 18 — Carter and Connelly
July 25 — Loose Gravel
August 1 — InneReflection
August 8 — The Woodbox Gang

Director of Plant and Services Operations position has three finalists

Harry D. Wirth, director of Plant and Services Operations, retired May 31.

Cathy A. Hagler, associate director of PSO, is serving as acting director until the position is filled.

The three finalists for the position are Jack Butler, assistant director of Facilities Management at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville; Robert J. Carter, director of the Physical Plant at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario; and Phillip S. Gatton, University engineer at SIUC.

The position will be filled by the end of June or early July.

Murder charges dropped against two defendants in Midwest Cash robbery

A Jackson County Circuit judge dismissed murder charges on May 9 against two defendants connected with the Midwest Cash robbery that led to the death of two people.

Omar Moore and Chamille Edmonds, both 19, are still being held for counts of armed robbery, aggravated kidnapping and forcible detention, but Judge David Watt made sure they won't be going to prison for the March 24 death of Lucia Cristaudo in May.

Detectives also recreated a plot engineered by the three defendants and Robert Custon, the gunman killed in the deadly car crash that followed the robbery.

Police officers said that Christopher Andrews, 20, told them that Custon panicked when officers arrived at the pawn shop and decided to take Cristaudo hostage.

Andrews continues to face murder charges. He allegedly drove the vehicle that killed Cristaudo and Custon after it crashed on Lincoln Drive.

BOT approves tuition increase

The Board of Trustees approved a tuition increase of 17 percent for the next four years at the May 10 meeting.

An incoming undergraduate student will pay tuition and fees totaling \$18,412 during the course of four years.

Undergraduate students with 15 credit hours per semester will pay \$9,094.30 per academic year, an increase of \$437.50. School of Law students will pay \$6,643.80 per year, an increase of \$320, and School of Medicine students will pay \$14,014 per academic year, an increase of \$668.

SIU administrators say the increases will allow a number of University priorities to move forward including improving the University's core curriculum and reducing class size.

Former SIUC student accepts plea bargain for pieing Gov. Ryan

Dawn Roberts, a former SIUC student, accepted a negotiated plea agreement on May 30 for her May 2000 pieing of Gov. George Ryan when he visited Carbondale.

Originally charged with aggravated assault, a felony, Roberts plead guilty to a misdemeanor charge of battery. Roberts shoved a pie into the governor's face at a town-hall meeting as he visited with a crowd after his speech.

As a part of the plea agreement, Roberts was sentenced to one year of probation, 100 hours of community service and required to write a letter of apology to Ryan.

Roberts maintains her act was one of civil disobedience, and was meant to bring attention to the "seeming indifference of the governor's office to the festering problems" that she said existed in Carbondale. Roberts referred to the 1999 firing of former chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger and the actions of a Board of Trustees that she claims was illegally constituted.

College of Education changes name

The College of Education has changed its name from the College of Education to the College of Education and Human Services.

R. Keith Hillkirk, dean of the college, said the name change reflects a broader academic mission that includes several social services. SIU President James E. Walker approved the name change in April.

Adopt a trail in Shawnee Forest

The Shawnee National Forest is looking for volunteers to adopt a trail. Trail work consists of removing trash, trimming brush, marking trails and working on erosion problems.

Trails are available in four districts located in Jonesboro, Murphysboro, Vienna and Elizabethtown. A recognition sign will mark the adopted segment.

Contact Ben Jackson at 618-833-8576 for more information.

Women's water workouts begin

The Women's Water Workout begins June 18 at Pulliam Pool. The program is for women only and no knowledge of swimming is necessary.

Call Kathy Hollister at 453-1267 for more information.



Gus says: See what happens when you go away for a few weeks!

I am pleased with the statistics because there is a national concern with black males just attending college. For some time, more black women have been attending than black males.

John Jackson
Interim Chancellor, SIUC

SIUC ranks first for graduating black males, report says

ANDREA PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIUC ranks number one in the nation among traditionally white universities for awarding bachelor's degrees to black males, according to the latest report by the U.S. Department of Education.

Marchel Rogers, who graduated in May with a bachelor's in Health Education, was excited to be part of the positive statistic.

"It shows that SIUC cares for minorities at the University and can be known for more than its negative party image," said the Aurora native.

Rogers said potential freshmen and many others hear negative things about black males and SIUC. He also thought it was a success that, even though he switched his major more than twice, SIUC worked with him so he could still graduate in four years.

SIUC awarded baccalaureate degrees to 274 black males in 1999. In Illinois, only Chicago State University totaled a greater number of black male undergraduate students. The survey also reported that SIUC ranks 34th in the country for the number of black males enrolled in undergraduate programs with 1,189, which makes up 12 percent of SIUC's male enrollment. Comparing graduation rates of black males, SIUC ranks seventh among all universities in the country.

SIUC also ranked ninth among the country's predominately white institutions in the 1997-1998 academic year for awarding undergraduate degrees to black male and female students.

Seymour Bryson, SIUC associate chancellor for diversity, was happily surprised by the news and mentioned that SIUC is known as having a racially diverse population with a critical mass of black students. Bryson said the reaching out to black males on campus by professors, fraternities, registered student organizations and sports plays a major role in the retention of black males.

"We need to stress to black male students the importance of leadership on campus and just keep them all involved," Bryson said.

Interim Chancellor John Jackson commended the achievement and said the University has always ranked high in this area.

"I am pleased by the statistics because there is a national concern with black males just attending college. For some time, more black women have been attending college than black males," Jackson said. "[The University] needs to be more supportive of its cultural and academic needs."

However, Bryson mentioned that the real focus needs to be on maintaining number one status. He offers an orientation course for new black male students that focuses on identity issues and the uniqueness of being a black male in higher education. It also offers coping strategies and techniques for being successful.

"I grew up constantly hearing the stereotype that black males were gang members and potential inmates," Rogers said.

Rogers also took advantage of the opportunities SIUC offered to keep him inspired. He got involved in the football team, became a student resident assistant and became a part of various campus Christian organizations.

"I think that's the key for anyone who attends college," Rogers said. "They need to get involved immediately because it is easy to get sidetracked with new freedom and partying."

Rogers, who plans to teach at a Naperville high school in the fall, said he would encourage other black students to give SIUC a chance.

SIUC ranks first among the nation's traditionally white universities in awarding undergraduate degrees to black males.	
SIUC ranks seventh when compared to all universities nation wide.	
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3. North Carolina A&T State University	350
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Source: U.S. Department of Education

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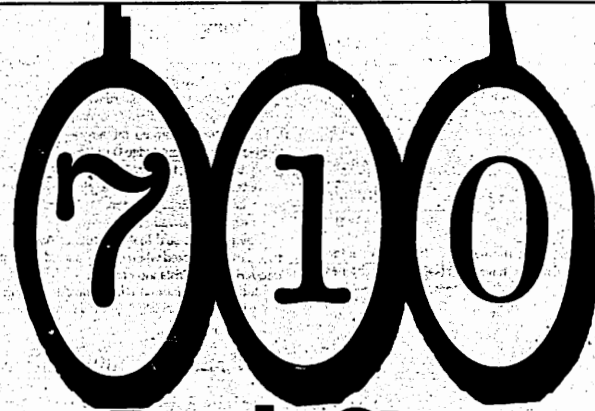
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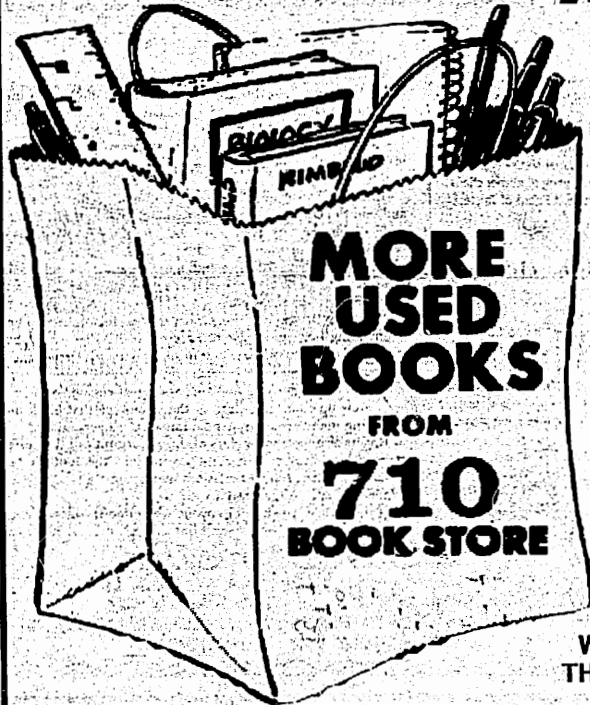


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GUYON

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advancement of both the University and the community of Carbondale," Jackson said. "It is a tremendous loss for the University and community."

Aside from being the president's wife, Guyon was the chair of the Carbondale Downtown Steering Committee and was also involved with the Carbondale Main Street and Carbondale Community Arts.

Nancy Stemper, executive director of the Carbondale Community Arts, describes Guyon as a tireless volunteer.

"She was willing to take the least glamorous task, Stemper said. "Everything from painting oil drums to cutting scraps of paper."

And she always did it with a smile on her face.

"I remember fondly looking over at Joyce working at some tedious but necessary task and the whole time she would be cracking jokes about how she would never do this job again, knowing full well she would if she had to," Stemper said.

Her passion was also evident in the classroom with her students as a teacher at Cobden Elementary

She was an educator, always an educator, even after she retired. She had one of those classrooms that was exciting for kids to be in.

Donna Manering
friend of Guyon

School.

"She was an educator, always an educator, even after she retired," Donna Manering said, who was a friend of Guyon and fellow educator at a neighboring school. "She had one of those classrooms that was exciting for kids to be in."

Although Guyon was struggling with cancer in the later years of her life, Manering said she never let it beat her. Instead, Guyon could always beat her at a game of racquetball. They would laugh about this, she said.

"She was a strong, determined personality, but what I liked about her is that she was as determined for everyone else as she was for herself," said Manering, who is now higher education director of the Illinois Education Association. "She took the same attitude with

the kids — 'this can be done.'"

Donna Munroe manages the gift shop at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale, another place where Guyon volunteered.

Previous students were always bringing in their children to see her, friends would often stop by, and there was always someone in the guest shop talking to her, Munroe said.

"I was amazed at how many people came in to talk to her," she said.

Guyon's influence will long be felt throughout this region, be it the flowers that bloom in front of the Civic Center, scholarships in her name, or through the students she taught.

"She was one of those who thought there were no insurmountable odds," Manering said.



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Joyce Guyon, wife of former SIUC President John Guyon.

BUDGET

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*SIUC, including the School of Medicine, will receive \$172.6 million, a 5.5 percent increase over the current budget

*SIUE will receive \$72.6 million, a 5.9 percent increase over the current budget

Budget Highlights:

*\$17 million to construct a new SIU Cancer Institute located at the School of Medicine in Springfield

*\$1.9 million for the expansion and renovation of Morris Library

*\$1.1 million for a technology facility at SIUE

*\$11.8 million for faculty and staff salaries

*\$3.9 million for academic program initiatives

*\$5.2 million for the renovation and improvement of buildings on both campuses of SIUC and SIUE.

*WSIU/WUSI will receive \$1.6 million for equipment to allow the conversion to a digital signal

*\$227,100 to cover utility costs

*\$204,700 for library materials and supplies and the School of Medicine will receive \$188,700 for a curriculum enhancement initiative.

U. Texas conference attendees discuss minority representation

SHELLEY DOGGETT
DAILY TEXAN (U. TEXAS-AUSTIN)

AUSTIN, Texas (U-WIRE)—The creation of minority leadership and faculty development programs is a key step in securing more high-level positions for minorities in the University, minority education leaders said Friday at the annual University of Texas-Austin Hispanic Faculty/Staff Association conference on campus.

The third-annual conference focused on how to increase the number of minorities in higher-level positions in academia particularly at the University which has received criticism from minority leaders in recent months.

David Mendez, HFSA staff co-chairman, said the conference gave members the opportunity for self-development.

"The conference is a fantastic opportunity to acquire and develop new skills, but most of all, to network with members of the HFSA family," Mendez said.

Keynote speaker Antonio R.

Flores, president of the Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities, kicked off the conference, attended by about 200 people.

One of the issues discussed was the recent criticism the University received from minority legislative leaders over the low number of minority applicants considered for the dean of students position.

"This is a national problem, and it's not a speculation that the problem is there," Flores said. "We are not doing enough to promote minorities up to senior levels."

Flores said part of the national problem is that minority students at the middle school, high school and college levels do not get involved in science and math programs or work toward Ph.D.s.

"It is important to create leadership development and faculty development programs so that minorities can surpass the expectations of others," Flores said.

Professors from the University and other professionals with expertise in law, business, communication, psychol-

ogy and other fields of study also spoke at the conference to address issues such as preparing for tenure, research funding opportunities, working with the Texas Legislature and preparing children for the new millennium.

Juan M. Sanchez, UT vice president for research and HFSA member, showed how the University compares with other universities regarding minorities. In a session on research funding opportunities, he pointed out that about 30 percent of the University's minority faculty puts out proposals a number that doesn't measure up to other universities researched.

Francisco Gonzalez, the George I. Sanchez Centennial Professor in Liberal Arts and Sciences, also spoke about how to build a successful career with tenure. One important factor in preparing for tenure, he said, is to start early in publishing articles, chapters and textbooks.

"There are a lot of really talented people out there, but they aren't publishing," Gonzalez said. "If they don't publish, they aren't going to get tenure."



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Diamond Dawgs fail to make the grade on and off the field

Saluki baseball ends '01 season short of expectations

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Losing eight Missouri Valley Conference games by one run can be demoralizing.

Losing three of your top five pitchers before the season begins, along with a lack of team leadership, can be fatal.

The Salukis (19-36, 10-21) finished the season in eighth place in the Missouri Valley Conference standings but salvaged two of their last three games against the University of Tennessee-Martin to end the season May 13.

SIU failed to make it to the conference tournament for the third time in the last four years and have not finished above .500 in four of the last five seasons.

The Saluki baseball campaign flat-

tened out before it began, as four players were deemed academically ineligible, three of whom were in the pitching rotation, including junior ace Jake Alley.

Saluki head baseball coach Dan Callahan referred to the losses of the academically ineligible players as being a crucial turning point in the attitude of the team.

"It all started in January," Callahan said. "You lose three of your top five pitchers and you are going to be in trouble."

The Salukis never recovered from the blow to their pitching staff, as evidenced by the eight conference games dropped by one run.

"We were talented enough to be in games, but not good enough to win anymore than we did," Callahan said.

Callahan anticipated Alley going head-to-head with the other top pitchers in the conference after finishing the 2000 season with a 3.73 ERA, six wins and 94 strikeouts.

"The No. 1 pitchers in the league are very good pitchers," Callahan said. "Jake Alley is right in the same ball-

park with all those guys."

However, Alley joined backup catcher Andy Cenkus and fellow pitchers Brendon Fort and Charlie Reed on the ineligible list, leaving the Salukis with a huge gap in the pitching rotation, and no one ready enough to back up junior catcher Scott Hankey.

The gap in the pitching rotation left their number three pitcher, senior Josh Latimer, as their ace. The missing presence of leadership from the remaining players also contributed to the eighth place finish.

Several key veterans return for the 2002 season, including the re-emergence of Alley, and the possible return of senior Luke Nelson to the pitching staff. Couple that with a strong recruiting off-season that has netted six pitchers so far, and the potential for success is apparent.

A positive attitude and leadership will be the key for a successful season, and assistant coach Ken Henderson is confident the Salukis will provide that.

"We have a solid group of seniors returning," Henderson said. "I would

be shocked if the attitude is not different."

The Salukis are still in the hunt for a catcher and another infielder with the eight signed recruits. Callahan plans to release his recruiting class later this month.

Callahan is in dire need of a catcher as Hankey started 53 of 55 games in 2001.

"Scott Hankey by the end of the season was absolutely worn out,"

Callahan said. "His arm wasn't as strong, and it hurt him offensively."

Both Callahan and Henderson beam with confidence about the potential of their ballclub for the 2002 season. The remaining question mark lies with the players.


"We need cooperation from the players," Callahan said. "They need to give us 100 percent effort, and I guarantee we as a coaching staff will give 100 percent effort."

The Diamond Dawgs 2001 season:
A season full of missed opportunity

Eight Missouri Valley Conference games lost by one run

March 31	at Indiana State	L, 6-5
April 08	at Creighton	L, 2-1
April 13	vs Illinois State	L, 5-4
April 14	vs Illinois State	L, 5-4
April 14	vs Illinois State	L, 6-5
April 28	at Evansville	L, 4-3 (13 Innings)
April 29	at Evansville	L, 9-8
May 05	at Bradley	L, 8-7

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Saluki Sports Notes

Honors abound for SIU women's tennis team

Three members of the SIU women's tennis team earned honors for their play this past season, highlighted by freshman sensation Tana Trapani being named the Missouri Valley Conference's co-Freshman of the Year along with Illinois State University's Liina Suurvarik.

Trapani finished her first season with a 28-4 record, including a 17-1 record in the spring season. She also won all 13 of her conference matches.

Fellow freshman Alejandra Blanco was named to the All-Conference team for her doubles play, where she teamed with Trapani for a team best 15-3 record. The final player to be honored, junior Erika Ochoa, was named to the "All-Select" Team after going 10-9 in the spring and 20-13 overall.

Salukis earn All-Scholar Honors

Two members of the SIU women's tennis team and two members from the SIU men's golf team were honored by the Missouri Valley Conference for their academic success by being named to the All-Scholar Team.

The women's tennis team was represented by Erika Ochoa, a unanimous first team selection with a 3.74 GPA in Aviation, and Keri Crandall was named to the team for the third straight season with a 3.71 GPA in Radiological Science.

For the men, sophomores Kurt Pfaff and Mark Reuschel made the team as Pfaff had a 3.69 GPA in Management while Reuschel, who is undecided, had a 4.0 GPA.

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they beat Northern Iowa to keep their hopes for a title alive.

In the first inning of the game against Northern Iowa, freshman shortstop Haley Viehhaus singled to end a 12-game hitless drought.

"Haley is one of the most fierce competitors we've got on our team, and that can affect her in a negative way if she gets to feeling too much pressure," SIU head coach Keri Blaylock said.

After the UNI win, things went sour against Illinois State.

SIU rallied from a 3-0 deficit with solo home runs from Stremsterfer and junior Elissa Hopkins in the fourth inning, but they still came up short in the end.

The loss ended the careers of six Salukis, seniors including Stremsterfer and first baseman Netty Hallahan who were named to the All-Tournament team.

"It was bittersweet," said senior Amanda Rexroat. "We've played softball since we were 12, 13 ... so it's just something we've done in life. Now it's time to do something else."

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got the honor."

Stremsterfer, who was also named the Missouri Valley Conference's Pitcher of the Year, became the conference single season strikeout leader this season with 364 strikeouts. She had 28 wins, a 0.97 ERA, 11 shutouts and four saves in her senior season.

Stremsterfer also excelled with the bat as she hit .314 with 8 home runs, 27 RBIs and a .556 slugging percentage. Her 24 career home runs is also a Saluki record.

"I'm just really excited and it's a good way to end a career," Stremsterfer said. "When we didn't win a conference championship, it was a nice surprise to get that award because I thought it was all over, and that was just kind of icing on the cake."



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Head coach Kerri Blaylock (left) and pitcher Erin Stremsterfer revel in an award ceremony after their final game at IAW field earlier this year. Stremsterfer, who graduated from SIUC this spring, was named a Louisville Slugger/ NFCA All-American Third Team selection.

A battle to the end

SIU softball loses two of three at MVC Championships

JENS DEJU
DAILY EGYPTIAN

It was deja vu all over again for the SIU softball team at the Missouri Valley Conference Championships.

The third-seeded Salukis lost 5-4 in a 14-inning marathon to host Creighton University at the Creighton Sports Complex in Omaha, Neb. It was the longest game in MVC Tournament history for most innings played.

The Salukis (36-19, 17-9) bounced back to win their next game 3-1 against the University of Northern Iowa before being eliminated by eventual champion Illinois State University 5-2.

SIU finished the season in fourth place in the conference standings.

The game against Creighton marked the second consecutive year where the Salukis and Blue Jays have hooked up for an extra inning game as the teams endured a 13-

inning battle last season, which SIU won 1-0.

"When you go 14 innings with a team, and you lose, it's kind of hard to bounce back from that," senior Erin Stremsterfer said. "But we came out against Northern Iowa and played a good game and won that one, and then we were playing against Illinois State, and they were just too powerful for us."

SIU was up 4-3 in the top of the seventh with two outs and the hitter facing a 0-2 count when Creighton's Marie Gieron cranked the next pitch over the right field fence for a game-tying home run. Neither team scored again until the 14th inning when Frenchy Nix drove in the winning run for Creighton.

In the loss, Stremsterfer struck out a career high 17 batters in her 14 innings pitched.

The loss put the Salukis in a hole in the double elimination tournament as they had zero margin for error if they hoped to capture the conference crown. The Salukis needed to step up, and they did just that as

Stremsterfer named third team All-American

JENS DEJU
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Former SIU standout pitcher Erin Stremsterfer put her name into the record books once more when she was named a Louisville Slugger/ NFCA All-American Third Team selection.

She was one of 19 players selected to the team and is just the third player in Saluki history to earn the honor, joining Colleen Holloway ('91) and Jamie Schutteck ('97).

"They all were unique in their own ways," SIU head coach Kerri Blaylock said. "Holloway was a great hitter and defensive player. Schutteck was a lot like Erin; Schutteck pitched, she could hit, she could run. Erin fits right up there with the rest of them, and it's great that she

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Hoop dreamin'

Weber signs two big men, awaits eligibility for third

ANDY EGENES
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU basketball coach Bruce Weber solidified his front court by signing a pair of boisterous big men along with a point guard to nearly complete his 2001-2002 recruiting class.

Gavin Ludgood, a 6-foot-8, 240-pound soon-to-be freshman from Clarkville, Ark., could be by all indications the most talented recruit in the Weber era. However, he is in the process of making steps to qualify academically.

Ludgood declined offers to play at Oklahoma State University and the University of North Carolina—Charlotte before signing a national letter of intent with the Salukis on May 15. Just 17 years old, Ludgood averaged 18.6 points, 13.2 rebounds and 6.1 block shots last year for his high school team that went 30-2 his senior season and finished second in the Arkansas Class 3A state tournament.

Ludgood has yet to qualify academically and retook the SAT June 2 and the ACT June 9 in the hope that improved test scores will be enough to qualify for eligibility.

"We knew this when we signed him," Weber said. "It was a gamble for us to sign him and that he would improve his grades a little bit and maybe have a good test this last time."

Weber also confirmed Monday that 6-foot-10 Stefan Jabkiewicz will join the Salukis for the upcoming season. Jabkiewicz played at Notre Dame Prep in Fitchburg, Mass. but only saw about 15 minutes of playing time per game during the second half of the season.

"He's a big kid that we recruited back in the fall, kind of as a back up if [Ludgood] doesn't make it," Weber said.

Notre Dame Prep's basketball team was made up of 12 Division I players that landed at notable schools like Seton Hall University, Auburn University and LaSalle. Notre Dame went 36-5 last season and finished second in the nation behind Hargrave Military Academy in Virginia.

Jabkiewicz averaged 15 points and 11 rebounds per game at Greenfield High School on the outskirts of Milwaukee but was forced to attend Notre Dame because of academic reasons last season.

"I liked the team, and the reason I came here is pretty much because of the coaches," said Jabkiewicz, who arrived at SIU on Monday. "They pretty much stuck by me and were honest the whole time."

Weber is going to use Jabkiewicz as a contingency plan if Ludgood does not qualify himself to attend SIU this year. Weber had previously said that he was looking to mold a big-man player that would become his "project."

Nonetheless, Jabkiewicz says he hopes he can get some playing time right away.

"I'm not entirely quick, but I've got good hands and I can shoot the ball," Jabkiewicz said.

Weber said there is a possibility that, if he does not qualify, Ludgood will find a junior college to play for, which will put SIU in danger if he decides not to return to the program.

"That is another reason is that you sign [Ludgood], that there is some loyalty and that he likes it here," Weber said. "He is a big of cutter and if he has a good junior college career, then it'll be tough to get him back. If he didn't have the questionable grades in the first place, then we probably wouldn't have got him."

Saluki Basketball Note: Junior point guard Brandon Mells has reportedly applied for a medical hardship, which means that if he does not play this season, then his scholarship will be freed up for SIU to use on another player.

Mells had an ankle injury early last fall and never recuperated in time to be a major contributor during his junior season. Mells and Weber butted heads repeatedly about his injury last season and Mells briefly left the team for about a week in February.

Since then, Weber has also signed 5-foot-9, 160-pound David McGlown, a point guard from Notre Dame Prep in Pontiac, Mich. McGlown will compete for minutes with senior Marcus Belcher at the point guard position.

Roundballers to play in Vegas Tournament

George Mason, Georgetown top list of potential foes for upcoming season

ANDY EGENES
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The SIU basketball program will travel to Las Vegas to participate in an NIT-style tournament that will feature nationally recognized teams such as the University of Illinois, Iowa State University and Georgia Tech University.

The tournament format features a first-

round game at a regional home court before teams make their way to the tournament's venue, the Paris Hotel & Casino, on the Las Vegas Strip. SIU will open play at Saint Louis University in the Savvis Center before traveling to Las Vegas.

The Salukis are guaranteed to play SLU, Iowa State and Hartford, all in their pool, and will either play Illinois, Georgia Tech, Penn State or Eastern Illinois, depending on tournament pairings.

SIU head basketball coach Bruce Weber also said he will finish contract negotiations later this month to play a non-conference road game with either George Mason University or Georgetown University.

Weber wants to play a game on the East Coast for senior forward Rolan Roberts, who

transferred to SIU last year from Virginia Tech University.

Weber said George Mason offered a return game, meaning it would be willing to play at SIU during the 2002-03 season. But Georgetown, whose average Ratings Percentage Index hovers around 60, could give a better boost toward a post-season tournament bid.

Thus far, SIU has agreed to non-conference home games with Indiana University, Southeast Missouri State and the University of Illinois-Chicago and plans to schedule another non-conference home opponent. The Salukis will travel to Murray State University, SLU and Colorado State University as a part of their non-conference road schedule.