Appeals court to hear contract case

Brandon Weisenberger

A newspaper publisher's push for open records rules, and the SIU president's wish to keep employees' personal information private are hitting the Appeals Court this week, with a hearing scheduled Wednesday in a Springfield courtroom.

The 4th Appellate Court will hear the case at 2 p.m.

Treviño welcomes southern hospitality

Board of Trustees votes Thursday
Sarah Lohan

Fernando Treviño doesn't feel out of place in Illinois — the "Southern" hospitality reminds him of Texas.

The SIU Board of Trustees will vote Thursday to make Treviño SIUC's next chancellor. He will replace interim chancellor John Diem, who is scheduled to begin as president of Western Michigan University at Kalamazoo July 1.

Treviño, a professor of health management and policy at the University of North Texas Health Science Center, said he hopes to address SIU’s concerns, but will need to settle in first.

"My first big job is obviously to get to know everybody as much as I can," said Treviño, who was also the former dean of the School of Public Health at UTHSC. "It's a big university.

He said he hopes to put together an administrative team at SIUC that can work together quickly and then address怨恨 and hiring students.

"What I really want to focus on is trying to make sure that we're treating people with respect," he said.

New signs adorn campus crosswalks
Scott Mieszala

SIUC's new crosswalk signs are pedestrian, car and snowplow friendly — but may not be indestructible as they were first billed.

Neon green yield signs have replaced the yellow signs in the crosswalks around campus — a task SIUC police chief Todd Sigler said began nearly a year ago in response to complaints about the old signs, which were unobscured by a tarp filled with cement.

The new signs were installed during the university's intercession.

"The ones that were mounted in the tire-cement base honestly weren't very attractive," Sigler said. "Some of them even had been kind of cracked, and we were really hoping to prevent that from happening to the state's Freedom of Information Act.

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Faker alerts National Weather Service to bogus weather reports

By Michael Harris, Agent

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HEADLINE:

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NEWS BRIEF:

Someone has been submitting fictional reports of severe weather to the National Weather Service, causing unnecessary alerts and frightening people.

The areas affected have included Milheus, La Crosse, O~~~~~~~~~~~~~n Thursday afternoon and Friday morning, said Tom Schwartz, chief of the National Weather Service's systems and facilities division for the central region in Kansas City, Mo.

The person is sending reports in mid-April through an online form on the service's Web site.

"We've been detecting a regular pattern of a person who has been submitting false severe weather reports that are constructed in a way that seem very realistic," Schwartz said. "Whoever this person is seems to have knowledge of severe weather reports.

Schwein said reporting severe weather is like calling in a bogus bomb threat or unnecessarily pulling a fire alarm.

"People had to take cover, media interrupted their broadcast for hours— we've alerted people unnecessarily and frightened them. This gets a really-mixed-up impression," Schwein said. More than 25 pretend reports were submitted from the same computer over one weekend this month, and the service typically gets 40 to 50 a month from that source, Schwein said.

The reports came from severe weather watches severe warning locations to anonymously report the weather. The agency recently added a notice at the top of the form that submitting false statements is a federal crime, with a maximum penalty of up to five years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

On April 25, a report came in stating that a tornado causing damage and injuries had hit Blue Mound, Ill. Local NBC affiliate WANKY-TV in Dubuque, Iowa, interrupted normal broadcasting for approximately three hours, said Lee Davis, chief meteorologist with WANKY-TV.

"We were getting warnings from the National Weather Service which seemed incorrect with the data I was showing on my radar," Davis said. "Severe weather was already present in that county. The county's Emergency Management Agency issued a tornado warning based on spotter reports, said Phil Conklin, the emergency management agency's coordinator for the county. Nevertheless, the reports of damage and severe weather were only false.

Forecasters consider radar, environment and spotter reports before they issue warnings of severe weather, said Rusty Schwein, warning coordination meteorologist with the weather service's national headquarters.

"We need two out of three in most cases to push the meteorological button," Schwein said.

The person submitting false reports was able to cause unnecessary alerts and frightening people. The weather service typically gets 40 to 50 a month from that source, Schwein said.

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Summer session brings some students back to the dorms

David Lopez

Move-in day was anything but hectic for students moving to SIUC’s campus for the summer, despite the usual possibility of disaster.

Parking was no worry and hallway traffic jams didn’t pose an issue for students who moved in over the weekend.

University Hall has been housing students since intersession began, and the final batch of summer residents moved in Saturday and Sunday, bringing the total number of on-campus summer residents to about 250.

Most of the final wave began to move in Saturday, but several athletes took advantage of the opportunity to move in a day early for $15. All moved in with new electronic systems, and plastic totes in the parking lot behind University Hall.

Lauren Greeno, a 21-year-old transfer student from Algonquin studying equine science, said Carbondale seems more laid back in the summer semester.

“There’s definitely a different vibe down here than when I visited at the beginning of March,” Greeno said.

University Hall residents range from performers and technicians with the McLeod Summer Playhouse theatre troupe to a group of research students working with the National Science Foundation.

Tiffany Topol, a 22-year-old performer from Chicago with the McLeod Summer Playhouse, is not taking summer classes, but is living the life of a college residence hall tenant and her co-workers from McLeod have lived at University Hall for the past two weeks.

“I was here last year at Thompson Point. I liked that a little better,” Topol said. “It smelled a little bit like hamsters.”

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Sarah Lohman  

**Daily Egyptian**

SIUC workers are racing the clock to give residence halls on campus their yearly facelift.

All students living on campus are consolidated to University Hall for the summer semester while other residence halls receive new carpet, paint and a good cleaning.

According to a list of proposed special projects for the summer, carpeting will be replaced in eight floors of Maec Smith while Baldwin and Kellogg Halls will receive new mattresses, drapes and undergo electrical work.

The improvements are projected to cost about $1,563,000. Of that, $1,179,000 will be billed to the University in fiscal year 2007, deputy director of University Housing Glenn Stine said.

SIUC Housing spokeswoman Crystal Boulb said University Housing is a not-for-profit organization, and all money earned during the semester is put right back into the buildings.

Approximately 250 students reside in University Hall, but Boulb said many residents stay for different conferences as the summer camps range from cheerleading to church functions.

Director of Plant and Service Operations Phil Gatton said summer is the time to complete major projects.

He said they are working to finish installing a new sprinkler system in Brush Towers this summer and rehanging the halls in the Thompson Point Area.

“The way the buildings were designed...didn’t anticipate the amount of electronics students would bring in,” Gatton said.

He said they want to provide more circuits and receptacles for each room and improve Thompson Point’s electrical capacity.

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— Ian Anthony nuclear expert, SIPRI

The Atlantic bottlenose dolphin, named Casta, has returned to the beach three times. She was last seen on December 23, 2006, after a 42-inch-long, 30-pound calf was delivered by Castravet. The Atlantic bottlenose dolphin, named Casta, has been vocalizing to her calf. Castavet delivered the dolphin to her home in Sarasota.

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Movies

Ocean's has style, lacks depth
Devin Vaughn

Ocean's Thirteen
Rated PG-13
Starring: George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Matt Damon, Al Pacino
Directed by Steven Soderbergh
Run time: 122 minutes

A film comprised of all style and no substance is most often criticized as being shallow and meaningless. In some cases, however, such a film can be worthwhile, so long as it is thoroughly and immorally cool.

Fortunately for audiences, "Ocean's Thirteen" is cool –– very cool.

As the third and latest chapter of the "Ocean's" saga begins with the gang's father figure, "Ocean's Eleven" (Al Pacino). Acting in defense of his son, Frank Lucas (George Clooney, Brad Pitt, Matt Damon) put a plan into motion to rig the ill-gotten gain of millions of dollars. In the film, the theme of family is obvious. Lucas, the former gang's father figure, decides to keep his distance from all things Las Vegas while the audience is too blinded to notice Lucas's Thirteen's remarkable money-making efforts.

Throughout the movie, the director, Steven Soderbergh's flashy camerawork and up-tempo pacing keep the audience from noticing the film's surface, the audience is too blinded to notice Lucas's Thirteen's remarkable money-making efforts.

After all, because "Ocean's" has made it to 13, it would be a shame for it to miss out on puberty.

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Penguin movie not just for the birds
Alicia Wade

"Surf's Up"
Daily Egyptian

"Surf's Up" impresses the audience with its animation and computers.

"Surf's Up" gets big time actors like Brad Pitt, Matt Damon, and Sean Connery, among others. The film is about a surfing tournament where a baby penguin describes the penguin world to the audience.

"Surf's Up" impacts the story of a video game, "Happy Feet," among others. In the film, a baby penguin describes the penguin world to the audience.

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Lawsuit to make SIU history

lawuits never make for good press at a university. Generally, a college campus will try to avoid them for that very reason. But sometimes they are unavoidable. Which is the situation surrounding a lawsuit involving the release of the employment contracts of several high-ranking university officials.

The case, brought by Anna Gazette-Democrat publisher Jerry Reppert, stems back to a Freedom of Information Act request he made March 31, 2006 for the contracts of SIU President Glenn Poshard, former president James Walker, former Chancellor Walter Wendler, professor John Jackson and Mike Lawrence, the Public Policy Institute director.

The request was denied by SIU twice, which sent Reppert to court to pursue legal action to get the contracts. Reppert said he did not want to release the contracts because some SIU employees have conditions of employment, such as medical conditions or the requirement to attend counseling, written into their contracts.

If Poshard were to release these contracts, he said it would set a precedent for all SIU employees, and they would also have to release their contracts to the public on request. Reppert, on the other hand, said students — as well as the rest of the public — should know if a professor has a problem so severe that it had to be mentioned in an employment contract. The university is a public body. Taxpayers fund it. Therefore all contracts, he believes, should be public record.

So far, the courts have sided with SIU. And Reppert, if unsuccessful on Wednesday, plans to push this case to the Illinois Supreme Court for a final decision.

The Daily Egyptian understands the privacy issues that surround this case, but we also believe the public should know if something could seriously impact the performance of a professor, an administrator or any other faculty or staff member. Because of this, we applaud SIU for not immediately releasing the contracts. If they were to have immediately complied with the FOIA request, they would likely have faced numerous internal lawsuits from faculty members unhappy about the release of their own contracts if they were ever requested. We also applaud the Anna Gazette-Democrat for pursuing this lawsuit. Newspapers are in dire straits these days. Most cannot afford the time and money needed to pursue a lawsuit to the top like Reppert has. We admire him for his tenacity in pursuing this case up the ladder.

Regardless of its outcome, the case will set a standard for all public institutions in Illinois, and will likely be used as a reference for institutions across the country.

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**By Linda C. Black**

Today's Birthday. Finish old projects this year. There's no running away. Travel is not highly recommended, either. Just get the old jobs done.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating is 10 is the easiest day; 9 is the most challenging.

Alice (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Continue to do what you're doing and to bring in the rewards. Only buy necessities and plan to stay home next weekend.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — A person who outruns you could make a costly mistake. Do your best to make sure it's not your money that's being wasted.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — There's money and other valuable to be found in your vicinity. Coup from count and check under the cushion for spare change.

Cancer (June 22-July 21) — Today is a 7 — Discuss recent developments with your team for good ideas. Look at the problems you're facing squarely. The ones you ignore could get you.

Leo (July 22-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Keep your opinions to yourself. This is not the best time to share them. You're about to see a weak link buckle under pressure. Brace yourself.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7 — Don't run away from confusion. That's not a good idea. Confusion will shadow you anyway. Turn and face it head-on.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is an 8 — It's very important to figure out how much you have set aside. You may need to draw upon your reserves in the next day or two.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Be on the lookout for a basic difference of opinion. Somebody near and dear to you does not want to do things your way. In a minor situation, acquiesce gracefully.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — There's plenty of work, unfortunately, does not lend itself to automation. Trying to do it a new way could make the job take longer.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — Explaining to a child why they can't have a new toy can be exhausting. Leave the economics lessons for later. Just say “no.”

Pisces (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8 — You have something like a compulsion to make your household more secure. This is a good thing. Don't worry, just do it.

**THE Daily Crossword**

Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

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**Sudoku**

By The Mepham Group

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

Solution to Monday's puzzle

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TEAMs

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A recent season. It features 40 games, it had an oppressive season. This year, the SIU baseball team was only 6 wins shy of having a great season.

After finishing in a tie for third place in the MVC with Bradley University and the University of Evansville with a record of 34-22 (13-11 in the conference), the Salukis entered tournament play facing the top two teams—Wichita State and Creighton universities.

The Salukis were eliminated after losing 8-3 to Creighton in the first round and losing 4-2 to Wichita State in the second round.

Callahan said the team was well aware of the struggles they would be facing in the tournament.

“We knew we had our hands full in the tournament against the top teams in the conference,” Callahan said. “We had to play mistake-free baseball, and we didn’t do that.”

A bright spot for the Salukis this year was sophomore pitcher Cody Adams, who won 11 games with a 3.01 E.R.A and had 89 strikeouts. Adams, who avoided a sophomore slump, was one win shy of tying the record of wins by an SIU pitcher. Adams said developing a slider, 2-seam fastball, and getting defense involved were keys to his success.

“You can’t just strike everyone out,” Adams said. “I tried to keep the defense on their toes by giving them enough ground balls and fly balls to build their confidence at the plate.”

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**Tennis**

French Open loss burns Federer

Nadal was too much for Federer in the French Open final on Sunday, despite the Swiss having moved into the career lead with 36 Grand Slam titles to 33 for his Spanish rival. Federer lost 6-3, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (5) to end his bid for a career Grand Slam.

Nadal, 29, turned in another solid effort to extend his winning streak over Federer to 27 matches and claim his fourth French Open title and 11th major championship of his career.

**Horse Racing**

Rags to Riches hits jackpot

NEW YORK — Rags to Riches, a 9-1 shot, outflew Curlin in a foggy Triple Crown mile and won the Belmont Stakes on Saturday, becoming the first filly of the year to take the final leg of the Triple Crown in more than a century.

A horse named for a famous 19th-century New York street, Rags to Riches claims the $1.5 million first prize and the title of American horse of the year.

**Auto Racing**

Gordon drenches Newman

FORSTHORPE, Texas — Jeff Gordon held off a charging Ryan Newman to win the rain-soaked race at Pocono Raceway on Sunday night and gave Hendrick Motorsports its 10th win in the last 12 Nextel Cup races.

The race was restarted after 105 laps of the scheduled 200-lap, 500-mile race. With darkness falling, the cars went back to pit road and never came back after a final attempt to dry the track.

Newman finished second, extending his miserable run of having no wins to show for all his poles. The race pole sitter seemed poised to catch Gordon right before the caution came out and instead stretched his winless drought to 59 races.

With dark clouds closing in and Gordon's brakes on the fritz, crew chief Steve Letarte called the car into the pits for an early service call. Gordon relinquished the lead on the stop, but Letarte figured his driver could eke back to the front after everyone else made their scheduled stops.

**Soccer**

U.S. progresses in Gold Cup

CARSON, Calif. — The United States advanced to the quarterfinals of the CONCACAF Gold Cup with a 2-0 victory Saturday over Trinidad and Tobago.

Brian Ching scored in the first half and Landon Donovan became the U.S. career points leader when he fed Eddie Johnson for a second-half goal.

Donovan got his 29th assist to go along with 30 international goals, and with 85 points he moved one ahead of Eric Wynalda for the career lead.

The United States improved to 6-0-1 since Bradley replaced Bruce Arena as coach and remained unbeaten in 21 group-play games in the Gold Cup, the championship of soccer's North and Central American and Caribbean region. The Americans are seeking their second straight Gold Cup title and a berth in the 2009 FIFA Confederations Cup.
BALANCING PRIORITIES

Randal Falker prepares to take his skills to the next level

The Salukis were considering the shortage of postseason success.

Eugene Clark
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A future with an NBA team would be great, but for now SIU senior Randal Falker is more focused on the obstacles in front of him.

Falker, who averaged 7.7 rebounds and 12.3 points per game last season for the SIU basketball team, will concentrate on preparing for his tryouts at the USA Men’s Basketball Pan American Team.

The 6-foot-7-inch senior was one of 30 college athletes chosen earlier this month to try out for the team.

Falker said he was honored to be selected to tryout for the Pan American Team, but refused to get too happy because the main obstacle is still in front of him.

“You can get selected to tryout, but your goal is to make the team,” Falker said. “That all depends on my work ethic, how much I am in the weight room and how healthy I am.”

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Falker said he isn’t focusing on making the NBA, but instead is taking his future one step at a time. Saluki basketball and the Pan American Games are his top priorities, he said.

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The Salukis see shortage of postseason success.

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The NCAA Tournament appeared was the fifth-consecutive year the team made it to the tournament and the sixth in school history. The season marked the third time in four years the team finished with more than 40 wins.

Although the Salukis failed to advance early in the postseason, they flourished in the Missouri Valley Conference, ending with a 17-7 record. SIU made it to the MVC Championship game but was topped by Creighton in a 6-2 loss.

Katie Schmidt, a junior outfielder, said to push themselves at the end of the season, the Salukis need to keep their confidence up. She said they did well in the season despite the obstacles they faced.

“We had a lot of injuries and it showed how strong we were to do as well as we did,” Schmidt said, citing the Saluki win against then-No. 5 LSU earlier in the season which propelled the Salukis to No. 18.

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