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Tuesday final day to register for voting

Sara Hooker & Burke Wasson
 Daily Egyptian

Tuesday marks the final day for voter registration for the 2003 general election and City Council Candidates are making sure the day does not pass without notice.

Candidates met at Hangar 9 Sunday to promote voter registration and get their issues out. Because Hangar 9 serves alcohol, it was against the law to register voters inside. But if someone was interested, they stepped outside or made other arrangements to meet.

Lance Jack, four-year term candidate, participated along with a handful of other council candidates at Hangar 9. He said if students participated more in elections, it would demand respect and recognition from the city. He said the two campus polling places got only 108 votes in last week's primary.

"When I see that, it makes it really hard for me to take students seriously when they complain. Everybody wants to talk, but very few want to take the simple, easy step of walking in the booth and taking 30 seconds to punch in four holes," Jack said.

He said that people can go to Harbaugh's and Melange on the Strip or they can call him to get registered. Jack serves as a deputy registrar. He said he would have no problem meeting with people or even going to their house to get them registered. He can be reached at 529-VOTE or 457-7210. In addition, candidate Chris Wissmann and former candidates Pat Kelly, Priscilla Pimentel and Robert Gallegly are all deputy registrars.

People interested in registering must be citizens of the United States, at least 18 years old on or before the election date and a resident of the area for 30 days or more. Individuals must have two forms of identification — one picture ID and another to verify current address, such as a bill or a lease.

Chris Wissman, two-year candidate, said he is also available to go out to people's houses, and there are many places besides City Hall to register.

"People can go to the Carbondale Public Library or the post office and pick up a motor voter form. Or they can go to the courthouse in Murphysboro or to the Department of Motor Vehicles or to Carbondale City Hall and register to vote there," Wissmann said.

Undergraduate Student Government does not have any plans for another voter registration drive. Students can register at any of the mentioned places.

Wissmann said a person's duty is not done when they register. He said it is imperative for community members and students alike to follow through and vote.

"Even if they are registered, a lot of them still don't show up at the polls. There's something like 1,200 people registered to vote in the Lewis Park area, but only something like 14 people voted in precinct 29. It's appalling," Wissmann said. "That one precinct could control the rest of Carbondale if its people get out and vote. Those students have a great deal of power and they choose not to exercise it."

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Jermaine Dearman, Blake Schoen and Darren Brooks celebrate with Saluki fans after defeating No. 17 Creighton 70-62 Saturday night at the SIUC Arena. The victory was especially sweet for SIUC seniors Dearman, Kent Williams and David Carney, who played their last game at the arena to a sellout crowd of 10,014. "You can't do anything better than that," said head coach Bruce Weber. "For those guys it's like a fairy tale, and it had a great ending."

A fairy tale finish

Students pack Arena for final showdown in Saluki country

Kristina Dailing
 Daily Egyptian

The crowd of more than 300 SIUC students and other fans stood together cheering and chanting. The sea of maroon and white screamed out "Korver sucks!" and chanted chants of "S I U!"

Painted faces, painted chests and painted heads duck in and out of the colorful collage of people gathered to cheer on the Salukis.

Then the doors to the SIUC Arena opened for the last home game this season.

Screaming and clapping erupted and the crowd surged forward to the doors pushing to get good seats in the Dawg Pound.

The sea of fans slowly trickled into the SIUC arena Saturday. And it was still an hour and a half before the game that would end with a 70-62 Saluki victory and hundreds of students rushing the floor.

The highly publicized and awaited SIUC v. Creighton game

drew a crowd of 10,014 Saturday. With 2,000 student tickets being sold out in 35 minutes Thursday morning, it was not a surprise that the Dawg Pound extended beyond section L and K at the north end of the arena to the section at the opposite end of the court. Both sides filled with student fans up into the rafters behind both sections.

Suzanne Meyer, a junior in animal science

from Quincy, works at the Arena and was checking tickets Saturday.

She arrived to the Arena an hour and a half before the doors opened and said there was already a large crowd of about 100 people waiting to get in.

"We knew it was going to be madness," Meyer said. "We were just told to tell people to go slow and to be safe."

She said that the Arena had extra police and security to help with the crowd and there were also extra ticket collectors to swipe student IDs.

"Everyone who had a student ticket had to have an ID," Meyer said. "Some students didn't so we couldn't let them in. I even had a student offer me \$10 to let him in with no ID."

Salukis blaze Jays during last home game.

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City to replace out-of-date mapping system

New system to provide better economic development plans

Brian Peach
 Daily Egyptian

It's 30 years old and outdated, so the city is pushing to get a new one.

The current mapping system Carbondale uses has not been changed since the early 1970s, and with all the changes to the city since then, officials want to spend money to make sure the topography and property mapping is up to date.

The project will cost about \$140,000 to complete and is expected to be finished by late fall.

City Manager Jeff Doherty said this is being done because the current city maps are too old and are divided into many different sections and areas. This makes it difficult to lay out new city construction plans or provide incoming businesses with the proper mapping plans for their new location

in the city.

"You have information you can readily provide to them, and in their development they have access to different information that is not readily available to them right now," Doherty said. "In one place they can find information for utilities and topographic and property information."

The first stage of the project has been approved, and involves taking new aerial pictures of the city to replace the outdated ones. The City Council will vote on the next two stages Tuesday, and in doing so, Doherty said the new plans will likely take place as well.

Mayor Neil Dillard said the new mapping system is one that many cities are adapting because it puts all the city information in a large database that people can access through the planning department at City Hall or through the county at a to-be-decided cost.

The system used to put together the new system is called the Geographic Information System and will map out 34,373 acres in Carbondale, including one and a half miles surrounding the city. The three stages cost nearly \$140,000, and the payments are

being spread over three years. The first stage was put on last year's budget, the second on this year's, and the third will be allotted for 2004.

Phase II will likely be completed by the end of March and involves composing all the aerial maps, while Phase III will put together all the topographic information and overlay it on all the other mapping, Doherty said.

"Now it'll be in one place; one database that you can use very easily," Doherty said.

City Attorney Paige Reed said the city staff is in support of the plans because of the on-going benefits it would provide for Carbondale now and in the future if all the stages were to be approved and the GIS system put into effect.

Dillard said this plan puts Carbondale up with other cities that have adapted the same plan, and it gives the city better plans for economic development in the years to come.

"If you're not on the GIS system, you're not in the game," Dillard said.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Turkey setback may shift U.S. plans

WASHINGTON — The Bush administration struggled Sunday to regain momentum on Iraq after two weekend setbacks: Turkey's refusal to allow U.S. troops on its soil and Iraq's decision to begin destroying its prohibited al-Samoud 2 missiles.

U.S. officials said neither action presented insurmountable problems to the administration's drive to remove Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein from power within weeks, preferably with the backing of the United Nations.

But the vote Saturday by Turkish lawmakers to reject a deployment of 62,000 U.S. troops could deprive the Pentagon of a much-coveted northern front in a war against Iraq. A senior State Department official said Secretary of State Colin Powell talked by phone with Turkish Prime Minister Abdullah Gul on Sunday but received no indication of when or if another vote would be held.

Gul told Powell that discussions on the issue continue in Ankara, the official said. Turkish officials said no vote is likely on the deployment in the "foreseeable future."

The decision by the Iraqi regime to follow the order of chief U.N. inspector Hans Blix and begin destroying some of its approximately 100 banned missiles might add momentum to the council's anti-war faction, which says force should not be used as long as Iraq appears to be cooperating.

"You cannot say that a country should disarm, and when a country agrees to disarm, to destroy all its missiles, that it's nothing," French Foreign Minister Dominique de Villepin said on ABC's This Week.

As for Turkey's decision, Pentagon officials said that even if

the parliament's vote stands, it will not affect the timing for a U.S.-led war against Iraq.

Though defense officials said they have not written off using Turkey as the base for a northern front in Iraq, plans have been prepared for airlifting troops and equipment from U.S. bases in the region. Fourth Infantry Division forces headed for Turkey would be sent to Kuwait instead.

Turkish lawmakers voted 264-250 Saturday in favor of the plan, but it passed because 19 abstentions meant there was not an overall majority.

Remains of two Sept. 11 hijackers identified via DNA

NEW YORK — The city medical examiner's office has identified remains of two of the Sept. 11 hijackers, using DNA profiles supplied by the FBI, a spokeswoman said Friday.

The remains were immediately removed from the city's Memorial Park, where unidentified and unclaimed remains are kept, according to Ellen Borakove, spokeswoman for the medical examiner.

What will be done with the remains has not been decided, she said. The office does not know which of the terrorists' remains they have, because the profiles provided by the FBI did not have names attached, she said.

John Cartier, a member of the victims advocacy group Give Your Voice, said he was relieved to hear that some of the terrorists' remains had been separated from those of their victims.

Ten terrorists hijacked the two planes that crashed into the trade center towers. Borakove said more matches are possible.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Castro offers to mediate N. Korea crisis

TOKYO — Fidel Castro offered on Sunday to mediate with North Korea over its nuclear program, though he acknowledged Cuba's ability to stem the growing crisis was limited.

In meetings with Japanese Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi, Castro said Cuba's influence with North was constrained because the two have had little direct contact in recent years, a foreign ministry official said on condition of anonymity. Japan has never established diplomatic ties with North Korea, and Koizumi had suggested that Cuba, one of the North's few remaining communist allies, might help put pressure on Pyongyang.

Instead, Castro urged Japan to work with regional allies China, Russia and South Korea, saying a concerted effort would likely lead to a resolution, the official said.

Castro did not mention the United States, Cuba's longtime foe, though the Korean crisis centers on a dispute with Washington over Pyongyang's moves to restart its nuclear program.

The North has resisted international mediation in the crisis and has said it will hold negotiations only directly with the United States.

The visit is Castro's second to Japan, coming at the end of an 11-day Asia tour which also took him to Vietnam and China.

On Monday, he is to travel to Hiroshima in western Japan to visit a memorial to victims of the atomic bomb dropped by U.S. forces in World War II.

Suspected Sept. 11 mastermind arrested

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, the suspected mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks, was handed over to the United States and taken to an undisclosed location outside the country, a senior government official said Sunday.

"He's no longer in Pakistan," the official said on condition of anonymity. He said Mohammed was handed over to U.S. authorities after being interrogated by Pakistani officials.

Mohammed was arrested along with an unidentified man of Middle Eastern origin and a Pakistani identified as Ahmed Abdul Qadoos, a 42-year-old member of one of the country's main religious parties, Jamaat-e-Islami.

The other foreigner captured in the raid was "also proving to be an important man," the official said without disclosing his identity. That man and Qadoos were still in Pakistan.

Mohammed's arrest was a spectacular victory for the U.S.-led war on terrorism. He was captured Saturday in a joint raid by Pakistani and CIA and Pakistani agents, officials said.

Mohammed is the suspected mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks and a senior operative in Osama bin Laden's al-Qaeda network.

The arrest of Mohammed and the two other men outside the Pakistani capital Islamabad likely will hurt the terrorist organization's ability to launch more attacks and could provide the United States with new clues in the hunt for bin Laden.

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| Saturday | Partly Cloudy | 54/30 |

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| Average high: | 51 |
| Average low: | 29 |
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| Sunday's hi/low: | 30/18 |

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 - Campus Shawnee Greens weekly meeting
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6 p.m.

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Student creates documentary confronting conflict

MCMA graduate student films Israeli-Palestinian conflict

Lindsey J. Mar'is
Daily Egyptian

Hilla Medalia wasn't planning to be a first-hand witness to the magnitude of a suicide bomber's attack when she traveled to Israel last December to document the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

But during her trip, Medalia was two blocks away when a suicide bomber in Tel Aviv ignited explosives killing 32 people. With her video camera, she ran toward the site and filmed the chaos and casualties associated with the tragedy.

Much of what Medalia filmed was too graphic to include in her graduate thesis project. But before the incident, Medalia, a graduate student in mass communications from Israel, knew she wanted to address the struggle in her homeland through a documentary.

Before she witnessed the suicide bomber's attack, she had already filmed and interviewed people about a similar event that happened on March 29, 2002.

In Jerusalem that day, Rachel Levy, a 17-year-old Israeli, walked into a neighborhood market to buy food for dinner. A few steps behind her was 18-year-old Ayat al-Akhras, a female suicide bomber from a refugee camp in the Palestinian West Bank. The blast shattered glass and

concrete at the entrance of the market and killed the two girls and an Israeli guard.

Medalia was deeply moved by the incident and decided to use it as a device to educate people and clear up misconceptions about the cultures and societies of the two regions.

"Usually when you hear about a conflict you hear about it from a political perspective," she said. "Basically, my film is showing their life and their death and the conflict from a different perspective — a people perspective."

Israel is a lot like America, she said. Bad things can happen but no one believes it will affect them.

Medalia knew that contacting the families of the girls and getting them to agree to an interview would be difficult. She spent more than \$360 in overseas phone calls and was able to set up the trip to Israel and the West Bank. She arranged for a driver and a translator and found a hotel in the West Bank for her crew.

Because she is an Israeli, Medalia decided not to go into the West Bank. She instead talked with the Palestinian family via telephone.

Thompson was surprised her student got both families to agree to an interview.

"When she told me that this is what she wanted to do I thought it was way ambitious," Thompson said. "She was able to get contacts with the families and convince them that she was serious because this isn't a light topic. This is not something normally I think family members would want to talk about all that much because



Chryssy Mazzone films in a Dheisheh refugee camp in the West Banks of Palestine. Mazzone is a member of the crew filming a documentary about the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

it's a horrible tragedy."

One concern was the safety of Medalia and her crew. Thompson said it was difficult to convince some members of the University that traveling to Israel and the West Bank was not as dangerous as it can seem.

"One thing people have to know is that Hilla is from Israel," Thompson said. "She knows exactly what she's getting into and I don't believe she would have pursued this if she didn't think it could be done within safety guidelines."

The College of Mass Communication and Media Arts dean's office, the Graduate School and the SIUC Legal Department supported her project. The college allowed Medalia and her crew to borrow cameras and other equipment to take to Israel and the West Bank for her documentary.

Her film cost more than \$20,000 and included the free equipment loans from the college. But more than \$6,000 of the total cost came from Medalia's own pocket.

"You have a handful of students

like Hilla that no matter what, they want to get the project done, and cost isn't going to be an issue," Thompson said. "She will hopefully realize that once she gets done that this is a major accomplishment for her or anybody to have done something like this."

Staying in Israel for her own safety, her crew went into the refugee camp in the West Bank. When videographers Chryssy Mazzone and James Saldana went into the camp, they saw endless walls of graffiti and painted shrines to suicide bombers. Unlike the name, the Dheisheh refugee camp was anything but a bunch of tents. The United Nations built concrete houses and schools, but the narrow streets were filled with children and trash.

Mazzone, a junior in radio-television, noticed distinct differences between Israel and the West Bank. The language barrier could have been the main distinction between Israel and the United States. There were malls, schools and public transportation and influenced by Western culture.

Mazzone said the building structures in the West Bank, although a lot better than she originally anticipated, were "monuments to inefficiency." She said the film would help show Americans the differences and similarities between the regions as well as addressing the struggle.

"I thought it was a really unique way to go about looking at this," Mazzone said. "Hilla presented it as it would be a non-biased way to view the conflict there. It's amazing to see the lives of these two girls and parallel them — they look so similar."

Saldana, a graduate student in mass communications, said the female view brings the film to a personal level and allows audiences to have compassion for the families of the girls.

"Hilla definitely has a very clear vision of what she wants to do and I think it's very powerful," Saldana said. "Maybe she was the only one that really saw the uniqueness of the situation."

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AMBER ARNOLD - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Eager Saluki basketball fans packed the Copper Dragon Saturday night during the SIU-Creighton game. Walkways and exits were nonexistent because of the lack of seating and standing space. While some squeezed their way to a viewing spot, others took comfort in copping a squat on the floor.

Carbondale bars pushing occupancy limits

As local bars and nightclubs become crowded, Carbondale enforces city ordinances to establish safer conditions

Katie Davis
Daily Egyptian

Cathie Paull and Michael Boyle of Carbondale had been waiting in line Saturday at Copper Dragon for 10 minutes. They just wanted to hear Broken Grass, but they were in the middle of an un-moving line with 100 people.

Bouncer at the nightclub had been pushing Creighton-game watchers out the door so they could collect \$5 cover from everyone who wished to see the band, or at least that's what Paull and Boyle hoped. Rumors of one person in for every person who came out had already been spreading through the line as more concertgoers tried to push themselves to the front of the line.

If the pair fell behind the 600 mark, they might not be allowed in — bars have been a little stricter on capacity lately. But it didn't bother them; they knew it would be for a good reason.

But once they walked in, they were not aware of the safety and security that surrounded them — the six exits, eight fire extinguishers, and flame-retardant coverings that would help dispel a possible emergency. While they may not have been aware, Carbondale club owners and managers are paying special attention to possible hazards since more than 110 deaths have been attributed to nightclub accidents in Chicago and Rhode Island in the past two weeks.

“When something happens, you understand why it is a good thing that they do things the way they do, because no one wants anything to happen.”

— Anonymous
Carbondale bar manager

Two weeks ago, a combination of Mace, alcohol and overcrowding led to a stampede and 21 deaths at E2, a downtown Chicago nightclub. The city of Chicago had ordered the club closed in June because of unsafe conditions, including blocked emergency exits, but E2 continued to function. The club has since shut down.

Ninety-eight people died Feb. 21 when sparks from a pyrotechnics display ignited a backdrop at the Station Concert Club in West Warwick, R.I., Feb. 21, engulfing it in flames in less than three minutes. The building was up to code, with emergency exits that were not used as the mob pushed its way out of the club's one entrance.

The tragedies have Carbondale residents questioning the safety of their own bars even though club owners say the city is strict in policy and enforcement of building codes. Club owners and managers are also examining their policies.

Matt Maier, owner of Mugsy McGuire's and Mugsy's Entertainment Center, 1620 W. Main St., said that when he was building the entertainment addition, he and building inspectors went in circles regarding some of the things he was required to do.

"I remember thinking 'that's crazy, why do I have to do that?'" he said. "But looking back, I can understand, and I think it is a good thing that we have to do all these things."

Maier said he was required to use flame-retardant carpet, walls and fixtures in constructing the Entertainment Center — and he capped it off with a metal ceiling, features that make the building fireproof.

"If there were a fire, it would just smolder," he said. "There's nothing for it to catch on to."

However, not all buildings are as invincible to fire. Older structures, such as that of Carboz, 760 E. Grand, are not equipped with the newer, more expensive fire-prevention features, but are still kept up to code.

The carpet is not flame retardant, but it does cover a concrete floor. And Carboz Manager DJ. Struckman said the club also has a sprinkler system that is checked often. All of the equipment is also outfitted with its own switches, which means an overloaded circuit will simply blow its own fuse.

The Carbondale Fire Department and Building and Neighborhood Services also

inspect all bars and clubs in Carbondale at least twice a year — once for liquor license renewal, and again to ensure everything, including lighting and plumbing, remain up to code.

Fire Chief Jeff Anderson said that club owners are generally very cooperative with whatever the department asks. He said few problems have arisen with owners in his six-year tenure as fire chief. He also said he cannot remember any situation that threatened the lives of one of a club's patrons.

Pinch Penny Pub, 700 E. Grand, called out the fire department during the summer when a water heater pilot light ignited a small fire in a janitor's closet early one evening. Manager James Karayiannis said employees, who then called the fire department simply as a precautionary measure, easily extinguished the fire. He said the staff was large enough that the problem was immediately identified and taken care of before things got out of hand.

"Carbondale is very thorough," Karayiannis said. "They would not let you stay open if you were not safe."

It's a little crowded in here

Many Carbondale clubs fill to upward of 500 people on any given Friday or Saturday night. Copper Dragon, which has an overall capacity of 623, had a slow night Saturday, with about 450 people filling the floor late in the night.

But it was a different story at Carboz, which has a capacity of 650, as Saluki fans filed in to celebrate the Dawgs' victory over Creighton Saturday night. They eventually restricted entrance to prevent over-occupancy.

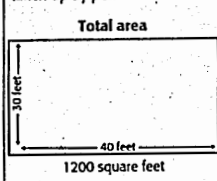
Occupancy is determined by the square footage of a building using basic mathematical concepts. The area of set fixtures, like bars and pool tables, are subtracted from the total area of the building. Three square feet per person is required for standing space, including dance floors, and 15 square feet per person for moveable seating, such as tables and chairs. Fixed seating is figured simply as the number of

Finding the limit

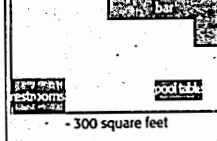
The city of Carbondale's Department of Building & Neighborhood Services has set standards to determine the occupancy limits of public places such as bars and restaurants. This example shows how a small bar would find out its capacity.

1 Find customer area

Customer area is defined as the space in a building that is not taken up by permanent fixtures.



minus fixed structures



2 Find capacity

(900 ft²) customer area ÷ (3 ft²) occupancy variants (300 people) capacity limit

3 Occupancy variants

These are the numbers set by the city that differentiate between types of public places.

3 ft² per person
Standing space
• Standing space includes dance floors and concert venues. It requires 3 square feet per person.

15 ft² per person
Flexible space
• This includes areas with moveable tables and chairs, such as restaurants.

20 ft² per person
Classrooms
• This includes typical classrooms with moveable desks.

• Places with capacities of 500 are required to have at least two double-door exits.
• If the space surrounding a person is less than 1.5 square feet, compressive asphyxiation may occur. This is a major cause of death when people stampede.

Sources: Tom Grant, Carbondale Building & Neighborhood Services; Chicago Tribune

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seats available.

The Carbondale Fire Department keeps its building inspector, Tom Manis, who gives surprise inspections targeting occupancy, among other things, busy through the weekends. He travels to local bars during special events to ensure bars stay below their maximum occupancy — but he isn't always effective.

Manis said he would not be shocked to find that bars frequently go over capacity, but that in many cases, this does not cause any problems.

"It depends on exits," he said. "You may just have one door on each side with 200 people. Now, try to get everyone out really quick through a three-foot wide door."

Struckman said that on nights when attendance is anticipated to be high, doormen at Carboz use clickers to keep track of the patrons to make sure conditions remain safe.

Though many Carbondale bars refused to comment on how regularly they exceed capacity, one manager, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the establishment continually exceeds its maximum occupancy to accommodate its club goers.

"I think every place in Carbondale goes over its capacity," the manager said. "The numbers are so low, the inspectors are very conservative with their estimates."

However, Manis said the numbers should be precise because they are based mainly upon a mathematical formula.

The manager said they think that pushing the limit on space in most establishments causes no real threat to their patrons. According to the Chicago Tribune, the Station Concert Club in West Warwick, R.I., had not been filled to its 300 capacity when the club caught fire.

"Nothing has ever happened here like what happened in Rhode Island," the manager said. "When something happens, you understand why it is a good thing that they do things the way they do, because no one wants anything to happen."

Walker undergoing chemotherapy for cancer

Molly Parker
Daily Egyptian

SIU President James Walker has been undergoing chemotherapy treatments since mid to late fall of last year after doctors diagnosed a recurrence of prostate cancer for which he was originally treated in 1993.

Walker, 61, is receiving treatment on an outpatient basis and has scheduled the chemotherapy treatments around his work schedule, said University spokesman Steve Binder.

"The doctors are saying his prognosis is very good," Binder said Friday.

"He is upbeat and optimistic. He hasn't missed a day of work and doesn't plan to."

Walker had surgery following the doctor's original diagnosis of prostate cancer in 1993 and his condition was in complete remission.

Prostate cancer is cancer of the prostate gland, a male reproductive organ. It is the most common form of cancer and the number-two cause of cancer-related deaths.

Black men have about a 60-percent higher chance of getting prostate cancer than white men and are twice as likely to die from it, according to Via Health Disease and Wellness Center.

Walker has been SIU's president since Oct. 1, 2000.

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USG bumps adviser, passes technology proposal

Valerie N. Donnals
Daily Egyptian

Against the advice of the administration, Undergraduate Student Government voted to remove mention of an adviser from its constitution Wednesday.

The resolution passed with a vote of 20 to 3.

Rob Taylor, senator and author of the resolution, has been working for months to pass the amendment, which will remove the requirement of an adviser in their constitution, but will not actually remove the position.

"Everybody knows nothing legally changed," Taylor said. "We just sent a very powerful political message to the University and the Board of Trustees."

USG President Michael Jarard said the senators did not think they needed an adviser because they can solicit information and advice from any official on campus as they see fit.

Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, said previously that he has no intention of removing the position, and would consider it irresponsible to do so.

Jarard said one of the main reasons USG was previously opposed to having an adviser was because beginning in fiscal year 2004 it would be required to pay for the position out of the Student Organization Activity Fund's account.

USG Vice President Neal Young, however, said Dietz recently agreed to fund the adviser through other means.

A Few senators spoke against

the amendment. Peter Normand said the adviser serves a positive role in the body by guaranteeing stability from year to year when the makeup of the senate changes.

George Robinson opposed the amendment, saying that USG is a Registered Student Organization and thereby required to have an adviser, according to the policy of the Board of Trustees.

"The bottom line is, if we want to be a constituency group, we can, but we cannot be an RSO at the same time," Robinson said. "If we are a constituency group, we can't touch the SOAF money [a privilege reserved for RSOs]."

Taylor said that they are officially recognized as a constituency body, and he believes that the amendment is the first step toward shared governance with the board.

USG also passed a resolution during their meeting in support of a proposal from the History Department to acquire funds from the Technology Fee Committee.

The proposal would purchase CD ROMs for computers in Morris Library consisting of CIA and FBI documents, 19th century black American newspapers, Civil War newspapers, and letters from soldiers during the Vietnam conflict.

The resolution was passed 19 to 2 with 3 abstentions.

The informational software would be housed in the library to allow access to all students despite their major. Similar expenditures made by the committee only added technology to college specific buildings on campus.

The entire proposal totaled \$24,350. The Technology Fee

Committee turned it down on two previous occasions.

Tim Wills, the chairman of the committee, conceded that the texts would benefit many students, but said the committee decided the proposal did not meet the necessary qualifications as determined by the committee, since the money would go toward a library acquisition.

However, Erik Wiatr, USG senator who wrote the resolution, said the committee has already approved \$110,860 for new computers in Morris Library.

"Where do they draw the line between library computers and software?" Wiatr said. "They're

making rules to determine how the money is spent that make it less accessible to students and more inefficient."

Wills said that the CD ROMs do not qualify as software, but serve more as supplemental material for the library. He said they consider software to be actual computer programs, not text or information-based materials.

Patrick Watkins, USG senator and member of the technology committee, said that they had already agreed to fund informational software for Paralegal Studies in the amount of \$2,500. He said the CD ROMs for the history department would be a similar expenditure; it would just be located in the library for easier access to students.

The root of the problem, according to Young, is that the committee

does not work under operating.

"They have no definition for what software is and nothing to say what they can and can't fund," Young said.

Jarard said he will ask the students on the committee to support the proposal when the committee discusses it after spring break and, "if they don't follow the policy, then they'll lose the seats, simple as that," Jarard said.

Finally, the senate passed a resolution concerning equal access to funding from the SOAF for all RSOs.

The resolution stated that entitled allocations have, in the

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— Rob Taylor
senator, author of resolution

past, led to the "financial demise of a vast majority of smaller and less powerful RSOs on campus," and any attempts by senators to revert to special interest funding is not supported by USG.

Mary Wallace, who co-wrote and introduced the resolution, said that some RSOs were confused about whether the funding guidelines had already changed. Some larger organizations were under the impression they would be able to receive a large fixed sum for the year.

"We need to let it be known that we don't support priority funding to fund special interests," Wallace said.

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OUR WORD



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Saluki fans swarm the court after SIU's 70-62 win over the Creighton Bluejays Saturday night. It was a sellout crowd of 2,000 students and total of more than 10,000 screaming fans. The Dawg Pound extended to both ends of the court for this game and when the final point was scored, the fans went crazy in celebration.

Saluki pride: It's in the basketball

Twenty-seven in a row ... and counting.

The Salukis' home-court magic is still bewitching.

And Saturday, it sent the Creighton Bluejays home maroon in the face.

The mammoth victory at the hands of the bewildered Bluejays left a lasting touch on SIU men's basketball history. Not only did the victory guarantee a No. 1 seed for the Salukis in the MVC tournament this weekend in St. Louis, it also marked the first time the Dawgs defeated a team ranked as high as No. 17. The last time they did it was Nov. 26, 1988 when they beat No. 11 Villanova.

But enough of the rah rah.

The night truly belonged to three amazing seniors playing in their last home

game — barring an NIT bid — in front of 10,014 screaming fans.

Through the good and the bad and the downright nail-biting, knock-your-socks-off, pacemaker-busting games, these guys have done more for SIUC pride than anyone else. They are everything SIUC represents. Take Note.

Kent Williams is the rock-solid foundation. He is the consistency — the glue. He is a model for attitude and work ethic. He is proof that you can do anything if you are willing to work hard and long enough. He is everything to the team that SIUC is to southern Illinois and like this University, he is often taken for granted.

Jermaine Dearman is the team's flair and excitement. He has matured through

out his years, and when he's on, he makes sure the world knows it, as he did against Georgia in the NCAA 2002 tournament. SIUC needs to take a lesson from Dearman's unshakable confidence. That's what it takes to be a winner.

Now, let's not overlook David Carney, because Carney is SIUC. He is the underdog — the Rudy. He is the perspective and the sense of humor. He is sportsmanship and reality. He is part of something greater and he understands that. He is the benchwarmer and proud of it. SIUC sometimes hangs its head at being the tracks for the Little Engine That Could. This University should take a lesson from Carney. It should embrace his style,

because sometimes, it's not the foundation or the flair that make a piece, — or a team — great but its spirit.

Monday night the Salukis take on Illinois State to wrap up the conference season. And if Saturday night was any indication, fan support is a huge advantage to our team. On Friday, when the conference tournament begins, there should be a sea of maroon across the Savvis Center.

ESPN likes to call us "mid-major." With the right support over a prolonged period of time maybe that will change. But it takes dedication and perseverance. Remember, there's a streak on the line.

Come back next year and help the Dawgs make it 28.

Last chance to register to vote for Carbondale City Council

Monday and Tuesday is your last opportunity to register for the upcoming Carbondale City Council elections.

Your selections will influence the makeup of the City Council for the next four years.

To register, go to Carbondale

City Hall or Jackson County Courthouse. You must bring two forms of ID, including a photo ID. You must also bring proof of residence, such as a bill or envelope with your address listed.

If you can't make it out to register, simply call 529-VOTE

and someone will be sent to your residence so you can be registered.

City Council's decisions will affect everybody in Carbondale, whether you are a student or resident. This is a great opportunity to have your voice heard

and elect the people you want representing the community.

There will be four new faces representing the council, including a new mayor. Monday and Tuesday is your final chance to register and change the face of Carbondale!

City Council's decisions will affect everybody in Carbondale, whether you are a student or resident.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Dusty bibles lead to dirty lives.”

as seen on a sign in front of a Carbondale church

WORDS OVERHEARD

“We have a college town. I'm really glad that I live in a college town because it gives me an opportunity to keep young.”

Maggie Flanagan
on the benefits of living in Carbondale

COLUMNISTS

McCarthyism redux

Duct tape. That's the best the Homeland Security Department could come up with. This blatant and pathetic attempt to placate public concerns is reminiscent of another era: the Cold War. While perhaps not as campy as the duck-and-cover drills of the 1950s, the anti-terrorism kits serve the same dual purpose. The Homeland Security Department is offering Americans a false sense of security, while at the same time reminding them that they should be afraid.

Like the 1950s, the evil menace of a foreign invader is dangled for all to see, and the public is offered useless remedies: duct tape, plastic sheeting, canned goods, etc. Also like the 1950s, the government is using fear and propaganda to allow them to embark on a wholesale liquidation of civil liberties. This is McCarthyism Redux, with its latest perpetrator, John Ashcroft. To understand Joe McCarthy and John Ashcroft, we must try to better understand what these two demagogues really want(ed). What they want is simple enough: for everyone to think and act exactly alike. There is no room for dissent, or even disagreement in the world of these enemies of democracy.

Citizens in this system are free — free insofar as their actions correspond with the desires of the state. Consume, wave the flag on cue, consume some more, pay taxes, and die. Anything beyond that is evidence of being a traitor to the country. The society that these two men sought, and still seek, to create is perhaps best described by George Orwell: "imagine a boot stamping on a human face — forever."

Ashcroft's onslaught against the Constitution began after September 11th, when Middle Eastern religious fundamentalism gave North American religious fundamentalism the scapegoat it needed. The Patriot Act came first, and was, quite frankly, the most egregious assault on the Bill of Rights since Joe McCarthy ran wild in the 1950s. Now, Americans are confronted with the Domestic Security Enhancement Act, known as Patriot Act 2.

Patriot Act 2 will continue the process started by its predecessor: eroding rights guaranteed by the US Constitution. Patriot Act 2 will give even more power to the already bloated Executive Branch by removing judicial oversight that were put in place to defend Americans against the scourge of McCarthyism. Federal agents, as well as local law enforcement agencies, will find it far easier to initiate surveillance and wiretaps on individuals, as well as political and religious organizations. Courts have placed limits on these measures in the past with good reason. Law enforcement agencies have used surveillance and infiltration to undermine completely legal political and religious organizations, and to disrupt the activities of



Free Thought Forum

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political opponents.

Patriot Act 2 will give the American government unprecedented power over its citizens, to say nothing of mere "inhabitants." Under this legislation, non-citizens, including permanent residents, may be deported without any evidence or proof of criminal intent. Citizens and non-citizens alike will be subject to "secret detentions," meaning that the police may arrest a person, and simply hold them without acknowledging that they have incarcerated that person. In fact, a person may be arrested for merely associating (without evidence of criminal intent) with groups the government calls "terrorists." Patriot Act 2 will expand the definition of terrorist to include just about any group involved in any form of dissent.

Furthermore, there is a provision to allow the federal government to sample and catalogue Americans' DNA, even without their consent. So let us imagine the world that Ashcroft and the Bush administration hope to create. It is a world where anyone who thinks differently than our "irreproachable" leaders may be spied on by police and neighbors; a world where a citizen may be secretly snatched from his/her home; a world where American citizens have their genetic information stored in a government file. We may not be winning the war on terrorism but we are cleaning up in the war on freedom.

For all the subterfuge of the Homeland Security Department, with its daily "Terror Twister" games (Orange...New York...Yellow...Washington), duct tape is more than just an asinine home safety item. Duct tape is fear; fear that the government hopes will convince the American public to throw away the very freedoms that make them American. Fear is what Ashcroft, like his predecessor Joe McCarthy, thrives on. It is the medium they use, like paint on a canvas, to alter our society to their liking.

The latest terror warning is in Red...the US Constitution.

Free Thought Forum appears Mondays. Marc is a junior in history. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

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Uppercuts and Goliaths

We were small. But in the dogs day summer, we laced up gloves in my buddy's unfinished basement and hit each other with weak leading left hooks. Straight jobs would do more damage, but we never fought conventionally. We sidestepped-and-swung, pumping out whatever stagnant combination we could muster. When we were toe-to-toe, we'd often let our arms dangle like loose pieces of rubber, shifting them up and down around our waists, chicken fighting, a technique if over-exaggerated properly, would facetiously bust us into tears.

We were just boys then, emulating our hero on the TV. Such as the boy who magically turns into Michael Jordan in his front driveway and counts backward from three. Such as the little-leaguer who points to the outfield bleachers as the great Bambino. Like the patented '80s call "I'm Joe Montana, you're Jerry Rice, now go long" in playground football games all across America.

But here on Bay Shore, we cloned Roy Jones Jr. a man who defied anything we had ever seen. Pounding away at each other with unorthodox Roy-like maneuvers, a magical feeling rushed through our hearts and poured out our fists. We were bigger than what we were, transparently invincible.

We'd exhaust ourselves with a half-hour of repetitive head-shots that resulted nothing more than a slight headache (we wore headgear), we'd pop in a Jones' fight in

the VCR and do our homework. Here was a man who was somewhat our size (5'-10", 160 pounds) and who awed the world with his quickness and agility. It wasn't unlike watching a group of tall, men running up-and-down a gym floor, and unlike watching 300-pound giants do battle for a line of scrimmage. Those sports were cool too, but I think we both subconsciously knew even then, that we'd never be big enough, never be the size to succeed in those sports. But here, right here before our childlike minds was someone we could relate to whose talent far outshined his stature. In Roy, we saw attainable dominance and we saw ourselves.

On Saturday night, Roy made history by winning a 12-round unanimous decision over WBA champion John Ruiz,



Bayshore Drive

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to become the first natural middleweight to win a heavyweight title in a century. Fighting four inches shorter, 30 pounds lighter, and almost a SIZE smaller, Roy played with the giant as if he was a mechanical toy, using him as he pleased. By the fourth round, Jones, who had previously never fought a heavyweight fight in his illustrious career — let alone a champion — taunted the larger fighter right in the middle of the ring. He didn't run away like the critics predicted he would, and he shrugged off a few hard shots like they said he wouldn't. Though never close to a knockout, Jones played to a sold-out arena with three stooges-esque wind-ups, and "chicken dances" with his hands bobbing at his knees. One solid

They say that a man's heart is worth twice his talent, twice his virtue and twice his world.

punch and Jones could possibly be knocked out, but the bigger man was scared to come to Roy; seldom every tangling with the little man who would go on to shock the boxing world.

They always say that it is not the size of the dog in the fight, but the size of the fight in the dog. They say David struck down the mighty philistine with single slingshot. They say that a man's heart is worth twice his talent, twice his virtue and twice his world.

Though you may believe that boxing is not a "sweet science" that it is not something children should imitate in their cellars and empty lots on a pool-calling summer afternoon. But for me, Roy's accomplishment is a legend, a story to be told to my kids one day, that there is some merit in what they say. For one day in my life, a childhood dream came true.

Bayshore Drive appears Mondays. Mike is an alumnus of SIUC with a B.A. in cinema. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

GUEST COLUMNIST

Some war protesters are living in a recycled reality

Andrew Beckner
The Daily Athenaeum (West Virginia U.)

MORGANTOWN, W. Va. — Shh... I want to tell you a little secret. Don't tell anyone, though. It might make me a social pariah around campus or, even worse, my workplace.

Here it is: many of the anti-war protesters out there want us to go to war in Iraq.

But how can that be? Aren't they loading up the VW van right now with nothing but their altruistic drive and heading to D.C. with the hopes of preventing massive bloodshed, the breakdown of the Western alliance system and a general walling and gnashing of teeth?

Maybe. To be fair, there are a lot of patriotic Americans out there who truly are opposed to the apparent unilateral actions of the Bush administration. These people are exercising one of our fundamental freedoms, and for that I applaud their efforts.

But there is a large contingent of people out there — including many on this campus — for whom political protest is a fashion statement.

Many of today's anti-war college students have this rosy picture of the Vietnam era. Now they view this as their chance to relive what they see on MTV documentaries about Haight-Ashbury or Greenwich Village in the height of flower power.

These kids got an appetizer a few years ago during the WTO protests in Seattle. Here were middle and upper-class kids with their parents' MasterCard in their wallet and Tommy Hilfiger polo shirts protesting against... well, who knows? For instance, a picture in Time's coverage of the WTO protests a few years ago showed a young girl — probably around 17 or 18-years-old — placing a daisy in the barrel of a policeman's riot gun. At least you know she's been looking at the pictures in her college history book, if not reading the chapters.

Take, for instance, the graffiti you've probably seen around campus. Someone is defacing property with spray paint saying, "No War." These are the people I'm talking about. Because without a war, those messages would be seen for what they really are: a petty crime perpetrated by hoodlums.

The fashion-conscious anti-war protesters aren't confined to classrooms and coffee houses, however. Celebrities, those omniscient commentators of cultural values, are getting into the act as well.

Now, there are some celebrities who have a history of political activism. People like Susan Sarandon and Bono, I can understand — if not necessarily condone — their using of a certain amount of celebrity clout to effect a change they feel needs to be made.

I am against the war and I didn't vote for George W. Bush. I think pulling out of the ABM treaty and the Kyoto Accords goes

against common sense. But my knowledge of international affairs is limited to political science classes and what I read in the papers.

So I resolve, here and now, to educate myself more fully on the American government's actions toward Iraq and get a clearer picture of what war in that country would entail. I encourage others to do the same. Our opinions might change.

Don't rely on positions your parents took. Don't seek the advice of celebrities whose opinions are at best questionable. Form your own opinion and speak out on it.

And, most of all, don't openly criticize your government for planning a war when you secretly hope it happens.

Because, as everyone knows, don't protests seem like a bitchin' time?

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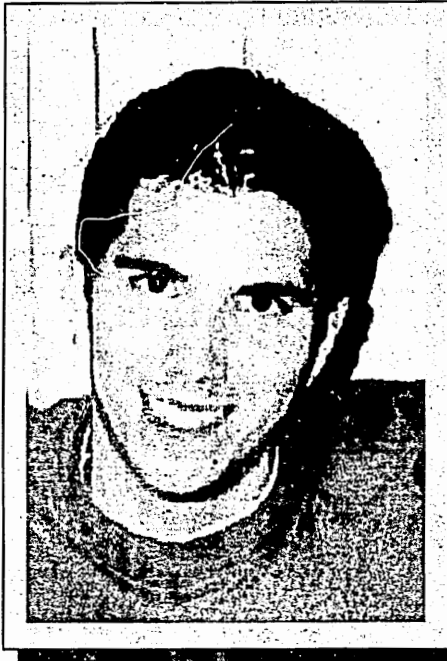
In Loving Memory of our Beloved Damian Vincent Zanon

Damian "Damon" Vincent Zanon was brought into this earth on the 3rd of March 1981 and on Thanksgiving 2002 night, Damian and his childhood friend passed on leaving unforgettable memories in the hearts of all of those whose path he crossed. He brought love, joy, and happiness to everyone that knew him. Damian was the dear son to Candace and Joseph Senese whose lives were blessed because of him. Fond brother of Senese (Debbie), Joe and Vinnie Senese, he always put his friends and family foremost. He was and always will be remembered and forever loved as our shining light and inspiration. What he wore in his heart he wore on his face and wherever he went he left smiles on every one's face. Growing close to and living with his mother he was her flawless friend and son. Candace and Damian were two peas in a pod, "Can" to her Damian:

"I tried to think of my favorite memory of Damian and soon discovered that there could not just be one. Instead I began to think of all that he was. Funny, the funniest person I ever met. Nobody could make me laugh the way he did. His wit and perspective were always just a little bit different than everyone else.

His talent for music. I have no idea where he got it. At about twelve years old he wanted a guitar. I believe his first one was a beat. He tried lessons, but he decided that he would do better on his own. I heard the same song attempted for months and thought that this was yet another phase we'd be going through. The phase lasted and soon he was playing some amazing stuff, including some old Clapton songs because he knew he was my favorite. Fast forward about three years. Damian and I were at my cousin's house. She and I were talking in another room when we heard some beautiful classical music being played on a piano. We couldn't imagine who it was. When we finally got up to investigate, I couldn't have been more stunned to see my son sitting at that piano. I don't think I ever felt more embarrassed as a mother because, you see, I didn't know he could play the piano. I didn't want to ask, but I had to. 'Damian, when did you learn to play the piano?' His reply, 'Well, Can, cords are cords.'

In December 2001 he got to play drums with his band, Backdrop, at the Metro in Chicago. I was there that night. The club was packed, I was so nervous for him. The band came out, the lights went on, and they sounded amazing.



We miss all that you were
 We miss all that you would have become
 We miss all that you did
 We miss all that you would have done
 We miss all that you said
 We miss all that you would say
 We miss loving you
 We miss all the love you had for us
 We had so much love, joy, hope, peace, and dreams for the future
 Now we have so much pain, sorrow, grief, loss, anger, remorse,
 Broken hearts and broken dreams
 that have destroyed our peace, hope, and future
 We hold on to our precious memories
 but it will never be enough
 for nothing we will ever have or do
 can fill the vast hole in our hearts and lives
 when we lost you.
 Missing you Always
 Loving you forever
 Forgetting you never

As I watched and listened I thought and felt so many things. How far we'd come since that first guitar, how confident, happy, and grown up he looked, how he'd be 21 in a few short months, and as always, how proud I felt to be a part of his life, to be his mom. I felt such excitement for him, for what he had going for him, and for all the wonderful things yet to be.

It wouldn't be fair if I didn't mention his love of argument, his strong desire for people to see things his way. Some may even have considered him stubborn. I'd say that's an understatement! There was no gray area for him, only black or white. These were not traits developed later in life. He started young and worked hard at it (boy do I know). Maybe that's why he did it so well!

I recall his decision to work at the YMCA as a counselor in the after school program. It is about the last thing on earth I expected, Damian to be interested in. Damian was an only child and spent little time with young children. I actually became concerned because I imagined these sweet little kids incorporating Damian's favorite word (we all know what that is) into their everyday vocabulary. I had visions of these kids telling their parents what a "pain in the a***" they were, or better yet, telling them to "stop crying so much." Both phrases I heard often from Damian. But it turns out that that he knew what he was doing. He loved those kids and took the time to know and appreciate them as individuals. He marveled at the way they grew and what they had to say. He really listened to them and took time to enjoy them. He wanted to be a teacher. He would have been outstanding; one of those teachers a student would remember long after the class was over. I think he would have been an incredible father.

He loved and appreciated his family. He took time to call grandparents, aunts and uncles. He always brought along a little gift when he visited and never ended a conversation without an "I love you." He loved his friends. He had so many. He showed the same interest and concern for them as he did his family. He loved to have fun. He jammed a lot into 21 years, he really lived his life!

When I think of him, I'm filled with sadness for what will never be, but at the same time, I'm so grateful to have had him for a son, to have been his mother. In the months following the accident, I've been so thankful for the love, support and concern of so many, but particularly Damian's friends. I've been awed by the countless gestures of sympathy. The stories you've shared, the notes you've written, and the phone calls and visits to stay in touch. At such a young age, to always find the right words; always say just the right things, to take the time to show your concern. I am forever grateful. Thank you....
 -Candace Senese

Hey boy... You made me happier than anyone else ever has, or ever will. You were there for me through everything and you always managed to make it all ok. You made me feel safe, you made me laugh, and you made me feel loved. All the best memories I have are the times spent with you, and I thank God for every one of them (even all our fights). I hope you know how incredibly much I love you and I always will. No boy will ever take your place. "If it was up to me, I'd never have to miss you...." (Allakale trio)
 -Cathryn Williams

In my memory, I try to remember Damian, but it is not the same as you would think. Most times you can remember something vividly, but sometimes it is quite different. A person can try to remember the past but it is different for every situation. When you recall a bad time in your life, most will only think of that individual circumstance that made that bad and not the other good things in their life that happened at the same time as that bad. When I recall Damian and the times we spent together it is like a blur. It was a blur of happiness, and now a blur of confusion. You can ask yourself why did this happen, or why did this happen to him and not me? But you need to know that these are the wrong questions, and this is because there is no answer to these questions. What you need to ask yourself is this; what was Damian to me, what was Damian to everyone, and what would Damian want me to be doing right now?

Salvador Dali once said, "The difference between false memories and the true ones, is the same for jewels; it is always the false ones that look the most real, the most brilliant". In regards to Damian, I would have to say that I totally disagree with this statement. Everything I remember about him is brilliant. The memories I have of him are not false and they outline my diamond or jewel in the world. Damian to me was someone who only tried to bring joy and happiness to everyone around him. I don't only think he tried to do this, I think he dedicated his life to it. I recall some of the most depressing times of my life at SIUC and in an instant he was knocking on my door, trying to cheer me up. He would do anything possible to distract my mental anguish and to bring me to a higher state of happiness, no matter what cost.

To me, Damian was a godsend or some type of angel that we could only learn to love and appreciate for the brief time he was here and for the everlasting reminders that he has left in our hearts and in our souls. His memory will not only be cherished by me and by the people that knew him, but his memory will live on in our minds as a constant reminder of how good this world and the people in it really can be. We must never lose hope, we must always believe in it. If we don't have hope in anything, then I believe we have nothing. Damian demonstrated this hope in humanity, and we must always believe it exists. If everyone in this world were like him, it would be a "Utopia" or a perfect world. But nevertheless, there are not enough Damians in this world and when we find them we must embrace them fully and not question why they are here or why they are taken from us, but to only remember what they gave us, and that is a total feeling of hope and belief in everything that is. -Tim "Taanmy" Reimer

I went to high school with Damon for the better part of 3 or so years and never talked to him. We had our differences and were determined not to be friends. Thankfully, he came down to visit my roommate my freshman year of college. Within hours, we were instant friends, wondering how we missed out on each other for so long. For the last three and a half years, Damon was my best friend. He was more than a best friend, he was my platonic soul-mate, my baby. Damon was an incredible person. He could make me laugh when no one else could. He usually made me laugh when I really shouldn't have. Him just being there made every smile bigger, every joke funnier, and every hug more meaningful. Although we only had a short time together, I shared more with him than I will with people that are going to be in my life forever. He was one of a kind. He was The Best. I feel blessed to have known him and to have been able to call him my friend.
 -Erin Dickson

If someone had told me that I'd be writing these words a year ago, I never would have believed them. Damian was a person full of such enthusiasm towards life. His energy for life remains in all of us through his music, his quirky jokes, and all of the great "baby" jokes he left with us. I feel so blessed to spend the past eight years of my life being friends with Damian. He left me with nothing but fond memories. I will never forget our multiple car chases together, the dead bird, or him coming to visit me at SIUC for the first time and saying "Do you know where I can get an application to come here?" God, the list goes on, and on. I am so lucky to say that Damian Vincent Zanon was and always will be a part of my life. May he rest in peace.
 -Katie Stewart

Damian, I haven't hung out with you in a while, but I can't help but think of you from time to time, like the times you would talk me out of my routine to drop my worries and enjoy a drink or smoke with my friends, or when we attempted to flip over random cars, or when we jumped off the roof of Winfield Jr. High. Though we may have disagreed of each other sometimes, we did agree about who was the best. I'm sure I'll hear you today in someone's voice, someone's song, someone's tale. I'm sure I'll see you in someone's eye, someone's actions, someone's heart and I'm sure I'll smile for every memory of you that crosses my mind - Jessica Wilks (DD)

Damon and I were not always cousins, we found out one day at a family party at the farm. We were not closely related cousins at all, however, still family. On the night we found out he told me "We are the best kind of family because we chose each other first, so we're less like cousins and more like brothers". He probably didn't intend for these words to be so profound, he probably wasn't even sober, but I know he was sincere (when he wanted to be). I'll remember him forever and love him just as long. I miss ya cuz. -Joe Marcanoantonio

There are not enough words to describe my adoration for Damian. I met him his first semester at school at SIUC. Immediately we clicked, in fact, I cannot remember how and exactly when it happened, but it was always the greatest friendship of all. His beautiful smile brightened up my heart every single time it was broken or hurt; the laughter constantly making the funniest jokes that made everyone one in and out of the living room laugh uncontrollably. This was one of his greatest virtues. Damian valued each and every one of his friends about equal to family. Never did he leave me without a smile on my face. Not even in my favorite memory of our "Thanksgiving 2002 drive to Chicago". Damian and I did not do anything too simple; we made a five hour drive into this incredible "Three Days of Fun" (Monday to Wednesday, before Thanksgiving) which was the greatest gift I ever have and will receive. Those three days that will always feel just like yesterday. We were different than others and thought in different perspectives than the norm. We had an amazing time. He told me of his array of friends "up north" at his home and how each one of them was a special someone to him. He told me two days before Thanksgiving, that "one day all of his best friends will meet" and "We'll always be friends, I promise. Why would you not?", he said to me. He was right... we always will. The Hyatt Regency, parading downtown, the annoying "baby jokes", the Cheesecake Factory, and the cur!!!!!! In memory of my dear friend Damian, I evermore will cherish every minute and every moment we spent together, each smile and every ounce of laughter. I think God and Mr. and Mrs. Senese, above all, for such memories I will have to treasure and always will hold precious forever for receiving the blessing of having Damian in my life and having him as my friend, and my eternal angel... FOREVER!
 -Ritu Nemant

I hope you know how many lives are touched by what you did... I hope you know how Heaven sees the difference you can make. The unique role, the special road Only you could take... I hope you know how much you are loved. How many people care... How often someone says Damian, Whispered in a prayer....

Spirit of Carnival dances night away

Jessica Yorama
Daily Egyptian

Members of the Hispanic Student Council could not send SIUC students to the Latino festival, "Carnival" which takes place in many South American and Central American countries, so they brought "Carnival" to the lower level of Grinnell Dining Hall.

After two months of planning, members of the Hispanic Student Council, along with three other campus organizations, were able to bring the event to SIUC.

"It's important for a University as diverse as SIUC to have events like this and Taste of Bangladesh to students," said Lourdes Albo Puentes, a graduate student in TESOL from Cuba. "It reminds me of the carnival in Rio de Janeiro, except this is indoors. There's music all the time and there's a lot of joy which is the meaning of carnival."

The basement of Grinnell Dining Hall was decorated with various greens, yellows and purples, festive colors and decorations that complemented the theme. People dressed as butterflies and wearing various masks and designs upon their face, served various Latino dishes.

"Carnival is celebrated mainly in Brazil, but also in other countries like Venezuela, Cuba and Puerto Rico," said

Maria Cristina Gardner Lara, a freshman in foreign languages and international trade from Chicago who helped coordinate the event. "There are parades and contests. It's just a time where the rich and the poor come together, all lines are crossed and everyone celebrates."

Fried bananas, guava juice and a rice dish were among the foods available to the more than 50 students and community members in attendance. Some ate the food offered, relaxing and socializing with others enjoying the festivities.

Others spent almost the entire evening dancing to the fast paced Latino music.

The Southern Illinois West African Drum Ensemble provided a small portion of the musical entertainment that had attendants of all ages eagerly taking the floor.

"The best part to me has been dancing with my daughter," said Rafael Ruperto of Carbondale.

Ruperto attended the event with his daughter, Aisha who despite her young age seemed to enjoy the rhythm of the music being played.

"With the current conditions and the war and everything, it just seemed like a good time to come together and share the culture in good company," he said.

The dancing lasted hours, stopping only for a few moments as the king and

queen of the evening were crowned. Julio Barrenzuela, clad in typical party apparel, and Marina Rentas donned in a ladybug costume with red glitter above her eyes had the honor of being king and queen that evening.

Not surprisingly, as soon as the crowning was over the dancing resumed.

Some got involved in serious salsa dancing, while other, smaller attendants simply spun in circles to the rapid rhythms.

Deanna Haywood, a junior in biological sciences from Chicago, watched as her daughter, Mimi, danced and socialized with other children as well as adults during the celebration.

"The music reminds me of home," said Haywood. "And it's just a great way for people to get a better understanding of who we are and be around each other in a more civilized manner. The more we know about each other the more we grow as people."

In spite of the variety of foods and fast-paced sounds that motivated everyone to take the floor, Mimi was definitive in what part of the "Carnival" she most enjoyed.

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Julio Barrenzuela, a student from Springfield, dances with a partner at the Carnival Friday night at Grinnell. Julio said he's been salsa dancing since he was young.

Fisher trial date set

Carbondale landlord charged with sexual assault

Greg Cima
Daily Egyptian

Carbondale landlord Henry Fisher will go to trial May 13 for a charge of criminal predatory sexual assault of a child younger than 13.

Fisher, owner of Home Rentals and one of Carbondale's largest rental property owners, was arrested and charged in March 2001 after an investigation into a complaint to police by a minor alleging he assaulted her in January 2001 in Herrin. He declined a plea agreement in June 2001, but the terms of the agreement were not available.

The girl's mother was charged with obstruction of justice in connection with the assault complaint after she allegedly gave false information to police. She allegedly tipped Fisher off about the investigation, but told police on two occasions she did not tell him.

Fisher's lawyers initially indicated they wanted a speedy trial, but motions they filed have repeatedly pushed back the trial date.

Conversations between Fisher and the minor gained by eavesdropping devices will be among the evidence used in the trial. Witnesses include police officers, Department of Children and Family Services officials and the accuser's family members.

Fisher was previously arrested and charged with home invasion and four counts of sexual assault in 1994, when one of his tenants alleged he raped her.

The charges were dismissed after he was able to establish in court a prior relationship with the accuser.

A guilty verdict for his current charge is punishable by six to 30 years in prison.

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'Harlem Night'



ALEX HAGLUND - DAILY EGYPTIAN
 Carbondale Middle School student Shakeia Smith sings with her umbrella during 'Harlem Night' at the Carbondale Middle School on Thursday evening. The 'Harlem Night' performance was put on by students to celebrate the Harlem Renaissance and the arts produced during that period.

Carbondale schools celebrate end of Black History Month with singing, poetry, dancing

Kristina Dailing
 Daily Egyptian

Striped suits, sequined dresses, fur wraps and fitted feather hats helped to set the mood for the "Harlem Night" at Carbondale Middle School Thursday night.

The middle school along with Lakeland Early Childhood Center, Parrish, Thomas and Winkler schools put on a performance called "Harlem Renaissance" to celebrate the end of Black History Month.

The audience of about 100 people watched students recite poetry, perform songs and dance numbers that were a reflection of the arts during the Harlem Renaissance.

Yolanda Simon, a language arts and social studies teacher at Carbondale Middle School, was the district coordinator for the event. She said planning for the events of Black History Month started in October, but students began practicing in late January.

"None of the schools rehearsed together so it was the first time we could see how it would come together,"

Simons said.

She said she thought the students performed well and she was excited the audience enjoyed the event.

"We saw children show their best," Simon said. "They were timid in rehearsal but when they got out on stage it was excellent."

Crystal Fields, an 8th grader at Carbondale Middle School, said Simon asked her to be a part of the performance.

She had sung in front of an audience before and said she was not nervous about her performance of the song "You Changed."

"When I am performing I can just be myself," Fields said. "And when you get up there you feel like you really are in the Harlem Renaissance."

Connie Hicks, an 8th grader at Carbondale Middle school performed a Langston Hughes poem as part of the show. She said it was exciting to be up on stage, but she was nervous before going on stage.

"The audience was very involved and that made me relaxed," Hicks said. "And I think they really enjoyed it."

Along with the singing and poetry

presentations was a slide show that highlighted famous black poets and performers of the Harlem Renaissance period. Fields said she learned a lot about the culture of the time and she appreciated learning about the important people.

"It was really interesting to learn about the leaders and how they have made us into the people we are today," Fields said.

She said she also appreciated the time and efforts the teachers put in to help the students get ready for the event.

Elbert Simon, an audience member and the husband of the program planner said the students put in a lot of time and work. He said they wanted to put together something they thought would be an appropriate way to celebrate the end of Black History Month.

"It was fitting finale to a great month," Simon said. "I am proud to be associated with it."

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POUND

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For students who tried to sit in sections L and K, their ticket stubs were checked to verify that they did in fact have seats in the Dawg Pound. Police and Arena employees filtered students into the gated section to avoid people sneaking into the much sought-after Dawg Pound seats.

Brad Wetzel, a freshman in administration of justice from Tuscola, was in the second row of section K in the Dawg Pound. He was in line at 11 p.m. Wednesday to get his tickets for the game.

He said he and his friend were number nine and 10 in line for the tickets. He waited outside The Arena Saturday from 2:00 p.m. until the doors opened at 6:30 p.m.

"It's the biggest game of the season," Wetzel said. "Nothing compares with this, and I wouldn't miss it for the world."

Season-ticket holders of seats in sections A and U had to fight with the students to take their seats in the "extension of the Dawg Pound."

The north and south end of the Arena were crowded up to the rafters with students, standing, cheering and holding signs to encourage the players.

"Beware of the Dawgs," "SIU smokes Jays," "Bluejays, The Breakfast Champions," and "Got Korn?" were phrases written on signs that waved in the air while a life-sized inflatable doll with "Cuck Freighton" written across the chest, crowd-surfed and then disappeared as Arena security made its way into the Pound.

When SIU pulled ahead for the first time, 13 minutes in to the first half, the bleachers shook and the Arena rumbled as hundreds of SIUC students jumped and cheered for their winning Salukis.

Travis Williams, a senior in business management from Naperville, said his friend went to get them tickets at 5:30 a.m. on Wednesday.

He and his friends got to the Arena at 6:20 p.m. to try to get seats in the Dawg Pound.

"The students are the heart and spirit of the Dawg Pound," Williams said. "And we hate Creighton."

His feelings for the Blue Jays were shared by most of the student body occupying the Arena.

"Creighton sucks!" and "Korver sucks!" were shouted time and again from the mouths of hundreds of students as the teams battled on the court.

The students seized the oppor-

tunity to scream and chant "airball" at Creighton's forward Kyle Korver, when two of his shots missed the basket completely.

But as the Saluki's pulled ahead with a few minutes left in the second half, the crowd erupted with pride and excitement as the "SIU" chant intensified and swallowed all other noises in the Arena.

Police and other Arena employees moved near the Dawg Pound, knowing what was to come when SIU clenched the victory against one of its biggest rivals.

After the clock blinked 0:00 and the scoreboard displayed the final score, hundreds of students rushed the court with arms in the air, jumping, hugging and screaming in celebration of the victory.

The sea of maroon and white drained into the middle of the court as students celebrated the game that clinched SIUC the No. 1 seed in the MVC tournament and at least a share of the conference title.

"Being a part of the Dawg Pound is what being a SIU student is all about," Wetzel said. "It's what so great about SIU."

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Al-Akhras, the suicide bomber, and Levy, the victim of the bombing, lived within four miles of each other, and while they looked similar, they were anything but. Medalia said the Palestinian family, although living in the refugee camp, is better off compared to the rest of the West Bank, and also wealthier than the Levy family in Israel, she said.

Although the Palestinian family has close to a dozen children and need more space, their apartment has nice furniture and decorations. Even the couches include matching heart pillows. The Israeli family lives in an area that has a more Western influence, but their home is not as big as the Palestinian family's house.

The lifestyles of women are another distinction between the two cultures. While Palestinian women have to cover their heads and are not supposed to speak, the Israeli women do not have those restrictions. Al-Akhras, who is third-known female suicide bomber, wore Western-style clothing and

covered her head, Medalia said.

Before the interview, Medalia encouraged her mother to talk. For more than an hour during the interview, al-Akhras' mother did not speak until she became more comfortable with the situation. When she did not speak, she bowed her head and stared at the floor until she spoke again.

While Israelis consider al-Akhras to be a suicide bomber, Mazzone said Palestinians consider her to be a martyr and have pictures depicting a bold heroine.

"I think that when Ayat decided to become a martyr, to kill her self, that she didn't see herself as a woman," Mazzone said. "I think she saw herself as a political entity who had to do whatever she had to do."

Afterward, pictures of al-Akhras were posted all around the West Bank in tribute. One part of the graffiti in the refugee camp included the Jewish Star of David. Medalia said that like a lot of the graffiti, the Arab words probably said something negative about Israelis.

In contrasting the lives of the two girls, Medalia said that both families have coped with the deaths

of their daughters differently. The family of al-Akhras considers their daughter to be a hero but said people eventually will forget about her sacrifice. But Medalia said the Levy family is finding that time is making her death harder on them. They are realizing that their daughter is never going to return from the market.

Now in post-production, Medalia is editing the interviews and film of Israel and the West Bank. She said the hardest part of the post-production stage is done — spending more than 50 hours spent translating the interviews and deciding what clips to include in the film. For a 30-minute documentary on a challenging topic, Medalia has her standards set high.

She hopes to have the film ready to air by March 29 to mark the one-year anniversary of the bombing.

"I'm really attached to the whole subject," Medalia said. "The film really influenced me. My parents were really afraid that I am working with too difficult of an issue to deal with."

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Renovating Lewis



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John Robinson of Robinson Masonry works on an interior wall of Lewis School, which is currently being renovated. Robinson said the renovation should be complete by August 1. With the area having so much bad weather it has been hard for the construction crews to get work done outside.

DANGER

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Stix manager Greg Budsllick said the club doesn't need clickers to ensure that it doesn't go over its 396-person capacity, but often uses them anyway. He said that once Stix reaches capacity, bouncers let two people in as two people leave.

Hanger 9 owner Sally Carter also said she pays close attention to the bar's 225 maximum occupancy. She's been at Hangar for more than 25 years and said she relies on years of experience to know when the bar is full.

"There are some nights you may look at the Hangar and think there are 400 people in here," she said. "But 400 people wouldn't fit into the bar."

A little spark

It was a spark from a pyrotechnics display of the band Great White that burned down the Rhode Island club in a matter of minutes.

Carbondale adopted a city code in 1998 forbidding the use of combustible and flammable materials for a visual effect within city limits.

"It prohibits the use of fireworks in general, and the production visible or audible effects by explosion, combustion, deflagration or detonation," Manis said.

However, some club managers and owners were unaware of the code, though it passed more than five years ago.

Karayannis said Copper Dragon permitted bands with trained pyrotechnics personnel to use the visual effect until Copper Dragon changed insurance carriers a year ago.

"We weren't aware of the code," he said, "but the time has come and gone without any problems."

Karayannis said that when

pyrotechnics were allowed in the Copper Dragon, he still turned away many bands. He said the show had to be done professionally and safely in order for permission to be granted.

"They act as a small addition to the show," he said. "A Metallica tribute band tries to get as close as they can to the original show. And Metallica, of course, uses a lot of pyrotechnics."

Maier said he once allowed a band to use sparklers in Mugsy's Entertainment Center but would never again consider giving permission for any effect of this kind because he deems it completely unnecessary.

What if something happens?

Paull and Boyle walked into Copper Dragon Saturday night and took a seat near the door. They were unaware of the exit 20-feet behind them or of the steadily increasing crowd lining the chairs to the side — information that could come in handy.

When flames erupted in the Rhode Island Nightclub, few people used the two alternative exits, but rather retreated to the place they had entered. According to the Chicago Tribune, many patrons could not see the alternative exits because of billowing smoke.

"I'm thinking of making my acts behave as flight attendants," Maier said, "so people know where the exits are."

Tom Grant, an inspector for Building and Neighborhood Services, said public buildings are required to have a specific number of emergency exits in order to accommodate their occupancy.

Buildings with occupancy below 500 are required to have at least two double-door exits. Mugsy's Entertainment Center, which has

an occupancy of 587, has three double-door exits. Copper Dragon also has six exits.

"Copper has exits galore," Grant said. "That's what you want. You want to be anywhere in the bar and say 'OK, go find an exit.'"

Out of 10 club owners and managers surveyed, no one said they would use pepper spray or Mace to quell a situation.

"What we saw in Chicago is certainly not what you do in that situation in a bar," Budsllick said. "The closest we ever get to Mace is the people who come in here to take coverage from macings on the Strip."

Many owners said they try to stop violent situations before they start.

Maier said fights don't just break out; they slowly escalate, and it is important to take care of it before things get out of hand.

Many clubs do not have evacuation plans, but rather rely on the knowledge and training of their staff.

Struckman said bouncers man all doors at Carboz and would be able to assist patrons in exiting the bar if an evacuation became necessary for whatever reason.

"We have four doors throughout the bar, and none are kept locked," he said.

Boyle, who frequents Mugsy McGuire's, said that overall, he thinks the Carbondale establishments are safe.

"I've been in Mugsy's when it's hard to move, but it was still fine," he said.

Reporter Kristina Herndobler contributed to this story.

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 504 S. Ash #2
 504 S. Ash #3
 514 S. Ash #1
 514 S. Ash #3
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 409 S. Beveridge
 501 S. Beveridge
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 502 S. Beveridge #2

507 S. Beveridge #1
 507 S. Beveridge #2
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 515 S. Beveridge #3
 515 S. Beveridge #4
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 405 W. Cherry
 501 W. Cherry
 405 W. Cherry Court
 406 W. Cherry Court
 407 W. Cherry Court
 408 W. Cherry Court
 409 W. Cherry Court
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 400 W. Oak #2
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 505 N. Oakland
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 508 S. Ash #1
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 409 S. Beveridge
 501 S. Beveridge
 502 S. Beveridge #1
 505 S. Beveridge
 508 S. Beveridge
 405 W. Cherry
 501 W. Cherry
 300 E. College
 710 W. College
 305 Crestview
 104 S. Forest
 113 S. Forest
 120 S. Forest
 511 S. Forest
 603 S. Forest
 500 S. Hays
 503 S. Hays
 509 S. Hays
 513 S. Hays
 402 E. Hester
 406 E. Hester
 408 E. Hester
 212 W. Hospital
 614 S. Logan
 507 W. Main #1
 413 W. Monroe
 400 W. Oak #1
 506 S. Poplar #4
 507 S. Poplar (house)
 404 W. Walnut
 504 S. Washington
 600 S. Washington

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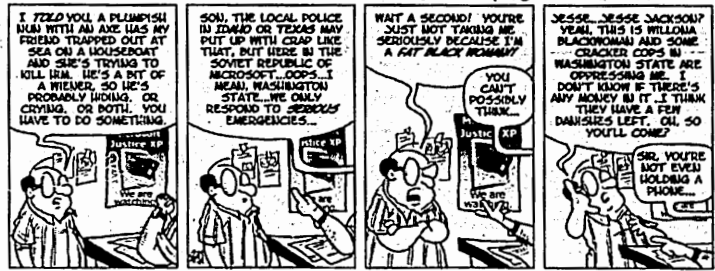
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Daily Horoscope



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Today's Birthday (March 3). Changes are under way this year, so pay attention. This isn't a good time to be passive. Stay tuned in so that you can keep everything in healthy balance. Your opinion matters, now more than ever. Don't keep it to yourself.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 5 - It's OK to be lost in thought for a while. Your friends will cover for you. You're surrounded by love.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is an 8 - You can get a lot done with the right team. Focus on the objective so that you can keep others on track. And keep control of the money. You're the most practical one.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - Life's more exciting when you're taking a risk. You won't get everything right away, but make your intentions known. You could attract a collaborator.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is an 8 - You'd probably like to stay gone for another day or two, but other work demands your attention. Don't quit until you've got next year's income set aside.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - You hate financial hassles. They shouldn't apply to you. You should be able to get whatever you want. And maybe you will, eventually, but you won't get it all today.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - Your partner nearly has everything under control. Don't drift off! You're the navigator, and your well-chosen words will keep everyone on course.

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Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is an 8 - You know some things need readjustment, but you may not be quite sure what. The key to discovery is listening. Give it all the time that it takes.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 6 - You've been free to draw castles in the air, but that doesn't work anymore. From now on, gravity had better be included in your calculations. Focus on making a crazy scheme pay.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is an 8 - Your faith is based on good reasons, and your reasoning comes from your faith. Consider the opinions of others, too. They may have something good to add.

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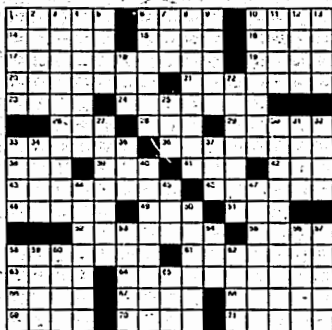
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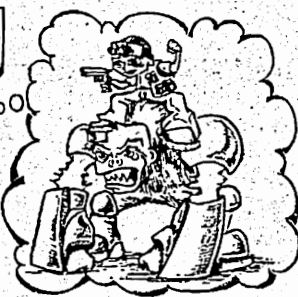
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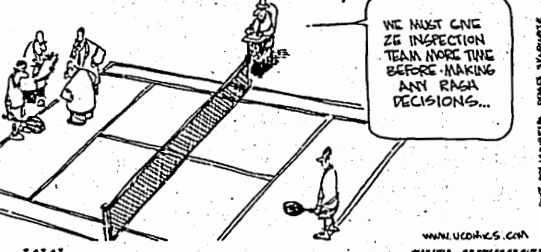


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Senior Day disappointment

Saluki women fall to Northern Iowa; MVC tournament hopes in jeopardy

Ethan Erickson
Daily Egyptian

In the final home game for Saluki seniors Molly McDowell, Hillary Phillips and Megan Miller, the SIU women's basketball team was not able to send the three out winners in a 74-69 loss to Northern Iowa Saturday.

The loss puts the team's conference tournament hopes in a very tenuous position. The Salukis must win at Southwest Missouri State and Wichita State, and Evansville and Illinois State must lose their remaining games to force a three-way tie for eighth place.

Unlike in many of SIU games this season, including Thursday's loss to Bradley, turnovers were not a problem Saturday. SIU committed only 12 — nine less than Northern Iowa.

Poor shooting doomed the Salukis (7-18, 3-13 MVC) Saturday. Despite shooting 37 percent for the game, SIU was able to cut an 11-point second-half deficit to four late in the game, but could not hit shots in the clutch.

"We just couldn't get over the hump to get the win," head coach Lori Opp said. "Northern Iowa hit some shots down the stretch when they needed to. Unfortunately, we didn't get a win to finish it out for our seniors on our home floor."

Trailing 70-66 with 40 seconds left, the Salukis couldn't find the bottom of the net. Dana Pinkston had her transition lay-up attempt blocked out of bounds. Then McDowell missed a close range shot in the

middle of Northern Iowa's towering interior defense.

A jump ball allowed SIU to keep the ball, but 6-foot forward Alex Cook sealed the Panther win by stealing a pass intended for the 5-foot-4 Pinkston with 27 seconds to play.

SIU's comeback was fueled by McDowell's 17 second-half points. The guard was determined not to let her team lose in her last home game.

But Northern Iowa's Katie Miller displayed an equally unwavering resolve. Miller, also a senior, scored seven points in two-plus minutes late in the game to help hold off the Salukis.

"Both of us were hitting," McDowell said. "That was a really good match-up. I know how competitive she is from playing against her for four years. We were just going at each other and taking it to each other."

Northern Iowa (15-10, 10-6 MVC) was led by Miller's 24 points and Cook's 22. McDowell finished with 28 points for the Salukis. Katie Bervanger scored 14 points and Dana Pinkston tallied 13.

After the game, a lengthy ceremony honoring the seniors took place. First, the three seniors and their parents were introduced, then Opp addressed the crowd.

The coach talked of her determination to turn the program around and said that if being on a losing team was the worst thing that happened to these players, then a happy life would be ahead of them.

Each player then spoke. Miller, who received the starting nod for senior day, read a poem.

Phillips thanked the crowd for its dedication.

"You guys have to be the most loyal people in the world to follow us the way you do," Phillips said.

She also spoke of the family-like bonds the team shares.



JESSICA EDMOND - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU senior guard Molly McDowell gives her parents a hug after she thanked them, her coach and teammates for a great senior year. After the Northern Iowa game Saturday, SIU honored its seniors McDowell, Hillary Phillips and Megan Miller.

"Coach Wellmaker's kind of been like a dad to me," an emotional Phillips said.

McDowell, who was the last to speak, thanked her parents, team-

mates, fans and coaches. McDowell, Phillips and Miller will try to extend their careers with wins in their final two games — Thursday at SMS, followed by a

Saturday tilt at Wichita State.

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SPORTS FLASH

SIU women's tennis records second straight victory

The SIU women's tennis team, which welcomed the sight of two additional healthy bodies, defeated Murray State in a dual match for its second-straight win.

The win improved the Salukis' record to 2-4 overall.

Tana Tapani made her way onto a court during competitive action for the first time since early Spring 2002.

She later teamed up with Jessica Knitter in No. 3 doubles to defeat MSU's duo of Cheryl Graham and Jamie Lee 8-6.

Also making a return from an injury, Zoya Honamand recorded a victory in No. 6 singles defeating Tami McQueen 6-2, 6-7.

The Salukis return to action March 10-11 to the warmer climates of Florida

to take on Florida International and Florida Atlantic. Both squads are nationally ranked.

Baseball rallies to defeat NIU 8-4

A freshman came up with a big veteran-like performance when the SIU baseball team fought back from 3-0 deficit early on to beat Northern Illinois 8-4 Saturday afternoon in Memphis, Tenn.

The hero of the game was Adam Snyder, who pitched three scoreless innings to keep the Huskies' bats at bay and picked up his first collegiate win.

The win helped improve SIU's record to 4-4.

The Dawgs will return to the diamond on Wednesday when they travel to Martin, Tenn., to battle Tennessee-Martin.

The game marks SIU's ninth straight on the road.

Saluki women disprove the numbers

Track women take second at MVCs; men snag third

Zack Creglow
Daily Egyptian

Numbers do not mean everything. Just ask the Greeks after they dominated the Italian armies in 1940, despite being greatly outnumbered. Or query the SIU women's track and field team that entered the Missouri Valley Conference Indoor Championships this past weekend with a mere 14 athletes, but was still able to give eventual champion Southwest Missouri State a mammoth scare.

Its heroics prompted it to second place. The men also displayed a strong effort in its third-place finish.

"That was just the greatest thing. We came there as the smallest team with only 14 girls and six of them are throwers, so there are just eight other girls to do the rest," said junior distance runner Noa Beitler. "We only lost by like 10 points to SMS and they have 25 girls. They had six girls in one event."

The Salukis found that a team does not need a great number of athletes when one can place first in three events — that is just what Beitler did.

Her streak of firsts began in the mile run after crossing the tape in 4 minutes and 54.18 seconds. The junior then ran away with first in the 800 with a time of 2:10.91.

The Israeli capped off a string of wins when she joined up with fellow

teammates Ty-Nica Davis, Kelly Toussaint and Marian Appiah-Kubi to edge out SMS in the 1600-meter relay in a time of 3:46.51 — more than enough for her selection as the Female Athlete of the Meet.

Beitler said she was optimistic entering the championships because she was conscious of the hard work she put into at practice, but there was still a bit of lingering doubt.

"I was confident in myself because of my shape, but you can never be 100 percent sure of how you will feel," Beitler said. "I am very pleased. I won everything I did. I didn't go into to meet thinking I was going to win. I went into thinking I will do my best."

Head coach Connie Price-Smith was satisfied with Beitler's performance but stressed the whole squad chipped in a stellar performance.

"It is not really a cherry on top. She just had a good performance," Price-Smith said. "I don't want to take anything from [Beitler], but all of our kids had a great day."

Korto Dunbar rewrote the record books with her finish of 8.46 seconds in the 60-meter hurdles to seize SIU's other first-place finish. The time shattered the MVC and SIU records.

Toussaint recorded a second place finishes in the 60-meter dash (7.57) and the 200-meter dash (25.03). Inna Turvesky placed second in the triple jump with a leap of 40-7.5, the best jump of her career. And Danielle Lavary tallied a second in the shot put with her heave of 46-8.

"I think all the kids came out and did a great job in all the events," Price-

Smith said. "It is always sweet to finish better than where people predicted you to finish. We had quality, not quantity."

The men, who were picked to finish fourth, had a strong showing, but know it was not their best. With the youth on the squad, they have some time to irritate the rest of the MVC.

"We knew we could have done much better, but that is just the start," freshman sprinter Felix Anderson said. "It is the best finish since [men's head coach Cameron Wright] has been here. So we are trying to start a new franchise. It was an exciting meet. I am only a freshman and I made finals. I know I will be back three more times."

One person who cannot give it another shot next year is Jeff Young. He smoked the competition in the 60-meter hurdles in a blazing time of 7.80 seconds, which lowers his NCAA provisional time. The title is his second in as many years.

Like Young, senior Nyles Stuart also finished his indoor career with a bang by placing first in the triple jump with a bound of 50-6.75, a personal-best distance for him.

For the team, there may have been the potential to record a higher place, but there is no fretting.

"Every so often you have that off. Just like a basketball team, there are a hundred different reasons as to why," Anderson said.

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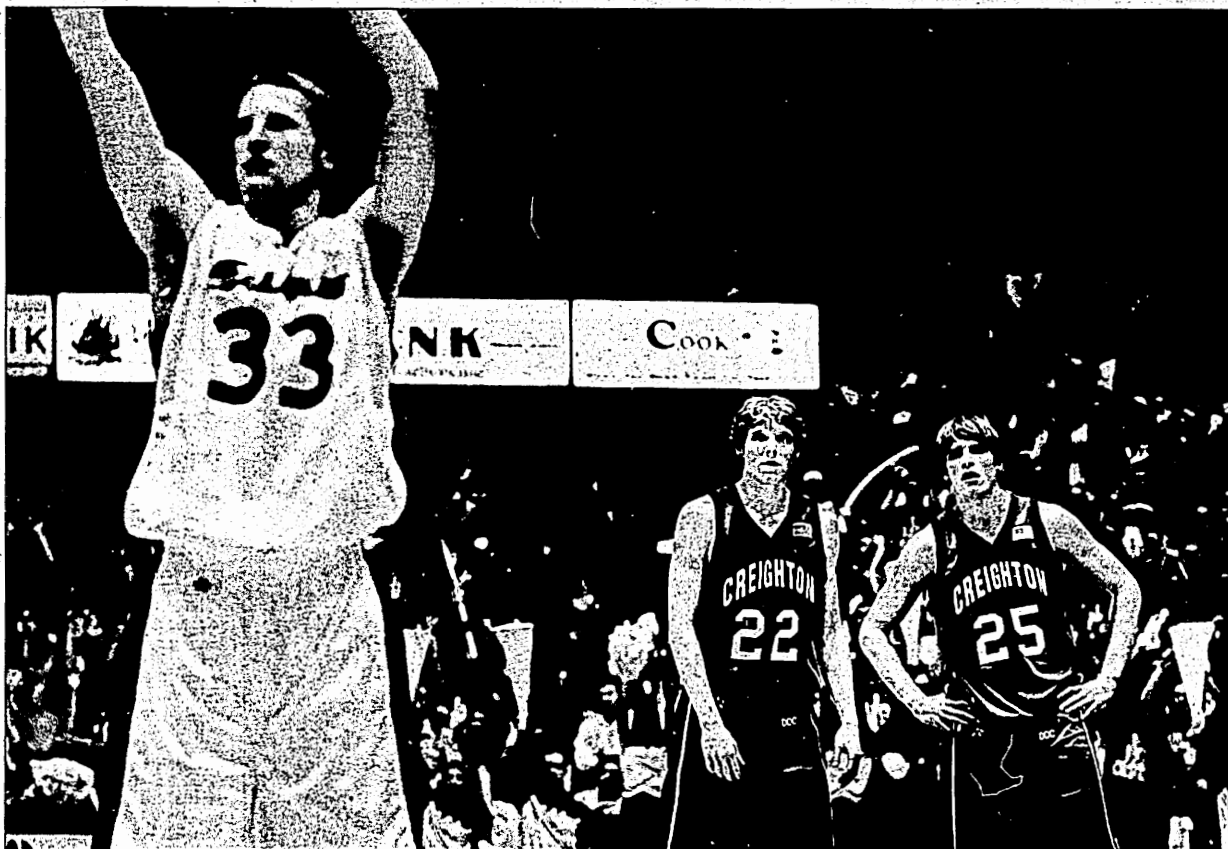
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SIU senior guard Kent Williams shoots a pair of free throws during the first half of Saturday night's game as Creighton's Kyle Korver (far right) and Michael Lindeman look on. Williams, whose free throws came after a technical foul by the Bluejays Joe Dabbert, made one of the two shots and finished with 24 points in the Dawgs' 70-62 victory.

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Saluki seniors go out with a bang

Williams, Dearman combine for 42 in final home game of careers

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Senior guard Kent Williams had the basketball and was standing just beyond the three-point line. Creighton forward Kyle Korver, who has a five-inch height advantage over Williams, was right in his face trying to make the SIU guard pass the ball.

Williams decided to keep the ball, jumped and fired a little fade away right in Korver's grill.

He swished the three-pointer to give the Salukis an 11-point lead over the No. 17 Bluejays late in Saturday night's game at the SIU Arena.

SIU held on to win 70-62 and claim at least a share of the Missouri Valley Conference regular season championship and clinched the No. 1 seed in the upcoming MVC tournament in St. Louis.

For Williams and fellow seniors Jermaine Dearman and David Carney, the victory was an ideal way to end their careers on senior night.

All three players stood with their parents at

halfcourt and were honored prior to tip-off and received standing ovations from the sellout crowd of 10,014.

Dearman said it was an emotional moment and it took a lot to keep it from overtaking him.

"I was trying to hold some feeling back, man," Dearman said. "I didn't want to get teary eyed. I'm a warrior, I can't show my soft side."

The ovation seemingly lasted the entire game as most fans never sat down and were instrumental in the Salukis winning their 27th straight home game, the third-longest streak in the nation.

SIU head coach Bruce Weber said he was proud of the way his seniors were able to go out and said it is a phenomenal feat they achieved in not losing a home game in their final two seasons in Saluki uniforms.

"You can't do anything better than that," Weber said. "For those guys it's like a fairytale, and it had a great ending."

Williams and Dearman had phenomenal final games as the combo chipped in 42 of SIU's 70 points with Williams leading both teams with 24 points.

Both shot an identical 8-of-12 from the field and Dearman also grabbed seven rebounds, while Williams dished out four assists and got three steals.

Williams said the two seniors expected nothing

different in their final home game.

"That's what people expect out of us and that's what we expected to do to end our careers here on a high note," Williams said.

Carney was also able to get into the game for the final 18 seconds and even took a shot as time expired that fell short.

While it was a night for the seniors, Williams told his teammates that this game was for a championship and that is what matters most.

"If we win this game, it's a championship," Williams said after the game between posing for photos and receiving congratulations from fans. "Championships are for everybody. They're going to honor us and do everything, but when the game starts, it's about everybody."

Now the seniors, along with the rest of the Salukis, hope to defeat Illinois State on Monday to claim the MVC regular season championship outright.

After that, their goal is to win the MVC Tournament and earn an automatic bid into the NCAA Tournament.

"It was a big game for us [Saturday]," Dearman said. "It was my senior night, it was special and we're just looking forward right now to the future."

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half.

"I told him at halftime — 'Darren, I don't care if you score another bucket,'" Weber said. "Your job is to keep him in single digits, and he almost did that."

Korver finished with 10 points on 3-of-8 shooting in one of his worst games of the season. He had one statistic to smile at — he pulled down 13 rebounds. But the rest of his game, especially his notoriously smooth shooting stroke, never surfaced at the Arena.

He missed a significant portion

of the pre-game shoot-around while trainers padded up his sore heel, but Korver did not use it as an excuse for his slow start.

"I felt my shot felt good and I didn't think I needed any more shots," Korver said after the game while speaking at a volume just above a whisper.

His eyes, which were half-open and hollow looking as he leaned against an Arena wall for post-game interviews, looked like those of a shell-shocked soldier.

Korver was unable to take a shot until 10 minutes into the game and when he finally did get one off, it was ugly. His first three-pointer was a brick and he followed it with an air

ball. He made a 15-foot jump shot before shooting another air ball.

In the second half, Korver missed two straight free throws — a rarity for a man who came into Saturday shooting more than 90 percent from the line.

He said the 10,014 people in the SIU Arena, who booed him or chanted airball every time he touched the ball and chanted unprintable obscenities at him, had nothing to do with his poor performance.

"I've played in a lot of ballgames and everywhere I go I hear that I suck," Korver said. "That's just kind of the way it goes. I don't really pay much attention to it."

SIU can claim the MVC title outright with a victory over Illinois State tonight (6 p.m. Fox Sports Net). The Salukis can then focus their attention on a rematch with Creighton at this weekend's conference tournament.

"We've got kind of a great rivalry forming," Creighton forward Michael Lindeman said. "Two years in a row we've had four good games in the regular season. The tournament was good last year and hopefully we can get [to the championship game] again."

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boy would air ball two shots and miss two free throws in a row if he was at the Civic Center in Omaha, Neb., as opposed to the arena, which often sounded as if someone has parked a 747 at mid-court.

Darren Brooks and his application of a straitjacket to Korver had something to do with it as well, but the arena's intensity helped and you should be proud.

Also impressive was how the refs mysteriously decided to assess a flagrant foul to Michael Lindeman after he brushed against Kent Williams, sealing the win for SIU.

In a performance that could challenge Jack Nicholson for best actor at this year's Oscars, Williams made Lindeman's tap look like a hip-check and went crashing into the boards.

Naturally, the crowd instantly stood up and shouted with murderous rage because someone dared to smack Kent to the floor, and the referees acted accordingly.

The call gave SIU two shots and the ball and if not for the over-reaction of the crowd, Creighton would have had a chance at staying in the game.

Saturday's performance showed the power of "the sixth man," and I will never forget the insanity — or the rubber woman.

I shall now leave you with a limerick I wrote in honor of Korver's collapse Saturday:

*There once was a man named Kyle,
Who never played ball with a smile.*

*The man with a face like a boy
Came to southern Illinois,
But his jump shot was dead on arrival.*

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His views do not necessarily
those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*

Dawgs smoke Jays

SIU upsets No. 17 Creighton; clinches share of Valley title

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

Senior David Carney launched a nonchalant three-point shot with one second to go, and by the time it bounced off the rim and hit the ground, the Salukis had clinched a share of the Missouri Valley Conference championship and Carney was engulfed by a stampede of screaming SIU fans.

The Dawg Pound, the majority of whom wore "I H8 Cr8on" T-shirts, rushed the court for the second straight week following SIU's 70-62 victory over Creighton Saturday at the SIU Arena. The victory put the Dawgs one game ahead of Creighton with a single conference game remaining.

"We got a piece of the championship. I don't think anyone would have bet on us back in December if they would have saw us in St. Louis," said SIU head coach Bruce Weber, who was soled in the remnants of the team's cooler following his 100th victory at SIU.

The win brings SIU (21-5, 15-2 MVC) another step closer to securing an at-large bid in the NCAA tournament should it falter this weekend at the conference tournament. The Salukis' Ratings

Percentage Index dropped to 38 after defeating the 17th-ranked Bluejays (25-4, 14-3 MVC) — their highest ranked opponent since thrashing No. 11 Villanova in 1988.

Senior guard Kent Williams, who was honored before the game along with fellow seniors Jermaine Dearman and Carney, could not stop smiling following his performance.

"Getting a second straight championship feels great, and to do it in front of these fans and to get it the way we did tonight in beating one of the best teams in the country, that's unbelievable right now," Williams said.

Williams led the Saluki attack, scoring 24 points and hitting four of his six three-point attempts. Dearman scored 18 and Sylvester Willis scored 10 points for the first time since December against Murray State.

But SIU's MVP may have been sophomore Darren Brooks, who managed to keep Creighton's Player of the Year candidate, Kyle Korver, in check for most of the night.

Brooks was disappointed with the way he covered Korver last January in Omaha and felt he let up after halftime, allowing Korver's second half three-point binge. So, after Korver left the floor at halftime with only two points, Weber made sure to let Brooks know he expected the same in the second

Gus Bode



Gus says: Korver who?



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Creighton forward Kyle Korver drives to the hoop against SIU's Darren Brooks late in the second half of the Salukis' 70-62 upset over the No. 17 Bluejays that helped them clinch a share of the league title. Brooks harassed Korver all game long and held the All-America candidate to just 10 points.

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Salukis still have to win tonight at Illinois State to clinch title outright

Jens Deju
Daily Egyptian

Illinois State is all that stands between the SIU men's basketball team and sole possession of the Missouri Valley Conference regular season title.

With a win Monday night in Normal, the Salukis win the championship.

If they lose and Creighton beats Wichita State in Omaha, Neb., the two teams will share the title.

Last season, the Bluejays went into a game against Drake needing a victory to real the MVC crown outright. Creighton lost that game giving SIU a share.

That is something the Salukis have not forgotten.

"We're not trying to look ahead too far. We don't have the title outright yet," said senior forward Jermaine Dearman. "They play really well at home

and we can't get too far ahead of ourselves, but we're just going to try to come out and leave it on the floor once again and not take them lightly."

While it has been a tough year for the Redbirds, they have rebounded from a 1-15 start to win six of their last 10 games. Illinois State (7-19, 5-12 MVC) has also won four of their last five games at Rebird Arena and is fresh off an 80-50 shellacking of Indiana State Saturday in Terre Haute, Ind.

SIU head coach Bruce Weber said it is going to be tough to bounce back from all the emotions of defeating No. 17 Creighton 70-62 Saturday night and face Illinois State on just one day of rest.

"They're going to have to have great maturity coming back, getting on the bus [Sunday] at noon and see if we can get ready for Illinois State," Weber said.

The Salukis did not follow the tradition of cutting

down the nets after defeating the Bluejays because Weber said the nets the Salukis really want are in St. Louis, the site of the MVC Championships.

His players know that, although they have clinched the No. 1 seed for the tournament, they are not the regular season champions just yet and they need to beat Illinois State to earn that distinction.

"We've got to remember this is still for the championship," said senior guard Kent Williams. "Creighton's going to go home and they're going to win. There's no doubt about it, they're going home to win."

"We want to win this one by ourselves, we don't want to share this at all."

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COMMENTARY



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The sixth man at its best

There were 16 minutes left in the game — right after a Kent Williams three-pointer.

I don't know why I wrote it in my game notes. It did not cause any momentum shifts and had no effect on the game. It did not seem to affect Kyle Korver, though one would think it would considering his upbringing.

But I wrote it down just the same.

There's just something that sticks out (no pun intended) about a rubber woman getting whacked around the Dawg Pound like a beach ball. When I saw it, I could not help laughing.

Yes, it's tasteless. It has no part in a college basketball game, especially when children are present. If it appeared on TV, though I don't think it did, it's a black eye and an embarrassment to the University.

I probably should not have laughed, especially on press row where we were under strict orders not to cheer, yell or hit Kyle Korver's knees with metal batons.

But one important fact cannot be overlooked — it was hilarious.

Something conspicuous and out of place is almost always funny, and I must admit I have never seen a sex toy at a sporting event.

I quickly gained my composure, sat back and chuckled in reluctant admiration for the creator of this unusual stunt. The rubber woman, provided by some Bud Bundy disciple near the back of the student section, epitomized a day of unbridled insanity at the Arena.

The energy was incredible, and SIU students and fans should take a bow for Saturday night. If not for the aura of unity and hatred toward Korver and the Bluejays, the Salukis would be sitting in second place right now.

Korver will never admit it, but the hoards inside the Arena affected him. I seriously doubted the beach

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