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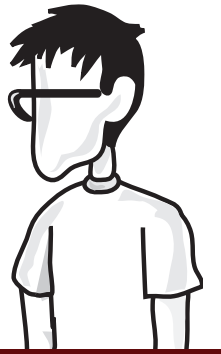
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Emotional skirmish follows 'not guilty' plea in cold case

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A woman was arrested Friday outside Jackson County Courthouse after she reportedly struck a security guard during an emotional scuffle between the friends and family of Falon C. Taylor, a 21-year-old Marion woman killed in 2007, and those of the man charged with her murder.

The incident occurred after Elijah S. Lacy, 24, of Carbondale, waived his

preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty to first-degree murder in court Friday. Taylor's and Lacy's families and friends filled every seat in the courtroom and some stood along the wall. Some who knew Taylor wore T-shirts that said "Got 'em," and one woman had "Falon" tattooed on her right arm.

After exiting the second-floor courtroom, members of Taylor's family pointed at Lacy's relatives on the floor below and began to shout at them. The Taylors ran down a nearby

staircase and the two families began shouting at each other in the courthouse lobby. Security guards then escorted them out of the building.

The scuffle continued outside, where the families continued shouting profanities at one another.

"My sister got killed!" one man shouted at the group from the top of the courthouse steps.

Deputies arrested one woman, Jalisa Gaston, 17, after she reportedly struck a courthouse security guard who was trying to separate the two

families. She has been charged with mob action and aggravated assault, Sgt. Dave Nichols said in a news release.

While officers escorted Lacy's family away from the scene, roughly five people who appeared to be Taylor sympathizers ran to the county jail — one block south of the courthouse — and continued shouting and fighting among themselves.

Murphysboro Police officers, deputies from the Jackson County Sheriff's office and an Illinois State

Police trooper grouped their vehicles to form a blockade outside of the jail's booking office.

"They can't catch the murderers for two years, but they can take us right to jail!" one demonstrator yelled.

Taylor was found shot in the head in the bedroom of a Carbondale home in January 2007. An investigation led by the Carbondale Police Department for more than two years resulted in Lacy's arrest. Police have said they believe their investigation could lead to further arrests.

Fraternity assists Chicago-style popcorn shop in Carbondale

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Within the six months of Jazzy Pops' opening, owner Natalie Hill said she has become a second mother to the Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity brothers.

When Hill told the brothers business was not going well for the new Chicago-style popcorn shop on South Illinois Avenue, they took it upon themselves to create a business plan.

"We're here to help the community," said Edward Obidi, president of the fraternity. "That's our objective."

The first step of the business plan was an open house Friday. Justin Johnson, a senior from O'Fallon studying business marketing, said the fraternity organized and advertised the event on campus, as well as Facebook, to raise the community's awareness of the store's existence. Customers were treated to free samples of Hill's various popcorn flavors, such as cheddar, green apple and vanilla.



Natalie Hill, the owner of Jazzy Pops, refills a sample cup of vanilla popcorn Friday. The Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity held an open house to help promote the store.

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University looks out of state to stem enrollment slump

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It will take some time to see if the university profits from offering the in-state tuition rate to students from Indiana, Missouri, Kentucky, Tennessee and Arkansas, administrators say.

University officials announced in February that they would offer Arkansas and Tennessee students a tuition rate equal to the one for in-state students. The decision followed one last year to offer the same rate for students in Indiana, Missouri and Kentucky.

Out-of-state tuition costs \$10,137.80 per semester. Beginning in the fall, students from the included states will pay roughly half that.

In order for the university to profit from the change, more than 400 students need to participate, said Victoria Valle, assistant vice chancellor of enrollment management. According to the 2008-

2009 factbook, 670 students were enrolled in fall 2008 from the five states affected.

As the university's enrollment continues to slump and its state funding remains precarious, the lower rates are part of ongoing efforts to bring more students — and more money — to SIUC.

"There are a lot of people who would want to come here (from out-of-state) but for the fact that our tuition is much higher than what's available to them," Valle said.

The university's enrollment peaked in 1991 with 24,869 students. Fewer than 21,000 enrolled in fall 2008, according to university records.

Valle said the program was necessary for not only the university, but for the state of Illinois as well. When students leave Illinois for college elsewhere, they often do not return, Valle said.

"That is essentially a brain drain and an economic drain on the state. The more educated people that you have in the state, the better your

economy's going to be," Valle said.

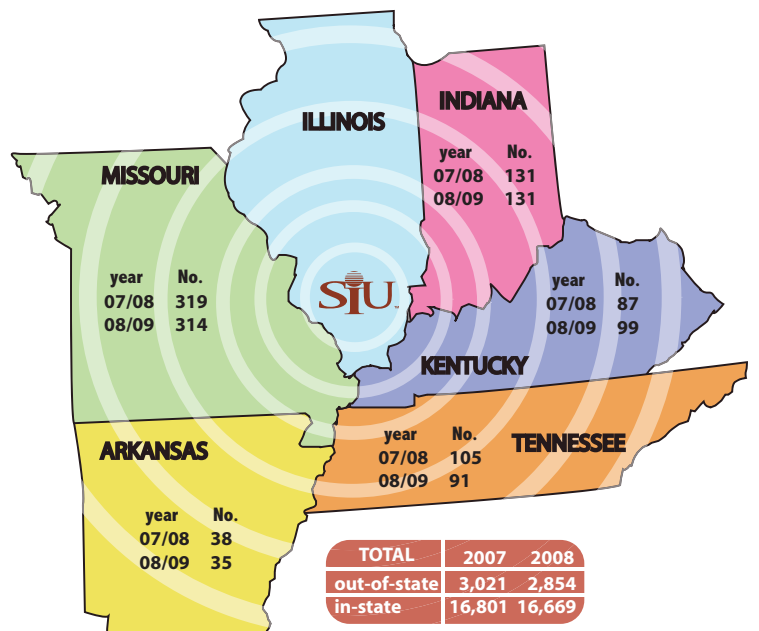
Larry Schilling, the director of institutional research, said it is too early to tell if the program would have a positive effect on the university's enrollment crisis.

"We won't see that impact for a while. The soonest we would see (it) would be next fall, and we won't count the students for next fall until ... sometime in early September," Schilling said.

Valle said she has no idea how many students would take advantage of the school's offer, but said administrators have already seen a growth in the number of applications from those areas. She said the enrollment growth would probably not be noticeable until fall 2010.

Pam Mahoney, a guidance counselor at Webster Groves High School in St. Louis, said it would be difficult to know if the program would affect high school students' choices.

Number of students enrolled by state



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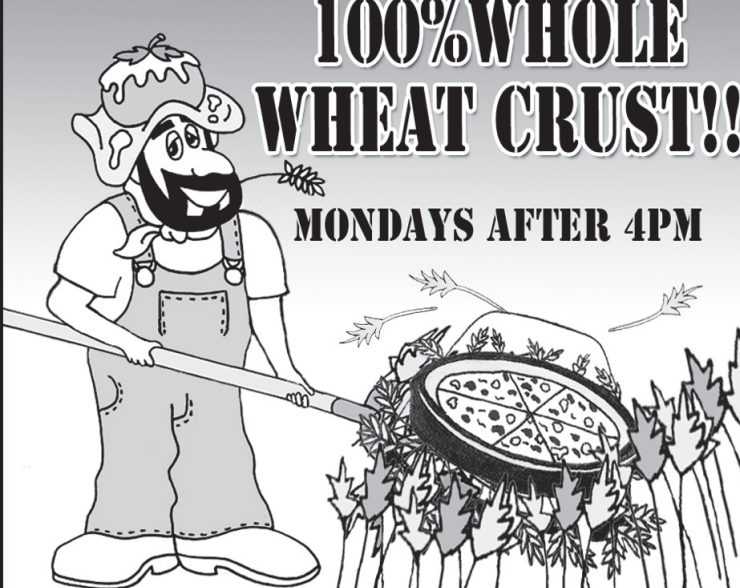
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"We liked it so much and she's been so nice to us," said Donnell Johnson, a senior from East St. Louis studying business management. "We had to do something."

Hill said construction delayed the shop's grand opening five months and the winter weather lessened foot traffic she counted on to bring customers. With the fraternity's help and spring on the way, business

should pick up, she said.

Hill, or "Ma" as the students call her, said she attended school in Herrin and always wanted to come back to southern Illinois. She said she spent 20 years supervising maximum-security prisoners at Cook County Jail in Chicago.

Hill said finding a job when she came back to southern Illinois was a challenge. Instead, she decided to open a business that would be unique to Carbondale, but familiar

to students from Chicago, she said.

Hill said customers from the Windy City say the store reminds them of home because the popcorn flavors are similar to Garrett Popcorn Shops in Chicago.

"But it's better," she said. Johnson said the fraternity plans to feature Jazzy Pops at the Kappa Carnival this spring. He said nearly 5,000 people from across the state attend the event, which makes it a good advertising opportunity.

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"There's never an answer set in stone because there's just so many variables that influence decisions from year to year, and obviously this is going to be a very different year from what these people experience," Mahoney said.

Some universities in neighboring states already offer rates discounted rates to students from Illinois.

According to Murray State University's Web site, the school offers a reimbursement of the students' out-of-state tuition once they prove residency in Illinois, Indiana, Missouri or Tennessee.

The University of Southern Indiana also offers a significant drop in out-of-state tuition for students from Kentucky or Illinois.

Those students from Arkansas, Tennessee, Indiana, Kentucky and Missouri who are already enrolled

should not see a change in tuition rates, Valle said.

"They're already here. They can establish residency. They can get a driver's license," Valle said. "It doesn't take much in this state to establish residency."

Midwest universities are not the only ones to reach across borders.

A Jan. 12 article in the USA Today identifies other universities such as Penn State and Minot State University as following the same trend.

Calendar

Lewis School Parent Involvement Policy Meeting
• 5:30 p.m. today at Lewis School
• Review of proposed parent involvement policy question and answer session
• All parents are invited to attend

MANRRS Information and Relay-4-Life Coin Drive
• 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. today at the Faner Breezeway
• Table will be set up with information about the RSO, the events occurring this week and a coin drive to raise money for Relay-4-Life

Cell Phone Vigil for Fallen Students
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• Students, faculty, staff and others welcome to celebrate the lives of students who have died while attending SIUC
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Corrections

In the Friday edition of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, Daniel Kolb's "Saluki Banter" answer should have said: "I'm going with Albert Haynesworth, because when he is playing at a high level he creates havoc at the middle of the line. He can't be contained one on one and really takes away the run for a lot of teams. If he's paired with another good DT, his presence becomes even more amplified. He's young and a quality free agent that doesn't come around too often." The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets this error.

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City Council candidate Kevin Clark focuses on housing, economy

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Editor's note: The following is the first in an ongoing series of stories profiling the seven candidates for City Council. The candidates are vying for three seats, which will be up for election April 7.

Even without a seat on the City Council, Kevin Clark has worked to draw community attention, one individual at a time, to issues that threaten Carbondale's economy and housing safety.

City Council candidate Kevin Clark is a member of the Carbondale Historic Preservation Commission, CarbondaleMainStreet, and involved in the Carbondale Homeownership Project and the Abundant Health Resource Clinic.

"I'm about getting things done and I have a track record of doing so," Clark said. "I'm not one who needs to be in a filtered situation. Let's sit down with the gloves off and talk about the issues."

Clark has based his platform on housing, economic development and communication. His most recent effort, a three-hour meet-and-greet at Longbranch Coffeehouse on Friday, saw low turnout, but an enthusiastic response from the small crowd.

Elaine Ramseyer, general manager at Longbranch, said Clark's involvement with the homeownership project, which helps low-income families own their own homes, exhibited his ability to put together and

execute a plan. She said skills like his could not be taught.

Clark has passed out fliers in person at businesses and on pizza boxes, encouraging voters to attend his community meetings or contact him at the cell phone number or e-mail address published on those fliers.

"I believe in a very open approach to doing business," Clark said. "I like to sit down and have a conversation. People in power like to say, 'You can come to me,' but I'd rather go to them."

Suzi Mills, owner of Art Lovers Trading Company in Carbondale, said she searched for the city's goals or a mission statement before she moved her business to Carbondale, but was disappointed by what she said was a disinterest in small business owners.

Michael Burrows, Clark's campaign manager, said Clark is doing the work of an incumbent without the title. Burrows said Clark has proven his abilities and put forth much-needed work to improve Carbondale.

Clark said he spent the last eight years assisting with local politics by passing out flyers, putting up yard signs and hosting community events.

Clark has a bachelor's in biology and a master's in health education and business administration. He is a graduate student from Connecticut studying public health.

"I'm bringing to the council a unique balance between social service and business," Clark said. "I'm pas-



BRANDON CHAPPLE | DAILY EGYPTIAN
Beverly Love, left, a professor of radio-television at SIUC, listens as Carbondale City Council candidate Kevin Clark talks with Carbondale resident Christina Smith Saturday afternoon at Longbranch Coffeehouse. Clark held an open meeting in the restaurant's back room and said his job was to listen to the problems of the community.

sionate about people who are trying to do more with less."

He said he hopes to give business owners and citizens confidence their concerns are heard and addressed, not just pushed aside.

"A lot of people have good ideas here in town, but they don't feel like

they can share them," Clark said. "I hear it all the time and I say, 'Well, let me see what I can do to help you meet your goal.'"

Clark attends neighborhood, community and university meetings, such as Undergraduate Student Government, to familiarize himself

with the community's need and has signed up to run bingo night in one of the local elderly communities, he said.

Ramseyer said Clark is a true public servant.

"(Senator) Paul Simon is dead," Ramseyer said. "Now we have Kevin."

Clark is executive director and co-founder of Community Electronics Technology Interface, a group that refurbishes computers to donate to the senior citizens who have family in Iraq and low-income families, he said.



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Some nonprofits can't access their money

Martha Waggoner
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RALEIGH, N.C. — The North Carolina Symphony has all the money it needs. But in this economy, the orchestra isn't allowed to touch it.

The value of its endowment stands at nearly \$6.9 million, a fund the symphony planned to tap this year to help pay its musicians and put on concerts. But because of the slump on Wall Street, the endowment is worth less than the original donations that created it. That means, under North Carolina law, that the money is off limits.

It's a frustrating quandary for universities, orchestras and other nonprofit organizations in two dozen states. They have the money they need to save jobs, offer scholarships and put on a solid schedule of programs, but face state laws that keep them from using any of it.

"I don't imagine the donors anticipated a situation where the market would fall so dramatically that the money would be held hostage and unable to support

the symphony at all," said David Chambless Worters, the symphony's chief executive.

Rules governing how nonprofits in North Carolina and 23 other states use their endowments date to the 1970s, when most states adopted a uniform law that prohibits withdrawing money from endowments that fall below their "historic dollar value" — the money given to create the endowment, plus any later gifts.

The law is designed to protect endowments by preventing institutions from dipping into the principal. An endowment is supposed to be a perpetual source of revenue, with institutions drawing off only the earnings.

The rule affects newer funds most severely, since they have had less time to invest a gift and build the endowment's value.

Neither the National Council of Nonprofits nor the Council on Foundations, both based in Washington, keeps track of how many of its members are struggling with endowments that are now underwater.

But "anecdotally, it is a seri-

ous problem. And if the current financial downturn continues, the problem will only get worse," said Harvey Dale, director of the National Center on Philanthropy and the Law at New York University.

The North Carolina Symphony started 2008 with an endowment of \$9.3 million, well above its historic dollar value of \$7.25 million and enough to allow for a planned withdrawal of \$600,000. But with the endowment now underwater, the orchestra is looking for new ways to make money to cover the gap, including scheduling four June performances with the visiting Bolshoi Ballet that should bring in \$100,000.

Among the hardest hit are colleges and universities. In the University of North Carolina system, where as many as 70 percent of the endowments at one campus are underwater, some of the system's 16 schools are going back to donors and asking them for one-time donations to pay for what would normally be covered by the endowment.

Falling oil prices stymie Iraq's security spending

Chelsea J. Carter
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Falling oil prices will force Iraq to cut back on military spending, leaving questions about whether it can handle tasks such as protecting oil platforms in the Gulf once the American pullout is complete, a top U.S. commander said.

Iraq's leaders now have to decide where the cuts will be deepest.

"It's a matter of capability and how much risk they are willing to take to spread that capability out ... because the money is so tight," Lt. Gen. Frank Helmick, commander of Multi-National Security Transition Command, said Saturday.

Iraq's security plans for this year have been dragged down along with the price of oil, which is now about \$45 a barrel after hitting highs last summer of \$150 a barrel.

Iraq's government has been forced twice to cut planned spending.

And the cuts may go even deeper. Iraq's parliament delayed a vote over the weekend on the \$64 billion budget with some lawmakers saying the cuts didn't go far enough.

"There are many, many hard decisions that the minister of defense will have to make with the prime minister about what to spend their money on," Helmick said.

The clock is ticking. U.S. forces must be out of Iraqi cities by the end of June and combat operations will end in August 2010 under the timetable announced Friday by President Barack Obama.

To counter the blow of falling oil prices, Iraq's oil minister, Hussain al-Shahristani, said Sunday that state oil planners need wider powers to make deals with foreign companies to boost production. Al-Shahristani said the government is working on reviving the Iraqi National Oil Co. and establishing an oil and gas council to oversee investments and planning.

UNITED STATES

Mideast, Europe up next for Clinton; assessing peace prospects

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton is using her second overseas trip to assess Mideast peace prospects, reconnect with European allies and remind her Russian counterpart that U.S. efforts to rebuild relations with Moscow have their limits.

Clinton, who departed Saturday, kicks off the weeklong tour by attending an international conference in Egypt. On Monday she is expected to announce a U.S. pledge of up to \$900 million in humanitarian aid for rebuilding of the war-shaken Gaza Strip.

UNITED STATES

Ties to Blagojevich make Sen. Burris a lonely figure

WASHINGTON (AP) — If it were up to Roland Burris, he'd be here to stay.

A week of lonely walks, calls for his resignation and cameras following his every move didn't seem to affect the new senator from Illinois. The opposite, actually: Burris spent most of his time digging in.

"He's kept a busy schedule since arriving in Washington, and he's made a point of really going about the business of the Senate," said Burris' spokesman, Jim O'Connor.

BELGIUM

Hungarian leader warns of new economic 'Iron Curtain'

BRUSSELS (AP) — Hungary's prime minister warned of a new economic "Iron Curtain" being drawn unless leaders at Sunday's European Union summit acted to protect the bloc's weakest members from drowning in the global economic crisis.

Prime Minister Ferenc Gyurcsany said the credit crunch is hitting poorer, eastern member states the hardest. The Hungarian leader called for a special EU fund of up to \$241 billion to help restore trust and solvency in eastern EU members' financial markets.

ISREAL

Olmert threatens Israeli response as Palestinian rocket fire persists

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's prime minister threatened "uncompromising" retaliation against Gaza militants Sunday as Palestinian rocket fire persists six weeks after Israeli forces halted an offensive meant to end the attacks.

Ehud Olmert met with his Cabinet to decide how to respond now that it appears clear that the goal of ending the rocket fire from the Gaza Strip was not achieved.

The military says Palestinians have launched over 110 rockets and mortar shells at Israel since the offensive ended Jan. 18.

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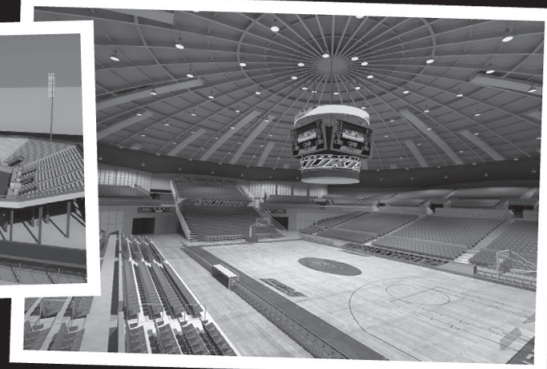
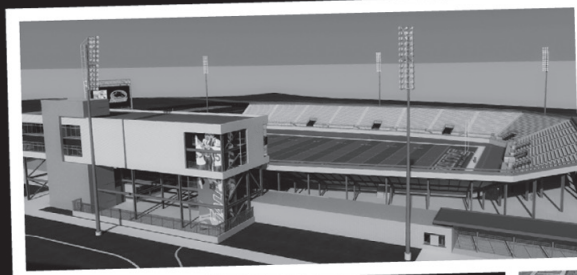
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Wide range of participants attend triathlon

Twelfth annual event brings out record number of competitors

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From 8-year-olds to 83-year-olds, participants in the "Rec your body" triathlon included people from all different backgrounds.

The triathlon, held Saturday at the Recreation Center, began with a 10-minute swim, followed by a 20-minute ride on a stationary bike and concluded with a 15-minute run.

Cay Gerlock, coordinator of the event, said it was great to see so many people at the event.

"It's really a one-size-fits-all race," Gerlock said. "Everyone can go at their own ability level. It makes it really nice for people wanting to get into triathlons."

Don Jones, an 83-year-old retired coal miner from Mt. Vernon, said this was his third consecutive triathlon.

Jones said he enjoys being able to compete in the event at his age.

"I get a kick out of it," Jones said. "I suffer for it the next day, but I really enjoy doing it. I think this is a fine program and activity to take part in. It's a neat thing, it really is."

While Jackie Gomes didn't participate in the triathlon, she said she enjoyed watching three of her children compete.

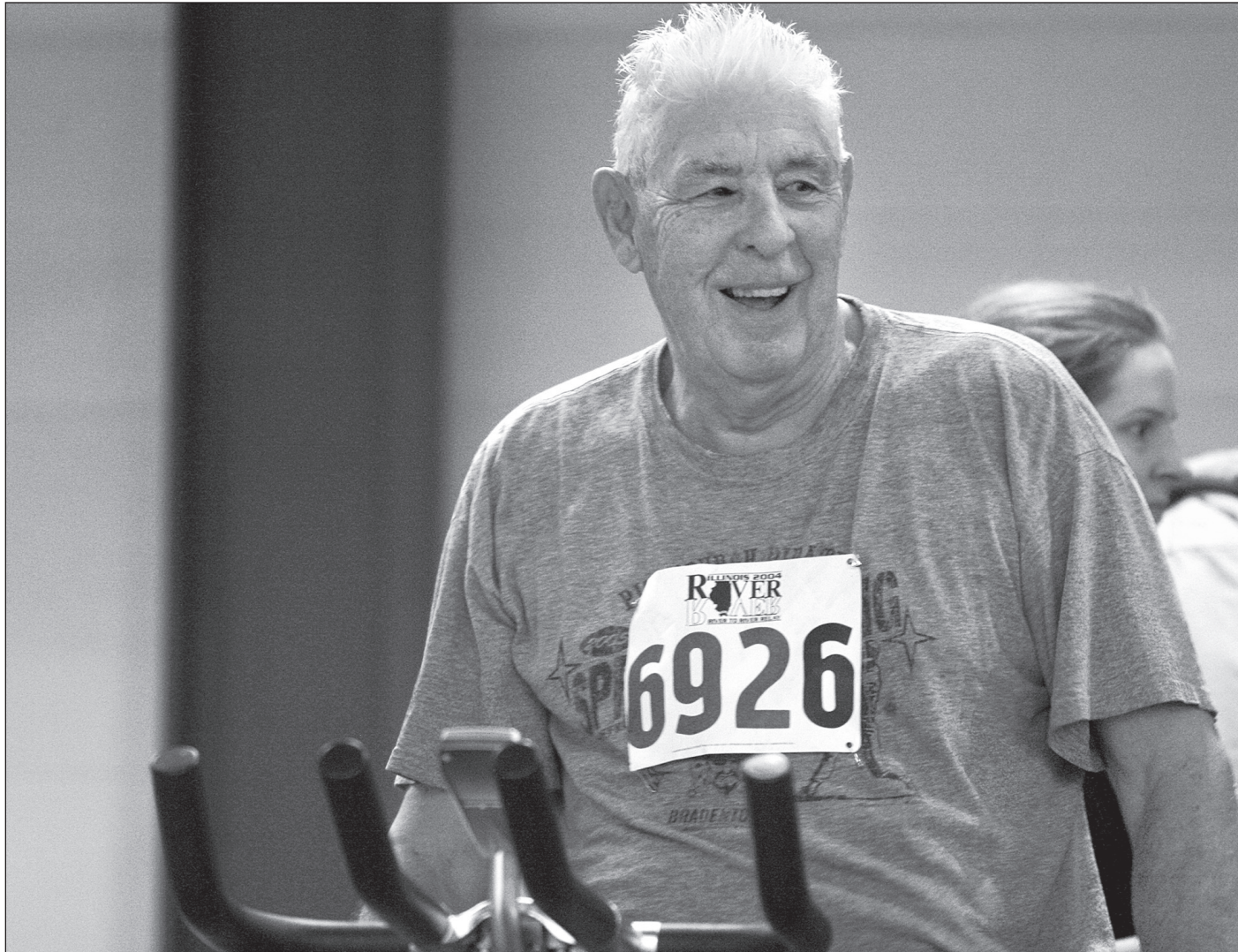
Gomes, a physical therapist from Du Quoin, watched as her children, Grace, 12, Caleb, 11, and Rachel, 8, competed in the event for the second consecutive year.

"It's really important because it works a lot on their discipline," Gomes said. "Especially with them waking up early on a Saturday morning. They all woke up excited and had everything ready to go."

Caleb Gomes said he enjoyed competing in the triathlon, despite how difficult it was.

"It was a little tiring, but it was good," he said. "I like swimming a lot and we compete in swimming during the winter and summer."

Derek Allen, a sophomore from Lake Zurich studying biology, said he enjoyed competing in the triathlon because he has not been involved in



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Don Jones, an 83-year-old retired coal miner from Mt. Vernon, smiles at the triathlon competitor riding the stationary bike next to him during the halfway point of the bicycle portion of Saturday's "Rec Your Body" triathlon. The triathlon included 10 minutes of swimming, 20 minutes of biking and 15 minutes of running. The winners were determined by distance achieved in the allotted time.

many activities since coming to SIUC.

Allen said he played tennis and ran cross country in high school, but has not been as involved in college.

"I go to the Rec every once in a while, but it would be good to start back up again," Allen said.

Allen said he would probably come back

for next year's event.

Herman Louw, an assistant swimming coach at Drake and former SIUC swimmer from 2000-01, won the men's event, accumulating 2,883.03 total points. Louw also broke the record in the swimming portion of the triathlon, swimming 38 laps in 10 minutes.

In the women's division, Lisa Jaquez, a junior

from Loyalton, Calif. studying community health education and a member of SIUC's swim team last year, said winning the event came as a shock.

"I expected to do well in the swim portion, but I really didn't hold much of an advantage in the biking or running portion of the event," Jaquez said. "It came as a surprise."

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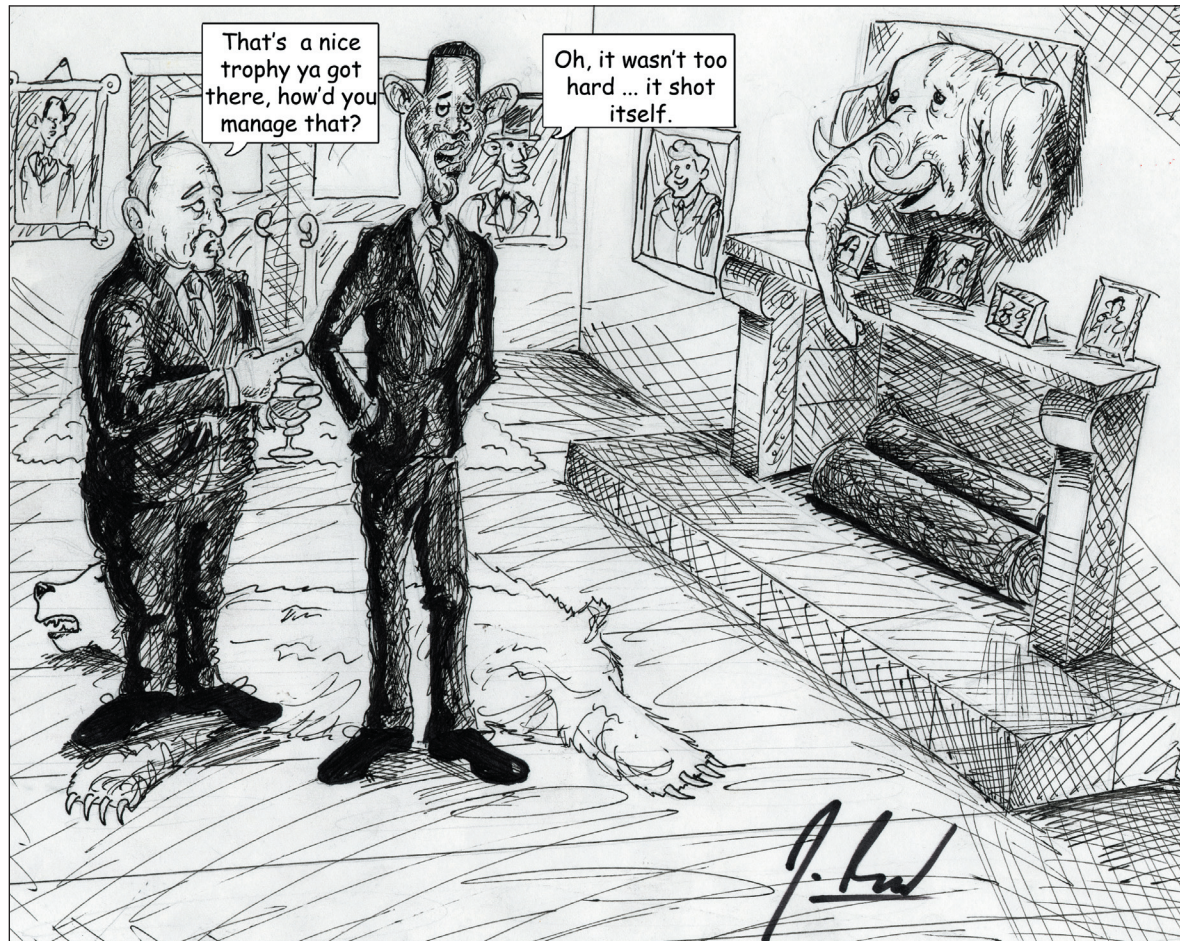
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

College: the new high school

DEAR EDITOR:

In response to the article published Thursday, "Students may expect higher grades for less effort, study finds," I have a few thoughts.

I graduated from high school in 1993. At that time, my teachers and parents had one phrase on their lips at all times, "A college education today is what a high school education was 20 years ago." The argument hasn't changed. You must get a college education to procure a respectable spot in this society. To many students it sounded like a warning. To me it sounded like a sales pitch.

A four-year degree in a public school in Illinois at that time cost about \$20,000; it has just about doubled. Enrollment increases, tuition increases, revenues increase and universities are still broke as a result of less federal funding. And these crazy students treat it like high school. What did they expect?

Tell people for 30 years that college is the new high school, and then attack the students for treating it thus.

If everyone has to go to college to get a decent job, then you have to dumb it down a bit. It has to be more like high school. So B is the new C, A the new B, and what then is an A?

What is the standard of excellence? It's in graduate school (the new college).

Universities can't have it both ways. You can't sell a product effectively for years to everyone and remain exclusive. It just doesn't work that way. I love that the blame always lies on the students. Universities did this to themselves. Now they want to go back. They can't. They lost their funding. Sorry universities, you made yourselves the new high school. Now live with it.

Ed Ingram

junior studying English

Cut pay instead of jobs

DEAR EDITOR:

I read the letter to the editor written by Carolyn Donow, and would take this matter a bit further.

I suggest that all administrative employees immediately take a 10 percent pay cut to help save jobs. Additionally, automobile usage, free gasoline for these automobiles, as well as other perks, should be stopped.

Perhaps these incentives would help keep people working.

Patricia Broemmel

Carbondale resident

FEAR AND LOATHING IN CARBONDALE

It's Manny being Manny

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Thumbs Down to the pending legislation in Illinois that would allow guns on campus. Are you kidding? The solution to tragedies like the shootings at Virginia Tech and Northern Illinois University is to allow people to carry concealed weapons on campus? I've never understood how we would be better off if more people had guns. Can anyone actually say they would feel safe in Carbondale with all the idiots in town running around with guns? I know that's exactly what I don't want, a vigilante-style shootout on campus. We aren't living in the Old West anymore, but sometimes I think there are people

out there who think we still do.

Thumbs Up to linebacker Bart Scott and running back Brandon Jacobs on their new NFL Contracts. The former Salukis both cashed in when the NFL free agency period began as Scott signed with the New York Jets for five years and \$40 million and Jacobs resigned with his old team, the New York Giants, for four years and \$25 million. It's weird to think I sat next to Jacobs in sociology my first year in Carbondale, and now he's a multimillionaire and plays with the big boys on Sunday. If I were soliciting funds for Saluki Way, I know two people who would be at the top of my list.

Thumbs Down to some students' expectations of getting higher grades for the least amount of effort. For whatever reason, students have this sense that they should be rewarded for putting in a minimal effort. I love students who show up

to class only on test days. It's even better when said students do poorly, argue about their grade and blame the professor for their troubles. You have to go to class and you have to do more. Tennessee women's basketball coach Pat Summit instills success in her players on the court and in the classroom. Her expectations of her players are that they go to class, sit in the front row, pay attention, ask questions and do their work. They will go to office hours. When student's put in effort, they deserve higher grades. Maybe we should hire coach Summit to whip all these lazy students into shape academically and learn some new moves in the post.

Thumbs Up to spring break next week. I think everyone is ready for a week off. Enjoy the much-needed time off and be ready for the weeks to fly by when you get back. It'll be summer before you know it.

Thumbs Down to baseball slugger Manny Ramirez. In December, he rejected a one year, \$25 million dollar contract and last week rejected a two year, \$45 million dollar contract. Manny, have you been paying attention to the economy lately? People can't feed their kids or make their mortgage payments and here you are rejecting multimillion dollar contracts to play baseball. You are going to be 37 in May, you can't play defense and you aren't the best "team player" in baseball. You can hit the tar out of the ball, as we all saw last season in the playoffs, but you don't deserve Michael Jordan-type money at this point in your career. Quit being Manny and take a deal for crying out loud. The season's about to start, and if you aren't careful it's going to start without you.

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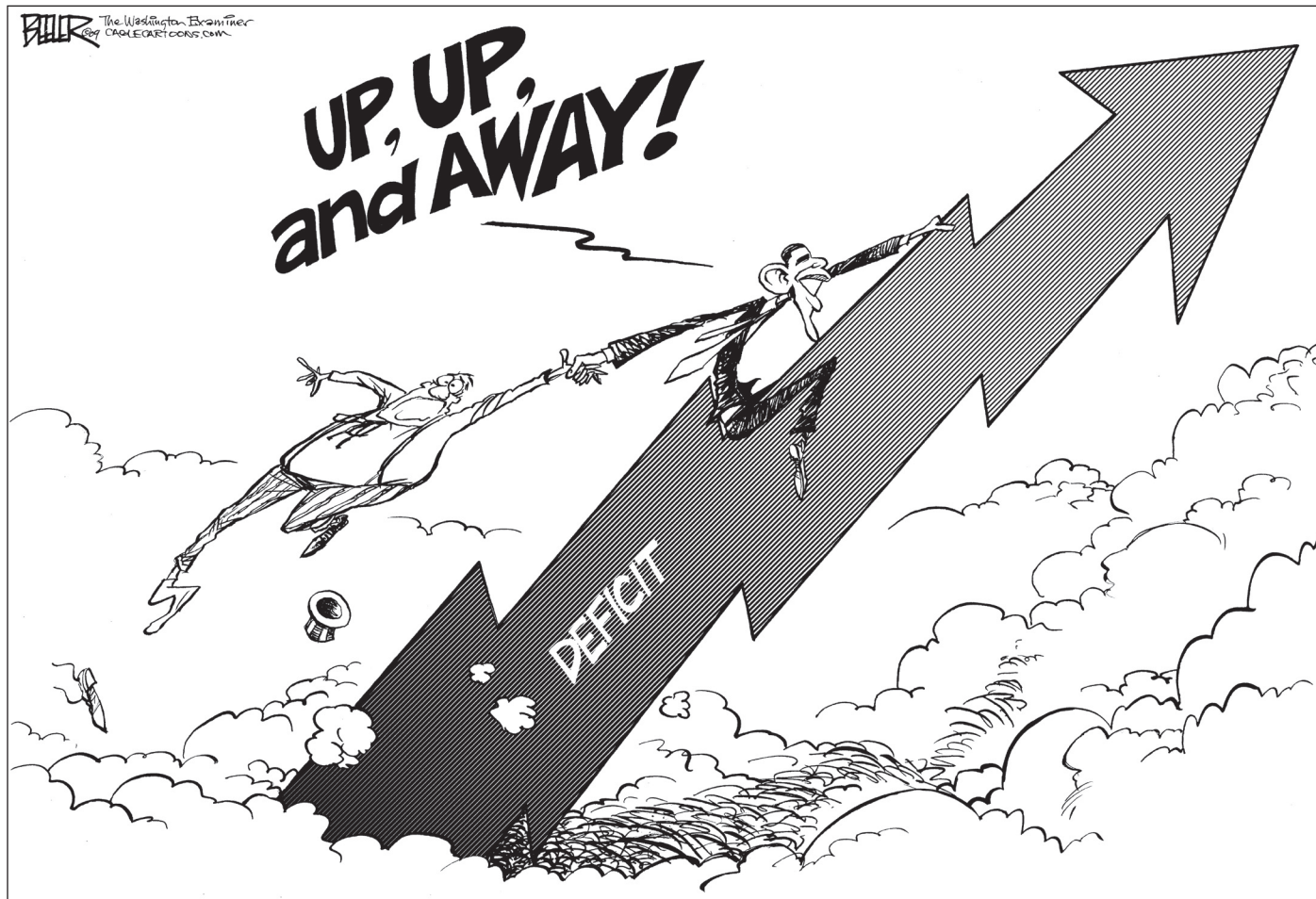
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THEIR WORD

Massive debt is Obama's long-term challenge



Guest Editorial McCLATCHY-TRIBUNE

The sheer size of the \$787 billion stimulus package and the alarming potential demand for a trillion-plus dollars more to rescue founding banks, the troubled mammoth insurer AIG and the auto industry are escalating worries about the national debt and the specter of long-term inflation.

So it was reassuring that President Barack Obama made long-term deficit reduction a focus this week and a theme of his prime-time address Tuesday night. Obama needed to assure Americans seeing eye-popping sums go out the door that he would not ignore waste and long-term consequences and that he would demand sacrifice.

A majority of Americans are expressing both confidence in his leadership and, for the moment, patience, with no certainty of a quick fix. The president is facing enormous pressure to move decisively to put people back to work, provide relief to the unemployed and stabilize those banks that can survive while shutting down those that are too far gone. The tab will be high but necessary to prevent

a further collapse of the real estate and credit markets.

As Obama said Tuesday, “I can assure you that the cost of inaction will be far greater, for it could result in an economy that sputters along for not months or years, but perhaps a decade. ... And I refuse to let that happen.”

But Obama must also show that he recognizes the nation cannot run up its tab indefinitely, expecting China and other creditors to keep lending while passing more debt onto America's children. So he has set a goal of cutting the budget deficit by more than half by the end of his first term.

Obama was already facing a daunting deficit because of massive tax cuts tilted to the wealthy that President George W. Bush pushed through early in his administration, combined with the costs of two foreign wars. Bush disguised their true costs by treating them as emergency appropriations, apart from budget calculations.

This year's deficit has ballooned to \$1.3 trillion, raising the national debt — the accumulation of unbalanced budgets — to \$10.8 trillion. Just paying the interest on it, \$250 billion annually, is seven times what the govern-

ment spent on veterans' medical care last year.

Obama is more of a fiscal conservative than critics are willing to admit. During the primary campaign, New York Times columnist Paul Krugman and Sen. Hillary Clinton attacked him when he suggested changes to Social Security to keep the baby boom generation from draining the fund. He'll continue to run up against Democrats who don't want to bring up the issue.

Obama wants to cut the federal deficit to \$533 billion by 2013 by cutting spending and raising taxes on the wealthy, though not immediately amid a recession. Bringing troops home from Iraq and cutting money for defense contractors, whose profits soared during the Bush administration, will help. But a key element must be health care and Medicare reform, which is inseparable from his plan to extend coverage to the uninsured.

Obama has an ambitious agenda: education, energy, health care. But he can only do so much on borrowed money while guiding a weakened nation to recovery.

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Talking about 'Vagin

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If you hear women on campus referring to their "salukis" during the next couple weeks, they may not be referring to SIUC's mascot.

Three women presented a compendium of slang terms for vaginas, including "saluki," during "The Vagina Monologues" at the McLeod Theater this weekend. It is this sort of interactive, write-it-yourself theater experience that has kept audiences coming to see the "Monologues" since playwright Eve Ensler debuted the show off Broadway in 1996.

This year, another wide variety of monologues was presented. It included the usual monologues such as "My Angry Vagina," in which Nico Wood, a graduate student from Montana in speech communications, rants about OB/GYNs and vaginal cleanliness.

"Why don't they heat up those duck lips?" Wood said as the audience erupted with applause.

Also featured was Meagan Oestry, a junior studying performance studies, performing "Because He Liked To Look At It." The story is of a woman who did not like her vagina until a man told her it was beautiful.

"I need to see you," said Oestry, imitating the man as he stared at her vagina for more than an hour.

Charlie Hope Dorsey, a graduate student from St. Louis in performance studies, performed a monologue called "Hair," which discussed the grooming methods of one woman and her vagina.

"You can't love your vagina if you don't love hair," Dorsey said.

This year's version of the show debuted a new multi-person scene called "They Beat The Girl Out Of My Boy." Ensler staged it for the first time in 2004, and it involved

her interviews with a variety of trans women who talked about their vaginas and their struggles in a world that doesn't accept them.

The show is staged at SIUC in February as part of a global movement known as V-Day. According to its website, V-Day raises money through production of "The Vagina Monologues" in an effort to end violence against girls and women.

In 2008, more than 3,400 performances of the play took place across the United States, and that number is expected to grow even as more women become aware of the cause.

The beneficiary of the funds this year is the Women of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, which, according to the V-Day website, is suffering from the worst humanitarian crisis in many years.

“It's refreshing to see people discussing sexuality in such an open forum, and it's for a good cause.”

— Natalie Badalof
junior from Harrisburg studying speech communication

to UNICEF and other child working in the area to provide counseling, sexual assault services and charitable donations that will help women in the area reclaim their lives.

Natalie Badalof, a junior from Harrisburg studying speech communication, said it's the fourth time she's seen the show, and it gets better every time.

"It's refreshing to see people discussing sexuality in such an open forum, and it's for a good cause," Badalof said.

The spirit of the play and the event perhaps best summed up by the introduction in which three women described the purpose of the play and how Ensler managed to interview more than 200 women of various races and creeds, and came up with a solitary statement: "Looking at your vagina is a full day's work. It's like the Bermuda triangle; nothing comes out of there."

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PULSE

Lindsay Lohan said this weekend she is trying to convert to Judaism for her partner Sam Ronson. Along with the faith shakeup, to what else should the starlet attempt converting?

Wes Lawson

She should convert to a "Saturday Night Live" featured actor. Although she has no career more, I think her appearances on that show were delightful.

Danny Wenger

I think I just heard the entire nation of Israel scream.

Luke McCormick

She should attempt converting to a sober lifestyle. Not for her own personal betterment, a "Herbie: Fully Loaded" sequel can finally get up off the ground.

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Nico Wood, a graduate student in speech communication, performs a monologue titled "My Angry Vagina" during the Sunday performance of The Vagina Monologues at the McLeod Theater. The production is a V-Day event that is part of a global movement to end violence toward women.

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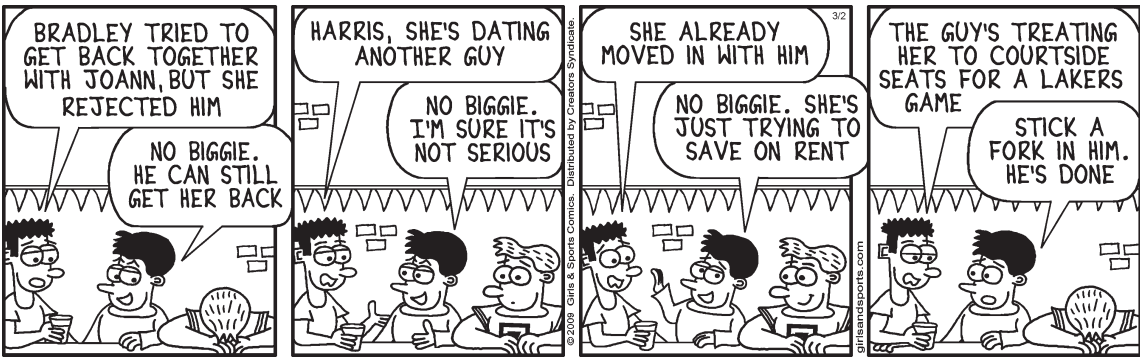
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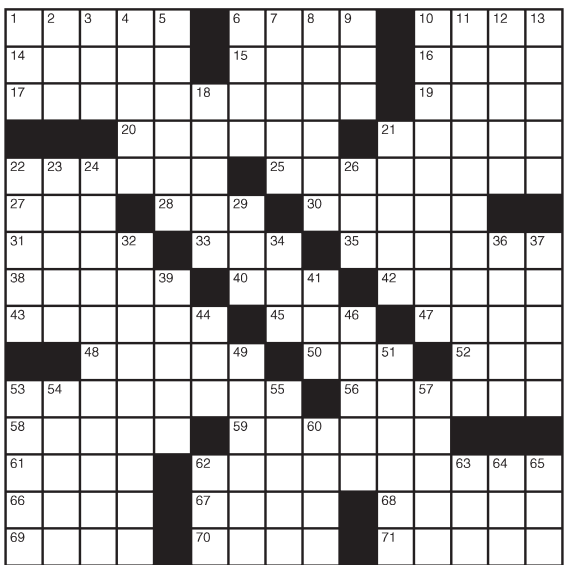


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Today's Birthday — You'll get to make several choices this year. They won't be easy for you. As you decide which goal to pursue, you'll have to abandon another. Don't fret, this will actually make your life easier. Choose the more practical options.
To get the advantage check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7 — Delays in receiving materials could mess up your work schedule. Things you expect in the mail could also be delayed. Make sure to back up everything on your computer.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 5 — It's usually good to talk things over. There are occasions, however, when it's better to stay quiet. Postpone a discussion about finances for now. Concentrate on doing your job.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 8 — Someone you know has very strong opinions with which you don't agree. You don't need to mention that again. This jerk is obviously not listening. He or she is too busy shouting. Stay cool.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 5 — It's fun to speculate, but don't make a big investment in something that hasn't been proven yet. Sure, it would be nice if it works, but you'd better make sure it does before you put your money there.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 8 — It's hard for you to say no to just about anything your loved ones want. Don't let them use your generosity against you. Instead of paying for everything, teach them how to do business.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 5 — You have plenty to say, but you may feel like nobody's listening. Write it all down. This could be the basis of your next book or proposal. Review it before you go public.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 8 — Something you were worried about proves to be untrue. Don't dwell too much on the negative. Be thankful another fear has been quelled.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 6 — Your forward progress is temporarily halted. Make adaptations to your plans, cutting costs and increasing profits. Cut the frills. Get serious and prosper.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 8 — If at first you don't succeed, wait a little while longer. Conditions are changing in your favor. You should be able to tell when this happens. The whole world will get brighter.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 6 — Proceed with caution for a while longer. Clear your desk before you begin a new project or adventure. If you don't, you'll have an awful mess to deal with when you get back.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is an 8 — Jot down notes about being frugal to include in the book you're writing. List all the things a person should not do.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 5 — Don't believe everything you hear. Do the math yourself to figure out if the proposal will work. Make the people with the big ideas prove they're not just blowing smoke.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Salukis' road woes continue to the end

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The SIU women's basketball team's road record in 2009 suggests it is a relief for the Salukis to be done with the away portion of their schedule for this season.

SIU lost 73-64 Friday at Wichita State before losing Sunday at Missouri State by a score of 69-57. The Salukis ended the 2008-09 season with a 1-11 road record, their worst mark since the 2004-05 season when they went 1-13 away from the confines of the SIU Arena.

"It's going to be a long bus ride home and, for me, a very disappointing weekend," Saluki coach Dana Eikenberg said in a postgame radio interview with 810 AM. "One that we've got to regather, figure out what we can do and send our seniors off right."

SIU senior guard Erica Smith filled the box score in Friday's tilt, scoring a career-high 29 points on 11-of-17 shooting from the floor and going 7-for-7 from the free-throw line. She added 11 rebounds, four assists, two blocks and a steal in the losing effort.

Forward Jasmine Gibson, Smith's senior counterpart in the starting lineup, was the only other Saluki to score in double figures, scoring 15 points but having to take 14 shots to do so, hitting on six.

SIU ended the first half with a 27-24 lead, but the Shockers turned that into their biggest lead of the game at 13 points, after nine minutes, 40 seconds had ticked off the clock in the second half. The difference in the second half was a



Sophomore forward Adrienne Griffith looks to pass the ball during the Salukis' 74-71 win against Indiana State Feb. 21 in the SIU Arena. SIU lost 73-64 Friday at Wichita State and 69-57 Sunday at Missouri State.

BRANDON CHAPPLE
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12-0 run by Wichita State, during which Shocker guard Marisah Henderson recorded three of her game-high 10 assists.

Henderson, who leads the Valley with 6.7 assists per game, also poured in 16 points.

Two days later, SIU was in Missouri to try to go 2-0 against the Bears a season after Missouri State swept the two-game season series.

Missouri State was able to jump out to a 13-point lead after only 7:15 had passed in the first half. SIU cut the deficit to as little as five before the half ended with the Bears leading 40-30.

The Salukis began the second half with a modest run, scoring the first four points before two minutes had ticked off the clock. However, the Bears built their lead back to 13 points with 9:09 remaining in the second half, and led by as much as 14 before the game ended.

Gibson scored a game-best 19 points, and Smith was right behind her with 14 points and 12 rebounds for her second straight double-double.

"I wish some of our younger players could bottle a little bit of how hard Erica is playing right now, and I thought Jasmine played well today," Eikenberg said.

In the final two road games of the season, the Salukis committed 45 turnovers - 20 on Friday at Wichita State and 25 Sunday at Missouri State.

The Salukis also shot 12-for-23 from the free throw line Sunday.

"That's just a real frustrating thing for us as coaches because it's a responsibility of players to make free throws and to get into the gym, and I can't demand and over-demand because then we're

being too demanding as coaches," Eikenberg said.

SIU (8-18, 4-13 MVC) will play its final game of the season at 2:05 p.m. Saturday against Evansville at SIU Arena. The game will honor Smith, Gibson and guard Kaci Bailey as part of Senior Day, and it will be the last regular season game for the Saluki trio.

"We got to find a way to pull one together because I'm just very disappointed in this last week," Eikenberg said. "I'm not sure there's a real work ethic mentality in this group right now, and I don't really know how to coach that."

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Saluki Insider

With the Missouri Valley Conference's men's basketball schedule ending Saturday, who should bring home the league's top awards?



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Northern Iowa's Ben Jacobson should land the Coach of the Year award for getting 20 wins and a share of the MVC crown. Creighton guard Booker Woodfox gets my vote for Player of the Year as he shot 50 percent from the field and from the 3-point line for the Valley's co-champion. Kevin Dillard should walk away with the conference's Freshman and Newcomer of the Year awards. Leading the Salukis in scoring as a freshman is serious business and it won't be long until he's raking in Player of the Year awards.

I would give Player of the Year to Creighton's Booker Woodfox, because he was the leading scorer on the Valley's No. 2 team and keyed some big wins for the Blue Jays. Kevin Dillard should breeze to top freshman and newcomer honors, and I'll give Chris Lowery the nod for Coach of the Year for leading a young squad to the fifth seed in the conference tournament despite the Most Deflating Injury of the Year, which goes to Bryan Mullins. And with that, I think I've locked up the Homer of the Year award.

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I'll drum up some reader support real quick and go with Kevin Dillard as the obvious pick for conference Freshman and Newcomer of the Year. Booker Woodfox should get Player of the Year for his awesome field goal percentage and helping lead the co-conference champs. Coach of the Year could either go to Northern Iowa's Ben Jacobson or Creighton's Dana Altman. I will also drum up some homer points for Chris Lowery for taking a depleted and injured team to fifth place.

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Dillard scored 21 points and dished six assists in 35 minutes. He shot 6-for-10 from the field and 3-for-5 from the 3-point line. However, Dillard's accurate stroke nearly eluded him at the free-throw line.

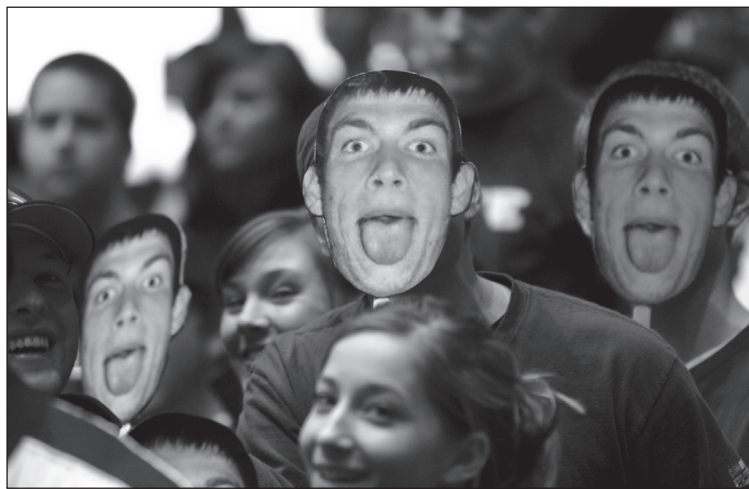
With SIU leading 69-66 with 54 seconds remaining in the game, Dillard missed a pair of foul shots that could have extended the Salukis' lead to five. But Shockers guard A.J. Hawkins failed to capitalize as he missed a 3-point attempt.

Dillard found redemption by stealing the ball from J.T. Durley, and after an embrace from Lowery, calmly connected on both attempts from the charity stripe to seal the win.

"The little fella was special again," Lowery said of the team's leading scorer. "Kevin is playing a lot of minutes and not being tired and giving into fatigue. He didn't think he could do it, but now he's starting to do it."

Dillard logged heavy minutes in the place of senior guard Bryan Mullins, who was in full uniform, but did not play.

Mullins, Boyle and Wesley Clemmons were honored for



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Fans hold up Tony Boyle masks during Saturday's Senior Night game against Wichita State at the SIU Arena. The Salukis defeated the Shockers 72-68.

their efforts at SIU during pre-game festivities celebrating their respective careers donning the maroon and white. Mullins, the Salukis' all-time assist leader, said he and Lowery did not talk about playing time, but did request one final opportunity to suit up.

"I just told him I wanted to dress and go out there with my uniform on," Mullins said. "We just wanted to win, really, the most

important thing."

Despite having missed the last eight games, Mullins has not completely ruled out returning for the MVC Tournament in St. Louis.

"I'm not sure yet, we'll see," Mullins said. "We'll test out the foot a little bit next week and see how it goes. Obviously I'd love to be out there more than anything, if health permits, but we'll see what happens."

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While the women finished at the top of the Valley, the Saluki men finished with 116.5 points to capture third place. Northern Iowa and Indiana State placed first and second, respectively. Wichita State, Illinois State and Drake finished behind SIU.

The women had five of the top six finishes in the weight throw finals, where they scored 31 points.

Sophomore Gwen Berry continued her impressive season, finishing first with a toss of 19.61 meters.

Berry said she was pleased with the way the team performed.

"We just all supported each other," Berry said. "We came out and competed as a team."

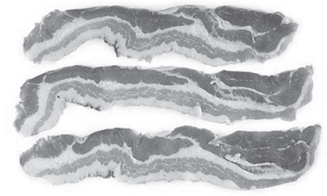
Senior jumper Bianca Stuart became the fourth Missouri Valley Conference athlete to win the indoor long jump four times. Her 6.56-meter jump ranks third in the NCAA.

On the men's side, Jeff Schirmer defended his 5,000-meter crown, finishing with a time of 14 minutes, 45.73, seconds, becoming the fifth two-time champion in that event.

Price-Smith said she was pleased with the way the teams did what they had set out to do as they entered the tournament.

"Everything we did coming into this showed up," Price-Smith said. "They did what they had to do, and they did it well."

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Senior Night goes Salukis' way



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Seniors Tony Boyle and Bryan Mullins embrace during Senior Night Saturday at SIU Arena. Boyle scored 20 points and was named Most Valuable Player in the Salukis' 72-68 victory against Wichita State.

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In his final game at SIU Arena, Tony Boyle gave the men's basketball team the type of effort head coach Chris Lowery had been searching for all season.

The senior forward scored 20 points and grabbed 10 rebounds to help lead the Salukis to a 72-68 Senior Night victory against Wichita State on Saturday. The win, coupled with losses by Evansville and Drake, helped SIU secure the No. 5 seed in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament.

The Salukis (13-17, 8-10 MVC) will face No. 4 seed Bradley (17-13, 10-8 MVC) at 2:30 p.m. Friday at the Scottrade Center in St. Louis.

A finish in the top half of the conference seemed far-fetched not too long ago as SIU had dropped six of its last seven games before closing the season with back-to-back wins against Drake and Wichita State.

"Two weeks ago, we thought we were going to finish last, because we were a mess," Lowery said. "We finished here hard, and I'm

extremely proud of our seniors and the way that they acted."

Boyle was the catalyst to the Salukis' first-half success as he poured in 10 points, pulled down seven rebounds and hit all eight of his free-throw attempts. His solid play continued in the second half as he dominated the Shockers' front court.

Even when he did not score from the field, Boyle made a steady track to the free-throw line where he finished shooting 14-for-15.

Boyle said winning Saturday's

game was important as the team looked to avoid playing in Thursday's play-in round.

"I just gave it everything," Boyle said. "It was like, basically, two games in one. We needed to win this game so that we didn't have to play on Thursday, and everybody else took care of business. Without Bryan (Mullins) playing, we wanted to win, and it turned out good."

While Boyle powered the outgoing senior class, freshman guard Kevin Dillard showed a glimpse of what could be coming over the next three years.

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BASEBALL

Salukis end six-game skid

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It took a little longer than desired for the SIU baseball team to snap its losing streak during its three-game tournament over the weekend.

The Salukis entered the Bright House Invitational in Deland, Fla., mired in a four-game losing streak and lost to South Alabama on Friday and Stetson on Saturday before pulling out a win Sunday over Iowa.

"It's great to get a win and get that big gorilla off our back, I guess, and makes the trip home a lot better and puts us in a right frame of mind heading home for a long home stand," associate coach Ken Henderson said in a phone interview.

Henderson said the losses did not reflect the way SIU (2-6) had been playing. The Salukis lost 3-2 to South Alabama after the Jaguars scored on a walk-off error in the bottom of the ninth inning to break a 2-2 tie, and the Salukis led Stetson 4-2 Saturday heading into the bottom of the eighth inning, when Stetson scored eight runs en route to a 10-5 win.

The loss to South Alabama tainted the star from SIU, senior starting pitcher Adam Curynski, who pitched 7.2 innings and gave up eight hits, two earned runs and one walk while striking out three.

On Sunday, the Salukis jumped out to a 4-0 lead after two innings. They also finished strong, with the bullpen working 4.1 innings without a reliever being charged with an earned run.

"We finished the game today, that's the bottom line," Henderson said. "We'd been playing well, even in South Carolina last weekend, we played well for six, seven innings, then we fall apart. Today we finished the game."

Over the three-game stretch in Deland, Fla., junior shortstop Michael Stalter hit 5-for-12 with five RBIs, five runs, one double and one triple.

Senior catcher Mark Kelly bounced back Sunday from a 0-for-5 showing on Saturday, going 2-for-4 at the plate with two doubles, two runs and an RBI. He reached on a two-out error in the bottom of the first against Iowa, and four-straight singles by SIU and a passed ball by the Hawkeyes gave the Salukis a 3-0 lead.

The senior backstop also hit a two-run double to score junior right fielder Aaron Roberts in the bottom of the second inning as SIU's first four runs all came with two outs.

"When you can score with two outs it's so lifting for your team and so deflating for the other team," Kelly said. "It's almost more of a momentum thing than just getting runs."

All nine SIU starters had a hit in the win against Iowa, and the Salukis' 3-4-5 hitters — Stalter, Kelly and junior first baseman Wade Dutton — posted two hits and two runs each in what Kelly said was a relieving win.

"Everybody can take a deep breath and just kind of go back to the way they're supposed to be playing," Kelly said. "We did a good job picking each other up."

TRACK AND FIELD

Saluki women capture MVC crown

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SIU track and field coach Connie Price-Smith urged the men's and women's teams to ignore predictions they would finish in the top three of the conference tournament, but both picks were proven correct Sunday.

The SIU women's track and field team dominated the field in capturing the Missouri Valley Conference Indoor Track and Field Championship Sunday in Cedar Falls, Iowa. SIU entered the field as the favorite, capturing all but one pre-tournament first-place vote.

The Saluki men finished third in the six-team field, as the pre-tournament poll predicted.

Price-Smith said she was ecstatic about the way her teams performed at the tournament.

"We just came out there and held our positions," Price-Smith said. "We did as well as I was hoping we would."

The Salukis jumped out to a strong start in the tournament, as both the men and women finished the first day on top of the leader boards.

Smith said she was pleased with the early start because it set the right tone for the team.

"It really gives you confidence going into the next day when your team comes out and performs as well as they did," Price-Smith said.

The SIU women finished the tournament with 154 points while Wichita State placed second with 143. Missouri State, Indiana State, Illinois State, Northern Iowa, Drake and Bradley rounded out the rest of the participants.

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Saluki Top Finishers as women finish first, men third

Women Weight Throw			
1 Gwen Berry	Southern Illinois	19.61m*	64-04.00
2 Sasha Leeth	Southern Illinois	18.96m*	62-02.50
3 Rickael Roach	Southern Illinois	18.91m*	62-00.50
4 Kelsey Hanley	Indiana State	18.88m*	61-11.50
5 Jeneva McCall	Southern Illinois	18.19m	59-08.25
Women Long Jump			
1 Bianca Stuart	Southern Illinois	6.56m	21-06.25
2 La'Taish Brown	Wichita State	6.09m	19-11.75
3 Malaikah Love	Southern Illinois	5.96m	19-06.75
4 Jamie Wieck	Northern Iowa	5.90m	19-04.25
5 Hemphill, Brittany	Wichita State	5.90m	19-04.25
Men 3000 Meter Run			
1 Jeff Schirmer	Southern Illinois	8:29.30	
2 Scott Krapf	Illinois State	8:32.31	
3 Matt Mroczynski	Illinois State	8:32.57	
4 Scott Keeny	Indiana State	8:32.90	
5 Kyle Kirchner	Southern Illinois	8:33.30	
Women Shot Put			
1 Gwen Berry	Southern Illinois	15.12m	49-07.25
2 Tori Ziegler	Illinois State	14.64m	48-00.50
3 Kate Schaake	Wichita State	14.56m	47-09.25
4 Sarah Harms	Northern Iowa	14.47m	47-05.75
5 Jordan Harris	Southern Illinois	14.39m	47-02.50