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“The same general theme is pretty much exactly the same,” Daniel said.

Kromineck, a senior in philosophy who has worked at the Diner for four years, said the usual customers at the Diner thoroughly reflect the diversity of students and citizens of Carbondale, and this is a major selling point for students who stop by.

“The atmosphere here is a lot more honest and less pretentious than other places in town,” Kromineck said. “It’s a slice of real life.”

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JAPAN WORKS TO ENTER AIRCRAFT INDUSTRY — TOKYO—As Japan's industry seeks to expand into new markets, it is looking to enter the aircraft industry. The government has been supporting the development of future aircraft technology, with the goal of strengthening Japan's capabilities in the aerospace sector. This includes investments in research and development, as well as partnerships with leading U.S. companies. Japan is looking to manufacture offshore in developing countries to increase its global reach. The move is part of a broader strategy to diversify the economy and reduce its dependency on exports. However, Japan faces challenges in this sector, including the need to develop new technologies and meet strict safety regulations. The government is working closely with the private sector to overcome these hurdles and enter the competitive market for aircraft manufacturing.

NATION TO DISCUSS FREE-TRADE POSSIBILITY — KUALA LUMPUR, Malaysia—In next week's elections, the nation's economy is at stake. Malaysia's National Economic Council will be one of the key topics discussed in the election campaign. The country's economy is heavily dependent on exports, primarily of oil and gas, and any downturn in global demand could have significant consequences. The government is under pressure to deliver strong economic growth and increased prosperity for its citizens. The election campaign will provide an opportunity for political parties to outline their plans for addressing these challenges and ensuring a stable and prosperous future for Malaysia.

WASHINGTON—In next week's elections, the U.S. is poised to make significant changes to its foreign policy and trade relations. The election will determine the course of the country's relationship with key trading partners, including China, Japan, and the European Union. The new administration will need to address complex issues such as trade imbalances, tariffs, and intellectual property rights. The outcome of the election will also impact the U.S.'s role in global governance and its ability to shape international policies. The winner will face the challenge of balancing national interests with the need to work with other nations to solve global problems.
NAACP holds banquet

Organization president says parents, teachers should encourage kids

By Anika Robertson
Staff Reporter

Problems in the community can be attributed to a lack of concern by parents and teachers, the state president for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People said at the annual banquet Sunday.

David Livingston, keynote speaker at the banquet, said the local NAACP Board and Trustee member said children need to be encouraged.

"Parents need to discipline kids, and teachers need to take an interest," Livingston said.

He also said that problems in children crosses all racial and economic lines and kids drop out of school because they are not interested.

Livingston's comments came at the 16th annual Freedom Fund Banquet, which was held in the Student Center Ballrooms. At the banquet, speakers and others were encouraged to get interested in the local NAACP and become involved.

Jeanne Major Nett-Dillard formally addressed the banquet, a welcome from the city and the banquet is all about coming together.

NAACP members Martha Farm and Margaret Nesbitt were honored at the banquet with a plaque for their outstanding achievements and contributions to the local chapter.

Nesbitt, who has worked with the NAACP for over 30 years, said she is honored yet humbled that she was selected by her peers for the award and will continue to work for the organization.

"My new focus is the youth, because someone needs to speak for them and be there for them," she said.

Krisstyn Gregory, an eighth grade student at Lincoln Junior High entertained the audience by singing "Lift Every Voice and Sing" and "Holy.

Linda Flowers, Carbondale branch NAACP president, said in regards to helping children to succeed, only time will tell.

"We are as a society falling short and have too many people doing nothing," Flowers said.

She said many people want to become involved during the speeches and banquet, but the work is neglected after the banquet is over.

In closing, Livingston urged the audience to be involved and participate in the integrated organization.

"Get involved to help someone else and receive a greater reward than those you are trying to help," he said.

Halloween weekend events may be reviewed by council

By John Knittla
Staff Reporter

One Carbondale city official said he expects the events of this past weekend to be discussed during Tuesday night's Carbondale City Council meeting.

"I think something will be said during the open comment section," said Richard Morris. "I'm sure it will be discussed.

Besides the possibility of discussing the past weekend, there will be a report coming to the council from the city's Public Works Department regarding the Jackson County Soil and Water Conservation District in the city and county areas.

Resolutions to either approve or deny the request are on the agenda.

At the Oct. 18, the council listened to a presentation from representatives of the Jackson County Soil and Water Conservation District.

The District seeks approval to include territory within the boundaries of the city of Carbondale within a proposed special service area.

A property tax could be levied to support the provision of certain soil and water conservation activities in the proposed district.

The District services included in the special service area, which would be created by the Jackson County Board.

The special area service funding would replace current funding allocated to the District by the County Board.

Representatives also indicated the district's goal was to address the need for local funding to the urban areas of the County if the area were approved.

The council will decide whether or not land within the city will be included in the proposed service area.

Also on Tuesday night's agenda is a public hearing to discuss a request by owners of 14 properties throughout the city to connect to the city's municipal sanitary sewer system.

An annexation petition and agreement will be submitted by the owners as a requirement to connect to the system.

The hearing will be followed by an action to adopt an ordinance allowing the owners to connect to the system and enable the property to be annexed to the city when it becomes contiguous to the city's corporate limits.

Other items on the agenda are: a report on the clean-up of the Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge, a zoning ordinance to rezone a district from R-22 to reflect R-1 characteristics.

The council will also consider a request to connect the Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge to the city's public works system and the City of Carbondale's public works department.

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Meeting will air public concerns over incinerator

By Aaron Butler
Editor

Another incinerator is one possibility being discussed for the Crab Orchard Wildlife refuge, as government officials and area residents meet to examine a study of explosive waste contaminating parts of the region.

The Army Corps of Engineers will hold a public meeting today in the Crab Orchard Visitor Center at 7:30 p.m. to present the results of a phase II investigation into contaminated areas of the refuge.

Public comments and questions will be heard, and the findings of the investigation will be discussed. Also slide shows will be shown and a presentation of the schedule for the cleanup, past and future.

An availability session will also be conducted from 3 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. by representatives of the Corps and its contractors, where additional information will be shown.

At the availability session, the public will be able to ask more informal questions, one-on-one with officials.

At the meeting the Corps will also present treatment options, which will be studied by the Corps in a Feasibility Study examining cleanup alternatives to be released in November.

Frank Fisher, technical manager for the Army Corps of Engineers' Omaha district, said the meeting was the second in a series of two presentations on studies the Corps has done on the munitions contamination within the refuge.

"Regulations require we hold at least two public meetings for comments and questions while we are investigating this type of situation," he said.

"In the study being discussed this time, we are reporting the results of our final investigation, before we begin remediation," Fisher said.

Steve Christian, a representative for the SUJC Student Environmental Center, said it was important for as many people as possible to attend the meeting.

"Students, taxpayers, and all citizens should take interest in what is going on in our Federal land," he said.

"We would also encourage everyone to watch the politics involved around the cleanup alternatives," said Christian.

The EPA seems to be pushing incineration on the public, despite the fact that the technology involved is unproven, he said.

The Crab Orchard Wildlife Refuge was previously owned by the War Department, who used the land south of the lake to manufacture munitions and artillery shells.

Fisher said when contamination was discovered in 1992, the Army Corps led the remedial effort by investigating the archives of the United States Department of Defense to see what contaminated areas may have been results of the World War II explosives manufacturing.

The Corps originally studied 15 different possible alternatives to what treatment, if any, was necessary, and Fisher said they have received three of help from first treatment or further investigation.

"Our basic premise is that damage can cause harm to humans and the environment was possible at each of the sites and we made a decision based on those criteria," he said.

"Now the feasibility study will examine possible ways to remediate the situation," Fisher said.

Forester said the Feasibility study will look at the following treatment alternatives: no action, fence off contaminated sites, on-site landfll, off-site incineration, off-site incineration, biological and chemical treatment.

Forester said there is no order of preference for these options, as all will be considered and investigated.

"On-site incineration would not be the first thing we would consider planned for the PCB waste in the region," Forester said. "That equipment is used to treat PCB waste, not explosives, and this would be considered a different alternative.

The Crab Orchard Visitor Center is on Route 148, two miles south of dislure of Keep Illinois Beautiful Grant Funds, a labor agreement, and a financial report for the fiscal year.

First Lady of Illinois Brenda Edgar and Mike Bose, Republican candidate for state representative, responded to questions after a photo session and the Crab Orchard Holiday Inn Monday afternoon. The brief gathering was used to gather support for Bose.

Mike Bose, the Republican candi­date for state representative, received a little help from First Lady of Illinois Brenda Edgar while being honored at the banquet on Monday.

Edgar, a native Southern Illinoisan from Anniston, Illinois, said Gov. Jim Edgar and Mike Bose are two good men she does not mind supporting for public office. Edgar spoke at a luncheon held at the Holiday Inn, 800 E. Main St.

Edgar said it is not very often she campaigns for candidates other than her husband, but this is one of the closer races in the state.

"I've always been with Mike before, but this is the first time I have specifically campaigned for him," she said.

Edgar made four appearances Monday — three were for Bose, and one was for John Jones, Republican candidate for state representative of the 107th district.

Tom Faulkner, assistant to the first lady, said the governor himself told Mrs. Edgar to campaign for state house candidates in hopes of obtaining a Republican majority in both houses of the General Assembly.

If the Republicans gained control of both houses of the Senate they would have the opportunity to redraft the Illinois Constitution. The Illinois House has been under Democratic control for the past 10 years.

All 118 seats in the House are up for election with each state represen­tative district created by politics more than they now possess.

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City restrictions failed; partiers seize chance

AS THE DUST SETTLED SUNDAY, CERTAIN things became clear about Halloween weekend 1994. The measures taken by the city council did not work over Halloween weekend, but students who were hell-bent on rioting were going to do it regardless. The Carbondale City Council was in the unfortunate position of being the appointed group to babysit the students for three days starting Thursday of last week. Beginning in earnest on Saturday the babysitters’ worst nightmares began to materialize. The nighttime took the form of 2,500 rowdy revelers who were determined to show the world what they were made of by taking the Strip.

After a relatively quiet Thursday night, things got rolling Friday with a relatively normal and peaceful Strip-taking on South Illinois Avenue. Saturday night, however, things turned nasty. About 11 p.m., a car was overturned near Mill Street followed quickly by another car-rolling in the parking lot of Frankie’s bar. Police chased the mobs, macing all the way, while citizens of the strip defended their cars, yards and homes from the madding crowd. Preliminary arrest figures totalled 129 the entire Halloween weekend for offenses including mob action, reckless conduct, damage of property and disorderly conduct. In short, everything the city council hoped would be avoided with their measures, happened in spades.

BUT HOPE, AS THEY SAY, IS NOT A METHOD. The council came up with the 10 p.m. bar closings and keg restrictions only one short month before Halloween’s arrival. Their attempt to curb the violent nature of the event came in what seemed to be a hurried and somewhat directionless course of action. And, with the later revisions to the plan, excluding some bars from the early closure, the restrictions lost any momentum they might have initially had. The University had its variety of groups, spoiced enthusiastically about alternative forms of entertainment for the holiday. Yet, what seemed to happen was a “Well, it’s too late this year but wait until you see what we have planned for next Halloween” attitude. The turn would have been in forming a committee to look into Halloween 94 last November?

So, with a lack of anything else to do and in a show of defiance of the restrictions partiers took to the streets with a vengeance Saturday night.

However, it must be remembered that it was the daunting task of 80 Carbondale Police Officers (who were sober) to try to quell the rioters (most of whom were not). And regardless of who did what to try and control the crowd, this Halloween there was only one group who had absolute control over the way things went on the Strip — themselves.

AND THE ARGUMENT THAT CITY RESTRICTIONS just made people more determined to tear things up does not hold up, either. If people want raised hell they will no matter what the city or anyone else does does, and to use the restrictions as an excuse is weak. Is anyone up for creating the committee to reform Halloweenfest ’95?

Letters to the Editor

City officials, DE created problems

I have often contemplated writing a letter to the editor, however this time I felt compelled to do so. I have read countless articles condemning SIU students for this and that but now I have a few questions for the staff of the DE, and the Carbondale city officials. First of all I am curious to know why there has been, to the best of my knowledge no reports which condemn the action of the Carbondale city government. Certainly you don’t expect us to believe that the city policies concerning the use of mace is above reproach. I have personally witnessed the indiscriminate use of mace on the students in situations where there was damage to property or danger to persons. Somewhere I read that a more apology from the officer who sprayed mace on an Amtrak employee would be sufficient in most cities, where lawyers are willing to sue the city. I think the editor of the D.E. should stand back and take a serious look at what is going on around us. I would also like to know why the city government tried so hard to find the answer to the problem of underage drinking when the answer has been under their noses all the time. If you don’t want students to drink in the bars then make the city age 21! I know it’s not a popular answer but it is the only one that will work, so put your money where your mouths are. Or could it be that the city is afraid that they will lose underage drinking; a bar then the students will do it at parties where it camaratus, and fine people out of their money. That would indeed be a good blow to the economy.

Let’s face it people, Carbondale is about business and business is about profits, so whatever we do to the city will always see students as a way to make money. As long as the D.E. chooses to turn it’s back on the people which it is supposed to represent, we will remain students, not people with the right to be heard.

—Michael Fox, senior, cinema and photography

This year’s celebration more violent, chaotic

In reference to the "riot" that took place on the strip Saturday night I’d like to point out that it wasn’t only the students that were causing mayhem and personal injury. Our fine Carbondale police staff were also involved with students at every opportunity possible. These fine examples of the law and order were on a fronter. However, not everyone was out to cause chaos.

In fact, standing in front of what was Frankie’s, I was grabbed by an officer and hit with a billyclub. The officer then proceeded to stick a canister of mace in my face while another female officer shoved me from behind to instruct me to start walking home. This was a problem because wherever I turned I was instructed to go home another way; so much for organization.

I was left only with a bruise, while another friend of mine was left with a welt on her leg to remind her of the "celebration." This all occurred because we were standing on the corner to watch what was going on around us. I could only be left to believe that there were others out that night that must’ve been treated more severely.

As a sophomore in pre-social work at SIU, I was witness to last year’s Halloween celebration after the bars closed at 2 a.m. and this year cannot even compare to the minor injuries and events of last year’s. I do believe things got out of hand the other night and authorities needed to step in, but we need police staff that don’t abuse their authority and can handle themselves responsibly enough to go after the heart of the problem, not the bystanders.

—Nicole Grumbach, sophomore, pre-social work

Halloween party causes disgrace

Congratulations Children! You did it; you put B.S.C. image back where it belongs. In the national news Yipp! Can you put that on your resume? What fail was drunken and tip naps. When you interviewing for your first job, anyone that get arrested at a frat party, what do you think the person looking at you, and it will think? What kind of police guards CC? Does the media paint a distorted picture? Do you think that your relatives believe that everybody that attends school here is really okay, regardless of what they are on TV? To all the children who did there thing on the Strip Friday & Saturday. Grow up. Anybody that got arrested too bad. Obviously you have know idea what it is like to find a job. When you do finally get your diploma you will have to answer for the media attention. This is why the city tried to curb the festivities. To save face for the city, the school, and ultimately the student; But ignorant ones that throw bottles and tip ears, I suppose you got what you wanted. Those of us that are going to graduation the next few months did not. It is getting harder and harder to defend SIU as not a party school. This did not help.

—Chris Petit, senior, business management

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Art show is amateur's delight

By Alekandra Mays
Senior Reporter

If you can make something that can hang on a wall and is less than five by five feet, you could be part of the Student Union's Student Art Exhibition and Competition.

The annual exhibition and competition, organized by the Museum Student Group, will take place Monday and Tuesday and conclude Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the University Union's Choice Exhibit and Competition.

The student group submitted and there is a limit of 50 pieces for the final competition this year, so if there are any igniters in the area you run the risk of being burnt up in flames. The alcohol also causes corneal burns, which burns in the cornea if sprayed in the eyes.

"I find it amusing how many innocent people there are on a Monday morning," Strom said. "If there is a container of gas, a vehicle and someone is standing there watching, that person watching is also a part of the problem. We're talking about educated people here."

Peters said Body Guard does not use isopropyl alcohol in its products.

"Some companies use isopropyl alcohol, which runs two risks," Peters said. "It is very flammable and if there are any igniters in the area you run the risk of the person going up in flames. The alcohol also causes corneal burns, which burns in the cornea if sprayed in the eyes."

The Exhibiit and Competition is funded in part by the Undergraduate Student Government and the Museum Student Group.

For more information, contact Sue Beckash at 453-5388.

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somewhat similar," John Peters, president of the American-based manufacturer of pepper spray, BodyGuard, said pepper spray is more effective than Mace because it is instantaneous, as opposed to Mace, which takes 30 to 40 seconds to take effect.

"Pepper spray is organic, Mace is inorganic," Peters said. "Pepper spray comes from plants, whereas Mace takes 30 to 40 seconds to irritate the mucous membranes, whereas Mace works on tears and ducts, and according to what I've been told, population does not have tear ducts."

Peters said pepper spray has three major effects.

First it causes an involuntary contraction, which inflames the mucous membranes when inhaled, allowing only life-supporting breathing. This causes a gasping-for-air effect.

Lastly, it causes an intense burning sensation, Peters said.

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Peter's said Body Guard sells the spray in 2-ounce, 3-ounce, 4-ounce and 15-ounce containers and distributes the product to civilians as well as local law-enforcement agencies.

Roger Smalley, a marketing teaching assistant, said he advised students to stay off of The Strip this past weekend.

"I had hoped that everything would go well, but if it did, it wouldn't be on the news," Smalley said.

Last weekend, he received calls from national news stations and the AP wire service had picked up stories about the Halloween weekend celebrations.

The selection process for Spring 1995 and for the 1995/1996 academic year begins SOON. You can obtain more information about the SRA position, about the application and selection process, and an application packet at one of these interest sessions. An interest session lasts about two hours, so allow yourself ample time for the entire session.

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Candidates make case for county job

By Dean Weaver
Senior Reporter

The Republican candidate for Jackson County State’s Attorney says, if elected, he will plea bargain fewer serious crimes, seek longer sentences for offenders and increase the number of domestic violence convictions, but his opponent says there is nothing wrong with the way cases are now handled.

Republican challenger Tim Capps, assistant public defender for Jackson County, said he is a “criminal trial specialist” which is what a county with the fourth highest crime rate in the state needs.

While serving in the Navy, Capps said he dealt with drug rings, child molestors and investigated the loss of classified documents overseas.

Democratic candidate Michael Wepseic, who was appointed Nov. 1993 by the county board as temporary state’s attorney, said he has no job experience, but has some knowledge of the county and sees little he would change if elected.

Plea Bargains

Capps said violent crime in Jackson County has increased 30 percent from 1989 to 1992 and the offenders in these cases are too often allowed to plea bargain.

“I don’t want to do away with plea bargaining, but it is being abused,” he said. “The safety of people and police officers is on the line. The plea bargaining system is in place to allow guilty plea bargains in every criminal case, and if their statements were taken, the case would be dismissed.”

Capps said over 90 percent of the cases filed in the county are plea bargained, and labels Wepseic as an administrative lawyer who is not a specialist in criminal trials.

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Bad Check Prosecution

Capps said Wepic has stopped the businesses in this area when it comes to pursing individuals who write bad checks. Capps said she had more of these cases were prosecuted, it would be a determent.

"The place by putting it now, I told them they're disabused because the state's attorney won't return their calls," Capps said. Wepic does not pursue cases unless Wepic has a legitimate reason to do so.

"If I look into making the system more secure it's the "Mom and Pop businesses" who happen to receive some bad checks.

"With the only thing he would like to change about the office is to improve community relations. But we can't do what the state's attorney can do for them.

"I would like to get Jim (her husband) elected student body president of Eastern Illinois University," she said.

Bost said also encouraged those at the luncheon to bring those in the office, saying he has his office send cases to prosecution. But it is difficult because we was in 1966 when I was

"I have been a wild year...but we have caught fire," he said.

"We are doing good, but we need your help.

Bost said he wanted to be elected so he can work to stimulate economic development. "Any change can be improved if the economic base is improved," Bost said. He said if the state would reform its workman's

so he can work 10 stimulate

**EDGAR, from page 3**

everyone at the luncheon to do what they can to get the job done.

"Put on bumper stickers, put up signs, let people in the coffee shop, and remind your friends and relatives to vote on election day," she said.

Edgar said she enjoys doing what it takes 10 get the job done. Edgar said she enjoys doing what it takes 10 get the job done.

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SIUC Symphony debuts conductor

By Dave Katzman

The SIUC Symphony Orchestra will debut its new conductor, Edward Benyas, at a performance in Shryock Auditorium tonight.

Benyas, who came to SIUC several months ago, is an accomplished oboe and English horn player who has played around the world with various orchestras, symphonies, and ensembles.

He holds a graduate degree in orchestral conducting and oboe performance from Northwestern University.

The SIUC Symphony Orchestra consists of students and community members. Since many players

DINER, from page 1

Diner now will be Sunday through Thursday from 7 a.m. to 3 a.m. The Diner will be open 24 hours on Fridays and Saturdays.

The business is making attempts to improve the quality of service in the Diner from the past.

Kroencke said the Diner employs about 30 persons, many of whom are students. The Diner is currently accepting applications for new employees.

Police Blotter

SIUC Police

- Between 9 a.m. and 5:50 p.m., John Mead, 40, of Carbondale, reported that someone threw a trash barrel through a window at the Cold Research Building. The damage amount is not known.
- Oct. 29
  - Rebecca Corey, 19, of Neely Hall reported the theft of a wallet at 4 p.m. on Oct. 29 while she was in Neely Hall.
  - Between 12 and 2 p.m. on Oct. 29, a vehicle owned by Stephanie Walker, 22, in Greek Row was hit by another vehicle which left without reporting the accident. The vehicle was parked on Douglas Drive in front of the Greek Row address.
  - Between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. on Oct. 29, a bicycle valued at $562 owned by Jay T. Danbumd, 19, of Almd Hall was taken from lot 59.
  - At 12 p.m. on Oct. 29, Christopher George, 21, of Neely Hall reported the theft of a wallet from Treeblood Hall.
  - A vehicle owned by Thomas Greco was damaged in lot 106 at 6:40 p.m. Damage is estimated at more than $500.
  - Rochelle Briggs, 18, Kellogg Hall reported the theft of a credit card from her residence between 2 p.m. on Oct. 28 and 1 p.m. on Oct. 29.
  - At 12:40 p.m. on Oct. 29, two women said a tall white man in a dark suit was in the woman's locker room at the Recreation Center. The man fled.
  - There was a vehicular accident with no injuries at 3:30 p.m. on Oct. 29. A vehicle driven by Rakesh R. Neurath, 25, of Carbondale, struck a parked vehicle owned by Werner Rock, 20, of Carbondale in the Student Center Circle. Damage was estimated at approximately $500.
  - At 5:06 p.m. on Oct. 28 there was a two-vehicle accident at Thompson/John, adjacent to Lentz cafeteria when Enka Branz, 19, of Carbondale, struck Brina Burgess, 22, of Carbondale who was on a motorcycle.
  - Between 5:55 and 8 p.m. on Oct. 28, someone entered an unlocked staff dressing room at Davies Gym and stole $400 in cash.
  - There are two suspects, one white male, approximately 18 years old, 5 feet 6 inches tall, 190 pounds, short black hair, wearing a dark blue jeans. The other suspect is a white male, 16 to 18 years old, 5 feet 7 inches tall, with bad facial acne, wearing a white shirt.

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November 1, 1994
ROLLING, from page 12
doesn’t allow much time for a half­
court offense.

The team has had three
exhibitions at area elementary
schools and at the Big Muddy
Correctional Center this season,
Martin said.

“We held the exhibitions to
educate the community about the
sport,” Martin said. “We wanted to
show people that even though we
are disabled, we still have the same
dreams, desires and abilities as
people who are not disabled.

“We got a really good response
from the community during the
exhibitions.”

The Rolling Salukis played the
University of Illinois at the Student
Recreation Center Oct. 22, and
suffered a one-sided
defeat, Martin
said.

Martin said the Rolling Salukis
have not beaten the Illini since
the 70s, and the team got a little
nervous because of the
mystique of
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“The new guys got their feet wet,
and were a little nervous about
playing for the first time at the
collegiate level
against such a big
team,” she said.

Martin said the team is young
and going through a rebuilding
year, so she doesn’t expect a
championship
team.

“We have made significant
progress since the beginning of the
season, and we are learning,” she
said. “We have a good group of
guys and we will use this year to
build
for next year.”

The Rolling Salukis’ next
outing is a conference tournament
in Champaign, Ill. Nov. 4-6.

SWIM, from page 12—
Tom Caruso who finished with
316.30 points.

Caruso got his revenge on the
three-meter
board though, as he
won the competition with
364.40. Siracusano
finished second
with a
score of 343.15.

The next meet for the SIUC
swim/dive
team will be against the
University of Michigan, Kansas
and Nebraska Nov. 5 at the Student
Recreation Center pool at 11 a.m.
and 3 p.m.

Michigan is currently ranked No.
1 in the
NCAA, Kansas and Nebraska are in the top 25.

SIUC men’s swim coach Rick
Walker said, this will be an
important test for his young squad.

“I expect there to be some
jitters,” he said. “One of two things
can happen. Either they (the
freshmen) can be intimidated by
them (Michigan, Kansas and
Nebraska), or they can step up and
say, ‘I want to be that.’”

“I think they’ll step up and say, ‘I
want to be that.’”
Men’s basketball polled No. 1

Women ranked fourth

By Grant Deady and Doug Durso

Saluki basketball flexed its muscle Monday afternoon when the Missouri Valley Conference released its preseason rankings and All-Conference selections.

The SIUC men’s squad garnered 15 first-place votes to edge league rivals Bradley, Tusco and newcomer Evansville for the league’s top spot.

Brad Davis, head coach Rich Herin said since the addition of Southwest Missouri State and Evansville to the MVC, the league has increased its overall level of talent and competition.

“This is the best we’ve (MVC) probably been in the past eight or nine years,” he said. “This is basically more talent than any other year.

Saluki senior guard Paul Lask, who transferred from Iowa three years ago, said several teams could be named preseason No. 1 since the conference has gained such parity.

“I don’t think you could say we are the best team in conference,” he said. “Maybe they could say that in two years past, but because of the other teams and how everyone has improved at least one person a year, it’s hard.

“The Valley’s really improved, it’s the best I’ve seen it.”

The predictions were based on the fact the Salukis’ head coach Marcus Timmons, who was named to the MVC’s preseason first-team and player of the year.

Timmons said he wants to build the prestige of the MVC’s highest individual preseason honor like former Saluki standout Asrat Amayig add in 1992.

“When you look back at Asrat Amayig add’s sophomore year, everybody starting keying on him, but he handled it well,” Timmons said. “I’m going to have to let it sink in slowly and when I have a lot of pressure I can talk to coach Watson (Saluki assistant coach) so I don’t have to worry about the expectations coming down.

On the women’s side, Creighton勤奋ly performed MVC power Southwest Missouri State as the league toppressed choice to win the conference crown.

The Lady Jays are the preseason conference favorite after coming out of the 37 first-place votes.

SIUC received three first-place votes and are picked to finish fourth according to the poll, just three points behind Drake in the third spot.

Saluki head coach Cindy Scott said Creighton and Drake are both reuniting a strong nucleus and it will be tough to knock off SMSU, since they’re hosting the Valley tournament in Springfield, Mo.

“Creighton has got the majority of their players back and Drake returns the brunt of their scoring,” she said. “It’s unfortunate that Southwest goes to the tournament, they’re just to beat than everyone else.”

Two Saluki women earned individual honors as junior point guard Nikki Gilmore and senior forward Annette Sunga were both named to the preseason All-Conference first-team.

Rolling Salukis redefine basketball competition

By Sean Walker

Athletes with amputated limbs, career-ending knee injuries and hip injuries are people that most college coaches steer away from, but not Kim Martin, head coach of the Rolling Salukis wheelchair basketball team.

“Amputees, people or people who don’t have a wheelchair on a daily basis and can walk, are the hardest population for us to recruit from,” Martin said. “I see someone limping or wearing a knee brace and I work with them to try to get them involved in the sport and I’ve had success in that area.

One out of every ten people I talk to call me back, and usually because of a friend or family member suggesting the sport.

Martin said she thinks some people will benefit from playing in a wheelchair, because they may be slower or less talented at stand-up ball. She said these athletes love the game, but are having a hard time excelling in stand-up basketball and find out that they are more competitive in a wheelchair.

The wheelchair basketball league is recognized by Martin, plays by the same NCAA rules as stand-up ball, except for a few necessary adjustments.

“One change is in dribbling the ball,” she said. “In wheelchair basketball, a player can take two pushes on the wheel before dribbling the ball like taking two steps in stand-up ball.

If a player takes three pushes, then they are called for traveling.

Dribbling a basketball and maneuvering a wheelchair takes another dimension to the game.

If a person is too weak, then a foul is called.

Wheelchair basketball categorizes players by their disability to determine who can play. Martin said the players are on a three point classification system.

A class-one player is one that is the most disabled, such as athletes who are paralyzed from the chest or waist down. A class-three player is one that is the least disabled, such as people with a knee injury or an amputated limb below the waist.

Martin said the rules allow her to put only 12 points on the court at one time, which limits the number of three-point players, and makes it a little bit of a challenge for her as coach.

The strategies of basketball, however, are the same, according to Martin, but the wheelchair adds another dimension to the game.

“The basic pick and roll offense and screening the defender are two effective strategies in wheelchair basketball,” she said. “Because the chair is part of the body, Martin said if a person is weak with a poor throw, then a foul is called.

When with ten wheelchairs on the floor at one time, Martin said, the court gets very congested and see ROLLING, page 11

SIUC swimmers snare first wins

By Chris Clark

The SIUC swimming and diving teams went on their first road trip of the season as the Salukis took on Arkansas and the University of Arkansas-Little Rock Friday.

The SIUC women won 13 of their 14 events at the meet, as the Salukis beat Arkansas-Little Rock 63-37, but fell to Arkansas 75-39.

The SIUC 400 medley relay team squeaked out a win, finishing first with a time of 3:57.51. The second-place finisher, Arkansas, ended the race just .24 seconds behind the Salukis.

Jennifer Bobick finished first in the 200-yard butterfly (2:08.73) as well as finishing third in the 200-yard freestyle. Melodie Dickerson won the 200 free in 1:53.74.4 and Sara Schmidt/Kolzer won the 200-yard backstroke (2:09.23) and finished in fourth place in the 200-yard individual medley.

Melanie Davis saw her first competition since recovering from a fractured tailbone injury she suffered during the off-season. Davis finished the 200 IM in 2:17.71.

The Saluki men fared a little better, going 2-0 on the day.

SIUC defeated Arkansas 64-50 and Arkansas-Little Rock 64-49, finishing seven events in the top spot.

Chris Pelant led the Salukis, finishing first in the 200-yard butterfly in 1:54.14 and second in the 200 breast in 1:55.16. Ward Brakenrig won the 500-yard freestyle (4:15.01) and finished third in the 200 free.

Rob Siracuso continued his strong diving. Last weekend, Siracuso won the one- and three-meter events. He won the one-meter diving contest Friday with a score of 324.90, just 8.2 points ahead of Arkansas’

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Hoops exhibition at Big Dawg Jam

The SIUC Undergraduate Student Government, in cooperation with the Black Affairs Council and InterGreek Council, are sponsoring the Big Dawg Jam tonight at the Rec Center from 7:30 to 9 p.m.

Saluki basketball head coach Rich Herin and his team will be on hand to speak with and meet fans, while also participating in exhibition drills.

Several prize giveaways are scheduled for fans and admission to the Saluki basketball Big Dawg Jam is free.