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Thompson Woods' Last Stand

Restoration the only way
to save our ailing forest

BURKE SPEAKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

When the Thompson family sold what is now Thompson Woods to SIUC in 1940, the area was a flourishing woodland dominated by oak and hickory trees and a haven for family picnics. But walk through parts of the woods today, and you'll likely get stuck in the invasive weeds that beset a forest filled with dead and dying trees.

The restoration of the declining Thompson Woods is an ongoing preservation battle, and a loss could turn the once vibrant forest into nothing more than an exotic weed jungle. Or possibly, a parking lot.

"I've heard people talk about paving the woods over and turning it into a parking lot," said Paul Roth, an SIUC professor of forestry. "The University is big on parking lots."

While this option may seem like a rational notion, something needs to be done in the near future if the woods continues to decline. Most of the black oak trees, the dominant tree species in the woods, have reached the end of their life cycles and are about 125 to 150 years old. Once a black oak reaches this age, it is near death.

"Right now they're dropping very fast," Roth said.

Also, vine species and weeds are winning the competition for sunlight, choking out developing oak seedlings. The shade-tolerant beech and maple trees are not a dominant part of the woods' natural state as an oak and hickory forest, but that is exactly where the forest is headed.

"The comment you get from people about Thompson Woods is always the same," Roth said. "They say, 'It used to be a nice woods, but...'"

That "but" is a problem the University must consider before the unwanted make-over is complete. For many people in the SIUC community, including forestry professor James Zaczek, what to do about Thompson Woods remains complicated.

"It's a tough question," Zaczek said, "and it's not an easy answer."



JEFF CURRY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

The once-vibrant Thompson Woods has declined in past decades, and is now overrun with invasive vine species and weeds that are choking out any oak seedlings beneath them. A group effort led by Philip Robertson has tried to restore the woods since 1995, but the woods has reached the point where University intervention in some form is desperately needed.

How the forest faltered

As a forest stand, Thompson Woods is now too small and fragmented to survive as a functioning ecosystem without the aid of human intervention. But at one time, the woods was able to develop on its own.

After a clear-cut in the late 1840s, timber from the forest was used for railroad ties, fuel for homes and businesses, and local building construction in Carbondale when the city was founded in 1854. After the woods returned to its original state, the area became a popular picnic location.

Duane Schroeder, a former grounds-keeping foreman, played in the woods as a child prior to its sale and has watched its degradation throughout the years.

"You used to be able to stand on one side of the woods and watch the sun set right through it," Schroeder said. "It was really a beautiful spot."

The woods was a place the whole town was welcome to enjoy. The Thompsons never fenced in the land, allowing people to come as they pleased. The family owned 85 acres, which now includes the

woods and Thompson Lake, and sold most of it to the state for \$6,250 in 1940. Now about 10 acres sectioned in the center of campus, Thompson Woods originally covered about 15 acres.

Years passed and time took its toll on the woods as several unforeseen problems in the past two decades led to its gradual decline.

In June and July of 1980, a strong wind storm knocked over numerous large trees, destroying much of the canopy. The open canopy allowed excess sunlight to strike the forest floor, resulting in a surge of weed species.

As they were not closely monitored, non-native vine species such as creeping euonymus and Japanese honeysuckle invaded. The lack of fire to the site has also allowed for the exotics to flourish. Oak forests need periodical fires for the regeneration of new stands.

The seedlings and smaller trees are facing competition from the vines, and shade-tolerant beech and maple trees. Because the vines and shrubs

Philip Robertson, chairman of the Thompson Woods Management Committee, is asking for volunteers to help plant 50 ball-stock oak trees Saturday as part of an effort to restore Thompson Woods to its natural state.

Volunteers are needed from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday and should meet on the east side of the Agriculture Building. Any participant involved in the Adopt-A-Patch program is encouraged to show up and represent their group.

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Student with meningitis improving

DAPHNE RETTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Carrie Milnor's friends and family are feeling relief as her condition has improved from critical to stable since being diagnosed with bacterial meningitis Tuesday.

CONCERNED?

Those with questions about bacterial meningitis or interest in the vaccine, contact Student Health Programs at 453-4471.

She was moved from intensive to intermediate care Wednesday. Milnor, a sophomore in physiology from Decatur, was flown by helicopter to the Springfield Memorial Medical Center Tuesday, where a spinal tap confirmed the 19-year-old had contracted bacterial meningitis.

Meningitis is a potentially deadly

disease which results in inflammation of the membrane surrounding the brain and spinal cord.

Rollin M. Perkins, the medical chief of staff for Student Health Programs who first identified meningitis as a possibility, said the first 48 hours were the most critical. Getting through those first two days was a very good sign.

"Every hour that passes without a complication means there is less chance of a problem," Perkins said. But Milnor is not completely out of danger. "She could still have problems a week from now."

Marianne Milnor, Carrie's mother, said the doctors are optimistic.

"One doctor stated the prognosis is good for a cure," she said. "She's in pretty good shape, and she looks good."

Carrie first experience the flu-like symptoms Sunday night. A close friend, Sherah Buerster and her room-

mate, Jennifer Bruns, took her to memorial Hospital of Carbondale where she was diagnosed with an upper respiratory infection. Marianne said her daughter was misdiagnosed because she lacked the most common symptom of bacterial meningitis: neck stiffness.

When they returned from the hospital, Bruns and Buerster considered the possibility of meningitis. The girls were familiar with the disease because they lived on the 15th floor of Mae Smith Hall last year, where James "Hugh" O'Donnell lived in the spring semester. O'Donnell died of pneumonia resulting from the bacteria, which can also lead to meningitis. The roommates dismissed the possibility because of the diagnosis at the emergency room.

The next afternoon, Carrie came to Buerster's and Bruns' dorm room with a

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GPSC suggests naming research vice chancellor

TERRY L. DEAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Graduate and Professional Student Council voted to give research a greater voice within administration by passing a resolution Tuesday requesting the creation of a vice chancellor for Research.

GPSC voted unanimously for the resolution, suggesting a restructuring of the current positions within the Graduate School by elevating the associate dean of research to vice chancellor for Research.

The Graduate Council passed a similar measure Oct. 6 that also requested the dean of the Graduate School, who

reports directly to the provost, remain under Academic Affairs.


In approving the measure, GPSC expressed the view shared by the Graduate School that research should be represented at higher levels of administration.

Both measures attempted to address the possibility that an additional vice chancellor position could result in increased bureaucracy within administration.

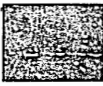
"The Graduate Council is not calling for a new position," said David Kammiller, dean of the Graduate School.

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TODAY:
Partly Cloudy
High: 61
Low: 36



FRIDAY:
Rain
High: 67
Low: 44



SATURDAY:
Cloudy
High: 62
Low: 48



SUNDAY:
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CALENDAR

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TODAY

- Library Affairs Introduction to the WWW using Netscape, 2 to 3 p.m., PowerPoint, 3 to 4:15 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Elementary Education Student Organization student teaching panel, 4:30 p.m., Wham 202, Jenny 549-9254.
- Geology Club meeting, every Thurs., 5 p.m., Parkinson 110, Edie 453-3351.
- Aviation Management Society meeting with guest speakers and tips, every Thurs., 5 p.m., ASA Room 90, Zahlan 529-3341.
- Aviation Management Society executive board nominations, 5 p.m., ASA Room 90, Zahlan 529-3341.
- SIUC Kendo Club meeting, every Thurs., 6 to 9 p.m., Davies Gym, Janet 453-5429.
- Gamma Beta Phi Society meeting, 6 p.m., Illinois Room Student Center, Harry hardille@siu.edu.

same sex relationship transplanted from New York to Carbondale, Dec. 2, 3, 4, 8 p.m., Kleinau Theatre, \$5 general admission and \$3 students, 453-5168.

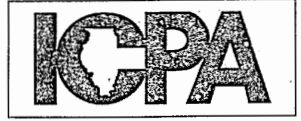
UPCOMING

- Library Affairs finding full text articles, 10 to 11 a.m., Intermediate Web page construction, 2 to 4 p.m., Dec. 3, Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Spanish Table meeting, every Fri., 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange.
- The French Table meeting, every Fri., 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Booby's.
- Japanese Table meeting, every Fri., 6 to 8 p.m., Melange Cafe, Janet 453-5429.
- Chi Alpha Campus Ministries meeting, every Fri., 6:30 p.m., Wham 105, Elise 529-4399.
- Science Fiction and Fantasy Society join us and watch science fiction, fantasy and Japanese animation videos, Dec. 3, 7 p.m., Video Lounge Student Center, Mike 549-3527.
- Saluki Volunteer needs monitoring to assist with volunteering a sixth grade lock-in, Dec. 3, 7 to 11 p.m., Adolescent Health Care, Tony 529-2621.
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship "Friday Night Live," Dec. 3, 7 p.m., Ag. Building Auditorium, Kara 351-7516.
- WSU-FM What The Butler Saw, Dec. 3, 4, 10, and 11, 8 p.m., Dec. 12, 2 p.m., McLeod Theatre, \$10 adults, \$8 Seniors, \$5 SIU students, 453-3001.
- Strategic Games Society meeting, every Sat., noon to close, Student Center, Sean 457-6489.
- University Christian Ministries watch lights fantastic from inside the Interfaith Center, Dec. 4, 6 to 8 p.m., Interfaith Center, Satya 549-7387.
- Irish Studies Forum set dancing, Dec. 5, 3 to 5 p.m., Student Center Ballroom A, Alicia 351-6526.
- University Christian Ministries dinner to explore sustainable holiday celebrations, Dec. 5, 6 p.m., Interfaith Center, Hugh 549-7387.
- SIUC OIRS Instructional Program: Body Spirit Dance Workout, every Mon. and Wed., 5 to 6 p.m., Michelle 453-1263.
- SPC Films Committee meeting to help choose films for the student community, every Mon., 6:30 p.m., Activity Room A Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.
- On Campus Debate Society meeting, every Mon. and Wed., 6:15 p.m., Communication Building Room 2005, James 351-9447.
- Outdoor Adventure Club meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Chris 351-4558.
- Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson, every Mon., 7 to 9 p.m., \$15 for students \$20 for non-students, Davies Gym, Chia-ling 351-8855.
- Student Programming Channel television show on SPC-TV called B-Television, every Mon., 7 p.m., Channel 24/SPC-TV, Neil 453-6550.
- Theater Department auditions for the musical Candide, Dec. 6, 7 to 10 p.m., 453-5741.
- Baptist Student Center is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Hill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2998.
- Japanese Table holds informal conversation in Japanese and English over lunch, every Tues. noon, Student Center Cambria Room, Janet 453-5429.
- Society of Professional Hispanic Engineers meeting, every Tues., 6 p.m., Engineering Building A Room 319, David 536-1268.
- Middle Eastern Dance Enthusiasts meeting, every Tues., 7 p.m., Faner 3515, Tedd 453-5012.

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THIS DAY IN 1969

- The SIU Board of Trustees was expected to give highest priority to a request for funds for construction of a pedestrian overpass on the Carbondale campus at the Board of Higher Education meeting in Chicago. The University asked Gov. Richard Ogilvie to release \$325,000 in frozen capital funds for the construction.
- The first draft lottery in 27 years was held, sending young men born on Sept. 14 to the head of the line for 1970 draft calls. Men second in line for the next year's draft were those born April 24, followed by Dec. 30 and Oct. 18.
- The Student Government Activities Council sponsored a "computer dance" in the River Rooms of the University Center. The dance, which featured St. Louis rock group The Touch, was set up so that each person attending the dance was electronically matched up with a date from a list of people attending the social.



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• An 18-year-old resident of Schneider Hall was taken to Memorial Hospital of Carbondale at 10:34 p.m. Tuesday after drinking shots of Everclear, an alcoholic beverage. University police said he was kept at the hospital for observation.

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MINGOOK PARK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Brandi Glasser, a senior in political science from Murphysboro, is the special population commissioner for USG and currently is working on improving conditions for disabled students on campus.

Senior Brandi Glasser proves that staying motivated is the key to success, no matter what

GINNY SWALSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Brandi Glasser recently spent a Saturday afternoon taking photographs around campus, but she is not a photographer. Glasser used about 10 rolls of film to photograph sidewalk problem areas for students confined to a wheelchair.

Glasser, 23, is the first student to fill the newly created Undergraduate Student Government Special Populations Commissioner position, a position that was designed to give disabled students a larger voice in USG.

A senior majoring in political science with a minor in administration of justice, Glasser became wheelchair-bound after she broke her neck four years ago at a party. She said an intoxicated 16-year-old threw her in the shallow end of an above-ground pool, resulting in a broken neck and spinal cord injury.

Paralyzed from the neck down, Glasser worked hard in physical therapy to regain the use of her wrists and partial use of her arms. She uses her disability as an advantage in her USG position to scout out problems facing disabled students.

"Being disabled, you talk to a lot of other people who are either in wheelchairs or who are in kind of the same position I am," Glasser said. "I talked

to a lot of disabled students even before I had the position.

"I discussed with a lot of different students some of the concerns that we have in common and things that we really need changed."

USG President Sean Henry said Glasser was chosen for the position because she had some plans for what she would like to do, and she was very spirited.

"She came in with a lot of ideas, and she was very enthusiastic and self-motivated," Henry said.

Glasser has already written a resolution that would send out a memo to faculty, staff and administration reminding them to be aware of potential

GLASSER

• Students with questions or concerns for Glasser can contact her at bglasser@midwest.net.

She currently is working on having sidewalks around campus repaired, increasing accessibility to the buildings around campus and working on making the rules for handicapped parking on campus more strict.

USG Vice President Brian Atchison said Glasser is doing an excellent job to make a difference around campus.

"She's showing that this position in USG is necessary," Atchison said.

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

CARBONDALE

ACLU sponsors Ten Commandments forum

The Southern Illinois chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union is sponsoring a forum tonight on religion in public schools titled "The Ten Commandments Go To School: Legal, Educational and Sociological Perspectives."

The forum begins at 7:30 p.m. in Room 102 of the Lesar Law Building. It will include brief presentations by Leonard Gross from the SIU School of Law, Samuel Goldman of the College of Education and Rhys Williams from the Department of Sociology.

Following the presentations will be an open discussion of the issues surrounding the Harrisburg School Board's decision to post the Ten Commandments, the Magna Carta and the Bill of Rights in district schools. Area residents are encouraged to attend for the forum and discussion.

-Tim Chamberlain

USG town hall meeting for Judicial Affairs tonight

Undergraduate Student Government will conduct a town hall meeting tonight at 7 in Student Center Ballroom D to discuss several issues regarding Student Judicial Affairs.

The meeting was called because of concerns among students and senators about the methods used by SIUC Judicial Affairs in hearings for students that may result in suspension from the University.

Among the topics to be considered tonight are an immediate review of the Student Conduct Code, allowing legal counsel to actively defend students, implementing a review board as the final hearing body on campus and calling on the chancellor or a designate to hear all pending appeals involving possible suspension.

USG President Sean Henry encourages all interested parties to attend. Those with questions can call USG at 536-3381.

-Tim Chamberlain

IFC to hold Christmas party

The International Friends Club will have its annual Christmas Party for all SIUC and CESL international students at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Stone Center.

American volunteers will have special performances by students and faculty from the School of Music. Guests will be able to talk in a holiday-decorated room while listening to a brass quintet.

There also will be a vocal performance, group caroling and a visit from Santa Claus. Following Santa's visit there will be a craft activity and homemade Christmas cookies.

For more information or help with transportation, call Diane at 529-4122 or Beth at 453-5774.

-Karen Blatter

Rescheduled Moseley-Braun visit today

ANDY EGENES
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Three weeks after her U.S. ambassadorship to New Zealand was approved, former U.S. Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun will lecture to the Carbondale community — a rescheduled appearance at SIUC.

Moseley-Braun will speak at 4:30 p.m. today in Shryock Auditorium. She originally was scheduled to speak at SIUC Nov. 4, but canceled her visit after she was required to testify at a congressional hearing involving her ambassadorship. Moseley-Braun will be the

last speaker this fall for the SIU Public Policy Institute's lecture series.

President Bill Clinton nominated Moseley-Braun for the appointment this fall, which sparked concern from U.S. Sen. Jesse Helms (R, N.C.), senate foreign relations committee chairman.

Helms blocked the nomination and wanted to investigate allegations that Moseley-Braun diverted \$200,000 in campaign funds for trips, luxury car, jewelry and other personal use.

Moseley-Braun fought against Helms' plan to renew the emblem of the United Daughters of the Confederacy because it included a confederate flag.

The Senate approved her ambassadorship nomination by a 96-to-2 vote Nov. 10. She will begin her ambassadorship in mid-December. The only two votes opposing her nomination came from

MOSELEY-BRAUN

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Moseley-Braun

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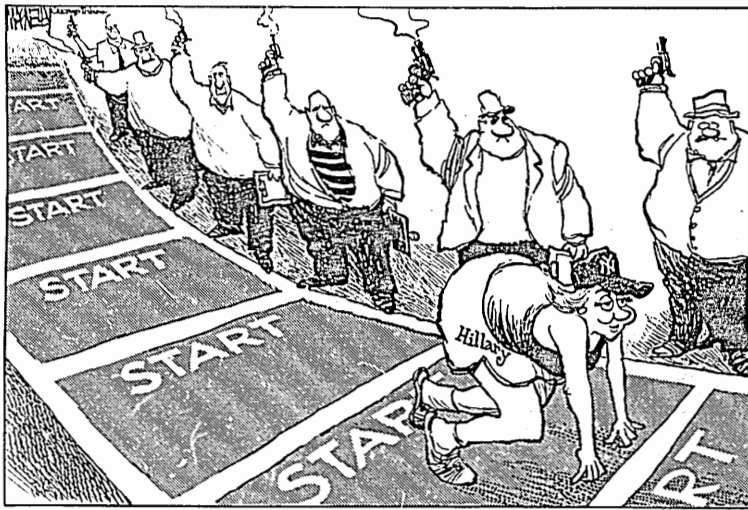
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Our Word

Packed with leadership, Jackson really satisfies

Amidst all the recent stumbling blocks SIUC experienced, one thing is becoming ever more obvious: interim Chancellor John Jackson walks through life with maroon-colored glasses. As our leadership famine continues to starve our campus, Jackson consistently proves himself the stalwart of composed vision.

It seems clear SIUC President Ted Sanders wants to provide a comforting Band-Aid to the gaping wounds many people believe his tenure brought to our campus. His salve of choice? Give us a chancellor in lieu of guaranteeing a worthy presidential replacement.

But here is where superior character shines through. After important constituencies declared unfair appointment procedures, instead of jumping at the chance for a more permanent hold on the throne, Jackson simply says, "Let's do it the right way." This is the sign of a true leader. Jackson has respected the faculty's views from the beginning, and if nothing else is working, Jackson's appointment as interim Chancellor was one of the best things that could have happened to SIUC in its current state.

Whether as a dean, a professor or a provost, Jackson has been there when SIUC needed him. It was in the best interest of the campus for Jackson to

listen to what they wanted before making a decision on accepting a more permanent appointment, and we can only expect Jackson to continue serving in the best interest of our campus.

When former chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger took office, it quickly became clear Jackson was not going to be part of her team. Yet, even in losing his position as provost, Jackson quietly stepped down. He knew that as long as he was part of our campus, he could continue to lead in other ways — if not in an administrative office. And look at him now. He's running the show, but still respecting the opinions of the campus he serves.

There is undeniable value in taking the time to do things right no matter how long it takes to accomplish them. A rush job at finding a leader will only land SIUC back where this mess started, and we'll have to go through all the confusion once again. A simple leadership patch might work when the leader of your backyard tree house club resigns, but not for an organization as complex as our University system. Jackson seems to recognize this fact, and for his commitment to thoughtful leadership, we extend a Christmas wish that he will give serious consideration to adding his name to the candidate pool for a permanent chancellor when the time comes.

A vote for more classes, fewer vacations

Once upon a time, pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock. They were met by Native Americans willing to help them survive the harsh living conditions. The pilgrims and Native Americans gathered in fellowship to thank God for their blessings.

Every year, in commemoration of this happy moment in American history, we all join with our families and friends to share one another's company and be thankful for everything we have been granted.

And likewise, every year SIUC students are given a week off school for the holiday so that we, too, may take time to reflect on what we are most thankful for.

This year, my Thanksgiving contemplation was cut short when I discovered I had major research papers and/or projects due in every single class upon my return from the break.

I don't want to sound ungrateful to SIUC for giving us all a little time to go home and see our families, but at the same time, I'm not sure my grades and stress levels can afford a vacation like that.

Yes, I enjoyed spending time with the people close to me over the break — of course I did. But when the end of the vacation arrived, I realized I had 20 huge reading assignments and projects to finish. And so, for the last 72 hours of my life, the company of loved ones has been replaced by my dear friends Mr. Caffeine, Mr. Sugar and



GRACE PRIDDY



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And all of this because my professors wanted to make sure I didn't just spend the break forgetting every single thing I've learned over the semester. I understand that is an important concern — that we don't come back from vacation and have to backtrack what we've already learned. But at the same time, if we had been in school all last week, I still wouldn't have had AS MUCH homework as was assigned for the Thanksgiving break.

I mean, if I had a nickel for every time I heard the phrase "so you'll have plenty to work on over break," in the last month, I'm pretty sure I wouldn't be having to worry anymore about making my bursar bill payments.

I know I'm not the only one whose Thanksgiving break was spent in fear of not competing my assignments by

the time the turkey giblets were gone. Every friend I spoke to was just as up-to-their-ears in text books as I was.

The longer I think about it, the more I realize there is only one feasible solution to this problem.

And so, Mr. Interim Chancellor, members of the Board of Trustees, and student government, I beg your mercy. Please, oh please, please — don't give us any more mid-semester breaks.

I mean it. Cancel them all. I can't imagine the wonderful, carefree feeling of spending March cooped up here in classes, instead of being forced into a Spring Break that will only result in the loss of my sanity after one more school holiday provides the perfect opportunity for every teacher on campus to assign the biggest project of the semester.

Just as my Plymouth Rock forefathers were once at the mercy of kindness to get them through that first rough year, I am on my knees pleading for compassion from the administration of SIUC.

Save your fellow man, I beg of you. Save us from the horrid curse of bulk assignments and all-nighters spent at Morris Library.

Do this favor for us, and I make a solemn promise — next November, I will have more to be thankful for than I have ever acknowledged in my entire life, and it will be the most powerful Thanksgiving I have ever experienced.

MAILBOX

DEAR EDITOR:

We count on professional educators so that our children receive the best possible education. Yet when the professionals let us down, what can we do?

That's why 13 concerned citizens in Naperville have asked State School Superintendent Max McGee for his help. We think our local school superintendent is getting away with failing to uphold even minimal standards of professionalism and ethical behavior.

We're told, though, not to expect too much from our state education officials. It seems there are no teeth in their professional standards. These standards are all written down — the Illinois Professional Leader Standards, the American Association of School Administrators Professional Standards for Superintendents — but they are lacking a real enforcement mechanism.

Other professionals, such as attorneys, physicians or real estate brokers, are subject to real discipline from independent agencies. But what about professional educators?

When I called the State Board of Education to ask for an annual report on this or for a number of professional school administrators who had been disciplined in the last year, I was simply told, "We can't give that kind of information out."

In contrast, the Illinois Department of Professional Regulation has press releases on the latest disciplinary action taken against physicians and other professionals on its Web site, plus the forms necessary to initiate a complaint. Each year, attorneys must pay \$140 each to fund the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission, which investigates complaints and administers discipline to attorneys all the time.

Most taxpayers don't know that school administrators pay no such annual fee to any disciplinary body. In fact, local property taxpayers in most school districts pay hundreds of dollars each year into a fund administered by the Illinois Association of School Administrators, not to ferret out unprofessional conduct, but instead to defend administrators accused of misconduct.

Is it unprofessional to not enforce some minimum standards of ethical behavior? Why does our state allow those who impact our children everyday to dodge such a safeguard?

I hope the complaint from Naperville helps change all this. It is time for professional educators to stand up and accept professional discipline when their actions go astray.

DAVID VAUGHT
member, Naperville Unit District
203 Board of Education

DEAR EDITOR:

Proponents of the World Trade Organization can thank the DAILY EGYPTIAN for unwittingly aiding in the campaign to divert and misinform the public about the WTO.

Tuesday's article "World Trade to affect Southern Illinois" was rather haphazardly written, but the main point that I got out of it was that the WTO conference is being conducted to help American businesses trade overseas. That's only a small part of the story on the WTO.

The WTO allows member nations to challenge other member nation's laws and policies affecting trade. The WTO's decision-making process takes place in strict confidentiality, behind closed doors by a panel of three international trade bureaucrats. The final decision can not be appealed.

Once a decision is made, the member nation found to be in violation of WTO law has three choices: compromise the country affected by the trade law, change the trade law to meet WTO guidelines, or face trade sanctions.

Since the WTO's formation in 1995, every single one of the decisions on its cases brought against member nations for their trade laws protecting the environment or public health has been in favor of making those laws illegal. Decisions are made over profit, loss, and "free trade." Environmental concerns, health concerns, and the domestic economic concerns of sovereign nations are overlooked. These issues, among many other things, are the cause for the protests that are going on right now in Seattle. Research the issues for yourself. You'll find the WTO is not our friend, nor is it the world's friend.

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ONLINE COLUMN

DEDRICK GORDON



The Final Moments of Romanticism appears Thursday online at www.dailyegyptian.com. Dedrick is a senior in elementary education. His opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Today's column:
They don't do so no more,
all they do is this.

Chicago Underground may expand to upstairs

KAREN BLATTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

John Karayanis has not picked up the liquor license for Chicago Underground yet, but the Liquor Advisory Board will hear a request to expand Chicago Underground at tonight's meeting.

Karayanis was awarded a class B-2 liquor license at the Nov. 14 Liquor Control Commission meeting and has 90 days from that time to pick up the license. When he was awarded the license, it was unclear if he still wanted it to operate Chicago Underground, 717 S. University Ave.

Karayanis would not speak to the DAILY EGYPTIAN about the details of his request, but he has made statements at previous public meetings about the possible expansion of Chicago Underground.

Some of the comments included opening the upstairs for a coffee shop, but a liquor establishment was not mentioned. At the Liquor Advisory Board meeting Nov. 4, Karayanis noted that opening the upstairs would increase business.

But his present request contradicts comments made at the Nov. 14 Liquor Control Commission meeting where Karayanis said he did not have plans to make changes to his present establishment if he received the class B-2 license.

Karayanis wanted to change his present class A-2 restaurant license to a bar license, but he did not understand that his reasons for wanting a bar license could be achieved under the restaurant license. He wanted the license so the establishment could stay open and sell alcohol without having to operate a kitchen. Karayanis misunderstood the terms of the A-2 license and believed he needed a bar license in order to do that.

If Karayanis does not pick up the license before the 90-day limit, the license will become available again. His bar license is the last available in Carbondale under a city-wide cap of 15.

Karayanis can request an additional 90 days if he provides a good reason to the city for why he needs more time before receiving the license.

GLASSER CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3

"She's active, and I'm glad we have somebody like her who's dedicated and knowledgeable about disabled students on campus."

A Murphysboro native, Glasser transferred to SIUC after attending John A. Logan to stay close to her family and because of SIUC's "handicap friendly environment."

"You find if you have a disability, if your family is around, and

they are supportive, it makes it easier to get a lot of stuff done," Glasser said.

Glasser said she hopes to enter law school in the fall. She plans to work in health care law or worker's compensation law, focusing on the American Disability Act. Glasser originally wanted to work in environmental law, but, after her injury, she decided she wanted to work on making changes and helping with ADA law.

Currently, Glasser is also a volunteer at Carbondale Memorial

Hospital, helping with data entry and processing and for the Carbondale Women's Center where she just finished 64 hours of training to deal with domestic violence and assault.

Glasser said that, through her position in USC, she hopes to help people realize it is possible to alter the things that bother them.

"If you're really upset with something, the thing to do is to try to change it," Glasser said. "I think it's important to give a positive attitude."

GPSC CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Kammler said the number of administrative positions will remain the same and suggests that a restructuring such as this is not out of the ordinary compared to other Universities.

"We're not completely off the wall with what we are trying to do," he said. "This organizational structure is similar to other higher educational institutions."

GPSC also discussed the possibility of research dollars being lost in the future to other Universities who already have an administrative official

in place to deal with research matters.

Ed Ford, GPSC president, said there has been a decline in funding for research since the 1980s and blames that primarily on not having a voice directly in administrative decisions.

"This historically has been a research university," he said. "If this institution doesn't have something there, visibly, that says, 'Hey we are a research institution, and we've got people here doing important research,' then the emphasis on research is going to continue to slip away."

"A part of what the faculty was supposed to do was their own research to contribute to their discipline [and]

not just their classroom work," Ford said. "The whole intent is if you're really involved in your discipline, that should make you a better teacher also."

Kammler said it makes no sense to have the responsibility concerning research matters two levels below the chancellor and that a restructuring is necessary.

"I think [restructuring] is important because research is important. It keeps us at the cutting edge in our disciplines."


GPSC also affirmed their agreement with Tuesday's Graduate Council vote that expressed displeasure with appointing a chancellor without a search process.

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
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a rash covering her body. When the girls saw the dark spots on her skin, they knew there was something wrong.

"It looked like little bruises. It really didn't look like any rash I had ever seen before," Brun said.

Brun brought Carrie to University Health Programs. Perkins recognized the symptoms in accordance with bacterial meningitis and sent Carrie by ambulance to Memorial Hospital of Carbondale. Early Tuesday

morning, she was transported to Springfield's Memorial Medical Center.

Perkins said the purplish-colored rash was the bacteria in Carrie's blood attacking her skin.

Students have been calling Student Health Programs with concerns about headaches and sore throats, both symptoms of meningitis. Perkins is confident anyone who was exposed to the disease from Carrie would have been apparent days ago, but those with concerns are welcome to contact Student Health Programs.

"If people are concerned, they should call and let us talk to them,

he said.

Buerster and Bruns plan to visit their friend Saturday. Buerster said she is more able to concentrate in school now that Carrie is in stable condition.

"We caught it in time," she said. "She's going to be fine, hopefully."

News of Carrie's improved condition helped Marianne breathe easier, and she wants people to know Carrie's friends made the difference by acting quickly and trusting their instincts.

"Sherah and Jen both should be congratulated," she said. "I'm sure they helped save her life."

VISIT

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Helms and U.S. Sen. Peter Fitzgerald, R-Ill., who defeated her re-election bid in 1998.

Former Sen. Paul Simon was not surprised that the nomination was approved in a landslide fashion.

"I know she is popular," Simon said. "I was surprised that Jesse Helms didn't fight it more in terms of keeping it in the committee."

Moseley-Braun was the first African-American female to be elected to the U.S. Senate.

While in Washington, D.C.

Moseley-Braun served on committees devoted to finance, banking, housing and urban development. Laura Arnold, professor in the Political Science Department, said having her on campus in the midst of her controversy makes it interesting.

"She can give students insight of what it is like to be in politics," Arnold said.

"It's good for our students to be exposed to that."

Simon was pleased that Moseley-Braun went out of her way to come to SIUC.

"This is a chance to get to hear someone who has made history," he said.

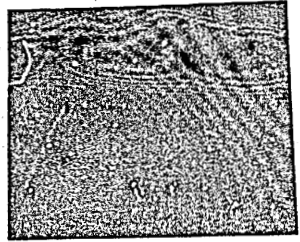
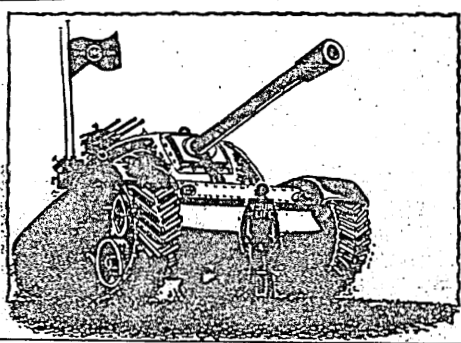
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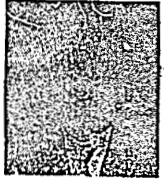
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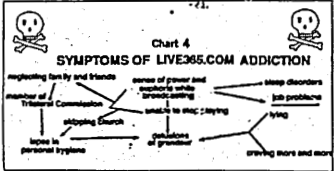


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have choked out the oak seedlings, there are not many trees to replace the dying ones. To compound the problem, the squirrel and mice populations are rapidly devouring available acorns, rendering the woods unable to regenerate by themselves.

"One thing people don't realize is there's so many mice and squirrels, the acorns don't make it to germination," Zaczek said. "The populations are so immense."

The thing that does grow, though, is the amount of trash and cigarette butts people throw into the woods. Carbondale Fire Department Capt. Gary Heern said a discarded cigarette was likely the reason for a brush fire Nov. 18 that burned about a 50-foot radius on the north side of the woods behind Morris Library.

"This is supposed to be the environmentally conscious generation, but Thompson Woods is littered all the time," Roth said.

What's more, the hundreds of students who cross through the woods daily create user paths off the paved trails, which compact the soil and expose the trees' roots. If they are trampled enough the trees are exposed to infection.

"Thompson Woods is supposedly one of the key things that alumni remember about the campus," Zaczek said. "But the only constant is change, and unless someone's willing to actively manage it, it's going to change."

And, Zaczek said, the change could herald a tidy weed patch.

Who will save our woods?

Thompson Woods lies at the University's heart, and is an aesthetically pleasing walk for students using it as an artery to classes. But now that the forest is faltering, most agree the time has come for major reconstructive surgery.

Since 1995, a team of workers has battled to solve the dilemma. The Thompson Woods Management Committee, led by plant biology professor Philip Robertson, formed to help restore the forest to its original state.

Robertson initiated Adopt-A-Patch, which uses separate groups, and each group maintains a patch of woods utilizing work days to clear the weeds and vines, and plant small oaks. But the number of student groups actively involved has dwindled as much as the woods itself.

While about 10 groups originally agreed to the proposal, the number of groups maintaining the patches is now about half. Some patches have received help and others have not.

Terry Miller, a senior in plant biology and Adopt-A-Patch volunteer, said students can do only so much, and without University aid, the woods will experience a demise from a hard-wood stand to a weed jungle. Miller suggests hiring students to spray herbicides and manually clear the exotics.

"To really accomplish what needs to be done, the University needs to commit to a more direct involvement in the woods," Miller said. "The bottom line is that with the amount of exotics, a more hands-on approach with a commitment of funds needs to occur."

While SIUC's groundskeepers have watered and kept some weeds in check during the summer, the University has not donated any financial assistance in the last two decades.

When the woods was sold, there was a much-debated "gentleman's agreement" that the University maintain the woods in its natural state of hardwood oak and hickory forest. When the University cut a one-fifth mile area on the west side of Campus Lake in 1987, the clearing created an uproar from people who claim the woods should not be disturbed from its original state.

But the agreement is not included in the documentation, meaning the University can either maintain the woods in a natural state or let the woods wither into oblivion.

"Ultimately, it's part of the University landscape, and it would be in their own best interest to spend more time on it," Zaczek said. "But it does take money, and the University only has so much money."

The Grounds Department, which functions as part of the Physical Plant, has lost numerous workers and funding. Between fiscal year 1991 and fiscal year 1998, the Physical Plant's budget has decreased by \$2.3 million, despite the increase in maintenance needs. Most of the University's maintenance funds are going toward deferred maintenance, which are projects like asbestos abatement and building remodeling.

But some professors including Zaczek are not convinced the woods should be overlooked in the process.

"Maybe the woods needs some deferred maintenance," Zaczek said.

While funds are diverted to deferred maintenance projects,

Thompson Woods awaits funds that may never come. Instead, the University has relied on the efforts of others, including donations from alumni and emeritus professors.

Jim Fralish, a retired associate professor of forestry, donated more than \$12,000 to the rejuvenation project.

"The woods have a long way to go," Fralish said. "It will look worse before it looks better."

The fate of the forest

Robertson said there are a myriad of ideas and suggestions for what Thompson Woods needs, but a finalized agreement is a necessity for the woods to become what it once was. That said, help may be on the way.

Vice Chancellor for Administration Glenn Poshard is working with a 12-member group of faculty and staff on a Land Use Plan that will address what to do about the woods, according to Robertson, who is a member of the team. But Robertson said there have been no definitive plans for the woods.

Most agree that the use of herbicide and fire to eradicate the exotics is needed. Other suggestions have been asking alumni for financial contributions, continual planting and getting funding from the University. The honeysuckle would need to be cleared on a yearly basis, and a group would be needed to monitor and maintain the woods.

"The only way to get it done is

spend a lot of effort and money on the woods," Zaczek said. "I think the University would be justified in spending some money on it. It's the same thing as spending money on lab space — it's an outside lab."

The woods' educational purposes are vast. Forestry, plant biology and other SIUC professors use the woods to educate on ecosystem use, for plant and tree identification and to study the rehabilitation of forests.

Zaczek, who obtained his SIUC forestry undergraduate in 1980 and a forestry master's in 1982, said while it has declined from the time he attended school, he does use the woods for educational purposes.

"It's got some good examples of what not to do with a woods," Zaczek said.

For now, the battle continues as Robertson plans to plant more small oak trees Saturday. He hopes that once restored, the forest will contain mostly black oak and hickory with wildflowers replacing the weeds.

Roth said there is a lot of work ahead for the woods, but the effort will pay off for those who appreciate the natural beauty of a woods rather than a parking lot.

"We don't want another one of the concrete-asphalt jungle campuses," Roth said. "Our concern is to protect and manage it so that students 20, 40, and 60 years from now still have a nice woods."

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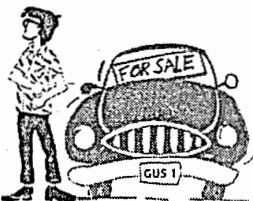
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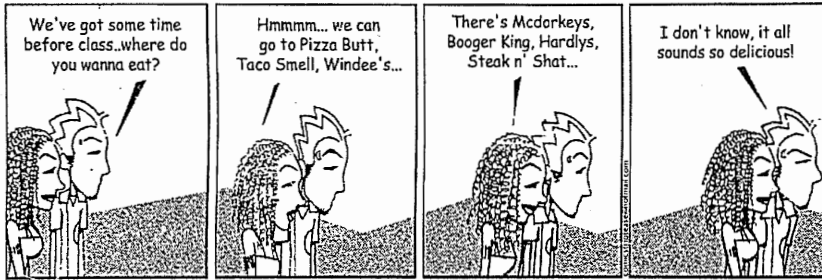
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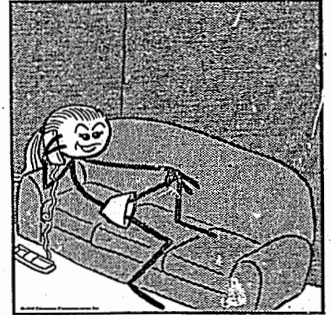
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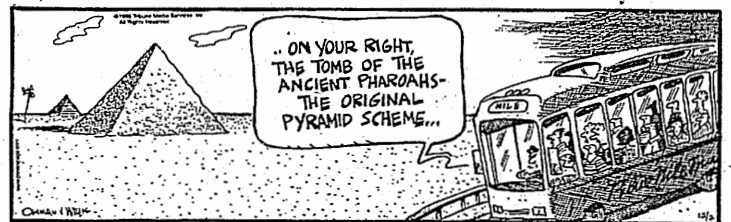
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Majority of umpires vote to dump Phillips for new union

SAM DEHNELSON
KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSSTAFFERS

NEW YORK — It should have ended with more flair, more fire, more fight.

Richie Phillips' 21-year tenure as the umpires union boss should have ended like that final scene in "A Few Good Men," with Richie screaming, "You're messing with the wrong litigator!" as he tried to break all restraints and rip the throats out of the umpires that led the revolt against him.

Instead, it ended quietly and dully in a conference room on the 36th floor of the Jacob Javits Federal Building in lower Manhattan, without Phillips even present. Phillips was in New York, but was tied up in other business, his associate, Pat Campbell, said wryly.

"Richie's focus is all about getting 22 umpires their jobs back," Campbell said.

So it ended, with Campbell and Major League Umpires Association president Jerry Crawford on one side of a table and John Hirschbeck and his attorney, Joel Smith, representing the new union on the other. It ended with Crawford's hand-propped head drooping, inch by inch, as Steve Appell, an attorney with the National Labor Relations Board, and an assistant tediously and tortuously opened each envelope, deposited them in a cardboard box, then tediously and tortuously counted each one.

When he was done, 57 of 93 umpires casting votes chose a new union, with this working title: the Major League Umpires Independent

Organizing Committee. That was the same number of votes cast in favor of resignation last July, a Phillips-advised strategy that triggered the series of events that culminated with Tuesday's vote.

Thirty-five umpires voted to retain the existing union, the Major League Umpires Association, headed by Phillips and his law firm.

"I'm shocked," Campbell said. "I figured it would be close. But I figured in the end, people would realize the gains they made through the Major League Umpires Association and that they would be very reluctant, in a fair election, to give that up."

When Phillips took over in 1978, rookie umpires earned \$17,500 and the most senior veterans made \$40,000. This year, salaries ranged from \$95,000 to \$282,500, including postseason bonuses they all receive.

But along the way, dissidents charged, Phillips became a dictator, forcing his strategy upon them. There was also distrust about the union treasury.

"The major thing we wanted was an organization that was really run like a democracy," said Hirschbeck, who spearheaded the effort to force

this vote. "An organization where we had a true accountability of funds, where every member had the same voice in the union, where every member was as important as the next. Truly a union that was run by umpires, with lawyers as advisers and consultants."

Asked if accountability of funds was a problem within the old union, Hirschbeck responded, "It was very difficult to obtain that information."

One ballot was voided because it was signed, which Campbell later objected to. Campbell also indicated an appeal of the process was likely.

The MLUA has seven days to do so, according to NLRB Director L. Douglas Silverman. If the appeal has merit, Silverman will schedule a hearing. Otherwise, it will be dismissed.

Campbell declined to specify the basis of the appeal.

"I just don't think the whole process was fair," Crawford said.

The process began July 14 when 57 of the 68 union members at a meeting in Philadelphia's Airport Marriott agreed to tender resignations as a ploy to get major league owners to negotiate a new contract.

Instead, owners took steps to replace them, and many umpires rescinded their resignations. Phillips was critical of those umpires and many umpires were critical of Phillips's disastrous strategy. Ultimately the leagues hired 25 new umpires, and allowed only some resignations to be rescinded.

Twenty-two umpires who had resigned were let go. A summer's worth of accusations and acrimony ensued, which ripped apart a union once renowned for its solidarity.

Those let go also filed a grievance that essentially argued that their resignations should not have been taken seriously. Late last week, arbitrator Alan Symonette ruled such a grievance merited a hearing, which he scheduled for Dec. 13 in Philadelphia.

Phillips's firm will still handle that grievance, Ron Shapiro, an adviser to the new union, said Tuesday. Shapiro also said he would not head the new union, and would serve as its adviser for only a little while longer.

"Ron has from the beginning has never accepted pay, and he will be with us as long as we need to get on our feet," Hirschbeck said. "I think that time is close."

Shapiro said: "The union is going to have tremendous lawyers... They are going to have a crackjack legal staff. It's just that the legal staff is not going to tell them what to do. They are going to carry out their wishes."

One wish will be to forge a better working relationship with Major League Baseball, Hirschbeck said.

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MINSOOK PARK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU women's basketball team guard Courtney Smith receives quick advice from assistant coach Lori Opp in the 52-44 loss against Saint Louis University at the SIU Arena Wednesday night. The Salukis are now 2-3.

A missed opportunity

Women's basketball team shoots a dismal 33 percent from the field, including a multitude of missed lay-ups

PAUL WLEKLIŃSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN

What started as just a small predicament of missed lay-ups became a full blown, disastrous epidemic for the entire SIU women's basketball team Wednesday night against Saint Louis University.

Saluki centers Kristine Abramowski and Melaniece Bardley have been missing critical bunnies for the past couple games, but now become contagious, spreading even to the sure hand guards as the Salukis managed only 44 points in a nail biter in SIU Arena, falling 52-44.

"When I went in [to the locker room]," said Julie Beck, SIU women's basketball coach (2-3). "I said, 'why are we missing lay-ups? What do I go tell the press? They're going to say 'why are you missing lay-ups?'"

"I don't have an answer. Maybe Melaniece and Kristine aren't offensive minded, but now it's going to Courtney [Smith]; it's going to everybody."

The Salukis shot a miserable 33 percent for the game hitting 19-of-57 shots from the field.

The Salukis' biggest lead of the game came with 10:53 left to play in the first half.

At that point, they led 15-9 over the Billikens. The lead dwindled to a 21-21 tie going into the half-time locker room.

Both teams exchanged buckets

until the Billikens finally obtained a 41-35 lead with less than eight minutes left to play.

The Billikens held the Salukis at bay before hitting 7-of-10 free throws in the final minute, to pull away with a 52-44 win.

If there is any glimmer of hope for Beck and the Salukis, it was spectacular team defense holding the high-scoring Billikens to just 52 points.

"If I take anything positive out of all our games so far this season," Beck said, "we certainly haven't given up a lot of points."

"And they certainly were scoring a lot of points. So you've got to find something in the clouds up there and reach up and say, 'yeah, we're doing something well.'"

SIU's Mandy Lueking led all scorers with 16 points in 34 minutes. April Kinney added 12 points for the Billikens (5-0).

Senior center Melaniece Bardley led the Salukis with 11 points and nine rebounds in 32 minutes. Terica Hathaway chipped in with 10 points while Kristine Abramowski pulled down 11 boards while scoring six points.

The Salukis take the day off today before traveling to Chicago Saturday to face Conference USA foe, DePaul University.

"I hope with what they do on their day off," Beck said about her players, "is they go shoot lay-ups."

Swimming and diving teams spend holiday in Hoosier land

Men's squad looks to surprise Big 10 and Big 12 teams

PAUL WLEKLIŃSKI
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When teams from either the Big 12 or Big 10 conferences are issued a challenge from Missouri Valley Conference opponents, the teams from the Valley are all too often considered mere pests.

The SIU men's swimming and diving team will be much more than just a nuisance, but more of a threat for the wealthier and more sizable swimming programs of the University of Indiana and the University of Missouri, among others, come this weekend's Hoosier Holiday Invitational in Bloomington, Ind.

"The last team they want to see show up is SIU," said Rick Walker, SIU men's swimming and diving coach. "Here's Missouri, sitting in the middle of the Big 12... big budget... big everything."

"Here comes SIU, certainly not comparable in budget, and yet with guys that they wish they had. Who wants to get beat by Southern Illinois in the Missouri Valley [Conference]."

The Hoosiers and the Tigers certainly are not envious of the Salukis' budget, but are drooling over SIU's senior Herman Louw, sophomores Matt Munz, Chrysanthous Papachrysanthou and Come Protesky who have all posted top-25 national times in their respective events making SIU as strong as ever.

Walker is not at all surprised by any of the aforementioned individuals, but by the strength of his entire team. He is often surprised by how good his team really is at times.

"You look back and you say, 'Well, what did we do different?'" Walker said about this year's squad compared to those in the recent past.

"We didn't do anything. It's the same group of guys who think they're better."

But even though all the teams competing in the Hoosier Holiday Invitational have great respect for his team, Walker knows that means nothing if his team does not focus on what it needs to do.

"We're as good, if not better, than they are," Walker said about both Indiana and Missouri. "But we're just going to worry about our own performances. At the end of the day, we'll tally up the scores and see how we did."

And when all is said and done, "I think we'll turn heads," Walker said.

Freshman sensation Amber Mullin leads Salukis to Indiana

PAUL WLEKLIŃSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU women's swimming and diving coach Mark Klumper is hoping that when his team bumps elbows with a couple of the nation's top teams, the success of those programs will rub off on his team for the remainder of the season.

The Salukis will reach the halfway point of their season this weekend when they face the highly touted University of Tennessee and the University of Arkansas, along with the University of Missouri and host University of Indiana, among others, in the Hoosier Holiday Invitational in Bloomington, Ind.

"Hopefully, when they're around better athletes, they elevate their performances and turn in some good swims," Klumper said.

If Klumper gets his wish, many of the Saluki swimmers like freshman Amber Mullins, who is having a sensational season, will be turning heads come the Missouri Valley Conference Championships at the end of the season. Mullins captured three first-place finishes two weeks ago against the

University of Evansville in the 200, 500 and 1,000 freestyle events.

Juniors Daniela Muniz and Melanie Williams and sophomores Jenna Meckler, Dana Morrell and Brook Radostis also earned top finishes against the Purple Aces.

"We expect them all to swim better than they have swam so far this year," Klumper said. "And Amber is no different. She's swam very well so far, but she's done that all basically swimming tired."

Klumper understands that it is not likely his squad will be able to beat a top-10 program like Tennessee of Indiana, but just hopes that his swimmers will register times even quicker than those recorded against Evansville two weeks ago.

To be sure that happens, Klumper will be watching for simple techniques that should already have been mastered by this point in the season. And if that is not happening, he will be forced to back peddle in the training program to make sure his crew is hitting on all cylinders by the time the MVC Championships arrive Feb. 17.

Otherwise, all his job entails from here on out is just a little tweaking.

"You want them to be fast, but hopefully you want them to do things correctly," Klumper said. "It's the mid-point of our season, so it's an important meet for us, and we're excited about it. I feel really good that we are going to turn in some great swims."

DIVE IN

• The SIU men's swimming and diving team travels to Bloomington, Ind., for the Hoosier Holiday Invitational this weekend.

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