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Back to the bargaining table

Faculty and administration return to negotiations

KATE MCCANN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The faculty and administration will return to the bargaining table Wednesday to kindle what promises to be the most telling round of negotiations in the last year.

Last month's vote allowing the faculty union president to file an 'intent to strike' notice at any time has added a more somber tone to a negotiation process already riddled

It's time to de-escalate the rhetoric and stay focused on our mutual goal of trying to reach an agreement.

TOM BRITTON
administrative spokesman

with tensions and discrepancies. "I think the vote by the association suggests they may not be as optimistic about an amiable accord as I am," said administrative spokesman Tom Britton. "It's time

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U.S. Supreme Court sends election appeal back to Florida

ALEXA AGUILAR
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The United States Supreme Court decided Monday that an earlier Florida Supreme Court ruling extending the deadline for certification of the state's election results was unclear, and sent the case back to the Florida court for reconsideration.

This means Texas Gov. George W. Bush's lead over Vice President Al Gore in Florida reverts back to 930 instead of 537, the total Florida Secretary of State

Katherine Harris certified as Florida's official results Nov. 26.

In its ruling, the Supreme Court wrote "there is sufficient reason for us to decline at this time to review the federal questions asserted to be present," namely that the Florida court did not show clearly whether its decision was based on the state constitution or state election laws.

"After reviewing the opinion of the Florida Supreme Court, we

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KERRY MALDNEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

MORNING FIRE: A firefighter looks through the empty window frame of a Murphysboro home Monday morning as the Murphysboro and Carbondale fire departments work to put out the flames. The house was destroyed and the cause of the fire is not yet known. See related story, page 7

Resource Allocation Management Program 2002 Proposal:

- 1) Morris Library
Needs: \$29 million for renovations.
Asking: \$1.9 million for planning costs.
- 2) Communications Building digitization
Needs: \$14 million
Asking: \$3.6 million for additions and planning.
- 3) Transportation Education Center
Needs: \$35 million
Asking: \$1.5 million for planning
- 4) Agriculture Building
Needs: \$25 million
Asking: \$1.75 million for planning.
- 5) Research Park
Needs: \$3 million
- 6) Fire alarm replacements
Needs: \$3 million
- 7) Neckers Building renovations
Needs: \$3 million
- 8) Second Communications Building renovation and additions
Needs: \$560,000

SOURCE: PHYSICAL PLANT

Facility needs dominate University wish list

As the campus continues to fall into disrepair, officials fight to keep the beauty of SIUC

JENNIFER WIG
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Nationwide, SIUC is known for its beautiful campus, but those who work and learn in the environment recognize the need to keep the campus from losing that image.

Newer buildings are needed as SIUC continues to grow. From Anthony Hall to Altgeld Hall, facilities on the SIUC campus are falling into disrepair. SIUC's deferred maintenance costs are estimated between \$125 million and \$135 million. Deferred maintenance refers to the general upkeep of campus facilities.

David Shoup, the Dean of the College of Agriculture, said the Agriculture Building, which was built in 1955, no longer has room to house students and faculty, let alone allow for developments in technology.

"We're kind of flat out of space," Shoup said. "In the last decade, the college has been one of the top researchers. It really was great in 1955, but it wasn't designed for teaching biotechnology. It's running

behind the times."

Facilities in disrepair and the need for new buildings are a common problem at SIUC. But acquiring the funds for such ventures is not easy. The school usually receives \$1.5 to \$2 million through the legislative process for deferred maintenance costs.

A facilities advisory committee, consisting of academic and Physical Plant employees, annually discusses the facilities and creates a list of priorities. The list is called RAMP, or the resource allocation management program. The RAMP's 2002 proposal went through the Board of Trustees in September. The Illinois Board of Higher Education received the document in early October, and the first draft of the list should be returned to President James Walker's office Wednesday.

Rickey McCurry, vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement, said although the state provides much of the money for renovations and additions on public campuses, relying solely on state support is not reasonable.

"There is the impression that the state should provide a facilities of a public institution," he said. "We know that that's not always the case."

In 1999, SIUC received \$55 million in private support. However, McCurry is examining the finer points of conducting a capital campaign to attain funding for everything from scholarships to more building renovations.

According to interim Chancellor John Jackson, a

capital campaign will be necessary in the next few years but timetables for its launch have not yet been set.

"We need those extra funds because the state will never be able to provide the funds," he said.

Last February, Gov. George Ryan recommended to fully fund the IBHE budget request, giving SIUC one of the highest dollar increases at 5.1 percent, or \$231.3 million. This year problems with the state's budget caused by rising Medicaid costs and the lack of a gas tax have some apprehensive about its effect on University funds.

"I'm concerned about revenue this year," Jackson said. "But it's never over until we get the appropriations bill. It's a long way to go."

Corey Bradford, assistant to the vice president for financial services, is certain that the University

Gus Bode



Gus says: I thought this was the technology age, not the stone age.

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TODAY

- **Library Affairs** Introduction to Constructing Web Pages, 9 to 11 a.m., Morris Library Room 103D, Digital Imaging with PhotoShop, 1 to 3 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D, Consumer Health Information on the Internet, 5 to 6 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.
- **Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center** is offering free lunch for international students, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center on the corner of Forrest and Mill, Judy 457-2898.
- **Study Abroad Programs** information session, every Tues., 3:30 to 4:30 p.m., Northwest Annex Room B229, Christina 453-7670.
- **Assertiveness Training Group** screening for new members, every Tues., 4 to 5:30 p.m., 453-3655.
- **Political Science Graduate Student Organization** is showing the movie "Dick", 6:30 p.m., Recreation Center Alumni Room, Craig 457-8578.
- **American Advertising Federation** meeting, every Tues., 7 p.m., Communications Building Room 1244, Erika 536-6321.
- **Yoga Club** yoga exercise, every Tues. and Thurs., 7 to 9 p.m., Assembly Room Recreation Center, Craig 457-8578.

UPCOMING

- **Christian Apologetics Club** meeting to understand Christianity, every Wed, noon, Troy Room Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.
- **Library Affairs PowerPoint**, Dec. 6, 2 to 3:30 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.

CALENDAR

- **Ninth Street Tabernacle Ministries** bible study, every Wed., 4 to 5 p.m., Student Center, Andrea 351-9420.
- **Women's Action Coalition** meeting to discuss issues that need your voice, every Wed., 5 p.m., Women's Study House, Greta 453-5141.
- **Public Relations Student Society of America** meeting, every Wed., 4:30 p.m., Cambria Room Student Center, Tim 453-1898.
- **Model U.N.** meeting, every Wed., 5 to 7 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Jill 351-9881.
- **SPC News and Views** Committee meeting, every Wed., 5 p.m., Sangamon Room Student Center, Gary 536-3393.
- **Saluki Rainbow Network**, every Wed., 5:30 p.m., Student Center, 453-5151.
- **Gamma Beta Phi** general meeting, Dec. 6, 6 p.m., Illinois Room Student Center, Sara aloudlaugh@hotmail.com
- **Egyptian Dive Club** meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 021, Amy 549-0840.
- **Pi Sigma Epsilon** meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Library Room 327, Nicole 549-1509.
- **Chi Alpha Campus Ministries** African-American bible study, every Wed., 7 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Kudzai 529-7088.
- **Saluki Advertising Agency** meeting, every Wed., 7 p.m., CRC Resource Center, Laura 529-8805.
- **Little Egypt Grotsa Caving Club** meeting, Dec. 6, 7 p.m., Life Science II Room 367, Geoff 453-1121.
- **Library Affairs WebCT Content Module**, Dec. 7, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library Room 15, Finding Books using ILLINET Online, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.
- **Divorce/Relationship Ending**

- **Support Group** screening for new members, every Thurs., 4:30 to 6 p.m., 453-3655.
- **University Christian Ministries** listening circle, Dec. 7, 5 p.m., Interfaith Center, Hugh 549-7387.
- **Student Environmental Center and Campus Shawnee Greens** meeting, every Thurs., 6 p.m., Interfaith Center, Andrew 351-5959.
- **Japanese Student Association** conversation, every Thurs., 6 p.m., Melange, Al 351-9198.
- **Black Fire Dancers** dance show, Dec. 7, 6 p.m., Ballroom D Student Center, \$5 admission, April 529-8865.
- **Blacks in Communication Alliance** RSO members meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Missouri Room Student Center, Erica 457-8197.
- **Circle K** International volunteer organization meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Thebes Room Student Center, Tammi 529-8996.
- **Rodeo Club** meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Agriculture Building Room 209 or 213, Rob 985-6613.
- **SIUC Veteran's Association** meeting, Dec. 7, 7 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Ticia 457-3510.
- **Sailing Club** meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Activity Room A Student Center, Kris 7900.
- **Windsurfing club** meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Jeff 529-4954.
- **SIU Swing Club** meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Davies Gym, Dave 536-8121.
- **Choral Union and Orchestra** Handel's oratorio, Dec. 7, 8 p.m., Shryock Auditorium, John 549-1756.
- **Zen Meditation** silent sitting, every Thurs., 8:45 p.m., Interfaith Center, Jim 453-4786.

WEATHER

TODAY:
Partly cloudy
High: 35
Low: 13

TOMORROW:
Partly cloudy
High: 35
Low: 20

THURSDAY:
Partly cloudy
High: 30
Low: 15

ALMANAC

THIS DAY IN 1990:

- The DAILY EGYPTIAN dedicated an entire page to comics.
- Parking meters in downtown Carbondale were decorated for the holidays with an added bonus of free parking during the holiday season.
- Two Northwest Airlines jets collided on a foggy runway at Detroit Metropolitan Airport in Michigan.
- Foreign ministers of three major Arab states directly involved in the Persian Gulf crisis ended their first round of talks in Cairo, Egypt and agreed to step up diplomatic efforts to dislodge Saddam Hussein's army from Kuwait.
- Varsity theater featured "Dances With Wolves," "Ghost" and "Miser."

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Poet Laureate Gwendolyn Brooks passes away after 83 years

MATT BRENNAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Illinois Poet Laureate Gwendolyn Brooks, who spoke at SIUC on Sept. 14, died on Sunday at the age of 83.

Brooks had been the Illinois poet laureate since 1968 and was the first African-American to win a Pulitzer Prize in 1950. Brooks poetry examined the urban life of African-Americans.

Brooks' death has been attributed to cancer that was diagnosed a week ago by Dr. Jifunza Wright.

Brooks received the lifetime achievement award in 1989 from the National Endowment of the Arts. In 1994 she was named the Jefferson Lecturer by the National Endowment of the Humanities, the highest endowment by the federal government for work in the humanities.

Paul Simon, director of the Public Policy Institute, invited her to speak at SIUC during the fall 2000 semester.

"I've always had a good relationship with her

and I've always respected her a great deal," Simon said.

On June 7, 1917, Brooks was born in her grandmother's house in Topeka, Kan., and she grew up in Chicago.

Brooks began writing before she was in her teens. Her early works were largely autobiographical dealing with subjects such as the death of friends and her relationship to her family. She mailed several poems to a community newspaper in Chicago.

Simon spoke at a school with medial kids who had discipline problems. When Simon mentioned her name, interest sparked. He asked Brooks to speak at the school, and she did.

"She was never too big to lean down and help other people," Simon said. "She was just a very remarkable person."

Brooks also wrote a poem titled "The Decision of Senator Simon," praising the work of the former senator with youth.

"The only mistake she ever made was she wrote a poem about me," Simon said jokingly.

As a generous individual that gave a lot of time educating young poets, Brooks was always active, said Allison Joseph, associate professor in English.

"She was a historic figure for African-American poetry and for American poetry in general," Joseph said. "She will be incredibly missed in the state of Illinois, in the country and around the world."

Brooks wrote hundreds of poems, essays and reviews as well as more than 20 books.

The Chicago Tribune also reported that a small group of family and friends gathered at Brooks' bedside before she died. Moments before her last breath, her daughter, Nora Brooks-Blakely, reportedly placed a pen in her hand.



Brooks

Back to the old way with a new twist

Speech Communication Department assures writing skills still a must

ANDREA DONALDSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The 1998 National Communication Association survey showed that professionals in the public relations industry are looking for two main qualities in prospective employees — writing skills and critical thinking and problem solving skills.

With changes being made within the speech communication curriculum, Phillip Glenn, chair of the department, said he thinks the public relations specialization is meeting those industry needs.

Two years ago, the speech communication faculty voted to add an additional writing course to their curriculum creating two classes: Speech Communication 384: Public Relations in Practice I; and Speech Communication 385: Public Relations in Practice II. The additional

courses would replace and expand on Speech Communication 381: Public Relations in Practice. In order to add the additional writing course the department would also have to dismiss Speech Communication 382: Research Methods in Public Communication.

"Anytime we add one thing to the curriculum, we have to drop something else," Glenn said.

This fall, the faculty voted to drop the two new classes and stick to its previous curriculum, keeping SPCM 381 and SPCM 382. Glenn said this decision came about because the new courses had not been offered yet, it hurt students' education to drop SPCM 382 and by adding the classes it made it impossible for transfer students starting at junior ranking to finish in four semesters.

Although the course changes were made to the curriculum in the books, the department has still been going by the old curriculum.

"Really, in practice, nothing ever changed," Glenn said.

Glenn said even though the department is going back to the old curriculum, the department is working to make changes to add more writing in all the courses. He said there will be many

opportunities for the students to get writing experience.

"There are lots of chances for this [writing] to be as large of a part of the student's curriculum as he or she wants it to be," Glenn said.

Tim Collins, president of Public Relations Student Society of America, said he thinks writing skills are very important for a future career. He said he is pushing to create a public relation writing course as an elective to give students the opportunity to take an additional writing course.

"I look at it as being a step back if they don't offer a PR writing course as an elective," said Collins, a senior in public relations.

Assistant professor in speech communication Nilanjana Bardhan said the department wants to give students exposure to different types of writing styles. She said students need to know how to write journalistic, technical, marketing, feature and speech communication styles.

"It's a matter of spreading it out so they get exposure in all kinds of classes," Bardhan said. "Just adding another course doesn't mean you're

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NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

SIUC student reports attempted sexual assault

An SIUC student reported an attempted sexual assault early Saturday morning. The victim reported to SIUC Police she was attacked about 2:25 a.m. at the intersection of East Park Street and Logan Drive, but was able to get away from her attacker before he could complete the assault.

Her attacker is described as a white male, about 5 feet 7 inches to 5 feet 9 inches tall, medium build, extremely short black hair and dark eyes, wearing blue jeans and a long-sleeved blue shirt with a white T-shirt underneath. He is also described as having crooked teeth.

The victim did not require medical treatment. Police are continuing to investigate the incident.

Forcum trial reviewed

While no decisions were handed down, Judge Thomas Jones reviewed various motions to suppress evidence by the defense in the case involving former SIUC student Donald Forcum Monday morning.

Forcum was charged with first-degree murder for the death of Renee N. DiCicco, who was stabbed to death in her home on June 10.

The motions were to suppress uncharged offenses by Forcum, hearsay statements by DiCicco, photographs taken of Forcum after his arrest and audio tapes of alleged threatening phone messages left on an answering machine at the house of Brett H. Jancke, a friend of DiCicco.

Another motion requested reports held by the probation department on Brett Burk concerning instances in which he allegedly lied to them.

Debate team gets back on track at Vanderbilt U.

The SIU Debate Team turned in an impressive job for the first time in two years during a debate at Vanderbilt University in Tennessee this weekend.

Sophomore Danielle Blair won as the first-place speaker for her overall performance, and her partner in the debates, freshman Javawn Price, took fifth-place overall. As a team, SIU came in third place by beating teams from Vanderbilt University, Middle Tennessee University, Miami University and Samford University.

Todd Graham, director of debate at SIUC, is the first director the debate team has had since 1998.

Christmas 101 for international students

CODELL RODRIGUEZ
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The eyes of a group of children sitting on the floor glow wide as a jolly Santa Claus marches in to the melody of Jingle Bells.

These children, joined their parents and friends for an international Christmas celebration and for some their first introduction to an American Christmas.

The festivities, which teach international students about American Christmas traditions, took place Saturday at the Stone Center. This was the third year the International Friends Club celebrated the event.

To prepare the students and children for the festivities ahead, Scott Hodgson, associate professor of radio-television, told those in attendance about the history of Christmas and some of its traditions. The customs included the reason why it is celebrated Dec. 25 and the meaning of the Christmas tree.

While supplying the students with information, they listened with interest, although to some of them it was simply a difference of culture.

"I never had the Santa thing where he came in and gave us presents," said Kai Vohwinkel, a graduate student in mechanical engineering from Duesseldorf, Germany. "I don't believe in this, but it's nice when little kids take part with wide eyes."

While Vohwinkel never had the tradition of

Santa Claus, he did get to witness it at the party. When the international students were singing Jingle Bells, Santa Claus made his entrance with Mrs. Claus.

To share another Christmas tradition with the international students and the children, Santa read "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Afterward, he asked all the children what they wanted for Christmas.

The party served as the first Christmas party for some of the children. However, Dorothy Montgomery has shown international students their first Christmas for more than 30 years. Montgomery began her involvement with international students when a friend asked her if she would host some students from Taiwan.

Since then, she has hosted students from several countries including Japan, India and Ireland.

"I just like to meet and know the students," said Montgomery who is now hosting three girls from Japan. "It is nice to get to know them and learn about their culture."

Montgomery has been a member of the International Friends Club since it began in 1981. Montgomery said it was intended to introduce international students to American Christmas customs and let them have a way to celebrate it even if they did not share the beliefs.

"The first one was such a success, we continued," Montgomery said.

To others, while the customs presented at



MINNOC PARK — DAILY EGYPTIAN

Scott Hodgson, chair of the radio and television department, and his son Jonathan, 4, listen to the Chamber Singers during an international Christmas party at the Stone Center Saturday afternoon.

The celebration was a good recreational event, they are not too different from what they are used to.

Marcelo Coelho, a graduate student in business administration from Belo Horizonte, Brazil, said the celebrations in his country are similar to the festivities at the Christmas party.

"Our celebration has a lot of influence from American culture," Coelho said. "The only real difference is that it is 98 degrees in Brazil."

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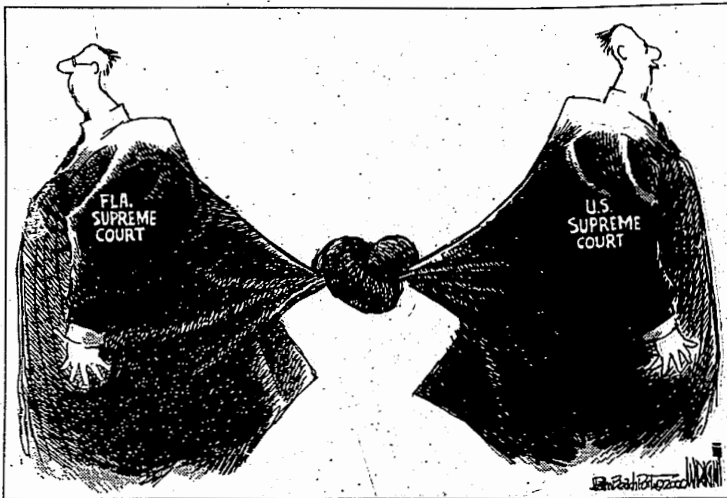
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OUR WORD

Halloween perpetrators should feel the burn of their actions

The memories of tear gas and chaotic crowds have faded in the month since Halloween break, but the drama isn't over yet.

SIUC sophomore Brian Hommert appeared in court last week for a hearing to determine if sufficient evidence existed to bind him for trial for felony charges of property damage. Judge David W. Watt found there was enough evidence to bind Hommert to stand trial for allegedly throwing the first rock to break a window at Jimmy John's Gourmet Sub Shop, 519 S. Illinois Ave.

Watt went on to say, "I think every single [Halloween perpetrator] needs to find out what it's like to be in jail."

The DAILY EGYPTIAN encourages every judge who presides over Halloween riot-related crimes to take them as seriously as Watt does. Every suspect deserves a fair trial, but those determined to be guilty must suffer appropriate consequences.

Unfortunately, Judge Kim Dahlen was far more genteel than Watt when she handed down several judgments against Halloween troublemakers. In the last month, SIUC students found guilty of reckless conduct, battery and mob action left Dahlen's court with \$200-250 fines and six months of court supervision — sentences no more severe than Dahlen's

judgments for underage possession or public possession of alcohol.

The individuals convicted of crimes such as mob action helped create the thickening atmosphere of mayhem that returned riots to Carbondale Halloween weekend. The vast majority of those on the Strip were onlookers, but every time a person committed an act of violence or vandalism, the bar for destruction was raised.

The perpetrators were a small fraction of the crowd, and a smaller fraction of those individuals was arrested. It is up to the courts to ensure those who contributed to havoc are held responsible — and that will take more than a couple hundred dollars.

Everyone who contributed to the riots could see the dangers they were helping to create. Every rock thrown heightened tension, and every fight and fire in the crowd elevated the possibility of serious injuries.

These crimes were thoughtless and the people who committed them were utterly selfish. We hope those who received light judgments will come to realize the magnitude of their actions on their own, and that those yet to be sentenced are not handled so generously.

Goodbye, so long, I'm gone already

I apologize in advance for yet another mocking of the culture that is our media, but I have two excuses. One is that I've been sick for more than a week now and I haven't had the motivation to do much more than watch TV and find things wrong with it. Second, and more importantly, this is my last column in the DE, and as Dave Grohl so eloquently put it, "I don't owe you anything."

After a week of watching pretty much all I could handle on my cable-less TV, I realized that what this nation needs is more live television. Other than local newscasts and sports, live TV has gone the way of Jan Quarius and disappeared from memory. Notable exceptions do pop up from time to time.

For example, the presidential debates... no, no, no, I'm not talking about the election anymore. This is my last column; I ain't going out like that. What I meant was, for example, David Blaine throwing his body into a block of ice for three days and then letting the world watch him get cut out via chainsaw.

I asked the people whom I was watching this with what it says about us as a society that we are so transfixed by this person voluntarily putting himself at so much risk simply for television ratings; I mean, the people on "Survivor" were shooting for a million dollars, plus it was a lot warmer.

I suspect a healthy percentage of the viewers were hoping that Blaine would emerge with perhaps brain damage or foot loss, if not necessarily as a corpse-side. Those of you who did watch this were no doubt riveted by Lynn Swann's plucky commentary throughout ("He really wants to get out now!"; was among the gems), as well as his equally insightful post-thaw attempted interview with Blaine, who sounded... well, sounded like someone who had been standing upright in a block of ice for 67 hours with no

sleep, which still made him more articulate than, say, George W. Bush.

These are the risks that live TV takes. It is truly a good thing that live sports carry on this tradition. It is only on a live football broadcast that you will hear an announcer declare that an injured player's status is "good news as far as the moving and consciousness department is concerned" (that is verbatim, I wrote it down).

I suppose that would be better than the alternative — not moving and unconscious — so perhaps I shouldn't criticize. Anyway, only a pro-football broadcast could make the generally brilliant Dennis Miller sound like a high school kid whose dad owns the network and is letting him hang out with big-time celebrities like Al and Dan. Only for a college football half-time promotion could Lynn Swann (again!) grill a contest winner (an even worse interview than David Blaine) about his missing a field goal that could have netted him \$50,000.

I say, if you want edited-together footage that makes a coherent story go see a movie. If you want spontaneity, horrible one-liners, and all-around awkwardness, listen to John Madden say "boom! whap!" and achieve inner peace. So, if you were paying attention before, you'll notice I said that this is my last column. I'm leaving SIUC, for good; but I don't want to stop writing, in large part because of those of you who like what I do. Because of this, I'm asking everyone who wants me to keep writing random columns like this to e-mail me at kingofcartoons@juno.com and let me know that you want to be on my mailing list.

I want to thank Daphne for cheerfully editing all of my ramblings, and for giving me the opportunity to ramble. Finally, I thank you all for reading this, even if it means during class.

Read This During Class

NATE CARR



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THEIR WORD

Failure to teach tolerance can have tragic consequences

This column was written by Debbie Woodell for Knight-Ridder Newspapers on Nov. 28, 2000.

Haverford, Pa.
Spencer County, Ky.
Minersville, Pa.

What links these seemingly disparate communities is news involving young people, some good, too much of it tragic.

Take Haverford, for instance. Haverford High's Gay Straight Alliance has some 40 members and has helped create a space of tolerance and acceptance amid a sea of hate, at worst, or a sea of indifference, at best. That haven was threatened after a student put up a handmade sign on National Coming Out Day that said it was a day to beat up gays. The ensuing uproar included a meeting attended by more than 100 people, with most speakers backing the student group.

The student who hung the flier was charged with disorderly conduct, harassment and making terroristic threats.

It's extremely disarming that Superintendent Leonard Vender said that including National Coming Out Day on the morning announcements "probably was not an appropriate announcement" and that it "slipped through." But it's satisfying to see such support for the Haverford community.

Alma McGowen would have appreciated the level of acceptance exhibited in Haverford. From sixth grade into high school in Spencer County, McGowen endured repeated sexual harassment and sexual assault from classmates because she was perceived to be a lesbian.

Students did everything from call her names to hit her to ask for sex on a regular basis. She was stabbed with a pencil and, as a seventh-grader, threatened with rape. School officials did nothing to stop the harassment yet said they acted "appropriately."

For its wholly inappropriate response to this sickening behavior, the Spencer County School District was ordered to pay McGowen \$220,000. A federal appeals court upheld the ruling earlier this month.

McGowen, who left high school at age 15 to be home-schooled and now attends college in Washington state, praised the decision but said she knows young people still face problems.

"What bothers me is that I know there are kids dealing with the same thing. I would like to reach out to them and let them know they are not alone," she told the Louisville Courier-Journal, which, interestingly, downplayed the gay angle in its latest report, when that clearly was a significant factor when the suit was filed in 1996.

Unfortunately, \$220,000 won't buy back the life of Marcus Wayman, a Minersville teen who took his life in April 1997 after a police officer allegedly ordered him to tell his family he was gay. According to court papers, Officer F. Scott Wilinsky found Wayman and a friend in a car outside a beer distributor that recently was robbed.

Wilinsky allegedly lectured them about biblical warnings against homosexuality and demanded Wayman tell his grandfather he was gay. If he didn't, Wilinsky threatened to "do it for him," according to court papers. Wayman was arrested, released, went home and shot himself.

Wilinsky has testified that as a small-town police officer, his role "has parental overtones, thus reducing the citizen's expectation of privacy," according to court documents. An appeals court here in Philadelphia ruled last week that Wayman's mother, Madonna Sterling, may bring her wrongful-death suit against the Schuylkill.

County borough, the police department and officers Wilinsky and Thomas Hoban.

What else is common about these situations in Haverford, Spencer County and Minersville? All of them are moving through the courts. That's another tragedy.

These lessons belong in the school, where it is time to teach acceptance. And even beyond that, the lessons should be taught at home.

CORRECTION

Monday's editorial should have read "USG and Student Affairs are considering hiring a new accountant with money out of the Student Organization Activity Fund."

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Student opinion absent from technology fee allocation

CHRISTIAN HALE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A committee specifically designed to give students direct input on allocations of the technology fee lacked one key ingredient: the students.

About \$800,000 was allocated without undergraduate student input because representatives of the undergraduate student body simply were not attending committee meetings.

"It's annoying because this is student money and it is supposed to be spent by the students," said Geoffrey Nathan, faculty representative to the tech fee committee. "It turns out that everything we bought is going to be for student use, but the students may have had a different priority for funding than we did."

The allocation funding is created by a \$2 per credit hour surcharge and is divided into three units: undergraduate, which is the bulk of the money, about \$830,000, and the graduate and law schools, both of which collect their money separately.

Despite lack of undergraduate student involvement, this year's funding allocations will help make it possible for the law school to be wired for portable computers, for graduate students to use a large format printer to aid in constructing presentations and for theater majors to use software to help in designing costumes, lighting and sets.

Nathan, an associate professor in linguistics, said the committee was set up so that it would have four undergraduate representatives and one representative each from faculty, Information Technology and the Office of Student Affairs.

Students were to be put in charge of how the money was used, with representatives of the undergraduate student body making up four seats on the committee. One of those four student seats would also hold the chair position of the committee, according to Nathan.

"At the first meeting, two students came. At the second meeting, one student came," Nathan said. "Keep in mind, this is out of four students. After that, none of them showed up."

According to Nathan, the committee met mostly during the summer and before summer's end, and had allocated the money without student input. Tech fee committee meetings began last April and met on the basis of every two weeks.

USG President Bill Archer said that he didn't know there was a committee, but said when the committee reconvenes next spring, he definitely plans on encouraging more student involvement.

Archer said the lack of representation "stems from miscommunication and that is all it is."

"I think we have two senators from last year still on USG and nobody from the executive staff is the same," Archer said. "Anything we basically knew came from what they told us last year [during the Sean Henry administration]."

Archer suggested broader consideration in filling committee positions, saying that senators shouldn't be relied upon to fill all committee seats.

"Anybody on campus can fill those committees," Archer said. "They don't even have to have anything to do with USG. It doesn't have to just be USG finding all of these people."

Murphysboro home destroyed in morning blaze

DAVID OSBORNE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

MURPHYSBORO — The smoke detectors functioned perfectly, but it was human senses that first detected a fire that destroyed a Murphysboro home Monday morning.

Jim Moake had two smoke detectors installed in the house at 1246 Glenn Rd., but he noticed the smoke before they sounded an alarm.

The Murphysboro Pomona Somerset Townships Fire Department responded to the fire in Murphysboro shortly before 8 a.m., and received help from the Carbondale Township Fire department soon after. Still, the house was a total loss along with nearly all of Moake's possessions.

"Between the fire, smoke and water, there's very little left," Moake said.

Moake pointed to a few articles of clothing on hangers, some still in the dry cleaning plastic. It was all he could salvage.

"All I got was about that much out of my closet," Moake said. "If you looked in my closet, you'd never know it had clothes in it."

The shell of the house where Moake lived still stands, but the center of the roof collapsed and the windows broken and blacked from the fire.

Moake does not know if it will be rebuilt; it is not his decision. The house actually belongs to his parents, and he has not had a chance to tell them yet.

"Mom and dad aren't in town, and I haven't had a chance to call them yet," Moake said. "It's been a little hectic here today."



KERRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

A firefighter looks through the empty window frame of a Murphysboro home Monday morning as the Murphysboro and Carbondale fire departments work to put out the flames.

Panhellenic Council starts fresh with new president

JENNIFER WIG
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Desera Swafford knew she would become president of SIUC's Panhellenic Council — she was the only one running.

The Panhellenic Council elections took place Thursday night at the Student Center. Swafford, a junior in social work from Park Forest, won the election for president unanimously.

The Panhellenic Council president must first serve as a member of the executive council. Because the other members were graduating, Swafford was the natural choice.

"It was just understood that I was going to be president," she said.

Swafford will take office Thursday. Her plans for the year include producing more sorority bonds between members of different sororities through sports. The Panhellenic Council's philanthropy is Girl Scouts, and Swafford plans to bring the children to campus more often, exposing them to a

University environment.

"Our greek system isn't one of the strongest," Swafford said. "If we were to work together as a team, it would work better."

Amy Laesch, current president of the council, said Swafford's experience as scholarship chair and secretary of the executive council will be advantageous to the council.

"She'll bring a lot of energy to the position," Laesch said. "She's got a good background going into it."

A few positions listed on the ballot were amended under the council's decision this semester to rearrange certain positions. The Panhellenic Council voted this semester to eliminate the positions of scholarship chair and ethics chair and add a special events chair to the organization.

"Ethics is something the president, vice president and executive council need to be overseeing anyway," said Laesch. "It's going to make up for the things that we lack, and by eliminating some positions that were unnecessary, we can cut down on over programming."

The new events chair will coordinate recruitment and sisterhood as well as liaison between Inter-Greek Council, Pan-Hellenic Council, the Interfraternity Council and their own organization.

The council also removed the position of Head Rho Chi, which formerly was in charge of formal rush recruitment. However, the council decided that the rush director could handle the responsibility alone. Representation during fall formal rush was also unanimously altered for next year. Instead of each house having a representative for rush, only Panhellenic executive officers will serve as rush counselors, who assist rushers with the process.

The other newly elected are: vice president, Shawna Harris; secretary, Sarah Schweitzer; treasurer, Amy Eisner; recruitment director, Megan Monroe; academics coordinator, Courtney Thomas; community service chair, Tessa Brown; fundraising chair, Heather Sheffield; sports chair, Heather Petro; special events chair, Lindsey Geradot; public relations, Nadia Underwood.

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Old Baptist Foundation hosts classical guitar ensemble

JASON COKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

While stringing away on their guitars, 16 musicians will find themselves mixing sounds from a number of nationalities throughout the ages at the SIUC Classical Guitar Ensemble Concert tonight.

The free concert will feature eight pieces by performers who major in classical guitar in the SIUC School of Music. The event will start at 8 p.m. in the Old Baptist Foundation Auditorium.

Joseph Breznikar, the concert's director and professor in the SIUC School of Music, said the guitarists will be presenting an array of styles, which include Brazilian composer Louindo Almeida's "Brazilian," music by Spanish composer Joaquin Turina, along with "Reverie" and "The Girl with the Flaxen Hair," by the early 20th century French impressionist Claude Debussy.

Another song, "Samba Quica," a piece by the German composer Klaus Wusthoff, will be performed as a trio for

the first time.

"It is a beautiful piece that is specifically written with the rhythms and timbre of the guitar," Breznikar said.

From as few as 50 people to as many as 150 are expected to attend, but it varies so widely with each concert that the audience could reach more than 200. Last night, the ensemble played at Southeast Illinois College in Harrisburg, which means tonight will mark the first time that it has performed twice during the same semester.

The main event for the evening will be the sextet's playing of "Eclogue," a song by English composer Ian Gammie. Breznikar said that a sextet has never been done at the concert, although he expects it to be very popular.

"All six guitarists are very independent and they all interact with varying nuances," Breznikar said.

Guitarist Chris Allen, a graduate student in music performance from Wheaton, is a veteran of these concerts, and said there are several different angles a guitarist can come from to perform well in this concert, including taking such majors as performance or composi-

tion.

As a member of the sextet, Allen said the ensemble is a unique combination that is difficult to maintain because there are very few songs written for such a large number of guitarists to play at one time.

"It demands a lot of time, a lot of interaction with other students and a lot of cooperation," Allen said. "There is not a lot of music that's played for six guitarists."

Chris Keith, a graduate student in music performance and member of the sextet from Cambria, said the sextet will be neat and unique for the concert. Keith, who has been playing classical guitar since high school, said he really likes the variety presented this semester.

"Classical guitar is definitely the most disciplined of all styles," Keith said. "It is also the most diverse."

CONCERT

• THE SIUC CLASSICAL GUITAR ENSEMBLE CONCERT WILL PERFORM AT 8 TONIGHT IN THE OLD BAPTIST FOUNDATION AUDITORIUM. IT IS FREE TO THE PUBLIC.

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"Just adding another course doesn't mean you're adding quality."

Jodi Golden, a senior in public relations from Danville, said she thinks writing is an essential skill. She

said the curriculum she has been in has given her an abundant, wide range of writing opportunities.

"That's a skill that is absolutely necessary in anything, any kind of job," Golden said. "I don't think you can ever have enough writing skills."

Bardhan said speech communication faculty are also discussing adding

more lab hours to the curriculum to give students more hands-on experience.

"We are doing what we can as creatively as possible with the resources we have to make this a progressive program," she said. "It may seem that we're going back to the old way, but we're changing things inside."

MEDIATION

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to de-escalate the rhetoric and stay focused on our mutual goal of trying to reach an agreement."

But Faculty Association President Morteza Daneshdoost insists the union is not "tigger-happy" about striking and is anxious for mediation to succeed.

"If we wanted to put on pressure and interrupt the operation of this University we could have gone on strike this semester," Daneshdoost said. "Because we are interested in getting a settlement as soon as possible we will continue to meet as many times as required."

Although mediation is generally the last step in negotiations, Britton has not ruled out returning to the table in a more "traditional" kind of setting, with both sides in the same room.

Faculty lines remain one of the most hotly contested issues

at the negotiating table. The union already relinquished its original demand of 735 guaranteed lines. But its proposal still includes language that would not allow lines to dip below the latest faculty headcount. As of Oct. 1, 2000, that number was 699 tenured and tenure-track faculty.

The number of 735 derives from a head count of bargaining unit faculty taken in 1997. Because enrollment has increased and the number of 735 has fallen into the 690s, the union has strongly fought to implement a policy that would police lines.

Daneshdoost says the union has made "significant concessions," in regard to faculty lines but is optimistic about the next mediation session.

The union's battle cry to "stop the bleeding" of faculty positions has not convinced the administrative bargaining team that SIUC is in peril. Instead, Britton points to recent data showing an increase of nine positions in the last year to dispute claims that SIUC is bleeding faculty.

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will receive much of the money requested on its wish list for the current round of improvements.

"We're not getting everything we requested, but we're going to get a good deal of it," he said. "We're fairly confident that it will be a good budget for us."

Walker, who is experiencing his first budget cycle as SIU's president, said he is confident many of the projects on the proposal will make it onto the state's priority list, but McCurny and Jackson are working to secure outside funding for SIUC's goals.

"We're going to do everything we can to take care of the maintenance needs on our campus," Walker said. "This will be an exciting and interesting budget session coming up and I'm looking

forward to being a part of it and part of SIUC."

This year's RAMP begins with the Morris Library, which requires \$29 million for renovations. The proposal asked for \$1.9 million for planning costs.

"Morris Library has served us well," Walker said. "But it has taken on a lot of wear and tear. We need not only to renovate the library, but to look at expanding the library."

The money is allocated by the state according to square footage numbers. Because SIUC has about 7.2 million square feet including Touch of Nature and the Dairy Farms, it usually receives about 10 percent of the money available for state schools.

Physical Plant officials say that despite some poor conditions of SIUC's buildings, the campus is on par with those of other state universities.

"All of the colleges and universities are in the same boat," said Harry Wirth, director of the

Physical Plant. "We work closely with our counterparts to lobby for increased funding. We speak with a combined voice when it comes to deferred maintenance."

Illinois state universities were mostly built in the 1940s through 1970s so all require the same type of updates and renovations.

SIUC's newest building, the Electron Microscopy Building, was built in 1998. Anthony Hall, which is presently undergoing renovations, will be complete in 2001.

Meanwhile, Northern Illinois University has not built a building since 1995 when it completed its College of Engineering. But the campus will be acquiring a new basketball arena in 2002 and is also planning a new facility for its business college.

Illinois State University built a science lab in 1997 and a performing arts center will be open in 2001. The university is also designing a college of

business building to be open in 2003.

Wirth has worked at SIUC for nine years, during which Physical Plant officials have overseen the completion of four buildings and \$35 million worth of renovations done on the power plant.

Aside from striving to procure funds for maintenance and updates, the University is working with a consulting firm to improve the campus appearance. Civitas, a Denver-based firm, will be meeting Thursday with University members to examine progress on the 25-year plan. Specific areas targeted include campus lighting, signage and green spaces.

Although there are plans to build a new football stadium to replace McAndrew Stadium, the project is not on the RAMP as a consulting firm examines the funding options. Recommendations on the stadium may be ready for the chancellor by the end of the year.

APPEAL

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find that there is considerable uncertainty as to the precise grounds for the decision," the Supreme Court wrote.

Brannon Denning, associate professor of law, said it was prudent for the Supreme Court to send the case back to Florida.

"I think it was clear from the oral arguments that there were substantial arguments for why they should not intervene," Denning said. "This is a decision with wide-ranging ramifications, and the court wanted to make sure they were not assuming that the Florida Court was saying something they did not say."

The Supreme Court heard the case Friday, as Gore and Bush

lawyers battled over the legality of the certification extension.

Bush's lawyer, Theodore Olson, pointed to the Constitution and an 1887 federal law that requires laws concerning election disputes be enacted before the election.

Gore's lawyer, Laurence Tribe, said the issue is a state one and should not be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court because the Florida Supreme Court interpreted Florida law.

Gore's advisers have said they would continue his contest regardless of the Supreme Court's decision. Meanwhile, James Baker, spokesman for the Bush campaign, said the campaign was "very gratified" by

the ruling.

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BRANNON DENNING
associate professor of law

Meanwhile, a circuit court judge in Florida rejected Gore's case in which Gore asked to recount 14,000 disputed ballots in two Florida counties. Gore's advisers have said they will appeal that decision to the Florida Supreme Court.

While these courtroom battles continue, the Dec. 12 deadline in which Florida's electors must be certified is fast approaching. According to Florida law, the Florida legislature, dominated by Republicans, can appoint its own slate of electors if confusion still exists.

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Salukis return from U.S. Open

Come Prozesky and former Saluki Herman Louw enjoy success at Auburn

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The James E. Martin Aquatics Center on the campus of Auburn University was a who's who of swimmers this past weekend as the U.S. Open came to town.

There were world record holders, Olympic Champions and National Champions competing in the yearly event that brings together the best swimmers in the world.

Amongst all the champions were two representatives of SIU, junior swimmer Come Prozesky and former Missouri Valley Conference Swimmer of the Year and current member of the Saluki Swim Club, Herman Louw.

Prozesky and Louw, both natives of South Africa, showed they not only belonged among the champions, but that they could beat some of the best swimmers in the world.

Prozesky took seventh in the 100 meter breaststroke and 19th in the 200 breaststroke, while Louw had a dominating performance in which he took second in the 100 freestyle and fourth in both the 200 freestyle and 200 individual medley.

"This was my third year at the U.S. Open and both times before I managed to get fourth place," Louw said. "The first two days this year I got fourth places and then when I least expected it, I got a second place. I looked up at the scoreboard and I was like, 'Thank you very much.' I've been working at this for a couple of years and it finally paid off."

Prozesky said one of the best memories he will have of the Open is how proud he was to see his former teammate perform so well against this level

of competition.

He also said facing the swimmers he did well help him in regards to the rest of the collegiate season.

"All the experience you get from such a big meet, when you go out there and you see all the world champions and you see what they do and how they swim," Prozesky said. "When you're close to them and you're swimming with them it gives you a morale boost to see if you can compete with the best people in the world."

Prozesky was very pleased with how he swam despite the fact he was battling a cold and a minor knee injury.

"Come not only went there for good experience, but he got in the big eight and there's world-class athletes that he was competing against and beat."

RICK WALKER
head coach, SIU men's swimming

athletes that he was competing against and beat," Walker said. "And one of our former swimmers, Herman Louw, doing so well is very pleasing. How can you not feel good?"

Freshman swimmer Bryant Ellam said the way they performed shows the quality of the swimming program at SIU.

"They did excellent. I mean really, really well at a big meet like the U.S. Open, a very nationally recognized meet," Ellam said. "To place at a big meet like that, we only had two swimmers there and getting top eight in four events is real well."

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student section, sarcastically told reporters that he had all this left-over candy that he hadn't known what to do with.

And I remember reading John Feinstein's "Season on the Brink," which showed how ugly the man could get, as well as how loving and loyal he could be.

So until I began attending school in Carbondale last year, I had two basketball teams that I cared about, the now Jordan-less Chicago Bulls, and of course the now Knight-less IU. And while I still remain a fan of both teams, I'm disappointed with the way things have turned out for both teams — a disappointment that far exceeded the way SIU played against IU.

I did not care who won the game, but I did not care to see

SIU get tom-up the way they did, either. But even after a convincing win over the Salukis, Hoosier fans are a group whose future happiness is unstable at best.

Knight is gone now, and as a reporter on Assembly Hall's press row, explained to me, "Nobody even talks about it right now — it's sort of taboo."

In a state where basketball is more sacred than church, the firing of coach Knight was a blow — one that has left a bruise that hasn't begun to heal.

Sure there are IU fans that thought it was time for Knight to leave, and by all means, it was. But the absence of coach Knight has left the hoop-hungry fans of Indiana in a world of hurt.

As I approached the exit doors of Assembly Hall Saturday, I realized I was in the building's Hall of Fame, and I wondered if and when coach Knight's face

would ever decorate the walls I was viewing.

How ironic is it that in the year the school is celebrating 100 years of basketball, the program's most famous figure has been banished. I looked hard to find Knight's name in the game program. Leave it to the school's spin doctors to all but erase Knight's name from the same program that included a year-by-year history of one of the country's strongest basketball traditions.

It was as if Robert Montgomery Knight never existed.

Until the big-wigs of IU and their influence stop leaving its mark on things as simple as the basketball team's game program, the wounds of the IU fan contingent will continue to bleed crimson, but they won't heal.

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SALUKI SPORTS NOTES

Saluki Baseball Signs Two

SIU baseball head coach Dan Callahan announced last week that pitchers Marshall Tucker and Eric Haberer signed national letters of intent to become Salukis for 2001.

Tucker, a right-hander from Union, Mo., joins SIU from East Central College where he currently is the ace hurler for the Rebels. As a freshman, Tucker recorded a 9-4 mark with a 3.50 ERA. The Rebels finished 38-22 overall last season.

Haberer comes to SIU from Bloomington High School in Bloomington. The left-hander posted a 9-4 record his junior year, striking out 105 batters in 86 innings of work. He also boasts a solid 1.46 ERA.

In addition to Tucker and Haberer, Callahan and his staff are looking to sign a catcher and three more pitchers prior to the start of the 2002 season.

Women's Swimming Ink Four Recruits

SIU women's head swimming and diving coach Jeff Goetz announced the signing of four recruits, one of which is expected to make an immediate impact.

Karina Derzie De Jesus Belache signed with SIU earlier in the year and has now joined the team and should be ready for the Salukis next meet against the University of Kansas Jan. 13.

Also inked for next season is Natalie Kenny, Sarah Lenz and Jennifer Coray.

Belache hails from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and won the 1999 Brazilian Nationals in the 100 and 200 meter butterfly and placed sixth at the 1999 World Cup as a member of the Brazilian National Team.

Belache enters SIU with freshman status. Kenny, of Champaign, is expected to compete in the 100 and 200 meter freestyle and the 100 meter butterfly.

Lenz currently attends Cary-Grove High School and has won the team MVP honors in each of her first three seasons, with speciality in freestyle and the backstroke.

Coray currently attends Smoky Hill High School in Aurora, Col., and was a state qualifier in the 50, 100, 200 and 500 meter freestyle, the 100 meter butterfly, the 100 meter backstroke and the 200 IM. She was also an All-State and All-American selection.

IU's Coverdale goes from bench warmer to starter

DAVID UCHIYAMA
INDIANA DAILY STUDENT (INDIANA U.)

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. (U-Wire)—Mike Davis called Indiana sophomore guard Tom Coverdale on the day he was named interim head coach, and it was a call Coverdale will never forget.

Davis told Coverdale that if he practiced hard and proved he could play, he would earn playing time and possibly a spot in the starting lineup. Apparently, Coverdale was listening.

He has developed from a player who saw only 41 minutes of action last season into "the Hoosiers' starting point guard."

"We never had a lot of conversation," Davis said. "He wasn't playing and sometimes when guys aren't playing, sometimes they slip on out. But I told him, 'If you work hard, I'll give you an opportunity. If you can make a commitment to being a good basketball player, you have a chance to play.'"

In IU's 85-63 win over Southern Illinois, Coverdale proved how far he's come by scoring 13 points, dishing out 10 assists and grabbing nine rebounds, one rebound away from becoming the first IU player to record a triple-double in Assembly Hall.

"Tom Coverdale is amazing," Davis said. "He's playing his butt off for us. I thought (Southern Illinois) would give Tom some problems, but he handled the ball like a champ. He played great. If he can continue to do that and grow as a player and stay committed, I think we'll be OK."

"I challenged him at the beginning of the game. I said, 'I want you to have eight

rebounds.' He had seven at the half."

With the Hoosiers up by 20 in the second half, Coverdale drove to the basket, made a layup and was fouled in the process, igniting the Assembly Hall crowd. He converted the free throw, and on IU's next possession, helped bring many of the 12,486 in attendance to their feet.

Junior guard Dane Fife grabbed a rebound and passed to Coverdale, who raced down the court and lofted a pass to freshman forward Jared Jeffries who converted a one-handed alley-oop. Coverdale pumped his fist in the air and flashed a big smile as he ran back to play defense.

"I took what Coach Davis said seriously," Coverdale said. "I just tried to play as hard as I could and work every day to become a good point guard — that's going to be my job all year."

"(Assistant) coach (John) Treloar has been me on all week to become the leader of this team, and that's what my focus is on. Being a point guard, you have to be a leader and get the team into its offense. On defense, my job is to keep the point guard in front of me and disrupt the offense as much as possible."

Southern Illinois offense was more than disrupted. It was nearly shut down. The Salukis entered the game averaging 92 points per game, but the Hoosiers held them to a season-low 63 points in 39.1 percent shooting from the floor.

"We simply played like we are capable of playing," junior forward Jarrod Odle said. "We had a couple of lapses down the stretch, but if we can play like that every time out, we will beat a lot of good teams."

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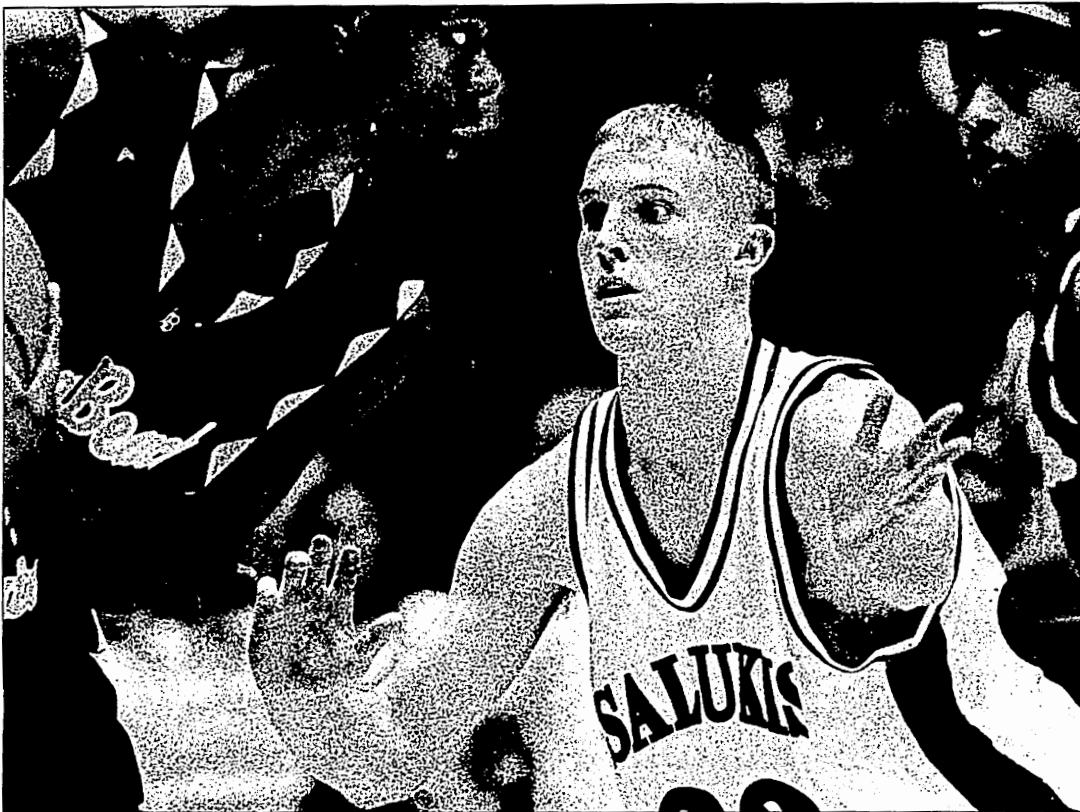
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Sophomore guard Kent Williams will try to come off his lowest scoring output of the season after being held to six points against Indiana University Saturday when the Salukis make the hour trip to face SEMO tonight.

TED SCHURTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Salukis sign on for gut check

Dawgs try to get back in the groove after 22-point loss against Hoosiers

ANDY EGENES
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU men's basketball head coach Bruce Weber has marked tonight's game at Southeast Missouri State since the first day of school.

Weber has repeatedly said college basketball's better teams can respond after a season's high profile games and rebound to play well in the following contests.

The Salukis are set for a 7 p.m. tip-off in the Show Me Center in Cape Girardeau, Mo., as the second of three road games this week.

SIU (2-1) will use the SEMO game, along with the Feb. 12 game at Drake to see how its team can respond after playing in a major college basketball scene. The Salukis are coming off an 85-63 loss at Indiana University Saturday and will play Drake two days after playing host to an ESPN televised game against Missouri Valley Conference favorite Creighton University.

Ideally, Weber hoped to get a better result before leaving IU.

"Sometimes you've got to eat humble pie, and it doesn't taste good," Weber said. "It kind of shows you what kind of character you have and how you respond to it."

The Salukis will take their character test tonight.

SEMO (4-2) should also be fired up after losing to SIU the past two years, 62-51 last season and 70-49 at the TWA Dome in 1999. SEMO point guard Michael Stokes is the most solid offensive player in the Indians' lineup.

Stokes was selected as the 16th best point guard in Division I basketball by the Sporting News. But the Salukis' main concern is containing teams when they spark a run, something they failed to do against Indiana.

During second-half timeouts at IU, Weber said all he spoke to the team about is character issues. Now, he'll see if it gets put to use.

"If you're made of the right stuff, then you'll respond with a high bounce. It'll show us what we're about," Weber said. "It's a question mark ... it doesn't matter whether you win or lose, it's how you compete and face adversity."

Senior forward Abel Schrader thinks the team has an advantage because they are able to compete three days after the IU game.

"I think the good thing is that we don't have a week off," said Schrader, who scored 15 points against the Hoosiers. "Now we're

able to play right away. I think we'll respond in a positive way."

SEMO's wins this season came against Robert Morris College, Cleveland State, Truman State University and the University of Missouri-Rolla, while all the Salukis' opponents thus far played in the National Invitation Tournament or the NCAA tournament.

SIU used an explosive offense to coast through its first three games versus Long Beach State University, Saint Louis University and Ball State University.

But junior college transfer forward Tyrese Buie knows how Weber has emphasized the SEMO game. Buie said Weber didn't have much to say after the game because the game spoke for itself.

"[Weber's] pointed to this game all year," Buie said. "And coming off an embarrassing loss ... this game is very critical."

Weber said the team may have been overconfident until taking it on the clinch at Indiana. Now, he referred to character as the key ingredient to rebounding from the IU loss.

"We could have gutted it out, but our guys don't have that mentality," Weber said. "They think we just got to run and outscore people. Sometimes, you got to outfight and outscrap."

MEN'S SALUKI BASKETBALL

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Series Notes:
The game is the 107th meeting between the two teams, with SIU holding a 62-44 advantage. SIU has won the last two meetings handsily during the Weber era, winning 82-51 and 70-49.

The Word on the Salukis:
SIU was hampered by Big 10 Indiana University last Saturday, dropping an 85-63 loss. In Assembly Hall, the Salukis averaged 92 points in the first three games, before the up-and-down pace was slowed by IU.

The Word on the Indians:
Southeast Missouri State captured the consolation championship at the Energia Systems Thanksgiving Tournament in Kansas City. SEMO lost to Toledo in the opener before winning against Robert Morris College and Cleveland State.

Projected SIU starting lineup:
#2 G - Marcus Belcher (Jr.) 6-0
#33 G - Kent Williams (So.) 6-2
#45 F - Abel Schrader (Sr.) 6-4
#12 F - Josh Cox (So.) 6-4
#23 C - Jermaine Deaman (So.) 6-8

Projected SEMO starting lineup:
#23 F - Drew DeMond (So.) 6-7
#15 F - Emmanuel McCathison (Sr.) 6-4
#54 C - Nyah Jones (Sr.) 6-11
#12 G - Michael Stokes (Jr.) 6-0
#09 G - Antonio Short (Sr.) 6-2

Bottom Line:
The Salukis need to forget about the game at Indiana before getting back to dominating other non-conference opponents. SIU can not take SEMO lightly as the Salukis have dominated the state border rival for the past few years.

Indiana not the same without Knight

Indiana University basketball fans are a group largely in pain — one that was soothed very little by the 85-63 win against SIU this past weekend.

It took a 23-8 run in the second half, capped off by freshman Jared Jeffries' slam-dunk to get a genuine rise out of the 12,000-plus fans.

The Knight issue is of particular interest to me. You see, I was born into Hoosierdom.

In 1976 my father made the four-hour drive from Bloomington, Ind., to East Chicago, Ind., to be there for my birth. He was a senior at Indiana University that year — the same year Bob Knight's undefeated squad won the National Championship.

Eleven years later in 1987, I can remember Pops and I watching from our living room TV set, Keith Smart burying the jumper that propelled IU past Syracuse University by one point as time ran out. That was coach Knight's last National Championship run. I also remember seeing Knight whip that stored chair across the court a few years before the title run.

And I remember watching all the goofy antics, which along with a terrible temper and a big heart, defined the man donning a red-sweater.

Like when he handed out candy to Northwestern fans, which the year before, taunted him with "Hoosier Daddy!" or "Whose your daddy?" The first confrontation was ended with Knight and then-coach of Northwestern, Kevin O'Neill, getting into a brief shouting match after that game. But a year later, Knight, having distributed candy to Northwestern's



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