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interim chancellor
Jackson retires after
31 years
MOLLY PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A delicate light fell upon the friends and colleagues of interim Chancellor John Jackson on his retirement ceremony today. Hundreds of guests helped themselves to Jackson’s favorite drink, Mountain Dew, on a delightful evening set on a mansion designed in Jackson’s tradition. A video screen of his life spanned the evening, and guests marveled at the man who was one of the finest people in the University of Southern Illinois.

University bids adieu to a ‘gentle giant’
Extra

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Glenn Poshan, director of the Public Policy Institute, was the last holder in the fake action, but he was not a high spender. He started at 75 cents. The crowd that gathered at the ceremony was speechless and jarred as Jackson’s secret weapon was revealed. The video ended with Jackson’s famous quote: “Nothing is going to stop me from being the best university in the world.”

Church shootings mystify local ministers
Extra

Shooter continues to elude police
Brett Niedermeyer
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tom Steed, pastor of The Church of Christ, looks through the front door of the church which took six bullets last Wednesday. The Church of Christ is just one of the ten churches that have been shot at recently in Southern Illinois.

Carbondale Church Shootings

The vandal stuffed Steed’s church with nine bullets from a large-caliber handgun. The shooter was in front of the church for a second and left his mark before Steed could wipe the sleep from his eyes.

Although the villain had escaped unseen, the damage remained. The church glass door was destroyed and several bullets had buried themselves in the walls and ceiling.

Minutes later, while Carbondale Police were investigating the shooting, Jackson County Sheriff’s deputies informed them that another church had been blasted south of Carbondale.

The Rock Springs Community Church on Cedar Creek Road had been hit multiple times by the shooter’s shotgun. Just like Steed’s church, only one of the double doors was jacked up, but the damage left no doubt that a destructive force was at work.

The churches in Southern Illinois have now been described by shootings and police are positive that these churches were the target of destruction.

The mayhem began on the night of March 24 in Carbondale when four local churches were sprayed with shotgun slugs. Witnesses near the church heard the noise and were in a position to identify the source of the racket, but he was not a high spender.

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Across a large video screen an old sign reads, “Tell me, what if someone is there? You never know when someone is going to be in a church.”

The next night three more churches were shot. For the first and only time the shooter moved out of Carbondale to conduct a shooting spree. Churches in Herrin and Carbondale and with 9mm guns were attacked. Local churches were just another night in Carbondale.

Epiphany Lutheran Church discovered damage the next morning. Deer steps had been ripped through doors leading to the church’s educational wing when children attended Sunday school.

The slugs caused an estimated $9,000 in damage, but with the help of his parishioners, Graulke was able to make repairs for less than $1,000. Graulke has no idea what kind of person would want to vandalize places of worship.

"Obviously someone out there is getting their jollies from this," Graulke said.

On March 25, Don Davis, an 81-year-old local, was awakened by a telephone call informing him that New Life Covenant Church had been vandalized. Police told him that the church was damaged and that they were attempting to identify the shooter.

Boyd says the damage caused by the attack was more than $1,000 and he is in a rush for replacement doors. Boyd has not spoken to his parishioners about the shootings because he does not want to tell them when the shootings seem to be occurring later in the evening.

"It is a threatening thing," Boyd said. "What if someone is there? You never know when someone is going to be in a church."
I didn't see how we could prevent it. I'm not going to put down trees because they're going to 'take a chance of taking a bullet.'

Public Information Officer Rick Hector of the Illinois State Police said there had been a rash of church shootings recently anywhere in the state similar to the one occurring in Southern Illinois.

Many of the local ministers are applying that argument has being used by people's places of worship to target prisons.

"It shows that there is a segment of our society that there is no respect or regard for any thing that is dedicated to God's work," Ford said.

Churches that have not been shot are also affected by the news of a church shooter. The Rev. Greg Jones of the Newman Catholic Student Center is particularly disturbed by the lack of respect for personal property the vandal has.

"The person who is doing this is obviously a very mentally ill and ignorant person," Jones said.

A fear effect has also been created for some local schools. Strait said there was a "slight uneasiness in the worship service" on Sunday as members saw bullet holes in the front door of the Newman Center.

Steed said he found the crime to be both cold and more serious crime that occur every day in our society.

"This person probably has a problem with churches and that is the fact that he is shooting into something that is dedicated to God's work," Steed said.

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From Jackson to Wendler, the torch is passed

SIUC was immersed in controversy when the last football season occurred. This time it's nearly a simple passing of the torch from one good administrator to another. Enough has not been said about Chancellor John Jackson's effort through some of SIUC's most turbulent times. Despite years of service as a professor and low-level administrator, Jackson was deemed an enemy to SIUC faculty after his appointment following the dismissal of former chancellor Joe Arnerich. Faced with the pleasing of Gov. George Ryan and the revival of SIUC's Halloween tradition, Jackson's actions on the Strip, at least in some instances, Jackson quickly and effectively helped SIUC weather the storm.

But whatever expectations Jackson surpassed, some still said they wanted a nationwide search for a new chancellor, one without controversial baggage.

President Frank seaweed and removed himself from the race for chancellor, settling his sights on continued teaching and pioneering teaching politics.

On July 1, an image of Frank Wendler will become SIUC's new chancellor in nearly two years. The job will not be a simple one, but Wendler's enthusiasm and experience should lend us to believe that he is capable. Before being named Jackson's successor, Wendler, while touring SIUC, contacted the Daily Egyptian and met with the previous editorial board, exhibiting a fervent interest in the University. Wendler, who will leave next month as chief for Planning and System Integration at Texas A&M University, has shown an excitement for the position and knowledge of what it takes to get things done. His belief in the need for communication within SIUC and maintaining unity between the community and the University reveal a knowledgeable, goal-oriented leader.

Wendler will be the fourth chancellor in five years for SIUC, but with a three-year contract and a seemingly conciliatory appointment, the spirited Texas A&M's strength and solidly back to the position. Wendler will take over at a somewhat peaceful period, a relatively Jackson's accomplishments have afforded him. Whether Wendler or anyone else could have kept the University intact through the barrage of criticism and the myriad troubles Jackson has faced is uncertain. What is known is that Jackson did that, that we owe him a debt of gratitude.

Now, the torch will be passed to Wendler, who with the right support and encouragement from Jackson, faculty and the remainder of the community can foster SIUC into an even brighter beacon of higher education in the 21st century.

LETTERS

Morris Library's effort doesn't go unnoticed

Dear Editor:

I was writing in response to a couple of articles in May about access to the library material in Morris Library's Encyclopedia in Braille not produced anywhere. We purchased the package with the hope that non-print materials for the blind would become available in the library. The Encyclopedia was available, but I'm not sure where the extra print materials are located. Through the independent research of the student, who read the article and reviewed the print materials (including the cover page and the table of contents) for the Encyclopedia, I found that there is a Braille version of the Encyclopedia in Braille, which is available for purchase from Library. However, it is not clear where the Braille version is located. It is not clear where the Braille version is located. It is not clear where the Braille version is located.

I would like to thank you for liking with me in response to this letter. I appreciate your willingness to help me with my research. I understand that you have received many letters asking for information about the Braille version of the Encyclopedia and the cost of the Braille version.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Greek's work appreciated by charity group

Dear Editor:

In the April 17 issue, the editor of The Daily Egyptian wrote an article about the work of the Greek community. I would like to express my appreciation for the Greek community's dedication to their work and their commitment to helping others.

I was impressed by the effort the Greek community made to make their work accessible to others. The article mentioned the Greek community's work with the U-WIRE, a Daily Egyptian staff discovered.

The U-WIRE is the student newspaper of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. It is an inclusive publication that represents the voices of all students, regardless of their background. The board's attempt to present a diverse range of perspectives on topics of interest to the student community is admirable.

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The fruits of persistence

81-year-old graduate molds work experience, classwork into degree

ROBIN GARNER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Learning has been a lifetime of work for Orvell Leon Smith. After 55 years of continuous education, Smith, 81, graduated with honors this May and received his bachelor's degree in aviation management directly from the hands of SIU President James Walker.

"Every chance I got to go to school I took," said Smith, pointing to the photographs of his five grandchildren, all college graduates. "I wanted to be able to talk to them." Walker said Smith became acquainted with Smith during the time he served as president of Middle Tennessee State University. During that time, Smith was working toward the completion of his degree.

"It was a pleasant surprise when Mr. Smith visited me several weeks ago here at the Stone Center, and I learned he was a graduating senior at SIUC," Walker said. "A good path of lifelong learning went through 55 years; several careers and stature. In 1938, as a Marion High School senior, he applied for college scholarships for both track and football. His parents did not believe it was possible, that they were even attended any of his games. Not only that, but his father wanted him to quit high school altogether and go to work. Instead, Smith convinced his father to let him finish high school while he managed vocational areas for 15 counties.

"For God's sake, don't drop out of high school," Smith advised. "We're not enough anymore. You need to get as high a degree as you can. Your future depends on it." In 1945, Smith continued his education in Middle, Ala., in an aviation maintenance training program while he worked at the Mobile Air Force Command. The 500-hour certificate qualified him to build and repair the exteriors of aircraft.

"She worked eight hours a day then and attended school for seven hours every night," Smith said.

During World War II, Smith continued to gain experience as an aviation metalman for the Navy. After the war, he moved back to Marion as a technical superintendent for the Sangamo Service Company where he managed more than 250 employees. Smith has been in management positions-most of his 10 years of employment-for more than 2,700 hours every day.

"Every day I spoke to everyone," Smith said. "My people would do anything for me."

During the next 30 years, Smith continued his learning process by changing careers and becoming a technical writer. In 1965, Smith was able to combine his passion for aviation with his writing skills. He became a technical writer for the Saturn 19 vehicle, the world booster engine that was used on the Apollo space missions, at Cape Canaveral, Fla.

He moved to Sweetwater, Tenn., in 1969 to take a job with Finney Tire and Rubber and to be closer to his son, Smith began to actively urban his bachelor's degree at Middle Tennessee State University following his retirement in 1982. Although Smith had extensive experience, he still found earning his degree a challenge.

"Technical writing and school writing are very different," Smith said.

Walker said Smith has exemplified his on-the-job training by being applied to an aviation degree. Walker later offered to personally hand Smith his diploma if they were still at the same school.

"Smith removed to Marion after the death of his wife and son. He was able to achieve his lifelong pursuit of flight education, and complete the last two years of his bachelor's degree at SIUC as an aviation management student."

"Smith's community and colleagues deserve what can be accomplished when one sets a goal and consistently works towards meeting that goal," Walker said in his accomplishment. "It was a personal honor for me to present him with his degree."

Summer theater schedule hobbled

Technical advancements halt McLeod productions

MARLENE TRUITT
DAILY EGYPTIAN

For the first time in 35 years, McLeod Theater is dark this summer due to renovations, but Richard Falvo believes the show should go on.

For Falvo, the musicals at McLeod Theater separated the fabric of life in the historic Marion theater. He has enjoyed production here for two decades and has even performed in a few such as "South Pacific," "Ringling" and "Dorothy Yarnell."

"It's unfortunate," said Falvo, an SIUC professor of physiology. "If you can shut down summer theater, maybe other types of arts programs can be cut back."

The temporary need for technical advancements can be made in the aging theater. The overhaul, made possible by the recent addition for students, will increase ticket sales, improve lighting and sound, and reduce the temporary need for technical advancements.

"That combined with the loss of theater, it's going to be a hard year for summer theater," Scott said. "Next summer will hinge on the budget, but we're already investigating the best fund-raising possibilities."

Several other shows will be made, but Scott hopes new existing and fresh coats of paint can be squeezed out of the budget.

"We're not doing summer theater," Falvo said. "We're not doingSIUC theater with state-of-the-art theatre equipment."

"Now it's trying to operate office with Apple Mac computers. We're not working with candles and gongs, but it's time to upgrade."

Dee Ettes, an adult literacy instructor at John A. Logan, said she was unhappy with her salary. "We're not even working with candles and gongs, but it's time to upgrade.""

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Who knew? Moving your couch could change your life

Feng Shui can balance your home, your life

LIZ GUARD
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The way furniture is arranged can lead to a more balanced life, according to Feng Shui and O'Malley.

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Olympic tickets still available online

NATHAN SHAW
THE DAILY EAGLE (BROOKINGS, SD)

PROVO, Utah (U-WIRE) - Laura LeSueur wants to buy Olympic Event tickets and will now have the chance to do so.

LeSueur, 24, a BYU alumna from Martin, Calif, teaches fourth grade at East Middle Elementary in the Jordan School District. Her father promised her she would go to an Olympic event "not nearly a year ago."

Unfortunately she thought the original ticket sales started a lot later, but when they ended in December 2000, "I didn't hear about it in time so I didn't get my tickets," said LeSueur.

LeSueur wants to attend a figure skating event, but unfortunately those were some of the first ones to sell out. However, the Ticketmaster Company has gone planning since the beginning to sell some of the Event tickets online.

"That was always the plan, we had the initial ticket phase that were from October to December," Market Operations SLOC media relations said.

Those that purchased tickets during the first phase were sent confirmation letters in February. Since the first phase was in the ticket request phase some of the orders may not have been completely filled.

Buyers could call in at that time to discuss their options about their tickets and ask for a refund or inquire about more tickets.

"After that phase ended, it was a matter ofightening everything up and getting ready for taking on ticket sales on the website," said the source. "By the end of January, they had made the switch from the ticket office on site to sell tickets through games time." Walker said.

Walker said that expectations for the online sales are to be able to sell the same amount of tickets. They had a little over 200,000 tickets to sell.

"The numbers were about $800,000 to ticket sales for Monday - Tuesday totaling 11,052 tickets," Walker said.

At the time of ticket purusing the actual seat assignment is unknown, but the price determines the general location. Seats will be assigned later when the tickets are sent out.

"With tickets moving that quickly it would appear that there is a lot of excitement," said Walker.

"No Olympics has ever sold out," Walker said. "The price events like ice hockey, figure skating and things like that move quickly." Walker said.

Some of the events that are sold out include freestyle moguls for women, qualifications and finals, snowboarding for women's halfpipe and finals, and men's singles and finals. Short track ladies' 1500 meter, long track men's 10000 meter, short track men's 1500 meter, figure skating, dance original and short track men's 1000 meters.

New Michigan hoops coaches have already 'meshed'

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. (U-WIRE) - The offseason has been one of renewal for Michigan basketball. Michigan closed house by bringing in a brand new coaching staff to revitalize the Wolverines. The ties between the coaches and the team are already being built.

"We've already meshed together," assistant coach Charles Ramsey said. "Anyone who didn't know better, we think we'd been working together for years."

Head coach Tommy Amaker and assistant coach Billy Schmidt did in fact work together at Seton Hall. Amaker also brought in Chuck Swenson from Penn, and Brandon Dean from the University. The assistant coaching staff is completing its third phase in filling out the coaching team.

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Some players and coaches already know each other from past years for various reasons.

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The boys of summer

The Salukis displayed a strong showing at the tournament, ending with the biggest finish, the most of any school, en route to a fourth place win.

Freshman Noa Beitler took first place in the 800 and 1500-meter, while sophomore Jamie Winters won the shot put and the discus events, and senior Caryn Poliquin won the hammer throw. Beitler's time in the 1500 beat her previous best by seven seconds.

Overall, the women finished with 31 points which placed them second behind champions Southwest Missouri State University (156), Indiana State University (145) and Illinois State University (131). Rounding out the scores were the University of Northern Iowa (75), Wichita State University (66), Drake University (31) and Bradley University (30).

"We went in and we did about as well as we could do," DeNoon said. "I expected that we would get fourth, at the most we did as well as I expected us to do.

"The Salukis, who have been bitten by the injury bug all season, were only able to take 18 people to the Championships.

"It was a rocky road. We really just had a lot of injuries," DeNoon said. "Hopefully we get them all out of the way for the meet couple of weeks, and we'll survive sailing from here on."