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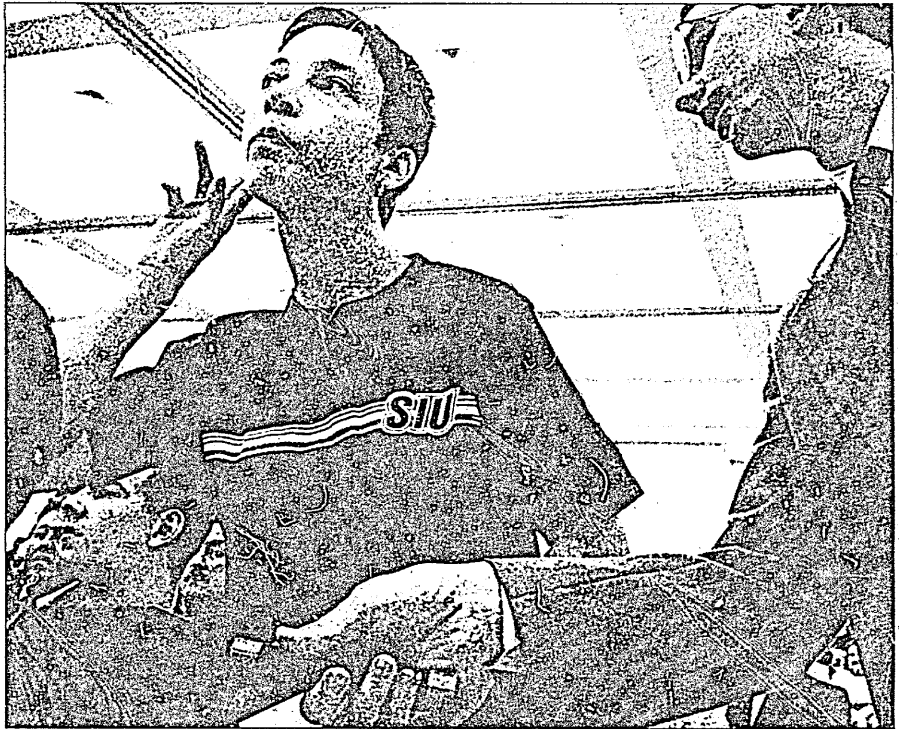
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About an hour before Dawn Roberts smeared chocolate and vanilla pie in Gov. George Ryan's face, the USG senator and student activist listens to the governor's response after she read a prepared statement outlining her concerns with the current makeup of the Board of Trustees and the governor's association with its members.

DEVIN MILLER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Governor tastes student's political agenda

Student activist Dawn Roberts smacks governor with pie after forum

KATE MCCANN & BURKE SPEAKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTERS

An SIUC student activist attacked Gov. George Ryan by slamming a pie in his face Monday, following a two-and-a-half hour forum where Ryan touted his political achievements for Southern Illinois.

While surrounded by members of the media, Ryan was splattered with a chocolate and vanilla cream pie, thrown by sophomore Dawn Roberts, who was bent on raising public awareness about what she called a Governor's Office drenched in corruption.

Roberts, a student senator and coordinator for activist group Students in Excellence for Education, was arrested immediately following the incident

inside the Carbondale Civic Center. "I wanted to raise awareness about all of the corruption going on in [Ryan's] office," Roberts told the DAILY EGYPTIAN while being led away by Ryan's security. "[SIU Board of Trustees chairman] A.D. Van Meter has given at least \$10,000 to the Governor's Office."

Ryan later said he would sign a complaint to ensure Roberts was prosecuted. Carbondale police would not release information pertaining to what Roberts would be charged with.

Roberts claims that the SIU Board of Trustees became illegally composed when former Democratic Trustee George Wilkins was reappointed after switching political affiliations. His reappointment as a Republican tipped the scale of Republicans from four to five. Illinois law dictates that no more than four members of the board can be of the same political affiliation as the governor, who is a Republican.

The past political agenda of Roberts has included being threatened with arrest at the Student Center for protesting and cornering interim Chancellor

John Jackson at an October board meeting.

Reacting to the news of Roberts' embittered circus stunt, Jackson said simply, "Oh no."

"It is tragic for the University and the area," Jackson said. "This behavior was extremely silly and juvenile."

During the open forum, Ryan mistook 29-year-old Roberts for a "young man" when she questioned him about the board's makeup.

While the governor chatted and joked with reporters after the forum, Roberts calmly approached Ryan from his left and smeared the pastry in his face. Ryan was immediately whisked away by security after the attack, though Ryan later joked that the pie "didn't taste too bad."

Prior to the pieing, Ryan spoke about education, increasing tourism and the importance of economic development. But the issue of the alleged illegal composition of the board was a difficult question for Ryan to avoid.

Mathematics professor John Gregory, one of three faculty members who filed a

lawsuit against the board's chairman and the University, addressed Ryan and said the board was "rude" and "corrupt."

Gus Bode

"We need help desperately; SIU is simply not making it," Gregory said, to a smattering of weak applause from the audience.

An agitated Ryan responded by accusing Gregory of addressing an issue he was not entirely knowledgeable about.

"If you're not sure what you're talking about then you shouldn't talk about it," Ryan replied, igniting strong support from the audience.

Jackson later attempted to rectify harm caused by Gregory and Roberts' comments by thanking Ryan for the 2001

Gus says: Thanks for the funding support. Here's a pie.

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The Carbondale City Council will meet tonight at 7 at the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Ave.

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Change wanted in USG

Archer, Belton hope to improve communication with Senate, constituents

GIMNY SKALSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

If Bill Archer and Scott Belton can accomplish one feat in their reign as Undergraduate Student Government president and vice president, it will be establishing trust with the student body.

"A lot of people don't really trust USG and the interworkings of it," Archer said. "I want students to know we're here for them."

The duo hopes to reform USG's image after they take office May 12 at midnight.

In an attempt to improve its image immediately, Belton and

Archer plan to rewrite the USG constitution and reform the election process during the summer.

Archer said if the discrepancies in the constitution are fixed this summer, then senators can discuss more important issues in the fall.

"We don't want to be bogged down with old issues," Archer said. "The stuff we can fix over the summer we need to fix so we can get a good start in the fall."

Belton said he and Archer will keep in contact with the newly elected senators this summer to get their feedback on the changes being made.

"We've got to be real organized and try to keep the rules real clear," Belton said. "We will get [senators] contact information and keep them informed."

In light of USG President Sean

University Park to be equipped with cameras

Slated to be up in 2001, officials say student need not worry about privacy

GEOFFREY M. RITTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Plans to install security cameras in University Park residence halls are one step closer to becoming reality after a price tag for the project was delivered to University Housing officials last month.

The project, which was estimated at \$164,000 by the Belleville-based engineering firm Ross & Baruzzini Inc., has entered the design phase under the direction of the same company. Slated to be installed during summer of 2001, the cameras will be placed in the laundry rooms and at all 45 exits in

the triads, in addition to the exits and laundry rooms at Neely Hall.

Housing officials also received cost figures to place the cameras in the laundry rooms and exits throughout Thompson Point, with a price tag of about \$244,000. However, according to Glenn Stine, assistant director of Housing for facilities, budgetary constraints have put the project on the back burner for the time being.

The installation of the system in the triads follows the successful addition of similar systems in the residence halls, first in Mae Smith Hall, and the subsequent work done in Schneider Hall. First introduced because of increasing vandalism in the elevators and in other areas, Housing officials say the cameras have proven to be very

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TODAY

- Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Mill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2898.
- Japanese Table, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, bring your lunch, Dawn 536-8380.
- Hillel Foundation Yom HaShoah, noon, Kamuta Garden.
- Library Affairs finding full text articles seminar, 2 to 3 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- SPC Films meeting to select films for student entertainment, every Tues., 5 p.m., Basement of Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.
- Ballroom Dance Club meeting, dance lessons and practice session, every Tues., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Davies Gym second floor small gym, 515 student members, Bryan 531-8895.
- The Saluki Suzuki Strings concert, 7 p.m., St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, admission is free, Fajira 684-5402.
- Blacks in Communication Alliance meeting, every Tues., 7:30 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Erika 536-6798.
- Chi Alpha Campus Ministries bible study about the gospel of Jesus, every Tues., 8:15 to 9:15 p.m., Schneider Hall directors room, Kudazi 529-7088.

UPCOMING

- Apostolic Life Campus Ministry prayer meeting, every Wed., 8 to 9 a.m., Sangamon Room Student Center, Abbie 529-8164.
- Black Affairs Council elections, May 3, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Video Lounge

- Student Center, Travares 453-5714.
- Library Affairs finding scholarly articles seminar, May 3, 11 a.m. to noon, Morris Library 103D, introduction to constructing Web pages, 3 to 5 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- College Republicans meeting, May 3, 5 p.m., Thebes Room Student Center, Ryan 549-7894.
- Saluki Rainbow Network meeting, May 3, 5:30 p.m., Corinth/Troy, Prdeline 453-5151.
- AnimeKai presents Japanese animation films with English subtitles, every Wed., 6 to 7 p.m., Faner 1125 Language Media Center, Jason 536-6365.
- Pi Sigma Epsilon meeting, every Wed., 6 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Amanda 351-8198.
- Egyptian Dive Club meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 021, Amy 549-0840.
- SIU Cycling Club meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Quatro's.
- Chi Alpha Campus Ministries African-American bible study, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Ohio River Room Student Center, Karleton 549-8496.
- Little Egypt Grotto caving club meeting with presentation on Bats by Tim Carter, May 3, 7 p.m., Longbranch Coffee House, Geoff 453-1121.
- Library Affairs digital imaging for the Web, May 4, 1 to 2 p.m., Morris Library 103D, Intermediate Web page construction, 3 to 5 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Student Programming Council marketing committee meeting, every Thurs., 5 p.m., Activity Room 8 Student Center, Aisha 536-3393.
- College of Liberal Arts Student Learning Assistance, now through May 11, Mon. and Thurs. 5 to 9 p.m., Wed. 1 to 5 p.m., Faner 1229, Mary Jane 453-2466.

- SIUC Kendo Club meeting, every Thurs., 6 to 9 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.
- SIUC Swing Club for dancers of all levels, every Thurs., 8 to 10 p.m., Small Gym second floor Davies Gym, 515 students \$20 non-students, Keri 536-7617.
- SIU Sailing Club meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room contact Shelley 529-0993.
- SIUC Concert Choir Spring Choral Concert, May 4, 8 p.m., Shryock Auditorium, admission \$3 general and \$2 student, John 453-5800.
- Library Affairs powerpoint, May 5, 10 to 11:15 a.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- French Club meeting, May 5, 5 to 7 p.m., Booby's, Courtney 457-8847.
- Russian Table meeting, every Fri., 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Cafe Melange, 453-5410.
- Carbondale Lions Club Pancake Days, May 6, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., May 7, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Town Square in Carbondale, adults \$3.50 and children under 12 \$2.50, Larry 684-4156.
- Friends of Carbondale Public Library book sale, May 6, 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain date May 7, 1 to 5 p.m., Connie 457-0354.
- The Cast Your Cares Crusade Choir is holding auditions for vocalists that are interested in carrying out God's word, every Sat., 3 to 5 p.m., Wesley Foundation, Trjvan 457-0921.
- Cinema and Photography Department master of fine arts thesis show by Takae Shimizu, May 6, 7 p.m., Life Science III Auditorium, Takae 453-2365.
- Voices of Inspiration presents Spring Concert 2000 entitled "When Sunday Comes", May 7, 3 p.m., Student Center Ballroom D, \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door, Jerome 351-1863.

POLICE BLOTTER

UNIVERSITY

- SIUC students reported three burglaries to their rooms in Mae Smith Hall that reportedly occurred within two hours of each other Friday. An SIUC student reported a Sony Playstation stolen from a Mae Smith residence between 12:30 and 1:45 p.m. Another SIUC student told University police a Seiko watch, a Sony compact disc player and compact discs were stolen from a room in Mae Smith Hall between 1:15 and 1:30 p.m. Friday. A third SIUC student said a Sony compact disc player, compact discs, and headphones were stolen from a room between 1:50 and 2:10 p.m. Police have no suspects and are investigating the incidents.
- Four SIUC students were arrested and charged with fighting by agreement after an altercation on Park Street near Mae Smith Hall. Kellee M. Wiseley, Rhegina A. DeWitt, Henry E. Gayheart, all 19 and Brian R. Dammrich, 24, all of Carbondale, were charged after the fight. Gayheart was also charged with underage consumption of alcohol. The group were issued city pay-by-mail citations and released.
- Adam S. O'Sullivan, 19, was arrested and charged with reckless conduct and obstructing a peace officer after he reportedly hit a golf ball into a crowd at the Spring Thing Concert in Lot 56 around 6 p.m. Saturday. O'Sullivan was later released.
- Toni J. Garrison, 21, of Carbondale was arrested and charged with criminal damage to state supported property around midnight Saturday. Garrison was unable to post the required bond, taken to Jackson County Jail and later released.
- An SIUC student reported a Yamaha compact disc player, a Sony compact disc player and cash stolen from a Mae Smith Hall room between 11:30 p.m. Friday and 3 a.m. Saturday. There are no suspects in this incident.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

Kiss comes to SIU Arena

Rock band Kiss will perform at the SIU Arena Sept. 1, at 7 p.m. Tickets go on sale Saturday at the Student Center and the Arena South Lobby Box Office.

Tickets are \$45 for general admission floor and reserved loge and \$35 for reserved concourse bleacher seats.

The event is part of Kiss' farewell tour and will feature a special guest band that is yet to be announced. For more information, call the SIU Arena at 453-5341.

USG to decide RSO funding tonight

Undergraduate Student Government will meet at 8:15 tonight in the Renaissance Room of the Student Center to finalize funding for Registered Student Organizations.

Senators will also vote on an amendment that will change the funding procedures during the summer.

This is the last meeting of the semester for USG.

Legislators tour campus projects

SIU interim President Frank Horton, interim Chancellor John Jackson, Sen. David Luechtefeldt, R-Olawville, and Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, are touring recently completed campus projects funded by the Illinois legislature today.

The tour begins at 10 a.m. at the Micro-Imaging and Analysis Center and ends at the cyber research lab in the lower level of the Public Policy Institute.

Two charged with burning child

A Carbondale man was arrested after he and a juvenile suspect reportedly burned a child the two were supposed to be taking care of Saturday night.

Richard W. Hanson, who was charged with criminal sexual abuse to a victim between the ages of 13 and 16 early this year, was charged aggravated battery to a child.

The child's mother told Carbondale police that Hanson and the juvenile burned the child with a cigarette lighter Thursday.

Hanson has a short history of trouble with authorities in Jackson County. In 1997, he was charged with damage to property and criminal damage to property by fire. He was also charged with retail theft later that year.

Both suspects were taken to Jackson County Jail.

The injured child was taken to Carbondale Memorial Hospital for treatment.

MONTEVALLO, ALA.

Peeping Tom barely noticed

When a peeping Tom wandered through a women's dormitory at the University of Montevallo, several women didn't seem to notice there was anything strange. Their reaction—or lack of it—disturbed school officials, who suspected that students were desensitized in part because they'd been violating the campus' strict visitation policy, which requires men in women's housing to be escorted by the woman they're visiting at all times and prohibits all men from being in the building after midnight on weekdays and 2 a.m. on weekends.

—from DAILY EGYPTIAN News Services

The University's use of consulting firms causes people to wonder if they are necessary

RHONDA SCIARRA
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

The University's use of three large consulting firms comes with a price tag close to \$400,000.

But University leaders say in the scheme of higher education, the use of such firms is not out of the ordinary.

The University has sought consultation from Korn/Ferry International in the search for a president, from Noel-Levitz in recruitment and retention efforts and from Civitas to devise a com-

prehensive land-use plan.

"Big universities have to hire experts and have help from national, prominent firms," interim Chancellor John Jackson said. "Certainly in the national sense, this is pretty routine."

The purpose of using outside agencies is to bring new ideas and focuses into an institution, said interim President Frank Horton, who added that SIUC's uses of firms could be attributed to a previous "lulled" attitude on the campus.

"We got kind of into a cycle," he said. "What happens when you bring in a consulting firm, is that they raise real issues that haven't been thought of in a while."

Bringing in too many firms seems unnecessary, according to

one here that has expertise in some of these fields."

But because faculty does not have such specific expertise, Jackson said, and because they are too busy with their own students and research, the University looks to outside firms.

The University hired Korn/Ferry International to aid in the search for SIUC's president. The firm is being paid a flat fee of \$75,000 plus expenses. David McCarthy, an independent California-based consultant, resigned last February after Horton was appointed interim president.

FRANK HORTON
interim SIU president

Michael Youther, an instructor of physiology. He said we should look to the resources of the University in some instances.

"As an institution of higher learning, we're supposed to have brain power," Youther said. "You would think there would be some-

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911 hang-up leads to couple's arrest

Man threatens police officer with rottweiler

DAVID FERRARA
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A Carbondale man was arrested and charged with aggravated assault after he allegedly threatened police and tried to have his dog attack an officer Friday night.

Police responded to Travis L. Elder's residence at 500 S. Charles Road Trailer 20, after receiving a hang-up 911 call just after 10 p.m.

Elder, 32, and Kristine D. Vaughn, 26, a Carbondale woman who was at the residence, immediately denied making the call. But police said they had traced the call to the residence.

When a Carbondale police officer arrived, Elder, who was convicted of aggravated sexual abuse against a victim between the ages of 13 and 16 in 1995, started threatening the officer.

"They were instantaneously combative with the officer," said Carbondale Police Community Relations Officer Don Elliott.

With the dog's leash in his hand, Elder soon commanded his Rottweiler to attack the officer.

Elder, one of 27 registered sex offenders in the city, never released the dog from the leash.

Vaughn also began threatening the officer, police said. The dog lunged aggressively at the officer several times, police said. Vaughn then reportedly took control of the dog and threatened the officer. At that point, the officer felt he was in danger.

"The officer made a hasty retreat back to his squad car," Elliott said. He called for backup and Elder and Vaughn were arrested when other officers arrived.

Vaughn and Elder were each charged with aggravated assault. Vaughn was later released. Elder was also charged with resisting arrest and damage to government supported property. He was taken to Jackson County Jail.

The officer was not injured in the incident and the dog remained at the residence while police escorted Elder.

Police said they never discovered what the initial call was about because the two denied ever calling police.

Elder was sentenced to three years probation in 1995 for the sex offense and has had trouble with the law since. His arrest Friday marked nine in the past six years. In 1994, Elder was arrested on a charge of domestic battery. Elder was also charged earlier this year with the manufacture and delivery of marijuana.

Elder was also charged with criminal damage to government supported property and resisting arrest. He was taken to Jackson County Jail and later released.

Vaughn, who was released after being charged with aggravated assault, has not been charged with an offense in Jackson County more severe than a traffic violation.

The African-American female form explored

Lecturer Joni L. Jones explores images of African-American women

TERRY L. DEAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Hips, breasts, thighs and buttocks — these conspicuous identifiers of the female form have been a part of the balance between healthy sexuality and exploitation in terms of historical images of African-American women, according to Joni L. Jones.

In her lecture at SIUC Saturday, "Lingering Legacies: Manny, Jezebel and the Hortentot Venus," Jones, an associate professor of speech communication at the University of Texas at Austin, explored the historical images of African-American women and their bodies.

Weaving together a presentation using visual images and music, Jones explored the origins of how African-American women have been portrayed in popular culture.

"In a society mired in racism and sexism, it is impossible for an audience, no matter how enlightening, to view the African-American female body free from the racist and sexist images that have dominated our times," Jones said.

Saturday's lecture was sponsored by the Department of Speech Communication, and is one in an ongoing project by a number of professors examining African-Americans and body image.

Elyse Pineau, an SIUC associate professor in speech communication, said a greater attention given to these images can be more beneficial for non-African-Americans.

"You don't think about them until you see them in such a way, and real-

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JONI L. JONES
associate professor of speech communication at the University of Texas at Austin and guest lecturer

ize how pervasive they are," Pineau said. "I think it works very much for both a black audience in terms of reclamation, but it also works for white audiences in terms of waking them up."

With such songs as, "Baby Got Back," periodically playing throughout, in addition to slides featuring well-known, and not so well-known, African-American women images, Jones created an atmosphere that lent itself to her own expressive mannerism.

Jones addressed many of misconceptions and distortions about the African-American women using her sometimes using her own occasional exaggerated gestures.

Many of those misconceptions have been embedded in the minds of Americans through films, television and music from before the Civil War through today, Jones said.

The Manny image is probably most known to the public through the "Aunt Jemima" television commercial advertising, and in such films as 1939's "Gone With The Wind."

"She was a large, dark-skinned,

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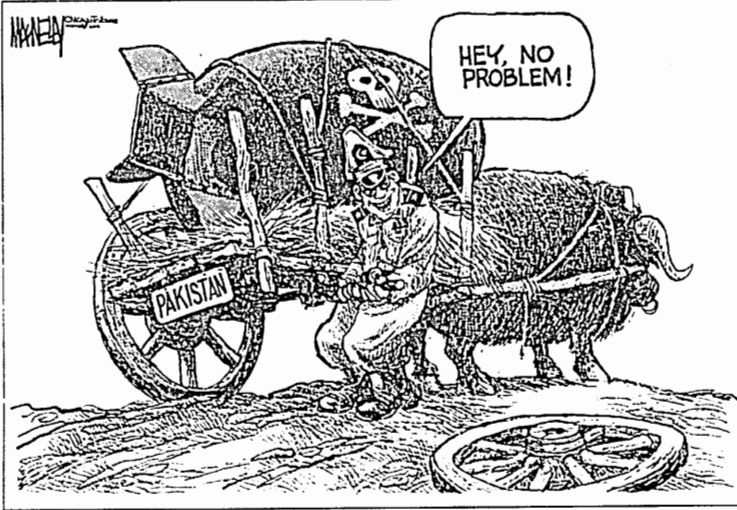
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OUR WORD

Saluki athletics has deficit in judgement

Just one month ago, the DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial board supported the athletic-fee increase and admonished student government bodies for moving too hastily against it. At that time, we were confident the Athletic Department was working diligently to reduce the \$823,000 budget deficit so often brought up by opponents to the fee increase. Now, we're not so sure.

A memo bearing interim Athletic Director Harold Bardo's signature was sent to several coaching staff members to announce an April 25 meeting to discuss budget reductions. Bardo later said he knew nothing about the meeting, but did not deny the signature was his. The meeting was confined to the staff members who received memos. In the meantime, current athletic budget data, which is legally public information, has not been released despite several requests by the DAILY EGYPTIAN. Mike Williams, director of financial services for the Athletic Department, said Wednesday that the information would not be released until incoming Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk takes office June 1.

So we are left to wonder, what are all the secrets about? In two weeks, the Board of Trustees will decide whether to raise the athletic fee for students. We stand behind our support for the fee, based on comparisons to other universities and our belief that a strong athletic program is invaluable to a large university like SIUC. But we cannot ignore questions raised when a department requests more financial support from students, yet at the same time, refuses to explain how it is spending its

money.

Various groups, such as Undergraduate Student Government, the Graduate and Professional Student Council and the President's Office, have publicly chastised the Athletic Department for its chronic overspending. Yet, the department has supplied no information in its defense. It has neither accepted accountability or publicly presented any plan to rectify the situation. By ignoring its critics, the department has left even staunch backers guessing as to the state of affairs in Lingle Hall.

One possible explanation for the department's reticence could be that current administrators are just waiting out the next few months until Kowalczyk is up to bat. However, these issues are important now, and Athletic Department staffers on the payroll have an obligation to do their jobs whole-heartedly until the final minute of their terms. Where is the "Southern hospitality" in welcoming Kowalczyk into the department confronted with a dubious public relations situation?

If everything is on the up-and-up, the situation can be easily rectified by the department demonstrating some sharper public relations skills. It seems only logical that the department would want to tell its side of the story in the wake of criticism from others on campus, and the program owes it to the University community to own up to its substantial financial mess. Otherwise, the Athletic Department will be opening itself up to even more flak and risk alienating even the most loyal of Saluki supporters.

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Attention University officials, student and city government!

For The Rest Of Us

RUDY SAN MIGUEL



For The Rest Of Us appears Tuesdays. Rudy is a sophomore in cinema production. His opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

There are few things that are capable of driving me insane. They include trains that cut a city in half and hold up traffic for long periods of time, melted ice cream and cold showers. I can't do much about those obnoxious trains, but the other two are a different story.

Perhaps I should start by defining a term I believe is on the tongues of most student apartment/trailer/house renters in the city: slumlord. So that I am clear, I'll define it. A slumlord is "an absentee landlord of slum dwellings, especially one who charges inflated rents and neglects upkeep." At this point, many are saying, "No! Not in Carbondale!" Sadly, my friends, I must pull the rose-colored glasses from your collective eyes, for it is true. Carbondale is infested with slumlords and slum-like properties, that, much like cockroaches, would be the only survivors of a nuclear holocaust.

I don't base my experience merely on the few problems I've had; I base it on the gaggle of apartments I've since viewed. I currently rent from a somewhat friendly landlord. My apartment

it happened, I only bathed in ice water for five days. I've since decided to seek alternate refuge in Carbondale. After months of seeing the offerings of this city within my price range, I decided to look in Murphysboro. Then, after seeing what that city offered in my price range, I contemplated dropping out of school and moving back home with my parents and never leaving again. Listen up student government and SIU heads and city government, here's what we need: a tenants' union. I've lived in a city where this was an effective tool for both the students living there temporarily as well as the permanent residents of the city. This free service offered both by the university and by the city was a place where students could go for help. The tenants' union in my hometown was a great place to take a lease and have trained people look it over and offer suggestions as to demands and rights. In addition, when someone has a landlord from hell, you can report them. Now, in all fairness, the tenants' union would contact the landlord and get their side of the story.

However, this complaint would be left on their records at the union. Any student could go and get a history of complaints, making life so much easier.

I know that there are many landlords and properties in this town that are exceptional and do not deserve to be lumped in with the bad eggs. However, for the amount of money that the majority of students can afford, we are more likely to see only the bad.

Perhaps there is already something like this available. If so, I don't know about it. Most of my friends don't know about it. So please, enlighten us! However, if it isn't one, student government and University officials, give me a call. I'd be more than happy to give up any free time I have and work to get this started. As students, we are being trampled upon and treated with blatant disregard. This creates an unflattering picture for the entire city — one that could affect future enrollment. Once you've accomplished this, we can focus on more taxing issues, like building overpasses or detours for that damn train.

MAILBOX

Reader HOPEs to debunk conventional wisdom

DEAR EDITOR:

I would like to challenge the "conventional wisdom" that continuing the lawsuit filed by plaintiffs Bary Malik, John Gregory, and Joan Friedenberg is a waste of time. I praise them for not caving in under pressure by misguided conventional wisdom.

In the first place, Judge Jones did not address the major contention in the lawsuit, namely, the SIU Board of Trustees is currently illegally constituted. It seems that conventional wisdom believes that this is not serious because it is not an important statute, and therefore can be flouted by those in power who believe it should be for their own convenience!

In the second place, it seems that the board needs to be reminded that the reason the University statutes stipulate that there should be equal representation on the Board of Trustees from each political party is so that we have balance in the difference of ideas and opinions in a university community. The challenge is, how does an academic institution handle this important quality of a high-class university? So far, the board of this University has not lived up to this standard.

In considering a third point, further analysis of this crisis reveals that if the board was more representative of the different constituencies comprising the Southern Illinois community or region, an entirely different result would have evolved from the Argersinger situation, and personal integrity more ably respected!

For a fourth point, until all of us have the actual facts of what transpired to create the deteriorating environment we now endure, we will never learn to improve upon our mistakes. (I believe that is what we try to teach our kids to learn from their mistakes.) One thing is certain, and that is: the methodology adopted establishes a bad example of university governance, and what a poor example for the next generation!

Moving on to No. 5, we have the type of academe in our society that we have because we cherish the idea of open discussion and deliberation of various points of view and opinions. This refines our thinking and makes for responsible action without creating the chaotic atmosphere which impulsiveness creates.

An important sixth point: Hopefully, the next level of judicial review that hears this case will better analyze the basic and critical issue in this entire situation, and remind conventional wisdom that the law is the law. Good laws or statutes have important reasons for being adopted.

Point seven: it is too bad more people in leadership positions are not more familiar with the U.S. Constitution, and applying its hard-earned stipulations to more of their leadership procedures! Perhaps a word to the wise will be sufficient, as HOPE takes this matter to a higher court.

And the last point: don't forget the special HHOPE informational meeting, Monday May 8 at 4:30 p.m. in Room 111 in the Carbondale Civic Center to further inform ourselves of the plans for an appeal to this miscarriage of justice; and, to once again examine all the criteria of conventional wisdom.

Frank H. Sehnert
Carbondale resident

WIDB takes a last shot at the airwaves

Low power FM rules create one-time opportunity for SIUC's student-run radio station

DAVID OSBORNE
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

WIDB wants to follow students wherever they go in the Carbondale area.

The student-run station has put together a proposal for a low power FM radio service license that could have the station on the air as early as the spring 2001 semester. Pending approval, the low power FM license would allow WIDB to broadcast via a 100-watt transmitter, with a range of about five to seven miles.

WIDB is heard on cable television in the residence halls and in the Student Center, and on the Internet in RealAudio. The broadcast would cover most of the Carbondale area, allowing students and the community to listen to WIDB on stereos and car radios.

WIDB's program director, Justin Savage, a sophomore in radio-television from Rockton, said a lower power FM license is needed to

increase students' accessibility to WIDB. "One-fifth of the students live in the dorms," Savage said. "In order to better serve all the students, we need to pursue the low power FM license."

The station attempted to get a broadcast license in 1992, but former Chancellor John Guyon refused to sign the paperwork, citing concerns with an unprofessional on-air manner in which students used expletives. The only available frequency, 91.1 FM, was taken by WDBX-FM, killing WIDB's chances of gaining an on-air license.

In January 2000, the Federal Communications Commission adopted rules creating the low power FM radio service. The low power license is available for non-commercial stations only. The low power license rules eased frequency separation requirements, making several more frequencies available in the Carbondale area, creating another opportunity for WIDB to go on the air.

Steven Landgraf, a sophomore in radio-television from Columbia, is WIDB's general manager. Landgraf said the new rules creates a small window of opportunity for WIDB to apply for the license.

"We would like to get on the Board of Trustees' docket for the May or June meeting," Landgraf said. "We need to be ready to

apply in August."

Under FCC rules, applications are taken by region. Illinois is one of the states that can apply in August, and applications are accepted only for a few days. If WIDB misses the application window, they may never have another shot of going on air.

Rosemary Kimball of the FCC said there was no way to tell how long a station would have to wait if they miss this year's application window.

"We want to get the whole country licensed before we decide on a second round," Kimball said. "Depending on what frequencies are left, there may not be a second round."

If approved, WIDB would need \$16,000 to buy the transmitter and complete the construction of the transmitter. The price tag in 1992 was \$100,000 for the station to go on the air. At that time, the transmitter alone required under FCC rules would have cost \$35,000.

Landgraf said the funding for the transmitter would be sought from the Undergraduate Student Government, the Graduate and Professional Student Council, the chancellor's office, as well as other sources, including WIDB's alumni group. Landgraf said he believes this is important enough that the funding will not be the

deciding factor.

"This isn't just something that will benefit the students, but will benefit the University and the community, I believe," Landgraf said. Joe Foote, dean of the College of Mass Communications and Media Arts, supports WIDB's efforts to gain a low power license. Foote said he's been very impressed with the current leadership at WIDB, and their responsibility and enthusiasm in pursuing the low power license.

"WIDB has a very successful heritage, and it becomes more difficult to maintain that without an over the air signal," Foote said. "The new FCC initiative, if it goes through, makes that possible."

ROSEMARY KIMBALL
Federal Communications Commission

FIFTH

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"With tennis, it's so much right there on the line in one day," Auld said. "You go out and play and if you lose that's it. So the best you can do is finish fifth."

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"It was quite a challenge," McClelland said, "But we did the best we could."

The Salukis will soon be seeing some of the same opponents at Drake in two weeks, when SIU and the rest of the Missouri Valley Conference will be battling it out for the MVC championship crown.

Assistant jumps coach Cameron Wright, who filled in again for head coach Bill Cornell, who stayed at home this weekend to rest, said the Drake Relays was the perfect meet for the Salukis to get a peek at what they will be up against in two weeks.

The nine-hour drive may have been too much for Cornell, who is having knee surgery Friday and hopes to be back at the helm for the MVC Championships.

The Salukis have been on a tear in the late season, winning more than 72 percent of their matches for the first time since 1990 when they finished 16-6, 7-3.

"It was a really good season," Crandall said. "Maybe our luck ran out against [Northern Iowa], but all in all, it was a good season."

Wright knows after next weekend's meet, the Missouri Invitational, the Salukis will be ready for conference.

"Everyone appears to be coming around," Wright said. "We should be tuned up by conference."

Sakub track and field notes:

Four Sakubis, seniors Brian Bunden and Erik Olson and freshmen Alex Farrell and Ryan Hauser competed at the SIUE Twilight Open and Multi-Event meet Saturday in Edwardsville instead of the Drake Relays.

Both Olson and Bunden placed first in their respective events. Olson's (194-8) throw in the javelin was 27 feet, seven inches further than the second-place finisher. Bunden curran the second-place finisher in the 5,000-meter run by 35 seconds with a personal-best time of 15:01.28.

Hauser (4:01.20) placed third in the 1,500-meter run and freshman Alex Farrell (2:17.71) came in 17th in the 800-meter run.

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University for a 15-month stint to aid in recruitment and retention efforts. Noel-Levitz will cost the University about \$300,000, but exact figures are unavailable because the University is still negotiating.

The costs for Noel-Levitz's work at SIUC are a standard of the industry, said Larry Dietz, new vice chancellor for Student Affairs and enrollment management.

Dietz, while at the University of Missouri-Kansas City, worked with Noel-Levitz six years ago on recruitment and retention efforts there. Dietz said the increased usage of firms like Noel-Levitz usually comes at a time of transition for an institution.

"I think it is much more common place and particularly for an organization that is in the middle of change and new ventures of sorts," Dietz said. "It's really a recognition that the University is a very large business with a special interest, which is education."

Civitas, an environmental con-

sulting firm, has worked with several other universities on similar campus appearance projects. The University is paying Civitas about \$24,000 to complete the first of three phases of a project to beautify the campus.

In addition, smaller consultation firms are regularly used by individual departments. Assistant Director of Housing Glenn Stine said the Physical Plant is working with Ross & Baruzzini Engineering, a Belleville firm, because there aren't any other internal opportunities to complete the project.

The firm was hired to estimate the cost of putting surveillance equipment in University Park and Thompson Point and is being paid \$11,000.

"There's Engineering Services, but they don't really have anybody who really specializes in this particular area," Stine said. "[Ross-Baruzzini] sat down and looked at it, and now we know how much we need to budget."

Dietz said consultants, by their very definition, will leave the University at some point in time, and in the end it's up University officials to implement what they

consultants don't pay the bills here, consultants don't stay here and consultants don't represent the University. But they can be good help, give advice and counsel and help set direction. The other perspective they tend to lend is often times a national perspective on a given issue.

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vice chancellor for Academic Affairs

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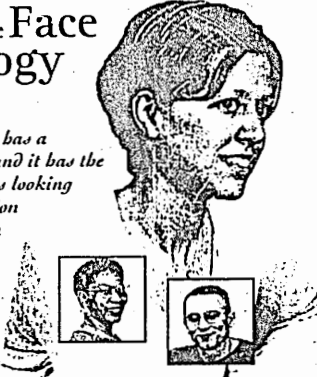
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Welcome home, honorarium

Four to be honored at spring commencement

TRAVIS MORSE
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

James Duggan, chair of the SIUC Honorary Degree and Distinguished Award Committee, seems completely satisfied as he looks at the list of honorees his committee has selected for this year's spring commencement.

"I think they're wonderful choices," Duggan said. "We felt these people best represented what these awards are all about."

At the commencement ceremony, two honorary degrees and two Distinguished Service Awards will be handed out to Sir David Nicholas, the late Jeanne Simon, Judith Roales and Charles Hinderman.

Nicholas, knighted in 1991, has made several major contributions to the field of broadcasting in the United Kingdom. He started the Independent Television News network and also initiated Channel 4 news and ITN Radio. He has also been very involved in SIUC's London media program since 1995 and has been responsible

for arranging for students to visit stations in London including Channel 4, 5 and sections of the BBC. Nicholas will receive an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree at the commencement ceremony.

Joe Foote, dean of the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts, nominated Nicholas. He said the choice was a natural one.

"He's one of the foremost journalists in the UK and he's also spent a lot of time helping SIUC students," Foote said. "It's a combination of personal achievement and dedication to help future journalists broaden their horizons."

The late Jeanne Simon, wife of Sen. Paul Simon, will receive a posthumous honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree. Simon is a longtime library activist who was a two-term Clinton appointee as chair of the National Commission of Libraries and Information Science. She was also an adjunct faculty member at SIUC from 1997 until her death Feb. 20.

Her commitment to library service is why Carolyn Snyder, SIUC dean of Library Affairs, said she felt compelled to nominate Simon.

"It's very fitting for her to receive this award because she is so highly recognized as a promoter of library development

across the country," Snyder said.

In particular, Snyder mentioned the Delyte Morris Library Symposia on Information Issues started more than two years ago where nationally recognized speakers were brought in to speak about library-related issues such as intellectual property, copyright and access to government information.

"She helped bring a lot of recognition to the SIUC library and worked to secure new funding," Snyder said. "She's made significant contributions locally and nationally."

The Distinguished Service Awards will be given to two individuals who have made major strides in the fields of journalism and marketing. Roales is the former publisher and executive vice president of the St. Petersburg Times and an SIUC journalism graduate.

"She's a great role model for female journalists," Foote said.

Hinderman began his career at SIUC in 1960 as a marketing professor and later served as assistant dean for graduate programs, assistant dean for administration and dean of the business college.

Spring commencement exercises will take place on May 12 and 13 at the SIUC Arena and Shryock Auditorium.

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grinning, bandanna wearing woman who tirelessly attended to white people's need, and represented the ultimate stereotype of the contented slave," Jones said.

Jones notes that the Jezebel image historically has been historically associated with "hyper-sexuality, promiscuity, seduction and manipulation."

Lena Horne and the late Dorothy Dandridge played this image to perfection in 1930s films, according to Jones, who said that today's hip-hop icons, such as Foxy Brown and Lil' Kim, continue to play on the same theme.

Jones said such indelible images continue to be a trap that many performers, past and present, still find themselves unable to get out of.

"Every performing artist must confront the unconscious and conscious packaging that audiences wish to wear performers," said Jones said. "However, because of the limited variety of African-American perspectives, audiences are more likely to remain stuck in their fantasies than they might be with other groups."

The "Hottentot Venus," derives from a 1810 carnival side show attraction featuring a South African woman, who was brought to England and put on display because of her larger-than-normal body features. A play was later based on the women, and ran in England during the 1920s.

Jones is working on a production of her own based on her lecture, which is a work in progress, she said. However, Jones continue to address the "packaged personas," placed on African-American women by society.

"In the end, we will not have control of our own images if we are not a part of the image making-process," she said.

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Men's tennis captures one Missouri Valley win

Worst season since '97 comes to a close in Valley tournament

ANDY EGENSES
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

At least they got one win.

The SIU men's tennis team defeated the University of Northern Iowa 4-3 Friday, which allowed the Salukis to claim eighth place in the MVC tournament this weekend in Omaha, Neb.

The win redeemed a prior loss in which SIU fell to the Panthers 4-3 earlier this season. Still, SIU (6-17, 2-11) suffered its worst season since finishing 5-14, 1-8 in 1997.

SIU coach Brad Ifner was pleased that his team showed poise after losing the doubles point against Northern Iowa, rebounding to take four singles matches and secure the tournament victory.

With the recent injury to No. 3 player Valentin Epure, Ifner said winning the first match was still a realistic goal for the tournament.

But the No. 9 seeded Salukis dropped their next three matches, losing against Indiana

State University 4-3, the University of Evansville 4-1 and Creighton University 4-1.

"Honestly, without [Epure], I can't say we are a better team than Evansville," Ifner said. "It would not have been impossible for us to beat Creighton, but in all honesty, I would agree that they were the slight favorite."

Without the added depth Epure provides, the Salukis did not have enough in the tank to compete with other MVC schools.

The Salukis struggled to win at the No. 3 position for the rest of the season after Epure sprained his ankle April 8.

"We just didn't have the depth," Ifner said. Ifner sat down with his team after the last

match to try and focus on the positive aspects in a season that was, for the most part, below average.

The Salukis will lose senior Kenny Hutz, who is predicted to be named to the all-select team in the MVC after the season.

SIU will also lose Danie Santa Cruz, who will forgo his final year of eligibility and plans to graduate in December.

In a year that could easily be overshadowed by negatives, Ifner will focus on the positive things he saw and try to build for next season.

"We did beat Northern Iowa, which gave us the revenge against them," Ifner said, "and also helped us improve on our (final) seed."

USG

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Henry taking heat from senators for funding Alpha Phi Alpha, a fraternity he now belongs to, \$3,603 during the summer, Archer said he will work to get Senate feedback before funding Registered Student Organizations.

The USG constitution states that the president has sole funding power in the summer and must report all summer fee allocations at the first Senate meeting of the fall semester.

Archer said they will also be sure to present detailed information to the Senate about what organizations they funded and why at the first Senate meeting to eliminate any qualms senators may have.

"I think its better [to communicate with senators] than just waving the big funding wand and saying I have the power," Archer said.

In addition to communicating with senators, Belton and Archer also want to work to increase communication with students.

In order to make USG more accessible to all

students, Belton said he will work to make the USG homepage have more information and have room for student feedback.

"It's a lot easier for people to voice their opinion through the website," Belton said.

Belton said it is important for students to know who their senator is, so he wants to include photos and information about each senator on the website.

Archer said he would like to work with the administration when possible to make changes on campus.

"USG can't do everything by itself," Archer said. "We all have to keep in touch with each other."

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Jean Paratore, who is also the adviser for USG, said she has not had an opportunity to formally sit down and meet with Archer, but she worked with him on a scholarship committee.

"Each person is unique in how they want to run the operation," Paratore said. "I don't know much about [Archer's] leadership style and I look forward to working with him. Things will unfold as they go along."

CAMERAS

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beneficial in cutting down on crime in the residence halls.

However, since their introduction in 1997, surveillance in the residence halls has ignited a great deal of debate between residents and Housing officials. While some say the cameras cross the fine line between security and privacy, others say recent events, such as a string of arson in Boomer III last fall and an increasing number of false fire alarms, make the cameras a necessity.

"Most issues in University Housing are like this," said Tony Earls, coordinator of residence life for University Park. "We certainly want to make the cameras as unintrusive as possible."

But many as students in the triads are not concerned about the issue. When Housing officials first pitched the idea to the Residence Hall Association and Undergraduate Student

Government earlier this year, former RHA President Carrie Milnor told the DAILY EGYPTIAN in February, the response was not a positive one. However, many students living in the triads say that they are not worried about the surveillance becoming too intrusive.

"I don't see it as an invasion of privacy," said Tim Davis, a sophomore in civil engineering from Bourbonnais, who also serves as an RHA representative for Allen I. "It will probably make things a little bit safer. It will end up saving us money in the long run."

Because of the controversial nature of the project, Housing officials say they have no plans to put cameras in areas that may be considered too private, such as in bathrooms or on individual floors. Students can rest assured, said Director of Housing Ed Jones, that the project will be done with their best interest in mind.

"We're always getting [students'] input," Jones said. "We just want to provide the best security we can."

Gov. Ryan addresses a full house at the Carbondale Civic Center Monday night on the first of a series of town meetings throughout Illinois. The governor fielded questions for more than two hours before getting hit by the pie.

DEVIN MILLER
DAILY EGYPTIAN



GOVERNOR

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2001 budget by saying "anyone who believes SIU is falling apart, I can tell you a different story: The vast majority of students and faculty members are proud of SIU."

Ryan also touched upon the licenses-for-bribes scandal, denying several "myths" associated with the scandal, including the rumor that the selling of commercial drivers licenses

were part of a political fund-raising scheme.

In regards to the politically motivated pastry pummeling, Ryan said that has never happened to him before, though it would not deter a return to Carbondale in the future.

"Everyone gets to vent themselves a little bit, that's what it's all about, I guess," Ryan said.

Ryan's next publicity stop is in Collinsville and Charleston on Tuesday.

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Monaco paves way in 10K

SIU distance runner notches fourth-best time in MVC in prestigious meet

CHRISTINE BOLIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Jenny Monaco did something at the Drake Relays this weekend that she had yet to do all season — race in the 10,000-meter run.

The SIU women's track and field distance runner placed sixth (35:48.41) in the 10K, and now owns the fourth fastest time in the Missouri Valley Conference this season.

The Drake Relays, a renowned meet that has taken place in Des Moines, Iowa for the past 91 years, is one of the most prestigious track and field meets in the world.

Last weekend, unattached athletes (not competing for a team) and athletes from more than 170 schools from all across the country participated in front of a crowd of more than 18,000 spectators.

Monaco said the crowd at Drake created an exciting atmosphere.

"Drake is one of my favorite meets," Monaco said. "It is one of those meets [that] you want to do well at."

Freshman Rimma Turevsy was the only other top-10 finisher for the Salukis with her ninth-place finish in the triple jump (39-10 1/2). She also came in 21st in the long jump (17-11 3/4).

Junior Hilla Medalia's leap in the triple jump (38-8 3/4)

Drake is one of my favorite meets. It is one of those meets [that] you want to do well.

JENNY MONACO
SIU women's track and field runner

was good enough for 16th place, and junior Caryn Poliquin finished 24th in both the discus (118-8) and the hammer throw (136-4).

The sprint medley relay team, which consists of sophomore Marian Appiah-Kubi, juniors Destree Cocks, Yolanda Mask and Becky Cox, placed 18th with a time of 4:02.24.

Cox said she was just glad to be competing at such a prestigious meet.

"The race was a little rough because we had such incredible competition," Cox said.

"Sure, everybody wanted to place well, but it was difficult."

SIU head coach Don DeNoon knew going into the meet that the competition was going to be difficult for SIU.

However, he thinks challenging meets like the Drake Relays will well prepare the Salukis for their next meet, the Missouri Invitational in Columbia, Mo., followed by the Missouri Valley Conference Championships, May 17-20.

DeNoon said the experience at the Drake Relays will be a plus as the team readies itself for its final meets.

"The competition at Drake was exciting. I thought our kids performed well," DeNoon said. "It was a good meet for us."



HENRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

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Billy Hardin

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Big stage sets the stage for MVC in two weeks

Shunk and Bowers lead men's track with top-10 finishes in Drake Relays

CHRISTINE BOLIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

After three weeks out of competition, SIU men's track and field long and triple jumper Brad Bowers finally returned back from injury to one of his favorite meets, the Drake Relays, which took place last weekend in Des Moines,

Iowa.

The Drake Relays, an unscored meet, is one of the most prestigious track and field meets in the country. It has taken place on the campus of Drake University since 1909 and is the longest running meet in the United States, selling out all 18,000-plus seats for the past 35 years.

It is no wonder that Bowers was glad to be back in competition.

"I was happy I could compete injury-free," Bowers said. "It was one of the best Drake Relays I have ever been to."

Senior high jumper Aaron Shunk, who was the top performer for the Salukis, also was pleased with his performance. His jump of 6-11 tied him and six other athletes in the high jump for third place.

"I felt good at 6-11," Shunk said. "It's a step in the right direction."

Bowers (23-8) placed ninth in the long jump, the distance medley relay team (10:05.31), which consists of junior Chris Owen, senior Allen Lakomiak, sophomore Joe Zeibert and senior Matt McClelland, placed 16th.

Owen, Zeibert, McClelland teamed

NEXT UP

THE SIU MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD TEAM COMPETES SATURDAY IN THE MISSOURI INVITATIONAL IN COLUMBIA, MO.

up again, along with freshman Steve Orange (17:03.01) and came in 17th in the 6,400-meter relay.

McClelland said it was tough to place in the top spots of the relay races because of the level of competitiveness.

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Saluki women's tennis nets fifth place ... again

SIU finishes fifth for fifth consecutive MVC Championship

ANDY EGENSEN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

It was déjà vu for the SIU women's tennis team.

The Salukis finished the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament in fifth

place for the fifth consecutive season this weekend at Omaha, Neb.

SIU lost a critical first-round match against the University of Northern Iowa last Friday to place them in the loser's bracket, making fifth place the best possible finish.

The Salukis (16-6, 10-3 MVC) won their next three matches to claim the fifth spot in the conference, cruising through the next three matches, beating Creighton University 5-1, Wichita State University 5-3 and Indiana State

University 6-3.

In the first-round match, Northern Iowa took four of the six singles matches, putting pressure on the Saluki doubles teams to overcome the deficit. The Saluki doubles teams, who have played outstanding all season, needed to win all three matches to secure the win, but the Keri Crandall/Rachel Morales duo suffered the final blow, in an 8-3 defeat.

"We had our opportunities and we have been really dominant in the doubles," SIU women's tennis coach Judy

Auld said.

Auld had no answers to why her team cannot get past the first-round match, but was pleased with its competitiveness throughout the rest of the tournament.

"They bounced back and that's part of being a competitor," Auld said. "They still wanted to perform well for the team and for themselves."

Without question, the first match is the most crucial of the tournament.

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