Renowned poet packs the place

Angelou: SIUC is a rainbow

Alejandro Gonzalez
Daily Egyptian

A capacity crowd in the Student Center erupted with applause Wednesday as a world-renowned writer and activist walked across the stage with a brown cane, smiled and started to sing.

"I'm happy to be in Carbondale because I know that this school is a rainbow in the clouds," Maya Angelou said in her cool, slick voice. "I know the history of Carbondale. It has not always been pretty." The long-awaited Angelou gave advice to SIUC students on how to thrive through examples of her own hardships.

Angelou is famous for her many poems including "Still I Rise," "Phenomenal Woman" and "On the Pulse of the Morning," which she read at the 1993 inauguration ceremony of former President Clinton.

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Hundreds turned away after ballrooms, overflow seating filled to capacity.

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Lois Sterlter watched from her office as the first six people lined up outside the Student Center ballrooms at 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Three hours later, more than 350 people had lined up to hear Maya Angelou's lecture that was scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m., said Sterlter, director of the Student Center.

Ten minutes before the renowned poet was to take the stage, 1,200 people of all ages and races had packed into the ballrooms, and a raffle ticket was the last Hail Mary for those remaining in line. The ticket holders got the next best thing — seats in the overflow.

The only problem for the more than 5,000 people still standing in line was that there were only 300 tickets available.

Sterlter said she knew even before Wednesday that she was going to have to turn people away.

"It's just sad (to turn away people) because she is just an amazing person," Sterlter said of Angelou. "There's going to be a lot of disappointed people, unfortunately." As the line inched forward, the anxious crowd outside the ballrooms was made up of reporters and SIUC staff members standing along the chain-link divider. The most frequent question was about location.

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Lowest-ranking finalist visits campus

Yash Gupta history

2007 University of Southern Illinois University Carbondale chancellor finalist
2007 University of Hawaii at Manoa chancellor finalist, lost
2006 University of Nevada-Las Vegas president finalist, withdrew his name weeks before decision made
2006 University of Arizona president finalist, lost
2006 University of Southern California chancellor finalist, lost
2004-2006 University of Southern California chancellor of the Marshall School of Business
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1992-1995 University of Colorado at Denver dean of the College of Business and Administration
1988-1992 University of Louisville School of Business professor

Nick Bernsley — Daily Egyptian

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Inverted precision

Aerobic flight team top in nation

story by Ryan Rendleman
photos by Jason Johnson

The mind freezes. The force is overpowering.

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It's all in a day's work for the SIU Aerobatic Team — a six-member aviation unit that travels throughout the Midwest showing its piloting skills while performing an array of stunts, including loops and barrel rolls.

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SIU Aerobatic Team captain Andrew Bochnovic pushes out the Decathlon, a 1,200-pound stunt plane used by the team. It is driven by a four-cylinder motor that generates as much power as an eight-cylinder made for an automobile.

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The force is overcome when the body relaxes in a state of alertness known to pilots as "the yawn state." The body, mind and soul are relaxed, alert and fully aware of all that is going on around them.

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Memorial service to honor deceased students

A memorial service was scheduled for today and will honor 13 A&I students who died during the 2006-07 academic year.

The event takes place at 15:15 in the Newman Catholic Student Center. The Hotracers Club and Black Affairs Council are sponsoring the service.

One argument, Fredonia McComb, said the event will resonate more with students.

Ryan Harris, Jessica Ysaya, Hidemori Yamashita and Nikolas Donaldson, said she said if all other students to honor the dead would be glad to include their names and stories in the service. McComb can be reached at 203-1023.

MCMA names interim dean, school director

The dean of the College of Mass Communications and Media Arts announced his temporary replacement Wednesday.

Margynth Pendekur said Gary Kolf, the college's associate dean, would act as an interim dean of the department while he is on research leave next year. Pendekur said it is to try to instill the research community to globalization.

Kolf has been at the university for more than 20 years and has worked to improve the working relationship between the department and the college. Pendekur said.

"Professor Kolf has a broad range of experiences, from teaching to research creative activities to administration," he said.

Pendekur also named Bill Fring, a former deputy editorial page editor at the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, as the full-time director of the school. Fringfort was one of two candidates to the position, and the school's faculty voted 1-1 to remain the director, Pendekur said.

Fringfort, who served as interim director since the fall semester was said to be particularly excited to remain in the position because of the many changes occurring in the journalism field.

Blinded officer among medal recipients

BELLEVILLE (AP) — A Belleville police sergeant permanently blinded after being shot in the face by a double-slaying suspect was among 34 Illinois officers awarded the Law Enforcement Medal of Honor on Wednesday.

John Brough received the honor during a ceremony in Springfield, where those medals also went to the families of officers killed in the line of duty.

Recipients distinguished themselves in a line of service, according to a statement from Gov. Rod Blagojevich's office.

Brough, 49, was severely injured Nov. 10, 2005, when a suspect five officers during a motorcade. He was left with his some facial injuries and lost vision in his right eye.

Brough was left with numerous facial injuries, including shattered upper and lower jaws.

Brough has had at least five reconstructive surgeries and has several more planned on his eyes.

The community has rallied around Brough and his family with numerous fundraisers, raising thousands of dollars.

Madjigan to convene House on tax plan

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — House Speaker Michael Madigan called Wednesday for a new hearing by the entire House on Gov. Rod Blagojevich's proposed 5.7 billion tax increase, setting the stage for a battle over a plan that many lawmakers contend will drive jobs from the state.

Madjigan's move came as most members of the House signaled they oppose the tax plan and thousands of people called at the state Capitol on the day of the debate — something Blagojevich, plans to mean.

Madjigan, D-Chicago, told lawmakers he says he convene the "Committee of the Whole" next week because of the serious questions about the governor's proposal and the importance of the issue.

The "gross receipts tax" would raise money by taxing most transactions by businesses with at least $10 million in annual receipts. Revenue groups say the tax would force them to raise prices, cut jobs or both. They predict some companies will move operations to other states.

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After 30 years, one colonel is saying goodbye to the blue. Col. Walter Tomczak, director of the aerospace studies department, is retiring Aug. 30 after three years with the university and 30 years with the U.S. Air Force. The 51-year-old said his retirement was protocol because Air Force personnel must retire after 30 years of service if the ranking of general has not been achieved.

Lt. Col. Christopher Heslin, who works at a military base in Colorado, will take over for Tomczak July 2.

Tomczak said he enjoyed his military service, but was ready to pursue a different career. “It’s time to go anyway,” he said. “I probably would have gotten out anyway.”

During his 30-year career with the Air Force, Tomczak said he had a variety of jobs that took him to many countries, such as South Korea, where he ran the single passenger and freight terminal for military personnel arriving to the peninsula. “I’ve had 12 different assignments and I’ve enjoyed them all,” he said. “Each one has been kind of different from the other ones.”

Tomczak said his favorite job was commanding a 500-man flying unit in Anchorage, Alaska. He said he was in charge of the group and flew various missions, such as supplying troops stationed in Japan and South Korea.

Tomczak said teaching the ROTC students was something that came natural to him. He said he enjoyed preparing SIUC students for active duty as officers, and was proud when former students would come back and share their success. “Coming here and working with the students and cadets and watching college students become Air Force officers, that’s a rewarding experience,” he said.

Tomczak said his wife, Diann, would stay in the area after his retirement. “My kids have been to six different schools, so we told them they can have one high school,” he said. “So we’re going to stay here.”

Tomczak said he would look for a new job in the area, but didn’t know what he would pursue.

Maj. Brian Riggs, adjunct assistant professor of aerospace studies, said Tomczak helped him and others in the department keep on track for advancements in their military careers, and was instrumental in his promotion to major. “He takes good care of the cadets as well, and ensures that they’re ready to enter on active duty,” he said.

Andrew Barth, a senior from Harvard studying computer science, said Tomczak would be missed. He said Tomczak’s high ranking was rare for an ROTC program and brought many benefits to the university. “He brought a great deal of experience to our detachment and a great deal of leadership,” he said.
Justice probes hiring of prosecutors

Former nuclear negotiator arrested

Nasser Karimi
The Associated Press

TEHRAN, Iran — Iranian authorities have arrested the country’s former nuclear negotiator, now head of President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad’s predecessor’s foreign policy arm, on charges of sexual misconduct.

Iran did not officially release any details about the specific charges against the former official, who is considered Ahmadinejad’s main political rival. Seen as a hard-liner, he is considered Ahmadinejad’s main political rival. According to foreign media reports, Ahmadinejad’s allies wereBackground the chief of staff to the former foreign minister, and a former deputy to the government’s leading nuclear negotiator, Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani. Karimi, a moderate politician and an influential figure in moderate circles, is considered a hardliner in the nuclear negotiation and the anti-Americanist camp.

The Islamic Republic of Iran News Agency on Friday released a statement saying that Karimi had been arrested on charges of sexual misconduct. The statement was not further elaborated.

Karimi has been one of Iran’s most controversial figures in recent years, with his anti-American stance and his close ties to the West. He was sanctioned by the United States in 2007 for his role in negotiating the nuclear deal with Western powers. He was also wanted by the United States for his role in ordering the assassination of an American diplomat in 2003.

Karimi has been a frequent target of government criticism and has been repeatedly arrested for his political activities. He was previously arrested in 2009 and 2010 for his role in the Iran学生 protests, and was also arrested in 2011 for his role in the Iran-green movement.

The statement says Karimi had been arrested on charges of sexual misconduct and that he would be tried in a military court. It also says that the arrests were part of a larger investigation into Karimi’s activities.

The statement did not provide any further details about the charges against Karimi or the extent of the investigation.

Karimi’s arrest comes amid increasing pressure on Iran’s political opposition. The Islamic Republic of Iran has been under international pressure to end its nuclear program, and the government has been accused of using violent methods to suppress opposition protests.

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Laws help keep campus safe from firearms

Danny Wenger

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Illinois’ gun laws could keep residents from buying or selling a weapon within the state and bringing them to SIUC. Lawson Hall was evacuated on April 25 because of a suspicious package. The bag was revealed to contain hand guns, but authorities saw the incident as an opportunity to gauge how the school might handle a dangerous situation.

According to the Illinois State Police Web site, residents of the state must have a Firearm Owner’s Identification card to purchase or own firearms. To obtain a FOID card, residents must fill out an application and send it to the state police.

If they’re from Illinois, we have to see their license down, we have to see their card when purchasing.

David Lange, an employee at Mike’s Guns in Paducah, Ky., said Illinois residents have to show their card when purchasing.

“When they put their driver’s license down, we have to see their FOID card,” Lange said.

Hayes said they must abide by the laws of the person’s home state, which for Illinois residents includes a waiting period for all firearms sales.

“If they’re from Illinois, we have to abide by those state laws,” he said.

David Lange, an employee at Shooters Gun Shop Inc. in Cape Girardeau, Mo., said Illinois residents need a FOID card to buy guns in Missouri. He also said when they buy handguns, they cannot take them home.

“Handguns can only be purchased in the state of your residence,” he said. “You can purchase them in another state, and then the dealer will have to send it to you in your state, and you’ll have to fill out the paperwork and do everything that’s required by your state.”

Lange said when Carbondale residents purchased guns from his store, he mailed the guns to a store in Anna and the Illinois laws pertained to the transfer.

Although guns are well regulated, different chemical combinations could also cause a problem.

Jim Hancock, safety officer for the Center for Environmental Health and Safety at SIUC, said the police have to determine what is inside when dealing with suspicious packages.

“If you don’t know what it is, the police are probably going to treat it as a bomb until they find out otherwise,” he said. “Once they find out that it’s not a bomb, then we’ll determine what we’re dealing with and if it’s a hazardous chemical of some kind, we’ll have a Hazmat team dispose of it.”

Hancock said chemicals that could be dangerous are stored on campus, but not in large quantities.

“If the chemistry department has a suspicion of a student making a dangerous chemical mixture, it is unlikely.

Livni, 48, presents a stark contrast to Olmert. Perhaps reflecting her history as a young Mossad agent in the 1980s, Livni measures her words and maintains a calm exterior, while Olmert enthusiastically pumps hands and claps backs while letting fly with sometimes cutting and ruthless phrases — in English and in Hebrew.

This week’s report capped a six-month investigation into a war that the Israeli public widely perceived as a failure. The five-member panel, named by Olmert, used exceptionally harsh language, saying Olmert bore overall responsibility and suffered from poor judgment, hasty decision-making and short-sightedness.

The report has prompted widespread calls for Olmert’s resignation, both from political rivals and in the media. Opinion polls have shown some two-thirds of the public want him to step down.

A poll published Wednesday in the Maariv daily showed that 73 percent felt Olmert should resign, and only 17 percent said he should remain in office. The poll questioned 501 Israeli adults and had a margin of error of 4.6 percentage points.

At an emergency meeting of Kadima later Wednesday, most of the party caucus agreed to support Olmert, but Cabinet minister Shas Shubert "There is no reason to think that the prime minister is going to resign," he added.

Shubert said the meeting was calm, but there was no hard words between Olmert and Livni.

At her earlier news conference, Livni said she would remain in the government and would not actively work to oust Olmert. But she said she should voluntarily leave office, and that she considered herself the rightful successor to lead the Kadima Party. Livni also said she did not want to see the government dissolved and opposed early elections.

"I haven’t worked and am not working to topple the prime minister. That’s a decision he’ll have to make," she said. "It’s not a personal matter between me and the prime minister — this issue is more important than both of us.”

Under Israel’s parliamentary system, Kadima could change leaders without losing power. The prime minister is not directly elected and usually comes from parliament’s largest bloc.

Opinion polls have shown that the hard-liner former prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu of the opposition Likud Party, would win if new elections are held. Netanyahu served as Israel’s leader from 1996 to 1999, rebuffing pressures to make concessions to the Palestinians and employing especially harsh rhetoric about dangers facing Israel from Palestinian and other Arab extremists.

Netanyahu, who was educated in the United States and is popular there as a spokesman for Israeli policy, is poised to make a comeback at the head of a coalition of hawkish parties, taking advantage of the expected crash of the centrist Kadima and failure of the dovish Labor to inspire support.
A Dunn deal

He’s been called a bridge-burner, a bridge-builder, a weasel and a good guy. Starting this summer, John Dunn will be known as president of Western Michigan University.

Like any administrator, Dunn has forged good relationships while also making enemies in the university’s academic circles.

Since stepping into the office of provost — SUC’s No. 2 job — in 2002, Dunn has been the root of the ire of many a faculty member. But when he took over the chancellorship on an interim basis in November after the ouster of Walter Wenzel, Dunn gradually earned the respect of many as he assumed the helm of a university that has plenty of troubles.

He’s taken his position in stride and has played a big hand in the turnaround process for the university. He helped revamp SUC’s chief marketing unit — University Communications — and has taken a big role in establishing new enrollment initiatives.

Overall, the Daily Egyptian thinks Dunn has done well for SUC and we wish him well in his upcoming administrative venture.

Former Washington Post Managing Editor Howard Simmons once said, “People who are funny and smart and return phone calls get much better press than people who are just funny and smart.”

Dunn didn’t always get the best press, but he never avoided calls from the Daily Egyptian, rarely to speak to students and employees. That is a definite trademark of a solid university leader.

Dunn’s departure signals possible quadrants for SUC’s search committee to take over the chancellor’s office on a full-time basis will be a newbie assuming command of a school that some have categorized as a sinking ship.

Western Michigan is similar to SUC in that it has suffered a blow to enrollment and fired its previous chief in part because she failed to boost student numbers.

Dunn is going into familiar territory and will play a big part in helping WMU rebound. While things could have been better during Dunn’s reign at SUC, we can only hope they don’t get worse when he leaves.

Letters to the Editor

Lecturer bids adieu

Dear Editor:

A moment which I have been simultaneously dreading and looking forward to has finally arrived. This is my last week of teaching at SUC. As I will be departing this summer to take a big-awarded tenure-track job at Webster University in St. Louis, Missouri, it has been an excellent three years. First, foremost, and most importantly, I have had the opportunity to teach hundreds of students. It has been especially gratifying to watch you thrive, not merely in the classroom, but in the concert hall, on the court, on the field and in the theatre. I have no doubts about your success after you leave SUC.

My strongest note of thanks must go to my fine colleagues. The norm today is for term faculty numbers to be treated as co-op or adjuncts, but nothing could be further from the truth in the history department. The real result is that a number of my duties, ranging from preparing course offerings to teaching and grading the odd self-motivated class, have been extraordinarily valuable in my professional development. Over the past year, the ongoing National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education process has enhanced my contact with many other faculty members, both in College of Liberal Arts and College of Education and Human Services, and they all deserve thanks for the excellent cooperation that we have achieved.

Finally, I have had the pleasure to meet many people in the local community, including those at St. Andrews, fellow fans in the stands of McAndrew and section EE of the Arena and virtually on SalukiTalk. Since good times should end well, I would like to extend an invitation to you, my colleagues and of course my soon to be ex-students, to a party on the afternoon/evening of May 12, as it would be a shame if my remaining beer and wine went unutilized. E-mail me for location and directions.

Good health and best wishes to all of you.

Michael R. Davidson
history/lecture

Dropping enrollment rates

Dear Editor:

SUC needs to take a good, hard look at why students are reluctant to come to our university. We place our sports programs at a higher priority than our excellent academic programs. In addition, the university’s own figures of cost of attendance need updating as the price of everything keeps increasing. The university’s own figures of cost of attendance do not factor in the rise in gas prices.

Superstar and super person

Dear Editor:

Here we are wrapping up another successful semester at SUC. In addition to our top-notch academic programs, we’ve had wonderful success in athletics.

As a non-traditional student who travels 150 miles per day to attend classes, I am attuned to the fact that most of my financial aid over and above tuition and books goes toward gas. This leaves room for rent, utilities or food and certainly no time to work measurable hours at a job close to home to pay for those necessities.

The policy of withholding scholarship monies over and above the set amount of financial aid and financial aid receipt is detrimental to all students, both local and commuters. When this occurred to me, I sought help from both the provost’s office and financial aid who basically told me that there was nothing they could do.

My 5-year-old daughter was a strong advocate for this name, for obvious reasons: “He is #3 and his favorite player.”

Anyway, the kids enjoy Jamal Tatum (the fish) in their preschool, taking turns feeding him and generally making his life a happy one. A few weeks ago, I ran into Jamal Tatum (the person) and I told him about Jamal Tatum (the fish). He thought it was pretty funny, so I told him that the kids would love to meet him and introduce him to the kids. I thought there was no chance that he would actually take time to go to a pre-school class to see hundreds of 4- and 5-year-olds. He’s a busy guy, right? Going into the NBA soon, we all expect.

Well, Jamal Tatum did in fact come to visit the preschool at CDL last week. The kids were thrilled! Not only that, but he accompanied a few kids over to their lemonade stand where they were celebrating the Week of the Child in true kid fashion: running around, yelling and trying to sell lemonade.

We all know Jamal Tatum is a basketball superstar and what a nice person, too. The little kids were thrilled to meet Jamal in person! He certainly did not have to visit these little kids, but he took the time and even attended their lemonade stand! We should be proud of our Saluki sports stars like Jamal for their athletic, academic and personal skills.

Leslie Duram
professor in geography and environmental resources
The wall can be rediscovered in northeastern Arkansas. The venture begins on a one-lane blacktop road that gradually becomes a gravel passageway. Another gravel road jets from this, as dirt becomes the indication of wanted travel. The Black River is just a holler from the schoolchildren's skeleton. Silence surrounds the signature-ridden walls that scream. The wall offers freedom of expression and can display what it is given. First and foremost, discovery must commence. Believe, as you want to believe. Do, as you want to do. Accept, as you want to be accepted.

This is not original, just collectively reiterated.
Study says stress can hinder academic success

Andrea Zimmermann
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Aimee Elkin is going to be ready this time.

With her books, notes and snacks spread out on a table in the Student Center, Elkin and her friend Amanda Fortin hunkered down Wednesday to study for final week.

Elkin, a freshman from Batavia studying business, said she didn’t prepare as much as she should have for her math class before her December final, but this time she would not be caught off-guard.

Though Elkin said she can handle stress well, female students are much more likely to cite stress as their biggest obstacle to academic success as compared to their male counterparts, according to a study by the American College Health Association.

The study, which has been done each fall and spring semester since 2000, asks male and female students across the country what keeps them from doing well in college, they can do it,” she said. “They may not believe it, but they can do it. They’ve done hard things before and it really is possible to be successful even if the semester has gone.”

She also warned against taking in too much caffeine, through coffee or pills, because that can be dangerous and would most likely produce adverse results.

Elkin, a second-year graduate student in computer science from Calumet City, said there are no shortcuts for preparing for finals and he seems to make it through with his own habits of studying and taking breaks.

“Kind of just try to cram as much as I can before my final,” Jefferson said.

Elkin said stepping away from books can be good, but students should try to stay away from distractions such as the popular social networking sites Facebook and MySpace.

“Those are treats for after studying, but they can be ways to procrastinate — no matter how compelling they are,” Elam said.

Students should make sure they eat even if they are nervous and have no appetite, she said. The brain needs food to operate and breaks for food or a snack will be available and there will be a raffle each hour and one student could win an iPod, organizer Liza Bentley said.

The Recreation Center will not have its Saluki Finals Finish, because that is only for the fall semester, said interim director Sally Wright, but the center will hold its regular facility hours. The center’s massage therapists will be available to work out any kinks left over from studying, she said.

Sheryl Hinchcliff, a massage therapist at the Rec, said a massage can be a great way to relieve stressed muscles. People can help their muscles on their own by simply stretching if they stay in a certain position for a long time. She also said they can do simple meditation techniques such as deep breathing to re-focus on their work, she said.

"Just taking some time to yourself can be enough to put you in the right place," Hinchcliff said.

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International court issues arrest warrant for Sudan minister

Mike Corder
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NETHERLANDS — The International Criminal Court has issued arrest warrants for the Sudanese government’s humanitarian affairs minister and a Janjaweed militia leader suspected of committing war crimes in Darfur, the court said Wednesday.

Sudan said it had no intention of handing over the two men, and it appeared unlikely either suspect would surrender.

Prosecutor Luis Moreno-Ocampo called the warrants a crucial step toward bringing atrocities in the Sudanese region before a panel of international judges in The Hague.

"The judges have issued arrest warrants. As the territorial state, the government of the Sudan has a legal duty to arrest Ahmad Harun and Ali Kushayb," he said in a statement.

"This is the International Criminal Court’s decision, and the government has to respect it.” Sudan’s justice minister, Mohamed Ali al-Mardi, said his government has to respect it.”

Al-Mardi previously said that Sudanese authorities conducted their own investigation into Harun’s activities and found “not a speck of evidence” against him.

At the time of the alleged crimes, Harun, considered part of Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir’s inner circle, was interior minister responsible for security in Darfur. Prosecutors charge he helped recruit, arm and fund the Janjaweed.

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Don Castle, assistant director of the Student Centre, said Angelou does not do lectures in amphitheater-type settings, such as the SIU Arena, which could seat about 10,000, or Shryock Auditorium, which can hold more than 1,200 people.

Erin Pennington and her daughter Taylor were lucky enough to get two of the tickets. Pennington said she was looking forward to hearing Angelou because she teaches “I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings,” to her 10th grade class at Carmi-White County High School. She said no African-American literature was taught at the southern Illinois school before she brought in Angelou’s acclaimed book.

“I like to see the wide range of people she reaches,” Pennington said. “I don’t think this many people would show up to see the president.”

Ford said Gupta’s ability to raise money will carry over.

“The school raised roughly $20 million in the five fiscal years before Gupta’s arrival, and about $62 million during Gupta’s tenure, according to the school’s Department of External Relations. Gupta more than tripled the money raised by the School of Business.”

Ford said one of the main factors that attracted the committee to Gupta was his success in raising money.

While dean at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas before pulling out of the race weeks before the decision was made in May 2006, and was a finalist for the University of Hawaii at Manoa’s chancellor this year before another finalist was chosen in March.

Ford said the fact that Gupta has been passed over for several similar jobs should not affect his standing at SIUC.

“I don’t put a lot of concern over the fact that somebody wasn’t chosen as the final pick somewhere else,” she said. “I think it’s much more important to realize that somebody’s been a finalist in a number of places. That says other people other places also see this as a talent in an individual that may be ready to step into a chancellor’s role.”

Angelou’s lecture has been able to overcome. “I’ve had rainbows and, plenty, in my clouds,” she said. “Everyone in this auditorium has gone to sleep one time or another with fear or pain, grief, misery, ache and yet each one has awakens — arisen.”

Angelou said she was shocked when the United Nations asked her to make a poem for its 50th anniversary, but took the chance and was glad she did. She said students need to take the same chance when faced with something they do not think they are capable of.

“Even though it’s mind-boggling, say yes. Just say yes and then go to the library, study the crafts,” she said. “Put all your energy on it. And then do the best you can.”

Angelou encouraged the audience to live life to its fullest because these opportunities don’t come every day.

“If the door opens, step in. This is your life — not your mama’s, not your papa’s — this is your life,” she said.

“This is it. Be present in it.”
The story continued from page 1.

By Tim Englehardt

Rodriguez from the SIU said that he went back for the second one and really enjoyed it. He said “I went back to the third one and it was even better!”

Ethan wrote: “The plane him just said that the stunt plane he uses is the safest in the world and that the stunt plane he uses is the least complicated.”

Englehardt, Rodriguez and Englehardt’s father—who at the time was a senior captain for United Airlines—said all general pilots are used by all college interned in competitive, and below long, the International Aeronautical Club started the college-level competitions. Rodriguez said, “Really believe it and he turn the whole thing off the ground,” Englehardt described.

During six years, SIU’s team won the IAC National Championship Team Award five times and has had four IAC National Champions. There are about six other schools that compete, including the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado, Rodriguez said.

Englehardt, who was the individual title holder in 2001, said I began flying aerobatics in 1997, nearly six months after he got his pilot’s license. The then 17-year-old said he signed up for three aerobatic flight lessons to enhance his skills. “I just thought it was a good part of target training, so I did. It really wasn’t a lot more comfortable in the airplane, learning what the airplane is capable of doing. “It was an explosion fast flight, Englehardt said he swerved back because he already paid for the lesson. “I went back for the second one and really enjoyed it.” He said “I went back to the third one and it was even better!”

Englehardt, who has been studying aviation technologies from an early age and he already has an avionics management and flight degree but wanted to learn more about the mechanical repair of planes, he joined the mechanical science major.

Andrew Bochnovic, not a stunt plane he uses is different in most every way from a regular aircraft. The size of the plane is a very strong fabric material, and the interior is very simplified consisting of only a few pages.

ABOVE: The Decathlon lands safely back at Southern Illinois Airport. Bochnovic said he enjoys flying the plane in sideways and then straightening it back out right before the plane reaches the ground.
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By Michael Mepham
INDIO, Calif. — Band reunions were all the rage at the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival Friday through Sunday.

While many reunions took place at Coachella, the largest was obviously Rage Against the Machine, who commanded the largest audience over the weekend. Prior to the band’s hyped performance came Australian band Crowded House, who also reunited and played its first big show in 10 years. The fans would have none of it as they threw water bottles, one of which hit the lead singer’s microphone. The crowd was rowdy to say the least and barely warmed up to such songs as “Don’t Dream It’s Over.”

When Rage Against the Machine took the stage, it seemed as though the band had never broken up as they tore through “Bulls on Parade,” “Testify” and “Bullet to the Head.” Zack de la Rocha, front man for Rage Against the Machine, said little to the mass of riled up fans, but what he did say was direct and to the point. He called the current White House administration “war criminals,” likened the nation’s leaders to Nazis and called for top level administrators to be tried, hung and shot. A unique order, but the audience roared along with every word he said.

Also reuniting was the Jesus and Mary Chain, whose members looked like they would prefer to still be broken up. On a unique note, Scarlett Johansson joined the band onstage to sing a song, though she was barely audible.

Some of the highlights of the festival included a highly charged performance by Arcade Fire in which lead singer Win Butler gave security the task of chasing him as he leapt into the audience. Other great moments included a stunning performance by Bjork, a non-stop party with The Roots and an ethereal showcase of technical prowess from Texas based instrumentalists Explosions in the Sky.

Other artists performing at Coachella were Red Hot Chili Peppers, Interpol, Willie Nelson and Sonic Youth.

The event covered three days and hosted more than 60,000 concertgoers and 120 bands that played in five different locations around the festival grounds.

With fans everywhere from the United Kingdom to Mexico to Japan, there was something for everyone at Coachella.

When Rage Against the Machine brought the festival to a close, it was obvious that Coachella was an event nobody would soon forget.
“Lou’s a good third baseman and you wouldn’t know that if you watched that ninth inning, but that’s not the norm with him,” Callahan said. “But I’m not ready to give up on Michael Finigan because he’s our shortstop of the future. Finigan has great hands and he can swing, but he just went through a tough time on defense and we felt like a change was necessary.”

The extra playing time has also given Johanns a chance to get more comfortable at the plate.

“He said it’s easier to go into each game with the mindset of having three or four at-bats to utilize,” Johanns said. “Every game we play, I play it like it’s my last regardless of who we are playing,” Johanns said. “I was there at the beginning of the year but my back didn’t hold up. I had my chances during the week and I kept working hard and it paid off.”

While Johanas has started to get more at-bats on a regular basis, he is still trying to find his groove at the plate. He is only hitting .132 this season.

While his glove has been valuable to the Salukis, his hitting should come around within the next year as well. He was the 29th best prospect in Illinois coming out of state champion Naperville Central High School, according to Illinois Prep Baseball Magazine.

He hit .301 as a sophomore before his batting average climbed to .375 as a junior and to .380 during his senior season.

Although Finigan’s playing time has been scarce, he’s done his best to make the most of it. The freshman shortstop delivered a three-RBI double in the eighth inning Tuesday.

“I just need to keep working to get better and if I can contribute regularly again,” he said. “It feels good to get up there and grab an at-bat and I try to make the most of my opportunities.”

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“He’s very comfortable playing the point guard role,” Owens said. “He’s developed over the last few years to be, actually, a very good passer and also just being able to get us within our offense.”

Tatum is juggling finishing his degree in speech communication and readying for the NBA Pre-Draft Camp, but Owens said this workload is easier than it was before.

“He’s been doing it for four years, balancing school-work and basketball. It’s actually probably a little bit easier for him to focus just on basketball when we’re not practicing, because he can just go and work on his individual skills instead of being in a team setting right now,” Owens said. “I know it’s very tough to juggle with emotions with graduating, but he’s a very intelligent kid and he has a great work ethic.”

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The last two weekends NASCAR has seen inappropriate actions from fans after Jeff Gordon won the last two races. After Gordon won in Phoenix, his car was pelted with an avalanche of debris including bottles, cans, and even coolers. The same thing happened when he won in Talladega last weekend. Fourteen fans have been banned from Talladega and fewer than 15 people were arrested. What does NASCAR need to do to fix the problem?

“NASCAR fans hate Gordon because he speaks properly. This guy gets it bad wherever he goes but sometimes he doesn’t help himself. For example, prior to singing the seventh inning stretch at Wrigley Field last year, he referred to the Cub’s home as Wrigley Stadium. Bad idea!”

Jeff, bad idea.

The Cubs’ home as Wrigley Stadium. Bad idea. Gordon has faced anger. So next time you go to a sporting event or concert, make sure to bring plenty of tomatoes. If you like what you see, pelt the performers. But to fix the problem, NASCAR should tighten security.

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**STATS OF THE WEEK**

**NLU BASEBALL**

**Former SIU outfielder Steve Finley started in center field for the Rockies on Tuesday in their 7-3 win over the San Francisco Giants. Finley batted and went 1-for-4 with a run scored. Finley has appeared in 23 games this season and now has three runs scored while batting. 163 on the year.**

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**MBL**

The Slumping White Sox likely to be without Podsednik until June

**Gregg Bell**

**Associated Press**

SEATTLE — Chicago White Sox manager Ozzie Guillen is already missing slugger Jim Thome from his anemic lineup. Now he says Scott Podsednik, the team’s catalyst, will likely remain out another month.

“Podsednik, I’m not counting on him until June,” Guillen said Wednesday about the lead-off man who has played in just 10 of 25 games because of a right groin strain.

“I blame the lineup.”

So yes, after watching his White Sox lose for a season-high fourth consecutive time and fifth time in six games, Guillen had concerns.

He joked that he was afraid the White Sox were going to lose money because of all the bat Seattle Mariners pitchers broke during his team’s latest loss, a 3-2 defeat. Both runs were on solo home runs — just like the night before.

He also said he was going to check his e-mail for all the unsolicited suggestions for lineup changes he is sure to receive now that Chicago has sunk to the bottom of the major leagues in batting average, by far, to .221.

“I’m not going to lose faith in them. I still have faith in them,” Guillen said. I blame myself. Guillen said. “I blame Walk (hitting coach Greg Walker). I blame myself.”


“I support Greg Wallace. I am 100 percent. I told him to keep going and doing what he’s been doing. We learned from the best — former White Sox hitting guru Walt Hriniak.”

Guillen said even the team’s video librarians may be to blame, for perhaps not preparing hitters well enough to study their swing.

Wednesday, the Sox scored just two runs for rookie John Danks, who still doesn’t have a win in five starts in the major leagues. But that equaled these run production for Danks in his previous four starts combined.
Basketball

Tatum’s juggling act

Senior works to graduate, aims for NBA camp invite

Scott Mieszala
DAILY EGYPTIAN

One way or the other, Jamaal Tatum will soon turn to the next chapter of his life.

Saluki assistant coach Jack Owens said he is expecting word in the next few weeks on whether Tatum, a senior guard who will graduate Saturday, will be extended an invitation to the NBA Pre-Draft Camp in Orlando, which runs May 29 to June 4.

The NBA Draft is June 28.

Tatum has worked out every day and a couple times a week with Owens and coach Chris Lowery since the SIU men’s basketball team’s season ended. Tatum finished his senior season as the Salukis’ seventh all-time leading scorer, with 1,467 points, and was named the Larry Bird Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year.

Owens said the most important thing was that Tatum stay in shape and work on his all-around game in hopes of being invited to the camp and getting drafted by an NBA team.

“He has to work on everything. At that level you have to be great in something and also good at everything else,” Owens said. “So he has to just continue to work on his game and just continue to stay in shape. I believe that’s the most important thing at this point. Tatum would likely be drafted as a point guard by the NBA because of his 6-foot-2, 175-pound frame.

Owens said Tatum’s strengths are his speed and shooting ability.

“First of all, he’s quick as it gets at any level. He has the speed to make plays and also he’s shown he can get his shot off on anybody in the country,” Owens said. “Those are the things the NBA likes, is guys who are fast and guys that can make a shot.”

He began making his case as an NBA point guard at the Portsmouth Invitational April 4-7.

In three games at the tournament, which also included Missouri Valley Conference foes Blake Ahearn of Missouri State and Anthony Toliere and Nate Funk of Creighton, Tatum averaged 13.7 points and 8.3 assists per game, shooting 50 percent from the field.

“It was a great experience and the main thing I took out of it was just getting to know other players,” Tatum said.

Playing point guard shouldn’t be much of a stretch for Tatum, Owens said, because Tatum still had the ball in his hands and was a decision maker with the Salukis.

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BASEBALL

Midweek stars find their niche

Salukis shuffle infield setup

Matt Hartwig
DAILY EGYPTIAN

While some of the SIU baseball team midweek players only get a shot to play once a week, they use the games as a springboard to the weekend lineup.

For freshman third baseman Lou Johanns, midweek games have been a way to show the coaching staff he was healthy enough to play on a regular basis.

Johanns suffered a back injury after the Southern Mississippi Tournament Feb. 18. He sat out the following weekend but was able to get in the Tennessee-Martin game Feb. 28.

In his absence, sophomore Scott Ellendorf started at third base for SIU. Coupled with freshman shortstop Michael Finigan, the Saluki defense struggled. Ellendorf and Finigan were at the top of the list in errors, with 15 and 21 respectively.

While Johanns’ errors are third most on the Salukis, three of those came in a tough ninth inning in Tuesday’s 13-5 loss to Illinois. Despite Tuesday’s struggles, SIU coach Dan Callahan said he’s been pleased with the left side of the field’s defense.

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Softball

Rain cancels Salukis’ day

Jeff Engelhardt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Anytime the SIU softball team is scheduled to play Illinois, there seems to be rain near by.

The No. 23 Salukis were scheduled to play Illinois in a doubleheader Wednesday, but rain throughout the day caused the game to be canceled. SIU has nine rainouts on the season.

The game would have been a matchup of the Big Ten’s best offense of Illinois, first in home runs per game in the nation with 1.76, against the No. 17 nationally ranked pitching of the Salukis. The series was SIU’s final non-conference series before the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament.

The series will not be rescheduled. Coach Kerri Blaylock said both teams were excited to play and she expected Illinois would have been ready to compete hard.

“I think the teams are understated when you’re still 21st in the country. I don’t think you fly under the radar,” Blaylock said. “They respect us and probably would not have wanted to lose to us. I’m sure, being Illinois, they wouldn’t want to lose to what I call a directional school like Southern Illinois, but we better be prepared to play.”

This is the second time in two years the meeting between the two schools has been cancelled. SIU was scheduled to play Illinois in Champaign on April 10, 2006, but rain prevented the doubleheader from being played.

SIU lost two of three games to Illinois State over the weekend. Illinois State has the best home run per game of pitching and runners left on base prevented SIU from winning.

Freshman outfielder Katie Wilson said she believes the Redbirds could have beat Illinois if they pitched as well as they did at Illinois State.

“I think with the pitching staff we have they could even out the hitting,” Wilson said. “They have, like, 80 home runs this year which is a lot, but Cassidy (Scoggins) and Ashley (Hamby) are top-notch pitchers and could have settled them down.”

Wilson’s road to the SIU record for most home runs in a season will be delayed until this weekend. Her 13 home runs are only two shy of the record.

Senior catcher Amanda Clifton took the first step in healing her season-ending injury. Clifton underwent surgery Wednesday to repair the broken kneecap she suffered in the Illinois State series.

Clifton said she wants to be able to watch the games because she has hopes of coaching softball someday.

“I have always had a little different view of the game because I come from a coaching family, my brothers and dad are all coaches,” she said. “I would like to think that what I can make a shot the last the game has seen of me. I hope to be able to come back to school and get a graduate assistantship and do some coaching.”

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