Say goodbye, say hello

More than 2,000 new students move away from home to embrace the SIUC experience

Orientation to acclimate new students

Back to Campus

Student Life Advisors help students get adjusted to SIUC.

New Students' Convocation encourages students to get involved.

Engineering students test drive moon buggy for orientation.

Anthony Zuber
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Jason Schmellter was the line of people moving into Blanch Townsend late Friday night. A trumpet case in hand, he looked up at the 27th floor of Schneider Hall.

"I feel overwhelmed," Schmellter, a freshman in music from O'Fallon, said of his move-in experience. "Back in high school, I was used to going home on weekends, but right now, it feels different. Like I've never been home before. It's scary. It's exciting. No one really tells you this is real!"

What does he think about his new home? "It seems cozy," he recalls. "Once I get to move in, I'm sure it will be a lot more comfortable." He's planning to return to his hometown once he's moved in.

About 2,000 new students and freshmen were expected to move into campus residence halls last Friday. One hundred students were expected to return to campus for the first time.

Edward Jones, Director of University Housing, explained the importance of moving in: "It's crucial for new students to adjust to their new residence halls early on."

Moving in can be a unique opportunity for freshmen to meet other students and be part of a new community.

"It's a lot of change," Jones said. "It's a new environment for everyone." He encouraged students to take advantage of the orientation programs available.

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Ryan Keith
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

Hartlair Cohen is the first to admit that the only field he can be considered a licensed professional is in baseball.

Nevertheless, the mainstream baseball world-renowned advice column "Help Me, Harl!" is now available to SIUC students and faculty.

The first week of school begins New Student Orientation: a series of activities sponsored by the Student Center and the University's Student Activities and Special Events Office.

Cohen will be giving a free seminar entitled "All You Need to Know About Pitches" on Tuesday, 9:30 a.m., in the Student Center, located in the Carbondale campus.

The seminar is sponsored by the SIUC Student Programming Council and the Student Center. Cohen, whose seminar is open to all registered SIUC students, will discuss the keys to success at college.

Cohen's appearance is just one of many highlights of the week. Other events include:

- Baseball Seminar/Radio Fair: Wednesday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Student Center - International - Longtime - University's - Registered - Student - Organizations (RSOs) will be on hand to talk with prospective members about their clubs.
- First Thursday, Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., in Alumni Center. The Student Center is the sponsor for an event designed to help inform students about services available in the campus' prominent student location.
- Entertainment includes music, free bowling, and a special performance by the University's Improv Troupe.

The event is sponsored by the Office of International Student Affairs and the University's Office of International Student Affairs. More information can be found by contacting the office directly.
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Friends, family remember victim

TRAGEDY: House fire claims the life of SIUC journalism student the day before she was to move.

Jennifer Baker, 21, a junior in journalism from Anna, died of smoke inhalation Aug. 7 in an early morning fire at 701 W. College St., the day before she was to move into a different home.

"She was to move the next morning," Carole Baker said, recalling the events surrounding her daughter's death.

John Michalesko, Carbondale's assistant fire chief, said no information regarding the cause of the fire will be released until the investigation is complete and an accurate statement can be made.

"With a fire, there are difficulties because anything that you have burns up," Detective James Ledbetter of the Carbondale Police Department said.

Items in the house have to be tested to find out whether the burn was normal or irregular, and Ledbetter said the analysis takes a while.

"We're trying to cover all the bases here," he said.

Carbondale fire and police departments were notified of the fire at 2:22 a.m. that morning by a neighbor who saw the flames and called for help.

Upon arrival, emergency personnel found the south side of the house in flames. Before the fire trucks, but figured there was a pony that had gotten out of control.

"We had no idea," Carole Baker said, "we were overwhelmed with all the friends Jenny really did have."


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"She was very outgoing, witty and had a sense of humor," Carole Baker said.

Jennifer was recently quoted her job at Booby's Submarine Sandwiches to begin working at Disc Jockey in Carbondale.

"There's no doubt that was Jenny's death that a local news station called the Baker family," Carole Baker said.

Carole Baker said Jennifer was very unique to her and the community.

"We were overwhelmed with all the friends she had," Carole Baker said.

Jennifer Baker was born in Texas, but grew up in Hawaii where her father, a retired Army lieutenant, was stationed.

Carole Baker said Jennifer had a passion for learning, and she was very bright. She took anthropology classes at John A. Logan College but declined her major as journalism because she loved to write.

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Advisers sacrifice time for students

A HELPING HAND:
Veteran students guide new students through first unfamiliar weeks of university life.

THORIE T. RANNEY
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

In the midst of enormous boxes, heavy luggage and endless lines of incoming new students, Scott Miller remembers the day when he was new to SIUC and found the campus overwhelming. Miller recalls how his Student Life Adviser helped him get around campus and made him feel more comfortable.

"My SLA greeted me and helped me become more comfortable on campus," Miller said. "That's the reason why I wanted to become a volunteer."

SLAs are students that volunteer their help to make new students feel more comfortable at SIUC by relieving some anxiety they might have had when they arrived on campus.

This year SIUC has 74 SLA volunteers, four team captains and four team leaders to assist new students.

The SLA program is part of New Student Orientation.

When Miller first arrived on campus fresh out of high school, he was overwhelmed by the size of the school and thought that he would never be able to find his way around.

"I hadn't been away from home for two weeks at a time. I really thought, 'I was really nervous, and I didn't know how I was going to handle it,'" Miller said.

This is the second year that Miller is an SLA, and he said he has more experience than ever. This year he will be directing 44 new students.

"I am training the week before new students are scheduled to move in," Miller said. "The training begins at 8:30 a.m. and sometimes lasts until 11:30 p.m. They are trained in public speaking, leadership skills and role playing."

Tasting a short break from the chaos of moving in, Eileen Bearer, an undecided freshman from Arlington Heights, listens carefully as Scott Miller, a student life adviser, describes the various activities going on around campus Friday.

The group is very enthusiastic and energetic even through the long training sessions," Miller said.

One new student said he appreciated the hard work the volunteers went through to help him and other students.

Todd Cabos, a freshman in radio and television from Graydale, said he was glad fellow SIUC students dedicated their time to helping new students.

"The SIAs gave us a lot of helpful information and immediately gave me a feeling of family hospitality from the campus," Cabos said. "They make moving in and getting settled a lot easier."

Convocation urges new students to get involved

WELCOME ALL:
Orientation encourages students to look into what SIUC has to offer.

ANGELA L. DILLARD
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

In a dimly lit room Saturday, new students and their parents sat anxiously awaiting the beginning of the New Student Convocation.

SIUC administrators and students wearing ceremonial caps and gowns marched into Shryock Auditorium with the sounds of organs playing in the background.

The second annual New Student Convocation is part of SIUC's traditional New Student Orientation program.

The event equips students with information on SIUC's parts and gives them new students an overview of the school and its future.

Convocations were provided at different times on Saturday to accommodate all of the new freshmen who wanted to attend.

Many students had different expressions of what the ceremony took place.

Harvey Welch, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, welcomes new students and staff to the New Student Convocation Saturday at Shryock Auditorium.

``"The new students have their own expectations of what this school is going to be," Welch said. "The program was really well thought out."

Welch said the new students were involved in the back of the classroom and encouraged to know their professors.

Kohler expressed the importance of meeting upperclassmen to get the inside scoop on classes and activities.

"Find a way to relax so you don't get stressed out," Kohler said. "Try to stay organized and most of all take pride in your school."

After Kohler's speech, a small video was shown encouraging new students to get involved as much as they can to make the best of their college experience.

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Jeff B. in freshman in music from Mount Vernon.

"I didn't realize how much I was going to miss being a student," B. said. "I was really excited about joining something, especially before the ceremony, but I made a little push."
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Thomas has one month to appeal

LIFE IN PRISON:
Local woman who shot baby sentenced Friday

By CONRINE MANNING

A Carbondale woman has 30 days to submit a written appeal for her sentence of natural life in the Illinois Department of Corrections that was mandated during her sentencing hearing Friday morning.

Apollonia Thomas, 30, of Carbondale, was convicted July 12 of first-degree murder in the Oct. 18 shooting death of her 5-year-old daughter, Victoria.

Thomas was allowed time during her hearing to address the court before sentencing. She spent much of that time explaining her mental state before and immediately after the incident compared to her mental state since.

"The day that it happened was something terribly wrong with me," she said. "How could I leave my little girl?"

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Prodigy sets sights on college

SUSAN SARAFIN
DIARY CADET

BERKELEY, Calif. (UPI) — Having just received his master's degree in chemistry, 14-year-old Michael Keeneey wants to bring his intelligence to UC Berkeley to pursue a doctorate in biochemistry.

Keeneey, who graduated from Middle Tennessee State University with a Minus grade point average, is on the road to being called "Doctor" before becoming an adult.

And he says he intends to apply to UC Berkeley, according to that goal, where he says he was accept-

ed at the age of 8.

"It's pretty likely that I'll go there," he said. "I liked the area and Berkeley wanted me before." 

As a graduate student, Keeneey conducted research on an enzyme that regulates stress and metabolism.

"Unlike chemotherapy, which kills healthy and cancerous cells, (the enzyme) was useful for only the cancerous cells," he said.

At an early age, Keeneey left grammar school and enrolled at Santa Rosa Junior College, where he read and studied in geology.

At the age of 10, he graduated from the University of South Alabama and earned a bachelor's degree in anthropology.

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faculty and staff participated in greater quantities.

Lindgren said he was also pleased about the positive remarks received from the parents who attended the ceremony.

Sena Smith, coordinator of the Black Affairs Council, also particip-

ated in the ceremony and thought that it was a good idea for the new students.

"The program was good because it gave students firsthand information from previous students and faculty," Smith, a junior in administrative justice from Chicago, said. "I got a student the opportunity to meet the face to the name of people that they may need to talk to in the future.

"I'm looking forward to it as very similar," Holbrook said. Through bargaining and negotiation, the problem and agreement, reached, those issues led to organizing at Edwardsville have been addressed.

Term appointments, a concern for students, for Edwardsville, was an issue SIUC staff members addressed. Holbrook said that Edwardsville was corrected on term appointments and established only permanent positions.

Holbrook said there weren't problem's with inconsistencies in policies in different departments. The process they were considered the best policies and applied them uniformly, she said.

"Our policies were all over the map," Holbrook said. "We took the best policies and installed them across the board." 

She said that it was a positive experience for all staff, a stable, secure environment for professional staff members. The SIUE contract guarantees better terms and conditions for the employees.

The SIUE contract guaranteed a 2%, 3%, or 4% salary increase for the coming year.

"We're the only one in the highest common denominators," Holbrook said. "We're all id the same contract and not everything.

Holbrook said that special focus to the organization and bargaining, it was very important to our students.

There were, however, many benefits to the process.

"One of the most positive things is that this SIUE was a stronger sense of cooperation and collaboration between the bargaining units and the administration," Holbrook said.

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The money will be donated to the Second Chance Scholarship Fund.

Jennifer left behind both of her

parents, two older brothers, Michael, 23, and David, 18, a year-and-

half-year nephew, and friends.

"She was a very complex person," Baker said. "We will miss her desperately.

"She is the first SIUC student to die in a fire that The Daily.

A Gus Riddle

When is it productive to be stuck in heavy traffic?

Cold refreshments were on hand for anyone who wished to quench their thirst. Among the various services offered to assist those moving in, the most beneficial was a crew of volunteers who helped students carry their belongings.

"The day that you move in, adjust to change, things that they preach, you start at a step at a time." Smith said by keeping priorities focused, new students will ensure an enjoyable first year experience as SIUC.

"Do yourself the favor of studying—then you kick it," Smith exclaimed. "Have a good attitude. Focus your mind on the studies you came here to complete, and be courteous to the people you're just meeting on campus for the first time."
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The faculty approved the contract negotiations.

The sometimes confrontational Argersinger said her priorities for the cadaver lab of the School of Medicine were to enhance student involvement on campus and creating a sense of tradition. Students will have a role in the Second Annual Main Street Pig Out this year, despite earlier concerns that student involvement would be discouraged.

Students to be among Pig Out Volunteers

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Med School changes cadaver procedure

The SIU School of Medicine discontinued its long-standing policy of saving the limbs off cadavers to fit them into wardrobe boxes after concerns were raised that the procedure was unethical and inappropriate.

Under the procedure, dissected cadavers were altered to fit into boxes and then shipped to a Chicago suburb, for cremation. The procedure came under scrutiny after an unsupervised student worker severed the lower limbs of six cadavers in order to fit them into the 34-inch-tall cardboard boxes.

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The new guidelines state that no student workers will work with cadavers or disintegrated anatomical remains. The guidelines also state that the School will use larger boxes to transport the remains.

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SIUC Internet software available on CD

ONE EASY STEP: CD to simplify complex process of downloading Internet programs.

Katie Klemmer
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC students will have access to the Internet and the campus network in one easy step following development of a new CD-ROM by Information Technology.

The SIUC Salukiware CD allows students to connect to the Internet from their home computer. It provides two e-mail clients, two web browsers, file-transfer protocol (FTP) and reader software, an undergraduate student catalog, dial-up networking instructions and browser links.

Prior to the development of this CD, students had to go through a lengthy process of downloading the software from the Filtered Computer Lab and accessing the server by modem.

Vincent Lacey, director of the Computer Assisted Instruction Research Laboratory, said the CD will be more friendly.

"The CD-ROM will simplify the process a great deal," Lacey said. "The CD is a state-of-the-art technology package offered to the entire SIUC computing population. Students will have fewer problems, and the CD is a bonus for them to have right on their computer, said Sue Zamora, an office assistant in Information Technology.

"It is a whole package of everything already on one CD," Zamora said. "It's convenient for them.

Every spring and fall semester the CD will be updated with the latest software and links available.

The CD is a much easier process to connect to the campus network," Lacey said.

Biography of former Afghanistan terrorist available online

WASHINGTON POST

Osama bin Laden was 22 years old, the youngest of some 20 bin Laden sons, when the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan began on Dec. 27, 1979.

"I was enraged," Laden would say in an interview years later. "We went there at my father's behest. He wanted us to help the Afghans."

But Laden's involvement of his family's interests meant nightclub and bars, "His one-time friends recall that Laden was then a heavy drinker who often ended up embroiled in shouting matches and fist fights with other young men over an attractive barmaid or nightclub dancer."

"His Beirut escapades were interrupted by the 1979 outbreak of Lebanon's civil war," however.

Four years later, after graduating from King Abdul Aziz University in Jiddah with a degree in civil engineering, Laden arrived on the Afghan border, ready for war.

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The advertisement for Casio Scientific Calculators should have read, "Count me in!"

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Advances in morning-after pill approved

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NEW YORK — OK, so maybe you can't fool Mother Nature every time you have unprotected sex at the wrong time of the month. But researchers say a new form of emergency contraception — birth-control pills taken the morning after — is women's sidekick. Mother Nature long enough to cut risks by close to 100 percent, a significant improvement over the success rate of the conventional method now available.

"It's a very good idea because sometimes, you know, things happen," said Andrea Valente, 20, a college senior from Forest Hills section of Queens. "A woman can avoid an unwanted pregnancy, one that she may not have been prepared for. And she can avoid an unnecessary abortion."

Though a recent study for the American Medical Association showed that 75 percent of teens don't even know emergency contraception exists, it works when other, pre-intercourse methods fail or are forgotten.

Basic ECP has been around since 1974, a quiet solution to ovulation or block implantation of a fertilized egg. The Yuzpe method requires two doses taken 12 hours apart of 100 micrograms of synthetic estrogen and 0.5 milligrams of levonorgestrel, a synthetic progesterone in two doses, 12 hours apart — works 85 to 95 percent of the time, with the higher success rate among those who start it within 24 hours. The Yuzpe method works between 70 and 77 percent of the time.

Knauss, vomiting, dizziness and mood swings can occur with both methods, researchers say, but they are much less common for those taking levonorgestrel only.

The latest ECP news is that levonorgestrel alone provides more protection with fewer side effects. A World Health Organization study in the British medical journal The Lancet reports that a total of 1.5 milligrams of the synthetic progesterone — in two doses, 12 hours apart — works 85 to 95 percent of the time, with the higher success rate among those who start it within 24 hours. The Yuzpe method works between 70 and 77 percent of the time.

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The same reasons they oppose abortion. It may interfere with pregnancy after conception (but before implantation), But the American Medical Association this week endorsed the idea in a special issue on pediatric and adolescent medicine.

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NEWS

MOON PATROL:
Engineers pull together project for Huntsville, Ala. competition.

JAMES FULLER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

On Thursday, the College of Engineering used a "moon buggy" built for a competition sponsored by NASA this past spring to give new students an example of what they can accomplish during their stay at SIUC.

A brief slide presentation, and then four pairs of freshmen, each armed with a manual that included a list of problems that the vehicle had to solve, were allowed to pilot the buggy around a short course near Campus Lake prepared by some of the students who designed and built the buggy as part of a senior-year mechanical engineering class.

The project took the five-member crews over four months to complete. However, it took only 10 minutes for the best pair of freshmen to send the buggy for repairs after a sharp turn on the course nearly sent the vehicle mashing into Campus Lake, resulting in a bent wheel.

Entrants to last spring's NASA competition, which took place in Huntsville, Ala., had to adhere to a set of rules. Perhaps the most difficult requirement was that the vehicle had to be able to fit into a 4-foot cube when disassembled. The amount of room an object takes up is a consideration in planning for actual space travel.

Although the NASA course had craters and rocks and other obstacles, it would be the winner.

Many of the parts came through company donations and others purchased at a bicycle shop, but the competition for the best vehicle was tough. Most of the parts were raised through hot dog sales, but the College of Engineering did pay for some of the trip.

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Cornell heads a list of eight returning
starters on offense for the 1998 Salukis.
Overall, SIUC lost 12 players to graduation.
The team returns 32 internes, including 11
starters. SIUC, which finished 3-6 (1-5 in
Gateway Conference play) a year ago, opens
this season on the road at Murray State
University Sept. 5.

But even with the temptation of getting
the ball to Craig as much as possible,
Quarless still wants to run the football as
often as he can.

In the backfield, there are no gaping
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Men's tennis team still seeks to fill vacancies.

PAUL WILSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC men's tennis coach Brad Horn has filled the vacancies left behind by graduation but is still seeking to fill out the remaining slots to match his 1998 team goals.

With two spots available, Horn is looking for two players who have played competitive tennis and have experience at the Illinois High School Association level or Division I college level.

The Salukis will enter any hopefuls for a tryout at 3:30 p.m. Wednesday in Room 125 of Lingle Hall.

"I'm sure there are players on campus that could play on our team," Horn said. "We just need them to get interested and come out here.

In his first two seasons as SIUC coach, Horn's team has progressed from an eighth-place finish in 1996 and a sixth-place finish in 1997 to a fifth-place finish last season. He hopes to crack into the top four this season.

The Saluki's lost key team members in No. 2 Mark Smyth, and Nos. 4 and 5 Brian Blevins to graduation for the spring. Filling the vacancies will be Brazilian Enrique Gonzales and Tim Marsh from California.

Gonzales will help fill in some of the top-three singles," Horn said.

"Mays should help fill in our lineup. I feel we have two players who can replace what we have lost.

The fall season includes one home tournament the weekend of Oct. 2. Both men's and women's teams will be home to face 10 visiting squads.
New season, new facility

UPDATED: Track and field program awaits school's $700,000 rebuilding project.

COREY CUSSICK
DAILY EAGLE REPORTER

The SIUC track and field program knows all too well about being in a sticky situation.

This past spring it was forced to decline playing host to the Missouri Valley Conference Outdoor Track and Field Championships because of the track's poor condition. However, a new construction began over the summer for a new track and field facility.

But construction workers ran out of one important ingredient - glue.

The track's completion date was scheduled for July 15, until a lack of clear glue slowed the construction process. The second glue shipment from Illinois is expected to arrive by Aug. 31. Because the glue is highly flammable it was not allowed on an airplane, so it must be transported by boat to Carbondale before arriving in Carbondale.

Women's track and field coach DeNoon said the process was running very smoothly until the glue shortage.

"The perfect "m" was (the track) would all be done by July 15," he said. "Then boom, everything came to a screeching halt."

The new track is made of the same material as the track at the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta. It will replace the old worn and crack ridden surface at the cost of $700,000. The Saluki Futures Campaign paid $500,000, while the athletics facility fund paid the remainder.

The nearly completed addition of the all-weather track and field facility at McAndrew Stadium gives the Salukis the right to play host to the 1999 MVC Outdoor Championships May 15.

It will be in Carbondale for the first time in 10 years.

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Squad set for playing time;

"We look at every new season with high expectations and a good outlook." Pier said: "[Noel] has proved she can play. Everyone is in shape two to three weeks, but we had no major injuries and hopefully it will stay that way."

Assistant coach Debbie Barr will return to the team. The junior setter is on pace to reach 5,000 assists for her career and is only 448 assists shy of the all-time career assists leader at SIUC.

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SIUC Spikers seek fewer road blocks

WOUNDED: Women's volleyball team still suffers from last season's injury woes.

The SIUC women's volleyball team is still suffering from last year's injury woes, but is looking forward to the upcoming season with renewed enthusiasm.

For the second straight season, the Spikers return all but one player from the previous starting lineup. In addition, the veteran-dominated team is led by five seniors and four juniors.

Last year's squad was depleted by injury to many members throughout the season. The Spikers finished sixth in the Missouri Valley Conference with a 9-8 league record and 13-15 overall mark.

The aftermath of last season's knee injuries to both senior Monica Gilchrist and junior Martina Klinkebrol are still being felt. Both have yet to be cleared to play, but have been slowly returning to top form.

"We're still not fully up to full strength," SIUC coach Steve洛克 said. "But they are in the gym practicing with us. We just have to monitor how much jumping they are doing."

Gavin wants to get back in the game.

"I'm extremely excited to return," Gavin said. "I love to win and help, but it's different from being able to help the team when you are playing. It was frustrating."

Despite a strong returning class, the MVC pre-season poll ranked the Spikers fifth.

"The pre-season poll just shows the level of respect for SIU volleyball," Gavin said. "It's been like that ever since we've been here. We don't focus on that. Everyone has the same goal, to win the MVC, so we don't worry about it."

Missouri State University is the favorite to win the conference title, but the Redbirds are expected to be highly challenging.

"A lot of our conference teams are returning a lot of their players too,"洛克 said. "So it doesn't make it any easier. We're banking on the fact that we do have experience coming back, that we're experienced at playing in the league, and that's a plus for us as well."

Locks has welcomed freshmen Jenny

PREPARATION: Senior Laura Pier serves up the action in Davies Gymnasium, Friday afternoon, in practice.

Reconstruction: Completion of SIUC's new track delayed until Aug. 31

Suffering Spukis return after trip

ILLNESS: Players slowed down because of bad food, water on Dominican tour.

New SIUC men's basketball coach Bruce Weber got a good idea of how his players run the floor during a recent exhibition trip to the Dominican Republic. He also got a chance to see them running to the bathroom facilities.

Weber, who served as Purdue University for 18 years before being hired to replace retired Rich Herrin May 13, said the food and water problems during the Spukis eight-day stay caused several of his players to become ill.

"Instead of focusing on his new talent, 'Weber was busy looking for Limo neon,' said the coach. "They had bottled water and some food, but at times simply for their meals, were 'You could be just brushing your teeth and put your toothbrush under the water,' Weber said. 'We had to be careful with everything. The fruit, the vegetables, everything.'"

"Water said for some of the players the illness was just transient, but for others it was more serious."

He said new graduate assistant and former Saluki Dedric Hawkins suffered the worst. Senior guard Monte Jenkins and 1997 Missouri Valley Conference newcomer of the Year, Chris Cullen also experienced problems.

But the Spukis didn't make a mess of theirs either, as they wiped out the competition, winning both of the tournaments they participated in.

Competing against some of the best Dominican players, the Spukis finished the trip 5-1-1. Their only loss came Aug. 11 at Calero Basketball Club, 61-58.

The sickness provided an opportunity for Weber to see how well his team deals with adversity. Weber is also ready for unexpected roadblocks for the upcoming season, such as flight delays and trouble with hotels' arrangements on road trips.

"I think it's going to help us because we just dealt with it," he said. "We had a bad flight and our players handled it well."

One big plus during the trip was the team's play at point guard. Weber said a lot of teams have struggled in that position, and he thought junior Lance Brown and senior Ryan Zimmer handled it well.

The point guard slot has been one of the lingering questions in Weber's mind.

"We had a good rotation of players," said Weber.

The Spukis have a second chance to get into the second championship game. "We were pleased with our trip," Weber said. "But we're always looking for improvement because you just don't know the luck of the draw. This year there was competition, and we were able to exploit their weaknesses."