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President search will be completed before the search for a permanent chancellor begins.

COLA College of Liberal Arts finding it difficult to keep faculty as funding is cut.

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opposition from those in favor of the trees.

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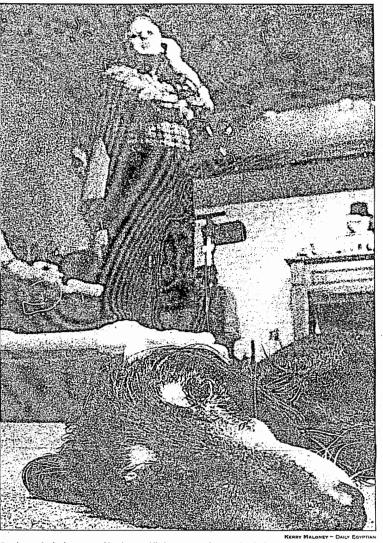
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increase, for maintaining library costs.

Interim President Frank Horton, who was in

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT GARBONDALE



Farran rests in the basement of her home while her owner, John Saunders looks on. Saunders owns two other Salukis and has been raising and showing dogs since he graduated from SIU.

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Chester couple enjoy raising SIUC mascots

GEOFFREY RITTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Flipping through past pictures of dog shows and SIUC football games, John Saunders feels immense pride for the Salukis he and his wife have owned for more than three years.

However, his trip down memory lane Tuesday afternoon was interrupted by one member of the household looking for a little

At first, their eyes met for just a brief moment as Farrah, a 12-year-old Saluki, propped her front legs on his lap in silent antic-

Salukis like Farrah has become more than just a Saukis like Farran has become more than just a way of life. With three dogs running in and out of their house, and their walls and shelves lined with pictures, awards and drawings, John said their life could adequately be defined as "Saluki dominated."

The Saluki, a rare breed of dog, is associated mostly with its connection to the ancient Egyptians, and records of the breed go back more than 14,000 years. Generally weighing between 45 and 50 pounds, and running at speeds of more than 40 miles per hour, the

speeds of more than 40 miles per nous, us. Salukis maintain a slim figure. The couple currently owns two other Salukis, Farrah's litter sister, Tasha, and Tut, acight-year-old male. All of them make regular strength of the souther sand have appearances at SIUC sporting events and have received further recognition from the school by being splashed across the covers of media guides, recruitment books and other similar

The Saunders first became heavily involved

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SIU may receive budget increase of \$12.6 million

Governor Ryan proposes largest increased budget for SIU

> KAREN BLATTER GOVERNMENT EDITOR

Gov. George Ryan proposed a \$12.6 million; bud-get increase for fiscal year 2001 for SIU, pleasing SIU administrators with one of the largest budget increases SILIC has received

SIUC has received.

Interim Chancellor John Jackson was very pleased with the proposed budget announced in Springfield Wednesday.

"It is one of the best budgets we have had in a long time," he said. "It's a good budget."

The proposed 5.7 percent increase will provide SIUC with the money to improve undergraduate student programs, building renovations and increase faculty salaries.

In addition, about \$87.7 million is proposed to come from tuition revenue and \$1.65 million in Tobacco Settlement Funds, which will bring the total

Tobacco Settlement Funds, which will bring the total operating budget for fiscal year 2001 to \$320.6 million.

The much needed renovations to Algeld Hall and the Old Baprist Foundation will be given \$10.5 million for the improvements, along with SIU getting \$37.5 million for capital improvements. SIU will also receive \$398,600, or a 5 percent increase for each writer by

Springfield to hear Ryans address and budget presentation at the joint session of the General Assembly, said he was also pleased about the budget increase for SIU.

"The Carbondale campus increase of funding is very important," he said. "It will allow us to fund and enhance some programs."

The proposed budget will go before the General Assembly and a final budget will be created by the angle of Anvil

ated by the end of April.

INSIDE

What is the

groups?

purpose of the

SIU constituency

Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, said he is happy with the budget and agrees with the amount of money SIUC will receive.

He said the amount proposed for SIU will

proposed for SIU will most likely stay the same after the general assembly votes on the budget.

"I don't see any [changes] for the proposals," he said. 'If the governor and the University are happy with it, it will come out the way it is."

Jackson is a little leary about if it will stay the same and if SIUC would receive all the money that it reproposed.

"I'd like to see it survive the legislative process intact," he said. "I like to see the process come to an end, and [I] worry until it ends."

Jackson said part of the reason for the increase that SIUC has been working on technology, which pleases the Illinois Board of Higher

Faculty salary hike endorsed in budget increase proposal

Governor responds to IBHE study

BRYNN SCOTT
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Competitive salaries for facul-ty is an essential recruitment tool

universities.
When a University does not offer those eye-catching benefits, faculty recruitment is difficult. SIUC is falling behind in pay-

ing faculty salaries in parity to its peer institutions out of state.

The annual study of faculty and civil service salaries showed SIUC and fellow public Illinois universities 5 percent behind their peer institutions in salaries. SIUC was compared to 45

SIUC was compared to 45 peer institutions in the study, including: The University of Missouri- Columbia, Texas A&M University, Oklahoma State University and the College of William and Mary.

Gov. George H. Ryan proposed Wednesday a \$12.6 million

increase in general revenue funds for SIU's fiscal year 2001 operat-

ing budget.

Ryan's budget recommended
an \$8.6 million increase for

salaries, including a \$2.1 million contribution from the University. The \$2.1 million is part of a three-plus-one-plus-one figure, outlined in the Illinois Board of Higher Education's pro-posal which was presented Tuesday.

The three—plus—one—plus—one figure, with the exception of one percent or \$2.1 millions from individual institutions, if approved, will be funded by IBHE. The figure is part of a five-year plan to increase salaries for Illinois public university employees.

If approved by legislators, the salary upgrades may be a resolu-tion to SIU's salary problem because the 5 percent budget hike for faculty salary would bring SIUC up to par with its peer institutions included in the IBHE study.
The IBHE study showed

Illinois public universities' \$57,000 average faculty salary lagged behind its peer institution

pay rates by 5 percent for 1999.

The public universities dropped farther behind when

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- Library Affairs finding books using illinet online, 9 to 10 a.m., introduction to constructing Web pages, 10 a.m. to noon, Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Carbondale Community/SIU Winter Blood Drives, 4 to 8 p.m., Recreation Center, 11:20 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Law School, 4 to 8 p.m., University Hall 1101 S. Wall St., 11 to 3 p.m., Pulliam Gym, Vivian 457-5258.
- Department of Philosophy meeting, 4 p.m., Faner Hall New Media Center, Kim 536-6641.
- University Career Services resume/cover letter workshop, 5 p.m., Lawson 121, Vickie 453-2391.
- · Anthropology Club meeting, 5 p.m.,
- Student Programming Council marketing committee meeting, every Thurs, 5 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Aisha 536-3393.
- Geology Club meeting, 5 p.m., Parkinson Room 110, Edie 453-3351.
- 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.
- Phi Delta Theta rush event, 6 to 9 p.m., Student Center Missouri Room, Chuck 549-2193.

- Instructional Programs Salsa Dance session to feel the heat of Latin music Feb. 3 through Mar. 19, SRC Aerobics Room; Michelle 453-1263.
- Instructional Frogram Irish Social Dance session, Feb. 3 through Mar. 9 and Mar. 23 through Apr. 27, 7 to 8:50 p.m., SRC Dance Studio, Michelle 453-1263.
- SIU Veterans Association meeting, 7 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, MaryAnn 985-9937.
- PSE open house, 7:30 p.m., Ohio Room, Amanda 351-8198.
- SIU Sailing Club meeting, every Thurs, 8 p.m., Ohio Room contact Shelley 529-0993.
- Speech Communication Department The (K)nots of My Existence, Feb. 3 through Feb. 5, 8 p.m., Kleinau Theatre Communications Building, \$5 general amission and \$3 for students, 453-5618.
- SIU Swing Club for all level dancers, every Thurs. 8 to 10 p.m., Davies Gym, Ken 536-7627.

<u>UPCOMING</u>

- Carbondale Community/ SIU Winter Blood Drives, Feb. 4, 12:45 to 6:45 p.m., Thompson Pt-Lentz, Vivian 457-5258.
- SIUC Department of Physical Education Ballroom Dance Club class, every Fri., 2 to 4 p.m., Student Recreation Center, \$15 student membership, Bryan 351-8855.
- Library Affairs introduction to constructing Web pages, Feb. 4, 3 to 5 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.
- Study Aboad orientation, Feb. 4, 3 to 4 p.m., Quigley 7E.
- Spanish Table meeting, every Fri., 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange, 453-5425.
- French Club meeting, Feb. 4, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Mugsy McGuire, Courtney 457-8847.
- · Japanese Table, every Fri., 6 to 8 p.m.,

- Melange Cafe, Janet 453-5429.
- Friendship Association of Chinese Students and Scholars celebration of the Chinese Lunar New Year, Feb. 4, 6:30 p.m. Chic Center, \$5 per person, Feng 549-4083.
- Science Fiction and Fantasy Society this weeks feature "Blade", Feb. 4,
 p.m., Student Center Video Lounge, Marie 529-7474.
- Christians Unlimited meeting with guest speaker, Feb. 4, 7 p.m., Student Center Illinois Room, Enn 684-4792.
- John A. Logan Birthday Breakfast commemorating Logan's 1826 birth, Feb. 5, 7:30 to 10:30 a.m., Murphysboro Middle School Cafeteria, 55 adults and \$2 children, Adrienne 684-3455.
- Carbondale Community/ SIU Winter Blood Drives, Feb. 6, 8 a.m. to noon, National Guard Armory, Vivian 457-5258.
- Irish Studies Forum Irint set dancing, Feb. 6, 3 to 5 p.m., Quigley Hall Room 140B, Alicia 351-6526.
- Student Alumni Council meeting, every Mon., 6 p.m., Kaskaskia/Missouri Rooms, Jason 453-2444.
- Women's Services Couples Communication learn to communicate in a more effective manner in relationships, Feb. 7, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Mackinaw River Room Student Center, 433-3655.
- SIUC Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson, every Mon., 7 to 8 p.m., Davie's Gym small gym second floor, \$15 student membership, Bryan 351-8855.
- Universal Spirituality presentation on Huna, Feb. 7, 7 p.m., back room of Longbranch Coffee House, Tara 579-5029.
- Outdoor Adventure
 Programs/Student Recreation Center
 clinic on great opportunities in the clinic on great opportunities in the area, Feb. 7, 8 p.m., 7 2 453-1285.

POLICE BLOTTER

UNIVERSITY

- A 19-year-old SIU Mae Smith resident told A 19-year-one 30 Mae Smith resident to University police someone stole a magnet cell-phone antenna from her car between 1 a.m. Sunday and 9:54 a.m. Tuesday. There are no suspects in this incident, and an esti-mated value of the antenna was unavailable.
- A 60-year-old SIU employee told University police Tuesday a \$3,769 data projector was stolen from a room in Pulliam Hall. Police said the projector was taken between 10 a.m. and 2:15 p.m. Friday. There are no suspects in this incident.
- Marc W. Finch, 19, of Fairview Heights was arrested and charged with underage con-sumption of alcohol at 3:39 a.m. Wednesday at Thompson Point. Finch was released on a tice to appear in Carbondale City Court.

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THIS DAY IN 1968:

- The camposes of four universities were F on the telephone during a 90-minute, four way discussion between experts and SIU graduate student in the field of Industrial
- Frank Klingberg, professor of government at SIU, spoke out during a regional conference on a new social studies curriculum, main-taining that there was a strong need to teach about communism in American schools. He said the need was strong for youth to under-stand the basic nature of communism's chailenge and also predicted that the United States would face less military challenge but more intellectual challenge in the future.
- Dustin Hoffman leamed the secrets of maturity during the opening night of "The Graduate" at local theaters.

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Nebi Hilliard, a graduate student in speech communication and a teacher of Black American studies, rehearses his upcoming solo performance, The (K)Nots of My Existence, Tuesday night at The Kleinau Theatre. The performance, written by Hilliard, will run today through Saturday at The Kleinau Theatre.



Student uses play to address stereotypes

One man play examines identity of a gay, black man

TERRY L. DEAN DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC performance artist Nebi Hilliard wants to tear down the myths of stereotypes using his life

The (K)nots of my Existence is an autobiographical play based on

Hilliard's examination of aspects of Initiated scanning of a spect of his own identity. The 90-minute solo performance debuts at 8 p.m. today in Kleinau Theater. The play was woven together through a series of poems he started compiling two

"I had no idea this was going to turn into a show," said Hilliard, a graduate student in speech commu-nication. "It started as one little poem, then two little poems, then three. Before I knew it, I had several pages [and] I thought, 'Oh, this could be a show."

The title is inspired by a passage in a book by Kobena Mercer that deals with identity. He said a line about the knots of ambivalence in exploring one's identity just clicked

"I was trying to explain to myself how do you make sense out of being a whole bunch of different thing that if you listen to [some people] you would think it's impossible," said Hilliard, who also teaches Black American Studies.

He wanted the show to run during February as part of Black History



Month and is hoping his play will get people talking about their own identity and cultural issues.

"I wanted to create an opportuni-for discussion," he said. "A lot of the work that I do is focused on black culture, and if people are talking

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Student arrested and charged in fake ID operation

Gus Bode



Gus says: Lucky I got one before he got caught.

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I would say that's some pretty astute work on the part of the SIU officer.

Lr. TODD SIGLER SIU Police

Student caught producing false driver's license with his computer

DAVID FERRARA DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A 19-year-old SIUC student who was arrested for making fake driver's licenses in Boomer I started scanning the ID's about a month ago on his computer, Secretary of State police

University police discovered the driver's licenses were being made when they arrested another SIUC woman who lives in Boomer I.

A University police officer was making a traffic stop early Friday morning in Carbondale when he heard a loud crash. The officer drove to the 100 block of East College Street toward the sound of the crash.

Michelle P. Baker, an 18-year-old Palatine woman was involved in the crash. She showed the officer her

SIUC identification and driver's license. But when the officer noticed another form of identification in her possession, police said, the officer questioned her about it. The identification did not have her

name on it and appeared to be fraudu-lently manufactured, police said.

"I would say that's some pretty astute work on the part of the SIU offi-cer," SIU Police Lt. Todd Sigler said of the officer's observation.

Baker was charged with possession of false identification and taken to the Jackson County Jail.

Meantime, SIU police notified the Secretary of State police.
Authorities said Baker got her identification from Phillip M. Moats, a 19-year-old SIUC student from Peoria. Moats and Baker live two floors apart in the residence hall.

Secretary of State police Friday went to Moats room where he alleged-ly made about six fake IDs, based on Illinois new digital design. He sold one of them for \$30, two for \$20 and gave Moats allegedly sold one of those ID's to 18-year-old Mundeline man, Crosiar Lafollette, who was subsequently charged with possession of a fraudulent identification.

Though Moats only just began making the fake driver's licenses with his computer, the production of "one or nus computer, the production of "one or 100 is a serious offense" to the Secretary of State, said Randy Nehrt, a state spokesman.

When police searched Moats room in Roomet Laborates from

in Boomer I, they confiscated a com-puter, printer, scanner and false driver's licenses along with marijuana and drug paraphernalia

Justin Rutland, a 19-year-old Schaumburg man, was charged with possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia in connection with the marijuana and paraphernalia in Moats' room, police said. Rutland lives a floor above Moats.

Secretary of State police said they have leads on the other remaining fake IDs Moats allegedly made.

Moats faces up to three years in prison and up to a \$25,000 fine.

Search committee for chancellor temporarily stalled

Interim chancellor will continue until permanent president is in place

ANDY EGENES DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A search committee to find a permanent chancellor will rot begin until a permanent president is named. Interim Chancellor John Jackson said he will remain in the position until then, but is undecided about his future.

Jackson has been in the interim

position since June 12 after former Chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger was fired because of managenal con-flicts. While Jackson declines to comment about staying in the chancellor's office, he said he is try-ing to do his best while he is in the

"I'm not running for the job yet," Jackson said. "I haven't decided not to run for the job yet. I'm not being coy about it. I'm trying to play it out as though I didn't have interim in front of my name.

Interim President Frank Horton said a chancellor search will not get under way until his replacement is brought to campus. Horton began his interim reign Monday and is obligated to a six-month contract.

After a permanent president is in place, the Board of Trustees would coordinate the process to form a search committee for a chancellor. The President's office is nor mally involved in a search for the chancellor, according to Scott Kaiser, assistant to the president.
Former SIU President Ted

ders initiated the idea of retaining Jackson as chancellor for a fixed amount of time, pending feedback from campus constituency groups.

Max Yen, faculty senate presi-

dent, predicts that once the search is arranged it will go through the formal process, which could take between 12 to 18 months.



"Choosing a leader needs to be a very careful process," Yen said. "While we have an interim president, we have not gotten to the next

Paulette Curkin, administrative and professional staff council, said she expects feedback from the constituency groups on campus will be consulted before any action takes place.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

Six students to work on local tourism projects

Six SIUC students won \$700 awards from Community Outreach Network to Nurture and Enhance Cultural Tourism to

work on tourism related projects.

Carey C. Bundy, Elizabeth L. Fuller,
Jeffrey J. Hill, Jamie E. Kruse, William E.

Lowekamp and Matthew P. Riffey each
received \$350 in credit at the University
Poolytors and will merit Bookstore and will receive \$350 in cash prizes after the projects are finished.

The awards were created to provide research and hands-on opportunities for students and to help local communities pro-

SIUC enrollment increases

SIUC enrollment increased this semester

or the third spring in a row, University offi-cials announced Tuesday.

Total spring enrollment at SIUC climbed to 21,571 students, an increase of 271 more than last year. The additional students represent an enrollment increase of 1.3

Students at the Carbondale campus increased this semester by 306, bringing total SIUC enrollment to 18,951. School of Law enrollment increased by six and School of Medicine enrollment increased by three.

Off-campus program enrollment decreased by four, and enrollment at SIUC's Niigata, Japan, campus decreased

Tutors needed to assist adult learners

John A. Logan College is recruiting vol-unteers to assist adult learners in reading, writing, math, English language skills and general education preparation.

Tutors will receive 15 hours of training prior to their commitment and are required to volunteer a minimum of two to three hours cach week, according to availability. Training begins in February 12.

For more information call Marti Crothers at 565-8007.

Lieutenant governor to visit Southern Illinois

Lt. Gov. Corinne Wood will visit the Lt. Gov. Corinne Wood will visit the Jackson County Health Department, 415 Health Department Road, Murphysboro, at 9:30 a.m. today. Wood will disclose Gov. George Ryan's 2001 health care plan for the state of Illinois, which focuses on building infrastructure for Illinois fami-

For more information, call (217) 782-7884.

Police force reorganizes for improved services

The City Council voted to allow the person who fills a new deputy chief of police position in the Carbondale Police Department to live outside the Carbondale

city limits.

The Carbondale Police Department is reorganizing to create the two new positions to better serve the community.

City Manager Jeff Doherty and Police Chief R.T. Finney initiated a plan to reorganize the department, creating the deputy chief of police, combining four divisions into two, and lowering the number of lieuten and sergeants.

The total number of staff will remain the same, with 16 command staff and 60 sworn

onicers.

Under a city ordinance, all city personnel who are in a executive position under a given pay scale, are required to live within the city limits within six months of bottom than a its within six months of being hired or promoted.

The ordinance would require the deputy police chief position, which falls in the given pay scale, to abide by the residency require-

The council approved the change in residency requirements with a 3-2 vote.



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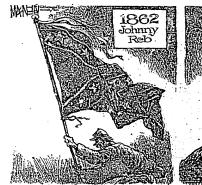
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OUR WORD

■ MAILBOX 🔭

Maintenance should be set as a higher priority

DEAR EDITOR.

In the Jan. 27 edition of the Daily Egyptian, I agree with your editorial in "Our Word" regarding the maintenance of SIUC. I think that the financial advisers of the University should reappropriate funds in order to maintain our educational institu-

tion.

I fear that if someone does not step in and do something, our educational institution faces a possible drop in enrollment. We all know that a high enrollment rate is viral to the University as well as to everyone disc who attends. Higher enrollment means better learning facilities as well as extra money for maintenar

Kirk Bolen,

Ryan's moratorium: a life or death issue

In the wake of Gov. George Ryan's halt of executions, an examination of capital punishment, from courtroom to death chamber, is imminent. Given the sanctity of life, such a decision is long overdue.

In the United States, where due process and the right to a fair trial are the cornerstones on which our judicial system rests, violations thereof should cause, at the very least, a loud public outcry. Ryan must seize the opportunity to thoroughly examine all aspects of the capital punishment process and guarantee that every Illinois citizen receives a fair trial.

The finality of death as a punirhment necessitates that adjudication be as fair, just and accurate as possible. There should be no margin for error.

Thirteen death row inmates have been released since 1977 in Illinois, yet the voices of protest have been relatively quiet and the reaction of our government nearly nonexistent.

The blood of 13 innocent humans was almost spilled, one within two hours of his execution, because of faulty police work, shoddy legal repre sentation or racial biases in the judicial system.

Ryan's decision to issue a moratorium Monday closely follows the unanimous decision of the

Illinois Supreme Court to order a new trial for

convicted cop killer Murray Blue.

Blue was convicted in May, 1997 of murdering Chicago police officer Daniel Doffyn and wounding officer Milan Bubalo in a shoot-out outside the Austin District Police station.

The court's decision to remand his case revolved around prosecutor misconduct, not questions of guilt or innocence.

The new trial was ordered, in the words of the Illinois Supreme Court, "to preserve the trustworthiness and reputation of the judicial process."

A recent investigative report by the Chicago Tribune, which helped motivate Ryan to suspend the death penalty, illuminated shocking failures in the Illinois' judicial system. The reporters revealed that some defendants were represented by low quality attorneys who, in some instances, have been previously disbarred or suspended. Prosecutors often used jailhouse informants, a practice that is considered historically unreliable. Illinois also allowed the use of hair comparisons in capital cases, a type of evidence so unreliable, it's barred or restricted in many jurisdictions. The Tribune found racial discrimination in at least 35 jury selections involving African-American defen-

Such flaws and biases in the justice system, especially when a human life hangs in the balance, are unacceptable.

While Ryan should be applauded for issuing a moratorium based on his "grave concerns" about our state's capital punishment policies, the action by our government is long overdue.

Ryan has promised the appointment of a commission to review flaws in the system and search for solutions. This commission must be ethnically diverse, to examine this problem from a variety of perspectives..

The commission must also have knowledge of the judicial system and an understanding of the problems specific to defendants in capital cases.

There are no acceptable casualties in civilian

Currently, there are 158 inmates on death row. The moratorium offers Illinois a chance at

The government of Illinois can follow the lead of Northwestern students and Chicago Tribune reporters and tirelessly pursue the truth, or after the public outrage subsides, allow justice to be compromised in Illinois.

Computers are more human than we think

Today, I mourn the death of a dear

He was a kind soul, unconditionally eager to serve me, regardless of his own needs. He helped me with my homework introduced me to new people and ideas and encourages me to expand my mind. His name was NEC Pentium 2 MMX Processor.

I called him Nick

The sudden crash of my hard drive The studen crash of my hard drive took me by surprise last week, and as I headed to the University computer labs to finish my homework, I was forced to come to grips with a devastating reality. I was going to have to use someone

else's computer — someone harsh, unfriendly computer. - someone else's cold

As I stared blankly a this foreign object, I felt my confidence withering. I hesitandy opened the word processor in hopes of regaining some sense of familiar ity with a cheery, preformatted screen. Somehow, this alien monitor made.

even the familiar page seem abrasive and almost sterile; about as comforting as lying in a hospital bed with your grandmother's

Not Just Another Priddy Face

GRACE PRIDDY



Not Just Another Piddy Face appears Thursdays. Grace is a freshman in architecture. Her opinion does effect that of the

quilt. But I knew what I must do, and clowly, I began to type my paper. After a few sentences, however, I realize I had run out of words, I frantically searched for thoughts, but I realized I simply could not think in the presence of this machine. I had typist's block. Oh, how I longed for the days when my fingers flew across the keyboard with ease in my relaxing environment of friendly wallpapers and per-sonally-adjusted format settings.

I know I am not the only one living this e-nightmare, either. Sure, there are

computer labs and libraries, but anyone who uses a computer daily knows there's just no replacing the security that comes with your own electronic comfort zone. This computer knows and keeps you darkest secrets — all of those sentences you type and delete, all of the websites you've frequented in the privacy of your own home. And the worst part is, we take this wonderful companion for granted. It helps us conquer dozens of important tasks each day, but the first time we lose a file, it becomes "this stupid computer." Who cares where we would be without that machine? Who cares about the late hours it patiently stays up with you, night after night, as you destroy your sleeping habits for the sake of rhetoric? Who cares about all of the nice letters he/she orings you each day from friends and family far away? Suddenly, none of that matters because one little thing went wrong. Well, guess what America, computers

make mistakes, too. None of us are flawless, and we invented computers, so why should they be perfect? When a human being makes a mistake, should we throw away a lifetime of memories and label them as totally incompetent? Of course not, so what makes our computers differ-

I think Hollywood has had it right all along. From the time computers first hit the market, filmmakers were bring-ing these machines to life. We may have raised an eyebrow as some of these fi fetched scenarios, but who out there didn't cheer for the lovable Number Five when he scarched for his soul in Five when he searched for his soul in "Short Circuit?" What about poor Max in 'Tight of the Navigator?' Didn't he teach us computers have a sense of humor, too'? And surely the Jetsons appreciated Rosie — they treated her like a member of the family.

Each computer has a personality. It may not be as exaggerated as any of these robots, but it is still an individual, nonetheless. Furthermore, it is a friend. And as sich, we should treat it like one and be patient when it has a problem.

and be patient when it has a problem. Lord knows, it helps with enough of

Being Mr. Nice Guy is harder than you think

This column was written by Adam_____ Shiver from the Cenral Florida Future on February 2, 2000.

Have you ever listened to women talk Have you ever instened to women talk about what kind of guy they are looking for? If so, then you have probably overheard the same things I have. When they get around to naming qualities they want in a man, they almost always list honesty, kindness, a good sense of humor and chivalry. I laugh at this. I think they're just making all that up.

One woman explained to me recently that I was "too nice." Too nice?! Is there such a thing — and if there is, is that any

reason not to give a good guy a chance? I is enough niceness in this day and age.I open doors, pay for dates and strive hard to be caring and sweet, but none of that to be caring and sweet, but none of that gets me very far. But the guy who stands in a corner, aloof and playing hard to get? He's golden. He's got no trouble finding a date. The guy who runs around with his buds, gets drunk and finally thinks to call around 1 a.m., hoping he can spend the night? No problem, come right on over, a lot of women say. They flock to him! Just don't get it.

These girls must love being the caretakers of their boyfriends. They get

caught in cycles of always trying to "keep his attention" or "win him back" — usuhis attention" or "win him back" — usu ally employing tactics that involve sex. All of their energy and focus is con-sumed with trying to hang on to a per-son, so they fail to notice the nice guys all around them.

Instead of trying to hold on to a loser, they could be getting to know all the nice guys who out there — the real mar-riage material — the guys like me I also have another guess as to why a lot of girls seem to settle for whomever (make that "whatever") they come across: They are just as shallow as a lot of men. Oh, looks aren't as important as personality

and all those other fine qualities that typically make their Top-10 lists. Yeah,

So, where does that leave me - and all the other "too nice" guys? Well, we're going to continue to maintain our hon-

going to continue to maintain our hon-esty, integrity and charm. We're going to keep on opening doors and sharing our feelings.

We aren't going to play games. We'll assume responsibility for ourselves and for any hurt feelings we may cause. We will always try to take care of those whom we care for And will we have time for women who expect less of us? Probably not.

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COLA facing problems in its fight to fund faculty members

Shortfall could limit student's access to programs

ANTONIO YOUNG DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The loss of funds in the College of Liberal Arts has had a devastating affect on its programs, said Mary Lamb, director of undergraduate studies in the English Department.

"Departments are losing faculty because they see their academic programs getting trashed. Qualified fac-ulty are in the process of resigning, retiring or looking for jobs elsewhere, Lamb said. "We're looking at a terrible, terrible problem happening to

In December 1999, Shirley Clay Scott, dean of COLA, gave about 15 permissions, out of 30 requests, to hire tenure-track faculty. However, because of a current University tuition shortfall, it appears COLA will be allowed to hire only seven to 10 of the positions originally approved.
According to the numbers projected for this year and next, COLA will be

about the issues that's important to

American Studies, said Hilliard's play can be an opportunity for the entire

University community to learn more about the experiences of African-

"Black history is American histo-ry," Brown said. "It's always important

to have some presentations from the

academic community dealing with

Joseph Brown, director of Black

down 26 to 28 positions, or more than 10 percent of its tenured and tenuretrack faculty.

. All state universities predict how many students will be enrolled at their institutions and receive their budgets based on that prediction, yet must return the money if they fall short of their prediction.

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According to a resolution report from the Budget Committee of the Faculty Senate, for which Lamb is chairperson, SIUC's fiscal year 2000 University tuition shortfall is \$1.8 million and the fiscal year 2001 University base budget reduction is \$1.5 million. She said 75 to 80 percent of the budget reduction has been passed to Academic Affairs.

Tit is very short-sighted for the

"It is very short-sighted for the dministration to make up the shortfall out of Academic Affairs, particu-larly faculty lines because it's faculty that teach the students, and our good programs that recruit the students,'
Lamb said.

As director of undergraduate studies in the English Department, Lamb advertises a list of courses each semester. The ability to obtain core require-ments or favorable courses could be affected, and the marketability of the

accomplished as a first-time director.

"People will find it very fulfilling," she said. "I'm really happy for him and he should be proud of what he's accomplished."

The play is more than just Hilliard telling the story of his life. He incorporates song, clance, music and video montages with his performance. It fol-

lows a non-traditional style of perfor-mance art called a choreopoem, which is done by using a series of poems and

narratives woven together around a "It works best with the way that I write and the way that I think," he

During the performance, the audi-

ence goes along with him as he relives

the process of accepting himself as an

African-American, gay male who is

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department may decrease, which Lamb said is a pattern that often happens when departments lose faculty.

"If we have very popular courses, such as Shakespeare, without enough faculty to teach them, our students get wait-listed and can't fulfill their requirements to get out of here in a timely manner," Lamb said. "We give basic necessary courses - the bread and butter, but can't go for the new stuff, so our programs start to look very conventional and very conserva-

Lamb said faculty salary money the years has gone to Anthony Hall to pay for cap improvements, but she wants to know why faculty cannot also

"Chancellor [John] Jackson will say that [the funds] come from different pockets, but I think that there could be ways of moving money from one area of the University to another where it is drastically needed if it was a high priori-ty," Lamb said. "So it's a question of priorities."

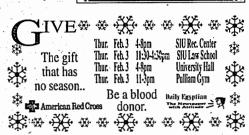
also a born-again Christian. Hilliard talks about how his pride grew as he began to accept himself, despite the difficulties he faced from an intolerant ociety, while also rejecting the notion ising labels to define people. "Although I embrace and use those

"Although I embrace and use those labels, the reality is they don't tell you much about me," Hilliard said. "You can't know me just by the labels. You have to go beyond that."

He got bit by the acting bug after joining a theater class at the University of Arkansas. For I lilliard, being a part of the theater experience has helped him with his identity.

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"I found a certain freedom with myself," Hilliard said. "Performing really helped me discover my identity and helped me deal with a lot of my self-esteem issues."



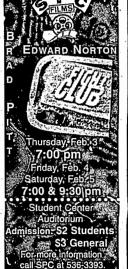
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Joan McCarty, who works in the theater and speech department, advised Hilliard on the performance and said she was proud of what he SALUKIS

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-African-American culture."

involved with Salukis when a vice president of the University approached them in 1986, asking them to care for the school's two mas-cor dogs. The dogs had been poorly taken care of by the group designated to watch them

"Nobody was giving them a bath or really caring for them at all," he said. "They had just fallen through the

Now, 14 years later, the two have stablished a solid reputation with the University as being the first indepen-uent owners of dogs used as mascots. John said they have never missed a home football game, despite the fact that they receive no payment for their

"We love taking them to the games," he said. "We take them to basketball games too, but there's a lot more noise, and Tut will usually try to

more noise, and lut will usually try to snag someones hot dog."

The three dogs come from an affluent breeder in Oregon.

Tut is the current figurehead for SIUC. According to John, Tut is extraordinarily popular with everyone from little kids looking to pet him, to foothall players trying to eath a quickfootball players trying to catch a quick picture after the game.

The Saunders have a long history with the school long before they first paraded a Soluki around the track at McAndrew Stadium. John, a retired employee from the Illinois employee from the Illinois Department of Mental Health, grad-uated from SIUC in 1963 after a suc-

cessful record-making track career with a degree in recreation. Nancy graduated from the school five years later with a degree in special educa-tion, and has been employed with Chester Community Grade School

The University paid for my col-lege education, and I figure this is a way of paying it back," John said.

The two met each other while

they were students at SIUC and married in 1963. Not long after, their fas-cination with the Saluki began.

"I thought they were the most beautiful dogs in the world," said John. "I always loved them, and I always wanted one."

The two have spent years competing in the dog-show circuit, bringing up several Salukis to the champion level. Although both agreed the rewards involved were well worth it, they said the activities made for hectic weekends and that their bed never felt

so good as it did on Sunday nights.
"We used to go every weekend,
and that's all we did," said Nancy. "I guess deep down that's one of the rea-sons you love it."

However, the two say, their busy career with the Saluki is winding down. John said the average life span of a Saluki is between 13 and 15 years, and the two females they own are approaching the benchmark.

The greatest ragedy for a parent is having to child down," said John. In the dog world, we do that all the time. They'll just look at you and say 'Dad, I'm tired, I think it's time to

John said despite the joy the dogs

bring to him and his wife, they will most likely not buy anymore because, after his wife retires, they hope to move south and live on a houseboat they own, which is not the best

atmosphere for dogs.
"Tut will be our last one," he said.
"I'm sure we will miss them."
Nancy Esling, spirit coordinator for cheerleaders, shakers and mascots at the University, said the dogs add a great deal to the University in several

aspects.
"I think plans need to be made right away if we're going to continue to have live animals," she said.

However, the time is not quite up for Tut, Tasha and Farrah, and the Saunders say having the dogs around is just like having kids running through the house. The dogs can be noisy at times, and Nancy said the messes that occasionally grace the kitchen floor after the dogs trample through can be pretty unbelievable.

"I love him, but he can be a pain in the ass," said John as he listened

to Tut howl at seemingly nothing in the backyard. "He thinks he owns the house.

Esling said the experience of dealing with the Saunders the past several years has been an overwhelmingly positive experience, and the Salukis have added so many dimensions to the school's sporting events and publicity materials.

"They're so passionate about the dogs, and they work very hard to be accommodating," said Esling. "We have a unique mascot, and I think that makes it very special."





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Constituency groups take part in governing process

Who are these groups and what is their function?

BRYNN SCOTT
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Four constituency groups are taking active roles in negotiating contracts and advising the Board of Trustees this semester.

Though two of the campus constituency groups are advisory, the groups as a whole have a strong representation for SIUC.

The Faculty Senate, Faculty

Association, Administrative and Professional Staff Council and the Civil Service Council are the four professional constituency groups

The Faculty Association, led by President Kay Carr, is affiliated

with the Illinois Education Association and the National Education Association and is union-affiliated. Negotiating teams from the organization and the board are now discussing the faculty contract.

The first contract developed by the Faculty Association in 1998 provided one of the biggest salary increases in SIUC's history. The association and the board hope to agree on a contract before the current one expires June 30.

The Faculty Senate, led by Max Yen, represents SIUC faculty and advises the chancellor on University issues. Many members of the group are concerned with strengthening the University through shared governance.

In its mission statement, the Faculty Senate's purpose is to "for-mulate broad policies in regard to the educational functions of the University. The senate is charged

to initiate, promote and ensure the enforcement of policies involving academic and intellectual freedom and to concern itself in all matters of faculty status and welfare."

The Administrative Professional Staff Council, led by Paulette Curkin, represents SIUC administrators and professionals. High on its priority list is a recommendation for more SIUCaffiliated trustees on the board.

The council welcomes input from numerous committees on campus and recommends them to

Pansy Jones is president of Civil Service Council which, according to its website, is "responsible for providing operational and service support in exe-cuting the mission of the University."

Each group meets about once per month and represents the pro-fessionals of SIUC.

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Curkin said there has been overwhelming support for Jackson since he began as interim chancellor, but thinks a national search is needed to find the

best possible candidate. While Jackson says the interim title does not affect his job performance, the interim adjective has garnered some

For example, Jackson said Vice

Chancellor for Student Affairs Larry Dietz had concerns before making the move to SIUC this spring becau his interim title.

But Jackson says the title has little or nothing to do with how students conduct themselves in the classroom.

"I certainly don't flatter myself to think that because I have an adjective before my name that somebody gets up and goes to school and does a less ade-quate job because [I am] an interim," n said. "I think that is silly."

Jackson announced Oct. 26 his five-

year Strategic Plan for the University. The plan outlines a vision in which Jackson thinks the University should be operated. The top issues in Jackson's plan are to recruit more minority faculty to campus and upgrade the softball

While the chancellor's position will not be subject for debate until a permanot be subject for departe unit a perma-nent president is named, Jackson said the University will continue to conduct its day-to-day operations. He said Horton will continue to "keep things affoat" until his service is complete.

INCREASE

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comparisons of total compensation

and fringe benefits were added.

In fiscal year 1999, total average compensation for Illinois' 12 public institutions including fringes was \$66,700 — about 10 percent behind the average compensation for their

The IBHE endorsed a general salary increase of three-plus-one-plusone percent to the governor and General Assembly in its fiscal 2001 budget recommendations. The extra 1 percent is to be funded by individual institutions, for a \$14.5 million total

Don Sevener, director of commu-nications for the IBHE, said though the 1985 study has received a small amount of negative feedback through the years, most Illinois institutions correspond well with the peer institutions they are compared to in various stud-

Interim Chancellor John Jackson said the study had been well done. "Some people may have different arguments with the study, but it is

sed on very good data," Jackson said. Jackson said it will be difficult to find the 1 percent of the University's budget to transfer into the pre osed salary increase. He said faculty does

not want to give up resources where there is slack in its programs. "Some people think the good fairy will bring it, and it's totally painless," Jackson said. "That is not the way it

lackson said examinations of all itions are needed.

"The 1 percent is a nub of conflict. All the vice chancellors have to be examining possible downsizing or los-ing faculty positions that are vulnerable to us," Jackson said.

But Mary Lamb, Faculty

Association and Faculty Senate member, said the University is cutting faculty lines first before looking at administrative positions.

"Our University is falling into a downward spiral because of the loss of faculty lines," Lamb said. "We need to look at positions in administration that have not been looked at before we dig ourselves into a deeper hole with the faculty and each college's programs." But Jackson said the University has

always examined administrative and civil positions first. He also said the ation of personnel is not always favorable but has to be examined.

He voiced concerns on the salary pay, issue in his strategic plan, "Entering the New Millennium," released Oct. 26.

The document states, "We should continue the overall objective of increasing faculty and staffs salaries until they are equal with the IBHE — defined peer

In a written response to Illinois falling behind per capita nationwide in salary pay, Keith R. Sanders, executive director of IBI-IE, said though salaries

"We are making progress in paying faculty, who are the most valuable resource for our students, a competitive salary," Sanders said. "But we are not there yet, and we must remain committed to achieving this very important goal that is vital to ensuring the quality of our educational programs

In Peterson's Guide to Four Year Colleges, SIUC ranks high among ratios of students per faculty compared to peer institutions. Of 10 fellow Carnegie Research II Peers with Medical Facilities, SIUC tied two other universities for the highest ratio of students per faculty; 19-1.

But the university has already improved in that respect this year.
The "SIUC Institutional Research

and Studies Fact Book" states that the full-time student to full-time faculty ratio for fall 1999 was 18.21 to 1.



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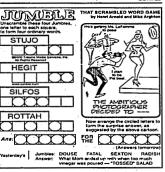


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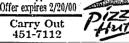
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SPORTS BRIEFS

2000 football signing period begins

The signing period for the 2000 football season began Wednesday, but SIU has no immediate plans to make its signings public. SIU head coach Jan Quarless and his staff have placed a premium on defensive players in their recruiting efforts.

The Salukis were 5-6 in 1999, and were burned by a floundering defense. SIU's offense was solid, however, and quarterback Sherard Poteete will return to lead the

	Missouri Valley Conference Standings					
١	School	Conference	Overall			
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1	Indiana State	8-1	15-5			
ı	Southern Illinois	6-3	12-8			
ı	Bradley	6-3	10-10			
ı	Evansville	6-4	15-6			
Į	Creighton	6-5	14-7			
I	Southwest Missouri	5-4	12-8			
ı	Northern Iowa	4-5	11-8			
ı	Drake	4-6	10-9			
	Illinois State	2-7	7-13			
	Wichita State	0-9	5-12			

THROWERS

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"Sie has definitely been an out-standing athlete for us," DeNoon said.
"She doesn't back off in her training. She puts the effort and challenges her-self to nice to have someone like self. It is nice to have someone like herself to get the job done."

Poliquin has proven to herself that to liquin has proven to nessea that she has what it takes to be one of the top throwers in the MVC. She is fourth overall in the shot put (44-6), and second in the MVC in the weight throw (57-9 1/2), which she scored at the first meet of the season, the Early Bird Classic Dec. 11.

At last Saturday's McDonald's/Saluki Invitational, she placed first in the weight throw (55-3

1/2) and third in the shot put (43-9 3/4); contributing the Salukis to a first-place finish overall.

Poliquin would like to see the consistency of the throwers pay off at the MVC Championships.

"Come conference time, the throwers are going to win some big points," Poliquin said. "We have some stiff competition, but I think we will do well."



Tonight, 7:00 p.m. at UNI-Dome Broadcast on "Big Dawg" 95.1 FM WXLT

(11-8, 4-5)

Series notes SIU leads the series 15-6, after a spirt last season. Northern lova defeated the Salukis 80-58 in Cedar Tulls, lowa, while the Salukis regrouped to win in Carbondale, 66-61.

The word on the Salukis:

The word on the Satistis: The Satistis will attempt to list their longest winning streak of the season (4) tonight in the UNII-Done led by their balanced stack, but despite Northern lowa's lack of depth, it will probably not be a walk in the park. This w'll be the first game for SIU since head coach Bruce Weber's recent contract extension.

The word on the Panthers: Northern lows will play their starting five for almost the entire ballgame, as their starters average 36.3 minutes per contest in Missoul Valley Conference games. The Panther bench was outscored 40-8 in a 77-73 overtime loss at Coighton University Saturdey, However, Lest season the Panthers defeated \$10 00-96 in Ceda Falls. 16 by goard is obbie Sieverding, who connected on all five of his three point attempt.

Projected SIU starting lin	eup:		ppg.	rog.
#5 G - Ricky Collum	(Sr.)	5-11	9.4	3.9
#3 G - Brandon Mells	(Eo.)	6-1	7.2	3.2
#33 G - Kent Williams	(Fr.)	6-2	13.1	2.5
#32 F - Chris Thunell	(Sr.)	6-9	11.2	. 7.2
#42 C - Derrick Tilmon	(Sr.)	6-7	9.6	4.7
Projected UNI starting lin	eup:		ppg.	rpg.
#20 G - Robbie Sieverding	(Jr.)	5-11	17.1	4.2
#4 G - Kelvin Hill	(Jr.)	5-11	9.0	2.8
#23 F- Aaron Middendorf	(So.)	6-5	5.8	3.7
#32 F - Joc Breakenridge	(Jr.)	6-6	10.4	7.9
#44 F - Cory Jenkins	(Sr.)	6-7	9.9	4.9

Miscelianeous.

Panther guard Robbk. Sieverding leads his ball club in scoring (17.1), despite having played with a stress fracture in his left leg since before Christmas. The junior has played 40 minutes a game in the Panthers last ten ballgames.

Look for SILTs more athletic players such as guard Brandon Meis and forwards Josh Cross and Jemanine Dearman to have some brea out games if the Salukis can play the up-tempo style of ballgame they favor. Those three could also help run-down a short-handed

while agitated by a nagging stress fracture in his left leg that occurred before Christmas.

Don't expect the Salukis, though, to show much sym-

pathy.

"You would think that we could wear them out with the kind of motion we run and the pressure defense we put on," Schrader said. "That's the key, we've got to wear them out."

The Saluk: (12-8, 6-3), winners of three straight, will try to run the ball to overcome the grind-it-out style of tempo the Panthers (11-8, 4-5) are accustomed to play-

They will come down and use the whole shot clock, Weber said. "We've got to get up and down and push the bali so they just don't sit back in the lane."

weber can only hope Saluki freshman guard Kent Williams, the MVC Player of the Week, can keep up his hot shooting. Williams shot 57.1 percent from the floor, while scoring a combined 33 points (16.5 avg.) in Saluki wins against Drake University and Evansville en route to explore of the awale become ning player of the week honors. The freshman sensation continues to make a name for

himself throughout the Valley.

"(Williams) is going to be an all-MVC player at some-time in his SIU career," Weaver said. "He's just a tough kid

time in his SIU career," Weaver said. "He's just a tough kit that finds a way to score."

Williams, along with the remainder of the hot-handed Salukis, are tied for second place in the Valley with Bradley University (10-10, 6-3) and trail leader Indiana State University (15-5, 8-1), by two games.

The Salukis travel to Drake Saturday night. Weber cited the two lowa road games as vital to their goal of an MVC chemionship.

MVC championship.

The Salukis lost at both Northern Iowa and Drake last season and both teams have improved since then, so despite the Panthers' shortage of depth, Weber will take

nothing for granted.
"If you think you're going to have an easy game against (Northern Iowa), you're not," Weber said. "They do not

get blown out by anybody."

A late season loss at Drake last year may have cost the A late season ioss at Drake last year may nave cost tine Salukis an National Invitational Tournament bid. Williams hopes to avoid the disappointment of last year's damaging late season slide.

"We don't want to say 'what if,' at the end of this season because of these (two) games," Williams said.

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For those teams, there will be tears and locker room tantrums, and ultimately, an emotionally-drained bus

or plane trip back to campus.

But one nam will stamp their ticket to the Big Dance. Will it be SUD? It's impossible to say, but the Salukis have their best shot to do it since their unprecedented three-peat between 1993-'95.

Indiana State currently leads the league and Bradley was the pre-sea-son favorite. SIU, Southwest Missouri State and Creighton also have the talent to win the tournament, but no squad can be ruled out

in this wacky year in the Valley.

The Salukis would be well-served to win tonight at Northern Iowa and Saturday at Drake. That would leave Weber's Warriors sitting pretty at 8-3 in the MVC leading into a pretty

easy three-game home stretch.

A top seed in the tournament is within reach, which would make SIU's path to the championship game more manageable. If the Salukis fall short in St. Louis the National Invitational Tournament might be a possibility, but as long as

Arch Madness is on the docket, the

Arch Madness is on the docket, the dream is the Big Dance.

The Valley tournament could be the last opportunity to watch gritty Saluki seniors Ricky Collum, Chris Thunell and Denick Tilmon spill

their guts for SIU. Even if the Salukis flame out, the Valley tournament will still be a good time. But if the Dawgs can work their magic, trust me, you'll want to

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Jay Schwab Sports Editor es to be more

Conference men's basketball tournament, and it displays college athletics the way it was meant to be. This year's tournament promis-

sensational than usual because there is parity throughout the league. Every game will be up for

The Kiel Center will be buzzing with rabid fans, blaring bands and spirited cheerleaders from every team in the league. Haven't you always wanted to hear Southwest Missouri State's fight song and see what Wichita State's cker mascot looks like?

The atmosphere at the Kiel Center is electric, but enough with the enticing sideshows.

The real reason to make the

less-than-two-hour trek to St. Louis is the spellbinding on-court drama. At stake is an automatic berth to the NCAA tournament, the grand prize of college basketball and a chance for the winner to receive national exposure.

No matter what kind of season teams have had, once the ball goes up at Arch Madness, everyone has new life.

It's not difficult to see how much a trip to the Big Dance means to the schools. The level of intensity in the games is awesome, with each team clawing for its post-season life. There have been ncredible finishes to tournament games in the past and this year should be no different.

For most of the seniors, the tournament marks the climax of their athletic careers that began when they were little tots. It's their last shot to fulfill dreams, to be the hero, to taste the sweet euphoria of victory. For everyone else, it's a

chance to play in a big game in front of a lot of people.

Money isn't a factor. It's all about good old-fashioned school pride and competition, the basic qualities that make college sports

so compelling.
Nine of the 10 teams will walk off the Kiel Center floor losers.

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Aiming to out-bench UNI

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SIUC's Kent Williams sneaks a pass past a Drake defender in a recent home-game victory. The Salukis will be attempting to stretch their winning streak to four games tonight at

Weber's crew looks to wear out

Panthers with hench COREY CUSICK DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

University of Northern Iowa second-year men's basketball head coach Sam Weaver would love to swap benches with SIU head coach Bruce Weber.

Weaver, a former SIU assistant coach, would obtain a solid all-around player in Saluki junior forward Josh Cross, a slashing, sharp-shooting wing in junior Abel Schrader and an athletic big man in freshman forward Jermaine Dearman.

Weber would receive the shaft of the deal because UNI does not have a bench. Northern Iowa's

nave a bench. Northern Towas starting five averages 36.3 min-utes per contest in Valley games. "We're only playing five peo-ple this year, really," Weaver said. "We like our team, but we just don't have much depth.'

The Salukis will try to rundown Missouri Valley Conference foe Northern Iowa Conference foe Northern Iowa tenight at 7 in the UNI-Dome in Cedar Falls, Iowa, the second of three games on the Saluki road swing. SIU began the trip by thumping the University of Evansville Saturday.

The poster child for UNI's lack of depth is standout junior guard Robbie. Sieverding (17.1 ppg), who has played at least 40 minutes in each of the last 10 Panther outines. The only game

Panther outings. The only game in which Sieverding did not play the entirety was in a 77-73 overtime loss at Creighton University, when he played 40 of the possible 45 minutes. UNI's bench was outscored 40-8 in that game. To top it off, Sieverding has

soaked up all the playing time

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Throwing for the championship

Close-knit, intense group forges bond with one goal

> CHRISTINE BOLIN DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

It takes a close-knit group to have suc-cess like the SIU women's track and field team's throwers.

But there is a reason why this group is so

Each day, the Saluki throwers spend at least three hours a day doing sprint drills, weight and shot put tossing, and weight ng together.

According to junior thrower Tawnjai Ames, it would be impossible for the Saluki

throwers not to get along. She said one of the reasons why her and her teammates get along so well is because they have one thing in common — they all are dedicated ath-

"Each one of us is so driven." Ames said. "We are very intense and very hardworking. We are the first ones at practice, last ones to leave. It's a lot of had work, but all of us love it."

One of the most dedicated throwers on the Saluki squad is Caryn Poliquin, who was first introduced to shot-put in seventh grade. In high school, she became physical-ly stronger and started to take the

seriously.
"I didn't know, or care, what was good, said the junior in radio-television and

 THE SIU WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD TEAM COMPETES TODAY THROUGH SUNDAY AT THE MID-AMERICA INVITATIONAL AT INDIANA UNIVERSITY IN BLOOMINGTON, IND.

speech communications from Gurnee. "I just wanted to throw farther."

Her throwing improved and grabbed the attention of women's track and field coach Don DeNoon, who convinced her to me to SIU in the Summer of 1997.

DeNoon said he is glad she chose SIU wer schools such as Missouri Valley Conference rival Illinois State University.

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