Spring cleaning at SIUC

Chancellor shakes up administration

Kassie Krith
Executive Editor

SIUC Chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger wasted little time turning her first set of six-month evaluations into three important administrative personnel moves.

Argersinger announced moves involving three positions that fall under the Chancellor's office at the Student Center Video Lounge Wednesday afternoon. The announcement was broadcast by Jim Hart, who will move from athletics director to a new fund-raising public relations position of associate chancellor for external affairs.

John Jackson, vice chancellor for academic affairs and provost, is returning to teaching in a move that Argersinger calls "positive." Hart said at Wednesday's press conference she spent her first semester at SIUC working with the vice chancellor and the rest of her staff to reach a consensus on the goals that needed to be set.

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Former SIUC Athletics Director Jim Hart speaks to reporters during a press conference held by Chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger about his future as an associate in the Chancellor's Office Wednesday in the Student Center.

School of Medicine and the NCAA will be filled by going during the time he is in the interim athletic director role.

A national search for an athletic director will begin between now and August, and Argersinger said the process could be extended as much as nine months after a new athletic director is hired before that person can take over.

Argersinger said Hart's desire to promote the University made the choice to develop a new position in her office an easy one.

"Jim cares very much about our campus," Argersinger said. "He really will have an opportunity in his new position to help allSIUC Chancellor, Jo A. Argersinger, announces personnel changes Tuesday at a press conference held in the Student Center. Hart will be replaced in the interim by Kristie Ayres. Hart's new position will be as the University's faculty representative to the NCAA. Pictured are Argersinger (left), Hart and Kristie Ayres. (Daily Egyptian/Scott Lasakow)

Faltering grades prompt USG president to resign

Gus Bode

Undergraduate Student Government President Kristie Ayres resigned from her position Wednesday because she was academically ineligible to remain. Ayres' resignation followed a DAILY EGYPTIAN investigation into her academic eligibility for the presidency.

"I am writing to inform you that I must resign as President of this organization effective immediately," Ayres said via email to the members of the USG senate and executive staff. "Last semester was a tough one for me, and I failed to make the grades necessary to remain in my position."

The USG constitution states that members of the executive branch must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.25 or higher and have an information release form on file with the USG Advisor. The information release form allows USG members to be selected to serve in the organization. Ayres' grade point average was below the requirement.

"That's not true," Ayres said in an interview. "Having her announcement come today after she had been ineligible prior to the end of the Fall 1998 semester. "And it would really surprise me if a lot of people knew about my personal grades."

Ayers said she did not consider her academic ineligibility to be of any importance to the student body in an elected position than it would be in a student worker position.

"I don't think it is different at all," Ayres said. "The fact that I am resigning I think is enough. I think other people have been allowed in this organization so many times and have failed the grades, and we gave them opportunities to resign."

"I think this is being used as a personal vendetta, and I think it really sucks," Paratore said. Ayres has an information release pending.

New athletics director calls for support from students

Jay Schwoch

"Financial assistance SIUC intern athletics director Harold Baro stated a chief priority of his new job will be to foster increased student support and national awareness departments. Baro addressed the assembled crowd of reporters and interested observers at Wednesday's press conference in the Student Center following Chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger's appointment of Baro to replace resigned Jim Hart at athletics director, pending the outcome of a national search for a permanent replacement to be init ated in August.

Baro said the search would be delayed until the summer in order to obtain the deepest pool of candidates possible.

Policy Institute:

Fund-raiser to help, reach $10 million goal.

Bon Voyage:

Founder says goodbye to Cardboard Box Regina,
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CARBONDALE

• Marc E. Gosnell, 19, of Carbondale, was arrested at 6:29 p.m. Tuesday in Bloom, Herrin, a Jocobux County warrant for criminal damage to property and underage possession of alcohol. Gosnell posted $500 bond and was released. He has a Feb. 4 court date.

• Deidra M. Miller, 20, of Carbondale, was arrested at 9:02 p.m. Tuesday in Bloom, Herrin. She is a Jocobux County warrant for public intoxication. She posted $100 bond and was released. Miller has a Feb. 4 court date.

• A resident of New Smith reported fraud between Dec. 18 and Jan. 1. Four bank cards worth about $700 were stolen from his residence. University Police have identified a suspect in the incident.

Correction

Readers who spot an error in a news article should contact the DailyEgyptianAccuracyDesk, 530-3311 extension 220 or 289.
Council discusses property, sales tax increase

REFERENDUM: Two proposals introduced to community members bringing both support and opposition.

The Chamber, a referendum that will raise property taxes and a possible 25 percent sales tax increase was discussed at the Carbondale City Council meeting Tuesday night, with both proposals finding opposition and support among community members.

The sales and property tax increases are part of a $16 million bond referendum to construct a new building for Carbondale Community High School. The referendum will be on the ballot for the Feb. 23 election. In recognition of property tax increase concerns, the CCHS District 163 Board of Education requested that the city consider adopting a 25 percent sales tax increase to help reduce property taxes.

Among the supporters of the referendum were Dr. tunnel future increase in the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce. Chamber President John Doss spoke on the chamber's behalf Tuesday night.

"The Carbondale Chamber of Commerce supports this innovative way to provide for a new high school campus, which is critical to the long-range vitality and growth of our community," Doss said.

Mike Wadka, owner of Heartland Properties in Carbondale, was one of the property owners to support the referendum. He said a property tax increase will have a "detrimental effect" on rental prices, because any increases will be passed along to the renters.

"Students should go to council meetings and make their opinions known," Wadka said. Bonds would still be issued for $16 million, and the annual tax levy would be reduced by the amount provided from the city's sales tax increase.

"The long-range vitality and growth of our community," Doss said.

Through the years, the race has received nationwide coverage. Last year, the 25th annual Regatta was covered by Spanish Chistos, 60-tenement for ABC-TV's Good Morning America.

"Artarch," who retired in May, said he hopes the event will continue to grow.

"It's been more than just entertaining the darn thing. It's truly blossoming into a University tradition," in which the people put time and effort into it.

Regatta to sail at least one more time in May

ROUGH WATERS: With budget problems behind, creator looks forward to race before retirement next year.

The great Carbondale Cardboard Boat Regatta is scheduled to sail May 5 despite concerns over budgeting.

Richard Archer, an assistant professor in art and design and director of the Regatta, said he received a budget of about $2,000 that will cover many of the expenses of the event.

"He said the majority of the money is used to pay lifeguards, scales drivers, a physical plant crew and police to make the event run smoothly.

Previously, Archer was not sure if the Regatta would take place when he had not received the budget by last September.

"Archer created the Regatta 25 years ago for students in his art and design classes. The Regatta quickly grew in popularity and is no longer limited to students.

"The Regatta takes place every spring on Campus Lake. Contests design boats from cardboard to compete in a race round the lake and are judged for design.
Professor remembered as scholar and friend

ASSYLA L. DILLARD
DAILY EDITION REPORTER

Thirteen-year-old Anthony Manfredi remembers how his mother always liked to keep the house nice and neat. “She always cared about pleasing other people,” Anthony said. “She was just a really giving person.”

Donna Manfredi, 59, passed away Jan. 6 after a battle with ovarian cancer. She was an associate professor in the SIUC philosophy department.

Donna’s husband, Larry, 55, Manfredi, remembers his wife as “a wonderful, caring person.”

“As a couple, we had a great way of communicating with one another,” he said. For the past nine years, Summerfield was devoted to her job at SIUC, teaching philosophy to both undergraduate and graduate students.

Those who had the honor of working with Summerfield remember her love for teaching the subject.

Thomas Alexander, a philosophy professor, said she was an outstanding teacher who helped run the Underground Philosophy Club and made it flourish.

He said Summerfield taught classes at all levels “but she loved teaching philosophy and literature.”

“Donna was probably our foremost best scholar on Wittgenstein, a 20th-century philosopher,” Alexander said.

“She was an internationally recognized scholar in the field of philosophy. Larry Hickman, director of the Center for Dewey Studies, said Summerfield was devoted to her students and her job. She was a person who received a high level of respect among her students and colleagues.

“Donna was a delight to be around,” Hickman said. “She’ll be very missed by family, colleagues and students.”

Summerfield had a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Notre Dame and a bachelor’s degree in art from Wheaton College, Illinois. She was also past vice president of the American Catholic Philosophical Association.

In 1990, Summerfield was appointed as assistant professor, and in 1996 she was promoted to associate professor.

Robert Jensen, the dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, remembers Summerfield as “one of the most important, valuable members in the philosophy department and very active in serving on the department committees.”

“Donna always expected a lot from other people but gave as much in return,” Jensen said.

Jensen said Summerfield was very much involved in helping others in the philosophy department and at the First Presbyterian Church, where she was a member.

“Larry served as elder and clerk of the Session, the governing body of the church,” Jensen said.

“Donna’s loss is a great one,” Jensen said.

“She was very kind, thoughtful and empathetic.”

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Although Bardo did not rule out taking on a permanent basis, it is possible that an outside candidate will be selected to fill the post.

“I don’t see the job being filled by someone other than an athlete,” Bardo, former director of SIUC’s MedPrep program and a student-athlete representative to the National Collegiate Athletic Association, said.

“Student-athletes are part of the University community, and I’d like to see more student support for this program.”

Bardo, 59, said he intends to work with student-body leaders in an effort to mobilize increased student support for SIUC athletes. He added that he is dismayed by the level of support SIUC athletes receive from the student body compared to their counterparts at other universities.

“We’re not different — in fact we’re far better — than a number of institutions that get more support,” Bardo said. “I’m going to rely on (students) help because I think they can help athletics out.”

Bardo, a former basketball player and athletic director, said his new role will be challenging.

“We’ll be on the outside looking in and I think we’ll be more a mentor to the inside,” Bardo said. “It’s not the same going on the outside; I’ve seen it so many times. I’m going to find out, some things that I don’t know about.”

“Nonetheless, I’m pleased to have been asked to do this — I know that I will do a good job and the athletics department is in very good hands,” Bardo said.

Meanwhile, Armstrong also named Hart as an associate to the chancellor. His primary duties will be fund raising for the University and alumni development.

Hart, former star quarterback at SIUC and in the National Football League, had served as athletic director since 1981. He had been the subject of much speculation over the past several years, when rumors about his future began to surface.

Hart said his new job will allow him more time to do what he enjoys, such as to “meet with people and promote worthwhile causes,” without having to contend with the administrative hassles that come with being athletics director. He categorized the move as a "mutual decision between Armstrong and himself."

"I don't want to be doing something that I don't genuinely love to do," Hart said. "I don't want to be worrying about meeting budgets and how to raise the money." He said he would love to be leaving behind.

Under Hart’s leadership, some of SIUC’s issues have been brought to light. The men’s basketball program suffered through three consecutive losing seasons. Former Saluki head coach Rich Herrin’s forced resignation in the spring.

"Our concern is overall balance on the court and on the field as well," Hart said. "I’m sure that will be very missed by the University community, so I think he’s a perfect match."
John Jackson exits vice chancellor for Academic Affairs office, enters political science classes.

FRANK KLIAM
DAILY ELEPHANT REPORTER

John Jackson will be stepping down as vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and move back to the Political Science Department. Thomas Guernsey, dean of the SIU Law School, will replace Jackson on July 1. Jackson will work with Guernsey to make the transition.

Jackson

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Both have worked together closely for the past two years. Guernsey will be spending the next few months gathering information by talking with people on campus.

"Working with John Jackson for the next five months is actually one of the real advantages of taking this job," Guernsey said at the press conference. "John and I are friends. We've worked well together over the last two years as the provost of the School of Law, so I think he understands what's going on very well with the law school administration." (Working with Jackson) is an exciting part of this," Guernsey said at the press conference.

Raymond Lenzi to take on vice chancellor position

KATE KLEINER
DAILY ELEPHANT REPORTER

Raymond C. Lenzi will assume the duties of acting Academic Affairs vice chancellor. Current Acting Vice Chancellor Thomas C. Britton will return to the SIU Law School as associate dean of administration.

The announcement was made Wednesday at a conference in the Student Center Video Lounge.

Lenzi, the University's director of economic and regional development, said he is honored and humbled to serve as acting vice chancellor.

"It's a rare privilege to be asked such a position," Lenzi said in his opening remarks. "I think there's a lot of excitement among people to get into the position."

Lenzi said he is looking forward to working with the Academic Affairs team and other members of the University community to ensure the smooth transition to permanent vice chancellor.

Athletics coaches react to Argersinger's change of Hart

SHADRI RICHARDSON
Sports Editor

At 2-7, the SIUC men's swimming team is off the pace of winning its fifth straight Missouri Valley Conference Championship. For a fast turnaround, coach Rick Walker knew he had to make some changes.

"I think the biggest change is going to be with Raymond Lenzi," Walker said. "I think he's going to bring a lot of energy and enthusiasm to the program."
A winter weight advisory

O the sweet potato pies, honey-glazed hams and turkey they fix for the holidays, people tend to keep those habits past the holidays.

Debbie Endera, a nutritionist at the Adolescent Health Center, 101 S. Wall St., said a few factors play into winter weight gain.

"First, during the winter, we're less active," Endera said. "Second, the winter months start out with the holidays. People have a tendency to gain weight they've picked up because they are less physically active during the months after the holidays."

Janet Sundberg, director of the dietetic internship program, agrees with the concept of lack of physical activity during the winter.

"To tend to stay indoors more because it's cold, and they don't get as much physical activity," Sundberg said. "In order to stay physically fit, I would suggest people bundle up and go outdoors."

Sundberg said because of the colder weather, television is the main source of activity, and the abundant food commercials that dominate the airwaves subconsciously cause people to believe they are hungry.

"TV commercials can definitely sway a person in thinking they need food," she said. "The conscious effort to listen to the body and pay attention is really important." There are many reasons why people gain weight. Food is the source for many, but for some it may be another.

Alischa Logan, a junior from Horribled in biology, ends her first workout and continues from page 3...

SCULPTURE

"The duty of the teacher is to be the choreographer of the class."

-TOM WALSH

Professor of College of Art and Design

"In the art world, I've always loved the idea of working with students. I do enjoy teaching," Walsh said. "It's a lot of fun being able to take the students' work and see where it goes."


Walsh is also an artist who exhibits his work both locally and nationally. His work has been exhibited in numerous galleries and museums, including the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, the Museum of Modern Art in New York, and the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Walsh's work is often characterized by its use of materials such as wood, metal, and stone, and his interest in exploring the relationship between the human body and the environment. His sculptures are often site-specific, meaning they are designed to be installed in a particular location and are intended to interact with the surrounding landscape.

Walsh's approach to teaching is to encourage students to explore their own ideas and to develop their own unique voice as artists.

"You have to listen to your body," Sundberg said. "And let your body guide you."
New fish-processing plant underway

**AQUACULTURE:** Facility could be operational by 2000.

**KELLY MURPHY**

A newly proposed merger of the agricultural industries of Southern Illinois and the Pinckneyville prison system may provide a boost to the area's aquaculture future.

Aiming to heighten a currently sparse agricultural industry in Southern Illinois, the Fisheries and Aquaculture Center of SIUC is preparing to establish a $1.25 million processing plant — the Pinckneyville Prison Fish Processing Center.

Christopher Kohler, associate director for the Fisheries and Aquaculture Center, said negotiations between the prison and fish production have been proceeding normally, and fisheries should expect the plan to be open sometime in the year 2000.

"The stages are at an advanced stage with the department to design the facility, but we will not be online for approximately another year," Kohler said.

The Fisheries and Aquaculture Center are aiming at the predictions of the Neighboring U.S. for the year 2000, a time when fish production will be on the rise. Kohler said the University also is involved with several committees for the project.

"We are helping to assess some of the best practices and ways. We are trying to come up with something in terms of a co-op for the future," Kohler said.

"It was Southern Illinois was named as the agriculture center for the state, and this is part of what we are doing and what we are doing. We are trying everything we need to do to develop a successful industry here."

Kohler and his colleagues agree the processing center is a long awaited and well-needed addition to the Southern Illinois area. The Illinois Aquaculture Action Plan 1999 stated Illinois consumes 170 million pounds of seafood annually, which makes Illinois the largest inland seafood market in the United States. However, less than one percent of Illinois' fish and seafood products are harvested from Illinois waters.

Dan Selnick, aquaculture specialist in the office of economic and regional development, said the processing center will be a benefit to local fish farmers.

"In Southern Illinois we have less than 20 annual producers," he said. "Once the processing center is in place, we expect that number to quadruple."

"There are over 100 people who have a license in the state to process, but only 30 percent of them are doing anything."

The Pinckneyville Prison Fish Processing Center would allow area fish farmers to ship products such as farm-raised tilapia, hybrid, striped bass, trout and perch to the Pinckneyville prison for feeding, processing and cutting.

Kohler said the prison workers are ideal for the position although because these jobs are generally unwanted positions, whereas the industrial fish farm positions are.

"This work is very labor intensive and normally very expensive in and around our area," he said. "Without this proposal and link I don't feel an industry, as this one, would survive."

The processing plant, currently in the design phase, is expected to be 7,000 to 8,000 square feet and will include one manual processing line. The first will employ about 20 prison inmates who will be supervised by two civilian managers.

Selnick said the addition of the center will be a positive venture for a fish producer because no such program has previously existed.

"This will serve as a catalyst for fish farmers of Southern Illinois," he said. "They have not had a processing center to take the fish to before."

"It is all very exciting, it fills a void that we have had. Now we can process fish instead of only selling fish, which gives us a new market."

"Farms marketing in-state, farm-raised fish will be paid at the pond tank. Once we start marketing for the fish, because of the property of the co-op."

After the transfer flow tenant to the state, the co-op will pay the prison processing center, and the inmates will receive a certain percentage of the fish.

"Prospective goals are to process up to 20,000 pounds of fish per month and a minimum average of 2 million pounds per year."

As of press time, the Pinckneyville prison had prepared the final draft of the statement concerning the center.

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Policy institute hires fund-raiser

EXPERIENCE: Former SIU graduate student will help institute meet its $10 million goal.

ANGLER ROPER
Daily Egyptian/Carbondale

Matt Baughman has the critical job of conjuring strategies that will bring $1,000 to $1 million to the Public Policy Institute Endowment.

The Public Policy Institute must raise $10 million in donations. The money will ensure the independent operation of the Institute.

As the new fund-raiser for the Public Policy Institute, Baughman is responsible for reaching the $10 million goal.

In 1995, Baughman was selected for a program which placed him working side-by-side with both Gov. Jim Edgar and his former press secretary Mike Lawrence, now associate director of the Public Policy Institute.

"Living in Springfield, I was surrounded by government and politics," Baughman said. "I always wanted to get involved in some way."

Baughman had signed up to work in the press secretary's office. He was interviewed by Lawrence.

"As the interview, I found him conscientious, serious and professional," Lawrence said.

Lawrence had worked with Baughman for a year and was impressed by how quickly he picked up on events in the governor's office.

Lawrence also was impressed by how well he applied himself to both prestigious work and routine jobs, such as answering the phone and taking messages.

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While working on his degree, he met his wife Angie. They moved to Florida after finishing school, but 10 months later they moved back to Southern Illinois.

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Jo Ann Argeringer, SIUC Chancellor, said she will ensure that the Regatta is continued in the future. She said she plans to assign the event permanent funding. "There is absolutely no doubt about the continuance of the Regatta," Argeringer said. "Richard Archer has done a wonderful job, and there is a lot of alumni and student support for the event."

Archer said he is not planning anything "big" for his last Regatta. "I'm going to quietly fade into the sunset," Archer said.

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form on file for every semester she was in office. She also said Ayres has been academically eligible for every semester prior to Fall 1998.

"She was eligible," Paratore said in reference to prior semesters. "If she wasn't eligible she wouldn't have been sitting there."

Paratore said her office, in cooperation with USG, checks the academic eligibility of everyone in USG at the beginning of each semester.

She said that information goes to USG, and they inform the members individually if there is a problem.

Prior to Ayres' announcement, Paratore said she would not comment on whether or not Ayres was academically eligible. She said she had not met with Ayres and wanted to "sit down with her and find out what was going on." Following the announcement, Paratore said she was aware of Ayres' resignation and the reason for it but had not talked with Ayres.

Ayres added that he enjoyed his time as president and vice president.

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USSC Vice President Jackie Smith will step up to take the position of president and Internal Affairs Committee Chairman, and College of Agriculture Senator Brian Acheson will assume the vice president position.

"This is in agreement with the USSC constitution that states: "If the President resigns or is removed from office, the order of Executive Succession is the Vice President and then Chairperson Pro Temp." A resolution passed in April 1998 raises the standard for the positions of president and vice president to a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 for election and 2.35 to retain the positions of president and vice president. Those changes will be effective with the Spring 1999 election.

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from sales tax revenues. For example, an $80,000 home that would see a $113 property tax increase for the bond issue would only see a $40 increase with the dedication of the additional sales tax.

Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard said he supports the school referendum as well as the sales tax increase.

Dillard said he thinks the community will pay about the same amount whether a new high school is built or the old high school is renovated and repaired.

Dillard said this approach to building a new high school will benefit the community in four ways. Students will benefit from better facilities, the community will become more attractive to newcomers, property taxes will be kept lower through the use of the sales tax and there will be a positive feeling in the community. Dillard likened this positive feeling to community reaction after the construction of the new City Hall/Civic Center and downtown improvements.

"In my opinion, this is a win-win-win-win situation," Dillard said.

The City Council will conduct a public hearing about the sales tax increase at the Feb. 2 City Council meeting. The council may take final action on the matter at that time as well.

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Trollger-trashed: The Jackson County Sheriff's Department is investigating a hit-and-run accident that occurred around 2:30 a.m. Wednesday morning at Meadowbrook Estates Trailer Court, located on Warren Road. A vehicle struck an unoccupied mobile home in the trailer court and fled the scene. No one was injured.
Clinton defense blasts evidence

WASHINGTON — As a clarion call, charge by charge, White House lawyers discredited the allegations against President Clinton Wednesday in a move to show that the allegations do not constitute grave offenses against the state to warrant his removal from office.

The defense team devoted the second day of its opening arguments in Clinton's Senate impeachment trial to picking holes in the case against him, insisting on the importance of the "inconsequential details" left out by House Republicans "narrators" and ridiculing their fixation on "nipping" discrepancies between the testimony of the president and former White House intern Monica S. Lewinsky.

Clinton's lawyers also appealed to the Senate to heed public sentiment against conviction rather than throw the country into the "shadows of endless recrimination." And with pointed symbolism, they rejected the prosecution argument that the president's conduct during the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit undermined his rights as a woman and the cause of civil rights generally.

"I'm not worried about civil rights, because this president's record on civil rights, on women's rights, on all of our rights is unimpeachable," said deputy White House counsel Cheryl D. Mills, the first woman and the first African-American to address the senators at the trial. "I can assure you that your decision to follow the facts and the law of the Constitution and acquit this president will not shake the foundation of the house of civil rights."

The concentration on the details of the pejurious and obstruction-of-justice charges brought forth four hours of presentations Wednesday was aimed in part at demonstrating that the president concedes nothing, even in his defense also argue that the allegations do not constitute grave enough offenses against the state to warrant his removal from office.

During the proceedings that led to his impeachment by the House last month, the White House rebuttal on evidence was largely overshadowed by the constitutional case it amounted. As a result, many Republicans and even some Democrats concluded that Clinton was all but admitting the allegations and only disputing their importance, a situation his advisors resolved to reverse in the Senate.

In attacking the evidence, White House lawyers knew they risked being accused again of relying, on hair-splitting legalisms but they made a spirited defense of such tactics as necessary and proper to convince the "legal innocents" of the president.

"To the extent that we have relied on overly legal or convoluted arguments to defend the president from its attackers, we apologize to him, to you and to the American people," special counsel Gregory B. Craig told the senators. But he added, "To accuse us of using legalisms to defend the president when he's being accused of perjury is only to accuse us of defending the president. We plead guilty to that charge and its truth is that an attorney who failed to raise these defenses might well be guilty of malpractice."

Warning: that senators were about to set more than 100 percent of your minimum daily requirement for literacy," Craig opened the day's proceedings with an analysis of the charge that Clinton committed perjury before independent counsel Kenneth W. Starr's grand jury last August, while Mills followed by examining two of the allegations included in the obstruction of justice count.

David E. Kendall, the president's private attorney, will handle the remaining obstruction issues Thursday before former senator Dale Bumpers, D-Ark., delivers closing remarks.

The prosecution responded Wednesday with another review of fact sheets containing each of the "White House Claim" and "The Truth" and managers openly conceded the president's lawyers for what they called a "Swiss cheese" strategy of looking for small holes in the case against Clinton.

Rep. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., warned that the White House defense might not prevent prosecutors to expand their profitable witness list. "The more this is talked about in a bunch of innocent statements and misstatements, the more likely we are to show intense and pattern," Graham said.

Six years to the day after he took office and a year to the day after he learned that Starr was investigating the Lewinsky matter, Clinton spent Wednesday out of town pitching the policy agenda laid out the night before during his State of the Union address, even at a new round of polls showed that both his approval ratings and opposition to conviction remained strong.

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Microsoft: Profits don't equal market stranglehold

WASHINGTON FOR—One day, after Microsoft Corp. reported a third-quarter profit of $2.9 billion, an economist testifying for the software giant at its antitrust trial inched Wednesday that the higher-than-expected earnings were due in large part to the company's ability to earn more from personal computer operating systems-

Richard J. Schmalensee, an economics professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, argued that the software industry is ripe with competition, the market is fairly profit because they establish large shares of individual markets, such as operating systems or telecommunication.

"When asked to identify what portion of Microsoft's profits come from the sale of its operating system versus other products, Schmalensee said he would provide a precise number, because Microsoft doesn't use computers to track the data.

"That retail operating system sales by hand or piece of paper," the witness said. "The state of the market is not so great of a fraction that no one might expect from a firm as successful as it is.''

Amtrak on track to be weaned

TIP OF THE ICEBERG:
New president confident passenger rail system will be independent of federal sub aide by 2003

WASHINGTON POST

Amtrak announced several business partnerships and touted some promising economic figures Wednesday, part of a continuing effort to demonstrate that the railroad can be reformed, offset federal subsidies by 2003, as required by law.

Newly installed Amtrak President George Washington described the partnerships as "the tip of the iceberg" in an ongoing effort to cut costs and expand Amtrak's revenue-generating businesses beyond passenger travel to include increased rail and freight traffic.

"Our mission is to demonstrate to Capitol Hill and the administration and to all the people that are interested, in Amtrak that we are making a difference," said Washington, in a conference call with reporters.

Wisconsin Gov. Tommy G. Thompson, chairman of Amtrak's board, said the new partnerships would help Amtrak's cause in Congress.

"The people on Capitol Hill are going to stand up and take notice that there is a new day at Amtrak. We are trying new things.,

Tommy G. Thompson

An agreement with Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad allowing Amtrak to lease cars to carry express packages for United Parcel Service between Kansas City, Alabama.

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"The vision was that Amtrak would bring in $2 million a year in additional revenue and create $28 million in long-term savings. Former President Bob Varner, acting vice president of budget and planning, said the company had exceeded its financial goals by close to $3 million, for the first quarter of the fiscal year, and that ridership and on-time percentages were still rising.

Amtrak Reform Council member John VanHous, a critic of Amtrak, called the pronouncements that the railroad was $3 million ahead of its own targets "meaningless," contending that Amtrak officials have previously been overly optimistic about the railroad's operations.

"Despite the new business partnerships and economic forecasts, Amtrak still faces significant obstacles as it seeks to compete in its current form. The revenue and earnings figures associated with the partnerships were not by figures that have been a large part of the railroad's operating losses,

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**Watch out Champaign, here come the Salukis**

**GAME TIME: Swim teams prepare for battle against other Illinois teams at Illini Classic.**

**Mike Rockland**

**DAILY EUPHRAUSIAN REPORTS**

If last year's results are any indication of what is in store for the Salukis this upcoming weekend in Champaign, SIUC might be sending out thank you cards to the schedule makers.

After a grueling training camp over the winter break in Orlando, Fla., and a close loss at the hands of University of Kansas last weekend, the Salukis enter the Illini Classic with a chance to concentrate on putting the final pieces of the puzzle together before the Missouri Valley Conference Championships in Carbondale Feb. 11-13.

Last season, the men (2-7) claimed victories over Western Illinois University and Northeastern Illinois University, capturing first place in the field of three. The same type of results will be expected of them this time around.

"I think everyone is right where they should be," men's coach Rick Walker said. "Men's training has been rebounding, but I was hoping they would have rebounded by this last Saturday. So I think they are doing pretty well during Christmas." Walker is starting to see the team placed second at the classic strong, but a lot of them don't have the pressure to see their Salukis look to the conference, "the conference," Walker said. "We need to get in focus with the conference, Walker said. "It's a critical meet for them." Almost all of them swam faster in that set than they did in the meet on Saturday. So I think they are rebounding, but I was hoping they would have rebounded by this last Saturday."

But while the transfers become more accustomed to their Salukis teammates, Walker is starting to see that the team is doing. "We need to get in focus with the conference," Walker said. "I trained a lot while I was away during Christmas break to get back in shape with Technically, the Salukis look to the conference, "the conference," Walker said. "We need to get in focus with the conference," Walker said. "I trained a lot while I was away during Christmas break to get back in shape with..."
GOING DEEP?
NCAA's decision to decrease bat size not to hurt Salukis' ballpark

ROB ALLEN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC baseball coach Dan Callahan sees recent rule changes for baseball bats necessary, but does not expect them to change the way his Salukis approach the game.

In December, the NCAA approved a resolution to decrease bat width and weight-length differences for the 1999 national playoffs. Although not NCAA-required, all but two conferences will begin playing by the new rules this February when the season begins.

SIUC is one of the many squads affected by the changes. The rules were made with the intent of decreasing scoring in college baseball. But the same game was in need of some tinkering.

"Last year, the score of the NCAA Final Four was 21-14," Callahan said. "I think, after that game, a lot of people started to ask questions about what's happened to college baseball.

"Surely, (the new rules) will bring a little bit more balance into the game."

The rules were designed in an effort to make commercial aluminum bats more like the traditional wooden bats used by professionals. All wooden bats have been allowed under scrutiny as college scoring tallies have skyrocketed in recent years.

"At one point there was a question of whether the Salukis would get their bats in time for the first day of practice last Monday," Callahan said. "SIUC's supplier, was able to get the bats to Carbondale on schedule, and the players are ready to train for the 1999 season."

"The changes are not too dramatic, but the rule devised to make the most difference is the 'minus 3' rule which states the difference between the length of the bat and its weight cannot exceed three inches. For example, a 34-inch bat cannot weigh more than 31 ounces. Also, the diameter of the bat cannot exceed 2-5/8 inches — down 1/8 from the previous rule."

Callahan said the changes will not affect his team's strategy right away, as his situation is hardly a "bunting" one.

"Everybody's really the same (the speed of the ball as it leaves the bat)."

He did say, however, that pitchers will not be as quick about using the inside part of the plate because hitters will have a tougher time getting the bat around.

"A lot of programs have always treated pitchouts from the middle-in as if it were, 'Like magic,'" he said. "A lot of pitchers have taken a few years to learn how to use the inside half of the plate."

"Pitchers might have a little bit more fear of pitching middle-in and less fear of what a hitter can do when he gets the barrel of the bat on an inside pitch."

SIUC outfielder Dave Pohlmeyer played by a similar set of bat-lining rules in high school and said he did not notice much of a difference when he came to college.

He does not expect the new rule to change the game too much.

"I really don't think it's that big of a change," he said. "A lot of college hitters are big and strong. They're not expecting them to change the way to get the bats to Carbondale on time for the new rules, as well as make recommendations on bat exit speed and weight."

On January 15, the NCAA Executive Committee created a panel of independent experts who will look at "risk and anxiety issues" in college baseball. The committee will report on the new rules, as well as make recommendations on bat exit speed and bat weight.

The NCAA would like to see bats tested for exit speeds, no greater than 94 miles per hour. The committee will submit its report no later than July 1, 1999.

Don't expect Gretzky to follow Jordan

LARRY WIGG
SPORTING NEWS

New Jersey Devils defenseman Scott Stevens used to say trying to hit Wayne Gretzky on the ice was like watching magician David Copperfield appear one place on stage ... and a moment later somewhere else, it was scary to try to hit him.

"He used to sort of pop up out of nowhere like a monster in a haunted house at an amusement park," Stevens says. "When you saw he was going to drive through the sunlight out of you, especially when the other players like Mark M-cons, Jari Kuri, Glenn Anderson and Pavel Bure were around him."

"I said, 'How the hell are we going to get around him?'"

"He was skating 200 points four times in five seasons in the early 1980s with the Edmonton Oilers. He will be 38 later this month. His magic may have changed, but he can still dangle a couple o' tricks to his right, then whiz it to his left while curling the puck as if it were on a string — waiting and looking to make the perfect pass to an open New York Rangers teammate.

The Great One still gets a little wrinkle in his baby blue eyes when he completes a perfect pass and a teammate scores. It's sort of like the twinkle we used to see in Michael Jordan's eyes or the joyous glint we've seen on the face of Vikings' quarterback Randall Cunningham when he connects with rookie sensation Randy Moss for a scoring pass."

"Gretzky played in his first All-Star Game at 17; he'll play in his 17th in Tampa," Richter says. "I'm an old man now.""

Rangers goaltender Mike Richter, standing nearby when Gretzky talks about being old, laughs. "Maturating throughout your career is interesting," Richter says.

"Michael Jordan was always a good example of a casual place to meet God!"
Dawgs escape Terre Haute with ‘W’

SHAUNEL RICHARDSON
SPORTS EDITOR

The only change was the venue.

Instead of a 13-down lead to start the second half, SIUC had a 17-point lead on the Roadrunners.

Sophomore guard Alex Schrader sank one of two free throws with 6.6 seconds remaining to give the Salukis a two-positional lead. The Sycamores hit a three-pointer their next time down the court before time expired.

SHANE WINSTON

SIUC wins second straight, defeats Indiana State 64-63.

Derick Timlin led the way with a career-high 17 points on 8-for-8 shooting.

And what did the visitors earn for winning this mirror of a game? Their first road win of the season.

"When you win on the road, it’s usually a gut check," SIUC coach Bruce Weber said in his postgame radio show. "You’ve got to just play through it and make plays at the end. The players make the plays, and you’ve just got to kind of put it in position.

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ROAD WARRIORS:
Underdog Salukis prepare for game at Drake University.

PAUL WILKINSON
DAILY EAGLE REPORTER

Just stepping onto the bus Wednesday morning proved the Salukis believe they can unseat the Missouri Valley Conference scoring juggernaut of Drake University.

Five-year SIUC women’s basketball coach Julie Beck, whose team has a record of 4-10, 3-3, told her players during Tuesday’s practice that if they had any doubts about squeaking past the Bulldogs (9-3, 3-2), they need not bother getting on the bus — it was a good thing that they did.

"We’re an underdog in every sense of the word," Beck said about matching up with the Bulldogs. "We’ve got the complete package. When you get three-pointers and you have an inside game, that’s tough enough."

The Salukis will dress only nine players for tonight’s 9:05 tip-off. The team has been strengthened by sophomores guard Tiffany Taylor and forward Demetra Clancy.

"We’ve got to get to the free-throw line," Beck said. "We’ve got to make them."

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