**Noodles, cheeseburgers could cost more in the end**

*As students cut corners, experts warn of health problems*

**TRAVIS BEAN**  
*Daily Egyptian*

By noon Monday, the Student Center was flooded with students waiting in line to order food from McDonald’s, Chick-fil-A and El Pollo Loco.

After finishing a meal from McDonald’s, Brittanie Gysham, a senior from Mount Vernon studying music, said she eats there because it is fast and cheap:

“It’s not healthy at all,” Graham said. “I want stuff to eat, but I don’t want to be sitting down thousands of calories every day from McDonald’s.”

Gysham shares the opinion of many college students across the country — she said eating healthier costs more.

With March being National Nutrition Month, now might be the time to reflect, said Pam Unland-Brown, an outreach nutritionist at the Student Health Assessment Center.

In Carbondale, a single cup of Ramen noodles, which could serve as one meal, can be purchased for $28 cents at Wal-Mart. At Little Caesars, a pizza and a 32-ounce drink cost $5. Many fast food restaurants, including McDonald’s, feature value menus that provide quick meals for a few dollars.

That cup of Ramen noodles serves as 33 percent of one’s daily sodium intake.

Two slices of cheese pizza from Little Caesars and a 32-ounce Pepsi soft drink pack in 889 calories.

And one double cheeseburger from McDonald’s accounts for 54 percent of the recommended daily value of saturated fat.

Gysham said she believes many college students resort to buying unhealthy food because they are busy and have little time to prepare meals on their own.

Over a four-year college career, Jeannine Hutchcraft said these eating habits could have detrimental effects on one’s health. Hutchcraft, a clinical nutrition coordinator at Herrin Hospital, said one could experience excessive weight gain, become diabetic and face high blood pressure from eating so poorly.

“These in general, especially students, need to be not thinking about what they’re in the mood to eat,” Hutchcraft said. “They need to think about what they need to eat to stay healthy.”

One student is attempting to help students eat just that. Arthur King, a sophomore attending Galesville State College in Georgia, has started his own show on YouTube called “Cookin’ For College.” On the show, King said he tries to show college students that cooking can be easy, inexpensive and healthy.

“My chicken wings. I bake them,” King said. “When you bake stuff, it’s better than frying it. It’s little things like that students can do.”

But for one busy college student, a bag of noodles is all it takes.

Heather Mormino, a senior from Benton studying English, said she puts Ramen noodles on her shopping list for every grocery trip.

“Every time I go to Wal-Mart, I get a couple of packages,” Mormino said. “I have a lot of space in the refrigerator.”

How much I have at the apartment,” Mormino said. “Busy schedules are the common culprit for bad eating habits, Hutchcraft said.

“To cope with busy schedules, Hutchcraft suggests students pack their own lunches. She also said using slow cookers saves time, as students can start cooking food in the morning and it is ready when they get home.”

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Cook County plans to hire 600 new jail guards

CHICAGO — The Cook County Board has approved a plan to hire more than 600 new guards for the Cook County Jail.

Under the plan approved Tuesday, the new guards would be hired by early next year.

The hiring push comes about 18 months after the U.S. Justice Department released a scathing report on conditions at the Cook County Jail. County Board Chair Toni Preckwinkle says it is part of an overall plan to fix federal court supervision of the jail in two to four years.

Daniel Gallagher, an attorney for Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart says the 600-jail plan is being submitted to the Justice Department in hopes that it will be filed as an agreement in federal court.

Two women sharing reward in 1993 restaurant massacre

PALATINE, Ill. — A member of the Palatine City Council says a crucial witness of the two convicted Brown’s Chicken and Pasta killers has received half a million dollars in a reward program since the 1993 massacre.

Palatine Councilman Jack Wagner said Tuesday that Alto English, who finally stepped forward with the tip last week, received his share of the money last year.

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- Photography exhibit by Crystal Lea.
- Admission is free

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship
- 7 p.m. Thursday at Life Science III Auditorium
- "Yeah, I'm Good" speaker Lucas Pfeffer
- "Come join us for worship and a discussion about conquering self-righteousness. Everyone welcome!"

ShelterBox fund raiser for Haiti
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— Michael Ellis
MidAmerican spokesman

The City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to begin power supply talks with MidAmerican Energy Company and to adjust to the fiscal year 2010 budget to include storm repair costs.

The city plans to use MidAmerican Energy as a "broker" to get the best possible rate on generated power. City Manager Allen Gill said at the meeting.

MidAmerican can access several sources of power, Gill said. AmerenCIPS, the city's current power supplier, will still be responsible for distribution of the power, he said.

If it were to enter into an agreement with MidAmerican now, the city could save up to 18 percent on its energy supply bill, Gill said. But distribution and metering costs will still be with Ameren and likely to go up, he said.

MidAmerican supplies power to 40 percent of Iowa and a portion of northern Illinois, as well as to closer municipalities such as Mt. Vernon, MidAmerican spokesman Michael Ellis said at the meeting.

"The power is all getting dumped into a giant bucket," Ellis said to the council. "I'm just taking a different bucket and pouring it into that bucket that has your name on it... Ameren will still be responsible to get it to you."

The Illinois Commerce Commission will decide in May whether to grant Ameren a rate increase of $216 million statewide. The company will also be adjusting power costs by the hour on major facilities such as Carbondale's southeast water treatment plant, the biggest power consumer in the city, Gill said Monday.

Ellis said MidAmerican would help the city offset some of the costs of the Ameren rate increase, should the ICC approve it.

While individual consumers are still stuck with AmerenCIPS as its power supply company, deregulation of the state's power industry has given the city authority as a large consumer to shop around for power, Gill said.

The city approved a contract with MidAmerican Energy about three years ago, but market and rate conditions weren't as favorable as they are now, Gill said.

Repairs for damage caused by the May 8 storm cost the city $3.2 million, according to the written reimbursement, through funds and money from federal agencies, should reimburse the city for all but $243,605 of the costs. Carbondale will pay the rest out of its "undesignated fund balances and unreserved retained earnings," the proposal stated.

The city is still hoping for reimbursement through funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Federal Highway Administration, Gill said.

In other business, former Carbondale Police Sgt. Gerald Edwards, who retired Feb. 12, was commended for his 25 years of service to the city at the meeting. Edwards joined the department in 1984 as a patrolman and was promoted to sergeant on Sept. 11, 1998.

NICK JOHNSON/DAILY EGYPTIAN

Derek Pfeaster, left, and Curt Guertersohn, a line crew foreman for AmerenCIPS, right, place animal guards on the power lines Monday on Monroe Street. The City Council voted Tuesday to begin power supply talks with MidAmerican Energy Company in order to save on generated power. AmerenCIPS, the city's current power provider, will still be responsible for distribution of power to the city.
The SIU lacrosse team huddles before it breaks out of its Saturday practice.

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eye to an e-mail how serious I take the club and I said, ‘If SIU lacrosse could bleed, it would bleed my blood.’

Damon Permut
Former acting SIU lacrosse coach

Matching uniforms. Regulation goals. Financial support from the university. These are just a few of the things that are lacking in the SIU lacrosse program.

Every player has his own look, and for the most part are still using their old high school equipment, said Brian McPhie, current SIU lacrosse coach.

“Our play looks good out there and you feel better when you’ve put in tons of hard work and you get to put on a nice jersey to wear and get to look good in,” he said.

The jerseys that are on order for the team are practice jerseys that will be reserved for game use; it was the cheapest route for the program to take.

Under the current lacrosse club, the SIU lacrosse team holds a mere $105 in its budget. When compared with the massive budget of a counterpart such as the University of Michigan — which is more than $500,000 — it pales in comparison.

Within the next two seasons the team would like to leave its current club division, the Great Lakes Lacrosse League, and join a more competitive league: the Men’s Collegiate Lacrosse Association.

The SIU lacrosse team had a mid-season fundraising event where it sold $500,000 of its own equipment, including practice jerseys that were just delivered. Permut said, “I just couldn’t go a year of school without lacrosse. It wouldn’t feel the same — it wasn’t home.”

The world of SIU Club Lacrosse is out of pocket expenses. The team practices with one goal because the second goal is covered in rust, falling into such disrepair that it is no longer usable.

The one goal that is used is non-regulated and has a tendency of falling down.

An immense love and passion for lacrosse is apparent in sophomore midfielder, team captain, club president and former acting SIU lacrosse coach Damron Permut.

“Using his leadership position with the club, Permut pushes for increased fundraising among the clubs members as well as nurtures the skills of a core group of about eight new recruits that just began playing lacrosse this season.

“When I got to Southern Illinois University (last year), the program wasn’t in the best condition, the leadership of the team wasn’t there,” Permut said. "I just couldn’t go a year of school without lacrosse. It wouldn’t feel the same — it wasn’t home."
A majority should govern

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to Greg Nulender's letter published Monday. I support majority rule for legislation and the end of the filibuster. I do not believe that majority rule in the Senate would constitute a "tyranny of the majority." The U.S. Constitution requires supermajorities in only four instances to overturn an impeachment trial, to ratify a treaty, to compel a member of Congress and to propose constitutional amendments.

The Senate itself only requires a simple majority to pass legislation. At issue is the filibuster; a procedural rule that requires a 60-vote supermajority to bring bills to a vote. The filibuster is not enshrined in the Constitution—it is only a procedural rule. The House of Representatives allows the majority to bring legislation to a vote and, like the Senate, a majority is enough to pass a bill. In most states, Senators and Representatives aren't even required to achieve a majority to be elected.

The interesting follow-up to the Senate's decision is how it will affect the House's ability to pass legislation. The House has a simple majority vote. It is also worth remembering that health reform has passed both houses of Congress—without a three-fifths supermajority in the Senate. A package of fixes to reconcile the two bills is the only portion of health reform that might be passed with a simple majority vote.

In a democracy, it is important that elections be meaningful. In 2008, Americans elected Barack Obama to the presidency and delivered Democrats large majorities in both houses of Congress. Now the Democratic agenda should become law under rules that allow a majority to govern. If the public sees an Democratic policies, it can elect Republican majorities to Congress and they can repeal health reform—also with a majority vote.

I do support the filibuster for judicial nominees, however, because they receive lifetime appointments to very powerful positions. This may seem hypocritical, but it isn't. Legislation passed by majority rule can also be repealed by majority rule. Aside from impeachment, which usually requires criminal activity, there is no provision for recalling a judge. Since judicial confirmation is different than legislation, it should require a different—and higher—standard.

Aside from votes to confirm judicial nominees, the majority should rule.

Adam Loos
Junior studying political science

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Their Word

Autism fearsful, ignore Lancet: Get the vaccines

In Illinois, 98 percent of schoolchildren were immunized in 2008-09, according to the State Board of Education. But immunization rates were below 90 percent in three public school districts and 28 private schools.

"...any other candidate. The Senate then proceeds to actually vote on whether the president's nominee will be confirmed. If the Senate votes to confirm the president's nominee, he or she then takes the oath of office, and a majority vote. If the Senate votes to reject the president's nominee, the president has the option of naming another candidate..."
Meditation brings part of Indian culture

DEREK ROBBINS  
Daily Egyptian

The Bhakti Yoga Club wants to show students that yoga can be more than just exercise.

Bhakti Yoga is a Registered Student Organization formed in the fall of 2009 that aims to help students learn about yoga as well as discover truths. Club president Taranath Kamma said the club was started as a way to bring a part of India’s culture to the United States, he said.

"When we attach to that kind of physical identity, we suffer," Choudhary said. "So Bhakti Yoga brings you away from that consciousness. It brings you to that spiritual consciousness. It makes you aware of your other self."

Despite it being a spiritual experience, Choudhary said the club welcomes all religions.

"The goal of our club is about self discovery," Choudhary said. "You can be any religion to do that."

Muslim, Hindu, it doesn’t matter."

The club meets every Saturday at Choudhary’s apartment. Meetings start off with meditation and lead into spiritual chanting as well as readings from Vedic scripture — a collection of ancient Indian material and spiritual knowledge.

"We meditate for several hours. The chanting is a way of connecting to the 'super spirit,'" Choudhary said. "The super spirit is what one thinks of as the creator of the world, be said."

Kanthish Kamma, a graduate student in manufacturing systems, said yoga is more than stretching and exercises. It has 40 to do with discovering the self.

"When most Americans think of doing yoga, they think of doing only the stretching," Kamma said. "Bhakti Yoga is the exercise of not only the body, but also the mind. We want to help communicate that."

Post-doctoral student Dinosh Singh said he joined the club in search of relief.

"Most of the time there are several problems we face," Singh said. "I joined this club as a way to get away from that and relax."

The club will hold a seminar lead by Sampada Swami, a leader in Bhakti Yoga practices, at 11 a.m. Friday in the Missouri Room in the Student Center. Choudhary said he would encourage any interested students to attend this rare opportunity.

For more information about the Bhakti Yoga Club, e-mail Kannya at tkamma@sh1.edu.

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SIUC journalist to bring experience, Twitter to Africa

Yepsen selected to share election tips, new media practices

It's important that in doing this that we don't get preachy.

— David Yepsen
Director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute

The SIUC School of Journalism will send a professor halfway across the globe to help bridge the gap between African and American journalism.

Professor David Yepsen will go to the African cities of Kampala, Uganda, and Lusaka, Zambia, as a member of the U.S. State Department's Distinguished Speakers Program to help journalists develop their coverage of presidential news and emerging media technologies such as Facebook and Twitter.

Finding the balance between the limitations and dangers of covering politics in Africa and informing the public as much as possible will be crucial, Yepsen said.

The opportunity is a delicate situation because African journalists are not able to be as liberal with their coverage as American journalists, he said. "It is important that in doing this that we don't get preachy," Yepsen said.

Yepsen, also director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, gained national recognition for coverage of nine presidential campaigns in his career and said he would use that knowledge and experience to help inspire fresh political reporting in Uganda and Zambia.

With elections coming up, both countries will face challenges to the freedom of press, said Bill Recktenwald, senior lecturer in the School of Journalism and a participant in the program.

Recktenwald traveled to Sri Lanka and the Maldives Republic of Maldives as a distinguished speaker and has been to Kampala, Uganda, as a Fulbright Senior Specialist to the state department.

"It is a real honor that the U.S. State Department has asked David Yepsen to take part in this speaking program," Recktenwald said in an e-mail. "He is a terrific speaker and has covered many national elections."

Yepsen said it is important to keep the journalism ties between the two countries friendly.

"Everyday is about relationships," Yepsen said. "I hope to open both our worlds to one another."

The trip will be more than just a teaching opportunity, Yepsen said. He said he would learn from his students there and bring it back to America to teach his classes.

Director of the SIUC School of Journalism, William Freivogel said SIUC has had teachers participating in this program for the past five or six years. He also has made trips to the country.

"African journalists want to speak freely in their news just as Americans do," Freivogel said.

He said at least five SIUC professors have stayed in touch with some of their African students and contacts.

Yepsen will leave May 7 and return sometime near the end of the month.

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Beds in Business for Break

Shalla Speckman, a senior from Champaign studying finance, wipes down a bed Tuesday at Solaran on Grand Avenue in Carbondale. With spring break less than a week away, Speckman said the tanning salon is one of its busiest times of the year. Michaela Mohr, a freshman from Nashville studying engineering and radiology and another employee of Solaran, said the weak prior to spring break bring almost as many men in for tanning as women. "Most people tan because they don't want to burn when they go places like Panama for break," Mohr said.

Obama cites GOP ideas as he preps health care plan

Charles Barrington
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Barack Obama embraced a handful of Republican health care ideas Tuesday to lure support from Democrats wary of a more partisan approach as he sought to spell out his final package for a sharply divided House and Senate, where its fate is uncertain.

In a bit of political sleight of hand, Obama said he might include four GOP-sponsored ideas in his plan, even though virtually no one in Congress or the White House thinks it will procure a single Republican vote.

The move is aimed instead at wavering Democrats, especially in the House. Some of them might find it easier to vote for the health care package if they can point to constituents it had bipartisan elements that Republicans should have supported. Yet there is no guarantee the Democratic leaders will incorporate Obama's suggestions in revised legislation.

Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell warned Tuesday that Democrats will use their health care plan as their own political peril, vowing to make it an issue in every congressional race this fall.

In remarks at the White House on Wednesday, the president will describe the final elements of his proposal and then ask Congress to enact it, aides said. Obama was expected to reiterate why changing the system is so important and again explain what his plan would mean to families and businesses.

The aide also expected Obama to talk about the Republican ideas he wants woven into the Democrats' plan.

He is expected to leave no doubt that, barring an unexpected change in Republican tactics, he wants Congress to pass the legislation using budget reconciliation rules, which prohibit Senate filibusters. Obama is unlikely to use those exact words, as Democratic leaders are emphasizing they want to pass a bill with simple majority votes in the House and Senate.

"He'll urge Congress to move swiftly toward votes on this legislation," said a White House official who described Obama's remarks on condition of anonymity to avoid upsetting the president.

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Final two state schools join SIU in borrowing bid

JEFF ENGMERD
Daily Egyptian.

The game of follow the leader continued at SIU's bid for borrowing authority from the state Tuesday. University of Illinois and Southeastern Illinois University have been added to Senate Bill 642, making every public university eligible for borrowing authority. SIU was the only beneficiary of the bill when it was drafted in December.

While the bill added two more universities, it also subtracted a Medicaid proposal. SIU President Glenn Poshard said that is much stronger with the addition of every public state university to the legislation.

"When we started this in early December we were the only one on it, but other states started to come around and were really glad they did," Poshard said. "Legislators have had about three months to look at this and I think they realize how it's a good bill and necessary."

Mark Wiklund, vice president for finance and administration at Southeastern Illinois University, said it sets a bad precedent for universities to borrow for operating expenses, but the safety net the bill provides is necessary. While Southeastern Illinois University is trying to avoid using the authority the pay in the summer months will provide a challenge for the university, Wiklund said.

"If we're going down this route, it makes sense for someone to be out there and show a sign of solvency," Wiklund said. "But we hope we never have to use this and that it never pops up again after 2010."

A Medicaid provision was coupled with the bill Feb. 17 that would allow Gov. Quinn to borrow $25 million from the federal government for state health care expenses.

SIU spokesman Dave Gross said he believed the bill was decentralized so the Medicaid bill could pass on a party line vote instead of a three-fifths majority. SIU spokesman Dave Gross said the bill would be presented on the Senate floor today. University administrators are hoping to have the bill fully passed by the end of March, Gross said.

Poshard said he does not expect to have to use the borrowing authority this fiscal year as long as expected state payments are received. The university could receive $15 million in federal stimulus money in the coming weeks, Poshard said.

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin indicated the money has reached the state level, Poshard said, making it likely the university will receive the money in time to cover the remaining $12 million for March payroll. With potential cuts of $100 million in higher education next fiscal year, Poshard said the borrowing authority is a necessary option to have.

"I said it was our goal to get through the fiscal year without making cuts or having furlough days, but we never said that's not a possibility for FY11," Poshard said. "This is a necessary option to make sure we can make it through the summer months if we need it."

The bill, if passed, would expire Aug. 31. The university would only be able to borrow 75 percent of anticipated state payments and must repay the loan in 12 months.

Gross said the initial draft for repaying the debt was 18 months, but the higher education committee changed it to 12 months and added the final two universities before passing it Tuesday.

Poshard said he reached at engelhardt@dailyegyptian.com or 530-3311 ext. 254.
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King said he presents a wide array of simple recipes, from chicken fingers and sweet potato fries to tater-tot shrimp and rice.

Between studying for tests and working, King said he understands that students are very busy and have little time for cooking meals. However, he said that if students give cooking a try, they would find it easier and more enjoyable than they thought.

“Don’t be afraid of the kitchen,” King said. “Cooking is fun, easy and cheap. It’s a lot cheaper than eating out all the time.”

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Phil Orman, right, a senior from Mattoon studying mechanical engineering, and Dustin Kustes, a senior from Panton studying mechanical engineering, leave Little Caesars with five $5.99 pizzas and an armful of two-liter sodas Tuesday. Little Caesars is one of many establishments that provide college students with fast, low-cost food.
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Horoscopes

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is 7 — Just about everyone tells you how much they appreciate you. These compliments spur your creative juices.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is 8 — Your friends need your support more today than any time you can remember. They need you to do just about anything.

Scorpion (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is 8 — Your imagination has worked overtime providing creative ideas you need to start a practical, logical scheme. Incorporate a healing element and add medicine.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is 7 — Don’t allow others to derange your creative efforts. Now’s the time to carry out everyone’s plan.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is 6 — Use your strengths today. Sociability has immediate ideas that take work in an independent direction. Your job is to bring everything down to earth.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is 5 — While spending time away from home with family, you纳入 the planning in a household project. Hopefully you can access some unique harmonic resources.

Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20) — Today is 7 — The fish take on a new flavor. You need to test the waters to see if the piecemeal solution is a great idea or a happy conclusion.

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Middle Tennessee State spoils Salukis’ home opener

RAY MCGILLIS
Daily Egyptian

Sophomore first baseman Chris Serritella hit it up with a solo home run in the first, but that would be the closest the Salukis' baseball team would get in its home-opening 17-4 loss to Middle Tennessee State Tuesday at Atchison Field.

Down by six and the game still within reach, Middle Tennessee State junior left fielder Will Skinner threw a wet owl on the Salukis’ aspirations for a comeback with a grand slam in the sixth inning.

The Blue Raiders (5-1) pushed runs across the plate in every inning but the third, and junior second baseman Justin Miller tied a school record with three of the team's four home runs on the day.

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- "(Adkins) had a good day. It was one of those days where our bats just weren’t there," Serritella said. "We just need to put this game behind us, come out with a new game face and come out swinging tomorrow."

The Blue Raiders’ output is the team’s comeback with a grand slam in the sixth inning.

Duos named to MVC All-Newcomer and All-Freshman teams

STILET SMITH
Daily Egyptian

Tony Freeman and Gene Teague took different routes to become members of the SIU men’s basketball team, but both received regular season accolades Tuesday.

Freeman was named a member of the Missouri Valley Conference All-Newcomer team, while Teague was recognized as a member of the MVC All-Freshman team.

Head coach Chris Lowery said both student-athletes deserve the accolades they received.

"(Freeman) came in here as a scorer and was able to defend the best guys," Lowery said. "(Teague) would be one of the better freshmen in the league, and he might even of been freshman of the Year if he had got go earlier."

Freeman, who transferred to Southern from the University of Iowa, was the second-leading scorer on the team this season, averaging 12.1 points per game to go along with a 42.2 3-point field goal percentage.

Teague, who originally committed to South Florida out of high school but was not academically eligible, went to prep school in New Jersey for a year before he came to SIU.

In the team’s final 15 games of the season, Teague averaged 9.7 points and 6.7 rebounds per contest.

"Freeman said he is not concerned with individual accolades, but is focused on playing Drake Thursday in the MVC Tournament.

"We’re obviously ninth in the league, so no accolades, especially individual, mean anything," Freeman said. "I just want to win a few games in the MVC Tournament."

Freeman said he wants to play with a sense of urgency as his college basketball career comes to a close.

Teague said he was happy with the season he had, and it was a big learning experience for him.

"It was definitely an experience, definitely," Teague said. "I think this has been a very interesting year for me."

Both Freeman and Teague will be playing in their first MVC Tournament at 6:05 p.m. Thursday against Drake.

The Salukis have had two close encounters with Drake already this season. They dropped a 70-65 decision to the Bulldogs Jan. 9 at the SIU Arena, then lost 79-72 Feb. 16 at Drake.

Lowery said the team would have to learn to win close games in order to be successful in the MVC Tournament.

"That’s the No. 1 thing," Lowery said. "In the past, we’ve found a way to win, and now we’re finding ways to lose."

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Saluki Insider

The Saluki's upset over the weekend against Arizona State kept all Salukis on high, but the team is going to have to face a lot more pressure leading up to the NCAA Tournament.

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Corner transfers meet in the middle

Gonzalez and Weissinger make marks on the diamond

Flip Smith | Daily Egyptian

Just one year ago, Cortina Gonzalez and Natalee Weissinger were playing college softball more than 1,500 miles away from each other. But this season, Gonzalez, a transfer junior first baseman from the University of Arizona, and Weissinger, a transfer junior second baseman from the University of Tennessee, find themselves playing together at SIU.

Head coach Kerri Blaylock said Weissinger should get the majority of the playing time at third base, while Gonzalez should split time with sophomore Alicia Junker at first base as the season progresses.

"(Playing time) will go as the season goes. That's to be determined. They're definitely receiving playing time right now," Blaylock said. "And then you evaluate practice, you evaluate games, you evaluate everything."

With Arizona last season, Gonzalez played nine games, started none and hit .250 with two hits and three runs.

Gonzalez has already outdone those numbers this season. In seven starts with the Salukis, she has hit .286 with a .474 on-base percentage and 14 runs.

Gonzalez, who Blaylock said is the first left-handed first baseman for the team since 1991, said she decided to transfer to SIU because she wanted to see the field more.

"The team has been really warm and accepting," Gonzalez said. "I'm a long ways away from home, but they always make sure I feel like I'm at home."

Weissinger, meanwhile, played in 31 games for Tennessee last season and started one game. She hit .095 and scored six runs on the season.

Weissinger, a transfer from the University of Tennessee, will see the majority of the playing time at their respective positions this season.

Auburn Saturday, her home run in the sixth inning turned out to be the difference in the game.

"It felt really good considering I struck out the two times I faced," Weissinger said. "So I guess I redeemed myself, but it felt really good."

Gonzalez said she had considered Colorado State, Texas A&M, UCLA and a few other schools before she decided to come to SIU.

"I like the program and where it's at," Gonzalez said. "I can contribute more to a program like SIU."

Men's Tennis

Senior triumphs in return from wrist injury

Ryan Simonin | Daily Egyptian

Leonenko: Still not at 100 percent

His pain was visible from the sidelines when he left after serving. It was evident he was not 100 percent.

SIU senior tennis player Anton Leonenko, who has been sidelined since September with wrist tendinitis, has slowly been adjusting to playing again.

"My pain is still there," Leonenko said. "It's been a lot of work. It was taken of his wrist and there was no structural damage found. He said he has not been 100 percent since his return to the court and parts of his game still need some work.

"Mostly it's my serve," Leonenko said. "My serve is only about 60 to 65 percent there. I've been working on it in other areas of my play."

Although the team was dealt a heartbreaking 4-3 loss Sunday against Northern Illinois University, Leonenko put together a strong performance and won his first singles match of the season against Greg Czyzowski 6-0, 6-2.

"It played really well and I was just trying not to think about the pain," Leonenko said. "It was a quick match and I wasn't out there very long. It was good because the longer the match, the tougher it is."

Men's tennis head coach Dann Nelson said that while the team had been making up for it in other areas of his game, Leonenko put together a strong performance and won his first singles match of the season.

Despite his injury, Leonenko said he doesn't want to miss out on his senior year and said he wanted to contribute to the team.

"It is my senior year and my team needs me," Leonenko said. "It has been frustrating sitting on the sidelines cheering on my teammates while not being able to help them."

Nelson said Leonenko is an inspiration to the rest of the team.

"It is a big mental boost to the team when he is playing and when the aches are high," Nelson said. "The freshmen players have a lot of confidence in his return and he responded well to Leonenko's return to the court."

"The younger players see how calm and relaxed he is when he plays and that is something that they can learn from him," Waked said.

Nelson said Leonenko adds more depth to the lineup but says his return to play has been a slow process.

"At least for now we are not trying to overdo it," Nelson said. "We are being pretty gentle with him in practice — trying to get him as ready as we can for his matches."

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