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## This might be a stretch



LEWIS MARIEN | DAILY EGYPTIAN

**Megan Morrison, a graduate student in psychology from Elberfeld, Ind., stretches Monday in a taekwondo class at Black's Martial Arts Academy in Carbondale. Morrison said she enjoys sparring the most out of all the techniques taught in the class. "It's a really good workout and it also helps you with practical skills in case if you get attacked," she said. Black's Martial Arts Academy has taekwondo classes every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and is taught by Michael Jessup, of Carterville.**

## Class lecture may experience downfall

**CHARINDER THOMPSON**  
Daily Egyptian

Tuning into lengthy lectures has become a norm that is a part of the average student's daily routine.

With the lack of interest from students and modern technology evolving, the lecturing method at traditional colleges and universities may be on its way out.

For centuries, lecturing has been a main foundation in the teaching process for educators at institutions of higher education.

Jillona Flowers, a senior from Chicago studying forensic science and psychology said, she still enjoys the learning experience and even thrives in the lecture setting.

In the new age of education, researchers have found that humans are not built to learn in a passive manner. Recently in the book *Brain Rules: 12 Principles for Surviving and Thriving at Work, Home, and School*, author John Medina concluded that human beings are wired to learn, but it is a process that can not occur without the learner being fully interactive.

Clare Lewandowski, an instructor for abnormal psychology, said her students learn actively and it helps when she presents the material with videos and walks around the room for the duration of class.

"My hope is that even if they are just sitting there and not paying attention maybe something I say will help them recall the information and actually

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— Jillona Flowers  
Senior from Chicago

apply it," she said. "I don't want them to regurgitate what they learn on a test."

According to an article from the Huffington Post, society and the economy have been ever changing, and educators should make it their duty to change their teaching styles.

"In the industrial age, the application of the knowledge to what you were doing day-to-day was much higher compared to what you're learning in the informational age," Lewandowski said.

The Huffington Post article specified that the advancements of the Internet and other modern technology resulted in the Informational age in which academic qualification has a lesser value compared to having the skills and ability to properly execute tasks. In this modern age of learning, skills have overshadowed knowledge.

Jason Faught, a senior from Midlothian studying management, said hands-on learning and interactive assignments like group projects are an important part of his learning process.

"I don't think that lecture setting

will ever be obsolete but it's also the lecturers' duty to become interactive with students and not rely too much on PowerPoints," he said.

There are some lecturers who are open to the evolution of teaching. Lewandowski said she is always trying to think about what she would like to change in herself as a lecturer.

The Learning Pyramid, based on the research done by the National Training Laboratories, suggests that students learn in a variety of different ways, but the average student retains more information by teaching others. It said lecturing is inferior to other teaching methods.

"I think that everyone is different and some methods of learning work better for others," Flowers said. "Personally, I am an active learner and I like to ask a lot of questions during class and just really engage myself during lectures," Flowers said.

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## Codes on trees tutor students

**ELIZABETH ZINCHUK**  
Daily Egyptian

Trees and technology do not usually mix, but one professor is changing that to redefine learning.

Jon Schoonover, associate professor of forestry, and a group of graduate students have placed Quick Response codes on trees on campus, specifically around Campus Lake and Thompson Woods, with help from the Center for Teaching Excellence.

The QR codes lead scanners to a website called "Tree Trainer" that will show a viewer a picture of the tree, fruit, buds, leaves, and bark as well as inform the viewer the common name, family name, genus, and species. On the website's homepage a complete, portable version of the program can then be downloaded on a PC or Mac operating system.

The QR code application, Schoonover said, is unique and is less limited than some apps that have similar functions.

"To my knowledge this is the first website that is linked to actual tree specimens in the field," Schoonover said.

Other apps, which can be purchased, Schoonover said, focus on identifying characteristics of the plants but do not lead the user to locations where they can see the plant in person.

The QR codes are a tool for students in Forestry 202, a tree identification lab. Schoonover said that over 135 trees, shrubs, and vines are introduced over the fall semester.

"Forestry 202 has the reputation of being a challenging course that is required in the department of forestry," Schoonover said. "It's basically a 24/7 tree ID tutor for the course."

Joshua Nickelson, a graduate student in forestry from Salisbury, is a teacher's assistant in Forestry 202 who has helped construct the QR tags, identify the trees to tag and gather photos for the website. Nickelson said he thinks the application is benefiting the students.

"To my knowledge, tree identification is the most commonly dropped course in the College of Agricultural Sciences," Nickelson said. "It is difficult and very time consuming."

Nickelson said the QR codes could draw attention to the Forestry Department and Center for Teaching Excellence's efforts to help student's learn in different but efficient ways.

"This application is designed to be a full-time tutor to students helping with both Latin spelling and identification tips," Nickelson said.

Although Schoonover said he came up with the program with Forestry 202 in mind, he said any student with an interest in learning trees can participate and access is free and available for anyone with a QR code scanner on their phone or tablet.

"Recently I had a plant biology student stop by to talk about the program and I have witnessed multiple individuals scanning the codes who were not in Forestry 202," Schoonover said.

At first, Schoonover said his idea was to develop a smartphone application that could be used a study tool in the class. Through working with the Center for Teaching Excellence staff, he said it was then decided to utilize the tablets freshmen were given as well as use something that didn't require WiFi or a data package, which is where the QR codes came in. This allows students to download the application prior to using it and can be used on tablets as well as smartphones.

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**California will miss 2050 emissions reductions goals**

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Barring a sweeping policy change or the introduction of new technology, California will fall short of its goals to drastically curtail greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, according to a new report from Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory.

The good news, the report said, is that California remains on pace to cut emissions to their 1990 level by 2020, a goal set out in a 2005 executive order issued by then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and in Assembly Bill 32, the 2006 law setting up a cap-and-trade program selling emissions permits. But the executive order's goal of subsequently thinning greenhouse-gas trapping emissions to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050 currently appears to be out of reach.

Making that goal more difficult is expected population growth and the accompanying increase in demand, with the Department of Finance anticipating

that the number of California residents will surpass 50 million around mid-century, and expanding economic output. The Berkeley models estimate that emissions will steadily decline over the next few decades before reversing and starting to rise.

Even in the lab's most optimistic scenario — one that incorporates the most aggressive policies and the most widespread use of alternative energy and low- or zero-emission vehicles — California would still be pumping more tons of gases into the atmosphere than the 2005 order envisions.

"Even if we aggressively expand our policies and implement fledgling technologies that are not even on the marketplace now, our analysis shows that California will still not be able to get emissions to 85 metric tons of CO2-equivalent per year by 2050," Jeff Greenblatt, a Berkeley Lab researcher who created the models, said in a press release.

The researchers developed three different models of how California's emissions creation might look over the

next few decades, drawing upon input from a range of California agencies, most prominently the Air Resources Board. They extrapolated emissions coming from several different sources, from housing to electricity generation to water use to vehicles.

Still, the predicted shortfall doesn't necessarily signal things are in a dire state.

"We actually think its encouraging," said Air Resources Board spokesman David Clegern, emphasizing that California remains on pace to hit the 2020 target and "make significant reductions" through 2030. "What it says to us is, we're on the right track."

Formulating policy for a decades-long timeline involves plenty of variability and requires periodically assessing where things stand and then adjusting, Clegern said.

"It's a process we have to take in stages, and we can't say today what will get us through 2050 because it's a long way off," Clegern said. "That's why these programs are under constant review."

# Encouraging first-generation college students

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As a senior at Taft High School in Lincoln City, Ore., last year, Skyler Lopez didn't spend much time thinking about his future.

Skyler's identical twin, Tyler, had been aiming for Western Oregon University since the eighth grade — a daunting goal, since nobody in the Lopez family had ever graduated from college. But Skyler struggled in high school and had to scramble to even graduate. For him, college seemed like a stretch.

"A lot of it was laziness, a lot of it was worrying about the financial issues," Skyler said.

When a campaign to encourage low-income and would-be first-generation college students to apply for college reached Lincoln City, a small tourist town on the coast of Oregon, Skyler's school counselors urged him to apply.

He first applied to the local community college. But over the summer, he decided on a whim — again, with the encouragement of his counselors — to apply to Western Oregon University, the four-year college where Tyler would be starting school in the fall.

Today, Skyler, 18, has joined his brother as a freshman at Western Oregon, and hopes to become a high school counselor so that one day he can inspire students the way he was inspired.

**"Unless we increase the number of students coming through the pipeline, we're going to come up short"**

— Bobby Kanoy

Directs the expansion of the campaign to new states

Without the school counselor, "I wouldn't be where I am now," Skyler said. "That's why I want to do that."

Last year, close to 130,000 students in 24 states and the District of Columbia submitted more than 195,000 college applications as part of the American College Application Campaign, the effort that reached Skyler.

The initiative encourages students whose parents are low-income or who didn't go to college to apply to at least one college or university. Started in 2005, it is funded by philanthropic foundations and coordinated by the American Council on Education, which represents the presidents of U.S. colleges and universities.

High schools can customize their college application weeks to meet students' needs, but all of them schedule time during school hours for seniors to submit applications, often aided by volunteers trained to answer questions.

Schools try to drum up publicity and enthusiasm by holding raffles for students who submit applications, handing out "I applied" stickers and urging teachers to decorate their doors with photos and pennants showing their own alma maters. The Oregon University System created a YouTube video featuring people's responses when they asked them to explain — in five words or less — why students should apply to college.

# Voters in Virginia, New Jersey leave tea party reeling

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Voters sent the tea party reeling Tuesday as its star candidate lost a winnable Virginia governor's race Tuesday while Gov. Chris Christie won big in New Jersey.

Republican Ken Cuccinelli ran a closer-than-expected race against Democrat Terry McAuliffe in Virginia, an important swing state test for the grassroots conservatives, but still fell short. The result was a vivid reminder that the tea party has become a movement with largely regional, and limited national appeal.

Cuccinelli was a model of what the tea party had eagerly sought, a feisty, unapologetic believer with a sterling resume. Name the issue, and he was leading their crusade: limits on abortion clinics, the first state attorney general to file suit against the hated Affordable Care Act, challenging a researcher over climate change work.

And yet Cuccinelli struggled from start to finish in a race Republicans should have won easily, up against a flawed Democratic candidate in a state with a steady history of voting against the party in the White House, in this case Democratic President Barack Obama.

Christie, on the other hand, cruised to a big victory in New Jersey, a state that gave Obama 58 percent of its votes last year and last month elected Democratic Sen. Cory Booker in a special election race that was never close. Christie demonstrated broad appeal, as polls found him doing well Tuesday among independents, women, racial minorities and others who Republicans have had trouble attracting.

Tea party loyalists tend to loathe Christie. He embraced Obama last year after Superstorm Sandy ravaged New Jersey, and he has downplayed his conservative stands

on social issues.

Facing a loss in one swing state and never a factor in another, tea party loyalists looked to the Deep South for victory Tuesday, as one of their own — real estate developer Dean Young —battled former state Sen. Bradley Byrne for an Alabama Republican congressional nomination.

In Virginia, the tea party looked to reclaim the state that had been reliably Republican for decades, but which started to embrace Democrats in recent elections.

Virginia has long had a strong social conservative wing, and the tea party appeared to thrive in certain

pockets of the state. Virginia's gubernatorial campaigns often preview what's to come around the country. And its voters often send messages: Until this year, the party in the White House had lost the race nine straight times.

This year's race unfolded as Obama became vulnerable. First came reports the Internal Revenue Service was targeting conservative groups and news about National Security Agency eavesdropping. The summer brought Obama's decision, and then indecision, on military action against Syria. The fall featured the botched launch of the Obamacare website.

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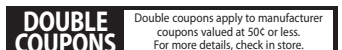
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# Nutritional values in college living

**CHARINDER THOMPSON**  
Daily Egyptian

Leading a healthy life is a goal that is commonly aimed for, but in some cases, not achieved.

Attempting to maintain a healthy lifestyle in college can be difficult. Exams, homework and keeping a social life may be some things attributed to students' poor management of their mental and physical health.

What most students do not take into consideration is how their nutrition and weight is being managed.

"I eat unhealthy simply because of the convenience, anything from junk food, snacks, fast food and even fried foods," Natasha Lambert, a junior from Chicago studying psychology said. "I would like to be able to properly care for the body that I am in, but as a student it is hard when you do not have much time to even think twice about things that seem so

**"If you do indeed find yourself having to eat fast foods, there are healthier options that can be selected on the menu."**

— Lynn Gill  
Registered dietitian

minor like health," she said.

When attending college, students are faced with a variety of decisions that could potentially affect their futures. The unhealthy lifestyles some students develop over the course of their college career tend to follow individuals into their post-graduate lives and result in some horrifying consequences.

Lynn Gill, a registered dietitian at the Wellness Center said many students do not necessarily look towards their futures because they are in the moment. Gill said how you eat now has a direct impact on your future health.

"It's a cumulative affect of how

students are eating now," Gill said. "How you eat now could possibly determine if you have high cholesterol, diabetes and even cancer."

According to a study by the US Department of Health and Human Services, a lack of physical activity and a poor diet contribute to approximately 580,000 premature deaths in the United States every year.

"I am afraid of the impact that unhealthy eating could have on my future like developing high-blood pressure or heart disease in the future, but the convenience of fast foods makes things so much easier," Lambert said.

SIU has several fast food restaurants

located in the Student Center that are known for their unhealthy food options, such as McDonalds. Hundreds of research studies have shown that most fast-food products are high in saturated fats and sodium.

Cancer Nutrition Centers of American Health said that one quarter-pounder from McDonalds has 1,190 milligrams of sodium, which is the amount of sodium the average person consumes in a day. CNCA Health cites a study conducted by the Center for Science in the Public Interest, which states the average amount of sodium restaurants are putting in their foods is increasing.

Gill said it is unrealistic to tell students not eat out, but students need to learn how to incorporate fast foods into a balanced diet.

"If you do indeed find yourself having to eat fast foods, there are healthier options that can be selected on the menu," she said. "The Wendy's chili is actually a really healthy choice,

or the McDonalds southwest chicken salad with a low-fat dressing is a great healthy option."

Kyle Harris, an undeclared graduate student from Chicago, said health is extremely important in college because students are constantly training their minds, and training your body is just as important.

"We tend to neglect our bodies and if you aren't happy with your body it can affect your school work, due to stress and unhappiness," he said.

Harris said coming to Carbondale was a tough transition and working out was the only source of release he could find. After a while it became a routine and maybe even an addiction in a sense.

"The easiest way to control weight is through prevention," Gill said. "We are not defined by our weight."

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Schoonover said so far, user statistics have shown that the website application is constantly in use by students with peak times occurring on nights before quizzes and that multiple students have told him it has been very helpful.

"Each specimen is introduced during a given week in class and the QR code gives the students an opportunity to view multiple examples of the trees on campus," Schoonover said. "It gives students the opportunity to touch, smell and see the tree in person as many times as they need so they can learn how do identify it."

The Tree Trainer website is being improved through an interactive map that is continually being updated with all the locations of the tagged trees with QR codes, Schoonover said. Nickelson said the website, map and codes have been a great help to students.

"While the QR codes and interactive map that will soon be associated with them are not quite running at full speed, the associated website has proven to be a key study tool for students in this course," Nickelson said. "Upon completion this application will be an amazing resource not only for forestry students but for anyone interested in dendrology on campus."

In addition to the map, the Tree Trainer website offers a quiz option for students to test their knowledge on the correct spelling of the common name and Latin nomenclature, Schoonover said. He said the use of

this technology has resulted in the dying down of traditional ways of studying for the Forestry 202 course, such as using flashcards.

"Historically, students created flash cards to study the common and Latin names. Since the launch of the website I have seen the number of flash card users diminish," Schoonover said.

Jeff Garner, a photographer for the Center of Teaching Excellence that aided in the Tree Trainer website and application, said the Center of Teaching Excellence set up a grant for instructors who had difficulties with communicating certain course information to their students or classes with a slightly higher rate of failure.

Garner said the instructors would come and communicate the issues they were having, and they would pair up with instructional designers who would go over the course and highlight certain areas they could help out with.

Karla Berry, the director of the Center for Teaching Excellence, said requests for proposals were sent to the entire faculty about redesigning a course. Forestry 202 was one of the two courses selected.

"It was about using technology to enhance learning in a class that had a high failure rate," Berry said.

Garner said Schoonover had an idea right at the start, which was a great help, and that he and the Center for Teaching Excellence brainstormed ways to improve on the idea.

"We took the idea and went further and evolved it," Garner said.

The technology involved in the application, Garner said, is helping the learning process for students, especially



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**A QR scanner code hangs on a tree along the path through Thompson Woods. The codes are being put up by a group of graduate students in the forestry program so that other students can scan the code and find information about that specific tree. Associate professor of forestry Jon Schoonover hopes to have the QR codes on 135 different species of trees throughout Thompson Woods.**

when the material is more complicated.

"When you have complex information that you need to relay to the student, that information can get lost during that communication," Garner said. "So when you find something interactive like this it helps students get involved."

Garner said using technology helps instructors redefine concepts that, they know student struggle with.

"It's the same information, we are just approaching it in a different

manner," Garner said. "It's our job to help to instructors help their students."

The students aren't the only ones learning from the Tree Trainer application, Garner said.

"It was a learning experience for us because we never worked with QR codes," Garner said. "I hope to help more instructors and learn new things through that."

Garner said he thinks the website has been successful and is still going through some development.

Schoonover said that the QR code application is constantly improving based on suggestions from students. Plans to have audio podcasts linked to the QR codes giving an audio description of the plant specimen are in the works, he said.

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## THEIR WORD

# Teachers' question: where's the pension fix?

CHICAGO TRIBUNE

So first, the good news. The fund that pays for Illinois teacher retirements reported last week that it posted investment gains of 12.8 percent for the fiscal year that ended June 30. That's a pretty good performance.

Here's the bad news: The Teachers' Retirement System had a good year investing, but its unfunded liability still rose by \$3.6 billion. Yes, with a "b."

The unfunded liability is the gap between what TRS has in assets and what it is obligated to pay its retirees.

The gap rose to \$55.7 billion from \$52.1 billion. That's just the teachers' fund. Four other pension funds cover state employees, university workers, General Assembly

retirees and judges. Together those pension funds are short nearly \$100 billion.

Lawmakers meet Tuesday for the final week of their fall veto session. A pension reform committee has been convening off and on for months. The leaders of the House and Senate have gotten together in recent days to try to reach an agreement. They say they're oh-so-close.

But here we are closing in on the final week set for the legislature in 2013 and ... there is no deal.

It's looking like another year lost.

That pension liability has risen from \$35 billion in 2002 to nearly \$100 billion. The state's stack of unpaid bills is expected to reach \$9 billion by the end of the year.

There have been 13 dips in the state's credit rating, giving Illinois the distinction of being the least creditworthy state in the

nation. The average Illinois household is on the hook for \$42,000 in pension debt.

A reminder of how we got here: The legislature stiffed the pension systems for decades. Public employee unions generally did not object; their members were getting pay raises, and the state was increasing money for schools and building bricks-and-mortar projects that kept their workers employed.

At the same time, lawmakers added more than \$2 billion in costs to the system by increasing benefits for current or future members. They passed an early retirement incentive in 2002 that will add more than \$10.3 billion in liabilities to the system by 2045. They issued \$10 billion in pension obligation bonds in 2004 that added \$21.9 billion to long-term pension debt.

They shortchanged the pension systems

year after year and then skipped \$2.3 billion in pension payments in 2006 and 2007, a move that was sanctioned by several union leaders. Lawmakers borrowed \$3.4 billion in 2010 by selling pension obligation bonds, just to make the state's annual contribution to the system.

And so, here we are. Illinois has borrowed up to its eyeballs and is still trying to figure out how to repair the enormous damage.

Cities including Chicago are desperate for pension reform legislation from Springfield to ease their budgets, but the state cannot even fix its own system. There's no way to invest or tax or borrow our way out of what is now a \$100 billion unfunded liability. The Teachers' Retirement System — great return, growing liability — shows that.

Lawmakers, you keep telling us you're close to a fix. And yet, here we are.

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# Lance gets lanced a little late in 'The Armstrong Lie'

ROGER MOORE  
McClatchy Tribune

It would be too easy to dismiss Alex Gibney's "The Armstrong Lie" as a two-hour-and-three-minute exercise in moral relativism and rationalization, too late to the party about a cheating athlete we've already made up our minds about — again.

But the Oscar-winning Gibney ("Taxi to the Dark Side") had access to Lance Armstrong before he was caught cheating, and after. His cameras captured the seeds of Armstrong's undoing. And while he allows plenty of screen time to condemn the corrupt, arrogant, bullying Tour de France champ, he is just as interested in bringing back the context, the "everybody was doing it" argument that Armstrong has fallen back on himself. It may be the truest thing the compulsive liar Lance has ever said.

Built on the ruins of an abandoned 2009 documentary that was to celebrate Lance's comeback in that year's Tour de France, Gibney goes back to Armstrong just as he was forced to 'fess up to Oprah in 2012, figuring a guy "who lied to my face ... owed it to me."

And he did.

What Gibney brought to life is here a tale of "power," of a hyper-competitive control freak who, even now, is wrestling for control of his story, his myth.

The myth? An arrogant, underachieving young cyclist from Plano, Texas, gets testicular cancer in the

'90s, comes close to death, is cured and roars back to win seven Tour de France titles, beginning in 1999. His yellow leader's jersey for that event becomes an iconic color as legions of cancer patients and those who love them rally to his Livestrong Foundation.

Glory, endorsements, celebrity and a cause — Armstrong had it all. The constant whispers about cheating, blood doping, that his success was "too good to be true" — all dismissed as Armstrong passed drug tests and sued, threatened and bullied former teammates and journalists who dared accuse him.

Gibney admits he "got caught up" in Lance-mania, too, working on the film where he followed an older Lance "racing clean" on that "comeback" Tour de France. But Gibney had his suspicions, and as that tour ended and the accusations piled up, he gave up that film only to come back to the subject years later, to give Armstrong a chance to come clean and maybe own up to what a jerk he was.

"He just can't stand to lose," one former supporter says of him. And what do competitors like Armstrong crave above all else? An edge.

Gibney, with footage from 2009 and fresh interviews with Armstrong's victims, shows the intimidation Armstrong used to keep his myth intact and keep those rumors at bay. Most despicably, Armstrong was never shy about playing the cancer card, suggesting that there was an "ends

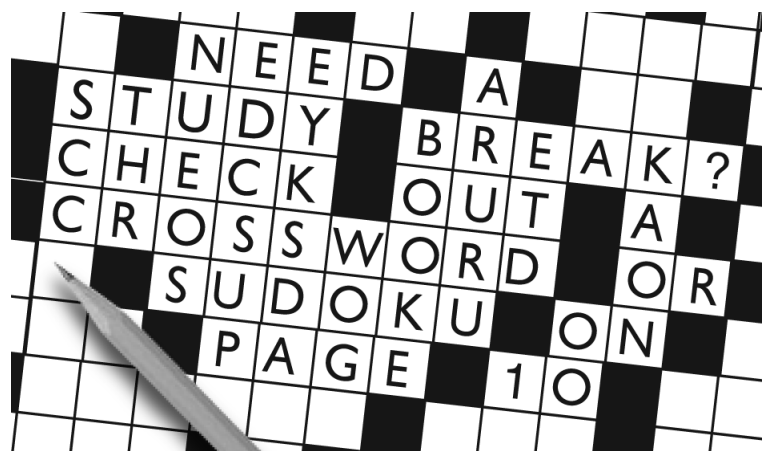
justify the means" logic to his chicanery and self-righteous pose.

Gibney, knowing what to look for in that old footage, plays a wonderful game of catch-up here. He is never less than blunt about the scope of the cover-up and the corruption of the sport and those who monitored it. This is a real inside-cycling "how they did it" expose, with teammates like George Hincapie laying out the MO for the program of injections, blood transfusions and private jet flights (to hide their activities from the world) that propped up Armstrong's U.S. Postal Service team.

Armstrong's candor, at long last, is refreshing, though grudgingly given. He doesn't come off as a good guy here, even if the data is there to show that yes, "everybody" pretty much WAS doing it. He was just better at it.

But the absence of fresh interviews with two of Armstrong's fiercest critics — teammate Floyd Landis is seen in archival interviews with other journalists, and the only legitimate American Tour de France winner, Greg LeMond, is nowhere to be found — makes you wonder if, even now, Armstrong is controlling his story.

And at this point, with lawsuits going after his ill-gotten millions, lost endorsements, stripped of his titles and with even his most die-hard fans disillusioned, the question that shouts from the cheap seats as "The Armstrong Lie" reaches its closing credits is: "Is there anything new here?"





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# More than black and white



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Marcus Sumrall, an SIU alumnus from Chicago, right center, leans on Brian Schuman, a senior studying radio and television and marketing, during rehearsal Sunday for the play *The Domino Effect* at Quigley Hall. *The Domino Effect*, which is sponsored by the Student Programming Council, Africana Theatre Lab and the RSO OOPS Entertainment, will take place Thursday at Shryock Auditorium. The doors open at 6:30 p.m. and admission is free to the public. "The Domino Effect is an inspiring play that will change the lives of many college students," Princess Rule, a sophomore from Chicago studying English and actress in the play, said. "Observe, listen, and learn something new and remember it is more than just black and white."

# Google unveils Helpouts, paid how-to video service

JESSICA GUYNN  
Los Angeles Times

SAN FRANCISCO — Google is launching a live video chat service that connects people with personal trainers, contractors, music teachers and other experts who can teach them how to do stuff.

Think Hangouts with an expert on the other end — say, a yoga teacher or a math tutor. The idea is to get a helping hand when you need one, say if you want to learn to speak conversational French, remove a computer virus from your laptop, repair a hole in your wall, or make Thanksgiving turkey stuffing.

The new Helpouts service, which has been rumored for months, will be staffed — at least initially — by experts vetted by Google. Health care professionals will have to be licensed.

"Google's mission is to organize

all the world's useful information," Udi Manber, a Google vice president of engineering, said during a news briefing in San Francisco on Monday. "I have been doing search for a long time, and most of the world's useful information still resides in people's heads. This opens the door to that information."

Google says it's starting small and in only a few categories. Helpouts joins a plethora of how-to services on the Web including message boards, YouTube videos and question-and-answer websites such as Quora as well as more personalized one-on-one sessions offered by services such as LiveNinja. Amazon debuted a one-on-one video help feature in September.

Consumers must have a Google Plus account to participate. They then can review the experts' qualifications, price, ratings and reviews and then

book appointments or get advice on the fly.

During a Helpout, you can share your computer screen or record the session.

The Helpouts experts decide how much they charge, either a flat rate or by the minute, and Google handles payment via Google Wallet and takes a 20 percent cut. If consumers are not happy with the service they receive, they get their money back, Google said.

Some of the services will be offered free of charge.

Google says the online marketplace that sells services via live video could also help boost offline commerce.

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# WORLD & NATION

## Illinois lawmakers vote to allow gay marriages

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Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Historic votes Tuesday in the Illinois Legislature positioned that state to become the largest in the heartland to legalize gay marriage, following months of arduous lobbying efforts by both sides in President Barack Obama's home state.

Under the measure, which the state House approved 61-54 before sending it on to the Senate for technical changes, gay weddings could be held in Illinois starting in June. The bill heads next to Gov. Pat Quinn, who has pledged to sign it but didn't immediately indicate when.

Fourteen states plus Washington D.C., allow same-sex marriage. Most recently, New Jersey, Minnesota and Rhode Island have legalized it.

The road to the Illinois vote was long with stalled attempts earlier this year, something that frustrated activists in the state where Democrats lead the House,

Senate and governor's office. Chicago Democratic Rep. Greg Harris, who is the sponsor of the bill, decided not to bring the bill for a vote in May because he said he simply didn't have the support.

Then the U.S. Supreme Court ruled to strike down a provision of the federal Defense of Marriage Act, something he said resonated with lawmakers. Backers also launched a furious campaign, hiring a lobbyist from the state's largest union, the former head of the Illinois Republican Party and field organizers spanning the state.

"To treat all our citizens equally in the eyes of the law we must change this," Harris said on the floor. "Families have been kept apart."

Debate lasted more than two hours, and the final roll call was met with hearty cheers and applause. Supporters' speeches echoed themes of equality and civil rights with mentions of Obama, Martin Luther King Jr. and Matthew Shepard, a gay college student whose 1998 death sparked numerous hate

crime bills. Polls show support for gay marriage has surged since 1996, when Gallup found that 27 percent of Americans backed it. Now Gallup finds the majority support giving gay and lesbian couples the right to marry.

"Today the Illinois House put our state on the right side of history," Quinn said in a statement. "Illinois is a place that embraces all people and today, we are an example for the nation."

However, opponents of the legislation — which included some of the most powerful religious leaders in the state — have said marriage should remain between a man and a woman. A group of Chicago areas pastors vowed to line up primary challengers against some Chicago area lawmakers who voted yes.

"This issue is not just about two adults and their emotional relational and financial commitment to another," said Rep. Tom Morrison, a Palatine Republican. "Redefining marriage has far reaching implications in our society."

## Militant's death brings little joy in Pakistan

REBECCA SANTANA  
Associated Press

ISLAMABAD — The Pakistani Taliban leader killed in a recent U.S. drone strike was behind hotel bombings, assaults on political rallies, beheadings of policemen and suicide attacks on soldiers. But his death elicited little joy in the country where he wreaked most of his havoc and instead stirred widespread anger and suspicion.

At the time of Friday's strike targeting Hakimullah Mehsud, the Pakistani government was engaged in efforts to negotiate a peace deal with militants. Frustrated at years of military campaigns that have failed to end the bloodshed, many Pakistanis had high hopes for this latest peace effort and blame the U.S. for fouling it up.

Mehsud "should have been given the chance to negotiate, and now the consequences have to be borne by Pakistan, not the U.S.," said Syed Ahmed, a small business owner in the southern port city of Karachi.

Also contributing to the anger are fears of a bloody backlash, plus a web of complex conspiracy theories, including the idea that militants such as Mehsud

are American or Indian pawns intent on weakening Pakistan.

For years, Pakistan has been fighting militants in the tribal areas that border neighboring Afghanistan, with thousands of civilians and security forces dying in bombings and shootings at the hands of militants.

Mehsud, who had a reputation as an especially ruthless warrior, was the leader of the Pakistani Taliban, or the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan, as it calls itself. The TTP is an umbrella group encompassing militant organizations across the tribal areas. It has called for the overthrow of the Pakistani government, the implementation of hard-line Islamic law and an end to cooperation with the Americans in Afghanistan.

In many ways, people across Pakistan are echoing what they are hearing from politicians and top government officials. During a news conference Saturday, Interior Minister Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan lashed out repeatedly at the U.S., which he said was trying to scuttle peace talks.

Imran Khan, the former cricket star who now leads a key opposition party, threatened to close NATO supply lines in retaliation for the drone attack.

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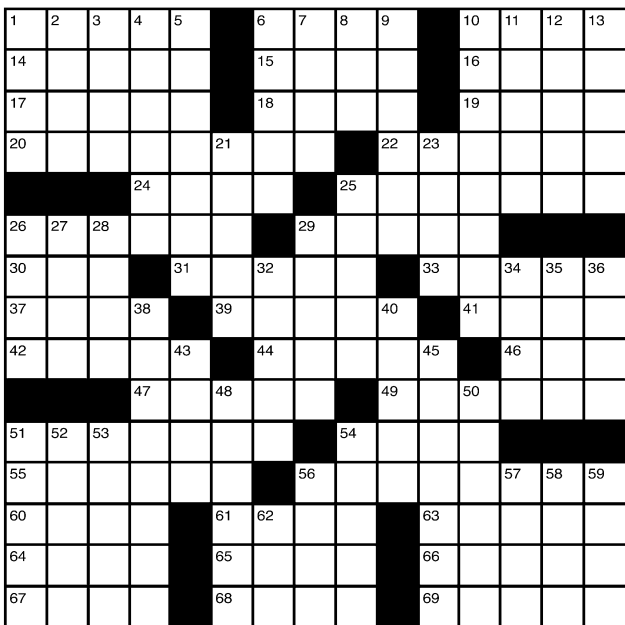
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Gives a hoot
  - 6 Make arrangements
  - 10 Actress Turner
  - 14 First Lady Michelle \_\_\_
  - 15 Overdue
  - 16 Fills with holy wonder
  - 17 Made silent, as the television
  - 18 Top cards
  - 19 Tree trunk covering
  - 20 Endless period
  - 22 Flourish
  - 24 Cowboy Autry
  - 25 Used a raft
  - 26 Nab a suspect
  - 29 Actress Sally
  - 30 Mr. Iacocca
  - 31 Closes tightly
  - 33 Wooden piers
  - 37 "Yes, \_\_\_"; polite response
  - 39 Public uprisings
  - 41 \_\_\_ and rave; carry on
  - 42 Knight's suit
  - 44 Ne'er-do-well
  - 46 Mediterranean or Caribbean
  - 47 More contemptible
  - 49 Housecoat
  - 51 So-called
  - 54 Float on the breeze
  - 55 Sailor
  - 56 Duel in a Western movie
  - 60 Despise
  - 61 Sightseeing trip
  - 63 House of snow
  - 64 \_\_\_ the score; get revenge
  - 65 Hotels
  - 66 Entertain
  - 67 Teller's call
  - 68 Final
  - 69 Johnny Cash's "A Boy \_\_\_ Sue"
- DOWN**
- 1 \_\_\_ across; find
  - 2 Border on
  - 3 Price per hour
  - 4 Come forth
  - 5 Melancholy
  - 6 Dish
  - 7 Frilly around the edges
  - 8 Feasted
  - 9 Get comfy
  - 10 \_\_\_ retriever; popular dog
  - 11 Watch for
  - 12 Boldness
  - 13 Inquired
  - 21 Bury
  - 23 \_\_\_ on to; clutch
  - 25 Clenched hands
  - 26 \_\_\_ mater; one's old school
  - 27 Tush
  - 28 500 sheets of paper
  - 29 Surface facing the ceiling
  - 32 Felt miserable
  - 34 Throw
  - 35 Patella's place
  - 36 "\_\_\_ Trek"
  - 38 Action
  - 40 Family car
  - 43 Latvia's capital
  - 45 Gangbanger
  - 48 Flat legume often used in soup
  - 50 Mark of shame or discredit
  - 51 Pale looking
  - 52 Depart
  - 53 Rubber glove material
  - 54 Sausage
  - 56 Pistols
  - 57 Long-faced
  - 58 Stockings
  - 59 \_\_\_ the line; followed orders
  - 62 Go out \_\_\_ limb



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#### Tuesday's Puzzle Solved



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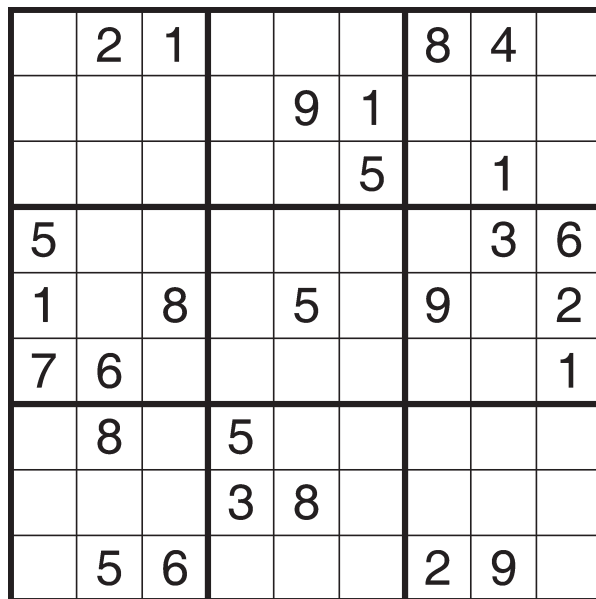
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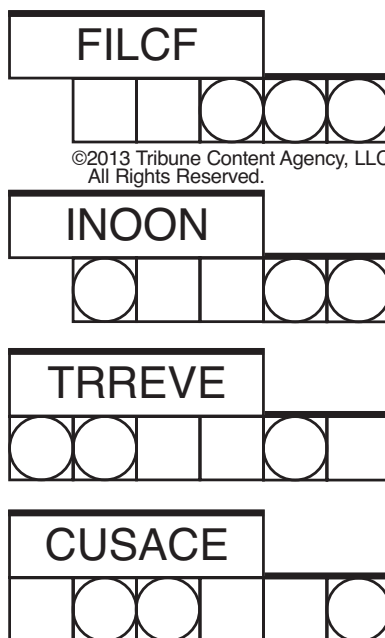
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7	4	8	2	1	5	3	9	6
9	3	2	4	7	6	5	8	1
4	9	6	8	5	2	1	3	7
3	2	7	9	6	1	4	5	8
1	8	5	7	4	3	9	6	2

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contain every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk).

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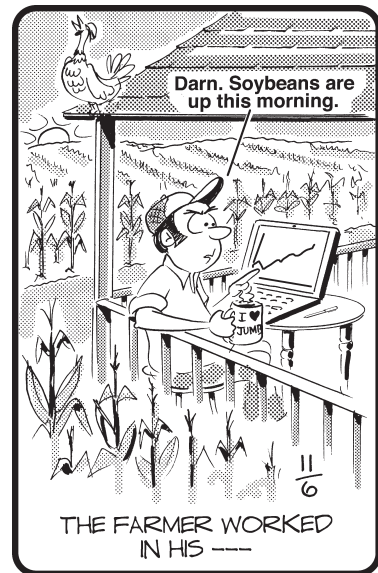
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**Taurus — Today is a 7** — Your research flourishes. Build a strong foundation for the future. The small steps you take now will benefit you tenfold later. Invest in energy efficiency. Find ways to conserve resources.

**Gemini — Today is a 9** — You're on fire when it comes to finances. Consider new elements, or ones you'd forgotten. With organization and discipline you can't be stopped now. Partners hold the key.

**Cancer — Today is an 8** — This phase is good for compromise. For example, stick to your budget. Really listen to your partner and to your own words, so you don't say something you don't mean.

**Leo — Today is a 9** — Creativity floods your zone. Dive into imagination and discover something you didn't know about yourself. Take care of your physical body. You're asked to assume authority.

**Virgo — Today is an 8** — Shift your approach from the analytical left brain to the creative right. Love continues to be part of the big picture. Friends help you keep priorities straight.

**Libra — Today is a 9** — Add enthusiasm and inspiration to your projects by looking for the heart connection. Use what you know and what you feel. Can you hear the sound of love?

**Scorpio — Today is an 8** — Confront what you think you know. Watch what you take for granted. The prize is not in the answer but in the questioning. Make an important long-distance contact. Take care of a friend.

**Sagittarius — Today is a 9** — New opportunities for making money keep showing up. Revise your budget, planning for the long term. Don't forget to consider expenses. Everything's easier when you love your work.

**Capricorn — Today is a 9** — You're surrounded by love these days. Add extra doses of self-confidence to the equation, and the result can be explosive. Take charge of your destiny without breaking the rules.

**Aquarius — Today is a 9** — Find the time and space for quiet contemplation. Disconnect from social media or other distractions for a while. Focusing on a personal passion project could yield surprising results.

**Pisces — Today is an 8** — You're inclined to play, and that's fine. But don't let it distract you from accomplishing your goals. In fact, use your playfulness to increase your productive output.

# Saturday equals matchup against playoff hopefuls



**TERRANCE PEACOCK**  
Daily Egyptian

Although the SIU football team is clicking at the right moment, winning three of its last four games; so is the Salukis' upcoming opponent, which has done just the same.

The Missouri State University Bears' overall record of 4-6 may jump out as inferior, but MSU holds a 4-2 Missouri Valley Football Conference record, which is tied for second.

This is not just a must-win game for the Salukis, but for the Bears as well, who also have playoff aspirations. Coach Dale Lennon said the game would be very emotional with so much on the line for both teams.

"If you are talking playoffs and the other team is talking about playoffs, then you are both playing pretty good football," Lennon said. "It's going to be very heated, emotional and everything-on-the-line type of game. I'm not sure if the fans understand the importance of this next game. This is a big, big game for us and there is a lot riding on it."

Many people may doubt that the Salukis will even remain in the playoff picture with the loss of their senior starting quarterback Kory Faulkner, but Lennon said freshman Ryan West might have hushed some critics with Saturday's performance.

"Ryan had a good start," Lennon said. "That's exactly what you want from an individual in that situation. He drove down the field, got some touchdowns, and took some hits. There were some growing pains that were there, but that's what you expect from a freshman quarterback starting. We're just looking at the improvement, which is what we're mainly focusing on as of now."

Last week against Western Illinois University, West became the first Saluki quarterback to lead SIU to a win in his first career start since former quarterback Chris Dieker did in 2008. West will look to continue his winning ways Saturday at Saluki Stadium, a place where SIU has won only once all season.

Although SIU holds a 1-3 record at home, considering the opponents the Salukis have



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**Freshman quarterback Ryan West searches for an open receiver Sept. 14 during the Salukis' 31-10 victory over University of Charleston at Saluki Stadium. West, who made his first career start on the road Saturday against Western Illinois University, threw 147 yards with two touchdown passes, which contributed to the Salukis' 34-28 win over the Leathernecks. The Salukis host Missouri State University at 2 p.m. Saturday at Saluki Stadium.**

faced at Saluki Stadium, that record could be a little deceiving.

"The three (Football Championship Series) teams we have lost to at home, their combined record is 25-2, so it's a little bit of whom you're playing," Lennon said. "So that road game, home game nonsense needs to stop."

With the Salukis facing back-to-back quality opponents the next two weeks, SIU will have

to handle its business, and do so at home. Lennon said the home crowd needs to come out in full force.

"Any time you are playing at home, the more people who are in the stands, the better our chances of success," Lennon said. "The players love it when the fans are there making noise. That's a key ingredient for home field success."

Saluki fans will need to show up and show out,

because Saturday's game will be no cakewalk.

"You look at (Missouri State's) schedule, and most of their losses were close games," Lennon said. "They have a lot of potential and skill. They're a good team."

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## FIELD

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Although lifting weights may seem like second nature as a thrower, some freshmen are in the weight room for the first time. Freshmen Reneese Batson never had to lift weights at her high school.

"I'm lifting in ways I never thought was possible," Batson said. "Coach has pushed me and seeing how stronger I have gotten so far is crazy, so if I just keep going I will be so much stronger."

Alexus Scott is also an underclassmen, but has college throwing experience. Scott is the only sophomore woman on the throwing team and said she is working on technique in getting stronger to make it to nationals. Scott has also been guiding the freshmen to help them get stronger as well.

"We push them like they did me my freshmen year. We're getting them prepared for what it's like in conference because it is not a game."

As the freshmen get closer to showing their talents in December, Coach Connie Price-Smith said she could not wait until the performance.

"I'm really excited to see how the hard work will pay off for everyone," Price-Smith said. "I know some throwers compete and train all year or until the middle of June, and then you'll have someone like Josh Freeman who made Pan-Am junior team who competed in August."

Freeman, a sophomore thrower who had a successful season last year, is working hard during his off-season to make it even further than last year. Last season, Freeman was outdoor MVC shot put champion, All-MVC indoor shot put, and finished second in the shot put at the USA Track and Field Junior Championships.

"I know there was one meet last year specifically in indoor conference where I came in as a heavy favorite and I blew the conference title," Freeman said. "So I just wish that in some of those bigger meets that I will be able to come through."

After Freeman's disappointment, his indoor performance became his motivation. Freeman stayed in Carbondale during the summer to train and also go to summer school. Freeman said he wants to be an indoor and outdoor All-American for shot put.

"I trained here all summer and have been training all fall, so I think all of my training will eventually pay off."

With nearly a month left until the first meet, the throwers as well as the rest of the track and field team will finally get to show off their strength and tough training.

"We're deeper this year, and we're probably going to get more people to nationals and have more All-Americans," Smith said. "If this group follows suit and keeps improving we will most likely be the one or two or three again this year."

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## SWIM

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Benitez was only a sophomore when she qualified for the 2012 Olympics for her home country of El Salvador. She said it was different being right next to the athletes, and even though she did not expect to have much of a chance, it was a dream come true.

"I was looking before 2008 to qualify for the Olympic games," Benitez said. "I didn't make it, but I still had four more years to try it. I worked again to get it, and it was like a mission accomplished."

Walker said the Olympics are the top honor for swimmers and her teammates look at her like a World Series Champion.

Benitez is a senior, but after graduation she does not know what she wants to do. Brumley said someone will have to step up, but overall anyone who has been a teammate with Benitez has benefited.

"She's left a lot with this team as far as attitude," Brumley said. "Just to have swam with her benefits in learning a lot from her."

Walker said SIU has had a lot of great swimmers during his tenure. He said Benitez sticks out now as a role model to the team, but there have been plenty of swimmers just like her.

"She is a great student, she is a great teammate, she is a great swimmer, but more importantly she is a great person," Walker said. "What's really neat about my job, I think that I've seen, throughout my whole time at SIU, is we have a ton of Pamela's walking all over our fields."

Walker said he is extremely proud of Benitez's accomplishments, and he is proud of the team she belongs to.

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Junior thrower Curtis Wideman lifts weights Tuesday in the Troutt-Wittmann Center. Wideman, who is training for the upcoming track and field season, has taken on a leadership role after last year's top throwers J.C. Lambert and Kim Fortney graduated. "I had J.C. Lambert to look up to and to be stepping up and trying to fill his shoes is a big opportunity for me so I am glad to be taking on the role," Wideman said. The Saluki track and field team kicks off its indoor season Dec. 7 at home in the Recreation Center.

## Saluki throwers lift heavy for high ranks

**SYMONE WOOLRIDGE**  
Daily Egyptian

In preparation for competition in December, the track and field throwers have been facing intense weight training during the off-season.

Coach John Smith has been pushing his throwers to become even stronger by having the team spend a few hours in the weight room at least twice a week.

Smith said athletically, he treats his men and women the same in the weight room.

"A lot of what people think is good

strength for guys, is what I think is good strength for girls," Smith said. "I'm from a different era and it seems like a lot of places around the country forgot what strength and hard work is."

The Saluki throwers welcome back eight men and six women, including their top woman thrower, DeAnna Price.

Price was the first SIU woman to win an All-American honor in her first two seasons as a Saluki. She was also the first woman in the National Collegiate Athletic Association to ever accomplish this feat. Price

holds the best hammer throw in SIU history and her hammer throw personal best ranks as 18th best in the nation as of 2013.

Price said she pushes herself to be the best that she can, hoping to make it to the top position in the NCAA.

"There are no days off and you just have to keep pushing through it," Price said. "I study while I'm out there because once you miss a day somewhere it takes two days just to make up just that one day."

Price has taken a leadership role to the new throwers. She said she is very hard on herself; one reason being the

newcomers look up to her.

"I have to push myself because the freshman are doing so great and I want them to keep it up," Price said. "Once they see me pushing myself they will want to push themselves as well, and it's the same with Big Red and the guys."

Junior Bradley Sauer, also known as "Big Red," was a second-team All-American, All-Missouri Valley Conference in weight throw indoors, and hammer throw outdoors, and an NCAA National qualifier as one of the Salukis' top throwers.

Sauer will be redshirting this year

because of shoulder surgery. Sauer was bench-pressing with heavy weights, which caused a labrum tear in his shoulder. Although Sauer will not be competing this year, he hopes to make it back to nationals next year. In the meantime, he will be cheering his team on.

"We have a group of talented freshman that could do something," Sauer said. "We have the upperclassmen that are helping them, and if everybody sticks around and sets a pace, we will do pretty good."

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## Benitez earns label as 'role model' for swimming

**AARON GRAFF**  
Daily Egyptian

Saluki senior swimmer, Pamela Benitez has enjoyed the thrill of winning throughout her career, and has even made an appearance in the 2012 London Olympics.

Benitez started swimming around the age of eight and it was only a few years after that she started competing. During her career at SIU, she has proven herself to be one of the best swimmers in the Missouri Valley Conference.

Benitez has already been named MVC Swimmer of the Week three times this season, which makes seven total in her career. She has earned that honor for the past two

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— Shailey Brumley  
senior swimmer

weeks. The first of those weeks came after the tri-meet against the University of Kentucky and the University of Missouri. Both schools were ranked in the top 25 in the nation, and Benitez won an event by two-hundredths of a second.

"That was the first time I actually celebrated," Benitez said. "I'm not that big into celebrating after a race."

This past week Benitez won all three of her events against

last year's conference champions, the Missouri State Bears, which resulted in her second consecutive MVC Swimmer of the Week award.

Coach Rick Walker said earning MVC Swimmer of the Week honors gives great recognition to not only Benitez, but also the team. He said winning the award multiple times this year has helped Benitez thrive more every meet.

"We tend to be a society that just hammers people for everything

that they're not doing," Walker said. "We fail to recognize the things they are doing right. You get more positive production out of people when you let them know they're doing things well."

Benitez's teammate, senior Shailey Brumley, expressed how great of a teammate Benitez is. Brumley said Benitez pushes the team to do well because she consistently does well.

"Pam (Benitez) is such an asset to this team," Brumley said. "Not only because she's an excellent swimmer, you can look up all her stats, but she is an excellent teammate and she reflects all the aspects we try to hold onto as a team."

Brumley said Benitez trains

hard, and is always trying to get better.

"She trains with the boys a lot of the time." Brumley said.

Walker said Benitez hardly ever takes a break. Two weeks ago she had three tests in a week, and told Walker she needed to miss one practice. Walker also noticed at the next practice she was working even harder because it means that much to her. He also said academics come first with the team and its overall grade point average has reflected in a positive way.

Not only has Benitez proven to be a successful college student and college athlete, she has also competed at the international level.

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