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SIUC's Intercollegiate Horse Show



MINSOOK PARK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Laura Mitchell, a junior in radio-television from Barrington, rides at Harmony Hills Stable in Carterville during SIUC's fall Intercollegiate Horse Show. Mitchell won four first place ribbons during the two day competition.

Faculty, Civil Service unions to rally against administration

KATE McCANN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

After nine months of negotiations without sign of a contract, the faculty union is going public with its complaints against the administration. And now the union has company.

On the eve of federal mediation, the civil service union has decided to join the faculty union in an informational picket next Tuesday, largely in response to the 3 percent raise both constituency groups have been offered by the administration.

The civil service union and the administration reached an impasse on contract negotiations two weeks ago. Both the faculty and civil service contracts expired June 30.

Both unions have cited the 5 percent raise given to the Administrative and Professional Staff as a rebuttal to the 3 percent offer.

"The university cannot function without the employees but the employees cannot function without the university," said Carolin Harvey, vice president of the Association of

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Back IN THE Saddle, again

SIUC equestrian team ranks first in region after fall show

KELLY DAVENPORT
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Ed didn't look nervous. He just stood and cat-napped in the white sunlight, his red-gold coat gleaming.

He probably didn't know that Julie Oedzes — perched atop his broad back on a postage stamp-sized saddle — wanted to win a first place blue ribbon this weekend at SIUC's fall Intercollegiate Horse Show. In late March, she wants to grab blue at regionals. In May, she wants to taste blue at nationals.

Last year she won fourth in the nation; this year she wants more for herself and her team. And this weekend, they roped their first victory, placing first in the nine-school region.

Nationals is more than just a few hoofbeats away, but these cowgirls and boys don't mind the ride.

Saddle up!

Sunday morning, Harmony Hills Stable in Carterville buzzed with show chatter as earthy smells of clean hay and pungent horseflesh wafted by.

Julie, an animal science pre-vet major, straddled Ed in a green paddock while teammates wiped dust from her tall, black boots and doctored her stirrups. In the show ring nearby, a jump course loomed.

Julie was first up in the jumping class, where riders weave and bob through a course of fences like March bunnies. Riders are judged on security in the saddle and skill.

The duo hurdled a yellow flowerbox jump and SIUC's coach, Todd Beasley, hollered from the splintery rail, "Keep your eyes up and your chest up! Good."

Beasley, a gravel-voiced Marion native who always seemed to have either a Salem smoke or a haltered horse in hand, started coaching SIUC's equestrian team last year. He helped Julie to nationals — she was the first rider from the University to qualify in about a decade.

If Julie or any other rider in the region rank highest in points — earned through ribbons — they go on to nationals in Georgia. The whole team can go if they earn enough points, too.

"We can ride with any school in the nation," Beasley said.

About 40 members comprise SIUC's equestrian team. Some, like Julie, are old friends with equines.

"As a six year old I wanted a unicorn for a pet because they were pretty," said Julie, who started riding 14 years ago.

Others, like newcomer Jennifer Maggi, a junior in equine science, found horses after mucking around in other lines of work.

Maggi graduated with a radio-television degree but realized she was spending more time outside in a horse pasture near her office than inside at her desk.

"My boss finally said, 'Jennifer, why don't you do what you love?' So I came back to school to work with horses," she said.

The team's dedication helps them overcome darkhorse limitations, Beasley said.

SIUC is the only school in the region that does not fund its equestrian team, which means the riders must scrounge around for mounts at every show they host, borrowing Beasley's horses and personal pets from home.

The fall horse show alone cost the team \$5,000 in planning, judging and technical costs. The teammates raised it all themselves.

"These kids are all workhorses," Beasley said.

Going for blue

Rail jockeys complimented and chided their teammates in the dusty ring Sunday during classes "on the flat," where riders walk, trot and canter their horses.

"Smile!" "Tighten up!" "Looks good!" they yelled.

Beyond the fence, the riders danced a silent tango with their mounts, cueing them to fluid changes in speed and direction. Nearby, a banner tacked to the barn wall dripped with blue ribbons.

"They ride hard and work hard," Beasley observed from his post on the fence. He scribbled notes in his show bill and scratched up under his ball cap before lighting another Salem.

"Everyone gets caught up in ribbons, but if you give your best ride that's the best," Beasley said, then added, "But I still like those blues."

National poverty rate reduction irrelevant for city's homeless

TERRY L. DEAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

President Bill Clinton announced last week that the nation's poverty rate dipped to its lowest point in 21 years, but the rosy numbers do not impress Martha Potts.

Potts gets up every morning at around 8 to prepare breakfast for the homeless at the Good Samaritan House at 701 South Marion St. But Potts is not only a worker at the house, she's a resident.

The house can have as many as 50 homeless or poverty-stricken people pass through its doors on a regular basis. Potts was one of them.

Potts, 36, has lived at the house for just two weeks. She represents a side of poverty that most people do not see, or wishes not to see.

Like many others who end up at the house, Potts fell on hard times while trying to raise her four boys, ages 13, 12 and seven who live with her and her fourth who lives with Potts' mother in Carbondale. Although it has been difficult for Potts and her boys, she tries to stay positive, mostly for their sake, she said.

"It's hard, but I feel a little better now than I did before about it," Potts said. "When I first moved in here I was real down in the dumps because I let this happen to me and my boys. But then I looked up and said, 'If I stay down in the dumps, that's not going to do my boys any good, so I just got to keep fighting and things will eventually look up.'"

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CORRECTION

Tuesday's article "No longer lost in a tangle of wires" should have stated the G4 Cube is compatible for wireless technology. The Daily Egyptian regrets the error.

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CALENDAR

Calendar item deadline is two p.m. Vacation days before the event. The item must include time, date, place, admission and sponsor of the event and the name and phone of the person submitting the item. Items should be delivered to Communications Building, Room 2277. All calendar items also appear on www.dailyegyptian.com. No calendar information will be taken over the phone.

TODAY

- Women's Action Coalition voter registration, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Student Center, Greta 453-5141.
- Library Affairs Streaming Media, 10 to 11:45 a.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- University Museum Art in the Garden Southern Illinois Repertory Dance Theatre, noon to 1 p.m., University Museum Sculpture Garden Faner Hall, William 453-5388.
- Christian Apologetics Club meeting to understand Christianity, every Wed., noon, Troy Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.
- Women's Action Coalition meeting to discuss issues that need your voice, every Wed., 4 p.m., Women's Study House, Greta 453-5141.

- Saluki Volunteer Corps needs volunteers to donate, collect, and sort books for the A Book In Every Home event, today through Nov. 19, various times, 453-5714.
- Alpha Phi Alpha Greeks-Who-Cook, 4 to 6:30 p.m., Alumni Lounge Recreation Center, Trevor 351-1375.
- Public Relations Student Society of America meeting, every Wed., 4:30 p.m., Cambria Room Student Center, Tim 453-1899.
- Healing Towards Wholeness Support Group for women who have experienced sexual assault or abuse, every Wed., 4:30 to 6 p.m., 453-3655.
- Model U.N. meeting, every Wed., 5 to 7 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Jill 351-9881.
- Blacks Interested in Business Resume Workshop, 5 p.m., Rehn 108,

- Larron 457-6133.
- Saluki Rainbow Network, every Wed., 5:30 p.m., Student Center, 453-5151.
- Gamma Beta Phi informational meeting, 6 p.m., Kaskaskia Room Student Center, Sara aloudlaugh@hotmail.com
- Egyptian Dive Club meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 021, Amy 549-0840.
- Pi Sigma Epsilon meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Library Room 327, Nicole 549-1509.
- Chi Alpha Campus Ministries African-American bible study, every Wed., 7 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Kudzal 529-7088.
- Newman Center introduction to Enneagram, 7 p.m., Newman Center, Mary 529-3311.

UPCOMING

- Divorce/Relationship Ending Support Group screening for new members, every Thurs., 4:30 to 6 p.m., 453-3655.
- Student Programming Council homecoming meeting, every Thurs., 5 p.m., Student Center, 536-3393.
- University Christian Ministries listening circle, Oct. 5, 5 p.m., Interfaith Center, Hugh 549-7887.
- Gamma Beta Phi informational meeting, Oct. 5, 6 p.m., Activity Rooms C and D Student Center, Sara aloudlaugh@hotmail.com
- Student Environmental Center and Campus Shawnee Greens meeting, every Thurs., 6 p.m., Interfaith Center, Andrew 351-9599.
- Pre-Law Association meeting, Oct. 5, 6 p.m., Ballroom A Student Center, Brian 529-4194.
- Blacks in Communication Alliance RSO members meeting, every Thurs.,

- 7 p.m., Missouri Room Student Center, Enca 457-8197.
- Circle K International volunteer organization meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Thebes Room Student Center, Tammi 529-8996.
- Veteran's Association meeting, Oct. 5, 7 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Tricia 457-3610.
- Sailing Club meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Activity Room A Student Center, Kris 7900.
- Windsurfing club meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Jeff 529-4954.

- Alpha Phi Alpha free bowling and billiards, Oct. 5, 8 to 10 p.m., Student Center, Trevor 351-1375.
- Library Affairs finding full text articles, Oct. 6, 11 a.m. to noon, Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- International Coffee Hour informal socializing, Oct. 6, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Interfaith Center, Beth 453-5774.
- Alpha Phi Alpha Bar-B-Que, Oct. 6, 3 to 8 p.m., Recreation Center Patio, Trevor 351-1375.
- Spanish Table meeting, every Fri., 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange.
- German Club Stammtisch, Oct. 6, 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Booby's, Anne 549-1754.
- Arts In Celebration needs assistance with hands-on activities, parking, guides, set-up, and take down, Oct. 7, noon to 9 p.m., Oct. 8, 4 to 6 p.m., Evergreen Park, Joyce 549-1690.
- Alpha Phi Alpha Miss Ebony's Pageant, Oct. 7, 7 p.m., Shryock Auditorium, \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door, Trevor 351-1375.
- University Christian Ministries show of American Beauty, Oct. 8, 7:30 p.m., Interfaith Center, Hugh 549-7887.

WEATHER

TODAY:
 Scattered showers
 High: 83
 Low: 59

TOMORROW:
 Thunderstorms
 High: 73
 Low: 51

FRIDAY
 Showers
 High: 55
 Low: 38

ALMANAC

THIS DAY IN 1991:

- The SIU football team was undefeated with a 5-0 record and was preparing for the Homecoming game versus Southwest Missouri State.
- The Student Center celebrated its 30-year anniversary and presented a contest for an open survey based on its history. The winner would receive two round trip tickets to anywhere TWA would fly.
- SIU offered its first ever Monopoly tournament that took place in the Student Center Ballroom D.
- About 1 million people in the United States were infected with the AIDS virus.

CLARIFICATION

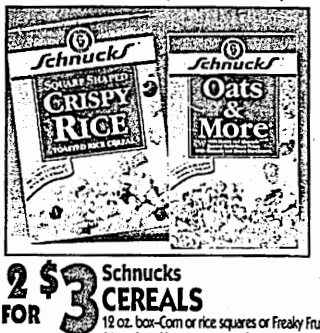
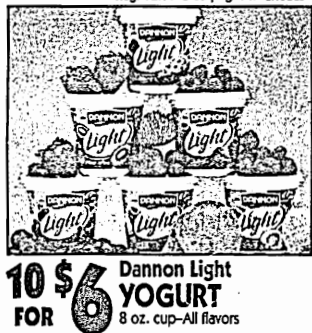
The Christopher L. Oliver listed in Monday's police blotter is not an SIUC student, according to police. Oliver, who was listed on a drug charge, gave police an off-campus address, and his physical description, driver's license number and social security number are not the same as an SIUC student with the same name, police said.

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Discovery Channel to feature professor's Peruvian excavations

JASON COKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The excitement of an Indiana Jones movie with lost civilizations and grave looters searching for hidden treasure exists in modern-day Peru.

This is the world Izuma Shimada encountered when he first traveled there in 1973. An SIUC professor in anthropology, Shimada was the director of the Sicán Archaeological Project that excavated a 1,000 year old tomb in Huaca Loro from 1991 to 1992.

He has been the leader of the project since 1978, and he continues to go to Peru every summer to study the area. The Discovery Channel will air a special, "Lost Tombs of Peru," tonight at 8. The show will feature Shimada and his discoveries.

He said contrary to what popular culture often shows, archaeology is work that involves patience, an ability to work well with people and a lot of time.

"Modern archaeological investigations, in many ways, are of teamwork that involve the skills of professionals in different fields to understand the many aspects of ancient societies and cultures," Shimada said.

He said there were grave looters, and they were always a problem. But, falling goats and rocks were just as much a concern for him and his team while digging more than 40 feet into the earth to reach a lost Sicán tomb near the Andes Mountains.

A barbed wire fence had to be built to surround each hole, because the wind is strong enough to knock all types of objects and even people over the edge.

"It's quite a dangerous thing. That's why the police always restrict access," Shimada said. "There are plenty of goats and other things walking around that could cause quite a havoc."

The Sicán site he worked at had five skeletons, which were probably of noble birth, he said. Offerings to the dead, much of it made of gold, emeralds and rubies, filled the tomb. He said everything was buried beneath a pyramid, which was probably built to protect the grave.

The archaeology team, currently the longest lasting team in South America, uncovered two other tombs near the pyramid. Shimada said he believes there may be one more tomb directly under it. But, because the pyramid might have to be destroyed to reach the last grave site, there are no plans to try and reach it, he said.

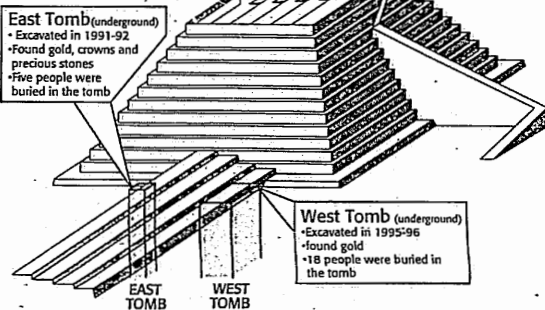
The coastal Sicán civilization existed for several hundred years, eventually being conquered by the neighboring Chimú kingdom in the 1400s. The Incas overpowered the Chimú, but were in turn conquered by the Spanish in the 1500s. The Incas, originally located in the mountains and not on the coast, ruled the Andes for



JIMMY CHIDESTER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Izuma Shimada, an associate professor in anthropology, excavated a Peruvian tomb in 1991-92. Wednesday night the Discovery Channel will air a special about his work.

Excavated Tombs in Huaca Loro, Peru



East Tomb (underground)
• Excavated in 1991-92
• Found gold, crowns and precious stones
• Five people were buried in the tomb

West Tomb (underground)
• Excavated in 1995-96
• Found gold
• 18 people were buried in the tomb

only a short amount of time.

Shimada said the main problem in trying to understand Sicán culture is its lack of a written language, which never developed in any South American countries until the arrival of the Spanish.

What little is known about that time includes the fact that the Sicans brought South America into the Bronze Age.

It takes a lot of work to restore the objects found in the tombs, which were crushed under the weight of 40 or 50 feet of dirt and rocks for more than one thousand years. All of the gold

crowns are flattened, ugly looking pieces, many indistinguishable from trash when they are discovered. Some look like they have no value whatsoever, but with enough work the objects take their original form.

"People have to realize they don't come out looking like that," Shimada said. "It takes many years to achieve a reasonable appearance."

FACTOID

• THE DISCOVERY CHANNEL WILL AIR THE SPECIAL "LOST TOMBS OF PERU" AT 8 P.M.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

Bush coming to Marion

Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush will be swinging into Southern Illinois for a rally on Friday. The rally is open to the public and will be held at noon at the Williamson County Airport in Marion.

Those who plan to attend are encouraged to park at the Illinois Centre Mall (in the south parking lot near Sears, just off Route 13 west of Marion). Shuttle buses will be available at 11 a.m. to transport people to and from the rally.

Dan Buechsenschuetz, president of the College Republicans, said he is excited about Bush's trip.

"There is a very good chance he will be the next president," he said. "This is a great opportunity for people to hear Gov. Bush's ideas."

Bush has recently surged in the polls, leading analysts to think this race for the presidency between Bush and Democratic candidate Al Gore could be the tightest in years.

Voicer registration today

The SIUC College Democrats are sponsoring voter registration drives during the final days of the voter registration period. The last day to register is Oct. 10.

There will be a table set up in Grinnell Hall today from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be two locations on Thursday, the Student Center from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Trueblood Hall from 5 to 7 p.m.

Roadside checks to target traffic safety

Impaired drivers, unlicensed drivers and unsafe equipment are the targets of a joint enforcement campaign during October.

The Illinois State Police and Jackson County Sheriff's Office will be conducting roadside safety checks during October to promote driving safety. The safety checks will specifically be looking for drivers operating under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs, driving without a valid or permit or operating unsafe equipment.

State Police Lt. Charles Mays said while the state police conduct these checks all year round, the fall is generally a period of increased activity due to the cooler weather and return of college students.

Mays said before the roadside check begins, signs will be placed, and a supervisor and the officers on site will be briefed. Often the checks are conducted at an intersection, and if traffic is heavy only every second or third car will be stopped.

"It's a short stop; we check to see that driver's have their license, that their plate isn't expired, and headlights and things work," Mays said.

Mays said that any person subject to arrest, such as for a DUI, would be pulled to the side of the road out of the way of traffic.

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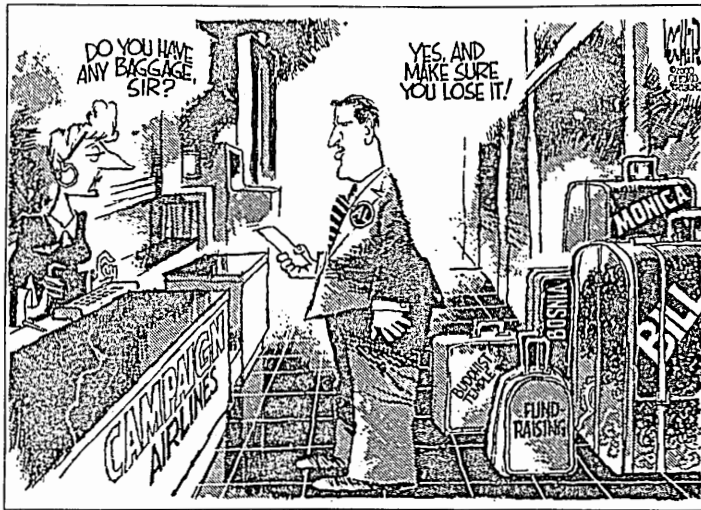
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Letters also are accepted by e-mail (editor@siu.edu) and fax (453-8244).

Please include a phone number (not for publication.) Students include year and major. Faculty members include rank and department. Non-academic staff include position and department. All others include author's hometown.

The EGYPTIAN reserves the right to not publish any letter or column.



OUR WORD

USG amendment is little more than a glaring loophole waiting for abuse

If Undergraduate Student Government members pass the amendment to be voted on next Wednesday without making changes to it, they will officially be wasting their time and ours.

In August, the DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial board opposed the unchecked power USG's constitution awards the president during summer semesters. This followed President Bill Archer's \$25,000 allocation to the umbrella organization, Black Affairs Council, last summer. Archer later said he consulted with two members of USG and two members of BAC before cutting the check. Still, the lack of a formal process and documentation of that process is appalling when one considers student fee money can be handed over so easily.

Last week, two amendments appeared on the USG agenda, theoretically to rectify the situation. Both called for the formation of a five-person summer finance committee to examine any allocations to be made before the fall senators return to SIUC.

One of the two amendments, which was co-sponsored by Archer, had a clause that differentiated the otherwise identical proposals. The clause stated that if the summer finance committee members cannot be reached for seven days, the president could allocate up to \$7,500 on his own. The other amendment was defeated.

The loophole in the surviving legislation defeats the primary purpose of raising this issue at all. The USG president should not, at any time, have unchecked spending power. To give the responsibility

to contact a committee to the president — knowing that it is by failing to do so, he or she can make the decisions alone — provides an incentive not to go to the trouble.

A summer finance committee is necessary, and its members should be voted in with the understanding they will make themselves available or make arrangements for a replacement. If USG members are genuinely concerned dire allocation issues will be



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neglected because of missing committee members, the process should allow for alternate members. Allocation of student fee money should only take place in official meetings, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. Giving the president full spending power should simply never have been an option.

The money handled by USG came from SIUC students for the benefit of SIUC students. This responsibility should not be taken lightly. The DAILY EGYPTIAN's stance on this issue is not intended to reflect a specific mistrust of current USG officers; members must keep in mind, when they manipulate the constitution, they are grappling with issues of all future officers in future situations.

Next Wednesday, USG must remove the loophole before they vote the amendment into the constitution. If USG intends to convince the students its efforts to take care of the fee money was ever in good faith, it will not allow the president to allocate money without the input of a committee.

MAILBOX

DE should use "African-American," not "black"

DEAR EDITOR:

I'm writing in response to the "Minority Faculty," article (Sept. 28, Daily Egyptian). The young man who wrote the article seemed to have a very closed mind to me. Upon reading the article, I became outraged. Why? Because I feel that it is bad enough that African-Americans and Hispanics are the "minority" in this country, only due to economics (ghetto sanctions). But there is a correct way to address a people.

Throughout the article, the writer referred to African-Americans as "blacks." Terry Dean did not bother to capitalize the word at all throughout the article, thus hinting blacks to be under others. This may not be a big deal to white America or the DE writer, but it is to me. I am part of a race of PEOPLE — a people whose ancestors were the original men, builders of the pyramids and survivors of oppression and genocide to this day. To be labeled a COLOR — black — is not politically correct, nor is it respectful to anyone of African-American ancestry. The word black was used to describe my people nine times in the article. When referring to people of Chinese ancestry they were Asian; Mexican descent, Hispanic, you get the idea. Dean should, from now on, take the time to type out that long word describing the survivors of all types of evil: African-Americans. After all, our ancestors were stolen from Africa, and we were born in America. Thus, the name African-American, let's leave the blacks in the Crayola box. Free your mind, and think critically.

Brian Hardman
senior in history

OVERHEARD

We want people to stop and think. We know people have the right to choose; we want them to choose life.

CHRISTINE MIZE
president of Jackson County Right to Life at the "Sanctity of Life Sunday" demonstration

If we played tackle, we didn't think we'd get as many people to play.

DARCY SCHINDLER
second-year law student from Peoria, on how the women in the law school decided to play contact flag football last week

In the past, we have had very limited student attendance outside of the music department, for whatever reason, and we want that to change.

ED BENAS
director of the Orchestra at the School of Music

This is not your grandfather's Viagra — uplifting drugs hit the streets

Editor's note: This week's column is intended to be taken in a purely satirical light. Its content is fiction, and none of the sources therein were contacted by the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

It's Saturday night, the bars have been closed for three hours, but Jimmy's still chugging them down at an after hour. It used to be that when young Jim pounded on his girlfriend's door at five in the morning she could count on him quickly passing out, but not any longer.

Word from 'he DEA is that campus law enforcement agents should be on the look out for a powerful and dangerous new drug known simply as V. Apparently V, a form of street Viagra, causes an increase in sexual virility in young males and has been responsible for increased vitality even after a few too many cocktails. According to one DEA spokesman, "It's nearly impossible for young men hopped up on V to keep Mr. Happy asleep in his house."

On campuses nationwide, students in alarming numbers are turning to V to combat the effects of alcohol. Richard Limp, a business major, admits to using V as a performance-enhancing drug. "Used to be when I drank I'd become more and more charming, but then I'd suffer from chronic WED (Whiskey Erectile Dysfunction)."

Before use of V spreads beyond college campuses, Drug Czar Barry McCaffrey hopes to have laws in place that will specifically target and protect minority groups. "Look, I don't have a problem with your basic future presidential-candidate types using this drug, but what happens when it hits our inner cities?"

The problem, according to McCaffrey, is that V is an illegal substance and that people using this substance are, in a sense, breeding criminals. Lawmakers plan to come down hard on the use of V, but worry that popular demand may simply cause the drugs to mutate. Already, DEA agents are reporting a new strain of the drug called Y aimed at women. According to one DEA spokesperson, "Essentially, we're talking your basic Spanish Fly, only this one works. It's called Y because it makes women more inclined to say yes and to wake up wondering why."

A female student, who asked not to be named, believes she had an experience with Y. "I remember he kept on saying 'Whazzup? And, this sounds so horrible, but I thought it was so funny. Next thing I knew it's morning and not only is he laying next to me burping and watching ESPN, but he still had on his baseball cap

— backwards."

Bob Dole, a spokesperson for prescription Viagra, recently testified before a house subcommittee looking into ways to stiffen penalties. "Isn't about the birds and the bees," quipped the spy Dole. "It's about the Ys and the Vs. Young people need to know that if they are going to be engaging in these drug enhanced sexual activities they should be doing it under a doctor's supervision the way Bob Dole does it." As with other recent copycat drugs like the street Prozac, Z, authorities claim the real danger is in the lack of federal oversight. "In a free country, if you allow people to go around prescribing their own level of happiness, awareness or sexual stimulus, you're just asking for trouble."

Senator Jessie Helms believes that the introduction of drugs V, Y, X and Z point to a problem that can be fought at the end of the alphabet. "We owe it to our children to protect them from these letters poisoning our once wholesome alphabet soup."

Helms is calling for tighter government controls on the use of the alphabet and has proposed ending the alphabet after the letter T. However, in the wake of protest from union representatives and in light of the letter's traditional status as both a vowel and first letter in our country's name, the letter U, Helms conceded, might have to remain until the Senate can come up with a satisfactory alternative.

"My real fear is with the letter W," Helms said, speculating that someday someone might figure out a way to sell us water.

Thinking Gooder

SEAN HANNIGAN



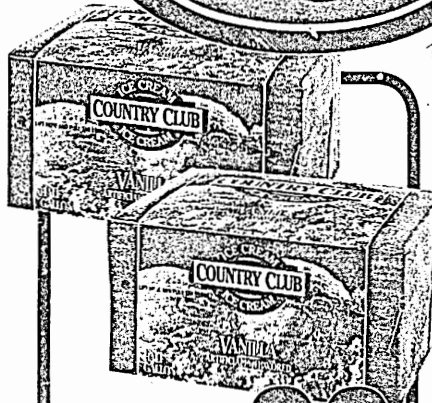
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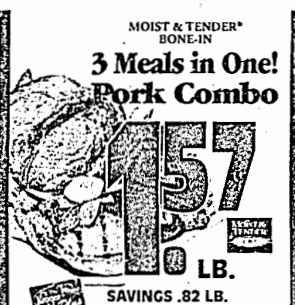
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USG amendment limits summer funding

CHRISTIAN HALE
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The creation of a summer finance committee and implementation of a \$7,500 limit upon summer funding allocations to Registered Student Organizations could be possible if Undergraduate Student Government passes a tabled amendment resolution at next week's meeting.

Ambiguous language in one of the resolution's clauses could make it possible for the USG president to maintain control over summer funding allocations to RSOs.

"Currently the president has total and unchecked authority to disburse any and all funds of USG during the summer," said senator Darin Ray, chairman pro tempore and chair of the Internal Affairs Committee.

The amendment will not necessarily change the amount of funding available compared to past summer allocations, Ray said. According to him, single-handed disbursement of funds by the president could still be allowed through a clause in the resolution.

However, Ray said it would no longer allow that authority to "any and all funds."

The resolution was tabled at last week's meeting to allow review by the

IAC. If passed, it would be the first time such a committee and an allocation limit existed during summer semesters.

The amendment resolution is authored by USG President Bill Archer and Ray. Language was directly taken from senator Rob Taylor's earlier amendment attempt, which was voted down at USG's last meeting.

Archer and Ray's resolution extends beyond the original language in Taylor's voted-down resolution. It includes the spending limit and guidelines for the possibility the four-member committee cannot be contacted by the president.

Taylor said there is the possibility the resolution will be accepted after it is brought from the table and voted upon. He said that even if the bill passes, there are still gray areas that would perpetuate the status quo of the summer allocation process with regard to student activity fees.

The resolution states that if for some reason the committee cannot be formed or contacted for seven business days, the USG president would have the power to fund RSOs, according to Ray.

"If [a senator] is nominated and accepts the nomination, that is them saying they will be here over the summer," Archer said.

However, Archer added plans could change, which facilitated the addendum to the amendment resolution allowing the president to fund RSOs if he could not contact committee members.

Archer said contact between the president and the committee would be maintained via e-mail and telephone, with committee members and the president exchanging necessary contact information on the night of the committee selection.

When asked if there would be any verification methods to show the attempted contacts, Archer said he would tell someone in the USG office as well as inform Dr. Jean Paratore, associate vice chancellor of Student Affairs, who oversees the processes of USG.

The senators on the summer finance committee would be elected in the same manner as those elected to the normal Finance Committee or the Internal Affairs Committee.

Senators will nominate other senators and all the names will be listed. The senators will then choose four names from the list of nominated senators, and the four senators receiving the most votes will be placed on the committee, Archer said.

The election for who will serve on the summer finance committee will occur after USG's spring elections.

SAC honors distinguished students

ANDREA PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Melissa Pearson is ready to glide in Saturday's Homecoming parade on top of the Student Alumni Council's Mardi Gras Saluki-style float.

Pearson, a senior in civil engineering from Machesney Park, is vice president of the council, which has been working on the float since Saturday at E.T. Simonds Construction Company in Du Quoin.

Using chicken wire, cardboard, fabric, balloons, spray and other materials, students put a lot of effort into building the float. The project is not required for council members — however, that does not stop many members from becoming involved.

"We have a lot of fun working with one another and it brings us a lot closer together," Pearson said.

Though they were beaten last year in the large float competition by Sigma Kappa Sorority and Sigma Pi Fraternity, Greg Scott, Alumni Association director for Public Relations, said the council has always come up with creative floats.

"Their floats are always well done and every year I am impressed," Scott said.

Scott is not the only one who is interested. New advisor Tuesday Ashner said so far the float has a lot of potential.

"I think we have a very good chance of winning this year," Ashner said.

This will be the council's first year moving to the small float category. The float is one of many successful activities the council does throughout the year.

The undergraduate service organization is the student branch of the SIU Alumni Association and works with the association to promote excellence at the University, while providing positive educational opportunities and recognition. There are about 30 active members involved in the organization.

The council assists the Alumni Association in welcoming thousands of alumni during homecoming each year. The council will also be selling alumni T-shirts and dawg paws-temporary tattoos. They will place the tattoos on the cheek of anyone who desires.

"The T-shirts have always sold well in the past, and this is the first year that we're giving students discounts," Pearson said. "They used to be \$10 for everyone, now we sell them at \$8 for students."

Following in the steps of the Alumni Association, which annually honors five distinguished alumni during homecoming, every spring semester the council honors the top 25 Most Distinguished Seniors of the University and two juniors receive \$500 Super Student Scholarships.

"I believe these groups of students are in a premiere organization," Scott said. "It seems that everything they do is first class."



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SIUC women recognized with award

University Women's Professional Advancement office presents Women of Distinction awards

MATT BRENNAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Marcia Anderson has been involved with many different projects throughout her 30 year career, but working with students is her favorite.

Anderson, a professor in workforce education and development, and three other women were recognized with SIUC Women of Distinction awards Thursday. The award is given annually by SIUC University Women's Professional Advancement office.



Anderson

"I'm just honored that SIUC faculty recognized me as a woman of distinction," Anderson said.

University Women's Professional Advancement office looks for achievements in education, scholarly activity, service and committee activities when giving the award. But the largest requirement involves benefiting other women.

"Very importantly, what makes this award different is contributions to the advancement of other women," said Martha

Ellert, coordinator of the University Women's Professional Advancement office.

Anderson's award was well deserved according to her research assistant, Bill Caldwell.

"I think she's one of the most dedicated professors I've ever known — dedicated to her profession, dedicated to students," he said. "I see Dr. Anderson take time with students that other professors wouldn't take."

Anderson began teaching at SIUC in 1970. Since then, she has been involved with several different leadership roles. She served on the Faculty Senate, the Provost's Strategic Academic Planning Committee, the College of Education Task Force on Women's Issues, the Women's Studies Steering Committee and as the department chair. She is currently



Gatens-Robinson

serving as president of Delta Pi Epsilon, a research society in business education.

"I've always loved developing programs that are going to benefit students and working with research that students are conducting," Anderson said.

The other three women who were honored with Women of Distinction Awards were Eugene Gatens-Robinson, associate professor in philosophy; M. Joan McDermott, associate professor in the Center for



Killian

Very importantly, what makes this award different is contributions to the advancement of other women.

MARTHA ELLERT
coordinator of the University Women's Professional Advancement office

the Study of Crime, Delinquency and Corrections; and Jeannie Killian, a secretary in the School of Medicine's anatomy department. Killian was the Civil Service winner.


Gatens-Robinson originally started in the School of Medicine in 1974 and moved to the Philosophy Department in 1985. She was an original member of the committee that designed the Women's Studies degree program and has developed and taught courses in feminist history.

McDermott reached national visibility with her research on domestic violence and the justice system. In 1996, she received her alma mater's Distinguished Alumna Award for contributions in law and public policy.

Killian began at SIUC in 1991 both as a secretary and undergraduate student. She found time to serve as a student life advisor, as a board member on the Civil Service bargaining group and as a booster for Carbondale Community High School. She also actively speaks on the subjects of women's wellness and women in science.



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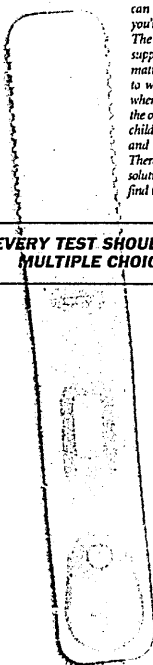
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RALLY

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Civil Service Employees, or the civil service union. "So we need to set forth a united front."

The faculty union agrees with Harvey's assessment of the motive behind the protest.

"The Faculty Association is feeling some solidarity with (civil service) because they are under similar circumstances," said Faculty Association spokesman Walter Jaehning.

Faculty Association President Morteza Daneshdoost called both 3 percent offers unacceptable, and said that offer was the main reason the two unions have joined forces.

SIUC interim Chancellor John Jackson and the President's Office deferred all comments regarding the picket to administrative spokesman Tom Britton, who could not be reached for comment.

The ineffective last mediation session between the faculty union and the administration was a major incentive for the picket, said Daneshdoost.

"If there had been a change in the tone of the administration in the last mediation session there could have been a different event happening right now," Daneshdoost said.

The administration did not back down from its 3 percent offer at last week's mediation session, according to Jaehning. The next session is scheduled for Oct. 18. The administration has maintained the university does not have the resources for anything larger than a 3 percent raise.

But public outcry against the 3 percent offer is not the only reason for the protest rally.

"The picket is trying to let the Carbondale and University community know how the administration is treating constituency groups," Daneshdoost said.

The event is open to all members of the community, and Daneshdoost is specifically encouraging students to attend.

"The service that (the civil service and faculty) provide directly affect the quality of education the students get," Daneshdoost said.

The Faculty Association and the Civil Service union's plan to picket is within their legal rights, according to an employee handbook.

The civil service union is advocating a 5 percent pay increase, better working conditions, equity and sick leave. The faculty union has requested a 7.05 percent pay increase and stabilization of faculty lines.

Lt. Todd Sigler, of the SIUC

police, said there would be no added security for the event.

"They won't prevent anyone from getting anywhere, they are not a disturbance, they are not a problem," Sigler said. "We have no understanding there has been a problem in the past and we don't anticipate anything in the future with them."

This is not the first time campus unions have picketed outside Anthony Hall, which houses SIUC's top administrative offices. In March of 1998, faculty union members picketed to demand the administration "Stop stalling. Contract now."

Shortly after the 1998 picket, former SIUC President Ted Sanders called in an outside consultant to advise administrators on how to prevent a faculty strike.

Three months later, a contract was agreed upon that provided an average 13 percent increase over a three year duration for tenured and tenure-track faculty.

RALLY TIME

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POVERTY

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According to the Census Bureau, as of last year, 32.2 million Americans lived in poverty, down from 34.4 million, or 12.7 percent, the previous year. The lowest poverty rate in American was 11.1 percent in 1973.

Despite the poverty rate dropping to 11.8 percent last year, Southern Illinois has seen only a trickling effect from those numbers said Martin Tracy, director of School of Social work. Tracy conducted a nonprofit steady of poverty in several rural Southern Illinois counties, including Hardin, Johnson and Union.

The study, based on figures compiled between 1990 and 1995, found that Illinois' total poverty rate is 11.3 percent with a median household income in the state at about 38,000. Illinois' total population is about 11,000,000. Tracy said one of the goals was to try and put a human face on this issue.

"It involves more than income," he said. "Poverty is the lack of opportunity. It's not just the fact that I don't any money."

Statistics mean little to Susan Metcalf, executive director of the Good Samaritan House.

"I don't even pay attention to the numbers game anymore," Metcalf said. "My job is to give them breakfast, give them shelter and help them get them back on their feet."

Metcalf has been with the house since 1989, and has served as its director since 1991. Metcalf has seen many clients during her tenure from military veterans to families. She said poverty crosses all lines, but Metcalf is encouraged by the strength of the people she tries to help.

"The thing with them is that they all have a plan," she said. "Everybody has a story to tell, just like Martha. They all have a goal of where they want to be, even though it's been difficult for them."

Some things can be done to curb poverty, Tracy said. He said a more concentrated effort by state and federal governments in rural areas may help given that their efforts tend to focus on urban poverty in the cities.

Tracy said the declining poverty rate is promising, but warns people not to overlook the problems that still exist.

"There is a danger that some may not want to put the initiative and money into programs," he said. "Poverty is a multi-faceted condition, and there are still those who fall through the cracks."

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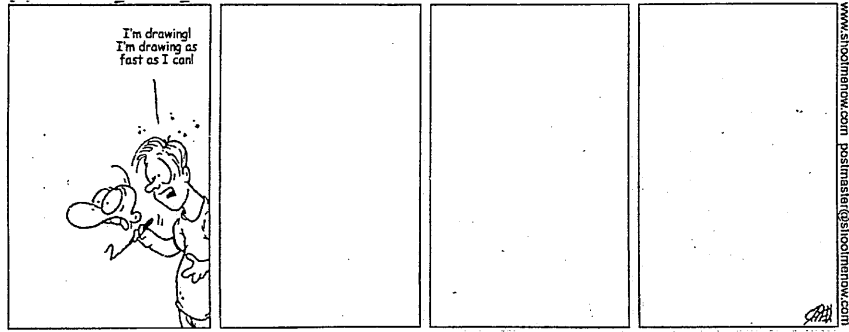
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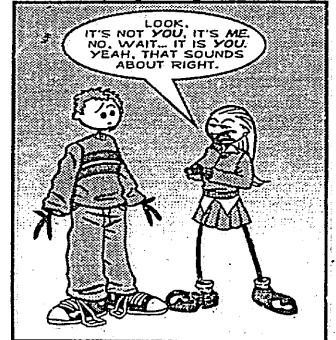
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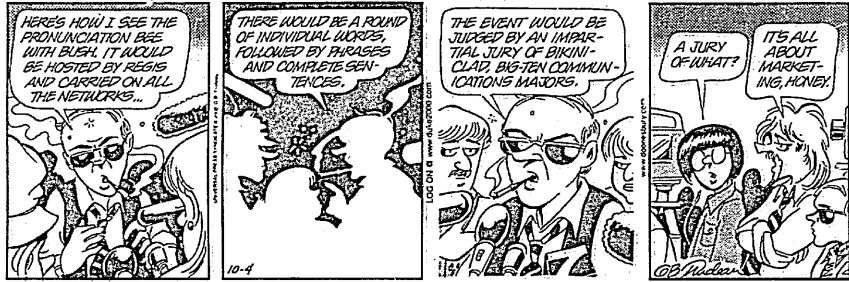
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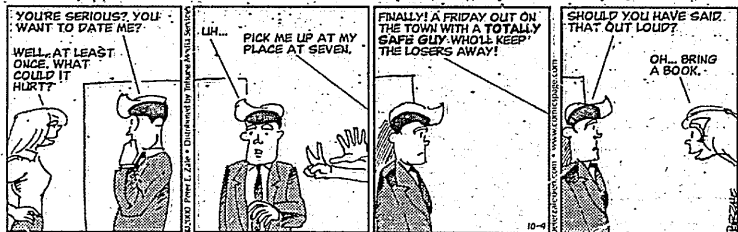
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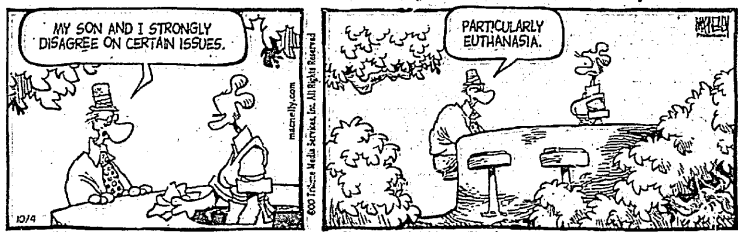
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Swimmer returns from Sydney games

Papachrysanthou enjoys Olympic status

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SIU swimmer Chrysanthou lived the Olympic dream as he represented his home country of Cyprus at the Sydney Games, where he competed in the 100-meter freestyle, which took place at the Sydney International Aquatic Centre.

"It was incredible there," said Papachrysanthou, who has returned to Carbondale. "The [Cyprus] team called me a couple of times and said this is real good, but I couldn't believe it until I got there. It was something different, it was the best meet ever."

He swam in the fifth heat of the qualifying round and ended up with a time of 52.82 seconds, which was not among the top 16 which moved on to the semifinals.

"I know he didn't swim his best time, but I think he gained a lot from the experience," said teammate David Parkins. "Swimming at the international level, that's something he can use to build the rest of his swimming career on. It was definitely a great experience for him."

Even though he did not advance past the first round, Papachrysanthou was proud he had the opportunity to represent his country and get close to

his best time.

SIU teammate and fellow countryman George Oxinos was proud Papachrysanthou had the chance to represent Cyprus.

"It was a big thing for me because he's also my teammate, we swam in the same club back home and we train together," Oxinos said. "I was very proud of my teammate going to the Olympics. It's an experience I couldn't have, so he had it for me."

Papachrysanthou has done his best to try and share his Olympic experience with as many of his teammates as possible.

"He told us all about it," Oxinos said. "He told us how amazing it was to watch all the world records going down and all those people in the swimming stadium. It was amazing, it was really amazing."

Oxinos isn't the only one who was awed by the stories.

"It's great to have someone who went to the Olympics here," said teammate Corne Prozesky. "He always tells us stories and we go, 'God, we have to try harder and next time we might be the ones going to the Olympics and matching what he experienced.'"

Papachrysanthou said even though he was impressed by all the records that were broken, the thing leaving the biggest impression on him was when Eric Moussambani of Equatorial Guinea finished the 100-meter freestyle in one minute and 52.72 seconds.

SWIMMING CALENDAR

• THE SIU MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAMS WILL TRAVEL TO DRURY COLLEGE FOR A MEET ON SATURDAY.

"He never swam in his life, he only practiced in hotel pools and he gets out there and he barely made the 100 freestyle, but everybody was cheering and clapping for him and he was so happy," Papachrysanthou said. "That's the Olympic spirit, that's what the Olympics are about."

SIU head coach Rick Walker said he feels fortunate to say that he has an Olympic swimmer on his team and said this will help Papachrysanthou out in 2004 in Athens, Greece.

"This is going to be a great experience for him for when he's there in his home area," Walker said. "Hopefully, when he swims his best event, which is the 50-meter freestyle, it'll prove a whole lot better for him."

Papachrysanthou said that he has every intention of representing his country once again in 2004.

"I'll be 25 years old. I'll still be swimming, so if I'm doing good, I'll be there," he said.

While Papachrysanthou wasn't able to bring back a medal, he did bring something back he'll forever remind him of the 2000 Games. It is a tattoo he got on his left shoulder that features the Olympic Rings and reads 'Sydney 2000.'

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and ended up getting smoked 42-0 by the Jayhawks.

Some would say that at 1-3, with some of SIU's toughest games still remaining, the season is already dead. They may be right, but what promises to be an entertaining matchup with Western is still worth a trip to McAndrew Stadium.

Saturday's game will speak volumes about Coach Q and his team. Coming off a bye week, the Salukis had two full weeks to prep for the Leathernecks. Western is tough, but if the Salukis are serious about salvaging the season, this game is a must. SIU has a track record of holding its own at home against quality competition, but Saturday, it's gotta be a W.

Western has beat SIU in football 16 consecutive times — an amazing stat that highlights the dreadful state of the football program at this University. But beyond snapping The Streak and avenging last year's shaming 0-27 loss to the Leathernecks in Macomb, there is plenty at stake in this year's Homecoming tilt.

A win Saturday and the Salukis will be off to an impressive 2-0 start in the Gateway, giving them a fighting chance to be a factor in the conference chase. The Dawgs would also be in good shape to claw back to .500, with an

easy home game against Drake on the schedule Oct. 14.

But until Coach Q's team gives anyone a reason to believe, most Saluki enthusiasts will continue pining for hoops season.

Quarless is now 12-25 as Saluki head coach, and although few would argue that Coach Q is a tenacious worker who inherited a mess of a program with embarrassing facilities, SIU fans have grown weary with the depressing atmosphere at McAndrew Stadium created by the Salukis allowing too many games to slip away. Finishing this season on a high note is crucial for Quarless' future at SIU.

It is true that SIU is fielding a more talented team this year than in the recent past. Quarless and his staff deserve credit for that. And you can't really fault Quarless for the surprising ineffectiveness of Potette this far, which has sapped much of the joy out of watching SIU's improved defense.

But the bottom line is, what was supposed to be a turnaround season is so far shaping up as nothing more than a hoax.

Quarless and the Salukis could change the complexion of the season by beating Western on Saturday. Anything short of that and Saluki Football 2000 can be chalked up as yet another disaster.

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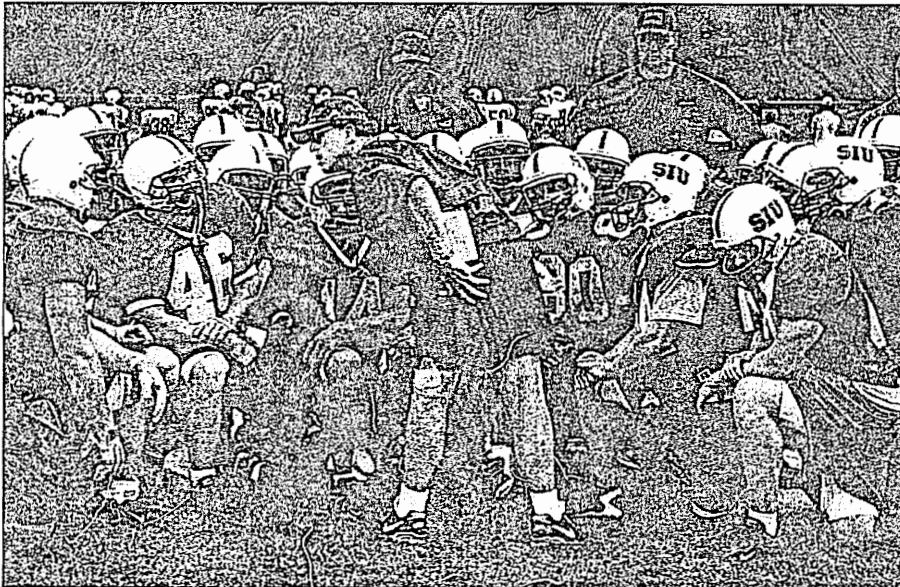
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SIU football head coach Jan Quarless communicates with his players at a recent practice. Quarless and the Salukis (1-3) will try to begin reversing the team's fortune when Gateway rival Western Illinois comes to McAndrew Stadium for homecoming on Saturday.

Quarless keeping a positive attitude

Salukis will try to beat Western Illinois for the first time since 1983 in Homecoming game Saturday

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SIU football head coach Jan Quarless does not like negativity.

But at this point in the season, staying upbeat is getting a little tougher.

The Salukis have gotten off to a frustrating 1-3 start, and SIU is fresh off a 42-0 beating by the University of Kansas Sept. 23. The season will not get any easier this week, as No. 15 ranked Western Illinois University rolls into town for Homecoming Saturday.

Quarless addressed questions during his weekly press conference about last season's contest between the two teams, when the Salukis were blown out 68-27 in Macomb, the lowest point in the 1999 season.

Quarless said frustration was building to the bubbling point at the time.

"I don't think there was fingerpointing going on, there was frustration going on," Quarless said. "I don't hide anything, I think what you saw

was frustration. I mean, my God, I was frustrated. What I am supposed to do? ... It was 28-0 before I could sneeze."

Negative history has dominated the SIU/Western Illinois series. Western has beaten the Salukis every year dating back to 1984, with the last SIU victory coming during the Salukis' 1983 national championship season.

But Coach Q does not put a lot of stock in that statistic.

"It doesn't really mean that much to me," Quarless said. "If you equate facts and history and the way they have developed their football team, it makes sense to me."

"I don't go and say, 'Well geez, I think the expectation is that we would like to beat them,' but it doesn't surprise me that this has unfolded."

This year appears to be a difficult one to break the streak. The Leathernecks (4-1, 1-0 Gateway Conference) have blown out their past three opponents by an average margin of 38 points per game, and are fresh off a 49-7 thumping of Indiana State University Saturday.

Western's offense is anchored by senior running back Charles Tharp, the Gateway's rushing leader with 673 yards. Its defense ranks second overall in the Gateway, allowing 243.8 yards per game, slightly ahead of SIU, which ranks third in total defense allowing 292.8 yards per contest.

If any positive note could be squeezed into SIU's season so far, it is that the Salukis will have

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JAN QUARLESS
Saluki head football coach

the opportunity Saturday to go 2-0 in the Gateway Conference for the first time since 1991.

Quarless criticized the media for portraying his team in a negative light this season. He said the coverage of the University of Arkansas/Southwest Missouri State game, in which the Razorbacks won 38-0, was a different story from when the Salukis lost to the Jayhawks two weeks ago.

"I think that's where I get frustrated here because we tend to, from your vantage point, address it [negatively] and other people don't," Quarless said. "I pulled up the communicator from their newspaper [that said], 'Arkansas beats Southwest Missouri 38-0.'"

"What do we say here at Southern Illinois? We get trounced."

Quarless said there is a tremendous perspective difference and his frustration has increased because of it.

"That seems to be the approach we take, and it's bothersome for me," he said.

Quarless, Salukis flirting with disaster

This was the year it was supposed to change for the SIU football program.

Head coach Jan Quarless has had a full four-year cycle with which to bring in his own recruits. An influx of talented transfers from major, Division I-A programs have joined the Saluki roster. A disastrous defensive coaching staff has been replaced, and senior quarterback Sherard Poteete — fresh off a monster 1999 season — returned to lead what seemed like a gifted Saluki offense.

The rarest of commodities surrounding SIU's football program — optimism — was available in healthy doses prior to the season. Finally, after 16 seasons of misery since the 1983 national championship year, the football Salukis were on their way to brighter days.

Yet somehow, four games into the rebirth season, the Salukis have just one win to show for their efforts. Contending for the Gateway championship? The I-AA playoffs? An eight or nine win season? Hardly.

Try 1-3 and a season that is one Homecoming loss away from being declared an out-and-out bust. If SIU fails to beat a strong Western Illinois team Saturday, the Salukis would be 1-4 and playing for pride the final six games of the season.

How did it come to this so quickly?

Well, let's review the painful first month of the season: after having months to gear up for the new season, the Salukis started fast, then mysteriously crashed and burned in their 42-20 opening loss at Murray State.

Terrible way to start the year. It would get worse.

The Salukis next hosted local "rival" Southeast Missouri State (are SIU fans comfortable with listing SEMO as one of our primary rivals?) Sept. 9, and as most expected, SIU took it to SEMO early on. But as Saluki fans have seen way too often during the Quarless era, the Salukis inexcusably collapsed in the second half and handed over a damning 34-33 game to the Indians.

SIU showed character by rebounding with a 34-14 victory against Northern Iowa in the Gateway opener. And it looked like the Salukis remained on the track toward improvement when they gave Kansas a hard time in the first half of their latest game, but SIU petered out



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