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**President James Walker has had his work cut out for him in his first half-year as SIU's top official.**

**Anne Marie Tavella - Daily Egyptian**

In his first six months in office, SIU President James Walker faced daunting students, appointed a committee to launch a national search for a new chancellor, deliberated a student-teacher exchange with Fidel Castro in Cuba, crossed hemispheres to visit SIUC's Jesuit campus, and even met Ernie "Magic" Johnson — all while lobbying the state legislature and Congress and generating ideas for a "vision plan" for the University.

And despite days of travelling and crammed schedules, Walker describes his first experiences with SIU as "enjoyable."

One of the most daunting tasks he's faced is simply remembering everyone's name.

Since arriving on campus Oct. 1, Walker has been in the process of gathering information from administration, faculty, staff and students to cultivate a plan for SIU's future. His "vision plan" will be presented to each campus early next fall. To gain input from the University community, Walker conducted open forums at SIUC, SIU-Edwardsville and the School of Medicine.

Walker said his plan was to formulate a plan purely based on his thoughts and opinions. "They're not just Jim Walker's ideas, I think that would be the wrong thing," he said. "It's going to be all our ideas."

Of the input he has received, not only from the forums, but also from e-mails and letters, the most predominant theme has been "cost-cutting for the University's image."

Walker said people want the University to be distinctive in its programs and research.

"People want to be proud of our University. And you say to SIU students that you know that [program], you feel good about it," Walker said.

For the University to obtain that position, Walker would like to focus on where the University is going as an institution.

"[I'm] looking at those things that are coming up in the horizon that we can take advantage of as we stand and look toward the future," he said.

One of the most pressing issues concerning SIU's image is Halloween. The University's trend toward sanitizing the witchiest day of the year has long plagued University administrators and the City of Carbondale.

After five years of closing the University and restricting alcohol sales the weekend before and on the pagan holiday, the Carbondale City Council opted to allow the bars and liquor stores to remain open last year. The celebration quickly mutated into a chaotic maelstrom, resulting in thousands of dollars in damage and numerous arrests.

Walker said the University and the city need to work together to find the solution.

Currently, there is only a plan to close the University for the entire week surrounding Halloween 2001. Walker said for the short term, there should be a cooling-off period, but that can't be a permanent resolution to the issue.

"I am not convinced that closing the University every Halloween is a solution to the problem," he said.

The consensus from the campus community has also been clear in terms of what Walker's role should be in the plan. As the head of the University he will have to do more than lend his hand, he'll also have to rally the wisdom, faculty and staff into a successful institution.

For the Carbondale campus, which includes the [Medical] School, I've heard the theme of "bring us together as not working family," he said.

When he met President Castro on campus at representing SIU overseas, Walker is lobbying Congress, the General Assembly and the governor's office. Walker intends SIU Chancellor John Jackson and SIUE Chancellor David Werner testify before the Senate Appropriations Committee to lobby for the University's 2003 budget.

**Simon still working to bring Castro to Carbondale**

**Holly Parker - Daily Egyptian**

Former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon once shied from a chance to meet Cuban President Fidel Castro. During the inauguration of South Africa President Nelson Mandela, he sat only 20 feet from Castro, but with cameras looming nearby he skirted the opportunity, not wanting to harm his political career.

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budget Tuesday. The group will meet April 19 to testify before the House Appropriations Committee.

In February, Gov. George Ryan offered his recommended budget to the General Assembly and said he had been working with the Illinois Board of Higher Education and the legislature to obtain the best budget for SIU.

Walker said lobbying is a vital process in gaining funds and it takes a combined effort.

"You continually go and present the case for the things you need and likewise they want you to be able to justify and be accountable for the dollars you're asking for," he said.

Don Sexton, director of communications for the IHIE, said the budget process is going well.

"We've had very good receptions in both committees," Sexton said.

The next step will be for the committee to pass the budget and then send them over to the House. Final action in the committee should happen in a few weeks.

Walker said it is imperative that administrators speak with the legislature about the budgets.

"It's pretty essential for presidents and chancellor to be involved in the decision-making process," Sexton said.

Jackson said Walker discharged the chancellor's office and had done the best job of testifying of all the universities.

Luchterfeld said Walker had not been with SIU long enough to fairly judge his lobbying ability, but added he is impressed with Walker's presence.

"His sense of humor," Luchterfeld said.

Jackson said the chancellor's office and Middle Tennessee State University, where he was president before coming to SIU, will make Walker an invaluable addition.

"I think [lobbying is] probably the No. 1 item in the job description for the president," Jackson said.

He said although Walker is experienced with change and will continue to do so, he said: "It's not going to be easy, it's hard work going out to lobby and talking to the eight people, trying to get outside funds and state funds.

"It's a Byzantine and complicated place," Jackson said. "But he's working hard to learn the system.

In addition to obtaining a desirable budget, Walker said there are many other issues the University is concerned with.

On the top of the list is the search for leadership on the Carbondale campus, which has been without a permanent chancellor since December 1999. Walker appointed a chancellor search committee in December and a national search was launched at the beginning of this year.

"I think that we will get the right person to move the University forward on the Carbondale campus. Other major issues include student recruitment and retention, facility line, salary issues and keeping SIU competitive against other universities.

"Looking at advancing the University forward and making sure that [the Carbondale campus] stays as a major research institution in this University," Sexton said.

In an effort to increase SIU's status as a quality institution, Walker said the University is preparing a plan to launch a national campaign for funds.

Today's McCoy, vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement, is working on the plan, and will speak with Walker in a few weeks about the initial phases.

McCoy describes the plan as a comprehensive campaign, designed to generate private support for SIU. The plan includes faculty enhancement and capital projects. The campaign is organized in phases. The first phase is known as the "silent phase," where the goal obtaining is done behind closed doors and 50 to 60 percent of the funding is raised. The next phase would last three to five years, with a possible goal of $100 to $150 million.

Walker said he will announce the campaign within two phases.

He said the comprehensive campaign is a first for the University.

"SIU has never had a major comprehensive campaign," McCoy said. "SIU has been talking about one for a long time.

With the search for chancellor underway and a comprehensive fundraising campaign in the works, Walker said many initiatives are under way.

But Walker remains optimistic and confident, always downing a warm smile.

"I think we will continue to do well," he said. "It's not going to be easy, it's hard work going out to lobby and talking to the eight people, trying to get outside funds and state funds."

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Fraternity chants and the roaring engines of cars were drowned out by the overpowering voices of students gathered Wednesday evening to celebrate the lives of Martin Luther King Jr., Lucia Cristaudo and Marcus Thomas.

The candlelight vigil, originally organized to recognize the 25th anniversary of the King assassination in Memphis, Tenn., took place at 5:30 p.m. on the patio behind Mae Smith Hall. Poems, songs, and reflections highlighted the vigil.

Brown was referring to the actions of Cristaudo, who volunteered to be a hostage during a March 24 robbery at Midwest Cash, 1900 W. Main St. She was killed when two gunmen led police on a high-speed chase and crashed the get-away car into a tree across from Pullman Hall.

Brown also urged the crowd to remember the life of Thomas, who was killed on March 17 from gunshot wounds. Thomas’ body was found on the living room floor of an apartment in the 200 block of South Marion Street. Tenants of the apartment did not know Thomas.

After lighting a candle for each of those being remembered at the vigil, Robinson challenged those in attendance to scream out a name of someone whose memory they should not forget.

Those who did attend the vigil were serious about recognizing the three who were being honored.

“It’s just to bring people together,” Buford said. “It’s to put the flame back into the lives that were taken away from them.”

Brown ended the vigil by reminding those in attendance that “we still have them right here in our hearts.”

Student voter turnout plummeted to 19,772 and 23,258 in the 1997 and 1998 student elections, respectively. Tuesday in precincts 22 and 23, which voting places are Cozelle Hall, the Newman Catholic Student Center and Lentz Hall. Although issues like improving off-campus student housing conditions and the future of Halloween came up during the campaign, no single issue seemed to galvanize student interest this year.

Kenisha Hallett, a freshman in biological sciences from Peoria, said she did not vote because she was busy and the weather was bad.

University officials plan to discuss switch to smoke-free housing

Kelly Davenport
DAILY EYPTIAN

A Harvard health study released March 22 found that non-smokers are 40 percent less likely to pick up the habit if they live in smoke-free residence halls when they start college.

SIUC currently has four Healthy Living floors where students promise to avoid alcohol, tobacco and drugs, and officials are planning to discuss the introduction of smoke-free housing on campus.

“We’re going to be probably talking about it in a big way next year,” said Ed Jones, director of University Housing.

Jones sees a growing trend in smoke-free campus housing.

Next year, Illinois State University will switch to all smoke-free housing and will ban smoking within 15 feet of the buildings. Jones said he will look at that campus plan when considering any changes at SIUC.

Meanwhile, SIUC will add another Healthy Lifestyle floor next fall.

The floors are one of the most-requested, said Katie Locater, Housing Programming.
Carbondale seemed to be of two minds on election day this year. On the one hand, many of those seeking diversity overwhelmingly came out in support of Corine McDaniel, while Catholics voted for Goneen because he was their closest competitor. But the referendum that would have ensured long-term diversity, at least geographically speaking, failed with a majority vote. However, the votes have been cast, and the Carbondale City Council is now set for another two years. So, first of all, congratulations to Corine McDaniel and Maggie Flanagan. Now it is time to get to work.

In their discussions with the Daily Egyptian editorial board, both McDaniel and Flanagan listed student housing as one of their primary concerns. Both candidates supported increased frequency of housing inspections, as well as an increase in new housing construction geared toward students. We think these are feasible ideas, and hope that the new council will act on these ideas at the earliest possible time.

Both McDaniel and Flanagan also support increased investment in the city's downtown, as the city is naturally associated and relies on the needs of that constituency because she is intimately familiar with the neighborhood. Although the city's downtown has seen some positive development, a few new small businesses can flourish in this important but often neglected part of town. Now if they can just get the other members of the council on board.

As for other student issues such as Halloween and the bar-entry age, McDaniel and Flanagan are on the same page. Both of the newly elected councilwomen say that the bar-entry age should stay at 19, and both looked forward to the day when Halloween can be a vibrant, beneficial, and most importantly, safely organized event. Although such a proposition will undoubtedly be a long shot, McDaniel and Flanagan felt that it is worth waging.

On the other side of the election, Larry "Skip" Briggs failed to keep his seat on the council. This may have been due in part to the large decrease in voter turnout among the student precincts. In 1997, the year Briggs was elected to the council, there were 558 votes from predominantly student precincts. However, on Tuesday, only 191 votes came from those same precincts. For a candidate who campaigned almost exclusively as the "students' choice," the lack of student support was his ultimate downfall.

However, we congratulate Briggs on his four years of student advocacy and no doubt his candid approach to city politics. For him, his time in Carbondale has come to an end. But we hope for our college guys don't mind.

If you can say something nice... appears on Thursday. Join us in a second round of attempts to naturally reflect those of the Daily Egyptian.

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COLUMNIST

**Twiddling thumbs won't reduce crime**

*BY JOY L. A. LOGAN*

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I found something in that some idiot shot up another church. While I am not a religious person, I cannot understand why someone would ever get out of shooting bullets into a church. To do the fewer are you are running your organized religion, don't go to church. I do that what problems with the Almighty will be stayed by shooting up his house, nor is this likely to increase your popularity with the provincians.

In the same light, crime seems to have become quite a problem in the sleepy little college town of Carbondale. Such is an environment that has experienced something worse than a few violent deaths in recent weeks. Residents who were alive last month are not alive this month. They were not sick.

What constitutes a crime-prone neighborhood? or, in this case, a crime wave? Some people would say that multi-morons shooting at churches on a holiday, an application fee or a current control debate. I do not say what this is a moral issue for me because of my religion. Since when is it a moral issue for me because of my religion? Since when does the representative voter for what HE thinks is right? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters?

The underlying reason for crimes are not only enough, nor is it even a permanent solution for Carbondale's crime problem. The City of Carbondale needs to admit that there is a problem in the town. The city needs to admit that there is a wave and needs to implement steps to modify that problem. It seems obvious that Carbondale does not have the manpower and budget to handle all the crimes in town. An initial step to at least temporarily alleviating the problem would be to increase the police presence, hiring more officers, if need be. More parents would mean less areas of town left unwatched, and at least hopefully, there would be a way to control violent crime.

Race not the only topic on a Concealed weapons debate goes on, and on...

**LETTERS**

**Represent the people, not yourself**

**DEAR EDITOR:**

I am writing this letter in response to Tuesday's article regarding the anti-discrimination bill. I want to begin by saying that I am in favor of HB 101. But why is it that I am in favor of it on one day and an old man or woman can be fired from a job or evicted from their home based upon their sexual orientation? Dana R. McDaniel, has said that this bill every time it has been before the House. He was quoted in the article as saying: "It's a moral issue for me because of my religion." When does the representative voter for what HE thinks is right? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters? Isn't he there to represent the people, not the voters?

Some people would say that his issue might be: "Should all people be treated equally?" The answer to that question is simple — yes. Homosexuals own citizens of this state and deserve all the same rights as heterosexuals so what your personal beliefs only. The answer and the question guarantees the rights of its citizens. No one is asking the Baa. Baa to alter his beliefs or beliefs. No one is asking the Baa. Baa to alter his beliefs or beliefs. No one is asking the Baa. Baa to alter his beliefs or beliefs. No one is asking the Baa. Baa to alter his beliefs or beliefs.

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Kindergarten class spends a day on the farm

MATT BRENNAN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The children in Linda Fietsam's kindergarten class watch enthusiastically despite a putrid smell, as piglets feed on the mother's teats. They sit in the "The kids don't get to see the animals unless we bring them."

Gus Bode

Gus says:
You guys can tour my house. It's a zoo.

The footballs were two black cylindrical traps with water and soap to clean the bottom of shoes. The swine, beef, dairy and equine centers, to area elementary schools for about 25 years.

The tours are guided by Registered Student Organizations from the University. Monday's tour was guided by women from the Sigma Alpha sorority.

Richard Roeder, chair of animal science, food and nutrition, said the tours are part of an outreach effort on spring about farm animals, and wanted to give the children a chance to see animals they otherwise would not.

SiUC has been offering farm tours, including the swine, beef, dairy and equine centers, to area elementary schools for about 25 years. The tours have gone on all week at various SIU agricultural centers west of campus thanks to volunteers Wednesday. The tours have gone on all week at various SIU agricultural centers west of campus thanks to volunteers Wednesday.

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The tours began feeding off of the mother's teats. They sit in the "The kids don't get to see the animals unless we bring them."

City Clerk Janet Vaught said she was not surprised by the turnout, but did not know what to expect until the results were in. She described Tuesday's election as average, noting that the past two were exceptionally high.

Vaught said high-student turnout in the last two elections contributed to the unusually high overall turnout in 1997 and 1999. "When student turnout is high, turnout across the dry tends to increase," Vaught said. Throughout the rest of the city, turnout was average for a municipal election, but down from two and four years ago. A highly contested municipal race between Mayor Neil Dillard and John Buddick two years ago bolstered turnout citywide.

U. Chicago report finds disparity in violence and mortality of white, minority kids

FREDA WAN  
CHICAGO MADISON (U. CHICAGO)

CHICAGO (U-WIRE) - Despite a general decline in poverty, there is still a disparity in the violence and infant mortality rates of white and minority children in Illinois. Those statistics were compiled in a report published by the Chapman Hall Center for Children at the University of Chicago.

The State of the Child in Illinois: 2000, published last Wednesday, also reported that there is a greater overall need for child care services provided by the state. The report was based on data from state agencies, federal agencies and the 2000 census.

The State of the Child report covers the period from 1995 to 2000 and analyzes indicators of children's living conditions, including poverty, school violence and educational measures. In most of these areas, there has been improvement in conditions and policies for children.

The report says that the graduation rate of children in the Chicago public school system has improved from 49 percent in 1994 to 65 percent in 1999. This statistic is still lower than that of the greater Cook County graduation rate of 86 percent.

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She also said she did not know the candidates.

"If you don't know what they stand for, you shouldn't vote for them," Hadlett said.

Jackson County Clerk and Recorder Larry Reinhardt said this was the first year school board races were combined with municipal elections.

He said the additional races could have increased turnout slightly. Reinhardt said 2,910 ballots were cast in Carbondale Tuesday, out of about 16,000 voters registered in the city.

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Local actor voyages to Hollywood without leaving home

Story by MARLEEN TROUT
Photographs by MARY COLLIER

In the Greylight Theatre, housed in the gutted Civil-War era Douglass School in Murphysboro, ammonia fumes prop outdated stage lights. The orange glow of two propane space heaters warms the audience in lieu of electric heat. Cloaked in blankets, Greylight patrons sip wine while seated on the hodgepodge of couches or folding chairs covering the bare cement floor. Greta Ganno, one of the Greylight cast-in-residence, occasionally saunters across stage in the middle of a run.

And while the locale may not seem high enough on the totem pole to reach the stars, its talent, Streit, proving to do just that. Local writer and Greylight regular Bob Streit Jr.'s original one-man play "From Here to There: Travel Guidance for the Dream Challenged and Paternally Impaired," was filmed at last Saturday's performance. Producing team David and Rebecca Fleeter will mail the tape to Paramount executive Kate McCallum. The video will be shown to HBO and Showtime execs and will likely launch Streit into movie roles. The stage version may also hit the Los Angeles circuit.

Streit, a Carbondale resident, described his chance meeting with Fleeters as the "theater god smiling" down on him. Rebecca Fleeter had grown up in Carbondale before working as director of development for Meyer Jaffe Productions at Paramount Pictures. She caught Streit in a Greylight production while visiting the area. Recognizing his talent she suggested he do a one-man show.

"We went home and forgot about it," Fleeter said. "Bob calls three weeks later and says, 'OK, I wrote it.'" Streit, whom Fleeter calls his second hardest critic after his wife, was floored by Streit's brainchild.

"It wasn't the talent, which clearly he has in abundance, it was the radiance and how he connects," Fleeter said. "Bob has universal themes with depth, great intellect, wit, subtlety and compassion. It's linking the head with the heart. It's what our society is missing and what we would like to help do."

Her filmmaking husband, David, whose vfx includes such award-winning documentaries as "Moody's Child," and work in movies like "Independence Day," was the man behind the camera at Saturday's performance.

The husband-wife duo helped Streit refine the play. Streit entered the editing process with trepidation, but said the honing only cut out the fat, remaining true to the prototype. "From Here To There" first played the Greylight two weeks ago as part of a double bill with Don Elwell's "The Death of Maynard G. Keats." Streit was hailed by the DAILY EGYPTIAN as a master of characterization just as effective in drama as in comedy.

Besides being a touching and philosophical piece, "From Here To There" has also served as a metaphor for Streit's rise out of Midwestern obscurity. The play bridges the pilgrimage between life and death, family and dream realization amid the mind's paralyzing anxieties. Though the piece was inspired by the death of Streit's father and the subsequent grief Streit had to sweat out, it was brought to the stage in part, to fill a gap in the Greylight's budget.

Bob Streit, of Carbondale, and his two year old daughter, Twyla, overlook a pond in his yard. This pond was the setting for a dream that inspired his play "From Here to There: Travel Guidance for the Dream Challenged and Paternally Impaired."
Streit has written for various publications like the Southern Illinoisan and performed voice-overs for corporate videos and local radio stations. After moving to the area 10 years ago, he left his job writing for the Chicago musical comedy theater group, New Tuners. Streit, an Evanston native who grew up in Libertyville, was the man behind the script, not in front of it. But the Greylight, which he likens to working out at a theater gymnasium, offered him an avenue back to dramatic text. Success might have come for Streit because the Greylight, which he likens to the regional theater that teaches community children the art of filmmaking while documenting their newfound community.

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He would be lost without you.

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Streit and Tawla do the normal daddy/daughter things at home when he is not hard at work on his stories inspired by his parenting experiences. Streit says that his stories make the audience ponder if “…the cup is half empty or half full” ever since I quit doing it. I’ve been writing about it, and I have not written any pieces where people are painting or drawing,” Streit said.

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"The nature of human experience and the way our society is missing and what we would like to help do."
University names teacher of the year

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Women applying to U.S. law schools more than men

SIUC law school following the trend

Brenda Corley
Editor, Daily Egyptian

Recent statistics released by the American Bar Association conclude that law schools are attracting more women applicants than men.

The bar association reported that out of 8,718 students who attended SIUC law school last year, 4,329 were women.

This is a recent trend compared to numbers in 1980 to 1981, where 44,600 men applied to law school, but only 24,600 women applied, according to the Law School Admission Council.

Two important factors, recruiting and retention efforts, can explain why SIUC law school was represented in recruiting efforts.

The women and other minority groups there were glad because we were students, said Ruiz. "We are able to share our experiences with them from one student to another."

Women account for almost half of the law school's student body.

There are many women law students, and it is no longer an odd issue, Gill said.

The women professors Gill has her first year were encouraging for her to see as many women interested in legal professions.

"It was good to see women professors any first year who were involved and serious about their work," she said, "They were good examples for me."

Women law students are able to join the Women's Law Forum, a SIUC organization that promotes women for women in law school.

Women's Law Forum President Anthony Germano, second-year law student, said, "Women are applying, but is more interested in keeping women in the law school, they will have better opportunities to help other women in the field."

"Women are more women studying, but is more interested in keeping women in the field once they start," she said. "My first year a lot female law students did not return," said Germano. "So my main concern is that when women apply, they stick with it."

Women in legal professions because of female students who accepted school's offer and enrolled.

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Robin Shane Dothager named SIUC student worker of the year

Every year SIUC acknowledges one student that has demonstrated outstanding work on campus. This year there were many nominees, but the entry that outshined the rest was Robin Shane Dothager. Dothager was nominated by Jianjun Wang, assistant professor of biochemistry and molecular biology, as well as Dan Parker, a laboratory manager.

Dothager is a third-year undergraduate student studying Biochemistry at SIUC. He is currently employed at the Organic Lab located in Neckers. Wang works closely with Dothager. He said, “The research project he was working on is to subclone a truncation apolipoprotein A-I into a high-level expression vector.”

Dothager even surprised some of his superiors with the outstanding work that he performed as well as the quickness with which he caught on.

“To my surprise, he independently carried out all the experiments in two weeks,” Wang said. “He successfully subcloned this apoA-I truncation mutant into the pET30a vector, and did expression and protein purification.”

When Dothager has completed his undergraduate degree he plans to either attend graduate school or medical school. He would like to pursue medical school, but he also wants to continue on in the field of research.

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Ohio State football players' lawsuit must wait to go to trial

Phil Helser
THE LANTERN (OHIO STATE U.)

COLUMBUS, OH (U.WIRE) - Two Ohio State football players' lawsuit to try to avoid criminal charges may have to wait a year or more before it goes to trial.

Unless there is a settlement reached in the meantime, the case is not to go before the Common Pleas Court of Franklin County on Jan 10, 2002, according to a press conference held Tuesday by Walter's legal counsel.

Bentley is charged with assaulting teammate Tyvon Williams last year.

"We're not going to try this case through the media," said Brett Miller of the Columbus Dispatch. "We are not going to comment on anything at all."

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Tyvon Williams, a defendant in a civil suit filed by Bentley, went on to say that he was not going to try to make this a sideshow.

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Battered tracksters head for Austin, Cape Girardeau

Injury-prone track teams divide in an attempt to conquer Texas Relays and All-Sport Relays

JESSIE D. JOHNSON

Battered and bruised by a assortment of freak injuries, the Saluki track and field teams will split spots for two separate meets this weekend.

Qualifying athletes will head to Austin, Texas, for the Texas Relays, while the inured members and women's teams will limp to Cape Girardeau, Mo., for the All-Sport Relays.

"That's a huge meet and I'm looking forward to see how they perform down there," SIU athletic director John Hayes-Stoker said. "That's good weather and good competition."

SIU women's head coach Don DeVan Guy from St. Louis down to the Los Altos State Relays earlier this week and Wednesday morning with the qualifying athletes. Representing the men's team are Lonnie King, Joe Hill, Gregory Denagall, Joe Zelbert, Kevin Miles and Barry Lowrance.

The women took Larriece Gray, Marissa Jelks, Emily Herrell, Becky Cox, Julia Roundtree and Marina Shafran to the Lone Star State.

Both teams have fallen victim to a number of serious injuries to top athletes, which has left the program reeling. "Right now our team is so banged up. People are out for the year and it's been a season of freak injuries — bone fractures, stress fractures and elbow tears."

"They all happen to some of our top-line guys."

Men's golf rakes in third straight top-ten finish

Team gives 'one of the better performances' of the season

CLINT HARTING

The SIU men's golf team was able to continue its streak of top-10 finishes Tuesday at the fifth annual Arkansas State Indian Classic at the Ridge Pointe Country Club in Texarkana, Ark.

The Salukis finished in ninth place with a score of 903 to round out their third straight top-10 finish.

"It was one of the better performances that we've had this spring," head coach Leroy Newton said.

Andrew Warnsing tied for 10th overall, and Kolmer was unsatisfied with his performance, and Kolmer believes the Salukis need to improve in order to finish strong though. "What we've got to do now is to pick it up quite a few notches."

"I'm ready to get going again, but I'm a long way from being where I want to be," Newton said.

"The same could be said for the entire team, but the coaches and I hope some of the younger talent can pick up the ball, covering for the starters," Newton added.

"We've got to do our thing is to pick up and to get some of the younger talent to step up this year," Newton said.

"If Andrew played well. He was one shot out of fifth place, if we'd have just made a little putt, he would have tied the last green," Newton said.

Kolmer overtook the last green, proving to be costly. "The greens had been quick, and that cost me a big spot," Kolmer said.

Kolmer was unsatisfied with his performance, and Newton said. "That's good weather and good competition." Newton hopes the Salukis made a good impression on some of the other teams, including conference foe Northern Iowa two out of three rounds,

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hitters reached on back-to-back errors by freshman shortstop Haley Viclhaus to load the bases.

"I thought in any other inning, if the pressure's not on, those are just ground-ball outs," Blaylock said.

A ground out to short forced the second out, but Huff scored to tie the game at 1-1. Strikeout forced the third out of the inning.

The Salukis wouldn't allow Evansville's comeback to rattle them. They maintained their poise through the Evansville half of the eighth with a 1-2-3 inning, which led to Meier's game-winner in the bottom half of the inning.

"We were very calm the whole time, we didn't press ... there was no doubt in my mind that we weren't going to win that game," Blaylock said. "We're not baseball, you don't get a big cushion sometimes," Blaylock said. "You just have to win these tight games."

As for Streamsterfer, she admitted she wouldn't mind playing before the scheduled 3 p.m. start next time, although her performance proved evident that this was her type of ballgame.

"I'm too antsy the whole day," Streamsterfer said. "My stomach's getting all crazy, but I just love playing games like this."

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Softball wins extra-inning contest against MVC foe Evansville

Wednesday

A mild breeze swept across the field, the slightly overcast sky provided enough sunlight to brighten the day while simultaneously keeping everyone relaxed by its comfortable climate.

Wednesday was as close to a perfect day as you could ask for. Likewise, Erin Stemstetter pitched as close to perfect as any of her teammates or coaches could ask for, as just one ball would escape the barrier of the Saluki infield all day.

And senior teammate Julie Meier rewarded her ace hurler with a game-winning sacrifice fly in the bottom of the eighth inning to give the Saluki softball team a 2-1 win against the University of Evansville Wednesday at IAW Fields.

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Likewise, Erin Stemstetter pitched as close to perfect as one could ask, as just one ball hit the field against Stemstetter, who improved to 17-2 on the season.

"She did a great job of bringing the ball in on their hands and making them change-up it, and really working them in and keeping them guessing," said Saluki head coach Kerri Blaylock.

Stemstetter and the Salukis (23-9, 9-1) cruised through the first six innings, maintaining a 1-0 lead courtesy of a Netty Hallahan RBI double in the fifth.

But the Purple Aces (23-10, 7-3) rallied in the seventh, as Huff's one-out single proved to be the catalyst. The next two runs, driven in by a pair of errors, moved the Aces to a 2-1 lead.

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