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Tempers flare after 'misinformation' meeting

RYAN VOYLES
Daily Egyptian

outside Quigley Hall. Dr. William Banz, Dr. Jeremy Davis and Dr. Sharon Peterson, three professors who teach courses in the SIUC dietetics program, spoke to undergraduate students in Monday's meeting before leaving and getting

into a disagreement. Banz said the meeting Monday was to talk with students and dispel the "misinformation" being spread about the department.

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Tempers flared between three faculty members after leaving a closed meeting with undergraduates in the Student Nutrition Academic Council Monday

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Residents: City 'not listening' to budget concerns

NICK JOHNSON
Daily Egyptian

City officials aren't listening to their pleas regarding next year's budget, but citizens said they still plan to attend Tuesday's public budget hearing at the City Council meeting to protest fund-

ing cuts and the elimination of several positions.

The city is preparing for a projected deficit of more than \$5 million over the next two years, mostly due to increasing pension and employee benefits costs. The city's payout has increased by \$1 million, or almost 68 percent, over

the last five years, according to City Manager Allen Gill's proposed fiscal year 2011 budget.

Gill submitted his budget to the City Council last week. The budget also includes elimination of six city positions, including the director of development services and community relations offi-

cer, as well as funding cutbacks to community organizations.

At the council's Feb. 9 meeting, representatives from those organizations, such as I Can Read of Southern Illinois and Attacks Community Services, spent hours making their cases for funding.

Gill said Monday the funding cuts

for all community organizations remain unchanged, with the exception of Abundant Health Resource Clinic, which closed last month because of increasing medication and overhead costs.

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Temperature boost burns up classrooms

MICHAEL CANTY
Daily Egyptian

As temperatures continue to heat up, so do classrooms at SIUC.

Some faculty and students on campus have shifted to outdoor classes, as temperatures have risen to the low-60s on some days.

Relief is on the way, said Phil Gatton, director of the Physical Plant.

Crews from the Physical Plant have worked since last week to convert heating systems to cooling systems on campus, Gatton said. He said the conversion process takes between two and three weeks because of an elaborate use of manual labor.

He said some facilities have air conditioning running and more facilities will have it within two or three days.

"It is a difficult issue to decide when to turn it on," Gatton said. "Some locations will see cooling within a day or two."

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Nico Wood, a graduate student in performance studios from Chicago, reads on a rock in between classes Monday in front of Morris Library. "It's really beautiful outside, but it's too warm

inside," Wood said. Wood is a teacher's assistant on campus and said there is usually a discrepancy between the weather outside and the temperature inside.

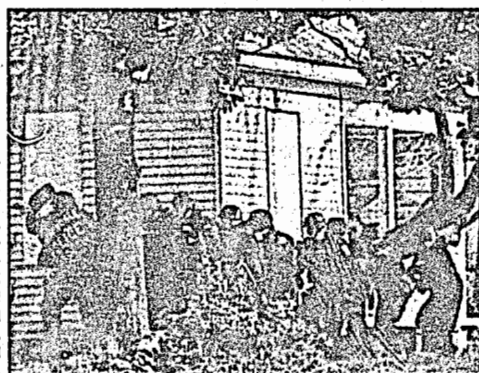
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The Carbondale Special Response Team removed a man from a Carbondale house after a near two-hour standoff with police Monday.

The heavily armored squad — which consisted of about 10 people — deployed three flashbang grenades before breaking down the door to 619 N. Springer St. The police blocked off the 600 block of North Springer Street at about 3:30 p.m. and arrested the man roughly two hours later.

The police did not release the name of the suspect or the reason for the standoff and arrest. Lt. Mark Goddard said Police Chief Jody O'Guinn would release more information today. Goddard said no one was injured in the standoff.

POLICE STANDOFF ENDS IN ARREST



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Training program 'not economically feasible'

RYAN VOYLES
Daily Egyptian

Elaine Blinde wants her students to know her department is doing everything in its power to accommodate them, as the future of the Athletic Training Education Program remains foggy.

As reported last week in the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the program will not admit students next school year, the second time in three years the program has not allowed students.

partment chair, said the kinesiology faculty came to the decision several weeks ago after discussing the economic feasibility of continuing the program.


"We went over the number of applicants who applied for the program ... and it was just not economically feasible to offer a program to eight students for three years, knowing there would be attrition during that span," she said.

Blinde, the kinesiology de- Please see TRAINING | 4

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JALC saves jobs of five employees

NICK QUIGLEY
 Daily Egyptian

The jobs of five John A. Logan College employees have been saved thanks to a one-time concession resulting in roughly \$250,000 in savings.

By a vote of 63-29, the JALC Faculty Association approved a Memorandum of Understanding Thursday that saved four faculty positions and moved one member from faculty to a grant-based position. The move came as a reaction to the \$6.8 million in funding owed to the college by the state.

"I am so pleased that we were able to sit down and work together to save jobs," JALC President Robert Mees said in a press release.

Faculty Association member Jane Bryant said the money to be saved would come from sacrifices

"We'll be working for free for those two credit hours; every faculty member is required to do that, and that's where it saves the money."

— Jane Bryant
 JALC Faculty Association member

within the collective faculty. She said each faculty member would give up two "overload hours," either both in the same semester or split between spring and fall, beginning in the fall of this year. In addition, JALC will give up half of its professional development funds, which allow faculty members to attend conferences and join professional organizations, for the 2010-2011 school year and a quarter of those funds for the 2011-2012 year.

giving up the pay of two of the overload hours," Bryant said. "We'll be working for free for those two credit hours; every faculty member is required to do that, and that's where it saves the money."

Six other employees in non-teaching professional positions were let go because they belong to a separate union.

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 - Sponsored by Church Women United of Carbondale
 - This charity fundraiser helps support nine local and six international agencies that feed the hungry.
 - Call 549-7193 for more information</p> |
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Students have expressed concerns in recent weeks with the direction the program is headed, including an impromptu meeting Tuesday between dietetic students and Todd Winters, the interim dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences, after Peterson e-mailed Winters her intention to resign.

All three professors declined to comment about the incident.

The three talked for more than 30 minutes in the Quigley Hall breeze-

way, discussing a variety of topics as students and other faculty inconspicuously walked by.

Students said at the meeting that Peterson was forced to resign from her position, a claim Winters said was incorrect.

Davis, in a letter today to the DAILY EGYPTIAN editor, said the program is working in the best interest of its students.

"Over the past year a variety of ideas have been discussed to expand the undergraduate program to offer several emphasis areas; including dietetics, pre-professional, and even

sports nutrition," he said. "It is our goal to offer a variety of options to prospective students and allow them to decide what option best suits their career goals."

A Facebook group, "HND Students Fighting for Our Program!" has 122 members as of press time.

Davis said in the letter that all students and potential students should fully trust administrators and the faculty to make the right decisions.

"I would ask our current and prospective students to trust that any future decisions regarding the program will be made to benefit them and their careers," he said. "Any individual that suggests otherwise is either misinformed or not looking out for the best interests of students."

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Dr. Sharon Peterson, an assistant professor in animal science food and nutrition, speaks with William Banz, left, a professor in animal science food and nutrition, and Dr. Jeremy Davis, right, an assistant professor in animal science food and nutrition, after a heated discussion following a closed meeting Monday between faculty in the dietetics program and SNAC (Student Nutrition Academic Council). Peterson recently sent an e-mail to the interim dean of the College of Agricultural Sciences announcing her decision to resign.

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— Dr. Jeremy Davis
professor of dietetics

Cole: City focused on budget, not liquor licenses

NICK JOHNSON
Daily Egyptian

Until he receives the Liquor Advisory Board's report from its March 30 meeting, Mayor Brad Cole said he can't act on the board's recommendation to grant grocery stores packaged liquor licenses.

The board voted unanimously

to remove restrictions on grocery stores in the city's liquor code and to expand the Class C, or packaged liquor, license cap. The recommendation needs to appear on a City Council agenda and be approved before it takes effect, Cole said.

Cole said he did not know when the recommendation would be on the council agenda, as the next two

meetings will be absorbed by budget discussions for fiscal year 2011.

"We're focused on the budget right now," Cole said.

Delaying the vote won't have any positive or negative effects, board member John Benschhoff said.

"My advice would be to move forward," Benschhoff said. "I don't have any sense that it needs to be delayed."

The recommendation came after representatives from Schnucks, Kroger, Neighborhood Co-op Grocery and Arnold's Market presented the board with a petition for beer and wine in their stores signed by more than 7,500 customers.

"I do understand that the city is dealing with some serious issues

right now," said Francis Murphy, general manager of the Neighborhood Co-op. "I just hope we do get a hearing in a timely fashion. We'll just deal with it when it comes."

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Fraternity members sell themselves for cancer research

DEON PRICE
Daily Egyptian

Members of Alpha Kappa Psi are auctioning off some unusual items to raise money for breast cancer awareness — themselves.

Matthew Vittitoe, member of Alpha Kappa Psi and co-coordinator of the date auction, said breast cancer is a major concern and decided his group could do more to help fight against the disease.

"We're doing this to raise awareness about breast cancer, not just for women but for men as well," Vittitoe said.

Carly Freiwald, lead coordinator of the date auction, said it would be held at 6 p.m. Thursday in the

Student Center Auditorium. Female students will have the opportunity to bid on dates with members from different SIUC fraternities. All proceeds will be donated to breast cancer research and prevention.

According to breastcancer.org, about 13 percent, or one out of eight women contract breast cancer. An estimated 192,370 new cases of invasive breast cancer were found in American women in 2009, as well as 62,280 new cases of non-invasive breast cancer, the Web site said. In 2008, 1,990 new cases of invasive breast cancer were found in males. Of all new breast cancer cases, less than 1 percent are found in men, the Web site said.

Vittitoe said the event was a great way for him to fight a disease that has personally affected him. He said breast cancer research is important to him because his grandmother had been diagnosed with the disease and needed doctors to surgically remove one of her breasts to save her life.

"There have been many fund raisers for many causes on campus but very few, if any, for breast cancer," Vittitoe said.

Lisa Seeder, a junior from Homewood studying marketing, said she plans on attending the event and money would not be a factor when it comes to saving lives.

"I just really want to do whatever I can to raise awareness of breast can-

cer," Seeder said. "It's not about winning the bid and getting a date; it's about so much more than that."

Vittitoe said the idea for a date auction was proposed because the group wanted to get the female community as involved as possible with raising money for a research of this nature.

"Since breast cancer is such a huge female topic, we chose to let women be the power behind raising money to help women," Vittitoe said. "We felt it would be less objectifying for men to be auctioned off for this cause."

Eric Anderson, a senior from Homewood studying marketing, said even though he would not be one of the fraternity members up for auc-

tion, he is trying to recruit as many bidders as possible to ensure the event could happen again.

"We're trying to make this event a yearly or even a bi-annual function," Anderson said. "We want this to become a growing part of the other SIU traditions."

He said admission will be free but there will be donations taken at the door. T-shirts will be sold before and during the auction.

Any questions about the auction event should be directed to Vittitoe at vittitoe6@comcast.net.

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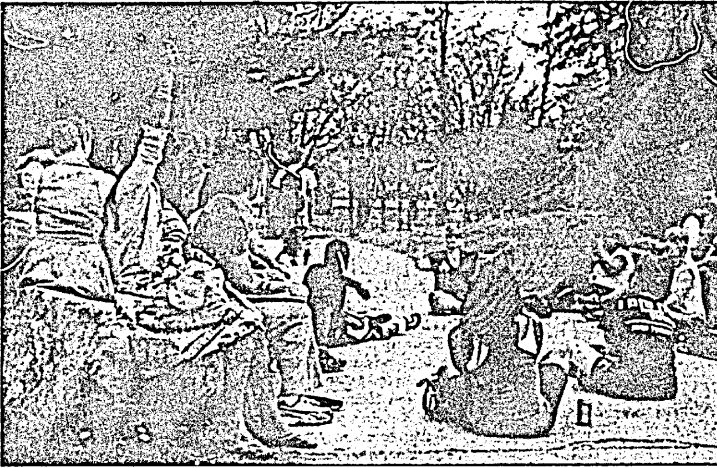
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Jenn Freitag instructs her Speech Communication 101 class Monday outside of the Wham Education

Building. "Our room was pretty hot, so in order to be comfortable we took class outside," Freitag said.

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Sharny Stone, a sophomore from Peoria studying advertising and an employee at Trueblood Dining Hall, said the heat in the classrooms might be making students sick class. Stone said the university needs to move quicker to turn on the air conditioning.

"It's miserably hot in Trueblood," she said. "It's torture working there. This hinders us from working to our best standards. We pay too much not to have sufficient air."

Some buildings have systems that are easier to switch over because they generate heat, Gatton said. He said examples include Morris Library, which uses an abundance of computers that create more heat than other facilities. Buildings such as Morris Library are made priority for conversion, Gatton said.

Gatton said modern central air systems are not fit for SIUC's campus be-

cause many buildings on campus were built during the 1950s and 1960s.

"The problem is that these buildings are antiquated and somewhat old," he said. "There will be a significant amount of cost to make a change to the cooling systems."

The campus has two large chillers that are connected to multiple buildings, Gatton said. Chillers provide cooled water into a loop that feeds into the buildings. The two pipe systems either heat or cool, but they cannot do both.

Narayanan Iyer, assistant professor in the School of Journalism, said he is not shocked SIUC takes so long in switching to air conditioning.

"The systems they (SIU) have in place are so old. It's a huge distraction while teaching," he said. "It's a waste of resources. They should switch to more energy-efficient materials."

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COUNCIL

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The Rev. Sidney Logwood, president of the Carbondale branch of the NAACP, has addressed the council multiple times regarding the funding cuts. However, Logwood said his main concern with Gill's budget is the elimination of the city's community relations officer position. The duties of the position, which include overseeing and enforcing the city's Equal Opportunity Employment and Affirmative Action plans, will be consolidated with those of the Administrative Service Director, according to Gill's budget.

Though Logwood said he doubts the city will respond to the pleas of the African-American community, he said he plans to speak at length at today's meeting in an effort to persuade the council to keep the position.

"It's designed to kill affirmative action in Carbondale. There's no way that (the director of administrative services) can do the job responsibilities of the office itself, as well as take

on duties of the community relations officer," Logwood said.

But City Councilman Joel Fritzier said the position is the easiest to consolidate because Administrative Services Director Deborah McCoy has experience with Equal Opportunity Employment and Affirmative Action plans.

The compound effects of the city's pension obligations, the recession and, most recently, Gov. Pat Quinn's reduction of state income tax revenues to municipalities make Gill's budget cuts necessary.

"The bottom line is (citizens) don't fully grasp what we're up against," Fritzier said.

Arbor District resident D. Gorton said Logwood has a very strong argument.

To cut back from the most vulnerable people during tough financial times doesn't make sense to Gorton and many of his neighbors, he said.

"Maybe affirmative action is over in Carbondale — maybe that's the way the council thinks," Gorton said. "But I don't think so."

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— D. Gorton
Arbor District resident

Logwood's case isn't the first example of officials ignoring citizen input, Gorton said. He and other residents spoke against the Saluki Way contract last spring, but the council still approved it, Gorton said. The contract sends \$1 million per year in city sales tax revenue to SIUC — money Gorton said should be going toward green spaces and city departments.

But Saluki Way isn't even the most recent example of city officials slighting citizen agendas, he said. Councilman Chris Wissmann's recent dismissal of the 7,500 shoppers at Carbondale grocery stores who signed a petition for grocers to get liquor licenses is also evidence, Gorton said.

Anybody could get 7,500 people

to sign anything, and there isn't any way to know if signers of the petition were even from Carbondale or if they signed it more than once, Wissmann told the DAILY EGYPTIAN last week.

"You wonder because you're not getting your green spaces; we're not getting these facilities for the people that need them. And you wonder how mismanaged this town can be," Gorton said.

Gill's budget also includes merging the director of development services position, which is responsible for zoning, housing rehabilitation, rental housing inspection and other neighborhood issues, with the assistant city manager position. Gorton said giving development services duties to the assistant city manager

would be detrimental to the neighborhoods.

Development Services Director Mike Pierceall helps residents and tenants understand ordinances and plays a key role in landlord-tenant relations in the city, Gorton said.

Fritzier said he will propose taking \$100,000 from the Carbondale Convention and Tourism Bureau to help keep the director of development services position.

Assistant City Manager Kevin Baily doesn't have the proper background to handle development services, Fritzier said.

"I think housing is one of the reasons we're losing students," Fritzier said. "Now you're going to put two divisions under (Baily) as well? That doesn't make any sense when you have a revenue source that you can use for it."

The council will vote to approve the fiscal year 2011 budget April 20.

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TRAINING

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All students enrolled in the program will be eligible to sit for the Board of Certification exam upon completion of the program, said Kimberly Gray, program director.

Blinde said she was hopeful enrollment numbers would increase in the program the past several years, but it never happened.

"I think we knew the program in the last couple of years did not have strong enrollment numbers ... last year's class was not particularly large," she said. "We were hoping this would turn around; with strong numbers we could turn it in the right direction, but we didn't get those large numbers in the fall."

Blinde said no steps have been taken by the department to terminate the program and any process would take several months. A faculty discussion about the program would happen at a later time this semester, she said.

Blinde said because the program has had to suspend enrollment for two years, the department would be required to "seriously look at the program."

"You can probably get away with (suspending enrollment for) one year,

but now doing it for a second year ... we have to consider this factor," she said.

SIUC is not the only Athletic Training Education Program to suspend enrollment.

The University of Illinois has also closed admittance to its program, choosing instead to teach out the students still in the program. The school said in a press release the economy made it difficult to sustain the program.

"Adverse budget conditions, in combination with increasingly stringent accreditation requirements, make it very difficult to sustain this high quality program," the release stated.

Lee Land, the head football trainer at SIUC who teaches one course in the program, said it is tough to find students who can commit the time needed for athletic training.

"The students who are in this program have to be prepared for the long hours and not a lot of pay," he said. "It's a job you just have to go into because you love to do it."

Blinde said she heard the students' fears and knows they are anxious, but she wants them to know the department will do whatever it can to help them out.

"I want to make this a positive experience



ISAAC SMITH | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Junior pitcher Alex Peters gets her shoulder iced down Monday by Kate Garner, a senior from Carbondale studying kinesiology, after softball practice. Kinesiology department chair Dr.

Elaine Blinde recently announced that it was not economically feasible to keep the department running. The course of action for terminating the program will be decided by the end of this semester.

rence for all of the students involved," she said. "This department cares about them and will continue to advise them

and help them decide what path to take in their careers."

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OUR WORD

Bridge the gap

It is time for SIUC to clean house.

SIUC has 7,503 employees on campus — 247 of them account for more than \$32 million, or roughly 12.4 percent of the total payroll, while the top 100 highest-paid employees account for 6.3 percent.

The discrepancy between these high salaries and the financial crisis the university is facing needs to be addressed.

SIU President Glenn Foshard and Chancellor Sam Goldman are the second and third highest-paid people on campus, earning \$320,376 and \$300,152, respectively, and both say they fall well short of their peers' salaries on a state and national level.

But the cost of living in southern Illinois is also significantly lower than in other regions.

Carbondale's cost of living is 21.4 percent less than the national average, according to Sperling's Best Places, a partner with the U.S. Census Bureau.

Foshard also receives a housing allowance of \$27,500 and a car provided by the state. Given the cost of living in southern Illinois, it is safe to say that a person can live very comfortably on \$320,376 without a housing allowance.

With other faculty worried about losing their jobs, it wouldn't hurt administrators to at least give

up the perks of theirs.

And yes, many employees are getting paid less than their peers at other institutions. But at this point, it is about what the university needs to make it through, not what is deserved. If this is about what is deserved then SIUC — a research university — would not be cutting scholarly journal subscriptions or increasing the amount of deferred maintenance that is exceeding the \$400 million mark.

According to the Chronicle of Higher Education, SIUC pays its professors more than Illinois State and Northern Illinois, but not faculty.

Chris Lowery, head coach of the SIU men's basketball team, is the highest-paid faculty member by \$400,000. His total salary is listed at \$763,176, according to the public salaries for fiscal year 2010.

Lowery signed a seven-year, \$750,000 per-year contract in 2007 after taking the team to the Sweet 16.

But what has Lowery done to earn his paycheck? The record shows not much. The Sabuks have failed to finish the past two seasons above .500 and without any postseason tournament wins to speak of.

In the 2008-09 season, the Sabuks finished 13-18, 8-10 in the MVC, losing to Bradley in the quar-



FRANKIE OSTELLO | DAILY EGYPTIAN

terfinals. The Sabuks finished the 2009-10 season with a record of 15-15, 6-12 in the MVC.

After former head coaches Bruce Weber and Matt Painter left SIU for Big 10 schools, the athletic department did not want to see another coach leave for a bigger university according to Athletic Director Mario Moocia.

The university better be careful or it could portray that its biggest concern is retaining coaches instead of students.

Of the \$750,000 Lowery makes per year, only

\$300,000 comes from the athletic department. The other \$450,000 is brought in through other revenues. This leaves the DAILY EGYPTIAN to question whether revenue gained from leasing chairback seats on press row could be better spent than to cushion one man's salary.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN poses this question: Is it better to layoff faculty in order to preserve a competitive salary base or is it better to make pay cuts to save as many jobs as possible and the university as a whole?

GUEST COLUMN

Dietetics program losing valuable asset in Peterson

JEREMY DAVIS, PH.D., R.D., assistant professor in food and nutrition

Issues have recently been raised regarding the future of the human nutrition and dietetics program at SIUC. The majority of these concerns stem from the recent announcement of Dr. Sharon Peterson's resignation. Personally, I have known her for nearly a decade; first as an instructor and lastly as a colleague.

Peterson has always had a passion for nutrition, which more often than not has transferred to many of her students. It is hard to imagine anyone could teach

with the same enthusiasm and motivate so many future nutrition professionals.

I'm not entirely sure why she chose to resign, but as a fellow junior faculty I understand it can be difficult to maintain the balance between being an excellent teacher and successful researcher. It is a line that students are often unfamiliar with or even care to comprehend.

Irrespective of the reasoning, if she chooses to go through with her resignation, the program will indeed be losing a valuable and appreciated asset.

Despite the potential loss to our department, no one individual should make or break a program; if it does,

then one must question its quality. A major observation I have noticed from the various institutions I have attended, including SIUC, is that academia is inherently dynamic. There is a constant state of change to faculty and to the programs themselves. Thus, for any program to survive it must adapt to these unexpected and difficult situations.

Our program at SIUC may not be regarded as one of the nation's most prestigious nutrition programs, but our faculty and administrators are focused on doing what is best for the program and its students. Over the past year a variety of ideas have been discussed to expand the undergraduate program to

offer several emphasis areas, including dietetics, pre-professional, and even sports nutrition. It is our goal to offer a variety of options to prospective students and allow them to decide what option best suits their career goals.

The diversification of our undergraduate and graduate program is essential the future success of our department. Students should be disappointed if Peterson decides to resign especially since her ideas have only strengthened our department.

However, it is not the goal of the faculty or administrators to see the program "fall apart." Even with looming budget cuts, it is our goal to see the pro-

gram grow and not recede. We believe that all aspects of nutrition are important, as it allows our students to adapt to changing and novel opportunities in our field.

It is my personal promise and obligation that everything be done to maintain and strengthen our program. Certainly, this would be easier with her, but we must all adapt to the situation. I would ask our current and prospective students to trust that any future decisions regarding the program will be made to benefit them and their careers.

Any individual that suggests otherwise is either misinformed or not looking out for the best interests of students.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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DEAR EDITOR:

The recession is ravaging the local economy, especially SIUC, but students have it in their power to contribute hundreds of dollars to local budgets. Five minutes filling out the census form will be paid back over 10 years with funds for schools, roads, libraries, etc. If you live in an apartment with three roommates, it'll mean thousands!

Sarah Heyer
Carbondale resident

Is there waste at SIUC?

DEAR EDITOR:

I am referring to the Wednesday article about SIUC salaries. Even though the published top-100 list includes certain interesting cases (e.g. individuals without a Ph.D. in high positions making very good salaries), it is not very helpful in relation to the budget problems facing SIUC.

First, it contains names that should belong to SIU, not SIUC (e.g. the president, vice presidents, etc). Second, almost all the salaries

listed are on a 12-month basis. Many dean and chairperson salaries, if converted to a nine-month base, are actually not that high.

Chancellor Sam Goldman is correct in that faculty salaries at SIUC follow national norms — they are not set arbitrarily. In certain cases (like in engineering), salaries are well below these norms.

However, the intention of the article was well placed: Is there waste at SIUC? I would suggest to you looking more into the big picture: Roughly only 40 percent

of SIUC's budget goes to the academic programs (departments, colleges) while 60 percent of it goes to administration and support programs.

How does this compare to other state universities? I think a careful planning should enable the university to sustain the upcoming cut without affecting very much the academic units and their programs.

Konstadinos Hatziladoniu
professor in computer engineering

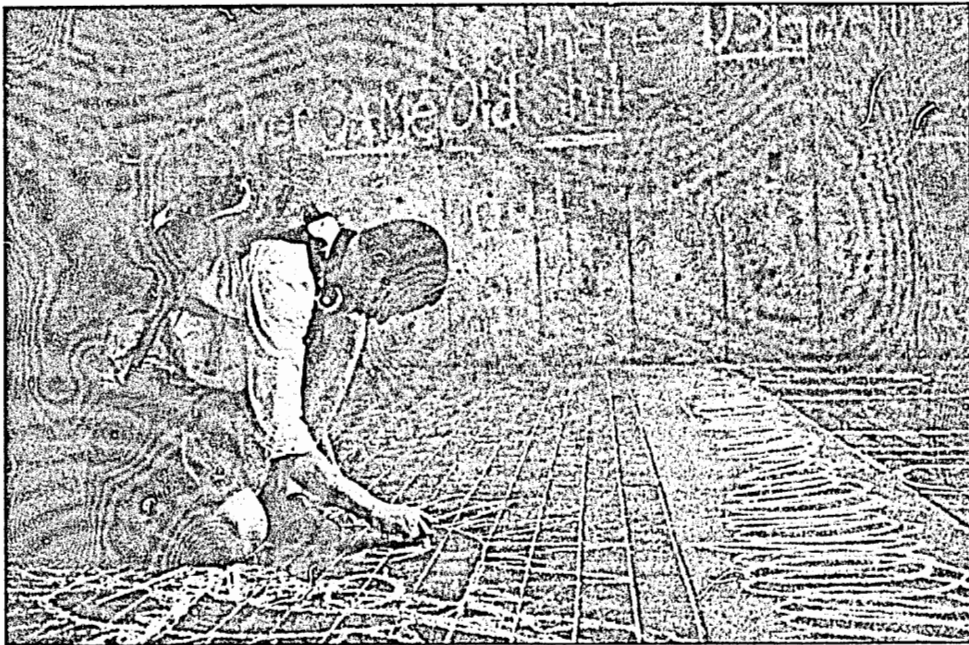
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A CALL TO COEXIST



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Brandon Allen, an undecided Junior from Edwardsville, chalks an image from Spike Lee's film "Do the Right Thing" Monday in the Faner Hall breezeway. Allen said he wants people to put aside petty

differences and start coexisting rather than fight over things such as student government. "I'm just encouraging people to do the morally right thing," he said. "I feel like everybody's so corrupt."

Pets' flea and tick treatment could be deadly

TRAVIS BEAN
Daily Egyptian

Spot-on flea and tick treatments are designed to keep pets safe, but some pets are experiencing an opposite effect.

A fatal effect.

According to a study by the Environmental Protection Agency, incidents involving reactions to spot-on flea and tick treatments for pets rose 53 percent between 2007 and 2008, when 44,000 incidents were reported by consumers and veterinarians across the country.

Most of the incidents reported were minor, such as muscle weakness and skin irritation, but some cases have been more severe.

Spot-on treatment is an oil-based method of treating flea and tick infestation and is placed primarily between a pet's shoulder blades.

In the EPA study, some over-the-counter products were more lethal than others, but all products were associated with some pet deaths in 2008. Sergeant Pet Care Products registered 4,262 reported incidents and nine deaths.

Companies such as Hartz Mountain Corporation registered only 242 incidents, but 31 of those incidents, or 13 percent, were deaths.

Pet owners share part of the blame, said Mark Tichacek, veterinarian for Spears Animal Hospital in Carbondale.

Tichacek recently attended a seminar regarding the spot-on treatment dilemma and said pet owners' misuse of the products leads to many incidents.

"From the knowledge I've been given through the veterinarian community...the general problem has been the use of dog products on cats and then they have some pretty severe reactions," Tichacek said.

These severe reactions, according to the EPA, consist of seizures, paralysis and sometimes death. The EPA study addressed the use of spot-on products on the wrong animal, but the agency places part of the blame on poor labeling.

Different dosages are assigned to pets depending on weight. The EPA study said many pet owners use wrong dosages due to unclear labeling.

Dale Kemery, spokesperson for the EPA, said labeling of the products is the EPA's biggest concern, but no final decisions have been made to regulate the products.

For now, Kemery said the EPA has opened a comment period in which people can weigh in on what changes should be made. The agency will review the comments and take steps toward regulating the products.

"If you want to comment, you're free to comment. The industry can comment; environmentalists may comment," Kemery said. "Anybody can comment, even the public."

Tichacek said when pet owners follow instructions properly, there is little cause for concern. He said different pets require different dosages, and regular checkups with a veterinarian will make using spot-on products safer.

"If the dog is a little lazy, teacup poodle that hardly ever steps foot



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Guldo, an American pit bull, walks along the Campus Lake Trail Monday with his owner, Dwight Violette of Carbondale. Ticks are common along wooded areas, but the Environmental

Protection Agency is taking steps toward making flea and tick medicine less dangerous toward pets, according to the Environmental Protection Agency.

outside, that's different than a hunting dog running around in fields," Tichacek said. "So we'll have different approaches."

Alex Roffi, a junior from Jacksonville studying marketing, owns two dogs and chooses not to use spot-on treatments. Instead, she said she uses pills, which are not available over-the-counter like the spot-on treatments.

"The veterinarian will tell you about spot-on and the pill and give you a bunch of options," Roffi said. "I asked mine which one he thinks is

the best and he said he preferred the pill, so that's why I use it."

Locally, Tichacek said tick treatment among cats is of paramount importance in southern Illinois. A disease carried by bobcats, labeled Bobcat Fever, can be transmitted from bobcats to domestic cats via tick bites. He said this disease has had more impact regionally in the last five years and last year was the worst yet.

"It's almost universally fatal," Tichacek said. "No matter how much or how hard we try to treat these ani-

mals, most of them die."

Due to the increase in deaths among pets through ticks and fleas, Tichacek said being cautious with flea and tick treatments could save a pet's life.

"Consulting the vet for the advice is often overlooked," Tichacek said. "Even if it's a just phone call or stopping by and talking...use us for our experience and knowledge."

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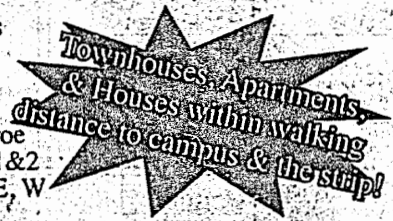
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EDGE
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The Ricketts family may not be the young, flashy new owners many had hoped would be calling the shots at the intersection of Clark and Addison (I was pulling for you, Mr. Cuban), but the Ricketts have the team's best interest at heart considering they are lifelong Cubs fans, as well, and their pockets are deep enough to get lost in.

Too much of a good thing is... a lot of a good thing. Manager Lou Piniella had no choice but to keep the organization's top prospect — and first-round draft pick out of high school in 2006 — Tyler Colvin on the big league roster. Colvin led the team in batting this spring, as he hit .468 with 58 total bases, four triples and 18 RBIs. Having a guy like Colvin on the bench is going to give the regular starters plenty of opportunity to rest without giving up any pop at the plate.

Former Diamondback first/ third baseman Chad Tracy made

the Cubs' Opening Day roster. Like Colvin, Tracy adds a bit of insurance 'should Aramis Ramirez — who calling "injury prone" is keeping it PG rated — or Derrek Lee get hurt, while adding some pop from the left side of the dish.

Cons
Who will bridge the gap? The Cubs' bullpen is the team's biggest question mark heading into the season. With three rookie pitchers — left-hander James Russell, right-hander Justin Berg and right-hander Esmalin Cardad — and a relative rookie in right-hander Jeff Samardzija, middle relief will be a determining factor in the team's overall success this year. Left-hander Sean Marshall has started 59 games in his four-year career, but is coming off a 3-7 finish to 2009 — his worst single-season record.

John Grabow, who joined the Cubs July 30 last season through a trade with Pittsburgh, adds an additional left-hander to the bullpen. Is right-hander Carlos Marmol strong enough to handle the pressure of

closing at Wrigley? As devout as the Cubbie faithful are, they are also not very tolerant of closers giving up the game in the final innings.

Low... will you stay or will you go?
Will we go through an entire season wondering who will lead the Cubs next year and what effect does that have on the team this year? When will the new ownership hand the keys over to Cub-legend Ryne Sandberg?

Projection: plus-three wins from last season's 83-78 record. While it's required 90 wins to win the N.L. Central in recent years, I see the Cardinals going minus-five from last season's 91-71 record. St. Louis has a stacked starting rotation and batting order, but the Cardinals received a World Series prediction from myself just a week ago. And we all know that is truly the kiss of death.

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SPORTS
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After a getting pulled over and charged with a DWI in the offseason, Prese has made his return as the starter at the hot corner for 2010.

Chris Carpenter and Adam Wainwright, who finished second and third, respectively — even though Wainwright had the most first-place votes — in the Cy Young voting last season, also return to the starting rotation.

With such a solid lineup and a dominating one-two punch in the starting rotation, anything short of a World Series appearance in 2010 would be a disappointment.

The Cardinals are in win-now mode for two reasons: One, Albert Pujols has just two years left on his contract, and if he leaves town any chance of winning a World Series practically goes down the drain, and two, they need to prove to Pujols that they can win so he will sign a contract at a discounted price and not both for the Yankees or Red Sox.

But the National League is by no means a one-horse race.

Philadelphia, the defending 2009 NL Champions, only got stronger in the offseason by acquiring arguably the best pitcher in baseball, Roy Halladay.

To reach the World Series, the Cardinals will have to beat a lineup that includes former NL MVPs Ryan Howard and Jimmy Rollins, as well as perennial All-Star Chase Utley.

And of course, you can't talk about the Phillies without mentioning 2008 World Series MVP Cole Hamels. Hamels struggled last year, going 9-8 with a 4.08 ERA, but chances are he will get back to his former self this season.

I see the Cardinals finishing 2010 with 93 wins, a two-game improvement from last season, and winning the NL Central again.

They just need to remember that it's World Series or bust.

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MEN'S GOLF

Freshmen bring youth, talent to senior-dominated team

RYAN SIMONIN
Daily Egyptian

Shoes, socks and dice are better in pairs, and for the SIU men's golf team, two freshmen are better than one.

Head coach Leroy Newton said freshmen Jake Erickson and Jeff Miller have added youth on a team that lost five players to graduation last season. This season's team consists of four seniors, two sophomores and two freshmen.

"Having a couple of freshmen like them makes the seniors work harder," Newton said. "For one, they don't want the freshmen to think they are lazy. Two, they don't want the freshmen to beat them; and three, the seniors like helping the freshmen to get better."

Erickson said he and Miller had not met before joining the team, but have developed a friendship while golfing and rooming together at Thompson Point.

"Jeff is fun to be around, and when I heard Coach (Newton) was bringing in another freshman I thought it was great to have somebody on the same level as me," Erickson said. "We really push each other."

Erickson's best performance this season came March 22 at the C&F Bank Intercollegiate as he tied for 18th out of 120 competitors. Miller had one of his best finishes at the

Having a couple of freshmen like them makes the seniors work harder.

— Leroy Newton
head coach

Murray State Invitational as he shot a two-round total of 156. Erickson's average season score sits at 77.7, while Miller averages a score of 80.

Newton told Erickson and Miller are a great combination because both have different personalities.

"Jeff is a comic and he is always cracking jokes, and we never know what he is going to say," Newton said. "Jake is a little more serious, and he always thinks before he says something."

Newton said recruiting the two freshmen was ideal because they could live together, grow up through the program and eventually be team leaders.

"Both of them are so eager to play and they have a lot of talent, but they still have a lot to learn," Newton said. "Once I talked to them individually and got to know them a little bit, I knew they would get along real well together."

Miller said playing golf at the collegiate level has been a big change from the high school level.

"In college, the competition is



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Freshmen Jake Erickson, left, and Jeffrey Miller pose for a portrait Wednesday at Hickory Ridge Golf Course. The Saluki golf team is competing in the Branson Creek Invitational today in Hollister, Mo.

worlds above everybody else in high school," Miller said. "Also, in college we are out on the course for a longer time and I realized that I need to keep a level head and take it one shot at a time because that is when I play my best golf."

Newton said he had an eye out for both Erickson and Miller during their high school days and that bringing in Miller, whose hometown is an hour away, was ideal.

"Jeff is from Centralia, and I like

to recruit locally and since Carbondale (Community) High is in the same conference as Centralia I got to see him play when he came down to play Carbondale High and he played pretty good," Newton said.

Erickson, who is from Springfield, said his recruiting process was helped by a fellow teammate, senior Jordan Cox.

"I knew Jordan from back home, and he had talked to Coach for me and he got me a visit, so I visited

twice and I liked the area and the guys on the team, and it turned out to be a perfect fit for me," Erickson said.

Erickson's and Miller's scores will both count toward the Salukis' score at The Branson Creek Invitational in Hollister, Mo., which started Monday and wraps up today.

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The team wrapped up its eight-game home stand with a three-game sweep against Bradley and has now won five in a row — the longest win streak since the Salukis won eight straight two separate times in 2007.

Head coach Dan Callahan said he does not know much about this year's SEMO team, but he has come to expect the unexpected in games

It is almost always a windy day at the Cape... and I've seen some long home runs and some crazy scores when we're playing SEMO.

— Dan Callahan
head coach

against the Redhawks.

"Typically when we play SEMO, they tend to be close games, and (the Redhawks) usually have some guys in the lineup that can swing the bat,"

Callahan said. "It is almost always a windy day at the Cape... and I've seen some long home runs and some crazy scores when we're playing SEMO."

The Redhawks have eight players hitting

above .360 and 10 with at least one home run.

Southern took both meetings against the Redhawks last year and hold a 45-23-1 advantage against SEMO since the schools first met in 1923.

The first pitch is scheduled for 3 p.m. today at Capaha Field with wind gusts around 20 mph and temperatures in the low-80s.

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TENNIS

Salukis split weekend conference matches

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The Salukis went 1-1 this past weekend, notching a win against Bradley and a loss to Illinois State in their first taste of Missouri Valley Conference competition this season, bringing Southern to a 6-9 overall record.

The freshman duo of Brandon Flores and Chikara Kidera opened competition against Bradley in No. 1 doubles and continued their recent doubles success, as they dominated seniors Milos Romic and Galen Fraychineaud (8-1).

Senior Mpulo Migogo and freshman Orhan Spahic competed in No. 2 doubles, winning against freshman Brock Reiman and senior Richard Robertson (8-6).

Singles competition ended in a split between SIU and Bradley. Kidera made short work of Reiman (6-2, 6-0). The victory marked his sixth straight win with three straight matches in both singles and doubles play.

Spahic and junior Falk De Beenhouwer were the only other Salukis to grab wins in singles, with Spahic narrowly besting freshman Eric Nguyen (6-4, 6-4), and De Beenhouwer grabbing the match's winning point against Fraychineaud (7-6, 6-3).

"We had a great match and played well, simple as that," assistant coach Hugo Vidal said.

With the loss, Bradley fell to 5-11 with a 0-1 record in MVC competition.

While the Salukis came out with a narrow 4-3 win against Bradley, their luck soon ran out on day two, as the team was swept 7-0 by Illinois State.

Despite the loss, a few Salukis played closer than their scores suggest. Flores and Kidera played an impressive match against Redbird juniors Timon Reichelt and Matej Zlatkovic, going to match point three separate times.

"We had a lot of chances and put ourselves in a position to win when we were up 7-6," Flores said. "The wind was blowing all day and they hit a big return off of my serve, so I thought it was going out — of course it lands right on the line for the point against us."

Kidera played well in No. 3 singles, forcing former No. 1 singles Reichelt into a third set after winning the first set (7-6) and losing the second (7-5). However, Kidera eventually lost 10-6 in the tiebreaker.

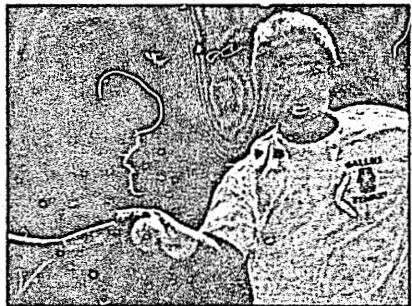
"(Kidera) hasn't played like that in a long time, it is nice to see him starting to hit the ball clean and work hard for points," head coach Dann Nelson said.

Illinois State's win brought the Redbirds to a 10-7 record on the season and 1-0 in conference play.

"We beat them in a very tight 6-1 match last year; they have clearly improved and you've got to give it to Illinois State," Nelson said. "They are a good team and a contender for the title this year."

The Dawgs return to the court to face the Eastern Illinois Panthers at 3 p.m. Wednesday in Charleston.

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Freshman Chikara Kidera focuses on the ball at the men's tennis match Saturday against Illinois State. Kidera went 2-4 overall in last weekend's competitions with Bradley and Illinois State.

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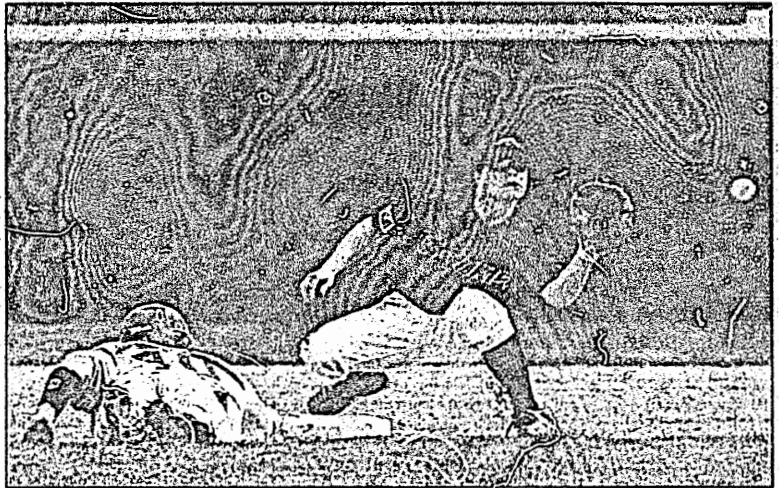
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Freshmen key to successful season

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BASEBALL



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Junior infielder Blake Pinnon attempts to make the tag as Bradley's Kevin Sullivan slides back to second base Saturday during the Salukis' 3-1 win at Abe

Martin Field. The Salukis, who are riding a five-game win streak, head to SEMO today for a matchup between non-conference opponents.

Dawgs open road trip at SEMO

BOX MCGILLIS
Daily Egyptian

After a slow start, the SIU baseball team has begun to combine solid pitching with a potent offense and has the opportunity to rise above the .500 mark for the first time this year.

The Salukis (14-14) begin an eight-game road trip today against Southeast Missouri State (18-9).

The Redhawks are 15-1 at home this year and are riding a four-game win streak into the midweek, non-

conference matchup. SEMO is tied with Jacksonville State for the top spot in the Ohio Valley Conference.

SIU is 5-2 against OVC opponents this year and, as a team, are hitting .332 in non-conference play.

Three weeks ago, the team's cumulative earned run average was slightly less than 10. After the past 14 games, however, the pitching staff's ERA has lowered to at 6.75 entering today's contest.

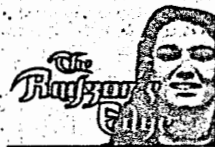
In a league announcement made Monday, senior right-hander Nathan Forer was named MVC Pitcher of the

Week — becoming the first Salukid to receive the honor since Shawn Joy did in April 2008.

Forer held the Bradley Braves without an earned run in his third start of the season, while striking out four and allowing six hits through eight innings of work. No other Salukid starter has thrown more than six innings, and Forer's 0.74 ERA is the lowest among any starter in the conference.

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Cubs vs. Cards season preview



The Wrigley faithful have proven to be one of the most dedicated fan bases in all of baseball and easily the most optimistic breed of human beings to walk the planet.

Cmon. Who else could declare it's our year 102 times in a row ... and sincerely believe it each and every time?

The past century has proven veins flowing Calico blues can survive and thrive off hope alone. That, unfortunately, has also made each of the last 102 seasons so heart wrenching.

If I may do the honors, let's raise some hopes one more time.

Pros
Masters of our domain: Yes, St. Louis took the division by a margin of 7 1/2 games. But the Cubs had the best record against N.L. Central opponents for the third consecutive season in 2009.

Addition by subtraction ... and a little addition: The biggest off-season move for the North Siders was not a free agent signing or blockbuster trade. It came by way of Seattle digging through the Wrigley Field Dumpster and claiming the piece of trash that is known as Milton Bradley — or the self-proclaimed "Kanye West" of baseball. The organization made an off-season roster move, as well.

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Now that has a nice ring to it. In 2009, the Cardinals dominated the National League from July 24, when they acquired Matt Holliday, until the end of the regular season.

But all of their regular-season dominance was for naught when the Los Angeles Dodgers swept them in the NL Division Series.

St. Louis returns in 2010, though, with its roster still in tact. The Birds still have the best player in baseball and two-time defending NL MVP Albert Pujols, with perennial All-Star Matt Holliday protecting him.

They have Skip Schumaker returning to lead things off, the much improved Brendan Ryan holding steady at shortstop, a star in the making in Colby Rasmus hovering around center field, former NL All-Star Ryan Ludwick in right, and Gold Glover Yadier Molina behind the plate.

The only lineup question comes in the form of David Freese, who began last season as the starting third baseman, but was injured and finished the remainder of the season in the minors.

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