Dow benefits for university hazy

MATT DARAY
Daily Egyptian

Recent economic signs may point to a brighter future for the nation and Illinois. The Dow Jones Industrial, a stock market index, ended its 11-day gain streak Friday for the first time since November 1996, which was followed by a 19 percent market increase a year later. The streak came as a shock because the Dow has only risen nine or more straight days 42 times in its 117-year existence, according to Standard & Poor’s Dow Jones Indices.

As the economy mends, several experts weighed in on how the recent Dow streak could have impacts on the country, the state and possibly the university.

David Yepsen, Paul Simon Public Policy Institute director, said the market increase can’t be attributed to the president’s administration or any other one source. “It is very hard to say,” he said. “You can’t say a boost in the stock market is anybody’s responsibility or any one thing. There are a lot of factors that have gone into this, so I wouldn’t say it’s just one only thing.”

Yepsen said several market turnaround components include increased market investments and Federal Reserve policies established over the past several years to stimulate the economy.

While the economy is showing signs of strength, recovery has been slow. The U.S.’s Goods Domestic Product, the market value of all officially recognized final goods and services produced within a country in a set period of time, grew 0.1 percent during the last quarter. The average growth for the past several years to stimulate the economy was 0.2 percent.

While employment has risen, the unemployment rate is still 7.7 percent, compared to less than 6 percent throughout the late ’90s until the 2008 financial crisis. Despite the economic upturn, experts are split on how the national economy will affect the state.

Yepsen said the country’s financial situation can directly impact states, and the country is on its way to recovery. “Yes (it can affect the state), and it is,” he said. “State revenue taxes are growing, they did. The recovery is slow, nationally and here in Illinois, but there is economic evidence of a recovery.”

The University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana’s Institute of Government and Public Affairs released a monthly flash index that factors the weighted average of growth rates in corporate earnings, consumer spending and personal income to measure Illinois economic activity. Averages higher than 100 on the chart show possible state economic growth. Since January 2011, the index has risen from nearly 96 to 104.9 this January with only small decreases.

However, university President Glenn Poshard said he doesn’t think the Dow increases will help the state financially. “I don’t think that the Dow, given the financial shape the state is in, with acting funds to pay state bills ... (will help) the state that much,” he said.

Poshard said the Dow will cause individuals and businesses to spend more and help the state collect more revenue from sales taxes, but he doesn’t think the improvement will have any direct state impact.

While the nation and state are showing improvement signs, several officials said the university probably won’t see benefits.

Poshard said the Dow does not affect the university because it is not allowed to invest in the stock market and can only invest in government securities, bonds or debt obligations issued by a government authority with an eventual repayment promise backed by the government.

“As we have a daily balance of money, those are invested in very short-term securities because our cash flow runs from one month to the next,” he said. “So any longer-term strategies for investing, we’re precluded from doing that except in the most conservative ways.”

Poshard said while the economy wouldn’t affect the university directly, it could cause enrollment to increase because more families could afford tuition.

Yepsen said although it is good Illinois could see increased tax revenue, it is not much and there are other priorities likely to receive funds before the university. “I doubt it will have much of an impact,” he said. “The reason I say that is the priority in Springfield is to pay back due bills and fix the pension system, and additional dollars for anything else are a lower priority.”

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Mark Fletter, of Carbondale, helps mat and frame artwork Friday at the Carbondale Framing Studio. The artwork, which was submitted by southern Illinois children, will be displayed during the For Kids’ Sake art auction that raises money for Bangladesh orphan andphans. Event director Shema Ruperto said the program received about 200 pieces to auction off. “It used to be just schools in this area who help out, and now we have children from Bangladesh helping out as well,” she said. The auction will begin April 2 at Longbranch Coffeehouse and will end May 4 with a closing reception from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Medicine specialist highlights alternative medicine benefits

JESSICA WETTING MILES
Daily Egyptian

An area specialist is out to show Carbondale a different relaxation method that gets right to the point. Acupuncturist Susan Sanie conducted her monthly talk Saturday at Carbondale’s Dayemi Health Center, where she has worked for five years and learned of a 5,000-year-old Chinese healing method that places needles at points throughout the body on her search for holistic approaches to treatment for physical ailments such as back pain and arthritis.

Holistic treatment approaches are not about healing one condition but rather exploring all of the potential issues throughout a patient’s body, she said. Sanie said she studied subjects in college looking for the link between body and mind. She studied both dance and psychology at one point but finally found a connection in the practice of acupuncture, which involves much more than inserting needles in the body, she said. “How can someone know they have the potential to heal themselves inside themselves?” she said. “How can I see the space for that? Yes, there’s putting needles in someone, but there’s also the healing relationship that allows for transformation.”

During the presentation, Sanie emphasized the difference between Eastern and Western medicine specifically aimed toward healing.

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Physicists say they have found a Higgs boson

JOHN HEILPRIN  Associated Press

GENEVA — It helps solve one of the most fundamental riddles of the universe: how the Big Bang created something out of nothing 13.7 billion years ago.

In what could go down as one of the great Eureka! moments in physics — and win somebody the Nobel Prize — scientists said Thursday that after a half-century quest, they are confident they have found a Higgs boson, the elusive subatomic speck sometimes called the “God particle.”

The existence of the particle was theorized in 1964 by the British physicist Peter Higgs to explain why matter has mass. Scientists believe the particle acts like molasses or snow.

When other tiny basic building blocks pass through it, they stick together, slow down and form atoms.

Scientists at CERN, the Geneva-based European Organization for Nuclear Research, announced in July that they had found something that looked like the Higgs boson, but they weren’t certain, and they needed to go through the data and rule out the possibility it wasn’t something else.

On Thursday, they said they believe they got it right.

“To me it’s clear that we are dealing with a Higgs boson, though we still have a long way to go to know what kind of Higgs boson it is,” said Joe Incandela, a physicist who heads one of the two main teams at CERN, each involving about 3,000 scientists.

Whether it was a Higgs boson had to be demonstrated by how it interacts with other particles and its quantum properties, CERN said. The data “strongly indicates that it is a Higgs boson,” it said.

The discovery explains what once seemed unexplainable and will be a bit hard for the average person to comprehend. But it means the key theory that scientists use to explain everything works — for now, at least.

In discovery could be a strong contender for the Nobel, though it is uncertain whether the prize would go to the 83-year-old Peter Higgs and the others who first proposed the theory, or to the thousands of scientists who found it, or to all of them.

Finding it wasn’t easy. It took more than two decades, thousands of scientists and mountains of data from millions of colliding protons.

And it needed the world’s biggest atom smasher — CERN’s Large Hadron Collider, which cost $10 billion to build and run in a 17-mile (27-kilometer) tunnel beneath the Swiss-French border — to produce the extreme surge of energies simulating those 1 trillion to 2 trillionths of a second after the Big Bang.

The Higgs boson is so elusive that only about one collision per trillion will produce one of them in the collider.

CERN said it is open question whether this is the Higgs boson that was expected in the original formulation, or the lightest of several Higgses predicted in some theories that go beyond that model.

“We found a new particle and we want to know how it behaves, and maybe it behaves the way it was predicted in 1964, maybe it’s a little bit different,” said physicist Sean Carroll of the California Institute of Technology, who isn’t involved in the research.

Finding a Higgs more or less as expected is actually a bit of a disappointment, Carroll said, because physicists had also hoped an unexpected type of Higgs might open windows into yet more mysteries of the universe.

“Scientists always want to be wrong in their theories. They always want to be surprised,” he said. “It’s a bittersweet victory when your theory turns out to be right, because it means, on the one hand, you’re right, that’s nice, but on the other hand, you haven’t learned anything new that’s surprising.”

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Western medicine can use invasive procedures that involve adding to the body or taking from it, she said, but the same is not true for acupuncture.

“There’s nothing I’m putting in the person, and there’s nothing I’m taking out of the person,” she said. “You’re actually just working with the person’s energy. It’s already on you. You’re just activating it,” she said.

Saniie said the needles are thin, flexible and sanitary as each one is only used once. The medicine is quite subtle, she said, as the needles don’t go deep into the skin.

One difference between general medicine and alternative medicine, she said, is in an acupunctureist will actually spend time with patients. Saniie said her initial patient consultations generally last two hours.

“It’s really just a time to get to know each other a little bit,” she said.

Saniie said she reviews a patient’s entire health concerns, health history, family health history and general experience, which is a much more extensive checkup than a doctor would give a patient.

A patient then returns for five weekly treatments and progress checks, which she said is usually an adequate amount of time to determine whether the treatment is working for him or her.

Patient Margie Coleman, who has received treatment from Saniie for more than a year, said acupuncture needles don’t hurt at all. Rather, she said the feeling is sometimes more of a pinch or a tickle.

Coleman said she has received acupuncture treatment for osteoarthritis and mobility issues, but the regimen also helps her mental health and focus. She has sought alternative medicine patient treatments for many years.

Attending Amber Betts, of Murphysboro, said she has used acupuncture and herbal remedies.

“I like that they are generally cheaper than traditional healthcare, and I don’t worry about bad side effects,” she said.

While acupuncture is available in the community, several healthcare establishments said they don’t focus on the treatment.

The university’s School of Medicine does not teach students acupuncture, Public Affairs office employee Ruth Slottag said, but no other university official or faculty member was available to comment any further by press time Sunday.

A Southern Illinois Family Medicine spokesperson said the technique is not something doctors and nurses are trained for at hospitals.

“It’s not something most physicians know anything about, he said, but they aren’t against it.

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While experts are optimistic, some students don’t believe the economy will affect them or show more improvement signs.

Louis Adaka, a graduate student in civil engineering from Ghana, said although the economy has improved, it thinks the country is still stuck in a recession.

“It kind of goes with unemployment and the cost of living,” he said.

Caleb McCluskey, a senior from Hurstbourough, Va., said although the Dow has had a hot streak, he does not think it is a sign of anything beyond that model or the lightest of several Higgses predicted in some theories that go beyond that model.

“One clear thing is the Dow is still stuck in a recession,” McCluskey said.

“I think that we’re going to do a little bit better for a little bit, and then we’re just going to have the same problems we’ve always had and drop down or worse,” he said.

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According to "The Incredible Burt Wonderstone"’s trailer, Las Vegas magicians are only as popular as their latest trick. That’s a funny thing to say for a movie that features Jim Carrey performing the same physical humor he’s been famous for since the 1990s. "Wonderstone" stars Steve Carell as the title character, a washed-up Vegas magician with a 10-year-old act, along with Steve Buscemi as Anton Marvelton, his long-suffering assistant. The two loved magic when they were kids but have since found themselves stuck in a rut.

Enter Carrey as Steve Gray, a Criss Angel parody who became famous for his increasingly dangerous stunts. The whole thing is played for laughs, but audiences might cringe at some of his tricks. Wonderstone and Marvelton risk losing a five-year contract to Gray, and Wonderstone must rediscover his passion for magic to revive his act once the two begin to bicker.

It’s a simplistic plot with some recycled humor, but did "Wonderstone" mystify Sellouts?

Please see dailyegyptian.com for the rest of the story.
The Salukis’ combined scores not only placed them in the top five for the second straight tournament, but they also placed them six spots above any other MVC opponent.

Rennegarbe said the tournaments are a good measure of how the team’s talent compares to the rest of its conference.

“That gives us a lot of confidence,” she said. “Knowing that we can come out and play that well and be out ahead of our conference opponent by that much, it lets us know where we stand and know how hard we have to work to stay there.”

The team has worked hard lately, as it played two tournaments during the span of spring break and will compete in another today. With the stress of the schedule, and the fact they happened to be in Vegas, it’s not hard to imagine the team would take some time to unwind.

“Were weren’t really on the strip or anything,” Rennegarbe said. “While it would be nice to go out and do some crazy stuff like everyone else is doing during spring break, you never want to go out the next day and feel awful and play like it too. Anyone who plays a college sport knows that they have a responsibility for their school and that they are representing their school.”

She said the travel and the past tournaments take a toll on the team, but it has not been affected.

“Honestly, I’m exhausted,” she said. “I think everyone is pretty tired, but we keep going along, and we got this last tournament and a little break before the next one. It’s definitely tough on us, and we are definitely going to need a break after this one, but it’s really helping our game.”

The Salukis will need to maintain their focus as they travel more than 1,800 miles to Cookeville, Tenn., to participate today in the Bobby Nichols Intercollegiate.

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wishes are easier to achieve for
the next few weeks. Go full speed
ahead, avoiding distractions. Don’t
depend on toys. Communication
flows, equipment works as planned.

Taurus — Today is an 8 — You
have more than enough in the
realm of both money and love. Soak it up
and be grateful. Together, you’ll score
double. Change your mind. If you need to
Thirst, more work coming.

Gemini — Today is a 9 — You’re
a super hero right now. And you’re
looking in abundance. It’s not about
having more toys, but about what
you’ll do with your powers. You have
plenty to protect. Share your love.

Virgo — Today is an 8 — Improve
your position. Big gamesofferbig
opportunities. There’s an interesting
development, but more study is
required. You can succeed on whatever
you set your heart to. Believe in yourself!

Sagittarius — Today is a 9 — You’re
in a very lucky moment for scoring
additional friends. There’s more
enough in the realm of both money and
love. Soak it up and be grateful. Together,
you’ll score double. Change your mind.
If you need to Thirst, more work coming.

Libra — Today is an 8 — You’re
very persuasive now, and
communications flow with ease. Joy
inspires you. Use your own good
judgment, with confidence. Don’t
make promises you won’t keep.

Scorpio — Today is a 9 — You
have what you need to do the job.
There could be a temporary surge of
overload. Complete negotiations.
You’re surrounded by love. You have
more friends than you thought.

Capricorn — Today is an 8 — You
discover wisdom and compassion.
You have more than you let on.
Anyway. Your new status leads to new
friends. Another has lots of needs for
you to fill. Set long range goals.

Aquarius — Today is an 8 — There
are so many places you’d like to
visit and study. Tap into another source
of funds, and you’ll gather further than
expected. Discover wonderful things.
Insight comes from contemplation.

Pisces — Today is an 8 — Get
outside your normal view of
things to see new opportunities.
Toss the ball to a teammate and share
the love. Stash away the surplus. Expand
your circle. Travel bedsacks; take care.
Creighton University won its 12th Missouri Valley conference championship in St. Louis March 10. After a fiercely competitive tournament, the Jays won their third back-to-back tourney championship in school history and were awarded the MVC bid to the NCAA Tournament. The preliminary March 7 play-in games set the tone for what turned out to be defensive and hard-fought weekend.

Drake University hosted the Bradley Braves 81-66 in the tournament’s first game. Drake scored 37 points off the bench and connected on 12 3-pointers.

Following the Braves win, the No. 10 Salukis faced No. 7 Missouri State in the tournament’s second game. Bears freshman Marcus Marshall was aggressive in the lane and shot 6-8 from the free throw line. The Missouri State Assault from the free throw line (16-22) afforded them a 63-55 victory.

Saluki coach Barry Hinson said despite his team’s recent improved play, he was worried about team members’ mentalities.

“There is one thing I was concerned about with this team — that is how would we respond to adversity,” he said. “We had guys pointing fingers and all.”

Early said he was proud of what he and his fellow seniors helped build, and he is confident in the SIU basketball program’s future.

“Starting 1-11 (in conference), we could have given up any time, but we kept fighting, and we finished strong,” Early said. “It’s hard looking at the team knowing it’s over. I’ll tell you, we have a great year next year, I’m sure.”

Drake lost 65-53 against No. 3 Creighton during the tournament’s second night. The Bulldogs played the Jays close for most of the contest, but junior forward Doug McDermott and forward Will Artino’s combined efforts overcame the Bulldogs. McDermott led all scorers with 23 points and Artino added 14 points on the bench.

Creighton defeated Drake, 65-53.

Saturday’s second featured Indiana State and University of Evansville. Both star guards — UE senior Colt Ryan and INS junior Jake Odum — struggled offensively during the game as neither were able to score double-digit points. The Sycamores outlasted the Purple Aces 51-50.

Women’s Golf

SIU take nine straight

TERRANCE PEACOCK Daily Egyptian

The SIU women’s tennis team traveled to Florida and came away with three more victories Tuesday through Friday to extend its winning streak to nine and its season record to 9-1.

The Salukis are coming off their first Intercollegiate Tennis Association ranking in school history and their best start since the 2003-2004 season. They are ranked 59th in the ITA rankings, and coach Audra Nothwehr said the team is excited to accomplish something never before done in the program’s history.

However, she said the team’s goal is to come away with a conference championship.

“The sky is the limit with this team — they are so focused and are training hard,” Nothwehr said in a Saluki official release. “We also know that this is just a stepping stone to where we want to go. It’s just a poll; it’s not a conference championship, and that is our ultimate goal.”

The Salukis were tested March 12 against Florida International in Miami but secured a 4-3 victory against the Panthers (2-11), which extended their win streak to seven matches. SIU swept FIU in doubles competition as seniors Melanie Debart and Anastacia Simons led the Salukis to their eight-straight win. Senior Jennifer Dien and sophomore Natasha Tomishima also recorded an 8-3 win in their No. 2 matchup against Magali Holt and Giulietta Boha.

Success didn’t come as easy for junior Korey Love and Anita Lee in the three-spot, as they were locked in a battle with FIU’s Brittney Sule and Aziza El Rouak.

Dien and Tomishima highlighted SIU’s impressive play with their 9-8 win against their opponents at the second spot while Love and Lee won 8-2 at the No. 3 spot.

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Women’s Tennis

Salukis place 4th in Vegas

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The women’s golf team spent its spring break in Las Vegas, where members placed fourth in the Bison Invitational.

The Salukis were led by freshman Amy Lee and senior Shaina Rennegarbe who tied for 12th in the tournament. Lee posted five birdies on Friday alone, which lead to a new career-low two-round 153.

Head coach Alexis Mihelich said Lee’s performance is a sign of things to come.

“Anytime someone goes out and shoots a career best, that’s a highlight,” Mihelich said. “We have some solid rounds out there. We can use this as a jumping-off point for our spring season and head up from here.”

This is Lee’s second consecutive stroke lead Lee has taken in tournaments. She has the third best stroke average among freshman in the Missouri Valley Conference this season. Lee, a recruit from neighboring state California, said her familiarity with the grass helped her tournament play.

“I felt I played really comfortably,” Lee said. “I kind of used to the grass that we played on. The gras...