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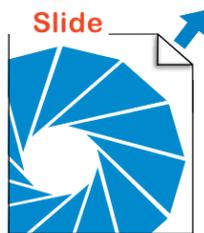


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B.B. King plays to sold-out arena

Allison Petty
DAILY EGYPTIAN

More than three thousand people stood up when B.B. King sat down.

The 83-year-old self-proclaimed "blues man" played to a nearly sold-out audience in the SIU Arena Saturday night. During one and a half hours onstage, King incited the roughly 3,800 audience members to laugh, cheer, kiss and even boo.

"Some people say to me, 'B, you're 83 now. Why don't you quit and go home?'" King said near the beginning of his performance. The audience booed loudly and he responded, "Well, I think that way too."

Audience members turned out in everything from shiny black cocktail dresses to cowboy hats and camouflage shirts, but their rapport with King was universal. Between each of the 12 songs he played, King told stories ranging from his experiences with Viagra to his childhood in rural Mississippi.

He made the audience laugh with a story about sneaking water from a "whites only" fountain, but then turned the mood more serious.



BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Blues legend B.B. King performed to a packed crowd Saturday night at the SIU Arena. King has been making records since the 1940s and has won 15 Grammys as well as the adoration of fans across the world. Despite being 83 years old, the "blues man" told the crowd many times that he had no plans to stop making music.

"I want to thank the people of Mississippi, I want to thank God, I want to thank everybody in the

world that has made this world so much better than when I was growing up!" King yelled, to thunderous

applause and shouts.

He played the entire set from a chair in the center of the stage, frequently danc-

ing in his seat and making jokes about his age.

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Costly books cause concern



JENNIFER JOHNSON ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Blake Frank, a senior from Rockwell City, Iowa, studying aviation management, helps Kar-Marian Hopkins, a senior from Alto Pass studying therapeutic recreation, find a book on reserve at Morris Library Thursday. Hopkins goes to the reserve desk to avoid the high book prices.

Fund would provide book donations to low-income students

Morgan Hottes
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Alfred Ramos avoided spending a large sum of money on textbooks by simply not buying some of them.

Ramos, a sophomore from Oak Forest studying computer science, said he bought three of his books this year and spent about \$175.

If he bought his math textbook, that cost would have nearly doubled.

With a plan in the works to set aside money for low-income students to cover book costs, students such as Ramos may no longer be limited to the library course reserves for their textbook needs.

No action has been taken on a new plan to start a fund that

would allow faculty, staff and community members to donate money for textbook gifts, but administrators are considering it, said Victoria Valle, assistant vice chancellor for enrollment management.

"This is for people who cannot afford to have books. They can't be here without their books," Valle said.

The fund would be provided through the SIU Foundation, Valle said.

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Legislation helps to curb costs of college textbooks

Madeleine Leroux
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Students spending hundreds of dollars on textbooks each semester could see a break on their finances thanks to legislation passed to keep prices in check.

In August, President George W. Bush signed into law the Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008, which contained provisions from the College Textbook Affordability Act introduced last year by Sen. Dick Durbin (D-Ill.).

Christina Mulka, Durbin's spokeswoman, said the new legislation, which takes effect in July 2010, would require publishers to provide in writing to professors the price of a textbook and information on cheaper formats. Publishers would also be required to sell supplemental materials individually instead of bundling textbooks with additional workbooks or CDs.

"I was shocked to learn that many professors do not know the retail price of the textbook they are choosing for their class," Durbin said in a press release. "If they are choosing the books that students have to buy, they should know the cost."

Mulka said the legislation is

College Textbook Affordability Act

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- Publishers will be required to provide in writing to professors the price of a textbook and information on cheaper formats
- Publishers will be required to sell supplemental materials individually from the textbook
- Colleges and universities will be required to include retail price and identifying textbook information of all required and optional materials in the course schedule for the following semester

intended to provide more time for students to find a cheaper method of getting the required textbooks. Under the new legislation, Mulka said, colleges and universities would be required to provide and publish all identifying textbook information, including retail price, in the course schedule for the next semester. Mulka said this would allow students to decide whether or not to take a class that requires expensive materials and textbooks.

Jim Allen, director of University Core Curriculum, said most faculty members pay little to no attention to the cost of textbooks they choose. The faculty views texts as essential tools that are the student's responsibility to acquire, Allen said.

"I think it's fair to say that the outrage, the justifiable anger that students have about being ripped off on buying brand new textbooks, has come to faculty's attention," Allen said.

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Officials celebrate completion of \$106 million campaign

More than 68,000 people donate to cause

Brandy Oxford
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tears flowed and fireworks blazed at an invitation-only celebration to announce the \$106.2 million total made in the university's \$106.22 million campaign.

"We were all over the country, on a conference call, when they told us the final number," campaign chair Marsha Ryan said. "We were dancing and singing. These were guys in suits, dancing and singing."

The Opportunity Through Excellence campaign through the SIU Foundation was the university's first comprehensive capital campaign, with more than 68,000 benefactors, said Greg Scott, director of development communication.

Although university administrators and campaign contributors celebrated the \$106.2 million generated, the campaign fell \$200,000 short of its original \$106.22 million goal.

Patrons were asked to contribute to one

of 14 campaign priority areas including the university's eight colleges, the schools of law and medicine, Morris Library, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute and Saluki Athletics.

The campaign, which was publicly introduced in November 2005, revolves around three categories: people, programs and places.

"When someone says, 'It's not about the money,' it's usually about the money," Ryan said. "If it's not about the money, what is \$100 million about? It's about what the money will buy."

She said the money would be used for new buildings, scholarships and student programs.

"Tonight we're celebrating for 106 million reasons, but tomorrow it's back to work," said Rickey McCurry, vice chancellor for institutional advancement.

Scott said the celebration Friday was about those 106 million reasons, not the individual campaign priority areas, some of which fell short or doubled their goals.

Scott said the SIU Foundation, which is a private organization that works for the public university, would not release the numbers.

Throughout the campaign, the foundation published the individual progress of each area on its Web site.

In 2007, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management had doubled its \$1.25 million goal. At that time, the College of Liberal Arts and the School of Medicine had also passed the 100 percent mark.

Dorothy "Tim" Langdon, a 1941 zoology graduate from Granite City, said she donates to the university every year, generally through a scholarship fund her husband provided before he died.

This year, Langdon chose to donate to Saluki Athletics.

"I go to all the basketball games," she said.

As a student, Langdon worked under



BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

'Opportunity through Excellence' campaign chairwoman Marsha Ryan reveals Friday night at McAndrew Stadium the grand total of \$106,200,000 raised during the university's first comprehensive fundraising campaign. Exceeding the campaign's goal by \$6 million, the money was raised by almost 70,000 people over the past six years.

William McAndrew, the namesake of the football field the celebration was held on, as a student employee.

The Marching Salukis and the Southern Illinois Symphony Orchestra played at the event, which was held in two parts at Shryock Auditorium and McAndrew Stadium.

"This is what it's like to be a Saluki," McCurry said. "Students should be proud."

Ryan said students shouldn't hesitate to become part of the work going into improving the university.

"It's never too early to get involved, to help us advance," Ryan said.

SIU President Glenn Poshard praised all of the administrators involved but also said

the deans were exceptional campaigners for their areas.

"Those deans have just come through," Poshard said. "I can't believe how well they've done. There's a lot of credit to go around."

The common sentiment among the celebrating administrators was that the work would begin again as soon as the celebration was over.

"This is one of the great milestones in our university's history," Poshard said. "This is something to be very proud of."

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AREA	GOAL AMOUNT
College of Agriculture	\$5 million
College of Applied Sciences and Arts	\$13 million
Saluki Athletics	\$23 million
College of Business and Administration	\$9.7 million
College of Education and Human Services	\$4 million
College of Engineering	\$6.02 million
School of Law	\$7 million
College of Liberal Arts	\$7.75 million
College of Mass Communication and Media Arts	\$9 million
School of Medicine	\$13 million
Morris Library	\$1 million
Paul Simon Public Policy Institute	\$3 million
College of Science	\$3.5 million
Student Affairs and Enrollment Management	\$1.25 million
TOTAL	\$106.22 million
Actual total \$106.2 million	

Source: www.siu.org/campaign/about.asp
Pablo Tobon ~ Daily Egyptian

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Obama leads as McCain shifts gears

Jill Zuckman
McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

WASHINGTON — In a presidential race marked by unexpected twists, turns and slips, Sens. John McCain and Barack Obama enter the last 30 days of the campaign with Obama clinging to a small but significant lead and McCain anxious to change the subject and shake up the dynamic.

The final phase of the general election comes during perhaps the worst economic period in the nation's history since the Great Depression. While the economic system is in turmoil, the military is under strain too, fighting two wars simultaneously. A sweeping majority of the electorate believes the country is on the wrong track, and public sentiment toward the outgoing administration appears to verge on contempt.

But the candidates know that anything could happen, especially with two debates still to come, the requisite advertising wars and a ground game pitting newly registered Obama supporters against older, more dependable voters for McCain.

Already, the landscape has shifted, most noticeably in the Midwest.

McCain has retreated from Michigan, a blue state he had hoped to push into the GOP column. He is redoubling his effort in Wisconsin, where Obama's once commanding lead has dwindled. And he's being forced to compete in Indiana, a state that has not voted for a Democrat since Lyndon Johnson in 1964, where polls show Obama in close contention. Meanwhile, Obama now has to pump funds into Minnesota,

a state he once thought secure with its history of narrowly choosing Democrats.

Still, recent weeks have favored Obama.

"I don't think it's over, but boy, other than the vice presidential debate, you would be hard pressed to point to anything good that's happened to Republicans in the last three weeks," said Charlie Cook, editor of the non-partisan Cook Political Report.

For now, the McCain campaign plans to get as far away as possible from the Wall Street rescue debacle on Capitol Hill and get back to questioning Obama's experience, judgment and qualifications. Economic issues tend to favor Democrats, and McCain's decision to abandon campaigning and rush back to Washington received mixed reviews.

"We're looking to turn the page on this financial crisis and getting back to discussing Mr. Obama's aggressively liberal record and how he will be too risky for the Americans," said Greg Strimple, a senior McCain adviser.

The Obama campaign will continue to hammer home the message that if voters want another four years of President George W. Bush's policies, they should back McCain, said campaign manager David Plouffe. But if they want "fundamental change, putting the middle class first," Plouffe said, they should vote for Obama.

Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., who speaks with Obama regularly, said the days of arguing over the meaning of trivial phrases like "lipstick on a pig" are over.

"We feel this campaign has entered a new phase, a very serious phase, where voters are not going to



DENNIS TENNANT ~ McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Barack Obama greets supporters at Victory Landing Park in Newport News, Virginia, Saturday.

be swayed by superficial arguments," Durbin said. "Of course we expect more negative advertising coming at us. Both of us feel it doesn't have the same impact it did a few weeks ago."

Although polling numbers have been known to bubble up and slide back quickly in this race, Obama has made large gains among white women, a key component of the electorate, as well as non-college-educated white voters.

"Obama's doing well among all the demographic groups he needs to win," said Peter Brown, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute, describing the Illinois senator's lead as solid. "It doesn't mean the election's over, but McCain has a steep hill."

Most strategists agree that the shift has been due in large part to the catastrophic economic crisis on Wall Street and the all-consuming focus on

how to save the economy. But Whit Ayres, a Republican pollster, says that doesn't mean the race is over.

"Every time in the past Obama has been able to open up a small but significant lead, the McCain campaign has figured out a way to close the gap," Ayres said. "So if we're looking at the history of this race, it would suggest a continuing close race rather than a fundamental shift toward Obama."

U.S. has ninth straight month of job cuts

Jane M. Von Bergen
McCLATCHY-TRIBUNE

PHILADELPHIA — As the nation's financial crisis deepened, employers eliminated 159,000 jobs in September, putting investment analysts, carpenters, waitresses and factory fabricators out of work.

The decline in payrolls, the largest for any month since March 2003, indicates an economy on the skids, as employers cut twice as many jobs last month as they did in August, the U.S. Labor Department reported Friday.

The unemployment rate remained stable at 6.1 percent of the workforce.

September marked the ninth straight month of job losses, for a total of 760,000 cuts since the end of last year.

There are now 9.5 million without work, the equivalent of the entire population of the state of Georgia.

In September, jobs were lost in manufacturing, hospitality, construction and financial services.

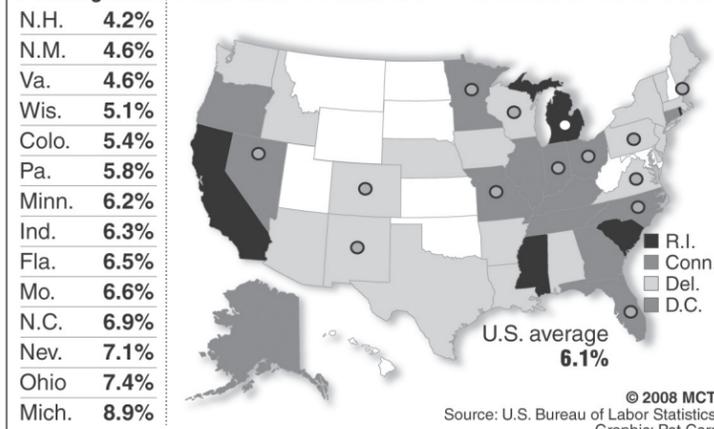
As Wall Street blew up during the month, employment in financial activities dropped by 17,000, with nearly half the cuts at securities and investment firms.

For months, employers have been trying to maintain a balancing act between cutting labor costs as the economy weakens and retaining work-

State of unemployment

State-by-state jobless rates, August 2008:

● Battleground □ 3%-4.5% ■ 4.6%-6% ■ 6.1%-7.5% ■ 7.6%-9%



ers in the face of a diminishing labor pool as baby boomers retire. Talent laid off now may not be easy to replace when the economy improves.

Now, though, the balance has tipped, and the pace of the layoffs is accelerating.

"It's been slowly building that more firms have decided things aren't going to turn around," said Joel Naroff, chief economist with Commerce Bank in Cherry Hill, N.J. "We are going to see more and more" layoffs.

"You never get used to it," said Ellen

Johnston, a human resources official from Siemens Medical Solutions USA Inc. She helped implement the layoffs of 450 marketing, software, service and sales workers out of 4,000 at the company's U.S. headquarters in Malvern, Pa., last month.

Despite the Labor Department's bleak report, some firms are still hiring. The healthcare industry added 17,000 jobs.

Unemployed African Americans was 11.4 percent in September, up from 8.2 percent a year ago.

Europeans scramble to save failing banks

Matt Moore
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

STOCKHOLM — Germany joined Ireland and Greece on Sunday in guaranteeing all private bank accounts, putting Europe's biggest economy at odds with calls for a unified European response to the global financial meltdown.

The decision came as governments across Europe scrambled to save failing banks, working largely on their own a day after leaders of the continent's four biggest economies called for tighter regulation and a coordinated response.

Chancellor Angela Merkel said that no citizen should fear for the safety of their investments, speaking to reporters as her government held crisis talks on the collapse of a ballyhooed €35 billion (US\$48.4 billion) bailout of Hypo Real Estate AG, the country's second-biggest property lender.

German Finance Ministry spokesman Torsten Albig said the unlimited guarantee covered some €568 billion (US\$785 billion) in savings and checking accounts as well as time deposits, or CDs.

In Iceland, particularly hard-hit by the credit crunch, government

officials and banking chiefs were discussing a possible rescue plan for the country's overstretched commercial banks.

Belgian Prime Minister Yves Leterme said he aims to find a new owner for troubled bank Fortis NV to restore confidence in the company before the opening of markets on Monday.

Leterme told two media outlets that government officials were going over a takeover bid for Fortis' Belgian operations. The bank's Dutch operations were nationalized amid fears they could go insolvent.

British treasury chief Alistair Darling said that he was ready to take "pretty big steps that we wouldn't take in ordinary times" to help the country weather the credit crunch.

In the past year the government has nationalized struggling mortgage lenders Northern Rock and Bradford & Bingley.

"The European banking industry is feeling the wind of default blowing from the other side of the Atlantic," said Axel Pierron, senior vice president at Celent, a Boston, Massachusetts-based financial research and consulting firm.

UNITED STATES

Hurricane Ike damages pipelines, rigs

WASHINGTON — Hurricane Ike's winds and massive waves destroyed oil platforms, tossed storage tanks and punctured pipelines. The environmental damage only now is becoming apparent: At least a half million gallons of crude oil spilled into the Gulf of Mexico and the marshes, bayous and bays of Louisiana and Texas, according to an analysis of federal data by The Associated Press.

In the days before and after the deadly storm, companies and residents reported at least 448 releases of oil, gasoline and dozens of other substances into the air and water and onto the ground in Louisiana and Texas. The hardest hit places were industrial centers near Houston and Port Arthur, Texas, as well as oil production facilities off Louisiana's coast, according to the AP's analysis.

PAKISTAN

Taliban furious over U.S. attack

DERA ISMAIL KHAN — The Taliban are furious about the latest apparent U.S. missile strike in Pakistan, indicating a senior militant may be among two dozen people killed, officials and residents said Sunday.

The attack Friday on the North Waziristan tribal region was believed to have killed several Arab fighters, but government officials have been notably quiet.

However, two Pakistani intelligence officials said insurgents were moving aggressively in the area while using harsh language against local residents, including calling them "salable commodities" — an accusation of spying.

The intelligence officials interpreted the Taliban's anger as a sign that a senior militant may have been among at least 24 people killed.

KAZAKHSTAN

United States not trying to undermine Russia

ASTANA — U.S. efforts to build closer ties to this energy-rich former Soviet republic are not meant to undermine Russian influence in Central Asia, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice said Sunday.

"We don't see any of this as a zero-sum game," she told reporters flying with her to the Kazakh capital from India. U.S. gains need not mean Russian losses, she said.

"First of all, Kazakhstan is an independent country. It can have friendships with whomever it wishes," she said. "That is, I think, perfectly acceptable in the 21st century, so we don't see and don't accept any notion of a special sphere of influence" for Russia in this region.

Group helps veterans adjust to college

New RSO provides benefit information, camaraderie

Sean McGahan
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Army taught Alan Beck how to shoot a gun.

It didn't teach him how to fill out a financial aid form.

One of more than 700 undergraduate veterans at SIUC, Beck said his transition from a gunner on an armored security vehicle in Iraq to a kinesiology student dealing with a disability and post traumatic stress disorder was a tough one.

As president of a newly formed student organization to provide veterans with information and support, Beck hopes he can make others' adjustments to life at SIUC a little smoother.

"I was in the infantry. I'm taught to point and click. I need college to teach me to do something else besides shoot a gun. Not everyone knows what applies to you and what doesn't," he said.

Beck, a 24-year-old junior from Steelville, said the idea for the SIUC Veterans Organization was a collaboration of feedback he got from the university's Disability Support Services and the Marion VA.

He said many veterans are unaware of all the benefits for which they are eligible, and often don't know how to go about getting the benefits.

One veteran he encountered assumed money from the GI Bill would just be delivered to him, Beck said.

Beck came to SIUC in fall 2006, roughly five months after he sustained severe back injuries in Iraq.

Beck said he was a gunner on an armored security vehicle traveling between Fallujah and Ramadi when the vehicle turned to avoid a bomb. Beck said the vehicle rolled over, and he was thrown roughly 150 feet.

The treatment he received for his injuries led to connections with the Marion VA, which also recognizes the need for an organized student representation for veterans, Beck said.

He said he participated in a focus group with the VA and a representative brought up the fact that they don't know who to contact from the university.

"Sometimes a veteran will pass away and they'll give money for scholarships but he didn't have any contacts over at SIUC," Beck said. "Now if we have this group, he can contact us and say, 'Who needs help right now financially?'"

The group is still awaiting approval from the Student Development office, which has asked for minor adjustments to the group's constitution.

Students registered with the Veteran Affairs office at SIUC received an e-mail about an informational gathering for the group Thursday at Mississippi Flyway. Roughly 25 students attended the informal meeting in a room provided free of charge by the owner of the restaurant.

On the Web

• The SIUC Veterans Organization is designed to give students who have served in the military information about financial, medical and other benefits available to them. It is also a way to develop a sense of community and friendship among veterans. Anyone seeking information about the group should e-mail president Alan Beck at B051584@siu.edu.

Robert Thomas, a 31-year-old senior from Marion studying electrical engineering, said he found out about the group from an e-mail and went out to see what it was about.

After two tours in Iraq with the Marines, Thomas said he would have liked a group like this to help him transition to academic life.

"Coming out of the military, there's a lot of questions and a lot of doubts. I know I had a lot when I came here, so I think it's definitely a good resource for guys just coming out," he said.

A similar veterans group was popular in the 1990s but folded in 2002 because of a lack of interest, said Mike Rann, a veterans certifying official at the financial aid office.

Rann said the influx of veterans returning



JOE REHANA ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Robert Thomas, a senior from Marion studying electrical engineering and a former Marine, registers for the new SIUC Veterans Organization as Jim Shoulin, a senior from O'Fallon studying accounting and served in the Navy, assists Josh Duncan, a senior from Browns studying geography, with his registration at the Mississippi Flyway restaurant Friday.

from Iraq and Afghanistan makes the creation of this group vital.

"Veterans need to talk to each other," he said. "I help veterans, but I wasn't there."

Many veterans come to SIUC knowing no one, and the social adjustment can be just as difficult as academics, said Chris Piha, the group's vice president.

Piha, a junior from Carol Stream studying history, said he hopes the group will help returning veterans bridge the gap between the life they knew and an unknown college atmosphere.

"They come to a new place where they don't know anyone and there's a lot of college students acting very immaturity, and you say, 'This isn't something I've dealt with in a long time, or ever.' They feel a little excluded," he said.

Many veterans return from conflict with physical and mental impairments, and it's important to know they have someone who is

there for them if they need a ride or someone to talk to, Piha said.

Many are also worried about academics, Piha said, and can benefit from the advice of someone who has gone through it. He said he was worried about returning to the classroom after five years in the Air Force but has maintained a 4.0 grade point average.

Piha said there is an immediate connection among veterans, which is why they should band together in the group.

"You start tossing around stories of the military and deployments and immediately you know there's someone you can count on," he said. "There's someone you can pick up and call at 2 a.m. if you need something. That's how it was in the military. We looked out after each other."

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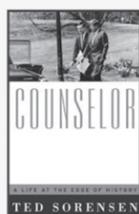
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Just a few weeks after law school graduation in 1951, Ted Sorensen headed to Washington in search of a job where he could make a difference. Without a doubt, he found it. In 1953, he began an 11-year journey with John F. Kennedy that ultimately placed Sorensen in the White House as Special Counsel and Adviser to the President. His credits include Kennedy's Inaugural Address and his correspondence to Russian leader Nikita Khrushchev during the Cuban Missile Crisis. His service to Kennedy—and the nation—is widely applauded.

After leaving government service, Sorensen became a respected author on the presidency and foreign affairs, practiced international law for more than three decades and has represented U.S. and multinational corporations in negotiations with governments all over the world. His wife, Gillian, is a senior adviser at the UN Foundation and a past speaker for the Paul Simon Institute.

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Mr. Sorensen will host a book signing in the
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Marriage is great. Those three words may seem strange coming from a college student, but it's true. I recently celebrated three years of marriage to my freaking awesome wife, Jacquee. Sorry ladies, I'm spoken for.

What is not great, however, is the unnecessary involvement of the government in the unique institution that is marriage. For many, it is more of a religious or personal commitment than a civil one. The need for state approval is more of a nuisance than any kind of help.

It was my own personal experience with state-approved marriage that birthed my feelings. The short version goes like this: My then-fiancé and I went to the courthouse to procure our necessary license to make our union legal. Upon arrival we were asked for our names and \$50; we provided both. We were also asked to put our Social Security numbers on the form for the license, but since we were both legal adults we weren't required to show any kind of identification, not even a library card. Then they asked us to raise our right hands and swear we weren't related.

After that we were free to marry. For all the state knows we could have made up names, invented Social Security

numbers and been fraternal twins; all they really wanted was that crisp \$50 bill.

Now, to be fair, I got married in Arizona, but I doubt the procedure differs much in other states. The point is the frivolousness of the government regulating marriage is laughable, especially because it reaps no benefit.

For centuries marriages were viewed as arrangements between families or religious ceremonies. Even in colonial America there was no required state regulation of marriage. Couples had to register their marriage, but common-law and cohabitation were recognized as viable unions.

The need for marriage licenses arose in the late 19th and early 20th century in the United States mainly as a means to prohibit interracial marriage. In the 1920s, it was illegal in 38 states for a white citizen to marry anyone of minority status. The government enforced this by making it necessary to get a license.

Today we face another kind of discrimination, that against same-sex marriage. To me the answer is obvious: dissolve state-approved licenses and return marriage to the state in which it began — a personal, family or religious commitment.

I know, it seems far-fetched, but why not do this?

A few of the arguments against this idea have to do with taxing, children in case of a separation and the rights of spouses to hospital visits. However, the answers to most of these are clear and simple.

As far as taxes go, even if you are married you can still file as single, and many people do. However, although married couples receive certain tax breaks, the fairest solution to this

and the rest of America's tax issues would be to pass a flat tax. That way everyone pays the same, regardless.

A child born to unwed parents is nothing new, and it doesn't look like it's going to stop any time soon. Unwed couples go to court over custody issues the same as married people; nothing about that would change should state-approved marriage disappear. Judges could still separate weekends and holidays and force parents to pay child support. This transition would be almost seamless.

Along with child support, the issue of alimony could be solved with a trip to a lawyer and a draft of a prenuptial agreement or contract of some sort prior to any ceremony.

When it comes to hospital visits, I've never heard of anyone having to produce a marriage certificate or ID to get in to see his or her spouse, so I don't see why it matters if you aren't married. At the very least, people could simply carry emergency contact cards, and whoever was listed as the significant other could be let in.

Retooling these unnecessary barriers would make the need for state-approved marriage completely void. Removing the state would open up freedom to those who want to celebrate their union however they see fit.

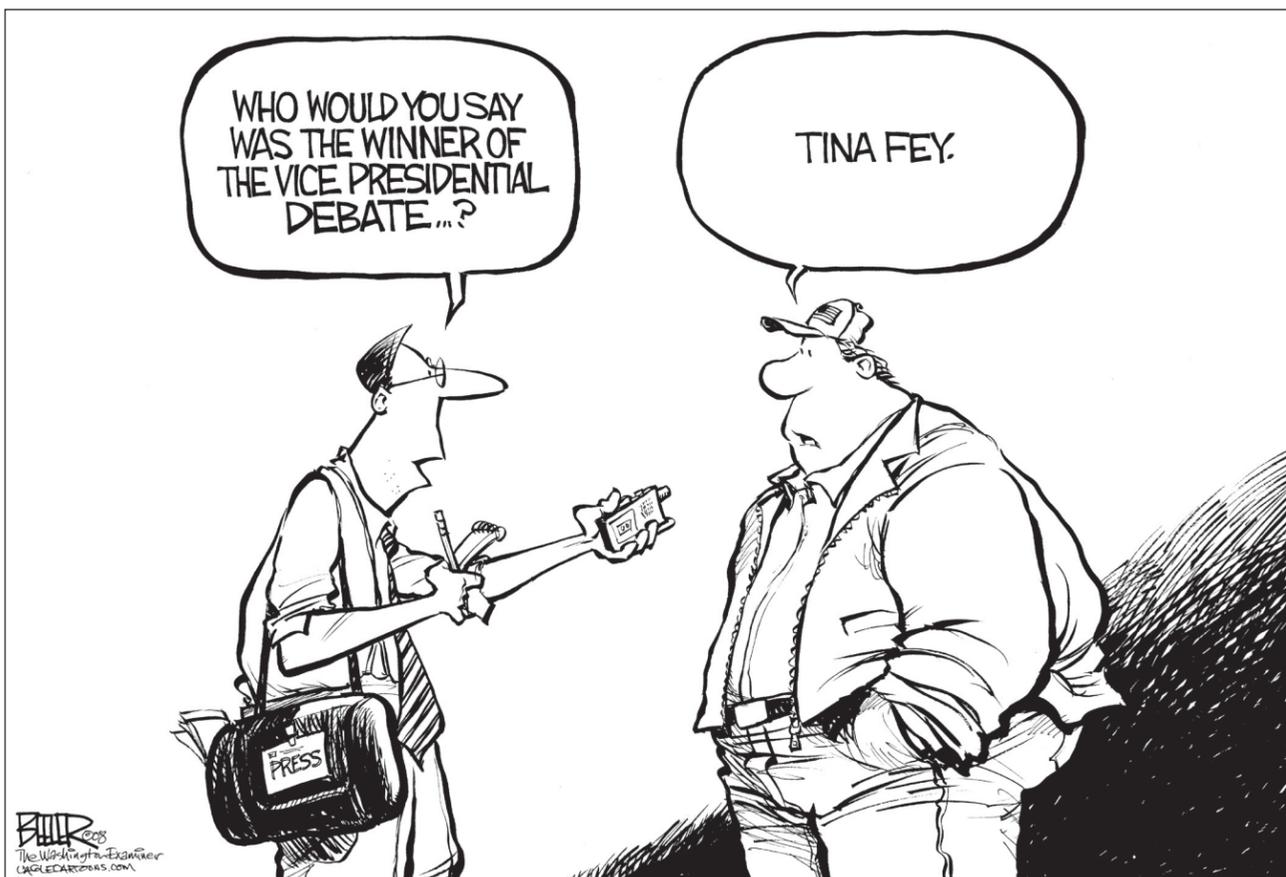
People shouldn't need a license to get married. It's not like driving a car where you could be risking the lives of others. On top of that, there's nothing about the state requiring a license that encourages marriage. Removing the government's involvement would do nothing to dissuade two people in love who want to make a lasting commitment, just as the current involvement doesn't stop people from simply living together.

Marriage is about love and personal devotion. It's also awesome. Really, the state has no business in the romantic lives of its citizens.

Wenger is senior studying journalism and Spanish.

For all the state knows we could have made up names, invented Social Security numbers and been fraternal twins; all they really wanted was that crisp \$50 bill.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“This is one of the more impactful and emotional town meetings I’ve ever had. Maybe it’s because it’s a women’s town hall.”

Sen. John McCain
at a town hall meeting in Denver late Thursday night.

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FEAR & LOATHING IN CARBONDALE

Lessons learned from Halloween 2000

ANDY FRUTH

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Many of you were still in high school when the last major incident occurred during Halloween in Carbondale. I wasn't there but I'm sure that people who were there wouldn't describe that Halloween as an "incident." Rather, they might use a number of words such as "mayhem," "chaos" and "pandemonium."

That year, the Strip was virtually destroyed by unruly students (many not from our university) who overturned cars, smashed windows and even threw rocks at the police, which prompted them to use tear gas to disperse the mob.

You can see a great description of what the 2000 Halloween in Carbondale was like on YouTube. In one of the clips I found, you can see a giant crowd taking over the Strip prior to all the excitement. The clip starts off showing some guy climbing an electric pole (bright idea, huh?), and then shows the masses of people in the streets and even rooftops of Illinois Avenue. Later in the clip, we even see some idiot light something on fire and throw it into the crowd.

It's a pretty fair assumption that sometime after that point, things went downhill in a hurry. Thousands of college students having a good time quickly evolved into pure bedlam. Things got out of control and people got hurt. In an interview with the Chicago Sun Times, newly named university president James Walker compared what he saw on the morning news the day after to watching a soccer game in England.

From the aftermath of the 2000 Halloween riot came several new policies and procedures to prevent something similar happening again. The city shut down the Strip and banned the sale of kegs on and around Halloween. The university briefly shut down the campus and sent everyone in the residence halls

home for what they termed "Halloween Break."

I'm sure that everyone has an opinion of who is to blame for the melee that occurred that Halloween. There will always be the people that point fingers at the students, as they are the easiest to blame because they were directly involved. Others might say that the city and university are to blame for losing control of the situation. Any time you get caught unprepared for something, you have to be at least partially to blame.

Several other college towns across the nation have larger celebrations than we do in Carbondale and most seem to go by every year without a hitch. Sure, you'll always have those kids who drink too much and fights that break out, but rarely do you ever see situations that result in the deployment of tear gas like we saw that Halloween in Carbondale.

Personally, I think the city could make a lot of money around Halloween if they exercised more control of the situation. The city should section off an area of town, much like what happens with the Main Street Pigout, and charge admission. Have Carbondale Police officers check IDs and give wristbands to people who are over 21. The local bars and establishments could set up tents and serve food and drinks. The bottom line is that if you could control the environment, a

Halloween celebration in Carbondale could bring in tons of money for the city and local businesses.

We all know the current restrictions are unfair. If things get too out of control on Halloween, why is it that we allow places such as

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Pinch Penny Pub to stay open but tell the rest of the bars on the Strip that they have to shut down? Fortunately, I don't have to answer that question, but it's pretty convenient that we allow some to stay open and make others shut down.

Hopefully, as more Halloweens pass without any major disturbances, the city will finally lift the restrictions on Halloween and everyone will be able to celebrate Oct. 31 responsibly once again. So this Halloween, remember to have fun, watch out for little kids trick-or-treating, and try not to get tear-gassed.

Fruth is a graduate student in curriculum and instruction.

THEIR WORD

I scream, you scream ...

McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

... we all screamed when we heard that People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals had asked Ben & Jerry's to start making Cherry Garcia and Chubby Hubby with human breast milk.

"If Ben & Jerry's replaced the cow's milk in its ice cream with breast milk, your customers – and cows – would reap the benefits," a PETA spokeswoman said in a letter to co-founders Ben Cohen and Jerry Greenfield.

PETA says it came up with the idea after reading about a Swiss restaurant owner's plan to buy breast milk from nursing mothers and substitute it for the cow's milk in its menu items.

We know what you're thinking. This is not for real. This is from The Onion. We thought so, too. But no. It's a real letter, and it generated a real response from a Ben & Jerry's spokeswoman, who passed on the opportunity to make crass jokes – ask your sixth-grader, if you must, or try Google – and instead politely declined the suggestion.

"We believe a mother's milk is best used for her child," the company said.

That's precisely the point, PETA crowed: "Cow's milk is for baby cows." When fed to baby humans, dairy products can lead to "juvenile diabetes, allergies, constipation, obesity and prostate and ovarian cancer." And that's nothing compared to what happens to the cows! They're forcibly impregnated every nine months, produce 10 times the natural volume of milk throughout their lives and end up as hamburger.

This provoked an indignant online debate about lessening the suffering of dairy cattle by inflicting it on lactating moms, as if PETA were lobbying for the forced impregnation of women who would produce 10 times their natural volume of milk before being ground into hamburger, or whatever. It's a publicity stunt, people. We're sure – well, pretty sure – the folks at PETA were just trying to give us all something to think about. And it worked.

We can't stop thinking about a big bowl of Chunky Monkey.

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Salukis survive weekend 'challenge'

Jeff Engelhardt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Michael Wilson had gone close to 36 hours without food when an unlucky lizard walked into his sight.

Wilson scooped up the little reptile, tossed it in his mouth, took a single bite and swallowed it whole.

For Wilson, it was all part of surviving the Ultimate Saluki Challenge.

"I didn't really chew it, and I could feel it caught in my chest squirming around," said Wilson, an undecided freshman from Oak Lawn. "But I drank some water and drowned it out. It wasn't too bad."

The third annual Ultimate Saluki Challenge was a food-depriving, physically demanding, mentally exhausting experience for 19 SIUC students brave enough to take on the "Survivor"-inspired competition during the weekend.

The students were split into two teams, team sphinx and team pharaoh, and it did not take long for the competitors to transform into characters worthy of the CBS version of "Survivor."

There was the adventurous Wilson, the outspoken John Ratkovich, the odd-defying underdog Davie Lamont, the athletic Brandon Roach, the silent giant Joe Janowiak and the gritty Tera Fredrick who helped turn the competition into what host Mike Skupin called the most real "Survivor" experience outside of the show.

Skupin, an alumnus from "Survivor: Australia," said out of the hundreds of events he has hosted, the SIUC event continues to be the most realistic with the challenges and vote-offs the competitors face.

"They allow it to be as realistic as possible by not giving them food or shelter and making the tribes earn everything they get," Skupin said. "This challenges you so much mentally, physically and emotionally, but these competitors are playing the game hard."

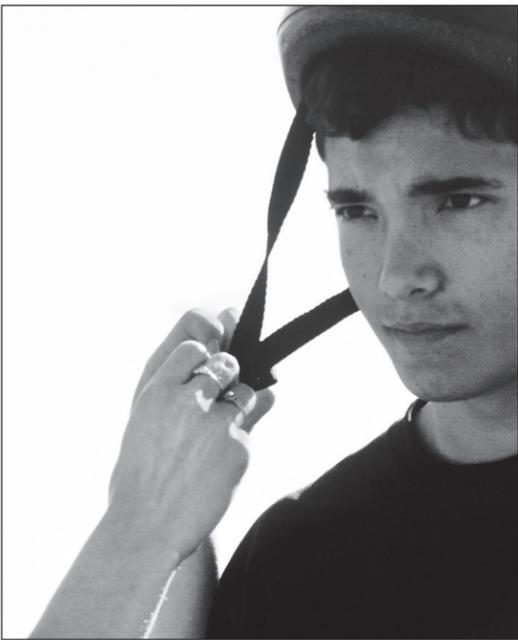
Challenges on the first day of the event included an obstacle course that pushed the teams mentally and physically as they had to paddleboat from campus beach to the boat docks, flip two large tires end-over-end about 100 feet, solve a word puzzle, flip the tires back, solve another word puzzle, carry each other across the line and run as a team to the finish line.

The winners, team sphinx, were awarded the fire pit for the night, but team pharaoh had already won the tent.

By midnight, team sphinx was glad to have won the fire.

Kevin Ruby, an undecided freshman from Wheeling, gets help with helmet straps before the Kickbike challenge Sunday morning at McAndrew Stadium. Ruby won the Kickbike challenge that awarded him a \$400 bike as well as the title of Ultimate Saluki Survivor after the Sunday evening vote.

EMILY SUNBLADE
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EMILY SUNBLADE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tension mounts between team pharaoh and team sphinx while teams work to solve a word puzzle during a Friday afternoon challenge. Before the word puzzle, teams completed a paddle boat race and flipped tractor tires all within the same event.

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"It is freezing out here and we're wet, so I would much rather have the fire," Fredrick said. "And we don't need the tents; we're all just going to sleep on that mat real close."

Team pharaoh won the last event of the night, which earned them two slices of pizza to divide among the whole team.

The teams had to wake up at 6 a.m. Saturday, but it was not an issue for most competitors as they said they did not want to leave the fire.

Kevin Ruby, the eventual winner of the Ultimate Saluki Challenge, found some rest at Touch of Nature

before the teams had to tackle the rope courses. Ruby lied on his clothes on the porch, fatigued from lack of sleep and food.

"I had a fun size Kit-Kat bar, and that's all we got this morning," Ruby said. "It's exhausting, but it's worse when we have to wait. I just want to get to the next challenge."

The high rope course is where team pharaoh was ready to turn its luck around with Jason Carey, a senior recreation major, leading the way. Carey used his experience to position the team perfectly as they climbed across ropes nearly three stories above the ground.

Team pharaoh completed the high-rope course in less than 10 minutes and also beat the time of team sphinx in the low rope course, which won members of pharaoh a roundtrip Amtrak ticket to Chicago and Tres Hombres gift certificate.

Lamont, a member of team sphinx, came back from the low-rope course gasping for air after a hard run but was still not discouraged about struggling in the events.

And though he is not even five feet tall, he showed just as much physical endurance as the rest of the group.

"That was brutal out there. If they beat our time, they are beasts," Lamont said. "I'm tired, but bring on the high ropes; I'll be ready in two minutes."

But once the sun set, so did team pharaoh's luck.



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The final challenge required competitors to kayak to checkpoints in Campus Lake and answer questions about the history of Faner Hall. Tera Frederick, a freshman from Wheaton studying anthropology and one of the final three competitors, takes her last answer during the Sunday afternoon race.

By Sunday morning, only six competitors remained and five of them were from the original sphinx team. Sean Olsta, a senior from Bartlett studying radio-television, said he was the main eliminator of all the pharaoh members during the tribal councils the night before.

In return, Olsta was the first competitor voted off Sunday morning, but he said he had no hard feelings and enjoyed the experience the whole time.

"I don't know how they got Tera to vote for me, but I can respect the backstabbing; I did a lot of it last night," Olsta said. "This was a blast, and I enjoyed playing with everyone."

While Friday and Saturday's challenges beat up the competitors' bodies, Sunday morning's challenge beat up their taste buds.

The six remaining contestants had to eat worm-covered Snickers and balut, a duck egg with a fetus inside. The afternoon challenges included a kick-bike race around

the McAndrew Stadium track and kayaking from pier to pier around Campus Lake.

Only three competitors could make it to the final tribal council, and it was Janowiak, one of team sphinx's most consistent performers, who got voted out by his teammates in an emotional council.

Janowiak said the competition was a life-changing experience.

"There is nothing like this experience," Janowiak said. "You go through so much mentally and physically that it changes what you thought you could do."



• For a slideshow of pictures from the event, visit www.siude.com

Smoke clears with new Clean Air Policy

Shaneika Booker
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIUC's tobacco committee is hoping to expand its Clean Air Policy.

The university is continuing efforts to create a smoke-free environment, said Elaine Vitello, Co-director of the committee that created the Livefree Tobacco Initiative at SIUC.

The current Clean Air Policy, which has been in effect since October 1987, states smoking is banned in university buildings or vehicles, and requires all smokers to stand at least 25 feet away from university buildings when smoking.

In addition to the Clean Air Policy, the tobacco committee created the initiative to promote a tobacco-free lifestyle by participating in events such as the Nutrition Fair in the Student Health Center.

Edith Ng'oma, coordinator of the Livefree Tobacco Initiative, said the committee works to raise awareness of the university's tobacco policy.

"This policy is important to the university because international students and out-of-state students may not know about the Illinois state smoking policy or the SIU Clean Air Policy," Ng'oma said.

Other college campuses have started to go smoke-free with an American Lung Association program.

According to its Web site, the American Lung Association has teamed up with college campuses to create the Smokefree Air 2010 Challenge.

The challenge is a nationwide program to eliminate exposure to secondhand smoke in public places by 2010 and reduce smoke related illness. The movement has already gained momentum on the east coast.

New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg signed a law banning smoking on all university property and increased cigarette taxes in the city. The city now includes 14 campuses that are smoke-free and prohibit tobacco use.

Vitello said SIUC officials are aware of the Smokefree Air 2010 Challenge but are not yet involved with the program.

"SIU has been working with the American Lung Association for about five years; however, we are not currently involved with the Smokefree Air Challenge," Vitello said. "But this would be very helpful and could have a huge impact on our campus."

She said if a student violates the current



JASON JOHNSON ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Traci O'Brien, a sophomore from Grayslake, Ill. majoring in business, smokes outside the Communications Building Sept. 17 as she waits for a friend.

Clean Air Policy, the university tries to deal with it quickly.

If there is a complaint against a student disobeying the policy in front of University Housing, anyone from the housing director to judicial affairs could address the issue.

If the police are involved with the complaint, state law allows them to issue a ticket after educating the offender on the Illinois state smoking law.

SIUC Police Capt. Kay Doan said officers do not receive many smoking complaints.

Some students think the policy is fine, and the campus smokers don't bother them at all.

"The Clear Air Policy is pretty fair," said Alex Hogg, a senior from West Frankfort studying business management. "Twenty-five feet isn't

demanding seeing as how there is already an Illinois state smoking ban."

"I don't smoke and I have been on campus where students were smoking, and it was no big deal. As long as the smoker is courteous, there's no problem," he said.

Blair Triplett, a senior from Olympia Fields studying economics and international trade, said she is familiar with the Illinois state smoking ban but believes there are other issues that warrant greater attention.

However, other students have a huge problem with smoking on campus and the university's smoking policy.

Sheila Rucker, a senior from Chicago studying psychology, said the smoking on campus affects her health.

"Cigarette smoke makes me sick," Rucker

said. "I am asthmatic, and the smell of the smoke makes my asthma flare up."

"The policy should call for the smokers to move even further than 25 feet, more like 100 feet," she said.

Vitello said the Livefree Tobacco Initiative was created to protect the health of students on campus.

"I want the students to know that the policy isn't trying to take away anyone's right to smoke by any means," she said.

The committee plans to change the name of the current Clear Air Policy to a name that will be easier for students to search on the university's Web site to get information. The name change will have to be approved by the general counsel, chancellor and finally the president of the university before it goes into effect.

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McArthur's art is both simple and complex. At first glance the subtle simplicity is recognized, but as the viewer takes a closer look an esoteric intellect emerges. For example, his use of crayon as his medium is fascinating because it is such a simple medium but the outcome is so complex. The cerebral quality of his work allows the viewer to observe from various vantage points. McArthur Binion is an artist, a thinker, and a teacher. His contributions to the art world go beyond the physical elements of his work. He not only reaches students and art enthusiasts alike, but to the greater community at large.

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Get the facts on the candidates

Madeleine Leroux
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Editor's note: This is the sixth of a seven-part series with information about how to cast your vote in the Nov. 4 presidential election.

Before heading to the polls on Election Day, voters should be familiar with where the candidates stand on the issues that matter most to them.

There are a number of non-partisan Web sites that feature profiles on all candidates and their stances on issues such as the economy, environment, health and immigration.

Project Vote Smart is a Web site that provides information on all candidates running for office, including biographies, voting records, issue positions and public statements made by the candidates. Project Vote Smart is a non-profit, nonpartisan organization run by volunteers in Montana, according to its Web site. The organization does not accept funding from corporations, political groups or any organization that supports or opposes a candidate or issue. The Web site also features information from presidential candidates as well as those running for state and

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local office.

“It gives me a chance to have my voice heard.”
— Mike Stasik
senior from Arlington Heights studying Advertising

“If you don't take a part in it, you don't have a say.”
— Robert Douglas
sophomore from Peoria studying automotive technology

Another site to find information on voting and candidates is <http://www.usa.gov>, which includes information on the history of elections, the Electoral College, candidates and voting procedures.

Jackson County Clerk Larry Reinhardt said the best place to find information specific to voters in this state would be the Illinois State Board of Elections Web site, which links the Illinois Voter's Guide, an interactive guide to individual candidates running in Illinois.

“The biggest problem, from what I see in here, (is) with people that come in with concerns or complaints or whatever and they've been on some national Web site or some national blog

and the issues aren't in Illinois,” Reinhardt said.

The Illinois Campaign for Political Reform is another non-partisan Web site, which offers information and research on reforms and the role of money in politics. Founded by the late Sen. Paul Simon and former Illinois Lt. Gov. Bob Kustra, the group works to promote voter education and provides a different guide for Illinois voters, specifically focusing on judicial candidates and elections, as well as background on the Illinois court system.

The Daily Egyptian will run one more story pertaining to the voting process. It will explain how to register after Oct. 7.

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JOE REHANA ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Alissa Friedman, a senior from Glenview studying fine arts with an emphasis in glass, prepares another glass pumpkin for the patch at the Pulliam Industrial Center Friday. More than 600 glass pumpkins of all shapes and sizes are set to go on sale Saturday at the Town Square in the third annual Great Glass Pumpkin Patch Sale beginning at 10 a.m.



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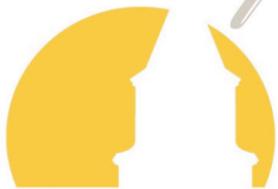
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Editor's Note: This is the first story in a series that will run each Monday in October featuring Halloween-related happenings in southern Illinois.

Nestled into the countryside right outside of Marion sits an old, rickety, harmless-looking building. But those who come by and make a stop at Jason Winkleman's barn have quite the horror-filled surprise waiting inside for them.

Winkleman has taken the barn, which has been on his property for nearly 50 years, and transformed the inside into southern Illinois' largest haunted house.

When Winkleman was younger, his parents would use the barn as a haunted house, but they stopped 20 years ago.

A decade ago, Winkleman and some of his friends decided to re-open the barn to raise money for a sick child in the area. They have been going strong ever since, Winkleman said.

"Ever since then we have continued raising money for different organizations," he said.

This year, Winkleman is letting the Lions Club sell concessions and keep the profits they make, donating funds to the Lake of Egypt Fire Department and helping some area residents with their medical bills.

The barn opened up for business on Friday, and its number of patrons is expected to increase each weekend it is open, co-operator John Long said.

"We usually end up averaging about 400 people a night when it gets closer to Halloween," Long said.

A guide takes each group through the barn because the tour lasts nearly 25 minutes, he said.

Winkleman and Long begin working on the barn in January of each year. Each weekend the two men and other volunteers work on changing 100 percent of

the barn from the previous year.

"We like to have people come back and see something fresh," Winkleman said.

"The Haunted Barn Presents: Plantation of the Dead" is open each Friday and Saturday of October and also November 1; it operates from 7 p.m. to 12 p.m. each night. There is a family night

from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on October 26.

The barn is located at 5796 Wardsmill Road in Marion.

For more information, visit <http://www.thehauntedbarn.net> or call (618) 922-1101.

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PULSE CHATTERBOX

At the box office this weekend, "Beverly Hills Chihuahua" beat out "Eagle Eye" to take the top spot. What film do you think should've been number one?

Audra Ord

Think of me what you will, but "Nights in Rodanthe" is number one in my mind. As a Nicholas Sparks fan and a hopeless romantic, I loved seeing another sappy love story on the silver screen.

Luke McCormick

I'm going to go with "Nick and Norah's Infinite Playlist" because Jay Baruchel is in it, and he is one funny man.

Wes Lawson

I was kind of hoping "Religulous" would take the top spot; it would've been nice to see Bill Maher get the recognition he deserves.

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B.B.KING

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“One of the reasons I’m seated is because I’ve got bad knees, a bad back,” King said. “Head ain’t much good either.”

One of King’s favorite subjects was women — or “ladies,” as he called them.

He spoke about the joy inspired by women and said he disapproved of the way some rap and hip-hop artists describe women in their songs.

To make up for this, King said, he dedicated a performance of “You

Are My Sunshine” to all the women in the audience. At the end of the song, he asked the house lights be turned up so he could encourage a little romance.

“Ladies, if you’ve got your guy with you or someone you borrowed for the evening ... give him a little reward,” King said.

On King’s cue, hundreds of people kissed.

Mia Degrant, of Cape Girardeau, said she had always wanted to see King perform

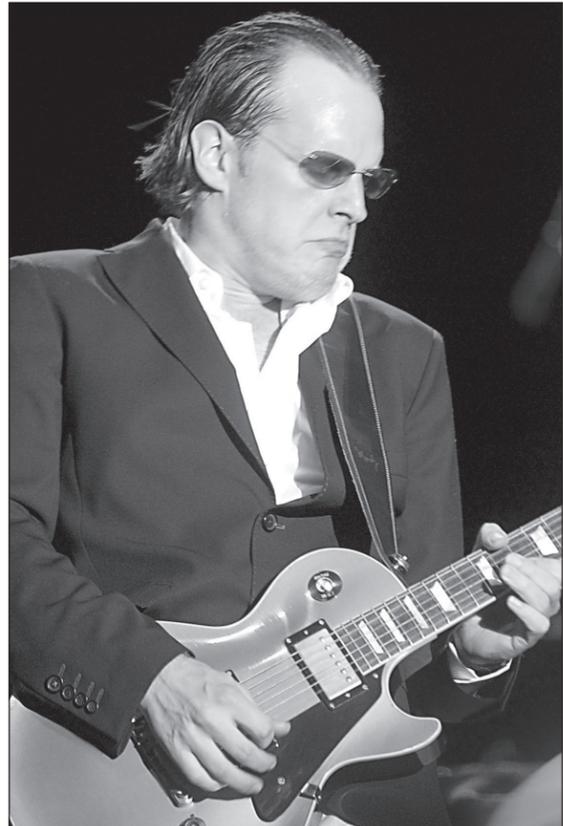
and was excited when she found out he was coming to Carbondale.

“Every musician was great,” she said, referring to King’s eight-member band and his opening act, Joe Bonamassa. “We got our money’s worth and more.”

Bonamassa played both electric and acoustic numbers during roughly one and a half hours onstage. He also worked the crowd, eliciting whoops and shouts during more upbeat songs as his



For a slideshow of pictures from the performance Saturday, head to siuDE.com



LEFT: Opening for King was modern blues virtuoso Joe Bonamassa.

Bonamassa first played with King at the age of 12 and has since averaged about 10 shows a year with the legend.

FAR LEFT: B.B. King performs before a sell-out crowd at the SIU Arena Saturday.

Throughout his performance King shared stories from his life with the audience.

BRANDON CHAPPLE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

fingers flitted rapidly over the fret board. But when the sound became mournful and Bonamassa began to croon about washing away his pain with sloe gin, the audience grew hushed and still.

Bryan Rives, director of Southern Lights Entertainment, said the performance was considered a sellout, with only about 50 unsold seats scattered about the arena. He said his staff would meet next week to discuss a problem with too many people

“packed together” on the bleacher seats, but said the performance had otherwise gone smoothly.

Rives said he had seen King before and was impressed with King’s obvious love for his fans and his music.

“He is an incredible, incredible performer,” Rives said. “He just gets better with age.”

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Director for University of Nebraska at Lincoln's honors program Patrice Berger said it maintains a similar fund. He said the office of academic affairs created the fund in 1995.

All students joining the honors program receive a \$500 textbook scholarship annually. In order to keep the scholarship, students have a variety of obligations to meet, including maintaining a grade point average above 3.5, Berger said.

Black American Studies Director Joseph Brown said his department has a fund as well, but it depends on donations. He said that he supports the idea of book gifts and that there are a large amount of people on campus whose hearts go out to students in need.

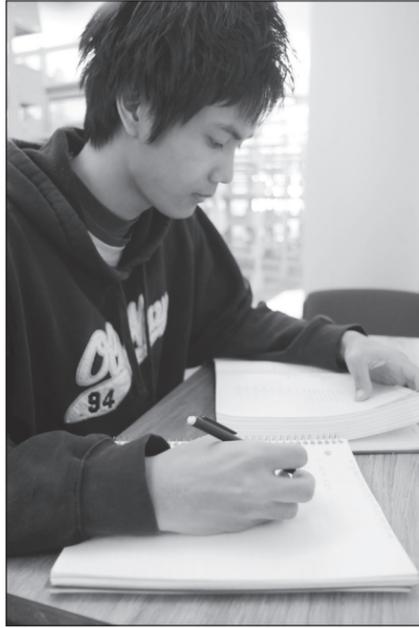
If a program takes effect, it will be important for faculty members to create interest among others.

"It always comes down to who is going to foot the bill," Dietz said.

For students such as Ramos who cannot currently foot their own textbook bills, the Morris Library reserves section is the most viable option.

The section houses textbooks and film-based media that are provided by many instructors. Textbooks can be checked out for two hours and films can be checked out for four hours, but materials are not allowed outside the library. There are televisions on the third floor to view the films.

Blake Frank, a senior from Rockwell City, Iowa, studying aviation management, is a student worker at Morris Library. He said that because of a \$50 late fine, students should turn in the media on time.



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Alfred Ramos, a sophomore from Chicago studying computer sciences, studies in Morris Library Thursday. Ramos goes to the reserves to use books for two-hour time periods in order to avoid buying his books.

He said most students who take advantage of the reserves have heard about it from their professors, otherwise little is known about them.

"I didn't know this place existed until I got a job here," Frank said.

LEGISLATION

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According to a nationwide study done by the Congressional Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, first-time, full-time students spent a total of \$898 at four-year public colleges on books and supplies in the 2003-2004 school year.

"The cost of books has far exceeded the cost of living, far exceeded the inflation rate for everything else in the marketplace," Allen said.

Jan Waggoner, director of the university's teacher education program, said the procedure for choosing and purchasing textbooks probably depends on the department and individual professor, but getting the price information from publishers can be difficult or

impossible.

"I think (publishers) kind of dance around it," Waggoner said.

Allen said even when a faculty member calls a publisher to ask about the cost of a specific book, the publisher often refuses to say the actual cost. Publishers would no longer be allowed to do that under this law, Allen said, which is a huge step forward.

Kevin Ryan, a freshman from Springfield studying cinema, said knowing the textbook information in advance could help students with costs, but it's just a start.

"I don't know necessarily if professors would care about the price," Ryan said. "But I think it would keep (prices) down to some extent."

Funds stopped proposed retirement community in 2003

Poshard meets with pension fund directors about new proposal

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John Jackson said the only thing that kept construction crews from clearing ground for a campus retirement community earlier this decade was a lack of funds.

Years later, a representative for SIUC President Glenn Poshard said potential investors have met with university administrators about developing a similar project at Southern Hills, a living area known for showing its age.

Jackson, a former SIUC interim chancellor, said he and former Sen. Paul Simon first considered razing Saluki Village, a retirement community for SIUC alumni, in 2001. A survey of alumni living within five southern Illinois counties in Spring 2003 revealed a significant level of interest in the project at that time, he said.

But Jackson, now a visiting professor from the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, said a major factor ultimately halted Saluki Village.

"We could not find developers interested in investing," he said.

The project lost even more momentum after Simon died in December 2003, Jackson said.

Poshard said he has met with associates from Emeritus Senior Living, an organization that advocates retirement communities for ex-university faculty, about demolishing the Southern Hills student apartment buildings and replacing them with single-story condominiums for retired alumni and faculty.

Poshard said he knows of pension fund controllers who would invest in such a

community. The proposal calls for SIUC to lease the 40 acres of land to private developers, who would construct and manage the property.

Dave Gross, university spokesman, said associates from the Laborers International Union have conferred with Poshard about investing portions of their pension fund toward the project.

Gross said before that can happen, Poshard plans to expand the 2003 study to include alumni who live outside of southern Illinois and retired faculty. Gross said that study could even include graduate students, which would turn the proposed facility into a mix of tenants owning their condos and those who would rent them.

"We won't know that until we know if there is a demand," he said.

In 2003, a student organization known as Egyptian Vision, Inc., surveyed 160 SIUC alumni who were at least 50 years old and lived in Jackson, Williamson, Franklin, Union, Perry and Randolph counties. A summary of the results showed more than 62 percent of the sample group responded favorably to retiring in southern Illinois, and nearly 18 percent of the respondents said they would be interested in moving to an on-campus community.

Gross said the expanded study would be sent out in early 2009.

Jackson said he and Simon had their eye on land along West Chautauqua Street, but Poshard's proposal calls for the 40 acres at Southern Hills. The change was required because of "environmental issues" at the Chautauqua Street land.

"The useful life of those (Southern Hills) facilities is coming to a close," he said. "Something's going to have to be done over there anyway."

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Intrasquad series hits Carbondale

Fall Classic pits Salukis against each other

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The SIU baseball team is holding its annual intersquad fall series which began last week at Abe Martin Field and continues later this week.

The best-of-seven series, which divided the Salukis into a maroon team and a black team, was tied 1-1 heading into the third game.

The maroon team took a 1-0 series lead with a 4-2 victory in the series' first game Wednesday behind the bats of senior Mark Kelly and juniors Tom Cerven and Tyler Bullock.

Three of the four hits the maroon team collected were extra-base hits as Kelly and Cerven both doubled on 0-2 counts and Bullock highlighted a 2-for-4 day at the plate with a solo home run.

Bullock, who hit six home runs in 128 at bats last season, said he took advantage of a 3-1 fastball and took it over the fence.

"I was simply trying to drive a ball to the gap but got a little more than I

bargained for," Bullock said.

Senior left-hander Daniel Wells picked up the win, pitching 3.1 innings of relief and limited the black team to two hits during his appearance.

Wells posted a 4-1 record and 3.86 ERA last season and credited the Salukis' strong defensive efforts for the game one victory.

"All the credit goes to the defense," Wells said. "I used my slider early to keep them off balance, while spotting my fastball on both sides of the plate."

The black team, though, bounced back with a 6-4 come-from-behind victory to even the series at one win apiece Thursday.

Kelly, who started in all 57 games and hit .375 for the Salukis last season, continued to swing the bat well in the series with a two-RBI single, which accounted for half of the maroon team's scoring offense in the second game.

However, the three-run lead disappeared when the black team stepped to the plate in the fifth inning.

The maroon team walked five batters, threw a wild pitch and committed an error in a disastrous inning that plated five runs, giving the black team a 6-4 lead.

The only hit of the inning was a lead-off single that came off the bat of Brian Bajer.



BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Saluki pitcher Daniel Wells allowed just two hits in 3.1 innings during the first game of the annual intersquad series Saturday morning at Abe Martin Field. The maroon team went on to win game one but lost game two leaving the seven game series tied 1-1.

Ryan Bradley picked up the win for the black team, while David Kington suffered the loss. The best-of-seven series will con-

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Dieker threw two of his three touchdown passes in the first half, an 18-yard completion to tight end Ryan Kernes and a 12-yard strike to wide receiver Bryce Morris, but he and the rest of the offense struggled in the second half.

Of SIU's six second-half possessions, three resulted in Scott Ravanesi punts, and two resulted in Saluki turnovers. Dieker's second touchdown pass to Kernes with 53 seconds remaining in the game accounted for the Salukis' only second-half score.

Dieker said he felt good at the beginning of the game, as he picked apart the Bison defense en route to four first quarter scores and a 13-point half time lead.

That changed in the second half when North Dakota State adjusted its defensive game plan.

"They started picking up the tempo of the defensive line late in the game and that got us a little bit disoriented, and they got the better of us," Dieker said.

As for Lennon, who was coaching in North Dakota for the first time since leaving his home state for SIU, he said the penalties were frustrating because they were unnecessary, correctable mistakes.

"It's not a physical thing; it's just a lack of focus," Lennon said. "Now we do something that's immature, and the whole team pays for it. That's the frustration I'm feeling right now."

The loss comes one week after SIU defeated rival Northern Iowa 27-24 in a thrilling game which concluded with a Kyle Dougherty game-winning 40-yard field goal, a game that Lennon said he thought would bring the team together.

Even though the Salukis weren't able to finish strong with a win against North Dakota State, Lennon said the loss would help the team identify some of its weaknesses.

"We took a step forward in finding out our identity," Lennon said. "We need to grow up and need to mature and not let the emotions of the game completely get us out of the way we play the game."

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VOLLEYBALL

Salukis split conference matchups

Team beat Bradley, lost to Northern Iowa

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While the SIU volleyball team has had a solid season, head coach Brenda Winkeler said its biggest flaw is failing to get off to a good start.

The Salukis (11-4, 2-3 MVC) split two Missouri Valley Conference matches this weekend after they defeated Bradley before they lost to Northern Iowa.

"That's going to be our theme in practice this week, getting off to a better start," Winkeler said. "We made 15 errors out of 25 points available in both first sets Friday and Saturday night."

The Salukis defeated Bradley in five sets in a match where neither team seemed to be able to grab the upper hand.

SIU finally got the win after a fifth set 15-12 victory. Winkeler said the win was vital for the Salukis and evened their MVC record to 2-2.

Sophomore outside hitter Sydney Clark said the win was especially important to the Salukis in order to stay on track in the conference.

"It was huge, because the conference is leveling out this year," Clark

said. "They could have easily snuck in and taken it from us. We needed it to stay on track."

Sophomore outside hitter Jennifer Berwanger posted a career high 23 kills to pair with 17 digs for her 15th career double-double of the season.

Brooklyn Robbins contributed 55 assists in the match and had a career high 19 digs for her 20th double-double of the year.

Winkeler said the senior setter showed more heart than anyone all weekend.

"People weren't going for the ball and she just dove from out of nowhere so many times," Winkeler said. "She just carried us. I would say my MVP for the weekend was Brooklyn Robbins."

Sophomore outside hitter Sydney Clark also posted a solid match for the Salukis and contributed 11 kills to go with a .417 hitting percentage.

SIU, though, was not able to carry its momentum from Friday's win into a match up against Northern Iowa, as the Panthers were able to defeat the Salukis in three sets.

But the match was closer than the score indicated.

Despite losing in three sets, the

Salukis were able to push UNI in the second and third sets. SIU lost by five points in the second set, then followed in the third set by losing by just two points, 30-28.

Robbins and Berwanger posted their 21st and 16th career double-doubles, respectively. Robbins posted 26 assists and 12 digs while Berwanger added 10 kills and 20 digs.

Clark also had a big impact and added eight kills, though she said she felt sick to her stomach.

She said it was tough to be out there playing, but she was proud of the way she was able to battle through the sickness and still contribute.

Robbins said she sees the team progressing each week.

"As the season continues to progress, we're going to keep getting better and better," Robbins said. "By the end, I hope we're in the top four."

The Salukis will continue the season Friday when they take on Missouri State followed by a Saturday match against Wichita State.

The weekend matches against Missouri State and Wichita State could prove to be two of the most difficult and important matches of the season. The Salukis are 2-3 in conference play and cannot afford to



Chandra Roberson, a junior from Buffalo, N.Y., and Amanda Arnold, a freshman from Toledo, Ohio, practice blocking at the net in Davies Gymnasium Sep. 29.

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lose both matches against two of the MVC's best teams and fall to 2-5.

The Bears are 11-6 overall and 3-2 in MVC action. The Shockers are undefeated with a 16-0 record

and 5-0 in the conference.

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LOUISVILLE

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The Salukis defeated Murray State, which finished 12th, by 131 points, after beating the Racers by just four points at the Saluki Invitational two weeks ago.

"I think we all ran better than we did at the Saluki Invite," Toennies said. "It just showed how much better we are than them."

Toennies was followed by sophomore Megan Hoelscher, who placed 34th with a time of 18:19.09.

Freshman Jamie Pfister and junior A'Seret Dokubo also finished

in the top 50. Pfister was 48th at 18:33.65 while Dokubo was 49th at 18:33.98.

Rounding out the women's squad was sophomore Ryan Eichelberger (58th, 18:37.90), junior Toni Whitfield (102th, 19:09.45), junior Kim Beardwood (118th, 19:20.42) and junior Nikura Walls (135th, 19:38.93).

The women's team finished just one point behind the University of Alabama-Birmingham for third place and four points behind Georgia State for second.

"It was a little disappointing to be that close to second," Sparks

said. "It's kind of motivating for the women to see how close they were to second. We can always sit back now and say 'what if.' It gives them things to work towards."

The Salukis will have their first conference meet of the season Oct. 18 when they travel to the Evansville Invitational.

Sparks said the meet will be more like the Salukis first two meets, fewer teams and lesser competition.

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MVFC

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Youngstown (2-4, 1-1 MVFC) looked poised to tie the game late in the fourth quarter and drove the ball 68 yards in the final three minutes of the game but were stopped short for its fourth loss of the season, which significantly reduces the Penguins' shot at a playoff berth.

Penguins starting quarterback left the game in the second quarter after he suffered a sprained knee on a sack, and back up Paul Corsaro stepped in to complete 10-of-21 passing attempts for 97 yards.

The Southern Utah win was the first time that it has won con-

secutive games against Football Championship Subdivision opponents since the final two games of the 2004 season.

Youngstown, which jumped to a 7-0 lead early in the first quarter was shut out in the second half and will look to get back on track next week when it travels to Missouri State.

Western Illinois 33, Missouri State 21

Western Illinois running back Herb Donaldson showed his offensive prowess against Missouri State as the Payton Award candidate scored four touchdowns and rushed for 273

yards to lead the Leathernecks over the Bears in Springfield, Mo.

Western Illinois (3-2, 1-1 MVFC) scored three times in the first half and held off a second-half rally by the Bears (1-3, 0-1 MVFC) before pulling away with two Donaldson touchdowns in the fourth quarter.

Donaldson accounted for 293 of the 520 total offensive yards for Western Illinois and logged one of his most dominant games this season.

Western Illinois will travel to North Dakota State next week to take on the Bison while Missouri State will host Youngstown State.

BISON

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SIU jumped out to a 20-0 lead with just more than five minutes remaining in the second half after a pair of field goals by kicker Kyle Dougherty and a couple of touchdown passes by quarterback Chris Dieker.

Dieker and company thrived in the first half and completed drives for 50-, 48-, 57- and 75-yards, all for scores.

The Salukis scored on their first four drives of the game and quickly jumped out to a shocking lead in front of a sold-out 18,942 crowd.

"I was feeling good at the beginning," Dieker said. "The defense was giving me some stuff and I was taking it. Passes in the middle of the field and stuff outside really got us going."

But SIU wouldn't score again until one minute, 10 seconds remained in the final quarter.

Meanwhile, North Dakota State had been busy scoring on four of seven possessions in the second half to give the Bison a come from behind 35-21 lead with three minutes, 49 seconds remaining in the game.

SIU tight end Ryan Kemes' touchdown late in the fourth quarter shortened NDSU's lead to 35-27, giving SIU a glimmer of hope for a comeback.

But the Salukis' ensuing onside kick attempt was no good and ultimately, SIU's second half woes were too much to overcome.

"You want them playing with the same confidence they were playing with early on," Lennon said. "And that comes with experience and you need to get some of that good game experience where we know how to overcome that."

The Bison win was largely fueled by senior running back Tyler Roehl, who recorded 125 rushing yards and scored a touchdown that essentially put the game out of reach with four minutes, 48 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter.

Roehl was held quiet in the first half as the Saluki defense limited the Payton Award candidate to just 42 yards on the ground.

But the power back exploded in the second half as the Bison looked dedicated to establishing Roehl as their main offensive weapon.

"He is an X factor," NDSU coach Craig Bohl said. "He certainly has a presence that adds a great deal to our offense."

Lennon described the loss as "gut checking," and said mistakes here and there is what ultimately led to the Salukis' demise.

Lennon said he expected the Bison to play a four quarter game and was not so much surprised as the Bison kept chipping away at SIU's lead so much as he was when his team failed to respond.

"The thing that was disappointing was that it got to that point and it never should have," he said.

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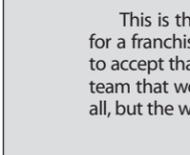
Saluki Insider

The Chicago Cubs were swept in the National League Division Series Saturday and have lost their last nine playoff games. If they can't win a World Series with a 97-win team and arguably the most talent of any team in baseball, can they ever win one?



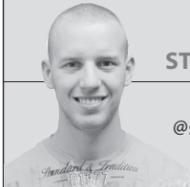
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Well, the Cubs have already won a World Series. It was a long time ago, but I'm pretty sure that still counts. Will they ever win it again? Doesn't look like it. I heard all the excuses as to why they would win (i.e., Dempster is unbeatable at home, Zambrano starting game two, Big Lou has his team), but when it comes down to it, the Cubs are just not meant to win in October. They will never win a World Series as long as I live.



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This is the biggest disappointment in Cubs history, and that's saying a lot for a franchise that once started a season with 13 consecutive losses. It's hard to accept that an 84-win team that had one hot month is better than a 97-win team that won a division that had four teams over .500. One day they'll win it all, but the window of opportunity is closing.



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Every season is a new year. Yes, the team will have added pressure on them every time they reach the postseason, but someday there will be a Cubs team that overcomes that. This team may have been the most talented team, but that doesn't mean they have the best postseason players. Someday, the Cubs will overcome the odds and win a World Series.

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AROUND THE VALLEY

South Dakota State loses in triple overtime, Sycamores continue to struggle

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Looking for the win, South Dakota State's two-point conversion in the third overtime of an offensive shootout was stopped, and McNeese State defeated the Jackrabbits 46-44 in dramatic fashion.

McNeese State opened the third overtime with a 14-yard touchdown run, and SDSU responded on the next drive with a touchdown of its own. But the failed two-point conversion doomed the Jackrabbits.

SDSU quarterback Ryan Berry passed for 317 yards and four touchdowns as the Jackrabbits recorded 412 yards of total offense.

The SDSU loss gives the Jackrabbits a 3-3 record on the season and is their second loss in two weeks.

South Dakota State will host Cal Poly next week before diving into Missouri Valley Football Conference action with five straight conference games.

Illinois State 57, Indiana State 6

The Redbirds recorded more than 500 yards of total offense and featured

two running backs with more than 100 yards rushing as Illinois State crushed the Sycamores Saturday.

Redbird running backs Geno Blow and Walter Mendenhall ran for 119 yards and 103 yards, respectively, and each scored two touchdowns.

The Sycamores (0-5, 0-1 MVFC) have lost 19 straight games since 2006 and have been outscored 219-33 this season.

Illinois State gave up an early field goal but took the lead on the first touchdown by Blow and cruised to an easy 57-6 win.

The Redbirds (2-2, 1-0 MVFC) scored on five of their first six possessions and rushed for 410 yards throughout the game.

Northern Iowa 34, Nicholls State 14

The Panthers, fresh off a last second defeat to SIU last week, bounced back and outscored Nicholls State 20-7 in the second half to defeat the Colonels 34-14 in Cedar Falls, Iowa, Saturday.

UNI quarterback Pat Grace rushed for two touchdowns and threw for 152 yards and a score while running back Derrick Law rushed for 51 yards and a touchdown to secure the Panthers' third win of the season.

The Panthers (3-2, 1-1 MVFC) recorded 378 yards of total offense and came from behind for the second consecutive game this season.

UNI forced three turnovers, including an interception in the fourth quarter that essentially put the game out of reach for Nicholls State.

The Panthers return to conference action next week and will host Illinois State, which currently sits atop the Missouri Valley Football Conference standings with a 1-0 conference record.

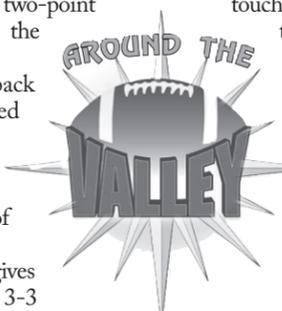
Indiana State, meanwhile, was limited to just 113 total yards, 14 passing yards and 99 rushing yards.

Illinois State travels to Northern Iowa next week to take on conference heavyweight Northern Iowa while Indiana State heads to Carbondale to take on SIU in its homecoming game.

Southern Utah 14, Youngstown State 7

Southern Utah returned a fumble for 54 yards late in the third quarter and stopped Youngstown State in its final drive at the 18-yard line with 28 seconds remaining in the game as the Thunderbirds defeated the Penguins 14-7.

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FOOTBALL

Second half dooms Salukis



Penalties, mistakes erase first-half success

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The SIU football team seemed to do everything right during the first half of the team's game against North Dakota State.

The offense established both the running and passing attacks, scoring four times in the first half. The defense was strong, limiting the home-standing Bison to only a late second quarter touchdown.

Yet when the Salukis took the field for the second half, all of the positive momentum came to a crashing halt when SIU began committing penalties that extended Bison drives and turnovers that turned into Bison points.

SIU (2-2, 1-1) built a 20-7 halftime lead in its first road conference game of the season, but North Dakota State (3-2, 1-1) stormed back in the second half, outscoring the Salukis 28-7 en route to a 35-27 come-from-behind win.

Saluki head coach Dale Lennon said the loss was disheartening, but it provided the team with an idea of what it needed to improve on in the coming weeks.

"The thing we're finding out about ourselves and the lesson right now is that we lost our focus, and that's a sign of lack of maturity," Lennon said in a post-game radio interview. "Those were situations we had control over, and we made bad choices and didn't respond the way we needed to."

The Salukis' second half struggles were their own doing. SIU committed 12 penalties in the game and six came in the third quarter, helping North Dakota State capture some of the momentum it lost after going down by 20 points in the first half.

Quarterback Chris Dieker said the team hurt itself with penalties in the second half.

"We just came out in the second half, and we just kind of killed ourselves. We need to mature as a group and learn how to play four full quarters," Dieker said. "Until we do that we're going to have some hard games, but once we accomplish that we're going to be a good football team."

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Senior running back Larry Warner carries the ball during the Salukis' game against UNI Sept. 27. SIU lost to North Dakota State over the weekend.

BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Bison erase 20-point deficit to defeat SIU

Brian Feldt
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A troubling trend that has seen the SIU football team outscored 48-0 in the third quarter and 83-20 in the second half finally caught up to the Salukis Saturday in Fargo, N.D.

The Salukis coughed up a 20-7 first-half

lead against North Dakota State and wound up losing the game 35-27 after being kept in check in the second half for the fourth consecutive game this season.

SIU coach Dale Lennon, who said playing a full four quarters against the No. 6 Bison would be pivotal during last week's practice, said the second half no-show was a result of loss of focus

and a lack of maturity.

"We used words like 'focus' and 'not to be our own worst enemy' this week," Lennon said. "The first half we accomplished that, and the second half we didn't."

The Salukis looked poised to steal a game from the Bison at home for the first time since NDSU lost to UC Davis on Oct. 14, 2005.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Runners continue to dominate

Men win, women take fourth at Louisville Classic

Stile T. Smith
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Though he finished third in a race of 294 runners, Jeff Schirmer was not satisfied.

While SIU's top cross country runner said he was happy with the time he ran, Schirmer thought he should have taken first place.

"I was disappointed that I didn't win the meet," Schirmer said. "I think I should have. I was four seconds behind the leader."

The SIU men's cross country team continued to show its superiority over all opponents as it was able to defeat 33 competing schools and take first place in the Louisville Classic.

The women, meanwhile, took fourth place in the meet.

Schirmer paced the Salukis and finished in third place with a time of 23 minutes, 49.95 seconds.

Sophomore Dan Dunbar and junior Jason Ordway also finished in the top 20. Dunbar finished in 12th place with a time of 24:19.32, while Ordway placed 19th at 24:30.14.

SIU CROSS COUNTRY TOP THREE RESULTS IN LOUISVILLE CLASSIC	
Men	
3rd Place:	Jr. Jeff Schirmer 23:49.95
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Women	
27th Place:	Soph. Emily Toennies 18:10.65
34th Place:	Soph. Megan Hoelscher 18:19.09
48th Place:	Fr. Jamie Pfister 18:33.65

The rest of the men's squad featured senior Mark Bowman (27th, 24:39.05), sophomore Kyle Kirchner (29th, 24:42.21), freshman Brad Wrage (69th, 25:22.55), junior Tyler Bradford (70th, 25:23.41), freshman Neal Anderson (75th, 25:26.35) and freshman Logan Block (105th, 25:48.95).

Head coach Matt Sparks said he was happy



BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Saluki runner Emily Toennies runs for fourth place during the Saluki Invitational Sept. 27. Toennies ran for her best time of the year last weekend at the Greater Louisville Classic where the men's team took first place and the women's team finished fourth.

with how his team ran and thought it performed up to his expectations.

"I told the guys that we can only control what we do," Sparks said. "Our top five guys placed about where we envisioned before the race. We're excited to beat some of the better teams in the country."

The men's team was followed in the top five

by Eastern Kentucky, Rend Lake, the University of Louisville and the University of Tennessee.

Meanwhile, the women's team took fourth place and was paced by sophomore Emily Toennies, who finished in 27th place with a time of 18:10.65.

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