Budget cuts push museum to ‘absolute limit’

Whenever there’s been an economic crisis, and there has certainly been a number over the years, the museum always gets hit and hit hard.

Don Bachman, director of the museum, was caught off guard by a $13.5 million shortfall for fiscal year 2011. Chancellor Risa Cheng said in an email to university personnel Aug. 2 that she had asked each department to turn in plans for an average 4 percent reduction in their budgets for the fiscal year.

The University Museum is part of the College of Liberal Arts’ budget, Bachman said. While the entire college had to propose an average 4 percent cut, the museum’s operating budget was hit harder than most, she said.

Alan Vaughn, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, said in an email each department’s operating budget, excluding salary money, was cut by an average 8 percent, but about 10 percent was cut from the University Museum’s budget.

Bachman said the lack of professional staff employed at the museum meant the museum’s operating budget, which was around $57,700 previously, had to be cut by approximately $6,000.

The museum employs four professional employees and a secretary, whose salaries totaled more than $36,000 in 2010, she said.

Although the museum didn’t lose any positions because of the proposed cuts, Bachman said the museum has shrunk during the past several years from about 12 employees to four.

“It sometimes gets sick, it’s just chaos,” she said.

In addition to running the museum, Bachman said the staff also teaches between four and six classes each year — which make up the museum studies minor — though they don’t get paid to teach those classes.

“It’s a real challenge,” she said. “I’m just very fortunate that I have incredibly hard-working people who were two or three different hats.

Bachman said the museum usually has seven graduate assistants who work both in the museum and in archives.

City Council to vote on major rezoning project today

Brad Hagy has taught information systems and applied technology for 10 years at the university, and he is a quadriplegic.

Hagy said his biggest challenge has been to find a good job and to live independently, which is why he opposes the building of a new supportive living community in Carbondale.

Giving (disabled) people the opportunity for a job and to teach them how to live independently and not to code them into dependency, that’s the greatest advantage,” Hagy said.

The Carbondale Community High School’s athletic fields — from residential to a Planned Unit Development, allowing Budick Investments to build a 76-unit housing facility for the physically disabled, Budick Investments LLC brought the proposal to the Carbondale planning commission Aug. 18, which resulted in a 3-2 vote not to recommend the proposal.

Now the Council has the final say. Developer Greg Budick’s facility would be part of the Illinois Supportive Living Program and would provide supportive living for low-income disabled people on Medicaid. The program would provide a number of amenities including certified nurse assistants, physical therapy, transportation, and a cafe.

“I think Mr. Budick has done his homework and put together a really good presentation and project,” Councilman Chris Wissmann said. “It’s put together the financing, while the rest of us have sat around and daydreamed about it.”
The Daily Egyptian is currently hiring a cartoonist. Do you love to draw? Drawing experience is not required. All members of the board, including new and existing members, are being sworn in as the U.S. Attorney for the southern district of Illinois. Gross said he and his wife are not sure how the job will work out. Gross said he is not sure how the job will work out. He has been appointed to the position in April by President Barack Obama. The board will reconvene on Wednesday, Sept. 22 at Edwardsville, Illinois. Gross said he is not sure how the job will work out. He has been appointed to the position in April by President Barack Obama. The board will reconvene on Wednesday, Sept. 22 at Edwardsville, Illinois. Gross said he is not sure how the job will work out. He has been appointed to the position in April by President Barack Obama. The board will reconvene on Wednesday, Sept. 22 at Edwardsville, Illinois. Gross said he is not sure how the job will work out. 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Ruggapaloosa brings in new players, teams

**By Ryan Simoni**

Depleted, hard hits and scoring kept both the Southern Illinois University Edwardsville women's and men's rugby teams busily competing throughout the 11th annual Ruggapaloosa. Both the SIU women's and men's rugby teams had conference games to play this year and the men's team went 1-1, and the women's team went 1-0. The SIU women's rugby team won against the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and the SIU men's rugby team lost against the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. The SIU women's rugby team will be competing against the University of Illinois Chicago at the national championships this year.

The SIU women's rugby team is an excellent example of how community involvement can play a role in providing support and resources for athletes. The SIU women's rugby team has a dedicated group of fans and supporters who provide financial assistance and encouragement to the team. The team's success is a testament to the hard work and dedication of the players, coaches, and support staff. The SIU women's rugby team is an example of how athletes can use their platform to make a positive impact on their communities and inspire others to get involved in community service.

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Cherry comes out on top at Early Bird

BRANDON COLEMAN  
Daily Egyptian

Sophomore Lucas Cherry won the Saluki Early Bird meet Friday in Carbondale while junior freshman Kahydi Fuj, Brian Diiier, Colie Allison and Nick Schrader finished with five of the top seven spots for the mens cross country team.

Cherry ran the 6K race in 19 minutes 36 seconds, edging out second place Kevin Marje of the University of Missouri by 10 seconds. Freshman Edan Schreiber led the womens team, finishing seventh in the 6K race with a time of 19 minutes, 34 seconds.

Cross country head coach Matt Slubka said he knew Cherry would do well and he was named the runner-up at the Early Bird.

Cherry, who started the race slightly behind McKee, said Slubka told him to stay close and not let McKee separate within the first mile of the course.

"Coach told me that I should see Cherry, " Slubka said. "I sat on McKee and made sure he had the whole time. Let him do the work and rested off of him." 

"He knew he was hurting a little bit when McKee slowed down because he was unsure about his stamina and didn't want to overextend himself too early in the race."

Cherry broke away from McKee and the rest of the field during the last kilometer of the race.

(Volunteers) told me to go at one (kilometer) but I was hurting so I waited until about 600 meters," he said.

Please see EARLY BIRD

Volleyball
Salukis shut out three more, win UConn Classic

BRANDON LACHANCE  
Daily Egyptian

The volleyball team brought its season debut trial to five during the weekend as it left the Saluki Toyota Classic at the University of Connecticut without a blip.

The Salukis defeated Brown University, University of Hartford and the University of Connecticut in the tournament, winning each match 3-0. Senior right side hitter Alida Johnson was named the most valuable player of the tournament and was joined by sophomore setter Rachel Brown and senior outside hitter Jennifer Berwanger on the all-tournament team.

Johnson led the team in kills for each... Please see CLASSIC 7...