What I saw on the journey was a whole new world with different ideas, customs and people. Whether it was the cleanliness of Berlin or the way cafés brew their coffee throughout Europe, it was a style of life that was new and exciting. People seemed more relaxed than in the United States. It appeared to me that most Europeans seemed to care more about life than work. Bicycles and “smart cars” were common sites on the street. Well-crafted buildings that are centuries old are as common as vinyl siding in the States.

College offers one of the best times in a person’s life to travel and see different parts of the world. While we’re busy most of the year cramming for exams, working to pay the rent and trying to manage a social life, it is also a time of freedom before going into the working world. As college students, we have many breaks and opportunities to get out of our comfort zones and explore. Going to different countries, meeting people and seeing different cultures opens your eyes and your heart to different ways of life you might not have known ever existed.

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Leaving on a good note

School of Music director to retire after 29 years

Sean McGahan

When Robert Weiss came to SIUC, he was met with a challenge. Nearly 29 years later, the school is housed in arguably one of the finest buildings on campus. Weiss — who plans to retire from his position as director of the School of Music in May — cites the renovation of Altgeld Hall as one of his proudest achievements.

Altgeld, the oldest building on campus, underwent an $11 million renovation from July 2002 to October 2004. That was a huge operation but something people had been talking about for decades,” Weiss said. “Getting that accomplished was really major.”

Weiss, a 57-year-old Quincy native, began at the School of Music in 1978 as a trombone instructor. He steadily climbed up the ranks until he was named the school’s director in 1994.

He said he would continue to teach trombone at SIUC until he retires in May because he loves the experience. “It’s been an exciting thing for me as a musician to be involved in something so diverse musically, not just in a classroom but also in a performance stage and a library and other research facilities having an opportunity to do things I never would have been able to do,” Weiss said.

He said he would continue to live in the Carbondale area working as the music director at First United Methodist Church and take some time for travel, musical arranging and performing.

Jored Montgomery, a sophomore from Mulkeytown studying trumpet performance, has been close to Weiss since first meeting him at an SIUC music camp in 1998. He described Weiss as an excellent mentor. “He’s a machine,” Montgomery said. “He gets up early every morning, and he warms up on the trombone, and then he goes to his job here on campus and does all the administrative stuff, teaches lessons and then at night goes to church rehearsals. That’s just unheard of for a guy to do all those things and do them well — which he does.”

Montgomery said he is constantly surprised by Weiss — especially when he saw the director perform with the Chicago Chamber Orchestra during the summer. “He was swinging with some of the best trombonists in the state,” he said. “It just proves that no matter how old you get, you can still be on top of your game and be getting better.”

Professor Eric Mandat shared similar sentiments. See MUSIC, Page 8

Committee formed for chancellor search

Sean McGahan

Names of members for two committees formed in the aftermath of former Chancellor Walters Wendler’s demotion should be announced Friday, Vice President for Academic Affairs John Haller said Wednesday.

The committees — a nine-member task force to address intellectual dishonesty and plagiarism and a 15-member panel to conduct a nationwide search for SIUC’s next chancellor — have been assembled by Haller.

The search committee for the new chancellor will consist of Haller, seven faculty members, two staff members, an undergraduate student, a graduate student, a college dean, a graduate and a community member.

Haller said the committee would oversee the entire search process — an estimated $100,000 effort to include travel expenses, receptions for candidates and the hiring of a private search firm.

According to a document detailing the procedures for selecting a chancellor, SIU President Glenn Poshard will instruct the committee to identify “a pool of finalists who have the leadership qualities, experience, personal attributes and desire to serve as chancellor.”

Wendler, SIUC’s chancellor since 2001, was promoted to professor of architecture in November. Poshard cited poor communication, low enrollment and a lack of leadership skills when announcing the demotion Nov. 8.

Haller said he hopes the committee will have its first meeting — in which Poshard will formally charge members with their duties — before Christmas.

The committee should have a list of five to 10 candidates for the president’s consideration sometime before the spring semester ends to allow candidates to meet with students, faculty and staff, Haller said.

The nine-member plagiarism task force will consist of five faculty members and administrators from SIUC and four from the Edwardsville campus, Haller said.

Both campuses have recently been the targets of several plagiarism accusations.

Wendler was the subject of two such claims during his time as chancellor, including accusations of failing to attribute sources of material and the planning documents for Southern at 150, the university’s plan to be a top-75 public research institution by 2019.
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**NEWS BRIEFS**

**Huge holiday sale**

Post 4 p.m. today through Sunday at the University Museum Store, 40% off all merchandise.

**The Innocent Unwanted** — Working with HIV positive babies in Kenya

Students will present their findings from a trip to Kenya at the Student Center in the Ohio Room

**Saluki launch party**

7 to 9 p.m. today at the Student Center in the Reiman Room

**Mitsubishi Electronics seminar**

2 to 4 p.m. Friday at the Engineering A Room

**POLICE REPORTS**

**Murphysboro**

Marshall L. Freeman, 35, was arrested and charged with theft at 8:02 p.m. Tuesday at 550 E. Industrial Park Road. Freeman was released on a recognizance bond.

**Kimmel**

Charles L. Kimmel, 37, of Murphysboro was arrested and charged with theft under $100 at 8:01 p.m. Tuesday at South 20th St. Kimmel was taken to the Jackson County Jail where he remains pending a court appearance.

**University**

A theft over $100 was reported on Saturday at Schneider Hall. Nintendo Games and DVDs were reported stolen. A suspect has been identified.

A theft over $100 occurred between 8:30 and 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Mac lunch room. Two computers were reported stolen. There are no suspects at this time.

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**Federal banking regulators issue guidelines on commercial real estate loans**

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal banking regulators on Wednesday issued guidelines aimed at helping banks determine whether they have adequate safeguards in place to protect against losses from commercial real estate lending.

Many small and medium sized banks, trying to compete against larger institutions, have emphasized such lending in recent years, raising concerns among regulators about what might happen should the economy weaken.

The new guidelines offer benchmarks that banks and federal bank examiners can use to make sure that commercial real estate loans do not pose an undue risk for the bank making the loans.

"This guidance, by promoting sound risk-management practices, is intended to help ensure that healthy and profitable banks can continue serving the economic development needs of their communities," Federal Reserve board member Susan Bies said in a statement.
For years, the dreams of terminally ill children have been fulfilled by nonprofit organizations such as the Make A Wish Foundation. Since 1980, the families of sick children in southern Illinois have been turning to The Dream Factory to make their children’s wishes come true.

Charles Henault founded The Dream Factory in 1980 in Hopkinsville, Ky. He wanted to create a volunteer organization to make dreams a reality for children with serious illnesses.

Today the organization boasts more than 30 chapters throughout the United States with more than 5,000 volunteers. It has granted the wishes of more than 25,000 children.

Sissy Craig of Quill Springs and Julie Berninger of Pittsburg founded the southern Illinois chapter. The two women met in St. Louis and were both mothers of terminally ill children. Though Berninger’s child died, Craig was able to see her child’s wish fulfilled by the Paducah chapter. It was after this the two women decided to start a new chapter of the foundation.

Janet Campbell, who is Sissy Craig’s mother, currently works as the assistant area coordinator for the southern Illinois chapter of The Dream Factory.

“If we know of someone that is ill, we try to get in contact with them to see if they’d be interested,” Campbell said.

The organization functions completely off of donations and fundraisers. Seven cents of every dollar go to the national headquarters, which are full-time and four part-time employees. The remaining 93 cents go toward fulfilling the wishes of the children.

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“I had to step forward and take over, otherwise the chapter would have folded,” he said.

Since becoming area coordinator, Mann has overseen the fulfillment of one child’s wish and several fundraisers. However, The Dream Factory can only publicize the dreams with the parents’ permission.

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Bart Mann, coordinator of the southern Illinois chapter of The Dream Factory, sits behind a table of gifts which were raffled off on Nov. 24 to raise money for the organization. David Lopez can be reached at 536-3311 ext. 273, or by e-mail at david_lopez@dailyegyptian.com.
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Bush’s policy in Iraq “is not working,” a high-level diplomatic attempt to stabilize the country and allow withdrawal of U.S. combat troops by early 2008. After nearly four years of war and the deaths of more than 2,900 U.S. soldiers, the U.S. mission said Wednesday on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. from left are William Perry, Ehud Barak, Robb, Sandra Day O’Connor, James Baker, Lee Hamilton, Tom Menen, Meese and Vernon Jordan.

**WORLD & NATION**

Anne Plummer Flaherty

The Associated Press

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Undergraduate Government Senator Prescott Paulin presented seven resolutions Wednesday during a special meeting, his last before leaving SIUC to attend a school in Boston next semester.

Only one resolution passed.

The other six resolutions included increasing SIUC Police wages, putting up hand sanitizer dispensers in high traffic areas of campus and giving USG officials permission to park anywhere on campus.

The approved resolution, which had a 13-9 vote, requested that the DAILY EGYPTIAN give USG a half page of space to communicate with students each week. According to the resolution, USG would be the sole editors of the content.

One of the justifications for passing the resolution came after Senator Jeff Jaynes said the DAILY EGYPTIAN is funded by student fees. However, the DE is a largely independent student newspaper that receives almost all of its funding from $1 million in advertising revenue each year and does not receive any student fees.

Yet soon after the meeting, USG President Akeem Mustapha said he plans to issue his first veto of the semester by not signing the resolution. He said the senate hopes to write a column on the DE’s editorial pages but not a half page of space.

“...The resolution will not be signed. Period,” Mustapha said.

Paulin said he feared the wording of the parking resolution would sound “elitist.” He said before the meeting that he would prefer senators table the resolution and reword it. He voted against passing his own resolution.

Demetrous White, a senator representing the College of Liberal Arts, said he voted against Paulin’s resolutions because he wanted to keep the students’ interests in line. He also said the hand sanitizers and increased wages for police officers were not in the students’ interests.

“Students have had it with fee increases,” White said. “They would rather see us work on more important things than sanitizers.”

Other resolutions that were not passed requested that only students living on Greek Row could park in front of their buildings, requested for allowing USG officials to retain SIUC Webmail accounts after graduation, and seeking an open-source textbook initiative for the university, aimed at lowering costs for students.

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Our Word

Halloween recommendations? We got ’em.

After its latest meeting, the Carbondale City Council said it needed some more options regarding what to do with Halloween in this city.

An established citywide event looks more promising than any gradual loss of restrictions, which is a general term right now. 16 council meeting, the only previous formal recommendation, made by city manager Jeff Doherty, was to keep the current restrictions intact, meaning bars located on the Strip would continue to be closed for the time surrounding Halloween.

The current restrictions expire in 2008, so it is likely that a change will happen soon. Much of the discussion around Halloween recommendations now involves gradually lifting the restrictions but never a free-for-all celebration as it once stood in Carbondale. One of the recommendations is expected to center around that idea.

Any resolution to this issue should include a degree of control by the city. Complete control would mean no change and more disappointing Halloween to come. No control seems to be out of the realm of possibility given Carbondale’s history of rioting and mass arrests during Halloween celebrations. As it often does, the answer lies in the middle.

In Tuesday’s Our Word, we mentioned the University of Wisconsin and its home, Madison, which have worked together to put on an organized, citywide celebration. For a small admission fee and a heavy police presence, partiers entered a large fenced-off area filled with attractions. It is not beyond Carbondale to put on this type of Halloween party.

Whether it is on campus or off (think of the annual Pig Out festival but a little edgier), there are plenty of places where hundreds or maybe a couple thousand people can get together and have some real Halloween fun. City and campus police can stand guard, and with the admission, Carbondale stands a chance of gaining a reliable revenue-producing event.

An established citywide event looks more promising than any gradual loss of restrictions, which is a general term right now. Does it mean that bars will be open but only at certain times? Does it mean only one bar would be open a year and would rotate with the others (Gatsby’s in 2008, Stix in 2009 and so on)?

If a better recommendation exists, hopefully it’ll surface by Jan. 16, but it’s unlikely. To the council: Look into the logistical possibilities of a large Halloween event — where would the money come from to put it on, how many police would need to be assigned to keep the peace, what area is best suited to host the event? We still say it’s South Illinois Avenue.

Where does the loyalty lie?

There was the noise ordinance, the smoking ban and now the pending decision on Halloween in Carbondale. There are also two common links between these issues — bars and Councilman Chris Wissmann.

As with everyone on the City Council, Wissmann has a dual role in town — one as the editor of the Nightlife, a weekly entertainment publication in town, and another as a member of the City Council. As a publication that deals primarily with local bars and nighttime attractions, the Nightlife, like the bars that would open and prosper with a re-opened Carbondale during Halloween, would stand some financial gain if complete freedom is re-established during that day. In the same mindset, the bars could be hurt by a smoking ban and a noise ordinance — both of which Wissmann voted against.

Wissmann’s apparent conflict of interest should be of concern to the rest of the council because it could make the entire council’s efforts questionable and appear driven by a certain agenda — one that might not necessarily just be about serving the greater good. Councilman Steven Haynes, who is also a manager at Kroger, understood the phrase conflict of interest when he abstained from the vote on the smoking ban because his place of employment sells cigarettes.

Councilwoman Sheila Simon also understood it at the last meeting when she called out Mayor Brad Cole during the liquor control commission appeals hearing for local bar Nights Over Egypt. Cole served the bar its suspension and fines in August for alleged code violations.

Yet no one pointed this out to Wissmann on Tuesday night. While the council didn’t take a vote on anything regarding Halloween in Carbondale, it could still present a problem to the voters and others watching the council’s actions.

Perhaps Wissmann’s idea to make sure the Strip could remain open for Halloween 2007 comes from his memories as an SIUC student and from his desire to best serve his constituents. Yet one can’t help but wonder if there were other motivations. This notion — perceived or not — should be enough to make Wissmann and the council think more carefully about voting in the future.

Let’s hope that’s the case by the Jan. 16 meeting in which the council made a decision about Carbondale’s Halloween.
Four generations of love

Photo column by Brett Nadal

Early Saturday morning, Fred Cross of Olmsted watches his wife, Lucille, hold their great-granddaughter, Cameron, at their kitchen table while their granddaughter catches up on some much-needed sleep. Cross is a fisherman, preparing to haul his motor boat and equipment down to the Ohio River, as he has nearly every morning of his life. “You catch me lots of fish today, now, alright?” Lucille said while smiling as he has nearly every morning of his life.

There are four generations of the Cross family in this home, built with the resources of a fisherman. It is clear that in family—than in anything else—I realize that they allow me, a photographer, into their home because they truly haven’t much they feel they need to hide. I am very much obliged to be able to sit at the kitchen table with four generations of the Cross family—to listen to and learn their story. This is my opportunity to experience and capture the bold warmth of the sort of culture I have never typically associated with American life. I’m glad I met this family.

Gus Bode says if you’re upset about something we wrote, let us know with a letter to the editor. Send an e-mail to voices@dailyegyptian.com. Include your name, major, year in school and hometown. Also, don’t forget to give us your phone number so we can call you to verify your identity. Stop crying, start writing.
Bill Cosby tells parents to take more responsibility

Sophia Tareen
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — Entertainer Bill Cosby, who has sparked controversy for hitting public remarks about blacks and parenting, delivered a strong charge to parents Wednesday: Step up.

"It's especially gratifying to see this," said parent Coretta McFerren who attended the "Power of Parents" seminar, a two-day event at McCormick Place that resembled a cross between a political rally, academic seminar and religious revival.

"It was a definite 'amen' session," said parent Corretta McFerren who lives in South Holland. "Let's confront our failures and talk about some ideas we may be able to do. We need to be confronted with truths.

"I've been here for almost 29 years, and I think it's time to have a little different leadership to help make some new things happen," said McFerren.

The crowd didn't seem too concerned. Cosby received two standing ovations and drew uproarious laughter and constant attention from cell phone cameras and video recorders.

"It made me laugh," said Terri Haygood, who has three children.

"It's not the schools. It's not the teachers. It's not the church," said Cosby, speaking at a conference hosted by Chicago Public Schools. "You've got to build confidence in your child in your home."

"The Red Cross will be holding another blood drive from 4 to 8 p.m. on Thursday at the Newman Catholic Student Center on Wednesday afternoon. This was Mattox's eighth time giving blood since transferring to SIUC as a sophomore, and he said he donates blood "because it helps people. I like to save a life." The Red Cross

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"Dr. Weiss has been an ideal combination of advocate for the school and calm, completely honest leadership of the highest integrity," Mandat said. "We will sorely miss him."

Mandat is also leading a seven-member committee composed of School of Music faculty and staff to find Weiss' replacement.

"The School of Music is looking for a dynamic leader who will help move the School of Music to another level through more visibility in the state and help guide our various teaching and outreach programs," Mandat said.

The committee held interviews with three finalists for the position over the past week, he said. The committee will make its recommendation to Interim Dean of the College of Liberal Arts Alan Vaux sometime this week.

"Each candidate brings a great background and set of skills," said Mandat. "We were very pleased with all three of them, and it's mostly looking for the person that fits our specific needs."

"Weiss said the fact that the candidates come from other universities is a good thing. "It's especially gratifying to see them bring in an outside director because I think having some different viewpoints, ideas and experiences will be helpful," he said.

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"Weiss said the fact that the candidates come from other universities is a good thing. "It's especially gratifying to see them bring in an outside director because I think having some different viewpoints, ideas and experiences will be helpful," he said.

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It was a beautiful scene
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CANTERBURY, Australia —<br><br>Lawmakers rejected the moral views of their political leaders Wednesday and lifted a four-year ban on cloning human embryos for stem cell research — legislation that could put Australia at the forefront of research into diseases such as diabetes and Alzheimer’s. <br><br>Prime Minister John Howard, his two deputies and the leader of the major opposition party all argued the sanctity of human life must take precedence over potential cures for conditions that also include Parkinson’s disease, spinal cord injuries and arthritis.<br><br>But lawmakers in the House of Representatives took advantage of a rare non-party-line vote Wednesday to side with medical researchers, voting 82 to 62 to scrap the ban. The bill was passed by the Senate last month by a razor-edge 34 to 32.<br><br>The new law allows therapeutic cloning, the splicing of DNA from skin cells into eggs to produce stem cells, also known as master cells, which are capable of forming all the tissues of the human body. The cloned embryos cannot be implanted in a womb and must be destroyed within 14 days.<br><br>The senator who drafted the bill, former Health Minister Kay Patterson, said it will draw a brain drain of scientists and enable Australian medical researchers to work with peers in countries where therapeutic cloning is allowed, including the United States, Britain and Singapore.<br><br>"We don't have a whole lot of stem cell research centers in Australia, but what I think we've done now is stemmed the tide of people leaving and enabling people to come back," Patterson told reporters.<br><br>"What I hope we see is an ability to work with people in the United States, Singapore and Britain to actually come together to produce some research," she added.<br><br>She predicted progress will be slow as government health and science authorities draft guidelines for egg donations and researchers apply for strictly regulated licenses, as well as funding.<br><br>"We're not going to see a lather of experiments and research," Patterson said. "We're going to see steady, incremental work in this area both here and overseas."<br><br>Britain became the first country to legalize the cloning of human embryos for stem cell research in 2001. The Bush administration has banned federal funding for research on stem cell lines developed after August 2001, but cloning embryos for research is being attempted in the United States with private money. The U.S. experience with therapeutic cloning was repeatedly raised by lawmakers both for and against lifting the ban during a three-day debate. Opposition lawmaker Duncan Kerr, who supports therapeutic cloning, told Parliament he discovered during a visit to the United States before the elections last month that embryonic stem cell research was popular with voters.<br><br>"It was overwhelmingly the case that public opinion supported those candidates who identified themselves in favor of permitting stem cell research rather than prohibiting it," Kerr said. Another opposition lawmaker, Alan Griffin, said Parliament’s decision to tackle the issue of therapeutic cloning was better than “the blinkered American approach where federally funded research is limited and hamstrung but anything is possible in the privately funded sector.”
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tices by the movement’s more than 1,000 rabbis and 750 North American synagogues. "We believe in pluralism," said Rabbi Kassel Abelson, the committee chairman, in announcing the vote. "We recognized from the very begin-
ning of this movement that no single position can speak to all members of the community." But Rabbi Joel Roth, one of the four members who resigned, said the decision was "outside the pale of acceptability in Jewish law. Roth was author of the paper that upheld the ban. The 25-member panel voted at the end of a two-day closed meeting in an Upper East Side synagogue. Students from Keshet, a gay advocacy group at the Jewish Theological Seminary, the flagship school of Conservative Judaism, buddled outside as they awaited the results. Jay Michaelson, director of Nehirim, a group that provides spiri-
tual retreats and other programming for gay Jews, said he was "pleased not thrilled" about the vote. Conservative leaders are facing the issue as they struggle to hold the shrinking middle ground of American Judaism, losing members to both the liberal Reform and the traditional Orthodox branches. Reform Jews, as well as the smaller Reconstructionist branch, allow gays to become rabbis; the Orthodox bar gays and women from ordination. The Reform movement praised the committee’s vote Wednesday, while the Orthodox called it a rejection of "authentic Torah traditions." It’s unclear whether any congrega-
tions in the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, the synagogue movement of the movement, will break away because of the vote. A handful of Canadian congrega-
tions, which tend to be more tradi-
tional than their U.S. counterparts, have said they would consider the idea. Leaders believe the more likely response is that individuals who object to the change will leave to worship in Orthodox synagogues. The last major Law Committee vote on gay relationships came in 1992, when the panel voted 19-3, with one abstention, that Jewish law barred because of the vote. Conservative Jewish scholars ease ban on gay ordination

British and Russian investigators start questioning in murder of Russian spy

“The investigation began even before the radioactive poison killed Litvinenko, but until Wednesday police had not formally declared the case a homicide. “Detectives ... have reached the stage where it is felt appropriate to treat it as an allegation of murder,” London Metropolitan Police said in a statement. “It is important to stress that we have reached no conclusions as to the means employed, the motives or the identity of those who might be responsible for Mr. Litvinenko’s death.” Interfax news agency reported that British and Russian investigators on Tuesday and Wednesday interrogat-
ed Dmitry Kovtun, one of at least two Russian businessmen who met Litvinenko in London’s Millennium Hotel on Nov. 1, hours before he fell ill. Kovtun and an associate, Andrei Lugovoi, have told the Russian media that in the stadium. Lugovoi is thought to have asked Beresnevsky for tickets, but the tycoon’s box was full, and Lugovoi’s party of received tickets to seats else-
where in the stadium.
LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. — Barry Bonds showed up at the baseball winter meetings Wednesday, arriving for what his agent said would be a busy day as the slugger looks for work.

Many people who have been around Bonds couldn’t remember the last time he showed up for this annual event, perhaps as far back as 1993 when he joined the San Francisco Giants.

The Boston Red Sox were the busiest team on the second day of baseball’s winter meetings, adding right fielder J.D. Drew and shortstop Julio Lugo to their starting lineup.

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“I do believe the free-agent market is kind of holding on a little bit the trade front because there are so many free agents still available,” Mets general manager Omar Minaya said. “In another possible move, the Chicago Cubs appeared to be discussing deals involving outfielder Jacque Jones.

Boston’s attempts to deal Manny Ramirez appeared to be slowing. But the Red Sox did reach preliminary agreements on a $70 million, five-year contract with Drew and a $86 million, four-year deal with Lugo. If healthy, Drew would bat behind David Ortiz and Ramirez in the middle of the order.

“With David and Manny, if they want to walk those guys, we want to pay a steep price,” Red Sox manager Terry Francona said.

Ramirez at times has said he wants to leave Boston, which annually explores trades for him. Giants general manager Brian Sabean joked about a possible Ramirez trade, saying, “it might be a four-way.” He hinted that he’d heard in the past of the Red Sox GM Theo Epstein.

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Robert Kuwada

No. 1 UCLA showing some soft spots

LOS ANGELES — The UCLA Bruins might maintain the No. 1 ranking in both national polls, but their defense continued to be a sore spot.

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That might have been part of the problem.

“I think it was UC Riverside, playing against a slow team we had a lot of days off,” Collison said. “That’s not an excuse. But playing against a slow-paced team and then a fast-paced team, you’ve got to get back to what you usually do, fastbreaking, doing what you usually do.

“We were a little rusty at that, and I absolutely take the blame (for that), but we’ll bounce back.”

Still, the Bruins were lethargic or lackadaisical or perhaps both in the first half, taking a 39-33 lead only with Afflalo hitting a three-pointer just ahead of the buzzer.

And it was not as if the Titans were playing particularly well. Fullerton turned the ball over 27 times and hit only 37.5 percent (21 of 56) of its shots.

UCLA took a double-digit lead, 43-31, for the first time in condition of anonymity because no deal had been completed.

“California was always a place Greg wanted to play,” Boras said. “He was very happy in L.A. last year,” Boras said. “San Diego also has an environment for his family. His decisions are based primarily on his family.”

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not afraid — that’s why we recruited her,” Eikenberg said. “We just got to continue to fine-tune her.”

Trickery

Late in SIU’s win against Austin Peay, the Salukis scored in a somewhat unusual way.

After a 3-pointer by the Lady Governors, senior forward Carlai Moore started SIU’s first trick play of the season.

Moore, standing out of bounds on the baseline, passed the ball to her right to junior guard Jayme Sweere, who was also out of bounds. After passing the ball, Moore sprinted upcourt as Sweere readied to inbound the ball. Sweere threw a football-like pass down the court to Moore, who hit an easy layup after the give-and-go.

Eikenberg said she had no reservations in running the play, it simply depended on whether the Lady Governors would play them tightly on the inbounds.

“I didn’t think they would. It worked,” Eikenberg said. “We were late getting to the inbounds, it’s not really the way it was drawn up to get late there.”

The Salukis attempted the play again, but it was on a dead ball, which deems the pass across while both players are out of bounds illegal.

On the road again

The Salukis are in the midst of a four-game road trip. The juncture began Nov. 24 in San Francisco for the Odwalla Classic and ends Dec. 30 at Missouri State University.

This past week was perhaps the most difficult segment of the schedule — SIU left Dec. 1 for the game at Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, and went straight to South Alabama, where the Salukis lost, 60-59.

SIU returned to Carbondale on Wednesday and will leave Friday to play at South Dakota State University on Saturday.

“It’s a tough schedule but also kind of plays into how tough we are,” Moore said. “We look at it as a challenge that we’re willing to accept and ready to take on.”

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SIU’s Cortney Sales drives the ball around Austin Peay State University’s Saundra Hale, left, and Ken Reese during a game Nov. 29 at the SIU Arena.
Track and field kicks off indoor season at home

Matt Hartwig  
**Daily Egyptian**

With a depleted roster, the SIU track and field team might take on an underdog role in its own sport. With the members of the cross country team sitting out during the Saluki Fast Start Invitational and a few sprinters inactive, the track and field team will need its freshmen to step up.

The Fast Start Invitational kicks off the indoor track season and will help SIU prepare for the Missouri Valley Conference Championships on Feb. 23.

Members of the cross country team will sit for the meet to rest up after a full slate of races during the fall.

For the Salukis to garner the Fast Start Invitational, the women’s team features junior Lake Love, who was the Prep Top Times Indoor State meet winner in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.71 seconds — he will be competing in the 200- and 400-meter dash in the Fast Start Invitational.

Love admitted to being nervous going into his first meet at the collegiate level but said he is eager to see how he stacks up against the competition.

“Louisville will give us a hard time because they have a lot of potential All-American sprinters, and Rand Lake is going to be tough as well,” Love said. “If I run well against Louisville’s top guys, I’ll have a pretty good idea of where I stand.”

The women’s team features junior Brittany Riley, who has the potential to be one of the best throwers in the country — she is a two-time All-American in the hammer and weight throw and finished fifth in the weight throw in the NCAA Indoor Championships.

On top of her success at the NCAA Championships, Riley also proves he can be a reliable NFL starter. I think in the stretch here for Denver to make it and the Broncos, he’s going to have to turn it on and do some damage in the playoffs as opposed to the team practiced for the first time since a dispiriting 34-20 loss to the Arizona Cardinals. Running back Steven Jackson, one of those absent last Sunday with wide receivers Tony Holt and Isaac Bruce, clustered onto a stop with big gains, to cut through the Rams. Halp, waiv- ing past a large knot of reporters, said simply, “It’s over.”

“It’s the way I felt at the time,” Bulger said. “I still do, and I honestly don’t think it was that big of a deal or it was out of line. Maybe it is my job to try to make something happen. That’s all I was trying to do, and I’ll see if it works.”

Again, Bulger refused to name any- one. “I’m not going to sit here and do your job for you,” Bulger told reporters. “I already did that on Sunday, you want to work a little bit.”

Defensive end Leonard Little dis- agreed after Sunday’s loss with Bulger’s decision to go public with his illusions, contending that such issues should be kept in-house.

“Little said, “It comes from me, so for some reason it’s been made into a huge deal that I called out the team, which was not the case.”

Baron, the Rams’ first-round pick in 2005, led the NFL with 18 sacks last season according to a New York Times survey. This year, he leads the league with nine sacks.

“I think I’ve been doing OK, but for some reason it’s been made into a huge deal that I called out the team, which was not the case,” Little said. “It comes from me, so for some reason it’s been made into a huge deal that I called out the team, which was not the case.”

Baron didn’t think he was the tar- get of Bulger’s ire, and referred to the remarks as a “he-said, she-said” situa- tion.

“Didn’t take it personally,” Baron said. “I don’t know about anybody else on the team. I’m not going to worry about thinking he was talking about me.”

Rams quarterback: No regrets over remarks

R.B. Fallstrom  
**The Associated Press**

ST. LOUIS — Marc Bulger had no regrets. The St. Louis Rams quarterback simply wanted to move on a few days after calling out some unnamed teammates for not caring enough about their jobs.

“ar the same time the sec- ond-year players since a claiming his targets, center Richie Incognito and tackle Alex Barron, had just put on the bad,” Incognito said Wednesday. “Those comments weren’t made about me, and my name wasn’t mentioned. It doesn’t mean anything to me.”

Bulger said the Rams and Broncos actually have good teams that can do damage in the playoffs as opposed to the New York and Kansas City teams. They don’t have anything that impresses me (minus Larry Johnson),” I still contend the Broncos can go to the Super Bowl.”

Now the Rams are preparing for Thursday’s first-round playoff game against the Chicago Bears.

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The New York Jets, Cincinnati Bengals, Denver Broncos and Kansas City Chiefs are all vying for two wild-card spots. Which two teams will be on the outside looking in come

The season itself was remarkable. First of all, our staff and the players did a tremendous job, and our players did a great job because of the way this team is handling it. I think our kids represent their program very well.”

— SIU head football coach Jerry Kill

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Men’s Basketball

Now playing at the Arena: Matt Shaw

Junior forward proves he can steal the show

Jordan Wilson

DAILY EGYPTIAN

One of the knocks on Shaw and junior forward Randal Falker’s games was that they were too short at 6-foot-7 and 6-foot-8 to be successful outside the conference. Falker was named the MVP of the 2005 MVC Tournament, and Shaw has already shown signs he is capable of such recognition.

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“He can handle, he can shoot it, and he can pass it,” Lowery said. “Whenever you got a guy with size who can do those things, it really causes matchup problems.”

Shaw’s statline shows he’s capable of doing it all. After all, it’s not often coaches encourage their big man to shoot 3-pointers.

But that can’t go on forever,

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It’s the start of a whole new season:

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Women’s Basketball

Transfer player provides boost off bench

Scott Mieszala

DAILY EGYPTIAN

The SIU women’s basketball team has recently discovered an unexpected spark off its bench.

Since the Salukis’ Nov. 25 matchup against the University of Kentucky, junior forward Cortney Sales has averaged 10 minutes, 3.5 points and 4.3 rebounds per game.

In the first four games of the season, Sales averaged about a minute per game and didn’t record a single point or rebound.

“We really felt that Cortney could really give us something on the low block,” head coach Dana Eikerenberg said. “It’s just kind of a transition to the practices and a transition to how hard we go and the fact that I’m asking her to play a specific way.”

Eikerenberg said Sales was a spark off the bench in SIU’s 54-41 win against Austin Peay State University and in Tuesday’s 60-59 loss to the University of South Alabama when Sales recorded a season-best six points.

“She’s bouncy, she’s strong, she’s