CoLA considering name change

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Daily Egyptian

The College of Liberal Arts might undergo a name change this year.

After discussion among faculty at the college led to an expressed interest in changing the name of CoLA, a committee has been formed to look at whether the current name is suitable, and if not, what new name would better define the college. The recommendation to change the name or keep it should be made by the end of this semester, said Kimberly Leonard, dean of CoLA.

At a retreat in January for chairs of departments within CoLA, Leonard said faculty discussed different obstacles CoLA faced and how the faculty within the college could collaborate more. One of the most popular ideas, she said, was a name change.

The college’s image was the focus when the group considered the name change, Leonard said. She said she thinks the college needs to better market itself and some of its programs in order to recruit and retain students and faculty.

Since the term “liberal arts” has been used in association with colleges in different ways for centuries, one concern is whether students know what liberal arts means.

By breaking the name down to include areas such as arts, humanities and social sciences, Peter Chameczky, director of the school of art and design and chair of the committee researching the name change, said some students may easily identify with the college.

“I rarely encounter a student who really knows what liberal arts really means,” he said.

Although the committee has not met yet, Chameczky said a few of the questions that could be considered include if CoLA clearly and accurately reflects what is being done in programs at the college, and if it’s clear to students what the college represents.

“In my opinion, there are quite a few things going on in the College of Liberal Arts that don’t fit into that category,” he said.

Chameczky said he hopes discussion about the name change will be positive, even if the committee decides the name should remain.

Love is blind

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Casey Nehrkorn, of Elkville, exits a limo Monday outside Morello’s Pizza and Grill in Harrisburg. The limo was provided for her and her blind date Dane Neace, of Herrin. Nehrkorn’s name was entered to win a date with a stranger through Z100 River Radio Station. The catch was both her and her date had to be blindfolded the entire time. She said all of her friends were joking with her about what her date would look like, but she was more nervous about meeting him for the first time.

Unemployment rates, developed résumés affect students post-graduation success

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Daily Egyptian

Interest in a specific field may initially lure students to certain majors, but professional opportunity can become more important as students approach completion of a degree.

“Personal interest is very important in choosing a major because it’s what you’re planning on doing for the rest of your life,” said John Masear, a senior from Morton studying geography. “But it’s important to major in something that has a potential of getting you a job once you have the degree.”

If finding a job post-graduation is a student’s goal, obtaining job growth information and unemployment rates can be an important step in finding success.

Two articles from the Huffington Post college edition newspaper used census data collected by The Wall Street Journal to observe 11 majors with the highest unemployment rates and 14 majors considered the most employable.

Sources such as the Occupational Information Network, The Wall Street Journal and CNN Money give detailed job growth and unemployment rates for every major based on census data. Engineering, which has seen increased enrollment at SIUC compared to other colleges within the university, was among the top employable majors. CNN Money ranks environmental and civil engineering fifth and sixth most employable, respectively.

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Source: Wall Street Journal

SANJEEV KUMAR, professor of engineering, said civil engineering is responsible for the health and safety of the public and contributes tremendously in the improvement of an economy.
### The Weather Channel® 5-day weather forecast for Carbondale

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“I believe there will be a demand for civil engineers in the coming years ... because the American Society of Civil Engineers does a report card of America’s infrastructure, and the grade is D,” Kumar said.

He said the grade given to the United States by the ASCE means there is a great need for improvement of the country’s infrastructure and for the building of a new infrastructure.

“The estimate to improve our infrastructure is over two trillion dollars, which is a lot of work,” Kumar said.

On the other hand, clinical psychology rates are at 19.5 percent unemployment, according to The Wall Street Journal’s census data.

“The majority of psychology fields, especially in clinical, counseling and applied psychologies, are going to be directly tied to health service and ... directly impacted by the economy,” said Mary Cashel, an associate professor of psychology. Whenever there are budget cuts to health services, especially mental health services, positions are going to fall, she said.

Cashel said in this horrible recession, many health centers are struggling because they face both federal and state budget cuts.

The same can be true in academics and university settings, she said.

“When people leave, often those positions don’t get replaced because there isn’t money to do so,” Cashel said. “When money isn’t available, we experience those cuts directly.”

In the present health service climate, students need to commit their effort early, think about what jobs they want to pursue and how they can maximize their chances with complementing minors and experience, she said.

Students need to think about specific experiences they’re going to want to obtain in a paid position or on a volunteer basis, Cashel said. For all degree levels, it’s a good idea to get relevant experience, she said.

While relevant experience can be an important aspect to employers, formal internships can make a student’s résumé stand out.

Any internship where students can use the knowledge they’re gaining in classes and any opportunities they can find to enhance soft skills such as leadership skills is what they need to be looking for, Kumar said.

“Working at McDonald’s to flip burgers is not going to help them,” he said. “They need to look for ways to enhance their technical skills and their soft skills.”

Grammy Awards hit high note with big audience

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Sunday’s Grammy Awards telecast made sweet music in the ratings, delivering for CBS its largest audience since 1984 and beating last year’s viewership by 50 percent.

More than 39.9 million viewers flocked to the broadcast, making the second-most-watched Grammys in history, according to preliminary Nielsen Co. figures released Monday. That exceeds last year’s Oscars broadcast, which was seen by 37.6 million viewers.

Helping stake interest in this year’s Grammys broadcast was recording sensation Adele, who emerged as the night’s big winner with six trophies. Her album, “21,” was by far the year’s best seller and one of its most critically acclaimed.

The broadcast was an attention-getter not only for the awards dispensed but also for its role as a memorial to Whitney Houston, a six-time past winner. The superstar singer died unexpectedly Saturday, just hours before she was supposed to appear at a pre-Grammy gala.

Jonathan Gray, an associate professor in speech communication, said he isn’t opposed to considering a name change for the college as a whole, but it might impact the major he teaches within.

He said speech communication involves humanities, arts and social sciences, which are the three names used in the survey. Speech communication, Gray said, may be labeled better as liberal arts.

“It captures the breadth of what we do, because it’s more holistic, instead of three separate areas,” he said. “Here we are in a department where all of the three factor into it.”

Gray said the idea of examining what exactly the CoA is and how to describe it might be beneficial even if a name change isn’t made.

“I think right now we’re really experiencing a need to refresh ourselves as an identity and the college,” he said. “It’s not something to get upset about, even if there is a name change, as long as we’re still doing good work.”

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Civil War influenced modern medicine

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More Civil War soldiers died from disease than from battlefield injuries, but advancements made in sanitation, trauma surgery and disease treatment during the conflict revolutionized medicine in the following decades.

At the start of the Civil War, doctors used medical practices dating back to the previous century, said Judy Rhine, an exhibitor at the "Civil War Weekend of Union County," which was at the Anna Arts Center Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

The outdated medical practices contributed to the high mortality rate.

"The Civil War is when medicine really changed," Rhine said.

Lee Hackney, the event organizer from Promoting Appreciation of Structural Treasures of Union County, said volunteers organized more than 20 events, including a Civil War-era gun collection, memorabilia from the presidential elections of Abraham Lincoln and Ulysses S. Grant, speakers and a musical performance of "Lincoln: The Life and Times."

Rhine is a member of the Rock Ridge Muzzleloaders, a Revolutionary and Civil War reenactment group that displayed a Civil War memorabilia exhibit during the event. As Rhine's exhibit, visitors examined some of the surgical tools used during the mid-1800s while they listened to her speak about how both Union and Confederate troops suffered during the war.

Doctors were just beginning to learn about germs and they didn’t understand disease transmission, Rhine said. She said many still believed in “bad humors,” a medical theory from medieval times that suggested disease was caused by imbalances of blood, bile and phlegm in the human body.

“They didn’t know to separate sick people from the wounded people,” Rhine said.

She said many recruits came from isolated towns and had no immunity to measles, mumps and chicken pox. These diseases spread rapidly in the confined quarters of the camps.

The United States had few well-trained physicians at the beginning of the Civil War, Rhine said. Most doctors were trained as apprentices rather than at medical schools. They had little experience with trauma injuries and internal surgeries but learned quickly in makeshift surgical wards, she said.

During the Civil War, bleeding was still a common practice.

"They would bleed you until you turned gray," Rhine said as she picked up a worn metal bleeding bowl and pointed to an indentation where soldiers would rest their arms while being bled.

She said doctors believed that purging tainted blood would rid a body of disease. In addition to bleeding, substances now known to be toxic, such as mercury and strychnine, were used to treat dysentery.

"It’s a wonder anybody lived," Rhine said.

The number of amputations performed on injured soldiers during the Civil War was high, Rhine said. Poor medical treatment following an amputation often led to a soldier’s death.

Jay Rossberg, another member of the Rock Ridge Muzzleloaders, said the use of a new type of bullet, the Minid ball, during the Civil War was one reason for the increased number of amputations from previous wars.

Developed by a French Army officer in the 1840s, the Minid ball had a hollow base that would expand when gases were released by the igniting gunpowder, Rossberg said. Minid balls shattered bones and destroyed muscles and ligaments, he said.

Rhine said what doctors learned during the four-year war about sanitation, trauma and disease became the basis for modern medicine.

She said doctors began to discover how diseases were transmitted and how improving sanitation would prevent epidemics. Doctors became highly skilled at trauma care because of the number of surgeries they performed.

"At the beginning of the Civil War, there weren’t many trained physicians on either side. After four years, they learned a lot."

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Lack of identity to blame for enrollment decline

JUSTIN BAGGOTT
SIUC alumnus from Carbondale

For years, SIUC administrators have been tormented by enrollment decline, and while more than enough “solutions” have been presented in the form of promises, projections or policies, no single individual has ever come close to the root cause: the university’s lack of identity.

Unfortunately, secondary education is a business, and like any successful business, it must have some appeal to create demand. Administrators cannot just assume “if we build it they will come.” That strategy does not work in business and it surely will not make any college successful.

SIUC once had an identity as a fun place and received national recognition for it. The Halloween street party and, to a lesser extent, the Spring Fling were once legendary.

Campus and city administrators started their “war on fun” in the early ’90s when they curtailed the Halloween party, turning it into a violent and destructive mess. I believe that sentiment still exists today even though you no longer see crowd-control vehicles and hundreds of police beating and spraying students with pepper spray. There is still an obvious disconnect between the two sides.

In May 1989, the city council approved a resolution that ended the Halloween Fair Days, according to Jeff Gnabbs, Carbondale’s deputy chief of police.

In 1995, SIUC started a full break when the dorms were closed and the students were all expected to go home, according to Rod Sievers, university spokesman. In the same year, the city passed an ordinance that closed the bars on the Strip for the weekend closest to Halloween.

But it was a real mess from 1999 to 1995, before those policies were adopted. It was like big city riots with cars turned over, tons of arrests and police beatings, and property damage. Personally, I think this is the period that locals believe is the reason Halloween was shut down.

This name recognition is not the most valuable but it is much better than the recent response I got from a Peoria firm: “I have about as much respect for that SIU degree as I would a Phoenix online degree.”

While there are some decent programs at SIUC, I think we can all agree SIUC will never be known as a top academic school in any fantasy world. SIUC did rank tenth in popularity in one particular subset, but the cost of the program was third-highest among those ranked, according to State University, a website directory that compiles data on U.S. state universities.

SIUC is not viewed as an academic school by any stretch of imagination. The sports programs have had some limited success but nothing sustained, and the new stadium is too small for SIU to qualify for Division I. SIU football is not on the national radar and I would argue it is not even a sport.

SIUC was once competitive on cost but now they are ranked 313th, behind well-known schools such as Florida, Alabama, LSU, Kansas, Auburn, Ole Miss, Georgia, Southern Miss, and Texas A&M.

The enrollment decline coincides exactly with the “war on fun” — proven by SIUC’s peak total enrollment in 1991 with 24,369 students, and the steady decline that followed. SIUC had 19,817 total students enroll in fall 2011, which is a loss of about 20 percent during a 20-year period, according to SIUC Institutional Research and Studies.

During that same time period, a higher percentage of high school graduates were attending college, and University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana had increased enrollment by about 17 percent, according to U of I’s enrollment statistics.

The enrollment issue is not one that should be taken lightly and there is no quick solution. But it can be solved.

In the past, many administrators have lost their jobs in failing to stop the decline, and while it is clearly not the result of anything the current administrators have done, the fact that they have not yet identified the core issue or taken steps to correct it proves their ineffectiveness.

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Yi-Chuan Tai, left, a graduate student in music from Taiwan, and Jennifer Lee, a graduate student in music from Singapore, take photos in the snow Monday outside of Altgeld Hall. Tai said this is her first time seeing snow. "It’s so pretty," she said.

 Although Something Sweet is fairly new, Blankenship said its profits have nearly doubled since the previous Valentine’s Day, but she said she keeps price in consideration, and tries to give customers more than they expect.

 As traditional Valentine’s Day gifts, flowers go hand-in-hand with sweets. Kroger’s floral manager Clarissa Dixon said her Valentine’s Day consists of organizing and making floral arrangements for customers, who have the choice to make special orders, including roses with tulips and lilies or candy arrangements.

 Dixon said the store spent $20,000 on flowers, candy and other goods, and hopes to make $29,000.

 For shoppers away from their Valentine, mailing cards and gifts are options. Daniel Fimegan, the supervisor of customer service at the Carbondale U.S. Post Office, said the post office prepares for shipping Valentine’s Day cards and gifts by planning for extra workers and overtime.

 “We recognize the importance of all mail, but sometimes the Valentines are particularly important for people and their relationships,” he said. “We do our best to get everything delivered on time and to get those messages of love where they were intended to be.”

 Tony Wijns, a senior from Chicago studying radio- television, said he didn’t really have anything prepared for Valentine’s Day, but he said he did send his fiancé a necklace in the mail for the holiday.

 He said his fiancé is usually more creative and hands-on with her gifts.

 “She created me a little box, using a wood burning kit with designs on it. The box said ‘I pick you’ on it and inside the box was guitar picks, each saying different reasons why she picked me,” Wijns said.

 Kraig Kneugr, a junior from St. Louis studying cinema and photography, said he just met a new girl and was planning on asking her out.

 He doesn’t expect a gift — he just hopes the night doesn’t turn into a disaster.
McDonald’s asks suppliers to stop using hog crates

David Pitt
Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — McDonald’s Corp. said Monday it will require its U.S. pork suppliers to provide plans by May to phase out crates that tightly confine pregnant sows, a move that one animal rights group predicted would have “a seismic impact” on the industry.

The U.S. pork industry generates sales of about $21 billion a year, according to the National Pork Producers Council. McDonald’s, with its Sausage McMuffin, McGrub sandwich and breakfast plates, is one of the nation’s largest buyer of pork products, consuming about 1 percent of the nation’s total production.

The fast food chain announced its decision in a joint statement with the Humane Society of the United States, which hailed it as a major victory in its fight against so-called gestation crates. The animal welfare group has been pushing legislation in several states to outlaw the crates that severely limit animals’ movement.

“I think it’s going to have a seismic impact on the pork industry because it signals to every other major food retailer that this is the morally correct path, but it’s also an economically feasible pathway,” said Wayne Paciette, the Humane Society’s CEO.

Many of McDonald’s competitors, including Burger King, Wendy’s and Hardee’s, have already begun to move away from suppliers who use gestation crates, and the fast food chain’s announcement came a day after Chipotle Mexican Grill made a splash with a nearly two-and-a-half minute television commercial aired during the Grammy’s and its seeming to ban on pork products using the crates.

The commercial, an animated short film featuring the Coldplay song “The Scientist” by Will.i. Nelson, was released online in August. It features a farmer who experiences a crisis of conscience, prompting him to abandon factory-like farming methods and free his pigs, chickens and cows from confinement. It had more than 4.6 million views on YouTube by Monday afternoon.

“We are changing the way people think about and eat fast food,” Steve Ellis, founder, chairman and co-CEO of Chipotle, said in a statement. “We have always understood the importance of serving food that is raised right, but that is a difficult thing to communicate with the limitations of traditional advertising.”

Unlike Chipotle, McDonald’s is not ending its relationship with suppliers who use gestation crates.

“We’re really looking to see a positive change regarding moving away from gestation stalls, and we think the best way to do that is working with our suppliers,” McDonald’s spokeswoman Lisa McComb said. “They’re the ones that actually have to take action to make this happen.”

Some of McDonald’s suppliers and other major pork producers have already announced plans to phase out gestation crates.

Smithfield Foods Inc., the world’s largest pork producer, and Hormel Foods Corp. have both said they would stop using them at company-owned farms by 2017. Cargill Inc. says it has already widely adopted group-housing for pregnant sows.
**Creighton shows signs of weakness before match-up against Salukis**

Joe Ragusa
Daily Egyptian

Creighton was on top of the world after its 102-74 demolition of Illinois State Feb. 1. The Bluejays were at the top of the Missouri Valley Conference standings at 11-1, they were the only nationally ranked team in the Valley, and they already dismissed their only real competition for the Valley title, Wichita State, on the road.

Oh, what two weeks can do a team.

Creighton comes to Carbondale tonight to take on the Salukis at 7:05 p.m. The Bluejays lost their last three games, including a buzzer-beater at Northern Iowa Feb. 4 and a 21-point throttling from Wichita State Saturday in the Bluejays’ own building.

“They’re a good team, so obviously they’re a little bit down with where they are,” said coach Chris Lowery. “It doesn’t help that the national media is killing them at this point about whether or not they’re going to (make the NCAA tournament). Those are the pressures when you make a run like that.”

Weeks ago, it seemed inevitable that Creighton would repeat their Valentine’s Day massacre from 2008, when the Bluejays beat SIU by 22. But now the Salukis get the chance to kick their arch-rivals while they’re down, just a couple days after Creighton’s tough loss to Wichita State.

“The good thing is the short turnaround for (Wichita State), where they don’t get the chance to sit and stew and think about what just happened,” Lowery said. “We get them at a better time where they don’t have a lot of time to prepare and think about it.”

Overall, Creighton is the 10th-best scoring team in the nation with 79.5 points per game and first in the nation with a .504 field goal percentage. In the three games the team has lost, it is only averaging 62.3 points per game with a .410 field goal percentage.

The sad thing is the numbers for Creighton during its three-game losing streak are right in line with the Salukis’ averages for the season: 63.0 points per game and a .415 field goal percentage.

But Creighton’s performance from beyond the arc has been horrific in the last three games. Its percentage from three this season is .26, just .290 in the last three games.

Lowery said the reason Creighton struggled was because the players besides Creighton’s star players, sophomore forward Doug McDermott and junior center Gregory Echenique, haven’t been producing like they were earlier in the season.

“(McDermott) and Echenique both, everybody’s double-teaming both because if you don’t, they put up huge numbers on us,” Lowery said. “Kicking it out has been the biggest issue. Early on, they were making everything from three, but now, on those kick-outs, they’ve struggled.”

So if the Salukis have any hope of winning tonight, they’ll have to make sure McDermott and Echenique don’t beat SIU by themselves. If those two are able to run rampant on the Saluki defense, it’ll be another Valentine’s Day massacre.

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Decades ago, being a woman often meant household duties, but for the past 40 years, most opportunities, both athletic and educational, have become available to all.

Feb. 1 marked the 40th anniversary of Title IX, an educational amendment to the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The SIU women’s basketball team celebrated National Girls and Women in Sports Day Saturday by held a basketball clinic for girls. The clinic — designed to help girls develop effective leadership skills — was available to those in eighth grade and younger.

SIU women’s basketball center Cia Shannon said celebrating NGWSD with girls in the community was fun. She said it’s a great way for younger girls to practice good leadership skills and celebrate equal opportunities today.

“It seems like men overpower women, but we have the same chances to do what they can do,” Shannon said. “Girls play basketball and do other sports just like boys. We can do a lot and we try not to limit ourselves.”

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### Salukis celebrate equal opportunities

**BRANDON WILLINGHAM**
**Daily Egyptian**

Sophomore guard Sidney Goins, from Morristown, Tenn., jokes with basketball clinic attendee Maya Jones, 8, Saturday at the SIU Arena about who cheated in a game of “Simon says.” The clinic was in honor of the 26th celebration of National Girls and Women in Sports Day, which was Feb. 2. The SIU women’s basketball team was the host of the event and helped coach girls eighth grade and below in basketball-related activities.

### Swan, Drinkard leg injuries could bench for season

**JOE RAGUSA**
**Daily Egyptian**

The season could be over for two Saluki basketball players.

Sophomore forward Davante Drinkard is suffering from a stress fracture in his foot while freshman guard Josh Swan has shin splints.

Neither player has played since Jan. 24, and coach Chris Lowery said the coaching staff won’t rush them back onto the court.

“We’re not going to try just to get them out there and play in a game,” Lowery said. “As a parent, I wouldn’t do that, and I think that’s the most important thing, (and the) way to look at treating those guys.”

Swan said he suffered his stress fracture sometime before the Diamond Head Classic Dec. 22, but it didn’t bother him enough to tell the trainers.

“It was one of those injuries where it kind of hurts, but it’s not bad enough to where you couldn’t play,” Swan said. “I didn’t want to sit out any games or miss any practices.”

Swan’s playing time fluctuated throughout the season as he averaged 27.8 minutes per game in the first six games, then nine minutes per game in the next four games between Dec. 17-23, which was right around the time Swan said he first injured his leg.

Between Dec. 25 and Jan. 24, Swan averaged 16.9 minutes per game. He said Lowery started to notice the injury when the Salukis played Missouri State Jan. 10, where Swan missed the only shot he took in 14 minutes of play, and his injury got progressively worse leading up to his last game against Bradley Jan. 24.

“It (hurt) so much that I couldn’t even move on it. I was slow, and trying to cut out, it just felt terrible,” Swan said. “I told the trainers, and we got it checked out, and they told me it was a stress fracture.”

Drinkard said he also wasn’t sure when the injury to his foot occurred, but the trainers recognized it after the Jan. 24 game against Bradley.

“I had been hurting for a while, and the pain just got worse after the Bradley game,” Drinkard said. “After the Bradley game, I couldn’t even practice anymore.”

Drinkard was on crutches until a few days ago, but even though he said he’s able to walk around just fine, he wouldn’t be able to play tonight against Creighton.

“The team announced he will be back for Saturday’s game against Ball State, and if not, he’ll definitely be ready for the Feb. 22 game against Drake. However, Lowery said he’s reluctant to play anybody who says they’re healthy after Bryan Mullins’ stress fracture in 2008 didn’t heal properly, prematurely ending his season the following year.

“We learned our lesson from Bryan Mullins,” Lowery said. “Listening to players when they have injuries like that, they’re always going to make the argument that they can play, and we hurt him both years.”

Drinkard said he would be fine with the decision if Lowery decided to keep him out for the rest of the season, while Swan said he already knows his injury will keep him off the court this season.

“I just have to go along with it. That’s their decision; they’re the ones in charge,” Drinkard said.

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Sophomore forward Davante Drinkard, front, and freshman guard Josh Swan stretch Friday at Davies Gymnasium. Both players are sidelined with injuries, Drinkard with a hairline fracture in his foot and Swan with a stress fracture in his leg. Coach Chris Lowery said it is unlikely they will return for the season.