Four arrested in Murphysboro meth lab bust

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MURPHYSBORO — Murphysboro Police took down a methamphetamine operation Sunday after a tip led to the arrest of four Murphysboro residents.

Brian Hendrickson and Donald E. Whittington were incarcerated in the Jackson County Jail on an initial charge of production and possession of controlled substances. Hendrickson and Whittington remain in custody with bond currently set at $500 for each of them.

Also implicated in the case were Randall D. McBride and Catina M. McBride. The McBrides were referred to the Jackson County States Attorney for consideration of charges.

According to the Jackson County Circuit Clerk website, both have been charged with possession of "other amounts of methamphetamine or analog," the same charge as shown for Hendrickson and Whittington.

According to a press release from the Murphysboro Police Department, the police received the tip Sunday, initiating an investigation described by police as "brief."

Shortly before midnight, the four were taken into custody during a traffic stop to the 100 block of North 11th Street in Murphysboro. During the stop, police found and seized an undisclosed amount of methamphetamine in the automobile.

Police were also able to locate and take down the clandestine laboratory where the drugs were produced.

Murphysboro Police remained tight-lipped about the case Monday. Reluctant to release the name of the suspects, it was late Monday afternoon before the identities were confirmed. This was due in part to the investigation by State's

Mall additions remain in question

Mark Lambird
DAILY EGYPTRAN

Gap, Gap Kids 'in final stages of negotiation

Empty stores are the first thing many people notice when walking through the University Mall. But mall officials, and now the Carbondale City Council, are doing everything in their power to make sure it does not pay that way.

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Officials for Kerasotes could not be reached for comment. The mall also was working on bringing Old Navy to Carbondale, but there is no official word on the status of those negotiations.

While these stores have approached the mall, there is some speculation as to whether the new stores will run out. For the most part, store managers refused to comment on their business or the possible effect of new stores moving to the mall.

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At this point, Cole said final negotiations are in process with Gap and Gap Kids. Also, Kerasotes Theaters, which owns University Place, The Vanities and Fox East Gate in Carbondale, was named as a possible business looking to locate there.

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Attorney Mike Wyrwick, Murphysboro
Police also are continuing to investigate
leads developed from Sunday's bust.

These things rarely end in and of
themselves," said Murphysboro Police
Officer Mike Laughland.

Because of the inherently hazardous
nature of methamphetamine labs, officers
of the Southern Illinois Enforcement
Group were contacted to assist the
Murphysboro Police and Fire De­pa­rt­ment to safely secure the lab and its
contents. A specially trained hazardous
material disposal unit will oversee cleanup of the
site.

José C. Hendrickson and Whit­lington are
scheduled to appear before Jackson County
Circuit Judge David W. Whit­ing at 10 a.m.
Feb. 6 for a preliminary hearing. The
McBrides are scheduled for a first ap­pear­ing
hearing before Judge E. Dan Kimmen
at 1 p.m. Feb. 7.

Livingston County Coroner Michael P.
Burke told The Beacon, "News that the
auto­py results will not be released until
after an inquest. He was unsure of
when the inquest would occur.

Tomich, a 26-year-old flight attendant
from Yorkville, attended the University
until 1996, when she was a senior in ele­men­tary education.

said high taxes increase the rent for mall
tenants, prompting some business' exodus
from the building. Like others, Wyms
said that it will generate business,

Wyms said.

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THIS DAY IN 1985:

- Electricity was out for three days in Neely and Allen hills.
- A United States Air Force plane with 21 people aboard went down in the Caribbean Sea.
- Running back O.J. Simpson, quarterbacks Joe Namath and Roger Staubach, NFL Commissioner Pete Rozelle and old-timer Frank Gatski were elected to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.
- A study estimated that about 4 percent of Illinois' elderly populations are abused or severely neglected each year.

Wednesday:
- Between 11:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m., Friday, five vehicle rubbers occurred in the upper level of Lot 112. A laptop computer was taken. There was a sign of forced entry and police have no
suspects.

36% of students say that they pay close attention to the advertising in the Daily Egyptian.

In Monday's story, "El Salvador earthquake claims the life of SIUC alumnus," the address for the William Rodgers Memorial Service should have been Calvary Campus Church, 111 S. Poplar St.

The Daily Egyptian regrets this error.
Students dish award-winning tacos

Student Center Taco Bell ranks fourth in nation

Cassandra Rodriguez

Scott Strait rummages through a sea of trenchcoats and co-workers throwing toppings together at lightning speed to fill orders during the lunch rush. The employees' speed and efficiency led them to be considered the No. 4-ranked Taco Bell in the nation. It also resulted in Strait, general manager of the establishment, winning a vacation for six days and seven nights to Hollywood, Calif.

The local fast food above was awarded Jan. 15 to the Taco Bell franchise sent a mystery shopper to grade the store based on cleanliness, hospitality, accuracy, maintenance, product quality and speed. After all the reports in were in only three Taco Bells out of 872 nationwide ranked above the one in SIUC's Student Center.

Strait said all the employees worked their hardest to earn the rank of fourth in the nation.

"It's an ongoing process," Strait said. "It doesn't happen overnight."

The process takes one year to be exact. The year is split into 13 periods, each of which a mystery shopper will visit an establishment and audit. The shopper is someone who registers, usually over the Internet, to visit a local Taco Bell and order food four times.

The shopper then judges the restaurant on factors including service and friendliness. They also judge the item they purchased by weight and how evenly a taco or burrito is stuffed. They were not graded the last two periods in the audits, the Student Center Taco Bell also doesn't happen overnight," with his student lifestyle

Research stages of pharmacy school in progress

Brenda Corley

The possibility of a school of pharmacy at SIU remains in limbo as it sees its way through the preliminary stages. SIU-Edwardsville officials are presently conducting studies that analyze the need for a pharmacy school using a Southern Illinois University Board of Higher Education Sept. 22.

The idea originated when SIUE president Jerry Farley began planning to open a pharmacy school in 2000. The plan was to have a college of pharmacy located in Alton, Ill., and how SIU can meet those needs.

"Beyond the study that the Edwardsville campus has done, the needs for a [pharmacy] school are continuing to be looked at, nothing else is really going on," said Scott Kaiser, spokesman for the Office of the President. The SIU administration first presented the idea for a school of pharmacy to the Illinois Board of Higher Education Sept. 22.

In the proposal to the IBHE, the total cost is estimated to be between $4 million and $6 million, with $4 million going toward building the facilities. Decisions as to where the school will be located have not been made yet.

Kaiser looks forward to a potential pharmacy school that can help meet the health-care needs of Illinois. Horton could not be reached for comments.

Recent election fumbles spur proposal and investigation

Molly Parker

Illinois elects more than 40,000 public officials as well as more than 6,000 units of local government, more than any other state in the nation.

Tumult from the recent presidential election has spurred legislation from all sides of the political spectrum to address the needs of the electoral system.


"Perhaps Illinois could have handled a close election such as the one in Florida, but Florida probably thought they could handle it too, before Nov. 7," said David Gilles, spokesman for Costello.

The commission Costello has proposed would create a 12-member, non-partisan board to review and analyze all aspects of the electoral process. Members of the commission are to be elected by the U.S. speaker of the house and the majority and minority leaders of the U.S. Senate.

The proposed commission would be mandated to hold five public meetings—one conducted in Washington, D.C., and others throughout the nation as appropriate. Information gathered from members of the commission, along with the public forums, will be used to analyze problem proposals and take recommendations to Congress.

"The commission will ensure that when people register and go to the polls, they get to vote," Gilles said.

"Our commission will also review a standardized method for gathering military ballots. Men and women serving overseas who take the time to vote, should be ensured that their ballots are counted," Gilles said.

Along with such issues is registration and voter lists, the commission will also look at the rationale for the Electoral College, ballot access, design and technology issues. The commission will not yet been voted on and Congress has not been in session because of the inauguration. Congressional sessions will resume next week.

"The commission would like to see the bill brought to the floor of the Senate. Rep. Tom Davis, R-VA, introduced a bill to establish an Election Administration Commission.Davis' commission differs from Costello's commission because it is a "standing permanent commission," said Gilles. Costello's commission creates a staff that review the election process for one year.

"We would have four members to be appointed by the president and be approved by the Senate," Gilles said. "Responsibilities will include advising states on the requirements of voter accessibility for the elderly and disabled and mandating and enhancing the accessibility of registration facilities, polling places and voting methods for voters."
Walker forum requires student participation

When James Walker left Tennessee to take the reins of the SIU President's office in October, faculty and friends from Middle Tennessee State University could not compliment him enough. They said he was a team player, a visionary and a diplomat. But, most of all, they praised his desire to hear the concerns and ideas of the members of their university.

Now, Walker is showing that same desire for the SIU community. After a few months of adapting to the unique environment of the University, Walker is doing precisely what so many students and faculty want — he's asking them what they think.

Every student, faculty and staff member is invited to the University-wide forum Walker is sponsoring this afternoon at the Student Center Auditorium. Walker is ready to move this University forward, and he wants to do so armed with thoughts and ideas from the entire University.

This kind of inquisitive leadership is just what SIU needs. In the past, many constituency groups on campus have complained that they are left out of the decision-making processes of this University. But Walker is determined to change that mindset with the first overturing by sponsoring this forum. Now it's time to act on our part of the deal by letting him know just what we think of the current state of SIU. Walker has outlined some areas he wants to discuss, namely SIU's strengths, major challenges and how SIU should be perceived in 2010. Those broad topics can encompass everything from concerns about the core curriculum to housing.

Faculty have been vocal about changes they want to see in SIU and it's safe to assume they will be in strong attendance. But a student perspective at the forum must be present as well. Students are the ones who are receiving an education, living in the housing, doing graduate research and participating in sports and ROSOs. Anything that goes on at SIUC directly impacts them, and to brush off this forum is nothing but a squandered opportunity.

It is easy for students to feel like a nameless face in a sea of 20,000 others. In a blur of seemingly endless classes and schedules, it can feel like opinions and thoughts go unnoticed. But the perfect opportunity is here for the taking. With a healthy showing of students, fresh, innovative ideas will surely result.

It's kind of like voting. Some say if you don't vote, you lose your right to complain about government. The same holds true for participation in the forum. If students don't take the time to voice their opinions about the future of the University, they can't complain that their voice is never heard. Walker is taking the initiative, students must show him we are worthy participants.

Walker left MTSU considerably stronger than he found it. In his nine years there, he ushered in a era of increased enrollment, a brand-new stadium and library, and expanded academic programs.

With Walker's leadership and the involvement and support of the student body through participation in this forum, there's no reason SIU can't achieve the same success. SIU has been referred to as a sleeping giant. Today, Walker is making it known that he, along with the SIU community, are the ones to wake it up.

Forget City Council: Archer for Congress!

During the past weekend, one president's term expired and another's term began. But there is another president who still has some time left. Bill Archer, our beleaguered, battle-hardened USG leader, has some time left.

According to Archer, 95 percent of the senate was in attendance at that meeting. However, 23 people were there, and the Senate has 41 seats. The Speimmitus stumbles again, portraying a student government body as a third-rate to one bed of solidarity and dedication.

Last semester, USG's efforts were described as a "dathing" semester. While that may spell trouble for some, I call it a political leg-up for Archer. The ability to foster and maintain goodwill, to the point that nothing goes unnoticed, was at the same time touting bold new initiatives, a time-honored tradition in Congress, one that Archer could easily carry on.

Perhaps the greatest skill any modern political officeholder can possess is the ability to withstand scandal. In this respect, Archer has been on a par with another Bill — Old Stick Wildlife himself.

Just as Clinton answered accusations of marijuana use with the now famous "I didn't inhale," Archer had his moment while campaigning for USG president, to which he responded along the lines of "It was those other guys." While Archer's claim that the smell of pot could have been coming from the clothes of his friends is as shaky as Clinton's claim that, because there were other people in the White House, he and Monica weren't alone, it further shows Archer as a skilled navigator of scandal-ridden waters.

More recently, Archer was accused of drinking in a dorm room. Once again, Archer escaped with his presidency intact, pushing the guilt onto those around him, another tried-and-true Clinton strategy.

On that note of scandal survival, it's nice to remember the liberty of writing the theme song for the Archer for Congress campaign. It is to the tune of Shaggy's latest hit "It Wasn't Me."

They smulled the weed we were smoking ('It wasn't me')
I heard some words about tolkin' ('It wasn't me')
I kissed their knockers, I sold 'em ('It wasn't me')
They said our party was over

RA's came in and they caught us red-handed
Smokin' with the guys next door
Picture this, we were all stoned cross-eyed
Takin' on the dorm room beer

How could I forget that I'd be
President of USG

All this time they were standing there
They never took their eyes off me

So Bill, whaddya think? Archer in 2002? I'll bring the campaign buttons, you bring the beer.

Marcum's MY WORDS appear on Tuesday. Christopher is a senior in theater. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.
SIUC’s Cleanup plans to wax community clean

Cleanup wants to break students of littering addiction

The thousands of students who walk across the SIUC campus may notice the beauty of the campus, but with the same eye behold the abundance of litter that students trample over.

Todd Lucas, a junior in marketing from Chicago, is one of those students. He said although he sees garbage on the way to class, he credits to the censors.

"Sometimes I read a news story about an old piece of gum, candy wrappers or even a pop can." Lucas said.

Because students subconsciously use the ground as their trash can, SIUC Cleanup—an organization designed to beautify campus—is expanding its tactics by cleaning up the campus like never before to keep it looking unnoticeable and to protect the Earth.

The group started its Campus Cleanup Campaign 2000 as part of the Southern Illinois Cleanup Campaign in early April, a stepping stone to educating students about the importance of not littering. Many Registered Student Organizations have joined the team.

They have adopted various spots across campus including Thompson Woods and Campus Lake, making sure they are cleaned at least three times a week.

Now the organization plans to target Great River, the Wards Education Building, Pullman Hall, Furer Hall and possibly some off-campus locations.

Paul Restivo, director for the Center for Environmental Health and Safety and head of SIUC Cleanup, said Thompson Woods and Campus Lake look much prettier than before the campaign began.

This semester, Restivo said SIUC Cleanup plans to have public service announcements to educate the students about the effects of littering and what they can do to keep the campus sparkling.

"When volunteers clean up their area, they see bottles, cigarette butts, food wrappers, and lots of newspapers," Restivo said. "This stuff won't just evaporate by themselves, it has to be cleaned up."

Restivo, who students also call "the environmental evangelist," believes the Southern Illinois Cleanup Campaign will have a snowball effect on other areas into cleaning up their communities.

Because Restivo said the volunteers who adopt certain spots across campus are vital to the campaign, he said those who have committed up to 30 hours by the time they graduate will receive an Environmental Achievement plaque by Glenn Poshek, vice chancellor for Administrative Affairs.

Lucas said although litter is a problem, the new recycle and trash bins across campus helps, but said the problem of litter could prevent a potential student from coming to the University.

"The cleanliness of a University shows how the students respect their school and how much University spends on the cleaning," Lucas said.

He also agreed with Lucas and hoped that people would want to walk until they reach a trash can to throw their garbage away.

"This campus is too pretty to be defiled by all the litter," Restivo said. "I would hate it if there was no need for an SIU cleanup program."

Omega Psi Phi works for RSO status

After 11 years of suspension, Omega Psi Phi fraternity has reached the fight for reinstatement. The fraternity, also known as the "Qic-dogs," has been in suspension with Student Development to reclaim the undergraduate chapter's Resident Student Organization status.

Members have been trying for a year to reclaim their RSO status in order to become more involved in the SIUC community and to represent their fraternity.

Prior to suspension, a graduate student in the MBA program from Chicago, said his fraternity has not received much support and attention from the school's perceptions of what happened in the past.

Omega Psi Phi's RSO status was suspended by the University in 1989. "The people who know about it are very sad to see how they have moved on," Beamon said.

Not until recently have there been attempts to re-strategize the chapter. The undergraduate chapter is still in limbo until Student Development makes a decision.

The graduate chapter of the fraternity is not affiliated with SIUC but still has national ties. They are also not permitted to participate in any activities on the SIUC campus.

Beamon said the University believes the fraternity went around their authorities by having a graduate chapter, something he disagrees with.

"We do have a favorable impression of Beamon, said "but the school also has a mis- 

We're not rule. 

"We're not troubleshooters. 

Ronald Beamon, a national leader of Omega Psi Phi, said SIUC "We don't have any of our members in academic trouble or anything."

"The fraternity has received support from members of the national organization, said the fraternity's request is under consideration. She could not comment further on the situation.

Although the fraternity is not recognized on campus, several of its members are involved in the Carbondale community.

The graduate chapter had active members who have served with Judith Affann, Sabril Patel, members serving under Undergraduate Student Government and Beamon reported serving as a Resident Assistant and is also president of the Black Graduate Student Association.

Apart from individual involvement on campus, the fraternity works in the Carbondale community tutoring, raising scholarship funds and volunteering for the Carbondale community service project.

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Beamon said he was confident that the chapter would be reinstated and the members would abide by the school's policies that they would not commit on the campus.

"Right now we just taking the steps we need to take," Beamon said.

The place of Champaign, Illinois, holds a special place in the hearts of all the band members, past and present," said band member Kevin Corvin to an often boisterous crowd that had demanded his name before he spoke.

He complemented the environment in Champaign that he said forced artistic expression and gave his band a chance. The group boarded in sound playing in Champaign and Illinois towns.

"I haven't been able to sleep for days," said "This is the best Band I've ever been a part of, and I'm sure excited."

Rodgers, who was carrying an old license plate that read "REO 51V," and several other fans were dancing repeatedly as old records, T-shirts and even alarm clocks in hopes of preying an autograph from their hero.

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Monster truck fans sweated from this horsepower-induced buzz for almost three hours Friday night at the Show Me Center in Cape Girardeau. They booted, filled their lungs with toxic exhaust fumes, jumped hurdles from plastic cups and waved checkered flags for their favorite trucks.

From his second-row seat, 29-year-old Gary Umfleet explained the allure. “We came to see the big-ass trucks raise some hell,” the Fredericktown, Mo., native blared over the snarl of giant engines. “Big-ass means 66-inch tires and 557 cubic inch engines. Engines blown on methanol alcohol fuel. Center wheels spiced from school buses. About $250,000 worth of Cummins struts, lift kits and slick paint jobs.

I don’t know if it’s a hobby or an addiction,” grinned Davey Nolke, the stocky owner and driver of Big Dawg — one of the five monster trucks at the show. He ran his fingers through his mullet cut and added, “But it’s definitely a gig thing.” The first guy to birth a monster truck was Bob

SEE MONSTERS, PAGE 7
"I once flipped a truck end-over-end going 65 mph. I've had 12 rollovers and one concussion -- I'm 34 years old, but when I wake up Sunday, I'll feel 54."

Chandler In the mid-1970s, he slipped a set of tractor tires on his pickup and Bigfoot was born. Now the Bigfoot franchise owns about 20 trucks, plying them cross-country on tractor trailers with five-member teams of drivers, mechanics and engineers.

Most of the trucks are owned by individuals or private companies. Some act as promotional vehicles for truck dealerships and others are just someone's dream truck.

Sly Hanley started piloting monster trucks at age 21. He's driven Bigfoot trucks for eight years now, traveling 45 weeks a year.

"Taking a 10,000-pound truck and throwing it 10 feet in the air is a pretty good feeling," said the slim, pleasant dude, crouching in the arena's sound-buffering stallwell.

And though Hanley can't imagine himself in any other line of work, he knows the body-wrenching trucks will soon get the better of him.

"I once flipped a truck end-over-end going 65 mph," he said. "I've had 12 rollovers and one concussion -- I'm 34 years old, but when I wake up Sunday, I'll feel 54."

It's the quick jolts and G-force-pulling takeoffs that jar drivers like Hanley. And though on Friday night's trucks only had a race track the size of a basketball court to run on, they reached speeds of 20 mph.

At 9 p.m., each truck raced to life, flying solo around the arena for the "freestyle" part of the show. They popped wheelies, turned the tops of jinked Oldsmobiles and shed smoking rubber tracks on the arena floor.

Down in the pit, Noclke cursed a frayed power steering belt; Big Dang wouldn't run.

"Let's see if we can get the Big Dang out of his cage," the announcer hooted.

As the other trucks — Bigfoot, Generation X, The Beast and Mercenary — rocketed herky-jerky around the track, Noclke patched together his ride.

"Give 'em hell, Big Dang!" a young man in the audience crowed as the monster Ford finally lurched away from the starting line.

Two hours later, Big Dang claimed top honors, winning the side-by-side racing portion of the rally.

Down on the pit floor, an ebullient Noclke leaped from his truck, his face flushed red.

"I didn't think we'd get our asses through a run," he shouted. "But now we're top dog." He grinned at the pit.

"This is electric."

(Monster continued from page 6)

(Left) The icon of the monster truck world, Bigfoot, leaps over a line of four demolished cars for a victory during the side-by-side race against the beasts.

(Below) From left) Bill and Bill Huber along with John and Jason Vrabel, tune up their Ram Max remote control cars. The Dirtburners go to at least one show a month and surprise the audience at the speed they more models travel.

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Shoot Me Now
Thanks for letting me stay a couple of nights here and find some place, Chuck.

Well, I'm only doing this because the police officer said you couldn't sleep in the bus terminal.

Here's blanket and a pillow for the couch.

Should be be sleeping on some paper towels? We don't want him dropping any of Jesus people outside.

Liar... don't look now, but there is an angry mob of Jesus people outside.

BRING US THE INFIDELS!

Doonesbury
by Garry Trudeau

PREP CLERK: "Hey, Chuck! Fellows at the infidels are at the door!"

CHUCK: "Hey! SIR! AM YOU HEAR MY GAILY?"

PREP CLERK: "MY ADR!"

CHUCK: "SIR! AM YOU HEAR MY GAILY?"

PREP CLERK: "MY ADVICE WAS BREAK OUT IN A MY LORD!"

CHUCK: "MY WIFE!"

"You didn't have cover-

By Nathan Stiffler

On Catby

WORD JUMBLE

With President James E. Walker
Tuesday, January 23, 2001; at 3:30pm
Student Center Auditorium

Discussion Points:
1. In your opinion, what do you perceive to be SIUC's major strengths?  
2. In your opinion, what are the major challenges facing SIUC in the short term? In the long term?  
3. In the year 2010, how would you like SIUC to be perceived?
Novak named Valley Men's Player of the Week.  
David Novak, a junior forward from Southwestern Missouri State University, was named the Missouri Valley Conference Men's Player of the Week in a unanimous vote from the league's media panel.

Novak shot 65 percent from the field for the week. He was honored as the MVC Men's Player of the Week.

Son.

Sifles named Valley Women's Player of the Week—again.

For the third consecutive week and fifth time this season, Jackie Siforms of Southwestern Missouri State University was honored as the MVC Women's Player of the Week.

Siforms anchored the 14th-ranked Bears against Bradley and the University of Northern Iowa. She averaged 41 points for the week, and tied a league record with her fifth selection as Valley Player of the Week in the same season.

Siforms scored 33 points against Bradley on Thursday and followed that performance with a season-high 49-point effort against Northern Iowa Saturday. The All-American shot 68 percent from the field for the week.

Wisconsin State coach commended for postgame remarks.

The MVC has reprimanded Wisconsin State University first-year head coach Mark Turgeon for remarks made following SUNY-ESF, 62-57 overtime victory at Wisconsin State last Wednesday. Turgeon was assessed a technical foul during the game.

MVC Commissioner Doug Elgin reviewed the context of Turgeon's statements, which focused on his public criticism of game officials, and called Turgeon's remarks "inappropriate.

Elgin discussed the matter with Wisconsin State Athletic Director Jim Schaus and Turgeon, and has commended Turgeon's remarks "inappropriate.

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Junior forward Dontaie Smith, the Bulldogs lead scorer at 14 points, grabbed 13 rebounds and recorded nine assists.

For the third consecutive week and fifth time this season, Lamont Evans, who led the Valley in assists and ranked eighth nationally with an average of 7.3 per contest, along with Alberto Jengue and Mike O'Neill will all have to sit out the remainder of the season, leaving the Bulldogs with only seven eligible players.

The players will be allowed to practice with the team for the remainder of the season.

REDS

Drake loses four players to academic suspensions.

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Give Opp some more time

Yes, the Saluki women ballers are 4-12 and on course to a record even worse than last year's 8-20 debacle. But Opp inherited a team full of upperclassmen. Certainly, this combination was not the case for his SIU track and field career, him competing for the Maroon as a top athlete: "My mother always made sure I had good training. He grew up in Chicago before moving to Marion in 1998, where he became an All-American athlete and was named the team's most valuable player.

Alexander said taking care of his family is his utmost importance in life, and credits his mother, who always made sure he attended church and God for making him the person he is today. "My mother never gave up on me," Alexander said. "I want to show her that I am not going to let this be a reason to give up." Alexander has a strong support system, including his family and friends, who have been with him through thick and thin.

There's no doubt about it, we like to have good people in the program and he's got good people..." Cameron White