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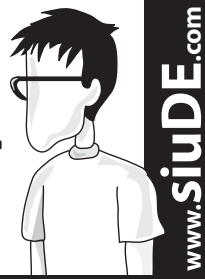
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Illinois legislator: 'Shame on them'

Illinois Congress approves bill sans SIU, capital plan

Barton Lorimor
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

A local state representative's prediction that SIUC will not receive building funds from the state for a sixth consecutive year was further validated with an Illinois Congressional vote Thursday.

An amended bill by Gov. Rod Blagojevich, which would allow senior citizens and people with disabilities ride public transportation for free, was approved by the House and

Senate Thursday afternoon. The bill awaits gubernatorial approval.

Earlier this month, legislators lobbied for a bill bailing out mass-transit systems to become part of the Capital Construction Plan, which addresses state construction and infrastructure needs. The plan includes a potential \$145 million for projects in the SIU System. But a group of Chicago and downstate Democrats helped carry the bailout through the House and Senate by itself last Wednesday.

The construction plan, which has been awaiting approval from the House since September, would provide money for projects in Edwardsville, Springfield and Carbondale. The bill has been cited as a source of funding for the \$43.8 million Transportation Education

Center and \$21.8 million for final renovations to the Morris Library.

"Our hope is to get back to a solution for the capital bill," said Dave Gross, a spokesman for SIU in Springfield.

The university is able to pay for the final \$14 million in the library project, Gross said. But instead of coming from capital funds, the money will be taken out of the university's general revenue.

Gross said he was concerned deadlines may be approaching on a measure that would match capital and university funds by 20 percent in federal dollars.

State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Carbondale, said southern Illinois legislators were part of an "alliance" to keep the transit bill from passing

How southern Illinois voted

House members	Senate members
John Bradley - D	John Jones - R
Kurt Granberg - D	David Luechtefeld - R
David Reis - R	Gary Forby - D
Mike Bost - R	
Dan Reitz - D	

= voted yes
 = voted no
 = did not vote

How southern Illinois congressmen voted on changes by the governor to a transportation bill
 D = Democrat
 R = Republican

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without capital construction. Bost said he was upset that six downstate Democrats were part of the reason the opposite happened.

"Shame on them," he said.

Bost also noted that requirements in the amendment would keep seniors south of Interstate-64, which runs through Mt. Vernon, from a

free ride.

The Jackson County Mass-Transit District stands to benefit \$36,000 from the downstate support fund.

The money to bail out mass-transit systems comes from a sales

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David King, an Amtrak employee since 1984, lends a hand to Rachel Moore as she exits the train Thursday afternoon after a trip to Danville. Moore, who uses the service every three months, said an Amtrak strike would make traveling north more difficult.

Amtrak faces strike

Workers union threatens strike for contract

Barton Lorimor
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

Passengers depending on Amtrak as their primary transportation upstate may need to find a new ride before the end of the month.

Nearly 10,000 Amtrak union employees have threatened a strike effective Jan. 30 if a new agreement cannot be reached, a report from the Associated Press said. Ticket agents,

mechanical workers and maintenance workers have been without a contract since prior agreements expired on Dec. 31, 1999.

A strike would halt all Amtrak trains. The Associated Press reported this would be the first strike in Amtrak's 36-year history.

Amtrak operates three round-trip passenger trains between Carbondale and Chicago daily. A total of 70,000 passengers stepped onboard a train traveling between

the two in 2007. A station manager in Carbondale, who chose to remain anonymous because Amtrak employees are not authorized to speak to members of the press, said 90 percent of his traffic is SIUC passengers.

The same trains also stop in Urbana-Champaign, which is home to the main University of Illinois campus.

David King, an Amtrak conductor working on the Chicago/Carbondale line, said a strike would leave him without pay during shut-

down even though he is not a member of the affected unions.

"I wouldn't think of striking with the economy the way it is," said Sherman Raymond, a retired farmer from Murphysboro who was waiting to pick up a friend on Thursday's 2:30 p.m. train from Chicago.

City Manager Jeff Doherty said a strike would not stop the city from paying annual utility costs for the Carbondale station, which add

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Saluki Way donation announced

'Seven-figure' contribution should boost project's progress

Joe Crawford
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

EDWARDSVILLE — The SIU Board of Trustees formally accepted the largest contribution yet to Saluki Way on Thursday shortly after the SIUC chancellor announced another "seven-figure" donation to the project.

The board voted to sign an agreement with the city of Carbondale to accept the city's \$20 million donation for the first phase of Saluki Way, the university's plan to build a new campus core. Roger Tedrick, chairman of the board, presented Carbondale Mayor Brad Cole with an enlarged and framed cover of an issue of Southern Alumni magazine that features a drawing of the plans for the project.

"This presentation is just one more way for SIU to recognize the mayor and the (Carbondale) City Council and to express our heartfelt appreciation for their efforts," Tedrick said as SIU President Glenn Poshard held the magazine cover above his head for the audience to see.

The agreement obligates the city to donate half the revenue from its recent sales tax increase — up to \$1 million per year — to the project for the next 20 years. The City Council voted in August to tack on an additional 0.5 percent to its sales tax and

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Restaurants breathe clean air, worry about shady smokers.

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University unleashes a new batch of artwork.

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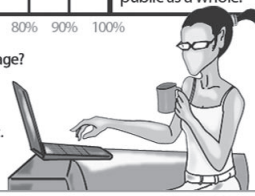
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- Call the museum at 453-5388 to register. Pre-registration is required

American Association of University Women, Carbondale Branch Program

- 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 22 at the SIUC Law School Courtroom
- Mike Lawrence, director of Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, will present a program
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POLICE REPORTS

An SIUC parking decal was reported stolen Wednesday. Time, date and location of theft are unknown and there are no suspects at this time.

\$250 cash and textbooks were stolen from a Schneider Hall residence between Dec. 14 and Wednesday. No forced entry was used. There are no suspects at this time.

NEWS BRIEFS

Illinois lawmakers angrily OK governor's changes to transit plan

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — State lawmakers staved off cuts and layoffs for one of the nation's biggest mass-transit systems Thursday but did so with sparring that exposed deep divisions between Chicago and downstate and a huge rift between the governor and many lawmakers.

The measure boosting regional taxes to provide more than \$500 million in transit aid passed 61-47 Thursday in the House and 32-19 in the Senate, so it now becomes law.

Gov. Rod Blagojevich applauded legislators for approving his changes, even if they did so unhappily. Transit riders in Chicago were glad to learn there would not be cutbacks but criticized lawmakers for the delay.

"I know its about funding," said Mike Witiv, 32, a civil engineer from Chicago. "It shouldn't have come to that. There's really no excuse."

The plan increases sales and real estate taxes in the Chicago region to generate transit money. Without the aid, officials were set to slash bus and train routes, raise fares and lay off more than 2,000 employees.

Legislators approved the tax increase last week, but the Democratic governor used his amendatory veto to send the measure back to the General Assembly and demand senior citizens across the state get free rides on their local mass transit services.

Blagojevich's move tried to put lawmakers who opposed the transit bill in a tough position by forcing them to vote against free rides for seniors, a dedicated group of voters.

But his action unleashed a flood of complaints that he endangered the bailout by making last-minute demands. Those complaints dominated Thursday's debate.

Lawmakers of both parties said the free-ride provision was a clumsy attempt by the governor to divert attention from the fact that he was agreeing to a general tax increase, something he had vowed never to do.

"I did not get one phone call in support of the governor's action," said Rep. Harry Osterman, D-Chicago. "I would assume most of the people in the state saw right through his action."

Rep. John Fritchey, D-Chicago, said he was drafting legislation to abolish amendatory vetoes.

"If the governor is unable to play with his toys, we will take his toys away from him," Fritchey said.

Fritchey and other legislators also suggested the measure might be challenged in court as an unconstitutional stretch of the governor's amendatory veto power.

Blagojevich said he understands why lawmakers are upset with him but thinks "some of them need to get a grip."

"I know some of them are angry at me, but they really ought to take a deep breath and stop and look in the mirror and frankly realize what we've gotten done here," Blagojevich said at a Thursday evening news conference outside his Capitol office after the votes.

Some legislators complained their seniors wouldn't benefit from the free rides because they only applied to transit services with fixed routes, which are not common in rural areas. They also criticized supporters for adding more expenses to an already cash-strapped transit system.

"Why in the world would you blow a hole in something you just fixed? It doesn't make any sense," said Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro.

Blagojevich had opposed tax increases such as those in the bill and wanted to divert taxes on gasoline sales in the Chicago area to pay for mass transit. But he said would OK the measure — after including the free rides for seniors — in a "spirit of compromise."

Senate President Emil Jones, D-Chicago, was one of the few legislators to defend the governor's change to the bill.

"The only problem with this amendatory veto is that we did not think of it," Jones said.

The House followed the transit vote by approving legislation that would put an income limit on the free rides for seniors and offer the rides to people with disabilities. Supporters said that would focus the benefit on people who most need

the aid.

Eligibility would be tied to the state Circuit Breaker program that provides aid with taxes and medication. Senior citizens living alone can qualify if their annual income is below \$22,218.

The Senate did not take up that so-called "trailer bill" before leaving town. Jones said he had a problem with the income limits included in the House measure but intends to solve those when legislators return to work in February.

"I want to make sure it's right," Jones said. "I want to make sure it's right for seniors."

The governor and lawmakers have debated for more than six months about how to help the struggling transportation agencies. During that time, Blagojevich approved two temporary bailouts, including one \$27 million grant that came from money set aside for other construction needs.

Some lawmakers, particularly Republicans, had wanted to tie a transit bailout with a statewide program for schools, highways and government construction. Blagojevich and lawmakers have been unable to agree on a capital program for five years.

Legislators recently have discussed a plan to expand legalized gambling to pay for a capital program, but the politically volatile proposal will take time to work out.

Illinois election officials report a slight increase in registration

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — More than seven million people have registered to vote in Illinois' primary election, a slight increase from four years ago.

Election officials say 7.17 million people have registered. That's up nearly 34,000, or less than half a percentage point, the State Board of Elections reported Thursday.

The all-time high came in the 2004 general election, with 7.5 million registered.

The number has dropped from that record amount because election officials have updated voter rolls to remove duplicates and errors.

Lawyers say prosecution possible without finding woman's body

CHICAGO (AP) — Twelve weeks of combing woods and construction sites on foot and horseback, diving into ponds and canals and retracing Stacy Peterson's last contact with family and friends have shed little light on the 23-year-old mother of two's whereabouts.

In all that time neither investigators nor volunteer searchers have reported finding any trace of the woman — not a shred of clothing, a piece of jewelry or, most significantly, her body. And they're facing the very real possibility they never may.

So, although authorities labeled Peterson's disappearance a possible homicide and named her husband, former Bolingbrook Police Sgt. Drew Peterson, a suspect less than two weeks after she vanished, the question is whether anyone could ever be charged or tried in the case.

"Without a body, the average U.S. citizen would probably tell you that it is impossible," said Daniel Bibb, a former New York assistant district attorney who helped successfully prosecute Dr. Robert Bierenbaum, a plastic surgeon accused of killing his wife and dumping the body out of a small plane into the Atlantic Ocean.

But suspects have indeed been brought to trial — and convicted — in cases where not only is the body missing, but physical evidence linking the suspect to the crime doesn't exist.

"A body is such a critical component of a homicide case ... but it is something you can overcome," said Deborah Denno, a Fordham University law professor who has researched so-called "no-body" cases. With or without a body, she said, "You need circumstantial evidence."

Trying no-body cases can be very different than those in which a pathologist explains in minute detail how a victim was killed and police officers testify about weapons, blood stains and fingerprints.

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Smoking ban has unforeseen effects on restaurants

David Lopez
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Restaurants previously occupied by a smoky haze have been breathing new life since the smoking ban came into effect, but the clearer air has been both a blessing and burden in disguise to some shopkeepers.

Many Carbondale restaurants have been reporting increased sales since the smoking ban went into effect on Jan. 1, some as much as 7 percent. But besides clean air, the law has also created some confusing situations, such as tables being bussed and cleared while patrons enjoy a cigarette outside, as well as an increased chance of customers skipping out on their checks.

Though there have been almost 600 violations reported throughout the state as of Jan. 14, most local restaurants said the majority of customers have followed the new law.

The Longbranch Coffeehouse was formerly known as one of the premier spots in Carbondale to enjoy coffee and cigarettes. Many thought its business may suffer as a result of the ban, but it has actually increased, said Longbranch owner Elaine Ramseyer.

"When people came in they were like, 'Oh my god. This place smells great,' and people said, 'Wow, you can smell food,'" she said.

Ramseyer said she predicted a small increase in business, but has been pleasantly surprised with an increase of roughly 7 percent.

"A lot of people have also been saying, 'Oh, you'll be seeing a lot more of us now,'" she said. "I've gotten nothing but positive comments."

Elizabeth Crane, a waitress at Denny's and a smoker herself, said she has heard praises from older



Berardino Baratta of Carbondale and Carolyn Deane of Minneapolis, Minn., enjoy strawberry creme muffins and coffee at the Longbranch Coffee Cafe Thursday morning. 'I think food tastes better and it's easier to get in and out of restaurants because there is no smoking versus non-smoking sections,' Deane said in reference to the Illinois smoking ban.

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patrons about the cleaner air, but dislikes not being able to smoke indoors during her breaks.

Crane said there have also been several mix-ups made by her and other staff members when customers leave to smoke outside.

"If you're by yourself and you get up to go smoke a cigarette, we don't know that you left to go smoke a cigarette," Crane said. "So, your table gets cleaned off, and if you

have food, we have to re-make all of it. So, I think the cost of food and drinks for the restaurant has gone up, as far as waste."

Crane said this has happened to her tables at least four times, and even twice in the same day to one customer. People have even lost their tables after leaving to smoke and having their table reassigned to another customer during a busy shift, Crane said.

Though no one has tried it yet, Crane said she must also keep an eye on customers who may use the ban to avoid paying for their food.

Aside from the confusion, some employees may be put at a greater risk by being forced to smoke outside.

Kathleen Kelly, a sophomore at John A. Logan Community College from DuQuoin studying special and elementary education,

works at Show Me's and said many of the women who work there and smoke do not feel safe when going outside for a cigarette, especially late at night.

"We have to go smoke outside by ourselves, and it's not really the best neighborhood," Kelly said.

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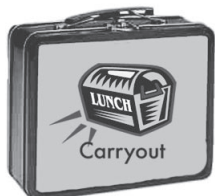
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WASHINGTON

Bush wants tax rebates, business tax breaks in stimulus package

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush told congressional leaders privately on Thursday he favors personal income tax rebates and tax breaks for businesses to help avert a recession, officials said, as Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke joined in calls for an economic stimulus package.

Bush spoke with congressional leaders as top House aides worked on an economic rescue package that included more money for food stamp recipients and the unemployed as well as tax rebates and cuts.

Officials described the developments on condition of anonymity until a formal announcement was made, and no further details were immediately available about the size of the rebates or components of the emerging package.

WASHINGTON

First exit polls show even top presidential candidates struggle to solidify appeal

WASHINGTON (AP) — John McCain and Barack Obama are struggling to win over their party's most loyal voters, and no presidential candidate has a firm hold on what may be the campaign's chief issue, the economy.

With the first presidential contests now history, voters appear to be telling the candidates: You still need some polishing.

People in Iowa, New Hampshire and Michigan made clear in exit polls that the top contenders have reasons to hope, but also weak spots to patch. Here are insights from the first rounds of voting, which have left neither Democrats nor Republicans with clear front-runners.

EGYPT

Osama bin Laden's son: he wants to be peace ambassador between West, Muslims

CAIRO, Egypt (AP) — Omar Osama bin Laden bears a striking resemblance to his notorious father — except for the dreadlocks that dangle halfway down his back. Then there's the black leather biker jacket.

The 26-year-old does not renounce his father, al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden, but in an interview with The Associated Press, he said there is better way to defend Islam than militancy: Omar wants to be an "ambassador for peace" between Muslims and the West.

Omar — one of bin Laden's 19 children — raised a tabloid storm last year when he married a 52-year-old British woman, Jane Felix-Browne, who took the name Zaina Alsabah. Now the couple say they want to be advocates, planning a 3,000-mile horse race across North Africa to draw attention to the cause of peace.

WASHINGTON

Army task force: some returning troops don't know they suffered concussions

WASHINGTON (AP) — As many as 20 percent of U.S. troops leave war with signs they may have had a concussion, and some do not realize they need treatment, Army officials said Thursday.

Concussion is a common term for mild traumatic brain injury, or TBI. While the Army has a handle on treating more severe brain injuries, it is "challenged to understand, diagnose and treat military personnel who suffer with mild TBI," said Brig. Gen. Donald Bradshaw, chairman of a task force on traumatic brain injury created by the Army surgeon general.

The task force, which completed its work in May, released its findings on Thursday.

It estimated that from 10 percent to 20 percent of soldiers and Marines leaving Iraq and Afghanistan are affected by mild traumatic brain injury. The most common cause was blast from an explosion.

The symptoms can include headaches, dizziness, nausea, light sensitivity, sleep problems, memory problems, confusion and irritability. With treatment, more than 80 of patients recover completely, the task force said.

Iranian president criticizes Bush

Sebastian Abbot
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CAIRO, Egypt — Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad said Thursday that President Bush sent a "message of confrontation" during his recent Mideast trip.

Bush spent much of his visit to the region, which he wrapped up on Wednesday, rallying support among Arab allies for a strong stance against Iran — calling the country the world's top sponsor of terrorism.

"President George Bush sent a message to the Iranian people and all the nations worldwide," said Ahmadinejad during an interview in Farsi with Al-Jazeera television. "This message reflects his own con-

ceptions and it is a message of rift, a message of sowing the seeds of division. It is a message of confrontation demeaning the dignity of mankind."

The Iranian president said Bush's statements were made for domestic political reasons.

"They are in need of these statements for their presidential race," said Ahmadinejad. "However, these statements increase the sentiment of resentment of the Iranian people against the U.S. officials."

Ahmadinejad also lashed out at

Israel, a key U.S. ally in the Mideast, saying the country was "rapidly doomed to collapse."

"All these nations believe they (the Israelis) are a murderous group carrying arms and trying through threats to change their image," said Ahmadinejad.

Israel on Thursday successfully tested a new long-range missile, said senior defense officials speaking on condition of anonymity due to the sensitivity

of the project. Israeli radio reports indicated the missiles are capable of being armed with nuclear warheads.

Ahmadinejad dismissed the missile test, saying Israel "lacks the courage to launch any attack against the Iranian state."

"They are aware that any attempt or strike will be confronted by a very strong response," added the Iranian president.

Tensions between Iran and both Israel and the U.S. have remained high over Tehran's controversial nuclear activities. The U.S. and Israel claim Iran's program could be a pathway to nuclear weapons development, but Tehran insists its intentions are peaceful.

"They would like to deceive our people alleging that the nuclear capability would amount to a nuclear weapon," said Ahmadinejad on Thursday.

They are aware that any attempt or strike will be confronted by a very strong response.

— Mahmoud Ahmadinejad
Iranian President



Cuban exile Florestan Ors sleeps under an expressway, dresses and showers at a friend's house and spends his afternoons watching races or television in the clubhouse at Flagler Dog Track in Miami, Florida, November 15, 2007. But unlike many of Cuba's early refugees who are now prosperous citizens, Ors is virtually penniless at 71. And, oddly, undocumented.

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Homeless Cuban exile can't get help

Alfonso Chardy
McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

MIAMI — Florestan Ors fled to South Florida seven months after Fidel Castro seized power in Cuba.

But unlike many of Cuba's early refugees who are now prosperous citizens, Ors is virtually penniless at 71. And, oddly, undocumented.

His bed, he says, has been a concrete ledge beneath a highway bridge, a park or a friend's house. His world: a McDonald's and a Winn-Dixie across from the Flagler Dog Track, where he spends afternoons watching races or television in the clubhouse and gossiping with track regulars.

Ors is among a growing number of immigrants who, despite having worked for decades in the United States and paid taxes, are shut out of Social Security and other benefits because they are undocumented. Many are homeless.

Before the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, no one asked for immigration documents. After that, those wanting to drive in Florida would have to show immigration papers.

"To get a job, open a bank account, you only had to show your driver's license and that opened all the doors," he said. "But now, they ask you if you are a U.S. citizen and if you say no, then they ask for your green card. Without a green card you can't do

anything."

Ors said he was unable to renew his driver's license after Sept. 11.

"I led a relatively normal life before 9-11," Ors said. "But 9-11 ended all that. My life changed radically. Before I was able to work, I had my efficiency and then I became homeless."

Ors is among 40 Cubans and Haitians getting help from the Florida Immigrant Advocacy Center because they lack immigration papers and can't unlock their Social Security benefits.

Some, like Ors, lost papers or had them stolen. Others were convicted of crimes and were ordered deported, including several Mariel boatlift refugees in detention who were released under a 2005 Supreme Court

order.

Ors' case is all the more remarkable because he comes from a relatively well-known anti-Castro family.

Two cousins, Hector and Pablo Ors, were Cuban Air Force pilots and fought against Castro's rebel army. Pablo died when his plane exploded in 1958 during a bombing run. Hector said he fled Cuba in 1960 and now lives in Miami and sometimes looks after Florestan.

The case is also unusual because for the 48 years Ors says he has been in the country, he never sought to legalize his status even though he would qualify for a green card — like hundreds of thousands of other Cuban refugees.

Slow, consistent withdrawal of troops in Iraq

Lolita C. Baldor
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — As security conditions improve in Iraq, the U.S. should be able to reduce forces at a slow but consistent pace beyond this summer, but air support and ground troops likely will be needed for five to 10 years, a top military commander said Thursday.

Army Lt. Gen. Ray Odierno, the No. 2 commander in Iraq, also said he believes Iraqi forces will be able to take over security in their country much quicker than they have suggested.

"What we don't want to do is suddenly pull out a whole bunch of U.S. forces and suddenly turn

things over to ... the Iraqi security forces," said Odierno, who will finish his tour in Iraq next month and return to Fort Hood, Texas.

"I would like to see it done very slowly over time. And I think if we do that, we'll find ourselves being more successful and we'll be able to have a consistent reduction of our forces over time."

Odierno, Defense Secretary Robert Gates and other military leaders have been loath to predict troop reductions beyond this summer, when the number of U.S. brigades in Iraq will drop to 15. There were 20 brigades there for the last six months of 2007, but one has left and the other four will leave by July. That would bring U.S. troop totals

down to about 130,000.

On Thursday, Gates said he still hopes that the "pace of the draw-downs in the first half of the year will continue in the second half of the year." But he stressed that it depends on the evaluation of conditions there by Gen. David Petraeus, the top U.S. commander in Iraq.

Asked about Gates' expressed hope, Odierno said he first wants to see the effects of the reduction of forces now under way. "We're now at 19 brigades — going to 18, 17, 16, 15. I feel comfortable that we'll be able to maintain the security, but I would like to make sure that that works," he said.

Odierno also cited Mosul as an

example of how the U.S. will gradually take on more of an oversight and support role, as Iraqi forces take the lead.

"I see what we're doing in Mosul as a model for the future," he said. "When we reduce our forces over time and the Iraqis take primacy for security, we will be here to assist them when they need it."

Mosul has seen persistent problems with violence, as insurgents driven out of Baghdad and its surrounding neighborhoods have fled north. And while the totals have not been determined, Odierno said the U.S. may add some combat power there, and over time would maintain enough troops to reinforce the Iraqis.

Students show Obama support

Salukis exhibit senator's strong youth popularity

Jenn Lofton
DAILY EGYPTIAN

It's been said that the 2008 presidential election could make history and SIUC students plan to take part.

Eight Democratic and Republican candidates are on the ballot for the Feb. 5 presidential primary election. One candidate — Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., — has received support from universities across the country, including SIUC.

Since classes have just started, most on-campus organizations have not been able to hold their first meetings. However, students who strongly support Obama have come together in order to continue the effort and make him the next president.

Undergraduates and graduates who are a part of Students for Barack Obama held their first meeting Wednesday in the Student Center Roman Room. Jim Petre, a graduate student from Carol Stream studying speech communication, conducted the meeting.

Petre has been a supporter since late 2003 when Obama ran in the Illinois Senate primaries. Although Petre currently resides in Carbondale, he has tried to be involved in the campaign as much as possible. He

writes letters to campaign offices around the country to show support and shares his ideas with local newspapers.

Petre said Obama has had such a huge impact that he has received support from students who are Republicans and Independents.

"I really do think Obama has a chance to win because he has that talent of bringing people together," Petre said.

Nathan Brendal, a senior from Fairfield studying advertising, attended the meeting. Brendal said this election appeals to students because they can relate to the candidates' ideas for change. He said he thinks the way the candidates have encouraged students to take part in this election is different from previous years.

Brendal said he supports Obama because the senator was the only leading Democratic candidate who opposed the war and has continued to stand by his beliefs. He added that of all the candidates, he thinks Obama is the only one who has not been corrupted by corporate greed.

"I read his book, and it pretty much inspired me that all people aren't necessarily brainwashed by Washington politics," Brendal said.

Randy Burnside, an assistant professor in the political science department, is not affiliated with the organization, but has talked with students about the election. Burnside said the



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Jim Petre, a graduate student from Carol Stream studying speech communication, discusses the presidential campaign of U.S. Sen. Barack Obama with students Wednesday night in the Student Center. Petre, along with other students, have formed a group to get involved in Obama's campaign.

reason Obama has so much support from students is because he took the initiative to speak to young voters during early campaigning.

"College student participation in the election leads to low risk and high rewards," Burnside said.

Burnside said students in his

classes believe this generation is the future of the country and said they will choose the candidate that can promise.

In the next couple of weeks, Students for Barack Obama will campaign locally and in neighboring states. The goal is to encourage

more college students to get out and vote as well as persuade those who are still undecided. The next meeting will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday at Longbranch Coffeehouse.

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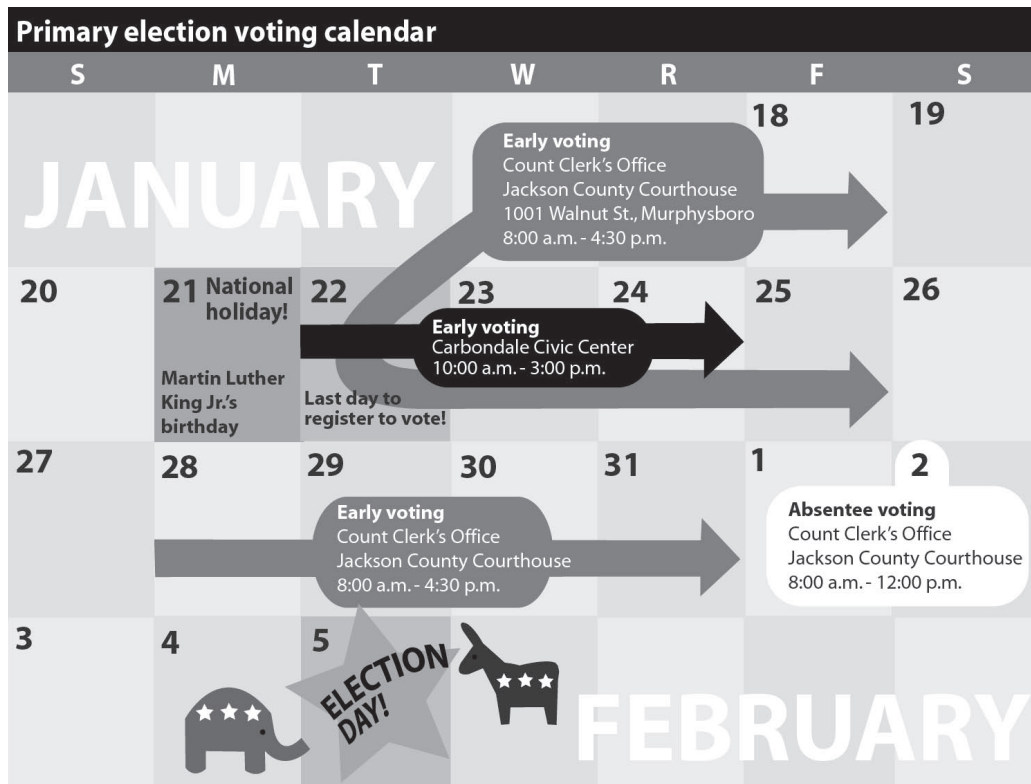
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OUR WORD



STAFF COLUMN

Pessimistically optimistic

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I'm no stranger to column etiquette. This introduction is where I'm supposed to tell who I am and lure you in with a funny joke so you feed on my words like Skittles for the rest of the semester.

But something is irking me, so I'll give you the abridged introduction/joke:

Why did the chicken cross the road?

Because my name is Jordan Wilson.

With common column courtesy checked off, let's get down to it.

As a last-semester senior, I am chasing graduation down like it smells of steak. The first step for many of us was to fill out our graduation applications, which are due today in Woody Hall.

I budgeted about 15 minutes to complete this step, figuring I would drop off the paper, fill out a form for verification and show some form of identification.

Wrong.

I dropped my application in a tray.

Fifteen minutes wasn't even 15 seconds.

So why bring it up? Shorter is better. Time is money. Right?

Yeah, but the graduation application is troubling.

Don't get me wrong. I am a huge fan of shortcuts, jay walking and not crossing my T's. But something was just not right about placing my future in an easily accessible tray.

Before you roll your eyes about my complaint, chew on this: If you don't turn your application in by today, you don't graduate.

This tray is in the open. Any student could walk up, slyly grab any applications in the tray and walk away. Voila — you don't graduate.

Again, this is troubling. I'm not so much worried about my application getting hijacked. I'm just befuddled by the grade school setup.

This is a university. This is the same university that requires you to change your SIU e-mail password every third day and calls for 17 different symbols in the password.

I'm not kicking up dirt here. I'm just scratching my head, wondering why the university we pay tens of thousands of dollars requires us to put such an important slip of paper in a vulnerable spot.

I dropped mine off Thursday. An hour later, I returned to Woody Hall to soothe my uneasy feeling.

"I just wanted to double check that you guys have my application," I said.

The lady behind the desk said that wasn't possible. There was a massive stack of applications and they weren't in order.

She smiled at me and said as long as I dropped my application in the tray, it wouldn't get lost.

Here's to hoping she was right.

Why you can't avoid voting

In a few weeks, Illinois will join 20 other states in the primary elections.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN wants to make it impossible for you to not vote.

From 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 5, to be exact.

The Jackson County primaries will have the choice of Democrat, Republican or the Green Party on its ballots. Lentz Hall, Grinnell Hall, University Hall and the Evergreen Terrace activity room are where polls will be stationed on campus come Election Day.

Some other notable locations are the Carbondale Civic Center, the Eurma B. Hayes Center, Carbondale Community High School and Carbondale Middle School.

The full list is available on the Jackson

County Web site: <http://www.co.jackson.il.us>.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN wants to make it impossible for you to not vote. No excuses.

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Only 11 percent of the youth vote, or people between the ages of 18 and 24, voted in the 2004 presidential election according to the U.S. Census Bureau. Those votes were included in the mere 12 percent of Illinois' population that voted.

This year has to be different. Why, you might ask?

Without sounding too trite, the DAILY EGYPTIAN wants to end the cliché that one vote won't make a difference. For example, even though Sen. Barack Obama lost the New Hampshire primary, the youth vote counted for 60 percent of his ballots. It boosted him to second place.

While we are not ready to make any

endorsements, what happened in New Hampshire is a testament to what the youth vote is capable of doing. We need to use our numbers and our power to put who we want in office. The primaries serve as an important tool for delegates when they decide whom to vote for in their party's nomination.

In other words, we have the power to choose what Democrat and Republican will ultimately duke it out for dibs on the White House.

The amount of time it will take someone — whether they still need to register, are voting absentee, are voting early or are going to the polls on Feb. 5 — will range from five minutes to an hour.

So tear out this page. Post it on your refrigerator. Keep it in your car.

And tell yourself that your vote counts too.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To find out if you are eligible to vote in Jackson County, call the voter registration hotline at 687-7366. If you are registered in another county and want to mail in an absentee ballot, you can download an application at www.co.jackson.il.us. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Election day is Tuesday, Feb. 5. Polls will be open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. You must have a picture ID and proof of your current address. Visit the Jackson County Courthouse by Tuesday to register.

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“It's always easier if you're doing something hard if you have other people do to it with.”

Mick Cornett

Oklahoma City mayor

when he dared the people of the city to collectively lose one million pounds in 2008

STAFF COLUMN

The clone jumped over the moon

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All this talk about eating cloned animals really freaks me out, and I'm not the only one who shares this fear.

Just a few days ago, the Food and Drug Administration approved the consumption of milk and meat from cloned animals. It's not that there's a shortage of either, but the cloning of animals would consistently produce animals of higher quality.

But we won't be eating the cloned animals directly — just their offspring.

In other words, I don't see why scientists can't let nature do its own job. Animals have been reproducing just fine on their own for a long time. I don't see why we feel the need to mess with it now, if ever.

We are the way we are for a

reason, and I don't like the idea of that changing.

In a recent New York Times article, farmers said a genetically altered animal would consistently produce higher-quality food. That doesn't seem right to me, especially because the cows are fine — it's how they are raised. Animals raised in a natural environment are much tastier than the ones that are kept in pens all their lives and injected with who knows what, which is why I'm a vegetarian. And believe me, I won't be changing for cloned animals.

I don't think cloning is the answer to fixing quality. If the industry wanted to improve the quality of what goes on the shelves in the supermarket, it should work on

improving what's already there.

Still, the FDA's recommendation that "food from clones other than cattle, swine and goat ... not be introduced into the food supply" keeps me a little skeptical about the future. The FDA's site doesn't offer any more information as to why other animal clones are not safe to eat.

It could be as simple as enough tests haven't been done, but who knows what kind of studies have been done in the last decade.

I say not enough tests have been done on non-cloned animals, let alone cloned ones.

Recently reported illnesses at pig slaughterhouses in Minnesota and Indiana are proof of this.

Health officials are

investigating whether a technique of blowing pigs' brains out of their skulls with compressed air is the cause of workers complaining of mysterious neurological symptoms. Incidents like this should take priority over animal cloning by far.

The FDA also doesn't plan on telling us if our food came from cloned animals because it's supposedly not any different from non-cloned animals. First of all, I'd like to know what I'm eating. Second, if it's the same meat, without any distinguishing factors that prove it is higher quality or better in some way, then why are they cloning animals?

For those of you who are worried, though, you can relax. The FDA says it will still be a little while before any cloned food can be found on the shelves. But beware in the future — you may be stuck eating the same steak.

Engler is a senior studying French and journalism.

I don't see why scientists can't let nature do its own job. Animals have been reproducing just fine on their own for a long time.

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Q: What do you think of Chris Lowery's \$750,000 salary now that the basketball team has a losing record?

"He got paid off, maybe, and now he doesn't care. I don't really watch basketball but I guess it probably doesn't have anything to do with him losing. He probably just doesn't care anymore, he's got a lot of money."



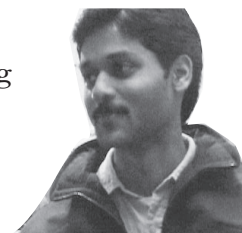
Luke Orr
junior studying geography

"I don't really feel that he has earned his money right now."



Michelle Hagene
sophomore studying chemistry

"That's fine. You can't undermine his performance depending on just one or two matches."



Madhu Nalamati
graduate student studying electrical and computer engineering

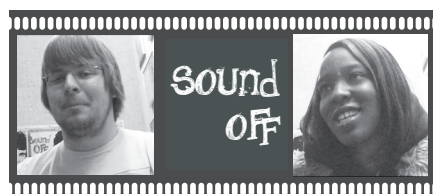
"Being a hardcore Saluki fan, it's a mixed reaction. But at the same point you have to realize the previous records were all thanks to Tatum and Young. So, you realize we're down in guard play, but [Lowery] got a great recruiting class, so therefore in a way I think he deserves it. You know if we get a couple years down the road and [the team] is still not performing well, then we'll address it with Mario and stuff in charge."



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Kenny Basnett (left), a junior from Fairfield studying geology, completes a set of leg lifts while Neil Knight (center), a junior from Crystal Lake studying broadcasting, and Bobby Rushing (right), a junior from Pinckneyville studying biological sciences, wait their turn. 'Lots of people are in here between Christmas break and spring break,' Basnett said, commenting on the noticeable influx of students in the months leading up to spring break.

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Recreation Center offers help with equipment

Students can learn about weight machines from center staff

Maria Capati
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Those who don't know how to use the complex and often daunting equipment at the Recreation Center have options.

For a \$20 fee, the center offers a personal orientation for students who are not familiar with the weight machines. A certified trainer will explain how to work the equipment and what part of the muscles the machine is toning.

Lynne Thompson-Cundiff, recreational sports and services coordinator, said students should not feel

embarrassed if they need help or have questions.

"Students should get in the mind-set that everybody has to learn before they can do things," Thompson-Cundiff said.

Amanda Alvey, a freshman from Harrisburg studying special education, said although she is an athlete and knows how to use most of the equipment, she still had trouble at the Recreation Center.

"The first couple of days I was in there, I had no idea how to work the equipment or where the rooms were located," Alvey said.

John E. Massie, sports medicine

coordinator, said students who come to him are often suffering from pains caused by overdoing their workout and improper use of exercise equipment.

"Some of the most common problems students experience are back and shin pain," Massie said.

Students who feel embarrassed to work out alone can take group fitness classes, which are taught by certified trainers and are free, such as strength training and core circuit training. Those who prefer to try something different can try workouts like the spinning and aerobic classes.

"I attended an aerobics class once,

"Students should get in the mind-set that everybody has to learn before they can do things.

— Lynne Thompson-Cundiff
recreational sports and services coordinator

just to try something different," said Jerald Ramos, an undecided freshman from Oak Forest.

Thompson-Cundiff said she is planning a free orientation in which students may obtain help on how to use the equipment. Aside from the free orientation, she said she is planning on having a certified trainer available in the weight room to assist those working out and answer their questions.

She said she encourages everyone

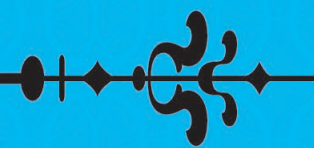
to visit the Web site for updates about the free classes. Starting next week the site will feature an option allowing students to e-mail their questions to a trainer, she said.

"The Rec Center is for everybody, no matter if you work out regularly or if you're new," Thompson-Cundiff said.

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University looks to alter waste reduction

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Christian Holt
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With RecycleMania and a vermicomposting facility remodel just around the corner, Physical Plant employees won't have much time to enjoy their first harvest of worm excrement.

Food waste from the university's dining halls is hauled to the vermicomposting facility where it is broken down by red wiggler worms. Recycling coordinator Andilee Warner said she plans to disassemble two of the four current composting containers to make room for an 80-by-12 foot bunker system. The new system will be next to two elevated 40-by-5 foot bins.

The bunker system is part of a transition to a second technique of vermicomposting the university is trying because the current method doesn't adequately decompose the food waste.

In fiscal year 2007, the cost of collecting, hauling and dumping trash generated on campus was \$179,474. That figure does not include waste from University Housing or the Student Center. Warner said Housing's waste disposal costs could be as much as or more than the campus figure.

The university spends roughly \$150,000 a year on its recycling program — a figure Physical Plant Director Phil Gatton said has not been updated to include the cost of recycling Morris Library's demolition and construction waste.

Gatton said most contractors do not recycle on their own, but recycling was included in River City Construction Company's library renovation contract with the university.

Recycled metal brings in some revenue, but paper, cardboard and plastic cost money to recycle. There are currently no nearby places to recycle Styrofoam or certain plastics.

Warner said she is preparing for RecycleMania, a nationwide contest among colleges and universities.

Throughout the competition, schools measure and report waste and recycling data.

Warner said overall waste reduction, not just recycling, has the potential to reduce waste going into the landfill.

The Illinois Solid Waste Management Act required the university to create a plan in 1995



A student walks past a collection bin in Thompson Woods Wednesday afternoon. The university spends about \$150,000 a year on its recycling program.
DUVALE RILEY
DAILY EGYPTIAN

to meet a 40 percent waste reduction compared to 1987 by 2000. In the last report, the university was almost at 35 percent waste reduction, Warner said.

Kate Fuller, a sophomore from Chicago studying special education, said she doesn't like littering, but knows she could do more to help the environment.

"Last night, I printed out, like, 80 pages and I really don't think that was necessary," Fuller said.

Warner said she makes a point in her office to encourage printing on both sides of paper to reduce waste.

Patricia Seagle, a senior from Christopher studying physiology, said most of her teachers encourage students to print out everything.

"So, there's a huge waste of everything," Seagle said.

Non-recyclable and contaminated campus waste is put in the Southern Illinois Regional Landfill in DeSoto.

This landfill had almost 49.9 million cubic yards of capacity available in 2005, which was the last year statistics are available from the Environmental Protection Agency. That year the Southern Illinois Regional Landfill accounted for almost 67 percent of the region's waste put in landfills.

According to the EPA's Web site, the region's landfills reported a total capacity of more than 117.8 million gate cubic yards in early 2006. This would allow for 51 years of continued waste

disposal, it said.

The EPA classifies the southern Illinois area as region seven, containing five active landfills. In 2005, The Southern Illinois Regional Landfill was ranked 10th of all state landfills for percentage of waste dumped.

The five active landfills for Region 7 accepted almost 2.3 million gate cubic yards of waste during 2005, according to the EPA Website.

The average annual amount of campus waste diverted to recycling bins is about 20 percent, Warner said.

Fuller said it bothers her that people throw anything anywhere and ignore recycle bins.

"Nature's pretty enough, why do we have to ruin it?" she said.

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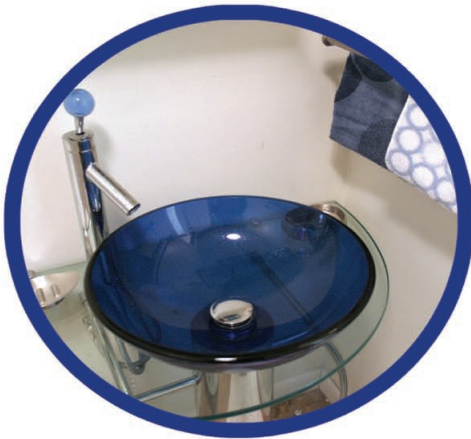
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and real estate tax for Chicago-area residents. The tax will supply \$190 million for systems in Chicago, and \$137 million for downstate projects. State Rep. John Bradley, D-Marion, said he liked the idea

of Chicago tax dollars helping the rest of Illinois.

State Sen. Dale Righter, R-Mattoon, told those in the Senate chamber on Thursday the free senior rides were coming out of the state's general revenue, and not from the Chicago tax increase.

"Everyone thinking they are

getting money from Chicago taxes is wrong," he said.

Bradley voted against the bill when it reappeared in the House with Blagojevich's amendment.

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put the revenue toward the Saluki Way contribution and city projects such as a new police station.

Poshard said Cole came to the university and made the initial proposal to help pay for the first phase of Saluki Way, which entails the construction of a new football stadium and the renovation of the SIU Arena. The project would have not have progressed the way it has without the gift, Poshard said.

Cole said the state of fundraising for Saluki Way was not a primary factor in the city's decision to donate the money. Half of the \$83 million project is to be paid with private contributions and about \$1 million had been raised when the City Council passed the increase in August.

"Our thought was to be supportive of the process in the middle of the process," Cole said. "I think perhaps

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— Brad Cole
Carbondale mayor

this allows it to go a little quicker, but alumni and friends of the university from around the world are supporting this project."

Under the agreement signed Thursday, the city will have naming and advertising rights in the renovated Arena, but specifics of this part of the agreement have not been determined. SIU also waived about \$220,000 in "soft credits" left over from another project that it could have redeemed for city work.

Treviño also said at the meeting that the university would announce a "seven-figure" donation to the construction project at a press conference

Jan. 24 at the Arena. Treviño would not give a name, but said the donor was from Illinois.

The board also approved its first contract with GA United, the graduate assistants union that formed last year. The contract calls for 3, 6 and 4 percent raises for graduate assistants over the next three years, but also increases the minimum number of credit hours they must take from six to eight and includes a "no strike" clause.

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up to nearly \$10,000.

Several newspapers, including the Boston Globe and New York Newsday, have reported that the threat of a strike has shocked metropolitan areas, such as Chicago, New York and Boston, into finding alternatives for daily commut-

er train passengers. Doherty said Carbondale riders would have to find their own alternatives since the city does not rely on commuter trains. Such alternatives could be passenger buses, flying or driving themselves.

Tiffany Robinson, a Carbondale resident and Amtrak passenger who travels to Chicago, said a shutdown would mean spending more

money on gas for her car than a train ticket would normally cost her. The 20-year-old said a one-way ticket to Chicago cost her \$83 two hours before her train left. She travels with Amtrak four times each month to see family.

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Seniors to seek recognition

Alumni Association award applications now available

Madeleine Leroux
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Those seniors looking for a little recognition before graduation can pick up their applications now.

The 25 Most Distinguished Seniors, sponsored by the SIU Alumni Association and the SIU Student Alumni Council, began its application period Monday. According to Tuesday Ashner, director of campus alumni programs, the program works to recognize seniors with high grade point averages who have been active in campus programs and services, as well as contributions to the community at large.

"The committee looks at the whole picture of that person," Ashner said.

The committee selected to review applications is made up of students, alumni and SIUC staff. Ashner said having a diverse committee helps each group bring something different to the review process.

Kenneth Burrows, who was recognized in 2007 as one of SIUC's Most Distinguished Seniors, said the award is a great way to gain recognition for achievements and hard work in a student's college career.

"I think it's a great opportunity," Burrows said. "It goes a

long way."

While at SIUC, Burrows was part of service groups such as Habitat for Humanity and Highway Clean-up, as well as an active member of Alpha Eta Rho and Air Force ROTC. Burrows said his contributions and hard work were the reasons he was recognized.

Winners of the 25 Most Distinguished Seniors will be awarded with a first year membership in the SIU Alumni Association, a small gift, a certificate of recognition and a banquet hosted by the chancellor's office for the recipients and their families.

"The students really enjoy it," Ashner said. "SIU has so many outstanding students."

Those interested in applying must be seniors graduating in 2008 and have at least a 3.0 GPA. In addition to the application, seniors must turn in a copy of their transcript and a letter of recommendation from an RSO adviser or president, a faculty or staff member, a housing coordinator or a coach.

Applications for the 25 Most Distinguished Seniors are available at the Alumni Association's Web site. All are due March 7 and, according to Ashner, all applicants will be notified of the results approximately March 21.

"We don't leave anybody hanging," Ashner said.

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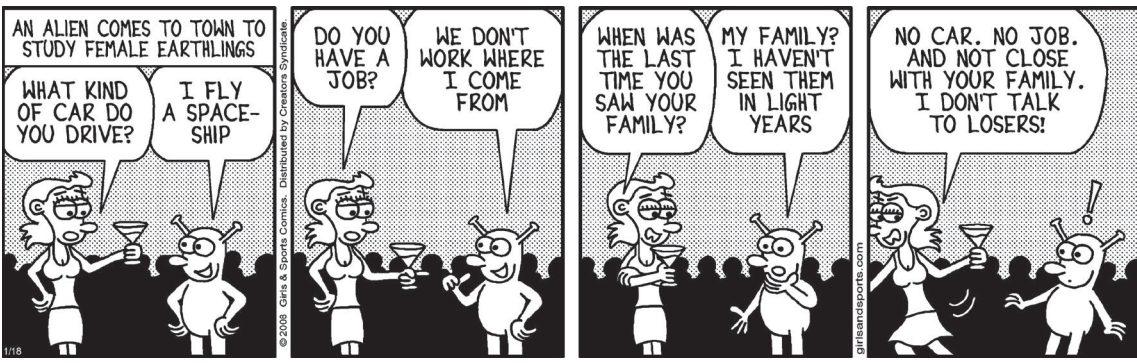
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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — Pay attention to business again, for a little while. Somebody needs something done quickly. You're the perfect person for the job. Make sure the others make the connection. Don't be shy.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — This is the start of favorable traveling conditions. You're ready for a change of scene. If you can't afford to fly, get as far as you can on foot. The exercise is good for you.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — A financial matter needs dealing with, the sooner the better. If you don't already know what it is, review the due dates on your bills. Might also want to check the interest rates you're paying now.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 6 — An enthusiastic person gets you motivated. The job's completed and you're off to other things in what seems like minutes. Having someone to talk to sure takes your mind off your worries.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is an 8 — The more quickly you work, the more money you'll make. This appears to be the case even if you're not getting paid by the item. Go figure, but meanwhile, hustle.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 6 — Settle a domestic matter so you can take some time to relax. You've been working hard lately, you've definitely earned a break. Even better, you can take one.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — Remember what other people have told you, and use what best applies. You'll have to modify their advice to fit your situation, and your personality.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — You're more likely to win the argument, but don't be hasty. A compromise that works for both of you is a better option. Don't assume it's impossible, your adversary could surprise you.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — There are deadlines to be met, and it would be very nice if everything went according to plan. Don't wager that it will. Install a safety net.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 6 — Enthusiastic teammates are ready to take over. All they need is a plan and some congenial coaching. Extricate yourself from the doing and you'll get a lot more done.

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More than art on display at University Museum

Audra Ord
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Soft blue light fills the gallery, the result of sunlight filtering through a collection of brilliantly colored glass structures. The eye is immediately drawn to a six-foot tall glass re-creation of a set of silverware.

The giant glass fork, spoon and knife are part of an exhibit by Rick Beck, a glass artist featured this semester in the University Museum.

Beck's exhibit is one of several new exhibits opening this month. Most of the exhibits open Jan. 22, though some, including Beck's, do not open to the public until later in January.

The exhibits vary in form and style, showcasing an array of artistic mediums, including glass, wood and paint. They feature local and professional artists, guest curators and student exhibits.

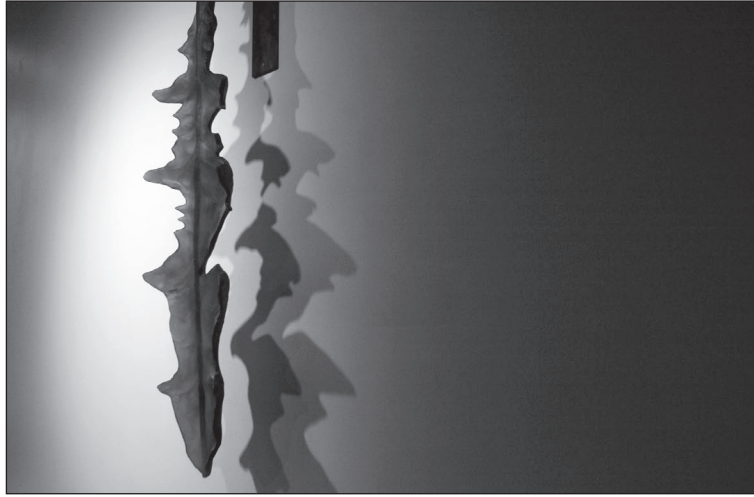
The University Museum is not strictly an art museum, said Dr. Dona Bachman, the museum director.

"We have an extensive science collection, and we're going to be focusing on dinosaurs this semester ... and we're doing quite a focus on history," Bachman said.

She said this year marks the 75th anniversary of some of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal Programs, including an art program.

"We're going to have a former art historian come back and he's going to put up an exhibit of the federal art projects in Illinois," Bachman said.

The former SIUC art historian is George Mavigliano, who is display-



EDYTA BŁASZCZYK ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Rick Beck's cast glass sculpture "Leaf" from his On Form exhibit is one example of new artwork featured at the University Museum. Beck's art will be on display Jan. 29. Various other artwork will be viewable to the public between Jan. 15 and April 17.

ing an exhibit titled "The Federal Art Projects of the 1930s." The exhibit explores several pieces of art created during the Great Depression.

"It's a period when artists were actually employed by the federal government for a brief period of time before World War II," Mavigliano said. "I don't ever suspect that we will see an opportunity like that again."

Another aspect of the 75th anniversary celebration is an exhibit by two local artists, Fred Myers and Maude Craig, which opens Jan. 22.

Craig, who took a few art classes at SIUC in the 1930s, was commissioned by the Federal Art Project to paint scenes of Creal Springs in

1939. Myers was hired by the Works Progress Administration to carve prehistoric animals and historic figures from wood. The exhibit includes several of Myers' carvings of dinosaurs and past presidents.

The museum will also display a collection of Japanese woodblock prints, which opens Jan. 29 and is put on by Dr. Stacey Sloboda, an assistant professor in the art and design program.

The University Museum is open Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. More information about the exhibits can be found at www.museum.siu.edu, or by calling 618-453-5388.



BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

John Drake, a member of the Old National Bank regional staff, paints a clay plate in the Student Center craft shop Thursday afternoon. The cash management officer, along with the rest of the Old National management staff, came to campus for their monthly meeting. The staff does something fun to kick off the New Year at their January meeting.

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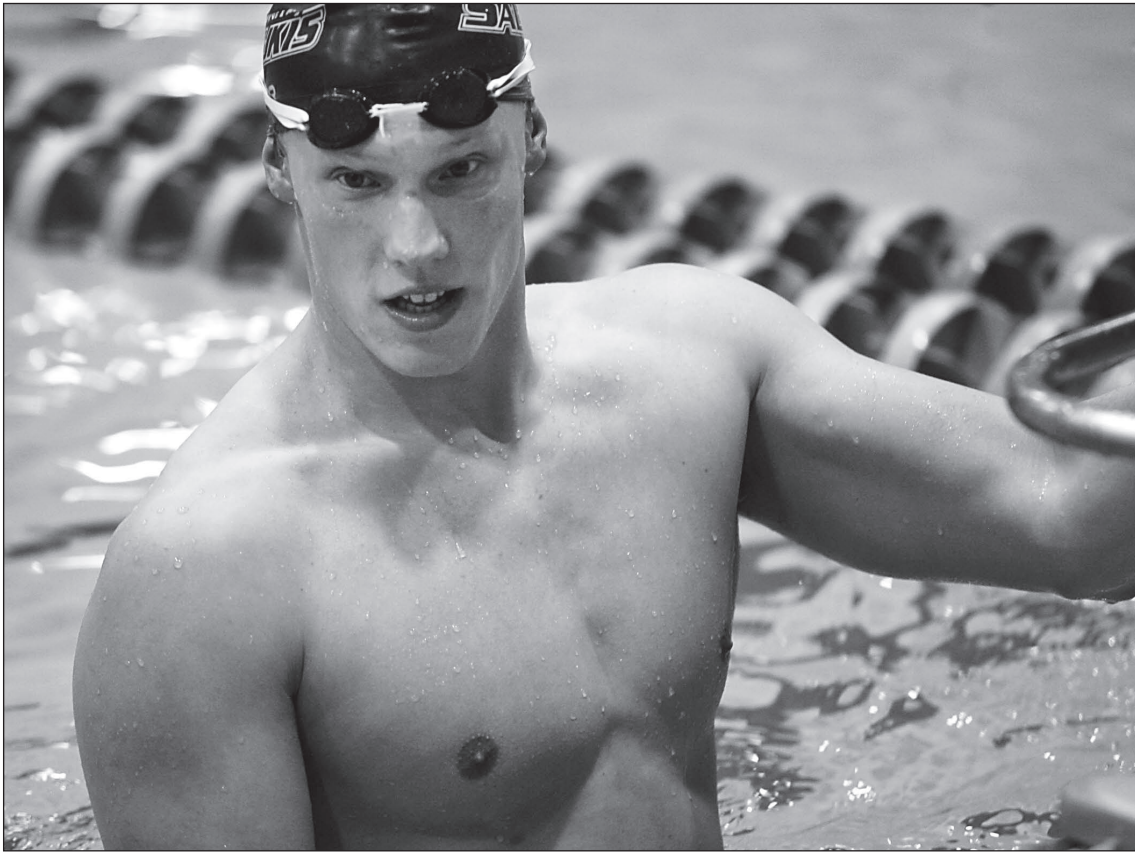
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SWIMMING AND DIVING

SIU to meet Missouri State in the water



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SIU swimmer Dennis Hedo takes a short break during practice at the Dr. Edward J. Shea Natatorium Nov. 5. The team's next meet is Saturday against Missouri State. Hedo picked up a win in the 200 freestyle against Missouri State in 2007.

Swimmers look to keep momentum

Luis C. Medina
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Saturday will be the Salukis first action since defeating St. Louis University in a meet Dec. 8.

After more than a month away from the pool, the SIU swimming and diving team is hungry for competition as they head to Missouri State.

"The first meet out is sometimes a struggle, but we'll get over that," Walker said.

The Salukis placed first in 23 of 28 events, including both the men's and women's 400-meter medley relay. The Saluki men posted a 181-73 victory against St. Louis, while the women won by a score of 160-96. Walker said their most recent performance would be hard to duplicate against the Bears.

"You're not going to walk in there and take anything away from them," Walker said. "It's going to be closely matched all the way around."

Missouri State hopes to

"It's going to be closely matched all the way around."

— Rick Walker
head coach
SIU swimming and diving

bounce back after losing its first meet of the new year. Missouri outscored the men's team 160.5 to 139.5 and the women's team by a score of 210-71. Arkansas also beat the women's team by a score of 247-53.

Walker said he expects Missouri State to be ready for the Salukis, even though the Bears will compete against Truman State Friday night in Kirksville, Mo.

"We're going in tired after training very hard," Walker said. "But, I think we're going in more focused than ever before."

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Chicago Bulls rookie Curry arrested in Boise

BOISE, Idaho (AP) — Chicago Bulls rookie James On Curry has been arrested in Boise and charged with misdemeanor counts of urinating in public and resisting arrest.

Police arrested Curry early Thursday morning and took him to the Ada County Jail. He was released a few hours later after posting \$600 bond.

Curry has until Feb. 7 to make a plea, and then must be in Boise again for either a jury trial or sentencing.

The 6-foot-3 Curry is a guard and second-round draft pick of the Bulls last year. The 22-year-old has been assigned to the Bulls' NBA Development League team Iowa Energy.

All 14 of the league's teams have been in Boise this week taking part in the NBA D-League Showcase.

Joe Crede agrees to one-year, \$5.1 million deal

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago White Sox third baseman Joe Crede agreed Thursday to a one-year, \$5.1 million contract that allowed him to earn an additional \$300,000 in performance bonuses.

Crede, who played only 47 games last season before back surgery, was Chicago's last remaining arbitration-eligible player. He batted .216 with four homers and 22 RBIs last season.

Crede was a standout defensively and provided clutch hitting for the White Sox in 2005, when they won the World Series.

As of now, the White Sox have two third basemen. Josh Fields was called up last season and batted .244 with 23 homers and 67 RBIs in 100 games.

No. 16 Ohio State defeats Illinois

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — Maria Moeller made a 3-pointer with 14 seconds remaining to give No. 16 Ohio State a 43-42 comeback win over Illinois on Thursday night.

Down by seven points with 4:56 left, the Buckeyes got a layup from Jantel Lavender and a 3-pointer from Marsilla Packer to cut Illinois' lead to 42-40.

Moeller, a reserve sophomore guard, scored from the right corner on her only shot of the game to give the Buckeyes (14-3, 5-1 Big Ten) their fifth-straight win.

Ashlee Trebilcock led the Buckeyes with 11 points. Lavender finished with 10 points and grabbed 12 rebounds.



JASON JOHNSON ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU senior forward Matt Shaw, center, guards Evansville's Nate Garner during Tuesday's victory at Evansville. The Salukis play Wichita State at 2:05 p.m. Saturday at SIU Arena.

BASKETBALL

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off a 72-51 loss to MVC co-leader Illinois State Wednesday night.

Leading the Shockers is senior guard P.J. Cousinard with 11.5 points and 5.8 rebounds per game.

Senior forward Phillip Thomasson also adds 10.7 points per game for the Shockers, who sit in second to last place in the MVC standings.

While a consistent leader has yet to step up for the Salukis, junior guard Bryan Mullins seems to be taking control of the leadership position a year early.

Mullins scoring average has gone up four points from last season and he currently leads the MVC in steals with 2.4 per game and is second in assist with 5.4 per game.

Lowery credited Mullins with stepping up in his role within a pro-

gram that thrives off senior leadership.

"He wants to be the confident teammate, but at this point he's got to be the leader of the team because he can be," Lowery said. "And because he's playing that way and leading by example, he's really rallying the troops every time something bad happens."

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"These are some simple picks. There was no doubt the Patriots were going to beat the Chargers and now that Philip Rivers opened his mouth, it's only going to motivate the Pats even more. The Packers will take care of business in Green Bay. They have the better overall defense and Ryan Grant has been real good."

"I'm going to go with the obvious pick in the AFC. I still think the Patriots are going undefeated and while the Chargers are red-hot, the Patriots shouldn't have too much trouble. In the NFC, I'm going with the Packers because the game is in Green Bay and the weather should be terribly cold. The only way the Giants win is if SIU alum Brandon Jacobs puts up 200-yards and quarterback Eli Manning doesn't turn the ball over."



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"I don't really know why we're asking this because it's pretty much given with the Pats and Packers. The Pats are of course unstoppable and will eventually be the Super Bowl champs and the Packers are virtually unbeatable at home with Favre in Green Bay."

QUOTE OF THE DAY
Dale Lennon



"There's no one thing that will determine whether or not you win a national championship but I do feel that having won one once upon a time will help the players believe that it can happen here. This team is hungry and very anxious to get out there and start working for next year."

— SIU football coach Dale Lennon on getting the team ready for next season

Do you have questions for the Saluki Insider that you want answered?
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COACH

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Coaching Philosophy

Lennon, who served as defensive coordinator before becoming head coach, will bring a new look to the Saluki defense.

Lennon utilizes the 3-4 defense, which means the Salukis will line up with three defensive linemen and four linebackers. The new set may feature All-American linebackers Chauncey Mixon and Brandin Jordan in different roles than last season.

Mixon and Jordan can expect an increase in production even with the All-American performances of last year. The defense will allow the linebackers to use their speed and vision to chase down running backs and blitz quarterbacks frequently.

Lennon said he has had success with the defense in the past and expects it to work well with the current Saluki roster.

"There are some similarities between the 3-4 and what they were running here before," Lennon said. "It gives you a lot of flexibility so you can adjust to different offenses from week to week."

Offensively, Lennon said he plans to build on what has already been put in place. While the Salukis passed the ball more this season, they have historically been a run-first team. Lennon said he wants to keep the run-pass ratio even to keep defenses confused.

Lennon said he also takes a direct interest with the special teams unit. SIU performed well on special teams last season with multiple blocked kicks, two onside recoveries and a kickoff return for a touchdown. Lennon said he would work directly with the unit, especially the punt team, to get the

"It's kind of eerily similar that coach Kill's standing within southern Illinois mirrors coach Lennon's standing in Grand Forks. We were looking for someone who had been in a smaller town but was a big part of the community."

— Mario Moccia
director of athletics

most out of the transition game.

Recruiting and Coaching Staff

Recruiting may prove to be Lennon's most difficult task this off-season. He has a history of recruiting top talent from the upper Midwest, but the Salukis pipeline has gone through the southern region lately.

The Salukis boast nearly 15 players from Florida and a handful more from Louisiana and Kansas.

Lennon said the prototypical player he will look to bring into the program is a player that is easy to coach and works as hard in the classroom as he does on the field.

"The one thing right now that we're doing is trying to touch base with the top recruits that are still available," Lennon said. "It's really gone very well and right now we have players coming in from basically every direction."

Lennon's coaching staff has yet to take shape but he said he would bring in people he has worked with before. The first official hiring was outside linebackers and defensive line coach Eric Schmidt.

Schmidt held the same position under Lennon at North Dakota and was the captain of the 2001 North Dakota national champion team. Schmidt helped coach the No. 1 pass defense in the North Central Conference last season.

Three other unofficial names that

should be added to the staff include Tom Dosch, Phil Longo and Kyle Schweigert.

The Duluth News Tribune reported the head coach of the Minnesota-Duluth Bulldogs, Schweigert, and the offensive coordinator, Longo, accepted positions at SIU.

Longo is slated to be wide receivers coach after leading the Bulldogs to a second-ranked offense in their conference the past two seasons. Schweigert is poised to become defensive coordinator after serving five years under Lennon at North Dakota in the same position.

Dosch is the former head coach at Jamestown College and accepted an offer to coach inside linebackers, according to Grand Forks Herald. Dosch led Jamestown College to a No. 6 ranking in the NAIA division last season.

Director of Athletics Mario Moccia said Lennon will bring a lot of the same qualities that made Kill a Carbondale icon.

"It's kind of eerily similar that coach Kill's standing within southern Illinois mirrors coach Lennon's standing in Grand Forks," Moccia said. "We were looking for someone who had been in a smaller town but was a big part of the community."

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Senior forward Randal Falker saves a ball during Tuesday night's game against Evansville. Falker was the leading scorer with 16 points, nine rebound, and five assists.

Performance of Falker key in MVC matchup

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Chris Lowery is a firm believer in senior leadership.

That's why, the SIU men's basketball coach said, the Salukis were victorious over

Evansville on Tuesday. Finally the veteran players accepted their roles the way they were expected to months ago.

"There is absolutely nothing different we tried in that game that we haven't done in the past, except act like a mature team," Lowery said. "When things go wrong, older guys have to step up and make sure they don't continue to go wrong."

Now, Lowery wants his seniors to take control of the sub-.500 team as it hosts

Wichita State Saturday at the SIU Arena.

The Salukis (8-9, 3-3 MVC) have a good reputation at home against Missouri Valley Conference schools — compiling a 54-1 record since the 2001-02 season.

After struggling against constant double-team pressure this season, senior Randal Falker had the type of performance Tuesday many expected him to have on a regular basis when he scored 16 points, grabbed nine rebounds and dished out five assists.

Lowery said he was pleased with Falker's performance, which was what he expected of the veteran all season.

"He's our confidence," Lowery said. "As he goes so do we. When he's playing well, it makes it easier for everyone else and I think him realizing that, even this late, is important for us."

Wichita State (8-9, 1-5 MVC) is coming

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Salukis look to make up ground

Two crucial games on tap for Salukis

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While it isn't exactly the ESPN College Gameday treatment, the SIU women's basketball team is getting some time in the regional spotlight this weekend.

The Salukis will take on Drake at 7:30 p.m. Friday at SIU Arena and will return at 2:05 p.m. Sunday to take on Creighton. Friday night's game against the Bulldogs will be televised on Fox Sports Net in a game SIU tabbed as "Pack the Dawg House" night.

Coach Dana Eikenberg said while every game is critical, a loss won't be devastating.

"Obviously two wins would be great, a split would be great, but we're preparing for Drake, the best team in the Valley, and we'll give it our best shot," Eikenberg said. "Our effort in that game is really going to dictate how the rest of the season goes."

The Salukis could use a boost from the fans against the Missouri Valley Conference's No. 1 ranked defense.

Drake returns all five starters from its 2007 MVC Tournament championship squad and was picked for the second-consecutive season to win the MVC.

The Bulldogs (10-4, 3-1 MVC) are led by senior forward Jill Martin on offense. Martin averages 16.9 points and 7.8 rebounds per game.

The Salukis (6-8, 2-2) will attempt to counter Drake's potent defense with a versatile guard of their own.

Senior Jayme Sweere is averaging 13.6 points per game and has recorded more than 360 points in each of her first two



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Senior guard Jayme Sweere passes the ball during the Saluki's 71-55 win against Christian Brothers on Nov. 12. Sweere averages 13.6 points per game as she and the rest of the team take on Drake, which has the first ranked defense in the Missouri Valley Conference.

seasons at SIU.

Sweere said it is great to be home and have a chance to show that the Salukis can still play with the league's best teams.

"They have four people scoring in double figures most nights so it's going to be a matter of shutting down all their weapons," Sweere said.

Sunday's afternoon game against Creighton will play slightly different than the Drake game because of how explosive the Blue Jays are from beyond the arc.

Creighton (9-5, 2-1 MVC) is the MVC's best 3-point shooting team, good for No. 19

in the nation. The Blue Jays average 7.2 3-point baskets per game.

Senior forward Sara Cain averages 10.2 points per game while senior guard Ally Thrall has dished out a team-high 45 assists this season.

Thrall leads the MVC with a 47.3 percent 3-point shooting percentage.

SIU swept both Creighton and Drake during the 2006-07 season.

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Gridiron guru

Lennon brings coaching expertise to Salukis

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The SIU football team can leave its hard hats and lunch pails at home next season.

After seven years at SIU, Jerry Kill took his blue-collar approach to Northern Illinois, opening the door for former University of North Dakota coach Dale Lennon.

Lennon's coaching credentials are top-notch as he compiled a 90-24 record and a national championship over his nine years with the Fighting Sioux. Most impressive to SIU fans could be his road victory over conference foe Northern Iowa in the UNI Dome — a feat SIU has not accomplished since 1983.



Dale Lennon

Since taking the head coach job at SIU, Lennon has stayed busy getting acquainted with the Carbondale community, meeting with players and catching up on recruiting.

Though his schedule is hectic and he is unfamiliar with the team, Lennon said the only thing he knows how to do is win.

"I came from a program that went 10-2 last season and it was considered a disappointment," Lennon said. "I'm pretty used to the high expectations, and for myself, that's the type of situation I was looking for."

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