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Carbondale police officer charged with bank robbery

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A Carbondale police officer and his neighbor were arrested and charged with the armed robbery of First Southern Bank in Carbondale, Jackson County State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec said Thursday.

Carbondale Police Officer James Gaddis and Anthony Fike could face six to 30 years in prison if they are found guilty of the robbery, Wepsiec said. Because a firearm was used, Illinois law requires an additional 15 years be added to their sentences, Wepsiec said.

Both suspects are being held at Jackson County Jail. A preliminary hearing is set for Jan. 30, Wepsiec said.

Gaddis, who has been a patrolman in Carbondale since 2004, has been suspended without pay, said interim Police Chief Jeff Grubbs at a news conference Thursday. Gaddis was not on duty at the time of the robbery.

"Investigations into serious crimes involving a police officer present unique and difficult challenges for a department and the individual officers assigned to investigate them," Grubbs said.

He said the actions of one person should not be taken as a representation of the Police Department.

Gaddis, 26, of Murphysboro, was arrested Wednesday night at



Interim Police Chief Jeff Grubbs, left, announces during a press conference Thursday the arrest of James D. Gaddis, a Carbondale police officer, and Anthony Fike, 35, of Murphysboro, in connection with the Oct. 9 armed robbery of First Southern Bank on Murphysboro Road. State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec, right, said a preliminary hearing is scheduled for Jan. 30. EMILY SUNSHADE DAILY EGYPTIAN

the sheriff's office. Fike, 35, of Murphysboro, turned himself in Thursday, Wepsiec said.

Grubbs said police responded to an alarm at the First Southern Bank, 2500 W. Murphysboro Rd.,

just before 10 a.m. on Oct. 9. Footage shot by the bank's security cameras shows two individuals robbed the bank. One of the suspects held tellers at gunpoint while the second suspect removed at least

\$20,000 from the cash drawers and stuffed it into a backpack.

Some of the money stolen has been recovered, Wepsiec said.

He said he could not confirm whether the black semi-automatic

handgun used during the robbery was issued to Gaddis by the police department. He would not go into detail about motives for the crime.

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Panel considers: Was university wrong to fire Treviño?

University could be forced to pay former chancellor's full salary

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Three people charged with deciding whether the university was wrong to fire former Chancellor Fernando Treviño are expected to reach a conclusion by early spring, university spokesman Dave Gross said Thursday.

The three-person panel is hearing depositions from both sides while it decides whether Treviño should be paid \$290,000 annually until his contract with the university expires in 2010.

SIUC spokesman Rod Stevens said the panel is still in the discovery phase.

Gross said there is no specific timetable for a conclusion but expects the panel to find a resolution by early spring.

What HAPPENED

Former Chancellor Fernando Treviño was hired July 1 after the university spent \$150,000 on a seven-month search for a new chancellor to replace Interim Chancellor John Dunn.

SIUC President Glenn Poshard placed Treviño on administrative leave March 12 after Poshard said "serious concerns" had been expressed relating to Treviño's assigned duties.

Poshard fired Treviño April 11, saying he failed to perform basic job duties.

Treviño argued he should be paid his \$290,000 salary until his contract expires June 30, 2010. The contract stipulates Treviño be paid his salary in full if terminated without just cause.

In May, Treviño was appointed dean of the Robert Stempel School of Public Health at Florida International University.

What's NEW

A three-person panel is hearing depositions to decide if Treviño should receive his full salary from SIUC.

SIUC spokesman Dave Gross said the panel is expected to rule by early spring.

Gross said if the arbitration panel rules in favor of Treviño, SIUC would be required to fulfill its end of his contract, awarding Treviño \$290,000 a year until his contract expires.

Man pleads guilty to Poplar Street hit and run

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MURPHYSBORO — The man accused of striking four pedestrians with his car and fleeing the scene pleaded guilty to a single count of aggravated driving under the influence in Jackson County Court Thursday.

Dalevir Pannu, 21, of Canada, pleaded guilty after 15 of the charges against him, including reckless driving, were dropped. Pannu was arrested Oct. 18 in connection with a hit-and-run incident that injured four pedestrians, leaving two with injuries that required surgery.

Pannu is scheduled to be sentenced 1 p.m. March 13 at the county courthouse.

Pannu pleaded not guilty Nov. 7, but agreed to plead guilty after some of the charges against him were dropped, said Paul Christenson, Pannu's attorney.

State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec filed a motion for Pannu's 16-count prosecution to be changed to one count of aggravated DUI Thursday.

Pannu could face a prison sentence of one to 12 years.

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Former Chancellor Fernando Treviño met with administrators July 2, 2008.

failing to perform basic job duties. A three-person panel in charge of ruling in Treviño's wrongful termination case is expected to find a resolution by early spring, SIUC spokesman Dave Gross said.

USG looks to take on students' parking problems

Students seek cooperation for lower fines

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Undergraduate Student Government senators want to review some university parking policies that they say are unfair to students.

Steve Turner, the organization's chief of staff, said one of the biggest frustrations for students is the campus' parking situation and fines that accompany parking in a wrong space.

Turner said he believes the best way to make change is to work with the SIUC Parking Division, not fight it.

"We need cooperation more than anything," Turner said. "As long as we don't fight it and work with what we have, it will be easier to get to what we want."

Turner said one of the biggest complaints he receives about parking at the university is the cost of decals, which range from \$50 for a red decal to \$190 for a Reserve Wall and Grand decal when the decals are purchased at the beginning of the fall semester. Yellow stickers are free to students and faculty.

The Parking Division made \$664,016 from decals last year.

Brian Mager, director of the parking division, said students must purchase decals because the university receives no state money for construction, maintenance,

renovation or repairs on campus streets.

"The university has to come up with a way to fund that activity," Mager said.

But Mager said the parking division is always looking into making improvements for faculty and students.

Mager said lot 6A was recently opened in the front of Morris Library, which added 28 new parking spaces for students with red decals from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and students with any decal from 4 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Turner said most students he talks to still believe there should be more parking spots available. And while Turner said he would like to lobby for more parking spots, he did not think the parking division would create more.

"Of course we're trying to get more parking and that's my ultimate goal, but I'm trying to be realistic," Turner said.

Instead, Turner said he would work with the parking division to lower parking fines.

Between July 2007 and July 2008, the university raised \$732,825 from traffic citations. Turner said he believes those fines are too high.

SIUC Police Chief Todd Sigler said the fines are necessary.

"The primary reason the fines are assessed to the point that they are is that when they were lower it didn't seem to have much of an effect on violators," Sigler said.



A faculty parking lot remains less than half full, despite waiting lines in other parking lots. Steve Turner, Undergraduate Student Government chief of staff, is leading an effort to find solutions to parking problems on campus.

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Sigler said the Traffic and Parking Committee, which includes representatives from USG, approve parking rules and regulations.

Turner said the committee in

charge of working with the parking division would focus on cooperation instead of demands.

"We want to meet with (the parking division); we're going

to meet with them," Turner said. "It's not complaining that we're mad. We're just asking them to take it a little easier. It takes time to change."

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Pilot lands plane in frigid river; all survive

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THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — A U.S. Airways pilot guided his jetliner into the frigid Hudson River after a flock of birds knocked out both its engines just after takeoff Thursday, and all 155 people on board were pulled to safety as the plane slowly sank.

"We had a miracle on 34th Street. I believe now we have had a miracle on the Hudson," Gov. David Paterson said.

One victim suffered two broken legs, a paramedic said, but there were no other reports of serious injuries.

The plane, an Airbus A320 that had taken off minutes earlier from LaGuardia Airport bound for Charlotte, N.C., was submerged up to its windows in the river when rescuers arrived in Coast Guard vessels and ferries. Some passengers waited in water up to their knees, standing on the wing of the plane for help.

Police divers had to rescue some of the passengers from underwater. Mayor Michael Bloomberg said. Among those on board was one infant who appeared to be fine, the mayor said.

Helen Rodriguez, a paramedic who was among the first to arrive at the scene, said she saw one woman with two broken legs. Fire officials said others were evaluated for hypothermia, bruises and other minor injuries.

The crash took place on a 20-degree day, one of the coldest of the season in New York. State environmental officials estimated the water was 41 degrees.

"It would appear that the pilot did a masterful job of landing the plane in the river, and then making sure everybody got out," Bloomberg said.



ROBERT LAHSEY | McCLATCHY TRIBUNE

Nelson List kisses his wife Sandy List in the baggage area at Charlotte Douglas International Airport Thursday in Charlotte, N.C. Sandy arrived in Charlotte on U.S. Airways flight out of Newark she is a Bank of America employee working in New York on the Merrill Lynch transition and has co-workers that were aboard U.S. Airways flight 1549 that crashed into the Hudson River.

Passenger Jeff Kolodjay of Norwalk, Conn., said he heard a single explosion two or three minutes into the flight. He said looked out the left side of the plane and saw one of the engines on fire.

"The captain said, 'Brace for impact because we're going down,'" Kolodjay said. He added: "It was intense. It was intense. You've got to give it to the pilot. He made a hell of a landing."

Witnesses said the plane's pilot appeared to guide the plane down. Bob Read, a television producer who saw the crash from his office window, said it appeared to be a "controlled descent."

Paramedics treated at least 78 patients, fire officials said. Coast Guard boats rescued 35 people who were immersed in the frigid water and ferried them to shore. Some of the rescued were shivering and

wrapped in white blankets, their feet and legs soaked.

U.S. Airways Flight 1549 took off at 3:26 p.m. It was less than a minute later when the pilot reported a "double bird strike" and said he needed to return to LaGuardia, said Doug Church, a spokesman for the National Air Traffic Controllers Union. He said the controller told the pilot to divert to an airport in nearby Teterboro, N.J.

Congress clears way for second half of bailout

David Espo
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Congress laid the foundation for President-elect Barack Obama's economic recovery plan on Thursday with remarkable speed, clearing the way for a new infusion of bailout cash for the financial industry while majority Democrats proposed spending increases and tax cuts totaling a whopping \$825 billion.

Two days after Obama personally lobbied for release of \$350 billion in bailout funds, the Senate narrowly turned aside a bid to block the money.

Across the Capitol, Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif. said, "Immediate job creation and then continuing job creation" were the twin goals of the separate stimulus legislation. It recommends tax cuts for businesses and individuals while pouring billions into areas such as health care, education, energy and highway construction.

She and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., have pledged to have the economic stimulus bill ready for Obama's signature by mid-February.

Both houses debated Obama's call to release another \$350 billion from the financial bailout package, but the Senate vote was the triumph he had sought. Despite bipartisan anger over the Bush administration's handling of the program to date, Democratic allies of the incoming president prevailed on a 52-42 roll call.

The vote followed a commitment by Obama to use as much as \$100 billion of the funds to help homeowners facing foreclosure proceedings.

The money will be available in less than two weeks, at a time when there is fresh evidence of shakiness among banks.

The 44th president-to-be was at his transition office across town from the Capitol — and President Bush relegated to the role of virtual onlooker — as events played out at the dawn of a new Democratic era in government.

Obama has called for swift and bold action to confront an economic debacle unrivaled since the Great Depression.

The president-elect, who travels to hand his economic program, also announced he would convene a "fiscal responsibility summit" in February to focus on long-term problems with the economy and the skyrocketing costs of benefit programs such as Social Security and Medicare. "We've kicked this can down the road and now we are at the end of the road," he said in a Washington Post interview posted on the newspaper's Web site.

In remarks on the Senate floor, Reid called the vote a victory for Obama, whom he said exhibited courage by seeking release of the money. "This was a test of leadership at a time when leadership is desperately needed," he said.

CIA director: Harsh interrogations worked

Pamela Hess
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — CIA Director Michael Hayden strenuously defended the effectiveness of the CIA's harsh interrogation techniques Thursday, only moments after Attorney General-designate Eric Holder said the use of waterboarding was torture.

Though U.S. officials say interrogators have not engaged in waterboarding in the past five years, Hayden said the coercive techniques and other harsh tactics were useful in the war on terror.

"These techniques worked," said Hayden, who is due to be replaced by Leon Panetta as President-elect Obama's CIA director.

According to Hayden, the CIA held and interrogated fewer than 100 detainees at secret detention sites. Of those, a third were subjected to harsh techniques. Three of them, he acknowledged, were waterboarded.

"I am convinced that the pro-

gram got the maximum amount of information, particularly out of that first generation of detainees. The Abu Zubaydah, the Khalid Sheikh Muhammeds," Hayden said referring to two al-Qaida operatives who were detained and questioned with harsh techniques. "I just can't conceive of any other way, given their character, given their commitment to what it is they do."

Whether waterboarding is torture is "an uninteresting question for the CIA," Hayden told reporters at CIA headquarters Thursday. "We don't do that. We haven't done it since March 2003 and we have no intent to do it."

Hayden banned waterboarding from CIA interrogations in 2006. He has acknowledged that the agency used the technique, a form of simulated drowning, on three prisoners in 2002 and 2003.

It was just one of the CIA's so-called enhanced interrogation techniques approved by the White House and Justice Department

after the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks for questioning alleged terrorists who the administration feared were plotting a follow-up attack.

"The agency did none of this out of enthusiasm," Hayden said. "It did it out of duty and it did it with the best legal advice it had."

Holder's opinion that waterboarding is torture complicates an already complex legal environment for U.S. prosecutions of alleged terrorists.

The top official overseeing the military commissions set up by the Bush administration to prosecute them told The Washington Post this week that she decided not to send to trial the case of a detainee being held at the U.S. naval prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, because she believed he was tortured by a combination of harsh, albeit approved, techniques by his U.S. military captors.

Aides to President-elect Barack Obama say he intends to rein in CIA interrogations

and detainee operations.

Hayden said he was "very heartened" by Obama's statements that he is "looking forward" rather than backward when it comes to the CIA's more controversial programs, interpreting that to mean there will not be an effort in the new administration to find and punish CIA officers who carried out those programs.

Hayden said Thursday that everything the CIA did was legal and approved by the Justice Department.

He warned that any effort to hold agency employees accountable, retroactively, for President George W. Bush's legally sanctioned intelligence programs could severely damage future intelligence gathering.

"We are asked to do things routinely that no one else is asked to do, that no one else is allowed to do," Hayden said. "You can't do this to these people."

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UNITED STATES

Bush to defend tenure in farewell address, arguing that he acted in best interests of nation

WASHINGTON — Reflecting on two tumultuous terms in the White House, President George W. Bush defended his tenure in a farewell address Thursday, arguing that he followed his conscience and always acted in the best interests of the nation.

"You may not agree with some tough decisions I have made, but I hope you can agree that I was willing to make the tough decisions," Bush said, according to excerpts of his prime-time speech released in advance by the White House.

UNITED STATES

Burns takes oath of office as Obama Senate successor, puts Blagojevich controversy behind him

WASHINGTON — Roland Burns took his place as Barack Obama's successor in the Senate on Thursday, ending a standoff that embarrassed the president-elect and fellow Democrats who initially resisted the appointment by scandal-scattered Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

"I do," Burns said with a grin as Vice President Dick Cheney administered the oath of office to the former Illinois attorney general who takes Obama's place as the Senate's only black member.

UNITED STATES

CIA chief: Al-Qaida's hands tied in Pakistan; Iran may be nearing nuclear decision point

WASHINGTON — The CIA has hampered al-Qaida's free rein in the tribal region of western Pakistan, and Iran appears to be nearing a decision on whether to build a nuclear warhead, departing CIA chief Michael Hayden said Thursday.

"The great danger was that the border region between Pakistan and Afghanistan was a safe haven. My belief is that it is neither safe nor a haven," Hayden said at the agency's headquarters in Langley, Va., in what probably was his final briefing for reporters.

GAZA STRIP

Israeli shells hit UN headquarters in Gaza Strip; airstrike kills top Hamas figure

GAZA CITY — Israeli artillery shells struck the U.N. headquarters in the Gaza Strip on Thursday, setting a food warehouse ablaze and drawing a sharp rebuke from the visiting U.N. chief who called it an outrage. Another Israeli bombardment killed Hamas' head of security.

The attack added to a day of deadly chaos pitting Israeli troops against Islamic militants. Terrified residents huddled in shelters and stairwells, or scooped up toddlers and fled on foot.

Get in with Ord: Gentlemen wear gloves

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Editor's note: Last semester, Pulse reporter Aubra Ord explored a series of recreation opportunities on campus and around southern Illinois. The following is sister Genna Ord's continuation of the column, which will appear on Fridays throughout the semester.

The buzzer sounds and the opponent approaches, gloves raised beneath his chin in the defensive position. Your adrenaline rush has given you confidence; before he can strike, you throw out a wide left hook. Unfortunately, you are too slow. He dodges your swinging fist and releases a one-two punch that catches you on the nose.

It is a common scenario for members of the university's boxing club. It activated last spring and now has approximately 15 members, said club president Jim Miller.

The club meets at 8:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 5:00 p.m. Saturdays in the martial arts room of the Recreation Center.

Miller, a junior from Elgin studying political science, is not new to the sport. He boxed a few years before joining the Navy, where the sport was something of a pastime, he said.

"It's a great workout and a great stress reliever," Miller said.

Rob Slothower, the club's treasurer, said he too believes boxing is an excellent workout as well as a way to work off negative feelings.

A sophomore from Rockford



Chandler Lindsey, a freshman from Mundelein, Illinois, takes a break after sparring during the boxing club's Wednesday at the Recreation Center. "Boxing is definitely a great sport," said club president Jim Miller.

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studying aviation management, Slothower has been a member of the club since last spring. He said sparring, where two boxers face each other for 2-minute increments, is his favorite part.

"It's like sprinting and hitting a punching bag at the same time," he said. "It's a lot harder than you'd think it is."

Before they spar, the club members warm up with several stations of different activities. Members spend two minutes at each station, prepping themselves with

exercises like jumping rope, jogging with weights, boxing the punching bag or tossing a medicine ball.

Afterward, it is time to slip athletic tape-wrapped hands into gloves, place in a mouth guard and don the padded headgear, which is the difference between professionals and amateurs in the sport.

Sparring is a lot harder than boxing games on the Nintendo Wii, Slothower said. Rounds rarely end with a knockout and determining a winner is based on several criteria.

"The winner is usually the

one that's more busy, the one that protects the most and is more aggressive," he said.

This spring, club members will get the chance to watch a winner emerge from the Golden Gloves competition in Chicago, which will be held in March. A few of them, such as Mitch Williams, the club's head trainer, hope to compete.

Williams, a junior from Rockford studying urban forest management, began boxing five years ago. Being good at the sport, he said, takes a mix of training and natural ability.

Williams said the sport has taught him self-discipline and how to stay focused on a goal, and one of his favorite aspects is the individual nature of boxing.

"It's not a team sport," he said. "You're not dependent on other people. You take all the risk and get all the reward."

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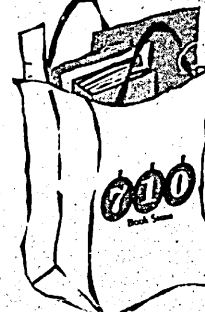
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WHAT THE HEALTH IS GOING ON?

Saluting students 2008-2009

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With the arrival of a new year, many students resolve to exercise more, manage their time better, eat healthier, or improve themselves somehow. While it is useful to set intentions and goals at the beginning of a semester, it is also important to take inventory of our strengths along with those areas to change.

For example, at SIUC there are many students and student groups already working to make the campus a better place. These student-driven groups deserve a shout-out, as they have committed to positive health efforts for all of us. The groups mentioned here, as being associated with wellness are a few that exist on campus and volunteer their time to help.

Take Ten Progressive Masculinities Mentors is a group of mentalmaking active roles to address violence. Through the Wellness

Center's Derrick Williams, these male college students get together weekly to learn and implement 10 steps that focus on men's roles in ending violence. Issues such as sexual assault and domestic violence are not just "women's issues" but also affect men; men can play a big part in changing these problems. These men support by mentoring to other men.

Project Ignition is a student organization that promotes better living through safer driving. Built on several students' experience of losing friends to driving accidents, this group promotes driving safety. The group has sponsored Designated Driver cards, available at the Wellness Center, which can be used at local eating and drinking establishments to get free soda if you are the designated driver.

Hammered is a new student group focused on getting together for purely social, fun events that do not involve alcohol. The group arranges movies, games or other activities, but without alcohol or other drugs. Being creative about things to do other than drink is Hammered's specialty, and they

are open to new people who would like to create friendships not centered on substances.

Each of these student groups should be credited for reaching out to create change, instead of sitting back feeling as though there is "nothing I can do about it." You may have known someone who was involved in a violent attack, someone who was badly hurt or killed in a car accident, or someone who wants to avoid alcohol. Rather than feeling helpless about violence, driving safety or alcohol issues you can contribute to new and better cultures; these groups are open to anyone interested.

Whether you participate in social change projects, each of you have accomplishments of your own to celebrate. As you resolve to better yourself in 2009, try to remind yourself of your strengths and not just focus on your weaker areas. Part of being truly "well" is to appreciate your own individual qualities as you are now.

Barb Elam is the interim assistant director of the Wellness Center and Sports Management Coordinator.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Oh, how the mighty have fallen

DEAR EDITOR:

The harsh reality of the bailout, or Troubled Assets Relief Program, is that party lines can be crossed even by the great George W. Bush administration. TARP is the billion-dollar bailout for the nation's companies. This plan would allow for the government to put money in the stock of companies who have lost money in the economic downturn. He has quietly agreed and has given his consent on this plan. The irony of this action is great. This is a man who stood on gaining power by ultimatum and grabbing the public by their emotions, instead of by their reason. He divided the country by saying if people did not entirely agree with him they were terrorists and boldly declaring nations as terrorist countries. This is the man who in eight years in office has brought the United States to new lows in almost every aspect of the country. He is now working with the group he has alienated with great passion in the eight years before. The hope and the prayer is that the extreme Republicans will in the next four years follow suit, and look to reason instead of fantasy to further their political goals.

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EDITORIAL CARTOON



Carbondale church leaders react to recession

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As churches and non-profit groups across the nation struggle to make ends meet, some local churches have taken precautionary measures to lessen the effects of the recession.

When the stock market began to plummet this fall, Vine Community Church's congregation felt the strain for several weeks, Lead Pastor Sandor Paull said.

"We did see a decrease (in contributions)," Paull said. "I just kind of talked to people and said, 'Wait, we trust God. We're going to be OK.'"

He said the church recovered, but the effect on the region may be delayed. Friends at churches in other areas and states have been more heavily effected, he said.

"Their giving is down, some of them up to a quarter," he said.

Skiler Taylor, a graphic designer at the church, said people have trouble trusting they will have enough money next year and are therefore predisposed to give conservatively.

"In some ways, it seems like it hasn't completely lit here yet," Taylor said. "Anticipating that people will feel that crunch, we've definitely pulled back on some of the stuff we're doing as far as updating offices and things like that."

Paull said the church's heavy growth rate has protected it somewhat.

First Baptist Church's Senior Pastor Randy Johnson said its generous congregation has kept the church safe as well.

They are in the process of building new facilities, which are scheduled for completion at the end of March, he said.

"We made the commitment to do it before the recession set in," Johnson said. "The challenge was put on the congregation to give and give liberally and to trust God to give us the growth which was necessary to continue it."

He said selling the old facility, next to Carbondale Memorial Hospital, paid for roughly one-third of the new church.

The Church of the Good Shepherd has not been as fortunate, said interim Pastor Sam Foskey. He said the church was struggling before the recession hit.

"A lot of non-profits and churches are struggling right now," Foskey said. "We're a small congregation, so we don't have a lot of monetary receipts."

He said the impact has not been severe, but he and Paull expressed concern for the future.

First United Methodist Church Pastor John Annable is not as worried. He said national studies have shown people in recessions are sometimes more likely to give to churches and non-profit organizations.

"At this point, it is too early to tell,"



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A metal box for offerings and registration hangs on the wall near the main entrance of Vine Community Church Thursday. Some of the churches in Carbondale are struggling from a decline in donations. "We did see a decrease (in contributions)," Lead Pastor Sandor Paull said. "I just kind of talked to people and said, 'Wait, we trust God. We're going to be OK.'"

Annable said. "I think if it were to last another year or so, I think we could see the effects."

He said the church spends conservatively so it has not taken any precautionary measures to save money.

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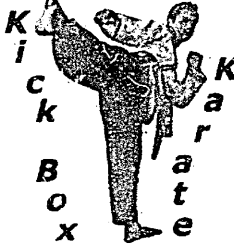
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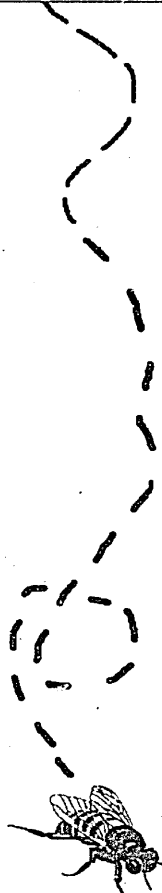


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SIU gets back on track

Mohamed and the track and field team to return to competition

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While everyone else is asking the winter layers, Mohamed Mohamed is ripping off his reddish.

After being redshirted during the cross-country season because of a fractured heel bone, the former NCAA national qualifier will compete for the first time in 2009 at the SASF Invitational, which starts at 4 p.m. Friday. Head coach Connie Price-Smith said Mohamed, as well as the rest of the team, will look to get up to speed as the Salukis host 11 teams and nearly 500 athletes for the unscored meet at the Recreation Center.

"This is our first meet back from break so... hopefully they'll be at the same level they were then and not have lost too much over break," Price-Smith said.

"The team had no official training during its month off."

"I did my training when I went

home," said senior jumper Bianca Stuart. "Hopefully everybody else did some kind of training. I know the cold up here forced them not to practice how they wanted."

Besides Mohamed, Stuart said distance runner Jeff Schimer and sprinter Sammy Biggs and Stevie Warren were some of the athletes poised for a successful season.

Stuart is the only returning athlete from last season's NCAA National qualifying trio, which included world record holder Brittany Riley. Stuart has already previously qualified for the national meet in long jump, but is hoping to better her mark Friday to earn the automatic bid to nationals. Stuart said other Salukis might make the trip with her this season.

"Hopefully we can get more people to qualify. It's scattered all over. We have potential everywhere," she said.

"Twenty-eight of the team's 109 athletes are freshmen, but Price-Smith still has high hopes for the young team."

"They'll actually do better than they probably did in the December meet, just because (then) they're really nervous," Price-Smith said. "They've got one under their belt, they're ready to come back."

Kyle Kirchner, a sophomore distance runner, said if the team did what it was supposed to do during break, this weekend would be just like any other meet.

"We're really not focusing on it. It's more of (conference) two months down the road," Kirchner said. "It's just to shake out our legs more or less."

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Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Work interferes with your plans to escape early and go out and play. Can you get someone to cover for you? Ask a person who can do the work but doesn't have your talent.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — You have a natural talent regarding communications. You're especially persuasive, charming and witty right now. Talk your sweetheart into doing something different, but not expensive.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — Respectfully turn down an enthusiastic person's invitation if you don't feel up to it. He or she will appreciate your honesty. Ask for a rain check.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 7 — Somebody makes a suggestion you'd really like to try. But will it work in your situation? Better check that out before you spend very much money. It might not.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 8 — There is money coming in. Don't spend it all in one place. Lottery tickets, for example, are not a wise purchase now. Minimize your risks as much as you possibly can.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — Unfortunately, there's still a job to be done that you can't ignore. Give it your full attention and be done with it once and for all. Avoid it and it will keep on bugging you.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Paperwork you've been avoiding is staring you down. Better find out what's in there before you dump it all in recycling. There might be something you need, like a check.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — Gather up goodies while you can; this chance won't last forever. Other expenses are coming soon, and your budget will be strained again. No wasting or frivolous buys.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — You may have the best ideas and be ready to take action. You don't have the authority, though, and therein lies the rub. Be nice, if possible.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — You're under pressure to take action. Is that really the best option? You're not convinced, and you're right. Wait on that move until next week.

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Smith started the game for the Salukis, a game after coming off the bench during SIU's loss on Sunday at Northern Iowa. In 39 minutes of action, Smith tallied nine points on 3-of-10 shooting with three rebounds and three assists. In the last three games, Smith averaged 6.3 points per game and shot 31.6 percent from the floor.

"Right now I'm just trying to do the little things that our team needs, you know, whether that's playing defense or getting to the rim," Smith said. "I'm just trying to be valuable to my team."

While Smith returned to the Salukis' starting lineup, senior forward Jaimee Gibson had her worst game statistically of the season with just six points and five rebounds.

Eikenberg said the Salukis would need Gibson to return to form Saturday

against Drake (9-7, 3-2 MVC).

The Bulldogs are on a three-game winning streak, defeating Evansville Thursday 62-61.

Drake sophomore guard Kristin Turk leads the team with 13.1 points per game.

The Bulldogs' games are typically the lowest scoring contests in the MVC, as Drake averages 59.5 points per game and holds its opponents to an average of 57.9 points per game. The Bulldogs' offense ranks second to last in the conference while their scoring defense ranks first.

SIU has scheduled "Pack the House" day for the game, hoping to draw a larger crowd than usual for the game.

"Hopefully they'll come out and celebrate women's history, some of the greats that have been here before," Eikenberg said. "But we'd love to have a crowd, that would obviously help, but again, that's not going to be the difference of whether we win or lose."

SWIMMING

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Freshman Matt Parsons was victorious in the 1000-yard freestyle while senior Dennis Hedo finished first in the men's 100 and 200-yard freestyle. Sophomore Anthony Bousquet earned a victory for the team in the 50-yard freestyle.

Hedo and Bousquet teamed with freshman Matt Kruse and junior Tim

Silkaitis to win the men's 400-yard freestyle relay.

While Walker said the quality effort put forth by both teams is good for the short term, SIU will continue to keep its focus on each individual meet until conference championship season. He added that while conference championship season differs from a regular season dual meet, the Salukis could still use the meet as a measuring stick for future competitions.

"A conference championship is totally different, but if (the Bears) are good enough to win conference they're a pretty darn good team," Walker said. "If we can beat them, obviously that says we're doing well too. It was one meet, now on to the next."

"We'll keep our focus straight ahead. If we look back we'll trip and you know you're liable to trip over your own feet."

BRADLEY

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Bradley ranks ninth in scoring defense as it holds opponents to 66.5 points per game. The Braves weakness has been on the defensive end all season, allowing

at least 73 points six times this season.

SIU has scored at least 70 points in each of its last three games as its offense has found some consistency since adding Dillard to the starting lineup and the defections of Torres Roundtree

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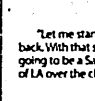
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Smith started the game for the Salukis, a game after coming off the bench during SIU's loss on Sunday at Northern Iowa. In 39 minutes of action, Smith tallied nine points on 3-of-10 shooting with three rebounds and three assists. In the last three games, Smith averaged 6.3 points per game and shot 31.6 percent from the floor.

"Right now I'm just trying to do the little things that our team needs, you know, whether that's playing defense or getting to the rim," Smith said. "I'm just trying to be valuable to my team."

While Smith returned to the Salukis' starting lineup, senior forward Jasmine Gibson had her worst game statistically of the season with just six points and five rebounds.

Eikenberg said the Salukis would need Gibson to return to form Saturday

against Drake (9-7, 3-2 MVC).

The Bulldogs are on a three-game winning streak, defeating Evansville Thursday 62-61.

Drake sophomore guard Kristin Turk leads the team with 13.1 points per game.

The Bulldogs' games are typically the lowest scoring contests in the MVC, as Drake averages 59.5 points per game and holds its opponents to an average of 57.9 points per game. The Bulldogs' offense ranks second to last in the conference while their scoring defense ranks first.

SIU has scheduled "Pack the House" day for the game, hoping to draw a larger crowd than usual for the game.

"Hopefully they'll come out and celebrate women's history, some of the greats that have been here before," Eikenberg said. "But we'd love to have a crowd, that would obviously help, but again, that's not going to be the difference of whether we win or lose."

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Freshman Matt Parsons was victorious in the 1000-yard freestyle while senior Dennis Hedo finished first in the men's 100 and 200-yard freestyle. Sophomore Anthony Bousquet earned a victory for the team in the 50-yard freestyle.

Hedo and Bousquet trained with freshman Matt Kruse and junior Tim

Silkaitis to win the men's 400-yard freestyle relay.

While Walker said the quality effort put forth by both teams is good for the short term, SIU will continue to keep its focus on each individual meet until conference championship season. He added that while conference championship season differs from a regular season dual meet, the Salukis could still use the meet as a measuring stick for future competitions.

"A conference championship is totally different, but if (the Bears) are good enough to win conference they're a pretty darn good team," Walker said. "If we can beat them, obviously that says we're doing well too. It was one meet, now on to the next."

"We'll keep our focus straight ahead. If we look back we'll trip and you know you're liable to trip over your own feet."

BRADLEY

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Bradley ranks ninth in scoring defense as it holds opponents to 66.5 points per game. The Braves weakness has been on the defensive end all season, allowing

at least 73 points six times this season.

SIU has scored at least 70 points in each of its last three games as its offense has found some consistency since adding Dillard to the starting lineup and the defections of Torres Roundtree

and Christian Cornelius.

The Salukis have already shown they can overcome the loss of teammates midseason, but Sunday's game will go a long way in determining whether or not they can persevere and rebound from a disheartening loss.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

SIU loses defensive struggle

Saluki 3-point shooting slumps in second half

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SIU women's basketball coach Dana Eikenberg said the book is out on the Salukis and the team will have to improve its mental toughness and make adjustments after its latest loss.

The Salukis lost to Creighton 55-43 Thursday in a game that had three lead changes and seven ties. SIU (4-9, 0-4 Missouri Valley Conference) pulled to within seven points with 5 minutes, 37 seconds to play, but ultimately could not close the gap, extending its losing streak to five.

Eikenberg said the team's defense played well, but a lot of missed layups by SIU were itsryptonite and the reason the Salukis shot 34.7 percent in the game.

"You got to make a commitment to being better as a team, and if we make that then you'll probably see a little bit better percentage in the field goal," Eikenberg said.

The second half started slower than the first with the Salukis scoring only three points in the first five minutes. The Bluejays also had a long scoring drought, not scoring until 6:50 had ticked off the clock in the second half. Then 29 seconds later, Creighton junior guard Chevelle Herring hit a 3-pointer to give the lead back to the Bluejays at 31-29.



Herring's three was part of a 13-2 run for Creighton that spanned 3:29 of the second half, which the Salukis could not recover from as they shot

6-for-24 in the second half. "We drew up four or five plays that made a great shot, missed the layup," Eikenberg said. "I'm kind of

out of creative juices, so we got to make the buckets."

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Sophomore forward Adrienne Griffith drives between Creighton's Chevelle Herring, right, and Kristina Voss, left, during Thursday's home matchup. The Salukis lost 55-43 to the Bluejays.

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SIU looks to avenge December loss to Bradley

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When the SIU men's basketball team runs onto the SIU Arena court Sunday, it will be greeted to a sea of white-clad supporters cheering, chanting and singing "Go Southern Go."

The Salukis hope the "White Out" game against Missouri Valley Conference rival Bradley will end better than the "White Out" they experienced in Omaha, Neb., which resulted in an overtime loss.

SIU (7-10, 2-4 MVC) will only go as far as its highly touted freshman class will take it, and Wednesday against Creighton, it almost carried the short-handed Salukis to victory. Freshman guard Kevin Dillard, who averages 17.8 points per game against Valley foes and is the team's leading scorer overall, dropped 21 points on 7-for-11 shooting, including 18 second-half points.

His two free throws with 10.4 seconds remaining in regulation gave SIU a three-point lead. But his heroics were not enough as he fouled Bluejays guard Caveil Witter during a 3-point attempt with 3.3 seconds remaining in the game.

It was a freshman mistake that turned what would have been a key road win against a strong conference opponent into an overtime thriller. Then, his turnover late in overtime helped spark Creighton's game-winning rally.

Dillard and the Salukis will look to rebound from Wednesday's loss and avenge an earlier loss to Bradley (11-6, 5-1 MVC) in the process.

SWIMMING

Salukis split dual meet against Missouri State

SIU women top Missouri State, but men fall

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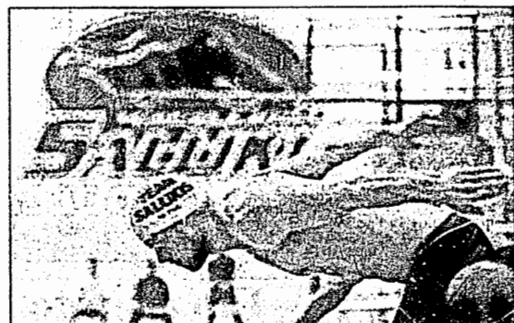
The SIU women's swimming and diving team defeated Missouri State, avenging a pair of losses at the hands of its rival last season.

The Salukis outscored the Bears 126-117 and racked up nine event victories en route to a well earned win. The Saluki men won five events, but it was not enough to top the Bears' men's team, which outscored the Salukis 127-116 during Thursday's meet at the Recreation Center.

SIU head coach Rick Walker said he was happy with the effort put forth by his team against last season's Missouri Valley Conference and Sun Belt Conference championship squads.

"You go up against a Missouri State conference champion last year and beat them head-to-head and there's times I look back at that and say, how did they do that?" Walker said. "They raced and did it together. I'm very proud of both teams."

The meet was the team's first



Junior Jameson Kuper dives off the board during Thursday's meet against Missouri State at the Edward J. Shea Natatorium. The Saluki women won 126-117 while the men lost 127-116.

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competition since wrapping up action at the Missouri Invitational Dec. 7. SIU followed the three-day meet with a 12-day training trip to Puerto Rico. A trip Walker said paid off against the Bears and will pay off in the long run as well.

Seniors Kelly Dvorak and Emily Duerlinger teamed with sophomore Marcela Teixeira and junior Kassy Fernandez to pick up the win in the women's 400-yard medley relay. Duerlinger, senior teammate Isabel Madera and juniors Therese Mattsson and Tovah Gasparovich

teamed to win the 400-yard freestyle relay late in the meet.

Madera also picked up an individual win in the 100 and 200-yard freestyle and Mattsson won the 50-yard freestyle as well.

Junior diver Emily Gable swept the women's diving events, earning the top finish in the one and three-meter events. Freshman Justin Ruszkowski won the men's three-meter diving event and finished second to Eric DuCourneau of Missouri State in the men's one-meter dive.

Ruszkowski's victory was one of five event victories for the men. Despite falling short of victory by 11 points, Walker said he was pleased with the men's performance.

"The guys' loss is not due to their effort; it's nobody to blame for where they are in training," Walker said. "We somewhat knew (the meet) was going to be difficult to win... but we won some events they should have owned and we took it away."

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SIU swimming seems to have a bright future.

The Braves, who beat the Salukis 79-63 on Dec. 28 in Peoria, are tied for first place in the MVC with Northern Iowa and will be looking to extend its lead in the standings with a win at the SIU Arena.

A feat the team has not accomplished since 2001.

The leaders of the Valley feature a trio of dynamic scorers, led by forward Theron Wilson, Wilson averages 13.8 points and 6.9 rebounds per game and is one of three Braves who averages at least 10 points per game. Add guard Chris Roberts and his 9.1 points per game and the Saluki defense will likely have its hands full.

And while the Saluki defense will try to contain an offense that almost scored 80 points in its previous meeting, the Braves defense might also need to focus on making some key defensive stops if it wants to secure a road victory.

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