Morris Library anticipates return of books from storage

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Daily Egyptian

Morris Library will soon have its books back. The library moved a majority of the system's books to storage facilities since renovations were made three years ago, and the books have been stored ever since. However, the chancellor told staff members she is making the move a priority and has begun planning for it, said Susan Tolk, the associate dean for Information Services at the library.

Chancellor Rita Cheng said the project will be finished in less than one year.

Cheng said preparations for the move have already started, and in-house staff will be responsible for the move.

David Carlson, dean of libraries, said it is important for the university to have easy access to high quality information in whatever format is convenient.

In 2005, a $56.7 million renovation, the largest in university history, began in Morris Library to update the building’s facade, elevators, ventilation and storage space. During the renovation, a majority of the books were stored in the McClafferty Annex. The sixth and seventh floors, along with the basement, are where the majority of the library’s books are stored.

After the re-opening of the library April 18, 2009, the library waited for the completion of the sixth and seventh floors. The cost of setting up shelves and moving the books caused the transfer to be put on hold. Only the basement has been completed since the renovations ended.

Carlson said the move hasn’t happened yet because of a lack of money and the complexity of the project. He said the library had to hire a consultant to coordinate the move, and students and other workers to shift the books, shelves, boxes and transport them.

There are about two and a half million books that need to be moved from McClafferty in a way where the books can be easily found and be kept safe during the move, he said. He said there are about 31 miles of shelving at McClafferty alone, giving an idea of how big the project is.

The move would cost roughly $1.2 million to move the shelving and around $400,000 to move the books themselves, Carlson said. He said the transport will require disassembling the shelving, removing the books, putting them somewhere, disassembling the shelving at McClafferty, transporting and assembling the shelving to Morris, and then taking those books and putting them on the assembled shelving. This process will have to be repeated until the move is completed.

The library has hired William Overson, a consultant with expertise in bookstore, to lead the move.

Overson said he is using plans set up during the move out of Morris Library to help move the books back. He said the project would require the movement of books and shelves from all different storage areas and said most books in storage will not be occupying the same shelves once they return to Morris.

He said he estimates moving the books alone will take roughly 10,000 man hours, and at least double will be required for the shelving. He said he will be looking for students for most of his work force.

“McClafferty represents for us our primary building for expansion and storage. With our move out of McClafferty and without access to floors six and seven, we have lost any meaningful storage space for the collections,” Carlson said. “We do have space for the books we have today, and we’ll have space for the books we’ll buy over the next year or two, but after that, we are essentially going to have a book storage crisis on campus unless something is done and as a result of us moving out of McClafferty.”

Another concern is two of the storage areas are in horrible shape, he said, raising recent mold problems to affect thousands of books. Although the books have been taken care of this time, Carlson said he worries about more problems it may cause. He said the storage facility on Marion Street has caused the most trouble and is in the worst condition. Carlson said those buildings were only intended for short-term storage.

The accessibility of books has been varied in the eyes of students.

Sandra Robinson, a doctoral student in mass communication and media arts from Manhattan, Kan., said when she first used the library, she was shocked so many of the books were located somewhere else.

“I have learned to look for the materials I need in advance so I can request items from McClafferty without panicking over what I need to do,” Robinson said.

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Graduate council votes for fee decrease

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Daily Egyptian

Despite the administration’s decision to increase student fees, the Graduate and Professional Student Council has proposed another plan: a $500 fee decrease.

In response to a proposed increase in student fees beginning this fall, a motion to approve an alternate fees proposal to university officials passed at the council’s meeting Tuesday night. In support of the GPC’s proposal, the Undergraduate Student Government President Spencer Tribble said the senators supported. The GPC voted to increase even more than the university’s proposal by $5, to make it a $550 fee, but the council recommended the Board of Trustees look for an extended coverage option.

However, the groups showed opposition toward many of the other fees.

“We are doing the alternate fees proposal, despite what the chancellor told us about keeping them in control,” Bloom said after Cheng’s discussion of the fees.

The proposal to reduce student fees by $500 is more of a negotiating tool, Bloom said, because he said he doesn’t think the administration will remove it.

“But if we could get any reduction, that would be a win for us,” he said.

Tribble said some USG senators shared a similar understanding that proposing a big cut would show the group’s concern over the fees, but the USG didn’t propose a $500 cut, or reduction of 28 percent of total student fee costs. Instead, USG approved a recommendation for a 2 percent reduction.

Yet, Tribble said USG supports the GPC’s in its decision. By the GPC’s recommendation of a $500 cut, he said, students may be more successful at receiving a $200 cut.

“So in the end, it’s a way to push the administration,” he said.

Tribble said the Board of Trustees is set to vote on the issue of raising fees at its March 22 meeting.

As a separate but related item at the USG meeting, the senators approved a recommendation to increase the Student Programming Council fee by $10. Tribble said if it is approved by the Board of Trustees, the fee will save USG and the GPC from distributing funds to the SPC.

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- **Precipitation:** 70% chance of precipitation

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### Saturday
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### Sunday
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### Monday
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Robinson said she doesn't think the library needs the books back, because the space can be used for other things. She said she is upset about how many books she has to request through inter-library loan, and the libraries seem to lack books written by SLUC faculty members.

Jared Veal, an undecided sophomore from St. Louis, said he believes the students are being cheated out of readily available resources and said he views Morris Library as a giant study hall without the books present.

"I think having the books in the library is an essential part to helping my education," Veal said. "I want them to be available to me right away, not later because they are being transferred. I would love it if they had the books back immediately."

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DelivU to offer different take on food delivery

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Students and faculty will be able to have fast food delivered straight to their door this fall.

George Fotiadis, lead marketing manager for DelivU, said any SUCU student or faculty member with an associated email address will be able to order food on the company's webpage through their own personal account.

After the food order and the customer's desired delivery location are confirmed, he or she just has to wait for the food to be delivered. This online format eliminates the need for money to be physically exchanged at the time of delivery, Fotiadis said.

On top of that, DelivU does not require a delivery fee, there is no minimum order and Fotiadis said there is a no-tipping policy.

According to the terms of service of DelivU, there is a maximum order of $15 and special orders are not allowed.

Customers will also be able to mix and match food from the different available locations on the menu, including McDonald’s, Burger King, Arby’s, Taco Bell and Little Caesar’s, Fotiadis said.

Paul Wegray, market manager for DelivU, said the idea behind the venture was inspired by the common college student who wants fast food but doesn’t have the means to drive to the restaurant.

In the past, when these students were given the option to have food delivered, their order was usually accompanied with a large delivery fee and the expectation to tip the driver. DelivU eliminates this problem, he said.

“A lot of students have always wanted this service (in their college life, and it never really existed,” Wegray said. “Similar services have appeared in the Midwest that run by small groups of people. Ours is an actual process with paid employees. It’s a more sophisticated system that can handle delivering mass quantities of food to a large amount of people very quickly.”

He said the plan has been in development for more than two years. According to the company’s terms of service, DelivU is a subscription-based food ordering and delivery service. Customers must subscribe to the service and pay a periodic fee. DelivU does not accept order payment in any form other than DelivU Backs which can be purchased on the website.

Once a customer has purchased DelivU Backs, that credit cannot be refunded. As with any company, potential customers can check the official terms of service before providing personal information. DelivU does not provide a phone number for customer questions, and orders or comments are handled through email.

The company recently began the “soft launch” of the service by putting up fliers, handing out pamphlets and trying to interest word of mouth.

In the coming months, it will continue promotion by hosting events and giving away free ping pong balls with the DelivU logo printed on them. Within a couple of days of promotion, more than 500 SIU students had signed up for the service, Fotiadis said.

One of those students was Luke Gannon, a junior from Troy studying accounting.

“I found out about the service from a flyer in Lawson Hall,” Gannon said.

“I was with a buddy and we looked at it and thought it would be pretty interesting and something we’d like to do, kind of a way to put to use our time in college because I’ve never heard of a company that would deliver fast food. But I thought it was something new and enriching that could really help out.”

Wegray said it is not uncommon for students to think the service may be too good to be true because it is an idea customers have never heard of.

“It’s a service that has never been done before, and that’s why we can offer no delivery charge, no tip and no minimum order,” Fotiadis said. “It’s not a scam, it’s just a well-oiled, well-developed delivery service.”

“The company is not affiliated and associated with any of the restaurants it delivers from and does not resell the food, Fotiadis said. It also has no affiliation with SUCU, he said.

Jason Short, Vice President of Short Enterprises and operator of Panini McDonald’s restaurants in the area, said although DelivU does not have any affiliation with his restaurants, he approves of the company because of the possibility it could bring in more customers.

“I think it’s a very good concept,” he said. “(DelivU) is like a normal customer to us. They come to us, drive through and take the food to the customer. It’s something that we are not against because anyone can come in and order. If it opens up us to another group of customers available to us, we’re for it.”

SIU will be the first university where the company launches the service, with the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana, the University of Rochester New York, and the University of Iowa to follow. Although the company won’t guarantee a delivery time, it strives to deliver the food as fast as possible while abiding by the laws of the road, usually delivering within 35-45 minutes, Fotiadis said.

“Our current output is about 26 orders every five minutes, so it’s pretty fast,” he said. “It’s fast food. And guess what, fast food just got faster.”

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Kirk Cameron was once an atheist — proving that people, and society, change. The former “Growing Pains” heartthrob is now an active Christian evangelist, but the anti-gay remarks he made earlier this week on Pierson Morgan Tonight were out of line and outdated. In a free-thinking world, it’s only right that every individual’s First Amendment rights — but it isn’t anyone’s obligation to support prejudice. It isn’t anyone’s obligation to support ‘hate speech’ in today’s society, and hiding behind religious beliefs to conceal discrimination shouldn’t be acceptable.

During the interview, the born-again Christian called homosexuality “unnatural” and “detrimental and ultimately destructive” to so many of the foundations of civilization.” He said marriage, as defined by God between one man and one woman, is almost as old as dirt and should never be redefined.

Immediately after the show aired, many took to social networking sites to speak out against him, and one organization, the Gay & Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, heavily criticized his remarks and asked for an apology.

This isn’t the first time a celebrity has been under the microscope for making anti-gay comments. In 2011, Tracy Morgan made homophobic jokes during a stand-up act in Nashville — and even went as far as saying he would stab his son if he told him he was gay, according to a Huffington Post article.

While celebrities such as Morgan, Jay Leno and Kobe Bryant apologize soon after, others, such as Cameron, have not.

Four days after his appearance on Pierson Morgan Tonight, Cameron defended his comments again.

“I should be able to express moral views on social issues — without being slandered, accused of hate speech and told from those who preach ‘tolerance’ that I need to either bend my beliefs to their moral standards or be silent when I’m in the public square,” he said in an email to ABC News.

In the email, Cameron said debating these types of issues should be done with greater love and respect.

“To some, my responses were not sufficiently ‘loving’ toward the gay community,” he said in the email, “I can only say that it is my life’s mission to love all people, and I expressed the same views clearly and emphatically expressed throughout Judeo-Christian scriptures.”

Regardless of whether he believes his response was loving enough, there are others who would wholeheartedly disagree. Alan Thicke, one of Cameron’s former “Growing Pains” co-stars, joked on Twitter about Cameron, tweeting: “I’m getting him some new books. The Old Testament simply can’t be expected to explain everything.”

According to surveys conducted by the Pew Research Center, 58 percent of Americans views homosexuality as socially acceptable today, compared to the 46 percent that accepted it in 1994.

“Twenty-eight percent of American adults surveyed in a separate Pew Research study said they left the faith in which they were raised in favor of another, or no religion at all. The number of people unaffiliated with any faith today is more than double the number who say they were not affiliated with any religion as children, according to the findings.”

While federal law has not legalized same-sex marriage, seven states have legalized it and a handful of others have legalized some form of civil union between same-sex partners.

Take religion out of the equation and all that’s left is an argument without a backbone. If Cameron were still an atheist today, he wouldn’t have any “foundation” to stand on. His statements would be considered discrimination, not belief.

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Cabaret Decadance to bring sass, laughs to Varsity center

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With its first full musical play, Carbondale song and dance troupe Cabaret Decadance will once again strut its stuff at the Varsity Center for the Arts Saturday.

Though “Love Gets the Last Laugh” pays homage to many influences from the past, writer Clare McCaill said she wrote it after watching the troupe’s last show in September.

“It was really our own people and show that inspired this script,” she said.

Written with the cast from September’s show in mind, McCaill said she took advantage of everyone’s strengths.

The two-act play follows two heroines who fall in love but cannot vocalize their feelings for each other. When others get involved, offering bad advice and taking sides, twists and turns ensue.

The troupe, which was founded in 1997, consists of six actors and dancers and a seven-piece band, led by McCaill’s husband, John.

John McCaill said the troupe’s aesthetic could be described as pre-World War II and combines various musical genres such as jazz, swing, polka, waltz, klezmer and ragtime.

It also incorporates comedic and satirical elements, which are written into the lyrics and acted out in the choreography, he said.

“It’s all in the service of the song. It’s all telling the story,” he said.

Clare McCaill said she decided to base the play around aimes because the troupe’s previous performance made more use of miming than before.

It took her two months to write and prepare “Love Gets the Last Laugh,” McCaill said. Writing a full play was not difficult, she said, as she’s done them before, but this will be Cabaret Decadance’s first one. She said she has many planned for the future.

She’s working on a play for May called “Vintage” that will be a send-up of the academy and fashion. She said it will be bigger than any of the troupe’s previous shows and will also broaden its musical horizons to include pop music from the ‘60s and ‘80s.

Another inspiration for the troupe to do a larger-scale show was that it could now perform in an authentic theater setting as opposed to the smaller venues it was used to.

“So seeing us playing to an intimate audience in a theater is really like, wow, can we really take it to the next level now because we’ve got the right space,” he said.

Clare McCaill said while the troupe has gotten offers to take its show on the road, it would prefer to continue to perform at local venues such as the Varsity. She said it’s part of the emphasis on the local community, which the troupe performs for and consists of.

John McCaill said what it would really like is to establish a close relationship with a venue such as the Varsity so it has a permanent space and can be more like a theater company.

Rosie Berkman, who goes by the stage name Ms. Demeanor, said she has a 20-year background in theater, but before joining the troupe in September, she’d never had any similar experience, though she adapted quickly.

“I fell right into it,” she said.

She said she’s connected with the old-fashioned style of the troupe and the satirical writing.

Clare McCaill said while she likes to pull the pants down around the ankles of the patriarchy, Cabaret Decadance is still all about entertainment.

“My personal motto is mock softly and carry a big stick,” she said.

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Harvest a different kind of crop

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Daily Egyptian

Throw on a lab coat, secure the ugly protective goggles, make sure there is a pair of forceps in the research bag and hope your nose isn't stuffed, because it's time to visit the farm.

They're called body farms, to be exact, and there are only five in the nation, with the newest facility at California University of Pennsylvania open since mid-2011.

Ranging from an upscale 59-square-foot garage at Western Carolina University to a whopping five-acre facility at Texas State University, these farms were created to help forensic students, anthropologists and FBI trainees study forensic taphonomy, or what physically happens to a body between death and the time it is discovered.

Let me repeat that. There is a five-acre crop of land somewhere in Texas that holds burned, chopped and dismembered bodies all throughout, just waiting for students and investigators to find, excavate, sniff and study them.

Yuck.

Some components of body decomposition the researchers study include skin peeling, insect presence, bacteria presence, smell emission and how long the decomposition takes. Studying these aspects can help forensic authorities estimate a person's time of death and whether it happened days, weeks or even months before their body's discovery.

Sometimes, if the bodies have been decomposing long enough, squirrels feed on the human bones and gnaw at the ends to reach the marrow. These anthropology and forensic science courses are so intimate, body farm students and researchers can even distinguish between old and new gnaw marks to help obtain decomposition data and times of death.

The bodies can come from two places. Medical examiners sometimes donate the bodies to the farm, but more often people pre-donate their bodies to science before that has to happen. Some forensic centers receive as few as five to 10 donated bodies a year, but others such as the Forensic Anthropology Center at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville have about 2,000 pre-donors on file who are ready to bestow their remains to the cause after death.

While a couple of the farms serve strictly educational purposes, the one in Knoxville, Tenn., is used to both train criminal investigators and perform original research.

This was the original body farm, started by anthropologist William M. Bass in 1981 as a means to study human remains’ decomposition.

According to the Forensic Anthropology Center's website, many courses are held on the farm. Most last only a week; others last through a full semester and some others are offered to the FBI's Emergency Response Team or the National Forensic Academy for forensic evidence gathering.

Since then, two body farms in Texas (Texas State University in San Marcos and Sam Houston State University in Huntsville), one in North Carolina (Western Carolina University in Cullowhee), and the nation's most recent farm in California, Penn., have sprouted and begun to contribute to all the original research and data to be collected from these facilities.

What makes each farm's research so original is the difference in climate conditions among them.

Precipitation, temperature and humidity all have some kind of effect on a body, and it is important that researchers consider all of these when surveying remains.

A fairly humid and dry climate in Texas would speed remains' decomposition rates while cold temperatures generally slow the decay process, according to the Explore Forensics website.

Even the vultures that feed on the remains at Texas State are able to help contribute to an area of decomposition studies that aim to answer questions about outdoor crimes and decay rates.

Once all the remains' scientific purpose has been served, the forensic facilities provide them with a proper burial before they move onto their next donated body. While this seems like just another book page turned, starting things over with a new body could turn over a whole new leaf with each new creative way to decompose the corpse.

Perhaps some people have already rethought that little red heart on the backs of their drivers' licenses, but all this just puts a whole new depth and need to contemplate the question. “Would you like to declare yourself a donor?”

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**Crossword**

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**BASKETBALL**

According to the Saluki Athletics website, SIU is 15-18 all-time in the MVC tournament and took home tournament titles in 1987 and 1990.

The Salukis have struggled in the past few years during the Valley tournament. SIU has played in the Thursday opening round for the past five seasons and posted its last tournament win in 2008 over the Braves.

Sophomore center CGI Shannon said March Madness is a significant time for both men’s and women’s basketball teams across the country. She said now is the time for SIU’s women’s basketball team to use everything it has learned and bring it to the MVC Tournament.

“By this point, our main objective is to focus on what we’ve been working for all year,” Shannon said. “We’ve gotten better throughout the season, and we can’t stop here. We didn’t win every game this year, but we improved. We have to turn it up if we really want to win.”

Tiber said outstanding performances from Macklin, Oliver and freshman center Alexus Patterson, who has received four All-MVC accolades, will be key assets to the Salukis’ offense and defense in the Valley Tournament, along with players on the bench ready to play.

SIU women’s basketball will tipoff at 4 p.m. Thursday in the annual 2012 State Farm Missouri Valley Conference Tournament against Bradley University in St. Charles, Mo.

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**BASEBALL**

“When people have made mistakes, we’ve taken advantage of it and scored some runs,” Henderson said. “We did that today, but they did the same thing to us, too.”

Forest (0-1) took the loss after pitching three and two-thirds innings, giving up four hits and five runs, only two of them earned. Eight of the 11 outs Forest recorded came on strikeouts.

“He had a funky (pitching) motion. (The ball) was hard to pick up,” Henderson said. “He’s a crafty lefty, but those guys, it’s hard to hit them because you just don’t see the ball well because he’s just got elbows and legs flying everywhere.”

With the win, SIU split its Tuesday-Wednesday series with Middle Tennessee State. The Blue Raiders won yesterday with 14 runs on 16 hits.

“It all comes back to the mound. Once (Middle Tennessee State) made some mistakes, we got the lead, and to throw eight shutout innings is a pretty good effort,” Henderson said. “Especially after yesterday, we’re going into today thinking that we got to have four or five innings out of Pete because our bullpen, other than (Tyler) Dray and (Todd) Eaton, was pretty depleted.”

Dray pitched a perfect eighth inning while Eaton struck out two in a perfect ninth inning to secure his third save of the season.

The Salukis open a three-game series at 2 p.m. Friday against Jacksonville State at Abe Martin Field.

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Saluki women prepare for MVC Tourney

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Offense was not senior forward Chanaise Mitchell’s focus during her senior night, but she dominated defensively in the paint Saturday when the Salukis lost 72-50 at the SIU Arena. Mitchell grabbed a season-high of nine rebounds against Illinois State University’s Redbirds (18-11, 13-5 MVC) in front of almost 5,000 fans at SIU’s Assembly Hall. Mitchell had 12 points and six rebounds, and junior guard Terri Oliver, who added 10 points and seven boards. Mitchell said she expects the best for next year’s team.

Despite a tough outcome of the Salukis’ regular season finish, Mitchell said the Salukis are prepared to advance to what they’ve worked hard for—a shot at the national championship.

The 2012 season will be the team’s 21st appearance in the annual State Farm Missouri Valley Conference Tournament. The Salukis were pre-ranked to finish ninth in the conference, and that’s exactly the position in which they stand.

SIU will open the tournament Thursday and compete against No. 8 Bradley University, and if SIU wins, they will go on to play top seeded Missouri State Friday in the second round.

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Saluki beat Middle Tennessee State, split midweek series

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Saluki outliers Nick Johnson and Remmi Troggio collided when they both called for a fly ball that hit to right-center field in the second inning. The error, given to Troggio, was the first of three for the Salukis during the inning, and it put them in a hole early against Middle Tennessee State University.

“We couldn’t bear each other call it, I guess. It was bad communication and the ball ended up dropping,” Johnson said.

The Salukis (8-5) overcame those early miscues against Middle Tennessee State (8-5) to rally back for a 5-3 victory. After giving up three runs in the second inning, Saluki sophomore right-handed pitcher Pete Slavonic and the Saluki bullpen surrendered just two hits, retiring the last 14 batters they faced.

“It was good when the guys came out slugging and got the runs back. It helped us settle down and stay focused on the rest of the game,” said sophomore right-handed pitcher Aaron Snyder.

Snyder pitched two perfect innings in relief of Slavonic (1-0), who got the victory in his first career start and pitched five innings.

He gave up five hits and three runs, one earned while striking out.

“Aaron Snyder was outstanding today, and that’s the Snyder that we need and that he’s capable of,” said coach Ken Henderson. “It just lined up for us well because Pete gave us five innings and turned the lead over to us and the bullpen, who did a great job today.”

The Salukis answered the Blue Raiders with a three-run second inning of their own. Senior outfielder Jordan Sivertsen started the inning by striking out, but he reached first after Blue Raider freshman catcher Michael Adkins dropped the third strike and threw over the first baseman. Sivertsen scored the first run on another overthrow by Adkins, this time to the third baseman after Saluki junior second baseman Wes Nece tried laying down a sacrifice bunt.

Saluki sophomore third baseman Donny Duschinsky drove in two runs on a single to tie the game at three. In the bottom of the fifth, Nece led off the inning with a single and was able to round the bases and score on three wild pitches from Blue Raider freshman left-handed pitcher Nathan Forrest.

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Saluki women head into spring break on hot streak

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The SIU women’s tennis team enters its spring break tournament on a hot streak after beating Southeastern Missouri State University 6-1 overall for the team’s third straight victory.

The meet, held Tuesday in Cape Girardeau, Mo., kicked off the first of five straight meets on the road for the Saluki women. It was also the team’s first road meet outdoors, and Coach Audra Nothwehr said last week after facing Murray State University, the adjustment would be more difficult for some players than others.

“You kind of forget about the strategies with the wind when you’re playing indoors. With Jenn (Dien), she’s got to move a lot more because she attacks a lot, and her ball doesn’t go high over the net,” Nothwehr said. “Any little movement with the wind affects her game more than players like the Cairo (Baza) twins or Melanie (Delart), who put a lot of topspin on their ball.”

The players continued to make adjustments as the meet started with a sweep of the doubles matches.

Delsart bounced back from last week’s performance, when she had to retire in the third set, winning 6-3, 6-1, as the No. 1 singles seed. No. 2 singles sophomore Anita Lee defeated her opponent 6-1, 7-5, and No. 3 Dien defeated her opponent 6-3, 6-3.

No. 4 singles-Tomishima defeated her opponent 6-2, 6-2, but fifth seed Atridana Cairo Baza lost in a close match 6-4, 6-4. Sixth seed junior Anastasia Simons gave the Salukis the most dominant performance of the meet, crushing her opponent 6-1, 6-1, as the Salukis claimed the overall victory.

Nothwehr said last week that the team would be well-suited for away matches.

“It’s always great to have a crowd to cheer us on, but we’ve learned how to cheer for ourselves,” Nothwehr said. “Depending on where you are, you don’t have a lot of fans. We started out on the road, so we’re comfortable on the road.”

The Salukis return to action Mar. 13 to 15 in a spring break tournament in Orlando, Fla. The Salukis will face the New Jersey Institute of Technology to open the tournament, North Dakota University in the second day and Rhode Island University to end the competition.

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