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Police fault lack of cooperation in unsolved murder of SIUC student

BRETT NAUMAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Police: Friends of slain student jeopardized the investigation by lying about information

The Carbondale Police Department contends that friends and neighbors of murdered SIUC student Marcus Thomas were uncooperative with investigators and are responsible for the crime remaining unsolved.

Carbondale Police Chief R.T. Finney said investigators continue to follow leads into the March 17 murder of Thomas, but the case has not progressed as well as police had hoped because of people that have obstructed the

investigation.

"The obstructions came from those who knew Marcus," Finney said. "They didn't do us any favors by lying to us."

Finney refused to comment further on investigative leads, because the Thomas investigation is still pending.

Thomas was found dead in an apartment on South Marion Street, less than two blocks from his home, 300 E. College St. Court documents

stated that he was shot in the lower back with a small-caliber handgun and that a blood trail indicated he wandered from his home to the apartment where his body was discovered.

In addition to listing the logistics of Thomas' death, the documents provided a potential motive. They stated Thomas was dealing cannabis from his home and owed Carbondale drug suppliers money for a shipment he had received. The purpose of the documents were to

subpoena Thomas' residential phone records and e-mails from his SIU e-mail account, in order for police to explore his involvement with drugs.

Finney said the most blatant obstruction was revealed to police in a "letter to the editor" printed in the April 12 edition of the DAILY EGYPTIAN. In the letter, Michael Ryan Baran, a close friend of Thomas, said he had lied to police about Thomas' involvement with drugs and what he called "lack of know-how" by the police

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Wendler sets focused SIUC agenda

Chancellor candidate prioritizes finding provost, campus fund-raising

ANNE MARIE TAVELLA
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Walter V. Wendler focused on raising money and strategic planning during two open forums to meet the campus community Friday.

Wendler, vice chancellor for Planning and System Integration at Texas A&M University System in College Station, is one of two remaining candidates for the position of chancellor. SIU President James Walker has tentatively scheduled a special board meeting on Wednesday to announce the new chancellor, subject to ratification by the board.

Wendler, who was jovial and personable throughout the questioning, began with a short introduction. He joked that he ended up attending

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Find out who will be SIUC's new chancellor by logging onto www.dailyegyptian.com later this week.

Texas A&M because his father liked the price and the distance it was from Wendler's home state of New York.

If selected chancellor, Wendler said his first priority would be to find a permanent provost. The selection of a provost speaks to one of Wendler's goals

to ensure strong academic leadership on campus. "I am diligent to provide a sense of stability and intellectual commitment," he said.

From there, Wendler said he would head a fund-raising campaign, spending time off campus garnering funds. He said the University needs to be better advertised in other areas. SIUC must be seen as a quality investment in order to raise money, he said.

"Faculty, staff and students love SIU, the problem is the glow of the spark doesn't shine far enough away to do what needs to be done," Wendler said.

Another essential part of fund-raising Wendler spoke of is the University's image. Two major image issues facing SIU are the recent questions surrounding minorities and the Carbondale Police and well-publicized debauchery of Halloween festivities.

"If you want to know what someone thinks, look at the check they write," he said.

Wendler said problems like these are not



ALEX HAGLUND - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Walter V. Wendler, one of two candidates for SIUC's chancellor position, speaks at the Student Center Auditorium on Friday morning. A decision on who will be SIUC's next chancellor is expected later this week.

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Tuition hike likely at BOT meeting

KATE MCCANN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The SIU Board of Trustees is expected to vote in favor of substantially raising tuition at its Thursday meeting in Edwardsville. The purpose of the four-year plan drafted by President James Walker is to better accommodate SIUC's status as a research institution.

At the present time, SIUC's tuition is \$700 to \$1,300 below the two University of Illinois research institutions and \$190 to \$230 below doctoral institutions like Northern Illinois University and Illinois State University.

Tuition will only go up 3 percent in the year 2002 as originally planned. In 2003 it would be raised 5 percent, followed by 6 percent in 2004 and 7 percent in 2005 from what tuition is now.

"This plan is not set in stone," said Office of the President spokesman Scott Kaiser. "But you have to find the level where you're charging enough tuition to bring in sound programs but you're not pushing yourself off the market."

If the tuition plan is approved, SIUC's tuition will still be cheaper than NIU and ISU.

The board will also vote on raising the Student Activity Fee \$10.50 higher for a total rate of \$29.25 per semester for full-time students. Half of the potential increase will directly benefit fine arts activities.

In unrelated news, the board is responding to recent alcohol-related deaths at other schools by redrafting current policy to clear the University from assuming any liability resulting from student alcohol use. The amended policy also places a greater emphasis on education and prevention among undergraduates to divert alcohol abuse.

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WENDLER

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solved easily, it takes time for situations to change. He advocated communication between campus and community leader to find answers. Although he does not think shutting down the campus each year is a solution to Halloween, he said an alternative will have to be found.

"Someone is going to be killed and then someone is going to ask why something had been done in the past," he said.

Fund-raising is part of Wendler's goal to create a strategic plan for the University. Another part of this plan is for SIUC to determine long-term goals in all areas, including where we want to stand among our peer institutions.

To begin this process, Wendler said the University needs to do an in-depth national comparison with peer institution. He said just doing comparisons on the state level are not sufficient because SIUC does not have peer institutions in Illinois.

"We will only under-serve ourselves by comparing this University to other Illinois universities," Wendler said.

While he admitted making a cohesive plan would be difficult, the end result would be a consensus of goals.

"It will take some time and a lot of bickering, but in the end the core values and aspirations of the University would be upheld and celebrated," he said.

In terms of goals for the next five years, Wendler said he would continue a strategic plan and work to create a national image emphasizing SIUC's strengths.

If everything works as planned, he said the University should be reaping the benefits by the 10-year mark.

"Ten years out I guess we would all be happy and fat," he said.

When questioned on how he would work with the Board of Trustees to accomplish his goals, Wendler said he would simply start with the idea that he shares the same aspirations with the board and the president.

Wendler said he has not meet with the board yet, but he does have a close relationship with the Board of Regents at Texas A&M.

Bethanie Morrissey, one of the few students who attended one of the forums that was mostly filled by faculty and staff, said she wanted Wendler to know the board is approachable. She has been before the board to ask questions.

Morrissey, a graduate student in anthropology, said students need to take part in the selection of the chancellor.

"It has more of an effect on students than people think, the chancellor makes a lot of decisions that directly affect the students and they should put more input into the process," she said.

Jill Adams, chair of the Chancellor Search and Advisory

Committee, said she thought the forums were very productive.

"I thought Dr. Wendler presented a very professional and knowledgeable view of university culture," Adams said.

During her introduction of Wendler, Adams addressed concerns raised by faculty about Wendler's scholarly history. In his resume, presentations were listed among publications, causing some faculty to question his credentials.

In response to the concerns, Adams asked for input from the Department of Architecture. She read a statement from the chair of the department, which stated that because the field of architecture is different than many other fields often scholarly works also differ.

Adams said it is necessary to understand the culture of a discipline. She gave the example of the performing arts, where a scholar may not have many publications, but does have experience with actual performances.

"It is an issue you see all the time in universities," Adams said. When introducing Wendler, she also said that he has been Dean of the School of Architecture at Texas A&M, which is the largest architecture school in North America.

Jerry Gaston, deputy chancellor of Texas A&M University Systems, said Wendler was an outstanding dean. He said Wendler had such an interest in planning for future activities that the university's president asked him to lead the planning process throughout the year 2020.

After 13 years of working with Wendler, Gaston said he's a great guy who puts faculty and students at the highest priority.

"He has a great sense of humor and he is extraordinarily sharp and bright," Gaston said.

He said even if Wendler is not selected to SIUC's top post, he has no doubt Wendler will be the chancellor or president of a university in the near future.

"We will miss him tremendously and I mean all of us, because all of us adore him," Gaston said. "But we will wish him all the best."

Wendler was one of three candidates for the position of chancellor announced April 19 by Walker. Denise M. Trauth, provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, was the third candidate.

Trauth was the first candidate to visit the campus. After coming to the campus last week she opted not to seek the position.

The other candidate, John D. Haeger, provost and vice president for Academic and Student Affairs at Northern Arizona University at Flagstaff, met the campus Tuesday.

Using input gathered by the search committee during the forums and other meetings with various members of the campus community, Walker will make the final decision on who will be the next chancellor.

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Low: 55



TUESDAY:
Showers
High: 75
Low: 51



WEDNESDAY:
Mostly Cloudy
High: 75
Low: 53



THURSDAY:
Partly Cloudy
High: 75
Low: 55



FRIDAY:
Partly Cloudy
High: 75
Low: 52

ALMANAC

THIS DAY IN 1990:

• The School of Journalism was awarded full accreditation by the Accrediting Council in Education in Journalism and Mass Communication, replacing provisional status granted in 1988 by the ACEJMC.

• The men's tennis team won the Missouri Valley Conference crown for the first time in 13 years.

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What a long, strange trip it's been

Interim Chancellor
John Jackson bids
adieu after 32 years

MOLLY PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The year was 1969. A loaf of bread cost 8 cents and a roll of toilet paper was 4 cents. A four-day arts and music fair near Woodstock in the Catskill Mountains of New York drew 300,000 young people who condemned the universal soldier and sang "We Shall Overcome."

Having just inaugurated President Richard Nixon, the United States turned its collective eye to the night skies on July 20, as Neil Armstrong became the first man to walk on the surface of the moon.

In Carbondale, students protested the Vietnam War on the campus, the Strip and in front of Delyte Morris' house, where Morris Library now stands.

And John Jackson was hired as a professor of political science at SIUC.

After 32 years of watching the University change as a political science professor, dean, provost and finally interim chancellor, Jackson said this is his "last hurrah."

He and his wife, Nancy, haven't yet decided what's next, however, a vacation is in order, something that Jackson hasn't had much time for as an administrator.

"I'm a lame duck as they say in political science terms," Jackson said. "I'm on my way out."

The former Army officer said he will return to teaching political science, which is how he started his career, either at SIUC or somewhere else, if the offer is right.

"My only real concrete ambition is to continue to teach and to do some research and write a book on political parties that I've been meaning to write for many years," Jackson said.

Jackson said the last two years have been fairly intense, after moving into the chancellor's office two years ago on shaky ground after the firing of former Chancellor Jo Ann Argesinger, who had managerial conflicts with former President Ted Sanders.

The firing resulted in several lawsuits against the Board of Trustees, friction within the campus leadership and the Carbondale community.

"It was difficult at times. There was uncertainty and conflict on campus," Jackson said. "And so I had to focus on moving forward and focus on the future rather than dwelling on the recriminations of the past."

Despite the urging of Sanders, Jackson declined seeking permanent chancellorship as many constituency groups called for a nation-wide chancellor search.

"I decided it was a good time to hang it up and let someone else do it," Jackson said.

Former SIUC student Brad Cole has known Jackson for about 10 years as an undergraduate student leader, working in the Alumni Association and currently



EULALIE FRYK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Interim Chancellor John Jackson looks up from writing test questions for a state and local government course he will be teaching in the fall in his office Friday at the Northwest Annex.

in the governor's office and the Carbondale City Council. Cole said they talk at least once a week, if not more.

"He is absolutely one of my favorite people," Cole said. "I think if he had come in under different circumstances, people would want him to stay and he would have been a perfect permanent chancellor, but because of the situation he has followed it has been very difficult."

Although he is stepping down, Jackson has put the University on a strong foothold by hiring vice chancellors, deans and Athletic Director Paul

Kowalczyk. In doing so, Jackson has streamlined leadership for an easy transition for the new chancellor, who is expected to be named at a special May 9 Board of Trustees meeting.

"Dr. Jackson is a true professional, gentleman and scholar," Kowalczyk said. "I really can't say enough about how easy he has made my transition to SIUC."

Jackson, who expects to serve until a new chancellor is in place sometime mid-summer, was also a major advocate in bringing the Public Policy Institute to the University, which brings in guests lecturers and discusses local and national

issues. Former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon, who has known Jackson for numerous years, said Jackson is a "voice of reason" that conveys a very solid image of SIUC.

"I remember when I first ran for Congress in 1974, he was one of my volunteers," Simon said. "Whatever needed to be done he would do, whether it was hauling meat at a meeting or composing something, he was always willing to do anything."

As some University officials applaud

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NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

Student Center to get a permanent director in the summer

Nancy Hunter Pei, director of Student Development, said there should be a permanent director of the Student Center by July 1.

The committee to find that director took the last of the applications Friday. Pei, who is the chair of the committee, said they will be narrowing the applicants down to a select few. The maximum is six and the minimum is two.

Pei said the criteria will be based on who they think will be best for the job and who meets the requirements of having a bachelor's degree and at least four years experience serving as a director, associate director or assistant director of a student center.

Caller annoys 911 dispatcher

A man was arrested Saturday after he allegedly called the Jackson County 911 dispatcher multiple times to report a crime.

Chad Lambert, 20, of Rockwood, called 911 Saturday to report a battery. While officers were on their way to his residence, Lambert allegedly called the 911 dispatcher seven times. The dispatcher told him to stop calling and that officers would be at his home soon.

When officers arrived, they allegedly found Lambert intoxicated. He was charged with disorderly conduct and underage consumption of alcohol. He was taken to Jackson County Jail and was later released, after posting a \$100 cash bond.

SIUC School of Journalism re-accredited

SIUC's School of Journalism was officially accredited Friday by the Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and Mass Communications, based in Portland, Ore.

The approval was recommended after a group from the Council visited SIUC earlier this semester to assess the journalism program. The accreditation approval lasts for six years.

Follett picks up Wallace's slack, takes over University Bookstore

CODELL RODRIGUEZ
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Chris Croson is ready to get back on schedule.

After more than two months of delays and bankruptcy with Wallace's Collegiate Bookstore, University Bookstore has a new owner. On May 22, University Bookstore will officially be leased to Follett Higher Education Group.

Croson, director of University Bookstore, said seeing the ordeal come to an end will help the book-

store get back on its feet.

"I'm relieved," Croson said. "This has been very stressful for us."

University Bookstore was leased to Wallace's on June 5. On Feb. 28, Wallace's filed for bankruptcy because of \$152.3 million in debts. Two months later, they announced an emergency sale of their bookstores because of the inability to handle any of the textbook buy backs.

Ninety-two bookstores, including University Bookstore, went up for auction on April 18 and were

expected to be bought within the week. The number of bidders for University Bookstore eventually dropped to Follett and Barnes & Noble Bookstores Inc. Barnes & Noble dropped out later and Follett signed a contract Friday naming them the official owner as of May 22.

"Our main goal at this point is to be prepared for fall rush," Croson said. "I have a lot of confidence that we'll be able to get things done."

Follett was founded in 1873, and has established more than 660

bookstores in the United States and has stores in more than 60 countries, making them the largest college bookstore in the nation.

T.J. Rutherford, interim director of the Student Center, said he was pleased in discovering Follett would be the new leader of the University Bookstore as opposed to Barnes & Noble.

"[Barnes & Noble] had a lot more restrictions and offered less money for renovations," Rutherford said.

Barnes & Noble offered

\$325,000 for renovations whereas Follett offered \$590,000. When Wallace's took over, it planned to add renovations to the bookstore like an expanded snack section and computers for e-mail. Although Rutherford does not know the full extent of what the changes will be with Follett except that it is going to try and expand the textbook area, he predicts the bookstore will take a turn for the better.

"As soon as Follett takes over, people will notice a drastic change," Rutherford said.

OUR WORD

In a league of their own

Six seniors head into what could be their final collegiate softball games this weekend, the Missouri Valley Conference tournament. Whether they leave Omaha as MVC Champions or not, they have made an indelible impression on an athletic program that has recently been one of the University's most successful. Despite playing in lackluster facilities, these women leave behind a record of achievements, both on and off the field, that represents the highest ideals of the term student-athlete.

Before playing their first game at SIUC, these players were promised a new field. Four years and a Title IX complaint later, they played their last home game at the same IAW Field they played on as freshmen. But Chiara Calvetti, Netty Hallahan, Julie Meier, Amanda Rexroat, Erin Stremsterfer and Marta Viefhaus, through all four years of changing into their uniforms at home and going to the Recreation Center to use the restroom, never let the lack of facilities get in the way of playing their absolute best.

And play they did. Stremsterfer became SIUC's all-time home run leader, as well as the single-season MVC strikeout leader. Viefhaus started her Saluki career by becoming MVC Rookie of the year, and will end it by sharing the SIUC all-time stolen bases record. Calvetti, a native of Carbondale, committed just seven fielding errors in four years. Rexroat, aside from being the emotional center of the group, led the team in batting average this season. Hallahan provided a reliable bat, smoothly moving from a power hitter slot last season to this season's lead-off position. Meier takes the Iron Woman title of the group, having played in more than 150 games since her freshman year, every one of them as a starter.

It's not just their performance on the field that makes this group special, either. All six of them were standouts academically as well, all carrying a GPA above 3.0, and four were selected as first team MVC Scholar-Athletes. Add to that the fact that Stremsterfer, Viefhaus and Hallahan were given the honor for a second time, and it becomes obvious that "student-athlete" is not the oxymoron some believe it to be.

These six women, besides being outstanding softball players and students, are also a close-knit group of friends. As the season winds down, along

Saluki softball players work hard with limited resources, are rewarded with success



with their collegiate careers, each of them has spoken about their teammates in terms of "family" and "sisters." For four years they've practiced, played, traveled, won and lost together, and it's obvious that the bond they have forged will not be broken by graduation.

There is one thing these women still want to accomplish, however. An MVC Championship would put the finishing touch on six careers marked by dedication, commitment, and achievement. We wish them the best, not just this weekend but beyond, as they have truly demonstrated the meaning of what SIUC "student-athletes" should be.

COLUMNIST



Edge of the Known World

BY GEOFFREY RITTER
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Random thoughts about this college life

Well, yet another semester is drawing to a close and the death count is high — my grandmother had to die 18 times in order for me to slide by in all my classes. My dad had three heart attacks during the course of the past few months. At one point I almost had to use the excuse that my dog got hit by a bus and was mangled into several pieces and I had to have a vet reattach his leg to his abdomen, but this would have never gone over. I don't even own a dog.

This is a time to reflect, however. I took a long drive this weekend to reflect on my three years in college, and the subsequent 13 that probably still lie ahead. The thing is, we students seem to live life in six-month cycles; always moving to a new apartment or substandard dorm room, always meeting a new group of friends. This all leaves little time to think, but I do have a few thoughts on life that I'd like to share with y'all:

1) There's a new game that everyone on campus is playing these days, whether they want to or not. It's called "Dodge the Service Vehicle," and can be quite fun, provided you have quick reflexes. I'm not sure why we need all these vehicles on campus — is there some kind of nuclear research going on that no one told me about? Are they building a new highway? Are they smuggling drugs? All I know is that anywhere I have to drive on campus there are speed bumps the size of telephone poles, but these people get to whip around on the sidewalks like they're training for the Indy 500.

2) My room has reached a level of filth previously known only in ancient mythology. I opened my refrigerator the other day, only to find this stringy green substance growing everywhere. I think the nucleus of it is clamped to the milk bottle, even though I don't recall ever buying milk this year. With the semester ending soon, it's inevitable that I will have to kill it, but I'm afraid of what might happen. It seems to be keeping the dust-bunny population under control, which is good, because I think they are in season right now.

3) Has anyone else noticed that I'm still not married to a Hungarian supermodel?

4) When I was younger, my dad told me something wise about women: Can't live with 'em ... can't live with 'em. Better to buy a nice car, he said. That way, you only have to worry about changing fluids every three months.

5) Come to think of it, do they even have supermodels in Hungary?

6) My refrigerator just said "Yes."

And therein lies the point to this column: My refrigerator knows everything. There's no way I could kill it. Ever since I lost my dog, he has been my best confidant. Sometimes we stay up all night and discuss philosophy, the meaning of life, why things are the way they are.

But I can't tell you about that, because I am out of time. I hope y'all have a good summer.

And I sincerely hope this was the stupidest, most pointless thing you have ever read.

LETTERS

There's a place for prisons in Southern Illinois

DEAR EDITOR:

Regarding the opinion of the Daily Egyptian in Wednesday's edition, there are a few points I would like to present.

Industry is great, but industry has a tendency to come and go. A perfect example is the printing plant in Salem that has just announced it is closing — 900 jobs gone. A number of years back, the World Color Press plants had five locations in Southern Illinois, not today. The state has a record of providing well paying, stable positions for people. Most industry does not provide the stability that a correctional institution provides regarding long-term employment. Prisons are not simply to boost one town; they are for the entire region.

Inmates from work camps are required to do work around the area. They are there to clean parks and highways from clutter that comes from careless individuals in the surrounding areas.

Southern Illinois is the most beautiful part of

our state. Tourism is growing here and will continue to grow. Yet, for tourism to grow we must have people. Our coal mines have shut down; plans are underway to revitalize the industry, but that could take years. There is no reason prisons, industry and tourism cannot coexist.

As a former state legislator, I know all too well how vital these jobs are to Southern Illinois. In fact, in my 35 years in public service, I have received relatively few complaints regarding prisons and most of them come from the media. I have even had grandparents thank me because a prison job has allowed their grandson/granddaughter to stay in the area. Young people shouldn't have to move away to St. Louis, Nashville, Tenn., or other cities to find a decent paying job.

In a perfect world, we would not need prisons. But this is hardly a perfect world. As long as people continue to commit crimes, prisons will continue to be built.

Prisons can coexist with Southern Illinois tourism and industry, and we should welcome them.

Bob Winchester
 Rosiclare, Illinois



Reader reminds DE about error in headline

TO THE DE STAFF:

Hopefully buy now you our aware of the gross error in your headline of Thursday morning. I suppose that anyone who red it is wondering wear your editor went to school. If this was a test, give us a brake. Anyone who passed remedial English knows it should have read "HOW SAFE R WE."

John Naas
 Building Services

EDGE OF THE KNOWN WORLD appears on Monday. Geoffrey is a junior in journalism. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Threat of vetoes throws USG in limbo

With little time left, Student Affairs might have to step in.

CHRISTIAN HALE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Stalled by the threat of vetoes concerning spring elections and funding allocations bills, Undergraduate Student Government members are attempting to pull out of a "do-nothing" year with less than a week to go in the present term.

As the week of final exams looms above the heads of the student body, student government members are scrambling to convene a meeting on Wednesday with enough members to ratify the election and pass the spring allocations to Registered Student Organizations. To override the vetoes the senate must have at least 19 members in attendance to have a two-third vote of present members.

At last Wednesday's meeting, the senate passed the election ratification and funding allocations bills. However, shortly following both votes, members were alerted that USG President Bill Archer was threatening to veto all legislation passed that night based upon claims both elections and allocations were not handled properly.

"What [Archer] can do is veto a piece of legislation," said Jean Paratore, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and Dean of Students.

Paratore said if the senate is unable to meet this week and time runs out before the new members are affirmed, she and Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, will discuss whether Archer's vetoes will stand.

"We do not want the student body to be unrepresented during the summer," Paratore said.

Archer said that Michael Perry, the newly elected-USG president, gained more votes than he did in the April election. However, he thinks a new election in the fall would eliminate any questions students and senators may have about the election.

Archer also said all funding allocations proposed by this year's Finance Committee would be thrown out.

He said he would only fund the two student constituency groups, the five Priority One RSOs and the three Greek councils within InterGreek Council.

The remaining funding would be placed into general funding for USG to allocate throughout the year to organizations who requested it.

Archer submitted a memorandum to senators at last Wednesday's meeting, which included a list of 10 complaints he had with the election to support his decision to veto.

However, Paratore said the election was cleaner than in the past from what she has been told.

For one thing, I think there could be more professionalism in USG. Another thing is that next year's members need to know that they just can't come to meetings with their personal agenda.

Valerie Climo
senator, USG

"The constitution requires that if anybody has a grievance about the election, they must file their complaint within one day," Paratore said.

Archer submitted grievances, as did USG Senator Rob Taylor, to the Election Commission, who deferred the decision to the Judicial Board.

The Judicial Board remanded the decision back to the Election Commission, which later determined the grievances did not constitute a strong enough claim to overturn the elections.

"That is the end of it as far as I'm concerned," Paratore said. She said Archer can still think the election was bad, but according to the rules, he cannot still grieve. "It's past the one day deadline," Paratore said.

USG Senator Valerie Climo is excited about next year, but questions Archer's latest actions which are forcing a last-minute senate meeting to get ready for next year.

"For one thing, I think there could be more professionalism in USG," Climo said. "Another thing is that next year's members need to know that they just can't come to meetings with their personal agenda. If they are going to do that, they need to get the hell out so somebody that wants to be a representative voice can get in."

Climo said during this last year, many attempts at necessary constitutional amendments were stalled by the inaction of USG, mainly because people continued to bring outside problems to meetings with them.

"Some people seem to keep calling us the 'do-nothing senate,' but I think we worked out a lot of internal kinks so that next year we can be more external to the University," Climo said.

She said major constitutional revision was necessary this last year since there are so many conflicting areas within the constitution that are not explained well.

"We have the central structure reformatting which makes it a lot easier to see the kinks," said Climo, who was responsible for changing language and altering the structure of the constitution.

Climo said she and Perry will be creating a pamphlet listing USG members names and contact information to be given to the students.

"The reason that students get frustrated with us is because we are not listening to them," Climo said. "Hopefully, this will help USG communicate with the constituents."

Loan proposal for coal companies awaits Ryan's signature

\$1.5 billion in loans will help existing plants meet federal pollution standards

MARK LAMBIRD
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Illinois House Republican representatives released a proposal Thursday that will augment the Southern Illinois Coal industry if signed by Gov. George Ryan.

The proposal offers \$1.5 billion in low-interest rate loans to coal companies and power producers to build new power plants which utilize clean-coal technology.

The program also would offer \$500 million in low-interest loans to power producers to retrofit plants in use that do not have scrubbers that meet federal pollution standards. A scrubber removes harmful chemicals from the smoke produced from the coal. The loans that the program offers will be financed through revenue bonds.

The proposal would also decrease the amount of time that it takes to receive a permit to build mine-mouth power plants. These power plants would be built near existing or new mines. State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, said the completion of a mine-mouth power plant would bring up to 2,000 jobs to Southern Illinois.

Bost said this proposal is basically the Empower Illinois legislation with the exception of the revenue bonds. The Empower Illinois legislation was an earlier version of the House Republican proposal that provided

The intent of this proposal is to open up the coal fields of Southern Illinois.

Mike Bost
R-Murphysboro

many of the same incentives, but failed in the House earlier this year. Bost said the original legislation called for the state to "co-sign" the loans, the new proposal would place the responsibility on the industry to repay the loans.

"The intent of this proposal is to open up the coal fields of Southern Illinois," Bost said.

Bost said he is hoping for a response this week from the new proposal so that it can go to the Illinois House for approval. The bill has to be signed by the governor by the end of this month.

State Rep. John Jones, R-Mount Vernon, said the new proposal combines the best elements of the other legislation and should meet the expectations of other legislators in the General Assembly.

With the passage of the proposal, Bost said Southern Illinois will feel the effect quickly. A mine-mouth power plant would take three to five years to construct and be on-line. But with the funding for scrubbers for power plants that are now on-line, coal mines in Southern Illinois could begin selling more of its coal.

The coal produced in Southern Illinois is high in sulfur, which is one of the chemicals taken out by scrubbers and that causes acid rain. Federal regulations imposed by the Clean Air Act of 1990 have curtailed the amount of coal being used from Southern Illinois mines.

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Bil Dwyer
alumnus SIUC, commentator for Battlebots

Engineering students ready for battle

Students head to San Francisco to compete in Battlebots

CARLY HEMPHILL
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Saluki Dawgs, cheerleaders and even women's basketball players cheered for the SIU Robots Team Friday for a segment of Comedy Central's Battlebots program.

The Battlebots competition will take place May 22 to 27 in San Francisco, where the team will compete against more than 500 other robots. This is the biggest competition the program has had since its start in 1998.

SIUC alumnus Bil Dwyer, commentator for the program, visited campus with a production crew to shoot a segment about the team, which includes three engineering students.

James Potter, a sophomore in mechanical engineering from Paducah, Ky., started the SIU Robots Team three months ago. The SIU Robots Team, which stands for Savage Innovations Utilizing Robots, will be represented by Potter, Lloyd Bantner, a junior in mechanical engineering from Carbondale, and Tom Ingram, a junior in electrical engineering from Winfield.

In the competition, the top 32 robots will go to the final round, depending on points the robot receives for battling and destroying its opponent. The robot can include such weapons as claws and spikes. Points are earned by carrying their rival to

the hazard or ramming a spike through the steel. Hazards, such as kill saws, are used to destroy the robots.

Potter wanted to start the team because he wanted to exercise his knowledge about engineering.

"It gives us an opportunity to take dry book learning from engineering class and put it to use," Potter said.

The 115-pound robot, which is made of light steel and is powered by two wheelchair motors, will compete in the middle weight class.

Ingram wants the robot to look "tough and mean" with the weapons they add to it.

The remote-controlled robot, which is not yet complete, stands a foot off the ground and will be covered with light steel. Although it is small, it can stand up to a beating, which Potter demonstrated by standing on the robot.

If the robot is successful in its weight class, the team has a chance to win a cash prize and bring back a large metal nut trophy.

Dwyer, who graduated in 1984 with a degree in radio-television, visited Carbondale Thursday and Friday. He was excited to be on campus to tape students from his school to be on the show.

Wearing an SIU T-shirt, Dwyer was accompanied by Saluki Dawgs and the SIUC cheerleaders to send off the team behind the Engineering Building. While chanting "SIU," the students high-fived the members of the team, wishing them good luck in the competition.

"I'm not supposed to be biased or anything, but I hope they kick some royal ass," Dwyer said.

Teaching abroad expands Ohio U. student's global perception

HILLARY COPSEY
THE POST (OHIO U.)

ATHENS, Ohio (U-WIRE) - When Ohio University senior Aaron Jeter made plans to teach in West Africa, he was looking forward to a quarter of sun and travel, as well as teaching experience. In addition to all these things, he also received a broader understanding of the world.

"I didn't expect to get so much interaction or to help as much as I did," he said. "It really puts a lot into perspective about what we value here in the United States. There's a lot worse out there and things with a lot more importance."

Those four months were spent teaching social studies to about 150 high school students. Jeter, a social studies education major, jumped at the opportunity to spend nearly 16 weeks honing his teaching abilities in an area where they were needed most.

With 70 to 80 students in each of his two social studies classes, Jeter said he learned a great deal about classroom management and getting by without classroom necessities like extra chalk, sufficient paper or books.

During his stay with a single mother with four children, Jeter said he had to deal with a variety of emotions, such as isolation and loneliness. These feelings are common to many education abroad students, said Cathy Huber, assistant director of the office of education abroad.

"It was difficult being the only one (with the family), but the isolation made me do things I might not have otherwise," Jeter said.

One of those things was getting highly involved with the extra-curricular activities offered at his school in West Africa. By the end of his stay, Jeter said his ties with his students were the best things he brought home.

Jeter and a female student from University of Massachusetts underwent a week-long cultural orientation before going to the homes of their respective host families. Describing

Accra as the "New York City of Ghana," Jeter said life on a different continent was surprisingly close to his American lifestyle.

"They were very compatible to American standards," he said. "When you say Africa, people get the misconception that it means 'uncivilized.'"

But along with the similarities came many new things to adjust to, the largest of these being the language barrier, Jeter said. Many education abroad students go to a country having some knowledge of the language. Jeter went knowing nothing of the three dialects — Twi, Ga and Ewe — spoken in Accra.

"It was very challenging," he said. "The citizens would be amused with most of my efforts, but I think they commended my trying."

And even after a 6 a.m. wake-up call and a full day of classes, Jeter said he had an immense amount of free time because of the more laid-back lifestyle. This is something most education abroad students experience, Huber said.

Jeter filled his time with tutorial sessions and extra-curricular activities, including the school newspaper he helped start.

Traveling for a few weekends around Ghana also kept him busy, Jeter said, but added to his budget for the trip. With a football stipend, expenses were about the same as regular OU tuition. Jeter attended OU on a football scholarship and played for the Bobcats for all four years.

"I still felt I needed more money because just being there — there are so many things you want to see and do," Jeter said.

But coming back to the states was nearly as strange an experience as going to Africa, Jeter said.

"I was never totally accepted there," Jeter said. "No matter how divided we see ourselves here, outsiders still see all of us as Americans. But leaving was very hard and I am so glad for e-mail and letters to keep in touch with the friends I made there."



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Bracing for the future: dentistry schools at private universities closing due to high expenses

MINDY HAGEN
DAILY NORTHWESTERN

EVANSTON, Ill. (U-Wire) — After 110 years of training future dentists, Northwestern University's School of Dentistry shut its doors for the last time after Saturday's graduation. But NU isn't the only private university moving away from dental education.

Six private institutions have closed their dental programs within the last 12 years because of competition with public universities that receive state funding to operate dental schools.

University President Henry Bienen said many factors went into the closing of NU's dental school, including high new capital costs, budget deficits and lagging research.

"Many private dental schools had closed and the public schools were heavily subsidized by the states," Bienen said. "I asked for a plan when I saw the problems, and the plan was to create a new clinical practice group to increase revenues."

Bienen said that although that plan was implemented for two-and-a-half years, it failed because it increased costs. The administration was left with making the "difficult decision" to close the school.

But dental officials, students and alumni aren't smiling about

NU's decision. They accuse of NU of contributing to a disturbing pattern emerging within dental education — choosing costs over care.

Randall Grove, director of the Chicago Dental Society, lamented the loss of what was once one of top five dental schools in the nation.

"Northwestern's closing will have an impact because we've lost the prestige of having one of the finest dental schools in the country being within our boundaries," Grove said. "It was a matter of economics, no question about it."

But Dental School Dean Lee Jameson said multiple factors contributed to the school's closing.

"Everybody looks for a single cause, but the administration is really the one who made those decisions," he said. "From a dental education standpoint overall, six schools preceded us in closing. And all of them happened to be private schools."

Because dental schools are required to prepare students for their license exams, universities have to invest in operating a clinic so students can learn through hands-on experience. Medical school students, on the other hand, receive their training in hospitals that are not funded by the university.

Jameson said dental programs are the most expensive component of any private school because of the operating costs of clinics.

But E. Steven Smith, NU's former forensic dental education

director who now serves as interim dean of University of Nevada at Las Vegas' dental program, said even private schools have to buy into national needs.

"Maybe NU felt it wasn't their responsibility to contribute to dentistry," Smith said. "But I would have been more proactive. The decision to close down NU's dental school doesn't make much sense to many people in dental education today."

As a public university, UNLV will receive millions of dollars from the Nevada Legislature to fund the dental school. The 1999 legislature set aside an initial \$12 million for the school, and UNLV is asking this year's legislature for a \$35 million building bond. According to the American Dental Association, running a dental school with fewer than 250 students could cost about \$62,000 per student annually.

Private schools, however, don't have the public funding option. Officials from Washington University in St. Louis, which closed its dental school in 1991, said there are no avenues for private schools to compete in dental education because of changing times.

Dental students at Georgetown University, Emory University and Washington University began transferring to state schools because of lower tuition in the late 1980s. All of these private institutions closed their dental schools after having problems retaining their top students in addition to dealing with budget deficits.

U. Illinois working to stop spread of foot-and-mouth disease

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DAILY ILLINI

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (U-Wire) — University of Illinois officials are being cautious as fears of a possible foot-and-mouth disease outbreak continue to spread.

Both the University and state officials have taken the potential risk seriously and are implementing new preventative methods in several different locations and potential risks areas.

University officials are taking precautionary steps in order to decrease the potential risk of an outbreak by limiting access to the South Farms animal facilities.

"We want to control and monitor, not restrict or deny, access," said Vickie Jarrell, a research animal scientist at the University.

The University has ordered signs asking that

the public contact management to set up appointments to visit the farm instead of merely dropping by.

There will be two different types of signs going up in about a week. One will label areas as a "Biosecure Area" to let people know that they need to use caution and common sense while on the land. Another sign will be posted closer to the Farms that will say "Visitors: By Appointment Only," along with a phone number to call in order to let guests know that there are certain channels they need to go through, Jarrell said.

The South Farms will continue to accept tour groups and families through its doors.

"No one's going to be kept out of the farms," said G.L. Meerdink, clinical professor of toxicology and Beef Extension Veterinarian for Illinois for Food Safety at the University. "We just want to decrease the potential for contamination."

By posting signs and asking visitors to contact the office, officials will be able to know when people are coming into contact with animals and will be able to monitor any effects that follow.

"Basically we're taking a look at the flow of traffic on the farms," Jarrell said.

Other precautionary methods include: covering feet with plastic boots, washing hands, washing clothes after trips, limiting international travel and making sure that people wait at least three to 10 days before visiting a farm after they've traveled to or been on another farm.

"I don't think that we're doing anything real drastic," Jarrell said. "This is a reasonable and logical solution directed at protecting all of the interests involved, both the public's and the University's."

The University is taking a proactive role to monitor access and contact with the animals in an extremely mobile society.

"In some respects we're really operating on an honor-system with the public," Jarrell said. "We're trying to maintain the public's active role with the farms while exercising reasonable caution for their sake as well as our own."

This pattern of precautionary actions can be seen throughout the state.

"We've had plans in place to set up perimeter and buffer zones according to federal regulations for quite some time," said Illinois State Veterinarian Richard Hull.

There are retroactive plans and guidelines for compensation for farmers.

"I think that people are beginning to realize ... that this is a worldwide disease," Meerdink said. "We're finally starting to realize that we're an international culture that is constantly on the move — as exciting as that change has been, it has also left us susceptible to a variety of disease that we never had to worry about before."

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It's not easy being dean

MCMA's 'shy' interim dean ready to step down

JENNIFER WIG
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Confidence follows her like the flowing material of her brightly colored saris as Jyotika Ramaprasad glides through the halls.

But Jyotika, interim dean of the College of Mass Communications and Media Arts, considers herself a shy person.

"I prefer to be in the shadows rather than the limelight," she said. "It takes awhile for people to find out about me."

Jyotika, who will step down from her position July 1, has been at SIUC since 1980, when she began working on her doctoral degree. After graduating in 1984, she got a job as term faculty, moving to associate professor and associate dean. She became interim dean last year when former Dean Joe Foote stepped down.

For a shy woman, Jyotika manages to accomplish many things.

She wakes every morning between 3 and 4:30 a.m. and begins reading from a stack of work papers littering her desk at home. She heads to the Recreation Center by 5:30 or 6 a.m. and is at work by 7 a.m., seven days a week. Working through lunch and often dinner, Jyotika usually returns home around 8 p.m.

Although this taxing schedule sometimes leaves her physically exhausted, Jyotika does not mind.

"A lot of it is self-inflicted," she said. "I wanted to start a lot of things and get a lot done."

Jyotika first came to the United States in 1976 with her husband, who aimed to get his doctoral degree in business from the University of Pittsburgh. Jyotika also wanted to further her education, but while pregnant with the first of two daughters, she stayed home while Mr. Ramaprasad completed his degree. (Ramaprasad is actually Jyotika's husband's first name. In India, the first name is the name of the village and then his birth name, Ramaprasad.)

The initial shock had more to do with a switch from upper-class to lower than culture at first, Jyotika said. While her husband attended school, they lived in a tiny apartment, making about \$280 month.

Jyotika shyly discusses her elite childhood, embarrassed to be "bragging" as she puts it, but she grew up in a military family. Her father's standing as an officer in the Indian army led to a lot of travel, but they typically lived in British bungalows with high ceilings and large verandas, taken care of by 10 servants.

Her "cosmo upbringing" was heavily influenced by the prevalent British culture, as she dressed in miniskirts, bellbottoms and jeans. She "rediscovered" Indian clothes as an adult.

"I fell in love with it and just stuck to it after that," she said.

Other than lunch, food was mostly non-Indian, as were the many hobbies Jyotika participated in.

Because they moved about every two years, Jyotika's father wanted Jyotika and her sister to experience as much as possible.

Sifting through a photo album, Jyotika points out a small black and white picture in which she and her sister wear riding habits. While living in Wellington, they would rise early, walk to a riding school three miles away and learn about horses before walking back to

attend school.

Like many Indian families, Jyotika's parents valued education and growth above all else.

Jyotika got her master's degree at 21 years old, something not unusual there. She began working at an academic institution, editing its publications. She continued to work there until coming to the United States.

After her husband completed his degree, he began working at SIUC, so Jyotika started her doctoral degree in August 1980. After her 1984 graduation, she also began working at SIUC.

Because her husband is chair of the Department of Information and Decision Sciences at the University of Illinois in Chicago, she does not have to worry about devoting her time away from home.

"Otherwise, I don't think I could have done this," she said.

Since becoming dean, Jyotika has been described in many ways, but "shy" is not usually one of them.

Jim Kelly, acting associate dean of journalism, first met Jyotika 11 years ago when he was interviewing for a position here and has worked closely with her since.

Kelly's description of Jyotika is far from shy. He sees her as strong.

"She generates two kinds of responses from two kinds of people: those who see her willing to associate herself with a foreign culture as a sign of weakness and those who see it as a sign of strength."

To Kelly, strength is accurate.

"Anyone who gets to work with her quickly realizes that neither being a woman or being Indian is a disadvantage to her," he said. "She uses them to her advantage."

Jyotika sees it a little differently.

"The fact that I'm from a different culture and I dress traditionally creates a certain amount of inability for people to evaluate me and my strengths right away," she said. "They don't know what to make of me."

But Gregory Wendt, a video producer with instructional support services of Library Affairs, said although Jyotika may seem shy, working with her brought out a straightforward side.

Wendt first met Jyotika a year ago, to make a video about the Indian community in Carbondale. Wendt, the co-director and cameraman, said through working with her, he saw something else.

"She's very authentic and stands for what she believes in," he said. "There's no nonsense about her. You're never in question about her point of view."

During her time as interim dean, Jyotika has worked to create a University-wide Information Technology minor, which should be ready for the fall 2001 curriculum. The minor will help bring more faculty lines to the college, another constant issue.

Her main projects have been writing grants to bring journalists and journalism educators from South Asia to the United States to learn about American media systems. Recently she applied for a grant to bring Israeli and Palestine citizens to the United States. Through working together on media projects, Jyotika hopes to initiate peace.

Scott Hodgson, acting chair of the Department of Radio-Television, said because Jyotika did not act like an interim dean, she has improved the college for the future.

"It would really hurt us to be in an interim state but Jyotika did not act like an interim," Hodgson said. "She acted like she was a full time



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Jyotika Ramaprasad, interim dean of the college of mass communication and media arts, stands outside the Communications Building in her sari, a traditional Indian outfit. The sari is the most common garment worn in India according to Jyotika and is simply six yards of cloth wrapped strategically around a slip.

dean and she pushed through a very large agenda in a short amount of time."

During a recognition ceremony Thursday, Kelly compared Jyotika's term to a bridge.

Kelly said as we look downstream at the past we can reflect upon it before turning to look upstream at the future and "get a much better sense of where we're going and get ready for that trip."

"It's been reassuring that Jyotika been the interim dean and given us the opportunity to see where we're going," he said.

One thing Jyotika will not do while serving

as dean is preside over the graduation ceremony. Instead she will attend her daughter's graduation from the University of Southern California.

Jyotika will step down as interim dean July 1 and although it is not official, may return to the position of associate dean. Jyotika has grown to love the college and despite slight uncertainty about the future, is positive she will continue to work hard for the school.

"There's always mixed feelings, but I'm ready to continue," she said. "I'll have enough to keep my hands full wherever I am or whatever I'm doing."

Activists urge students to fight for abortion rights

ALLISON VOGEL
DAILY NORTHWESTERN

EVANSTON, Ill. (U-Wire) - Two abortion-rights activists on Thursday rallied against the federal government's recent abortion legislation and urged students to be more active in the fight to keep abortion legal.

"George Bush is poised to take it all away," said Terry Cosgrove, president of Personal Political Action Committee. "The greatest health movement has been the legalization of abortion."

Cosgrove spoke along with Planned Parenthood's Sharon Greene to 25 women at the Women's Coalition Reproductive Panel in Nonis University Center at Northwestern University.

"The purpose of this panel is to give information about reproductive rights and the policies behind it," said Nell Haynes, a

Speech sophomore and Associated Student Government senator from Women's Co.

Both speakers also discussed the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, which passed April 26 in the U.S. House of Representatives. The bill makes it a federal crime to harm a fetus during an assault on a woman.

"There is no act to help women who are abused, victimized, and raped," Cosgrove said. "Yet they use their energy and money to protect fetuses that are no bigger than my fingernail."

Greene said the new law was discordant with existing laws regarding health issues.

"Already we talk about quality of life, value at different stages," Greene said. "A family could choose to unplug the machine of a grandmother on life support. (A) majority believe(s) that's ethical. The law allows them to make that call. The ethics that apply at the end of life should apply to the beginning of life as well."

Cosgrove said the Bush administration will move the issue of

abortion from the control of the federal government to state legislatures, which had been the law prior to the 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling.

Although some states would continue to allow the practice of abortion, Cosgrove said about 30 states would make abortion illegal and, "these will be the states where poor, young women who need the procedure will live."

Greene works as a health care assistant at the abortion clinic at Planned Parenthood, where she conducts ultrasounds and assists in abortions. She tried to debunk a common anti-abortion myth. "(Anti-abortion activists believe that) if you provide contraception, that will lead to more people having sex, which will lead to more pregnancy, which will lead to women having more care-less abortions to fit into swimsuits," Greene said.

"People who don't desperately need them, don't have them," she said. "Only women who are under extreme duress and think very hard about it."

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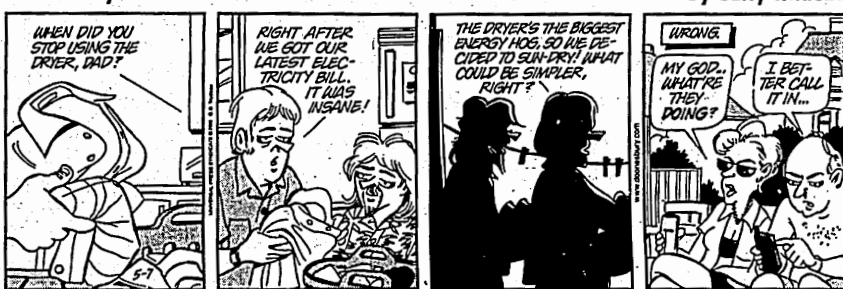
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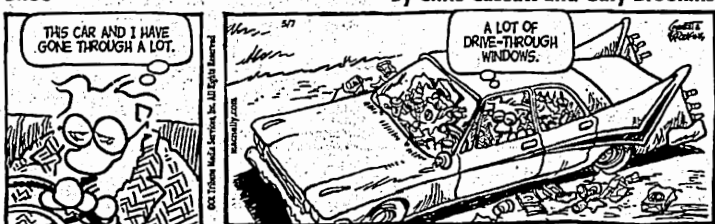
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Nicholls State softball team stages protest after coach fired

AMEE GAUCHET
THE NICHOLLS WORTH (NICHOLLS STATE U.)

THIBODAUX, La. (U-WIRE) — Members of the Nicholls State Lady Colonel softball team armed themselves with posters and a tiki torch and staged a peaceful protest on Hwy. 1 Tuesday night.

Cars slowed down and supporters honked at signs that said "Patric for Coach" and "Do a little dance, make a little glove, get down tonight and bring back our coach."

The team was protesting the dismissal of Lady Colonel softball coach Patric Holthaus.

"They got rid of our coach for no reason," Jill Chabert, Lady Colonel shortstop, said.

"Two years ago, her players quit on her. The team we have now is her own team, that she built with her own recruits. She needs one more year to prove herself. They shouldn't have fired her."

Chabert said Holthaus informed the team she had been released Monday night, and the

team had spoken with the parties involved in Holthaus' release.

"We were told it (her release) was based on (coach Louise) Do (Bonin)'s and (Athletic director Robert) Bernardi's decision," Monica Hebert, right fielder, said.

"We talked to both of them separately, and they said different things."

Chabert said the team wants to know a valid reason for Holthaus' dismissal, and hopes their protest will raise awareness.

"We want to show them that you shouldn't get rid of somebody who hasn't even had one year of her own team," she said.

"We need her. It isn't fair. Other teams at this University aren't successful. You shouldn't get rid of our coach. We need one more year to prove it."

She said any success the team has in the next season would be due to the team Holthaus assembled.

"If we succeed next year, we'll give all credit to coach Patric. This is her team."

Chabert's mother, Lynette Chabert, support-

ed her daughter and the team by protesting alongside them.

"As a parent, I feel she should be given another year to show the team she put together can win," she said. "Someone else will get her credit, and it's just not fair."

Bonin said details of Holthaus' dismissal cannot be discussed because this is a personnel matter. Michael Delaune of University Relations declined to comment.

"There is nothing to be said. We don't comment on personnel matters," he said.

The protest began at 6:50 p.m., and team members alerted the (Thibodaux) Daily Comet, the Houma Courier, KNSU and The Nicholls Worth about the event. The Daily Comet covered the protest in Wednesday's paper.

At 6:45 p.m., University Police arrived, then left to check on procedures for handling protests.

Cathy Landry of University Police returned with a ruling.

"You do have the right to protest," she said. "Our only rules are for your safety and for the

safety of the citizens."

Landry asked that the team stay on the shoulder, as close to the grass as possible, so as not to impede traffic.

"You can protest as late as you want, but once it gets dark, we'll have to come out with a light. Otherwise, we have no problem with your protest," she said.

Hebert said the protest probably would not last until a light would be needed, but the team would continue crusading for its coach.

"The protest was a bit of a surprise," Bonin said. "I understand that they're upset that coach Holthaus will not be back, and I appreciate their concerns."

Pitcher Duffi Matherne said the team chose a late afternoon setting when only a few people would be around, because the team had spoken to the administration already.

"We've talked to everyone on campus already," she said. "Now we're just trying to get family, friends and the community involved. The people we talked to listened to us, but I don't think it had any effect on them."

Pitcher faces future after line drive incident

EMILY BADGER
DAILY NORTHWESTERN (NORTHWESTERN U.)

EVANSTON, Ill. (U-WIRE) — The story has been told hundreds of times.

No, seriously. Hundreds of times.

Everyone in Ripon, Wis., population 7,241, has heard it at least once. A good part of the town boasts of having witnessed it in person. The rest picked it up after it started circulating on the local police radio.

Dan Konecny himself, has retold the story to perfection. But while the Northwestern freshman pitcher speaks about it now with distance and little emotion, it's still not his favorite small-talk topic.

Taking the mound during a July 6 American Legion game last summer, the 6-foot-5 Konecny carried with him the inevitability of the community's three-sport high school star.

But in the fleeting span of a fraction of a second, Konecny's promising future as a Big Ten pitcher was nearly scrapped.

The right-hander hurled the first pitch of the third inning and then watched as the batter lined it right back at him. Unable to regroup from his motion fast enough, Konecny felt the ball smash into his face. He then crumpled to the field and blacked out.

"When he's up on the mound, he's a big guy and he just looks so formidable," said Debbi Konecny, Dan's mother, who was in the stands that day along with numerous extended family members and friends. "And then to see his feet come out from under him, the hat fly, and to hear the sound of the ball hitting him and his kind of guttural reaction — a lot of those senses you can still kind of hear and see."

The stands collectively gasped and the park went silent. Then Konecny's teammates started wandering around the field in a daze.

An intolerable 45 minutes later, Konecny's teammates resumed the game without him. As they stumbled to a 4-3 loss, their star pitcher was shuttled off to the emergency

room for a two-day medical saga that ended with a 6 1/2-hour operation and the total restructuring of the right side of his face.

Throughout the whole nightmare, as Tom Konecny watched his son collapse and as doctors reinforced the family's worst speculations, he recalls with the most despair the ambulance ride —

when the star pitcher wondered through tears, "What if I can never get back on the mound again?"

Konecny's face healed, and his eyesight wasn't damaged as everyone had feared. Today, after sustaining a tripod fracture in his cheek, damage to the lower orbital of his eye, crushed sinuses and a broken jaw, his only battle wound is a small scar above his right eyebrow.

He lost 20 pounds in the two weeks after the accident, but eventually regained the weight. Konecny says he doesn't feel a thing now, although he has several metal plates in his cheek.

"I had asked the doctor if he was going to set alarms off," Debbi Konecny recalled. "And he said, 'Gosh, I've never quite put this kind of metal in. I'm not sure if he will or not. I didn't know if we had the bionic man.'"

As the possibility of being physically unable to pitch dissipated, another hurdle arose when Konecny arrived at NU in the fall.

In Konecny's second intrasquad outing, infielder Matt Thompson drilled a line shot up the middle. It didn't even graze Konecny, but it triggered psychological problems that took longer to heal than his face.

He started nubbling at the corners, afraid to throw a ball anywhere near the plate. And he instinctively ducked every time he heard the crack of a bat against the ball. That reaction kept him off the mound all fall and convinced NU baseball coach Paul Stevens to send him to a sports psychologist.

Even his teammates offered their help.

"(I told him) as long as you play, you're never going to see that happen again, not even to anyone that you play against or play with," said junior pitcher Gabe Ribas, who has mentored Konecny during his recovery.

Texas A&M men's tennis earns No. 4 seed

TRUE BROWN
THE BATTALION (TEXAS A&M U.)

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (U-WIRE) — The Texas A&M men's tennis team earned the No. 4 seed overall in the 2001 NCAA Team Championship, the NCAA announced Thursday.

The Aggies, who claimed the Big 12 regular season and tournament titles for the first time in the same season, were also selected as a regional host site.

A&M will begin play on May 12 when it hosts St. Bonaventure, which received an automatic bid after winning the Atlantic 10 Conference for the first time in school history. Arizona State and Vanderbilt will play each other in College Station, with the winner taking on either A&M or St. Bonaventure.

One team will advance to Round of 16, held in Athens, Ga.

The No. 4 seed is the highest in school history for the Aggies. The Aggies were seeded seventh last season and advanced to the Sweet 16, matching the farthest an A&M

team has ever advanced.

"This is the third and final stage of our season," said A&M men's coach Tim Cass. "We're excited to be one of the top four seeds in the country. We look at it as another real challenge for us, just like the regular season and the Big 12 tournament. I hope the lessons we've learned along the way will pay dividends in the NCAA tournament."

Senior Shuon Madden qualified for his third straight singles tournament, and the A&M doubles team of Madden and senior Dumitru Caradima qualified for its third doubles tournament together.

The duo of freshman Tires Davis and sophomore Ryan Newport is the first alternates into the doubles draw.

"It is a real thrill to have four of your top six players in the NCAA tournament," Cass said.

The No. 16 A&M women's team will also see postseason action, as it received an at-large bid into the women's draw. The Aggies will open the tournament on the road in South Bend, Ind., where Notre Dame will be the regional host.

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Saluki Sports Notes

SIU men's track takes five first places at SMS Queen City Invitational

The SIU men's track and field team put on its best performance of the season with five first-place finishes and eight season-best times at the SMS Queen City Invitational Saturday in Springfield, Mo.

The first place finishers for the Salukis were Kevin Mills in both the 100 and 200-meter dashes, Joe Zeibert in the 1500-meter run, Travis Pressler in the 5000-meter run and Dan Harrell in the pole vault.

Also having strong showings for SIU were Ian Lowthian (2nd in 400-meters), Steve Orange (3rd in 1500-meters), Jared Rybacki (3rd in 400-meters), Chris Owen (4th in 5000-meters), Nyles Stuart (6th in the long jump), Andrew Warnings (6th in 800-meters) and Nate Alexander (8th in the long jump).

The Salukis were also healthy enough to field a 4x100 relay team for the first time all season and finished in second.

SIU now has a week off before competing at the Missouri Valley Conference Outdoor Championships from May 16-19 in Terre Haute, Ind.

Gray sets career-best in high jump for third time this season

SIU sophomore Latrice Gray set a new career high for the third time this season as she won the high jump by a foot and three quarters at the Woodland Mortgage Indiana USA Track and Field Championships hosted by Butler University Saturday in Indianapolis, Ind.

Laura Grafton also had a career meet by competing in three different events. She finished 10th in the 400 intermediate hurdles, 19th in the long jump and 32nd in the 800-meter run.

Other members of the SIU women's track and field team that had strong showings were Jamie Waters (3rd in discus, 7th in shot put, 11th in hammer throw), Caryn Poliquin (3rd in hammer throw, 9th in shot put), Yolanda Mask (5th in 100 and 200-meter dash), Marina Shafan (5th in the high jump) and Marissa Jetks (9th in 1500-meters).

The Salukis will now take a week off before competing at the Missouri Valley Conference Outdoor Track Championships in Terre Haute, Ind., from May 16-19.

Cameron Wright Saluki Jumps Camp

The Cameron Wright Saluki Jumps Camp for male and female junior and senior high school athletes will be conducted from June 24-28 at SIU.

Wright, a 1996 Olympian and five time All-American high jumper, will personally direct the camp. He was an assistant track coach for five years at SIU before being named the men's head coach this past season. Wright has coached six Missouri Valley Conference champions as well as 12 MVC All-Conference competitors during his time at SIU.

The camp will specialize in high and long jumping and will conclude in an actual intracamp meet.

The registration fee of \$295 includes meals, lodging, T-shirt, camper insurance and individual instruction. A commuter fee of \$230 is also available. In addition, each athlete will receive a personalized video evaluating his/her technique.

To register or for more information, contact the Division of Continuing Education at SIU at (618) 536-7751 or visit their web site at www.dce.siu.edu.

Bears narrow list to four, SIU not among them

Club officials for the Chicago Bears announced they have narrowed the list from 12 potential future training camp sites to four locations.

The four remaining sites are Olivette Nazarene University in Bourbonnais, Millikin University in Decatur, Northern Illinois University in DeKalb and Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

SIU had been in the running, but didn't make the cut.

The club officials are scheduled to make follow-up visits to each of the locations during the next two weeks and are hopeful of making their final selection by the end of the month.

MURDER

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would cause the case to never be solved. Since the publishing of the letter, police have reinterrogated Baran. He has yet to be charged with obstruction of justice by police.

In an interview with the DAILY EGYPTIAN, Baran said he was positive that drugs had nothing to do with Thomas' death and that he lied to the police to protect others.

When confronted with Finney's claims that he is partially responsible for a suspect not being apprehended, Baran said it was not his intention to obstruct the investigation, but only to spare Thomas' reputation and to keep himself from incriminating others involved with drugs.

"Everyone wants to have the person caught," Baran said. "I just didn't want to make this a drug thing. I knew from day one that it was not a drug thing."

Baran said he did not know if Thomas was dealing cannabis at the time of his death, but added that he would have known if Thomas was dealing substantial amounts.

"If he was big into drugs, I would have known about it," Baran said.

Baran said he is "100 percent positive" that drug dealers did not kill Thomas. He said he believes that the

motive for Thomas' death stems from a relationship with a woman.

The lack of cooperation police have seen does not end with Thomas' friends. Finney said neighbors never reported hearing gunshots at the time Thomas was shot. Police estimates have Thomas being shot between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m.

Police were never notified of the gunshots, and did not become aware of Thomas until a woman found his body in her apartment at 7:50 a.m. With the elapsed time between his discovery and the time he was shot, Finney questioned whether Thomas would have died had neighbors reported hearing the gunshots.

"There is the possibility that medical help could have saved his life," Finney said.

In homicide investigations, the more time that elapses with the crime being unsolved, the less chance police have of solving the case. While police continue to investigate leads, Finney said cooperation from Thomas' friends and neighbors would have given his officers a better chance of solving his murder.

"Some leads we did not have in this case from day one," Finney said. "Success depends on the cooperation of those involved. We certainly need info from people."

Those who have information about the case can call Carbondale CrimeStoppers at 549-COPS.

JACKSON

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Jackson for his accomplishments, he regrets not being able to see several plans through to the end — such as the campus land use plan, designed to overhaul the campus, revamp traffic patterns and replace some of the failing buildings.

Mayor Neil Dillard said Jackson has always joined the University and the city together, which is an important aspect of making Carbondale work.

"The key that I see is that not only is he a very, very hard worker that works long hours, but he studies the issues," Dillard said. "He is a quick person to grasp the details and can recall information that is necessary to make decisions."

However, not everyone has been as responsive to Jackson's guidance. He has been through a fair amount of criticism throughout his term — which Jackson said is all part of a democratic position.

"I don't dwell on it a lot and I certainly don't stop and throw up my hands in despair because someone's criticizing," Jackson said. "I don't expect everyone to love me or what I've accomplished."

Jackson and his wife can be seen at a University event almost every day, whether it is attending guests lectures sponsored by the Public Policy Institute or congratulating students at an Honor's Day ceremony.

Mike Lawrence, associate director of the Public

Gus Bode

Policy Institute, said he will miss having Jackson in the chancellor's office.

"[Jackson] is someone who truly cares about students and other members of the University community," Lawrence said. "He and his wife Nancy attend an event almost every night — they literally spend day and night working for the University."

Nancy Jackson, who has stood by her husband's side for 32 years, said there have been many "enjoyable, rich experiences."

"I describe myself as just an SIUC cheerleader because I just see my job of being supportive of all of the good things happening there," she said.

Jerry Watson, who hasn't seen John Jackson for more than 20 years, remembers his charming sense of humor and trademark slow southern drawl. Watson, who worked in the Sociology Department, is now deputy chancellor at Texas A&M University System.

"You move on and you're not able to visit that much, but he was a great guy as a young man and I have heard he has even got better through the years," Watson said.



Gus says:

Keep your paper handy, Jackson, sometimes history repeats itself.

Sports Information Director Fred Huff retires after 35 years

JOSEPH D. JOHNSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Quietly and humbly Fred Huff has watched such phenomenal Saluki athletes as Walt Frazier, Steve Finley and Marcus Timmons enter and exit SIU, receiving little fanfare of his own for his job here. Huff doesn't need fanfare, though, for his lengthy career as SIU assistant athletic director and sports information director, which is nearing its final days.

Effective July 31, Huff will retire from his position as Sports Information director, but he's by no means retiring permanently.

"I'm not retiring," acknowledged Huff. "I'm retiring from this job." Huff's simply not the retiring kind and couldn't see himself cooped up in his house with nothing to do.

One thing Huff will keep himself busy with is a book he's working on about the history of Saluki sports. He's also considering assisting in a minor manner other universities in sports information.

Huff has a long history with the SIU Athletic Department. When Huff arrived at SIU in 1960 there wasn't the huge department that now exists. The Sports Information Department only recently merged with the Athletic Department.

Sports Information is the organization within a collegiate athletic department responsible for producing media guides, game programs and various other information needed by members of the media.

After 11 years working in the Athletic Department, Huff left to become general manager of the Du Quoin State Fair in 1971.

"Back in the mid-seventies we all figured he'd be back," said Gary Deniston, who works in sports information, of Huff's sabbatical from SIU. Five years later, Huff did return to SIU and in 1987 he became full time sports information director.

Huff's best memories here include working with SIU sports icon Lew Hartzog and when the 1967 Saluki basketball team became the "darlings" of New York City, winning the NIT title.

"Hartzog and I got along with each other really well," said Huff, who also lauded the now defunct SIU men's gymnastics team for its national success.

Over the last couple decades, many Saluki athletes stick in Huff's mind, but they aren't always the Finleys, Fraziers or Chris Carrs.

"I have some favorite athletes that I remember longer and have better memories of than others and they weren't necessarily the greatest athletes," Huff said. "There are some other aspects of life, in my mind, that are more important."

Huff has had an impact on many people's lives through the years. "Fred's the reason why I'm in the business," said Deniston, who credited Huff's advice with some of the career moves he has made over the past two decades. "Fred is actually my mentor in a manner of speaking and he deserves all of the honors he's going to end up getting."

Deniston suggested that the press box at the new sports complex, when it is constructed, be named "Fred Huff Press Box."

Huff was already honored in late April at the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa, where the SIU track and field teams competed.

And his absence won't go without notice in the athletic department. "It will seem kind of weird him not being here," Deniston said.

Huff's 35 years at SIU have left an indelible mark on him. "Maybe that's the only thing I know anything about," Huff said about SIU sports.

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SIU Softball swept in regular season finale

'Abnormal' weekend drops SIU to No. 3 seed in MVC Tourney

COREY CUSICK
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

What Kryptonite does to Superman, Creighton did to Erin Stremsterfer on Saturday.

The front-runner for the Missouri Valley Conference Pitcher of the Year distinction didn't make it out of the fourth inning in game one of a doubleheader against the Bluejays Saturday in Omaha, Neb., surrendering nine runs on nine hits en route to the 10-5 loss.

"It's abnormal," explained Saluki head coach Kerri Blaylock of Stremsterfer's outing. "You're not telling me she's that bad, I just think [Creighton was] in a zone. I give them credit, they figured out a way."

SIU (35-17, 17-9) dropped game two, 6-2, to close out the regular season, falling to third place in the final league standings behind Illinois State University and the University of Evansville. Friday's scheduled game was rained out.

The Bluejays (28-25, 16-10), who will be SIU's opponent in the opening round of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament on Friday, cranked out 16 runs on 16 hits in the two games, including four home runs in their assault on the Saluki pitching staff.

"Anytime we give up 16 runs in two games you know that that's not normal," Blaylock said. "It was just one of those days where everything that could go wrong did go wrong."

Senior center fielder Marta Viefhaus said what transpired Saturday was "shocking," considering Stremsterfer (27-8) is nationally ranked in ERA.

"Nobody's done that all year to [Erin]," Viefhaus said.

Fourth-seeded Creighton has now won 11 of their past 12 MVC contests to enter the MVC Tournament, which will be played on their home turf.

Leading the offensive charge for the Bluejays was first baseman Marie Gieron, who started things off in the first inning by blasting a two-run homer to left field. In her next at bat she doubled to initiate a third inning rally, which led to another four runs. Gieron was 3-for-4 with three RBIs in the game and had six RBIs on the day.

"From my point of view out in center field, she hit about every single pitch that our pitchers threw to her," Viefhaus said of Gieron.

Offensively for SIU, Stremsterfer went 2-for-2 with a home run and two RBIs, while junior outfielder Elisa Hopkins knocked in two runs on one hit.

The Salukis had scored five runs by the third inning, but the Creighton offense proved too much to overcome.

"That's the thing that I told the offense, I said 'When all year we scored five runs and lost a ballgame, it just doesn't happen,'" Blaylock said. "I'll take the law of average and say that was an abnormal performance, instead of the norm."

In game two, Gieron knocked Saluki hurler Katie Kloess (7-6) out in the fifth inning after smashing a three-run dinger to center. Kloess allowed six runs, four of which were earned on five hits, while striking out six. Stremsterfer rebounded from her rocky game one outing to pitch 2.2 hitless



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Senior center fielder Marta Viefhaus homered in game two of a doubleheader against Creighton University Saturday in Omaha, Neb., but the Salukis dropped both contests, 10-5 in game one and 6-2 in game two.

innings of relief.

Blaylock said it was relieving to see Stremsterfer bounce back and return to her normal form in game two, fanning six of the eight batters she faced.

But the damage had already been done, as Creighton swept the Salukis out of Omaha.

Blaylock is confident her team will respond Friday when they meet the Bluejays again, this time with a little more on the line. It would be highly doubtful that they

can hit Stremsterfer again like they did on Saturday.

"I think [Creighton's] going to be stressed a little bit on Thursday night," Blaylock said.

From the players' viewpoint, they are simply going to put this weekend behind them and attempt to return to normalcy come Friday.

"I think we need to come out and be positive and not really think about those two games," Viefhaus said. "That'll do nothing for us beneficially."

Baseball Missouri Valley Tourney hopes officially axed

Salukis finish against Tennessee-Martin next weekend

ANDY EGENES
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

You can't accuse the SIU baseball team of quitting.

The Salukis (17-35, 10-21) had their Missouri Valley Conference tournament hopes squashed after dropping both ends of a doubleheader against Bradley University in Peoria on Saturday, losing 8-7 and 4-0. But the SIU baseball team rebounded on Sunday, winning 10-6. Sunday's nightcap was canceled because of rain.

The 8-7 extra inning loss in Saturday's opening game made it mathematically impossible for the Salukis to make a postseason appearance, marking the fourth time in the last five years that the Dawgs have failed to crack into the top six in the conference race. Southwest Missouri State won the league with a mark of 20-6 in conference play followed by the University of Evansville (15-7) and Wichita State University (15-11). The conference records were posted after Saturday's play.

Saluki designated hitter Roman Schooley singled home Luke Nelson to break a 6-6 tie. SIU reliever Scott Lucht (6-5) gave up two singles and a walk before Bradley sacrificed a run home to tie the game again at 7-7. Bradley's Todd Spicer executed a squeeze bunt for the winning run to score.

SIU was losing 6-1 going into the seventh inning before the Salukis touched Bradley for two runs in the seventh along with three more runs in the eighth, which sent the game to extra innings. Lucht gave up three hits and two earned runs in his two plus innings of relief but was charged with the loss.

In the second game of Saturday's doubleheader, SIU mustered just four hits in their shutout loss. Brock Till threw a complete game shutout to earn his first collegiate victory.

The Salukis rebounded with a 10-6 win on Sunday before the nightcap was canceled.

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