Bush elected president in roller coaster win

Nail-biting, hair-pulling, cliffhanger—all can describe the night's voting, with 270 electoral votes between Al Gore and George W. Bush.

The closest election in the United States since John F. Kennedy defeated Richard Nixon in 1960 definitely lived up to its billing as George W. Bush captured the presidency in the wee hours early Wednesday. CNN called the race at 12:00 a.m.

The hard-fought race went down to the wire with Florida finally tipping the scales in Illinois. "I think it's healthy for us to have these kinds of contests occasionally," said Barbara Brown, a professor in political science. "I think it's energizing to have a few things going on that they're really going to make a difference."

As the polls closed in some 11 states Tuesday, Bush took an early lead in electoral votes with 227. Gore had yet to get on the board. But that was only the beginning in the night's wild ride.

Bush soon racked up 54 electoral votes after taking Indiana, Kentucky, South Carolina, Virginia and Georgia early on. With the polls closing in 16 more states, Gore scored a big win in Illinois, one of the key battleground states with 22 electoral votes.

Gore's victory in Illinois did not bode well for Bush's hopes. The state was big for Clinton and Gore in 1996, and no Republican candidate has won the presidency without Illinois in 100 years. "I thought before the election this year (Bush) would be the exception," said Public Policy Institute Associate Director Mike Lawrence of Bush's chances in Illinois Tuesday. "I felt that Gore had to win Illinois to win the White House, but that Bush didn't necessarily have to win Illinois to win the White House."

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Race for 115th District State Representative

Koehn no match for Bost

Incumbent Bost declares victory at midnight

SOUTH SHORE — State Rep. Mike Bost finally declared a landslide victory to a small group of friends and supporters at midnight, after he refused to wait any longer for his opponent's overdue concession call.

"The thinning crowd had quickly turned its attention from the state representative race to the hotly contested presidential race, after the numbers showed a decisive return in favor of Gore. With 102 of 105 possible precincts reporting, Bost had garnered 22,577 votes, and Koehn 13,815.

Early in the evening, the Bost camp was a little concerned because initial cartoons showed winning precincts for Koehn. But at more than 90 percent from Jackson County, and 48 percent countywide, Bost became confident of his victory.

"I'm ecstatic. I'm really looking forward to representing the people of Southern Illinois for another term," Bost said.

Koehn recognized early in the evening that defeat was likely.

"I went into the campaign with my eyes open and knew it would be a very tough," Koehn said.

But Koehn, a superintendent at De Soto Elementary, was optimistic about returning to school where he's been all year. "I'm really looking forward to being back at school where I've been all year. I love that job," Koehn said. "But I have absolutely no regrets participating in this, I can't help thinking what a privilege it is to be a part of our election process."

Republican supporters were quick to recognize that Koehn's campaign was not very aggressive and seldom showed Koehn on the offensive. Dan Bunschenscheit, president of the College Republicans, said that Koehn's campaign had difficulties from the beginning.

"He didn't have the funding from Chicago. He didn't have the name recognition and he doesn't have the qualifications. Nothing against Koehn, but it wasn't much of a race," Bunschenscheit said.

Koehn's finances were a difficult hurdle for his campaign. Because the Democratic party considered Bost almost unbeatable, Koehn's campaign had been stripped for cash since the beginning. With hardly any radio, TV or direct mail advertising, Koehn had to depend almost strictly on his door-knocking and debate appearances to get his message out.

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Walker implores faculty to exercise teamwork

Walker, Jackson address faculty at annual meeting

Jennifer Wis & Andrew Donahlon

New SIU President James Walker formally addressed the SIUC faculty for the first time at the annual faculty meeting Tuesday afternoon. Although Walker, who began his presidency Oct. 1, has been hesitant to discuss specifics plans for the University until he becomes more familiarized, he was enthusiastic on the role teamwork must play in making SIU excel.

"Excellence is not an act, not a one-time project, but a way of life," he said.

Walker said students such as Tigress Woods and Michael Jordan did not become the best at their sports without direction. Comparing the faculty to these athletes, he said dedication is what the faculty needs in order to move forward.

"Working together we can collectively move SIU to where you want it to be," he said. That faculty meeting was the first time faculty members were given an opportunity to listen to Walker, interim SIUC Chancellor John Jackson and Margaret Winters, interim Provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Walker has visited the SIUC campuses and plans to spend more time at each, formulating goals based upon feedback from faculty, students and alumni.

"As we move forward, what kind of Union trip do we want to be?" he asked. "One size does not fit all when we talk about missions."

He said the three cornerstones of a university - service, teaching and learning - research and work together as a unit to create the best possible institution.

Walker also said preparation for the search for a permanent SIUC chancellor is continuing, and will be fully operational by next year.

Jackson and Winters also spoke about the accomplishments of SIU in the last year. Jackson began with a "State of the University" address, taking only a moment to speak about the headlines of SIUC.

"The last year has been more positive at this time than last year," he said.

Regarding the ongoing contract dispute with the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity, which authorized its president to file an injunctive action earlier this week - he said that while he is unsure how the new SIU's educational mission to the Republic of Cuba has been on hold by the Cuban government, causing SIU to plan the delega-
SIUC's reputation may be bruised, not scarred

It is time to pick our chips off the ground, wipe the tear gas out of our eyes, pick up the pieces of broken glass and — above all — move on.

Dozens of letters have been sent to us criticizing the student body for its lack of maturity and responsibility and over all childlike antics on the Strip throughout Halloween weekend. Alumni have been shooting from afar as Las Angeles, undeterred, futilely irritated by the mayhem and chaos that hit the streets of Carbondale.

They have complained about how the reputation of their beloved alma mater has been sent down the drain after years of trying to break free of the "party school" image.

In reality, 90 percent of SIUC's students were elsewhere when the riot took place. One in ten people flocked to the Strip to join in or observe the revelry while the rest were at home or doing whatever else beside being on South Illinois Avenue. Parents, alumni and administrators, these numbers are an obvious reflection that the overwhelming majority of students are more concerned with receiving their education than becoming troublemakers.

Furthermore, not every person on the Strip through the weekend is a devilant or hooligan — many were there to see what all the excitement was about, and less than 2 percent of the people on the Strip through the weekend were arrested. The number of SIUC students arrested was less than half of the arrests made.

SIUC has a lot to offer to current and prospective students. Don't let one week of chaos fill your mind with a smoke screen of how poorly SIUC is perceived by others. SIUC still has a beautiful campus, some of the country's top researchers, instructors and award-winning professionals in their respective fields and a quality student population.

These things are to be proud of, not to shy away from. Being a member of the SIU community should make you proud, regardless of the frustrating problems that Halloween celebrations continue to bring to our University.

The Daily Egyptian stands behind SIU. To say that one week has finished all the work that has been done to clean up the image of the school is preposterous. Although the Halloween uproar left a black eye on SIU's reputation, this is not the time for the gears to stop turning or to throw our hands in the air in frustration.

This is the time to show the country that SIUC isn't going to give in to the unfriendly labels of those who do not understand our University. Instead, it is time to recommit to sending educated, motivated and experienced graduates into the world so back up the SIU tradition of excellence.

Bill Clinton: from the White House to the Stone Center

I would love for this column to be about who won, but I'm writing this yesterday. In 1 cent, I'm a time capsule, and perhaps you'll all be dead. In that case, ignore me, love your body and follow the light.

If you're still reading, I hope it's not in hell. (An old proverb says I'll live forever from me dead at 21.)

No, the only thing I know about the election is that I'm voting for Al Gore. If you're listening, I've heard both of you.

Bill Clinton is going to be the Michael Jordan of ex-presidents. He'll be the Kennedy we never had.

Apparently, he's worried about his legacy. Truth be told, it's going to be tough to break the top 20 with just NAFTA and good looks.

We're going to have to spend the next 28 years making sure we love him. But trust me, he doesn't give a rat's ass for historians. He's the baby-boomer president. We're going to hate it if he's a collectible dinner plate. He doesn't care about Lincoln or Coolidge.

He's thinking Kennedy and Elvis. He's shooting for 40.

I realize, of course, that I'm probably not the first person to think of getting Bill Clinton as a spokesperson. I'm just the poorest. Vernon Jordan has yet to respond any of his calls.

So how are we going to compete? Because if we get him, Bill Clinton can put some real wind into the sails of this adult old party school.

The good news is, the one group assured of receiving market value on this extrusion is the administration. The bad news is we still couldn't find enough people to afford dollar Bill. We've got to try and get him in the cheap.

Bill Clinton University. Not William Jefferson Clinton — we'll see that for a building. Maybe Necker. We could rename all the buildings. Don't Fauser remind you of a big gray friendly Gore? Maybe Bill Clinton College. Nice ring. Even a little tinge upscale. GCC, Necker are our two presidents. The SCC. Presidents. Who wouldn't be proud to be called a President? Our teams could have bold, but sensible, navy blue uniforms with gray helmets.

Think of the Clinton marching band. Think of the cheerleaders.

Our mascot could be various presidents just kind of coming loose. Why, with honk Abe doing handstands and leading choruses with his ass, who wouldn't stand up and give a big presidential wave?

"Hey, is that FDR?"

And "look, it's walking!"

"Ladies and gentlemen, the presidents aren't dead yet."
About 40 students irregularly gathered at the television screen in Studio A Thursday night as they waited for a call to come in from the bars to tell them who they would be drafting into their novelties. "I know it would be done," said David Kinshall, a professor in political science. Kinshall encouraged students and political Junkies of all persuasions to hound to Studio A to cut prices, drink soda, argue politics and cadavers, all while watching the next batch of the first wave decided by the names of American voters. Students sat on the chairs in front of the television as Lucy King and the CNN news team told them which states were on the fence and which states had been decided by George Bush or Al Gore.

While everyone shared similar statuses on the first floor, the opinions differed from them. Kyle Sobolewski, a senior in political science from Chicago, had one major reason for supporting Gore. "Feel not Bush," Sobolewski said. "Bush tries to pretend he is a political leader when he really isn't. He wasn't prepared when he was down in Washington and his daddy was the former president and director of the CIA."

Brian Morrell, a senior in political science, said eight years ago he was stationed on a military ship in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean while Vice President Bill Clinton ran against the then-incumbent George Bush. So he related how disappointed he was when he came back to the same area and found that the Democrats had captured the White House.

On Election Day 2000, Morrell hoped for a revolution in political power. "There will be routinized if Gore wins," Morrell said. "Our military is going to be in more trouble than it is already and if I listen to my old man, Gore will take away our guns too."

For some, political choices coincided for immediate reasons. Many students cited Gore's active political position toward higher education providing facilities with tax credit. "My mother and I feel that in terms of money and college, the Democrats can care for us a little more than the Republicans," said Jason Beck, a senior in political science. "The Republicans will tax my life whereas theDemocrats will tax our cars and start programs of different programs."

Camp, a sophomore in cinema and photography from Champaign, said many students neither of the candidates present them with a close-shot choice. Some said they would have voted for a more liberal John McCann had he been on the Republican ticket. Others said Ralph Nader voted their votes for a joke. While the students who gathered in Studio A Thursday night said that politics ideology basically guided them in making their political choices on election day.

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The different political opinions of students sparked passionate arguments. Students cheered to themselves tightly in Bush or Gore's faces would pop up on CNN when each took a particular state. Kinshall remained content with the outcome of the Studio A election party.

"It was a pretty good-sized group of students to come wash the results and find out who is going to be in the White House and controlling Congress," Kinshall said.

"More things are happening, and more things need to happen," she said. "In gener-

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saw it was time for better representation. As a school superintendent and farmer, Koehn said he could best represent the “working man” of Southern Illinois.

But Bost said his networking and experience of the past six years are an insurmountable asset.

The campaign focused on three major issues — Southern Illinois’ economy, health care, and education. Though it sometimes appeared the two candidates’ positions were very similar, these were key ideological

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despite a major push by Bush, whose brother, Jeb, is the state’s popular governor. The race stood at 119 for Gore and 121 for Bush as of 7:04 p.m.

By 9:21 p.m. Gore captures New Mexico with 15 states in his column. The CLOSEOUT Store.

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to defeat, waiting for the final vote in Florida to determine who would be the President of the United States.

Bush was in the lead in most major states, but he faced stiff resistance in California, which Gore claimed Florida’s electoral votes and went on to capture the state.

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As the night went on, Bush remained at play. But before you could think no one would catch him, Gore jumped to 192 by 8:36 p.m. after adding Michigan and 10 electoral votes.

And if the rest of the right could not get any more bittersweet, at 9 p.m., network broadcast pulled Florida out of Gore’s column due to bad data tallied from Florida press.

Other counties with double-digit employment, and the state’s popular vote. Ohio, Kentucky, the last state to close its polls. Shortly after all the states had voted, Bush claimed Florida’s electoral vote and a narrow lead.

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Five minutes to 10, the fate of both candidates and the country was now in the balance. Bush had won enough. But this was far from over.

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**Daily Crossword**

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Saluki runner in good shape

Julia Roundtree utilizes a tough work ethic to improve in and out of the classroom

As a senior, Roundtree is one SIU women's cross country runner. She is an accomplished distance runner for the Missouri Valley Conference. Roundtree has already broken her personal record twice this season, doing it in two consecutive appearances. It now stands at 18 minutes and 10 seconds. Roundtree's involvement in an organized training program has helped her to improve in and out of the classroom. She has improved dramatically and it is evident from one week to another.

Injuries have been a constant in her running career. As a freshman, her knee became a constant bother and during her sophomore year she was sidelined after only four meets due to a meniscus tear and a fracture in her foot. Roundtree has experienced her share of setbacks. She has been completely healthy and though it hasn't been without its fair share of setbacks, Roundtree has remained a constant force in the quest for athletic and academic excellence. She has improved dramatically and it is evident from one week to another.

Motivation has stemmed from the fact that there is no end to the team's goal of becoming a national force in the sport. She has already planned on completing a Ph.D. and reached her ultimate goal of winning a professorship of English. "I am very determined because it is very important to me. I want to go through it all at once, no breaks, but just get it done with," Roundtree said.

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Roundtree's dedication as a runner and student has been evident from one week to another. I believe that injuries have slowed her down and that her work ethic and dedication to her studies have helped her to improve. "Hard work does pay off, but school is my first priority. Each week I want to get better and the results tell me how much I've developed," Roundtree said.

University of Northern Iowa. That was the last loss in the first four games of the 1999-2000 season. It was also the second in a row the team had lost by that point. Yet Weber stayed cool.

Perhaps Coach Roundtree should take a 10-foot stroll down the hall to Weber's office and pick up a lesson. But every Division I coach goes through it at some time or another. And Weber has gone through some of the same situations as Roundtree.

Graced, Coach Q has been in the shadows for a bit more than a year at the University. SIU hasn't pulled off close games, hasn't made fundamental plays to put games away and has not gained any kind of momentum to put together a quality win. But every Division I coach goes through what Roundtree has been through—pressure to win, avoiding difficult situations and trying to gain community support for the program.

On the flip side, Weber's public relations skills are impeccable. He's accessible, will do several interviews in a row, all with a smile and an easygoing personality. He's even been known to sign autographs for young fans.

And Weber has gone through some of the same situations as Roundtree. Just last year, Weber could have found countless ways to deal with a 78-77 home loss to Santa Clara University. That was the third loss in the first four games of the 1999-2000 season. It was also the second in a row the team had lost by that point. Yet Weber stayed cool.

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**A study in contrasts**

Two different philosophies, two very different outcomes.

What seemed to possibly be the strangest story over my four-year span at SIUpers况且 never seemed quite so strange.

SUU coach basketball coach Bruce Weber addressed the local media during a 1 p.m. Tuesday press conference in what turned out to be a light-hearted exchange about the upcoming season. The media were enjoying the company and taking a little hoops Scott normal enough.

Meanwhile, SIU head coach Jan Quarless was scheduled for a 12:30 meeting with the media, something both parties seemingly have grown accustomed to standing.

Not surprisingly, Coach Q set an undertone immediately upon his arrival, standing for the entire press conference, something he hadn't done all season. The tension could be cut with a warm kitchen knife.

Who could blame him for being on edge? SIU is 2-7 and just got beat by a team that hasn't won a game the entire season, in the Salukis' own backyard.

Quarless says he has been coaching, more than anyone else can understand. No one can doubt that. He

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**Roundtree:**

One country matter takes a whole week to cover in and out of the classroom.

**Andy Egenes**

**Daily Egyptian**

**Quarless still standing**

SIU head coach Jan Quarless starts down the media during his weekly press conference. The Salukis (2-7, 1-4) are likely to finish at the bottom of the Gateway Conference standings for the third consecutive year.

Quarless football head coach Jan Quarless approaches the final two games of season as questions of his future at SIU continue.

The 2000 Salukis saga has subjected Jan Quarless through an emotional rollercoaster the past few months.

And at the Saluki head coach's weekly press conference Tuesday, Quarless walked in and stood to remain standing for the duration of the ride.

He addressed questions ranging from a slow of injuries to the Salukis' 27-22 home loss to previously winless Indiana State.

As for this week's game, the Salukis face a middle of the season.

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**Corey Colin**

**Daily Egyptian**

Lord blessed me that way. I just what I'm doing. So for the next two weeks, I'm going to enjoy what I'm doing, I hope to win, and I hope to give the best effort that we can.

But at 2-7 overall and 1-4 in the Gateway Conference in his fourth season at the helm, questions remain looming whether he will be able to keep doing what he's been doing.

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No one understands how I feel about coaching, I enjoy what I'm doing, and that's terrific for me. The good Lord blessed me that way.

**Jan Quarless**

SIU football head coach

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**Division I-A football powerhouse has beaten the Salukis four consecutive times, although last season it took overtime to do so.**

The Penguins defeated SIU 43-37 in the high-scoring overtime affair.

Quarless said his team needs to improve in the fourth quarter, which has been a major problem in recent weeks.

"To get past that attitude of being great is you've got to stop (opponents) in the fourth quarter, and we haven't done that," he said.

And through the hardships of the season, Coach Quarless has not only remained standing for media coverage.

The best way to start with Quarless is when he's in a subdued, low-key mood. Otherwise, he's unpredictable and can lose his temper at the drop of a hat.

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