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Joseph faces arraignment Bethany Krajelis gyptian.com

After eight weeks of worrying, the residents of Perry County can finally let out a sigh of relief as police arrested a Tamaroa man Wednesday in connection with three county assaults that have occurred since early October. James E. Joseph, 32, was arrested and charged

with two counts of aggravated kidnapping, one count of aggravated criminal sexual assault, one count of predatory criminal sexual assault and one count of attempted armed robbery. Du Quoin Police Chief Ken DeMent said

Joseph, who had been under police surveilice, was pulled over by police at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday at a traffic stop. He was wanted on a Perry County failure-to-appear warrant. Joseph is a registered sex offender in Illinois

as a result of a prior conviction of sexual assault toward a minor. He is previously from Cahokia and has been living in Tamaroa for the past 18 mont

DeMent said the kidnapping and predatory sexual assault charges are in connection to the Oct. 31 assault of two 10-year-old girls in a vooded area in Du Quoin.

The aggravated criminal sexual assault charge is related to the Oct. 26 attack of a 20old woman in the outdoor restroom at the

year-old woman in the outdoor restroom at the Pinckneyville Moto-Mart. DeMent said the armed robbery charge stems from an Oct. 8 incident involving a 14-year-old girl in Keyse Ciry Park in Du Quoin. He said there was no sexual assault involved in that case

The Sept. 9 Pinckneyville sexual assault of a woman walking near the town's junior high school is still unsolved, and Joseph has not been connected to the incident.



Police arrested 32-year-old James E. Joseph (right) of Tamaroa in connection with three assaults that happened in the past eight weeks in Perry County. A drawing released by police last week (left) aided in Thursday's arrest.

Each of the charges, except for the attempted armed robbery, is a Class X felony. If found guilty, Joseph could face a sentence of six to 30

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COULD LET all manage for 15 years. Each felony charge could result in a maxi-mum \$25,000 line if found guilv. DeMent said the investigation, which cov-ered all four county assaults since Sept. 9, was read all four county assaults since Sept. 9, was done in conjunction with the Perry County Sheriff's Department, the Illinois State Police, the Randolph County Sheriff's Department and the FBL

DeMent said Joseph is currently being held

at the Perry County Jail in Du Quoin. The arraignment for Joseph's charges is scheduled for 10:30 this morning at the Perry County Courthouse in Du Quoin

Reporter Burke Wasson contributed to this story.

Blemish on school report cards embarrasses Illinois

44 percent of Illinois public schools fail to make grade

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Report cards can be nerve wracking, especially when they contain unfavorable marks.

The Illinois State Board of Education released the 2003 Illinois State Report Card Tuesday with 44 percent of p schools failing to meet academic standards required under the federal No Child Left

Behind reform. Nine schools in

Southern Illinois failed to meet adequate yearly progress on state achievement tests. Those schools include Bennett Elementary, Buncombe School, Cairo School, High Junior Carrier Cairo High. N Mills-Stonefert High School, Christopher High School, Eldorado



And they wonder why SIUC got a bad grade.

Elverado Junior High and Meridian High School.

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Overall, 1,718 of 3,919 public schools in Illinois failed to meet the requirements of the No Child Left Behind policy signed into effect in January 2002 by President Bush.

"The idea behind the No Child Left Behind and the accountability system the state of Illinois has in process is to help schools and the state to look at where students are as a whole and to look at where each school is in that picture," said Naomi

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Fred Edwards, an inmate at the Federal Prison Camp in Marion, sings during an event Thursday morning to honor inmates who helped raise money for the Poshard Foundation. Edwards is the second lead singer and has been singing in the group Marion Christian Choir for more than a year.



Inmates in nearby federal prison donate more than \$2,100 to buy Christmas gifts for neglected and abused children throughout Southern Illinois

STORY by JACKIE KEANE

ome of them make only \$14.40 a month. Others make \$60 a month. But despite Contest made soo a month of despite their low wages, 116 innates at Marion Federal Prison Camp donated more than \$2,100 to The Poshard Foundation."

\$2,100 to The Poshard Foundation.²² The Poshard Foundation is running a Christmas gift program that will give abused and neglected children a chance at experiencing the holiday of giving and loving. T am just really proud of these folks," said for-mer Congressman Glenn Poshard, who heads the foundation. They really helped us out. Thursday, more than 300 inmutes gathered together in a visiting area at the facility to extend their hands and hears to Poshard's children foun-dation.

dation.

The drums began beating, guitar strings were uck and the music began. The Tonnie White Band, an eight-member

"Tell me how could you love me Jesus," White in

"Tell me how could you know my name. Tell me why did you save me Jesus."

And with those words, a smile was painted across Poshard's face, his head nodded to the beat and his feet started tapping.

The Poshard Foundation, which supports abused and neglected children in Southern Elinois, works with Pat's Kids. Children who have a wish list but no one to give it to send their letters to Pat's Kids. The program, headed by Pat Benton, a local

radio personality, raises money to buy abused and neglected children gifts for Christmas. Last ;ear they raised \$60,000 and reached out to 300 kids.

This year, his goal has doubled to 600 children. Benton takes an opportunity each hour to read a child's letter. He said that sometimes the letters are so touching he can barefy get through them. Wish lists come for newborn infants to 18-merchild

vear-olds.

The money raised is then given to the family's caseworker, and the caseworker will take the parent

"If it wasn't for this program, some of these kids would have no Christmas at all," Benton said. Last Christmas, inmates at the prison eagerly

worked to help the program, but there was not a committee leading the way. Tonnie White, an inmate who was involved last year, brought forth to the administration his vision of this year.

To the administration his vision of una year. "Many of the letters are from kids whose par-ents are here in prison," said prison information officer Kevin Murphy. "Their own kids need help and still they help the foundation." White presented administrators at the prison with his idea that would extend a handout to the

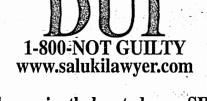
community.

Murphy said that once the idea was presented to him and others, he brought up the idea to

Poshard, who accepted. His vision was huge. Inmates raised more than \$2,100 in two weeks and time has not yet run out.

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NATIONAL NEWS N.Y. federal judge halts enforcement of abortion ban

NEW YORK (CNN) - In the second such ruling in two days, a federal judge Thursday issued a temporary restraining order halling enforcement of a new law ban-ning a cerain type of late-term abortion procedure. The order against the Parial Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003 covers providers afflitted to the National Abortion Federation, which claims to represent the doctors who provide half the abortions sought by women each year. "We are pleased that the count acted quickly to protect women and their doctors," said Yicki Sporta, the group's president and chief executive officer. 'Allowing Congress to practice medicine without a license endangers the lives and health of women. We need to ensure the, medical professionals." The order, signed by US. District Court Judge Richard

The order, signed by U.S. District Court Judge Richard Conway Casey, said the plaintiffs had made an adequate case that the law could harm patients and that the law could be declared unconstitutional because it does not could be declared unconstitutional because it does not cou

Could be declared unconstitutional because it uses not contain an exception to protect the women's health. The judge said the occer will be in force for 10 days and ordered both the NA?, which brough the suit, and the U.S. Attomey General John Ashcrolt to submit briefs. The NAP praised the decision to halt enforcement of

INTERNATIONAL NEWS Saudi militants blow themselves up

(CNN) — Two wanted Saudi militants blew them-selves up Thursday in the holy city of Mecca, and a sus-pected terrorist was shot and killed in the Saudi capital Ryadh. The incidents took place during the holy month of Parmadan

¹⁰ The incidents took place during the holy month of Ramadan. Ramadan. Very the standard standard standard standard standard standard very to carry out an attack. When the forces attempted to apprehend the two in an open area, the two set off explosives, blowing themselves up. Saudi officials said. Up Ray and the two set off explosives, blowing themselves up. Saudi officials said. Ray and the two set off explosives, blowing themselves up. Saudi officials said. The winkty said the security forces were attacked and in the gun battle, one militant was killed. Eight members of the security force suffered injuries.

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	 inciting the slaughter of about 800,000 people, a court
of	spokesman said.
	The U.N. tribunal in the northern Tanzanian city of
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105.000, he said.

Ex-ministers on

trial for genocide

The UN, tribunal in the nonthern Tanzanian city of Arusha is keen to show progress in trying former top offi-cials to counter Rwandan government criticism that it has been slow to bring the masterminds of the massacres to justice.

justice. Video footage was shown of the accused being sworn in as interim ministers in 1994, interspersed with gisly images of mass slaughter, piles of corpses and machete-wielding militias. The ministers belonged to an interim government that took power in April 1994 after a plane carrying President Juvenal Habyarimana was shot down just before the mas-sacres began.

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POLICE REPORTS University

A residential burglary occurred between 3:45 p.m. and 4:45 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31, at Schneider Hall. The residence was entered by nonforcible entry, and the victim reported an X-Box game system, a Madden 2004 X-Box game, X-Box controllers and a Sony PlayStation were missing. There are no suspects at this time.

Banji B. Abitogun, 25, of Murphysboro was arrested and charged on a Jackson County warrant for an original charge of obstructing justice at 11:44 p.m. Saturday at the intersection of South Wall Street and Grand Avenue. Abitogun was unable to post required bond and was taken to the Jackson County Jail in Murphysboro, where he was released on bond.

Travor W. Boros, 27, of DeSoto was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident at 7:15 a.m. Wednesday on Lincoln Drive. Boros struck a vehicle driven by a 24-year-old female. There were no reported injuries.

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A residential burglary occurred between 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. Tuesday in the 500 block of South Ash Street. The victim reported the residence was entered by forc-ible entry to the front door. An X-Box game system with a remote, two X-Box games and two DVDs were missing. Total loss is estimated at \$500.

<u>CORRECTIONS</u>

In the Wednesday Nov. 5 photo caption of the etiquette dinner, it should have stated the dinner was sponsored by University Housing Residence Dining.

In the Thursday Nov. 6 page one photo cutline for the Harvest Hoedown it should have stated the event took place Nov. 2.

In the Thursday Nov. 6 article "SIUC graduate receives a ervice to Southern Illinois Award," it should have stated Greg Scott's title is director of alumni public relations.

The DALY ECYPTIAN regrets these errors.

Readers who spot an error should contact the DALY EGYPTIAN accuracy desk at 536-3311 ext. 253.

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U.S. announces plan to rotate troops in Iraq

the law, which it claimed was tantamount to "allowing Congress to practice medicine."

WASHINGTON (CNN) – The Pentagon will order about 128,000 U.S. troops to Iraq in early 2004 to replace forces rotating back to their home bases after a yearlong tour of duty, U.S. Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld said Thursday. The combat units serving in Iraq and most of the supporting units serving in the theater will be replaced."

Rumsteld said. About 85,000 active duty forces, including three National Guard combat brigades, have been notified they will be sent to the Iraq region, and 43,000 other Reserve and National Guard troops have been told they will be activated, Pentagon sources said. Pentagon officials said it may be days before the public learns which Army National Guard and Reserve units face callence.

callups. The number of U.S. troops in Iraq could be reduced next spring. Rumsfeld said, once iraqis assume responsibil-ity for their nation's security and governance. The number of U.S. forces will decrease, possibly to

DAILY EGYPTIAN FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2003 • PAGE 3 News Construction on Spillway to begin next year

Governor allocates \$225,000 for project

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Gov. Rod Blagojevich is pouring money into the Spillway. Blagojevich released more than

\$1 million for state park projects, with \$225,000 of it going for Lake Murphysboro State Park.

The money will be used for r-habilitation of the Spillway and areas of the park, including resealing construction joints, repairing deteriorated concrete, correcting erosion problems and servicing the

Spillway gate and gate stem. It will also help replace a drain and two footbridges.

The vegetation blocking the toe and sidewalls of the Spillway will be removed.

Tim Schweizer, spokesman for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, said the repairs for the Spillway are long overdue.

"The Spillway has been in place for a number of years, and [repairs are needed] because of age wear and tear," Schweizer said. and

"We've looked at doing this project for several years, and it was matter of getting funding to get it done."

Schweizer said it could take a few months for the Capital Development Board to contract the engineer to design plans for the work and hire a construction firm to begin the repairs.

The rusted Spillway gate will be improved after it is lubricated.

given to the park by the state. That will prevent water from flowing through cracks, which have formed in the spillway as a result of many years of use,"

Schweizer said. Once construction begins, the project should only take months to complete, Schweizer said. It's going to be a good project

for the long-term maintenance and safety of Lake Murphysboro," he said.

That's one of the reasons it was a priority to get done — because of the importance of the spillway and the dam to the lake and Lake Murphyshoro State Park." The repairs to Illinois state

parks are aimed at improving visitor safety and maintenance at facilities, Blagojevich said last

week in a news release. "Parks are popular destinations for so many Illinois residents, and visitors to our state and contribute tremendously to the local economy and the quality of life of Illinois

families," Blagojevich said.

"The renovations of the damns, bridges, trails and other public access areas will enhance the enjoyment of our parks." Blagojevich also allotted \$110,000

for Pyramid State Park to repair the park office building in Perry County and regional office in Benton.

Five states suspend schools' prepaid tuition programs

Illinois colleges in good shape Drew Stevens dstevens@dailyegyptian.com

Earlier this year, Colorado froze enrollments in its prepaid tuition plan, and Ohio announced three weeks ago it was suspending its program for a year because the state was losing money. West Virginia, Kentucky and

Texas have also temporarily cut off new enrollment in the plan. Nancy Stephens, assistant director of College Illinois!

director of College Illinois! Prepaid Tuition Program, said the suspension of prepaid tuition plans in Illinois has not been explored as an option to alleviate the Illinois

an option to aneviate the finite-budget crisis. "There's no problem here in Illinois in terms of the College Illinois! closing," Stephens said. "We've taken some of the neces-

sary steps to improve the financial stability of the program." Fourteen states currently offer

prepaid tuition plans. In Illinois, the 529 Prepaid

Tuition Program is called College Illinois! and is administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission

Named after the section of the federal tax code that authorizes them, 529s are state-sponsored college funding programs designed to help families save for future college costs.

lege costs. Ann Acton, associate director of financial aid at SIUC, said suspending tuition plans designed to help families pay for tuition in the future shifts the responsibility

for saving for college back to the family.

In places where programs have been suspended, states are allowing those with money invested in pre-paid plans to keep the funds there, alth ugh they also are being given

other investment options. Stephens said Colorado has permanently closed its programs and is not planning on reopening it because of budget problems. "Since the Illinois budget crisis

seems to be as serious as those in other states, perhaps Illinois' priori-ties continue to be more focused on

ingner education, as has tradition-ally been the case," Acton said. Families in Illinois can begin building a strong college-funding plan any time after a child is born, locking in the cost of traditional cking in the cost of tuition and fees today and protecting them from future inflation.

According to the College Illinois! website, tuition and fees at Illinois public universities increased by 10.7 percent in 2002. Standard tuition and fees for an SIUC student enrolled in 15 hours per semester for the 2003-2004 academic year is \$5,521, an increase of more than \$500 from the previous year.

According to Stephens, 20,000 Illinois families have purchased 36,000 contracts since the program opened in 1998.

"We feel College Illinois! is a very safe and secure plan for families to use to prepare for future college tuition and reduce their. costs and at the same time save on tuition for the future," Stephens said

Families apply for the program during the enrollment period,

which runs from late October through March, and are able to lock in that year's tuition and fees, regardless of when the money is going to be used. Future increases in tuition and

fees will be backed by the state.

Plans can be purchased with a single lump sum, annual pay-ments or monthly installments. The purchaser can buy one to nine semesters of tuition and mandatory fee benefits from the state based on today's costs. Benefits will cover the full cost

at Illinois public universities and community-colleges.

If a beneficiary attends a private or out-of-state public institution, College Illinois! will only pay a portion of the costs.

Benefits will equal the meanbenefits will equal the mean-weighted average of tuition and fees at Illinois public universities or community colleges at the time of enrollment in college. The student will be responsible for making up the difference the difference.

For example, the mean-weighted average tuition and fees for one year at Illinois public universities for this academic year is \$5,785. If someone had purchased a contract for a student who enrolled at a private or out-of-state public university or college this year, College Illinois! would pay that institution \$5,785 on behalf of that student.

College Illinois! pays for tuition and any mandatory enrollment fees. Room, board, books and transportation are not covered.

> For more information on the Illinois prepaid plan, visit www.collegeillinois.com

Saluki Rainbow - Andrew Carrier Network sponsors fifth annual drag show tonight

Event offers surprises, transformations

of attendarts

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The Saluki Rainbow Network hopes students will come out to make some noise for the boys and girls participating in tonight's drag

show. The drag show, "Let's Hear It For the Boys," is sponsored by SRN and will take place at 7 p.m. in Ballrooms C and D of the Student Center. This will be the fifth year for the annual show, which attracted more than 400 students and computer for the students and community members last year.

Co-director Jenae Williams said the organization is expecting an even larger turnout this year due to changes from previous shows. While the event will still feature

several local drag queens, there will also be performances by a Chicago group, the Chicago Drag Kings. Williams said she believed a show of predominantly drag kings would provide an interesting twist for the new several several several several several for the new several several several several several several for the several several several several several several for the several severa he event. "We wanted to have more for the

We wanted to have more facets than just drag queens, said Williams, a junior in fashion merchandising from Chicago. We really just thought we would do something new that was more gender inclusive.

The show will include skits and musical numbers from performers as well as Suicide Drag, which has been performed in past shows and

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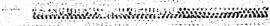
gives attendants the opportunity to experience a transformation into the opposite sex. In past years only one individual was selected for the change. This year, however, both a male and a female will be selected for the transformation, which will also include a performance as the

opposite gender. Attendants will have the chance to sign up prior to the show and will be selected randomly for the transformation, which will take

place during intermission. Though there are some returning aspects such as Suicide Drag, according to SRN co-director Bradley Wilkins, there-have-been-a number of changes from previ-ous drag shows. He said more so than previous years the show will attempt to adhere to its theme. Taking into account the theme, Let's Here It for the Boys, Wilkins said the ballrooms will be decorated in the style of an 1980s high school gym and will feature mostly music from the decade.

Wilkins, who has helped with the show in the past said that, although it was somewhat stressful, he is grateful for the experience and しんよくんんんんんん いちもんぶ さたらえんり たたいん しちー

he is grateful for the experience and expects a successful event. "I think a lot of people will expect this year to be the same as the past shows, but I can't reiterate enough how murb different this year will be," said Wilkins, a junior in public relations from Salem." It was fun to coordinate. It was streisful at times but it's oling to be stressful at times but it's going to be a good show and we certainly have a d show and we certainly lot of surprises. People should come out and experience something different."









Angge Dentamaro ~ Daily Egyptia

Jan York discusses her artwork that is displayed in her store, Visions, which is located on the Makanda Boardwalk. The artwork displayed belongs to York and other local artists.



of Makanda Boardwalk

story by LEAH WILLIAMS

Jan York welcomes all ages of artists into her shop. "I have about 70 artists, and they all range from eighth grade to 80 years old," she wid, gesturing to a display of jewelry crafted by a local eighth grader.

She then quickly rurned to show a vase that portrayed the events of the Garden of Eden. "Isn't that cool?" she asked, holding up the

art to display the pinks, greens and oranges along York knows art. An art teacher for

Murphysboro High School and a Makanda community member, she has recently completed a mural depicting the town's boardwalk. Featuring photos of the many community members placed on magnets, the interactive artwork illustrates life in the small community.

The mural is now placed outside her shop, Visions, which is an art gallery and studio on the boardwalk that features many local artists' work. The store sells the artwork to any interested buyers. The art ranges from scarves and rugs to ceramic vases and paintings

The Makanda Boardwalk is in the heart of the small community that has a population of only 400. York had painted a winter version of the mural, and afterward, she decided she wanted asonal representation of the boardwalk. "I wanted the mural to show everyone from

their dogs to their friends, all who live and hang out here on the boardwalk," York said. "Someone out here suggested Velcro, and then I decided to use mag-

suggested Velcro, and then I decided to use mag-rest. It just kind of spiraled from there." She also wanted to give the town recognition and show a sense of community pride. "Once you see the picture of it, then you know to stop," she said. Though she grew up in Southern Illinois, York permanently. moved to Makanda from Louisiana in 1990. When she was a student at SULC. York was forced to take art appreciation SIUC, York was forced to take art appreciation as part of her core curriculum.

"It was the first A-plus I ever got," she said. "It was then I knew." She later received her bachelor's degree in art

York began her shop as an affordable way for her to have a studio to showcase her own artwork. Though she mostly enjoys painting portraits and pictures of flowers, York finds inspiration in different parts of her life. Most of her work is now displayed at the Yellow Moon Cafe in Cobden.

Susan Addington, who works at the Makanda Country Store, said York is a great asset to the Makanda community.

"She has been the best thing for the Boardwalk," Addington said. "Jan was in charge of the Vulture Fest this past October, got the vendors to come, and it was the best one we've ever had."

Though Addington has only woven scarves for five months, her work is one of the many products in York's store.

"Jan is great, because she makes room for everybody," Addington said. The mural displays small-town life in

Makanda, but the people who inhabit the town say they enjoy the community connection. Brian Beverly, owner of Makanda Trading

Company, said he prefers the small town life to

"Oh, its wonderful here," Beverly said. "It's completely different from Carbondale, a much slower pace. There is not a whole lot of noise or traffic outside. It's great." With all of his worldly treasures, Beverly is a little shy about his newfound celebrity on the

mural

"It's neat, but I always try to steal mine and take it down," he said

Addington said Makanda's individuality always hooks travelers in.

"I think that Makanda is a very unique town. There is nothing like it," Addington said. "People come from all over the world just to visit. There is a doctor from India who makes a special trip to Makanda when he comes to the United States just because he thinks it's so

"Everybody who comes down here is like, "Everybody who comes down here is like, "Wow, I got to come back." When York was asked why she thought

Makanda was so special, there was no hesitation as she smiled sweetly and responded. "There is no hassle. Everybody's friendly, and it's full of art."

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- NEWS BRIEFS

ON CAMPUS

Devil's Kitchen Literary Festival scheduled

The second annual Devil's Kitchen Literary restrial will take place this weekend on campus. Fridar's events include a discuttion on Extrary pub-lishing in the 21st century at 10 a.m. a pockty panel discussion at 11 a.m. and a fiction panel discussion at 2 p.m. All panel discussions will take place in the Student Center Mississippi Room. At 4 p.m. Friday, there will be poetry readings by Paul Guest and Michelle Boisseau in Brown Auditorium of the Parkinson Buikding followed by a reading by fiction writer Padgett Powell at 8 p.m. Saturdar/s eventis include readings by poet Nataba Tetheway and fiction writer Dan Chaon at 2 p.m. in Davis Auditorium of the Wham Buikding.

Jesse Jackson Jr. to speak at annual banquet

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Jesse Jackson Jr. will be the keynote speaker at the 27th annual Freedom Fund Banquet of the Carbondale branch National ciation for the Advancement of Colored

The banquet is set for 6 p.m. Sunday in the Student Center ballrooms.

Jackson's speech will address the theme of this year's banquet, which is "Freedom Ain't Free."

SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler said Jackson's speech is focused on an important theme.

"I think there is a cost associated with freedom, and I'm interested in hearing what

he has to say about it," Wendler said. Jackson, a Democrat from Chicago, represents Illinois' 2nd Congressional District and sits on the House Appropriations Committee. He was the national field direc-tor of the Rainbow Coalition, a civil rights organization founded by his father, the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

The Carbondale branch NAACP began in 1954, 45 years after the National organi-zation was established.

The Freedom Fund Banquets are major fund-raisers for scholarships and general operations for the organization. There was a \$25 fee to attend the public banquet, and the deadline was Monday.

The purpose and aims of the Carbondale branch of the NAACP are to improve the political, social, educational and economic status of minority groups; eliminate racial prejudice; keep the public aware of the adverse effects of racial discrimination; and to take lawful action to secure its elimination, consistent with the efforts of the national organization.

A spokeswoman for the Carbondale branch NAACP said it is grateful for the outstanding support received from local citizens, businesses, churches and students in helping to make this annual banquet possible.

mural to show everyone from their dogs to their friends, all who live and hang out here on the boardwalk." - Jan York artist, Visions

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An inmate at the Federal Prison Camp in Marion reacts to a song sung by fellow inmates in the Marion Christian Choir Thursday morning during an event in honor of the inmates who helped raise money for the Poshard Foundation. The inmates collected more than \$1,800 for the Poshard Foundation, which helps abused children in Southern Illinois.

CHILDREN

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All inmates at the minimum-secu nty prison provide a service at the facility, such as food service, janitorial work or plumbing. While they are compen-sated, it is as little as \$14 a month or as inuch as \$60 a month.

But with the little amount that they make, they are willing to give it back to the community.

"For you to dig into your pockets means more to me than the richest guy giving \$10,000," Benton said. One inmate donated \$200 but

chose to remain anonymous.

The band geared up for another song. Only this time, the audience got

Once White began walking down the middle aisle, the audience got even more involved. Inmates' heads swayed

even more involved

side to side, and others closed their eyes and just listened. He sang about being able to work things out and how Jesus knows peoples pain. Do I have a witness? White

asked.

ed. And nearly everyone's hands rose. When he finished belting out a tune dored by everyone listening, they gave

him a standing ovation. It was not until after the band revved up the crowd that speakers urd. came for An

Chris Wilson, an inmate and mem ber of the committee, addressed his fellow inmates.

"Maybe just for a little while, we can overlook our differences and remember all of this was done for one reason - not for us, for these kids," he said.

James Patterson, another inmate and member of the committee and so a donor, read the crowd a poem. Patterson, who has been in Marion for about two years, said he will continue to participate for the rest of his life.

"When most of these guys are gone, I'm going to be here," he said. "I hope to continue to do this through years while I am incarcerated."

He is a father of three. Since his wife is also incarcerated, he said his children

will never get their parents time back. "Why not help someone else's child?" Patterson said. "I wanted to give money, but I also wanted to take from my heart."

After several other men on the program's committee spoke so highly of Posinard and his foundation and now wonderful this kind of giving allowed them to feel, Poshard got lus chance to say, "Thank you." "It just means more than what I

could tell you," he said. Poshard said some of his favorite

childhood memories are from the holi-

cruancood memories are from the holi-days with great meals and gift giving, but many of the kids he deals with have no concept of that feeling. "A lot of children don't get that. If these gays are to help kids have Christmas, that is the greatest gift," he said. "If they can give, it can inspire others to give."

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Green, head of the communication department for the ISBE. Green echoed State

Superintendent Robert Schiller's remarks at Tuesday's press con-ference when she said this is the first year schools have been required to report certain data.

required to report certain data. Also incorporated into the state report card are schools' Adequate Yearly Progress, which is based on test scores, test participation rates and attendance rates for elementary and middle schools or gradua-tion muse of biols tubally tion rates of high schools. While many schools failed to

maintain adequate yearly prog-ress, Green said that no school has "flunked." "This is an unfortunate

choice off words that the federal government used to say that a school has failed to make adequate yearly progress. It doesn't mean that the school is failing," Green said.

"It's unfortunate that a lot of the media use that word, it's not accurate."

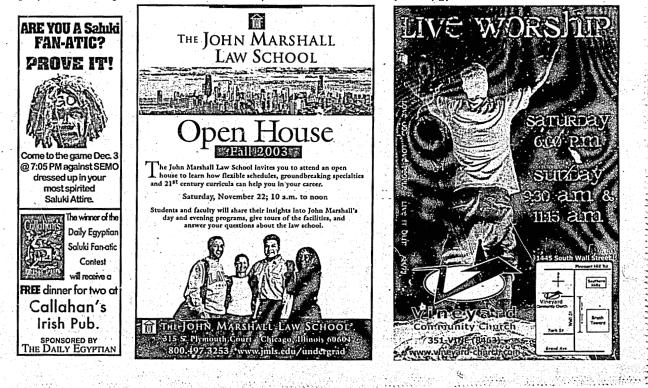
Green said there was a simultaneous increase in public school enrollment and graduation rates, as well as a decrease in the state's dropout rate.

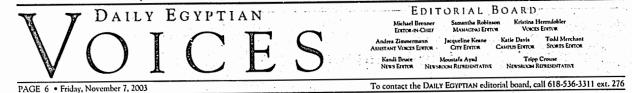
The state will soon create frequency tables to look at all the schools to see which categories each school did poorly in. Tile individual school report

cards will be released within days," Green said. "The districts will then have

30 days to make that informa-tion public Twenty-two points, plus triple-word-score, plus fifty plus triple-word-score, plus fifty points for using all my letters. Game's over, I'm outra here. Twenty-two points, plus triple-word-score, plus fifty points for using all my letters. Game's over. I'm outta here. Before we make it public, parents can expect to see the individual report cards on our website in early December.

> To view the state's report card, so to http://www.isbe.state.ill.us/





OUR WORD FutureGen belongs in Southern Illinois

In the 1970s there were 71 operating coalmines in Illinois. Currently, there are only 21 active mines.

Due to stricter environmental regulations, the Illinois coal industry died a slow death, hindering the Southern Illinois economy and putting thousands of people out of work.

Now a new technology, FutureGen, may be able to change the face of the Illinois mining industry if a plant is built in the state.

Last Friday, the House of Representatives gave \$9 million toward the \$1 billion FutureGen clean coal power plant project. David Gillies, a spokesman for Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Ill., said the money will be used as general planning money to conduct environmental impact studies, fund proposal development and select and evaluate project sites.

Coal mining was a large industry in Southern Illinois until the 1970s, but when researchers discovered a link between coal burning and acid rain, new emissions standards were put in place to reduce the amount of sulfur dioxide released into the atmosphere from coal high in sulfur.

Unfortunately, most Illinois coal, which is usually found in the lower third of the state, is high in sulfur, unlike its competitors' coal in the west. As Congress passed stricter requirements in the mid-80s, mining companies were forced to continually install new technology to keep up with the ever-changing laws.

For a decade, coalmines closed, one after the another, leading up to the biggest blow to the industry at that time. The Clean Air Act of 1990 raised emissions standards from coal Lurning to a level so high many Illinois mining companies could not compete and still stay in the black.

The loss of these mines hurt the U.S. economy and, more importantly for us, the Southern Illinois economy

Much of Illinois' electricity was taken from coal. By the time the Clean Air Act had passed; power plants across the state were importing coal from the West because it had less sulfur.

Now FutureGen may give Illinois coal miners a reason to smile after decades of unemployment. FutureGen is an emission-free, coal-fired electric and hydrogen production plant. This plant would enable coal high in sulfur to be burned by forcing the emissions into geologic formations that allow the substances to be controlled safely and efficiently. Southern Illinois has deep saline aquifers that can permanently retain sulfur dioxide. FutureGen is a part of a government/industry partnership to increase coal as a major energy provider. Such a project has never been attempted before.

According to John Mead, director of the SIU Coal Research Center, Illinois has a large amount of unused coal. It also takes less energy to burn coal found in Illinois rather than the low sulfur coal found in places such as Wyoming, which also has a large reserve.

Not only will FutureGen be able to safely produce energy from coal, but it will also be able to transfer energy from the hydrogen captured from coal, also known as coal gasification.

Although the location for the FutureGen project won't be determined until next year, Costello believes Southern Illinois is the perfect place for the FutureGen plant.

We agree FutureGen should be located in Southern Illinois because there is an abundance of coal with characteristics perfect for the FutureGen project. It has a deep saline aquifer that is perfect for sequestering sulfur dioxide and it is the home of the Coal Research Center.

The Coal Research Center is critical to



FutureGen because the center has already been pivotal in the production of hydrogen from coal as well as improvements in coal gasification, both of which are major components of FutureGen.

The center was founded in 1974 and has provided research opportunities for faculty and graduate students at SIUC. The center also operates a Coal Development Park near Carterville, where much of the research takes place.

FutureGen would also be a great outlet for research for the University, which is one more step toward achieving Southern at . 150.

On a grander scale, FutureGen would revitalize the depressed Southern Illinois economy and the state and national coal industry. In the 1970s and 1980s, Illinois produced 60 million tons per year. ALEY AYALA ~ DALLY ECIPTIAN

Currently, Illinois only produces 40 million tons a year.

Besides providing jobs for miners, the construction and oil production industries would be able to dip into the benefits of FutureGen as well.

Mead also said that .7 the demonstration proves it will have a bigger effect on the national mining industry, it will lead to other commercial projects around the country, particularly in the Midwest.

utureGen belongs in Southern Illinois most importantly because we would benefit from it the most over any other region in the United States. This would be only the first step — an expensive step — in a long journey to get the Illinois coal industry back on track, but any amount of money should be worth putting forth for an industry that has so much to offer.

GUEST COLUMNIST Assisted suicide should be legalized for sake of patient

Jason Gaskamp The Daily Cougar (U. Houston)

HOUSTON (U-WIRE) - The situation with Terri Schiavo is the latest concern in what is considered ethical in medical practices. Should Terri be kept alive on a feeding tube, or should she be allowed to end her life in a slow, non-dramatic manner? These concerns are important to those

involved with Terri, like her husband Mike, her family and relatives and the doctors taking care of her. The larger issues, however, are what are important to the rest of us as a society. These are the issues of constitutional rights and control over our own fate.

In 1990, Terri Schiavo mysteriously collapsed as a result suffered brain damage. Her husband claims she once told him she would not want to be kept alive artificially with machines. She's currently kept alive only by a

feeding tube. Her relatives, however, argue she should be kept alive.and are bartling with her husband in court to do so. The real suprise cume when a law was passed by Florida lawmakers that gave Gov. Jeb Bush the power to mandate Terris feeding tube be reinserted. Ultimately, this intervention took power out of Terri and her husbard's based in deciding what is right for husband's hands in deciding what is right for her and put it into the hands of a governmental

agency. These actions echo the complaints put forth by many doctors who must witness their patients suffering while being kept alive only by a machine. If Terri has the ability to get better and someday lead a normal, healthy life, then keeping her alive with a machine until that day , standable.

This extends to people in intensive care after being in a car accident or needing a respirator while in a coma. But in Terri's situation, as most

Anonymous

people with relatives wish to pull the plug, there never will be a normal, healthy life once she can leave the hospital. Here h in damage has dis-abled her from ever returning to a "better" state. Patients whose health will never return to

a good state and must be kept alive artificially should have the choice to die naturally, meaning from a natural process. Intervening when some-one has the ability to return to a healthy state is not the same as doing so when someone does not have that chance.

not have that chance. Hooking someone up to a machine if they have no permanent life-altering injuri s is giv-ing them the opportunity to return to their life. Putting people on machines when they don't have the chance at a normal life, as in Tern's case, only prolong their sufficient and causes them to exist in a state they might not otherwise be able to. be able to.

The larger issue surrounding the case of Terri is the idea of euthanasia, which is assisted

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suicide. Should assisted suicide be made legal, and should a suffering patient have the right to choose this option if he or she wishes so?

Living off a machine is not only an unnatural state but also usually is the last resort. If everything else has been tried without success and the patient has voiced the desire to die if it come down to such a situation, then choosing so is exercising an individual's right to have control over their own outcome.

Euthanasia is a means of giving the right and control to the patient. It is a constitutional right no different from the right of someone to defend themselves with a lawyer in the courts. Both give the power back to the individual, not a delegating entity such as a government. Jeb Bush's actions violate this basic right of freedom of choice.

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WORDS OVERHEARD 66 For years, a terrible form of violence has been directed against children who are inches from birth, while the law looked the other way.??

President George W. Bush in a speech after signing the Partial Binth Abortion Act into law

COLUMNIST

VOICES

Number of graduate students is too high

The Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering [ECE] has a serious problem — pr rous graduate enrollment.

posterous graduate ennoument. I had an opportunity to have a rendezvous with several ECE graduate students, and there is an overwhichning consensus among them that ECE is overcrowled at the graduate level, but the depart-ment doesn't think so. According to the ECE and index and proved them are ment have 200 graduate school records, there are more than 260 graduate students in the department, an unprec-edented number that would not be challenged by

elented number that would not be challenged by most other departments across campus. Furthermore, there are 38 Ph.D and 223 M.S. students, and nearly 80 percent of the 206 inter-national graduate students are from India. I am from India, and more than 54 percent of the SIUC students that come from India are in ECE. I have been encircled by dozens of graduate students from the Department of ECE during the past two years, and they have bombarded me with a plethora of opinions toward the department during our interac-tions.

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equacy of resources, reduced emphasis on research at the master's level and a diminishing probability of

at the master's level and a diminishing probability of assistantships for students. Some graduate students claim the biggest prob-lem is the lack of work and lab space, while those who have workspace complain it is hard to get work done when their desks is inside a room full of other graduate students. The Sun Lab is by far the most crowded, especially during the final weeks. The Sun lab har 25 computers. One graduate student describes the crowded conditions in the Sun Lab as if we are in line to buy a ticket for a popular movie." Though students consistently raise the issue of inadequet resources, the department said it

Though students consistently raise the issue of inadequete resources, the department said it is difficult to imagine that there are not enough resources. They also said some of the professors have too many student researchers under them and fail to give the needed attention to each research student, especially those at the masters' local

Moreover, 70 percent of the students in the department opt for a non-thesis option, and in some way, it is not uncommon for a field like ECE. However, there are other reasons for such a high percentage of non-thesis students. Most of the "popular" professors are already busy with student popular professors are already busy with students, and they do not hire or adopt any more students. So, some ci the students are compelled to

professor cannot accommodate them to work on a thesis project. Further, more than 90 percent of the masters' students do not have assistantships, and not all student researchers working under professors are being funded. There have been instances in the past where even some



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doctoral students do not have assistantships. As the department rightly suggests, all the students are required to produce documentation for financial capability to pursue a graduate degree prior to admission. So, the department is no way obligated to arrange funding for all the graduate students. However, a reduced number of students students. However, a reduced number of students and increase the production for an under a students. would increase the probability for students to obtain

assistantships. Also, there are instances where some graduate classes were engulied with more than 60 students. The department claims that popular classes taught by popular professors have more number of students, while there are other classes which have merely five or six students, and that is the reason for uneven dispersion. Whatever the reasons, 60 students in a

graduate class is just not acceptable. Also, for most of the international students com-Also, for most of the international students com-ing from countries such as India, the department's website is a primary interface to get information about the department. According to the website, the department has 'a current enryllment of approxi-mately 100 graduate students." Inaccurate informa-tion may mislead prospective students. I hope this is only a negligent error that will be corrected as soon as possible and not a deliberate misrepresentation.

Though there are apparent problems due to inflated graduate enrollment, it would be naïve to ignore the ments of the department. Some students have applauded the course structure for being pol-ished and "mainstream."

Also, many students acknowledge the fact that the department is loaded with some highly compe-tent professors like Dr. Dhali and Dr. Viswanathar

the department is loaded with some nigny compe-tent professors like Dr. Dhali and Dr. Viswanathan, For instance, a former graduate student from ECE, in an email, commended one ECE professor 'for being a great teacher and a mentor.' However, issues of quality are overwhelmingly undermined due to imminent issues of quantity. The numbers of admissions per semester are nor-mally far more than the number of graduations, resulting in continuous increase in the number of eraduate enrollments. graduate enrollments.

Though the department argues that their graduate enrollment is not bloated and it is common anong most universities across United States to have a higher number of graduate students in a department like ECE, initiatives should be taken to reduce the enrollment and expand the resources. It is not a cattle ranch, for crying out loud.

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GUEST COLUMNIST Wasting our lives on TV

Scott Gayzik

The Collegiate Times (Virginia Tech)

BLACKSBURG, Va. (U-WIRE) - Recently, some friends asked me to come over and check out their new television. It was worth the trip; the thing is monstrous. It towers over the room like a false idol with a flat screen the length of

a fuse idol with a list screen the length in my arm span. But it was more than just the latest in HDTV technology; it was a symbol of our society's low affair with televi-sion. I recently picked up a book called Postman. Although it is nearly 20 years of laws for instruction bear coimpart of laws for instruction bear coimparts it is nearly 20 years of laws for instruction bear coimparts old, I was fascinated by how poignant its message still is. Postman asserts that its message still is. Postman asserts that by replacing the printed medium as the main source of communication, television has permanently altered, for the worse, the way Americans view and influence the world we live in.

Unlike written discourse, televis only strives to entertain. It tries to stimue our senses and emotions, di bling the cohesive and rational thoughts we have with a barrage of incoherent, bite-sized packets of information. I'm not writing this article from an ivory tower; I watch my share of television, including the new one at my friend's place.

My goal is merely to spark interest the deleterious effect that television is having on our society and to motivate people (including myself) to spend a little less time in front of it.

Today, television's influence on reality has become so ingrained, it is nearly impossible to separate the two. From sports to news to education to religion, the bias of television has penetrated every facet of our world.

facet of our world. This bias is a result of not being in control of the stream of messages we are receiving while watching. A person reading a news story, as the freedom to puse, to reflect and to challenge what he or she is presented. But on television, the speaker dictates the story's pace, and there is absolutely no break between one story, buttore is our or the read then pert however joyous or tragic, and the next. With no time to reflect or question

the content provided, broadcasters are able to show anything they want, with able to show anything they want, with little regard for insight or even truth. There is no better arena to illustrate

this point than modern politics. When television hit the mainstream, politiciar saw it as the perfect means to spread their messages without getting mired down in detail. Thanks to television's knack for detail. I hanks to television's knack for blending the serious with the trivial, the role of the modern politician has gone from public servant to public performer. Examples of this conversion are

painfully obvious. In perhaps the big-gest political circus of all time, Arnold varzenegger recently ousted Grey Davis in the California recall election. In the end, Davis lost, not because he was a bad governor (it takes more than one a call governor (it taxes inote that lots man to sink a ship the size of California) but because people didn't like him as much as the movie star Schwarzenegger. This was an election with all the seri-

ous debate and contemplation of issues of a high school popularity contest. The influence of the television becomes even more obvious when one takes the imagebased politics of today and applies them to the past.

to use past. Can you imagine George Washington smiling ear to ear for his portrait with an Amenean flag pin on his lapel? Or better yet, picture Abe Lincoln out for a jog in his top hat giving the thumbs up to the emerat cameras,

Yes, the influence of television on reality is everywhere, but just recently the role has reversed. Over the last few the role has reversed. Over the last few years, people have become content view-ing reality through television's periscope. The networks have realized people would rather experience life vicariously through others than going through it themselves. After all, why fall in love when you can watch others go through it trials and tribulations? Why play sports when you can watch them on television with a beer in one hand and the remote in the other?

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in one nana and the remote in the other? If you are averse to simply being a specta-tor, that's no longer a problem. Today we are asked to participate directly while we watch by answering intelevant questions over our mobile phones and Internet connections. "Will be descent by the stream."

phones and internet connections. "Will Joc choose the blonde or the brunette?" "Who will win tonight's game?" Who cares? The results of these idiotic polls are thrown up on the screen minutes later, giving those who respond-ed their nanosecond of fame.

ed their nanosecond of fame. When the telegraph was first invent-ed, Henry David Thoreau commented, "We are in great haste to construct a magnetic telegraph from Maine to Tecas; but Maine and Tecas, it may be, have nothing to communicate." While the medium is different, the quote provides some insight about television's impor-tance in our society. tance in our society.

It has filled the airwayes with nonsense while constructing a world that excits triviality and amusement. Then again, perhaps my argument is nothing more than paranoia. It could be that ne means of communication create different societies which are no better or worse

than their predecessors. But to quote another famous American, I believe it was Homer Simpson who shrugged his shoulders and said, "I grew up watching TV, and I turned out TV."

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als" on the matter. The trouble isn't trying to get liberals to believe the evidence showing that concealed laws work. 1 could sit lare and write on and on about how much

evidence is out there supporting other ways that lower crime rates, especially since I consider myself a liberal using Alex's definition.

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Thomas O'Connor

Current University fundraisers not problem

DEAR EDITOR:

A writer in the Community Leaders' Forum asserted Oct. 31 that SIU fund-raisers have not been doing their jobs to help raise money for the school's endowment. I think the real problem is not the current fund-raisers but the University'n hiring patterns durics the last quarter century. Many SIU alumni who are old enough and suc-cessful enough to help the University disapprove of the common SIU practice of treating race and gender as important factors in hiring consider-ations.

The chancellor's recent comment that he

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would authorize an extra \$500,000 to make what Would authonze in extra \$310,000 to make what he called "a good offer" to faculty candid tes who are minorities is a case in point. (See the article in the Oct. 15 edition.) In other words, SIUC's leader, as well as members of the SIU Board of Trusters (by their siltence), is saying it is okay to discriminate on the basis of race.

discriminate on the basis of race. Alumnin naturally wonder about the visible contradictions in such behavior. SIUC's public documents carry the printed notice that SIU does not discriminate on the basis of race; the U.S. Constitution forbids discrimination on the basis Constitution forbids discrimination on the basis of race; the 1964 Crvil Rights Act forbids dis-crimination on the basis of race; last summer's 6-3 decision by the U.S. Supreme Court in Gratz v. Bollinger forbids classifying university applicants solely by race — after which SIUC announces that it will add \$500,000 to an existing \$500,000 to discriminate on the basis of race in faculty salaries. Brilliant, gentlemen. Just brilliant.

Herbert Russell

There are other options to right-to-carry laws

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing a letter to vespond to Alex Berezow's comments about concealed gun faws in Thursday's paper. He said that he believes the only law to ever deter people from committing cinnes is concealed carry laws. He writes his article with a closed mind about the issue as he accuses the Tiber-

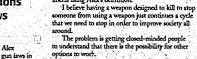
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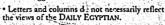
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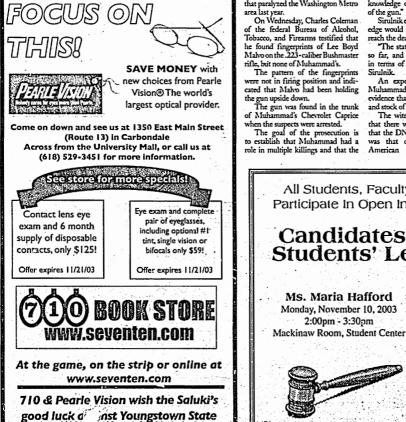
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Greenspan optimistic on job creation but concerned about deficit Ken Moritsugu

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WASHINGTON (KRT) - While remaining upbeat about the prospects for a U.S. economic recovery, Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan sounded a caution-ary note Thursday about the dangers of the federal government's growing

budget deficit. The ... relatively optimistic short-term outlook for the U.S. economy is playing out against a backdrop of growing longer-term concern in financial markets about our federal budget," he said in a speech delivered via satellite to the Securities Industry Association annual meeting in Boca Raton, Fla.

If uncontrolled, spiraling budget deficits could push up interest rates and become a drag on economic growth

They already have increased the federal government's debt, Greenspan noted, making it that much harder to handle a coming explosion in Medicare and Social Security costs when baby boomers — those born between 1946 and 1964 — retire.

Those costs threaten to put the federal budget on the path of ever-growing deficits, Greenspan warned. "Such a development could have

The deficit reached \$374 billion in the fiscal year that ended Sept. 30 and is projected to rise to about \$500 billion in the current fiscal year.

That would be equal to about 4.4 percent of the U.S. economy, a level not seen since the early 1990s

not seen since the early 1990s. Greenspan appeared to be using the bully pulpit to try to pressure Congress and President Bush to address the expanding deficit. "Recent budget deliberations are not encouraging," Greenspan said. "The current debate appears to be about how much to gut targe are

be about how much to cut taxes or how much to increase spending. No how much to increase spending. No significant constituency seems to support taking the actions that will be necessary to move toward — and, one hopes, achieve — budget balance. Tressury Scertary John Snow said Thursday that the Bush administra-tion was "serious" about reducing the definit. He circle the for that interest

deficit. He cited the fact that interest rates on bonds remain relatively low as evidence that financial markets have confidence in the administration's

ability to address the deficit. If the markets thought these deficits were becoming unmanageable, we wouldn't have the lowest interest rates in 40 years," he said at a breakfast

Analysts said the key for the bond market was whether the deficit would peak this year, as the Bush administration projected, or would

Right now, market players sense that the deficit could peak this year, but they remain somewhat nervous, said David Greenlaw, a bond market economist at the Morgan Stanley investment bank in New York.

His firm projects the deficit will hit \$490 billion this fiscal year, then tail off to \$450 billion the following

Still, he said, "there is some element of concern about the prospects of rising deficits." On the economy, Greenspan was

cautiously optimistic that companies would begin to hire. He noted that inventory levels have fallen in many industries, so firms may take on more workers to rebuild their stocks.

In one positive sign, the Labor Department reported Thursday that new applications for unemployment benefits dropped sharply last week to 348,000 from 391,000 the previous

"The odds ... increasingly favor a revival in job creation," Greenspan

Virginia continues to build case against sniper with physical evidence

Nell McGarity U-WIRE (DC BUREAU)

WASHINGTON (U-WIRE) — The prosecution con-tinued to call expert witnesses in an effort to link John Allen Muhammad to the physical evidence in the slayings that paralyzed the Washington Metro

area last year. On Wednesday, Charles Coleman of the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms testified that he found fingerprints of Lee Boyd Malvo on the .223-caliber Bushmaster rifle, but none of Muharimad's.

The pattern of the fingerprints were not in firing position and indi-cated that Malvo had been holding

the gun upside down. The gun was found in the trunk of Muhammad's Chevrolet Caprice

when the suspects were arrested. The goal of the prosecution is to establish that Muhammad had a role in multiple killings and that the

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spree was a form of terrorism - both are essential conditions for the death penalty in Virginia.

"The prints will not push back the case at all," said legal expert Eric S Sirulnik at George Washington University.

[This] suggests that he had a knowledge of Malvo's activities and of the gun

Sirulnik explained that this knowl-edge would still help the prosecution reach the death penalty. The state has a tremendous case

so far, and are still in great shape in terms of the death penalty," said Jnik.

An expert witness also linked Muhammad to the rifle with DNA evidence that was found on the sight and stock of the rifle.

The witness, Brendan Shea, said that there was a one-in-210 chance that the DNA that was on th e stock was that of a random African-American and not Muhammad,

where there was a one-in-21 chance that it was not Muhammad's DNA on the sight.

Witness Una James, Lee Boyd Malvo's mother, was set to testify this week at the Virginia Beach trial; however she refused to testify if she could not meet with her son while in the United States, according to Associated Press reports. Malvo's trial is set to begin in nearby Chesapeake, Virginia on Monday. I don't know if she is critical at all.

We must think of the purpose of why they would be calling her, and that is probably to make a connection. They have already done that," said Sirulnik.

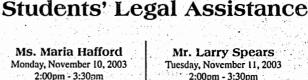
James, a Jamaican native, is believed to have purchased false iden-tification papers from Muhammad in Antigua for herself and her son and used them as a means to enter the U.t. if constituent is a means to enter the United States illegally. She is also believed to be respon-

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Brazil's fluid ethnic identities complicate efforts to correct racial inequities

Patrice M. Jones Chicago Tribune

RIO DE JANEIRO (KRT) - Sueli Barbosa was wringing her hands, trying to wrench some compassion from the frown-ing official behind the glass partition at the admissions office.

Since childhood, Barbova's daughter, 18-year-old Ana Paula, had been hoping to attend the State University of Rio de Janeiro. But the teenager was rejected for this year's freshman class, and her mother suspects it is because of a new racial admissions quota intended to correct inequities that have is because of a new racial admission suppressed black Brazilians for m ore than a

century following the abolition of slavery. Barbosa said she had heard that the university couldn't find enough black entrants for its chemical engineering program. So she pleaded with the admissions official: Might there now be a chance for her daughter, whose honey-glow complexion showed her mixed-race heritage — part Italian, Indian and black?

"Everyone in Brazil essentially is mixed race," the mother said, "so how do they choose who is black?"

nearly half the 170 million inhabitants identify themselves as black or mixed race, the answer to Barbosa's question is not at all simp

Just as in the United States, the fight over affirmative action in Brazil has generated a public backlash from those who don't believe that race should be a consideration in admis-

But the attempt to erase glaring disparities between educational and economic opportu-nities for white and black Brazilians suddenly has cast this nation's own color line into sharp relief.

The State University of Rio de Janeiro, one of Brazil's top colleges, became the first in the nation this year to institute a quota system for admissions in which race is taken into account

Under the policy, 20 percent of the seats in the incoming freshman class are reserved for black students, another 20 percent for those from disadvantaged public schools and 5 percent will be shared between those with physical disabilities and students of Indian descent. All students admitted through quotas

also must come from low-income families. Those who support the new university

disproportionate levels of unemployment, illiteracy and infant mortality among black Brazilians

Only about 2 percent of current students in Brazil's universities are black.

Blacks also earn the lowest wages in Brazil, suffer the highest unemployment rates and constitute the nation's poorest citizens.

In 1888, Brazil became the last country in the Western Hemisphere to officially end slavery. Although its society Las never frowned on interracial mixing nor attempted to enforce segregation, the divide between the lightest and darkest Brazilians is evident in any top hotel, corporate office or fancy restaurant, where black Brazilians rarely are seen, not even as bus boys or bellhops.

"Here in Brazil, many of the black stu-Here in Brazil, many of the black stu-dents, because of our history of slavery and discrimination, did not have this chance to attend the university before," said Sonia Wanderley, an admissions officer at State University. "We would like to be a model for how it should be done." Because of the new quota policy, Wanderley said, the number of black students in course where they hold here undergrame

in courses where they had been underrepre-

sented has already tripled or quadrupled. Black students comprised more than half of some classes, she added. Nevertheless, poverty and poor prepara-tion are harming the chances that those black students will manage to complete their degree

Halfway into a school year that began in March, officials at State University say, 44 percent of the black students admitted under

percent of the black students admitted under the quota program have dropped out. Meanwhile, those who oppose the quota program are accelerating their fight. State University has been hit with more than 300 lawsuist to block the quota program. One 'student', who 'sued,' Gabriella' Francescutti, 19, had planned on attending the university and hoped to become a doctor. Francescutti's lawyer contends she was rejected 'dmission this year even though

rejected dmission this year even though she score a2.5 percent on her college entrance exam, a score that exceeded half the students admitted. Attorney Eric Oliveira Guarana argues that his client was denied admission ecause she is white and middle class.

"The quotas mean the university is admitting people who are technically below standard," he said.

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Toy gun scare has Capitol police reconsidering safety measures

Ilana Weinberg U-WIRE (DC BUREAU)

WASHINGTON (U-WIRE) - U.S. Capitol Police are actively trying to recover from last Thursday's embarrassing incident, in which two of Rep. John Shimkus', R-IIIL, staffers caused the Cannon House Office Building to go under lockdown after putting a toy gun through the X-ray machine.

The incident caused a major uproar, leaving House and Senate leaders horrified with the thought of what could have occurred had it been a real gun.

"If this had been a real incident, we would all be dead," Rep. Zoe Lofgren, D-Calif.; told the Los Angeles Times last week

Capitol Police Chief Terrance Gainer recalled his entire supervising staff to an all-weekend work session, during which they analyzed what went wrong, and what needs to be done to nsure the safety of the members of the House in the future.

Gainer announced that new security measures will be implemented, causing significant delays for people entering the Capitol, and the Cannon and Hart O.fice Buildings. Security has already been tightened, with an additional guard at the entrance to Cannon, and more careful atto

the screening of the X-ray machine. The legislative assistant to Rep. us was returning to her office from lunch carrying a double agent costume for a Halloween Party, complete with a plastic .38-calibur revolver

in her bag. The police officer on duty had been giving directions while the staffers walked through security, not noticing what appeared to be a real handgun on the screen until the staffers we the screen until the staffers were gone. For the next 90 minutes, the Cannon Building was put on lockdown as armed SWAT team members thoroughly searched each floor. House Administration Chairman

Robert W. Ney, R-Ohio, directed police to immediately notify each House member, but many said they did not find out for at least 40 minut an hour. By that time, many had found out through live television reports, along with the rest of America, that the supposed 'gunman' was actually a staffer with a Halloween costume. The Chiefs of staff for each House

office member questioned how an event like this could occur after Congress had just spent \$7 million on security communication devices for the Capitol Hill buildings.

The confusion was led off by a

series of mistakes. Gainer admitted that there was a communication problem, and there had been poor lacement of officers at checkpo After the toy gun passed through the X-ray, police were put on a lookout for a man with a backpack, who had supposedly raced off. They later found out they were looking for a man and

In the year before the Sept. 11 attacks, Control Police had been given \$104 million by Congress. Since then, Congress has approved an additional \$777 million for the department, plus an additional \$225 million for anthrax and security related expenses. The incident ended last Thursday

when the staffer with the toy gun came forward.

This was an unfortunate m understanding, a result of my staff's efforts to put together a Halloween costume during their lunch hour. They did comply with security measures required to enter the building, however, they were caught up in suspicious circumstances," said Rep. Shimkus in a statement apologizing

Shimkus in a statement apolograng for the misunderstanding. "The staffers wish to convey their deepst regrets to all Members, fellow staff, and visitors to Washington who were inconvenienced by this incident."

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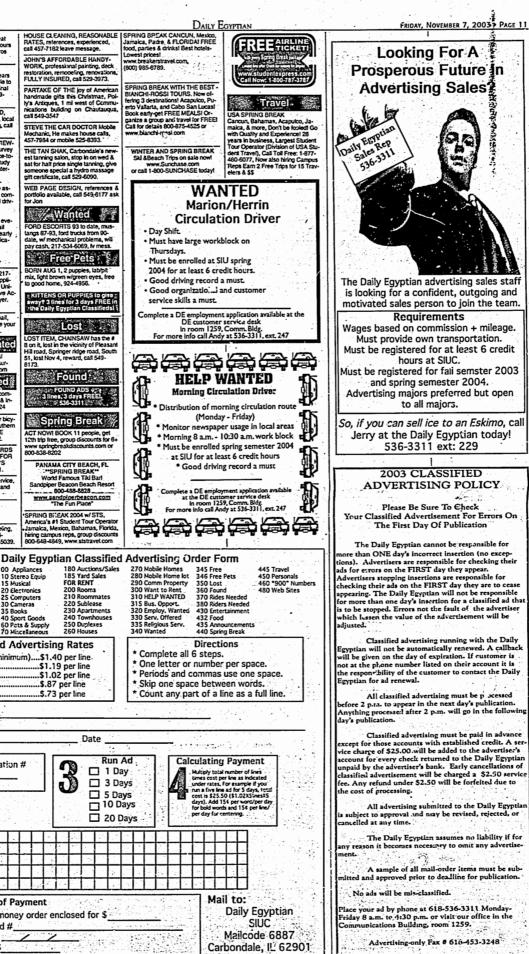
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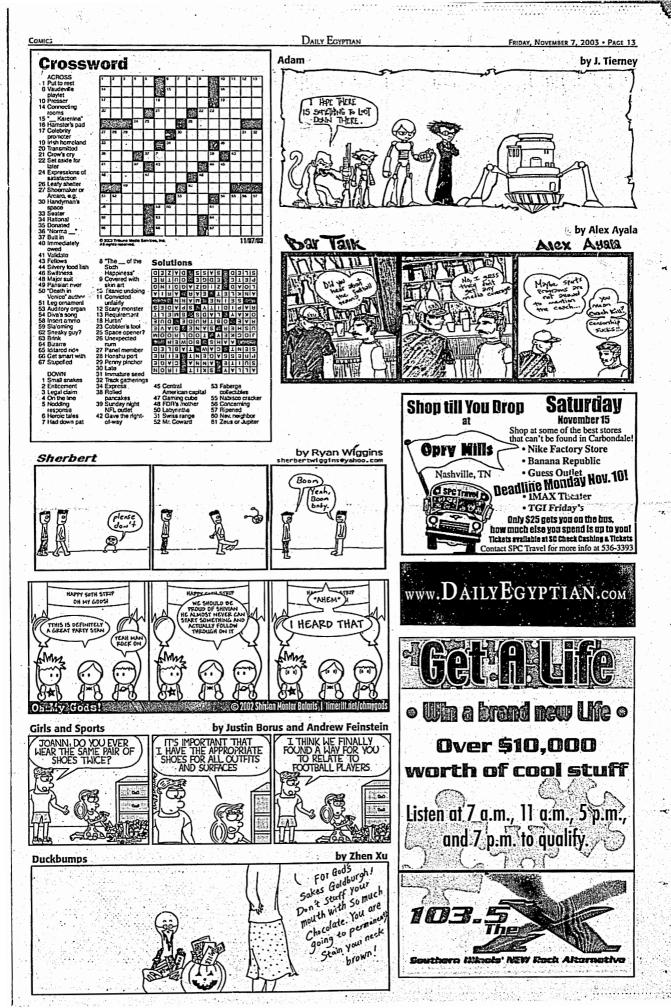
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SIU Solleyball assistant Matt Affolder returns to Sycamore country, the place where he got his big break

story by ADAM SOEBBING

f it weten't for former Indiana State head coach Jim Bertoli, Matt Affolder would not be at

SIU today. After Affolder spent years in the high school and club circuit in the Muncie, Ind., area, Bertoli offered him an opportunity he couldn't refuse in 1999 — experience as a volunteer assistant for the Sycamores and the chance to finish his education.

"He's the reason why I'm at SIU," said Affolder, who is in his second year as an assistant with the Salukis. "He allowed me the chance to not onh coach at the college level, but also

finish my schooling." So when the SIU volleyball team takes on the Sycamores in Missouri Valley Conference action tonight in Terre Haute, Ind., it will be a homecoming of sorts for Affolder.

But don't think for a minute that he will let his emotions get in the way of his job on the court. After all, he does have a streak to uphold.

The Dawgs are 3-0 against Indiana State since Affolder joined the SIU coaching staff in 2002.

Whether the recent success against former team can be attributed to Affolder's insight is a matter of debate, but the impact he has had on the Saluki volleyball program is not. Prior to Affolder's arrival, the

Salukis struggled through 5-21, 8-22 and 11-19 seasons with a core that was talented enough to advance all the way to the MVC championship game in 2002. The Salukis finished 23-10 in

Affolder's first season on the staff, a remarkable improvement for a team that was apparently falling short of its potential. "It was very refreshing," current

volunteer assistant coach and key member of the 2002 team Lindsey Schultz said. The previous three years we had gone through a few other assistant coaches, and neither of them were as outspoken as Matt."

While it was a combination of fac-tors that propelled the Salukis to their best record in 17 seasons, Affolder's contributions aren't bad for someone with "zero" volleyball experience. A native of Decatur, Ind., Affolder,

who has never played competitive volleyball, attended Bellmont High School and was introduced to the game by watching its successful girls volleyball team play. Affolder moved on to attend Ball

State University, owners of a very suc-cessful men's volleyball program, but he did not to play for the team. He truly became immersed in the

sport after taking a class. "I took PE volleyball," Affolder said. "I picked up the game, picked up the rules and started to referee intramurals."

The class also introduced him to gendary Ball State head coach Don Shondell, who in turn introduced Affolder to the local club circuit that would kick off his coaching career.

Affolder helped coach the Munciana Volleyball Club from 1993 to 1999. His team won the USA Volleyball National Championship for the 16-and-under division in 1998.

He also became involved with the local high schools, taking a coaching hiatus that included stops at Muncie Central High School as an assistant and a head coaching stint at Wapahani High School in Selma, Ind. Affolder went 73-36 in three sea-

ns at Wapahani, taking the team to a Final Four appearance in 1998 and assistant coach there for three years before coming to SIU. g Class A North "Coach of the Year" honors that same season

Then came the offer from Bertoli that was followed by another oppor-tunity he couldn't pass up --- this time

from SIU head coach Sonya Locke. Locke had Affolder on her radar from day one, and when an assistant spot became available, she went after her man.

"When the position came open, he was always my first choice," Locke said. "I felt that he was the right person for us at that point in time, and so far I've been right." For Affolder, it was another no-

rainer career mo

"Coming [to SIU] was the right move for me because I was just fin-ishing school and I needed a college coaching job," Affolder said, "I just wanted to get my foot in the door."

Having spent several seasons in the club circuit, recruiting provess is one of the many reasons Locke went after Affolder. A very personable coach, Affolder made numerous contacts along the way that have helped him nab many recruits for the Salukis this season, including standout freshman Jene' Pulliam.

Affolder was very influential in the recruitment of Pulliam and is one of the main reasons she chose to

attend SIU.

"I liked him so much," Pulliam said. "He's just the nicest person you could ever meet."

This is an opinion shared by many. Locke says that she has never had one complaint from a recruit or recruit's parents about the conduct of Affolder

of Attolder. In fact, she's received nothing but compliments, something Affolder takes great pride in. "The rapport with the players and the relationships are what I think make coaching special," Affolder cid said

The nice-guy qualities that Affolder possesses carry over to the court as well.

Many of the SIU players feel comfortable in his presence and like the contrast from Locke he brings to the table.

"He's offered a perspective that's different from Sonya," Schultz said. "And that's good." Pulliam thinks Affolder and Locke

are enough alike to work together but just different enough to succeed.

Affolder uses encouragement to relate to and motivate players while Locke is more of a disciplinarian who maintains a great relationship with her team through her undying passion.

It's like the best combination ever because you need that strict side," Pulliam said. "But you also need that encouragement there, and I think it's so important to have the mixture of both

There's no telling, though, how ng the combination will exist. While Affolder says he would have

no problem being a career assistant, he is intrigued by the thought of being in charge of his own program. Locke thinks it is just a matter of

"I know he wants to be a head coach," Locke said. "I know at some point in time somebody's going to come knocking either to go to a big-ger program than ours or to be a head coach."

Until that day comes, Affolder will continue to give everything he has to the Salukis, including tonight, even though he has a soft spot in his heart for Terre Haute and his alma mater.

"I wish them the best," Affolder said. "If it was Indiana State and Southern Illinois in the MVC tourna-

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DAILY EGYPTIAN





SIU freshman outside hitter Jene' Pulliam takes a moment away from Thursday afternoon's practice to joke with volleyball assistant coach Matt Alfolder. The Salukis will head to Indiana State and Illinois State this upcoming weekend. Indiana State is a homecoming for Alfolder, who was a volunteer

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SPORTS

Salukis to face Goldstar in exhibition opener Sunday

SIU's three returning starters lead way into new season

» WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

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Senior point guard Dana Pinkston cut across the bazeline, came around a Kath Berwanger pick and proceeded to the three-point line during a practice drill Tuesday.

Burner a practice and Jussian. Pinkston hauled in the pass from sophomore Amy Hayden and fired up the three without hesitation, sinking the shot and hitting nothing but net

After suffering a torn patella in-her left knee, during the offseason, Pinkston is back and looks to play a leading role in Sunday's 2 p.m. exhi-bition opener versus Goldstar at the SUL Area. bition open SIU Arena.

The Salukis' returning leading scorer has had an up-and-down preseason due to the injury, but she is looking at Sunday as her chance to show the Saluki faithful that the knee, and her game, are better than ever.

"I've been limited on how much I can practice due to the knee injury," Pinkston said. "But I'm going to break out

Partly because of the injury and

competition from talented newcor ers, the starting spot is not a guaranfor Pinkste

SIU head coach Lori Opp said just one starting spot is solidified as of right now, and that belongs to senior Katie Berwanger.

senior Nate Berwanger. In practice Tuesday, Berwanger was all over the place — grabbing rebounds, making the extra pass and running relentlessly up and down the floor. floor The senior's effort has the coach-

es impressed and is setting the bar for the rest of the team as far as effort and desire is concerned. "As far as work ethic alone, she's

been a consistent leader because everyday she's going hard," Opp said

"I feel real good about Katie, and we challenge everybody else to step up to that level."

Sunday's exhibition will provide an opportunity for Opp to experi-ment with many different lineups and will surely be a big step toward creating a starting five and solidifying her rotation.

Opp just wants to see her team, with eight newcomers in the mix, play smart and together more than

"I hope to see good team chemisbasketball and make smart decisions," Opp said.

661 just want to see everything carry over from practice

to the game. ??

- Tiffany Crutche center, SIU women's basketbal

"Defensively I want to see us get out in the passing lanes and make it hard for the other team to run their offense.

Senior center Tiffany Crutcher d a much more simple answer.

"Hopefully we get a win. It doesn't matter how we get it, as long as we get it, "Crutcher said. "I just want to see everything

carry over from practice to the game like setting screens and moving with-out the ball and stuff like that."

Crutcher, one of three returning starters along with Pinkston and Berwanger, has been working on her agility and rebounding during early

Opp has liked what she's seen but Crutcher to become more convants

sistent in her scoring in the paint. The Salukis defeated Goldstar each of the last three seasons, but facing the team full of ex-college stars will not be an easy task by any means

"They'll play fundamental and they know how to score," Opp said. "It will be a challenge for us.

report to their respective teams Saturday for the start of training camp, which runs through Nov. 20

Both will be in the Midwest to take on a collegiate team during the preseason. Williams' Patriots will face

Michigan Nov. 14 in Ann Arbor, Mich., while Roberts' Lowgators will play Wisconsin Nov. 17 in Madison, Wis.

The NBDL season begins Nov. 21 and it won't be long before the two former Salukis could face each other.

Charleston will travel to Fayetteville Nov. 29 for the first of 10 meetings between the two teams.

Both players are looking forward to playing against each

other. When asked how long it would be before he blocked on thete Roberts had nothing but respect for his former teammate.

"I don't know, he's pretty intelligent," Roberts said. "I don't know if he'll come down there and challenge me."

DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU senior guard Dana Pinkston jumps up for a pass, while senior forward lodi Heiden puts up a block during practice Wednesday evening at the SIU Arena. The Salukis' first exhibition game of the season will be against St. Louis Goldstar at 2 p.m. Sunday at the arena.

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Gateway team. Yet SIU is still not fully convinced it is the favorite every time it sets foot on the field

Junior safety Alexis Moreland has never beaten the Penguins and has seen his team outscored 52-16 against them during his career. He said he sees the Salukis as the underdog and said until they experience success year-in and year-out like Youngstown State, the bull's-eye will not be on SIU's back.

"We're up to the challenge," Moreland szid. "They're a good team. They're won four national titles. re a team of tradition. I know Th they're going to come out and play hard."

The aura surrounding Youngstown State makes it a game the Salukis want as they try to make a name for themselves as a perennial power in the brutal

Gateway. Also making Saturday's game big for the Salukis is the postseason rami-

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Tommy Koutsos

With a win, the Salukis would be 6-0 in the Gateway with a match-up against fellow conference unbeaten Northern Iova looming on the hori-zon. If the Panthers lose on the read to be 12 Were Kernethen the mark No. 12 Western Kentucky this weekend and the Salukis win, SIU will have

at least a share of the conference title. The Gateway champion receives an automatic bid into the playoffs, and even if SIU were to lose to Northern Iowa in the season finale, it would be 10-1 with a share of the league title, making it hard to keep the Salukis

Kill said beating the Penguins is more important to SIU's postseason hopes than the ensuing game against the No. 6 Panthers because with a win Saturday, a playoff berth is almost a lock.

"At this level it's no different than basketball. The most important thing is to get in the Big Dance, and we want to get in there," Kill said. "We want to

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"I'm just gonna go out there and play my game and hopefully somebody will recognize what I do."

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NBA camps, then maybe I'll stick it out another year. But if not, then maybe I'll look to go overseas and

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Williams said he will evaluate

His ultimate goal is clearly to hake it to the NBA, but he is will-

The has to do contact playing the game he loves. If I've got a shot at possibly getting on with an NBA team, or because of this I get into some

try to just make my money. That's why people go overseas is more for the money. People play in this league for the opportunity to play in the NBA, and plus be in

Mo Abdulgaadir

secure a spot in those national play-offs, and we can do that on Saturday. There's no guarantees in life, but if w win on Saturday, we're in really good shape." Williams and Roberts will bo.h SE FIG OFTERA LELSON NERITA THUNDER [ightning2] Saturday, 6:00 p.m. at McAndrew Stadium MEDIACOM NIGHT AT MCANDREW STADIUM Salukis vs. Youngstown St. Mediacom will give away a brand new BMX bike at half-





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MEN'S BASKETBALL **Sluggish Salukis** defeat AIA

SIU hangs on for win after blowing 19-point lead to

Athletes in Action Ethan Erickson eerickson@dailyegyptian.com

If the SIU men's basketball team learned one thing in its 74-65 win over Athletes in Action Thursday night, it's that it needs more work if it hopes to become the polished team similar to those that went to the NCAA tournament the last two

springs. The Salukis gained a 19-point first-half lead and coughed it up in the second, all the while displaying an uneven effort that gave head coach Matt Painter an idea of what to work on in the coming practices

"We're still trying to feel each while start uping to be called out of the start of the start uping to see how, espe-cially from an offensive standpoint, we have a long ways to go, "Painter said. "We just don't have a very good flow right now." The Salukis' half-court offense

was ineffective for much of the

game. Numerous open jumpers bounded off the rim. "We're still fatigued from our practices," said junior center Warren, who scored seven points. "We're trying to get in game shape yet because we've been practicing so much."

so much. But SIU's transition paid off time and again, when the Salukis were able to show off their ath-leticism to the delight of the sparse, mostly unenthusiastic crowd. How much the Salukis utilize that seemingly improved transition game depends on the mental acumen of

acpenas of the mental acumen of the players. "If they can play basketball without turning it over and make good decisions and get a shot every time, yeah we're gonna push it, be more aggressive," Painter said. "But we can't mu it over tile we did at. we can't turn it over like we did at the end."

Darren Brooks led the Dawgs in scoring with 25, and his spider-like arms helped him pilfer the ball from AIA four times.

Brooks also had perhaps the game's most important bucket. » FOOTBALL

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Salukis head into senior night

with postseason hopes on line

On the surface, Saturday night's game against Youngstown State looks like an easy one. The Penguins enter McAndrew Stadium with a 5-5 over-

all record and a 2-3 mark in league play. They have lost two straight games, including a 47-9 drubbing at the hands of No. 6 Northern Iowa last

With his team in danger of trailing for the first time all game with less than two minutes to play, Brooks rolled a short floater in over the front of the rim to give SIU a 68-65 lead.

Senior forward Brad Korn was the Salukis' second-leading scorer with 15, 10 of which came in the second half. Much like many of his teammates, though, Korn was inaccurate from the perimeter. He attributed this to finding himself in the starting lineup for the first time in his career.

in his career. "I was probably a little nervous," Korn said. "First game, it's the first exhibition. That's what they're there for, to get all the wrinkles out and get ready to play." Highly touted freshman Jamaal

Tatum was efficiently impressive in his Saluki debut. The Jefferson City, Mo., native tallied eight points on 4-of-8 shooting and dished out four assists while not committing a turnover in 21 minutes.

After I got the jitters out, it got intense," Tatum said. The game went well, though."

Junior college transfer LaMar Owen also put forth a solid show-ing and a balanced stat line. Owen scored eight points, grabbed eight boards to go along with two assists, one block, one steal and a turn-

over. "I thought they both played really well," Painter said of Tatum and Owen.

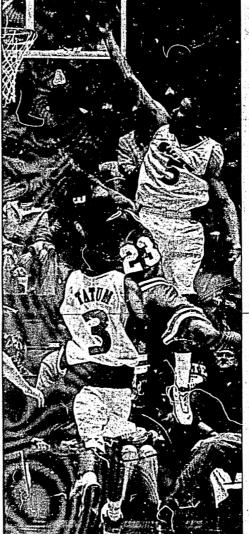
They both had some mental lapses in terms of defense, They're oth guys that thrive on the game being a little bit quicker, and when the game goes that way, they're gon have success."

Source success." SIU came out sluggish in the second half, allowing AIA to score the first 10 points of the period. Former Penn State guard Joe Crispin helped bring AIA back, scoring 11 of his 17 points in the second half and hit 4-of-8 three pointers, some of which were launched from well beyond the arc. "I'm just lucky that Crispin didn't get going in the first half and 1 think that if he did it would have been a different story." Painter

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said. The Salukis will close the exhibition season Nov. 15 against Worldwide Basketball.

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SIU junior forward LaMar. Owen goes up strong for a layup during the Salukis' 74-65 win over Athletes in Action Thursday night at the SIU Arena.

SIU ready to face aura of Youngstown State State and current Ohio State head coach Jim Despite the respect the Salukis possess for the

Youngtown State program, another reason for con-cern by the players is that they currently have a giant bull e-eye painted on their back. "We're tied for No. 1 in the conference right now

and they're really going to try and knock us off," SIU senior wide receiver Courtney Abbott said. Right now it seems like everybody's best performances are coming against us,"

Teams are stepping up their level of play against the Salukis this season due to a No. 3 national ranking and spotless 9-0 record. The last time the Salukis 1983, when they won the national championship. The Salukis have also tied the best start by any

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» MEN'S BASKETBALL Williams, **Roberts** drafted by NBDL

Former Salukis report to training camp Saturday Todd Merchant tmerchant@dailyegyptian.com

While the SIU men's basketball team finally opened the book on a new season with its first exhibition game of the year Thursday night at the SIU Arena, a couple of former Salukis were about 450 miles away, preparing to start a new chapter in their careers. Rolan Roberts and Kent Williams, both of who helped

Villiams, bavgs to the Sweet 16 two years ago, were in a suburban Atlanta hotel waiting to hear their names called during the National Basketball Development League draft.

Roberts was the first to be chosen as the North Charleston (S.C.) Lowgators selected him with their first pick, the fifth overall selec-

tion. 1 don't know nothing about this league, anything. It's all new to me, Roberts said. 1 just know I'm ready to play

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Williams had to wait a little lon-ger, but with the 36th overall pick the Fayetteville (N.C.) Patriots picked up the 6-foot-2 shooting

pickee up and "I kinda figured I'd be around the fifth or sixth or seventh round," Williams said. I'went with the last pick of the sixth round, so I feel like that's right around where I thought I'd be. Obviously if I'd gone a little later than that I'd have been a little worried.

"Considering that they picked a lot of big guys ahead of me, then that makes me feel good being one of the guards."

The six-team NBDL, which acts as a feeder league to the NBA, has teams located in Virginia, the Carolinas and Alabama. Each team starts with 17 players and eventu-ally whittles the roster down to 10 .

players. Roberts played internation-ally for a year and has been training hard every day since returning to the States in May.

He said he does not know many of the players he'll go up against, but he thinks he'll stack up well

with the competition. He has spent the past two falls attempting to gain a spot on an NBA roster, and most recently he trained with the Washington Wizards before eventually being

He knows it will be difficult advance to the NBA from the NBDL, but he thinks he has a

"Everybody has the same goals in the league; that's why there here, to be called up," Roberts said.

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week. They also enter the game with the conference's worst rushing defense and face one of the most potent rushing attacks in the nation. But upon closer inspection, Youngstown State is hy no means a pushover. Since 1990, the Penguins have an overall record

of 132-45-1. During that span they have won the national championship four times (1991, 1993, 1994 and 1997) and finished as the runner-up twice (1992 and 1999).

Youngst vn State has finished the season v losing record just once, posting a 3-8 mark in 1995. That success gives the Penguins an aura to them that few if any Division I-AA programs can match. That is why when SIU head coach Jerry Kill first came to ndale in 2000, he said the program he wanted

Carbondale in 2000, he said the program he wanted the Salukis to resemble was Youngstown State. "Since the day I walked in, I said the model pro-gram is Youngstown State," Kill said. "They're won I don't know how many national championships, I don't think they're had a losing season in a million years, and I don't think they're plauning on having one this year."

This season, Kill has even started wearing sweater vests on the sideline, imitating former Youngstown