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**Fun at the fair**

After 80 years the Du Quoin State Fair continues to offer patrons food, fun and games

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**Chief editor proposes budget cuts**

Reductions of 5 to 10 percent proposed for fiscal year 2004

Ben Botkin  
Daily Egyptian

With state budget cuts that recently hit SIUC short-changed by $23 million, University officials are already hunting for ways to reduce spending by 5 to 10 percent for fiscal year 2004.

Chancellor Walter Wendler outlined a proposed 5- to 10-percent reduction in spending in a July 16 memo sent to the provost and vice chancellors.

In the memo, he asked officials to plan for cuts in certain areas, including investments in technology.

Chancellor Wendler proposed that the dollars saved by the reductions be used for excellence funding and Southern Illinois University long-term plans for which they had already been prepared.

Wendler requested that all programs and services be examined for possible cuts and that additions should not be equally distributed in all units or across all programs.

"Some programs or units may need to be combined to more effectively use the resources available and maximize potential," he wrote in the memo. "We should develop specializations in areas of excellence with high demand and market those areas accordingly. No stone should be left unturned during this review."

The University was also hit with a $1.5-million loss last September because of enrollment drop of 954 students.

All departments were asked to reduce their budgets in February.

Wendler could not be reached for further comment Wednesday.

The colleges may have to streamline by combining units and departments, and cut programs that might be costly for the University, said John Koopke, dean of the Graduate School and vice chancellor for external affairs.

"Whether that will be enough to account for 5 to 10 percent is a difficult question," he said.

Wendler also added that looking for ways to trim spending will aid the University.

"It's always important to evaluate an organization," he said. "Going through this exercise can be a valuable process."

But Monica Dunseith, president of the Faculty Association, said he is concerned about what effect the

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**Herrin man being retried for 1999 SIUC student murder**

Original judgement overruled after judge neglected to inform defendant of options

Greg Gima  
Daily Egyptian

A Herrin man accused of murdering an SIUC student in April 1999 began his second trial Wednesday.

Steven M. Cruftfield, 23, was tried and convicted in October 1999 for the first-degree murder of Michael Sasso, an 18-year-old SIUC student, but the conviction was overturned by an appellate court because the judge did not inform the jury that second-degree murder conviction was an option.

Prosecuting Attorney Charles Garusi said he is still seeking a first-degree murder conviction.

He said in court he intends to prove the murder was premeditated because "jealousy is what this case is about."

Garusi said the defendant planned out the weapons to use and the method of attack before he entered the victim's room.

The defense, represented by Assistant Public Defender M. Jeff Squibb, said one of the most popular events is the Free Entertainment Area, which offers fun for all ages.

"People can come and see snowboarding in August," Squibb said, referring to the Big Air Show featuring the Snowflyers, who do snowboarding tricks and stunts on a sloped surface.

Brenda Broughton, a sophomore in art education from Paxton, went to the fair last weekend and hopes to go again in the next couple of days if she can round up friends who aren't going home.

"I just had my first time out there, and I had a blast," Broughton said. "My favorites were the ice sculptures and bike stunts."  

The "Fear No Ice" show is a favorite of locals, but it includes everything from ice sculptures to bike stunts.

"The Mutation Velocity show features BMX riders performing stunts and trick-riding with capes and trampolines.

"Children who take their parents out to the fair may be interested in free activities such as the petting zoo and Dr. Rocks' Dimension Adventure, which entertains with silly humor while teaching about astronomy and geology."

Other weekend events for the whole family include outdoor shows, featuring the Kenyan Mapapa Acrobats, and NASCAR racing, which will draw large crowds on Sunday and Monday.  

One-hundred-mile rides will take place both days, and Nascar races will take place Monday and Tuesday.

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Correction
Readers who spot an error should call the Daily Egyptian office at 530-3111 ext. 253.

Guard fired for flag patch on uniform
BOSTON, N.C. — A police guard says he was fired after he was accused of refusing to remove the patch from his uniform. He said the patch showed his support for the North Carolina Troopers' Association.

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International News
China deals U.S. blow over war in Yugoslavia
BEIJING — In a move to bring Washington closer to terrorism, Beijing has indicated it is willing to cooperate with the United States in the fight against terrorism. The Chinese government, which has been criticized for its lack of cooperation with the United States, has agreed to supply the United States with sophisticated radar and other equipment to help it track and destroy ballistic missiles.

Chinese Foreign Minister Li Zhaoxing had told his Washington counterpart, Madeleine Albright, that Beijing was willing to cooperate with the United States in the fight against terrorism. He had also offered to supply the United States with sophisticated radar and other equipment to help it track and destroy ballistic missiles.

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China's contribution to the fight against terrorism is significant, said a senior Chinese official. "China can provide support and assistance to the United States in the fight against terrorism," he said. "We are ready to cooperate with the United States in the fight against terrorism."
Corinne Wood stops in Carbondale to promote gun safety

Astin Thompson  
**Daily Egyptian**

LaVern Linberg was pleasantly surprised Wednesday morning as he coughed his way into Wal-Mart to buy cat food.

Lt. Gov. Corinne Wood, Hickox's campaign co-chair in front of the Carbondale Wal-Mart as part of a six-week tour to promote gun safety, stepped out of a mini-van and proceeded to a metal podium to offer a few words on the importance of gun safety.

"I thought, gee, what an honor to speak with you," said Linberg, a Carbondale resident.

Wood was inspired to get involved with the program while riding on a plane with President George W. Bush in Texas. She flew over the border and was inspired by Texas and her interest was sparked.

"It's been wildly successful," Wood said. "I'm not sure how the accident, how it turns out, but today it seemed like a chance to meet and talk with a state representative who is just as interested in this as we are.

"Linberg, who refers to himself as a outdoor enthusiast, said he is a parent. He said that in his experience gun owners should keep their guns safe.

"You hear the news stories and I think, 'Oh, gosh, just another story about a kid who is a victim,'" said Stemley. "I'm not sure how the accident, how it turns out, but today it seemed like a chance to meet and talk with a state representative who is just as interested in this as we are.

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"And we can't forget the importance of gun safety to children. The gun safety kit is an issue that we must address," Wood said. "We want to encourage parents to take an active role in gun safety.

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The project started with 75,000 gun locks and more than 70,000 have been distributed. Illinois Project HomeSafe, a program spearheaded by the National Safety Council, has a goal to hand out 3 million locks statewide, said Kara Sullivan of Illinois Project HomeSafe.

The gun safety kits and locks were funded by a federal grant from the Department of Justice. Illinois State Police Lt. Tom Stemley is also on board with the gun safety program.

"We've been able to get a lot of support from the community," Wood said. "We've been able to get a lot of support from the community."

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State will receive federal money to fight West Nile
Phil Beckman
Daily Egyptian
The state of Illinois will receive $400,500 from the federal government to boost the state’s effort to combat West Nile virus, according to U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., who secured the funds.

Illinois has had 71 cases of human infection in 10 counties, including one death, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health. While there have been no deaths in Illinois related to West Nile virus, West Nile virus is a form of encephalitis that can be transmitted by mosquitoes. Symptoms range from headache, fever, malaise, stiffness, muscle weakness, paralysis and, in severe cases, death.

"With this state dollars, this funding will help us sustain our continuing efforts to manage West Nile virus in Illinois," said Gov. George Ryan in a statement.

Carbondale

Garage giveaway to take place Saturday

A garage giveaway at the Carbondale Church of Christ will take place from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday. Clothing, kitchen items and furniture will be raffled away by the area congregations.

"As we ask that people who come only take the items they need, we encourage the church family to come," said Pastor Tom Steffee.

For more information, call the church office at 437-5105.

On Campus

Reception on Friday will honor new University administrators

SICU Chancellor Walter Wendtly will host a reception from 3 to 5 p.m. Friday in the student center for incoming University administrators, such as Provost Terry D. Conner.

"Doning, a professor of internal medicine and former associate director of medicine in the southern Illinois region, recently became dean and provost of the school Aug. 14, Wendtly clarified. "While Dierckx’s responsibilities in medical education and biomedical research. Eighty percent of the student body is in the Chicago area faculty, with the remaining 20 percent in Carbondale. University of Illinois will join SICU in 1999 and 2000. He has also served as interim dean of the College of Medicine and is a member of the SICU faculty in his present position, from 1999 to 2001.

Kill will award $30,000 to winner of RSO Football Challenge

The RSO Football Challenge 2002 kicks off at 4 p.m. tonight at the Saluki Center in Brunner Hall. The event, sponsored by the Student Radio Organization (RSO), will also be broadcast on the radio station WICS.

"We want to give students a chance to win some cash," said RSO Kellar Eccleston, event coordinator. "We want more people to get to know RSO and who we are, and what we do.

Grassroots is accepting submissions for full issue

Grassroots, the SICU literary magazine, is taking submissions for the fall issue. All undergraduate students are invited to submit their writing to the Street Eagle Office, 206 South Main St., by Aug. 24. Submissions must be typed and must be received by Aug. 24, 2002.

"We want to hear from students, to hear what you have to say," said SICU Grassy草地 editor Emily Bledsoe. "We love creative writing, as well as art and photography. It gives students a chance to put their ideas into words.

The October issue will be distributed at the Saluki Center and via the SICU website. The first and second place winners will receive cash prizes of $100 and $50, respectively. The winning articles will also be submitted to the SICU Student Awards for $1. Oktoberfest will be held Oct. 16 in the St. Louis area.

WIDB will now broadcast night football games, looking for broadcaster

Night football games will be a new broadcasting outlet for WIDB Radio, 1260 AM. The new outlet, called "WIDB Night Games," will give the station the opportunity to broadcast additional football games.

"We are looking for someone who can broadcast the games," said John G. Weitz, WIDB station manager. "We need a person who can bring the community together and have fun.

The station will broadcast the games from 7 to 9 p.m. each night, with a social hour from 7 to 8 p.m. The games will be broadcast from 8 to 9 p.m.

"We want to give the community a chance to hear the games," said G. Weitz.

If interested and for more information about night game coverage and broadcasting, contact John G. Weitz at 437-5105.
Post-graduation: No sweat

Recent SIUC graduates find instant teaching opportunities across the country

Jane Hub
Daily Egyptian

Recent graduates with doctoral and master's degrees from the University of Illinois at Chicago are still spending time in classrooms, but not in SIUC.

Instead of sitting through lectures, the former students are taking the lead in faculty development on campuses and universities across the country.

For the past 13 months, about 80 recent graduates have landed faculty positions at schools throughout the nation, including SIUC.

Shirley Clay Scott, dean of the College of Education at the University of Illinois at Chicago, has seen many faculty members leave for positions at other institutions.

"The combination of the reputation of the faculty and the quality of the students have always been at the top of the list," Scott said.

In the Sociology Department, 11 of the 18 doctoral graduates have taken positions at other universities or research institutions.

"We feel that all the graduands are well-prepared to be outstanding teachers and faculty members," said Robert Benford, department head.

"They've been trained in various teaching techniques and we feel good about the future of the [recent graduates]."

"It's just that there's a great deal of competition," said Benford, adding that SIUC is still a strong program.

"We think the country needs the next generation of accomplished scholars," he said.

Some of the graduates were rapid responders in teaching positions.

"There is a great demand in the '90s for new positions," said Benford.

They have published articles, edited volumes or books, he said, "so the prospects of getting jobs are high."

The professionalism of graduate students is improving from year to year.

Reporter June Hub can be reached at jhub@dailyEgyptian.com

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Our Word

Housing policy change should prove positive for students

If University Housing has its way, all freshmen will be required to live on-campus next fall, and sophomores will be able to live anywhere they please.

In an April issue of the Daily Egyptian, The Quad and Garden Park are all freshman- or sophomore-approved housing.

Having all freshmen on campus benefits them in the long run. The first year of college is the most important because students are learning the ins and outs of the University. Because freshmen meet people and develop potentially life-long friendships, one of the reasons given for the change was to promote retention and academic success for freshmen.

This is the most important thing that should be taken into account. If freshmen were allowed to live anywhere they desired, it runs the risk of them not fulfilling school or work requirements.

By allowing sophomores to live off-campus, it opens more space for incoming freshmen in University Housing, while offering more space in the areas that were freshmen approved.

Labeling certain housing as SIU-approved gives the student as well as the parent the notion that the University has ties to the property and that all rules apply to the residence halls would apply to the off-campus housing. Because SIU does not maintain the properties, the name should be removed, cutting all affiliation.

In the past, University Housing Director Ed Jones received complaints about the off-campus housing conditions. Freshman lived in a variety of housing, and the University Housing has no authority over the rental properties, there was nothing he could do.

Looking out for the safety of new students is important, and the only way that can be obtained is by having them on campus.

Stan Leiker, owner of S&M Enterprises that operates Spring Park, has stated an injunction against the Board of Trustees to try and stop the policy change.

Leiker maintains that his properties may be dramatically affected because most of the tenants are freshmen and sophomores.

If the properties are in good living condition, then there should not be a problem with filling the spaces that will be made vacant by freshmen.

Deciding where to live is usually based on price, location, condition and space.

Leiker may not have a problem filling his apartments if those four areas are comparable to students' interests.

Requiring freshmen to live on campus but allowing other to choose makes for a competitive marketplace. S&M benefits everyone.

Former freshmen/sophomore-approved housing will have to raise their standards to compete with the many other options.

The most official that sophomores will not be bound to University housing and freshmen will have to live on campus their first year, the matter should not be closed. The University should continue to look into ways to help students adjust to individual living and maintaining academic success.

Guest Columnist

Corporate corruption needs to stop

Stephen Kretzmann
Right Bidders Tribune

It didn't take long for the Bush administration to show its true stripes on corporate crime. Need three stripes like the Escobar sadists? Never mind President Bush's signing of the Corporate Responsibility Act. The State Department is busy seeking a foreign judge to dismiss a lawsuit against Exxon Mobil for its alleged complicity in human rights violations in Indonesia.

The suit alleges that Indonesian military troops committed "genocide, murder, torture, crimes against humanity, sexual violence and kidnapping" while providing security for Exxon Mobil's natural gas project in Indonesia'sADIATANARAT oil field. Exxon allegedly said and did things about paying, feeding, housing and generally supporting the security forces.

In a July 29 letter to federal Judge Louis F. Oberdorfer, State Department counsel William N. Taft IV acknowledges that while his argument does not address the legal issues before the court, the "rejection of this lawsuit at this time would in fact risk a potentially serious threat to the significant interest of the United States, including interests related directly to the ongoing war on terrorism." In other words, we shouldn't investigate U.S. corporations accused of complicity in terrorism because it might get in the way of our war on terror. But there are other concerns.

In mid-July, heretofore anti-terrorism to the United States sent a letter to the State Department that noted ominously that the lawsuit "will definitely prevent the serious efforts of the Indonesian government to guarantee the safety of foreign investments, including in particular those from the United States." Two weeks later, the State Department dutifully relayed this threat to Judge Oberdorfer. Perhaps the most ironic distortion of the administration's position is that U.S. corporations remain a model for the rest of the world to follow.

"Working side by side with U.S. firms, Indonesian companies and government agencies cite the advantages of modern business practices, including transparency, respect for contracts, fair labor practices, anti-corruption, efficiency and competitiveness," the State Department argues.

"Modern business practices" hardly include paying, feeding, housing and generally supporting the security forces.

The administration's support for Exxon Mobil is hardly unique. Since the Reagan years, the prioritization of U.S. business interests abroad has been a top priority for the government.

Billions of dollars in subsidiaries have been allocated to companies like Exxon Mobil and Enron by public institutions like the Overseas Private Investment Corp. and the World Bank.

These institutions often give a veneer of respectability to corporate-driven projects, while minimizing local environmental and human rights concerns.

Despite credible evidence of corruption and human rights abuses by Exxon in several countries, including India, the Dominican Republic and Indonesia, the Bush administration wants to condone their actions in order to secure future investments.

The State Department should not do the public relation and legal work for Exxon Mobil.

And Exxon Mobil cast operates in a region without any rules or laws even in the most developed administration is guilty of human rights abuses, they should be kept there in the first place.

Stephan Kretzmann's views do not necessarily reflect those of the Daily Egyptian.
LETTER

Remembrance the best way to honor victims

Dear Editor:

In regard to Lee Addisadock's column, I was very impressed and thankful for your thoughtfulness and your desire to honor the victims of the 9/11 attacks. Your article was well-written and very touching. I agree that remembrance is the best way to honor those who have lost their lives.

I was very moved by your story about the young woman who lost her life in the World Trade Center. Her story is a reminder of the sacrifices made by so many.

I would like to thank you for your thoughtful words, and to express my sympathy to all who have lost loved ones in this tragedy.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
"Freshman fifteen" can affect college students, but they can take control with exercise and diet

For those entering college, the fear of gaining weight, or the "freshman fifteen," is a common concern. Although many myths exist, poor diet and lack of exercise tend to be contributing factors for putting on the pounds.

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STUDENT BODY

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Packing on the pounds

"Freshman fifteen" can affect college students, but they can take control with exercise and diet.

STORY BY KRISTINA DAILING

Jared Smith has struggled with gaining weight at college not just once, but twice.

"I went to junior college and gained my whole freshman fifteen — actually it was more like my freshman twenty," said Smith, a freshman in marketing from Harrisburg. He quit college and went into the Air Force, where he lost all the weight he gained in college through basic training. Smith now thinks about how he is working on gaining the "freshman thirty." College students who have been pre-weighted of "freshman fifteen" do not always become worried about college weight gain.

Christin Rice, a junior in zoology from Harrisburg, knew several people who gained weight at college.

"I heard about it from everyone, but it really wasn't a big concern for me," Rice said.

For other students beginning college, like Smith, "freshman fifteen" can become a reality, and many factors can be responsible for the weight gain.

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"Everytime I walk in the Student Center, too, I'm eating a donut or going to McDonald's or getting pizza," Kniffen said. "It's always something.

Janet Sundberg, SIUC Dietetic Internship Program director and a registered dietician, estimated that students change eating habits, such as consuming more food or eating different foods, which may contribute to some college students gaining weight.

Some of these students may not be as healthy as the ones that they were at home," Julian-Frlish said. "You are also washing a lot more, so you are not as active.

"Freshman fifteen" can be a reality, and many factors can be responsible for the weight gain. Sources: University of Maryland, College Park, and the University of New Jersey.

"The body wants only so many calories, so if you are getting those calories from alcohol, you are gaining more "freshman fifteen," said Kniffen.

"People react differently to stress," Sundberg said. "Stress can also contribute to weight gain if students use food as a way to cope with their feelings.

Sundberg suggested that students should be careful not to eat in front of the television because it can lead to overeating.

"It is easy to go through a big chip when you are sitting and staring at the TV because you are paying attention to how much you are eating," Sundberg said.

"When students do eat, it is important to eat balanced meals and avoid fast food," she said.

"If you are eating a variety of lean meats, low-fat dairy products, fruits and vegetables and grains, then you are doing okay," Sundberg said.

Smith lost weight by his weight gain and doesn't think the weight he put on was only from eating snacks. But he does admit that sometimes he thinks he should eat a little healthier.

"Once in a while I will eat an apple," Smith said. "But when I am this hungry, I always end up going for something that is easy and bad for me."

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New funding provides easier access to virtual classes

Kristina Hermdohler
Daily Egyptian

High school students don't even have to leave their bedroom to attend college classes.

That is, if they have a computer with Internet access.

Virtual High School (VHS) has begun at VHS.

The Illinois Virtual High School is an Internet-based system of courses available to students who are interested in working from home. The school may not be offered in their high school.

The classes can be taken any day or at any time as a distance learning course. "I hear from the students that they appreciate the flexibility of VHS," said Matthew Wicks, director of Virtual Learning.

"They enjoy interacting with students from all over the country and taking classes that they couldn't otherwise," Wicks said.

There are 76 full-semester courses and 12 Advanced Placement review and ACT course offerings during the fall semester. They included courses in foreign languages, high-level mathematics, and among others.

VHS is not a replacement to a traditional high school setting, Wicks said. Instead it is an alternative to work with high schools. In fact, no credit is actually assigned from VHS or its teachers.

VHS teachers make recommendations to school districts about the extent of work their students did and from there, the school decides what grade letter is appropriate for the work.

"With IVHS, some students get more than they bargain for," said Wicks.

"This isn't for everyone," Wicks said.

"We do have some problems, but we are basically about the type of student who can handle the class."

To help these students, a five-member council is created at the student's high school. Also, IVHS teachers make monthly phone calls to not only the student but also parents and the school.

"We view everything as a team effort - a partnership between us, the student and the school," Wicks said.

That team effort seems to be paying off.

VHS has about 75 percent completion rate, while the national rate for completion of virtual courses by high school students is only about 50 percent.

IVHS also places emphasis on an enrollment that ensures students can meet the Illinois Learning Standards. This also includes courses that are not available within a certain school district.

"In these situations, the Virtual High School will be a valuable mechanism for offering quality instruction to those who are interested, regardless of the geographic location or the week of the student," said John Rys, said in a recent statement.

In the past, VHS was open to only four schools in public and private schools as well as home-schooled students who could come up with the cost to pay for it.

Now, with recent tuition cuts, the virtual courses are more available to students.

In the past, these courses were costly, leaving some students without the opportunity to take them.

In addition, some school districts have decided to foot the bill for VHS as long as the student completely the required work.

The coursework, which is centered on AP, is reduced to $195.

"With the tuition rate drops and wider knowledge of IVHS, we are certainly interested in increasing enrollment," Wicks said.

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College ambassadors help recruit

Program influences potential high school students

Brad Bredensma
Daily Egyptian

Driving long bus to speak in a classroom full of teenagers may seem tiring, but it's worth it to Brad Bredensma.

Bredensma is a college ambassador who promotes recruitment and retention among the students.

"The students are interested in the program for the position and are hand-picked by faculty and coordinators in each college.

"The College of Business and Administration's program, called "Doc," serves as an important factor for high school students when deciding where to attend school, said Michael Haywood, director of recruitment for COSB. "Doc" represents plans to build schools with new programs and aid new students in getting interested in a college.

While most colleges had negative enrollment last year, the CODA met its goal and surpassed it by two students.

He attributes the success to the link program.

"Without them, we couldn't be successful," Haywood said. "It also provides the college with students who have experience in real-time in front of large group and working with people."

Each college has requirements for their ambassadors. The College of Agriculture's "agassadors" are required to be a minimum grade point average of 2.5 and through an extensive interview process, where they are tested on their knowledge of the college and University.

"Many of the agassadors we've had over the years at one time or another high school listening to an agassador visiting their school," Haywood said.

"Our goal is to give them a better outlook on the college," the student said.

"Hopeful we have to say this will help them make the right choices and be successful in the future."

"John Kost, an agriculture teacher at Mt. Vernon High School, agreed.

"I feel that students are always happy when an agassador visits their school every October."

Options for creating your own Website

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Med school primary applications down nationally

Denise Ostardi
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(L. Southern California)

LOS ANGELES (U-Wire) -- The number of college seniors at the University of Southern California who submitted applications to medical school this year has dropped by 10,000, according to the Association of American Medical Colleges. The organization is still collecting data for 2002.

The number of primary applications to the Keck School decreased for 2002 as did the number of applicants who submitted the full application process increased by 200. This increase is due to the number of completed applications are usually directly proportional to the number of initial applicants.

The reason may be because of the rigorous expansion within the school, said Robert McCou, director of admissions at the Keck School of Medicine. Recent changes in curriculum and a new early decision program are making the school more attractive.

The increase in the number of completed applications to the medical school program reflects a trend, said Gina More, pre- and academic advising and pre-internship coordinator. She predicts a surge in medical school applications nationwide next year or the following year.

"It would be unlikely for medical school applications to go up this year, but it's possible," William McClure, professor of neurobiology, said.

The continuous drop in the number of medical school applications since 1996 is the product of many factors. McClure said, "It has been called a state fair ever since, even though the first fair never purchased the land until 1937."

In the coming weeks after the state fair, half of the guests will still attend. "We're determined to bring back our small charge for parking," he said. "It's possible to spend a day at the fair for under $10."

"The only way to get more out of the budget is to sacrifice the quality of education by having less number of courses and larger classes for students," he said.

"Since the departments are almost at full capacity, the students should look for the fix somewhere," he said.

"Students Trustee Ted Clark said the chancellor is in a difficult situation with the budget crisis. "He's doing what he needs to do,"

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Nelson Yates and his 8-year-old daughter Kiyra enjoy the Balboa Lagoon show during their second night at the state fair. "She's determined to bring her 8-day-old baby brother to the fair to show him everything," Yates said.

Families flocked the fair and the opening weekend drew near record crowds.

"He's doing what he needs to do," Clark said.

"But without you seeing what the effects of the proposal will be, Clark said he won't automatically support anything that is made."

"Putting the full course catalogue online is a very cost-effective step," said Larry Van, vice chancellor for Quality and Improvement.

"Diaz said he will continue looking for ways to trim expenses this fall.""But with the new season of the Symphony and the Los Angeles 24-hour news, sports and all the rest that Mediacom delivers," diers.

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Studies not just 'Asian' anymore at University of Minnesota

For the first time, courses in Asian-American studies will count toward a new minor

Kristina Torres
Knight Ridder Newspapers

ST. PAUL, Minn. (KRT) — The University of Minnesota has Chicanos studies, American Indian studies, and even American studies, but it does not have Asian-American studies. That is why Josephine Lee says "we're kind of the last food group, as it were." Lee and several other faculty members working these last four years as the Asian-American Studies Initiative will score a victory this fall: Courses for the first time will count toward an anticipated new minor in Asian-American studies, which will be offered through the American studies department.

It is, they say, one step toward an independent Asian-American studies program, which exists at no college or university in Minnesota.

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Hey freshmen, these tips will help you survive the first year of college

Lisa Gazzo
The Orlando Sentinel

(KST) - You've already paid for that 3 a.m. dancing with your friends, navigated your way through the technology of choosing classes, and then dodging the dining hall more than once. You've also spent $50 in the past 10 hours from wearing out a box of Cheerios from your roommates' hand (or had that first one or two to one lecture from Dad about what you're doing with your life).

You're nomenclature challenged. Maybe you're a freshman, or maybe you're a sophomore in need of guidance. In any case, you need some help.

The first step to surviving college is simple:

Drink yourself to class, says Maribeth Ehus, vice president of academic development and retention at the University of Central Florida. Grab your books, set a timer, and make sure you're present when the professor calls roll on day one. Once you've made it, that you can move on to bigger things - such as introducing yourself to the post after class, closely reviewing your syllabus and getting a head start on reading.

Uh-oh - if your syllabus indicates you're going to take a class in cosmetology, or if you instantly dislike your professor, say Dudy Dugway, executive director of Jumpstart Coalition, which promotes financial awareness among young people. Maybe you could buy a coffee instead of dishing out three hours a late at Starbucks everyday.

Set up a monthly budgeted try to stick to it. That means figuring out how much money you have, how much you're spending (for a car payment, apartment rent, etc.), so you'll know how much money you can use.

Be aware of how much you have to spend on "wants," Dugway says.

Keeping anything - anything that new Kate Spade purse to a barren buzzie - ask yourself: Do I need that? This is your house, buy it.

If the answer is no to you.

How much do I want it? If the answer is "no," you can ask yourself: What can I get instead?

Now, unless they're the last pair of Steve Madden sandals on the rack and they're already worth $500, wear them. Next Tuesday, if you still really, really want them, buy them.

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If you wait until you're 30 to start investing, and put $2,000 a year in the same account until you're 65 (a total investment of $70,000), you'll have only $470,000. So start saving.

Space invaders (a.k.a roommates)

Now that you know how to manage your money, here are some tips on how to manage your space. Whether you're a clean freak or one of those people who wear his dirty clothes home and insist on putting away laundry money (from a recommended financial tip, but it may vary if you get along with your roommate, that's not the way to class)

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For instance, you might need to say, "It's important to me to keep food only in the fridge."

Remember to touch on things such as overnight guests, eating late, and time and bedding, stereo and computer use, and any strange habits you might have.

Whatever your rules, take the time to discuss them before they build into a conflict. That way you won't be surprised when the roommates you meet at 3 a.m. try to bring a girl home to "talk every night until dawn.

Think about the laws of physics in college, ladies, even centimeters can lead to additions.

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That means you're going to have to decide. Maybe you don't need to bring your snow skis, your books, and your snowboard.

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Ehus says new roommates shouldn't forget about you. You have to take time to build trust with your roommates or apartment mates, so don't put it off. The sooner you get to know each other, the better off you'll be.

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Salukis look to follow the lead of top two runners

Zack Creglow
Daily Egyptian

The SIU women's cross country team already has something to feel good about in this young season — it has a head coach.

Last season the Salukis ran with out a full-time head coach, but that spot was filled during the season by former Ohio State University assistant track and field coach Matt Sparks.

With Sparks on board, SIU looks to build on last year's 19th-place finish at the NCAA Midwestern Regional.

"It's still trying to figure things out here," Sparks said. "We have two girls who should place top ten in the conference more. But we need a third, fourth, and five runners still."

The two frontrunners Sparks alluded to were senior Kaiee Meegan and junior Nina Brelle.

Add to that is SIU's need for more depth: "I want to see who is competitive on race day," Sparks said. "It is one thing to see it in practice, but on Saturday morning we want to see who is a gunner and who isn't. I am looking forward to it... I just to see different personalities on race day.

"After this we will see who we are, count and who need to work on."

Meehan agrees the First Start meet is just a stepping stone to a successful season. "The easy meets are more team building and working on fundamentals," Meehan said. "We are not trying to break records in the easy season." And Sparks thinks this season could be a building pad for the future.

"It is a rebuilding year where we have a good group of seniors, but also have a group of freshmen and sophomores," Sparks said.

"Last year we placed eighth in the conference. This year I hope to be top five and the year after that even better."
Lindsey Schultz is no blockhead

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Daily Egyptian: What got you started playing volleyball?

Lindsey Schultz: Well, I guess I started playing in middle school, because all my friends were playing. I thought it was fun, and I stuck with it 'cause I was tall. Then I started getting athletic, so I joined a junior high school team, and things just kind of fell into place.

DE: What's the difference between starting and coming off the bench?

LS: It's kind of nice to start because you get to have the momentum of coming off right from the start with everybody else right after the National Anthem. Playing your own thing off the bench, you get to bring something to the team if they are lacking something or if they have a bad day. You get to get all the advantages and disadvantages.

DE: Is there extra pressure being a senior?

LS: Yeah, there is extra pressure because everyone is counting on you. You've been here for four years. We've tried to win every year. We've always been a sophomore, and you're a freshman. Both of them need guidance on how this game is supposed to be played. Garrett [Shephard] didn't get much time last year, and she got to watch us play last year. Martha [Washington] is totally new. You're supposed to set a good example for them.

DE: What are your plans for after graduation?

LS: Well, I'm planning on going to grad school for civil engineering. I'm gonna specialize in structures. Where is the question. I might stay close to home, maybe at Purdue, maybe I'll go as far as Arizona. I'm trying to make that decision.

DE: What's your game preparation like?

LS: Well, I do the same thing every game. We shake our booty to 'Hoorah Hoopla' before every game. Just get yourself pumped up any way you can. Take a nap. Anything that feels good. It's always nice when the family is in town. When you can go out for a nice lunch before a home game. 'Hoorah Hoopla' is the best way to get myself pumped up. It's just a song. I don't know who sings it (Starts singing). You ain't nothing but a hoohah woman.

DE: What is your favorite part about playing?

LS: I guess I like that there is such a wide variety of things you can do. Being close to St. Louis, I wanna move to big city. It's not too fast. If you wanna stay in town, there's plenty of things to do. You can go out dancing or go to a downtown bar and have a good time. There are movie theaters. There's just a wide variety of things to do. There's the outdoor stuff too.

DE: How long did you live in Chicago?

LS: Until I was in second grade, so until I was 7. We lived 15 minutes away from downtown. It was nice. We just visited there. We drove by my old house. It hasn't changed.

DE: What were you in Chicago for?

LS: I went to Cyprus this summer. I was flying out of O'Hare, so I decided to spend the day downtown at Michigan Ave.

DE: Compare Valparaiso to Carbondale.

LS: Valparaiso is little bit bigger, but it's a city. There's more places to go out at night. The family isn't here. I have my own place here. In Valparaiso, everybody knows you. Everywhere you go, you're gonna see somebody. You get to know people. Carbondale seems a lot newer, because I haven't lived here as long.

DE: Is there a secret to getting such good grades?

LS: Hard work. Time and effort. Every night, studying up all midnight doing homework.

DE: Do you have a sports idol?

LS: I'll say Gabby Reece. A lot of people didn't think of her as a volleyball player at first. She kind of jumped around sports at first and didn't really kind of stick until high school. She couldn't make up my mind between basketball and volleyball. She did the same thing in college when she was a lot younger. She decided to do volleyball, and she's really good now.

DE: What's your favorite SIU in-game moment?

LS: My sophomore year, I hit a home run. That's when the other team passed it over the net, and you hit it as soon as it comes over. It hit the right-hand line and someone went down and went like this. (Makes the Wayne's World "We're not worthy" motion). I don't think she's done that since in a game before.

DE: What's your favorite TV show?

LS: "Friends."

DE: Favorite character?

LS: I like them all, but I'll have to say Phoebe because she's always so happy-go-lucky.

DE: What's your favorite movie?

LS: "Mulan." The Disney cartoon. There is all the simplest songs. Nobody thought she could do it. She came back and saved China.

DE: Who is the last CD you bought?

LS: I'm relaxing. I listen to it on road trips. Almost everyone on the team has asked me to make a copy of it just because when we're on the bus and you're all stressed out and you're trying to do homework, it helps out.

Christopher Murillo

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The Saluki football team will kick off their season against Kentucky Wesleyan at McAndrew Stadium at 7 tonight. Tonight’s game will be the first under new installations this summer and the Salukis are favored to beat the Division II Panthers.

Salukis ready to light it up

The SIU football team hopes to turn things around starting tonight

Todd Merchant
Daily Egyptian

After several months of hope and anticipation, opening night of the SIU football season is finally here, and it looks to be an exciting one.

McAndrew Stadium will be the site of tonight’s opening game between the Salukis and Kentucky Wesleyan. It will be the first night game at McAndrew since 1973. With the SIU athletic ticket office selling more than 100 season ticket packages and 200 single-season tickets this week, the crowds are expected to be full, with fans tonight when the Salukis take on the Panthers at 7 p.m.

If things go according to plan, they will not go away disappointed. SIU is favored to defeat the Panthers handily, but head coach Jerry Kill knows better than to count out the Panthers before they kick off.

"When you’re 1-0, you don’t take anything for granted," Kill said, "and when we’re playing in Division II and we’ve never lost a 1-A-AA opponent, I’m not taking anything for granted. They all show up.

One thing the Salukis might be able to take for granted is their depth, at the quarterback spot. Kill announced Tuesday that redshirt freshman Jordan Suddarth earned the starting nod over fellow redshirt freshman Singer Bryant and fifth-year senior Kenard Jackson.

Kill said it was one of the toughest decisions he had to make in his coaching career.

"He has been the thing for 19 years and when I look deep, it’s a tough decision," Kill said. "I think [Suddarth] is the best player for us and after the way Jordan has practiced and Hustad said he was very talented and said he was our state of action this season.

With Suddarth running the ball for the Salukis, tonight’s game may look more like the air show.

Wesleyan likes and defy the pass and is sure to air it out at least 40 times tonight.

"I think the biggest thing they’re going to throw at us is a quick screen, and we need is to see that" Kill said. They will throw it out of the place. They’ll throw it 50 to 60 times. We may be hot all night the way they throw it.

The Panthers averaged 306.13 yards passing your game last season — as compared to 430 rushing yards — and totaled 401 pass attempts during the season.

On the flipside, the Salukis averaged 355.4 rushing yards per game, and 397 pass attempts. SIU will be led by senior Nick Walsh, who had the second-most yards passing in the league.

Salukis Pride will be on full display tonight, but with one interesting twist — it’s not a basketball game.

Michael Brenner