Finishing up for finals

Christian Feig, a senior from Germany studying art education, works on his final project Monday at the Glow Factory. Feig is in an international program through which he was able to come to America and study art for a semester. On discussing his first visit to the states, Feig said, “I really love it here.” After his final project, a metal cube with a glass bowl inside, is complete, Feig will head back to his college in Germany where he plans to graduate in May. “Here there are so many opportunities for me to work at my art specifically with metal and at home it is not possible.”

SIU alumnus on journey to Olympia bodybuilding

LUKE NOZICKA
Daily Egyptian

The willpower to rise for 6 a.m. intense workouts, the right diet and a solid work ethic are what create a professional bodybuilder.

University alumnus Brandon Hendrickson was awarded his professional bodybuilding card after winning the National Physique Committee, or NPC, National Bodybuilding Championship in Fort Lauderdale, Fl. Nov 23.

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While his family is originally from Trinidad, Hendrickson was born in Chicago and raised there by parents David and Anne. He graduated from SIU in 2009 with a bachelor’s degree in healthcare management.

David now works as a technician at a printing company, while Anne worked as a manager at Central DuPage Hospital.

Anne Hendrickson said while growing up, her son was a rambunctious boy, who always loved sports, and was not surprised when he had mentioned wanting to become a bodybuilder. “We had him in everything from swimming, karate, football, (and) soccer,” she said. “Just name it and he was in it. Whatever he wants to do, he will do.”

During high school, Hendrickson ran track, wrestled and played football. This is where he says he really got into lifting weights. “I was working out like three times a day,” Hendrickson said.

While in college, Hendrickson was a part of a modeling organization called Essence Fashion Models, where students practice runway walking, posing and are able to travel and compete in fashion shows.

Upon graduation, Hendrickson worked as a manager at Central DuPage Hospital.

Hendrickson said his time at SIU helped him understand the anatomy of the body and how it responds to different diet and training methods.

He attended his first amateur show in 2012, and was instantly inspired to begin bodybuilding. “I just pictured myself up there doing an excellent job, but we also have to make sure and let them know when they need to begin bodybuilding show in Rockford.

The key is making sure both Campbell and Rivera are praised for their efforts, but are reminded when they can be better, Graham said.

Campbell said his record with Rivera this season has been a joy for him to witness. “It’s really exciting. We’ve done very, very well in the past and I’ve done very, very well over the last three years,” he said. “But to see the level of success that Josh and I have had this year, it’s been really, really exciting. It’s something I wouldn’t have normally expected us to be able to do, but everything’s been clicking very well.”

Rivera said the year has been an overall success with Campbell, even outside of debating. “It really shows all the hard work and dedication,” he said. “It shows the fact that we were both able to get through the year as roommates and also academically and have a really good win ratio.”

The two are good friends and have been roommates since the beginning of the year, but that does not factor much into their overall teamwork as much as their practices, Campbell said.

Both Campbell and Rivera said their strategy for the debates has mostly stayed the same this year, but the level of focus and effort has been the key to their success. “Campbell said having such a record this season has actually helped him stay calm during debates, especially since he and Rivera have a high level of trust with each other.

“I don’t know how to really put it,” he said. “It’s calming, I guess, because normally whenever you go through a big round, there’s a lot of anxiety about how you’re going to perform.”

The first debate of next semester, called the Mile High Invitational, will be Jan. 16 at the Great Salt Lake University in Utah. Matt Daray can be reached at mdaray@dailysoutherner.com or 536-3311 ext. 254.

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Poll cites worst ratings of Obama’s presidency thus far

Obama retained strong support among Democrats — 77-18 percent approval — and disdain from Republicans — 90-8 percent disapproval. Independents disapproved 56 percent to 41 percent.

Obama’s personal ratings were also down. By 52 percent to 46 percent, people had an unfavorable impression of him, the first time since November 2011 the negative number was higher. The unfavorable number was also the worst he has endured.

Obama in recent weeks has been battered by turmoil over his health care program. The highly touted website where people could sign up for coverage proved to be a dysfunctional embarrassment, and Obama had to backtrack from his assertion that people could keep their plans if they wanted.

People soured on Democrats, too. Sixty-four percent disapproved of congressional Democrats, who control the Senate. Both Republican and Democratic disapproval numbers were up sharply from the last poll in July.

The numbers show that “the unsures have cast their vote with the negatives,” Martingoff said.

The key reason for the glut ratings is the economy. Though indicators suggest a healthy rebound, people aren’t feeling it. Instead, said Martingoff, the two Washington stories that have dominated headlines in recent months were the 16-day October government shutdown and the health care chaos.

That helped create pessimism that found two-thirds seeing things going in the wrong direction, while 30 percent felt matters were heading in the right direction.

Democrats were more optimistic, with the right wrong direction split 57 percent to 40 percent. Republicans overwhelmingly saw the country moving the wrong way — 95 percent to 4 percent — and independents saw matters heading in the wrong direction, 69 percent to 26 percent.
Higher education students remember past faculty member

ELIZABETH ZINCHUK
Daily Egyptian

An endowment honoring a university professor will allow students to enjoy what she loved to do throughout her career.

The Marybelle Keim Student Travel Award Endowment honors Marybelle Keim, a higher education professor at the university. Keim, who died in 2011, became a faculty member in 1985 and was an esteemed professor and author, according to many of her coworkers.

"Keim’s five sons, Don, Dale, Doug, Dave and Daryl, are responsible for funding the award that will provide financial support for graduate students in the Department of Educational Administration and Higher Education Council for the Study of Community Colleges.

Patrick Dilley, associate professor of higher education and qualitative research, said Keim was known to attend conferences in her field and encouraged her students to attend as well.

Eden Thome, director of development for the college of education and human services, said Keim’s sons were looking for a way for their mother to be remembered at the university.

“The sons just wanted to provide a hand where she could further the legacy of mentoring students and allowing those students to attend conferences where they could share their knowledge and be recognized for their accomplishments," she said.

Keim authored over 100 books, peer-reviewed manuscripts, monographs and reports and, among other things, cared about her students and their well-being as she cared about her research, Dilley said.

“Dr. Keim found her reason for being in this profession in two places: her students and her professional conferences, which is where she felt most at home and most appreciated,” he said.

Dilley said the money from the endowment has helped students attend conferences for the Association of Fraternity and Sorority Advisers, the Association for the Study of Higher Education, the Organization of Education Historians, and the Midwestern Educational Research Annual Conference.

"The students at these conferences either present their research or attend to gain knowledge from other students and professionals’ research and data,” Dilley said. He said Keim also founded the endowment to give me a call.'”

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"You’re not being cocky, but our approach is to show it, present it, it doesn’t look fake," he said.

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While Buckle is confident Hendrickson will stand out and solve his goal, only about 15 to 20 competitors will make it to the Olympia stage and we believe that’s going to happen, so that’s what we’re going to do,” he said.

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children and six adults at Sandy Hook Elementary School last year. But she is cautious, mindful an appearance there could give offense. A book on the Amish school shootings, “Amish Grace: How Forgiveness Transcended Tragedy,” was found among the possessions of Sandy Hook Elementary School gunman Adam Lanza, according to a recent report by the prosecutor in charge of the Newtown investigation. The report said Lanza was preoccupied with mass shootings.

Zackary Roberts originally conceived the film to help his mother. But it’s also proving to be cathartic for him.

“It was like a step toward getting this off my shoulders and being able to speak about it,” said Roberts, 35, who lives in Sweden. “I have a kid now, and I don’t want this to be one of those dark family secrets that nobody talks about. I want to be OK with it, and I want my daughter to be OK with it.

After filming on location in Pennsylvania, Zachary Roberts and the documentary’s producers recently released a trailer and have turned to a crowd-funding website to raise money to complete production. Roberts appears in the trailer and doesn’t mince words about the challenge that faced his mother after his 12-year-old brother’s rampage.

“How does the mother of a mass murderer move forward in life?”

Terri Roberts’ path toward healing and reconciliation began, surprisingly enough, that very first afternoon.

Her husband, Chuck, had wiped away so many tears that he’d rubbed his eyelids raw. The retired police officer hung his head, inconsolable.

“I will never face my Amish friends again,” he said, over and over.

An Amish neighbor named Henry told him otherwise. “Roberts, we love you. We don’t hold anything against you or your son.”

Terri Roberts recalled Henry saying as he massaged her shoulders. “We’re a forgiving people.

“We need to live in our sorrow.” Her son’s death left her with a weight of Charlie’s choices and from the loss of a son.

The message resonated, and Roberts said she felt a calling from God.

“Roberts remains close with Charlie Roberts’ wife, Marie Monville, who is also breaking her silence with a new website to raise money to complete production.

Her former mother-in-law, Monville, who is also breaking her constant care.

She smiles, cries and responds to stimuli, and King said she is mentally alert. But she requires easy or automatic, even for those with dementia.

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“Yes,” she said, “none of us needs to live in the saddest part of our lives 24/7.”
To the student body of Southern Illinois University Carbondale: Twitter is not your personal playground to bully fellow students. Accounts such as SIU Secret Admirer, Crush, Confessions and so forth, toe the line between humor and harassment. Too often they are merely an anonymous outlet for cyberbullying, and it needs to stop.

Posting false, incriminating, demeaning, outright hurtful and untrue things for the world to see is childish and outright hurtful and untrue things that you are just as ethically responsible, if not more so, than the posters themselves. Anonymity on the Internet is a fantastic phenomenon and can be used for many reasons. However, the one you have chosen to exploit is malicious. We ask you to think about the kind of activity you are endorsing and take responsibility for it. Consider a filtration system rather than simply feeding them word posted from that account. We reserve the right not to publish any letter or guest column. Submissions and letters to the editor do not necessarily reflect those of the Daily Egyptian.

OUR WORD

Secret admirer: flattered or freaked out?

To the student body of Southern Illinois University Carbondale: Twitter is not your personal playground to bully fellow students.

Secret admirer accounts have been a fad in the Twitter-verse for some time, but each account usually develops its own personality. Accounts such as Secret Admirer possess nothing of the sort; rather, they are a constant stream of disrespectful students posting blasphemy about the appearance and sexual activity of their fellow students.

While some students may be flattered by the attention they have received on the account — after all, some tweets are innocent in nature — others may be hurt or offended by the statements’ vulgar or violent character. We understand friends promote some posts and interactions between their peers.

To the students posting distasteful statements: You are not the ones who have been run through by whomever, or whom you would have sex with so long as he or she had a bag over their face are not a joke. They tamper with students’ real lives, and not propagating harassment. After all, those involved need to establish responsibility for it. Consider a filtration system rather than simply feeding them outright hurtful and untrue things by no means should these accounts be shut down or censored by outside parties. Rather, those involved need to establish some standards.

There is a difference between censoring and not propagating harassment. After all, they are called “admirer” accounts. However, our generation’s reputation is dwindling with each tweet if this is what admiration has come to.

We ask you to think about the kind of activity you are endorsing and take responsibility for it. Consider a filtration system rather than simply feeding them through the site. You are, by default, responsible for each word posted from that account.

To the students who have fallen victim to this cyberbullying: We support you in your endeavors to stand up for yourselves and encourage you to talk to someone you trust about what you’re going through.

Realize that these people are cowardly hiding behind Internet anonymity and do not merit your time, emotion or response. By no means should these accounts be shut down or censored by outside parties. Rather, those involved need to establish some standards.

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‘Hobbit’ characters don’t go by book

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Evangeline Lilly says she used to dream of being a wood elf. And now she’s one.

The actress, best known for “Lost,” spent a considerable amount of her Canadian childhood absorbed in J.R.R. Tolkien’s tales of Middle-earth. So it’s a tad ironic that her character in “The Hobbit: The Desolation of Smaug,” — opening Friday — appears nowhere in the Tolkien canon.

“She’s a complete fabrication,” Lilly said of Tauriel, the deadly archer/knife-fighter/head of the Mirkwood Elf Guard. — and the virtual centerpiece of director Peter Jackson’s latest. Of course, the only character with any real arc in what Lilly called Tolkien’s “little romp” is its title hobbit, Bilbo Baggins. “But as a Tolkien fan,” she said, “I trusted that if anyone could depart from the book and expand it, it was Peter Jackson.”

The Oscar-winning Jackson has been bringing Tolkien’s elves, dwarves, trolls, goblins, hobbits — and in “Smaug,” a fire-breathing dragon — to the screen since 2001’s “The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring.” The movie kick-started a trilogy based on three novels and led to “The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey.” Now he’s back and doing (voice-overs). I ended up doing my last bit of that only a month ago. And who knows? There’s the other one coming out this time next year, and there’s also ‘The Silmarillion’ — maybe Peter will decide to do that, too.”

“The Silmarillion,” published posthumously by Tolkien’s son, is a collection of “Ring” ephemera, mythopoetic history about Middle-earth, and more proof of the resilience of Tolkien’s literary fantasies. Written in the years leading up to and following World War II, they have been interpreted in many ways, most of which Tolkien dismissed. “It’s all fantastical and heightened,” actor Martin Freeman, who plays Bilbo, said of Tolkien’s work. “But there’s got to be something at the root of it all to maintain its enormous appeal. You know, the way they say ‘Star Wars’ is a Western; ‘The Godfather’ was a Western; ‘The Lord of the Rings’ is a Western. ‘The Hobbit’ has things that are fairly universal, things that are more traditionally cinematic. It makes sense that it would look better,” said Freeman. “The technical people at Weta (Jackson’s production company in New Zealand) make progress now on a monthly basis, how they attack things, and render stuff. I would expect it would be better.”

At the same time, the process of acting in a movie so dependent on computer graphics poses a challenge for actors, even if McKellen says there’s less techno in “Smaug” than one might assume.

“If you see Gandalf on top of a mountain, I have been on top of a mountain,” he said. “If you see me crawling through undergrowth, I’ve crawled through undergrowth — although sometimes it’s on a set rather than outside.

“What is difficult is the height disparity,” he continued. “Gandalf is taller and that makes it tricky.”

“I was hoping they didn’t use a stunt double,” said Freeman. “But a great relief when you get to do a scene with a normal-sized man.”

Lilly said she was relieved to see herself on screen doing what she remembered doing. “I was hoping they didn’t use a stunt double because I knew what I did and I think I did it well,” she said. “Some things I know had to be CGI, because you know I don’t do that. But I honestly couldn’t find the gaps.”

The greatest thing, Lilly said, was being able to see all the scenes together. “If I were a little girl, I would think it would be so cool to be Tauriel,” the actress said. “And that’s me.”

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Tim Wyne, of Peoria, plays table tennis Sunday at Vine Church’s Finals Week Cram Night. Wyne, an undergrad when he studied music business. The church will be hosting cram nights this week through Wednesday from 6 p.m.-12:00 a.m.
Sledding through a winter wonderland

Bill Xu, a six-year-old from Carbondale, sleds down a hill Monday outside SIU Arena. Bill’s mother Yi Xu said this is the second time they have gone sledding since the snowstorm. “He had so much fun yesterday sledding so we had to come back again today,” Xu said. “I’m sure we will be back tomorrow, too.”

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PBS looks at Sherlock Holmes’ influence on real-life crime solving

DAVID LIGHTMAN

Before there was a “Quincy M.E,” a “CSI,” or a “Bones,” there was a fictional character who set the standard for all those forensic heroes to follow: Sherlock Holmes.

With his eccentric musings, omnipresent magnifying glass and deerstalker hat, it was Holmes who actually led the way to modern crime investigation.

How he did that will be the subject of PBS’ two-hour special, “How Sherlock Holmes Changed the World,” airing Dec. 17.

Before Sir Arthur Conan Doyle’s intrepid creation, crime solving was mostly interrogation. There was no such thing as protecting the crime scene, gathering discrete evidence, examining blood spatter or dusting for fingerprints.

When he began working for the police in Taiwan in the 1960s they still utilized interrogation as the major method of solving crimes, says Dr. Henry Lee, one of the forensic experts on the show.

“At that time when we solved cases, basically (we relied) on interrogation. Just run up all the suspects until one confesses. If nobody confesses, we usually take them to the back room. Five minutes later, we got someone confessing.”

Lee is known for his work in forensic serology — the identification of blood, hair, semen and tissue types. He’s also an expert in fingerprint matching, ballistics, fiber and paint sample investigation and blood splatter reconstructions.

The process is slow and meticulous, as he painstakingly reconstructs the crime, pores over the evidence and cautiously ventures hypotheses about how things might have happened, just the way Holmes did.

When Conan Doyle created his literary lion in 1887 it was just before the Jack the Ripper murders occurred in Victorian London. Six murders were committed in less than 90 days, and the police were stymied.

The crime scenes had been contaminated and evidence collection was not part of police procedure. The crimes were never solved. Conan Doyle’s first Sherlock adventure, “A Study in Scarlet,” featured Holmes applying methods that would be used 120 years later: he protected the crime scene, searched for trace evidence, smelled the surroundings, measured everything and devised deductions.

British actor Benedict Cumberbatch is essaying the character of Holmes on PBS’ “Masterpiece” series, which returns for a new season on Jan. 19.

He finds the role both inspiring and exhausting. “It is a rare challenge, for an audience and for an actor, to take part in something with this level of intelligence and wit,” he says. “And you have to play with it. You have to really enjoy it.

“It takes a lot of effort to play clever. It takes very little effort to look clever, as I found out through my character for some reason. And it’s the sort of challenge that you just have to love, and I really do. I absolutely love every minute of it as hard as it can be.”
The air really scratches in your throat. We've never experienced such terrible smog. "— Shanghai resident
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LIBRA — Today is a 6 — Invest in home, family and real estate, to the degree affordable. Avoid reckless spending. Take the time to make things beautiful. Copy down inspiring ideas. Discover solutions. Stay calm.

SCORPIO — Today is a 6 — No one needs to know how little you spend. Focus on work the next two days. There’s no need to be hasty. Intuition provides solutions that work. Practice patience and perseverance.

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PIECES — Today is a 6 — Seek new territory. You’re very persuasive today. New and unexpected events will emerge. Don’t let the benefits slip through your fingers. Gather information. Share love.
NBA fines limit players’ actions in games

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NBA players and coaches are subject to be fined by the NBA for such things as profanity, fighting, criticizing and any acts of disrespect that create a bad image of themselves and the NBA.

Players can be fined for nearly anything...do on and off of the court. This could be breaking a rule during a game, or even posting negative comments on a social media site.

The NBA has fined and suspended nearly 70 athletes in 2013. Recently, Denver Nuggets guard Nate Robinson was fined $25,000 for comments made Nov. 29 after the Nuggets defeated the New York Knicks 97-95.

Robinson was upset about the technical foul the officials called in the fourth quarter.

“They hate me, they hate me,” Robinson said after the game, according to the Denver Post. “I don’t know why, but it is what it is. Bagging up, I’ve already got my views on my back, but I’ll play through it. I don’t really care. It doesn’t bother me none.”

According to an NBA fines and suspensions list, criticizing referees is the most common reason for fines given in the NBA from 2003-2013. In fact, players are not allowed to use cell phones or any other communication device 45 minutes before the game, and any time during the game, including halftime.

According to NBA.com, the rule applies to players, coaches, and any basketball operations personnel. ESPN said the NBA is considered to be one of the most professional sports leagues most associated with Twitter usage.

Dallas Mavericks owner Mark Cuban was the first person fined under the social media NBA rule after complaining that he should not have been called for faulting his defense on Heat forward LeBron James when Hibbert was 50 or 536-3311 ext. 269.

This will be my first trip to New York City, and I can’t put into words how much it means to me. I am truly privileged to have the opportunity to represent our team at the Heisman ceremony. None of this would be possible without my coaches and teammates.

— Al McCarron
Alabama quarterback

Heisman: Winston, Manziel, Lynch among 6 finalists

RALPH D. RUSSO
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Jameis Winston will have plenty of company at the Heisman Trophy ceremony — though he has not expected to have much competition.

The Florida State quarterback was among a record-tying six Heisman finalists revealed Monday, along with Alabama’s AJ McCarron, Auburn’s Tre Mason and A&M’s Johnny Manziel, Alabama’s AJ McCarron and Notre Dame quarterback Everett Golson.

According to an NBA.com rule, the posts and tweets will be monitored around the clock and even while the NBA is playing games. This is the NBA’s fourth season with a social media rule.

“Six are tied to win the award this season,” NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said in a statement. “While some may be thought of as ridiculous or taken too far, the NBA continues to hand out fines and suspensions for derogatory acts.

While some fines may be thought of as ridiculous or taken too far, the NBA continues to hand out fines and suspensions for derogatory acts. Fox Sports showed a clip of Houston Rocket center Dwight Howard pushing the ball to a fan. Fox said the NBA wants to discourage any action that could instigate malice.

Since Howard has been in the NBA, he has been known for having a funny and outgoing personality. The fact that he was fined for tossing the ball to a fan is a bit extreme and was not serious enough to receive a $25,000 fine.

Although tossing the ball into the stands is unacceptable in the NBA, I am still surprised he was only fined by a technical foul. By watching the replay, fans were able to see that Howard only threw the ball into the first row of the stands. The fans barely touched it and immediately tipped it right back.

Although professional sports rules are constantly changing, players need to be aware of new rules.

Winston’s announcement of the new Heisman fouling rule was put into play at the beginning of the 2012-2013 season. According to NBA.com “fouling” is defined as any physical act that appears to have been intended to cause the referees to call a foul on another player.

An intentional foul at a crucial point in the game can cause the opposite team to lose due to an unfair advantage and possibly be ejected after a certain number of transgressions.

In the 2013 playoffs, the NBA set a record amount for each fouling violation. NBA.com said the first violation began at $5,000 and could reach up to $50,000 for the fourth foul.

Brooklyn Nets forward Reggie Evans was the first player fined under the anti-fouling rule. As almost every celebrity, professional athletes must be very cautious about the things they do. Fines and suspensions have become a part of the NBA, and at least one is issued nearly every month. As social media sites become more popular and gossip media websites are becoming a way to receive information, NBA players as well as other athletes have to prepare themselves for the consequences after their actions.

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Athletes adjust, bare all weather elements

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NCAA athletes have to practice and compete regardless of if the weather is too hot, too cold or just right.

SIU is geographically one of the most southern schools in the Missouri Valley Conference. Since temperatures fluctuate, some sports teams have shown up to events with different weather conditions than expected.

Men’s golf coach Leroy Newton said the worst climate conditions for golf are cold temperatures and wind. Newton said the golfers are forced to try to keep their hands warm, and the wind comes into play with every shot. He said SIU is not always used to colder temperatures when the season changes.

“Say we go to Chicago and play in a tournament in the early spring, and it’s 35 or 40 degrees with a 10 to 15 mile-per-hour wind, it affects the southern schools more than the northern schools,” Newton said.

As far as practice goes, Newton said golf is not only affected by the current weather, but also the weather shortly before. Sometimes golf courses are flooded for days at a time, which keeps them closed. Newton said the team usually goes to the back of the range to hit, afterwards which also cuts into the time and quality of the practice.

“Weather can affect us simply by keeping us off the golf course,” Newton said. “Maybe the weather is good enough, but the previous weather conditions can keep the golf course closed.”

Unexpected weather is not always negative for athletes training. Cross country coach Matt Sparks said he wants athletes to train in all types of weather to prepare them for whatever conditions they may face.

“We don’t want to get them used to running in ideal conditions all the time,” Sparks said. “You have to run when it’s hot. You have to run when it’s cold. You have to run with whatever is thrown at you.”

Sparks said the recent snowfall has negatively affected the team. He said the runners do not always like to run on the indoor track or treadmills, but that was the only option after the snowfall.

“The guys and girls on the team will tell you, they’re getting tired of running in circles around the rec center track,” Sparks said. “Traditionally, we go out on the roads and go for five to 12 mile runs, but the first couple of days of the snow I would not let them go out and run on the ice.”

Baseball coach Ken Henderson said Carbondale’s recent snowfall has not bothered the team since NCAA rules prohibit off-season practice the week before and the week of finals.

Henderson said cold weather is not ideal, and they usually try to schedule games in the south early in the season.

“We just have to deal with it,” Henderson said. “It is part of college baseball, the season starts Feb. 14 and we can’t go to Florida every weekend.”

— Ken Henderson
baseball coach

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Sophomore guard Anthony Beane takes a jump shot Saturday against Western Kentucky University during the Salukis’ 69-60 loss at SIU Arena. Beane led the Salukis in scoring with 20 points and tallied three rebounds. SIU will head to Murray State University Dec. 17 to take on the Racers.

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Key Salukis must rise to the occasion

For the first time since the 1985-86 season, the SIU men’s basketball team has started 2-7.

It has been a disappointing start for players and fans of the Salukis so far this season. The team is on a three-game skid, but will look to bounce back on the road Dec. 17 against the Murray State University Racers.

After nine games, few players have shown the ball can handle the ball in pressure situations.

Sophomore guard Anthony Beane has found his rhythm from last season. He made three 3-pointers in the loss to the Hilltoppers of Western Kentucky University Saturday, including a buzzer-beater to end the first half. Beane is second on the team in points with 13 points per game and his shooting percentage is up to 47 percent. He leads the team in 3-point shooting percentage at 43 percent.

Another player who has played well lately is freshman forward Bola Olaniyan. Olaniyan has played more minutes recently than starting forward, senior Davante Drinkard.

Olaniyan led the team in rebounds with six in the loss. His offensive game is growing as well. Early in the first half against WKU, Olaniyan finished a lay-up and drew the foul. Although he converted the free throw, he is only shooting 45 percent from the line this season.

The leaders of Beane and senior guard Deonar Jackson have been showing up for the Salukis. Jackson had 15 points on 12 shots in Saturday’s loss. Coach Barry Hinson said Jackson should have had a lot more points after attempting that many shots.