"Food is my passion. I'm more inclined to eat whatever comes across that I can put in my mouth than the average person."

Jan Thompson
SIUC radio-television professor and filmmaker

**Professor trots globe for food**

Filmmaker focuses on cultures, foods from around world

Codell Rodriguez
Daily Egyptian

One thing Jan Thompson can safely say after traveling the globe is, "Cockroaches are the best."

Thompson, an assistant professor in radio-television, has been the director, editor, producer and composer for a series of prime time specials since 1999 about cultures and foods from around the world. In her travels, she has sampled all kinds of foods, including bugs. They have probably been the hardest food for her to stomach, particularly the big larvae she ate in Mexico that would squirt out a little juice when she bit down. But she said any bug is better cooled than raw.

Thompson's series, entitled "Hidden-Journeys," airs nationally on PBS on Aug. 21 and displays the food of Mexico, South Korea and India. "They are a brief introduction to a culture through their food and their folk customs," Thompson said.

But before Thompson was visiting worldwide food purveyors, she was in a world of hot dogs and nachos. Thompson originally worked as one of the directors for the Chicago Bulls and White Sox. But when the opportunity to go to China arose in the middle of the Bulls' season, she took it with the risk of losing her job. "I had been in live sports for over seven years. It was time to move on," Thompson said.

Thompson took the risk and went to China to work on the documentary "Hidden China," which aired nationally on PBS. Thompson loved the experience, and PBS liked the show, so she decided to continue with a documentary called "Food for the Ancestors," which looks at food in culture in Mexico.

"Each country has an identity by their food," Thompson said. "Food is knowing and learning about the culture."

Thompson's husband, Bruce Kraig, joins her on trips as a writer and researcher and also serves as narrator by introducing the segments on the finished product. Kraig has proven to be a useful component of the series because of his background in food. He is a retired professor in food history from Roosevelt University in Chicago and is now the senior editor for the upcoming Oxford Encyclopedia of American Food. Kraig said the series has been relatively easy because food is one thing that links all cultures.

"If you want to make friends with people, talk about food," Kraig said.

Thompson said she has had plenty of good experiences traveling to other countries and sampling the food, but there have also been times where she has felt a little nervous. She said some of those nerves came from common

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**Four-unit apartment building pending city council approval**

Ben Botkin
Daily Egyptian

A four-unit apartment building may be built on Carbondale's South Elizabeth Street at the request of deceased SIUC employees.

First, though, the Carbondale City Council must approve a permit at its council meeting on April 16. If the City Council approves, construction will begin in May and the apartments will be open by the start of the fall semester, said John Ham, the landlord planning the apartment.

The proposed plans would add a four-unit apartment building on the 900 block of South Elizabeth Street that was formerly owned by Mary and William Wakeland, both of whom worked for the University. Mary worked in the office of International Student Affairs and her husband was the chairman of SIUC's Music Department.

The land was deposited to Ham after they died. Both wanted the land to be used for housing for faculty, staff and students, Ham said.

"They were really great people," he said.

Feedback to the current plans have been positive so far, Ham said. "I'm really pleased," he said. "People have been favorable and supportive."

But when Ham first began developing the property in 1995, he had to go to court when the City Council voted down his plans for a 10-unit apartment building next to where he hopes to build the new complex. Area residents had filed a petition at the time, citing concerns ranging from increased traffic to the building of a new structure to blend with the surrounding neighborhood of older buildings and homes.

After winning in court, Ham built the 10-unit complex and began renting last year. He hopes to combine the two projects into a 14-unit complex called Wakeland Apartments in honor of the benefactors.

Ham declined to speculate on how receptive the City Council will be to the second time around.

City Councilman Brad Cole voted in favor of the first apartment complex, and said he will take that into consideration when the proposal for the next complex comes up for a vote at the council meeting.

"I think they did a good job in the first round," he said.

Councillor Mike Neill and councilwoman Maggie Flanagan declined comment on the current proposal because they have not yet had a chance to review the plans.

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**SIU requests $235 million from state**

State has already hacked $9.5 million from SIU budget to ease fiscal crisis

Alexa Aguilar
Daily Egyptian

Top SIU officials went to Springfield Monday to plead with the Senate for a $235 million budget for next year, but spent most of their visit reassuring lawmakers that the University is taking measures to cut costs.

Their annual visit to the state capital took on an added urgency this year, as SIU is already bearing some of the brunt of the current fiscal fix facing the state. Analysts are estimating the state is $1.2 billion in the hole, and SIU has taken about $145 million in cuts thus far.

Garrett Denkil, SIU's executive assistant for government affairs, said the $235 million is not enough to mean SIU won't have to trim fat, but that the number is about all administrators can hope to take away.

Given this fiscal condition of the state, we would walk away OK with that amount," Denkil said.

The Illinois Board of Higher Education appeared before the Illinois House in May to make its recommendations for Illinois' public universities. The IBHE advocated that $168 million go to the Carbondale campus.

The General Assembly adjourns May 17, so the House and Senate must figure out what Illinois has available in the end of its public universities before that date. Once they pass the bill with the agreed-upon amount, the bill goes to Gov. George Ryan's desk. He has 60 days to take action.

All public universities testified before the Senate Appropriations committee today. According to the President's Office, SIU got the last draw and President James Walker supplied his testimony late in the day.

"I want to be very clear and straightforward without whining," Walker said. "These reductions are serious and painful and will negatively impact SIU's students, faculty and staff and the region we serve."

Walker delivered his prepared statement, similar to one he gave to the House Appropriation and Higher Education committee in March, which is a popoff questions about SIU's productivity.

"They asked how many hours professors were spending in the classroom, if we were decreasing the number of subintendants — basically if we were cutting costs in general," Denkil said.

SIU has already laid off Physical Plant employees and Councillor Walter Bender has hinted that more layoffs are all but inevitable. All academic units have been asked to cut costs in their departments by June 30, the end of this fiscal year.

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Saddam announces cut in oil exports

Hundred thousand people marched in Western and Middle Eastern cities over the weekend to protest against the continued bombing of Baghdad, Iraq. On Friday, thousands of people were killed by contin"u"ning bombardment of the West Bank. In Brussels, more than 20,000 people demonstrated as pro-Palestinian protesters shouting "Sharon, Bush, murderers." But the streets were mostly peaceful.

Similar protests took place in Boston, Ohio, New York, London, and other cities. A woman who was arrested in Boston for carrying a Palestinian flag and banners was released on her own recognizance bond, but demanding that the U.N. peace force be permitted to remain. The United States and Europe are among the major buyers of Iraq's oil. CNN received the following: a large number of barrels of crude oil. In New York, there was a counter-demonstration, with thousands of people fielding a rally in support of Israel. A sign read, "We support our troops." Protesters carrying the Palestinian banner, Yasir Arafat, were also arrested by Israeli police.

On Saturday, more than 250,000 pro-Palestinian demonstrators marched in the streets of Paris, some carrying American flags and shouting "Sharon assassin." The news media has been stating that the city of 2 million people, some carrying American flags and shouting "Sharon assassin." The news media has been stating that the city of 2 million people, some carrying American flags and shouting "Sharon assassin." The news media has been stating that the city of 2 million people, some carrying American flags and shouting "Sharon assassin." The news media has been stating that the city of 2 million people, some carrying American flags and shouting "Sharon assassin." The news media has been stating that the city of 2 million people, some carrying American flags and shouting "Sharon assassin." The news media has been stating that the city of 2 million people, some carrying American flags and shouting "Sharon assassin." 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**New bar/restaurant in works for Strip**

If opened, it will work with students' meal plans and give back to university

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

Damon Campbell is dreaming of foam parties and VIP drinks with SIU Arena-playing musicians, and if all goes well, those dreams and more will come true.

Campbell, a sophomore in political science from St. Louis, is working with investors in Chicago, SIUC administrators and business owners to open his own bar/restaurant called Oracle on the Strip next to 710 Bookstore where China Palace used to be.

Campbell has talked to Home Rentals, which owns the vacant building, and said he worked out a deal to rent the building for $5,500 a month. If Campbell gets his way, Oracle will open in the fall, but the investors he is working with might decide that St. Louis would be a better place to set up business.

Nothing is set in stone at this point, but Campbell is pushing for a Strip location.

"Carbondale is my first choice because I'm a student here and because it's so close to the University," he said.

Campbell's vision of what Oracle will be includes two levels with different atmospheres for patrons. The lower level will be open during the day and will be a restaurant that Campbell hopes will merge with SIUC to serve food in conjunction with SIUC students' meal plans, along with serving the Carbondale community.

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**Opening ceremony kicks off Africa Week**

**Proclamation first event conducted by African Student Council**

Ivan Thomas  
Daily Egyptian

Spectators danced and applauded ecstatically to Africa music as the annual offering of Africa took over the Student Center Monday night.

The African Student Council is having Africa Week 2002, which began in the Student Center Auditorium with an opening ceremony Monday.

The 28th annual event began with the singing of the African anthem followed by a proclamation that the week of April 8 will be known as 'Africa Week' at SIUC and in Carbondale from the mayor's office.

African students and council members from different areas of the continent gathered in the auditorium listening to traditional African war drums. Eight musicанs from a group called "SIWADE" performed and students jumped on stage and danced to the beat of African music.

Later the entire room became completely transitional as speakers Paul Simon, director of SIUC Public Policy Institute, and Pater Joseph Brown, adviser of the African Student Council and director of Black American Studies, gave opening speeches.

They focused on the current state of Africa as a continent, the positive and negative aspects of its nations, and why so many people are of the opinion that Africa really represents.

Simon stated Botswana as an example of an African country that has had greater economic growth in the past five years than Singapore, but he said no one talks about that.

Brown said there is so much confusion as to what Africa represents because it has always changed in terms of boundaries and different nations.

"We don't know how to see Africa," Brown said.

The Student Council's annual event gave a standing ovation to Brown as he concluded a speech that captured the audience with its dramatic, energetic and informative angles.

Yaya Sissoko, president of the African Student Council and a junior at SIUC, is looking forward to sharing African culture with the community and campus, as well as being excited to African drumming during the ceremony that opened Africa Week Monday night. The dancers, who were among several audience members to jump on stage and dance, are dressed in traditional attire from Benin, a small country on the south coast of West Africa.

**Student workers get props**

Phil Beckman  
Daily Egyptian

Student workers at Morris Library have shelved thousands of books, but now they have a book with their name in it.

For the 11th year, Morris Library will honor more than 90 of its student workers Wednesday as part of the 2002 National Student Employment Week. Students who have worked four or more semesters or those in their fourth semester will have a book in their major field added to the library collection in their name.

National Student Employment Week, sponsored at SIU by the Financial Aid Office, is a time for universities across the country to acknowledge the contributions of students who work on campus. Students will be honored around campus by podium talks, luncheons and homemade cookies.

Angie Ballard, a graduate student in education, said she was "excited about getting the book [in her name]."

There will be a reception between 3:30 and 4 p.m. in the President’s Room at Morris Library where students will see their books for the first time. Cookies and punch will be served.

**Carbondale**

Sheila Simon to speak on women in politics at Interfaith Center

Sheila Simon, a professor in the SIUC School of Law, will discuss key political issues affecting women at 7 p.m. today in the Fair Trade Coffee Hour in the Interfaith Center.

Simon, the daughter of former Sen. Paul Simon, will share her experience working for the State's Attorney as well as her political advocacy to end domestic violence.

Sponsored by the Neighborhood Co-op and the Campus Shawnee Greens, the Fair Trade Coffee Hour is a weekly informal gathering to discuss current events, promote the grower-friendly alternative in the coffee industry and drink coffee.

For more information, call Hugh Muldoon at the Interfaith Center at 549-7367.

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believes it is important that people get a clear understanding of the African people because many people are ignorant to African culture and people.

"Many people really know nothing about Africa. They seem to look at it as one country when there are really 54 countries," he said. "In Africa, most people can speak at least three or four different languages, and it is very diverse."

Sissoko is waiting for the opportunity to discuss different issues during the panel discussion "Exploring the relationships and interactions between African Americans and other Blacks" at 6 tonight in the Student Center Video Lounge.

"It should be the job of Africans and African-Americans to get together and see how we can trace back our roots," Sissoko said. "African-Americans need to do it — we would be willing to help them."

Along with the Film Show, Taste of Africa Food Fair, Cultural Show, banquet, reception and closing party, members of the council are in great anticipation for the new events that will be introduced this year.

Activities include the billiard contest, panel discussions between African American and African-American studies, art exhibition and soccer and volleyball games.

"It has been to last year's proclamation, but I think it was interesting and the songs and drums were great," said Ava Djang, a junior in computer science from Senegal. "But I am really excited for the cultural show."

Giang will be participating in several activities including discussing the fashion show and the food fair.

Dr. Diarra, Sissoko's wife, is also looking forward to exposing Africa to the students around the campus and is expecting a lot of participation this year.

"I hope that everyone will come to our cultural show and learn about our dance, food and culture," Diarra said.

Because many aspects of African culture are misunderstood, the African Student Council is aiming to promote diversity and the exchange of ideas throughout SIUC and the community.

"We need more people to identify with Africa and the nations of Africa," Simon said.

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**News Briefs**

Residence halls square off in blood drive today

Thompson Point, University Park and Brush Towers residents will face off in a blood drive today. Anyone on campus can participate in the blood drive, which will take place from noon to 6 p.m. at Greendale Hall and RodbeldHall and form 12:45 to 4:15 p.m. at FemBel Hall.

All donors will receive a free T-shirt for additional information, call Shavona Klite at 833-863.

Controversial Christian film to be shown and discussed Wednesday

The Progressive Christian Union is sponsoring the viewing presentation and panel discussion of "Christianity for Tomorrow" at 6 p.m. in Activity Room 0 of the Student Center Wednesday.

The movie covers the work of controversial Episcopal bishop John Shelby Spong, author of "Rescuing the Bible from Fundamentalism" and "Why Christianity Must Change or Die."

Members of the Progressive Christian Union will lead the panel discussion of the film. For more information, contact Hugh Muldoon in the Interfaith Center at 549-7367.

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David Carlson, dean of Library Affairs, will initiate the ceremony at 3 p.m., and the students will be introduced by their supervisors.

The library will remain open during the reception.

The library employs 223 undergraduates and 74 graduate students. The students will also receive a nominal bookmark with their name and this year's theme, "Opening up, forward, on it."

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Conference shows global strength in Latter-day Saints religion

Saturday celebrated 172nd anniversary of the organization of the church

Samantha Edmondson
Daily Egyptian

The iron wedge has been lifted for Amy Byrd, and she is ready to forgive and forget.

Byrd, a graduate student in Spanish from Alagena, Calif., listened to stories of overcoming challenges from Thomas Monson, counselor to the president of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, at the Mt. of four meetings during the General Conference Saturday morning.

Beliefs of different religions can create wedges between them.

The members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints spent their minds on their and other church’s beliefs on the 172nd anniversary of the organization of the church during the conference Saturday and Sunday. Many Southern Illinois church members watched the conference, which took place in Salt Lake City, Utah, or online.

Monson said the roots of wedges between people can spread from disputes, disappointments and conflict. But a story he told about two brothers who lived in the same house and did not talk to each other for more than 60 years, eventually the wedges must be removed.

“We must solve them, lay them to rest and not have them to counter, foster and ultimately destroy,” Monson said.

Byrd said this single speech, which was one of 27 during the two-day conference, touched on the problems she was struggling with in her life.

“That was important to me,” Byrd said. “But if you ask 100 other people what they thought was important, each would tell you something different.”

Byrd, a junior in electrical engineering from Carbondale, said four conferences offered the audience a way to stand up for what’s right and strengthen their beliefs.

“T is harder to stand up for what’s right when the general opinion changes over the years,” said Ryan, a senior in electrical engineering from Washington, D.C. “I want to strengthen what I know is right, and be a stronger individual.”

The byrds and other members of the Carbondale Church of Jesus Christ and Latter-day Saints congregation watched the general conference via satellite from the church headquarters in Salt Lake City, Utah. James Hayden, however, watched the conference from the comfort of his dorm room on the Latter-day Saints website.

Hayden, a junior in electrical engineering from Lake City, said watching a portion of the General Conference at home Saturday allowed him to concentrate on the messages of the speakers, particularly the church president, Gordon B. Hinckley, in a quiet setting.

“I can focus on what is being said and the spirit of the messages,” Hayden said. “Our current president is a prophet, who gets direct guidance from Heavenly Father.”

To have a living prophet, he can address the concerns of church family and direct guidance to its members.

Hinckley, along with other officials of the church, addressed 11 million members through satellite and online to 160 nations in 44 different languages.

Even though the Church of Jesus Christ and Latter-day Saints is growing worldwide, many Americans know little about the religion or its beliefs.

Some people do not recognize the religion as a demonstration of Christianity, according to Cameron Staley and Blake Stillman, Latter-day Saint missionaries from Utah. Staley said Jesus Christ is a big part of their church.

“If he’s our redeemer and savior,” Staley said, “a lot of people say we are not Christians, but what is their definition of Christian if you believe in Christ?”

According to Stannim, the Latter-day Saint religion received its name from the book of prophet accounts, the Book of Mormon. The members of the church read this book as well as the Bible.

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Police need to admit there is a problem

The fact that Carbondale's police force only has four black officers was no big shocker.

After all, the city actually had to create a race task force last year in response to allegations of racial profiling. The Daily Egyptian has since reported numerous complaints by SIUC students about police treatment of blacks.

As many as 30 years ago, the city realized that minority representation was lacking in its ranks, so it set a goal for itself to make up the lack of diversity by the end of the current decade. But the goal of representation is not to represent all qualified black residents, but rather all black residents. There must be a large reserve of enough college-educated black residents to represent their population in this university environment. But for whatever reasons, blacks either are not applying or are not being hired. Is anyone looking into the reasons behind this? They should be.

The tainted image of the police force must affect blacks' decisions to work for it. What black person would want to work in an environment that is perceived as racist?

Not only do community relations assist in this negative image of a racist force, but the department's own past paints a similarly disturbing picture. The first promotion of a black officer occurred in 1991, and the second was debated in federal court before being permanently settled by the city after only two days of a racial discrimination trial.

The city and police department's response to citizens' concerns are largely one of a stone wall. They will readily admit there is a problem instead deflecting to the factors that make it difficult to hire and retain minority officers. While we agree that it is difficult, there is too much smoke for there not to be a fire. The police department needs to do a little soul searching. Are there problems within the police force that officials truly concerned about reaching minority representation goal? What concrete plans do they have for achieving this decades-old goal?

The department would be much more respected by recognizing there is a problem and doing its best to fix it instead of hiding behind excuses. By showing commitment to turning that image around, the police force would be better in tune with the community and attract quality minority applicants.

The city and police force are working on creating Community Service Officer positions that would allow non-educated candidates to work part time while attending classes to meet the necessary college requirements. This is an important first step. Perhaps some of these junior officers' time would be better spent addressing the image problem. Former St. Louis Mayor and Police Chief Clarence Harmon provided many suggestions, such as promoting black universities and developing a plan and stick to it.

Instead of the defensive, everything-is-OK attitude, it's time for the city and police force to open up and admit there is a perception problem, and that the low numbers of blacks in the ranks is feeding it. Black community members could assist in addressing these issues, if they were listened to instead of ignored.

While it would not happen overnight, getting those black numbers where they need to be would be tremendous positive for a police force that has been overshadowed by the perception of racism. The city would be wise to address these issues head-on, instead of the usual game of duck and cover.

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A committee is looking into a headline for this column

There are a lot of important committees on-going at this University. There's Southern at 150 challenging the big thinkers on campus. There is a committee to determine whether to pray or not to pray at graduation. And the 2020 Vision Committee, where high-profile educators are planning for 17 years down the road. The list goes on, but it's still not complete.

The following is a compilation of committees I propose to bring the ideas-searching groups or SIUC to full circle. In the words of Chancellor Walter Wendler.

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Black Man

BY MARY BIGBY

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white. What it means when a black man says that to me? What is
me saying to me really? What are we saying about our race? Am I
selected because of my choice of words? Do I need to make an effort to internalize all of the slang that is "supposed" to use? I'd be telling myself.

my clothes don't always match and a lot of times I don't shave. I
own my CDs and tapes, but I don't know if I wear them right. I
date having my shoes stepped on. I think that everyone hates when
people step on shoes that cost
cash. It isn't a black thing. I don't
know if I wear my jeans. I check
though, Tommy doesn't notice when I'm wearing them. I am the sell-
out and are all those of you so quick to
pick up your Palos and your
helicopters? Salos? Know that
these people have stated pub-
licly that their popularity among
Anti-Americans is based on their
image, who is selling out.

I am a black man. America sees me as a black. Listening to "Wish
You Were Here" won't change that. I am a black man. Speaking with
proper English doesn't change that. I am a man. No matter how
"you" are selling out a lost or a sell-out who be white man, I will remain
who I am. My words show where my heart is, not the way I say
them. My actions show my ideology,
and not the clothes I wear. It's
time for a new self. I will repre-
sent with my life deeds. What are
you doing to represent?

Don't Get Me Wrong appears on
Sunday, May 13 in a university
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The Bush administration must end its attempts to manipulate the
American public into believing what is not true. The media is presenting
an "informed" view of history; it is nothing of the sort. The administration is
spinning the stories to be what they want them to be. The media has a
responsibility to the American people to give an accurate picture of what
is going on in the world.

Vassar Broock

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example, Secretary of Defense Rumsfeld's statement that the U.S. is
not the enemy of the world is nothing short of a lie. The Bush administration
is running roughshod over the integrity of the country and its people.

John Eagle

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OUTLAW NATION

BY JOSEPH D. JOHNSON

head. No one else has hers, but it
torments me with a kind of mad-
delirious stabbing. What a bunch of
phobics. I recently fantasize about
peeking out at an automatic someth-
ing and moving down the whole
cut-out. I told them NO CHEESE and they all
immediately did as I pre-
dicably, I was out, string down at the
mushroom table and coup up
at my cheesy burger, without a
complaint.

"Maybe someday I'll work up
the gum to storm up to the counter
and demand my five bucks back,
but it's not in the cards for me
demand any more money. Maybe.
Some day I'll come across a sign
that reads: "Now serving and DONE."

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KIDS MEALS

FORESTS

SUNSET

KILLS AMERICA.

Am I really having this unplanned
dinner? Do they know? The
emotions of all, I know now that
they are.

"Yes, yes, America really needs
is another McDonald's, shin-
ing and screaming through the
narrow arches for your order. Your
.. . . . . . . . . 

"Sir? Your order? Your order?
This kid is here; he knows what
you want. He's a fast food
McNugget.

"No chicken, sir; very very
sour, on Chicken McNugget,
today; sorry something else? Two
pies for a dollar, sir? Something
else? The haywire kid is
appalled that there are no
Chicken McNuggets. He's wearing a
carry checkout on his white and
denim jeans. This poor kid, all by himself with no Chicken McNuggets,
just to hand you his patron at 22
McDonald's for the poor kid.

They push out your meal with the
flies all brown and over-cooked and
there's a gooey gob of cheese rest-
ing gorgingly over your greasy
cum. "Can I take your order? Can I take your order? Sir, can I take your order?"

Even one of those mechan-
ical robots at Chuck E. Cheese's

GET OUT OF MY WAY.

Thom Thibeault

downtown, COLL A New Media Center

Tuition increase design flawed

Dear Editor:

When I visited Chancellor Wearle's office on Friday morning, he was
up for the moment, spent his entire career in the field of architecture. It is quite apparent that
Architecture students have been making a strong case for getting

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wait a minute

Mr. Postman

Darrell Eastwood has been a hard working member of the U.S. Postal Service in Carbondale for 32 years

PHOTOS AND STORY BY RONDA YEAGER

It’s 7:30 a.m., and Darrell Eastwood pauses from shuffling mail. He reaches for a plate at his mail cubicle containing a morning snack his wife prepared him.

“I’m leaving the doughnut alone and going for the grapes and carrots,” he says.

Eastwood, a Carbondale postal carrier, has stuck to a healthy diet in lieu of his younger daughter’s wedding.

Besides being a loyal father and husband, Eastwood has had a long-standing relationship with the Carbondale Post Office. Starting out as a 24-year-old postal carrier substitute, his career has evolved and he’s currently senior mail carrier for district City 12.

City 12 is an urban route, done by truck, as opposed to a rural on-foot route. Eastwood is especially thankful for this because “you don’t have to deal with the weather, and it’s pretty well a normal routine. I haven’t had to rescue someone from a burning ...

See ZIGGY, page 9

Darrell Eastwood, a Carbondale postal carrier for 32 years, comments on his job as a carrier. “I really enjoy my structured job, it’s like any job that needs to be done... you have a job to do and just out on the street and deliver mail.”
Eastwood delivers magazines to a home on West Freeman Street in Carbondale during his daily route. "I've gotten to know a lot of people on the route. I enjoy the route and the friendships," Eastwood comments on his City 12 route of a year and a half.

ZIGGY CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8

packages, Ziggy especially loves the holiday season. Valentine's Day and Christmas are his favorites.

The holiday seasons have kept the 56-year-old postal carrier busy, and he plans on retiring in a few years so that he can visit with family more often. "I love those grandchildren and another one is due in December," Ziggy says. "There's a lot to do and think about; life's always growing."

While Ziggy continues to work hard and toward a retirement, he's due in December, Ziggy says. "He's an original ... always in a good mood and polite, and I wish there was more like him."

Ziggy, the postal carrier who's as reliable as the mail, is definitely an asset to the Carbondale Post Office.

When students fall out of bed slamming their alarm clocks silly at 9 a.m., Ziggy has long started a day's work, and he's doing it with a zest.

Ronda Yeager can be reached at ryeager@dailyegyptian.com

Eastwood prepares to pull outgoing mail from Robert and Delores Ellis' mailbox on West Freeman Street in Carbondale during his daily route. "Darrell always asks about my day and pets our dog Matilda," Delores said.

"He even ran to the house once to because we forgot to put a stamp on an envelope. He goes far and beyond duty."
Man kills self after being sucked into EverQuest fantasy cyber world

Stanley A. Miller II
Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

MILWAUKEE, Wis. - Shawn Woolley loved online computer games so much that he played it just minutes before his suicide.

The 21-year-old Hudson, Wis., man was addicted to EverQuest, says his mother, Elizabeth Woolley. He sacrificed everything to be able to play for hours, ignoring his family, quitting his job and losing friends in a 3-D virtual world where more than 400,000 people worldwide adventure in a never-ending fantasy.

On Thanksgiving evening last year, Shawn Woolley shot himself in the forehead in Hudson. His mother blames the game for her son's suicide. She is angry that Sony Online, which owns EverQuest, won't give her the answers she desires. She has hired an attorney who plans to sue the company in an effort to get warning labels put on the game.

"It's like any other addiction," Elizabeth Woolley said recently. "Either you die, go insane, or you quit. My son died."

In the virtual world of EverQuest, players control their characters through mouse-clicking, monster-slaying missions called quests. Success makes the characters stronger as they interact with other players from all over the real world.

Woolley had tried steering his son EverQuest identity to discover what might have pushed him over the edge. Sony Online cites its privacy policy in refusing to release the secrets held in her son's account.

She has a list of names her son scribbled while playing the game: "Phaugh," "Ooculus," "Cyberman." But Woolley is not sure if they are names of online friends, places he explored in the game or treasures his character may have captured in quests.

"Shawn was playing 12 hours a day and he wasn't supposed to because he was epileptic, and the game would cause seizures," she said. "It's a mystery what the last eight nights he had seizures were because of stunts on the computer."

Woolley knows her son had problems beyond EverQuest, and she tried to get him help by contacting a mental health program and trying to get him to live in a group home. A psychologist diagnosed him with depression and schizophrenia.

Dysfunction of symptoms which include a lack of desire for social relationships, little or no sex drive, and a limited range of emotions in social situations.

"This fed right into the EverQuest playing," Woolley said. "It was the perfect scape."
Between going to classes, doing homework and relaxing, thousands of SIU students somehow manage to find time for work. And whether it's volunteer work or paid positions, their work does not go unnoticed.

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**NATIONAL STUDENT EMPLOYMENT WEEK**
SIU Student Worker of the Year announced

Erwin rewarded for his Information Technology work

By the Daily Egyptian staff

Many students are nominated, but only one is chosen student worker of the year. This year the nominee that outshined the rest is 22-year-old Computer Science major Jim Erwin of Stockton, Ill. Erwin is employed with the Information Technology's Computer Learning Center (CLC) and was nominated by James Sismon, Lab Manager-CLC.

Erwin, a junior, was hired as a lab technician in August 1999. According to Sismon, "Erwin redefined the role through consistent, high quality service to CLC customers and has endeared himself to the CLC lab management team.

Erwin's outstanding work quickly earned him a promotion, and in August 2000 he accepted management's offer to join the CLC Local Area Network (LAN) team. The LAN team is responsible for keeping all technical aspects

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Student Worker of the Year Jim Erwin poses in his office. Erwin works for the Computer Learning Center.

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James Sisson
lab manager, CLC

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of the CLC available to university computer users 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"He readily applies familiar concepts to new situations and repeatedly takes it upon himself to learn through doing with respect to advanced network administration concepts," Sisson says. Erwin's most distinguished achievement was taking on the added responsibility of providing temporary network support for the Information Management Systems (IMS) department after the IMS LAN Support Specialist resigned. He assisted in supporting 37 faculty and staff, four classrooms, four computer labs, two departmental labs and multiple technical applications.

Erwin is also a staff resource on the CLC pilot project for the campus-wide Microsoft Active Directory (CAD) project. Goals of the CAD project are to discover a unified network directory domain structure for the entire campus and integrate that with Web authentication services that are slated to replace and modernize the existing UNIX Kerberos security system.

Along with being a full-time student and maintaining a campus job, Erwin is president of the registered student organization Association for Computing Machinery (ACM). His duties for ACM include recruiting members, arranging speakers, working with the faculty advisor for ACM and leading ACM meetings.

Sisson would like to keep Erwin's services and personality around longer and is encouraging him to attend graduate school. Erwin, however, is uncertain of what his next step will be after he completes his undergraduate degree. "I like my job and the environment and people I work with...I want to stay in network administration," Erwin says.
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As Chancellor, I invite the entire SIUC campus to join me in saying thank you to all of the student workers who make our days more productive and enjoyable. I hope that as a student worker each of you has acquired a great deal from your experiences while working on the SIUC campus, and I hope that these experiences will prove to be valuable in your employment opportunities after graduation. At the same time, I thank you for what I have learned from each of you.

Again, I salute each of you for a job well done. Congratulations!

Sincerely,

Walter V. Wendler
Chancellor
Tensions mount between U.S., Israel

Warren P. Strobel & David Montgomery Knight Ridder Newspapers

JERUSALEM (KRT) - Growing tensions between the United States and Israel broke into public view Monday, as President Bush demanded in the strongest terms yet that Israel reverse its 11-day-old offensive into Palestinian areas and ease the siege of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

Bush's message, delivered in a public and private meeting with Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, was that Sharon's plan for the offensive in the West Bank, aimed at clearing areas inhabited by terrorists, was not acceptable.

"I meant what I said to the prime minister of Israel. I expect there to be a withdraw without delay," the president said during a stop in Knoxville, Tenn.

"I was clear that there would be no negotiations while Arafat was in prison," he added.

The United States, which has given Israeli leaders support for the course of Bush's tenure in office, appears on the verge of a collision course with the Israeli government. The president's warning to Sharon on Monday was the strongest yet that Israel m-commerce its 11-day-old offensive.

Since last Thursday, Bush has been calling with increasing urgency for Sharon to halt the offensive, which has prompted massive protests in many Arab countries and threatened U.S. relations with its Arab allies.

Some members of Sharon's divided government say they prefer a quick halt. Others appear to have interpreted the president's warning as a green light to pursue the offensive until Secretary of State Colin Powell arrives here at week's end.

But Powell was on a mission to engineer a cease-fire and a return to Israeli-Palestinian negotiations, Bush said. Monday sounded annoyed that his requests - including an appeal by U.S. officials to Sharon - had been ignored.

"I am willing to go anywhere, without any pre-conditions from any party, to discuss peace," said Sharon, Palestinians rejected Sharon's proposed approach.

Arafat, who has said he wished he had killed Arafat after he left Iraq in 1990, is looking for other negotiating partners.

"I believe it's important the Americans, via meeting with Sharon, should maintain security zones in the West Bank, the adjacent territory it captured in the 1967 war. "Those areas become more important to delineate to protect Israel from a new wave of terrorist attacks," said Dov Gold, a senior Sharon advisor.


Smoke rises from several Palestinian buildings in Nablus after Israeli Apache helicopters fired missiles in this West Bank city Sunday. At least 14 Palestinians were killed Sunday in Nablus alone.

The United States, which has given Sharon broad support for most of Bush's tenure in office, appears on a collision course with the Israeli leader on several fronts.

The Bush administration, while deeply disappointed with Arafat and evidence that he had personal knowledge of terrorist attacks on Israelis, does not yet appear ready to cut him out completely from Israeli-Palestinian negotiations.

But Sharon - who has said he would kill Arafat if after he led Israeli troops against Palestinian guerrillas in Lebanon in 1982 - left little doubt Monday that he is looking for other negotiating partners.

He reiterated an earlier offer to meet with Arab leaders to discuss a law-for-law proposal by Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah, although he indicated he had several concerns about it.

"I am willing to go anywhere, without any pre-conditions from any party, to discuss peace," said Sharon, Palestinians rejected Sharon's proposed approach.

Sanz Rantisi, a spokesman for Sharon's quasi-government, said Sharon is under an "obligation" if he thinks "he can structure any kind of a peace with the Arab leaders and bypass the Palestinian leadership."

A Labor party minister in Sharon's government, Mattmon Vila, said, "I believe it's very important the Americans will meet with Arafat." But, Villan said, Arafat should make the Arabic-language statement that Bush has demanded
demanding terror attacks on Israel. Rastini, the Palestinian spokesman, called Sharon's plan for military buffer zones to protect Israel from further terrorist attacks a formula for "continued occupation" by Israel of Palestinian areas on the West Bank.

Sharon has previously said Israel should maintain security zones in the Jordan Valley between Israel and Jordan, and along the so-called Green Line that separates Israelis from the West Bank, the adjacent territory it captured in the 1967 war.

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**By Linda C. Black**

Today's Birthday (April 9). You may be a tad introspective this year. Don't worry. You don't have to be at the front of the crowd all the time. Instead of being a leader, you may prefer to be a helper. It'll be good for you.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19) • Today is a 6. You're not as boisterous as usual. You aren't sick, just thoughtful. Give yourself plenty of time, because the first three or four ideas you come up with probably won't work.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) • Today is a 7. Don't take on a friend's problem. That's not good for either of you. Instead, suggest ways he or she can achieve success. Teach, even if it initially seems like your lesson is falling on deaf ears.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21) • Today is a 6. It's you, or has the world gone nuts? You'll run into just about everything that could possibly go wrong. Dig around in that around your words and find your sense of humor. You'll need it.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22) • Today is a 7. When you ask for divine guidance, you shouldn't complain if one of the answers you get are "no." A friend who loves you could be your very own guardian angel.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) • Today is a 7. You have a lot going on for you, but not quite everything. A gambler's great idea needs work. Cut off to save time and money. The less complex, the better.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) • Today is a 7. Nonverbal communication is most effective now. Gestures and emotions will get through when words are failing to get the message across. Don't be distracted by logic.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) • Today is a 7. You have grand dreams and lofty ambitions, but you may be a little short on funds. Don't go into debt. Instead, take on a new job - a creative endeavor.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) • Today is a 7. There'll be all kinds of complications today, one problem after another. The good news is that you find a way past all that, with the help of somebody who loves you.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) • Today is a 6. You're under a lot of stress, but you shouldn't worry. It isn't necessarily bad. Think of it as growing pains.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) • Today is a 7. There's plenty of confusion, so don't make a big decision now. Continue to look at the options, and ask questions, judging not only by what you hear, but also by what you see.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) • Today is a 6. Something that's been bothering you about your home, or someone who lives there with you, can no longer be ignored. Your picture of how things should be doesn't match reality. Either change the situation or change your attitude.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) • Today is a 7. You've heard, OK now stop worrying about that instead, concentrate on working out the bugs in your latest scheme, or dream, or whatever it is.

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IU's Jeffries leaves for the NBA

Pete DiPrimio
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BLOOMINGTON, Indiana (KRT) - Jared Jeffries chose the dream.

While Jeffries said he's heard a lot of people talking about how hard it is to make it in the NBA, he said he was not one of those people.

"I'm not one of those people," he said. "I fully support Jared's decision," said Tom Jeffries, Jared's father.

Jeffries left SIU to attend Indiana because he wanted to play for a coach who would give him a chance to be a starter.

"I wanted to play," Jeffries said. "I didn't want to sit on the bench."
Soccer season looks bright

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

John Hatch is one of the two best players on the SIU men's soccer club—when he's not doing homework, going to class or grading papers for Anthropology 202.

Hatch, affectionately known as "Sheboygan" because of his Wisconsin roots, used to be president of the club until the pressures of graduate school forced him to give it up.

On the other end of the spectrum, Aman Attas, a sophomore from Geddah, Saudi Arabia, is considered the team's other elite player. Soccer is the main focus of his life, less so that of his classmates.

Despite their prior commitments, or their lack thereof, Hatch, Attas and the rest of the SIU men's soccer club will kick off their spring season this weekend in Clemson, S.C., hoping to build on last year's top-eight national finish.

"I don't expect us to win it all. I expect us to go further," said Hatch, noting that a national championship is by no means a goal. "We should have gone further than we did at nationals, but we were just unlucky." The Salukis defeated Vanderbi11 1-0 to win Region IV of the Midwest Alliance Soccer League and earn the right to represent SIU in Tuscaloosa.

"Hopefully it's something that gets worried about or injured," Callahan said. "The injury is minimal. In order to worse it, Hatch will receive a Cortisone shot on Wednesday, a treatment head coach Dan Callahan hopes will help.

"Pitches have to know the difference between stiffness and pain and injury," Callahan said. "Sometimes it's a fine line with the three. If it's a Cortisone shot to mask as injury, I have to see that, but our staff's very competent and they're not going to let something like that happen."

"I'm sure that it would be very hard to go through it with his teammates regardless of tongue or accent."

"In soccer, you can communicate in the field, no problem," Hatch said. "Soccer is cross-cultural.

Tennis loses two

The SIU women's tennis team was unable to repeat last Thursday's winning performance against Evansville, falling 1-6 to Southwest Missouri State Saturday and losing 7-5 to Wichita State by the same score Sunday.

Erika Dochev scored the Saluki's only point on both days, defeating SMU's Izannah Hill, 2-6, 6-4, 10-7 Tuesday and USD's Amanda Cencarle 6-2, 5-4 Sunday.

The losses dropped SIU's record to 4-2 in the conference and 1-12 overall.

Basketball banquet tonight

The SIU men's basketball team will have its annual year-end banquet tonight in the Carbondale Civic Center. Tickets are sold out, but the event will be televised starting at 7 p.m. on Ch. 6 in Carbondale and Car. Channel 16.

Baseball cancels games

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Sophomore pitching ace Jere Deitering, who has been limited to just one start since spring training due to an elbow injury, was one of three Salukis come out of their doldrums.

Senior Greg Hageman and sophomore Todd Merchant have been filling in, but the team has not been able to find a consistent pitching gem, but his performance has gradually worn as his velocity began to take a toll on his arm. He noticed some discomfort before the season began but did not worry too much about it, hoping that it would simply go away.

Since Deitering was down to injury, the Salukis (17-11, 4-6) have posted a 5-7 mark and are toiling in the middle of the conference standings, four games behind the state champion Indiana State, a statistic which is worrisome on Deitering perhaps more than anyone else.

"It's hard sitting out right now, especially with the team splitting every weekend," Deitering said. "We went to get some wins up there. I've just got to get through the process and let it heal."

Deitering hoped to return to the rotation last weekend at Illinois State, but his arm still hurt and he was forced to sit out for another week to rehabilitate.

"The stuff I've been doing, it's probably helped, but the pain still there and I thought it'd be gone by now, so it's time to take it to the next level," Deitering said.

Bone spurs are common among pitchers, and in Deitering's case, the injury is minimal. In order to curb the pain, Deitering will receive a Cortisone shot on Wednesday, a treatment head coach Dan Callahan hopes will help.

"Pitches have to know the difference between stiffness and pain and injury," Callahan said. "Sometimes it's a fine line with the three. If it's a Cortisone shot to mask as injury, I have to see that, but our staff's very competent and they're not going to let something like that happen."

"Callahan does not want to rush Deitering's return and sees this as a chance to get some younger pitchers some much-needed time."

Little-used starters Ryan Welsh and Josh Joiner have already picked up four wins in the past two weeks and are expected to stay in the rotation until Deitering comes back.

Meanwhile, Deitering will work with his arm in an attempt to alleviate he problem he is not accustomed to — injury.

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SPORTS BRIEFS

The SIU women's tennis team was unable to repeat last Thursday's winning performance against Evansville, falling 1-6 to Southwest Missouri State Saturday and losing 7-5 to Wichita State by the same score Sunday.

Erika Dochev scored the Saluki's only point on both days, defeating SMU's Izannah Hill, 2-6, 6-4, 10-7 Tuesday and USD's Amanda Cencarle 6-2, 5-4 Sunday.

The losses dropped SIU's record to 4-2 in the conference and 1-12 overall.

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It's no secret that SIU center Rolan Roberts is looking to play in the NBA. And after his strong showing in the Sweet Sixteen and then participating in three post-season competitions, it's likely he's stuck in June's draft has risen. 

Team hopes to land hot prospects, perk up dismal season

"It's good competition," said Roberts, whose teammates at Portsmouth included Wilt Chamberlain from the field. "I was happy with my performances. It was good competition," said Roberts, who's been happy with his performances and believes he did well for himself than bad. Roberts now awaits the announcement to be made in New York June 26, when he will find out if he is drafted into the NBA or has to proceed down another path. Before Portsmouth, Roberts appeared in a slam dunk contest at the Final Four, where he was named co-champion, and also an all-star game. He said he's been happy with his performances. "I was lucky to be in the finals of the dunk contest and in the all-star game I played well and had a good performance," Roberts said. Not being drafted in the NBA is not on Roberts' mind right now. He said that after graduation he will be signing with an agent and will just wait to see what happens afterward. At 6-foot-11 inches tall, some question whether the bulky Roberts is tall enough to play on the interior professionally. That's part of the reason he isn't being too picky about where he'd reason he isn't being too picky about where he'd like to play in the NBA. "It doesn't matter. It will be a dream to play for anyone," Roberts said. 

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**SIU women's basketball hitting the recruiting trail**

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**Todd Merchant**

Fifteen games. That's how many consecutive games the SIU women's basketball team was on a past season, and no one on the squad is eager to repeat that performance next year.

That's part of the reason the Salukis are working hard off-season, both on the court and in the classroom.

The spring signing period begins April 15 and SIU hopes to solve the many problems that plagued it last season, in which it finished last in the Missouri Valley Conference with a 21-16 record and a 6-21 mark overall.

The three areas where the Salukis had the most trouble all year were rebounding, turnovers and shot selection, and with the departures of seniors Geshla Woodard and Holly Teague, improving those areas has become an even more pressing matter.

"With the potential recruits we've got coming in, I think we're going to be coming up with a bit of talent," assistant coach Alex Wellmaker said. "Leasing Holly Teague, our starting point guard, and Geshla Woodard inside, we've definitely got to fill those positions and that's namely our main concerns."

The Salukis have five scholarships available at the beginning of the season and already used up two of those in the fall when they signed Alfon Gill of Carterville and Amy Hayden of Fort Wayne, Ind.

Those two recruits are not expected to have an instant impact. However, as the season progresses, the coaching staff thinks they will play an important role in replacing Teague and Woodard. 

Wellmaker thinks Hayden's shooting ability will help SIU's poor shot selection, while Gill will be a dominant force inside and give the Salukis a boost on the boards.

One thing SIU does not have is a big player on the inside who can rebound and score at will, like Wichita State's Angela Buckner. Because it is difficult to find a big player this late in the recruiting period the Salukis will probably be without such a player for another year.

"It's kind of like a Blue Light Special at St.-Mary's," Wellmaker said. "They just go like that. For our '03 class, we're really concentrating on getting a big kid."

The Salukis have one player in mind that they plan on signing on April 15, and with the two remaining scholarships they will look to snag a couple of junior college prospects. Coaches are not allowed to talk about recruits specifically until after they officially sign. 

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**Collegee pools are drying up**

Across the nation, college swimming and diving teams are dropping faster than SIU's enrollment.

In the past two years, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Iowa State, Holly Woodard, Bradley, Bowling Green and Central Connecticut State are among the schools that have cut at least their men's, if not both their men's and women's swimming and diving teams.

Wellmaker technically has a team, butler announced the closing of the Huskie Fieldhouse swimming pool, which has been open since 1927, and the pool will be closed. Woodard said he's been happy with his performances. "It was good competition," said Roberts, who's been happy with his performances and believes he did well for himself than bad. Roberts now awaits the announcement to be made in New York June 26, when he will find out if he is drafted into the NBA or has to proceed down another path. Before Portsmouth, Roberts appeared in a slam dunk contest at the Final Four, where he was named co-champion, and also an all-star game. He said he's been happy with his performances. "I was lucky to be in the finals of the dunk contest and in the all-star game I played well and had a good performance," Roberts said. Not being drafted in the NBA is not on Roberts' mind right now. He said that after graduation he will be signing with an agent and will just wait to see what happens afterward. At 6-foot-11 inches tall, some question whether the bulky Roberts is tall enough to play on the interior professionally. That's part of the reason he isn't being too picky about where he'd like to play in the NBA. "It doesn't matter. It will be a dream to play for anyone," Roberts said. 

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