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STEVE BERZYNSKI | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Steve Hughart, of Carbondale, speaks Friday during the "We Are One" union rally at the SIU Arena. The event was part of a nationwide series commemorating the 43rd anniversary of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination.

# Union members rally together to keep rights

JULIE SWENSON  
Daily Egyptian

Steve Hughart said union workers have to band together for their rights, regardless of political affiliation or disagreements, to protect collective bargaining rights.

"When are we going to stop letting the single issues divide us, whether it's the primary, territorial dispute or whatever it is in this country while they keep cutting our throats, gutting us like a deer?" he said in his speech Friday at the "We Are One" labor rally in the SIU Arena.

Members from labor unions throughout Illinois gathered in the arena for the rally to preserve bargaining rights. The rally was part of a campaign in states across the country to commemorate the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on April 4, 1968, as he rallied with sanitation workers in Memphis, Tenn.

Hughart, assistant business

*Know that strong relationships with organized labor and labor organizations are important to an organization. I don't want to see what is happening in Wisconsin and Indiana to happen to Illinois.*

— Rita Cheng  
chancellor

manager of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers from West Frankfort and main speaker at the rally, said in his prepared statement while the situation for union workers in Illinois hasn't gotten bad yet, legislators in neighboring states are taking away workers' compensation and benefits, and that gives them reason to be cautious.

"We don't feel like our governor or the president of the Senate are out for those things," Hughart said. "We want to make sure they don't come after them."

A school in Indiana with 1,600 students had 42 of its 81 teachers laid off last week because its teachers don't have full collective bargaining rights, Hughart said in his speech. He said

firefighters, utility workers and other union members in Missouri don't have the right to collectively bargain, which puts job stability and working conditions at risk.

Both situations serve as grim reminders for why all Illinois union workers need to be ready to fight to keep their rights and make sure they aren't revoked, he said.

Chancellor Rita Cheng spoke at the rally before leaving for a student event. Cheng said she and several of her family members are public employees, and she is not trying to take away bargaining rights.

"We respect that right for workers to choose to be organized and part of a bargaining unit," she said. "I

know that strong relationships with organized labor and labor organizations are important to an organization. I don't want to see what is happening in Wisconsin and Indiana to happen to Illinois."

Cheng said SIUC employees make a shared sacrifice to ensure the financial health of the university, and she has appreciated their contributions.

Some attendees booed the chancellor during her speech, chanted and yelled "union buster."

Nancy Guyott, president of Indiana's American Federation of Labor and Congress of Industrial Organizations and a speaker at the rally, said during her speech people

in power play an important role in labor relations.

Legislators, employers and administrators should want to fight for fair labor practices and union members' collective bargaining rights, she said. When employers don't, they prevent workers from being able to do their jobs and succeed, Guyott said.

"If they choose to march with us, we will hoist them up on our shoulders like the heroes they are," she said. "If they don't, we will march right over them."

William Stodden, a graduate student in political science from Carbondale and member of Graduate Assistants United at SIUC, said it seems union members' concerns are heard in bargaining, but the university doesn't do anything about them. He said there are still issues the administration may not be discussing when bargaining with faculty, but their position doesn't change.

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# Non-academic units pay expenses, keep fees down

BRANDON COLEMAN  
Daily Egyptian

Non-academic units are designed to put money back into the university in the form of a university service expense, or common expenses shared by the units within the university, said Lori Stettler, director of the Student Center.

The university service charge, which helps pay for some operating costs for offices primarily supported with state money, began fiscal year 2005. Vice Chancellor of Administration and Finance Kevin Bame said in an e-mail. He said non-academic units, which include auxiliary units, contributed

nearly \$3 million to the university services expense in fiscal year 2011. The units will pay slightly more than \$3 million in fiscal year 2012.

SIUC's auxiliary units include the Student Center, Student Health Center, Recreation Center, athletics department and Rainbow's End child development center. These units sustain themselves through student fees and fee-for-service charges, Stettler said. Some of this money is used for operating expenses for departments such as public safety and human resources, she said.

"It's our way of contributing back to the institution because auxiliaries have the opportunity to produce revenue, where most of the state-funded units

don't have that opportunity," Stettler said.

Non-academic units have permanently cut their budgets by 5 percent, while academic units have cut theirs permanently by an average of 4 percent. Chancellor Rita Cheng said March 3. She said savings from the cuts were used toward the \$15.3 million deficit at the beginning of the fiscal year.

Money generated through non-academic units helps free up the little state-allocated money the university has to use for its budget deficit, Cheng said on SIUC's Ask the Chancellor webpage Jan. 13.

Under state legislative audit commission guidelines, non-academic

units cannot transfer money to academic units, Bame said. Academic and administrative units get the majority of their revenue through tuition and state money, he said.

"In general, the auxiliaries have two types of accounts to pay expenditures: an operating account and a repair, replacement and reserve account," Bame said. "Under the bond covenants, the revenue and relating cash balances are pledged to pay for the operations of auxiliaries and debt repayment."

For the repair, replacement and reserve accounts, the SIU Board Treasurer's Office has established a target for the cash balance in the

repair, replacement and reserve accounts, Bame said.

He said the target is set at 1.5 percent of the building's replacement cost. The accounts were established under the bond covenants, and money is used to address building repairs.

A bond council oversees how much space the Student Center can use for non-student services such as restaurants, Stettler said. She said 25 percent of the building's budget is generated through non-student fee revenue, or food and service sales, but student fees account for the other 75 percent of the budget.

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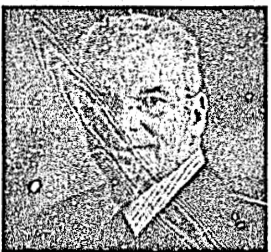
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# Alumni reunite to advise students, remember Buckminster Fuller

**TERRANCE PEACOCK**  
Daily Egyptian

Larry Busch said he saw Buckminster Fuller once and got so excited he spilled Fuller's hot tea into his lap.

"Bucky remembered my name from that day forward," Busch said.

Alumni of the School of Art and Design reunited at their alma mater Friday in the John C. Guyon Auditorium in Morris Library for a panel discussion to give advice to current design students and share stories about their experiences at SIUC and time spent with their professor, the late Fuller.

Fuller was an SIUC professor in the School of Art and Design from 1959 to 1971, as well as a designer, inventor and author of more than 30 books. He was also featured on the cover of the January 1964 issue of Time Magazine.

The panel included former students Bob Doty, Bob Gallen, Jim Vloek, Teresa Surratt and Warren Williamson, who were asked questions by Busch, a retired professor in the School of Art and Design.

Busch's questions focused on the panel's individual designing, such as what helped them the most in their

careers, what they wish they knew in school that they know now and what advice they had for current design students. Several alumni in the audience also provided guidance and shared their own reminiscent accounts about Fuller in their time at the university.

Mary Carroll, associate director of Institutional Advancement for the SIUC Foundation and organizer of the panel, said she visited design alumni who have graduated in the past 40 years to create the panel. She asked them what skills they learned at the university that helped throughout their career and held strong even as the use of new technology increased.

Carroll said the alumni said creativity, innovation, collaboration and problem solving were important for success.

"We invited them to come back and share these concepts because we believe that if (those concepts) have sustained (them) for the last 40 years when we couldn't even envision what (the world) would look like, what skills would you need 40 years from now?" she said.

Doty, a 1969 SIUC graduate, said his contribution to the panel was his ability to work with several different aspects of the design



JAMES DURBIN | DAILY EGYPTIAN

From left, Bob Doty, Bob Gallen and Teresa Surratt recount their SIUC experiences during Friday's panel discussion in the John C. Guyon Auditorium. The School of Art and Design held a forum and brought five alumni to advise current students about what it takes to be successful in the design industry.

process to see what a finished product would look like.

"With this panel, students see people who actually made a living out of design, and, if nothing else, everyone on the panel is extremely passionate about what they do," he said.

The panel also shared personal stories about Fuller.

Busch said classes would be

cancelled and everyone would race to hear Fuller speak when he came back to campus.

Fuller always attributed solutions to the world's problems to nature, and believed people could collaborate to find a way to sustain civilization, Carroll said.

"Buckminster Fuller was a comprehensivist, meaning you needed to understand the big picture," she said.

Carroll said she was very thankful to see the alumni return to SIUC.

"These panelists do love their alma mater and they do love the history and traditions of SIUC and they want to make sure that they live on," she said.

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## RALLY

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"When you negotiate, you're supposed to give a little bit and take a little bit," Stodden said. "It doesn't seem like the university is interested in giving anything, but they're expecting all the unions on campus to just give, give, give. When the unions don't agree with that plan, the university

just imposes a contract on them, which is not a part of the bargaining or negotiating process at all."

He said he doesn't see why the administration can't make some concessions for faculty, staff and graduate students when they work so hard to keep the university running well.

"We do everything we can to make this university as good as possible, and so I think it's a very fair thing to ask of the

university to do their part to make our quality of life tolerable," Stodden said.

Arlena Mullen, a member of Laborers International from Valer, said unions are important because they negotiate safe working conditions, wages, insurance and other benefits for workers. When workers are laid off, unions let them know when another job comes up and they also train workers, she said.

Mullen said she supports herself, her two daughters and two grandchildren and can't afford to make minimum wage. A loss of collective bargaining rights would likely mean a reduction in wages, and most people can't afford to live on minimum wage, she said.

"What we do is very hard work; it wouldn't be worth it for minimum wage," Mullen said. "I'd stand behind a register at Walmart

instead because it would be easier."

She said laws to eliminate bargaining rights have not yet been passed in Illinois, and union workers must pull together to protect those rights.

"If you don't (unite), then we won't have enough voice to make a difference, and that might be what makes the difference is all of us (rallying) together," Mullen said. "We all have to look out for each other."

## EXPENSES

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Per-semester fees for the Student Center increased from \$115 in fiscal year 2008 to \$132.50 this fiscal year. Stettler said student fee money is used toward building maintenance and upgrades on items such as the heating and cooling system, which could reduce operation costs.

The Recreation Center and

Student Health Center were the only two non-academic units at the university to receive some form of state money, Stettler said.

The Student Health Center's state money wasn't enough to affect its budget, and money the Recreation Center received was to cover only its natatorium, said Ted Grace, director of the Student Health Center. He said the health center sustains itself almost entirely with student fees.

Grace said some services, such as the Student Health Assessment Center and Dial-a-Nurse, were moved to the main building or discontinued to help with efficiency, expenses and student fees.

The restructuring allowed the health center to enter next fiscal year with a zero percent student fee increase proposal, he said.

The health center has fee-for-service charges for students on minor

supplies and for its traveling clinic, which administers vaccines, he said.

"We do have a \$6 door fee that acts like a co-pay, (but) we try to charge for as few things as possible," Grace said.

William Ehling said the Recreation Center stopped receiving state money in 2005, two years before he became the center's director.

Ehling said more than 20 percent of the Recreation Center's revenue is

non-student, fee-for-service based. Sales and services account for \$1 million of the center's \$5.2 million budget. He said increases in fee-for-service charges has helped keep the Recreation Center student fee low.

"Some (auxiliary) groups have been able to do it because we are able to generate some revenue, have a strong business plan in place and do a good job with customer service," he said.

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# 2012 in sight, Obama looks back to Chicago again

DEANNA BELLANDI  
Associated Press

**CHICAGO** — President Barack Obama's relationship with his hometown may be best described as a long-distance love affair. He lavishes attention on it from afar and proud Chicago fans for its hometown hero, though the two rarely see each other.

That looks like it's about to change. Obama is returning to his roots as he embarks on his re-election race for 2012. He's setting up his campaign headquarters in a downtown high-rise near Grant Park, the site of his victory celebration on a frigid election night in November 2008.

He's coming back Thursday to raise money, a week after launching his second White House bid with an understated email and online video.

The president is putting Chicago in the spotlight again as he tries to recreate the grass-roots, start-up flavor of his first campaign and do what no incumbent president has done in decades: try to win re-election from a location outside Washington.

A Chicago base also could reinforce a connection to a city that aides say keeps Obama grounded while he lives in the nation's capital.

"Nobody is more eager to be out and nobody is more eager to be here than him," said David Axelrod, Obama's chief political strategist who left the White House this year to return to Chicago to work on the re-election and be closer to his Chicago-based family. "The conversation in Washington is completely different than the conversation you hear out here."

Obama's advisers hope a Chicago location could insulate his campaign from some of the Washington chatter and news leaks that often plague campaigns. A beyond-the-Belway headquarters could allow them to offset the notion that Obama, who campaigned as an outsider above the partisan fray and promised a new approach to politics, has become the ultimate political insider.

"Basing it in Chicago says, I'm not of Washington," but if he doesn't spend time in Chicago, he is of Washington," said Paul Light, a public service professor at New York University.

Obama's relationship with his town has evolved over the years. He was a community organizer,

worked on a major voter drive and practiced law in his early days in the city. When he entered politics, he focused on the state capital of Springfield, and cast himself as above the brass-knuckled nature of Chicago politics, whose history is pockmarked with corruption and scandal.

During the 2008 campaign, Obama was a fixture in Chicago when he wasn't crisscrossing the country for votes. He took his wife, Michelle, around town to dinner at some of the city's best restaurants. He hung out with his daughters. He worked out at the gym. He played basketball with his buddies. He attended meetings at his campaign office, all under the watchful eye of reporters and Secret Service agents. His family, friends and neighbors talked openly about the candidate and his lifestyle.

As president, Obama has made only about a half a dozen visits to Chicago, often to raise money for candidates. He's made only a few overnight trips to his South Side house.

His neighbors don't seem to hold it against him.

"He's got a whole world to deal with," said Hosea McKay, a 73-year-old retired substance abuse counselor, who lives several blocks away. "We can't be so egotistical that we think he's supposed to pop in every three or four months and hang out with us."

The area around Obama's house looks much like it did during the last campaign when extra security measures were added. Even when Obama isn't there, guards and barriers — both metal and concrete — restrict access to his street. His house can be seen through some trees from a nearby busy thoroughfare.

But the neighborhood has changed somewhat since the Obamas left. They're getting new neighbors because the home next door to theirs was sold last year.

While sharing a neighborhood with the president has its share of hassles, Prince Ella Murphy, who lives about a block away, doesn't mind, especially when it comes to the security that increases when Obama is in town.

I love it. I feel protected because, I mean, they have police everywhere," said Murphy, a 61-year-old retired hotel worker.

Over the past two years, the Obamas have devised ways not to be home-sick.

They've brought Chicago to them in Washington.

They tapped into their network of hometown connections when they moved into the White House. Among those who relocated to Washington with the Obamas were friend Valerie Jarrett, now a White House adviser, and the family's personal chef. Obama's Chicago buddies, Eric Whitaker and Marty Nesbitt, are constant vacation companions. Countless Chicagoans have visited the White House over the past two years.

The president hosted the 2010 Stanley Cup winners, the Chicago Blackhawks at the White House, last month and put the city's other professional teams on notice. He said: "Let me just say to all the Bears fans, Bulls fans, White Sox fans, and Cubs fans, I want to see all of you sometime soon, as well."

In another nod to their hometown, the Obamas dyed the water in the White House fountains green to celebrate their first St. Patrick's Day in the White House. The city colors the Chicago River that cuts through downtown to celebrate the holiday.

He also swapped one chief of staff from Chicago for another. Rahm Emanuel is Chicago's mayor-elect, while Bill Daley, the current mayor's brother, joined the White House as part of a staff reshuffling aimed at getting ready for the campaign.

While Axelrod said more presidential visits are likely, given that the campaign headquarters is in Chicago, just how much time Obama and his family will spend in Chicago this time is unclear. The duties of the presidency don't lend themselves to much down time.

His team is setting up shop in a downtown high-rise not far from offices the Obama operation used in 2008. Campaign manager Jim Messina, a former White House deputy chief of staff, is directing the effort, and Axelrod is certain to be a constant presence.

"It's nascent group and it's going to grow," said Axelrod, who stopped by the offices recently. "You could sense, you could feel some of that old excitement coming back and you know people are really eager to get going."

Some are hoping to see Obama, himself, more.

Says Freddie Fitch, 53, who lives just a few blocks from the Obamas, "We love him here."

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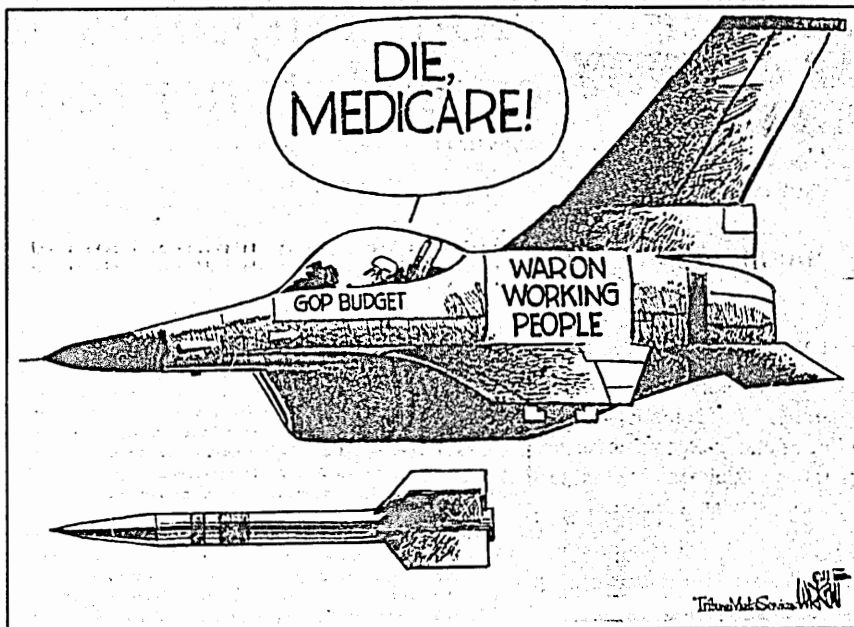
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**GUEST COLUMN**

## Poppies making a comeback in Afghanistan

**MAIWAND SAFI**  
McClatchy-Tribune

After several years of attempting to earn a living by growing crops other than poppies, frustrated farmers in Kapisa province are once again producing the raw material for heroin.

They say soaring drug prices, along with the government's failure to fulfill the promises it made as part of its eradication program, left them no choice.

"The government has made us many promises, but has not honored them," said Mohammad Ajan, a farmer in the Tagab district of the province. "I haven't

cultivated poppy for the past few years. It's ruined my life. I could be making as much from growing poppy in one year as I'd earn from other crops in 10 years. Why shouldn't I grow it?"

Both Afghan government officials and representatives of the U.N. Office on Drugs and Crime had warned that poppy production was likely to soar in 2011 after blight killed off half of last year's poppy crop, driving prices up to their highest level since 2004.

Since the ouster of the Taliban government in 2001, the international community has spent billions of dollars on poppy-

eradication and crop-substitution programs.

Initially, farmers were paid for destroying their poppy fields. The Afghan government eventually stopped that program and instead promised to provide farmers with seeds, fertilizers and infrastructure improvements so they could deliver their crops to market.

Many farmers say the central government never fulfilled its promises, prompting them to resume poppy cultivation.

Najib Safi, a local official with the counter-narcotics agency, acknowledged the government failed to fulfill its

promise to undertake several reconstruction projects. He also said that the Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development failed to find work for those who stopped growing poppies as it had promised.

Another provincial official, who asked that his name not be used, conceded that the government had failed to provide promised irrigation systems, fertilizers and improved types of seed to farmers who stopped growing poppies.

Ultimately, it may have been the soaring prices farmers could charge for their poppy crop that made switching back irresistible.

Samlullah, a landowner in Tagab district, said rising prices were a major factor in his decision to resume poppy cultivation.

"Last year, opium was priced at \$90 per kilogram," he said. "This year, it's \$380."

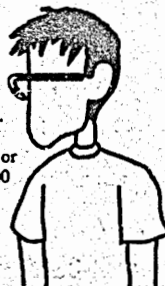
Abdul Allim Ayar, the head of counter-narcotics for Kapisa province, insists his department will once again wipe out the poppy crop.

"The (counter-narcotics) ministry drafted a law three months ago according to which anyone growing poppy will be punished," he insisted.

But at current prices, he may be fighting a losing battle.

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### Your Highness



"Your Highness" is a movie that delivers on the same levels as director David Gordon Green's previous film, "Pineapple Express" did, but this movie is hardly more than just another feel-good stoner film.

The movie is a comedy set in the Dark Ages with knights, wizards and other "Dungeons and Dragons"-related subjects. The story revolves around royal brothers Fabious (James Franco) and Thadeous (Danny McBride) on a quest to rescue Fabious' bride-to-be, Belladonna (Zoëy Deschanel), from the evil wizard, Leczar (Justin Theroux).

Although the movie supplies constant laughs to accompany surprisingly impressive visuals,

audiences could watch the trailer and get the gist of the movie. It is similar to an assembly line of of one-liners and cheap throwaway jokes with little depth. Most of the movie's humor stems from a quick swear from McBride or the use of a seemingly misplaced modern phrase in the Middle Ages.

Green uses comedy to cover for a weak plot, which putters around the film's halfway mark and never recovers. It seems Green knew he was not making a masterpiece, so instead he threw a joke where there should have been more plot elaboration.

Other films have been able to pull off this trick, but the humor in "Your Highness" is just too predictable.

However, there was one surprising strength of the movie. Many of the film's shot locations looked as though they could have been used in "Lord of the Rings." All of the settings, which range from a castle to a mountainside village to a

heavily wooded forest, are beautiful and strongly complement the movie's theme.

It's too bad this beauty could not be seen in other aspects of the film's production, specifically the acting. The actors in the movie were sufficient, but they did not mix well together. In the similar medieval comedy "Robin Hood: Men in Tights," the actors had great chemistry and really drove the movie forward with that bond, but here they lacked the chemistry necessary to keep the viewer interested.

The jokes were funny, but they grew old and overused as the movie progressed. That repetition worked well in "Pineapple Express," but it just felt out of place in "Your Highness."

Repetitive jokes in a stoner movie, go figure.

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## Veteran film executives take top posts for Oscars

Associated Press

The group that oversees the Academy Awards is under new management.

Dawn Hudson, former head of a top independent-film organization, has been named chief executive officer of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences. Longtime

academy executive Ric Robertson was chosen as the group's chief operating officer.

It's a new management structure at the academy, with Hudson and Robertson teaming to replace retiring executive director Bruce Davis. Hudson and Robertson start their new jobs June 1.

Hudson spent 20 years as

head of Film Independent, which oversees the Los Angeles Film Festival and the Spirit Awards, held the night before the Oscars each year.

Robertson joined the academy in 1981 and was named second-in-command there in 1989.

Their appointments were approved by the academy's board of governors Thursday.

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# 'Arthur' tame, uninspired romantic remake

**BRENDAN SMITH**  
Daily Egyptian

**Arthur**



"Arthur" is a shining example that Hollywood is running out of ideas, and this remake of a 1981 comedy falls flat in its attempt to update a very aged story.

Brit-wit maestro Russell Brand stars as the title character, an immature alcoholic New

York playboy millionaire, whose money-disposing antics have gotten out of hand, and his mother, Vivienne (Geraldine James), would hold his inheritance unless he marries heiress Susan Johnson (Jennifer Garner).

In the midst of a collapsed economy, "Arthur" would be more believable as a Disney fairy tale. Modern royalty is told to marry other royalty, but instead falls for the doe-eyed peasant — or in this case working class — girl, Naomi,

played by indie darling Greta Gerwig.

As is the case with most remakes, the film is targeted for an audience that has not seen its originator, which is a good thing.

The combination of "Modern Family" director Jason Winer, "Borat" screenwriter Peter Baynham and Brand himself feels similar to Charlie Sheen on "Sesame Street"—a group of bad boys desperately trying to play it safe.

While the film does have its share of laughs and one-

liners, Brand, who is present in every scene, doesn't quite fill the role of carrying a film. His trademark brand of potty-mouthed, smug humor and crazed debauchery made famous with co-starring roles in "Forgetting Sarah Marshall" and "Get Him to the Greek" is excessively censored. Brand cements himself as the British answer to Seth Rogen in the aspect that no matter what role he's cast as, he eventually ends up playing himself.

The film cops out at a PG-13

rating, hinting at the character's frivolous sex life and alcoholism but showing nothing more than stock footage party scenes and a few Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. Being a drunk was funny in 1981, but Warner Bros. realized it's not so politically correct nowadays. Instead, they suck all the venom out of the story and leave a totally forgettable romantic comedy.

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# Tornado destroys dozen or more blocks in Iowa town

GRANT SCHULTE  
Associated Press

MAPLETON, Iowa — Jimmy Garden's house began to rattle with the approach of a tornado at least a quarter of a mile wide. Then the windows shattered, spraying her with glass. Using her cellphone as a flashlight, she fled to her basement and called her grandparents in tears.

On Sunday, she returned home, wandering her backyard in a blood-splattered hooded sweat shirt, her right hand and left knee wrapped in gauze. Around her lay a tangle of tree branches, twisted siding, broken glass and a canoe that wasn't hers.

The tornado that struck the evening before damaged more than half of Mapleton, a town of 1,200 in western Iowa. Mayor Fred Standa said Sunday. He estimated about 20 percent of the town was "almost flat."

The huge, centuries-old trees the town was named for had been pulled out of the ground and wrapped around houses and tossed on top of cars, Standa said. In one case, a huge motor home had been flipped on its side.

"It's not a pretty sight," Standa said. "It's something nobody has seen in this town." Garden's house survived, but everything inside was tossed around. Her two dogs were safe, but she hadn't yet found her cat.

"I don't know where our grzebo went," she said. "The garbage can right

there, that was in the front yard. The shed is gone. I don't know what else to tell you. This is the most tumultuous thing I've ever experienced by far."

The tornado destroyed 12 to 15 blocks in the southwest corner of Mapleton when it struck about 7:20 p.m. Saturday, Monona County Sheriff Jeff Pratt said. It stretched from a quarter- to a half-mile and had wind speeds of 105 to 135 mph, he said.

The twister was one of several reported in Iowa. The National Weather Service said it was assessing damage in Sac, Pocahontas and Kossuth counties Sunday after unconfirmed reports of tornadoes there as well.

In Mapleton, the roof was blown off a high school, power lines were downed and homes and buildings were destroyed. Pratt said two people were taken to hospitals with minor injuries.

Utilities were also damaged, and gas fumes filled the town, prompting officials to shut off service. Pratt said gas service will remain off for the next two weeks, but electricity should be restored in the next day or so.

The smell of natural gas hung thick in the air Sunday as forklifts and pick-up trucks hauled debris down streets lined with fallen trees.

Tamara Adams, 37, piled branches on the curb, next to the 30-foot-tall tree that rested on top of her house. She said she closed her outside basement door just as the tornado tore the roof off a store that sits diagonal from her house.

"That sound," she said. "I'll never get it out of my head. It had a life. You could hear it breathing and growling."

Terry Siebersma, who runs a downtown liquor store with his wife, was mowing his shop when he heard the tornado sirens and saw the sky turn green. In the distance, he saw the twister swirl into view.

"It was almost like the movies," he said. "It was loud, really loud."

Siebersma, 53, said he rushed to the basement. Upstairs, he heard bottles breaking. He emerged several minutes later, and the store looked fine. He said he walked to a back storage room and discovered the roof missing and one wall on the verge of collapse.

"We were very, very lucky," he said. "I almost fed guily."

Gov. Terry Branstad issued an emergency proclamation covering Mapleton and surrounding Monona County on Saturday so the state could spend money to respond to the storm, his office said. He toured Mapleton on Sunday afternoon.

Monona County is in the same region of western Iowa where four Boy Scouts died in a tornado that struck a scouting ranch in June 2008. The National Weather Service said the tornado that hit the 1,800-acre Little Sioux Scout Ranch in the Loss Hills had an estimated wind speed of 145 mph.

Associated Press writer Kimberly Ross in Omaha, Neb., contributed to this report.

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In the distance events, freshman distance runner Cole Allison took second in the 5,000-meter run with a time of

15:01.98 and senior distance runner Brad Wage took second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase with a time of 9:45.91.

The men completed the day with three more top-five finishes. Tim Robberstad, a senior pole

vaulter, who took second in the pole vault with a mark of 4.90 meters. Junior jumper Maxim Bakana took fifth in the long jump with a jump of 7.07 meters and junior sprinter Brandon Deloney took fifth in the 200-meter run

with a time of 21.26 seconds.

Sparks said all the coaches would like to continue to see steady progression as the team moves toward their ultimate goal of winning conference.

"The sprinters were quicker,

the distance runners were better and the throwers performed well, overall," Sparks said.

The Salukis will travel Friday to Auburn, Ala., for the War Eagle Invitational, hosted by Auburn University.

## FOOTBALL

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The scrimmage, which lasted two hours, helped the team gain perspective on not only itself, but individual players also learned what is expected of them for the incoming season, red-shirt freshman running back LaSteven McKinney said.

McKinney said now that he's wearing a white jersey, he would be able to show off his talent and

he wanted to use the scrimmage to show the coach what he could offer the team. McKinney led the running backs with six carries for 65 yards.

"It was a big morale booster for me to actually be able to come out here and compete with the team and go up the line," McKinney said. "I think I executed today and showed a lot of people what I can do."

Sophomore wide receiver Alex Martin said the coach is trying to teach all of the players mental

toughness and by getting up early to come to the scrimmages, the players are preparing themselves for preseason games and more intense practices.

He said bad weather conditions also play a role in that toughness, though the skies cleared for the scrimmage.

"Luckily the football gods were on our side and we had a beautiful day," Martin said.

He said the his familiarity with

the offensive system is something he also hopes to improve on before the season starts.

"I want to be able to know the offense a lot better," Martin said. "For me I just want to be able to come out and be able to just know the offense just like that."

Head coach Dale Lennon said he liked what he saw during the scrimmage, but there are some minor adjustments he'd like to see the team make early on, which is

part of what a coach needs to see during a scrimmage.

"One thing I talked to them at the end was being able to overcome adversity and make sure that our body language isn't bad after a bad play," Lennon said. "Those are all things that you get from scrimmages. It's not a real game, but you definitely can see who your leaders are and how they respond in adverse situations."

The next scrimmage will be held 9 a.m. Saturday at Saluki Stadium.

## BASEBALL

## Salukis sweep first conference series against Purple Aces

CORY DOWNER  
Daily Egyptian

The Salukis won their first series, as well as their first conference series, of the year with a three-game weekend sweep against the Evansville Purple Aces in Evansville, Ind.

SIU (11-19, 3-0 Missouri Valley Conference) won 5-1, 8-4 and 6-3 and controlled the games against the Purple Aces (17-12, 0-3 MVC) with consistency at the plate and dominant starting pitching.

The Salukis have won four games in a row, which is their biggest winning

streak of the year, and they have now won seven of their last 11 games.

Interim head coach Ken Henderson said this series was a big confidence boost for the team, and he is pleased with its performance.

"It's simple — confidence," Henderson said. "When you have confidence, you have a chance to win."

In the first series game Friday, junior starting pitcher Cameron Maldonado threw 8.1 innings with eight strikeouts. Maldonado pitched eight shutout innings before he gave up Evansville's only run of the game in the ninth. Maldonado brought his

record to 3-4, and freshman reliever Tyler Dray came in relief to close out the game for the 5-1 Saluki victory.

Saluki starters continued to pitch into the late innings throughout the weekend as sophomore pitcher Cody Forsythe threw seven innings in game two Saturday and sophomore Brad Drust went eight Sunday in the series finale against the Purple Aces.

Forsythe allowed eight hits but held Evansville to one run with the help of four strikeouts and only one walk.

Drust got his first win of the season as he allowed two earned runs in his eight innings of work in the final game

of the series. He gave up eight hits and three walks, and he handed out five strikeouts on the afternoon.

Drust said the team's performance lately has created a level of confidence that he thinks gives them an edge as the games in the season's second half hold more importance.

"This sweep was a huge morale booster for our club," Drust said. "It's conference play, and you never know what's going to happen."

Even though the Saluki pitchers have continued to get better as the season progresses, the SIU bats have caught most of the attention.

The Salukis have now had 10 or more hits in each of their previous seven games. The series in Evansville brought two home runs by sophomore right fielder Nick Johnson as well as junior left fielder Jordan Sivertsen's team-leading sixth home run of the year.

Johnson said this is an important time of the season where most of the team's remaining games will be conference competition.

"This was the perfect time for us to get it together," Johnson said. "We're in mid-season form, and it's all getting easier."

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## Scrimmage gives SIU first look at 2011 team

AUSTIN FLYNN  
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The SIU football team's new and returning players alike showed off their abilities Saturday and gave coach Dale

Lennon insight on the team's strengths and weaknesses.

Junior quarterback Paul McIntosh, who went 9-15 for 102 yards and an interception, said it was refreshing to get back out on the field with his teammates.

"We haven't gotten in a full practice or scrimmage yet so it was good to get out there and bang pads with everybody," McIntosh said.

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### TRACK & FIELD

# Miracle soars in high temperatures

JACQUELINE MUHAMMAD  
Daily Egyptian

With temperatures reaching the upper 80s and the sun bearing down on her, junior pole vaulter and hurdler Miracle Thompson felt ill shortly after competing in the hurdles earlier Saturday morning.

"I felt horrible right before the competition," she said. "I think the weather caught up with me. I wasn't used to the higher temperatures and it was just a culmination of competing in those conditions."

But when it was time for Thompson to face the pole vault she pushed those nauseating feelings aside.

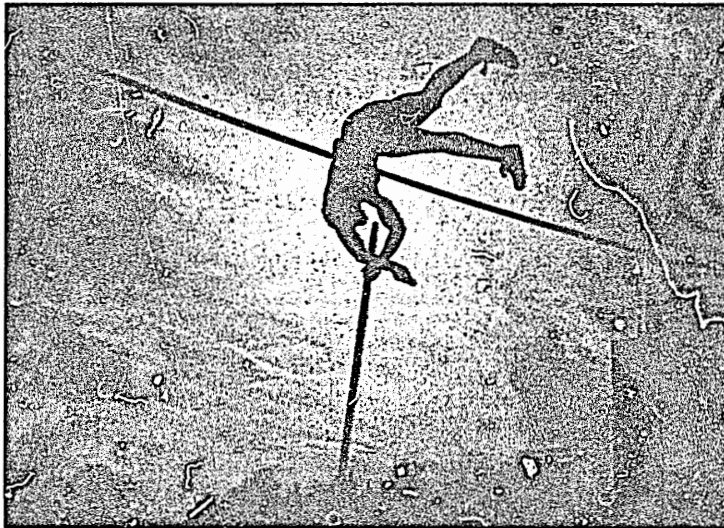
With the encouragement of her teammates, Thompson pulled out a record-breaking performance as she placed third in the event and broke the school record with a vault of 3.95 meters.

Freshman distance runner Eileen Schweiss also had a personal achievement as she won her first event title in the 5,000-meter race with a time of 18 minutes, 29.77 seconds.

She said as a freshman it's been hard for her to adjust to competition on a collegiate level, but to win at a meet with the caliber of athletes meant a lot to her.

"This was a step in the right direction," Schweiss said. "I've been working all year to get used to the level of competition and mentally it was something I had to get used to."

Joining Thompson and Schweiss with event titles was junior thrower



Senior pole vaulter Miracle Thompson vaults Saturday at the Ole Miss Invitational in Oxford, Miss. Thompson broke the school outdoor pole vault record with a jump of 3.95 meters, but she placed third in the event. Six individuals took first in their events, while the women's 4x400 relay team won its relay with a time of 3 minutes, 44.46 seconds.

Jeneva McCall, as she won the discus with a throw of 53.73 meters, hammer throw with a throw of 65.74 and shot put with a throw of 16.33 meters. McCall was followed by senior thrower Gwen Berry, who placed second in the hammer throw with a throw of 64.73 meters and third in the shot put with a throw of 15.65 meters.

Meanwhile, senior Kandice

Thompson was able to compete after doctors thought she might have had a stress fracture in her foot.

Thompson said she was notified 30 minutes before the team was ready to leave Carbondale that she would be able to compete.

Thompson was part of the winning 4x400 relay team, which included sophomore middle distance runner Tess Shubert, junior

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middle distance runner Alisa Baron and senior sprinter J'edene Gant. The team won their event with a time of 3:44.46.

Senior sprinter Meredith Hayes completed the women's competition as she took second in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 1:35.55 seconds. Gant took third in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:00.23, senior thrower Toni Whitfield took third in

the javelin with 40.69 meters and the 4x100 relay team also won third in their race with a time 46.72 seconds.

On the men's side, junior throwers Jake Dieters and J.C. Lambert continued to dominate the discus and hammer throw as they both won their events. Dieters won with a throw of 54.88 meters and Lambert won with a throw of 62.88 meters. The two were joined in the top five by junior thrower Brad Foote, as he took fifth with a throw of 52.21 meters. Junior thrower Jason Seaman took second in the shot put with a throw of 16.12 meters.

The men picked up two more event titles as senior middle distance runner Stephen Arvanis successfully defended his 800-meter title. He took first with a time of 1:52.86.

After seeing the athletes compete under difficult conditions, distance coach Matt Sparks said this could be their best meet of the season so far.

"They competed in about 86-degree temperatures and 20 mph winds," Sparks said. "Sometimes athletes would use those conditions as an excuse not to perform well."

Senior distance runner Jeff Schirmer, sophomore distance runner Lucas Cherry and senior distance runner Dan Dunbar took three of the top four spots in the 1,500-meter run. Schirmer finished first with a time of 3:51.56. Dunbar came in second at 3:53.37 and Cherry finished fourth at 3:54.61.

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### SOFTBALL

# Series against Braves begins, ends with slaughters

AUSTIN FLYNN  
Daily Egyptian

With two mercy rulings sandwiched around a close 2-1 game, the Salukis swept the Bradley Braves in a weekend series to extend their winning streak to four.

The series with the Braves (8-31, 1-10 Missouri Valley Conference) showed the team if it can compete with consistency and adjust, then it becomes much easier to take control of games, coach Kerri Blaylock said.

She said she was proud of the sweep because three-game series can physically and mentally drain a team.

"If you can get a sweep off of anybody, you've done a good job," Blaylock said.

The Salukis scored (23-12, 7-2 MVC) double digits in the two short games, winning the first game

10-0 in five innings and the third game 11-3 in six.

Senior pitcher Daniel Glosson pitched the entire first game and allowed two hits and no runs. The win was also her eighth shutout of the season.

With the Salukis up 5-0 in the fourth, freshman first baseman Taylor Orsburn and freshman second baseman Jayna Spivey hit back-to-back home runs to put the Salukis up 10-0, which was enough to call the game after the fifth.

The second game was the closest of the series and ended with a score of 2-1.

Bradley scored its only run of the game when senior pitcher Alex Peters threw a wild pitch that scored Bradley's designated hitter, Kate Singler. SIU responded in the fourth when Bradley infielder KeyCee Miller made an error that allowed freshman first baseman

Taylor Orsburn to score.

Glosson relieved Peters in the sixth inning with one out and a runner on second. Glosson escaped the jam after a walk and two strikeouts.

The game went into extra innings, and senior center fielder Chelsea Held hit a single in the ninth and stole second and third. Freshman catcher Sydney Shelton was hit by a pitch and junior left fielder Mallory Duran was walked to load the bases. Sophomore right fielder Morgan Barchan ended the game with an RBI single that brought in Held.

Barchan said it was easier to relax when she saw the bases loaded as she stepped to the plate.

"We have a lot of talent on our team hitting-wise," Barchan said. "A lot of times when I was up I had runners on, which helps too."

In the final game of the series,

the Salukis went down early when Glosson gave up a three-run homer to Miller. The Braves did not hold the lead for long, as Orsburn hit her own three-run home run in the bottom of the first.

Peters replaced Glosson in the second inning and didn't allow a run for the rest of the game.

Meanwhile, the Salukis scored eight more runs to beat the Braves in six innings. Peters said she was glad to be able to come out with the victory and relieve Glosson when she struggled.

"(It) feels pretty good that I can come in there and help her out, because she helps me out a lot and it was kind of scary, but I knew I could do it," Peters said.

The series win brings the team to a 10-5 record at home.

Kerri Blaylock said the team's freshman performed well and played effectively in the series to

make a couple of high-scoring games possible.

"We're getting it not only from the freshmen, I mean Taylor, of course, came up with another big, huge home run and not only the but (senior third baseman) Natalie Weissinger coming up with some good (at bats)," Blaylock said.

Weissinger, who was 4-8 in the series and hit a home run in the third game, said the team had to come back with a strong performance after last weekend's loss to Northern Iowa.

"We're too good to let the losses keep going at a relative pace, so I thought we did a good job of ... making adjustments at the plate, pitchers did well and defense did well," she said.

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