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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT CARBONDALE

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# BOT proposed budget to aid projects

## Budget to ease woes of needy campus departments

TERRY L. DEAN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Board of Trustees will meet today to decide on a \$350 million budget proposal for SIUC, with much of the funds expected to ease the financial woes of several needy departments on campus.

Trustees will consider an 8.7-percent increase for SIUC with an 8-percent increase for SIUC, up from 5.8 percent in funding for the current fiscal year.

Funding allocation involving a number of projects at SIUC will be considered in today's meeting, which takes place at 10:30 a.m. on the Edwardsville campus.

SIUC interim Chancellor John Jackson said the budget was more than what the University expected, and is pleased with the idea of having additional funds to work with.

"It's an ambitious budget, but we're experi-

encing a period of good economic growth in the state, and this budget will help us a great deal," he said.

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which will then be forwarded to state officials for approval.

"We badly need the renovation plans and

expenses that's being proposed," said Jim Fox, interim dean for Morris Library, which is expected to receive funding for some of its needs.

Renovations to Morris Library, originally estimated at \$275,000, will include an additional price tag of \$50,000 to replace a 50-year-old freight elevator.

"We definitely need that project," Fox said. "Parts of this building are 50 years old, and we've not had any extensive work done to the structure

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Lisa DeSalvo, a senior in early childhood education, changes 2-year-old boy, Carson Schmidt's diaper Wednesday afternoon at SIUC's Child Development Laboratory. Students from early childhood education maintains a consistency between what they are learning in their classes and what they are doing with the children.

## Learning from children

### SIUC students teach children in child development lab

GINNY SKALSKI  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Four-year-old Westin sits in a nearly deflated Little Mermaid pool that rests on a blue tarp with a wave pattern, forming a makeshift ocean in SIUC's Child Development Laboratory.

"Swimming is my favorite thing to do," Westin said. "I can hold my breath under water."

Westin is one of 45 preschoolers enrolled at the lab,

located in Quigley Hall. The preschool, along with a toddler and infant room, is monitored by student workers and students majoring in early childhood education to fill part of their major requirement.

"[Students] do everything that is required of a teacher in a classroom depending how comfortable they are and how much experience they have," said Sara Starbuck, director of CDL.

The laboratory is divided into three rooms, one for each age group. The infant room is filled with seven cribs for the babies and toys are placed throughout the room.

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## Crowded classes raise concern

### SIUC's ratio high among state schools

ANNE MARIE TAVELLA  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Student-to-faculty ratios are important on a number of levels, which may not bode well for SIUC, according to education officials.

Ratios can reflect the mission of an institution. They affect the level of interaction students and faculty can have with each other, and are used by prospective students and their parents in choosing a university.

SIUC has one of the higher student to faculty ratios in the state, 18.21 to 1 in 1999. Even when enrollment numbers are considered, SIUC falls behind Northern Illinois University and University of Illinois.

In the 1998-1999 school year, NIU had an enrollment of 22,843 and a student/faculty ratio of 17 to 1. The University of Illinois' enrollment was 36,690 in 1999, with a student to faculty ratio of 16.3 to 1.

John Braden, U of I associate provost, said numerous factors must be considered when comparing the student to faculty ratios of different universities.

First, the missions of the universities must be considered. Braden said a large portion of U of I's mission is research, and small classes are necessary to do quality graduate work.

Being a major doctoral institution helps U of I to keep its ratio down, Braden said.

Another factor that causes student to faculty ratios to rise is the lack of state funding, Braden said. Many state schools in Illinois had to lower faculty numbers because of

less state funding.

"The state of Illinois has not kept pace with salary requirements," Braden said.

In 1991, the student to faculty ratio at U of I was 15.2 to 1.

Three years ago, U of I decided to focus on increasing faculty numbers and proposed a plan to the state. Braden said the plan was well received and they are now in the stage of doing faculty searches.

At SIUC the numbers of tenure and tenure-track full-time faculty has decreased from 964 in 1991 to 828 in 1999, a sore subject among SIUC faculty.

Karen Prichard, SIUC Faculty Senate president, said there can be a lack of interaction between students and faculty when ratios grow.

"My concern is in terms of the ability of faculty and students to have a reasonable educational experience," Prichard said.

Prichard, an associate professor in educational psychology and special education, said increasing enrollment can have positive and negative aspects. More students can mean larger classes, but it also means an increase in funding, with which more instructors can be hired.

It may not make a difference in the quality of the education, Prichard said. But, it is important for a student to have access to their instructor.

Student to faculty ratios are also tools used by prospective students to obtain an idea of the education students receive at a university.

Don Sevenser, director of

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# Poet laureate Gwendolyn Brooks to speak at SIUC

MATT BRENNAN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Famed Illinois Poet laureate Gwendolyn Brooks will speak at 7 tonight in Shyrock Auditorium.

As part of the "What I Have Learned" Lecture Series, Brooks will read from some of her 26 published books and talk about her life during the lecture.

Paul Simon, director of the Public Poetry Institute, was instrumental in bringing Brooks to SIUC.

"I've heard her speak before. I think students and faculty will find her very inspiring," Simon said. "She's a prolific poet. More importantly, she's sensitive to the needs in our society."

By the age of 13, Brooks published her first poem. By the age of 20 her work appeared in two anthologies. Most of Brooks' writing

focuses on black American culture. She has tackled subjects pertaining to urban life in Chicago, where the 83-year-old poet was born and spent most of her life.

Brooks followed Carl Sandburg as the Illinois poet laureate in 1969. She was also the first black woman to win a Pulitzer prize and to be appointed to the American Academy of

## Gwendolyn Brooks



Who: Gwendolyn Brooks has been the Illinois poet laureate since 1969. She is also the first African American woman to win a Pulitzer prize. Brooks grew up in Chicago and her poetry concentrates on African Americans in an urban society.

What: Lecturing and reading from her work  
When: Today 7:00 pm  
Where: Shyrock Auditorium

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**TODAY**

• Amnesty International letter writing event, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Law School Lounge, Susan 549-3721.

• Roller Hockey registration, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Faner Breezeaway, \$25 admission.

• International Wives Friendship Group meeting with social and educational activities, 1 to 3 p.m., University Baptist Church, Beth 453-5774.

• Department of Philosophy Colloquium is sponsoring a multimedia presentation by George Schedler on "Are Confederate Monuments Racist?", 4 p.m., Lawson 121, Chris 453-7432.

• Divorce/Relationship Ending Support Group screening for new members, every Thurs., 4:30 to 6 p.m., 453-3655.

• Student Programming Council homecoming meeting, every Thurs., 5 p.m., Student Center, 536-3393.

• University Christian Ministries listening circle, 5 p.m., Interfaith Center, Hugh 549-7387.

• Blacks In Communication Alliance RSO members meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Missouri Room Student Center, Erica 457-8197.

• Circle K International volunteer organization meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Thebes Room Student Center, Tammi 529-8996.

• Sierra Club meeting with guest speaker Les Winkler who will speak on "Stewardship", 7:30 p.m., Unitarian Fellowship.

• Sailing Club meeting, every Thurs.,

8 p.m., Activity Room A Student Center, Kris 7900.

**UPCOMING**

• Library Affairs PowerPoint, Sept. 15, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Morris Library 103D, undergrad desk 453-2818.

• Main Street Pigout needs volunteers, Sept. 15, 8 a.m. to 11 p.m., Sept. 16, noon to 11 p.m., Sept. 17, 9 a.m. to noon, Downtown Carbondale, 529-8040.

• International Coffee Hour informal socializing, Sept. 15, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Interfaith Center, Beth 453-5774.

• Spanish Table meeting, every Fri., 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange.

• University Museum reception for Joel Feldman and Cheonae Kim, Sept. 15, 6 to 8 p.m., University Museum Faner Hall, Bob 453-5388.

• Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau Farmers Market, every Sat., 7 a.m. to noon, Vienna Community Park, 658-7304.

• Southern Illinois Stamp Club needs volunteers for exhibit, Sept. 16, 8 to 10 a.m., Sept. 17, 4 to 6 p.m., University Mall, Vera 453-1554.

• Dayeml Taricad seed saving workshop, Sept. 16, 10 a.m. to noon, Children's Fun Afternoon, Sept. 16, 2 to 5 p.m., Sufi Park Organic Community Garden, register with Danielle 549-7424.

• Southern Illinois Pagan Alliance Psychic Fair, Sept. 16, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Douglass School Art Place, \$2 for admission, Tara 529-5029.

• Museum Student Group meeting, Sept. 16, 2 to 4 p.m., University Museum Archives, Jason 453-7318.

• ASAF is sponsoring a Japanese workshop, Sept. 16, 2 to 3:30 p.m., Illinois Room Student Center, admission for members \$2 and all others \$3, Argus 457-6640.

• Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau Steeplechase for teams of 6 people, Sept. 16, Union Co., 893-2211.

• Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau Who Gives a Hoot which is an evening walk on the section 8 boardwalk to call owls and learn about different species found in the area, Sept. 16, 7 to 9 p.m., Section 8 Boardwalk off Hwy. 37, 634-2231.

• Outreach 2000 Christian Rock Festival, Sept. 16, 3 to 11 p.m., Fellowship in Christ Church.

• Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau Farmers Market, every Sat., 8 a.m., Golconda, 683-6246.

• Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and the Illinois Department of Transportation is offering free experienced rider courses, Sept. 17, 9 to 6:30 p.m., Southern Illinois University, 1-800-642-9589.

• Library Affairs forms with HTML, Sept. 18, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m., Morris Library 103D, undergrad desk 453-2818.

• Women's Mid-life Career Development Group screening for new members, every Mon., 4:30 to 6 p.m., 453-3655.

• Alpha Phi Omega meeting, every Mon., 6 to 7 p.m., Sali...nom Student Center, Mike 457-4059.

• Outdoor Adventure Club meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Christy 529-7423.

• SIU Ballroom Dance Club meeting, every Mon., 7 to 8:30 p.m., Davies Gym 2F, students \$15 and non-students \$18 per semester, 351-8855.

• Equine Science Club meeting, Sept. 18, 7 p.m., Agriculture Building Romper Room, Holly 529-7884.

• Southernmost Illinois Tourism Bureau Farmers Market, every Tues., 7 a.m. to noon, Anna, 633-6311.

**WEATHER**



**TODAY:**  
Partly cloudy  
High: 89  
Low: 57



**TOMORROW:**  
Sunny  
High: 79  
Low: 41

**POLICE BLOTTER**

**UNIVERSITY**

• SIUC police arrested Allen J. Coover, 18, of Carbondale, at 1:36 a.m. Monday at Sam Rineola Field and charged him with possession of drug paraphernalia. Coover was released on a recognizance bond.

• SIUC police arrested James E. Robinson, 18, of Carbondale, and charged him with possession of drug paraphernalia and cannabis (less than 30 grams) at 4:51 p.m. Tuesday in Allen I. At the same time, Curtis B. Johnson Jr., 18, of Carbondale, was arrested and charged him with reckless conduct.

**ALMANAC**

**THIS DAY IN 1987:**

• University policy was adopted that prohibited smoking in campus buildings, and a goal was set to ban all indoor smoking by the year 1995.

• The Carbondale City Council discussed modifications to Halloween Fair Day regulations, which included the suggestion to ban sales of glass-bottled alcoholic beverages a week prior to the events.

• Movies showing in Carbondale included "Can't Buy Me Love," "La Bamba" and "Adventures in Babysitting."

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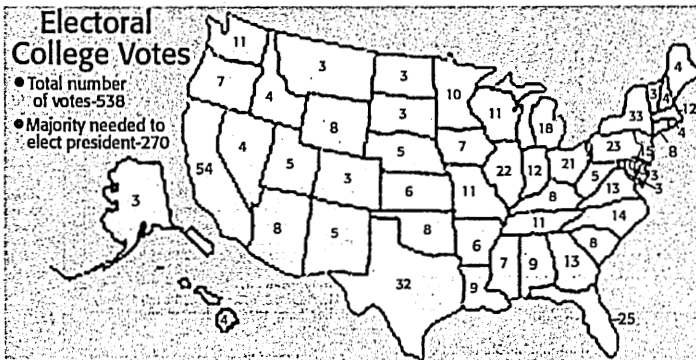
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# What it takes to become an American president

A look at the electoral college in America



On the eve of the presidential debate, as voters make their decisions about who will be the next commander-in-chief, many citizens don't know how a president is elected.

Some people have only a vague notion of how the electoral college works, and others completely disagree with a process that has been called archaic and ambiguous by the American Barr Association.

However, Illinois can benefit from the system because it has 22 electoral votes, a fairly large number for a state. This means presidential candidates often spend a lot of time here, wooing prospective voters.

But why not just elect a president by the majority of the votes? What is the purpose of this system devised by the Constitution framers over 200 years ago?

### What is the electoral college?

While a general election does allow voters to choose the candidates early on, the process of actually electing a leader to office is not done through a popular vote.

When a voter casts a ballot, she/he is technically voting for an elector. The party whose candidate won the majority of popular votes in the state will send their electors to the Electoral College. A state's electoral votes are determined by how many representatives that state has in both houses of Congress. Illinois has 22, and if a candidate received 51 percent of Illinois voters, he or she would get all 22 votes.

The electors convene in December to officially, and techni-

cally, elect the president. Then, in January, Congress meets in joint session to count the votes.

Ninety-nine percent of electors throughout American history have voted for the candidate they have pledged to vote for.

They are usually selected by the state parties, and are known in the state for their loyalties to the party.

So your vote does count, because the candidate who gets the majority of votes in you state will get your state's electoral votes.

But a candidate could get a pop-

ular majority of votes nationwide and still not win the election.

### Potential Problems

According to the National Archives and Records Administration, more than 700 proposals have been introduced in Congress to reform or eliminate the Electoral College. There have been more proposals for Constitutional amendments on changing the

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### CARBONDALE

#### Kowalczyk to propose budget deficit plan

SIU Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk will deliver the Athletic Department's budget and projections at today's Board of Trustees meeting in Edwardsville.

Kowalczyk, who inherited a budget deficit of more than \$800,000 when he took over the Saluki program in June, will present how he plans to reduce the deficit while enhancing the athletic programs.

Kowalczyk's plan will reduce the deficit in small increments beginning in three years. Kowalczyk said he plans to present realistic numbers from a macro-perspective to the board.

"My greatest dueling is trying to improve our programs while reducing the deficit," Kowalczyk said.

The ultimate result will be no deficit spending this year, but no reductions until 2004. Also, the projected budget for 2001 gives the administration a \$50,000 increase, while adding more than \$300,000 to athletic department salaries.

Revenues such as advertising sales and the student athletic fee have not yet been determined.

#### Listening Circle meets at Interfaith Center

The Listening Circle will have its first meeting today at 5 p.m. at the Interfaith Center, 913 S. Illinois Ave. The group, which will meet every Thursday at 5 p.m., offers a place to discuss today's issues and how they affect personal lives.

For more information, call Bill Sasso at 549-2439.

#### Convertibles needed for Homecoming parade

The Homecoming Committee is looking for convertibles for the Oct. 7 Homecoming parade. To donate a car, contact LaToya Lofton at 536-3393 by Sept. 25.

#### U. PENNSYLVANIA

#### U. Penn anti-sweatshop group labors on with protest

Even though they staged the biggest student protest in recent University of Pennsylvania memory — with a nine-day sit-in at Judith Rodin's office — the members of Penn Students Against Sweatshops are still not satisfied.

Although nearly seven months have gone by since the protest ended in February, Penn has still not joined a manufacturing monitor. More specifically, it has not joined the PSAS monitor of choice, the Worker Rights Consortium.

— from Daily Egyptian News and Wire Services

# Smile! You're on campus cameras

Security camera funding for SIUC part of BOT agenda

TERRY L. DEAN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

With surveillance cameras already installed in some residence halls, SIUC appears poised to do the same in other campus buildings, pending funding approval at today's Board of Trustees meeting.

The plan calls for the installation of security cameras in eight campus buildings. The University hopes the presence of surveillance cameras will deter theft and vandalism.

Neckers, Lindsgren, Life Science II and III, Agriculture, Quigley, Wham and the Engineering Complex would have cameras

placed in main hallways and outside entrances. The plan under consideration by board is expected to cost \$110,000.

Although thefts have occurred in some campus buildings within the past year, including Life Science and Neckers, the plan to install cameras has not resulted from rampant campus crimes, said SIUC Police Lt. Todd Sigler.

"There have been discussions about having cameras throughout the campus, but they've not gone further than that," Sigler said.

Cameras are currently installed in Mae Smith and Schneider halls, and are largely responsible for a cut down in vandalism, said

University Housing Director Ed Jones.

Students initially raised concerns about privacy due to surveillance cameras, but many of those concerns have dropped off because of the effectiveness of the cameras, Jones said.

"We heard students tell us, 'We don't mind if you pan up and down the hallways, it's just when we're coming in and out of our rooms that's a problem,'" Jones said. "Our response was, 'We hear you and we're not going to do that.'"

A plan has been in the works since spring to install cameras in University Park residence halls, but there is no definite timetable for its completion.

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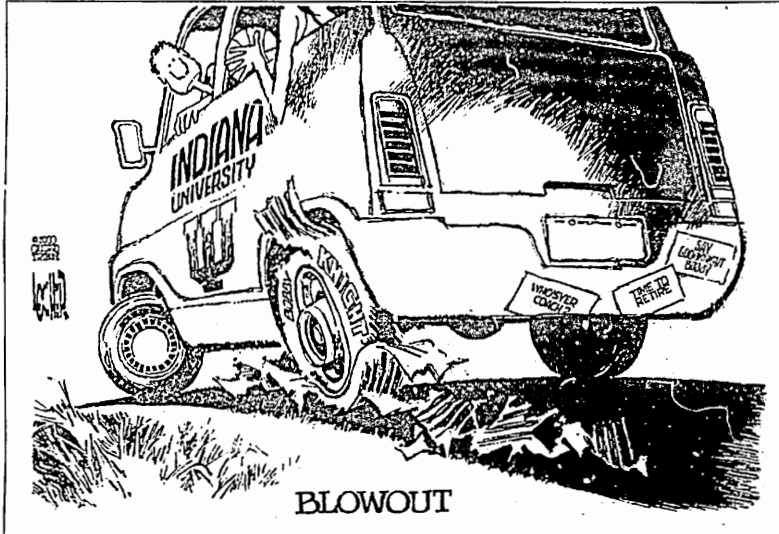
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BLOWOUT

## OUR WORD

# SIUC's low ranking should serve to motivate improvement

SIUC has seen better months. In a recent U.S. News and World Report magazine study, our University was ranked in the fourth tier among universities listed in the national category — that's last.

The magazine examined a dozen characteristics of higher education and, with the help of a statistical survey, broke the information down into numbers. The article, "America's Best Colleges," acknowledged that those numbers cannot accurately reflect the whole truth about any university, but can serve as a quick guide to prospective college goers.

SIUC appears to have slunked, and the report card was sent to every newsstand and bookstore in the country. The category that hurt us most is likely the most accurately measured: reputation.

The magazine sent questionnaires to high-ranking administrators at peer institutions. The administrators then rated other universities' academic programs on a scale from one (marginal) to five (distinguished), and each school's average reputation rating amounted to a quarter of its overall rank. SIUC came out with a 2.6, better than in-state competition such

as Northern Illinois University and Illinois State University, but not good enough.

SIUC also received disappointing marks regarding questions under "faculty resources." Our student-to-faculty ratio is too high, supporting what Daily Egyptian editorials have said before: SIUC cannot afford to have faculty lines lag behind enrollment numbers. The last of the truly disheartening statistics showed the average SIUC student graduates far too slowly.

Although the magazine's report isn't perfect, the characteristics that were examined are important to prospective students and their parents.

The report is a painful reminder of the long road this University has ahead to regain the stature SIUC once had. Although the magazine's report isn't perfect — many of SIUC's selling points cannot be reduced to a number — the characteristics that were examined are important to prospective students and their parents.

Our administration must use the report and others like it as a badly needed outside perspective. As various factions on campus clamor for funding and attention, studies like "America's Best Colleges" show SIUC as it looks from the outside. In the meantime, the best service we can all do for this University and its future is to excel in our own niches and remember all the great things that keep us here.

Glenn Gilbert  
professor and chair, Department of Linguistics

## Reader deems it time to cut Saluki football loose

DEAR EDITOR:

I grew up in a small town where football was life, and I dearly love the sport. After living through two terrible seasons of Saluki football and the ominous air surrounding this season, I have come to a difficult conclusion. We need to let our football program go. I know that it's hard to imagine a college campus without football, but we should all try.

Maybe we should begin to look at other alternatives to football. Basketball, swimming, and softball could all use the funds that are allocated to the extra-expensive football program. And, without the football program, maybe we could look at initiating some new varsity sports.

Does anyone know that our Water Polo Club went 6-1 last year? Or that the club has the opportunity to play major schools like the University of Florida, Indiana University, and others? Wouldn't that be a big draw for SIUC? I know I would enjoy seeing a Saluki team play a physical game against a big school and win (which the Water Polo Club does quite often).

All I'm saying is maybe we should look at other athletic opportunities for Saluki fans than the never-ending football money pit.

Nikki Bell  
junior in management

## USG leader disappointed in SIUC fans' behavior

DEAR EDITOR:

I must totally agree with the letter that Paul Kowalczyk wrote about the actions of the Saluki fans at the last home game. I stayed for the whole game through rain and shine, and I was just as upset as anyone else that our beloved team lost. I, however, did not at any time have the urge to throw anything at the opposing team or curse at their fans. Yes, they may have been in our house, but I feel more upset by the way that we treated them. I have always said that I would like to have more home games in McAndrew, but after this Saturday, it is hard to see why anyone would want to play here. Either we win, or we pelt them with trash from the stands. It was just adding insult to injury.

I am proud of our team even if they do lose one or two games, and I refuse to insult myself, our team and our school by acting in any way other than respectful to any opposing team, regardless of the score.

Bill Archer,  
president of USG

# Growing up with partly sunny weather

When I was four years old, I was going to marry the Channel 12 weatherman. It wasn't that I had a crush on him or anything, or even that I particularly wanted to marry him, I just kind of assumed that I was going to for some reason. I know. It still doesn't make sense to me, either.

But hey, he would make a pretty decent husband if you think about it. Mature guy, stable career, and even when there are storms and tornadoes and hurricanes and massive precipitation, that cat still sounds cheerful when he delivers the TV news. Yes, this was definitely the man for me.

How come things are so much clearer when you're four? Decisions are easy. Yes, I will share my Play-Doh. No, I will not go to bed. Yes, I will graduate kindergarten. Even life-altering decisions are easy. Yes, I will go to college someday and become an astronaut. Yes, I will have a big house with lots of backyard and trees and a purple car with Rainbow Brite painted on the side. Yes, life will be grand.

But then, somewhere along the way, we lose sight of those sensible decisions we swore to as toddlers. We trade in the astronaut suit for a free T-shirt we got from a credit card company. The weatherman is starting to go gray, and suddenly a huge backyard just means more grass to mow every Sunday. And forget the glamour of the Rainbow Brite car. We think we're doing well if there's half a tank of gas in our own economy vehicles.

So how come things haven't worked out? You know,

they say children are in the most fragile emotional stage of their lives. But that doesn't make sense at all. Have you ever seen a baby stare at something, reaching and reaching for it,

only to have the desired item taken away by an adult? It starts crying. But look at that baby five minutes later, and it's forgotten the entire thing. "Toy? What toy? Someone has a toy? Why didn't anybody tell me?"

The same thing goes for what we, as little kids, expect from the future. Sure, that answer about the astronaut and weatherman husband and nifty car is the same answer I gave over and over when asked what I was going to be when I grew up. But if somebody way back then had said, "No, it won't quite turn out exactly like that. You'll have a different job,

and different husband, and different car, I would have believed them and not really cared. I would have a future at least. That was what I was sure of. I didn't really care how it turned out, I just couldn't wait to find out how it did.

So don't cry for me, Bob Keecies. I've moved on. I'm sorry, but it just wasn't working for me anymore. I had to find someone who was there for me more than twenty minutes each day at noon. But wish me luck with my new future. I know, it's not the one I always promised, but I'm sure we'll both eventually make the best of it. And no matter what happens, I'll always think of you when I hear the weekend meteorology report.

## Not Just Another Priddy Face

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# Hot Spot program has citizens on patrol

DAVID OSBORNE  
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Carbondale Police want residents to help them find the local hot spots.

It is not the popular clubs they are looking for — it is suspected drug houses. Carbondale police have a program called Hot Spot which allows residents to anonymously identify locations where drug-related activity is taking place. Citizens using the program fill out a

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postage-paid form detailing the address and suspicious activity, and drop it in the mailbox. Don Elliott, community resource officer for the Carbondale Police Department, said the program was started several years ago in response to the growing drug problem facing even small cities like Carbondale. Coupled with an increase in drug-related crime, police faced a general reluctance by citizens to report those activities due to a fear of retaliation.

"We came up with this idea to solicit

information from citizens that live in the community where there may be drug activity," Elliott said.

The program generates about three to five tips per month. Depending on the information received, the Hot Spot information may be passed on to patrol officers, investigators or Carbondale's drug unit.

Tip sheets with sketchy or generic information is given to the patrol officers for use as they patrol near the suspected drug house. In the event officers respond to a call at or near the address, they are aware that it has been reported as a hot spot.

More in depth or detailed information is passed on to the detectives or drug unit for further investigation. Depending on the information received and the individual investigator, the next step could involve increased surveillance of the suspected address or seeking additional information through informants.

"The littlest bit of information we can get may be enormous as far as its value," Elliott said.

Elliott likens police work to working a jigsaw puzzle; all the pieces have to come together. The information provided by the Hot Spot sheets is put together with other information already developed or developed separately to put together the whole picture. Police need this whole picture in

order to act.

Even a detailed Hot Spot tip will take time to develop before police act. Elliott said Carbondale police stay mindful of citizens' civil rights. Police are careful to investigate and develop probable cause before taking action. This assures both a good case and weeds out the few bogus tips received.

"We have to do our homework before we go and kick in doors," Elliott said.

Developing a case can take weeks, months or even years, depending where the investigation leads. Elliott said law enforcement's ultimate goal is to get to the biggest part of the drug problem, not necessarily the street user or buyer.

"We want to get who he's buying it from, and we want to get who that seller is buying from," Elliott said.

The Hot Spot program complements Carbondale's Crime Stoppers program, an anonymous tip line that allows citizens to report crime information and earn a possible cash reward.

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## BROOKS

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### Arts and Letters.

Jon Tribble, managing editor for the SIUC-based literary magazine, The Crab Orchard Review, has heard Brooks before, and said she has plenty of offer.

"I've had the pleasure of hearing her read three times before, once here at SIU," Tribble said. "I think it's great that Public Policy Institute

**JON TRIBBLE**  
managing editor,  
Crab Orchard Review

was able to bring her here." He said it is well worth students' time to see Brooks.

## ELECTORAL

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Electoral College than on any other subject. It is obvious some think the system has flaws. First, the system makes it possible that a candidate could receive a nationwide majority of votes and not enough electoral votes to be president.

Every state except Nebraska and Maine has a winner-take-all system. For example, California has a whopping 54 electoral votes. If Candidate B receives 50.1 percent of the popular vote in California, he or she would get all 54 electoral votes for California. The candidate who received those votes is now one-fifth on his or her way to the 270 electoral votes needed to be the next president.

Only two elections have produced a president who did not receive the nationwide popular majority — the election of 1876 and 1888.

Paul Goren, assistant professor of political science, said it is possible, though unlikely, that this will happen in this year's race.

Goren said Vice President Al Gore is doing better in the polls than Republican contender George W. Bush. However, Bush is faring better in electoral college votes.

Though Goren thinks the losing side would be very upset, he said most would accept the rules of the electoral college.

"Our country has weathered many more serious conflicts," Goren said.

Another potential problem is the difficulty for third-party candidates to emerge among the two major parties.

Unless a candidate receives a majority of votes in a state, he or she can't obtain electoral votes.

In 1992, Ross Perot snatched 19 percent of the popular vote nationwide. But Perot did not receive one electoral vote.

Goren said though this is a problem, it is only one of many obstacles a third-party candidate must hurdle in the United States.

Goren did agree, however, that there are some significant disadvantages to the system.

He cited the amount of attention candidates spend campaigning in states with large amounts of electoral votes, such as New York, California, and Florida. Often states like Montana and South Dakota, with only 3 votes, are somewhat ignored.

Einar Dyhrkopp, from Shawneetown, was a member of the Illinois Electoral College in 1992. He was chosen by the Democratic party to be an elector for Bill Clinton.

"Any time you take place in something like that, it's a historical occasion," Dyhrkopp said. "It was a very interesting experience, very enjoyable."

Dyhrkopp said he does not think there are any problems with the system as it currently stands.

"We have had it for 200 years, with only two mistakes," he said. "I think that says a lot."

**Electoral College Survey**

A Daily Egyptian reporter conducted a nationwide and random poll Wednesday in an attempt to discover what SIUC students knew about the role of the electoral college in a presidential election. The reporter walked around campus, stopped random students and asked the question, "What is the electoral college?" Here were some of the responses:

- "I think it is a college where they just give lectures."
- "I have never heard of that before."
- "I think that's where the college towns are located in different places."
- "It's the college where we choose people to vote for us."
- "I had to look it up with Google and stuff. I don't know, we learned that back in eighth grade."
- "We have it because 200 years ago, people thought we were too stupid to vote."

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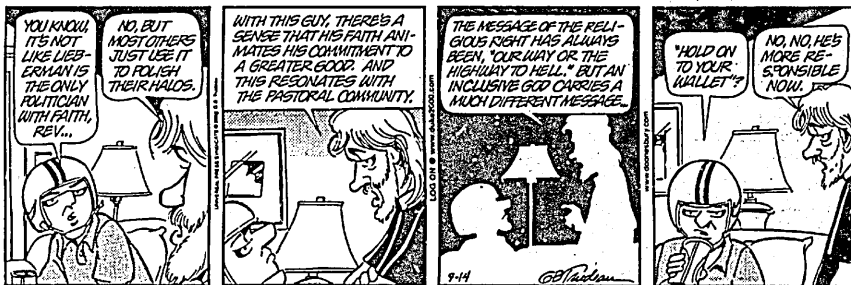
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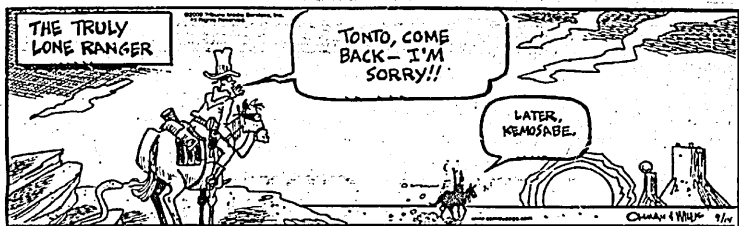


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## SIU volleyball falls short in conference opener

Salukis crushed by Evansville

JENS DEJU  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The SIU volleyball team has a goal to be one of the top seeds when the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament rolls around in late November.

The Salukis were ready to start making that goal a reality when they traveled to the University of Evansville Tuesday to begin MVC play.

One might think that a good conference start was inevitable as Evansville had only beaten SIU once in 20 tries since 1983.

Evansville, however, had other plans. The Purple Aces (5-3, 1-0 MVC) came into the match wanting revenge against the Salukis (6-2, 0-1 MVC), and it's just what they got as SIU lost in three straight games (15-13, 15-10, 15-4) to drop their first MVC match of the season.

"We weren't ready to play mentally," said junior middle blocker Jenny Noel. "I don't know if we thought we were just going to win and didn't expect that they were going to come out and want to beat us. We didn't play very well, the whole team had a bad day."

The proof of how bad a day the Salukis had was in the stats, as SIU had a total of 22 hitting errors.

"We beat ourselves, plain and simple," said SIU head coach Sonya Locke. "We made too many errors, we did not hit well, we did not block

well and when you don't do those two things you are not going to win and Evansville capitalized on the fact that we didn't do those things."

The Aces were led by junior middle blocker Jessica Kiefer, who had 13 kills, five blocks and six service aces.

Some of the SIU players were still in shock over the loss, as they expected to open MVC play with a win.

"I don't understand it, we were so ready to go in there and play our game," said sophomore outside hitter Tara Cains. "I don't know, but it better not happen again."

"We have a lot of work to do," Noel said. "We made little errors that add up to a lot of points and that really hurt us. We need to cut down on the errors."

Other Salukis believe they will be fine as long as they listen to what their coaches tell them.

"[We need to take] the strategies and the tips that they give us and apply them to the game," said sophomore outside hitter Kristie Kemner. "We tried playing our own game when things went wrong instead of sticking to the game plan and doing what the coaches told us to do."

One thing most players agreed on was possible fatigue from all of the traveling is not an excuse, as other teams are traveling just as much as they are.

"Every day we should come out playing whether we're tired or not. You got to show up to win," Kemner said.

## SIU men's golf team takes third place in Drury Invitational

JAVIER SERNA  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Since last spring, members of the SIU men's golf team have made claims that they are better than their scores have shown.

Outside of a few finishes in the top six near the end of last spring's tournaments, the scores didn't add up to the claim. But their scorecards finally backed up some of their talk with a third-place finish Tuesday night in the Drury Invitational at Jackson, Mo.

"We played with the leaders," coach Leroy Newton said. "We were right there, and that's a good feeling."

Even with the improvement, Newton isn't satisfied just yet.

"We're only halfway there," Newton said. "We've improved, but we didn't play what we're capable of. Some of our kids made some bad shots at the wrong time, and it cost them. Every one of the kids can play better so I'm disappointed in that."

Newton mentioned that senior Brandon Bullard and junior Brian Kolmer double-bogeyed a few of their last holes in the dark.

"Murray State and Wright State finished [their play] a couple of hours before us, so they didn't have to contend with it," Newton said.

On the windy Bent Creek Golf Course, the Salukis played into dusk in the final round to

finish with a score of 928 — 20 strokes behind tournament victor Murray State University (908). Wright State University scored 921 to take second place.

SIU was followed by Eastern Illinois University (943), host Southeast Missouri State University (944), Bradley University (945), the University of Evansville (946), Saint Louis University (950), the University of Tennessee at Martin and the University of Missouri at Kansas City, who tied (961) and Creighton University (987).

The biggest impact so far has been the play of Kolmer, who transferred from Rend Lake Community College. Kolmer finished 10-over-par in the three rounds of golf played in the tourney to take fourth place individually.

In an eight-way tie for 10th was team captain Bullard, who is Kolmer's roommate. Junior college transfers Mike Smith and Brad Dunker shot into a four-way tie for 19th. Senior Mike Hudek shot a 21-over-par score of 237 to take a four-way tie for 23rd.

The team will travel to Crestwick Country Club in Normal on Sept. 17 and 18 to compete in the D.A. Weibring Intercollegiate hosted by Illinois State University. Missouri Valley Conference teams will compete along with golf powerhouse Arkansas State University.

"There will be a good field of teams and it will give us a good idea of where we stand," Newton said.

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TED SCHURTER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

**Setting up for an ace:** Kristie Kemner bumps the ball during a home game against Long Island University earlier this season. The Salukis were swept by the Evansville Purple Aces in the first conference game of the season. The loss marks only the second loss to Evansville since 1983. See related story, page 11.

## An eye on the prize

Saluki softball starts fall season at Bradley Classic

COREY CURICK  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Kerri Blaylock will only have one eye on her ballclub this weekend.

The second-year Saluki head softball coach won't be preoccupied or anything — she's donning a black eye-patch over her right eye after having minor surgery Tuesday to remove a small growth caused by an excess of sun and wind.

Blaylock said the procedure required a scalpel to cut off the growth and a few stitches, but it was "no big deal," she said assuringly.

Blaylock will only have to wear the patch for the weekend, which she joked could play to her team's advantage.

"I might scare some people," she said.

But Blaylock would rather her team be the intimidating factor as they start the fall season at the Bradley Classic Saturday in Peoria. And they just may be.

For the first time in recent years, the Saluki softball team is composed mainly of veterans, although there are some key newcomers expected to be in the lineup.

Returning seniors who should play vital roles are pitcher/designated player Erin Stremsterfer, the ace of the staff this season, center fielder Marta Viehhaus, third baseman Julie Meier, first baseman/left fielder Netty Hallahan, second baseman Amanda Rexroat and first baseman Chiara Calvetti.

Stremsterfer, who posted a 15-7 record with an 0.80 ERA last season, will be joined by sophomore Katie Kloess (8-2, 0.57 ERA) and high school phenom Mary Jaszczak of Joliet.

Jaszczak was the Chicago Tribune Player of the Year last season as a prep and led Joliet Township to the AA State Championship with her 28-1 record.

Blaylock said Jaszczak alters her quiet demeanor the minute she steps her 5-foot-9-inch frame on the mound.

"She's mean. We'll put her in a game sit-

uation [at practice] and it's like a totally different person," Blaylock said. "She's so quiet that most of the time you don't know she's around, but you notice her when she's on the mound."

With the pitching staff intact and the infield looking "sharp," the focus of practice lately has been offense. The Saluki offense struggled last season, posting a .231 team batting average, but Blaylock hopes to increase that mark with the recent additions.

Freshman twins Adie and Haley Viehhaus, younger sisters of Marta Viehhaus, along with freshman Tara Glasco of Johnston City are welcome additions. Blaylock also signed transfer Elissa Hopkins [John A. Logan Community College], but she is out for the entire fall season with a thumb injury.

Walk-on Tahira Saafir is battling Rexroat for the vacant second base position as well.

Blaylock said she wants her team to hit for singles and doubles this year, rather than swinging for the fences so often.

But the theme for the fall is just to see people play. Blaylock said she is going to mix and match line-

ups to see how the old and new play together.

"If we play 15 games, I'm going to try to use 15 different lineups," Blaylock said.

With a solid core of upperclassmen, the Salukis should have the leadership to put forth a solid season. Although the spring season is still a ways away, the seniors already have their sights set on the Missouri Valley Conference championship that has eluded them in each of their first three seasons.

"We want to try to stay away from senioritis," Meier said. "This is our last chance and we've got to make the most of it. We've been right there each year, now we just have to put it all together."

Shortstop Haley Viehhaus said the leadership so far in practices has shown the team is dedicated to doing so.

"We have great senior leadership because there's so many of them," Haley said. "They've been the best leaders."

### SIU SOFTBALL 2000 Fall Schedule

Sept. 16-17	Bradley Invitational	Oland Park, Ill.
Sept. 23-24	Evansville Invitational	Evansville, Ind.
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Sept. 30	John A. Logan	11:30 a.m.
Sept. 30	SIU-Edwardsville	11:30 a.m.
Oct. 1	Southeast Missouri	11:30 a.m.
Oct. 1	Univ. Tennessee-Martin	1:30 p.m.

## Shutt battles illness while finishing 16th at Redbird Classic

JAVIER SERNA  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

This season wouldn't be the first time sophomore Jennifer Shutt would face adversity in her golf game.

As a high school player at Chatham Glenwood High School near Springfield, she played on the boys' team. For the first two years it wasn't easy playing with the boys, but eventually she won some of them over in friendship and usually played in one of the top-three spots on the 12-player team.

"My freshman and sophomore year I felt isolated at first like they didn't accept me because I was a girl, and I didn't feel like I belonged out there," Shutt said. "My junior and senior year I got to know some of the guys and it was a lot of fun. I think it was really good for my game because we played the guy's tees and the courses are longer, and I really think that helped me in college."

By the first week of this semester, Shutt wasn't feeling well physically, and this weekend's Panther Classic in Cedar Falls, Iowa, was probably the last thing on her mind.

The sophomore member of the SIU women's golf squad battled a constant headache, a swollen

throat and other flu-like symptoms. She wasn't able to practice or compete for a spot on the team. The symptoms, doctors thought, could mean mononucleosis.

"We were worried because it was before the start of the season and Jenn is a strong player and she does have experience collegiately," senior captain Liz Uthoff said of the possibility of losing Shutt to the virus.

On Aug. 31, the final scores of team qualifying rounds had been tallied up. Since Shutt was never able to practice with the team, coach Diane Daugherty was faced with a decision on Shutt the following day with only the first set of tests for the virus. While the tests were negative, doctors still thought mono could develop.

That Friday, Daugherty had to inform the airlines what players would be flying to the Panther Classic and Flagstaff, Ariz., [Sept. 25-26] for the team's upcoming tournaments. The airlines don't allow last minute changes, so whoever she designated to go would be going, regardless of their play.

Shutt's play last year lowered the odds on the gamble for Daugherty, who normally bases these

types of calls strictly on the numbers.

Daugherty made the exception with the hope that Shutt would be playing healthy among other factors.

"She was our lowest scorer last year, but on top of that is the experience she brings," Daugherty said of Shutt, who bumped freshman recruit Megan Tarrolly from the qualifiers.

"She also has a championship ring around her finger," Daugherty added, referring to last spring's Missouri Valley Conference Championships in which Shutt was a major contributor for victorious SIU.

"I felt really bad for [Tarrolly]," Shutt said. "I was kind of nervous because I didn't know how the rest of the team would feel. I knew they knew I played well last year, but I wasn't sure if they would except it. I knew how I played would matter."

The decision paid off this past weekend when Shutt scored 163 in two rounds of golf in the Illinois State Redbird Classic. The score earned her a 16th place finish individually, and was also the third-best score on the team.

In the first round Shutt struggled with her

putting and shot a 15-over-par score of 87, but rebounded in round two by shooting 11 strokes better than the day before with a 76.

"It was luck, because on the first day I got a few bad bounces and I three-putted three times," Shutt said.

Her play that day mounted pressure on her mentally.

"Since I didn't qualify, I understood if coach wouldn't have taken me," Shutt said. "I felt that because she did take me I was something to prove."

Shutt's round-two score took away any uneasiness she or the team had regarding her being on the team without qualifying.

"I think she came out and proved to herself that even though she was ill and missed a few days of practice she was still able to come out and play," Uthoff said. "She came out to prove a point and she did do it, and I'm proud of her."



Shutt

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• THE SIU WOMEN'S GOLF TEAM COMPETES IN THE 2000 PANTHER CLASSIC ON SUNDAY AND MONDAY IN CEDAR FALLS, IOWA. THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA IS HOSTING THE TOURNAMENT.