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Boys and Girls Club to celebrate fth anniversary



JAMES MCDONNOUGH | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Nine-year-old V.J. Jackson concentrates on homework while fellow fourth graders LaRiah Clark and Nicholas Williams discuss their own assignments Wednesday at the Boys and Girls Club of Carbondale.

For the last five years, the Boys and Girls Club of Carbondale has been filled with children reading, studying, playing basketball and learning life lessons.

“We’re not a day care service,” said Executive Director Randy Osborn, “The kids are here to learn about responsibility and what it means to be a member of the club; what it means to participate and make a difference.”

The club has been making a difference in the lives of more than 500 members each year since it opened its doors in 2004, and tonight the club is hosting its fifth anniversary dinner and fundraiser at the civic center beginning at 6 p.m.

“We hope to raise \$15,000, which is a lot of money, but we also want people to understand our methods and our mission,” Osborn said. “We want the public to invest more in our program as a way of investing in our future. Kids are our future.”

The event will feature local speakers and past students of the pro-

gram. Chris Lowery, SIU men’s basketball coach and a member of the BGCC board, is scheduled to speak as well as BGCC’s Youth of the Year Julian Freeman.

“Julian is very excited about speaking [tonight],” Osborn said. “She hopes to be an actress some day.”

Osborn said Freeman, who has attended the club since it opened, is one of the club’s many success stories. The club’s program is designed to help keep children motivated, occupied and safe while learning life skills.

“Our slogan is ‘a positive place for kids’ and I think that for most kids that’s what it has become,” said Program Director Jazzika Matthews. “We do have kids who deal with issues outside of here, but when they come in here they can shine like a star ... we are that positive place for a lot of kids.

SIU professor invited to Obama health care speech

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Janet Albers has worked to provide free medical services to the uninsured and Wednesday, it earned her a spot at President Obama’s presentation on health care reform in Washington.

Christina Mulka, spokeswoman for Sen. Dick Durbin (D-Ill.), said Durbin invited Albers, a professor of family and community medicine at the SIU School of Medicine, to hear the president’s speech and to get her comments on Obama’s proposed health care reform.

“It takes everybody to solve this problem, and I’m so excited to hear what he’s going to say.”

— Janet Albers
SIU School of Medicine professor

“(Durbin) wants to get her opinions on the president’s speech, what she expects and to get her perspective as a member of the medical community and a longtime resident of Illinois,” Mulka said.

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Arbor District, city officials at odds over crime

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Residents in Carbondale’s Arbor District say they are seeing an increased amount of violent crimes and want more protection, but mayor Brad Cole said some residents are never satisfied with the police department.

Arbor District resident D. Gorton sent a statistic to his neighbors reporting 45 percent of all Carbondale crimes were committed in their neighborhood prior to a Sept. 2 meeting with city officials and residents. At that meeting, Deputy Police Chief Jeff Grubbs presented data to Gorton and other residents that showed only 15 percent of all crimes occurred in the district.

The Arbor District is located just north of campus between Main and Mill Streets and University and Oakland Avenues.

Cole said nobody denies there is crime in the city, and the police department is working feverishly to solve and prevent crimes.

“It’s upsetting that no matter what they do, it’s not good enough,” he said.



“We don’t live in a perfect world.”

The police department gave the residents a “quality of don’t worry, everything is all right,” at the meeting, wrote Jane Adams, Arbor District Neighborhood Association Board member, in an open letter to Chief of Police Jody O’Guinn five days after the meeting.

“We feel that crime is out of control,” Adams wrote. “This sense of impotence and growing lack of confidence in the police is heightened when you deny that there is a problem.”

Gorton and Adams could not

be reached for comment.

Sandy Litecky, president of the Arbor District Neighborhood Association Board and seven-year resident, said the citizens’ concerns are based on the accounts of victims and witnesses.

Cole said the city of Carbondale has enhanced its public safety staffing and is doing more to be proactive and try new techniques to stop criminal activity, but residents who witness crimes — like those Litecky mentioned — need to be

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Swine flu projected to hospitalize hundreds

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The H1N1 virus, commonly known as the swine flu, is projected to hospitalize hundreds in the Jackson County area this flu season, said Miriam Link-Mullison, director of the Jackson County Health Department.

Link-Mullison said if the projections are true, normal seasonal flu vaccines are more important than ever to reduce stress on medical response.

“The more people we can get vaccinated now for seasonal flu, the less likely they are to get seasonal flu and tax the community’s resources,” she said. “That keeps resources available for our response to H1N1.”

A vaccine for the virus is slated to be available in late October or early November, and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, which has been monitoring the virus since spring, has not seen any major mutations, said Link-Mullison.

Despite the projection, most people who become infected with the virus are going to have a fairly mild illness, she said.

City Manager Allen Gill said he is not overly concerned about a possible outbreak, but the city is still taking precautions such as distributing hand sanitizer to various locations, encouraging employees to report symptoms and posting fliers detailing prevention measures.

City employees can get a free seasonal flu vaccination Sept. 28 at the Recreation Center, while their family members can pay \$30 to receive shots as well, Gill said.

Link-Mullison said the health department is also working with public and private schools and communities to set up public seasonal flu vaccination clinics.

The H1N1 virus can potentially hurt the travel business as well, said David Coracy, President of Carbondale’s B&A Travel Service. He said some concerns have faded, though, and later effects of the virus on his business are yet to be seen.

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BOT to discuss Fiscal Year 2011 Budget

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SIU spokesman Dave Gross said the board of trustees would discuss the budget for fiscal year 2011, which does not look good after cuts in state appropriations and the lack of federal stimulus money.

"The stimulus money will not be available next year to the state

of Illinois, and that makes about 6 percent of our appropriation this year," Gross said. "We've had almost a complete collapse in our revenues."

Gross said the board, which meets today in Edwardsville, would likely have a heated discussion on solutions for the FY11 budget. He said Gov. Pat Quinn's proposed tax increase seems to be the best course of action, but it had no support when it was brought up in the spring.

The board would also approve

the budget for fiscal year 2010, he said, which the university has been operating on since July.

"We're a bit late on that because the General Assembly's special session was in July and (because of) us not knowing the state budget for higher education until July 16," Gross said.

Other items on the agenda include an approval of a 3.5 percent cost of living increase for unrepresented employees and additional authorization on Saluki Way bids and construction, Gross said.

Arrests made after weekend shootings

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Three men have been arrested for their involvement in two separate shootings over the weekend and a warrant is out for a fourth, according to the Carbondale Police Department.

Damond A. Smith, 17, and a 16-year-old male, both of Carbondale, were arrested Monday on charges of armed robbery, armed violence, aggravated unlawful use of weapons and no firearm owner's identification card. Po-

lice arrested them in connection with a shooting Friday in the 500 block of North Michaels Street.

Sharron Greer, 20, of Carbondale, was arrested on charges of attempted murder, aggravated battery with a firearm, possession of weapons by a felon and aggravated discharge of a firearm. Greer is suspected to have shot four acquaintances Saturday in the 400 block of Marion Street. Police responded to the disturbance at 3:20 a.m.

Robert L. Delmore, 31, of Carbondale, has a warrant out for his arrest in

connection with the incident on North Michaels Street for armed robbery.

"The investigation into the two shooting incidents that occurred late Friday evening and early Saturday morning, while both serious crimes, have been determined to have been a result of personal disputes between acquaintances, not random acts of violence," Police Chief Jody O'Guinn said in a statement.

Smith and Greer are incarcerated in the Jackson County Jail. The juvenile is being held in the Franklin County Juvenile Detention Center.

Calendar

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• For questions, call (708) 250-7008
- International Potluck**
• 6-8 p.m. today at the Alumni Lounge in the Recreation Center
• 10-12 RSOs will cook for the new International students
• For questions, call the International Student Council at 303-5452

- Candle Light Vigil for the World**
• 8 p.m. today at the Town Square Fountain
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College of Engineering dean search canceled

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The search for a permanent dean for the College of Engineering has been canceled because of uncertainty in the university's budget for fiscal year 2011.

Interim Provost Don Rice, in an e-mail sent to College of Engineering faculty, said the search has been canceled because there is "no vacant line or salary in the College for FY11 with which to hire a new dean."

The search had been narrowed down to three candidates who were invited to interview on campus in late April. One candidate withdrew shortly after to take a position elsewhere, and the final interview for the third candidate was canceled after the May 8 storm hit Carbondale.

According to the e-mail, the search was postponed after the end of spring semester because many faculty members were off-contract

in summer, and administrative and faculty searches cannot be conducted when faculty are not on-contract.

Rice said in the e-mail the lack of federal stimulus money in FY11 combined with the declining amount of state appropriations and falling enrollment could result in a "sizable budget reduction for the University." He said to afford hiring a new dean; money for the salary would have to come from major reallocations of resources in the College of Engineering.

The dean's position has been open since William Osbourne retired Jan. 4, 2008.

Ramanarayanan Viswanathan said he has been interim dean of the college for 19 months and has been asked to continue until there is a renewed search.

"It's kind of new to me," Viswanathan said. "So I get all the help from our chairs and the associate dean and our dean's staff."

Chancellor Sam Goldman declined to comment on the search cancellation.



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Blake Boyer, a senior from Troy studying plant and soil science, reels in his line before switching positions and casting again. Boyer, a member of the SIUC Bass Fishing Registered Student Organization said Campus Lake is good for bass fishing. Boyer said he recently reeled in a 6-pound, 1-ounce bass from the lake.

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come forward with information.

"We need the neighbors to help us, not point fingers at us," Cole said.

Litecky said the board discovered unreported thefts while trying to organize their neighbors.

"We all of the sudden discovered this was going on," she said. "As we go out and talk to residents and students, you find out these things."

O'Guinn said there were extra patrols dispatched to the Arbor District two weeks prior to the meeting on Sept. 2, and Litecky praised the police department for its effort and responsiveness and said she noticed the patrols.

However, since the robbery and murder of 22-year-old Ryan Livingston three years ago, there's been an increase in gun and knife-relat-

ed crimes and beatings, Litecky said, citing a recent incident on Poplar and Cherry Street in which gunshots were heard.

Livingston, of Carterville, was stabbed in the 300 block of West Walnut Street after a July 13, 2006 Sunset Concert and told police before he died the next day that two

males attempted to rob him.

Cole said he is committed to providing for a safe community, and while he sticks up for the Carbondale Police Department, he said no one is more critical of its productivity than him.

"Our job is to catch the offender—which we do—and to turn them over for prosecution, and in the meanwhile, do the best we can to help people to be safe in their homes and in their businesses," Cole said. "It is just very frustrating that a few people seem to never

“We need the neighbors to help us, not point fingers at us.”

— Brad Cole
Mayor of Carbondale

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"Earlier in the year ... we had a lot of people change destinations to avoid any possible issues," Coracy said. "We did have some people who canceled their plans."

Link-Mullison said pregnant women, children of all ages and people with underlying chronic diseases such as neurological disorders, heart disease, diabetes and respiratory illnesses are at highest risk for a serious H1N1 infection. High-risk people will also be the first to receive the H1N1 vaccine when it is released, she said.

Students can get seasonal flu vaccines from noon until 6 p.m. today at the Student Health Center Auditorium, 7:30-10 a.m. Sept. 15 on the breezeway between the Student Health Center and Recreation Center, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Sept. 23 at the Student Center and Oct. 1 at Trueblood Hall.

The Jackson County Health Department will offer free seasonal flu vaccines to university employees from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 22 and Sept. 30 in the Student Recreation Center Alumni Lounge.

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Albers said she was overwhelmed by the opportunity to attend the speech, especially at a time when health care reform is so needed.

"It takes everybody to solve this problem, and I'm so excited to hear what he's going to say," Albers said. "I'm still pinching myself, I'm not sure how I got here."

Albers said she has been involved with a program in Sangamon County, called Coordinated Access to Community Health, to improve access to health care for low-income, uninsured residents. Albers said the program is still in its early stages after about a year of planning and is based off DuPage Access, which has brought many different medical services together to establish a medical home for primary care in DuPage County.

Hopefully, she said, Coordinated Access to Community Health will expand to provide more than just medical service,

but also include dental and mental health.

Albers said many people ask her why she started the program when Obama is pushing major health care reforms. She said the answer is simple.

“I’m still pinching myself, I’m not sure how I got here.”

— Janet Albers
SIU School of Medicine professor

"We can't wait any longer," Albers said. "We can see people falling through the cracks every day and we try to do our best, but it's Band-Aiding things instead of readjusting the entire system."

Mulka said it was the work Albers did in Sangamon County that kept her in close contact with Durbin's office. When he chose a guest to invite out to Washington, Mulka said, Albers name was already known in the office.

Albers said she was looking forward to hearing Obama's speech, but was mainly looking forward to the changes on the way.

"Hopefully that will be just the first step of some major changes because we know we need 'em," Albers said.

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Obama to Congress: 'Time for bickering is over'

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WASHINGTON — Shaking off a summer of setbacks, President Barack Obama summoned Congress to enact sweeping health care legislation Wednesday night, declaring the "time for bickering is over" and the moment has arrived to protect millions who have unreliable insurance or no coverage at all.

Obama said the changes he has in mind would cost about \$900 billion over a decade, "less than we have spent on the Iraq and Afghanistan wars, and less than the tax cuts for the wealthiest few Americans" passed during the Bush administration.

In a televised speech to a joint session of Congress, Obama spoke in favor of an option for the federal government to sell insurance in competition with private industry. But he said he was open to alternatives that create choices for consumers — a declaration sure to displease its liberal supporters.

Obama's speech came as the president and his allies in Congress readied an autumn campaign to enact his top domestic priority. While Democrats command strong majorities in both the House and Senate, neither chamber has acted on Obama's top domestic priority, missing numerous deadlines leaders had set for themselves.

In a fresh sign of urgency, Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., announced that his Senate Finance Committee would meet in two weeks to begin drafting legislation, whether or not a handful of Democrats and Republicans have come to an agreement. The panel is the last of five to act in Congress, and while the outcome is uncertain, it is the only one where bipartisanship has been given a chance to flourish.

Obama said there is widespread agreement on about 80 percent of what must be included in legislation. Any yet, criticizing Republicans without saying so, he added: "Instead of honest debate, we have seen scare tactics" and ideological warfare that offers no hope for compromise.

"Well, the time for bickering is over," he said. "The time for games has passed. Now is the season for action."

"I am not the first president to take up this cause, but I am determined to be the last," he added.

The president was alternately bipartisan and tough on his Republican critics. He singled out Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., for praise at one point. Yet, moments later he accused Republicans of spreading the "cynical and irresponsible" charge that the legislation would include "death panels" with the power to hasten the death of senior citizens.

In one gesture to Republicans, Obama said his administration would authorize a series of test programs in some states to check the impact of medical malpractice changes on health insurance costs.

In a reflection of the stakes, White House aides mustered all the traditional pomp they could for a president who took office vowing to change Washington. The setting was a State of the Union-like joint session of Congress, attended by lawmakers, members of the Cabinet and diplomats.

The House was packed, and loud applause greeted the president when he walked down the center aisle of the House chamber.

Additionally, the White House invited as guests men and women who have suffered from high costs and insurance practices, seating them near first lady Michelle Obama.



President Obama shakes hands with Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi as he enters the House of Representatives to address a joint session of Congress on health care reform Wednesday in Washington, D.C.

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Vicki Kennedy, the widow of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., was also on the guest list. Kennedy, who died last month, had made health care a career-long cause.

Obama intends to follow up the speech with an appearance Saturday in Minneapolis, the White House announced.

Despite deep-seated differences among lawmakers, Obama drew a standing ovation when he recounted stories of Americans whose coverage was denied or delayed by their insurers with catastrophic results.

"That is heartbreaking, it is wrong, and no one should be treated that way in the United States of America."

The president sought to cast his own plan as being in the comfortable political middle, rejecting both the government-run system that some liberals favor and the Republican-backed

approach under which all consumers buy health insurance on their own.

Obama said the legislation he seeks would guarantee insurance to consumers, regardless of pre-existing medical conditions, as well as other protections. "As soon as I sign this bill, it will be against the law for insurance companies to drop your coverage when you get sick or water it down when you need it most," he added.

The president assured those with insurance that "nothing in this plan will require you or your employer to change the coverage or the doctor you have."

Obama also said the legislation he seeks would help those who lack insurance to afford it. "These are not primarily people on welfare," he said in a line that appeared aimed at easing concerns among working-

class voters. "These are middle-class Americans."

The president also said he wants legislation that "will slow the growth of health care costs for our families."

Obama said a collective failure to meet the challenge of overhauling health care for decades has "led us to a breaking point."

Responding on behalf of Republicans, Rep. Charles Boustany, R-La., said in excerpts released in advance that the country wants Obama to instruct Democratic congressional leaders that "it's time to start over on a common-sense, bipartisan plan focused on lowering the cost of health care while improving quality."

"Replacing your family's current health care with government-run health care is not the answer," said Boustany, a former cardiac surgeon.

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“Oh God here we go, how are we going to get out of this one?”

Bob Prothero
a 70-year-old former RAF pilot recalls what was running through his mind when a vintage bomber he was maneuvering at an airshow in the U.K. accidentally took off.

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THE LEFTHANDED PEN

Obama no Socialist, according to the real deal

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President Barack Obama's health care reforms have been labeled by his critics as “socialized medicine.”

He wants to address school children in order to promote his “socialist agenda.” Etc., etc.

So what is Socialism, and is our president a Socialist? Adam Turl, a longtime member of the International Socialist Organization, is seeking to organize a chapter at SIU. He weighed in on the topic.

“One of the biggest slurs peddled by the right wing about Socialism is the idea that Socialism is merely about state control or intervention in the economy,” Turl said. “Whether it's handing nearly \$1 trillion to Wall Street bankers or subsidizing school lunches for poor kids - they call it Socialism.

“Socialists, however, believe that food, housing, health care and education should be unalienable rights and should be publicly supported, but Socialists are equally against giving billions of dollars (in workers' tax money) to the giant corporations that wrecked the economy with their greed in the first place.”

Turl dismissed the rhetoric about Obama's Socialist leanings.

“I was surprised to hear that President Obama was a Socialist. As a friend of mine has joked, we haven't seen him at any of the meetings. The fact is that Obama is trying to salvage a Capitalist system plagued by two faltering wars and systemic economic crisis. His goal hasn't been to replace Capitalism with something else,” Turl said.

“The reforms he's put forward have been very modest—far more modest than those pushed by Franklin Roosevelt in the 1930's,”

he said.

Turl felt Obama's moderation has conceded political terrain to the Republicans who had been totally discredited in the 2008 election and hold no real power in either the Senate or House.

Obama's right wing critics like to raise the specter of “rationing” in health care, but the practice is already used by profit-motivated private health insurance companies, Turl said.

“We already have so-called ‘death panels,’ i.e., the boards of insurance corporations that regularly deny care in order to keep profits high,” he said.

Turl said Socialists favor, at a minimum, a universal single-payer health care system -- removing the profit motive and designating health care as a human right.

“Unfortunately, Corporate America seems to have veto power over what is even discussed,” Turl said. “Now it seems that the White House and Senate are set to drop the public option, too, leaving us with another version of the status quo.”

Turl (siousocialists@gmail.com) also stressed that the bailout of financial institutions was not

compatible with Socialism, amounting to a massive transfer of wealth from workers to the richest and most powerful people in the world.

“Socialism aims to put control of society's wealth in the hands of the working people who created that wealth in the first place,” Turl said. “The banks could have been nationalized outright and ordered to put a moratorium on foreclosures, cap credit card interest rates and ordered to fund projects that would benefit the majority in society.”

Springston is a graduate student in the MAT program.

Whether it's handing nearly \$1 trillion to Wall Street Bankers or subsidizing school lunches for poor kids - they call it Socialism.

—Adam Turl
International Socialist Organization member

THE SANITY CORNER

Can someone give Obama a break?

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Seriously, the man has not even had one year in office yet, and all I hear is how President Obama has failed America.

Besides the fact this statement is ludicrous, it makes me think these people have the attention span of a six year old. Were they living in this country for the past eight years?

Do they remember what happened in that time? It'd be nice to know.

Maybe they are spawn of the Birthers and Death Committee clan.

The extreme right say the president was not born in the country, and the new health care bill has plans for a death committee. They spread doom and destruction about the horrors of socialism.

How the world will be sent to hell in a hand basket, just because health corporations have to let go a little bit of the death grip they have on the nation's health care system.

People who say this astound me. The president is not a socialist. Even if he was they forgot the fact that World War II was to end fascism not socialism.

Our president has been transparent to the nation. During the crisis we are in, we need to know what's going on.

The White House website even has a specific section on issues. This site is a way for people to read legislation signed by Obama, and gives a name and e-mail address for anyone to comment on the bill.

To have had that kind of access would have been inconceivable in the last eight years.

Obama has started a website, <http://www.data.gov>. The Web

site has all kinds of crazy links to different sites in the government.

Through the tools you can find listings from NASA to recreational parks across the United States. The Web site has widgets and things which would take hours to figure out. It is all literally at our fingertips.

Obama also brought us the Cash for Clunkers program. The Cash for Clunkers program allowed people to turn in cars with bad mileage for those that meet emissions standards.

The program ran out of funding much sooner than was expected by Congress.

TV news shows made it sound as if the program was a disaster

because it did not have enough funding. The fact the program ran out of money showed it was such a success. Congress did not expect the program to be so popular.

The fact that people wanted to trade in their cars showed that people are ready to face facts and own a car with practical mileage.

The fact the program went well goes against the impractical ways popular in the last few years. The Hummer is now out of the question.

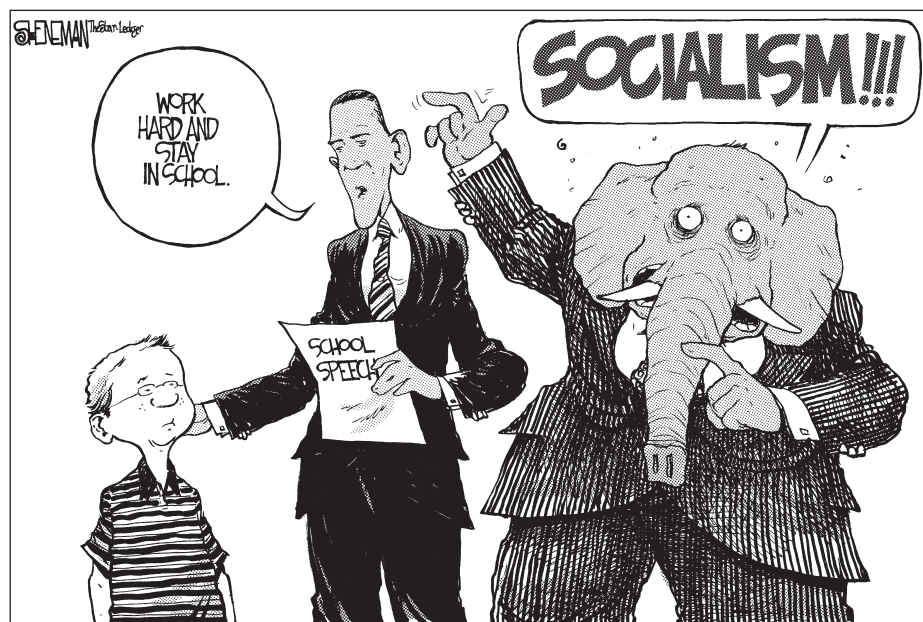
The George W. Bush Administration fought in a war, which not only had no purpose, but was based on a complete lie.

Soldiers have died and the increase in spending contributed to the economic recession we are now facing. America was not respected. The American image across the world was in shambles.

We have a long way to go from the actions taken over the last eight years. There is no way the country can slide on by without any form on backlash. The last thing we need to do is pin it on the one man who can help us out.

Thomas is a senior studying journalism.

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Faces of the fair

The Du Quoin State Fair has an 86-year tradition of corn dogs, funnel cakes, horse races, livestock competitions, cotton candy, Ferris wheels, racecars — even the governor shows up — and has provided entertainment for generations of American families.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN picture staff explored the people and places within the Du Quoin State Fair's 1,200 acres last week. The staff discovered this local piece of bedrock Americana holds strong to the celebration of agriculture and community, quintessential of fairs across the country.

Below are four vignettes into this year's fair.

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Racing down a dream

James Durbin
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Parker Kligerman is living his childhood dream.

Kligerman, of Westport, Ct., is a development driver for Penske Motorsports and one of the top drivers in the ARCA RE/MAX Series at only 19 years old. The motorsports series races cars similar in appearance to those seen in the NASCAR Sprint Cup Series. Many of the current ARCA RE/MAX Series cars were used in past NASCAR competition.

Kligerman hopes to make it to NASCAR competition one day, just as fellow Penske Motorsport drivers Kurt Busch and Sam Hornish Jr. have done. Kligerman had

a chance to show his NASCAR potential in the Southern Illinois 100 at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds Monday.

After scraping the wall in the qualifying round at the one-mile dirt track, Kligerman was forced to start the race in last place. Despite the setback, he made his way to the front of the pack by lap 55 and went on to win the event.

"This is only my second time on a dirt track, and it wasn't as grippy at all," said Kligerman, regarding his qualifying accident.

Kligerman dedicated his win to the team who hastily repaired the car.

"These guys are awesome," he said. "They did a great job fixing the car in record time."

The rookie talent in the ARCA RE/MAX series is not

limited to Kligerman. Another fan favorite at the event was Justin Lofton, 23, of Westmorland, Calif. Lofton, also inexperienced when it comes to dirt tracks, made heavy contact with the outside retaining wall during qualifying, wrecking the car. Lofton's crew was forced to make last-minute preparations to his backup road-course car.

"I've never raced it this year," Lofton said. "We changed the swaybars, springs, front A-arm and rear gear."

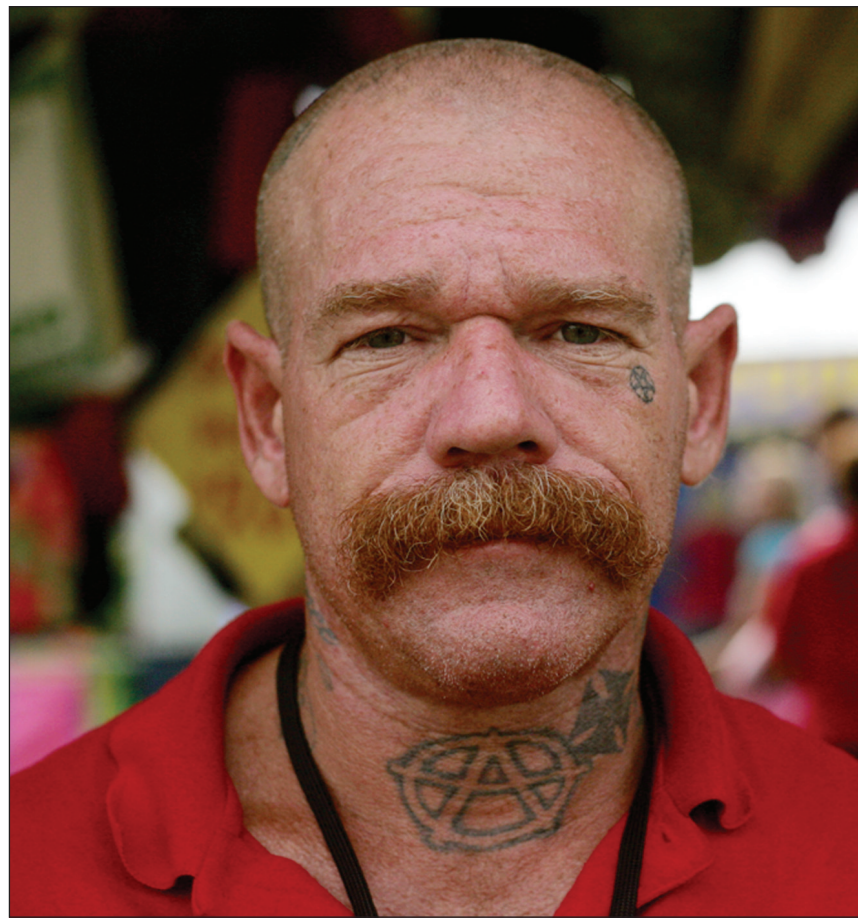
Lofton started at the back of the pack with Kligerman, but stayed on track throughout the race, salvaging a sixth-place finish and keeping his season points lead locked down. Kligerman's win closed the gap between him and Lofton to only 35 points.

Parker Kligerman climbs out of his car after winning the Southern Illinois 100 at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds dirt track Monday. Kligerman, 19, charged through the pack from a starting position of last place all the way to the front to win the race. It was his second-ever start on a dirt track.

JAMES DURBIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN



Champion horse Muscle Hill is walked to the track by his groom, Sylvia Hovde, of Norway. "This horse is worth more than \$6 million," Hovde said. Muscle Hill won the World Trotting



Mike Johnson, a 43-year-old California native, poses for a photo. Johnson has been employed by a sub contractor for the Miller family

Funny business

Edyta Błaszczyk
Evan Davis
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The Miller family has five generations and more than 100 years of experience in the carnival business.

It all started in 1906 when the great-grandfather, Gene Miller, of current owner Fred Miller, formed Miller Concession based out of Little Rock, Arkansas. The business started off by providing food for fairs across the country. That little business eventually grew when Gene's son,

Burt Miller began managing carnival buying equipment.

The success evolved into creating own carnival: Miller's Gala Expos Show, which started in 1958. From there the name changed to Miller Bros. Spectacular in the 1970's to Miller Shows in 1983.

Now Fred Miller, his son, and Fred Johnny Miller, run the business. Fred handles most of the actual planning. His business travels as far northeast as St. Joseph, Mo. and as far southwest as Albuquerque, N.M. and he does all of the planning on the road.

"It all started years ago with seven



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...y, before the start of the World Trotting Derby at the Du Quoin State Fair Saturday. ...ng Derby, but did not set a new world record as expected.



John and Connie Germann, of Marion, and their grandchildren, Alyssa Perry, 10, left, and McKayla Perry, 7, watch harness racing at the Du Quoin State Fair Grandstand Saturday. This was the family's first time attending the races at the fair. "Well, I'm 59, and I've never watched the races, so I thought it was about time," John Germann said.

JULIA RENDLEMAN
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Muscle Hill delivers victory despite delay

Julia Rendleman
James Durbin
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Harness racing fans at this year's Du Quoin State Fair were treated to an appearance by the world's fastest 3-year-old trotting horse, Muscle Hill.

Prior to Saturday's race, Muscle Hill had a 14-race winning streak, with the only loss of his career coming in his first ever start, said Sylvia Hovde, Muscle Hill's groom. He also won the Hambletonian, another prestigious harness race, on Aug. 8, and is estimated to be worth nearly \$6 million.

After several rain delays, the post time for the first of 13 races was moved from noon to 6 p.m. The

delay did not stop many racing fans from returning to the Grandstand for the much anticipated final race. Muscle Hill won the race with a time of 1 minute, 52.3 seconds.

Greg Peck, the horse's trainer, compared Muscle Hill to a champion quarterback who is able to keep his poise under pressure.

"He was gifted with speed and talent. And again, the reason I liken him to a quarterback is because he has the intelligence and he's very aware," Peck said.

Ellen Harvey, a representative for the United States Trotting Association, said Muscle Hill would race for one more year before beginning his stud service. Harvey estimates that Muscle Hill's stud fee will be around \$20,000 and he will sire 110-120 foals a year.



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... in front of his game stand Saturday. ...y for three months.



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Scott Wattles, left, and Keith Furry, right, pray with band members before taking the stage Friday. Wattles, a devout Lutheran, has been performing as Elvis with his group, the Blue Suede Crew, for four years and played eight nights at the Du Quoin State Fair in the Free Entertainment Tent. The group prays together each night before their performance.

Endearing Elvis fan entertains fair-goers

Isaac Smith
DAILY EGYPTIAN

One white suit, some glitter, gold rings and sideburns — that's all Scott Wattles needs to get on stage.

Wattles is an Elvis impersonator, perfecting the classic voice and signature hip thrust after more than five years of practice.

The Blue Suede Crew, Wattles' band, played eight nights in the Free Entertainment Tent at the Du Quoin State Fair. Wattles sang each night wearing his white Las Vegas Elvis jumpsuit fitted with beaded leather fringe as Elvis' classic intro theme played over the speakers.

After working through an hour's worth of material, Wattles left the stage to take a breather

and change costumes. He left band member Keith Furry to do three songs as Johnny Cash.

When he sheds the jewelry and costumes, Wattles said he is just another guy. He is a student-discipline worker at Mattoon Illinois Middle School where his wife teaches physical education.

"I work with a lot of at-risk kids who are at risk for either substance abuse or academic failure," Wattles said.

Even though he mostly plays for fun, Wattles said he does take Elvis seriously and his role as an entertainer to heart.

"When I perform, I guess it is a tribute. I don't try to over-personify . . . I don't let it go to my head," Wattles said about his act. "Elvis was America. There is no other better way to describe it."

operations," Miller said. Now he owns 55 rides.

With 41 rides, 40 games and seven food trailers in the Du Quoin State Fair alone, Miller said placement is key. Miller said there is only so much space to lay out all the equipment, so he usually comes to the fairgrounds a week prior to the event, looks at how much space he has, then uses computer-generated layouts to place rides, concession stands, games, generators and trailers in their proper place to maximize space for function. The team of subcontractors, workers and ride engineers set up and test all the machines in about four days.

"We can do it in a day if we have to," Miller said.

One of the supervisors, Heath Douglas has been with the Miller family for nearly 15 years. Douglas gives experience of the games and rides to younger carnival employees like Dierick Gray, 16, of Du Quoin, who started working at the carnival for a summer job. Gray calls to patrons as they pass through the carnival, reeling them to his game with the prospect of winning a stuffed animal.

When asked how the economy is affecting business, Miller said, "It's been a roller coaster; for this particular fair our numbers are up."

The fact that families are staying home and not going out on vacations boosts the numbers for this fair, Miller said. "There's something for all ages."

This life of travel is normal to Miller. He said there is new scenery every two weeks, and it never gets boring. His day starts around 9 a.m. and ends around 1:30 a.m. He said the season never seems to end because it starts in the first week of March, and lasts until after Thanksgiving. In between that time, maintenance crews work on refurbishing rides and equipment to get ready for the next season.

"We are in the business of fun," Miller said.

Salukis ready to build off record year

Former No. 1 Fadzai Mawisire returns as student assistant coach

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The best finish since 1991 wasn't good enough for the SIU women's tennis team.

The Salukis posted their best record since 1991 last season and the SIU players said they could accomplish even more this year.

"The team is looking a lot stronger, and I don't see why we shouldn't win the MVC tournament," student assistant coach Fadzai Mawisire said. "They should be able to do it if they work hard and do their best."

Mawisire was the No. 1 seed on the team last year and the No. 3 seed overall in the Missouri Valley Conference tournament. She returns this year to help the tennis team as their student assistant coach.

With the conference tournament a semester away, the Salukis' goal is to prepare for the individual tournament season.

Head coach Audra Nothwehr, entering her third season with SIU, views the first two tournaments of the year as a means to get her players ready for trials ahead.

"We want to go out there and play and get in some good competition before our two main ones, the MVC Individuals and the ITA Regionals," Nothwehr said. "Those are the ones that really mean something and we want to build up and get ready for those."

Nothwehr said she was surprised by some of the developments leading up to this season.

Last season as a freshman, Emily Whitney was slotted as No. 7 on



Vishakha Sheoran attempts her slice at tennis practice Wednesday. Sheoran was the No. 2 seed on the tennis team last year. Head coach Audra Nothwehr said she hopes Sheoran can replicate her success and possibly even play at No. 1 this season.

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the team and did not get a regular chance to play.

She enters her sophomore season as the No. 2 player on the team after improvements throughout the summer. She will make her debut at No. 2 in Friday's Blue-Gray Fall Invitational in Montgomery, Ala.

"Emily came back and now she is just beating everybody," Nothwehr said.

Nothwehr said she is also trying to get the new players acquainted to the team. Freshman Jennifer Dien is playing in the tournament this weekend and freshman Melanie Delsart has already drawn comparisons to Mawisire from Nothwehr.

"I am both nervous and excited at the same time," Dien said. "It is my first college tournament and I want to do well."

While Delsart is getting impressive comparisons from her college coach, Dien is getting lofty expectations from her former coach.

"My coach back home wants me to become an All-American freshman," Dien said. "I don't know if I can accomplish that, but I do want to play as much as I can this year."

The Blue-Gray Fall Invitational begins Friday and lasts until Monday.

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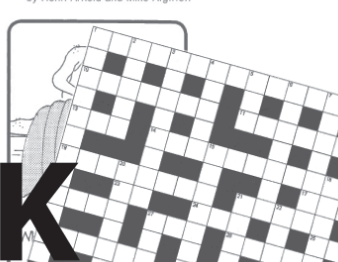
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JUMBLE

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion



The Duplex



Hi, I'M RAISING Money. Would you Like to Buy Some MAGAZINES?
ONLY IF IT'S A GOOD CAUSE. WHAT ARE YOU RAISING MONEY FOR?
MY COLLEGE SPRING BREAK TRIP.
Here's A FIVE.

Crossword

Tuesday's answers



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- 6 1/2 fl. oz.
- 10 Copacetic
- 14 Absolut alternative, briefly
- 15 Caramel-filled candy
- 16 Fail to include
- 17 Hawk's hook
- 18 Reason to cram
- 19 Kentucky Derby entrant
- 20 Start of an investor's quip
- 23 Firefighting aid
- 24 Turndowns
- 25 Pleasing breeze
- 29 Asian inland sea
- 31 Butcher's units: Abbr.
- 34 Gallic she
- 35 Appointment
- 37 Words on a desk box
- 39 Quip, part 2
- 41 Quip, part 3
- 43 Dentist's request
- 44 Pool table boundary
- 46 Sensible
- 47 One way to get directions
- 48 "Serpico" author Peter

Down

- 1 Piedmont wine region
- 2 Attempt
- 3 With no help
- 4 Any of three baseball brothers
- 5 Lifeboat, perhaps
- 6 Old waste allowances

7 Premium opera house spot
8 Blind part
9 College in Claremont, California
10 Athletic types
11 Mine, in Metz
12 Ceramics baker
13 Place whom Sundance liked
21 Golden __: Mongol invaders
22 Baby's ailment
25 Striped equine
26 Perry of fashion
27 Big board
28 Coop moms
30 Get a new mortgage on, briefly
31 Certain NCO, slangily
32 Pop
33 Eyelid maladies
36 Gillette Mach3 predecessor
38 Food-minus-pkg. measure
40 Neat and trim
42 Standoffish

45 Oregon city near the mouth of the Columbia
49 Dutch brew
51 Bills with Franklin on them
52 Up from bed
54 Leading the league
55 Narc's arrest
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57 Chapeau's perch
58 Move like sludge
59 __ Linda: San Bernardino suburb
60 Far from flashy
61 Jannings of old movies
62 Take out, editorially

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Wednesday's answers

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Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday — If you focus on making money this year, you'll find ways to do it. Ever think of writing a book? Starting an import business? Expand your area of operations. Step outside your box.

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

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 7 — Don't believe everything you hear. Messages will be garbled, and some will just be lies. Do your own homework.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — If you ask, you're likely to get money that's owed to you. This could even work if you get somebody to ask for you.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — A reunion with an old friend stirs up memories. Don't get stuck in "what if." Stay in "what's happening now."

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — The textbook seems to include an error. Don't get stuck. Find someone with more experience to tell you what to do.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — The job's a mess, but you can clean it up. Make sure the others know what they're doing.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — Your loved ones have some suggestions about how to spend this evening. Remember, it's for your own good.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 5 — Take it slow and easy. Conditions are getting better. It's hard to make a decision now. Put it off for a few days.


Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — Let your partner play the next round while you learn. You're picking up the game fast; you'll be winning soon.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — Go along with a person who has big schemes, but don't get too deeply involved. Have an escape route ready.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — The more you get into the project, the more interesting it becomes. That's because it keeps changing.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Continue to review your work before you hand it in. You want to find the mistakes before anyone else does.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — Housework takes precedence over something you'd rather be doing. That's OK. You'll be glad you cleaned up the place.



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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurek

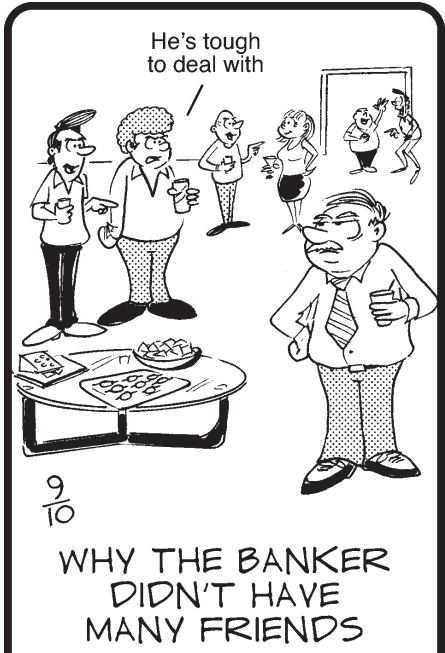
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WHY THE BANKER DIDN'T HAVE MANY FRIENDS

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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Wednesday's answers | Jumbles: RHYME CAMEO CANYON FORCED
Answer: What she hoped to develop with the trainer — A ROMANCE

Saluki Insider

Adam Wainwright won his 18th game of the season yesterday and Chris Carpenter pitched a complete game one-hitter Monday. Do you think either of these two will win the NL Cy Young?



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At this point it has to be a three-way race between Carpenter, Wainwright and the Giants' Tim Lincecum. Wainwright gets my (nonexistent) vote for the Cy Young. He has pitched the most innings in the league, and is top-five in every major category for a pitcher. His incredible summer cannot be overlooked. Carpenter would have a better case if he didn't miss a month earlier this year. Lincecum finishes a close second for me; his recent injuries are not helping his case.

Well, here's the problem. Both pitchers are very good and would be capable of winning the Cy Young, the problem is they are both on the same team. The idea is that their votes will be split and thus a winner from a different team will be selected. So with that being the case, I think Tim Lincecum will win the Cy Young. He has been the most dominant pitcher in the game again this year, leading the NL in strikeouts by 25. He deserves to make it two in a row.

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No, I don't think either one of them will win it. The Cy Young is one of those awards where fans debate whether it goes to the best pitcher, or the best pitcher on the best team. So I say just give it to the pitcher you have no choice but to feel bad for. Dan Haren is 13-8 and has a 2.78 ERA, but is stuck on the last place Arizona Diamondbacks. Since his team can't win many games, I say he should get to win something.

Salukis bank on experience

Looking for first-ever conference title

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The SIU men's golf team is ready to make history one swing at a time behind its core of senior leaders.

Seniors Jordan Cox, Blake Driskell and Patrick Scheil are three of the top-five players for a team looking to win its first Missouri Valley Conference championship.

"This is our last hoorah so the three of us are working as hard as we can and if the freshmen players see that then it will rub off on them," Scheil said. "I feel like we are already working together more this season."

The men's golf team is heading south to compete in the Wasoto Winds Fall Kickoff Monday at the Pine Mountain Resort in Pineville, Ky.

Freshmen Jeff Miller and Jake Erickson qualified for the tournament along with the three seniors to fill out the roster for SIU's first trip.

Miller said he is excited to get on the course for the first time as a member of the Salukis.

"If I can be a role player and I can shoot at the very least a decent score to add to the seniors scores, we'll have a pretty good shot at winning conference this year," Miller said.

Erickson said collegiate golf is different than what he was accustomed to in high school.

"We had a qualifying match this past weekend at Cape Girardeau at Dalhousie Country Club and I shot a

77," Erickson said. "That will be one of the toughest courses we will play on. It is good to see where I'm at."

Men's golf coach Leroy Newton said he is expecting a great year and said the freshmen players will be vital to the success of the team.

"The freshmen are going to have to put up good scores because we are going to have to count on them," Newton said. "I do feel they are very capable of putting up low scores."

Newton said while the teams to beat in the MVC are Wichita State and Illinois State, the Salukis are ready to shock the conference.

"The seniors are real positive and they can't wait to get out and play," Newton said. "If the freshmen can come along over the course of the season I think we can beat anybody anywhere."

Bears Cutler preps for regular season debut

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LAKE FOREST, Ill. — Now all Jay Cutler has to do is deliver.

After all the hype and hoopla surrounding his arrival in Chicago, the Pro Bowl quarterback is ready for the Bears' opener following an offseason that seemed like a blur.

And how's this for a starter?

Rival Green Bay in prime time at Lambeau Field on Sunday, as if that spotlight on him wasn't bright enough already.

Of course, Cutler's been center stage the entire offseason.

There was the falling out in Denver over new coach Josh McDaniels' pursuit of Matt Cassel and, ultimately, the big trade. Now, he's the focus of the optimism in Chicago, where the Bears are coming off back-to-back playoff misses since their run to the Super Bowl.

"It's gone by pretty fast," Cutler said Wednesday. "Once the trade was a done deal, we've been in kind of fast-forward mode with running the offense, trying to get through OTAs and preseason. First game's on us. I think everyone in this building's excited."

No one needed to remind Cutler about the history between these teams. The game will be the 178th between them, including a playoff encounter, but this one has a twist. Both team boast top young quarterbacks and have high expectations this season, with Sports Illustrated even picking the



Chicago Bears quarterback Jay Cutler practices Wednesday, June 10, in Lake Forest.

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Bears to go to the Super Bowl.

"It's great for the rivalry," Packers coach Mike McCarthy said.

In Denver, Cutler played in some charged games against San Diego and feuded with quarterback Philip Rivers. That probably won't happen with the Packers' Aaron Rodgers.

Cutler said they became friends at some functions and he even texted his Packers pal after the big trade. What was the message?

"I said, 'Guess we get to see you twice a year now,'" he said.

Rodgers said he didn't remember that message but that Cutler did wish him good luck in a text on Tuesday. As for the Cutler-Rivers feud, well, "I'm not even going to touch that one," he said.

While the quarterback portion of this rivalry appears to be a friendly one, Cutler knows what to expect in his first trip to Lambeau Field.

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