Conventional viewing to increase—professor

By Emily Priddy
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Although some students are less enthusiastic about conventional viewing—such as the Demoratic National Convention that began Monday in Chicago—interest in the presidential debates probably will increase as the election approaches, an SIUC professor says.

John Jackson, dean of SIUC's College of Arts and Sciences, said people tend to get more excited about the election as the campaign heat up following the national conventions. "The aftermath of the conventions can be quite a period of heightened interest," he said, noting the excitement about non-conventional viewing is because there is no element of surprise.

Many candidates have already been selected during the spring primaries, and the convention is the opportunity for them to discuss their platforms before a national audience.

"I suspect that people who are looking to see new and spectacular stuff are going to be disappointed," Dorge said. "Part of (the enthusiasm level) depends on the level of understanding of what conventions are for.

"This is the one opportunity in four years that each political party has a chance to try to say what it thinks (are) its merits and its home."

Jonathan Hoke, a senior in music education and compositions from Carbondale, said he did not watch the Republican National Convention because it was not interesting.

"I don't think (they) are hip enough in '96," he said. "It was an informative, it was performing their platform and little else."

Jackson said most people watch televised conventions in the same manner as they watch television programs—entertainment.

"People begin to look at conventions the same way they would watch a movie," he said.

Gus Bode

Gus says: The more I see the more I think kings and queens aren't a bad idea.

Musical Dinosaurs

Vinyl lovers still collecting after all these years

By Melissa Liskevich
O'Re Features Editor

When John Sands was a little boy, he had a crush on one of the 3,000 records his older brothers owned to play on his turntable. At the age of 12, he's a record collector.

Today as he peruses a collection of 8-track cassettes, the nostalgia of the vinyl era and the present industry dominance of the compact disc is a big reason for the survival of the vinyl musical dinosaur its devoted fans. Whether their reasons are for sound quality, nostalgic value or cover art, record buyers still believe in the value of the album and its material isn't disappearing.

Sands said a lot of the music he buys as a record is not usually from his favorite bands. He said he owns albums that are generally no longer made such as the hit single "The Talking Heads," but does not listen to it frequently.

"If I bought these on CD, they would cost up to $8 or $15 each," he said. "Most of the stuff I have on vinyl is stuff I didn't want to spend the extra money on."

During the 1980s, the musical industry introduced a digitally-mastered disc. Whereas the record sound quality remained the same, the thickness of the record itself decreased because of the thinness of vinyl.

"If you compare the thickness to the CD," he said, "the CD is thinner and easier to store."

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"I feel records sound better," Currie said. "But that's debatable.

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Saluki Express considered success

"They're good for freshmen who don't have cars because they can go shopping."

Suzette Callahan, junior, social work

One year after the Saluki Express bus service began, officials say that riding is increasing and the mass-transit system has been a success.

Jeff Dukie, Saluki Mass Transit Advisory Board member and Student Center assistant director, said students and Carbondale residents have been using the bus in greater numbers since service began in April 1995.

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Suzette Callahan, a junior in social work, said she rides the buses because they are on time and clean. She polled her friends who said they support the service.

"I think they're excellent," she said. "They get you where you want to go."

Bus service is calculated in riders per hour of bus operation, based as riders per hour of bus, Dukie said.

In full 1995 fall semester, there were 13,899 riders and in the 1996 fall semester there were 15,971. In the May-June-Intersession there were 11,119. In summer 1996 there were 13,291 and in the August-Intersession there were 19,05. Dukie said no figures are available for the 1995 fall semester.

Jim Eynon, Saluki Mass Transit Board chair, said intermission riders from Aug. 3-18 was impressive because it was almost twice the amount recorded in the September from May 11 to June 1.

"We're really happy about it," he said. "I am sure we won't run the buses during intermission.

The Carbondale Council voted to fund the cost of running a bus during the two interruptions because city requests that the service continue. The University's contract with Brick Bus ends today.

Don Monty, the Advisory board's city representative, said it will take a report about the years bus service. See EXPRES, page 6.

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- WSUI radio volunteer auditions for student newscasters, sports and entertainment, 3 to 6 p.m. Auditions packets available at WSUI 44th. Contact Brian at 433-6170.

- Triathlon Club monthly meeting, 7 p.m., Rec. Center Upland Suite; New member meeting to attend. Contact Brian at 351-0217.

- Liberal Arts students (except Music, Art, and Design) graduating Spring 1997 can make advisement appointments in Fall 1229.

- SIU 1st Phoenix Cycling Team meeting, every other Wed., 8 p.m., Rec. Center Alumni Lounge—Spotted by Phoenix Cyclists, Contact Jay at 549-3612.

- Environmental Studies Program reception, 10 to 11 a.m., Student Center Mississippi Room. All undergraduates welcome; refreshments served. Contact Mark at 433-4142.

- Back-to-School Welcome to all students, 3 to 5:30 p.m., South Pulpit Church, Waterloo. Special locations is Pullman breezeway. Contact Joaquita at 453-3321.

- SIU-EDU, Internet & Information Technology Resource Center Organization - New Member Night, 6 p.m., Lawson 151, Aug. 29, 6 p.m., Centennial 104.

- SIU-EDU, Internet & Information Technology Resource Center Organization - New Member Night, 6 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room.

- Sigma Epsilon general meeting, 6 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room.

- Sigma Epsilon open house for students interested in marketing, 6 to 8 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room. Contact Layne at 549-9739.

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**UPCOMING**

- The Black Think Tank Informational Meeting, Aug. 29, 5 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room, Contact Bro. Enoch at 529-0022.

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UNUSED COPY CARDS CAN BE REFUNDED

Prior signs incorrect, University official says

By Melissa Vaughn
Daily Egyptian Reporter

SIUC students and faculty will be given refunds for credit remaining on campus copy and machine cards after a change in campus copy machine suppliers next month, a University official said.

Jeff Duke, assistant director of the Student Center, said the current copy machine vendor, Copier Distributing Products Inc., of Minneapolis, will be replaced in September by the Carbondale company Elyses Office Equipment Inc.

Elyses will supply public copiers and printers throughout campus after contract negotiations are completed.

Duke said some confusion occurred when the outgoing vendor posted signs asking patrons to not punch money on their copy cards, because they would soon become invalid. The confusion stemmed from the fact that there was no refund plan for the copy cards in the negotiations when the company posted its notices, Duke said.

Kelley Malone, a SIUC graduate student, said she saw the signs last week near the laser printer in the Family Communications Center.

"When I saw the signs, I thought, well, because I had $1 on my card, and I planned on giving it to my mom and my sister to use since they're taking classes here," Malone said.

Malone said she used the copy cards during the summer to make copies of her thesis.

"I put a lot of money on the card because I needed to," she said. "If I don't use it up, thought there wouldn't be a problem."
Job opportunities should not define graduate programs

IT IS GOING TO HAPPEN. SOME OF SIUC’S graduate programs will be changed and eliminated. “There will be modifications through restructuring and elimination,” Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs and provost Dr. Robert Shepard said.

Shepard was referring to SIUC master’s and doctoral programs that are under the scrutiny of the Illinois Board of Higher Education. The board periodically evaluates these programs at all state universities to ensure that resources are not being allocated to unneeded programs.

The board uses several criteria to determine a program’s value such as job placement, cost and student demand. SIUC then throws a few of their own factors into this formula that are derived from the University’s mission statement.

With the limited amount of funding being drawn from a group of programs, the board wants to make sure limited funding is not wasted on programs that have few benefits. There is an ideological problem with one of the criteria used in the program assessments, however.

WHEN LOW JOB PLACEMENT NUMBERS CAN lead to the elimination or reduction of a graduate program, the purpose and spirit of higher education may be compromised. For example, English Chair John Howell has indicated that the number of students admitted to the department’s graduate programs would be reduced to meet IBHE criteria. This happened because the board found that more SIUC doctoral graduates were being produced than the job market could accommodate.

The argument can be made that public money spent on a doctoral graduate not working in his or her field of study could be better utilized. This is oversimplifying the value of a Ph.D. to society, however. It also could infringe on academic freedom.

What if, for instance, a student wants to study English at the doctoral level but finds the programs of Illinois colleges downranked to the point that he or she cannot be admitted to one. The student has few options besides waiting for a slot to open in the Graduate College of other fields. Illinois students should not have to put off their educations or choose a field of study based on the number of jobs available in that field.

Job placement criteria also ignores the fact that even if students are not employed in their areas of specialization, they do not have to be. Many English students, for example, become journalists. This does not mean that they should have studied journalism in college. What if English is the subject that spurred their minds to think and expand?

THE SAME CAN BE SAID ABOUT GRADUATE studies in philosophy. The IBHE is concerned about American Philosophical Association figures that suggest 1,004 people with advanced degrees were fighting for 426 jobs. Philosophy Chair John Howie disputes those figures saying many of the 1,004 were already employed within the field. Regardless of the figures’ reflection of reality, students should be able to study philosophy if they choose to do so, in spite of the job prospects.

The first priority of institutions of higher learning should be expanding society’s pool of academic knowledge. Giving job placement projections too much weight in program evaluations could compromise this objective. The IBHE should be careful not to let this happen.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student ponders world’s evil

I would like to share a story about two friends. They’ve never met before. While never having met, they talk about each other all the time.

Over several years, I have had long discussions with each about each other. Both have international students. Both were intelligent, studied hard and had worked hard to come to SIUC. (go figure?)

Each have a large group of friends. I got to know their friends. They knew each other’s friends. Each group of friends talked about the other group of friends. They, too, knew each other.

One group would accuse the other group of group evildoings.

Andrew Enzor
Senior, radio & television

Ethnic groups do interact at SIUC

Mr. Thompson, I think that perhaps you are confusing your judgment of perceived racial problems you have mentioned in your comments. One of the big selling points for me about SIUC is the fact that it is incredibly diverse. I think that it is an important fact that a lot of students her come from around the U.S. but also from around the world. I have met more foreign students than any other student.

I have a similar appearance to some of these non-U.S. citizens. You happen to be one of my Australian, European, or South American friends (those of similar appearance). In this context, it does not mean that I am segregating myself away from my friends who are of African, Asian, or Hispanic descent. It just means that you happened to see me with a particular group of friends at that time. From this, I would like to bring up facts. One, SIUC has a very large student population, very diverse ethnic background. And two, you have not lived here for two weeks. This is hardly long enough to get an accurate picture of all the different cultural groups. I am very sorry about the misunderstandings and I am trying to clear up the misunderstanding.

Jack Hoyt
Graduate Student

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"Be not afraid of greatness: some are born, great; some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them." —William Shakespeare

"If there is a possibility of several things going wrong, the one that will go wrong is the one that will do the most damage." —Corrigal to Murphy’s Law
Decline and fall of voter turnout

With the closing in of a new election season, Americans will be faced with the prospect of a civic duty that too few will perform the art of voting.

In a nation that usually regards itself as the democratic leader of the "free world,, "32 percent of the population cast their votes in 1972, rated below the United States. In nonpresidential elections, there has been a trend of more than 50 percent since 1962. In 1994 during the Republican election wave, "I fear the revolution was only costumed,, which was one of the more liberal publicized campaigns in recent years, voter participation didn't reach 40 percent.

The purpose of this article is to address the issue of voter turnout. The failure to vote is the responsibility of all Americans, although it is important to remember that the right to vote is the fundamental right of all American citizens.

The decline in voter turnout has been attributed to a variety of factors, including the perception that elections are not important, the complexity of the voting process, and the lack of political engagement.

One of the most prominent factors in the decline of voter turnout is the perception that elections are not important. This perception is often fueled by the media, which often focuses on the most dramatic and controversial issues of the day, while ignoring the more mundane and less flashy issues that are often the most important.

Another factor that has contributed to the decline in voter turnout is the complexity of the voting process. The modern political process is often so complex and confusing that it can be overwhelming to the average citizen. This complexity can lead to a sense of disengagement, which can further contribute to the decline in voter turnout.

One of the most common arguments made for the decline in voter turnout is the lack of political engagement. Many people believe that the political process is rigged and that their votes do not matter. This perception is often fueled by the media, which often paints a picture of a system that is corrupt and unresponsive to the needs of the people.

The decline in voter turnout is a serious problem, and it is one that all Americans must address. If we are to maintain a democracy that is truly representative of the people, we must find ways to engage more citizens in the political process. This may include simplifying the voting process, making it easier for people to vote, and ensuring that all voices are heard.

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continuing to provide break service on more breaks," Money said.
If the city approves the request, it could provide half of the funding needed to run a bus route during this year's fall break, Thanksgiving break, and between fall and spring semesters, Martin Luther King Jr. Day and spring break. Duke said scheduling additional days of bus service will not raise student fees because there is adequate money in the service's budget.

Duke said the service will run an intersection route on Monday (Labor Day). The cost of about $100 will come from the Saluki Express fund, where student but service fees are kept.

Although students initially voted in favor of the mass transit system nine years ago, Duke said that it was not activated until last fall because of city and University administration's concerns about whether or not the system would work.

"We're talking about something we'd have to invest a lot of money in," Duke said. "And there was concern about whether students would use the service and whether the service was needed." Students approved a $20 per semester fee for mass transit in 1996, 1998, and again in 1993. The University did not approve the fee, which increased to $25 per semester, until spring 1995.

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People like CDs because they are quieter, and there are no pops or clicks during a quiet part of the song. That's never true even on the best record.

With popular bands such as Pearl Jam releasing albums with their recordings, younger generations are rediscovering the sound. Harry Kleim, owner of 2nd Chance, 214 S. Petree St., said he has seen the average age of his customers drop.

"Records survive because of oldies-but-goodies," he said. "Young people are buying one-of-a-kind records. They are realizing that records don't sound that bad and are cheaper.

A new record will run about $100 depending on its collectible value. A new CD can run up to $15. Used records can run from $1 to $5.

Leonard Brown, a senior in industrial technology from Chicago, said he is one of the few people who will be able to dub onto CDs. CDs will outlive the record.

You can even play your CDs on your computer," he said. "There are too many different uses for CDs than records. Records are just for music. CDs are just too convenient.

While Sands said there is too much sentimental attachment to records, he said he agrees that records win in the academic appeal department.

"I don't know for a record that I would give away my mother for," said. "With an album, you can carry around and listen to. You can't get that kind of artwork on a CD cover."

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Convention for its entertainment value, which is people's television in general," he said. "In general, the mass audience is not much interested in the academic controversy.

Jason Stearns, a first-year graduate student in sculpture from California, said he will be listening to the Democratic convention on the radio.

Stearns said part of the reason for the convention is that the people and audience was a lack of important issues.

"I think generally this is a pretty boring campaign this year," Stearns said. "Dole is scrambling to make issues that have some meat to them."

Victoria Maske, a forensic psychology from Decatur, echoed those sentiments.

"I don't think the candidates really have anything new to bring," she said. "I haven't really heard anything new that they're proposing."

Dole and Jackson said a lack of interest in the conventions does not necessarily predict a low turnout.

Dole said voter turnout usually is based on the level to which voters think they will be affected by the outcome of the election. "I think it depends on what they think of the candidates' performance," he said. "This being the whole thing is," he said."

Melissa Paltog, a sophomore in journalism from Downers Grove, said students may be less interested in the political process than the general public because students' votes are not taken as seriously.

"I think that students are probably less interested because it seems like their voices aren't really being heard," she said. "It seems like one's really listening to what they have to say, so they're giving up on it."

However, Jackson said students often are not heard because they do not turn out to vote and do not participate in a particular large voting bloc.

Young people's turnout is still relatively low compared to other age groups (at SIGU) in 1972, when 18 to 20- year-olds had a slightly right to vote. Students couldn't possibly have been more apathetic since 1972.

Jackson said if more young voters showed up at the polls, more politicians would listen to their voices.

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Campus clock tower to receive restorations

By Dylan Fenly
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Ow, man's dream to restore and improve SIUC's most recognizable landmark will finally be realized Oct. 10 when the Pulliam Hall clock tower will be lighted for the first time, as SIUC official says.

The campaign began last October when SIUC alumni Robert Reid proposed to the SIUC Alumni Association that lights and chimes be added to the clock.

"I just thought that it was too bad to have it tick away and no one can see it and enjoy it," Reid said.

Reid, who graduated from SIUC in 1963 and lowered the flags around campus each day, was also responsible for starting the 1994 campaign to have the clock repaired.

When the clock mechanism broke in 1992, SIUC Physical Plant officials were unable to find replacement parts, and the clock remained broken until 1994, when Reid started the campaign.

Reid said he believes that the Pulliam clock tower is one of SIUC’s most important landmarks, and he said it deserves to be lighted. University officials said that the clock tower replaced Old Main — a campus building that burned down in 1909 — as the architectural icon representing SIUC. The tower served as a backdrop for President Bill Clinton’s speech on campus last fall.

Pulliam Hall was originally built as a high school, which Reid attended in the 1950s, before it became a University facility in the 1960s.

The Alumni Association’s Campaigned to Light Pulliam Tower reached its goal of raising the $35,000 necessary to install lights on a 64-year-old SIUC landmark thanks to donations from more than 500 contributors, Scott Scott, alumni association's president, said.

Scott said the campaign will continue to light the chimes in the clock tower as well.

The Oct. 19 tower-lighting ceremony will begin with a reception on the lawn of Pulliam Hall at 5:30 p.m., and the lights will be turned on by 8 p.m., Scott said.

Lights for the project are expected to arrive by mid-September and should be installed in time for the lighting ceremony, Harry Wirth, SIUC Physical Plant director, said.

With the said Alumni Association officials hope to install hourly and semi-hourly bells as well as musical chimes in the tower.

Donations to the Campaign to Light Pulliam Tower are still being accepted by the Alumni Association to pay for the chimes and the upkeep of the tower.
Satellite computer farming lightens farmers’ workload

By William Hatfield
Daily Egyptian Reporter

SHIC agriculture students are entering 21st century farming with the aid of a new satellite system that gathers information from around the globe and sends it back to the landowner's computer. In just a few years, this system is expected to revolutionize farming by improving crop yields and reducing the cost of inputs.

Steven Steffen, an assistant professor of agricultural engineering at SIUC, says the system, called Global Positioning System (GPS), consists of a network of satellites that continuously orbit the earth and send signals to a receiver on the ground. The receiver calculates its location based on the signals from at least three satellites and sends the information back to the farmer's computer.

"This technology is a tremendous tool for farmers," Steffen said. "It allows them to make better decisions about when and where to apply fertilizer and pesticides, which can lead to increased yields and reduced costs." He added that the system can also help farmers manage water resources more efficiently.

Lindsey Murphy, a student in the SHIC agriculture program, said the system has already made a significant impact on her family's farm. "I remember when we first started using GPS, we were able to increase our corn yields by 20%," she said. "We were also able to reduce our fuel costs by 15% because we were able to go directly to the field where we needed to apply fertilizer." Murphy is currently working on a study to determine the long-term benefits of using GPS in agriculture.

"It's an emerging technology," Steffen said. "As it continues to develop, we can expect it to play an even more important role in the future of farming." He added that the system is also expected to have a positive impact on the environment by reducing the amount of fertilizer and pesticides used on crops.

"This technology is in its early stages," Steffen said. "But it has the potential to revolutionize agriculture and make farming more efficient and sustainable." He emphasized the importance of continued research and development to improve the system's accuracy and reliability.

Fellow cadet admits to shooting

The Washington Post
CHARLESTON, S.C. — On the second day of its investigation into the incident in which a Citadel cadet shot Bree Bryn Jr. in Charleston on May 12, 1992, the Citadel announced that the cadet had killed himself.

"Bryant was found by the police to have committed suicide," a Citadel spokesman said. "He shot himself in the chest and died on the spot." The spokesman said that the investigation was ongoing and that the results would be made public at a later date.

"This is a tragic event," the spokesman said. "We offer our deepest condolences to the family and friends of Bree Bryn Jr. and to the members of the Citadel community." The spokesman added that the Citadel would continue to cooperate with the Charleston police and other law enforcement agencies in the investigation.

Bryant, 21, was a junior at the Citadel and had been a member of the university's football team. He was also a member of the university's ROTC program.

"We are deeply saddened by this tragedy," said Citadel President James E. Weyand. "Our thoughts and prayers are with the family and friends of Bree Bryn Jr. and with the Citadel community." Weyand added that the university would continue to support the families of the victims and would work to ensure that the safety and security of its students and employees remained a top priority.

"This incident is a reminder of the importance of mental health and wellness," Weyand said. "We encourage our students and employees to seek help when they are struggling with personal issues." Weyand added that the university had established a crisis intervention team and would continue to provide resources and support to those in need.

"We will continue to work with the Charleston police and other law enforcement agencies to ensure that justice is served," Weyand said. "We will also continue to support the families of the victims and to provide the necessary resources and support to those in need." Weyand added that the university would continue to work with the Charleston police and other law enforcement agencies to ensure that justice is served.
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Jarringhausen, Paul Wilson. Bill with pitching and a lot of things fall into place the way they did when

"Something has weathered the recent defections to the Western Athletic Conference, New Mexico State, Nevada, Utah State, North Texas State, Boise State and Idaho."

If anything, we feel the six schools we have now, none of them are totally dependent on football, but contemplating going elsewhere, so we’re almost certainly with the six.

Farrell, who said the Big West is looking to add two more football teams, thinks there is a niche for smaller conferences.

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Men's cross country twins value athletics, academics

By Donna Coller
Daily Egyptian Reporter

For Nachi cross country twins, Jeremy and Joseph Parks, attending any college and running cross country was not an easy decision. However, they both knew that if they were to succeed and move forward in their careers as athletes, they would have to make that decision.

When the choice of college had to be made, the Parks decided to stay close to home to be within reach of their hometowns of Eldorado.

"We have a 1-year leap since we're twins," Joseph said. "We wanted to make it easier on our parents.

All after, Jeremy, SUIC has a good team.

"They are together in a way that's never been before," Joseph said. "We have a great team."

In high school, the Parks were the only two in the state to make it to the state meet at the top. In 17 cross country races their senior season, they consistently finished first. As traders, they were both of the greatest in the state. In each meet, Jeremy and Joseph were the only ones to make it to the state meet. In each race, Jeremy finished fourth and Joseph finished 11th.

On Saturday, the Parks were smiling the whole time. "While coming to SUIC, the brothers have been working together and still stay close together in their new roles as freshmen in the Missouri Valley Conference," Jeremy said.

"When one of us has a bad day, the other one is there to support each other. We will fall back together," Jeremy said.

Since the twins are scholarship winners, Jeremy said they are running as a team.

Freshman Matt McClelland is a sate mate of the twins and also runs on the cross country team. McClelland is amazed by their motivation. From the outside, the twins could seem to be exactly alike. But McClelland sees them quite different.

Jeremy Parks - "Their motivation in life is enormous. I've been with them for 2 years and never really noticed they were the twin lead stars and remain serious about school. The twins say that both hold a 3.3 grade-point average while training twice a day. The Parks are both serious about their majors, but this year want to continue to be involved in sports. "I try to balance between elementary education," Joseph said. "I also want to attend college."

Jeremy said he could see himself coaching as well, but also looks at something that deals more directly with sports.

Joseph Parks - "I was thinking about being an athletic trainer. I also want to be a coach."

"We didn't want to go far away to school," Jeremy said. "Since we are only an hour from home, our parents can watch us run without spending a lot of time on the road."

If one personality trait were shared by the Parks, it would be their determination. Their other rolemate and teammate, freshman Eric Rushing, has observed this determination.

"Both of them are determined to work hard and run well," he said. "They have determination to work hard in their studies as well."

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SWIMMING

Russian swimmer in stable condition

Doctors predict Alexander Popov's, Russia's gold-medal swimmer during the 1996 summer games in Atlanta, will return to the water without any complications. Popov was stabbed Saturday in Moscow following an altercation with a watermelon vendor. Popov remains in stable condition in a Kremlin hospital.

GOLF

Woods sheds amateur status, turns pro

Just two days after winning his third straight United States Amateur golf title, 20-year-old Tiger Woods confirmed Tuesday he is turning pro. Woods first event for money will be this week's Greater Milwaukee Open.

FOOTBALL

Raiders' Hostetl six miss season opener

Oakland Raiders quarterback Jeff Hostetler will miss the season opener Sunday in Baltimore because of strained ligaments in his right knee. Billy Joe Hobert will get the nod for Oakland. The Oakland organizers hope to have Hostetler back for the Sept. 8 match-up against AFC West rival Kansas City.

Steelers sign former Saint as tight end

The Pittsburgh Steelers signed Kirk Bolkin to fill in at the tight end position. Bolkin, who played in 16 games as a long snapper and third-string tight end for the New Orleans Saints, has receiver the NFL's free-agent-tryout contract. Bolkin was released by the Saints.

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Tepper guaranteed to return for 1997

No matter what happens in 1996, Illinois University Athletic Director Ron Gueniher is standing by Tennessee Tech's football Coach Lou Tepper. Gueniher said Tepper will be back for the '97 season "no matter what.

BASEBALL

Butler recovering from cancer surgery

Brett Butler began his comeback from cancer surgery Tuesday while at Mount San Antonio. The Dodgers stated their East Coast road trip. Butler, who underwent tonsillar cancer surgery May 21, hopes to return to the Dodgers' active roster by the second week of September. Butler dropped off 144 pounds during his radiation therapy but has gained 17 pounds to return to his playing weight of 162 pounds.

BASKETBALL

Raptors' Robertson jailed without bond

Toronto Raptors guard Alvin Robertson has been jailed without bond and is pending sentence on a burglary charge. Robertson, 34, had been jailed since last week when he was re-arrested one day after posting a $2,500 bond on a felony criminal mischief charge for the vandalism of his former girlfriend's car.

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At Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla., 18-year-old golfer sensation Eldrick "Tiger" Woods defeated Trip Kuehn to win the U.S. Amateur. Wood's 20-year-old victory in the 36-hole match. Woods became the youngest golfer to win the event.

Team ready for opener

By Michael DeFord

SIU's 1996 quarterback campaign has come full circle, the roster is not plucked with injured and most importantly, coach Shawn Watson feels the team is more than ready for its season opener.

"Offensively, we feel like we are about as well prepared as any part of our team here," Watson said at a press conference Tuesday.

"We're really excited. We think we have a series of trip, play people who are going to try and get their hands on the football Saturday," SIU's opening the 1996 season at home against the University of Central Florida.

Junior transfer Steve Luce has been dubbed the starting quarterback for the team.

Wander gave Luce the nod Monday. Luce, who said he "wasn't expected" to get the starting role, was very strong on the position with the rest of the footballers. Luce also was an early entering the running before he was suspended indefinitely Aug. 19 after he was arrested and charged with minor action.

Wander said Luce's arm convinced him.

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Watson said junior linebacker Pat Izzo is suffering from a knee injury. He is expected to return to the lineup after the game.

Wander believes they have a good defense to get us by.

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