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**DAILY EGYPTIAN**

**Friday**  
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**The Pulse**  
• Spanish Civil War exhibit comes to University Museum.  
• Review of "Wonder Boys."  
• Weekend events calendar.

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**Correction**  
• In Thursday's story, "Council leaves bars open for Halloween" Mayor Neil Dillard's quote should have read "It's like a powder keg ready to explode."  
• Thursday's story, "A swingin' good time," should have stated the 19-piece big band was from Harrisburg.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets the errors.

**FORECAST**

**TODAY**  
Cloudy  
High: 55  
Low: 37  
**TOMORROW**  
Showers  
High: 46  
Low: 28

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**GETTING THE SHAFT:** Jennifer Tuder, a graduate student in speech communication, leads the newly-formed protest group "Shaft" in a demonstration outside the Student Center Thursday afternoon. Shaft is upset with the recent violence at a local bar, the launching of a controversial website and the way the incidents have been reported on by the DAILY EGYPTIAN. See related story, page 5

JOHN SANDERS  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

**Talks of a budget cut for SIU, nothing final yet**

*IBHE submits priority items after Gov. Ryan proposed \$29 million cut*

BRYNN SCOTT  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A facsimile from Keith Sanders, Illinois Board of Higher Education president, informed Illinois public university presidents Wednesday that Gov. George Ryan proposed a \$29 million higher education cut to proposed budgets.

According to the facsimile, the governor's staff asked IBHE executives to recommend where the \$29 million cut should be drawn from in their proposed budget.

The proposed cut included SIU, which would only receive a 4.6 percent increase, or \$228.8 million for fiscal year 2001, rather than the 5.7 percent increase, or \$231.3 million.

The original budget for higher education that was recommended by Ryan was the first time a governor in Illinois had fully funded the requested budget from the IBHE.

On page one of the facsimile, Sanders stated, "It is my understanding that the governor's office was putting together similar materials for other areas of the budget, and that this exercise was being done in response to legislative requests."

On Thursday, Sanders could not be reached for comment.

The second, third and fourth pages of the facsimile provide details of IBHE's recommendation as to where funds should come from if in fact the proposal affects the actual budget. The board staff put emphasis on retaining critical faculty and staff, information technology workforce and deferred maintenance.

The facsimile served as a notice to university presidents, preparing them for the possible \$29 million cut from the original proposed budget.

Garrett Deakin, executive assistant for Governmental Relations, said proposed budget cuts from the governor typically do not occur this early in the legislative process, but the General Assembly convenes April 14 — six weeks earlier than usual sessions end.

The original budget was presented to the Senate Appropriations Committee Feb. 29 and is scheduled to appear in front of the House Appropriations Committee March 24. This gives the General Assembly 21 days to

debate and decide on an appropriate budget for higher education.

Deakin said it is typical for these proposals to "float" around among legislators.

He said a reason for the proposed cut may have dealt with underestimation of tax relief or revenue.

"They are looking at ways to balance the budget," Deakin said. "But we will still support the governor's original recommendation."

Interim President Frank Horton said though there is an obvious concern for the proposal, he is optimistic for the final budget.

"It is hard to scribe what the real situation is at this point," Horton said. "But [Sanders] did the right thing by sharing it with everybody."

Horton described the facsimile as a "what would you do" hypothetical question from the IBHE.

But Sean Henry, Undergraduate Student Government president, was disappointed with the proposal. He heard of it Wednesday while lobbying for SIU's budget in Springfield.

"He was probably sincere when he made the original proposal, but he got our hopes up too high," Henry said. "By the governor proposing a cut, it takes pressure off the General Assembly and puts it back on the governor."

**BOT adopts shared system rather than central location**

*Controversial Andersen plan will not be implemented*

KATE MCCANN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Alton — The Board of Trustees Finance Committee adopted final recommendations that will abolish suggestions made by Arthur Andersen, proposing all SIU campuses be run on a shared service center, at its Thursday morning meeting.

**INSIDE**  
BOT hears of computer problems and successes.

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Fears that the central location of the shared service center would be on the Edwardsville campus, mobilized widespread opposition to the Arthur Andersen report over the economic impact the plan would have on the Carbondale community. The Moody Commission presented

their final recommendations for a shared services system, as opposed to a shared service center, to SIU interim President Frank Horton in February. Horton accepted the recommendations, offering only slight changes before submitting it to the board for approval.

The collaborative recommendations offered by the Moody Commission and the president's office essentially will establish a multi-campus system to purchase goods, emphasizing a continuous improvement in relationships among suppliers, the University and user departments.

SIUC Faculty Senate and Faculty Association both made public statements opposing the shared service center in April 1999, after concerns over job elimination on campus as well as the negative financial impact for the entire Carbondale community prompted them into action.

The Moody Commission was established in September 1999 and is composed of 20 members made up of faculty representatives from SIUE and SIUC, as well as Carbondale, Edwardsville and Springfield community members.

**Simon appointed to study death penalty**

*Commission to look into capital punishment procedures*

ANDY EGENSE  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon has been chosen to co-chair Gov. George Ryan's Commission on Capital Punishment to explore possible alternatives to Illinois' death penalty policy.

Last month, Ryan declared a moratorium on executions until the commission can complete its review of the system. Former federal Judge Frank McCarr and former U.S. Attorney Thomas Sullivan will co-chair the commission with Simon.

Executions will be delayed until a recommendation has been made by the 14-member commission. Simon, who opposes the death penalty, said the commission will take as much time as needed before proposing a solution. Since the death penalty was reinstated

in 1977, 13 death-row inmates in Illinois have been cleared and 12 have been put to death. Illinois is the first state in the nation to impose a moratorium.

"The national attention that has been focused on Gov. Ryan and his decision clearly has stimulated some thinking on part of other states to look at a major reviewing of this whole process," Simon said.

Simon said he recognizes that the majority of people favor the death penalty, as do some commission members, but thinks things can be done to improve the system.

"If we are going to have it, let's make sure that innocent people are not executed," Simon said. "In my opinion, we harm ourselves when we go to violence, whatever that violence is."

The board is made up of various government and public agents including attorneys, public defenders and county prosecutors. Also on the committee is Scott Turow, the author of best-selling legal thrillers based in a fictional Chicago county.

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Calendar item deadline is two publication days before the event. The item must include time, date, place, admission and sponsor of the event and the name and phone of the person submitting the item. Items should be delivered to Communications Building, Room 1247. All calendar items also appear on [www.dailyegyptian.com](http://www.dailyegyptian.com). No calendar information will be taken over the phone.

**TODAY**

- **Library Affairs Powerpoint**, 11 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., instructional applications for the web, 2 to 3 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- **Christian Apologetics Club** answering life's questions from God's word, noon, Corinth Room Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.
- **Peter Keane and Mike Lescelius** will be performing, 7 p.m., Cousin Andy's Coffee House, adults \$5, students and low income \$3.
- **Crow Johnson** all round multitalented singer-songwriter performing, 7 p.m., Cousin Andy's Coffee House, \$5 adults, \$3 students and low income.
- **Friends of Traditional Music and Dance** old-time contra dance, 8 to 11 p.m., Murphysboro Community Center, \$4 admission, Joe 457-2166.

**UPCOMING**

- **Women's Teen Conference** needs volunteers to introduce speakers, act as room monitor and assist with hospitalizing, registration, and directions, Mar. 11, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., John A. Logan College, Nicole 549-5454.
- **Murphysboro Celtic Festival** needs assistance with children's arts and crafts activities and staffing of a fundraising food booth, Mar. 11, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Elana 549-7741.
- **The Cast Your Cares Crusade Choir** is holding auditions for vocalists that are interested in carrying out God's word, every Sat., 3 to 5 p.m., Wesley Foundation, Trijan 457-0921.
- **Young Women's Coalition** seminar on "Young Woman in Support of Caethoer", every Sun., 6 p.m., Activity

- Room C Student Center, L'Raie 529-5858.
- **Student Alumni Council** meeting, every Mon., 6 p.m., Kaskaskia/Missouri Rooms, Jason 453-2444.
- **SIUC Ballroom Dance Club** meeting and lessons, every Mon., 7 to 8 p.m., Davies Gym small gym second floor, \$15 student membership, Bryan 351-8855.
- **Outdoor Adventure Club** meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Video Lounge Student Center, Christy 536-7253.
- **American Advertising Federation** meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Communication Building Room 1244, Casey 351-1400.
- **Kendo Club** Japanese fencing meeting, every Mon. and Thurs., 8 to 10 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.
- **Yoga Sports Club** exercises and meditation; every Mon. and Wed., 8:30 to 10 p.m., Recreation Center Assembly Room, Craig 457-8578.
- **Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center** is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Mill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2898.
- **Japanese Table**, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, bring your lunch, Dawn 536-8380.
- **SPC Films** meeting to select films for student entertainment, every Tues., 5 p.m., basement of Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.
- **Ballroom Dance Club** meeting, dance lessons and practice session, every Tues., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Davies Gym second floor small gym, \$15 student members, Bryan 351-8855.
- **Blacks in Communication Alliance** meeting, every Tues.; 7:30 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Erika 536-6798.
- **Apostolic Life Campus Ministry** prayer meeting, every Wed., 8 to 9 a.m.,

**POLICE BLOTTER**

**UNIVERSITY**

- **Frederick White**, 18, of Carbondale was arrested on a Jackson County warrant at 8:27 p.m. Wednesday when police spotted him along Logan Drive. White posted a cash bond and was released.
- A student at the Recreation Center reported a wallet stolen from a gym bag between 8:45 and 9 p.m. Wednesday. Loss was estimated at \$20, and there are no suspects in this incident.

**ALMANAC**

**THIS DAY IN 1988:**

- With a victory over Bob Dole on Tuesday, George Bush all but sealed the Republican Presidential nomination.
- The buzz around campus was about the upcoming Hank Williams Jr. concert at the SIU Arena.
- Michael Douglas and Glenn Close were starting in "Fatal Attraction" which was playing at the Saluki Theatres for only a dollar.



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# Update on AIS shows progress

*BOT presented with computer system problems and successes*

ANNE MARIE TAVELLA  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A presentation on SIU's new Computer Information System focused on progress and explained delays to the Board of Trustees at its

Thursday meeting.

In the Oracle, also known as the Administrative Information System (AIS), a glitch, which contributed to the delays, was isolated this month and was corrected on March 3. Project workers and Oracle consultants, the company providing the software, began working to isolate the problem after it was identified in October.

The problem prevented the University from balancing its internal books, but it has still been able to do business. By next week, SIU fiscal officers will be able to pull up accounts online

and read accurate balances.

At the board meeting, William S. Capie, head of the administrative team, said the software bug appeared when the general ledger program calculated incorrect balances.

Capie, who gave the presentation to the board, said despite many rumors, the system is not failing and more focus has been put on problems than successes.

"Bad news travels fast," Capie said.

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# Passenger service study funding possible

*First comprehensive airline service study being assessed by community groups*

ANTONIO YOUNG  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Requests have been made to the City of Carbondale surrounding communities and organizations to make one-time contributions for a study analyzing the feasibility of restoring scheduled passenger service to the Southern Illinois Airport.

Members of the public in this area have expressed a significant need for more and better airline service choices since the airport discontinued the use of passenger service in 1996, said Gary Shafer, airport manager.

"The sense of the community is that we need to improve the airline service picture in this area, so the intent of the study is to measure the degree of air service demand that exists," said Shafer.

The airport maintains aircraft for business purposes and for flight instruction for SIUC students majoring in aviation, but will not need to make improvements to accommodate increased service, said Shafer.

"We have an airport facility that could accom-

modate new air carriers to the region that would provide that service the community is asking for," said Shafer. "[The airport] is sufficiently large enough to accommodate anything we would attract in here."

Shafer estimates the cost for performing the study to be about \$50,000.

Other participants in funding the study include SIUC, Carbondale Convention and Tourism Bureau, the City of Murphysboro, Jackson County, and the Southern Illinois Airport Authority.

The groups are assessing the need for the comprehensive air service market study, which would be the first in Carbondale and nearby areas.

# International organizations planning for battle ahead

*A proposed fee on international student sparks activism among leaders*

TERRY L. DEAN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A federally mandated fee by the government has SIUC's international student leaders ready to take action.

The \$95 fee, proposed by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, will be assessed every time an international student opts for a new degree program or changes schools, among other transactions. The money generated from the fee will fund a computer-based tracking system that INS expects to have ready by 2003. Neither the fee nor the tracking system makes much sense to leaders.

"They're tracking us, and they want us to pay for it," asked Aashish Lakhani, president of the International Student Council.

He and other international student leaders want some answers from the government, and plan to make their thoughts known in a protest letter to INS.

Lakhani said they plan on contacting international student organizations from other universities and join with additional campus organizations across the country to protest the fee before contacting INS.

More than a dozen SIUC international student organizations are in support of the letter, which is expected to be sent before the end of spring semester.

INS initiated the measure as a result of the 1996 Immigration Act. The law was passed in the wake of the 1993 World Trade Center Bombing to stop illegal aliens from entering the United States. Lakhani said he questions the logic behind the government's actions, and thinks the INS fee was flawed from the beginning.

"Such things will happen, but you can't blame all international students," Lakhani said. "I don't believe the World Trade Center was done by [actual] students. The bombing was an issue of hate. Students do not come to America because they hate it. I think all this will do is create [greater tensions]."

The 1996 law provided an option for INS to create a way to monitor international students. Congress alleged that one of the suspected bombers was thought, to be a former interna-

tional student. Byron Gale, president of the Greek Student Association, said the fee is just another way the government is using international students as scapegoats, such as the bombings in Atlanta during the 1996 Olympic Games and the federal building in Oklahoma City in 1994.

"They try to use all kind of minorities in this country," he said. "When the Oklahoma building blew up, they blamed the Arabs right away, but it was an American. And then the Atlanta thing happened, and they were looking for foreigners again."

SIUC administrators are also on record in opposing the fee. Carla Coppi, associate director for International Students and Scholars, called the fee "unfair and unnecessary."

Coppi is a member of the National Association for Foreign Student Affairs, an organization of national and international educators.

NAFSA has started its own letter-writing campaign to Congress and INS requesting that the law be changed or modified. Coppi encourages students to continue to protest, but said they may have lost this battle.

"I'm afraid it's a done deal," she said. "Despite all of the criticism INS has received, they are still planning to go forward with it."

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### ALTON

#### Dean's appeal denied

On Thursday at the Board of Trustees meeting, SIU interim President Frank Horton denied an appeal to overturn a Judicial Affairs decision expelling former SIUC student Joshua R. Dean for sexually assaulting another student.

Dean, a former Undergraduate Student Government senator, was found not guilty in the Jackson County Circuit Court of sexual assaulting an 18-year old SIUC woman in Schneider Hall.

Last semester, Dean was found guilty by Judicial Affairs and was sentenced to expulsion effective at the end of the Fall 1999 semester.

Before Dean left the University, he tried to pass several motions in USG that would remove the Judicial Affairs policy of guilt by a "preponderance of evidence." He also proposed that evidence from state trials be admitted into Judicial Affairs hearings. All motions were denied.

### CARBONDALE

#### Art imitates life

The 24 competitors were announced Thursday for the SIUC School of Art and Design's annual Rickett-Ziebold Trust awards.

The awards, which are given out April 3, reward graduating seniors in the program for outstanding work. The art is judged based on performance and excellence in creative achievement.

After a preliminary judging of the work, students are given a two day exhibition of their art work on April 2 and 3. Faculty members in the school will then judge the work and winners will be announced on April 3.

### NEW YORK

#### Legendary coach retires from broadcast booth

CBS basketball commentator Al McGuire announced that he is retiring after 23 years of broadcasting because he no longer has the energy or desire to continue.

McGuire's last appearance on CBS was Sunday's Big Ten game between Indiana and Wisconsin. James Worthy, former UNC-Chapel Hill and Los Angeles Lakers star, will replace McGuire.

## CORRECTIONS

Wednesday's brief "Youth recreation programs start in March" should not have contained information on the Hoisting International presentation for Saturday at 1 p.m. This meeting will not be taking place.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets this error.

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# War and Remembrance

Spanish Civil War exhibit comes to University Museum

TRAVIS MORSE  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

The period of 1936 to 1938 was not just turbulent because of the events leading up to World War II. Spain had its own struggle against fascism. Several posters and photographs from the Spanish Civil War are featured in a new exhibit coming to the University Museum.

The exhibit, "Shouts From the Wall," includes posters of the time created by democratic freedom fighters in Spain. Most of the photographs were brought home from American volunteers who served in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade to fight fascism.

John Whitlock, director of the museum, said the exhibit is an important piece of history.

"It documents the Abraham Lincoln Brigade's involvement in the war," Whitlock said. "It's interesting because it's a part of Spanish and American history as well."

History professor Michael Batinski was instrumental in bringing the exhibit to SIUC. It took two years to collect funding, but Batinski said it was well worth the wait.

"The exhibit is a pretty spectacular show and I'm really pleased with it," Batinski said.

Batinski also said the exhibit represents an embarrassing time for the U.S. government because it refused to help in the fight against General Franco, who controlled Spain's fascist

government. At the same time, it illustrates the bravery of a certain number of dedicated citizens willing to fight and die to defend democracy.

Franco eventually won the war, but Batinski said the spirit of the freedom fighters lives on in this exhibit.

"A lot of us have chosen to forget about it because it is an embarrassment for the U.S. government," Batinski said. "However, it is also a testimony to the idealistic people who went to fight in Spain."

The collection is already installed and officially opens Tuesday, March 21. Whitlock is confident it will be of interest to history and culture buffs.

"It should get a decent turn out," Whitlock said. "I'm happy that professor Batinski brought it to our attention."



## OPENING

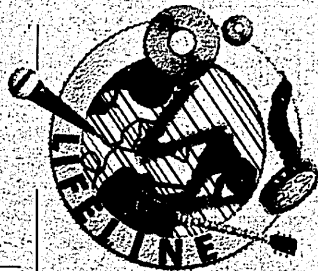
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## Carbondale:

- Open mic night at 10 p.m. at the Longbranch Coffeehouse.
- Live DJ show every Friday and Saturday at Stix with no cover charge.
- Crow Johnson performs at Cousin Andy's Coffeehouse at 9:30 p.m. Suggested donation for adults is \$5 and for students and low income people, \$3. Well-behaved children get in free.
- Saint Stephen's Blues play Hangar 9 at 10 p.m.
- Joe Swank and the Mule Skinner Band bring its music to Boo Jr.'s at 9 p.m.
- Know Fun, a rock band, will perform at PK's at 9:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.
- Today through March 10 the University Museum is displaying a Combined Faculty Exhibition. Times for the exhibit are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. The museum is free and open to the public.
- The Playroom, a juried exhibition organized by students enrolled in Art 447, will be on display at the University Museum today through March 10. The museum is free and open to the public.

## Chicago

- The reggae band Steel Pulse take the stage at the Chicago House of Blues at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$22.50.



## SATURDAY

### Carbondale

- There is a Living History Weekend at the Ft. Massac State Park in Metropolis Saturday and Sunday. The theme is experiencing the life of a French soldier during the French occupation from 1757 to 1763. The event is all-day and free.
- The Nancy Weymouth Kahn art show, "Paint on Paper & Paper on Paint," will be displayed at the Longbranch Coffeehouse through Mar. 27.
- Saturday Morning Storytime at Barnes & Noble will feature "Abby Cadabby" by Peter Seeger. It starts at 10:30 a.m. and there is no admission price.
- Joe Swank and the Mule Skinner Band brings its music to Boo Jr.'s at 9 p.m.
- Know Fun, a rock band, will perform at PK's at 9:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.

### Chicago

- Cowboy Mouth rocks the Chicago House of Blues at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10.

### St. Louis

- The Shout 2000 tour takes place at the Fox 1 the University Museum today through March 10.

# Writing Man's Burden

New comedy is short on laughs, but long on charm

TRAVIS MORSE  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

The legendary author Boudillard once said that writing is a dog's life, but the only one worth living. Director Curtis Hanson has taken that sentiment to heart in his whimsical new comedy "Wonder Boys," a film that turns the life of a struggling novelist into an intellectual comedy of manners.

Michael Douglas plays Grady Tripp, an author who scored a big success with his first novel, "The Arsonist's Daughter," but is stranded on page 2,617 on his follow up with no ending in sight. He is also a professor at Pittsburgh University and he finds himself forming an odd relationship with his most gifted writing student played by Tobey Maguire.

Tripp's extracurricular activities include a romantic involvement with the chancellor's wife (Frances McDormand) who tells him one evening she is pregnant and trying to fend off his increasingly anxious editor (Robert Downey Jr.), who is dying to get a look at his new novel.

Douglas proves himself to be a talented comedic actor and he plays off Maguire and Downey Jr. effectively. It is refreshing to see him take a break from his frustrated rich man roles ("The Game" and "A Perfect Murder") to play a real person; flawed, vulnerable and in search of redemption. Downey Jr. has a ball with his role as the gay editor whose audacity knows no limits and Maguire puts a comic spin on a potentially tragic character who can't decide between suicide or life as an author.

Hanson is an interesting director. Most consider "L.A. Confidential" to be his breakout masterpiece, but in my opinion he made a much more interesting noir film in 1990 called

"Bad Influence," starring Rob Lowe and James Spader. Shot in dark, subtle colors and filled with a sort of yuppie menace, it was Hanson's strongest film. He later went on to make "The Hand that Rocks the Cradle" and "The River Wild" before crafting the critically acclaimed "L.A. Confidential." At any rate, "Wonder Boys" is a significant departure for Hanson and he handles this comedic material with quirky grace.

He also knows how to choose a soundtrack. Mid tempo blues numbers by Bob Dylan, John Lennon and Neil

Young set the breezy tone of the film quite nicely. This is especially true in a sequence where Tripp reads a new novel his troubled student has just completed. Young's "Old Man" plays in the background and it perfectly illustrates the theme of different generations coming together.

The dark, snowy beauty of Pittsburgh is beautifully visualized as well. Hanson's immaculately framed compositions and Dante Spinotti's lush, beautiful photography turn the city into a winter slumberland that is almost a character in the film.

Much as Kubrick's "The Shining" is not a traditional jolt-filled horror film, "Wonder Boys" is not your typical belly laugh comedy. Instead of being a jokey romp, the film exudes a lackadaisical charm that is hard to resist.

Consequently, not much of it is laugh-out-loud funny. It would've taken filmmakers like the Coen Brothers, who made magic with a story about writer's block with "Barton Fink," to accomplish that. However, Hanson and screenwriter Steve Kloves working from a novel by Michael Chabon, did succeed in planting a knowing smile on my face. The situations they portray are dead-on accurate and the collegiate, literary atmosphere is richly brought to life.

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# Students: We've been shafted

*Speech Comm. group unites in protest*

DAVID FERRARA  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A group of speech communication majors think SIUC students are getting "shafted."

Six of them set up a 10-minute protest on a grassy knoll at the north end of the Student Center at noon on Thursday. They turned the heads of about 50 students who were in the area when the light began.

**Gus says:** Is this story fit to print?

Jennifer Tuder banded the small group after a student started a website (SiULife.com) that showed scantily dressed women posing in provocative manners. Tuder, a graduate student in speech communication, said she has participated in activism as a student at Arizona State University and the University of Northern

Iowa.

While the SIUC group originated because of the controversial website, Tuder says there are other incidents that lead to its activism.

"We're concerned about people getting the shaft," Tuder said.

An incident last month in which an SIUC woman was beaten up while dancing on the dance floor at Gatsby's Bar & Billiards, 610 S. Illinois Ave., initially sparked Tuder's interest in activism.

"It is our contention that the recent violence at Gatsby's, the launch of a website that promotes exploitation of women and the DAILY EGYPTIAN coverage of both events are all connected," she shouted during the protest. "It is about watching. The way the bouncers watched, the dance floor watched, the way the DE watched and gave legitimacy to the incidents."

While Tuder stood in front of the five other "Shaft" members, the group imitated the alleged event that took place in Gatsby's, as reported by the DAILY EGYPTIAN. One group member would act getting beat up by two others. They imitated getting punched in the face and fell to the ground. In a fetal position on the ground, one member was kicked repeatedly by two others.

"What matters is grope, slap, punch, kick," Tuder shouted to the crowd outside the Student Center.

What matters is the taste of my blood in my mouth. What matters is that you don't see anything wrong with this."

Two members of the group held signs above their heads that read, "Are you watching this," "All the news that's fit to print," "What's wrong with this picture," and "7,000 hits," the last of which referred to the number of hits SiULife.com garnered on its day of launch.

At about 10 p.m. on March 2, the group set up a similar protest in front of Chicago Hot Dog, 611 S. Illinois Ave.

The group's protest last week was quick and consisted of about 30 of their friends who watched and ran off within a matter of minutes.

David Brege, a freshman from Sparta, found a "political ally" in the group.

"I'm impressed mainly by the nerve," Brege said. "Without things like this, nothing ever gets done."

Tuder said the group gathered on campus for the second of what could be a series of skits "because we really want to reach the student body."

"We're really hoping to reach students at a personal level," she said.

James Jackson, a senior in studio art from St. Louis, who was sitting on a cement ledge near the protest said he thought the protest was "interesting."

"They did what they came out here to do," he said.

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**Translation of 'Beowulf' winning fans**

Thanks to a new translation of his epic journeys, Beowulf is scoring new fans in classrooms around the world.

The ancient Anglo-Saxon poem appears in "The Norton Anthology" recently released by Farrar, Straus & Giroux. Nobel Prize-winning poet Seamus Heaney translated the piece, and Indiana University English pro-

fessor emeritus Alfred David edited it.

Their work already has propelled the ancient tale to the top of best-seller lists in England and has also won the esteemed Whitebread Prize. Last week, the new translation hit shelves in the U.S.

David told the Indiana Daily Student that the new translation is sure to win Beowulf new fans — and delight older ones.

"It's written by a real poet," David said. "It captures the density of the

texture in a way that no other previous translation has done. He (Heaney) makes it move and read a bit like modern poetry."

In the book, Heaney credits David's editing with much of the translation's immediate success.

"Al's responses were informed by scholarship and by a lifetime's experience of teaching the poem," Heaney wrote. "So they were invaluable."

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# Student leaders seeking SIUC trustee to have a binding vote

*Students plan to lobby for further shared governance*

**BRYNN SCOTT**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Most sections of an Illinois House bill concerning the binding votes from university student trustees have support from SIUC.

Illinois student trustees have had a binding vote on their respective boards of education since 1998, but the bill that governed the vote expires July 1, 2001.

The replacement, House Bill 4182, does not include an expiration. The bill is designed to fit the needs of each university in Illinois, amending each accordingly.

Marco Orozco, president of the Illinois College Democrats, said though he is an advocate for the bill, he disagrees with one of its provisions.

Orozco, who leads 19 Illinois College Democrat chapters, said the SIUC and SIUE campuses have "different populations," and should both have a binding vote on the board.

Orozco and Undergraduate Student Government President Sean Henry plan to lobby in Springfield in support of an amendment to the bill that would allow student trustees for each Illinois university campus to have a binding vote on their respective boards.

Orozco said this vote causes a problem for SIUC students.

"Each campus needs to look out for their own interests," Orozco said. "It is most likely that [the Edwardsville trustee] will look out for the best interests of SIUE, not SIUC."

Henry said shared governance including student representatives is very important for each campus.

"Both campuses should have a binding vote," Henry said.

Elizabeth Bell, SIU-Edwardsville student trustee, has a binding vote on the SIU Board of Trustees, as opposed to SIUC student trustee Ben Syfirt. The governor chose Bell to have the one binding vote allowed per campus.

But Syfirt said there is a more important issue to the bill.

"It would be nice if that would happen, but realistically that would be pretty difficult to accomplish," Syfirt

said. "The key issue is that the students get to choose who represents them [as a student trustee] on the board."

Syfirt said giving a binding vote to all student trustees would not make a big difference in the outcomes of board decisions.

Bell has views similar to Syfirt's. "I don't think it hurts anything if both students would have a vote, but I really don't see an ultimate need for one," Bell said. "I can understand each position."

While students involved in SIUC government are not in agreement with the entire bill, some SIU administrators are.

Scott Kaiser, media coordinator for the president, said the president's office supports HB 4182 as a whole.

"The process by which the student trustee is represented on the board is a good one," Kaiser said. "It represents the students well."

Some administrators preferred not to comment until the bill passes through the Senate and is approved by the governor, including interim Chancellor John Jackson.

Anne Marie Tavella contributed to this story.

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# USG president vetoes legislation

*President vetoes resolution on mass transit fee and finance mandates*

**GIMNY SKALSKI**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Concerned that mass transit on campus will be discontinued next year, Undergraduate Student Government President Sean Henry vetoed a USG resolution that barely garnered support for the system. USG senators voted down a resolution to raise the mass transit fee by 36 percent for Fiscal Year 2002 at their March 1 meeting. The fee would rise from \$23.50 to \$32 per semester.

Senators instead voted to only support a 3-percent fee increase as allowed by the University.

The cost of the mass transit system will rise by 18.5 percent for FY 2002 to accommodate the rising costs of the system and the expanded routes.

Henry said because Graduate and Professional Student Council passed a similar resolution that barely supported the needed fee increase, the administration will plan on eliminating the mass transit system unless USG does something about it.

"Every comment I'm getting from the administration is if USG does not vote for this [fee increase], we will not have a bus service any

more," Henry said.

Senators suggested at the meeting that instead of raising fees, the mass transit committee should look into other outlets to fund the service including more advertising and raising the non-student rider fee.

Henry, who sits on the mass transit committee, said even more advertising on the buses would not offset the raise in the cost to run the system. He also said it has looked into cutting back the routes, but that would hurt the students.

Students would not benefit from raising the non-student rider fee because most other people who ride the buses are spouses or children of students.

In attempt to get more clear-cut support from the Senate on the issue, Henry said he will write two resolutions at the March 22 meeting: one in support of the fee increase and one against it. Henry said he hopes this will get the Senate to take a stance on either having the system or not having it.

"This is serious. A lot of students on the Senate have cars, so it's not a big deal to them," Henry said. "But, a lot of freshmen and sophomores don't have cars and need this service, and I don't think the [Senate] realizes this."

Henry said he will be providing senators with lots of information about the mass transit system, and he will also invite all students who depend on the system to attend the meeting to help give the Senate some perspective.

Henry also vetoed two other

mandates regarding the USG Finance Committee that were passed at the last meeting.

The first mandate stated the Finance Committee has to verify that an organization is a Registered Student Organization and that its account is in good standing (non-negative balance) before funding it.

Henry said this is already done by Student Development and is a waste of time for the Finance Committee.

"I didn't see the point of this mandate because, in order to get funded, you have to be an RSO," Henry said. "It's a lack of understanding on the Senate's part of not knowing how Student Development works."

The other mandate that was vetoed called for specification in bills to fund RSOs, including listing how many members in the organization there are and the specific reason it wants to be funded. The mandate also asks for other information about the funding, including the amount of funding the RSO originally requested, what specifically the funding will be used for, and how the Finance Committee voted on the recommendation.

"This mandate makes there no point in having a Finance Committee; they are elected, it's not up to the Finance Committee to do all this work," Henry said. "If a senator really feels strongly about an RSO not being funded, then they need to come in and do research on it on their own."

## AIS

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The system has also made a number of achievements: SIU has processed 13,000 purchases, completed 4,633 training encounters, paid \$75 million to vendors, and interfaced with the State of Illinois for electronic submission of payment requests.

The new system has been used by the School of Medicine for patient refunds and in SIUE's Bursar's Office. Interim SIU President Frank Horton said the transition to new

software is not a simple situation. "It's not unusual to have these kinds of problems," Horton said.

The focus should not be that a problem occurred, but how to fix it, Horton said.

"The question is: How you resolve it and how quickly you put it into place," Horton said.

So far, SIU has invested about \$15 million into AIS. The implementation of the systems began in 1996, in order to replace outdated systems before Y2K.

When the conversion is finished, three SIU campuses—Carbondale,

Edwardsville and Springfield, will use the same software for purchasing, paying vendors, tracking inventory, managing human resources and administering grants.

Grant management, the last leg of the project, will be implemented in April 2001.

AIS first began in 1996 to streamline administrative tasks, alleviate the paperwork burden of SIU financial officers, and to combat the Y2K problem. Total costs of the project, once reported at \$4 million, is now expected to grow to \$25 million by the completion date.

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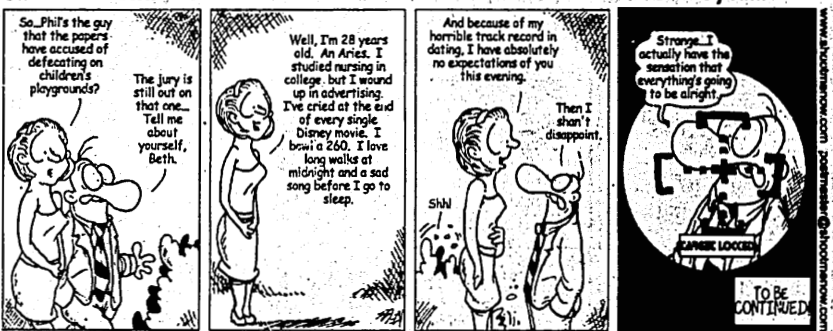
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# Women's track heads south for spring break

*Salukis start outdoor season in the Sunshine State*

CHRISTINE BOLIN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

After competing in three previous outdoor seasons, senior distance runner Erin Leahy cannot wait to begin her final season on the SIU women's track and field team.

"Outdoor season is the real track season," Leahy said. "Indoor just prepares us."

The Salukis' begin the outdoor

season in Tallahassee, Fla., at the Florida State Relays during spring break, March 15-18.

Saluki coach Don DeNoon thinks the meet at Florida State University is a great opportunity for the team to compete with a wide variety of competition from all across the country.

"They have a good meet there, and that was the primary concern," DeNoon said. "We have been to Tallahassee before, and it is a good track to run on."

The last time the Salukis competed on any track was at the Missouri Valley Conference Championships two weeks ago, where SIU finished sixth in the conference.

The majority of the Salukis are

ready to return to action in hopes of improving for the outdoor season.

The top Saluki seniors returning for their final season include distance runners Jenny Monaco and Leahy, along with Drosso Lavithi in the hurdles events.

The talented duo of juniors Caryn Poliquin and Tawnjai Ames in the throwing events is expected to earn big points for the Salukis, along with sophomore Hilla Medalia in the high and triple jumps.

Fresلمان Rimma Turevsky is expected to make a large point contribution in the long and triple jumps, as well as freshmen distance runners Erin Simone and Katie Meehan, who redshirted the indoor season because

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• THE SIU WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD TEAM TRAVELS TO TALLAHASSEE, FLA., FOR THE FLORIDA STATE RELAYS MARCH 15-18.

of injuries. Because Meehan did not participate in the indoor season because of a stress fracture in her left leg, she would like to see herself, along with the rest of the Salukis, have a great outdoor season.

"We can take what we've learned in the indoor season and use it for the outdoor season," Meehan said. "When the sun shines, we get in a better mood."

## WAITING

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and Southwest has strength of schedule on their side. Indiana State's RPI is in the 40s, while SIU has been floating up and down the 50s in the RPI rankings.

"If those three get in, then we're going to be in the NIT, there's no doubt," Weber said. "If only two get in, now I have some doubts."

Weber thinks Southwest will get in, but is unsure about Indiana State.

The outcome of other conference tournaments will decide the fate of the Bears and the Sycamores. If there are too many upsets — for instance if Saint Louis University gains momentum after its upset of No. 1 University of Cincinnati Thursday — and wins the Conference USA Tournament — Indiana State's bubble may burst, leaving them in the NIT and possibly knocking SIU out of the picture.

What the Valley has going for them is last year's performance in the NCAA tournament. Some questions were raised when three teams got in, but any criticisms were quickly silenced by Southwest's Sweet 16 run and Creighton's first round victory over the University of Louisville.

SIU can only hope the selection committee is generous to the mid-conference schools again. The Salukis took a few days off earlier in the week and had some individual workouts and weight training Wednesday. The Salukis resumed practice Thursday.

It's a difficult thing to do because we don't have any team to prepare for right now," freshman guard Kent Williams said about the week-long wait. "It's a real tough situation right now."

Williams said it is important to get the NIT bid for the school and the seniors, especially center Derrick Tilmon, who had to sit out in SIU's 67-56 loss to Southwest in the MVC Tournament with a back injury.

Tilmon injured his back in the Salukis' quarterfinal win in the Valley Tournament against the University of Evansville, and is still suffering from back spasms. He has been undergoing therapy three times a day this week and Weber is hopeful he will be able to work-out on the exercise bike by the weekend.

Another problem will be conditioning, as Tilmon has not ran in more than a week.

"The whole thing is if they can get the spasms to slow down," Weber said. "Then, can he get back in shape. He can't do anything right now."

If all goes right, Weber, Tilmon and Co. should get a call Sunday night with their opponent and destination. An NIT bid would allow SIU's seniors the opportunity of closing their careers on a memorable note.

"It's a special memory and that's what you're playing for," Weber said. "They've been such positive forces in our program and I'd like them to leave with a good feeling."

# The great outdoors

*Men's tennis goes to Florida for first outdoor meet of season*

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DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIU men's tennis coach Brad Ifner figures his team's performance will improve when it plays its first outdoor matches of the season during a spring-break venture to Florida.

The Salukis will travel to Florida, where they will play against four different schools: Stetson University, Bethune-Cookman College, Florida Atlantic University and Florida Southern College. The matches will take place between March 13-17.

Although the Salukis hold a mediocre record so far this season at 2-3, Ifner seems confident about

next week's four scheduled matches.

Much of the optimism stems from the fact that the stretch will begin outdoor play for his team, a scenario that he thinks the Salukis can better compete in. Last weekend in Chicago, the Salukis suffered a 7-0 loss indoors to the hot rackets of the DePaul Blue Demons.

"Definitely it's disappointing to lose 7-0, but I think they were a superior indoor team [compared] to us, so we know that we were the underdogs," Ifner said. "Indoors, if you have a weapon like a big server, there is no condition such as wind that can affect the serve."

The Salukis are more of a counter-punching team that can react better in an outdoor environment, Ifner said.

"In outdoor matches, the serves last longer and you kind of have to work the points," he said. "We're a better team at setting up the point."

## CABIN FEVER

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Stremerfer, has struggled early on, posting a .207 mark.

The lack of offense has not been too devastating yet because of the solid job by the Saluki pitching staff, which boasts an excellent 0.82 staff ERA. The only concern Blylock has as a result of the solid pitching is that she does not think her defense has been tested thus far in the season.

She said that might not change much this week.


"I hope, quite honestly, that our defense isn't tested all year long," Blylock said. "I hope that we don't ever have to worry about it. But I want them to be prepared if it is tested."

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## Women's Track

Salukis travel to the Sunshine State during spring break.

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**Men's Tennis.** The Saluki men, like most of the SIU athletic teams, is also heading to Florida.

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## UPDATE

### Baseball

The Salukis game against Fresno State University Thursday night was completed after press time. The team will continue competing at the week-long tournament in Fresno, Calif., before returning to town. The Salukis have a few days off before venturing to Wichita, Kan., for a four-game series March 17-19.

## SCORES

### BIG 10

Penn St. 76  
Michigan 66

Minnesota 78  
Iowa 81

Northwestern 41  
Wisconsin 51



DEVIN MILLER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Try as she may, SIU's second-year head coach Julie Beck could not come up with solutions to her team's problems as it went 9-19 this season. The Salukis bowed out in the first round of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament Thursday night with a 76-56 loss to the University of Evansville in Springfield, Mo.

# Out of their misery, Valley tournament

*Women's basketball ends frustrating season with 20-point loss*

CHRISTINE BOLIN  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIU women's basketball head coach Julie Beck and her Salukis can finally put the troubled 1999-2000 season to rest.

After losing twice in the regular season to the University of Evansville, the Salukis received their third beating of the year by the Lady Aces, 76-56, in the quarterfinals of the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament Thursday night in Springfield, Mo.

The game was close early, but the Lady Aces began to pull away near the end of the first half. The Aces outscored SIU 18-9 to close the first half, turning what was a three-point lead into a 38-26 half-time advantage.

"I thought our game plan worked early [in the first half]," Beck said in her post-game radio show. "I thought we came out very strong, but they wore us down."

In the second half, SIU cut the deficit to as close as 10 points behind, but Evansville proved to be too much for the Salukis. Evansville's Lisa Eckart led all scorers with 19 points, followed by the Lady Aces' junior forward Alison

Langham's 15-point contribution.

Junior forward Terica Hathaway led SIU with 14 points and six rebounds. Freshman guard Jarina Lopez was the other Saluki in double figures with 12 points. The Salukis shot a respectable 43 percent for the game, but were still no match for the red-hot Lady Aces, who burned SIU from beyond the three-point stripe all night long.

The Salukis ended their season with a 9-19 record, while the Lady Aces advance to the semifinals and improve their record to 23-5. Evansville will play the winner of the Southwest Missouri State University/Creighton University game.

Senior center Melaniee Bardley is the only senior that Beck will have to replace next season. In her last outing of her career, she chipped in six points and pulled down seven rebounds in 21 minutes.

With some promising newcomers on the way to SIU, Beck is hoping the team will improve next season. She knows the Salukis have a lot of returning talent, but still have a long way to go.

"If you don't have the horses, you can't run the race," Beck said. "I think it goes back to recruiting, which gets tougher every time. If we can get a couple players to get the chemistry going here, I think we have the supporting cast."

"Our young kids are going to have to grow up. They are going to have to wait it more."

# Eluding a case of cabin fever

*Restless softball team begins a nine-day excursion today in Missouri, then Florida*

COREY CUSICK  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

All work and no play makes the SIUC softball team an unhappy bunch.

Playing only one weekend in the last three weeks has the Salukis a little restless, but that should not be a problem anymore.

SIUC begins a nine-day road swing today lasting the duration of spring break starting with the Missouri Invitational in Columbia, Mo., which runs today through Sunday. From there, SIUC heads south for a double-header against Florida Atlantic University Tuesday in Boca Raton, Fla. The Salukis will end the break at the South Florida Tournament in Clearwater, Fla., March 16-19.

The Salukis (7-4) will play 12 games on the trip, plus the playoff portion of the South Florida Tournament, allowing scarce time for practice. First-year head coach Kerri Blaylock said her team will probably not practice for 13 to 14 days.

"They love it, but there's not a lot of time to work on things," Blaylock said. "You need to really get yourself mental-

ly prepared and really think about what you're doing."

However, the weeks of continual preparation the Salukis have had early this season were beginning to take a toll on the talented group.

"I think it was awful, the last break we had," Blaylock said. "They were so anxious and ready to go."

The road trip could be the cure to the Salukis' anxiety, and Blaylock hopes their hitting woes will be remedied as well. SIU is hitting a meager .202 as a team.

The steady stretch of games should keep the Salukis focused and hungry. And road weariness is the last thing this excitable crew is concerned about.

"It may seem tiring to some, but for us, it pumps us up," sophomore right fielder Jess Laughry said. "It fires us up to know that every day we get to play a game."

Despite its lack of offense, SIU finished 4-1 at the Southern Classic in Carbondale last weekend, earning the tournament championship. SIU was anchored by solid pitching and the superb play of junior pitcher/designated player Erin Stremsterfer.

Stremsterfer, who also did a solid job on the mound, hit 8-for-15 from the plate en route to earning Missouri Valley Conference Offensive Player-of-the-Week honors. Stremsterfer leads the team with a .324 average and has been the most consistent offensive threat early in the season. She has also

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3/10	SIU vs. Georgia State
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3/11	SIU vs. Missouri
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3/16	SIU vs. Florida Atlantic (Double Header)
University of South Florida Tournament Clearwater, Fla	
3/16	SIU vs. Purdue
3/16	SIU vs. Canisius
3/17	SIU vs. Seton Hall
3/17	SIU vs. South Florida
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posted a perfect 0.00 ERA on the mound in 26.1 innings of work.

"She has so much confidence right now," Blaylock said. "She just believes, and when that kid believes in something, she really gets going."

Now the Manchester, Mo., native needs some offensive assistance from her teammates. Junior first baseman Netty Hallahan (.300) is the only other Saluki hitting .300 or better.

Junior center fielder Marta Viehhaus, the Salukis' most dangerous offensive threat outside of

# Waiting for an invitation

*At 19-12, men's basketball awaits NCAA, NIT selections Sunday to learn its postseason fate*

COREY CUSICK  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

All Bruce Weber can do is wait until Sunday.

The second-year SIU men's basketball head coach directed his team to a 19-12 regular season mark this season, four wins superior to last season's 15-12 finish.

Now the lurking question is whether or not it is enough for a postseason bid, which would be SIU's first since 1995.

With the NCAA's pretty much out of the picture following Creighton University's championship run in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament last weekend, SIU figures to be a player in the National Invitational Tournament's field of 32, which is selected Sunday night after the NCAA teams are chosen. The NIT starts next Wednesday.

Much of SIU's postseason outlook deals with how many teams from the Valley make the "Big Dance." Creighton is the only lock for the NCAA's with its automatic bid, while Southwest Missouri State University and Indiana State University are currently bubble squads.

Although Indiana State won the Valley's regular season title, Southwest, winners of 10 of their last 11, seems to have the edge. The Bears' RPI has been in the mid-30s all week