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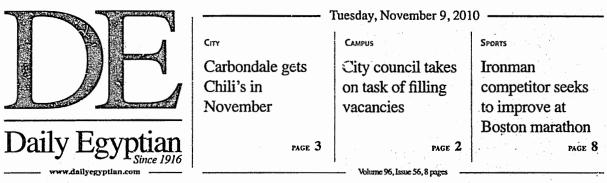
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Native Americans talk adversity during November

NICK JOHNSON Daily Egyptian

No one has threatened to hang Marcus Abston like they did his grandfather in the early 1960s, but the younger Abston says some Native American students at SIUC still struggle with their heritage.

Abston, a Choctaw/Cherokee Native American and president of the Native American Student Organization, said some Native American students lack a cultural connection to their heritage and the sense of community they may have gotten on reservations. They also fight stereotypes in the media, he said.

Some students may feel ashamed of their heritage because that shame has carried through generations of families, Abston said, and his own family is a good example.

Abston's family originates from the southern United States, and he said his great-grandmother was kicked out of a grocery store be-cause she defended his grandmother agaisnt a white man.

Abston's grandfather, a fuli blooded Cherokee, received hanging threats after he got in a car accident with several white women in the early 1960s in Memphis, Tenn., he said. "He did what any person would

do - he ran," Abston said. His grandfather immediately fled to Chicago and lived there for sev-

er al years, he said. Abston's younger sister was assaulted at her high school when another girl tried to pull her hair out, thinking it was a weave, he said.

"It definitely comes at a price from back then, and I think that has continued down the line," Abston said

The media's portrayal of Native Americans doesn't help Native American students to be proud of their heritage, either, he said.

Tve met people that think we all live in teepces, who think that we all wear feathers," Abston said. "If you don't look exactly the way people think ... there's sometimes negative pressure put on you about your own



Shawn Foye, a Comanche/Sac-Fox/Pawnee student at Indiana University, sings as he plays drums Friday at Morris Library for a Native American Heritage Month event. Marcus Abston, president of the SIU Native.

heritage, even if you know it."

Lisa King, an English professor at John A. Logan College whose ancestors were among the first of the Delaware tribe to convert to Christianity, mentioned two specific media paral-

lels to Native American history and culture in her talk Monday in the Student Center Auditorium. King, who has a Ph.D. in rhetoric and composition with a specialization in Native American rhetoric, gave American Student Association, said he is trying and get rid of the block different races and cultures have with one another. "Hopefully this year I can put a big crack in that wall and let a little light shine through," he said. presentation entitled Borrowing

for the Greater Good? Imzges and Indians in Avatar and Twilight." It was part of the series of on-campus events for Native American Heritage Month and looked at the ways Native Americans were portrayed in James Cameron's 2009 film "Avatar" and in Stephenie Meyer's "Twilight" series of novels and films.

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Students require non-traditional approach to help retainment teria, with 4,014 of them on campus.

Fourteen definitive criteria are

used to identify non-traditional stu-

dents, according to the services and

the Saluki Single Parent Program.

Veterans and commuter, married or

widowed students are among those

Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for

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who fit the criteria

RYAN VOYLES Daily Egyptian

More than 1,700 students will leave the university in the next three vears

At least that's what a flyer from the Non-Traditional Student Services said could happen if more of an effort is not put into keeping them at the university. To raise awareness about these students, NTSS is hosting the first non-traditional student recognition week, which will last through Saturday, in more than a decade, said Kristian Alton, graduate assistant for the services.

"They face a lot of challenges coming back and facing school, and this week celebrates the multiple ways in which they overcome these challenges," she said.

Alton said 8,000 students at SIUC meet the non-traditional student cri-

group has increased over the years. He said what defines non-traditional students has also changed.

Before a lot of what someone labeled as non-traditional was simply an age difference," he said, "But that really doesn't do justice to the plight of any of the individual student who would label as non-traditional."

John Nicklow, associate provost for enrollment management, said while the university tries to recruit as many students as it can, recruiting non-traditional students can be difficult.

We can walk into a high school and get the names of prospective students," he said. "We can't do that with these kind of students. There is no pool where we can go and draw people from."

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City Council to discuss vacant seat, rezoning, liquor licenses

CHRISTINA SPAKOUSKY Daily Egyptian

Although the names of those applying for the recently vacated seat on the Carbondale City Council have not been released, the council will discuss the appointment of the seat during a closed session at today's meeting.

Former Councilman and business mer Lance Jack held the seat until his abrupt resignation at the conclusion of the Oct. 5 council meeting, Mayor Brad Cole has since accepted letters of interest to fill Jack's position and must fill the vacancy by Dec. 9. Cole said he doesn't see any reason why it would take that long.

Jack resigned following more than a year of repeatedly being denied a Class A1 liquor license for his business, Fat Patties. He said it was a tough decision but one that had to be made to keep the council" Wissmann said.

The council will also approve or deny V.A. Beadle Trust's request to rezone 1.36 acres of land near the intersection of U.S. Route 51 and Old U.S. Route 51 from rural residential to second ry business. V.A. Beadle, a dentist in Carbondale, would use the rezoning as an opportunity to accommodate future commercial use.

The proposal runs counter to the newly approved Comprehensive Plan, which designates the future land use of this area as agriculture, an attempt to preserve natural areas.

Surrounding property owners submitted a petition with 70 signatures that evoked a supermajority vote from the council on the proposal, which means four of the six council members' votes will be needed to approve it.

City staff recommended the council deny the rezoning.

Both sides make some good points about this case," Wissman said. "But I think there's also a lot of hyperbole on both sides. Dr. Beadle does not need the rezoning to operate or sell his business, and the rezoning will not result in serious problems for the neighborhood."

The Liquor Control Commission will also vote to approve or deny a Class B2 license for The Elite Lounge and a beer garden for the new Carbondale Chili's Bar and Grill.

Qatar Davis, a graduate student at SIUC, and business partner Laron Washington, a SIUC alumni, plan to develop the vacant building at 104 West Jackson St. into The Elite Lounge, a bar they said will attract the semi-professional and graduate students as patrons.

The building was formerly the home of Club 51 and barbecue restaurant Big BossQn

Also recommended for approval is a beer garden at the new Chili's restaurant at 1240 East Main St. The



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destroyed house at 511 North Carico St. awaits a demolition contract to be awarded tomorrow at the Carbondale City Council meeting.

restaurant opened Monday and, if a license is granted by the Liquor Control Commission, will feature a three-season, heated and cooled beer garden on its west side, said Chili's representative Todd Anderson

The ounce will also discuss renxwation, painting and maintenance to the Chantanqua water storage facility, the purchase of a pump for the Bradford Pear Lift Station and computer equipment for the Carbondale police department, demolation of properties and Egyptian Flectric Cooperative Association's request for a special-use permit to allow an electrical substation

Anyone interested may attend the council meeting at 7 p.m. today in the Civic Center.

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Cole, Carbondale congratulate Chili's

We're excited to be here and ready to be part of the city, ready to bring great food and a great atmosphere to Carbondale.

--- Bernie Page general manager of the new Chili's Grill and Bar In Carbondale

KATHLEEN HECTOR Daily Egyptian

City officials cut the ribbon Monday at Carbondale's newest restaurant.

"We're excited to be here and ready to be part of the city, ready to bring great food and a great atmosphere to Carbondale." said Bernie Page, general manager of the new Chil's Grill and Bar in Carbondale.

Chili's is one of three new businesses in the University Place Shopping Center. Party City opened in late September and TJ Maxx is scheduled to open Sunday.

Carbondale Mayor Brad Cole, Kristin Gregory, executive director of the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce, and Page were among those who cut the ribbon. More than 100 locals were hired and many were there to welcome the new business, located at 1240 East Main St. to the city.

Construction began in June, with the completion of a three-season beer garden addition anticipated in about five weeks, said Damien Havens, a worker pouring concrete at the site.

Bringing a new business to a city is a long process, said Julie Young,



marketing manager of Chili's. First, ERJ Dining, owner of the Chili's franchise, scouts out an appropriate location, she said.

"A place like Carbondale is great, especially because of the college, which brings in so many youth," Young said.

Once a desirable place is located, promotion begins, Young said. She said communication with the chamber of commerce is vital, and often mass mailings are used to bring awareness to the community. This year, Chili's was represented at SIUC's Homecoming parade. Cole, along with the chamber of commerce, said he gladly welcomed the new businesses to the city.

the new businesses to the city. "Any time we can bring another national retailer into the commu-

nity it helps bring additional people in, and that should help other businesses as well," Cole said. Diversity can also be gained from

new developments, Gregory said. "New businesses mean more op-

new ousnesses near nore opportunity, more options for people here in CarLondale, helping to diversify ... more options of where to eat, where to shop," Gregory said. "It's great to have those kind of options." The competition that Chili's and other new businesses will bring to Carbondale is also beneficial to the community, said Meghan Cole, executive director of Carbondale Main Street.

"It's always competitive when a new business comes in ... development is good all around, especially for new businesset, she said. "There is a little bit more competition, but it's a healthy and fair competition, and that's what we're after."

With the struggling economy, Gregory said residents of Carbondale need to patronize businesses nd Bernie Page, theral manager I Chill's, cut the bbon Monday at ie rastaurant's rand opening (Carbondale, he restaurant one of three ew franchises > open a store (Carbondale, icluding TJ Maxx and Party City. FEVE BERCZYNSKI ALLY EGYPTIAN

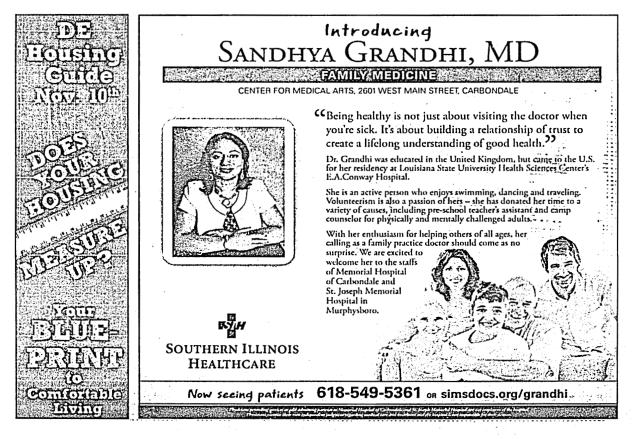
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through support of existing ones and encouragement of new ones.

"For all businesses, the best thing is to support them; we love new businesses, and the chamber likes to support current businesses, people that have already made the decision to invest in Carbondale," she said. "(With new businesses), the more that you support, the better the chances there are of (them) sticking around."

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Meyer didn't ask permission to use the culture of the Quilcute, a Native American people of western Washington state, to explain why her character, lacob transforms into a werewolf in the novels, King said.

She took that cultural heritage that did not belong to her; she's made a billion dollar franchise out of it, and (the Quilente) get no royalties. They get nothing out of it," King said. "I would say that's a definite negative, and she also helped perpetuate stereotypes about them, because guess what, there are no werewolves in Quileute myth."

But on the other hand, King said tourism is up 30 percent on the La Push reservation and the Seattle Art Museum has an exhibit dedicated to counteracting the stereotypes.

King said Cameron drew laberally from the history of indigenous peoples around the world for the plot of "Avatar," a science-fiction film about humans trying to exploit an otherworkily population for a rare resource set in the

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Natasha Aldrich, program coordinator for the Saluki Single Parent Program, said the week helps to give a voice to students who traditionally are not recognized on campus for the challenges they face. She said she understands the struggle as a nontraditional student, as she is a singleparent earning her master's.

They have a lot of different challenges they are facing them on

future. King said she thinks Cameron tried to be critical of what people did to indigenous people in the past and the treatment of the environment, but since it's such a fantastic, surreal story, people may not take it seriously.

Because he creates such a fantasy land out of it, it also distorts a tual history. People don't know their history so well, they don't realize what he's doing, and he doesn't give any credit and so it can create a kind of distortion." King said.

To Abston, the plot of "Avatar" showed the value of true integrity by having many humans take the side of the indigenous NaVi at the end, but the film could have done a b-tter job at getting that message across, he said.

It's just kind of that line between right and wrong, and sometimes you have to stand up for whats right immediately; you just don't wait for things to get worse and I think that's something they should have probably been stronger about in the movie," Abston said.

As of the 10th day of enrollment for the fall semester, there were six doctoral, 10 master's and 82 undergraduate students on and off campus who were

through," Aldrich said.

Alton said after a 10-year absence, the recognition week has returned due to demand from students.

There was a resurgence in interest for non-traditional services provided at the university," she said.

The week could help bring interest from prospective students who look at universities that will accommodate their needs, Alton said.

Nicklow said word-of-mouth and reputation are the best ways to recruit students of these types, identified as American Indian/Native Alaskan, according to data provided by interim Assistant Provost John Nicklow

Abston said he doesn't think the administration realizes how many Native American students it has on campus.

"If you actually got a real head count, I think the administration's mouth would dron. It's like that, It really is, Abston said.

While it's one thing to support Native American students, it's a totally different challenge to get students who have Native American heritage to be comfortable enough to acknowledge it, especially when they don't have any cultural ties, Abston said.

It's important for SIUC administrators to realize that some Native American students don't come from well-educated backgrounds or may not feel comfortable talking about their heritage based on prior experiences, he

All it takes is one bad experience for someone to not really want to talk about their blood line anymore. They'd rather just blend in and leave it at that," Abston said

They add to the great diversity of this institute, and we would like to get as many students of this type as we can," Nicklow said.

Alton said events would continue throughout the week, and she hopes it will raise more awareness to nontraditional students and the programs provided for them, for both current and prospective students.

We've already started hearing from people who hear from students here that, 'Hey, you have a great single parents program," Alton said. "Getting that word out is



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GUEST COLUMN

Nar, murder not answers to U.S. issues

graduate student in mass communication and media arts

In an Oct. 29 Chicago Tribune column, writer Jonah Goldberg asked, "Why isn't Julian Assange dead?"

Clearly unsatisfied with the lack of response to his first thetorical inquiry tacitly condoning the murder of the Australian-born WikiLeaks founder, Goldberg posed another "serious question": Why wasn't Assange garroted in his hotel room years ago?"

In an Oct. 31 Washington Post column, op-ed commentator David Broder asserted that to resolve the economic crisis and make "the world safer," President Obama should consider getting the United States embroiled in yet another war - presumably because three is the magic number --- this time with Iran.

Both men are brilliant. With respect to the former, what better way to reaffirm our democratic ideals than with targeted killings that punish those who would reveal in

grave detail the undemocratic acts of aggression carried out by the U.S. and U.S.-backed Iraqi forces? In regard to the latter, spending billions of dollars on wars in Iraq and Afghanistan might be a colossal misappropriation of public funds that has had a deleterious effect on the economy - and the occupied countries, civilian populations, American troops, justice, human rights and the rule of law - but I'm sure this unnecessary war with Iran would be different.

Goldberg said, "Most of the documents from WikiLeaks debunk the vast majority of conspiracy theories that fueled so much idiocy on the left for the last decade." What he didn't note, however, is that some of those conspiracy theories probably arose because Americans recognized something was not right with an immoral and illegal invasion and occupation. But because the media failed to provide the critical coverage and analysis of the war that would adequately inform and outrage the populace, citizens likely let their instincts and emotions explain the situation for them.

The WikiLeaks release does something else Goldberg failed to mention. The documents confirmed what un-embedded journalists and the Iraqi people have known and suspected such as the greater number of recorded civilian casualties and orders not to investigate cases of wrongful detainment, torture and abuse. Those aren't wild conspiracy theories. They were not concocted by Oliver Stone worshipers who wear tin foil headgear to keep aliens or the government - or the alieninfiltrated government - from reading their thoughts. The official documents made public by Assange corroborate evidence of crimes committed by Iraqi forces, supervised and supported by the U.S. under conditions created by the occupation.

In his Washington Post column, Broder didn't seemed concerned that similar consequences could result if the U.S. goes to war with Iran. In fact, Broder said, not only would entering into war with Iran magically cure our economic woes, but if the president were to do this, he might later "be regarded as one of the most successful presidents in history

I couldn't agree more. That is, assuming our measuring stick for successful presidents is predicated on the commander in chief's blatant disregard for, well, reality for starters, but also international law and human life.

In fairness, Goldberg unequivocally said, "I don't expect the U.S. government to kill Assange, but I do expect them to try to stop him." Likewise, before commenting on how the president might cement his presidential legacy with unlawful and unprovoked military attacks, Border said, "I am not suggesting, of course, that the president incite a war to get reelected."

My fellow columnists merely asked questions and made suggestions. I would like to do the same.

When will talking heads in the media stop demanding Assange be brought to justice - or outright murdered, as it were - and start demanding justice for the Iraqis who have been slaughtered, forced into exile, tortured and internally

displaced? Could the power-subservient press pause for a moment in their haranguing of WikiLeaks for potentially endangering lives and inform the public about the devastated Iraqi infrastructure and culture, the Iraqi academics and journalists who are routinely killed, and the foreign investor expropriation of resources and prof-

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While they're at it, they might consider the American troops that continue to come home in body bags from both Iraq and Afghanistan, not due to anything WikiLeaks-related, but because of the U.S. mentality of perpetual war, illustrated by the reverberating sound of

I'd also recommend paying attention to what's happening here at home, where an unconscionably high rate of veteran service member suicides occurs, and the national unemployment hovers around 10 percent. I'd think that'd be enough to make everyone reconsider the two wars the U.S. is involved in, not to mention work to avoid another war.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Carbondale, university to suffer under weight of furloughs

DEAR EDITOR:

As I read the Nov. 3 issue of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the WSIU radio echo of President Gienn Pushard's constantly repeated phrase about "getting together at the kitchen table" to discuss crucial issues remains in my head. It is clear that our new chancellor has no intention of discussing these issues, but instead intends to impose an agenda on this campus that Michael Sm.th, president of the nontenure-track faculty association, has correctly read =3 "a threat."

The suggested furloughs, which do not seem to include athletics or highly paid sports coaches, will drastically affect campus faculty and staff on non-six figure incomes, especially those full-time employees who earn \$4,000 less than Tom Cheng in his part-time position.

In his Jan. 5 e-mail our president said furloughs would send "a devastating message" about SIU's fiscal management throughout the state and elsewhere that will certainly drastically affect enrollment. Should this happen, the lesser paid members of this community will find it even more difficult to put bread on their kitchen tables, let alone contribute to a lo-

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cal economy that is already suffering from the recession. While our sixfigure-income employees can easily travel to St. Louis in their expensive vehicles or buy \$10 loafs of bread in the Neighborhood Co-Op -- next to another well-known local business, The Flower Box, which has recently dosed - less economically fortunate employees will find it more difficult to make ends meet and contribute indirectly, through no desire of their own. to the collapse of other local firms.

This misguided policy surely will create a tsunami-effect in a Carbondale already suffering from a dire economy and probably facing a projected double-digit recession like the rest of America.

I'm sure our chamber of commerce will praise the person who makes this happen.

As the faculty union president has constantly said, other alternatives not considered by our administration are rossible. Two decades aco. Professor Jerry Handler suggested closing down athletics. Why should sports be privileged on this compus in a time of economic decline? Couldn't our new football stadium be put on the market to bring in much-needed money? Furthermore, couldn't a drastic "across-the-board" cut be imposed on all administrators making six-figure salaries in a bankrupt Illinois that cannot afford these incomes today and the money used not only to pay off our debt but to lower tuition? This would not only increase enrollment but bring SIUC back to its original mission of providing quality education to low-income students from both the local community and elsewhere.

If these and other alternatives are not considered, the economy of Carbondale will suffer adversely, and SIUC will eventually resemble a ghost town equivalent to parts of Cairo and that city in the final line of the poem "Ozymandias," in which a solitary statue stands amidst the rubble of a once-powerful nation. Substitute Saluki Way for the statue and note the relevance of the penultimate line to our own situation - "Look on my works, ye mighty and despair" --then it will become apparent that everyone will despair if this misguided agenda goes ahead.

> Tony Williams professor of English

> > Notice

SIUC should come clean about dirty secrets

DEAR EDITOR: With the latest action of the SIUC Sustainability Council and the Ecodawg Constitutional Convention, SIUC's attempts at "greenwashing" are apparent.

With all of its "green" talk, is it not hypocritical that our school is affiliated with a coal research facility - a facility that consciously produces pollutants that affect dimate change Furthermore, is it not outrageous that SIUC has attempted to disguise this hypocrisy with a giant billboard posted outside of the coal plant to wrongfully assure passersby that the energy being produced in the plant is "clean"? As if this word on the sign were enough to excuse the sooty, looming mountain of dirty coal piled in the yard of the plant.

The absundity of this clean coal claim is apparent because, while the coal industry spends millions advertising "dean coal," no dean coal power plant exists in the United States. That is, no coal plant producing electricity in the country captures and stores its global warming pollution. To draw on an analogy: adventising "dean coal" is like advertising healthy cigarettes.

Obviously, the coal industry has played a large role in Carbondale and the university's history. And undoubtedly, the coal industry continues to be a major player in the city's economy and the school's income. Nonetheless, the university's ties to the coal plant coupled with the misleading dean coal" sign implies that despite its green rhetoric, either SIUC is in reality unmoved by environmental degradation and/or, because it is willing to publicly promote the dean coal myth, is simply unconcerned with its own integrity.

If SIUC were really a forward-looking university, grounded with a genuine concern for truth, its students or the environment, shouldn't it consider how the coal research facility and the clean coal sign reflects on the campus' green efforts? As long as the plant and the dean coal claim exist alongside SIUC, won't any so-called green initiatives be perceived as hypocritical and an emrrassment to the university?

To have credibility within the environmental movement, and to be on par with truly progressive, green campuses, maybe SIUC had better break ties with the coal research facility, remove the clean coal lies and come clean once and for all.

> Christina Bovinette senior studying philosophy

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SWIMMING

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200-yard butterfly.

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Chicago wins with defense and big plays, either on offense or special teams. It's 'Brett i'ante nagie'' versus 'Soldier Field magie,'' so needless to say, no lining rooms shall be left un-vomited upon after the commentators finish spessing verbal sunshine and rainbows all over both teams Sunday. The game will most likely be televised in the Carbondale area, so, to save your rug, which probably does an exceptional job of tying the room together, here's a recommendation watch it on mute.

Parsons also clocked a time of

In the 500-yard freestyle, soph-

omore Mazen Aziz and freshman

Csaba Gercsak finished in first and

second with times of 4:42.83 and

4:43.40 while junior Chris Jordan

finished in fourth with a time of

Junior Cesar Perez took top

honors in the 200-yard individual

medley and second place in the

100-yard backstroke with times

of 1:55.36 and 51.87. Junior Steve

Wood finished third in both

the 200-yard individual medley

and the 100-yard breaststroke at

1:53.66 to take first place in the

Rattay: Foreast: Earl Bennett, wide receiver — In his last two games, Bennett has caught eight passes for 128 yards. His touchdown against the Bills was the first of his season, and as Martz figures out better ways to open the passing game, Culler will find his former Vanderbit teammate more often. As always, though, Bennett's on the Bears, which makes him unworthy of a starting rester spot on any fantasy team until the olfense becomes more consistent.

St. Louis

Last week: Bye

Week 9 score prediction: Rams 20, 49ers 14

1:58.85 and 1:00.46.

"It is not that we got blown out because we were right there, but they just had that little bit extra over us," Wood said.

On the women's side, sophomore Kirsten Groome led the team with two first-place finishes in the 500- and 1000-yard freestyles with times of 5:00.64 and 10:14.88. Junior Jennifer Kwok followed close behind Groome in third place with times of 5:06.61 and 10:20.72.

Freshman Isabela Castro captured second place in the 200-yard butterfly (2-04.77) and third in the 100-yard butterfly (58.46), while junior Jill Weckbach recorded fourth-place finishes in the 200- and 500-yard freestyles West division lead, but the toughest part of the Rams' schedule still lies ahead of them. They play at San Francisco, home against Atlanta, at Denver and at Arizona for the next four games. If they can win at least two of those to be 6-6, fans should be happy. This is not a deep rozter, and its being torn apart by injuries. The bye week helped a linte and it will be interesting to see if the Rams' 10th-ranked defense can hold on the road against tough teams and take the pressure off rookie quarterback Sam Bradford. Bradford and the defense has been the reason for the Eams' success, and if either one drops off, the team could take a few more Detroit-like beatings before the season ends.

But Bradford's poise and the health of the defense's main contributors — Chris Long, OJ, Atogwe and James Laurinaitis — should be enough for the Rams to get their first road vin Sunday over the 49ers. The young receiving corps, decimated by injury, has been resilient and is making strides each week, so even in the face of a strong 49er front seven, the Rams should at least find some way to move the ball

Fantasy Forecast: Brandon

Gibson, wide receiver — Gibson had six catches for 67 yards in the Rams' 20-10 win against Carolina in Week 8, and you can bet the coaching staff spent the bye week trying to get the young, confident receiver more involved in the game plan. Keep an eye on Gibson's production this week; he may be worth picking up for the Week 11 game at home against Atlanta, who has the fourth-worst pass defense in the league.

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with times of 1:54.80 and 5:08.15.

"We were getting beat pretty bad there for a while and not winning very many races, but we didn't let that get to us," Weckbach said.

Walker said the team fought hard and has nothing to hang its head about.

"Even when the meet was over, they were still fighting and competing, and I think that took Michigan State and Illinois by surprise," Walker said.

The Salukis return to the pool Nov. 19 to 21 when they travel to West Lafayette, Ind., to compete in the Purdue Invitational.

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MONROE

In preparation for their season's start in February. Monroe and the cycling team spent Saturday fundraising in support of Jackie Corder, who suffered an accident Oct. 21 while riding down Little Grassy Road near Route 148.

Jackie Corder, 60. of Marion, was put into a medically-induced coma as a precaution due to the swelling of her brain from the accident, Monroe said.

"They're not sure if it was a hit-and-run or if she had a medi6 When I was a senior and there were freshmen looking up to me, I would ask myself 'What would Kyle do' (and) I'd want to mirror it the same way.

- Lt. Jason Brosseau 2008 SIU administrational justice alumnus

cal complication. Last I heard, she was awake now, but she doesn't remember what happened," Montoe said.

Briggs said the club rides through Carbondale every weekend and he decided the ride could be used as a fundraiser for Croder. He gathered the cycling club and local cyclists for a ride Saturday to inform people where they can drop olf donaticus for Croder, Briggs said.

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Ironman Ironman trains for Boston race

BRANDON COLEMAN Daily Egyptian

Kyle Monroe, a graduate student in forestry and triathlete, said while he still needs to improve his swimming and cycling splits, running continues to be his greatest strength.

Monroe qualified for the Boston marathon with his time split from the Oct. 9 Ironman World Championship in Kona, Hawaii. The marathon, which will be held on April 18, will be his first big national competition of the year, he said. Monroe said to better his placing for triathlons in 2011, he plans to improve on his weaknesses in the near future.

"I'd like to focus on swimming this winter since that's my major weakness," Monroe said.

First Lt. Jason Brosseau said he plans to compete in the Boston Marathon with Monroe. If e said he thought about competing in triathlons like Monroe, but wants to continue to run.

Brosseau, a 2008 SIU administrational justice alumnus, said Monroe was his mentor when he ran cross country for the Salukis.

I would not have been able to do what I did as a college athlete if it wasn't for Monroe, Brosseau said. "When I was a senior and there were freshmen looking up to me, I would ask myself "What would Kyle do' (and) Id want to mirror it the same way."

In addition to swimming, Monroe said he has plans to strengthen his blke split times as well.

Chad Briggs, a graduate student in psychology and Southern Illinois University Cycling Club member, said he competes at the Midwest College Cycling Conference with Monroe and the cycling club.

Everyone on the cycling team improved from last year's lowest seeding, category five, to tougher categories four through one, Briggs sald. Monroe strung together first-place finishes to advance to category four in the spring, but didn't bicycle much due to his training for Ironman competitions, he said.

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SIU, EIU FACE OFF DURING SCRIMMAGE SIQ acrosse midfielder Tim Lavin gets hit in the face mask during a fall scrimmage Saturday against Eastern Illinois University at McAndrew Stadium. The Salukis, who compete in the Great Lakes Lacrosse League, came back late in the game to the the Panthers 7-7. For Damon

and 204-80 5

Pwermut, captain and scorer of three of the seven goals which broke his ali-time scoring record, the scrimmage was a way to get the team used to playing the game again, and 'to have fun and play some lacrosse.' The lacrosse season starts in the spring, and the schedule is set to come out in December.

SWIMMING & DIVING SIU struggles against Big Ten opponents

RYAN SIMONIN Daily Egyptian

Big Ten opponents proved to be too big of a match for the Salukis as they lost their first away meet of the season against the University of Illinois and Michigan State.

The men's team lost to MSU 181.5-115.5, while the women's team lost to University of Illinois and MSU by scores of 218.5-95

STAFF COLUMN

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--- Steve Wood junior swimmer

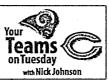
"At the end of the races we were tired and the other swimmers from Illinois and Michigan State were just pouring it on and that is just .a sign of being a little fresher," Walker said.

Despite the loss, the men's team did capture 11 top-three finishes.

Junior Justin Wolfe finished in first place in 100-yard butterfly with a time of 50.61 seconds while fellow junior Matt Parsons followed in second with a time of 50.77.

Please see SWIMMING 7

Bears squeak by Bills, Rams tied for first



Randy Moss is on his third different team in the same season, the Browns blew out the Saints and Patriots and the Rams are tied for first place in the NFC West after Week 9. Up is down, light is darkness and the universe is struggling to patch up the hole that's been ripped into it. Look out for your evil twin in Week 10, because we are in bizarro world. Chicago

Coach Rick Welker said the

team had a hard week of lifting and training but still swam remarkably well despite the score.

Last week: Bears 22, Bills 19 Week 9 score prediction: Bears 13, Vikings 10

It took the Bears and Bills more than three hours Sunday to prove they're both not terrible, and they definitely needed every minute to do so.

Although Buffalo still hasn't won a game — which, considering the trashy state of the league this year, is sad — at least they finally seem to have found a quarterback. On Chicago's side, Bears fans shouldn't feel too good about the win Sunday, because the offensive line is still horrendous. Unlike during previous games this season, offensive coordinator Mike Martz actually tried to run the ball, but the line gave little room up front. Martz called at least 24 run plays Sunday but his team only averaged 3.4 yards on each one. It was good to see

the Bears actually getting Jay Cutler into open space, because the further he gets from his offensive line, the better he plays. It's a sad reality, but Martz should keep the bootlegs, screens and waggles coming Sunday against Minnesota. If the Bears beat the Vikings — and there's little reason to believe they won't, despite the messy win over the Bills — the NFC North becomes wide open.

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