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## Freedom writer shares success story

Tiffany Jacobs, right, tells her "Freedom Writers" story Monday with students from Egyptian High School during an exclusive documentary screening in the Student Center Auditorium. The screening of "Stories from an Undeclared War," a documentary that picks up where the 2007 film "Freedom Writers" left off, was made possible by the College of Education and Human Services, the College of Continuing Education and Outreach and Egyptian High School through enrichment programs. "Freedom Writers" tells the true story of a young teacher, Erin Gruwell, who inspired her class of at-risk high school students to believe in themselves through writing freely in diaries, Jacobs said. Jacobs, one of Gruwell's students and the basis of a character in the film, said Gruwell told the class the diaries were a safe place to tell their stories. "All 150 students in my class graduated from high school and most went on to college thanks to Mrs. Gruwell," Jacobs said. "She was always action-oriented and even when we said her ideas wouldn't work, she believed in us. Now we all joke that if Mrs. Gruwell says we're going to the moon, someone better call NASA." The Freedom Writers Foundation, a non-profit organization formed in 1997 and headed by Gruwell, has trained more than 300 educators worldwide about how to empower students to positively impact their own lives and the world around them.



TIFFANY BLANCHETTE | DAILY EGYPTIAN

## Center kicks off with talk on diversity

RILEY SWINFORD  
Daily Egyptian

The Center for Inclusive Excellence has officially been introduced to the campus community.

The center, an on-campus group aimed to raise cultural awareness among students, is a hub for the LGBTQ, Black and Hispanic Resource Centers. Despite its establishment over the summer, the center held a kickoff in Morris Library's John C. Guyon Auditorium Monday to help faculty and students better understand its purpose and services.

"The intent was to set the tone for The Center for Inclusive Excellence," said Sapphire Cureg, the center's director. "We wanted to use stories and human experiences to create and peak the interest of the various groups on campus."

Steve L. Robbins, motivational speaker, humorist and human behavior expert, delivered the event's keynote address.

Robbins presented "The Insider and the Outsider and How Labels Influence Human Behavior," a speech about diversity and the societal problems it creates.

He also explained human behavior patterns that generate stereotypes and barriers among groups of people.

"We had faculty, staff and students in the room and I think his speech got everyone to start thinking and engaging in the dialogue and reaching out to one another," Cureg said.

Robbins explained that diversity is

**"We tend to navigate to the people who agree with us and not open our minds to other people who aren't like us."**

— Steve L. Robbins  
motivational speaker

spawned any time there is more than one person in the room. He said diversity includes much more than race, gender, sexual orientation and class.

"Why do we make judgments about individuals based on their gender, race and sexual orientation, but we don't walk around making judgments of people based on the length of their hair?" Robbins asked. "Why do we have racism but not 'hairism?'"

Robbins said problems arise when people emphasize certain aspects of diversity without addressing others. He said these behaviors are derived from media and societal influences.

"No one walks out of their room and says, 'This is what I know about race,'" Robbins said. "They are learned over time."

Robbins said closed-mindedness, not diversity, is the problem. He said his studies show humans demonstrate this behavior on a regular basis.

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## Student upset with salon experience

TAI COX  
Daily Egyptian

A Carbondale salon faces a situation almost identical to one that occurred with the same company in California.

Chasity Spencer, a graduate student in professional media and media management from St. Louis, said she went to University Mall's JC Penney hair salon Oct. 29 and was denied service because no one in the salon was able to style "ethnic hair." Spencer said she wanted to add highlights and walked into the salon wearing a hat.

"They had no clue what texture of hair I had underneath my hat, which is what made the situation so much more hurtful," she said.

Sarah Holland, the media spokesperson for JC Penney communications, said in an email the situation appears to be a misunderstanding, and the company is looking into the matter.

"We pride ourselves on being fair and square in everything we do," Holland said in the email. "Our salons meet the needs of all customers, and we want everyone to have a great experience. The store leader has reached out to the customer to resolve the situation as soon as possible."

Spencer said the stylist who greeted her asked two other salon stylists if they would be able to style her hair, and each said they could not do African-

American hair.

"I asked the woman if there was a difference in coloring my hair and coloring another woman's hair that is different from mine, and she just stood there with a weird look on her face," she said.

Spencer said she later emailed JC Penney headquarters and received no response. She then returned to the salon and asked to speak with a manager, who apologized and offered her a \$100 gift card.

"I felt offended on so many levels, because I felt like they were trying to buy me off," Spencer said. "This was the first time I have, and ever will, cry over someone's remarks regarding the texture of my hair."

Spencer said she declined the gift card and asked for an apology from the stylist who she spoke with at the salon.

"I am a student at SIU, and I don't want to feel that I'm in a foreign place full of discrimination and that I can't or won't be served at places here in Carbondale," she said.

A similar situation occurred in 2008 at a JC Penney salon in Downey, Calif., near Los Angeles, according to information from a Los Angeles ABC News station.

A black woman went into the salon to get her hair dyed and said she was told the employees did not style African-American hair. The woman filed a lawsuit against JC Penney that alleged a violation of the Civil Rights Act, which prohibits businesses from

denying services on account of race, according to the station's website.

Other area stylists said their salons are equipped with stylists who are capable of styling all types of hair.

"While some stylists are more experienced with certain textures of hair and have more of the necessary tools, all of our stylists are capable of doing all textures of hair for any customer that should need their hair styled," said Lynn, a stylist at Hair Brains in Carbondale.

Miranda Sanders, a sophomore studying cosmetology at John a. Logan college, said she has styled hair for different textures and lengths since she was in high school.

"I have friends who are black, white and Hispanic, and I'm the only person they let touch their hair," Sanders said. "If you're a true stylist, then it doesn't matter the texture of the hair."

Sanders said there are people in her classes who have never done more than one texture of hair, but JALC teaches students by using mannequins with several different hair textures.

"If you didn't know how to do hair other than the texture of your own when you entered cosmetology school, you definitely knew how by the time you graduated," she said.

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# Council to finalize insurance switch

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 Daily Egyptian

Tonight, the City Council will discuss the chance to change Carbondale's insurance provider for the first time in 20 years as well as an ordinance to lease property to a community garden company.

According to the council agenda, the Illinois Municipal League Risk Management Association has provided the city with general liability, general property and workers compensation insurance since 1992. However, the company has gradually raised the premium by 78 percent from the 2008 policy rate of \$978,000 to the 2012 rate of \$1,736,525.

The agency's proposed plan for 2013 is a \$52,802 decrease from 2012, but the city has looked into other options and may be able to save more than \$500,000 by switching to another insurance provider.

The Arthur J. Gallagher company sent a proposal Oct. 2 and offered services for \$1,183,262. Gallagher was determined the best fit for Carbondale when the notice was reviewed by a committee composed of Finance Department staff and City Manager Kevin Baity.

Mayor Joel Fritzler said multiple insurance agencies were contacted in the search for a better option.

"As we are constantly looking for ways to cut our expense, we requested bids from insurance carriers," he said. "Gallagher gave us the lowest bid."

Gallagher, IMLRMA and an insurance company called Mesirow Financial were all contacted in May, and each showed interest to provide services. However, Mesirow has yet to submit a proposal, according to the agenda.

If passed, the resolution will allow the city manager to enter into a contract with Gallagher for 2013.

The council will also discuss an ordinance that would allow Carbondale to enter into a lease with Common Greens Inc. Baity said the newly formed not-for-profit organization would provide the community with fruits and vegetables with space for others to grow produce as well.

Common Greens looks to obtain the property of 301 N. Marion St. and would have two years to satisfy the lease's terms, according to the agenda. The terms Common Greens would need to fulfill include water line and spigot installation on the property, ground preparation for raised bed installation, installation of fencing that would surround the premises, and installation of at least 15 raised garden beds.

A public hearing will take place before the ordinance is discussed so community members can comment on whether the property should be sold to the company.

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# Carbondale youth to display talents at RSO showcase

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 Daily Egyptian

Those on campus Wednesday evening can stop by the Student Center Ballrooms to see artwork and entertainment by area children.

The artwork by children from Rainbow's End daycare and Thomas Elementary School will fill the walls of the Student Center Ballrooms during the third annual Carbondale Youth Showcase. The Speaking and Teaching and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity Registered Student Organizations have organized the event since its creation, said Ryan Reed, a senior and fraternity member from Dolton studying speech communication.

Reed said more than 150 Carbondale students will perform in

this year's showcase, and several of the university's RSOs will introduce the children.

"We hope including the RSOs will showcase how much SIUC students, faculty and administration love the Carbondale community," Reed said.

Simone Biles, a senior from Chicago studying theater, said the kids are very excited to display their talents.

"They have all types of presentations, from drummers and violinist to singers and rock bands," she said.

Biles said it's important for the children to spend time with the college generation because they need role models.

"As we grow in school, we need to realize that kids look up to us," she said.

"They don't get to see us unless they come to campus, so an event like this is something they are very excited about."

Byron Madison, a senior from Chicago studying science and a Speaking and Teaching RSO member, said the event is not just for the children, but it's also a great way for students and faculty to get involved with the community.

"This is something the school can be proud of because these kids are excited that people are actually coming to see them perform," Madison said.

Madison said each talent will be awarded with a trophy, certificate, school supplies and T-shirts.

"The main goal is to uplift the children and help them blossom so they won't be shy," he said. "We have

a diverse group of schools, ages and talents because we wanted everyone to be welcome."

Madison said funds for the event were raised completely by students involved in the Speaking and Teaching and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity.

Reed said Chancellor Rita Cheng, Mayor Joel Fritzler, Peter Gitau, assistant vice chancellor for student life and intercultural relations, and Michael Shimshak, the superintendent of District 95 schools in Carbondale, will attend the showcase.

The event is free, Reed said, but the RSOs ask that everyone who attends bring school supplies that will be donated to several Carbondale after-school programs and schools in Bangladesh and Kenya.

"We want (the children) to see that by showcasing their talents, they can provide school supplies for themselves and children across the world, as well as many rewards, funding for poverty-stricken and battered children, and most importantly attract an audience of over 600 people who care about them," he said.

There will be a raffle in which the RSOs will give away a brand new pair of Beats Pro headphones by Dr. Dre, which hold a \$399 retail value, Reed said. The raffle's proceeds will be donated to the Perry-Jackson Child Advocacy Center and the Williamson County Child Advocacy Center.

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"We tend to navigate to the people who agree with us and not open our minds to other people who aren't like us," he said.

Instead, Robbins said, people should explore all cultures.

"Culture tells how we should act, what we should do and what we should wear," he said.

Robbins' appearance was the first in a series of programs and events the Center for

Inclusive Excellence will host throughout the remainder of the school year. The center also has public events, student-led dialogues and a faculty and staff development series in its plans. Cureg said the next event is Nov. 16.

Peter Gitau, the associate vice chancellor of student life and intercultural relations, said Robbins' speech helped make the center's goal clear.

"We are trying to make this a place where we can all share our ideas," he said. "We may not always agree, but this is very important."



**LAURA ROBERTS** | DAILY EGYPTIAN

**Steve Robbins makes a joke during his speech on "Unintentional Intolerance" Monday in John C. Guyon Auditorium at Morris Library. The presentation was part of the Center for Inclusive Excellence's kickoff, which was held to familiarize the campus with its services. The center incorporates the Black Resource Center, Hispanic Resource Center and LGBTQ Resource Center to create a culture of diversity on SIU's campus through various activities and events. Robbins used personal anecdotes, jokes and research to demonstrate ways in which unintended discrimination occurs.**

# OPINION

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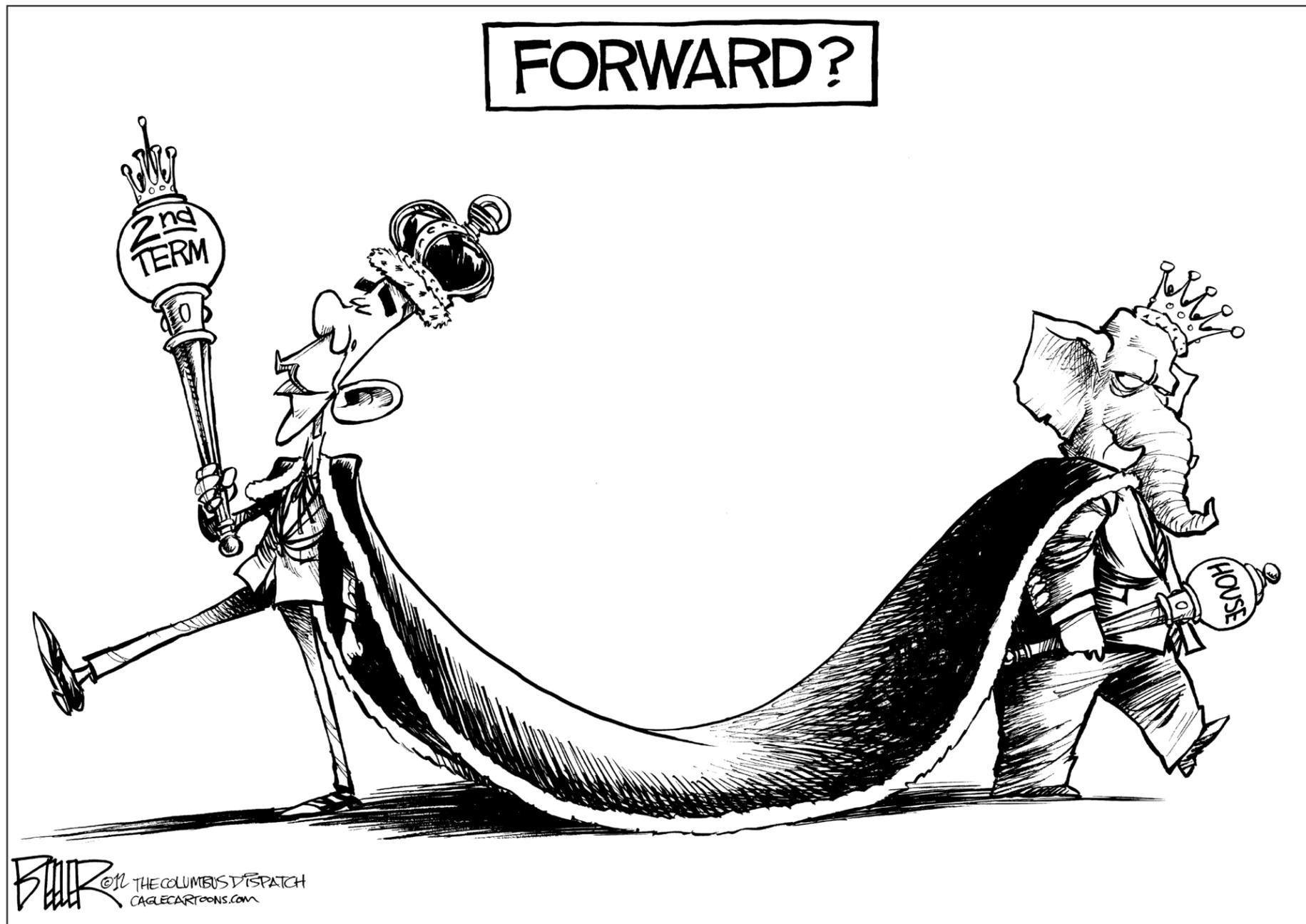
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## GUEST COLUMN

# Procrastination? I'm afraid I only know apathy

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This is my fifth and last year at SIU. I have spent nine semesters of walking to classes, loosely obeying attendance policies and having a just-getting-by attitude. I've noticed that this is a prevalent disease about the campus — apathy.

How many students do you see dedicated to the classes' subjects?

How many students do you see who bring passion and excitement to the classroom?

Not many. This is apathy.

Why do we have this disease, and how did we get it?

For me, it started in high school, although it is really the result of the whole education process.

For more than 12 years, we study all of our "basic subjects" to the degree determined by our standardized ontological state. Kids favor particular subjects. However, those favoritisms can change or stay the same as they grow. Depending on the subjects they enjoy, those students will most likely pick a college major that focuses on those favoritisms.

This all sounds fine, right?

Let's go back some years and look at another educational method. In some cultures and civilizations, you would be taken early on in life to be an apprentice under a master. In some cases it would be your father, and you'd be forced to take on his profession.

Let's say you were an apprentice to a blacksmith. You would no doubt be in the forge the day you start. You'd start off with simple hands-on tasks at a very young age.

The profession's knowledge comes with the hands-on practices. The

older you get, the more you can do. The deeper your relationship is with your master, the more of a master you become in your profession.

When archaeologists dug to find the ancient city of Troy, they uncovered weapons and helmets that had craftsmanship incapable of being reproduced today.

What would this look like today?

How sweet would it be if you as a film major could be an apprentice to someone who works with your favorite director, or even the director himself?

I'd be pumped, passionate, and I

would feel like I'm doing a lot more than just jumping through hoops arranged by college classes.

I grew up building things with Legos. I excelled in high school mathematics and physical science. I was a computer and electrical engineer for two years before my cognitive dissonance was great enough for me to make a change.

I've been looking for an enemy bigger than my apathy, not a contemporary trade to become slave to.

Let's burn up our apathy with passion, folks.

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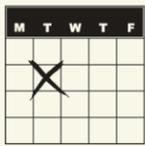
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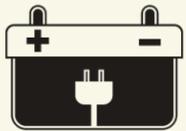
# AUTO

## - TEN TIPS -



### Schedule A Checkup

Perform routine maintenance including oil changes, replacement of air and oil filter, checking belts and fluids. This will allow your vehicle to stay reliable and efficient.



### Stay Charged

Batteries fail more in cold weather. Reliability can be checked at service stations. Corroded battery terminals can also be a problem. Using a little cola or baking soda is a safe way to clean battery terminals.



### Get A Grip

Tire pressure is important and often overlooked. Always inflate tires to a specific vehicle specs and not maximum psi. Have a service station check the alignment when balancing and rotating tires. Inspect tread and depth as well.



### Give It A Break

Brake pads should be checked and replaced if necessary. Squeaks and noises are not normal and should be inspected. Also top off the brake fluid, and make sure the emergency break is in working condition.



### Don't Get Exhausted

The exhaust may need inspected. Oxygen sensors can go bad from constantly heating up and cooling down, causing poor performance and fuel millage. Also check for a plugged up catalytic converter.

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## How To Choose the right tire

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The tires on your vehicle can affect your safety and your driving enjoyment. Choose tires that match both your vehicle and the way you drive.

All four tires should be identical. If your tires don't match, you could have handling problems. For instance, one end of your vehicle may not respond as quickly or completely as the other end, making the vehicle more difficult to control. If you just need to replace one tire that has been damaged, replace it with a tire of the same brand type, size and speed rating.

A tire that doesn't match the other three tires on your vehicle could affect your driving safety. If you need to replace two tires and the remaining two have a lot of tread depth left, replace them with tires that match your existing set as closely as possible. Identical new tires are best but others of the same size and type can also provide good results.

If you are replacing all four tires, you can explore another category of tires. If you want longer lasting tires, better traction or a smoother ride, there are tires that will help you accomplish this.

### Tire size

Tires must be able to carry the weight of your vehicle. If a tire is overworked just carrying the load, it will have little reserve capacity to help your vehicle respond quickly and safely. Do not buy undersized tires. Check your owner's manual, vehicle door jam or glovebox, to find the size of tire recommended for your vehicle. The other size consideration is overall tire diameter. For cars and vans, stay within 3 percent diameter change. Pick-ups and sport utility vehicles (SUVs) are usually engineered to handle up to a 15 percent oversize tire.

### Selecting a tire

Select a tire that suits the driving conditions you face most often:

- Snow or ice: snow tires
  - Heavy traffic: more responsive tires
  - Winding roads or in the mountains: a tire that handles well
  - Extensive highway driving: tires with a smooth, quiet ride
- If you face very different driving conditions (heavy snow in the winter and lots of highway driving in

the summer), consider selecting two sets of tires. You'll get better driving performance and longer total wear from your tires.

Think about whether you're happy with standard tires or you want the added flair of custom wheels or plus sizing.

**Simple fact:** In the long run, cheap tires won't save you money. They don't last as long as higher quality tires and may result in a rougher ride and inferior handling. Your goal in tire shopping should be to find the highest quality tire that meets your specific

### IMPORTANT POINTS

A tire has several important functions:

#### • Steers the vehicle

A tire's ability to maintain its course affects the vehicle's ability to drive in a straight path. The tire has to help the vehicle steer regardless of road and weather conditions.

#### • Supports the vehicle

A car tire has to carry more than 50 times its own weight.

#### • Absorbs bumps

The flexibility of a tire helps it absorb obstacles on uneven road surfaces and provides a stable ride for the driver and passengers while protecting the vehicle.

#### • Transmits forces

Tires transmit the engine's power to accelerate and the braking force to stop. How well the tire performs these functions depends in part on how well the tire is maintained.



# GUIDE

## - TEN TIPS -



### Stay Hydrated

Check the oil level and fluids for brakes, power steering, and the transmission. The antifreeze and wiper fluid should be filled as well as made to withstand freezing temperatures. Antifreeze isn't useful frozen.



### See Clearly

Make sure lights are working, which includes marker lights, turn signals, reverse and brake lights. Headlights may need adjusted. Replace your windshield wipers. When you see better, others see better.



### Put the Spark Back

Replace the plugs and wires on cars over 100,000 miles. This will increase fuel economy and overall life and performance of the vehicle.



### Heating & Cooling

For newer vehicles, problems with heating and cooling systems can be easily remedied by filling the Freon, replacing the in cabin air filter, and flushing the radiator and heater core.



### Be Prepared

Bring supplies in the event of an accident or medical issue. Stock your car with an emergency kit: flashlight, jumper cables, first-aid kit, blanket, basic tools, water and snacks.

## How To Choose the right insurance

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Most of us don't think about insurance as we go about our daily lives. Nonetheless, we want to make sure that safety net is in place should disaster, accidents or ill health strike.

Because your association with an insurance company can be long-term, here are a few crucial points that you need to weigh very carefully before you associate yourself with an insurance company:

- Decide in advance exactly what you want and what you can afford. Don't buy on impulse or because a salesperson is pressuring you.
- Ask friends and family for recommendations based on their experience.
- Get advice and price quotes from several insurance companies. Remember, their goal is to make a sale.
- Check out a company's complaint record with your local consumer affairs office and the Better Business Bureau. Ask about the number of complaints filed, and how the company responded. Compare the number of complaints to the company's volume of business.
- Make sure that the company has all appropriate state and local licenses by checking with Florida Office of Insurance Regulation (see below).
- Read and understand any contract you are asked to sign. Make sure there are no blank spaces and that any verbal promises made by the salesperson are in the contract.
- Consider paying by credit card. If you later have a legitimate dispute with the seller, you do not have to pay a charge made on your credit card.

Whether you're buying home, life, auto, or disability insurance, you should:

- Check several sources for the best deal. Getting quotes on an Internet site like [www.insweb.com](http://www.insweb.com) can help. [www.gomez.com](http://www.gomez.com) has an Insurance Marketplace Scorecard that will help you identify other sites for quotes. Be aware that many online quote services provide prices for just a few companies. An independent insurance agent in your local area may be able

to get you a better deal and always check prices compiled by your state insurance department.

- Make sure the insurance company is licensed and covered by the state's guaranty fund. The fund pays claims in case the company defaults. Your state insurance department can provide this information.

- The financial well-being of an insurance company is probably the most important factor that must influence you to take insurance from a particular company. The financial performance can be judged by an independent international rating agencies. Ratings from these sources are available on the Internet and at most public libraries: A.M. Best Ratings ([www.ambest.com](http://www.ambest.com)), Standard & Poor's ([www.standardandpoors.com](http://www.standardandpoors.com)), Moody's Investors Services ([www.moody.com](http://www.moody.com)), and Weiss Ratings, Inc. ([www.weissratings.com](http://www.weissratings.com)).

- Research the complaint record of the company. Contact your state insurance department or visit the Web site of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners that has a database of complaints filed with state regulators at [www.naic.org](http://www.naic.org).

*Nonetheless, we want to make sure that safety net is in place should disaster, accidents or ill health strike.*

- Find out what others think about the company's customer service. For a scorecard evaluating insurance companies go to [www.gomez.com](http://www.gomez.com). How consumers rate homeowner insurance companies is available from J.D. Powers and Associates at [www.jdpower.com/homes/insuranceratings](http://www.jdpower.com/homes/insuranceratings).

- Once you pay your first insurance premium, make sure you receive a written policy within 60 days. This tells you the agent forwarded your premium to the insurance company.

### SIX TIPS TO REMEMBER

1. Decide what you can afford.
2. Ask friends and family for recommendations
3. Get advice and price quotes from several insurance companies.
4. Check out a company's complaint record
5. Make sure that the company has all appropriate state and local licenses
6. Read and understand any contract you are asked to sign.



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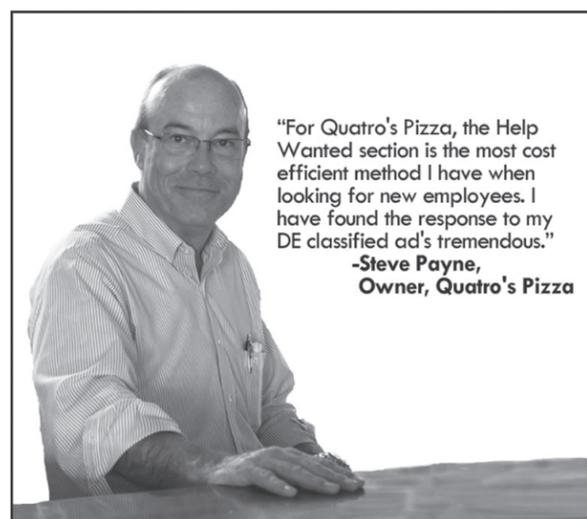
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MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Salukis run Privateers aground

DEMARIO PHIPPS-SMITH  
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The men's basketball team rode an early 20-point advantage to victory as it defeated the University of New Orleans 72-55 Monday night.

The Salukis jumped to a commanding 31-10 lead in the first half as senior guard Jeff Early scored 11 points during the stretch. He scored 15 after the first 20 minutes of play and accounted for 7 of the Salukis' 18 rebounds by halftime.

The guard notched his first double-double of the season, but it was also his first since the Salukis' Jan. 18 loss against Drake last season. The senior led the team with 27 points and 12 rebounds.

The Salukis scored 15 points off turnovers and outrebounded the Privateers 23-14 by the end of the first half. The team's early unselfish passing was highlighted by Jackson's lob to Early, who slam-dunked the ball with 11 minutes left to play in the first.

Junior guard Desmar Jackson made three shots for nine points with two assists in the first half. Jackson struggled to stay on the court in the second half and had difficulty shooting the ball, as he made only two of his 12 attempted field goals in the last 20 minutes. However, the guard made seven of his eight free throws and ended the night with 17 points.

The Salukis forced the Privateers into 27 turnovers and made 13 steals. Coach Barry Hinson said the defense's tenacity started to show itself during exhibition play. In two preseason games this season, the team forced Upper Iowa University into 19 turnovers and made Lincoln University lose possession 25 times.

The team was plagued by early foul trouble as junior forward Davante Drinkard and sophomore guard Josh Swan each banked three personal fouls by the end of the



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Senior guard Jeff Early attempts a lay-up Nov. 3 during the Salukis' 73-62 victory over Upper Iowa University at SIU Arena. The team traveled to New Orleans Monday to take on University of New Orleans, kicking off its regular season. The Salukis defeated the Privateers with a final score of 72-55.

first half. Jackson and sophomore forward Antonio Bryer, the only other postman who suited up for the Salukis, obtained two personal fouls in the first 20 minutes of play.

With just six boards between them, neither Bryer nor Drinkard

rebounded the ball well. However, they managed to score a combined 12 points. Bryer was perfect from the field and made all four of his shots.

The team shot almost 51 percent (28-55) from the field in its first

game of the season, which was 10 points better than last season's average. The Salukis also shot 86 percent (15-18) from the free throw line, which is a 22-percent improvement from last season.

The men return to action Nov.

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