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Cronkite tells it like it is

Celebrated journalist addresses SIUC

Andy Horonzy
Daily Egyptian

He was there when the sight of a president felled by a sniper's bullet shocked a nation. He was there when the Supreme Court legalized abortion. He has spent the last half-century in the national spotlight, along the way earning the distinction of "most trusted man in America."

But Thursday night, the man who told it the way it was for 19 years on the CBS Evening News presided over a more intimate audience in a lecture co-sponsored by the Public Policy Institute, the Laborers' International Union of North America and the SIU Alumni Association.

In front of an audience of about 2,500 that included former Gov. Jim Edgar, Attorney Gen. Lisa Madigan and Rep. Jerry Costello, Cronkite recounted the history-making events of his career and the beliefs that those experiences instilled in him. Cronkite spent the majority of the presentation answering questions posed by Public Policy Institute Director Paul Simon, who also introduced the legendary media personality.

"When you talk about sterling silver, you don't need to use any adjectives," Simon said. "And when you talk about Walter Cronkite, you don't need any adjectives."

Chancellor Walter Wendler also spoke highly of Cronkite, recalling the impact the famed broadcast journalist had on him during his formative years.

"I can remember listening to him intently along with my friends when we were growing up on Long Island," Wendler said. "He guided us through the biggest events of our lives. He was the face and the voice of a generation."

Although Cronkite has significantly scaled back his personal appearances in recent years, he and Simon discussed pertinent social and political issues as well as Cronkite's history with Southern Illinois. Cronkite credited his high school girlfriend's move to nearby Anna from his native Houston as part of the reason he got into broadcast journalism.



ANTHONY SOUFFLE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Veteran journalist Walter Cronkite spoke to a crowd of about 2,500 people Thursday night at the SIU Arena. Cronkite shared his opinions on some of his experiences from his more than 60 years of journalism experience.

had every intention of making my way to Anna," Cronkite said. "Then I stopped in Kansas City to see my grandparents, dropped by a radio station, applied for a job, and then I never looked back."

In addition to revealing little-known details about his past, Cronkite also voiced his opinion on who he thinks helped shaped our nation. He listed Franklin Roosevelt as the most influential national leader of the last century, saying he possessed the qualities all leaders should have.

Former Gov. Edgar pleased to meet legend

Politician, news broadcaster exchange historical insights

Zack Creglow
Daily Egyptian

Former Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar will be voting for George W. Bush in the 2004 election. It is safe to say Walter Cronkite, a known liberal who has been an outspoken opponent of Bush, will not.

But Thursday night at the SIU Arena, politics took a backseat to the history of America for Edgar. Cronkite, the anchor of CBS Evening News for 19 years, was the voice that told how history would be remembered.

"I grew up watching Walter Cronkite," Edgar said. "That's the way it was in America. I am a huge history fanatic."

Edgar remembers first hearing Cronkite's famous baritone echo from his television speakers in the 1950s. For Edgar, much like the rest of America and the other 2,500 people who sat in SIU Arena, Cronkite was the man America trusted for their

news discourse. He was the "most trusted man in America."

"In the early '50s, he hosted 'You Are There.' That is where I first remember him," Edgar said. "And Kennedy's assassination, the landing on the moon and all those things, I can say I grew up believing all of those because Walter Cronkite only told the truth."

"That is why I came down here to see this. He wasn't only the person I grew up watching but the person I knew to trust."

Cronkite even had the ability to make news. When Anwar el Sadat, the Egyptian head of state, visited Jerusalem during the late 1970s to break down the boundaries between the two Arab nations, Edgar realized the event was monumental just because of Cronkite's presence at the scene.

Though both have been large figures on opposite sides of the political spectrum, they have never met before until Edgar and other political figures from the region and state had dinner with him Thursday. Among the notables who poked their heads out to make an appearance were Attorney

BOT votes in favor of barracks' demolition

Barracks will be down by January

Lindsey J. Mastis
Daily Egyptian

By the spring semester, students will no longer have to look at the barracks "eyecores" between Faner Hall and Morris Library.

The SIU Board of Trustees voted Thursday during a board meeting to bring the barracks down by January.

SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler said he is happy the barracks will soon be demolished.

"The buildings are an eyesore in middle of the campus," Wendler said.

"They are a sink hole for money. Because they are so old and dilapidated, we can't keep them up to date. Those buildings were built in 1950, and it

was expected that we would use them for five or maybe 10 years, and 50 years later we're still in them."

"It's just time to get rid of them." Board of Trustees member John Brewster said the University has made extensive use out of the barracks.

"You hate to lose floor space, but on the other hand, the resolution indicated that it was part of the overall land use plan to make room for new student housing, which is something that would be music to my ears."

— John Brewster
Board of Trustees member

"You hate to lose floor space, but on the other hand, the resolution indicated that it was part of the overall land use plan to make room for new student housing, which is something that would be music to my ears," Brewster said.

Tom Woolf, assistant director of Public Affairs, said landscaping would replace the barracks.

"We're hoping the demolition will be completed by January, and there are no plans for any structures in their place," Woolf said.

The University is looking to move the programs that use the barracks to other locations, Wendler said removing the barracks would also help with the Morris Library renovations.

"I consider the removal of these barracks the first step of the remodeling and rendition of space on the library, which is an extremely important part of the campus's future," Wendler said. "If it's done in January or February, that'll be perfectly fine with me. I just want to get it done."

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Walter Cronkite and Paul Simon address a question posed by a member of the audience during the final portion of Thursday night's Public Policy forum.

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NATIONAL NEWS

'Ghettoopoly' game causes outrage

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (CNN) — Black leaders are outraged over a new board game called "Ghettoopoly" that has "plays" acting like pimps and game cards reading, "You got yo whole neighborhood addicted to crack. Collect \$50."

Black clergymen say the game, the brainchild of a Pennsylvania man, should be banned and have called for a boycott of Urban Outfitters unless the company stops selling Ghettoopoly in its chain of clothing stores.

"If we are silent on this issue there is more of this type to come," the Rev. Robert P. Shine Sr., president of the Black Clergy of Philadelphia & Vicinity, said at a sidewalk rally Wednesday in front of Urban Outfitters' corporate headquarters in Philadelphia.

The Ghettoopoly board depicts figures labeled "Malcolm X" and "Martin Luther King Jr." — intentionally misspelled — noted Rev. Glenn Wilson, pastor of Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church.

The Philadelphia black clergy and Men United for a Better Philadelphia were just the latest to protest the game. In Chicago, the Rev. Michael Pfleger, pastor of St. Sabina Catholic Church, called for a boycott of Urban Outfitters. In Florida, the St. Petersburg and Hillsborough County chapters of the National Association for the

Advancement of Colored People urged the company to stop carrying the game.

Priest arrested on harassment, gun charges

NEW YORK (CNN) — Police found guns, a stash of money, pornography and Nazi paraphernalia at the home of a Roman Catholic priest after they came to arrest him for allegedly making harassing phone calls to a Brooklyn high school, law enforcement officials said.

The Rev. John Johnston, 64, was charged with aggravated harassment in the phone call case and with criminal possession of a weapon, according to a police statement.

Law enforcement sources said Johnston made harassing phone calls to the Bishop Loughlin High School in Brooklyn. A school official, who asked not to be identified, told CNN the calls were "offensive but not threatening."

The same sources said that when police went to his home Tuesday night they found at least three guns — one of them unlicensed — an undetermined amount of cash, pornography and Nazi paraphernalia.

James Goodness, a spokesman for the Archdiocese of Newark, said Johnston taught religion, English and history at the Oratory Preparatory School in Summit, New Jersey, for 23 years before he left in June, intending to retire.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Schoolgirls die in bus crash

JAKARTA, Indonesia (CNN) — At least 54 people, mostly schoolgirls, have died after their bus burst into flames in a head-on collision with a truck in East Java.

The girls were returning from a week-long field trip on the Indonesian resort island of Bali when the accident happened late Wednesday.

It is Indonesia's worst traffic accident this year. Police say faulty brakes may have caused the truck to race downhill, weaving across the two-lane highway and hitting the busload of students.

A second vehicle, a minivan, then ploughed into the back of the bus on the busy highway near Situbondo, about 800 kilometers (500 miles) east of the capital, Jakarta.

The tour bus burst into flames, trapping passengers inside. Survivors told police a handful of students and teachers escaped by smashing open bus windows but they were unable to open the exit doors at the back.

The bus and truck were completely gutted by fire, and police rescue crews and volunteers worked through the night, pulling out dozens of charred bodies.

So far, officials say 49 of those killed were young students.

Afghan militias sign truce after fighting leaves scores dead

MAZAR-E-SHARIF, Afghanistan (CNN) — Two rival warlords signed a cease-fire Thursday after fierce fighting left scores dead in northern Afghanistan, both sides said.

It was not clear if the deal would hold, although both sides reported their troops began withdrawing tanks and other weapons from the battlefield. Fighting raged up until the agreement was reached, and tensions remained high, commanders said. The cease-fire came after 24 hours of fighting that left "high numbers of casualties," according to the United Nations.

One of the warlords, Atta Mohammed, told The Associated Press that the cease-fire took effect immediately and that all tanks and other weapons would be moved back 18 miles from the front line for the next two days before returning to their bases.

Gen. Majid Rozi, a senior commander for northern Uzbek warlord Abdul Rashid Dostum, confirmed the details of the truce and said the weapons had already started moving away from the battlefield.

The agreement was reached in talks with Afghan Interior Minister Ali Ahmad Jalali, who traveled to Mazar-e-Sharif on Thursday from the capital, Kabul.

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| Saturday | Partly cloudy | 80/47 |
| Sunday | Partly cloudy | 75/46 |
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| Tuesday | Chance of rain | 73/38 |
| Wednesday | Chance of rain | 59/31 |

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POLICE REPORTS

University

\$120 cash was reported stolen by nonforcible entry between 1 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Monday at Boomer I. There are no suspects at this time.

Mark Alan Blanquart, 20, of Ronneville was arrested on a failure-to-appear warrant on an original charge of possession of drug paraphernalia at 3:50 p.m. Wednesday in Lot 30. Blanquart was taken to the Jackson County Jail in Murphysboro, where he was released on bond.

Jim P. Bradley, 22, of Chicago was arrested on a failure-to-appear warrant on an original charge of driving with an expired driver's license at 5:47 p.m. Wednesday in Lot 58. Bradley posted \$150 cash bond.

CALENDAR

Today

Plant Biology Undergraduates
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3 p.m.
Life Science II room 450

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Vandevere Chair Lecture draws large audience

Globalization creates global exchange of ideas

Drew Stevens
Daily Egyptian

A frost in Brazil two years ago triggered a decline in the production of coffee, instantly affecting prices on the New York Stock Exchange. Within 24 hours, it hit Americans in their pocket books here at home.

This is just one example of globalization given by Murray L. Weidenbaum during the second annual Vandevere Chair Lecture, which drew faculty and students from a variety of majors.

"World trade is growing faster than world production," Weidenbaum said to the audience in a crowded Student Center Auditorium. "People in one country are now more likely to be affected by economic actions in other countries."

Weidenbaum said his working definition of globalization is the increased movement of goods, services, people and information across national borders around the globe.

Sajal Lahiri, Vandevere chair of economics, came to SIUC as a holder of the chair in August 2002 and initiated the annual lecture series.

"I enjoyed the talk a great deal," Lahiri said. "The turnout was good, and I am encouraged by it."

The Vandevere Chair was endowed in 1960 through a gift of Ashland Oil and Refining Co. stock made to SIUC by the late philanthropist W.W. Vandevere, a University alumnus.

Weidenbaum said the effects of



Professor Murray Weidenbaum of Washington University in St. Louis shares a laugh with Shirley Clay Scott and Sajal Lahiri. Weidenbaum presented the annual Vandevere Chair Lecture Wednesday night at the Student Center Auditorium.

globalization are complex, so it helps to break it down into "the bright side and the dark side."

According to Weidenbaum, globalization increases economic growth and living standards, creates a greater variety of products available to consumers at lower prices, facilitates greater exchange of information and technology and helps developing nations by lifting millions of people out of poverty.

"That's the essence of an increasingly globalized economy,"

Weidenbaum said.

Jake Greenwill, a senior in mathematics and philosophy, said Weidenbaum did a good job of summarizing the pros and cons of globalization.

"I think he made some interesting suggestions on how this country might best use globalization," Greenwill said. "Overall, I was quite pleased."

Weidenbaum said the dark side of globalization is widespread poverty occurs in the midst of global

prosperity. It also harms the environment.

"The rich are getting richer faster than the poor are getting rich," Weidenbaum said. "[Globalization] pollutes local environments that lack ecological standards. It is quite clear that the working conditions and the environmental standards in poor Asian and African countries are not up to ours."

Douglas McEwen, a retired professor in health education and recreation, said globalization is "a

complex subject and society tends to hold a negative view of it.

"I learned from this lecture it's much more complicated than I thought," McEwen said. "What I thought were negative effects could also be positive effects."

Weidenbaum, who is one of the nation's leading economists, has written eight books, is chairman of the U.S. Trade Deficit Review Commission of the U.S. Congress and served as assistant secretary of the Treasury for Economic Policy in the Nixon administration.

"In a globalized world, we are still an autogenous economy," Weidenbaum said. "The decisions we make, public and private, determine the fate of consumers, workers and investors here in the United States."

Shirley Clay Scott, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, said the lecture was informative.

"I am intrigued enough by his arguments to read his most recent book so that I can learn more," Scott said.

Weidenbaum said the bottom line is the system and all its imperfections seem to be working at home.

"The most important thing is not economic at all. The most important, powerful effect is the global exchange of ideas," Weidenbaum said.

McEwen learned the positives and negatives of globalization are much more complex than he thought.

"I think globalization is a very important process in the nation today," McEwen said. "We all need to be aware of what's happening."

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Candidates for 32nd annual Miss Eboness Pageant

Eight candidates run for Miss Eboness title

Bethany Krajelis
Daily Egyptian

Name: Candace Peters
Year: freshman
Major: fashion design
Talent: dance performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "Since I'm a freshman, I thought it would be a good way to get to know people. I am a very active person and love to be social. I think this will be a perfect opportunity to show that."

Name: Krystal Rodriguez
Year: sophomore
Major: psychology/pre-med
Talent: vocal performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "I have been in a pageant before, and I had a lot of fun and met a lot of people. It was a great experience."

Name: Natasha Jackson
Year: senior
Major: English pre-profession
Talent: vocal performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "The Miss Eboness Pageant is an outlet for minority



women to express themselves through their talent and mind, not only beauty."

Name: Aseedaw Deal
Year: professional graduate student
Major: speech communication
Talent: vocal performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "The Miss Eboness pageant is an opportunity to showcase our talent. It is an elegant event that is judged on more important things than just popularity."

Name: Elani Hightower
Year: junior
Major: history education
Talent: piano performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "One of the reasons I decided to run was because my mom was in the Miss Eboness Pageant when she went to SIUC, and I want to do the same. Another reason was my friend's encouragement."

Name: Jennifer Hodges
Year: senior
Major: television production
Talent: dance performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "A couple of my friends from my dance group, the Black Fire Dancers, have run in the past. They



encouraged me to do it because they had such a great experience and thought I would make a good Miss Eboness."

Name: Enjoli Johnson
Year: junior
Major: dental hygiene
Talent: Afro-Latino dance performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "I have overcome a lot of obstacles in my life and think I would make a good candidate for Miss Eboness. My talent is very unique. It shows my creativity and individuality."

Name: Kanitra Keaton
Year: senior
Major: psychology
Talent: vocal performance

Why did you decide to run for Miss Eboness? "The pageant allows us to be involved in something positive. It creates unity and bonds all of us together."



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The pageant will be Saturday at the Shryock Auditorium. Doors will open at 6:34 p.m., and the show will begin at 7 p.m. Tickets are available at Check Cashing in the Student Center at a cost of \$8 in advance or \$10 at the door.

From Sports Center to Sports Blast; It was time for a change

13,000-square-foot indoor soccer field among upgrades

Linsey Maughan
Daily Egyptian

Pretty soon, people of all ages are going to have a new place to play.

Sports Blast, formerly the Sports Center in Carbondale, should be fully renovated by the end of October, just in time for a grand opening during the first week of November.

"We pretty much gutted this place and started over," said Dirk Borgsmiller of Carbondale, the new owner of Sports Blast. Renovations began on June 26, so the Sports Center has been closed since then.

Borgsmiller said he had been looking into indoor sporting in the area, particularly in soccer. He discovered the Sports Center as a playground for his ideas, and the purchase went through on April 7.

"The city did not want to operate it. They wanted someone to come along and do it," Borgsmiller said. "It made perfect sense for me."

With the Sports Center in his possession, it was time to make upgrades. Including the purchase of the facility, the entire project cost approximately \$1.3 million.

While planning to tackle upgrades including all new lighting, completely resurfacing courts, installing a new roofing system, redesigning the locker room and slapping new paint on both the inside and outside, Borgsmiller knew other changes needed to be made.

"Something had to go," he said. So the east side of the Sports Center, which was formerly consumed by bowling lanes, was transformed into a 160 x 85 ft. indoor soccer field — the largest indoor field in Illinois



Workers labor on the interior of Sports Blast, formerly the Sports Center. SIU sports teams, as well as the citizens of Carbondale, will be able to use the facility for indoor practice and recreational use. Sports Blast to open the first week of November.

south of Belleville, with over 13,000 square feet of turf. It is also the only full-size field in Southern Illinois and the closest to southeast Missouri and western Kentucky. The soccer field also features a food court and bleachers to keep spectators comfortable.

Indoor soccer leagues will begin in early November, though open play is available now on Wednesday and Friday nights from 6 to 10 p.m.

But the fun on the indoor soccer field does not end there.

"In addition to soccer leagues, we want to have arena flag football," Borgsmiller said.

The SIU baseball, softball, golf and football teams will also be able to do drills on the soccer turf during

bad weather and off seasons, and Borgsmiller plans to run sports clinics during winter months.

On the west side of the facility, a third tennis court is being added that will double as batting cages for baseball and softball and can also be used for golf.

On the second floor, the restaurant and bar area is being renovated for parties and special events with new flooring and a dance area.

Borgsmiller said SIU groups such as fraternities and sororities use the area for gatherings and that he is very open to anyone who is interested in renting the space.

"It's a long process to get done," Borgsmiller said, "I anticipate that

this will be a work in progress."

But with all of the new changes and a new name, Borgsmiller believes Sports Blast will have something for everyone, emphasizing that adults will be able to enjoy the changes as well.

"What I'm trying to do is get people out to see the place," Borgsmiller said. "There has been kind of a stigma attached to the Sports Center for the past 10 years. It was kind of run down."

In the future, Borgsmiller would like to put a gym back into the facility. He also hopes Sports Blast will "fill the niche that the SIU Rec Center misses." That is, he hopes to target adults who want to work out.

With a new look and countless upgrades, Sports Blast is going to offer a lot of new experiences when the changes are complete. Until then, there is Wednesday and Friday night open soccer play going on now.

"Once people come out here, I think they're going to want to play," Borgsmiller said.

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For more information on Sports Blast or to register for soccer leagues, call 529-5511 or visit online at www.SportsBlast.net

Hispanic alumna spends professional career at SIUC

Suarez newly appointed to the Alumni Association

Leah Williams
Daily Egyptian

Michelle Suarez loves her alma mater. She graduated from SIUC in 1985 with her bachelor's in advertising and has stayed here ever since.

"I love it here," she said. "This is an organization I believe in, and it is truly a pleasure to work for them."

Suarez began her current position as director of member services for the SIUC Alumni Association in June. As part of her job, she calls alumni in order to solicit membership for the organization. Suarez has worked for various places on SIUC's campus. Before her job at the Alumni Association, she was employed by the SIUC Arena and Shryock Auditorium for many years.

The Alumni Association is currently busy with Homecoming, one of the biggest events of the year. Though this is her first year dealing with the event, Suarez has already won the respect of her colleagues.

David Ardrey, director of off-campus programs and chapter development, said Suarez has adapted well to her new position.

"The current staff has been together for the past five years, and Michelle has come right in and fit into the overall dynamic of the

group," Ardrey said.

Administrative assistant Nadine Lucas has worked in the Alumni Association office for 32 years and said she has also been impressed with Suarez's work ethic.

"I didn't really know her until she came here, but I knew of her because she had been working on campus for many years," Lucas said. "But when she walked in, she was ready to go to work. Membership is a big job, and she has worked really hard to achieve that."

Suarez said SIUC was definitely instrumental in her success.

"I loved school and with my job, there is a creative and sales aspect, something I certainly learned as a student here," she said. "The skills I learned, the classes I had, were great preparation for the job I have held and now hold."

When she is not working, Suarez enjoys being with her husband and her two children, Elaina, 10, and Drew, 7.

Suarez is currently pursuing her master's degree at SIUC in workforce education and computer-based training and technology. By going back to school, Suarez has been given the opportunity to learn new experiences to apply toward her job.

"Now that I get to be a student again, I have a better opportunity to

appreciate what I learn," she said. "It is a great way to learn how to think a different way."

Hispanic Heritage Month means memories to Suarez. Coming from a Mexican background, the month-long celebration allows her to look back fondly at her childhood and the chance to have those kind of memories with her offspring.

"I grew up with my father's side of the family in Chicago," she said.



"This month gives me the opportunity to look back on all those good times and share those stories with my children."

No matter what goes on during her professional life, Suarez considers herself, first and foremost, a family person.

"Without the support of my family and my children, I would not be able to accomplish half of what I have," she said. "None of that would be possible if it weren't for them."

Suarez said no matter what twists and turns life may throw, it is important to stay true to one's background.

"It is important to always remember where you came from, because it helps to develop who you will become in the future," she said.

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SIUC laughs out loud with televised comics

Leah Williams
Daily Egyptian

Comedian Lav Luv knew he had the gift of hilarious gab when he was very young.

"I was 6, and I was watching Eddie Murphy perform, and it was then I knew," he said.

He paused and cracked a smile before saying:

"Then I knew I wanted to cuss for a living."

Lav Luv was one of the comedians featured during Student Programming Council Comedy's "Laugh Out Loud." All three comics took turns on stage of the Student Center's Ballroom D poking fun at gender differences, pop culture and various topics as SIUC students and members of the community, indeed, laughed out loud.

All three comedians have had previous coverage on Black Entertainment Television's "Comic View."

SIUC students Kenny Brewer, C.J. Holman and Eric Perrin entered the ballroom with high expectations for the evening.

"These guys were on cable television, and I came to hear name-brand comics," said Brewer, a freshman in psychology from Chicago. "They are supposed to be funny."

Holman had watched the comics on television and wanted to see for himself what the buzz was all about, while Perrin just needed a break from his studies.

"With midterms this week, I just came to have a good time and

relax," said Perrin, a freshman in psychology from Evanston.

At the end of the show, they were satisfied.

"We had a good time," said Holman, a freshman in business and administration from Springfield. "They lived up to their reputation."

Chidi Okonmah, who opened for the comedians, enjoyed the show and the opportunity to share a stage with such funny men.

"They are such great comedians. It was truly a great show," Okonmah said.

Okonmah said he liked the positive message the comedians displayed in their acts.

"There was no negativity, and it was still funny," he said. "I loved it."

Host Hannibal Bures, who will soon be traveling to Las Vegas at the end of this month to compete in a national comedian contest, said he was also impressed by the performance.

"It was truly a pleasure having them here," Bures said. "They are really gifted and I am sure everyone had fun."

After the show, Lav Luv said though he was surprised at first by the size of SIUC, he truly enjoyed the energy in the crowd.

"[SIUC] was a lot bigger than I expected, but I would definitely come back to do another show," he said. "I had a really good time."

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THEIR WORD

Abortion bill too encompassing

Daily Texan
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AUSTIN, Texas (U-WIRE) —Thursday the U.S. House of Representatives voted overwhelmingly, 281-142, to ban so-called "partial-birth abortions."

The measure is expected to sail through the Senate, reaching President Bush's desk soon, and the president has stated that he would have no qualms about signing the bill into law. But before he does, the bill needs some reworking.

First of all, the term, "partial-birth abortion," is vague. Not an officially recognized medical term, it usually refers to a procedure called Dilation and Extraction, or D & X performed during the third-trimester, in which the fetus, through induced labor, is delivered feet first up to the head. Scissors are then inserted into the base of the skull, puncturing it while a suction catheter is then inserted and the brains removed, killing the fetus and making it safer to remove from the mother's cervix.

According to the Supreme Court decision in Roe v. Wade, third-trimester abortions such as D & X can only be performed out of medical necessity. However, by the bill's loose definition of "partial-birth abortion," the ban extends beyond D & X procedures.

As written now, the ban does not specify a particular stage of pregnancy and uses language that criminalizes all abortions in which the fetus is aborted outside or partially outside of the womb. This language encompasses a common method of second-trimester abortion — saline abortion. In this method, injected saline replaces some amniotic fluid, killing the fetus inside the womb. Usually, a dead fetus is delivered. However, a complication of this procedure is that a fetus can be delivered alive. This bill would make it illegal for the fetus to be killed outside the mother's womb in any case, meaning that doctors and mothers would be discouraged from what are now perfectly legal second-trimester abortions.

Furthermore, the authors of the bill have deemed "partial-birth abortions" "never medically necessary," and have refused to include a health exemption in the bill.

A health exemption is needed for this bill to be constitutional. In 2000 the Supreme Court struck down with a 5-4 vote Nebraska's "partial-birth abortion" ban in *Sorenberg v. Carhart* because the law failed to include a provision providing for protection of the mother's health. The Supreme Court deemed that even "partial-birth abortion," aimed solely at D & X procedures, was "a statute that ... creates a significant health risk." They based their opinion on findings from the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, which reveal that a D & X procedure "may be the best or most appropriate abortion procedure in a particular circumstance to save the life or preserve the health of a woman."

In short, the Senate needs to review the bill before passing it on to the president. It should clarify the language of "partial-birth abortions" to include only D & X procedures, as well as provide a medical exemption in certain cases. Otherwise, the bill will undermine the precedent set by *Roe v. Wade* in 1973.



ALEX AYALA - DAILY EGYPTIAN

GUEST COLUMNIST

It is a woman's right to choose

Shannon Petrello
graduate student in photography

Deidre Hughes
graduate student in history

It was interesting for us, the two pro-choice counter-protestors who stood amongst the infestation of anti-choicers Sunday, to read the comments that Christine Mize, the organizer of the oppression for women march, made to the DAILY EGYPTIAN reporters.

Ms. Mize stated that the marchers "...don't want confrontation." However, we were immediately and continually confronted and accosted by individuals and groups of people as soon as we took a position on the public streets.

Additionally, the DE article stated that the marchers said they were encouraged to not engage negatively with motorists. I guess that did not include people who stood next to them to stand up for women's rights.

Now, we were two people walking into a sea of opposition; therefore, we understood that we could receive confrontation and negative comments from the demonstrators.

What disturbs us is that their claim of respect and politeness to the DE is misleading to the readers. Moreover, their "respect for life" is hypocritical and would be laughable if it were not so threatening.

For instance, one woman demanded to know whether or not we have had abortions. One of our points was that the decision to abort is a private one and is nobody's business, certainly not that woman's.

Inquiring into a woman's abortion information is a scare tactic and a method of dismissing thousands of pro-choice women. Nevertheless, when the woman was told countless times to

cease with her grilling, she continued her interrogation.

Second, one of our messages was the hypocrisy of "pro-life" people who support a president whose war in Iraq kills children daily. Not to mention that during his 1995 to 2000 reign as governor of Texas, he signed the death sentences of 152 people, thus pushing his state as the leader in state executions.

As we chanted that George Bush kills children, a "pro-life" minister told us that only 400 or so U.S. soldiers have been killed in Iraq.

We had to ask him about the Iraqi people, as if they didn't matter to him because they are not Caucasian or Christian.

His response to that was "only 3,000 Iraqis" have died. ONLY 3,000?!

That number is grossly underestimated and does not include the civilians who will continue to die due to hunger and cancer caused by the depleted uranium from the bombs that have destroyed their homes and the infrastructure of their cities.

One of the horrors of this is that most of them claim to be Christians.

Although no one told us that women who have abortions are murderers, they said the process is murder.

If they believe that the process is murder, then don't they believe that women and the doctors who help them with the process are murderers?

If they are Christian, shouldn't they know that judgment is left to their god?

Also, how can there be such disregard for the lives of people in Iraq and Afghanistan who suffer and die daily due to war?

If "Jesus Forgives," like their signs read, then will he forgive them for passing such judgment on others and forgive George Bush for his murders?

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“The world is not yet exhausted; let me see something tomorrow which I never saw before.”

Samuel Johnson
lexicographer and author

WORDS OVERHEARD

“Those fees were not created for the purpose of paying a vice chancellor's salary.”

Amey Silven
president of the Graduate and Professional Student Council
on a portion of two administrators salaries being paid by student fees

COLUMNIST

Gandhi has become alienated icon

On October 2, 1869, a legend was born. Albert Einstein, referring to this remarkable human being, said "generations to come... will scarce believe that such a one as this ever in flesh and blood walked upon this earth."

He was referring to Mahatma Gandhi, or Bapu (Father) as we call him in India. As India and the rest of the world commemorated the 134th birthday of Gandhi last week, it is interesting and even scary to ask, is Gandhi still relevant to the contemporary world? Rather, do we consider Gandhi as relevant to our times?

Nelson Mandela, in a passage he wrote for Time magazine, said, "The Gandhian influence dominated freedom struggles on the African continent right up to the 1960s because of the power it generated and the unity it forged among the apparently powerless."

Also, Martin Luther King Jr. once said, "The intellectual and moral satisfaction that I failed to gain from utilitarianism of Bentham and Hill, the revolutionary methods of Marx and Lenin, the social contract theory of Hobbes, the back-to-nature optimism of Rousseau and the superman philosophy of Nietzsche, I found in the non-violent resistance philosophy of Gandhi."

So in many ways, Gandhi was an influential legacy in the 20th century — both pragmatically and ideologically.

However, the word Gandhi has a different connotation in today's context. He is less of a person and more of a myth — less of a reality and more of an unnatural escape for modernity to awe.

In today's world, Gandhi is created, fabricated and articulated by diplomacies and institutions that lack his philosophy. Gen. Musharraf, head of the undemocratic military regime in Pakistan, claimed, "Never before the requirement of his [Gandhi's] ideals [has] been felt more severely than today."

Then Pakistan tests a Hafiz III Ghaznavi-missile capable of carrying conventional and nuclear weapons a day after Gandhi's anniversary.

I reckon this is a true commemoration to Gandhi's ideals. Thank God, Saddam Hussein and Osama bin Laden have no documented remarks on Gandhi ideology. After the father of the nation orphaned the country 55 years ago, even India appears very much outside the realm of his ideology and even in some sense antithetical to his philosophy.

Politicians in India use Gandhi for window dressing and damage repair. Also, today's youth in India increasingly lack admiration, respect and love for Gandhi. There is an increasing perception among youth in India that Gandhi was the root cause of several problems that continue to persist

From a distance

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in the country.

Also, Gandhi in some ways is a brand name, an image and icon marketable in unimaginable ways. Some of the illustrations are preposterous yet blasphemous.

Maxim magazine in the United States published an article in November 2000 titled "Oh Calcutta: Three Reasons to Hate Gandhi," and accused him to be a "poor husband," "rotten father" and also "a lousy role model" to people such as Martin Luther King Jr. and Mother Theresa.

Later, in February 2003, the same magazine featured an article depicting Gandhi being beaten, kicked and bloodied. Gandhi is exaggerated, eulogized, denigrated and distorted for convenience and at ease.

As Salman Rushdie wrote, Gandhi in contemporary society "has become abstract, ahistorical, postmodern, no longer a man in and of his time but a freeloading concept, a part of the available stock of cultural symbols, an image that can be borrowed, used, distorted, reinvented to fit many different purposes, and to the devil with historicity or truth."

It is undeniable that Gandhi is a cryptic kaleidoscope ranging from resigned to renaissance, a personality immeasurable and a legacy incomprehensible.

So, it is naive to define and identify Gandhi in one and only one way. Gandhi is a perception, and perceptions can be multitude.

However, today he is less perceived as someone whose principles can influence society and resolve conflicts and is more perceived as a punch line for great public relations, an artifact for obnoxious advertising, the devil's advocate to run — or ruin — world affairs and the blame-bearer for young India.

Disheartening as it may be, Gandhi has become an unattainable idiosyncrasy and an alienated iconography — not only impracticable but also increasingly irrelevant to our times.

From a distance appears every other Friday. Kiran is a doctoral student in the college of Mass Communications and Media Arts. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

COMMUNITY LEADER'S FORUM

Homecoming: Coming home

Brad Cole
Mayor

For many people living in a college community, Homecoming is an annual event for alumni and former students who wish to return to their academic roots for a weekend reliving old memories and having good fun.

This weekend will provide that same opportunity as SIUC prepares for its annual Homecoming celebration on campus.

Homecoming in Carbondale is much more than that simple concept allows, though.

Indeed, a true Homecoming gives people (whether they are alumni, former students, current students, friends or just passers-by) a chance to see what a community is all about. And in Carbondale, we are about making residents and visitors alike feel welcome and a part of the basic framework that creates a real sense and spirit of community.

When alumni walk the streets downtown visiting their old haunts this weekend, or as friends and family members view the parade, or as students and fans from throughout the region cheer on the Salukis, they will not only feel the joy and excitement of SIUC Homecoming, but they will also experience the thrill and pride of coming home ... coming home to Carbondale.

When campaigning for election to the office of mayor this past spring, I stated time and time again: as goes SIU, so goes Carbondale.

That couldn't be any more accurate than on a weekend such as homecoming. And in this case, as SIU bulges at the seams with activities and events, so does Carbondale with tens of thousands of guests to our fair city.

Our goal as a city government is to handle this influx in a manner that provides for the needs, wants and safety of everyone involved, without having too

much of a presence that would impede the normal process or characteristic of the day and night life.

Coming home for some may be the first time since they graduated from college, or it may be the right of passage each fall that they have trekked for a number of years.

Either way, please notice how Carbondale is growing and progressing.

Our retail sector is thriving with the development of the Route 13 corridor, University Mall and the eastern edges of the city limits.

Our downtown is beginning to see new investment from small businesses. The housing market is bracing for the most aggressive new home construction program ever seen in Carbondale's history.

Finally, our transportation system has undergone a nearly finished face-lift in recent years that has seen an underpass built, U.S. Route 51 widened and many of the main thoroughfares improved and resurfaced.

Hopefully, you will like what you see around town and you will want to return for a visit time and time again.

To those coming from miles away, welcome! To those who never left, thank you! And to everyone who is part of the Carbondale community this weekend, enjoy!

Remember that it doesn't have to be Homecoming for you to come home.

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LETTERS

Columnist has facts wrong again

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing in response to the "Having my say" column that appeared Oct. 7 in the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Once again, LeNe has gotten the facts wrong. What Rush said about McNabb's performance was 100 percent correct. The average quarterback rating in the NFL is 78.1. McNabb's career rating is 77.0, slightly below average, hardly the numbers of a superstar.

Also, McNabb didn't have a great year since he missed six weeks with a broken leg, and he was NOT selected to the Pro Bowl last year, as LeNe stated.

The most outrageous of LeNe's statement was her criticism, and I quote, "It is introduction of favoritism by the media as it relates to race. Race is not or should not be an issue when assessing performance."

THAT is exactly the point Rush was making!

McNabb is always being called a great quarterback even though his numbers are only average. Rush was challenging the media to not judge McNabb less critically because he was black but to judge him on his performance. Brad Johnson is often described as a mediocre quarterback even though his rating is 84.8, almost 8 points higher than McNabb's rating.

Sadly, LeNe and other Liberals are using the incident to take cheap shots at Rush, such as calling him a racist and a bigot simply because they disagree with his political views. That simply is not true.

During his first commentary on ESPN, Rush attacked an NFL policy that requires teams to ONLY interview a certain number of minority coaches for an open head coaching position. The NFL did this in order to avoid a potential lawsuit. Rush argued that the NFL should not have a policy that turns black coaches into pawns just to avoid being sued.

Now black coaches don't know if a team is seriously interested in them or if they are just token candidates to avoid getting in trouble with the league. Standing up against a policy that could do more

harm to black coaches than good hardly sounds like the views of someone who is a racist.

Jamie Hannah
senior, history-teacher education

Rocks painted for Coming Out Week defaced again

DEAR EDITOR:

Last year, as many of you may remember, the Saluki Rainbow Network painted the rocks by the Recreation Center to celebrate Coming Out Week. Not even 24 hours later, they were vandalized and defaced. As a result, it brought on a lot of controversy.

Well, here we are one year later, and yet again, we went out and painted the rocks to celebrate Coming Out Week, and once again, the rocks were vandalized and defaced. We even went out of our way to paint them in the early hours of the morning so that they

would stay as we painted them for at least the day.

Because no one would deface them in broad daylight, right? That's what we thought, but we were wrong. They didn't even last 12 hours this time.

I am faced with many of the same questions again this year. Why can't our group have our chance to celebrate like everyone else? Why are people so ignorant and hateful that they have to try to step on our celebration of who we are?

We have put a lot of work into painting the rocks and also had a lot of fun doing it, and when you pass by 12 hours later to see such hatred, you have to wonder what kind of people would go out of their way to display this type of ignorance.

And once again, to whoever committed this heinous crime, this act of hate, we are still here. We are not going away. We will continue to paint the rocks when we are having our special weeks, as we have the right to do.

Leah Reinert
sophomore, architecture

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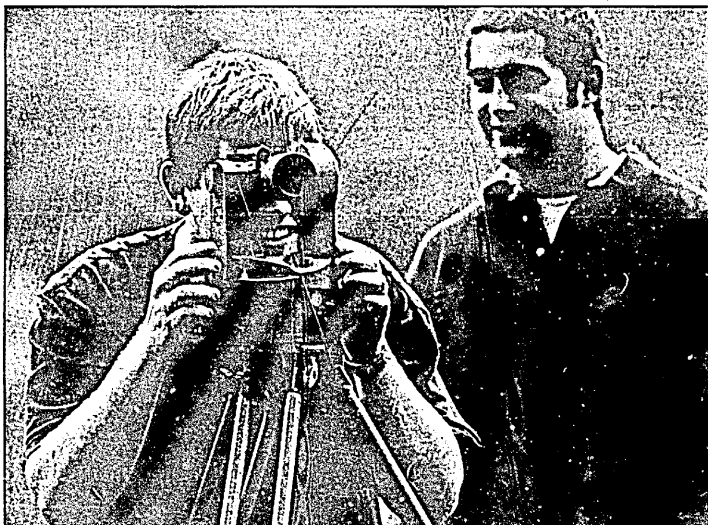
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AMBER ARNOLD - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Jim McDonald, a junior in civil engineering, turns angles on a traverse near Campus Lake for his introduction to survey class while senior teaching assistant Kory Allred watches over him. Once a week, the class surveys the angles of the land at nine different points.

EDGAR

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Gen. Lisa Madigan and Rep. Jerry Costello.

"I love his reminiscence," Edgar said. "I talked to him and asked some questions at dinner. I was sitting there with a legend. I have met a lot of famous people, but the fact I used to go home early to see the CBS Evening News made it special."

The hot topic of conversation

between the two was not the economic unrest America finds itself knee deep in or the controversial war in Iraq or whether the Roe v. Wade ruling will be reversed now that Republicans in power. Instead, the conversation took a softer approach, nothing like Cronkite's style on air.

"We talked mainly about [former President Dwight] Eisenhower," Edgar said. "A lot of people always thought he and [Harry] Truman were never up to speed on things, but we talked about how they were very

strong and smart presidents."

For Edgar, he lived out a dream listening in person just a mere twenty feet away from the voice that was synonymous with honesty during America's most turbulent times.

And that's the way it was at SIU Arena for everyone who attached a certain moment in America's history with that voice.

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CRONKITE

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"He inherited a nation deep in debt, and then there was also a shadow of war darkening over the horizon," Cronkite said. "He had courage, and I think political courage is one of the rarest attributes of our leaders and representatives."

Cronkite also spoke about the current state of society and the biggest hurdles he thinks await the nation in the future. He said one of our country's principal concerns should be promoting relations with other nations and examining our current foreign policies.

"What it is we need is a concentrated program where we do everything that we can to build up other countries," he said.

"We can build them up and lift them up and by lifting them we can make friends with them."

The 86-year-old former journalist also was vocal about the way broadcast news has changed since his retirement and what he would do to improve it. Cronkite said he would like to see networks expand to hour-long newscasts instead of the typical half-hour programs that are often interspersed by commercials.

"Right now, the biggest headlines

only get two to three minutes, and that's not nearly enough," Cronkite said. "We need to be doing more background to be able to better educate people about what is really the most important news of the day."

Another of his sticking points was his belief that our country's fascination with building up an arsenal of artillery has detracted from other issues that our nation has neglected.

"What I'd like to see is for every advancement made in the tools and the skills of making a war, we demonstrate a people an equal advancement in the tools and skills of making peace," Cronkite said.

But the one thing Cronkite emphasized as the biggest challenge for our country in the near future is how to handle the looming economic crisis. He said that

rather than pulling funds from an already strapped educational system, our nation's leaders need to pool their resources to find a solution.

"We should pay teachers what they're worth," Cronkite said. "What are we going to do about it? I'm not sure I have the answer, but our leaders need to step up and be the ones to show us the way."

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U.S. troops continue to clash with Iraq opposition

Drew Brown
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD, Iraq (KRT) — A suicide bomber drove a car packed with explosives into an Iraqi police compound Thursday and blew himself up, killing at least eight people, including four officers, and wounding more than 30.

Meanwhile, two gunmen shot and killed a Spanish military attaché outside his Baghdad home.

And the U.S. military reported that a 4th Infantry Division soldier died after being wounded in a rocket-propelled grenade attack near the town of Baqubah, about 40 miles northeast of the Iraqi capital, where attacks on U.S. soldiers have been frequent.

The police station bombing in the Shiite neighborhood of Sadr City apparently was intended to inflame Iraq's Shiite majority. Relations between U.S. forces and Iraqi Shiites have been deteriorating in recent weeks, especially in Sadr City.

U.S. soldiers infuriated the neighborhood's Shiite residents two months ago when a helicopter crewman tried to remove a sacred religious banner from a telecommunications tower. The military apologized, but anti-American passions have remained high.

Many people in the neighborhood are followers of Moqtada al Sadr, a fiery young Shiite cleric who has spoken out against the U.S.-led occupation and the U.S.-backed Governing Council. Sadr does not represent the majority of Iraqi Shiites, but he has a big following in Baghdad.

This week tensions between his followers and American forces rose dramatically after U.S. soldiers arrested a Shiite cleric in another Baghdad neighborhood, for allegedly storing weapons in his mosque.

U.S. troops clashed briefly with militiamen around the mosque after more than 1,000 protesters blocked

a highway, demanding the cleric's release. More than 5,000 Shiites marched in protest on Wednesday. The group's leaders warned they would turn to violence soon if the cleric is not released.

Iraqi Shiites also are angry that, during U.S. control of the country, one of their leading clerics, Ayatollah Mohammed Baqir al Hakim, was killed along with 78 people in a car bombing in August at a shrine in Najaf.

The shooting of the Spanish military official reinforced a perception in Iraq that anti-coalition guerrillas would target anyone who cooperates with U.S.-led forces, and it occurred when the United States and Britain are seeking more international help. Spain is the cosponsor of a U.S.-British resolution that would slightly expand the U.N. role in Iraq, which now is limited to providing some humanitarian aid.

Witnesses to the car bombing said a man in a blue Oldsmobile followed a police car past a checkpoint and into the compound in Sadr City. Police fired on the vehicle as it sped past the checkpoint, but couldn't stop it.

"He was driving the car very fast, and as soon as the police car entered, he entered immediately after. He struck the Iraqi police car, and then his car exploded," said police Sgt. Mazzen Abdullah Muklik, 33, at al Kindi Hospital, where he was treated for injuries from the blast. Muklik's forehead was laced with cuts, and a bone protruded from his left arm.

Muklik said the driver's face was mostly covered by a checkered scarf, and he appeared to have wires wrapped around his chest.

"Those four policemen who were killed, all of them were my friends," he said, bursting into tears. "Why did they do this?"

U.S. military police cordoned off the area, but an angry mob of several hundred people gathered. Many of them threatened Western journalists with violence if they

didn't leave. Fistfights broke out, and an Iraqi policeman was stabbed.

Sheik Amar al Yassari, who heads up the safety committee for the young cleric Sadr's office, said he believed the attack was carried out by loyalists of Saddam Hussein's former regime or by al-Qaida terrorists.

He also blamed the American presence.

"My opinion is that as long as the Americans remain in this city, it will not be stable," he said. "They should leave."

Several others in the neighborhood agreed.

"At first, relations with the Americans were good," said Abdullah Hassan, 35. "But then they started arresting our religious men and flying their helicopters over our area."

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The suicide bombing and the shooting of the Spanish military official follow a string of terrorist attacks and assassinations that began in early August with a truck bomb at the Jordanian Embassy and a massive bombing two weeks later outside the U.N. headquarters that killed 23 people, including the U.N.'s top envoy in Iraq.

To date, 92 U.S. soldiers have been killed in action in Iraq since President Bush declared major combat over five months ago. More than 325 soldiers have died in Iraq since the war began in March.

The violence on Thursday came on the six-month anniversary of the liberation of Baghdad and on a day when coalition authorities were keen to highlight progress in Iraq.

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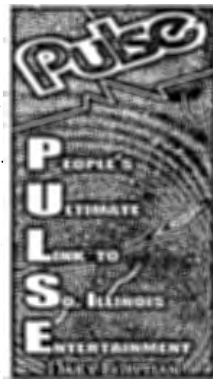
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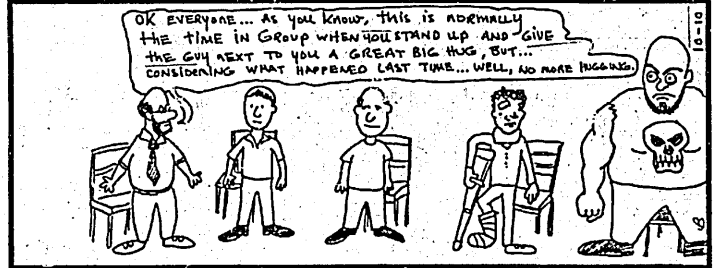
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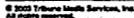
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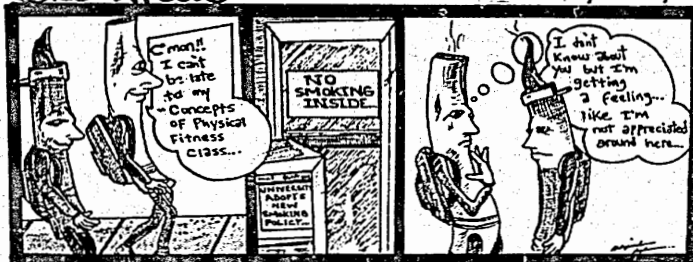


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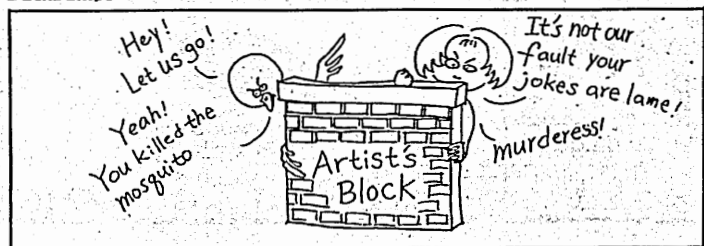
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SIU women's tennis head coach Judy Auld saw something in the eyes of one her players last week. It was something she had been looking for since last year, and it finally made its presence at the Missouri Valley Conference Individual Championships last Sunday.

Sophomore Zuzana Palovic squared off against Ashley Maxwell from league juggernaut Illinois State. Palovic dropped the first set 3-6 before coming back and taking the next two sets (6-3, 6-4) in hard-nosed fashion.

"Zuzana has really moved her game up a notch," Auld said. "That final match she played, she won that from sheer determination and heart."

"That is what I try to get across to my players all the time — if you're out there gutting a match out you can pull out some of those really tight wins."

The message seems to be sinking in with the team as the Salukis have accumulated eight singles and doubles titles in the first two tournaments of the fall. All of those first-place finishes have come from SIU's bottom three players.

Junior Tana Trapani, the Salukis' No. 4

player, has picked up a pair of singles titles and has teamed with senior Alejandra Blanco to take two doubles crowns.

Palovic has two singles titles and has paired with fellow sophomore Zoya Honarmand to take a doubles crown. Honarmand also has a singles title under her belt.

The success by the bottom three, while impressive, is not unexpected by the team. Trapani, the 2001 MVC freshman of the year, has been anxious to get back on the court after battling injuries the past two seasons.

"I'm enjoying it; I'm loving every minute of it," Trapani said. "Getting match-tough is really helping. The past few weekends, everybody's just been getting match-tough."

The most unexpected performance so far this fall is that of the doubles tandem of Palovic and Honarmand. After struggling in their few matches last season — they went 2-3 a year ago — the two are now 5-1 this fall with first- and second-place finishes.

Both attributed their lack of success last season to the fact that they were so overwhelmed by the level of competition and they had not developed any kind of chemistry.

"[Last year] it didn't seem to go very well at all because we both have kind of aggressive game styles, and that usually doesn't make for a good match in doubles; it's just a matter of talking things out," Honarmand said. "Before our first tournament, I told her everything I liked and

didn't like on the court and she was like, 'OK,' and we've just worked with that."

The pair will be on the court again this weekend when the Salukis play host to the Saluki Classic. The two-day event is what Auld calls a "hidden dual meet" in which teams compete against other teams in dual matches, but in one case the singles and doubles matches will be on separate days.

SIU will take on Eastern Kentucky today at 3 p.m. and Northern Illinois Saturday at 9 a.m., and the Salukis will play doubles against Valparaiso today and singles against the Crusaders Saturday.

"We're gonna have three really good matches," Auld said. "I'm anxious to play [Northern Illinois], we have a good rivalry with them. Eastern Kentucky's coming in a little bit stronger, and then we're playing Valparaiso, and I know their program has come up a notch in the last year or so."

"[Our goal is to] continue to play well, being in the match, and I always tell my players play the best you possibly can ... at conference with Zuzana I just saw determination kick into her and she was not gonna lose the match. And that's what we have to have every time we go out on the court, that determination and that focus."

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SIU sophomore tennis player Maria Blanco smacks a volley during practice. Blanco and her teammates will be in action at home this weekend when they play host today and Saturday to the Saluki Classic at the University Courts.



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the Salukis' offense is one of the finest in the nation. And thanks to the recent emergence of the passing game, it is not as one-dimensional as it had been.

Against Indiana State last Saturday, SIU was without star running back Muhammad Abdulqadir, who is questionable for Saturday's game, and had to play Tom Koutsos and Robinson despite neither being at full strength.

As a result, SIU's rushing offense was not as dominant as usual. This is where quarterback Joel Sambursky was able to step up and carry the load by excelling through the air.

"Last week we didn't run the ball for doo-doo," Robinson said. "Joel threw the ball all over the place which really helped us out a lot. I think we only had one or two rushing touchdowns, but it wasn't by

any of the backs."

Across the field, Illinois State is struggling a bit offensively after lighting it up early in the season. Against Division I-A Illinois, the Redbirds racked up 511 total offensive yards. The following week, they put up 49 points against Truman State.

But in both losses in the last two weeks, the Redbirds have scored just 17 points.

"All of a sudden, we're not doing things we were doing extremely well," Illinois State head coach Denver Johnson told the Bloomington Pantagraph. "We're not running the ball at all; we're not throwing and catching very well. I sense a lot of frustration out of our offense."

The key to Illinois State's offense is quarterback Mike Souza, who has run for more than 250 yards and thrown for more than 1,000 yards already this season.

The SIU defense knows if Souza

gets to run free, it is in for a long day.

"The biggest x-factor is that quarterback, keeping him contained," SIU linebacker Eric Egan said. "When you keep him contained, when you keep him under wraps, I think that does a lot."

Both teams look at this game as a must-win.

Illinois State is coming off two losses, and another would give it a devastating 0-2 start in Gateway play.

For the Salukis, a win would put them at 6-0 heading into a huge game against No. 2 Western Illinois next weekend in Macomb.

All of these factors should make for an intense afternoon.

"This is a critical game, so it should be a war on Saturday," SIU head coach Jerry Kill said.

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going to play," Locke said. "We're expecting that she plays, and if it doesn't happen it doesn't happen."

SIU will play host to the other ISU — Indiana State — at 7 p.m. Saturday. The Sycamores (7-7, 2-3) are led by first-year head coach Julie

Krofcheck and are currently in position to take the sixth and final spot in the MVC tourney.

Senior Kylee Osbourne, who recently led Indiana State to a 3-2 victory over the Redbirds with a career-high 27 kills, leads the team in kills and kills per game and will be a force for the Dawgs to reckon with.

Despite the new coaching staff, Locke doesn't expect anything out of

the ordinary from the Sycamores.

"They're pretty much the same team. They're not really doing anything differently than they did last year," Locke said. "They're scrappy, they're good offensively and they pose the same threat as in the past."

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Grigsby, ISU invade McAndrew

No. 8 SIU ready for Homecoming against Illinois St., its tackling machine

Jens Deju
Daily Egyptian

They look at you over the eye black and through the bars of the facemask.

They carefully watch the center until the ball is snapped, and then the eyes are gone.

Just when the running back thinks he is in the clear, a freight train-like force drives him into the ground.

All the dazed runner sees next is the red Illinois State No. 46 jersey belonging to Boomer Grigsby standing above him.

That is a sight the No. 8-ranked SIU football team hopes to avoid seeing too much starting 1:30 p.m. Saturday when Illinois State comes to McAndrew Stadium for the Salukis' (5-0, 1-0 Gateway Conference) Homecoming game.

Grigsby, arguably the best linebacker in the nation, enters the game as the leading tackler in all of Division I. Through the first six games of the season, Grigsby has racked up 90 tackles and three sacks. The Canton native has 10 tackles for loss, totaling minus 26 yards.

In addition to raw skill, Grigsby is also a physical freak. He measures in at 6-foot, 245 pounds and has biceps resembling Popeye's when he's hopped up on spinach.

SIU fullback Brandon Robinson said all they can do is try to repeatedly hit Grigsby in the mouth and hope it eventually becomes too much for him.

"We got to knock him down and make him get back up, knock him down and make him get back up, cut him as much as possible," Robinson said. "That's our philosophy on him. The more he's got to get up, the more tired he's going to be, the less he's going to want to run all over the field."

While Grigsby is the star of the defense, he is not the lone key player. Others who can have an impact on the game include linebackers Gean Gilot and Tyler Larick and defensive end Ray Robinson.

But as good as the Redbirds (3-3, 0-1 Gateway) defense may be,



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SIU running back Tom Koutsos said he will play in the Homecoming game Saturday against Illinois State despite a hamstring pull. Koutsos and the rest of the Saluki offense will have their hands full with Redbird middle linebacker Boomer Grigsby, the nation's leading tackler.

Koutsos expects to play

The status of Abdulqaadir is still doubtful

Zack Creglow
Daily Egyptian

Last season, a broken wrist caused SIU running back Tom Koutsos to miss what was supposed to be his last Homecoming game. If the senior has his way, a tweaked hamstring will not be damaging enough to make him miss it a second time.

Koutsos, who earlier in the week was declared "doubtful" for the Illinois State game tomorrow by head coach Jerry Kill, told the DAILY EGYPTIAN he thinks he will play.

"I'd play even if I was at about 75 percent," Koutsos said. "Illinois State is a huge rival."

For precautionary measures, he withdrew from any contact at practice this week but still suited up.

Koutsos rushed for 91 yards and had 30 carries last week against Indiana State despite being hampered with the same injury. He has rushed for 344 yards and four touchdowns this season.

Koutsos enters the Illinois State contest needing just 144 yards to break the career rushing record in the Gateway conference.

Muhammad Abdulqaadir, who sat out last week with a knee injury, watched both Tuesday and Thursday practices with his left knee heavily bandaged. He is still thought to be doubtful.

If Koutsos or Abdulqaadir are unable to go, SIU will start fullback Brandon Robinson as the feature back. When he filled in for the both last season against Indiana State, he rushed for a career-high 178 yards on 34 carries.

"I don't know what is going to happen," Kill said of the running back situation. "Right now, we are just trying to survive to put a game plan together to be successful."

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Saluki volleyball to battle Redbirds for first MVC win

Salukis to host both ISU's for Homecoming weekend

Adam Soebbing
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Both SIU and Illinois State will battle for their first Missouri Valley Conference victory of the season in today's 7 p.m. volleyball match at Davies Gymnasium.

The Salukis (4-13, 0-6) and the Redbirds are winless in the confer-

ence and are looking at this weekend to turn things around.

The Dawgs, who are off to their worst conference start in school history, want it bad.

"Everybody on the team feels pretty much the same way — we want that win," junior middle blocker Carrie Shephard said.

Each team realizes this opening match of the weekend could go a long way in helping the winner to climb out of the MVC cellar.

"There's no question this is a pretty big weekend for both teams," Illinois State head coach Sharon Dingman said. "We're both in the same boat, looking for that first win."

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— Sharon Dingman
Illinois State head volleyball coach

Unfortunately for Illinois State (6-10, 0-5), it will have to do so without one of its best players.

Sophomore outside hitter Laura Doombos severely sprained her right ankle in the Redbirds' 3-2 victory

over DePaul Tuesday night and has been ruled out for the weekend.

Trainers evaluated the team leader in kills and kills per game Thursday to determine her availability for the long term, which will be known soon.

"It is just one of those unfortunate things that happen, but it's not a fracture and we're really happy about that," Dingman said. "It's hard when you have over four kills a game sitting on the bench."

Dingman will weigh a number of options to replace Doombos, including freshman Maura McCarthy. But whatever it is, Dingman expects her players to continue to rally around

their fallen teammate.

"I loved the way our team responded in [Tuesday's] match," Dingman said. "We kept going, and that's what you hope happens, that your other players step it up."

"There's other ways to score besides Laura's four kills, and that's what we're going to be focusing on."

The injury will not affect how head coach Sonya Locke and the Salukis prepare for the Redbirds. Locke still expects them to put up a fight for their first MVC win, with or without Doombos.

"We're scouting them as if she's

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