Aviation career day lands more than 100 potential students

LAUREN LEONE  Daily Egyptian

Lauren Leone writes that SIU held its aviation career day on Saturday, welcoming more than 100 potential students to the university's aviation department. Many students expressed interest in the aviation program, and some even indicated a desire to pursue careers in the field.

The aviation program at SIU is one of the nation's most recognized flight programs, and it is celebrating its 50th anniversary. The program has a successful record of preparing students for careers in aviation, and many former students have gone on to successful careers in the industry. The aviation career day gave students an opportunity to learn more about the program and network with current students and alumni.

People who attend the career day meet with program faculty and learn about the various career paths available in the aviation industry, including flight crew, maintenance, and engineering. The day also featured opportunities for students to tour the university's facilities and learn more about the programs and resources available.

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Rich Mueller, a captain with American Airlines, peeks his head out of an MD-80 after landing the plane Saturday at the Southern Illinois Airport. Mueller, an SIU alumnus who graduated in 1980, with a degree in aviation flight, flew 110 students from Chicago-area high schools and community colleges to SIU for the Aviation Career Day, hosted by SIU's aviation department.

**AVIATION**

Sloan said he enjoys the idea of being a pilot, but would rather have hands-on experience with aviation mechanics because he has worked on cars with his father since he was young. "I guess I just wanted to see a bigger engine," he said. "But I still consider flying to be the biggest thrill of my life." Oas said SIU's Flying Salukis, the program's flight team, became the first in the modern history of the National Intercollegiate Flying Association to win first place in regional competition three years in a row, from 2007 to 2009. The team ranked fourth nationally in 2010 against 29 teams, he said. Oas said he is impressed with the 15-member flight team because of its ability to compete against universities with larger student populations. He said students who enroll in the aviation program will see the benefits if they dedicate themselves to what he describes as a "tough first year." He said in his first-year studying, he ranked third out of 150 in the nation for Aircraft Recognition as part of the Flying Salukis, and credits his success to the aviation program's instruction. "Compared to a lot of bigger schools, SIU has more one-on-one attention," he said. "We're all very tightknit." Shrum said the 14th floor of Mac Smith Hall is dedicated to aviation majors, which adds to the sense of community. "We even have instructors come up and visit us, so you're definitely absorbed in aviation constantly," he said.

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Kentucky band makes quality debut in Carbondale

RYAN SIMONIN
Daily Egyptian

They call themselves The Bad Reeds, but their first performance in Carbondale was nothing short of excellent.

The group of four from Bowling Green, Ky., put on an amazing show from beginning to end Saturday at PK's. The band's sound is deeply rooted in heavy blues and rock and roll, which is hard to believe judging by the business-like attitude its members projected.

A mix of addictive songs from the band's debut album "Field Holler" and classic rock covers made up the set list, and the band powered through it, ripping out high-energy guitar solos accompanied by brain-busting drumbeats and bass riffs.

The vocals, though hard to understand at times, were still an incredible compliment to the overall sound of the band. The singer had a raspy voice that just fit perfectly into the genre of music.

The band's sound wasn't all like traditional blues; it was electrifying and heavy on the ears. One of its original songs called "Crane Baby" had a southern rock sound and was catchy and selective in nature.

Applause and screams rang throughout the bar after every song, as the band had the crowd plugged in right from the start. It seemed fitting that the band played some classic rock covers, simply because their own songs resembled the vintage rock from the '70s.

The Bad Reeds also performed the classics well, which is always a feat in itself. Nothing is worse than hearing a band butcher Led Zeppelin, but The Bad Reeds recreated "Whole Lotta Love" about as well as anybody living today could.

After their first show in Carbondale, The Bad Reeds will definitely have music lovers coming back for more.

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Ask, tell for service members who can't

Brandy Simmons
Voices editor

It's national Coming Out Day, but the U.S. military's closet is full. Americans should fear the issues they face right now — national debt, unemployment, the abuse of countless immigrants, embarrassing rates of obesity, the list goes on. But one issue, one monumental waste of money and resources other gay comrades because they add to families' suffering every day "don't ask, don't tell" lives on. It's shameful.

Add to the suffering of military personnel and their families is disgusting. The military's suicide and divorce rates are disproportionately higher than those on the civilian side. Hundreds of thousands of families have lost a loved one to war. The military's nature causes so much heartache already, why do we continue to throw government money at removing gay service members and potentially ruining their future careers?

I don't understand our nation's priorities. Please, someone tell me, a straight soldier, what hurts me the most. Tell me my diabetic brother's health is less of a concern than Joe Sosnyk's lover of 10 years. Tell me if food on the table of every American home holds less value than a Marine's strip-ron. Remind me for the millionth time how skewed our nation's policies are when you kick out yet another healthy, hard-working soldier.

Please tell me that our nation, our Congress and our voters care more about derailing those gay rights than the health of their own families, the integrity of their own country and the example set for the next generation of Americans. Throw tax dollars at congressmen and women, so they may continue to decoate our children with health classes.

When service members' caskets are loaded into plane bellies and sent home, lawmakers should feel guilty, not just because they allow wars to rage on despite an unsurprising lack of weapons of mass destruction, but because they add to families' suffering every day "don't ask, don't tell" lives on. It's shameful.

Please, military lawmakers, pay to incarcerate nonviolent criminals and grow fat off of benefits taken from veterans and the elderly. Foster with corporate-caused carcinogens until your healthcare provider leaves you to rot, but please don't let people with misgender genitalia openly love, date or have sex with one another. That would be repulsive. It would be criminal to terrify our children with healthy couples that love each other. If tomorrow I wake up gay, I'm an Iraq war veteran and any paid college graduate — I'd tell. I'd scream at the top of my lungs and other service members would claim I just wanted out. Who in the hell, straight, gay or otherwise, wouldn't be embarrassed to be a member of a group that pays so much attention to one of the lesser crimes that happens behind closed doors in this country? I'm sorry, that implies homosexuality is a crime and I don't think it is.

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Horoscopes

By Nancy Black and Stephanie Clement

Today's birthday — If you don't overplan, you lose power in your social or other arena. Do your thing — it's too much work to predict, but you can make the best food choices. This way you know what's on your plate and add your mood.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an ail — Combine romance with work today by involving your partner in social events involving clients and co-workers. Use creativity to make it really fun.

Taunia (April 20-May 20) — Today is 4 — Your many talents take you in different directions now. Follow the traditional wisdom as far as it will take you. Then be willing to branch out.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is 7 — Your closest with children and elders to produce better results. You share talents you may not know about. Listen and learn from each other.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a — If an associate brings a social event at your place, sparking the interest and enthusiasm of guests. Let others play list.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Work and play afterimage in an unusual way today. Time away from a problem often allows a solution to emerge. Other imaginations may provide the missing key.

Vespa (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is 8 — Prep for supplies early in the day so everyone has what they need to get their work done. Capture imagination with the night tools.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is 4 — Even if you have to work today, make sure to set to your intentions. You don't need to push too much down. Keep it to be someone.

Sclropia (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is 7 — Make your way, don't be sandwiched. Scoured fur just is itself when you apply artistic talents. Use a light touch and adjust.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 6 — When you impress on your core values, pay attention. You won't want to give anything important away. Convey it in your personality. Others suggest solutions.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 4 — The more you equal, the larger your sphere of comfort, the more you accommodate. Associates see broader possibilities for future consideration.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 10 — You need to show a moral point if the groups to move forward. You may call in an expert to clarify specific details and concerns.

Pices (Feb. 19-March. 20) — Today is a 9 — Hello one know who would today, not even yourself. The big surprise is that you would like why they didn't think of themselves.

JUMBLE

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Mike Argijon and Jeff Kruse

They are all alike. Just because I don't need just because I don't need just because I don't need it, me it's hot. (Answers tomorrow)

Friday's Answers: BRAVE STOOGES ARCTIC

Answer: When the young TV starPedretti he was a baby, Mom said — "AC' YOUR AGE"

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FOOTBALL

Dicker was selected 20 for 27 for 263 yards, an interception and two touchdowns, including the game winner in overtime to senior wide receiver Evan Evans. McIntosh made his first appearance with 3:01 remaining in the first quarter. On the first play he ran on a quarterback keeper, but the second play he completed his only pass attempt of the game for Evans in a 62-yard touchdown.

The mobile McIntosh hit the SIU rushing attack with 35 yards off 10 carries, including a 20-yard touchdown run in the second quarter to put SIU up 17-7. UNI started the second half down 31-14, but scored 24 unanswered points. The Panthers were ahead 38-31 until Dicker put together a scoring drive to tie the game with one minute and 11 seconds remaining in the fourth. Dicker said the Panthers’ defense didn’t really change the Salukis’ offensive wasn’t making plays.

“We had a lot of guys on the field connecting on plays and had a lot of three and out that hurt us. They did a good job. They’re a good defense, but we found a way to fight through that.”

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After the so-called quality, “Smoke” started working his way to the front and was filthy by the midpoint. He took the lead with 51 laps left and stuck it back after briefly falling behind to Jamie McMurray.

In the lead again late, Stewart opted not to pit after an accident took out Chase driver Kurt Busch and pulled away from Johnson on the restart with two laps left. Bowyer passed Johnson, but was nowhere close to Stewart at the end. Stewart won up to fifth in the Chase, 107 points behind Johnson.

Johnson had made his non-expected surge to the top of the Chase standings, using a win at Dover and second last week at Kansas after a poor qualifying session to move past Harvick. But Stewart didn’t have much of a feeling he was in the Chase although he had a solid showing last week at Kansas. He finished second in the Chase after running out of fuel while leading Harvick on a restart and winning Dinger. He had a good showing last week at Kansas, finishing fourth, but still entered this weekend 100h in points. He started 22nd after a rough qualifying day, but was strong from the start of a lead-evolving 400-mile race, the final leg at Fontana. He reeled five spots in the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship with his first win in 19 tries at California, and Johnson missed his points cushion to 36 over Denny Hamlin with six races left.

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Volleyball

Salukis overcome Sycamores, dominate Redbirds

BRANDON COLEMAN
Daily Egyptian

Brenda Winkler's Salukis had not beaten Illinois State at Davies Gymnasium since she was undergraduate student at Milikin University in 1981, but the Salukis stopped a 23-match home losing streak in MVC when they beat the Redbirds three sets to one.

"We were determined to beat them... We knew what it meant... We felt that last year for the first time. We just hadn't beat them at home yet," senior outside hitter Jennifer Berwanger said.

Berwanger said she attributes the team's success Friday against the Indiana State Sycamores (8–12, 0–2 in MVC) and Saturday against Illinois State (12–8, 2–3 in MVC) to the return of junior libero Lauren Blumhorst.

"(The matches) showed what it would take to win matches in the Missouri Valley," Winkler said.

Early during the third set against the Redbirds, freshman outside hitter Jessica Whitehead suffered a mild leg injury diving for a dig. Winkler said with Whitehead out, the team was a little distracted because they were more concerned about their teammate than the game. "They were more worried that she was really hurt," Winkler said. "She's going to be alright, it's okay."

Any time something like that happens, we just seem to get a little bit off," Winkler said.

The Salukis (12–8, 3–4 in MVC) overcame an 11-point deficit in the third set against Illinois State. Senior outside hitter Sydney Clark and Berwanger led the come-from-behind win. "We were struggling to back, the front left side had a little bit of momentum," Berwanger said.

Seniors right-side hitter Alica Johnson and sophomore middle blocker Jamie Conner said the Sycamores' bad weekend against Indiana State Friday and the Conference USA Tournament.

"It was a do-or-die for us after halftime and we've been in that situation before this year," Johnson said. "It was about time we came back."

Johnson said she knew the Sycamores would present them with a tough match, but the entire team contributed on defense, diving for 104 digs in the five-set match.

Senior middle blocker Jasmine Conner said if it weren't for an improved serve, they wouldn't have overcome their 2–0 deficit. Besides ball control, passing and blocking carried the team to victory, she said.

"Every team is going to get their kills, we decided to shift here, shift there, and we were able to start digging the backside," Conner said.

Conner said the Salukis' back row played the net close which allowed Whitehead, Berwanger and Johnson to hit the ball deep and score kills.

Please see VOLLEYBALL 7

Swimming & Diving

Southern swamps Vanderbilt in season opener

RYAN SIMONIN
Daily Egyptian

SIU's women's swim team defeated Vanderbilt for the second consecutive season Saturday at the Edward J. Shea Natatorium. Coach Rick Walker said the team posted some great times for the meet of the season.

"They really came together and they got a positive result because of it," Walker said.

Walker said the team's focus was exceptional and it swam really well as a unit.

The Salukis took off in a strong start as they captured first place in the 400-yard medley relay with a time of 3:55.49 and 55.47 seconds. Sophomore Kirsten Groome and seniors Jennifer Kwock and Jill Weidbach took the top three spots in the 1,000-yard freestyle with times of 10:21.57, 10:21.84 and 10:39.51.

Groome said everyone raced well for the first meet and expects the season to be a good one.

"Everybody has been working hard and we put it all together today. We had some really good relays and everything is going great, as planned," Groome said.

Freshmen Isabella Castro and Yusu Silveira won their first collegiate dual events. Castro took first place in the 200-yard freestyle and backstroke with times of 1:55.69 and 20.81, and Silveira captured first place in the 50 and 100-yard freestyle with times of 24.16 and 55.90.

Castro said there was a lot of pressure on the freshmen and she was happy with how well the team performed.

"We just wanted to show them in the pool that we are a team and we are here to win together," Castro said.

Walker said he was impressed with first-year walk-on Rachel Barry, who competed in the 400-yard relay with senior Marsha Tavera, Kwock and Weidbach. The team posted a time of 4:02.59, which was technically second-place, but the score was not counted because the meet had already been decided.

"She got her best in the first one-day relay and we put her on the second relay and we almost won it. I don't think we could have done it with anyone else," Lasko said.

The Salukis return to the pool Oct. 16 where they host a tri-meet against Kentucky and Missouri.

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