Three candidates participate in interviews

Carl Bender, one of three finalists for vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement, presents himself to SIU students, staff, faculty and Carbondale community members Monday morning.

Candidates bring wide range of fundraising experience

Bryan Scott

The final three candidates for the vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement position are extensively qualified for the position and will demonstrate their "people skills" this week, meeting with University officials, students and Carbondale community members.

A search committee, led by Stanford Goldman, examined about 40 candidates in the last year at numerous meetings, and selected six finalists in January. The three finalists were named March 10.

"We have a very good, active committee," Goldman said. "We met on Friday nights and during the week for hours."

Goldman said the committee's hard work has paid off and the qualified candidates are proof.

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Illinois presidential primaries today

Jason Cumber

With the presidential primary race already having been decided by some, and only one contested local race, Southern Illinois political observers are expecting a low voter turnout in Illinois' primary election today.

Jackson County's only contested race is for a Murphysboro precinct Committeeman. Turnout at the 64 precincts, or polling places, in the county is expected to be low, possibly only as high as 5,000 to the usual 8,000 registered voters, said Larry Reinhardt, Jackson County clerk.

"Most people are so busy," Reinhardt said. "A lot of people didn't know there was an election."

The polls will be open at 6 a.m., and will close at 6 p.m.

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Old buildings are coming down this summer

Neue funding allows SUCU students to destroy potentially dangerous structures

About 20 small SIUC structures will be razed this fall at a cost of $250,000.

The board of trustees approved a request for the demolition of SIUC's deteriorated buildings and for funding from the Capital Development Board's state-wide demolition fund.

Phil Gatton, university engineers said the university conducted a survey to determine which buildings would cost more to repair than to demolish. He said, and asked department, any building with structural problems.

"The structures are just becoming dangerous," Gatton said. The buildings include about 10 storage buildings at Touch of Nature, barns, and garages at 630 Rowden, a group of welding at Lewis High and 908 Elizabeth St.

This is the first true SIUC has demolished unused or dangerous buildings. Gatton said. In the past, SIUC has abandoned buildings when maintenance expenses the building's confidence.

Gatton said without funding from the Capital Development Board, it is probable that money would be left to rot.

"We don't typically have a funding method to tear structures down," Gatton said. The survey was conducted after heavy snowfall collapsed the east of a storage building in March 1999.

Two towns later, an estimated assistance from the Capital Development Board for funding from the state-wide demolition fund. The Capital Development Board allocated $250,000 into the University for the removal of the buildings.

The fund is a result of the Capital Development Board's reaction to various studies that found that the town. Apparently, the USG office.

Research class finds students dissatisfied with SUIU

Study conducted by a speech communication class asks undergraduates about SUIU experience

De SUCU students go bar hopping because there isn't anything else to do in Carbondale.

According to a study done by a speech communication class last semester, the town is too small.

The class, SPCM 282 — "The Research Methods in Public Communication," used focus groups and surveys to determine what students think about the overall undergraduate experience.

The study was conducted by a group of about 20 members from this class. They concentrated on sports, academics and social life. The student found that while students are fairly content with the conditions in Carbondale, they are also somewhat dissatisfied.

Nirajana Baradwan, associate professor in speech communication, taught the class last semester. Baradwan said the research was done well and the methodology was strong. The survey included some interesting outcomes including the students' opinions on sports at SIUC.

"The students seem to think that SUIU spirit is not strong enough," Baradwan said. "They think there is not enough support.".

Some students said SUIU's student government and other student organizations aren't well supported. They also said they are not publicized enough.

In the academic category, students said that the class is good, but it too large and does not allow enough individual attention. They also said the general education courses take too much time. They were also dissatisfied with the clubs and organizations.

"They feel like some clubs and events going on, but they are not publicized enough," Baradwan said. "They usually don't find about them until they read about it in the Dixon Eagle."
Forum provides opportunity for SIUC community to make a contribution

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Now, a month has passed since the end of Black History Month and the community may begin to forget the events and the people of color who have made our nation what it is today. Fortunately, the Daily Egyptian is one of few publications that continues to inform our readers about the black history that continues to happen every day.

Our World

One month isn't enough for black history

There is no reason, and not enough time for blacks to squeeze all of our history into a 28-day span, sometimes 21-day month. It's impossible. If we allow ourselves to cram 12 million years of our history into one month, we will lose the value of the celebration. Our history is not just about the past, but about the present and the future. We must continue to educate ourselves about the contributions of black figures in our country. We must focus on the present and not let our history be lost.

Guest Comment

ANDREA PARKER

ANDREA PARKER is a senior in psychology.

Dr. King gave speeches across the country and in non-violent sit-ins, Rosa Parks didn't give up her seat for a white person, but blacks we're working hard with fire hoses and were beaten by our very own government for their freedom. Black History Month is more than just a month of our history. It's a year-round commitment to educate ourselves about the contributions of black people to our country.

Mailbox

International students should pay their share

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing to express my belief that international students should be paying more for their tuition. I believe that this is necessary to ensure that all students are contributing equally to the cost of education.

DEAR EDITOR:

I want to express my gratitude for the Daily Egyptian's coverage of Black History Month. The newspaper did a great job of highlighting the contributions of black people to our nation.

Overheard

"It's like a powder ready to explode."
Suggestions taken for campus improvement

Students, faculty and staff use forum to extend ideas
BY BRYON SCOTT
DAILY EGERIAN REPORTER

Michael Hepner, class of 1989, says he plans to attend SIUC where he majored in communication arts at Champaign-Urbana because of its beauty. Monday he took action to continue to attract prospective students to visit SIUC rather than other universities in the future.

Hepner participated in a project called the "Campus Land Use Plan" Monday dedicated to improving campus appearance.

Seven goals were developed during a collaboration between the Denver-based Civitas Developmental Group Inc., and the Committee Concerning the Campus Environment and Air written on the boards where Hepner placed his suggestions.

The project allows students, staff and faculty to vote on the importance of seven goals provided by the University and Civitas for improving the campus appearance. In its initial phase of gathering input from the entire University, the program will eventually improve campus appearance step by step.

Voters can give suggestions by placing colored stickers on boards they see needs for improvements on campus and where they think strong points are on the campus. This can also be placed on the Campus Land Use Plan website at www.pso.siu.edu/cunviron.

Civitas is a firm dedicated to examining land-use concerns. The group has worked with more than 100 universities for campus appearance improvements.

Hepner, a senior in English and classics from Illinois, wanted the environmental features on SIUC campus led him to his decision to become a Saluki, and continued maintenance of the University is essential.

"The reason I didn't go to [the University of Illinois] was because it's ugly compared to SIUC," Hepner said.

Locations on campus where students, faculty and staff can input suggestions are the Student Center, the Recreation Center, Lute and Trouthred dining halls, Life Science II, the Agriculture Building, Morris Library, the Engineering Building, the Communications Building and at the Plant and Service Operations' lunchroom. Voting began Monday and ends Friday.

Goals highlighted by the boards include:

- the importance of a pleasant first impression of SIUC, improving the natural environment,
- campus interior and exterior improvements,
- enhancing campus athletics and recreation,
- and making the campus pedestrian-friendly.

Vice Chancellor for Administration Glenn Poshard was impressed Monday, when about 60 people—mostly students—placed votes on the boards in the first 20 minutes.

Committee continues to investigate allegations

USG president still under investigation
BY GARY SKALSKI
DAILY EGERIAN EDITOR

The Undergraduate Student Government Internal Affairs Committee continues to look into allegations made by several senators about USG President Sean Henry.

Internal Affairs Committee Chairman Chuck Miller distributed an introductory report of the investigation at the March 1 USG meeting. Miller distributed the introductory report of the investigation at the March 1 USG meeting. Miller emphasized that the committee's investigation is being conducted.

The committee dismissed all of the allegations, except for the one concerning the reporting of the budget. The committee dismissed all of the allegations except for the one concerning the reporting of the budget at its meeting Feb. 22.

"The committee unanimously decided that the allegations were false and were not constitutionally violations or acts of misconduct," said Daily Egyptian reporter David Fernández.

The Daily Egyptian reported Feb. 17 that the Internal Affairs Committee decided to only pursue the allegations about the budget because it is a direct violation of the USG Constitution.

Because the minutes from the first meeting reflect that Henry presented the budget, the Internal Affairs Committee has obtained the 30-minute video of that meeting for review to see if Henry did present the budget as he claims.

Miller was not able to comment on the content of the video.

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Student's website cleared from legal trouble

SUU: Attorneys now say SiiLife.com broke no laws

DART FUMARA
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

University attorneys dropped legal threats against a student who started a website called "Siu" in its address. The website was launched, SUU legal counsel Peter Rogers said he planned to look into filing litigation against the founder, Tim Becher, for copyright infringements. That was March 1, but since then Shatt, South, also with University legal counsel, has been investigating the website. Rogers said the university had not looked at the website and discussed the possibility of a suit with college officials.

"It doesn't seem to merit at this point that they look at it," Rogers said. "I don't express my opinion," Rogers said. And, Rogers says, as long as the 27-year-old from Pocatello, a management information systems student, stays within the copyright and trademark boundaries, he will be fine.

Becher has maintained confidence that he did not violate any laws since he launched the site March 1. He says he discussed the site with his attorney before he went public.

"I think it's a pretty good ad for them," Rogers said. "I would like to see other people's photos after her pictures were displayed the first day. And the photographs of the other woman. I don't think they are on SiiLife.com for weeks. Rogers said Monday he is working with other attempts to appear in future sections of the site. The site also has an open forum for students to post messages about teachers they find inadequate.

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"I was never really concerned about a lawsuit," Becher said. "I knew that the University did not have a legal case against me."

But when he heard the threats from Rogers, he maintained the site to look into the copyright meaning some precautionary measures. SiiLife.com now states for "Students' Life." Now, "The Daily Egyptian is unable to obtain a copy of the video," the weekly first meeting to see if the final award is true. The committee's reported that the site was being published by someone else. Other categories included awards for media, service, non-traditional student, social work award, social work staff award, and student award.

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HELPING STUDENTS HELP PATIENTS

Sessions on empathy help SIU medical students learn to deal with patients

Andrew Donahue
Daily Egyptian reporter

When patients are in times of distress, they are not always in need of physical or medical assistance. In many cases they are simply looking for emotional and mental aid.

There are programs that focus on both empathy and spirituality for what J. Kevin Dorsey, associate professor and clinical professor for the SIU School of Medicine, is dealing with in his Empathy 101 sessions.

The SIU School of Medicine was one of five recipients in a $25,000 John Templeton Foundation Spirituality and Medicine Curriculum Award in February to be distributed over a four-year period.

The Templeton grant is a aid in the teaching of patients-centered care and how to treat the whole person—social, emotional and spiritual. It also focuses on cultural differences and openness to differences.

Lisabeth DiLalla, assistant professor for the Department of Psychiatry, and Sharon Hall, assistant dean for Student Affairs for first-year students, put together a 10-page proposal that started what the school wanted to do, the faculty members involved and why they wanted to do it.

"I think one reason we were able to get the grant is that we see the process of enrolling our entire four-year curriculum," DiLalla said. "We are calling it C2000 - Curriculum 2000. We want to add empathy into our courses.

DiLalla said five years ago, she and Ullyott began on empathy sessions called Empathy 101. In the session, first-year medical students read and took the test, "Lessons in Empathy," and then met with DiLalla and Dorsey to discuss it. With the growth in popularity of the sessions, the course is now taught all four years of medical school.

"Our goal is to graduate medical students who haven't lost what they started with," said DiLalla. "We address issues on care and comfort of patients.

With this grant, Dorsey plans to expand on this already existing empathy course. It will now include spirituality, loss of life and cross-cultural problems.

DiLalla said the grant will also be used to fund the collection of data on how student opinions and nurses rate in empathy, wellness and spirit in medicine. Students will be pre-tested before the empathy sessions and then tested after each year to check their progress.

They will then compare the test results of students who took the empathy courses and those who did not take the course to see if they are making a difference.

"What we want is for students to become good listeners who can give the best possible care to patients," Dorsey said. "We want our students to be caring, compassionate individuals."
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“sexism problems on the choices of each individual woman,”
Bean pointed out that even some women blame such
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to try and look at what
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she said. “I don’t think there’s any other way, and that’s
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Beverly Stitt, the director for Women’s Studies, said with
talks like this improve people’s awareness, which is the first step towards
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Glenn Goodrich, interim vice chancellor for Student Affairs, said the two candidates still on the ballot since they ended their campaigns only a short time ago: Democratic Vice President Al Gore and Republican John McCain, both remaining candidates in today's election, have already received enough delegations to clinch their parties' nominations.

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Unfortunately, Jackson said, "it's made our party pretty uninteresting." Jackson said all people should vote. Bush and Gore disagree on many issues, such as the environment, gun control, and abortion. Jackson described the two men as being "at the main-stream" of the Democratic and the Republican parties.

"The candidates differ on a lot of important issues," Jackson said. Mike Lawrence, associate director of the SIU Public Policy Institute, agrees with Jackson. He said Gore and Bush are each qualified to be president. He said all people should vote in today's election because it shows the candidates and the parties aren't concerned citizens out here. "People ought to vote," Lawrence said. "It's always important to express your opinions at the polls whether it's decided or not.

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Softball scores successful spring break

Salukis win Missouri Invitational, finish 10-4 during reces

Cory Conner

DAILY ERIE REPORTER

The SIU softball team finished its ninth-day, 14-game spring break tour with an impressive 10-4 mark, highlighted by a Missouri Invitational championship.

The Salukis began the break at the Invitational in Columbia, Mo., going 5-1 en route to winning championship honors. SIU went the event against some top-notch softball programs, including the University of Missouri and Missouri Valley Conference foe, the University of Northern Iowa.

Junior first baseman Netty Hallahan lead the offense, going 5-for-17 with two home runs and three RBIs, while senior hurler Carisa Winters compiled a record of 3-0 with two saves.

Senior outfielder Karen Dice, who averaged a 3.44, knocked in 28 batters in a mere 23 innings of work, including 16 in a complete game shutout of Northern Iowa.

Hallahan and Winters earned MVC Player and Pitcher of the Week honors last week for their efforts at the Invitational, and also the praise of their head coach.

"We were really happy with our pitching," coach Kerri Blaylock said. "Carisa really came into her own that weekend.

From Missouri, the Salukis (17-8) traveled to the South for a doubleheader with Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fl., the two teams after a pair of pitching duels.

Florida Atlantic was an NCAA qualifier last season and is tough again this year.

In game one, Winters shut down Florida Atlantic, striking out 13 in the 1-0 victory. Junior hurler Hallahan pitched a game-winning RBI in the ninth inning.

In game two, however, it was Florida Atlantic pitcher Marley Wight's turn for the pitching dynamite. Wight no-hit the Salukis in the 2-0 setback. Wight was only one out shy from a perfect game, but two runs scored on a single to Stremsterfer to prove her feeble line.

That kid's tough," Blaylock said. "We were happy to get a split against a team like that.

Following the brief rest at Florida Atlantic, the Salukis continued their Florida swing, traveling to Clearwater for a competitive South Florida Tournament.

SIU opened the tournament with a win over Big Ten powerhouse Purdue, 3-2. Blaylock said SIU should have shut The Boilermakers out, if not for some "dumb" defense.

Led by an offensive surge throughout the lineup, SIU continued its solid play with a 4-0 win over Florida Atlantic and a 5-1 victory over Seton Hall University.

"We had several multiple hit games from several people," Blaylock said. "I think we're seeing good things from a lot of people.

Blaylock said finishing 10-4 over the break is great considering some of the teams we competed against."
Ducks look mighty in win over Red Wings

ANAHEIM, Calif. — The Anaheim Mighty Ducks talked a good game the day before, but when the puck dropped, their talk was soon forgotten.

The Ducks built a 2-0 lead against the Detroit Red Wings on Friday night, as they continued their run at the top of the Western Conference standings.

The victory was the first of the season for the Ducks, who had been struggling to find their rhythm after a strong start to the season.

With the win, the Ducks moved into first place in the Western Conference, tied with the San Jose Sharks for the top spot.

The game was marked by a strong performance from the Ducks' defense, which allowed the team to control the game and keep the Red Wings at bay.

Offensively, the Ducks were led by a strong showing from center Paul Kariya, who scored two goals in the game.

Despite the win, the Ducks remained humble, knowing that there is still much work to be done to maintain their top spot in the conference.

The Ducks' next game is against the Los Angeles Kings on Saturday night, with a chance to move further ahead in the standings.

In other news, the San Jose Sharks continued their strong play, defeating the St. Louis Blues 4-2 to move into second place in the conference.

The Sharks' victory was their fourth in a row, and they now have a three-point lead over the Vancouver Canucks for the top spot in the Pacific Division.

The Sharks' next game is against the Dallas Stars on Sunday afternoon, with a chance to extend their winning streak and solidify their position as the conference's top team.

In the American League, the Boston Red Sox defeated the New York Yankees 7-3, moving into first place in the Eastern Division.

The Red Sox' victory was their third in a row, and they now have a three-game lead over the Yankees for the top spot in the division.

The Red Sox' next game is against the Chicago White Sox on Saturday afternoon, with a chance to extend their winning streak and solidify their position as the division's top team.
Baseball returns at .500

After tough weekend at Wichita State, SIU will host Saint Louis today

Jeff Houston
SPORTS EDITOR

Several surprisingly declining bats have spelled trouble for the SIU baseball team in recent weeks as the Salukis have lost seven of their last 10 games and slipped back to the .500 mark. Most recently, SIU dropped three of four games this weekend at nationally-ranked Missouri Valley Conference foe, Wichita State University.

Senior Camerone Wright and senior Aaron Shunk compete in the high jump, along with the rest of the Saluki team Wednesday through Saturday in Tallahassee, Fla.

While Wright's solid showing drew some attention, it was the sudden effort that was most impressive to SIU head coach Bill Cornell, who thinks Wright's form well, especially Shunk, during spring break.

"We had a pretty successful trip," Cornell said. "We had a super Friday and performance-wise, we were happy."

In the high jump, Shunk placed second (7-1/2), behind only Wright, who won the high jump with a leap of 7-3. Shunk placed first among collegians, before Wright was competing individually, not for SIU.

In the middle distance events, junior Greg Wilson placed third in the 3,000-meter run, senior Matt Fish placed third in the 1,500-meter run (3:52.87) and the 3,000-meter steeplechase (9:20.63).

Senior Brad Bowers placed third in the long jump (25-7 3/4) and fourth in the triple jump (50-11 1/4). In the high jump, junior Joe Hill placed fourth (6-8). Senior Erik Olson (195-7) and junior

Check out SIU Men's basketball on the net

Second-round coverage of Salukis NIT run on the web

Monday night's second-round National Invitation Tournament game between SIU and Brigham Young University is in Provo, Utah, began at 10 p.m., and was completed after press time. To find out how the Salukis did, check the DAILY EGYPTIAN website at www.dailyegyptian.com.

The Daily Egyptian is a member of the University of Colorado, 94-95 in Boulder, Colo., in the first round of the NIT last Thursday. The win was SIU's first postseason victory since.