VanMeter resigns BOT chair

MOLLY PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

For the first time in the history of the University, a woman will sit at the head of the Board of Trustees. Molly D'Esposito was elected as chairwoman at Thursday's board-meeting after longtime chairman A.D. VanMeter stepped down.

The board and members of the audience broke into a round of applause in appreciation of VanMeter's service as chairman since 1989 and for the reign of leadership D'Esposito accepted.

"Mr. VanMeter has provided excellent leadership for a number of years," UI President James Walker said.

VanMeter, who will remain a trustee, said he told the board members that he would resign from his position of chairman after certain board matters were decided at Thursday's meeting. The Walla: said, "We think there is a very good place for us in the middle in terms of tuition and fees.

"It's all about the hair, girl!"

Proposed tuition hike, land-use plan stalled

MOLLY PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

To change the SIU image of subpar-basement tuition rates, University officials are pushing for a tuition hike by 2003.

The Board of Trustees weighed the possibility of increasing tuitions as an informational item at Thursday's meeting. The plan would increase tuition gradually during the course of three years. A 5-percent increase is proposed for 2003, 6 percent for 2004 and 7 percent in 2007. The board is expected to vote on the matter during the next meeting May 10, and if approved it will discard a pre-existing plan to increase tuition 5 percent for the next three years.

"I'm not sure how this will affect enrollment rates," said high student enrollment generates more dollars than a tuition increase.

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Nelson, a current student government senator, said seeing an architect in attendance was "the process of design. He said that SIUC is a multi-faced puzzle that needs to be solved by "thinking in a positive way." "You take all the parts of the problem and analyze them," Normand said. "Then you create a solution that incorporates all the parts."

Normand said that accountability and leading with integrity is a must of student government needs. "We've had to work with people who show up regularly to the meetings, try to make sure we have solid, well-attended meetings on time and are prepared to do what we say when they get out," Normand said. Meanwhile, Perry said that he wants to先把 the financial books of the student government office.

"Ever since I was a kid, I was a manager," Perry said. "This is all about learning how to be a leader." Perry has heard rumors that USG office workers list hours they had not worked, something he said would not happen if he becomes president. "I've already spoken to a person who I think would be an excellent chief of staff," Perry said. "This is one of the issues that I've spoken with him about."
Looking at the Woman in the Mirror... and loving her

Creative hairstyles for Black women

BRENDA COBLES

DAILY EYPTIAN

Sizzling hatpin curling iron, bonnet of braiding and afro-picking barely describes the style of the various hairstyles that are worn when it comes to their hair.

Boobs: Austin, a junior in chemistry from Chicago, said many inspire about the different hairstyles they displays every other week.

"One week I may have braids, the next week a wrap, then, I might have twists in my hair," she said. "Neon-braids often tell me they wish they could do their hair like that.

Austen enjoys coming up with different hairstyles that are the latest and those that she has never seen before. In its natural form, styles often include braids, dreadlocks, twists or multi-braded hairstyles.

For chemically relaxed hair — straightend — styles range from French waves, loose waves, waves, layered cuts, straight cuts, flipped ends and even added hair called extensions.

Carbon-based hairstyles stimulate one another with different kind of textures that allows for such versatility.

"From my experience with African-American hair, there is one unique characteristic, its elasticity," said Karen Faukner, senior in psychology. "One is that all African-American hair, "she said.

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Brown describes the versatility in hairstyles many black women display as something more than hair texture.

"Our hair is a big part of our outer appearance," she said. "It says a lot about who you are."

Stereotypes of black women are never-ending. "When you see a black woman with long, straight hair, you automatically look at the outer appearance. It can open many hairdressers that complement our characteristics," she said. "This makes people interested and they see our outer appearance.

But Brown pointed out that many of the hairstyles can place stress if the hair is not properly maintained.

"I encourage all black women to ask questions," she said. "We may have different styles, but we must keep it up."

Depending on the hairstyle defined, relaxation techniques differ. "Tracys," which can take one hour or up to an entire day to complete, need moisture for the hair and scalp. "Ons Bahamas can last up to 24 months, but varies from person to person."

For washing, a shower is often used instead of the scalp to prevent disturbing the braids.

Most chemically-treated hair only lasts up to two weeks in a particular hairstyle. Natural styles usually require less attention than chemically treated hair and place less stress on the hair.

Chemically-treated hair should be washed and deep-conditioned at least every two weeks.

American women, as average woman to visit the salon can last a whole day.

"The latest hair trends among black women are smooth, lightweight and short. Curled styles, feathered looks and braided hair."

"Color is real big," Faulkner added. "I have been doing a lot of bleaching, then coloring in all shades of red."
SHRYOCK PERFORMANCE GIVES STUDENT DANCERS THE TIME TO SHINE!

MARELINE TROUT  
DAILY EDITION

First-time choreographer Leslie Walter directed her group of pony-tailed dancers as each bare foot slid over the wood floor of the rehearsal space.

"1-2-3-4 and 5-change-fall-left-right-6-7-8-up and your chucks come up too."

In less than perfect union, Walter's troupe, part of the 26-year-old Southern Illinois Repertory Dance Theatre, realized themselves for next week's performance of Dance Espresso, the theater's yearly spring showcase.

During rehearsal for Walter's jazz-ballet mix, a dancer slipped during a failed maneuver in which the ladies were supposed to fall over male member, Pittsauawn Tumwasom.

"As you keeping your hands to yourself, Pat," Walter said.

"As the only male of the 29 members of SIRDT, Tumwasom is the butt of his feminine squad's ribbing. But taking aside, he's proud of the way the troupe accepts him.

"At first, I felt like a weirdo," confessed Tumwasom, a junior in radio-television from Thailand. "I was about to give up until I heard the comments about me at last fall's Dance Espresso. That's when I felt I meant something to the show."

For Tumwasom, dancing was a love he didn't know he had until he joined SIRDT last year at the prompting of theater faculty judging a play he auditioned for. He encourages others to try out, including those who -- like him -- have had no formal training in dance.

"It's not just something for females," Tumwasom said. "And it's not as hard as you think it is."

In a brash new book, "It" explores the violent ways in which some children start their lives

REVIEW BY ANDREA DONALSON  
DAILY EDITION

With April being Child Abuse Awareness month, Dave Pelzer's "A Child Called It," is a true inspiration for everyone, adults as well. The book was released in 1995, tells the true story of Dave -- a child emotionally and physically abused beyond belief.

Dave, known to his family as "It" or "The Boy," entered life in what he called a "Brady Bunch" family. Everything was perfect -- trips to the Golden Gate Bridge and Russian River, perfect Thanksgiving dinners and warm, cozy Christmas Eves. He had a father and two brothers. Life was wonderful.

At age 4, all of this changed for Dave. His mother began to drink heavily and daily after his father went to work, Dave watched his mother transform into a monster. What began as punishments, like throwing Pelzer's face into a mirror, evolved into much more.

Pelzer's well-written autobiography is a quick read that captures and keeps a reader's attention. Though a tissue might be needed at times to dry a few tears.

When Dave was finally old enough to escape his mother's clutches by going to school, she altered her forms of torture. She began to gradually withhold food from him until she was feeding him only on a couple of days. If he was caught eating at school, it was a crime, which resulted in even more drastic measures. She would force him to throw up if the thought he had stolen food.

Each time the reader might think things will start to change for Dave, his mother would begin some new sentences, unpredictable game. She dealt out punishments like hiding his hand under a bluish-flaming burner, locking him in the bathroom with a basket of Santa and Choronz and making him eat deflection from his baby brother's diaper.

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This year, Tumwasom will be performing in four of the segments. Each segment varies in style from jazz and ballet to modern and hip-hop.

Elisabeth Bowman, an undecided freshman from Highland Park, looks back to the 80's hit of David Bowie's, "Let's Dance," while she watched her peers wrap up rehearsal. Bowman, a choreographer for two of Dance Espresso's segments, takes pride in the performance because it is student-run.

"It's pretty amazing that it's such a professional show," Bowman said. "It shows that as students we really do have a lot of power to do what we want."

Since the respected dance program at SIRDT was established in 1986 to only beginning classes through the Physical Education Department, SIRDT is one of the few connections intermediate and advanced-level dancers have to practice their art.

"SIRDT doesn't have a dance program, but dancing is an important part of my life," said Walther, a senior from Carthage. "SIRDT makes you motivated to dance every night. Being responsible for a piece of choreography has also helped me develop my creativity."

"SIU alum's film to air on TV"  
Hollywood foiled by documentarystory

MARELINE TROUT  
DAILY EDITION

While riding "The Silver Bullet," a metallic bus that shuffled Tom Wilson and Ivan Reitman's 1985 thriller, the SIUC grad never dreamed his final destination would be Hollywood.

At first no one wanted his mock-documentary "They Shoot Movies, Don't They?" -- The Making of "Mirage," which will air for the third time May 16 at 10:30 p.m., May 16 on the Independent Film Channel (IFC). The mockumentary follows the life of struggling filmmaker Tom Paulson (a semi-autobiographical character), shuffling through the maze of Hollywood investors and colleagues to finance his film, "Mirage."

While besides producing, co-writing and co-starred in the long-shot funded Frank Gallagher. In the film, Paulson is driven to commit suicide, hounded to the end by Gallagher's character, the intrusive documentarian.

When Hollywood didn't take the bait, Wilson and Gallagher retraced their promotional strategy, instead of telling producers it was a fake documentary, they let them believe it was real. They sent copies of the film with customized press柏林 attached to Paulson's dictionary and about 40 offers poured in.

"We never once said, 'You're real, people just believe,'" Wilson said. "I would just tell them, 'It's as real as it gets.' It's half-truth, half-truth. It's situations because we meant it as real as it can be made. There are a million people making movies and I had to find a way to get up the ladder."

Gallagher met with a public relations bigwig who wouldn't name, but who was interested. 6000 copies of the publicity masterminded behind "The Blair Witch Project," Spike Lee's flicks and "Forest Gump," Wilson could not meet with the producer because Tom Paulson, the character he played, had died.

"He pushed the film," Gallagher said. "He kept going on and about how scenes were shot, the metaphors we had built up and all the things we weak hoping people will get, he's with love with it."

But the barrage had ended.

"I did all right with all of the questions until I was asked how Tom and I met," Gallagher said. "I kept my feet ever redder and redder and then I just said, 'You know what, I can't do this anymore. It's not real.'"

After several subsequent illustrated dinners, Bravou purchased the rights to "They Shoot Movies" in 2000, and aired it on the Independent Film Channel first in August and again in December. It was seen by viewers on the channel's web site www.fox.com after the first air, more than any other
Outstanding art wins senior awards

Marleen Trout
Daily Egyptian

In three panels of panel drawings by Nick Pena, the subject, modeled after Pena himself, first lines with a achromatic to a brownish to mid-gray. Next he is a lumpy pepper. In the last panel, he speaks into a rollup of some abstinence. It's ironic this piece, "Ventilation" (center = lumpy boy = to speak), helped Pena to clinch one of the six Rickert-Ziebold awards given this year. It's watercolor and ink rendering of the outstanding art senior that will split the $2,000 grant.

For 26 years the Rickert-Ziebold Trust Award has provided exceptional graduating seniors in the Art and Design School with a commission and a large money to help their transition into the world.

Kelly Jackson, awarded for her work in metals, showed at the thought of being the University's metalworking equipment. Her share of the $3,333 will go toward acquiring tools of her trade—a lathe and welding. Part of the body of Jackson's work interprets modern medical technological affect on the whole person.

"It makes physiological problems metaphorical," said the Maryland native. "She described her self-portrait as a series of metal discs it into a portrait as a series of metal discs it into our minds' inkwells." 

"In the way we think through words which we absorb from others, we give and take from one another, putting to use the best stage actors in Hollywood because he knows them personally. His whereabouts of a certain bus. Wilson's own website, www.hollywoodTariffs.com, looking for the "is this for real?" fod. Though Wilson's film and the deception surrounding it all help to emphasize points about reality and the life of the camera, the Hollywood substructure and media's role in our personal lives.

As soon as you put a camera in someone's face you're not getting reality anymore," Wilson said. The posb said they watched five million documentaries, holding for the "is this for real?" feel. Though the film finished in 1994, it took five years to edit as both Gallagher and Wilson worked on other projects. Since it is not a film, it is not the same as real documentaries, but he prefers fiction. He spends much of his time writing and is working on a follow-up to "They Shoot Movies." Wilson's film and the deception surrounding it all help to emphasize points about reality and the life of the camera, the Hollywood substructure and media's role in our personal lives.

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Study looks notion that tongue piercing entirely safe

At the beginning of the fall 2000 semester, Chris Smith decided to acquire a tongue piercing in Dragon Master tattooing in Carbondale. Smith, a freshman in biological sciences from Stearns, said that the procedure was safe. The piercing was clean and there were no side effects after the procedure was complete, he said.

"I wouldn't have done it if I thought my health was in danger," Smith said.

While Smith feels safe, tongue piercing has been growing among some for some health officials. Ronda DeMattuci, assistant professor in dental hygiene, recently did a study at SIUC on the potential hazards of tongue piercing. She interviewed 25 subjects who came into the Heartland Dental Clinic in the Applied Science and Arts building. Out of the 25 subjects taken, 22 said they experienced pain, 13 required swelling, 10 could not eat for days, seven had fractured teeth, five had difficulty speaking and four had prolonged bleeding.

The study also looked for previous health conditions that could place people who have tongue piercing at risk. Any time bleeding is caused in the mouth, it allows bacteria to get into the bloodstream, DeMattuci said. "If an open wound, therefore the bacteria can get into the capillaries, enter the blood stream, and travel to different areas of the body in the heart and establish infection." Out of the 25 people in the study, six reported some type of previous medical condition that could have complicated the piercing procedure.

There have been cases of toxic shock, which is infected blood that can cause shock and death. There have also been cases of Ludwig's Angina, which is severe swelling of the throat and neck.

There is one other obvious dental problem with pierced tongues, DeMattuci said. "We are losing tons of fractured teeth," DeMattuci said.

DeMattuci said pierced people need to take precautions to make sure their equipment is clean. Without proper sterilization of the piercing equipment, there is a definite risk of transmission of blood-borne pathogens," she said.

"All of our needles are sterile, we make sure our hands are clean, and we put new gloves on after each person," DeMattuci said.

"We cannot pierce anyone who is diabetic, has heart problems, epilepsy or is pregnant," Duke said.

People might be aware of the risk of infection, but it's unlikely they will be deterred by it, according to one woman who had a tongue piercing.

"I think it's great idea — but it's [a couple's] responsibility," Goelz said.

The bill includes a provision for low-income couples, who are not well-off, to get reduced fee for free counseling. It also allows for exemptions if the marriage involves a catastrophic illness, a late-stage pregnancy or if both people are under 21 years of age.

The Rev. Greg Jones, who counsels couples at the Newman Catholic Center, said the Catholic Church has a set criteria for couples who want to marry, including a minimum six-month engagement.

"During the engagement the church has the couple undergo numerous exercises or "adventures" to assist the couples with developing their bond, Jones said money, extended family and issues with children can all rupture a marriage if they are not addressed in the beginning.

All of these things play an important role in whether people are ready to marry or not.

With about one out of two marriages ending in divorce nationwide, Jones said he was pleased with the Senate's actions.

But, Jones said it needs to be even more regulated, with requirements on how long people are together, and specific about how much and what kind of counseling couples receive.

"I'd bet about them something — it's too easy to get married," he said.
**Student trustees plead case**

**CHRISTIAN HALE  
DAILY EGYPTIAN**

Student Trustee candidates voiced in an recruitment and the need for student representation on the Board of Trustees during their debate Wednesday.

"USG Ciel of Staff Nate Stone is running against USG Senator Ed Ford for the student trusteeship this spring. The student trustee sits on the Board of Trustees with another student elected from SIUE-Edwardsville.

While both candidates focused on the process for more recruitment at SIUC, they differed in their perspectives of how one would go about doing that.

"I want to represent the student body as a whole," Stone said. "I don't want to be a puppet for Dr. Pearse, Dr. Pa or Ed Ford." Stone said a key to being a good trustee is getting involved with the students on their level. He discussed his support of building up the athletic programs in order to attract more students.

"If we had a nice stadium and we pushed that stadium every Saturday, it would be real huge for recruitment," Stone said.

After discussing upcoming changes to the campus and what that means for students, Stone said he wants to work with the administration to "some together for the better good." His opponent, Ed Walitske, said that SIUC is a public institution and should be "less expensive than Illinois at the proper level.

"I believe right now we are not getting the correct funding from the state and this is causing our tuition fees to increase at a greater rate than needed," Walitske said.

Reported his recent participation on the Student Conduct Review Committee caused him to question how the University gets involved in student conduct. Students were on that committee, but it turns out in the end that student input didn't make that much difference," Walitske said. "There wasn't much progress made toward students' goals.

**Go east young man, woman**

Summer trip to the Middle East opportunity for cultural exchange

- EMILY OSTENDORF  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIUC students have the opportunity to join students from Illinois State University to make a difference halfway across the world.

"Teaching English to Arabic children and teenagers in Israel is the focus of this undertaking. Participants will also tour historic sites in Israel, Jordan, Egypt and Palestine."

The experience is part of "A Summer in Nazareth," a learning program which will be offered from July 2 to August 6. Students enrolled in an Illinois' institution's higher education are eligible, though participation is to given to those who will have completed their sophomore or junior year by the time of the trip.

The cost of the trip, $7,700, covers round trip airfare, visa, all housing costs, most meals and fees associated with new locations. Financial assistance can be arranged in some cases, and the opportunity to earn college credit is also available.

"Sara Ford, director of United Christian Ministries at Northern Illinois University,• will be one of two American group leaders accompanying students expected to make the trip. Two native guides will also be with the group.

Ford has taken students on other trips and said she is impressed with the new perspectives they gain from working in an area different from their own.

"One of the things I've learned about mission trips is that the people who are part of the group are going to have their lives changed," Ford said.

Hugh Muldoon, director of University Christian Ministries, serves as local moderator for the trip. He encouraged students to consider attending the trip, particularly students in the fields of history, religion, journalism, political science and education.

"It's an opportunity of a lifetime to see that so many people live differently than us," Muldoon said. "We can get in touch if we just stay in our own little cocoon of our culture. There's nothing that can substitute for this kind of experience."

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**Piercing**

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peptides, which are a natural antibiotic that help to clean up the mouth. Monica also noted the importance of brushing and flossing regularly.

There are a few important things to talk about before choosing a place to obtain a tongue piercing.

- Make sure the visual area is clean and sterile.
- The most important things for a piercing is the technique, to know that instruments have been autoclaved, and to know the needles are sterile used. King said.

"Bottled water is two times more effective than drinking water," King said. "Bottled water is two times more effective than drinking water."
Recycling with style

SIUC gets a new truck to fight excessive waste

CORDER RODRIGUEZ
DAILY EOBITIAN

Making its way around campus every day, a white 20-foot-long truck lettered in green — "It's not waste until you waste it" — fights to keep SIUC environmentally friendly.

The new Freightliner was purchased by trading in an old truck and then decorated with green lettering for an extra $760, which was received from the Illinois Department of Community and Community Affairs. The recycling program uses the truck daily to pick up recyclable waste around campus.

Amilee Warner, recycling and solid waste coordinator at the Physical Plant, said the added flashiness was added "just for the fun of it," and that students now notice the truck daily.

"It's basically a reminder that SIU has a major recycling program and it takes everyone on campus to make it work," Warner said.

The truck has a button on the back that lowers a platform on the back of the truck. It can carry about 900 tons, but the added flashiness was added "just for the fun of it," and that students notice the truck daily.

Warner estimates 63 percent of all waste can be recycled and 25 percent actually is.

"This is one University and we need to work as a team," Warner said.

While the University did reduce waste by 36 percent, Illinois law set a goal of a 40-percent reduction. Warner said the fact that they came 4 percent short is one of the main reasons they get the new truck and spent the extra money on the message on the side.

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Tommy Holder sits behind the wheel of the SIU recycling truck. Holder drives the truck as it makes its rounds on campus collecting recycled materials.

Jobs open for 2001 graduates

AUDREY Y. WILLIAMS
ENRY-RUGER TIMES

With the stock market sputtering and the economy slowing, this year's college seniors will enter a job market decidedly more fickle than in recent years.

"The slowdown, most graduating seniors will have trouble finding work, recruiters and career counselors say. Their options, however, may be fewer than some students might imagine.

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Lung infection from Spring Break spreads to 37 campuses

SUSAN FITZGIBBON KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Federal health officials are investigating multiple outbreaks of infections that developed into an acute respiratory illness that they suspect is histoplasmosis.

Histoplasmosis is a fungal disease that primarily affects the lungs and can be deadly in certain cases, particularly among people with other health problems. The fungus spores thrive in dirt rich in bird or bat droppings and can be breathed in when soil is disturbed.

"There was some construction going on around the hotel," said Dr. Russ Hight, a CDC epidemiologist in Atlanta, who is heading the investigation. But she said it would be premature to conclude the hotel site was the source of the infection because "the hotel is not the only link that is common."

Hight said CDC officials are in consultation with the Mexico Ministry of Health, which is conducting its own investigation. The Calinda Beach Hotel has not been shut down, she said.

While it suspects histoplasmosis, the CDC so far has tentatively confirmed only one of the more than 200 cases under investigation, Hight said. That was from a long distance one on a student at Washington University in St. Louis.

Dr. Richard Pericopi, an internal medicine specialist who directs student health at Villanova, set off a national alert among college campuses after he figured out what was likely bringing so many students into his infirmary.

On March 26, a student came in with a high fever, muscle aches, chest pain, fever, coughing and weakness, and she was soon followed by others with similar symptoms.

"We had 29 students over a four- to five-day period," said Pericopi. Six of them ended up at Bryn Mawr Hospital, where Pericopi is on staff. In taking medical histories on the students, he learned that all of them had spent the March 21-25 spring break in Acapulco.

They didn't appear to have the more predictable illnesses, such as flu or mononucleosis, but chest X-rays revealed a fungal infection of the lungs. Because the infection has a 2- to 2.5-week incubation period, the students had felt fine when they first came back to campus.

Carissa Giardino, 21, a Villanova senior from Doylestown, Pa., said she was among a group of 30 Villanova women who spent a week's stay at the Calinda Beach Hotel. She said there were no symptoms of histoplasmosis in the hotel or anywhere else.

When she didn't get better after a week and heard of a friend who had a suspected case of histoplasmosis, she went to the emergency room at Bryn Mawr Hospital. She was told she had "a lot of symptoms in the chest; it hurts to breathe normally."

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While the exact cause of the outbreak is under investigation, Pericopi said it was possible that the students spent time in areas such as the Ohio and Mississippi River valleys, where the soil is rich in the fungus.

Pericopi said the most seriously ill students were given a 28-day course of antifungal medicine. All 29 students are now recovering.

Pericopi reported the cases of suspected histoplasmosis to the Pennsylvania Health Department, which entered the investigation and sent a team to the CDC.

Bryn Mawr officials inflatable the names of other colleges with students staying at the same hotel and took it upon himself to alert their medical directors. He said he has received calls from around the country.

One Penn State student who stayed at the Calinda Beach Hotel is now being evaluated for histoplasmosis, according to a university spokesman.

Sam Miranda, head of student health at Muhlenberg, said his center has identified a case from Doylestown, Pa., she said she was among a group of 30 Villanova women who spent a week's stay at the Calinda Beach Hotel.

After getting back to classes, "she began to experience a high fever, muscle aches, fatigue and a lot of symptoms in the chest; it hurts to breathe normally."

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South Carolina names Wake Forest's Dave Odom new basketball coach

**Michael Smith**  
**Knight-Rider Newspapers**

**COLUMBUS, S.C. —** Dave Odom didn’t sound his flat on the podium promising national championships. “He didn’t leave the crowd in stitches, and he didn’t do magic.”

All he pledged to the University of South Carolina as its next men’s basketball coach was a hard day’s work.

Odom, who guided the Providence Wolfpack from 1993 season at Wake Forest, was introduced as the Gamecocks’ 30th head coach Thursday evening at an hour-long, four-week search since Eddie Stansbury resigned on March 12.

Odom signed a five-year contract that will pay him a base salary of $150,000 and a total package of $750,000, roughly the same as he made at Wake Forest.

Odom called his hiring spontaneous, something that came together in a single day before 48 hours.

But the hiring also brings South Carolina the proven winner that associate head coach Mark Gottfried knew Odom’s name at Wake Forest have gone to either the NIT or the NCAA Tournament the past 11 years.

“The people of South Carolina and the university have the right to expect one thing from me and that’s a genuine effort to build this program to the place it could be proud of itself every day,” Odom said.

It’s a simple formula, that has enabled Odom to become one of the most respected coaches in college basketball.

USC is counting on that same prescription to turn its basketball program into a SEC also into a perennial figure in the postseason.

“He was on the short list,” McGee said.

The announcement came six days after the USC practice facility next to Carolina Coliseum ended a search that started with Kentucky’s Tubby Smith and ended a pad a practice assistant Jon Calhoun, before coming to rest with Odom.

McGee insisted Tuesday that Odom was an inviting choice all along. But Smith and Calhoun were fully explored before the search moved in Odom’s direction Sunday.

And McGee and Odom had their first and only face-to-face meeting Sunday night in the Charlotte area once Calhoun had withdrawn.

Those against Randolph’s choice to enter NBA draft give support

**Jemile Hill**  
**Knight-Rider Tribune**

**MARION, Ind. —** The most important people in Zach Randolph’s life might not have agreed with his decision to leave Michigan State after one year for the NBA, but they have splashed their reservations and bended a wall of support around the power forward.

“It’s like a wedding and you’re losing your daughter,” said Mone Smalley, Randolph’s high school coach. “It’s an ice age, where do you know how it’s going to turn out.”

Randolph, a freshman, made an official announcement Wednesday at St. Paul Baptist Church in his hometown of Marion, Ind. Instead of focusing on reasons why Randolph should/shouldn’t move to the next level, his mother, Smalley and MSU coach Tom Izzo announced in Randolph’s decision.

“I’ll be frank and honest with you,” Izzo said. “Nobody wants to lose a player. No. 1, because they want to help their team and the университет. And, No. 2, because, sometimes you don’t want to lose a player because you get scared of a guy you round. Zach has a lot of people like to take care of. Who would I be to stop or discourage those dreams?”

Michigan State has gone 22 years without losing a player early to the NBA draft. Now, two have left in the past two years.

Randolph’s decision was met with much more regulation than that of sophomore swingman Jason Richardson, who made his announcement Tuesday in Indianapolis.

Randolph did not seem bothered that Izzo, his mother and high school coach were against his decision to turn pro. “They have different opinions and I respect those opinions,” he said. “I just feel like this is a dream I can pursue.”

Richardson was a starter who led Michigan State in scoring with 14.7 points per game. His explosiveness was nearly unparalleled in the college game, and he is expected to be a top-10 draft pick.

The 6-6-9, 207-pound Randolph played one season for MSU and started eight games. Many felt he needed another year of development in the post to be in the best position. The departure of senior power forward Andre Hutson, Randolph likely would have been a starter on the 2001-02 team.

He averaged 10.8 points per game and 6.7 rebounds this season. The 42 percent mark from the floor was second on the team and made 58.7 percent of his shots.

His skill inside will override the flaws of his game. He lacks the range to stretch defenses. You could point to that.

But Randolph has more than his skill to think about. Like Richardson, he is a factor. Randolph, MSU’s 3 years old, said.

“I did it for him, too,” Izzo said.

Randolph has been criticized for recruiting Randolph, a player who would be expected to stay in college for more than two years. But, Izzo said he would have given Randolph a scholarship even if he had known beforehand that Randolph would stay just one season.

“We were kind of out of the game,” Izzo said. “He learned to be more disciplined and there were tremendous highs. We went to another Final Four and win a Big Ten champi- onship. Neither one we would have done without him. Randolph has not yet signed with an agent, but he ruled out the NBA draft and is now Michigan State’s top recruit satisfied with his draft position. If a player does not sign with an agent, he can withdraw from the NBA draft and return to school.

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SIU men's golf team prepares for final tournament before Missouri Valley Conference Championship

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It's crunch time for the SIU men's golf team as they prepare to partake in their final tournament before the Missouri Valley Conference Championship at the end of the month. The Salukis will travel to Munchead, Ky., Monday and Tuesday to take part in the Greg Palmer Eagle Classic, which is hosted by Monmouth State University.

"Missouri is going to be a good field then," said SIU head coach Larry Newton. "There'll be some good teams there, but nothing that we can compete with. We've beaten some of the schools that are going to be there and they'll be scared as to what it'll be like as getting those rounds of golf together."

Newton said he expects the team to finish in the top 10, but some of his players have higher aspirations than that.

"If we go up to the top five," said junior Brad Wilke, "I would personally feel that we can compete day-in, day-out with any team that we play against. Whenever we finish 6th, 7th or 8th place, I just think that we can do better and I hope that we play good so we can get things going for the Missouri Valley Conference Championship coming up in a couple of weeks."

This tournament will be the last chance for the Salukis to fine tune their game before the MVC Championship in Salina on April 30.

"It's very important because we've been trying to peak and we've been moving along and playing different kids to see what's the best combination and what's ready to play in the [MVC] tournament," Newton said. "It's a very important tournament even though I'm not taking any big. 1 player. For the other kids, it's very important that they play and play well."

Newton said the team would be taking a couple of extra players to get them some tournament action and get ready for the MVC.

"We need to get some confidence going into the Valley," Doucet said. "We're not really lacking a lot of confidence now, but it just helps us if we shoot good scores, it helps us to believe in ourselves."

Tennis

Women's tennis inks top recruit

The Saluki women's tennis team signed top Kansas junior-college star Kati Stuck, an incoming freshman, has played in the No. 1 singles spot, and is the reigning Kansas State Class AA doubles champion.

Stuck head coach Judy Auld is looking forward to the depth Stuck will provide.

"I see her coming in and immediately playing in the middle or locker and even of the singles line-up," Auld said in a preseason statement. "I think she will fit into our mix both on and off the court."
On a different kind of hunt

The SIU football team is usually on the hunt for the Gateway Conference crown, but Thursday they took the day off to help some SIU Head Start children hunt for Easter eggs.

**Photo by Mary Collier**

Aimed with pastel bags and bright smiles on each face, gleeful children headed into the verdant grass field with towering figures right as their heels. The golden rough grass of the SIU football team displayed a softer side Thursday, taking time out of their day to put on an Easter egg hunt for the children from the SIU Head Start program.

Kim Henry dropped by the SIU Head Start building to watch her daughter Jasmine enjoy the egg hunt. "It's wonderful," Henry said of the event, which is a part of a male involvement campaign.

The Salukis came out in two shifts, sending football players to task three classrooms out at both 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

"It's a program for little kids. We just wanted to give them an Easter egg hunt," SIU football head coach Jerry Kill said. "We thought some Easter eggs and came out to give the kids an afternoon off and get them out into the sunshine."

Even after the egg hunt, the football players record, played kid-made craft with the children. The players and children had a great time playing tag around the jungle gym.

**Quiet wrath comes in form of junior college transfer**

Diamond Dawg Justin Maurath has earned his spot on the field

Diamond Dawg Justin Maurath knows he would get his chance to play — SIU baseball head coach Dan Callahan told him so. In the meantime, Maurath didn't make a racket.

And while Callahan welcomes his players to address their concerns about playing time and what's going to come out in the end, Maurath didn't say a word. Essentially, sophomore right fielder Sal Blaylock, who has gone to high school with Maurath at St. Louis' Vanney High School, spoke up for the friend.

"I knew he could get the job done," Friess said. "I told Cal not to give up on him, because I knew he could do it." Maurath came out lighting," Friess said. "We're trying to come out and play hard like we have been, and good things will happen."

The action starts at 3 p.m. today and continues with a Saturday doubleheader beginning at noon at RAW Fields.

While the Bears may be easy to overlook due to their record, the Salukis are using past experiences to avoid any type of letdown.

"Any team in this conference can beat anybody else on any given day," Friess said. "It always happens like that in the MVC."

"We've been hitting the ball good," Blaylock said. "We've been getting a lot of team wins lately and I think that's going to carry over into this weekend, and we're very confident."

"We're on a roll right now," Guenther said. "That attitude should carry us through this weekend, and we're very confident."

The continues has helped the team both on and off the field as it has given the players a little more confidence as the season has come along.

"We're on a roll right now," Guenther said. "That's been helping the ball hitters out, we've been getting a lot of team wins lately and I think that's going to carry over into this weekend, and we're very confident."

Blaylock said the team's desire and her instant confidence as the season has come along.

"One thing I have to say about my team so far in the year is I've never questioned their effort," Friess said. "It has not been a lack of effort that's been the problem."