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BLACK ALUMNI

The DAILY EGYPTIAN honors Ashraf Amaya, the second-leading rebounder and third-leading scorer in SIU history. See Black History story, page 18

Ashraf Amaya
former SIU basketball star

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

FEBRUARY 18, 2003

Train derails in Centralia

No injuries in second Amtrak accident in a week

Brad Brondsema
Daily Egyptian

An Amtrak train with 162 passengers en route to Carbondale derailed in Centralia early Monday morning, causing no injuries but leaving passengers confined for about 9 hours before the train started to move again.

The southbound passenger train had just departed Centralia station at about 1:30 a.m. when the two front engine cars derailed, turning the six-hour trip from Chicago to Carbondale into a 17-hour ordeal.

A replacement locomotive did not arrive until about 8 a.m.

An Amtrak spokeswoman said the accident is under investigation and that no new specific directions have been given to conductors traveling through that location in the future.

Conductors relayed news of the derailment to passengers two hours after the incident.

Monica Clay, a junior in special education from Chicago, said she was angered by the way Amtrak staff treated her and her 1-year-old son, Michael.

"They treated it like it was our fault," she said. "During the whole time we were sitting there they didn't offer us anything."

"And I only had two bottles for my son."

Power was cut from the engine cars to the coach cars, causing toilets to overflow and air circulation to cease. The warm air and bathroom stench made for an uncomfortable wait.

"If we die and go to hell, this is what hell is going to be like," said Dave Kim, a sophomore in radio-television from Chicago.

One Amtrak employee on the train, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said passengers should have been thankful the train was moving at a slow speed at the time of derailment.

"You should be happy because you could have died," he said.

The train separated from the tracks only minutes after it departed from the Centralia post.

Some passengers had friends and family pick them up in Centralia, while others called cabs. The train did not continue its travel until 9 a.m.

The derailment is the fourth in a week on Illinois lines and Amtrak's second. An Amtrak train derailed in Pinckneyville Feb. 10. Days before that incident, a Illinois Central-Canadian National freight train carrying toxic chemicals derailed in Tamaroa, causing the town to be evacuated.

Jack Burke, spokesman for Central-Canadian National, the railway company that owns the tracks where the Centralia and Pinckneyville accidents occurred, said the cause of both wrecks is pending investigations.

He did confirm that the Amtrak derailment in Pinckneyville and the accident in Centralia both were caused when the locomotives on each train derailed.

When the train finally pulled into Carbondale at approximately 1 p.m., 17 hours after it left Chicago's Union Station, one man stepped off the train, looked at the sky and pumped his fists in the air.

"Yeah!" he screamed. Amtrak trains will continue to run as scheduled, officials said.

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"If we die and go to hell, this is what hell is going to be like."

- Dave Kim sophomore, Radio-TV

School districts split on teacher hiring practice

Burke Wasson
Daily Egyptian

Schools from across the country have combated teacher shortages by hiring from alternative teacher training programs.

Many of these alternative programs offer a few weeks or months of intensive training to prospective teachers, mostly mid-career adults, who would like to start a teaching career. Actual teaching under an instructor's guidance, along with classes on nights and weekends, follows the training. These programs have pushed the nationwide amount of teaching applicants to the highest in years, according to the Chicago Tribune.

Carbondale Community High School District No. 165 has opened

the door to teachers with alternative training credentials, but not because of a teacher shortage. District superintendent Steve Sabens said the needs of Carbondale Community High School, sometimes require thinking outside the box.

"The people most qualified for a teaching position are not necessarily from a traditional, university-oriented training program," Sabens said. "We've hired two teachers within the past 5 years who have come out of the business world."

Carbondale Elementary Schools District No. 95 has not followed its fellow district. It has yet to hire a teacher from an alternative training program, bucking the national trend.

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SIUC alumna Kelly Jackson advises Ashley Olesen (right), a high school senior from Morton, and her mother Becki (left) at an open house Monday in the Student Center. Jackson graduated from SIUC in 1992 and is currently an admissions counselor and recruiter in Undergraduate Admissions. Jackson visits St. Louis and the Metro East areas and on average about 150-175 schools a year.

Alumna helps recruit students for SIUC

Samantha Robinson
Daily Egyptian

Kelly Jackson said attending SIUC, leaving for 13 years and then coming back has been an experience, but she is glad to be back home.

"This University and community are quite diverse, but we have a long way to go, and I think that is why I love the position I am in now," Jackson said.

Jackson, who is now an admissions counselor, began attending SIUC in the fall of 1983.

During her sophomore year, she became the first black woman to be crowned Miss Southern Illinois in the pageant's 50-year history.

"That was significant for me and the community at large," Jackson said. "And the fact that I was an SIU student, I got a great deal as a result of it."

Jackson was working as a news reporter for WCIL-FM

when the station owner gave her an opportunity to review the paperwork for entrance into the Miss Southern Illinois pageant. Once she decided to enter, WCIL sponsored her. Aside from representing southern Illinois in the Miss Illinois pageant, she also won a scholarship.

"The role and responsibility required that I go out and make appearances in an official capacity, but primarily, my job was to prepare for the Miss Illinois Pageant," Jackson said.

Her talent was playing the piano, so she performed an original Gershwin piece that she thought would help her in the long run. Unfortunately, she did not make it past the Miss Illinois pageant.

One of the people Jackson acknowledges as being instrumental

in helping her compete in the Miss Illinois pageant was Patricia McNeil.

"The Pan-Hellenic pulled together money for me to help me pay for my pageant expenses, travel, dresses," Jackson said. "They gave me a large amount of money and I am so grateful to them because they did not have to do that, but they pulled together their support."

I am grateful they took the time out to see me as someone worthy of their support."

At the time, McNeil, adviser for the Black Affairs Council, proposed Jackson's sponsorship to the group and the Greek letter organizations that agreed to help sponsor an event to raise money for Jackson.

"We had a major ball," McNeil said. "It was called the Red, Black and Green Ball and was a showboat of fashion preview for Kelly."

All of the services to produce the ball were donated by local churches, businesses and members of the community.

"It proved to be a major event for K Kelly," McNeil said. "I am so pleased that BAC supported her."

Jackson almost did not attend SIUC. She wanted to go to a university in Michigan, but her two grandmothers wanted her to enroll in SIUC for at least a year to get used to college life.

"I am so glad they turned me around because my first year here I earned a tuition-waiver scholarship from the former College of Communications and Fine Arts," Jackson said.

She received a bachelor's in speech communications/public relations officially in 1992, after walking in 1988 and moving to Chicago only a couple

of credits short.

While in Chicago, Jackson worked in sales and marketing, and advertising for Leo Burnett Advertising and Media as a media buyer and planner for McDonald's.

She also sold and presented Dale Carnegie training programs and later worked for the University of Chicago in special events. Her main job was preparing big time events for donors to the University or alumni.

Jackson returned to Carbondale after she divorced. Her goal was to get a position at SIUC and after only a few months, she was hired to what she calls a "dream job."

Donnell Wilson, the director of the Upward Bound Project attends church with Jackson and said she is a very pleasant woman and easy to talk to.

"She is very articulate and was always very involved with the youth department," Wilson said. "She spoke for the young people and was always doing something for others."

Jackson said she is happy to be back in Carbondale and working for the University.

She said being a recruiter and admissions counselor allows her to recruit all students regardless of race. But being a black woman from this area, she is able to meet with prospective black students, and to represent and encourage them to attend SIUC.

McNeil said it was an honor to have been part of the efforts to help support Jackson and that it was a grand affair that she just loved.

"She was so worthy of the support and she is still worthy for all that is done," McNeil said.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Millions march against war in protests around the world

SAN FRANCISCO — Thousands of anti-war demonstrators rallied in San Francisco on Sunday, part of a weekend of worldwide protest against a possible U.S.-led invasion of Iraq. A steady stream of chanting, sign-waving protesters stretched 12 blocks from the waterfront to City Hall. Police estimated the crowd at about 100,000 at 1:30 p.m., and people continued to arrive into the afternoon. The gathering added to the already substantial numbers of protesters from similar events in the USA — an estimated 150 marches on Saturday alone — and around the world over the weekend. Earlier Sunday, more than 200,000 people marched through downtown Sydney, Australia. Tens of thousands rallied in other cities across Australia, which is one of only two countries to send troops to the Persian Gulf region to support U.S. preparations for war. The other is Great Britain. Millions of people protested in cities around the world this weekend against military action in Iraq. General crowd estimates by police from various protests this weekend: In London, at least 750,000 people demonstrated in what

police called the city's largest demonstration ever. Radicals and moderates shared the platform. London Mayor Ken Livingstone, a longtime left-wing activist, called President Bush "a stooge for oil interests" and said he was presiding over "the most corrupt and racist American administration in over 80 years." In Spain, nearly 2 million people turned out at anti-war rallies in about 55 cities and towns. Demonstrations in Madrid and Barcelona each drew more than 500,000.

Cadets claim rape reports went unheeded

DEWER — When five female Air Force Academy cadets reported that they had been raped by classmates, they sought some support from the military. Instead, they were treated as if they were either crazy or promiscuous, says a former Air Force captain and founder of a group that tracks sexual assaults in the military. The women say they were reprimanded for reporting the attack, and four have left the academy. Now, the military has ordered a review of how the academy handles sexual assault allegations.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Japan, U.S. to test joint missile system

TOKYO — Japan and the United States will test a missile-defense system that aims to repel a potential attack by North Korea, the Defense Agency said Monday. The system would launch ship-based missiles against enemy warheads fired at Japan, intending to knock them out of the sky, agency spokesman Ichiro Imaizumi said. A report in Monday's Nihon Keizai Shimbun newspaper said the nations will begin testing the missile-defense system in Hawaii next year. Japan has no missile-testing range. The push to develop a new system began in 1999, a year after North Korea test-fired a missile over Japan into the Pacific Ocean. The total cost of the project was not immediately known, but the newspaper said Japan would shoulder about \$165 million of the development costs. Japan and United States currently are working on four parts of the new missile — the nose cone, kinetic warhead, infrared seeker and second-stage rocket, he said.

Search for American crash survivors continues

LA ESPERANZA, Colombia — Investigators on Sunday hauled away the wreckage of a U.S. plane that crashed on an intelligence-gathering mission in the Colombian jungle, where a frantic search was underway for three Americans who were on board. The Americans apparently were kidnapped by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC. A fourth American and a Colombian army sergeant were executed at the crash scene. The U.S. government has not identified the people on the flight or disclosed their mission. A Colombian soldier on a mountain road across the river from the crash scene said the investigators were Americans. The U.S. embassy has said the plane went down in the lush jungle mountains after experiencing engine trouble. National Police Director Gen. Jorge Campo said Sunday the plane was struck by gunfire from the ground, but that did not cause the crash.

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CORRECTIONS

- In Friday's issue of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the page 12 article, "Dental student clean up community smiles," incorrectly stated that the Heartland Dental Clinic serves Medicare patients. The clinic works with community with Medicaid not Medicare.
- In Friday's issue of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the page 4 article, "Brown Bag discussion sparks talk about what it means to be Black," misspelled Kevin Colkey's last name.

The Daily Egyptian regrets these errors.

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CALENDAR

Today

Kayak Club weekly meeting
Recreation Center Pool
7 to 9 p.m.

Campus Shawnee Greens
general meeting
Interfaith Center
5:15 p.m.

Voices of Inspiration
accepting new applications for spring
Neckers Building, Room 440
6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays

Wednesday

Free Knot Tying Clinic
Student Recreation Center
7 p.m.

Friday

Japanese Table
ply Japanese Jeopardy
Student Center, McDonald's
6 p.m.

POLICE REPORTS

University

• Yasuhiro Iseya, 22, Carbondale, was arrested at 12:25 a.m. Friday at Neely Hall on a warrant for failure to appear in court on an original charge of resisting arrest. He posted \$100 bond and was released.

• Police said an unidentified man was seen removing a storm drain cover and rolling it through the intersection of South Washington and East Mill streets at 1:39 a.m. Friday. He was described as a white male, 6-feet 4-inches tall, weighing 200 pounds and a muscular build. He was wearing a long-sleeved maroon shirt with a white stripe on the sleeves, blue jeans and a white baseball cap.

• Lindsay Beth Schulz, 13, Wilmette, was arrested at 4:10 a.m. Friday at Boomer 1 on a warrant for failure to appear in court on an original charge of underage possession of alcohol. She was unable to post bond and was taken to the Jackson County jail.

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Aviation to acquire new Cessnas

Katie Davis
Daily Egyptian

While the rest of the University is feeling a financial pinch, aviation management and flight has found a little room in its belt—enough to purchase seven new, direct-from-factory airplanes.

David Newmyer, aviation management and flight chair, said the department purchased three planes outright with money accumulated from flight course fees since 1998, most of which came from the past year. The other four will be paid off during the next few years.

The seven planes, all Cessna 172s, are valued at \$165,000 each, but the department will pay \$140,000 after trading in the department's oldest planes. They are slated to arrive the last week of March.

"Even though the rest of the University is in a terrible position financially," he said, "we've found ourselves in a lucky position."

Each student pays more than \$32,000 in fees throughout the course of their college career on top of tuition. Newmyer said the department had placed a cushion in fees this year to accommodate an insurance increase expected in July. The increase never happened.

The new airplanes will replace the department's oldest and most used Cessna 152s, many of which are about 20 years old and nearing 10,000 hours of accumulated flight time. Once they reach this point, Newmyer said the practical maintainability of the aircraft, the point at which maintenance is required too often and at too high a cost, has been reached.

"It's one of those 'eventually going to lose' kind of things," Newmyer said. "The more you fly an old plane or drive an old car, the more you are going to pay in maintenance for it. They're still safe to fly, you're just putting more and more and more money into it and eventually there is a point of no return, when it is no longer practical to maintain it."

The planes mark the first new purchase for aviation management and flight since 1985. Newmyer said that while the department has purchased used planes since that time, it does not operate any plane newer than that year.

He said it is important to continually update the equipment so that students are not sent into the world solely trained with 20-year-old technology.

Jim Smith, a senior in aviation management and flight from Granite City, said that by using the older planes, students are not able to use the newer navigational equipment that many will work with upon graduation.

Smith, who has tallied 225 hours of flight at SIUC, said that though he has limited experience with the newer systems, it will not hinder him once he reaches the job market.

"Usually the equipment is easy and straightforward to learn," he said. "And usually when you go to work, they will have training programs for the aircraft you will be using."

Aviation management and flight currently operates a fleet of 35 Cessna airplanes. Seven professional SIUC pilots and seven student pilots will fly the new arrivals into town.

"It's our way of saying thanks to the students, because it's really because of them that we are able to do this," Newmyer said.

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Furthuring an education

Moustafa Ayad
Daily Egyptian

From serving as a university president to working for U.S. presidents, William Butts hasn't forgotten his humble beginnings in the barracks of SIUC.

With a little more than 10,000 students and a campus without Brush Towers, he painted a different picture of the University than people are accustomed to now. It was 1962, SIUC President Delyte Morris was at the helm and the main objective at the University was to expand its research opportunities and bolster student enrollment.

In the South, there were deep sentiments toward the equality of black Americans and the Civil Rights Movement was determined to change the segregationist mind frame. It marked a tumultuous time

in the history of the United States.

Butts was a graduate student at the time, working intently on a master's degree in political science. The campus was an exciting place, but there were sentiments of unequal treatment of the black student population, he said.

Butts stayed at the old army barracks known as Dow Dell Nine.

The number corresponded with the amount of barracks that existed. The army barracks were the most basic of accommodations, with sheet metal sidings, beds that resembled cots, a communal bathroom, and small workstations. But that did not hinder Butts' determination for an education.

"It was a roof over our heads," he said. "It was nothing exciting—just a place to study, a place were I was getting an education and getting on with my life."

Delta Chi returns to SIUC campus

Jessica Yorama
Daily Egyptian

SIUC will see a little more red and yellow soon as members of the Delta Chi fraternity return to the Carbondale campus.

Delta Chi fraternity was a prominent fraternity on the SIUC campus for more than 40 years before poor budgeting and behavior forced the University and Delta Chi headquarters to temporarily suspend the SIUC chapter.

"They were a good group of guys, just not collectively," said Joe Burak, director of Delta Chi colony development. "They weren't upholding the group's values or behaving according to our principles, so the [main] chapter had to intervene."

After a five-year absence, the fraternity made the decision to reinstate the SIUC chapter this year, making a collective decision with the University that spring semester would be the most convenient for recruitment.

Taking into consideration that students typically have more time for extracurricular activities in the spring, the Delta Chi chapter decided this would be the best time to restart the organization.

Student job search begins on campus

Career fair brings 60 companies to SIUC

Katie Davis
Daily Egyptian

Students can spend months looking for a job, usually traveling to company after company for interviews in hopes of a job offer.

But Wednesday, the employers are coming to the students.

SIUC Career Services is bringing more than 60 employers, including Kmart, 7-Eleven, the Illinois State Police and Steak 'n Shake, to the Student Center Ballrooms from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday for its bi-annual campus-wide career fair.

SIUC alumnus William Butts served as secretary of education for Georgia

While working on his master's and a doctoral degree in political science, his wife was back at home in Mississippi teaching. Butts wanted to get the most of his educational experience and be reunited with his family.

After receiving his political science doctorate in 1968, Butts left to join his wife in Mississippi, the origin of his family. It was there that William started his career and became dean of arts and sciences at Mississippi Valley State and later took office as president of Kentucky State University in 1975.

Kentucky State University is an institution known for its contribution to the black American education experience. Founded in 1886 as the State Normal School for Colored Persons, it was formed

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required standards.

Prior to the 1998 suspension, Delta Chi, whose chapter had been an official SIUC fraternity since 1955, was known for various accomplishments including being the first to abolish hazing event "Hell week." The fraternity is known for several distinguished members, including three former student body presidents, which includes mayoral candidate Brad Cole.

"Particularly here at SIUC, Delta Chi has a long history of leadership and quality members," said Cole, Delta Chi member and 1993 graduate of SIUC. "Delta Chi is all about developing young men into men and giving them an atmosphere to work together in and providing them with the organizational skills they will use for the rest of their lives."

The skills Cole refers to, as well as the basic principles the organization plans to uphold are two reasons that new associates such as Gary Gangi said they chose the newly reinstated fraternity.

"This fraternity is bringing unique opportunity to anyone who is interested in being a founding father—you won't get that with any other organization," said Gangi, a junior in journalism from Rockford. "You have the opportunity to set the standards of excellence and tradition that will hopefully be followed for the rest of the fraternity's life on campus."

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and begin the process of reviving the chapter.

Although the chapter will restart this semester, the organization will have to undergo an 18-month probationary period before being able to operate like an official chapter.

During this time, newer members will have to prove to the chapter and University they can uphold the

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—Brad Cole
'93 alumnus, Delta Chi

NEWS BRIEFS

ON CAMPUS

Racquetball tourney in March

There will be a racquetball tournament at a location to be announced from March 21 and March 22. To register, go to the Student Recreation Center Information desk Monday through March 18 for more information, call 453-1273.

CARBONDALE

City Council meeting's agenda: 911 services and zoning laws

A City Council meeting will take place at 7 p.m. today in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, 200 S. Illinois Ave. Some of the items that will be discussed in the general business agenda are zoning ordinances for greek housing and consolidation of Carbondale's Public Service Answering Point.

Jackson County has four different Public Service Answering Point Dispatch Centers to handle calls and dispatch for 911 services. The centers are located at Jackson County Sheriff's Department, SIUC Department of Public Safety, City of Murphysboro's Police Department and City of Carbondale's Police Department.

Those interested in what agenda items can visit the website www.ci.carbondale.il.us/index.htm.

REGIONAL

Heart and nursing seminars offered at Logan

John A. Logan Community College will offer seminars on heart, dysrhythmia and critical care nursing in February.

"Basic Dysrhythmia Recognition" will be offered in six sessions from 5 to 8 p.m. beginning Feb. 24 in College room E109. Cost is \$75 with a textbook cost of about \$60.

"Critical Care Nursing" is intended to assist the participant in taking the CRN exam. The class meets from 5 to 8 p.m. beginning Feb. 27 for 10 meetings in College room E122. Cost is \$135. For information and registration, call the College's Continuing Education Division, ext. 8403 at Carthageville and Jackson County, 985-2828 or Carbondale and Jackson County, 457-7676.

Tickets on sale now for Rend Lake College performance

Tickets are now on sale for Rend Lake College Theatre's "Showboat" that will be performed Feb. 27 through March 2. The musical is a Broadway classic, according to Theatre Director Nancy Webb. The story features a troupe of performers who go up and down the Mississippi River performing in different towns.

The show's cast includes people from around the area, including Erin Callahan from Carbondale. The show is suitable for all ages. For more information and reserved seating call Webb now at 437-5321 ext. 295 or e-mail her at webbt@rlc.edu.

Snorkel in Jamaica, learn marine biology

Students studying marine biology can snorkel in Jamaica and earn credit through Rend Lake College May 22 through June 1. In the tropical biological field trip, participants will visit mangrove swamps, swim in caves frequented by friendly bats and search for octopi in their natural habitat.

"Biology 1105-Field Biology Tropical" is a two-credit hour lab course taught by RLC Anthropology and Sociology professor Sue Tomlin and Rend Lake faculty member Steve Holman.

The cost is \$1,990 which includes round trip airfare from St. Louis, double occupancy hotel and meals in Jamaica, all biological and cultural instruction, all in-country, land and sea transportation, all admission to scheduled events and all lab equipment. A payment of \$800 is due by March 3 with the remaining balance due April 7. For more information, call Holman at 437-5321, ext. 722 or Tomlin at ext. 809.

Wednesday.

"Typically the spring is a little larger, partially because more students graduate in May," she said.

The event is open to both students of all majors and the community. There is no fee and registration is not required.

Robbins advised students to dress appropriately during the career fair and to bring a resume.

She said individuals will meet with employers on a professional level and should handle themselves accordingly.

"You may be seriously talking to an employer," she said. "You should treat this like a prearranged interview."

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CANDIDATE PROFILES ~ CITY COUNCIL

A crowded race in Carbondale

Eight candidates. One seat. You don't have to do the math to see it's a tight race for the lone two-year spot on the Carbondale City Council. The DAILY EGYPTIAN Editorial Board created a set of questions to get to know the many candidates in the race in this two-part series.

Today's featured candidates are running for the two-year seat. Wednesday's featured candidates are campaigning for the three open four-year seats.

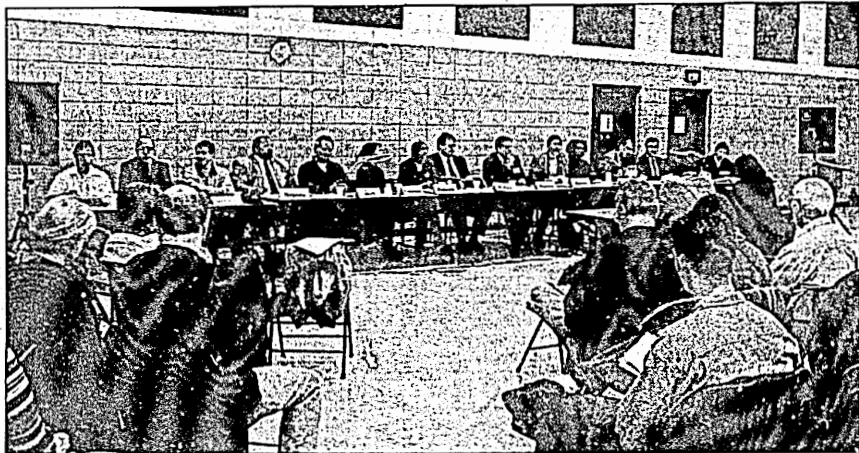
Today

- Jeff Bisising
- Joel Fritzier
- Pat Kelly
- Jim Syler
- John Allen Taylor
- Andy White
- Chris Wissmann

- Sheila Simon
- Dan David
- Lance Jack
- Matt Woods
- Earl Czajkowski
- Patrick Richey
- Steven Haynes
- M. Stalls
- Robert Gallegly
- James Rooney
- Signid Putnam

Wednesday

- Michael Neill



Candidates participate in an open forum Thursday at the Eurma C. Hayes Center. The Feb. 25 primary will cut the number of two-year candidates down to two for the April 1 general election.

JESSICA EDMOND - DAILY EGYPTIAN FILE PHOTO

Jeff Bisising

- 2-year term
- 1103 N. Carico Street

On consolidating schools to mitigate property tax:

Bisising said he doesn't know a lot about the issue, but said it doesn't sound like a bad idea. He would support it if it would help lower the property taxes.

**On the Human Relations Commission:**

Bisising supports the HRC and has mixed feelings on what role it should take. "I have mixed feelings on that because I understand the viewpoint of the local businesspeople and getting bogged down with claims that might not be valid, but I also understand the need for something like that. There's still a problem. It's not like this has disappeared," he said. He feels it would function best with moderate powers. He said the current City Council has had problems with stalling and picking a side. As a city councilman, Bisising said he would keep discussion going but give it a deadline.

On the city manager:

"From what I've observed he's done a pretty good job," Bisising said. He said some of the problems are less with the city manager himself and more with the decisions that the City Council made that were then put on the city manager.

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

Bisising said he thinks problems are with both tenants and the city. He said there has been a lack of code enforcement in the past and a lack of communication between renters and the city. "I think we need to sit back and look at how the codes have been enforced in the past and how well complaints have been followed up on and also there does need to be more communication between renters and the city if there are problems," Bisising said.

On lowering the speed limit to 25 on Grand Avenue near the Rec Center:

Bisising said he would support lowering the limit. "It's not a long stretch of road. It's not going to inconvenience anybody to go five miles less," Bisising said.

A couple of issues Bisising says are important in this election:

Bisising thinks the Cherry Street Rezoning initiative has been stuck on the back burner and that it does not need to be rezoned. He said there are several ways it could be dealt with such as better code enforcement and better police enforcement of litter laws and noise violations. Another issue is the current state

of the Strip and its lack of businesses. He feels the city council should issue some sort of tax incentive to encourage businesses to locate to the central area of the Strip. He said he thinks SIUC's slumping enrollment and the lack of businesses go hand in hand and by increasing business, enrollment will increase to help those businesses out.

Big S or little s:

Big S. "I was watching ABC in the middle of the night about the thing in Tamora and they referred to it as Southern Illinois, not just Tamora, Ill. They felt it special enough to refer to it specifically to Southern Illinois. Why not capitalize it?"

One thing about Bisising voters might not know:

His birthday is on the day of the primary and he plays keyboard in the band Scene Report.

Joel Fritzier

- 2-year term
- 305 S. Dixon Ave.

On consolidating school districts to mitigate property taxes:

Fritzier said he would support consolidation if it would cut costs and put money toward students.

**On the Human Relations Commission:**

Fritzier supports the formation of a Human Relations Commission as an advisory council. He said adding legal powers to the commission would just add one more level of bureaucracy. He said while it is a tough issue with many different viewpoints, the current City Council has dragged the issue on for about two years now and as a councilman he would keep dialog going to further its progress.

On the city manager:

He said Jeff Doherty is doing a good job and is very responsible to his bosses, the City Council.

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

Fritzier said the city needs to quit sending out warnings and start sending out fines. He said there are a lot of good landlords and unfortunately some bad, but everyone knows the ordinances and rules. "I think the city should stop wasting time and start sending out fines," Fritzier said.

On lowering the speed limit on Grand Avenue to 25 near the Rec Center:

He said he would not support lowering the

speed limit. He said enforcement would be more beneficial because without enforcement, it doesn't matter what the sign says.

A couple of issues Fritzier says are important:

"I don't have any grandiose plans or radical changes, I just want to see that the city [continues to improve]," Fritzier said.

He said he is all for development and growth but not if it comes at a price for neglecting older areas. He said the city needs to take care of what it already has before expanding its borders.

Big S or little s:

Big S.

One thing about Fritzier voters might not know:

"I'd describe myself as a left of center fiscally conservative moderate," Fritzier said.

Pat Kelly

- 2-year term
- 500 W. Oak St.

On consolidating school districts to mitigate property taxes:

"Overlapping bureaucracies never serve the interests of the taxpayers," Kelly said. He said he would have to look at the functions performed by both that could better be performed by one entity.

**On the Human Relations Commission:**

Kelly supports the formation of a Human Relations Commission with subpoena power. He said he couldn't believe it's taken this long for a commission and above all, the City Council needs to do whatever it takes to get it finalized. He said if the HRC is not in place by the time the new council takes over, then it wouldn't happen for a while because the new council members would have to be brought up to speed on the issues.

On the city manager:

"I'd consider a change at the top. Carbondale needs a kick in the butt. We've been lagging behind for years while the rest of the country experienced a boom in the '90s. Carbondale has slowly slipped backward. We need to enact many things to stimulate the economy. If Jeff Doherty is not part of the solution, then he's part of the problem."

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

Kelly said he would suggest implementing a program that requires property owners to pay a portion of the utilities. He said it would

hurt property owners who don't maintain their property and help those who do because the cost would be passed on to students in rent.

On lowering the speed limit on Grand Avenue to 25 near the Rec Center:

Kelly said he would support anything that would make it safer for pedestrian traffic anywhere in town.

A couple of issues Kelly says are important in this election:

Kelly said one of his biggest issues is the prioritization of the city budget. He said the city spends far too much on "brick and mortar" projects and not enough on civic organizations.

He said students need to get involved and vote because every now and then, the city slips a tax through that unfairly taxes students for things they will never see a benefit. "Without the University, we'd be a suburb of De Soto," Kelly said.

Big S or little s:

Big S. "We're going to be big and bad and we're going to put the South back on top," Kelly said.

One thing about Kelly voters probably don't know:

He has served on various governing boards, including the SIU Board of Trustees and Illinois Board of Higher Education and is environmentally conscious.

John Allen Taylor

- 2-year term
- 606 E. Park, Apt. T

On consolidating school districts to mitigate property tax:

Taylor said he would not support school consolidation.

On the Human Relations Commission:

Taylor supports a Human Relations Commission that would serve as an advisory board. He said he thinks the current city council has done a fine job and that he doesn't know exactly how, as a City Council member, he would keep the progress moving.

On the city manager:

"I think he's done a fine job," Taylor said.

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

Taylor said zoning right now should keep property at a certain standard and there are



The ins and outs of the Carbondale City Council: a full-time job

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

City Council members meet twice a month to discuss the budget and make policy changes that affect the lives of all Carbondale residents — but that's just scratching the surface.

Aside from the bi-monthly public meetings, the City Council position is a full-time job that calls for unlimited dedication from its members, who Councilwoman Maggie Flanagan said are no different from other Carbondale citizens.

"The people on the City Council are residents, who virtually volunteer many hours of their time," she said. "Although there's a small stipend, they donate a lot of their time because they love their community and they want to do the best job they can."

Flanagan said members of the commission are kept busy outside the office with families and other jobs, plus they belong to boards and commissions associated with the council.

According to City Attorney Paige Reed, the primary job of the council is to supervise the budget to make sure money is being properly spent, and to set policy and directives for the city. After that, there are numerous responsibilities the council members oversee.

For starters, the council is responsible for choosing a city manager. Jeff Doherty, who has occupied the position for almost 11 years, sits in on council meetings and carries out the directives and policies on which the council votes. This includes making sure city codes, such as housing inspections, are carried out.

One of the other tasks of a council member is to attend town meetings 3 or 4 times a year. The meetings are never scheduled in City Hall, and Flanagan said this is to try and reach out to some citizens who may be more comfortable attending the meeting if it takes place elsewhere.

"The purpose is to bring the council into the neighborhoods and be more present," she said. "City Hall is a really formal environment, but when people can go to a familiar place like a school or community center, they're more willing to come out."

At the meetings, the panel sits and listens to problems and concerns from local residents. Flanagan said they hear about everything from potholes to barking dogs, and all suggestions are taken into consideration.

Councilman Brad Cole agreed that the role

of councilman is a very demanding job, but said it is also rewarding.

"The main thing we do is take concerns from people in town and try to address them through the local government," Cole said.

"Whether they're homeowners, business owners or just people who are in Carbondale, the most important thing is getting feedback about what those people want out of their city and then trying to accomplish it for them."

Cole said the council is also responsible for meeting with boards and commission such as the Liquor Advisory Board, to keep current with important issues in Carbondale.

"Basically, we sit there and listen to what they're trying to get across," Cole said. "Those groups are advisory to us, and we don't have to act on it until later."

On top of everything, the candidates have to deal with citizens confronting them on a daily basis and then listen while people talk about personal problems on the candidates' free time.

"Being on the council is definitely a full-time job, because no matter where you go, somebody knows who you are and may come up and say something," Cole said. "It may be something good, or it may be something

bad, but that's part of the job, and it makes it interesting."

The City Council primary election takes place on Feb. 25, while the main election is scheduled for April 1.

All but two of the City Council members are campaigning for a position on the council this year. Mayor Neil Dillard is retiring and Corene McDaniel has another year left, while Councilman Mike Neill is hoping to be reelected into his council seat, and both Cole and Flanagan are running for mayor. Flanagan's council seat has not expired and if she wins the mayoral election, the council position she vacated will be filled by her appointee upon approval by the council, according to Reed. If she loses, she will retain the seat.

Flanagan put the role of a councilwoman simply, and said she hopes citizens understand that the council members are ordinary human and try their best to better the city.

"We're no different than any other citizen, except we come to every meeting and make decisions," Flanagan said. "We like to hike and have birthday parties for our kids just like everybody else."

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already inspectors who check property. He thinks students need to be more educated on the ramifications of signing contracts. "It's a very important step for an 18-year-old to sign a contract for a year," Taylor said.

On lowering the speed limit on Grand Avenue to 25 near the Rec Center:

Taylor would not support lowering the limit. He said he couldn't think of any options to make the area safer at this time.

A couple of issues Taylor says are important for this election:

"I believe we need to get everybody involved to get a smooth City Council running. We're obviously going to have a new mayor. That person is going to need support from the new City Council members. That's why I'm running — to support the new mayor," Taylor said.

Big S or little s:

Big S. "The bigger the better," Taylor said.

Something about Taylor voters might not know:

"I scuba dive and I love Gus Bode," he said.

Jim Syler

• 2-year term
• 2461 S. Illinois Avenue #92

On consolidating school districts to mitigate property taxes?

Syler said he would support not only consolidating administrations, but also consolidating all six of the taxing powers into the City Council. He said it would result in a more responsible and responsive taxing power because people would understand exactly where a specific tax was going.

On the Human Relations Commission:

Syler said he doesn't think the HRC, as it is structured now, is a good idea. He said he thinks it is very important to ensure people are not being mistreated in Carbondale, but the City Council is taking it in the wrong direction. He thinks the city needs to sit down and rethink what it is trying to accomplish with the HRC, examine the issues and make sure what it is moving toward is right for the situation. He feels the City Council could just as easily serve as a Human Relations Commission without duplicating powers that already exist.

On the city manager:

"I don't believe in change for its own sake. I

don't believe in shaking up bureaucracy for the sake of change," Syler said. He said sometimes when people are in office for a long time it means they are very good at what they do. "I don't see any reason to fire Jeff Doherty," Syler said.

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

He said the most efficient way to ensure landlords' responsibility to tenants is simply more competition. "If people have a choice, they are going to choose what is better," Syler said. He said problems with landlords' responsibilities to neighbors of their property are: partially zoning issues and partially enforcement of existing laws. He said the city needs to enforce what already exists.

On lowering the speed limit on Grand Avenue to 25 near the Rec Center:

He said the city would need to make sure lowering the speed limit is really going to help. He said if people are ignoring the speed limit, how would it help to lower it? Syler thinks stronger punishments and maybe an overhead walkway would possibly be more beneficial.

A couple of issues Syler says are important:

Syler said the encroachment ordinance is selectively enforced and by doing so, they dilute the power of all law. He said if it were completely enforced, the Dairy Queen on the Strip would be out of business. Syler said the zoning issues on Cherry Street need a buffer between the current options. He said R1-d and R2 would solve part of the problem without going all the way to R3 to R1.

He said he would like to see improvement upon the city's relationship with SIU students. He would also like to see more liquor licenses in an effort to revitalize the Strip and end the current monopoly.

Big S or little s:

"That's an editorial stylistic issue that should be left to the newspaper," Syler said.

Something voters probably don't know about Syler:

"I am a Desert Storm veteran and member of the Illinois National Guard. I am also chairman of the Southern Illinois Branch of the Libertarian Party," Syler said.

Andy White

• 910 S. Taylor Drive
• 2-year term

On consolidating school districts to mitigate property tax:

White said while money might be saved in administrative costs, you would need to weigh that against the disadvantages to the

community around those schools. He said there is a strong sense of community and identities that go along with each one.

On the Human Relations Commission:

White said he supports the Human Relations Commission and thinks the issues need to be reviewed further on whether to give the commission subpoena power and how that function would work. He said considering it is an election year, he thinks the council has sufficiently made progress on the issue. Once the new council is in, he said the progress would probably go much smoother.

On the city manager:

He said with a new mayor and predominantly new City Council, it will be important to have someone with experience help run the city.

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

He said there are already numerous city ordinances in place. He said there are currently a lot of new apartments under construction, offering students more choices on where to live. He said the old apartments will have to up their standards to compete with the new or they will sit vacant.

On lowering the speed limit on Grand Avenue to 25 near the Rec Center:

"I'm not aware of the increase in accidents, so I think that would be something you would have to look into further," White said.

A couple of issues White says are important:

White said he thinks the city as a whole has done well over the past several years, and it just needs to continue the growth. He said one improvement would be to offer incentives and more homes in the core price range to allow more renters the chance to become a homeowner. He is for the general growth of Carbondale to increase the tax base.

Big S or little s:

"I always capitalize the S in Southern Illinois."

One thing voters might not know about White:

"I am a dog lover. I now have two and I don't know what I'd do without them."

Chris Wissmann

• 1111 W. Walkup
• 2-year term

On consolidating school districts to mitigate property taxes:

"I'm loath to make these decisions for the school districts. I think we have to do it by referendum. I would have no problem putting it

on the referendum if there's support for it in the community. But changes in governmental bodies cannot be made by the bodies themselves or other bodies. I believe they have to be made by the people."

On the Human Relations Commission:

Wissman said he is in favor of a Human Relations Commission with subpoena power. He said the incident that started the HRC was two years ago and the HRC should have been done in six months. "It's disgraceful that it's taken this long to do nothing," he said. As a City Council member, he would suggest narrowing the focus. He believes it would be best to give the HRC certain powers and then let the City Council subtract the ones they don't agree with.

On the city manager:

He said Jeff Doherty seems to be especially competent in budgetary issues and would only consider removing him if he ever strayed from his responsibility to the City Council.

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

"The whole thing's a mess," Wissman said. He thinks creating a tenant self-help program that would include landlords, attorneys, homeowners, renters and other concerned people would help clarify each other's responsibilities. He said lawyers could help students learn their rights and landlords learn their responsibilities. He said he'd like to see the program run on TV.

On lowering the speed limit on Grand Avenue to 25 near the Rec Center:

Wissman said he doesn't really have an opinion on the issue because even if it were lowered it wouldn't slow people down.

A couple of issues Wissman says are important:

Wissman said the city needs to step up the employment opportunities in Carbondale. "We exploit our best and brightest by not attracting high-paying jobs," Wissman said. He said the city needs to change its attitude toward students, the cultural and economic lifeblood of the city. He said students need to step up and earn the respect by showing their support and concern for various city issues.

Big S or little s:

Big S. "Southern Illinois is a different state of mind from the rest of the state," Wissman said.

One thing voters might not know about Wissman:

"I'm the co-owner of Nightlife and a reporter as well. People might not know that."

* Candidate David McAuley is not featured with the other two-year candidates. Despite repeated attempts to contact him, the DAILY EGYPTIAN was unsuccessful.



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OUR WORD

Not at the table, but not forgotten

If anything good came out of the expensive, tiresome, often inappropriate, year-long negotiation process between the Faculty Association and administration it was that our many campus problems were forced to the forefront.

Their requests demanded everyone's attention, and the union promised destruction — a walkout — if they were ignored.

The question to address now is where do the faculty stand who are not represented by a collective organization. There are many others who teach classes outside of faculty not covered by the bargaining unit: faculty in the School of Law, School of Medicine, term and adjunct faculty and administrative/professional staff.

They do not have the power of collective bargaining. They do not have a bully pulpit from which to preach about salary inequities and oversized classrooms. The teachers not covered by the bargaining unit, however, account for more than half of the people on campus who stand in front of the classrooms. They are truly the silent majority and their working conditions deserve as much attention as the union.

Chancellor Wendler, this is where you come in. The faculty union on this campus formed in 1996 because the distrust that began festering years earlier finally boiled over. Unions are not the problem; unions have long been representing factions of this campus, but unions formed out of spite make for ugly relationships.

Last week you said that all faculty should receive salary raises similar to those promised to the Faculty Association in the recently agreed upon four-year contract. And they should.

And as the Faculty Association continuously pointed out, there are other issues on the table besides salary, such as faculty-student ratios and workload. These issues also must also be addressed in a manner appropriate to the various teaching groups on campus.

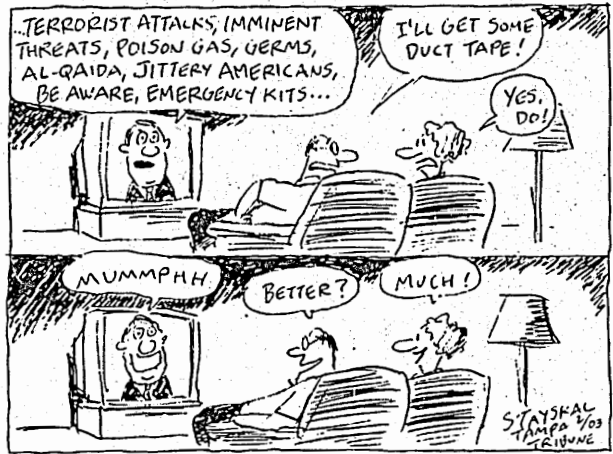
You have said that all faculty "should" receive comparable raises. We understand that you can't promise the contract's amount to those outside the bargaining unit.

Not all units are the same or deserve the same raises or policies. Every section of campus is unique. But raises for faculty outside the bargaining unit must be, at least, be comparable to the raises given to the Faculty Association.

The state's budget crisis will not work as an excuse this time.

We realize that numbers seeping down from the state budget office do not look promising: Illinois could be \$5 billion in debt. And yes, we will all have to survive eating belt loops — tightening the belt one notch in so that skipping meals is less painful.

But the other hard-working teachers, who do not have a place at the bargaining table, should have had a place in your heart...er...the budget, long before anyone shoots hands on this deal. It was not the union's responsibility to represent other teachers on this campus. It was your responsibility — and now it's time to prove that you did just that.



GUEST COLUMNIST

Jackson cries for attention

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ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (U-WIRE) - More than 20 million people watched Michael Jackson's recent interview on ABC; it was a monstrous hit in England and the United States and such an event, centered around such an unusual person begs many questions, the most principle of which is: why did Jackson partake in the interview in the first place?

It seems there are two possibilities for why Jackson would have agreed to such an intrusive interview. Either Jackson is a sad after-effect of fame, limelight, scrutiny and a tough childhood and he did the interview to relay his story, or he used the interview as a media stunt to spark record sales, in light of his last album flopping like a fish in a frying pan.

Early in the interview, Jackson asked the interviewer why he was asking him such tough questions; he looked devastated, tried to cry and said, "Why do you do this to me?" Jackson could have ended the interview at any time, but it didn't seem he wanted to; he needed as many people as possible to be hooked onto what he was saying.

After the initial interview at Jackson's Neverland home (in other words, soon after Jackson was done declaring, "I am Peter Pan"), Jackson visited Las Vegas and solicited the continuation of the interview by asking the interviewer to meet him there. This is where it became evident that Jackson wanted his strange story heard in order to thrust himself back into the mainstream, so that people would be interested in his sputtering career once again, allowing him to live as extravagantly as he demanded.

Jackson continually emphasized that he was a 44 year-old kid who loved climbing trees, riding go-carts, etc. After the failure of his last album, however, this 44-year-old kid threw what should appropriately be called a temper tantrum and alleged racial discrimination on the part of his record label; supposedly, the label didn't promote his album well enough because he was, by all rights, black.

So, Jackson is adult enough to allege racism in the workplace, but not adult enough to stop sleeping with young children; he is adult enough to have his own children, but not adult enough to allow them to walk around without masks on their faces (preserving their identities). He complains of his tough childhood and of the abuse he suffered during it, of not being able to

be a true child; shouldn't he realize that most children aren't forced to parade around with masks on their faces, and that he is carrying out the same disservice to his own children that was allegedly carried out against him?

How about when he dangled his newborn baby from a hotel window over a large crowd of fans below? He said the baby enjoyed it, and began to sing. No, Michael — you've got it wrong — that's not singing, it's crying (babies do that when they're scared).

He is in denial when he says he is not rearing his children in an unorthodox manner; he is in denial of the fact that he has entirely reshaped his face through plastic surgery (he admits to two surgeries on his nose, but insists that the rest of his facial developments are simply signs of growing and flowering); he is in denial of his habit of sleeping with young children, and insists his actions are all about "sharing love" and the parents that worry about and fear these actions are supposedly, "ignorant."

The evidence on the interview speaks for itself; the American people aren't ignorant. He has had plastic surgery — no one blooms like that, thank heaven. He is rearing his children in a manner that will cause them to be confused about the world around them and his sleeping with children can be fluffed however he likes, but it looks to be a strange, sad and horrifying fetish.

Michael Jackson does not understand the power he wields as a celebrity. Whether he likes it or not, people listen to him, and some, to a degree, try to emulate him. For example, Rosie O'Donnell, after Columbine, shot off her mouth about how all guns should be made illegal — obviously an ignorant statement, she has since retracted those words. But she has to realize that many that looked up to her because of her stature took those words as the gospel and utterly believed them.

No, it is not right, as an adult, to sleep with young children for any reason. No, it's not right, as an adult, to dangle babies from hotel windows. No, it's not right, as an adult, to create an issue of racial discrimination simply because you can when you're down on your luck. And, no it's not right to captivate audiences with a well-rehearsed, melodramatic, disgustingly impractical way of life in order to save a dying career.

His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Men have become the tools of their tools.”

Henry David Thoreau

WORDS OVERHEARD

“If we die and go to hell, this is what hell is going to be like.”

Dave Kim

sophomore in radio-television on being stuck in a derailed train

COLUMNISTS

The preemptive threat

On Sept. 20 2001, nine days after the attacks on America, the United States, under the influence of some very influential brains in Washington, D.C., clothed the fearful and trembling American sovereign with the supreme robe of a Leviathan. The brand on the garment read "preemption." "Preemption" metal had also been used in the casting of his sword that he now firmly holds above the world, with his glance resolutely turned toward an incipient world throne. The shield of containment, a policy expressed in the famous "X article" of George F. Kennan had literally been thrown out of the window although it successfully defeated the Soviet Empire.

The rational behind the change of policy was clear and evident. After the attacks of Sept. 11, the United States is facing a stateless and diffuse enemy that can attack at any time, cannot be restrained by international law, could acquire nuclear weapons and is headed by a billionaire living in a cave who in his own words plan to die this year as a martyr riding his horse into the "eagle's nest" (referring to the U.S.). In short, terrorism unlike communism cannot be addressed with deterrence and containment. So preemption best suits the current and pressing security needs of the American people. There is one problem though. Maybe two.

One, what is terrorism? International law or the United Nations to this day have not been able to define "terrorism." The word "terrorism" itself appears for the first time at the level of international law in two texts in December of 1997 and 1999 and it is not explained. Certainly, this is due to the awareness nations nurture regarding the difficulty to draw a line between what is terror and what is not. John Brown is right when he notes in his article "It's a crime" published this month in French magazine *le Monde Diplomatique* about the perilous attempts to define "terrorism" in international circles that there is a sort of consensual reticence to actually define the term. What one sees as acts of terror, the other welcomes as another step closer to reaching his political demands. To exemplify the variability of usage of the term, one needs to recall the passionate denunciation in the '80s of Nelson Mandela ANC among many others, as a terrorist organization. Today Mandela, the former head of state of a democratic country, is a Nobel Peace prizewinner. Also is the U.S. at war against state-terror used a political tool and are the prescriptions of the new national security strategy



City of Geopolitics

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adequate to confront it? The most dangerous problem posed by the policy of preemption first of all rest upon the fact that it is a response to a threat that has yet to be defined by the nations of the world. The current international dissents of countries such as France and Russia regarding war in Iraq is perhaps a function of the failure to identify "what is the threat" before one can then ask "where is it?" and have Secretary of defense Mr. Rumsfeld and the "New Europe" in a curiously patriotic chorus answer "in Iraq".

Second, the process through which preemption was agreed upon as the policy of choice, Jim Lobe believes is wrong. In his piece "World War II: the ever presence," he addressed J. William Fulbright's (chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee during Vietnam War) frustration with the American habit of policy-making by habit whereby everything is equated with Hitler's invasion of Poland.

Finally, preemption in principle does not recognize boundaries and is not recognized as a viable alternative by international law. A first strike that is entirely based upon American perceptions that recently have been situated near the edges of the international legal stream—only enjoying the support of a few vassal-states—would simply be an invasion of another state's sovereignty no less ignoble than the Japanese invasion of Pearl Harbor sowing as potential long term consequence to the country one, two or three, many North-Koreas claiming that the "right to preempt" is not exclusive to the U.S. and worst of all it would comfortably install America in the category of the countries of "Old Europe" which are to this day haunted by the specter of their imperial ambitions of yesterday.

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Crickets are cute; spiders are ugly



Piattology

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Saturday morning I did something a little peculiar. As I was walking into my bedroom my eyes caught some movement on the floor. Below me crawled a creepy, hairy and unusually plump spider. Let me give you a short history lesson about me. I have never had a whole lot of love for spiders. Indiana Jones (my secret hero) hates snakes; I hate spiders—we're practically brothers.

Anyway, back to the peculiar thing I did Saturday morning. Instead of finding something I could smash it with and throw the smasher and the smashee in the trash, I grabbed a piece of paper and let the little fat guy (or girl) on board and just relocated it outside.

One might ask why this is so peculiar, and I would once again remind you: I hate spiders. I have waged war on their clan since I was a little bald guy having trouble making sentences. Even though most of my victims probably harmed me in no way, I still gave them the harshest penalty for crossing my path.

A few spiders have bitten me in my lifetime, actually probably more times than I knew, according to the Discovery Channel. But is that any real reason to wage war on a whole species? I can't hate all blonde girls because one broke my heart, or hate all state troopers because one gave me a ticket.

This subject brings back the memory of a funny story. My ex-girlfriend (she who must not be named for all you Harry Potter fans) was angry with me one night for killing a cricket. First of all, in my defense, the cricket had it coming. I went to bed early so I could get up for morning final exam. Every time I would fall to sleep I would wake up to the

annoying chirp of a cricket some where in my house. I searched the house and couldn't find the little guy. It would quit chirping so I would go back to bed and fall asleep only to be awakened ten minutes later by the crazy cricket. Now if I would have located the cricket on the first try I would have simply relocated it outside with my buddies. But this little cricket was good. He had some special ops training.

I didn't find it until about my fifth time out of bed at about four in the morning. At that time I was a madman on a mission; I wanted blood. When I found the little music maker, he paid with his life. My ex-girlfriend thought this was very cruel to kill a cute little cricket, but this is coming from the same woman who spies a spider and runs screaming into the other room, "Kill it, honey...kill it."

So once again why is it cruel to kill a cute little cricket but encouraged to kill an ugly little spider? That is just like saying it is ok to kill ugly people. If that is the case then Howard Stern and I are in trouble.

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LETTERS

SIU making life difficult by not printing schedules

DEAR EDITOR:

Why is SIU making academic life MORE difficult rather than LESS difficult? I am referring here to the decision to no longer publish a hard copy schedule of classes. After struggling to find the extremely well-hidden schedule of classes page on the SIU website, I was appalled to find that I could only search by department and could not do any comparative studies of classes/times. (Note: for those of you who STILL have not found the website, it is buried within the admissions link instead of the academics link—make sense to you?) What's a time-table for if you can't use it to compare and contrast?

The virtual schedule of classes has moved us backward instead of forward

in terms of the registration process. Why hide the premier product of this university—the diversity of our programs and classes—on a website that has tunnel vision? The cost of printing a schedule of classes cannot be so great that we have to mess with this crucial aspect of University business. I'll be that no more paper is used in printing a schedule of classes than a day or two of the DE.

Moreover, why go digital with the class schedule when we are still in the dark ages of other academic business? Take grades, for example. Instead of sending my microbiology grades to a secure SIU server by e-mail last semester, I wrote each grade on a sheet of paper, carried it to admissions and records, and then relied on someone there to enter the information into a computer. Are there more chances for error doing it this way than if I entered the grades directly from my office computer? You bet.

Let's get with it and not make students' lives any more difficult than

we already have. Print a schedule of classes and be done with it. This is NOT the way to save money.

Michael Madigan,
professor of microbiology

Cooperation is the key to improving the University

DEAR EDITOR,

There are three areas where faculty and administrators should cooperate: 1. We all have a stake in convincing legislators that funds invested in our campus will be well spent. Coordinating lobbying efforts will signal that we are focused on our mission and not internal bickering. Last year there was a snafu when administrators left a committee hearing before faculty members had testified. While likely unintentional, the per-

ception of a deliberate slight was real. Hopefully, the IBHE recommendation for increased funding will rally us to work with deliberate harmony.

Do we have too much bureaucracy? Despite, no because of strong differences here, we should study this together. A Trimming the Bureaucracy task force could be established. It might address these questions among others: Are administrators overpaid? Why has technology not thinned the ranks of mid-level bureaucrats? Do all department chairs need to be on 12-month contracts? Do we need the Small Business Incubator and Research Park? Should institutes be subsidized? Even if the "administrative view" on these issues is correct, faculty members need to hear this from objective sources. Some bureaucracy is due to increased regulations. The current economic recession is an ideal time to convince legislators to reduce our regulatory burden.

Administrators have implicitly

raised the need for program changes to make SIUC more efficient. This is an area that faculty have not been comfortable with. But, an honest dialog is needed here too. Faculty need to be open minded, but administrators need to be open. Administrators tend to focus on enrollment and may overlook the intellectual or cultural merits of a program. But, if it were left to the faculty alone even the most marginal programs would not be cut.

One concern in entrusting programmatic matters to the administration is that our top tier of administrators have little academic breath. Most obtained their Ph.D.s in a single discipline, education, a field that while vital has had difficulty establishing rigorous and objective research methods and has thus been susceptible to many fads. This is all the more reason to avoid a circle-the-wagons approach

Mike Sullivan
associate professor of mathematics

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SIUC students, faculty exhibit displayed in nation's capital

Photos of black coal miners shown during Black History Month

Kristina Dailing
Daily Egyptian

William Olney, pastor of Harvest Deliverance Church in Harrisburg, worked in coalmines for 21 years and was the first black man to be president for a local miners union.

He made enemies when he did not allow miners to go under ground if they were drunk or under the influence of drugs.

He dealt with racism toward him and racism among miners working in southern Illinois.

And he got to share his story in Washington, D.C. as part of an exhibit that has allowed people all over the nation to see the coal mining culture of southern Illinois.

Olney, along with other contributors to the exhibit, entitled "Working in the Seams: An Initial Photographic View Into the African American Coal Culture of Southern Illinois," attended an opening ceremony for the project at Sidney Yates Auditorium in Washington, D.C. Thursday.

The documentary features 26 large prints along with text that tell the stories of the people in the photographs and was created by graduate students and a professor at SIUC.

Several of the photographers, writers and other people, who contributed to the project, presented the exhibit to an audience of around 100 people.

Lee M. Buchsman, a master's student in photography, Eric Robinson, an unclassified master's student and Joshua Sanseri, a master's student in art and design, attended the event with Corene McDaniel, president of the African-American Museum in University Mall, Daniel Overturf, associate professor of cinema and photography and Olney Williams, a subject in one of the photographs.

Buchsbaum began the documentary on coal mining three years ago and received a \$10,000 grant from Illinois Humanities Council to examine the coal culture of southern Illinois.

SIUC student, Robert Booker, an unclassified graduate student, and Deidre L. Hughes, a doctoral student in history, also contributed to the project that will be exhibited at many other sites after Washington, D.C.

The other sites include, the University of West Virginia's Senator Rush D. Holt History Conference, Sparta's public library; Southeastern Illinois College in Harrisburg; the Du Quoin State Fair, VSB Technical University in the Czech Republic, Illinois's Capital Rotunda in Springfield, Chicago's Thompson Center, John A. Logan College and several other institutions.

Buchsman said they are glad to have their exhibit in Washington, D.C. during Black History Month so that legislators and other powerful figures can see and hear from people



Lee Buchsbaum, Eric Robinson, Daniel Overturf and Josh Sanseri recently traveled to the Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C. to present "Working in the Seams: An Initial Photographic View Into the African American Coal Culture of Southern Illinois." The traveling exhibition is a collaborative effort among the four photographers to document the history of black coal miners in southern Illinois.

of southern Illinois.

"We wanted these people to be represented in Washington, D.C.," Buchsman said. "They can have their stories out there so people can hear

about us in southern Illinois and our people."

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Pulse

Lott joins Allen in funding push for historically black colleges

David Lerman
Newport News (Va.) Daily Press

WASHINGTON (KRT) — Virginia Sen. George Allen shared the political stage with an unlikely ally last week in pushing a bill to provide computer technology to historically black colleges.

At a hearing Allen held to gather support for his bill, not a single colleague bothered to show up save one: Sen. Trent Lott of Mississippi.

For Lott, who was ousted as Senate Republican leader in December, Allen's hearing was a chance to reach out to the black community in the wake of his fall from power.

Lott angered many when he publicly praised the 1948 segregationist presidential campaign of South Carolina's Strom Thurmond. The Mississippi Republican has since apologized for those remarks, while promising to work harder for African-American interests.

Allen's measure offered a chance to do just that. The bill would provide \$250 million in grants over the next five years for computer technology at historically black schools such

as Hampton University and Norfolk State University in Virginia.

Last week's hearing on Allen's relatively non-controversial measure drew no other senators on a day when Congress was consumed with talk of war, terrorism alerts and negotiations on a final spending bill for the current fiscal year.

But Lott arrived early for the Senate Commerce Committee hearing and spent time greeting presidents of black colleges who had come to Washington to testify for the bill.

Taking a seat near Allen, Lott heaped praise on the legislation and said he planned to pay a visit to a historically black college in Mississippi this week.

Allen, who played a leading role in urging Lott to give up his leadership post in December, greeted his colleague warmly and welcomed his support for the bill.

A similar measure surfaced last year. It cleared the Commerce Committee but never won a vote on the Senate floor.

This year, Allen told reporters, he is more hopeful of the bill's chances, partly because of a change in Senate leadership of which the

Virginian is now a part. The bill has at least 17 co-sponsors, including Sen. John W. Warner, R-Va., and Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, the powerful chairman of the Senate Appropriations Committee.

The bill would provide grants of up to \$2.5 million each year to historically black and other minority-serving schools. Schools with relatively wealthy endowments, such as Hampton University, would have to pay 25 percent of the cost of the grant, aides said.

The Bush administration has not taken a position on the bill, Allen said. The White House recently angered civil-rights activists by siding with white students in a suit against the University of Michigan. The students allege the school's admissions program, giving extra points for racial minorities, amounts to reverse discrimination.

It remains unclear whether the administration will express similar concerns about a grant program that awards money based largely on a school's racial make-up. But Allen said he expects the White House will endorse his bill, which has bipartisan support.

NATO allies skirt France to approve military defense

Daniel Rubin
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BRUSSELS (KRT) — A month-long impasse that had divided NATO allies over potential war in Iraq ended late Sunday when Germany and Belgium agreed to begin planning for the defense of Turkey should it come under attack.

NATO officials avoided having to obtain the agreement of France, the third and most obstinate hold-out, when they debated the matter in the alliance's Defense Planning Committee, in which France has not participated since 1966.

In a soul-searching test of the alliance's solidarity, the three European countries had been arguing that any preparations committed NATO to a "logic of war," which signaled

the inevitability of military conflict.

Their reluctance to begin planning — even after Turkey invoked Article IV, which compels the alliance to protect a member that feels threatened — had prompted severe criticism from most of the other 16 members, and caused what its U.S. ambassador called a "crisis of credibility." Allies argued that the delay sent a message of weakness to Saddam Hussein.

Ambassadors from 18 NATO countries met five times Sunday before reaching agreement. A NATO diplomat said it was Belgium that held out longest, arguing that language had to be added to the official documents that made clear that NATO would only be involved in defensive actions, and tying NATO's engagement to approval by the U.N. Security Council of military action.

Belgium, whose government faces national elections in May, finally backed off that position as midnight approached.

The NATO diplomat said that alliance officials made the decision this weekend to shift the debate from the North Atlantic Council, where France has a vote, to the Defense Planning Committee because Germany and France had agreed that they would not budge from their position until after Friday's presentation by weapons inspectors at the United Nations.

Once that deadline had passed, the diplomat said, Germany's opposition ended.

Under the compromise, NATO will begin preparing to send AWAC surveillance planes, Patriot missiles and chemical and biological weapons detection teams to Turkey. Another vote is required before equipment can begin moving.

TEACHERS

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District superintendent Elizabeth I. Lewin said that Carbondale's elementary schools don't need to explore hiring teachers with non-traditional training. She attributes much of that to SIUC.

"We have not yet accepted applications from teachers with alternative training because we haven't had a need," Lewin said. "We tend to be different because we're in a college town. I'd say 70 percent of our teachers have come from SIUC."

Sabens also said that about 70 percent of teachers in the 16th district come from the University. However, he does not believe that a good teacher has to be trained in a university.

"We look at all applicants, whether they were trained to teach in college or not, and consider the needs of CCHS," Sabens said. "An alternative training program wouldn't prohibit them or give them a leg up."

Sabens said that some teaching areas, particularly vocational programs, lend themselves more to teachers with alternative training credentials than others.

"Both of the teachers we've hired with alternative schooling come from the business world," Sabens said. "One was a chemical engineer who now teaches chemistry. The other worked with electricians and now teaches lessons from that job in a vocational program."

While many schools turn to alternative training programs to fight teacher shortages, the 16th district has no such trouble.

Qualified applicants and a low teacher attrition rate have helped the district immensely.

"We're pretty fortunate," Sabens said. "We haven't had difficulty finding quality applicants. It's not unusual to have teachers go over to another district, but our teachers tend to stay in the field."

Lewin said the 95th district also has no problem hiring and keeping teachers.

"We don't lose teachers," Lewin said. "We have a very low turnover rate and we're a pretty popular district to work in. Our teachers are often tied to the community or the University."

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EDUCATION

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to allow black Americans with the opportunity to pursue higher education.

Butts served a seven-year term as president at Kentucky State University. He would implement many programs at the university and was introduced to the hardships of presidency at a state institution.

"Any presidency is a challenge," he said.

In 1982 that would all change when Butts was courted by the Reagan administration to become the secretary of education for the state of Georgia.

Butts realized the hand-in-hand marriage that a political office holds with the public. It was also his first time implementing his schooling in political science and actually applying it to real-world situations.

"As a political appointee, it's one thing when they lose, but you lose as well," he said.

Butts worked for both the Reagan and Bush administrations from 1982 to 1992. As secretary of education, he worked with public schools, state universities and city councils.

After the change in administration to the Clinton presidency, Butts was forced to deal with

downfalls of political office.

"After the loss, you just pull up your stakes and go home," he said.

Butts traveled back to deal with ill family members. He became actively involved with Delta State University in Mississippi, consulting faculty and administration while tending to ailing family members.

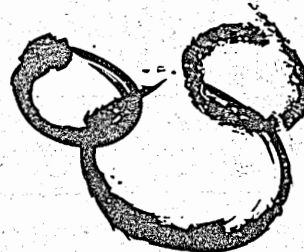
His experience and leadership lead him to become the president of the Alumni Association at SIUC, where he worked to help both graduates and students in improving their educational experience and future careers.

In 2000, Butts would be called again to serve the educational community -- this time under the leadership of future President George W. Bush. He would become the co-chairman of the educational committee, serving as a special assistant to the secretary of education in Georgia and eight other educational regions.

His job now entails listening to orders from the secretary of education and addressing problems in the educational institution of those various regions.

Butts embraces one thing that he learned through the variety of jobs and positions: "No child should be left behind."

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Backpacks cause variety of injuries, study shows

Bonny Beaman
Northern Star (Northern Illinois U.)

DEKALB, (U-WIRE) — Backpacks may not only be a source of aggravating back pain, they may lead to other types of bodily injuries as well, according to a new study published in the January 2003 issue of Pediatrics.

The Cincinnati Children's Hospital conducted the study to discover in what ways and in what places on the body backpacks are most likely to injure people ages 6 to 18. Researchers examined the cases of 247 children taken to emergency rooms because of backpack related injuries.

The study found that 89 percent of the injuries were not to the back. In fact, the study stated backpacks most commonly caused injuries to the head or the face.

Also, the most common cause of injury was tripping over a backpack, not wearing one.

Dennis Nink, a physical therapist at the Kishwaukee Regional Rehabilitation Center, said that while middle school children are usually the age group talked about in reference to backpack injuries, college students can suffer too.

"College students usually go longer distances with their bags, so they can get pain with improperly sized backpacks and ones that are overloaded," he said.

Dennis E. Hill, a local chiropractic physician said an overloaded bag is one that exceeds 20 percent of its carrier's body weight.

However, Nink also warned that

the amount of weight an individual can handle depends on his or her musculature. It is recommended that people who are less muscular wear less weight in their bags, Nink said.

No matter where or how backpacks are causing injuries to their users, bags are causing about 5,000 injuries per year, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission.

A study done by Boston's Simmons College stated that indicators of injury include tingling and/or numbness in the back, red marks on the back, a change in posture when the bag is on and having to struggle to put the bag on and take it off.

Backpack users also can help prevent injuries to themselves by following the backpack usage guidelines of the American Chiropractic Association. These guidelines state that individuals should wear bags with wide, padded straps and that they should wear both straps together. The bag also should not hang more than four inches below the waistline or it can add to the weight on the shoulders.

Nink said using a bag in the wrong way can lead to muscle imbalances and spasms, improper posture and curvature of the spine and a greater possibility of falling because of imbalance caused by a too heavy bag.

Medical attention can include treating pain and spasms with electrical stimulation, massage, exercise, instructing individuals on posture and body mechanics and helping them develop a conditioning program to continue once treatment is over, Nink said.

UC-Davis students lobby for unisex bathrooms

Lisa Feng
The California Aggie (U.California-Davis)

DAVIS, Calif. (U-WIRE) — Some University of California-Davis students are lobbying for the campus to convert all single-stall, gender-specific restrooms to unisex bathrooms, and at least one UC-Davis administrator might sign onto the idea.

In November 2002, the ASUCD Senate passed a resolution supporting the conversion of one-stall gender-specific bathrooms to non-gender-specific — or unisex — bathrooms.

The topic of coed bathrooms became a major issue at UC-Davis after the 2002 ASUCD President's Ball, where two transgender students used the women's bathroom in Freeborn Hall instead of the men's bathroom that corresponded with their anatomical sex. Police responded to the scene and removed the students from the event.

In a letter to The California Aggie, ASUCD Gender and Sexuality Commission Chair Nathan Thomas — the author of the resolution — called the unisex bathroom idea "way overdue" at UC-D.

"[It is] very hard for Transgender persons to have to choose who they are in a binary bathroom system, and a simple task we take for granted like going to the bathroom, suddenly becomes an introspective life decision," Thomas said in his letter.

Vice-Chancellor of Student Affairs Judy Sikaki said she supports the conversion if there is a reasonable way to improve accessibility and accommodate people of diversity.

The concept of unisex bathrooms is not uncommon at UC campuses. At UC Berkeley and UC Santa

Cruz, the concept of single-stall unisex bathrooms has been expanded to "Ally McBeal"-type multi-stall, non-gender-specific restrooms.

Berkeley, in fact, has had unisex bathrooms in their residence halls for more than a decade.

Berkeley Resident Assistant Byrant Yang said that the unisex bathroom system in the university's high-rise residence halls is not a general concern for most students.

He said that some students may be wary at first, but most of the concern comes from their parents.

"We explain to them that that's just the general policy and that there are precautions," Yang said. "We ask the students to try it out, and if they still feel uncomfortable, there are designated single-sex bathrooms within the coed dorm or in single-sex dorms."

"The common practice of each residence hall is to designate the first stall as the "standing only" stall, a place where male students can isolate their "mess" and not have to remember to put the seat down.

As for showers, Yang said that all shower stalls have doors instead of curtains. This means that the only time male and female students stand next to each other in the bathroom is when they wash their hands.

Many co-ed residence halls at UCSC also have unisex bathrooms.

Porter and Kresge College Administrative Officer Mike Yamauchi-Gleason said that there are rarely any complaints with the system there. UCSC also has designated single-sex bathrooms.

However, both Cal and UCSC only have unisex bathrooms in the residence halls, not throughout their entire campuses — a measure that the ASUCD resolution supports.



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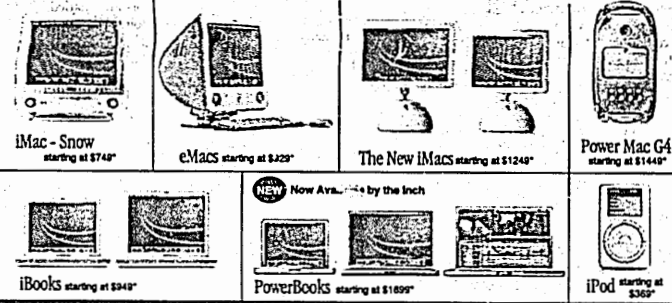
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Over-exercising has become unhealthy habit for students

Jeyling Chou
Daily Bruin (U. California-Los Angeles)

LOS ANGELES (U-WIRE) — Vinh Lam, a fourth-year University of California-Los Angeles economics student works out up to three hours a day, six days a week.

His exercise regimen is divided between weight lifting, cardio and ab exercises.

Jessica Reid, a third-year political science and Spanish student, visits the gym up to five times a week.

Her workouts consist of resistance training, work on an exercise ball, and cardio.

Lam refuses to sacrifice his workout routine for his social life. After a party, he might still head over to 24-Hour Fitness for a late-night workout.

Meanwhile, Reid puts pressure on herself to stay fit because of her job as a physical trainer, and becomes depressed when she is unable to work out.

Are these fitness-minded college students models of dedication or bordering on obsession?

Over-exercising can be a result of an unhealthy obsession with fitness. The factors which can cause this condition are becoming increasingly prevalent.

According to the Student Nutrition Awareness Campaign Web site, 75 percent of college-age women and 43 percent of college men are dissatisfied with their bodies.

Some feel that societal pressures added to this dissatisfaction may be just enough to push someone over the edge.

Under the shadow of Hollywood and neighbored by Bel Air, UCLA students may be especially susceptible to these pressures.

"Los Angeles is the hub of physical attraction," said Elisa Terry, fitness instructor and training manager for UCLA Recreation. "There's an emphasis on how you look here."

Over-exercising may also be a result of an unawareness of the recommended levels of fitness and the way to exercise effectively.

"If they don't know the effective way to exercise, it's like they're spinning their wheels," Terry said. "This could lead to an injury which could devastate the person even more."

The most dangerous aspect of compulsive exercise is the ease with which it can go unrecognized. The condition can be easily hidden by an emphasis on fitness or a desire to be healthy.

"We can disguise our obsessions under the guise of being fit because it is a socially acceptable way to purge," said Sheri Barke, a registered dietitian at the Arthur Ashe Center.

"It's like a drug that gives you that short term quick fix, but it's not really dealing with the underlying issues."

For the over-exerciser, those endless hours at the gym may not only indicate an insecurity in body image, but deeper emotional or spiritual problems.

"Over-exercising is a symptom of something else that the student might be struggling with," said

William Parham, associate director of clinical services at Student Psychological Services.

"It can be problematic, but rarely is it the problem."

Excessive time spent in the gym may become a means of self-affirmation or a way to avoid dealing with problems in other aspects of their life.

"It's a coping mechanism or an escape used in order to numb themselves from the stress in their life," Barke said.

"It's important to use exercise as an outlet to stress, but not to the point that you're using it to the extreme."

Over-exercising is placed in the same class as eating disorders like bulimia and anorexia where individuals deny themselves of adequate nutrition by restrictive eating behaviors.

For males, the term "bigorexia" describes a condition known as muscle dysmorphia which arises from a delusional preoccupation with body image and size.

"Bigorexia is a kind of reverse anorexia," Barke said. "The person views himself as not being big enough even though to everyone around him, he's obviously very muscular."

Hidden psychological issues which may lead someone to compulsive exercise are also paired with physical consequences.

Someone who over-exercises may experience a loss of coordination, irregular sleeping patterns, gastrointestinal disturbances, and a weakened immune system.

"The body just gets rundown and overused so that the exercise program becomes ineffective," Terry said.

"All you're doing is tearing the body down and you're not giving enough time for it to recover and build back up."

Women who exercise an unhealthy amount may have irregular periods and severe bone loss due to a drop in estrogen.

Too much exercise can lower testosterone levels in men, resulting in problems with sexual function.

Individuals who exercise compulsively often ignore injuries and bodily warning signals that they are going too far.

The symptoms of over-exercising can be assessed by clinical counselors from SPS, or health advisors in the Ashe Center's MindBody Program.

"Exercising a lot may be a sign of some kind of eating disorder or body image disturbance," said Christina Miller, coordinator of the behavioral medicine program at the Ashe Center.

"It would be good to talk to a counselor to see what their motivations were for doing it."

The physical and academic pressures of college may lead to health problems in students trying to achieve too much.

"We try to get people to move their bodies and exercise not for what they can do to change their physical appearance, but for what they can learn about themselves," Terry said.

"Physical activity provides a huge amount of confidence. We try to get people to see that."

Professor wants to ban adult images from campus computers

Ryan Huff
Knight Ridder Newspapers

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (KRT) — Academic freedom and workplace propriety are clashing at Cal Poly, as a professor is pushing for a campus ban on viewing pornographic computer images.

Linda Vanasupa's proposal comes after her ex-boss, former Materials Engineering Department chairman Robert Heidersbach, was convicted on a misdemeanor charge last year for improperly using the computer at his Cal Poly office to download more than 13,000 adult pornographic images over a two-month period, according to court records.

After an investigation was initiated, he was placed on a two-quarter sabbatical and no longer works at the university. Cal Poly administrators would not explain whether Heidersbach resigned or was let go.

"It's not (an) appropriate and responsible use of state equipment to use it for your own sexual entertainment," Vanasupa said. "Why should taxpayer money go toward professors viewing pornography? This would never fly at private businesses."

The proposed campus ban, which the faculty Academic Senate is expected to vote on as early as next month, is fueling debate among some campus officials who say viewing pornography is protected under the First Amendment.

Provost Paul Zingg called viewing pornography on campus computers "stupid and wrong." But he said, censoring what employees view could be a violation of free speech.

"We can't just ignore the law," he said in reference to the First Amendment.

But, Zingg said, "anyone who engages in that kind of activity does

so at their own risk" of creating a hostile work environment, which could lead to disciplinary action.

Vanasupa, who now chairs the Materials Engineering Department, said when professors view pornography it makes other students and employees feel uncomfortable.

Heidersbach is the second Cal Poly department chair to recently be investigated for viewing pornography on campus computers.

The FBI is investigating and will soon likely recommend felony charges against a former department chair who allegedly viewed child pornography on multiple university-owned computers in 2001, according to a federal law enforcement official and university sources.

Zingg declined to specifically acknowledge the two pornography cases.

But he said in "the cases I am aware of, the university acted decisively and properly in order to send a clear message that there are boundaries with regard to the use of state equipment."

Vanasupa said. "Vanasupa, with the support of almost 20 professors, staff members and students, will soon present her proposal to the Academic Senate — a faculty governing body of about 50 professors which votes on academic policy. The senate has jurisdiction over changing the "Responsible Use Policy" — a guideline that outlines appropriate use of Cal Poly equipment, including computers.

"Academic freedom allows you to pursue truth in your field of study," Vanasupa said. "It doesn't give you the freedom to do whatever you want to."

As an example, Vanasupa pointed to a computing policy at San Diego State University (like Poly, a California State University campus) that bans "the transmission of

threats, harassment, defamation, obscenity and pornography."

She's not confident that her resolution will pass because professors "won't want to willingly give up privileges," she said. Since she's gone public with her proposal, Vanasupa has received about 10 anonymous, obscene e-mails criticizing her proposed ban.

Unny Menon, a Cal Poly professor and chair of the Academic Senate, said he doesn't advocate viewing pornography, but says doing so may fall under academic freedom.


"As a university, we have freedom of thought and a broad range of ideas," Menon said. "We try not to ban things. But we're struggling with this issue, because we might be infringing on an individual's First Amendment rights. It's tricky finding the right answer."

Eugene Volokh, a UCLA law professor who specializes in First Amendment law, said prior court cases do not make it abundantly clear if universities have legal grounds to censor what their employees view on state-owned computers.

Cal Poly "will run into difficulty defining what constitutes pornography and what doesn't," he said. "Is art containing nudes considered pornography? What about doing research on pornography? ... Where would the line be drawn? These are good reasons why the university should not embark on this project."

Furthermore, Volokh said, because most professors are salaried it's difficult to pinpoint when they are "on the clock" and when they are not.

"None of us would be outraged if they sent personal e-mails or went to Amazon.com or booked a vacation," he said. "It's none of our business what professors do in their own offices, so long as they teach well."




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Act of intolerance prompts Stanford response

Sara Ines Calderon
The Stanford Daily (Stanford U.)

STANFORD, Calif. (U-WIRE) — Stanford University Dean of Students Marc Wais sent out an e-mail to most campus lists the first week of February detailing a reported act of racism and intolerance. The e-mail described a Jan. 25 incident in which four female students were harassed by what they say could be as many as 10 individuals while rafting on Lake Lagunita.

In the e-mail Wais called the incident "troubling due to the threatening and intimidating circumstances, coupled with the racist comments."

In the e-mail, Wais also wrote, "These people apparently thought that the Stanford students were Latina" — a comment that several students have found offensive and insensitive.

"People who didn't know [that] the students Marc Wais was referring to were us remarked, 'How callous and flippant the one-line statement was,'" sophomore Alex Aulie, one of the students on the raft, said.

Many of the four Stanford under-

graduates were Latinas. On Jan. 25, the students said they were speaking in Spanish and listening to Latin music. However, once they lowered the music, the students on the raft heard what sophomore Ariel Sklar called "degrading" and "intimidating" racist comments, spoken with what Aulie said was "English and very broken Spanish, probably what they had heard from TV."

The group on shore grew from two individuals to about 10 over a period of about an hour and a half. It is unclear whether they were Stanford students.

Sophomore Mari Hayman said they ignored the "hostile and obnoxious" comments from the group. These comments included the phrases, "We're calling immigration," and, "Go back to Mexico."

Wais did not repeat these comments in the e-mail, but described them as "racist."

"I seriously felt physically threatened," said sophomore Angela Bunch. "I was scared. We didn't want to go to the shore while they were still there because they had waited for so long. They were getting more hyped up as

they waited."

Sklar added, "I felt scared. I don't think I have ever been scared on the Stanford campus before."

Upon returning to their residence, sophomore Luis González, a neighbor, said the students were "upset" and "looked shaken."

The students reported the incident to Vice Provost Gene Awakuni about a week later. He called such behavior "unacceptable." He later referred them to Wais.

Aulie said she was not reassured by her subsequent meeting with Wais. She said, "Dean Wais asked if it was possible if they thought we were EPA kids, that if we had spoken in English it would have diffused the situation sooner."

After having discussed the situation with Wais, the students said they felt discouraged.

"Is the basis of respect an English-speaking Stanford student?" asked Aulie.

Wais said his statements were taken out of context and refused to respond to the allegations of insensitivity.

"It creates a story that isn't a story, in my opinion," he said.

Wais added that he had no indication that his comments upset the students and that they had not approached him about the e-mail.

Wais asserted that his primary concern was for the students' safety and well-being. He offered them assistance, as per University policy, saying that he was "very distressed to hear about the racist nature of the verbal comments directed at the students."

As dean of students, Wais' duties include notifying the campus community of acts of intolerance and providing follow-up support to victims, as well as referring them to other campus resources.

Last year at Stanford, there were 40 acts of intolerance reported to the Dean of Students Office. This academic year there have been 12 such acts; last year at this time there were 20, Wais said, indicating a decrease in acts of intolerance.

Stanford's official protocol for acts of intolerance defines them as "conduct that adversely targets an

individual or group on the basis of sex, race, color, disability, religion, sexual orientation and/or national/ethnic origin." The protocol also states that Stanford is "committed to the ongoing education of its faculty, staff and students to prevent and respond to acts of intolerance."

The harassed students said they feel the student body needs to be better educated on how to respond to such acts.

Hayman said, "We didn't know the procedure, most people don't. Stanford's policy for reporting hate incidents needs to be clearly outlined and publicized, then integrated into residential education."

"It should be common knowledge and it's not," she added. "If we had immediately known what steps to take when this incident happened, then the kids who did this could have been confronted immediately."

According to University policy, anyone who is either the victim or a witness to an act of intolerance or racism is encouraged to report it to the vice provost for campus relations or the vice provost for student affairs.

Northwestern U. settles federal lawsuit

Jerome C. Pandell
Daily Northwestern
(Northwestern U.)

EVANSTON (U-WIRE) — Northwestern will pay the U.S. government and a former employee \$5.5 million for exaggerating the amount of time spent conducting federally funded research, a university administrator confirmed Friday.

The settlement, one of the largest of its kind in the last three years, lays to rest allegations that the university was untruthful when reporting the amount of time researchers at the Feinberg School of Medicine spent working on federally sponsored research projects between 1995 and 2001, Justice Department officials said in a statement.

Under the agreement announced Thursday, NU admits no wrongful conduct or liability, said Alan Cabbage, vice president for university relations. The settlement also does not affect research already completed or research now being conducted.

"The case did not relate in any way to questions of patient safety, nor to the conduct of the research itself," Cabbage said.

Richard Schwiderski, a former grant administrator in NU's Office of Research and Sponsored Programs, blew the whistle on NU when he filed a lawsuit in March 2000 under provisions of the False Claims Act.

The act requires individuals and organizations who receive government money to practice accurate "effort reporting" when conducting research. Overstating the amount of time researchers spend on federally funded projects causes the government to reimburse researchers for more expenses than they should receive.

The lawsuit was first filed in Texas, where the grant money in question originated, before moving to the U.S. District Court of Northern Illinois. The government asked to dismiss the suit Tuesday after the parties signed a settlement agreement in January.

"This settlement illustrates the importance to the United States of ensuring that universities and other institutions make proper use of federal research funds," said Assistant Attorney General Robert McCallum Jr., leader of the Justice Department's civil division, which was responsible for investigating the case.

The government also alleged that NU knowingly failed to comply with

federal requirements specifying how much time researchers must devote to grants from the Department of Health and Human Services.

Randall Gold, an attorney for Schwiderski, said his client first sought legal assistance because his superiors at NU allegedly pressured him to seek other employment after Schwiderski began to report the irregularities in reporting.

"(Schwiderski) was responsible for administering the grant funding according to federal rules," said Gold, who practices law in Madison, Wis., and Chicago for the firm Fox and Fox. "Over the years, he had been complaining internally to his superiors about what he thought were irregularities in the ways (NU) accounted for certain research time."

Cabbage declined to comment on Schwiderski's employment.

Out of the \$5.5 million NU has agreed to pay, Schwiderski will receive \$907,500. NU also will compensate Schwiderski for his attorneys' fees.

Gold said Schwiderski found NU was not keeping track of how much time physicians in private practice — who were contracted by Feinberg to work on government grants — actually spent on the research.

"The main problem Richard found was that NU did not have the systems in place to monitor this," Gold said. "It's anyone's guess as to what was really happening."

While Schwiderski was employed by NU from 1996 to 1999, NU's sponsored research saw a huge surge. Such research has more than doubled at NU since 1995 — growing from \$160 million to about \$325 million in 2002.

The university is making efforts to avoid future allegations, Cabbage said. "We're taking steps already to enhance the effort reporting we do on these sorts of grants," he said.

As sponsored research continues to grow, Gold said it's necessary to keep track of how much time is spent actually doing the research so the government doesn't overpay NU. Gold said NU's research probably will be monitored a little more carefully now. "NU deserves the funding it gets," Gold's J. "But if they don't clean their act up, it could affect future funding. If NU is going to be in the business of receiving all this money, then they ought to be at least careful enough to handle it in a way that's consistent with federal law."

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500 W. Freeman #2
500 W. Freeman #5
500 W. Freeman #6
520 S. Graham
507 1/2 S. Hays
509 1/2 S. Hays
513 S. Hays
402 1/2 E. Hester
406 1/2 E. Hester
408 1/2 E. Hester
410 E. Hester
703 W. High #E
703 W. High #W
703 S. Illinois #202
703 S. Illinois #203
612 S. Logan
507 1/2 W. Main B
906 W. McDaniel
300 W. Mill #2
300 W. Mill #4
405 E. Mill
407 E. Mill
400 W. Oak #3
501 W. Oak
300 N. Oakland
511 N. Oakland
1305 E. Park
507 S. Poplar (garage apt.)
301 N. Springer #2
301 N. Springer #3
301 N. Springer #4
913 W. Sycamore
404 1/2 S. University
503 S. University #2
334 W. Walnut #3
402 1/2 W. Walnut
404 W. Willow

THREE Bedrooms

408 S. Ash
410 S. Ash
504 S. Ash #2
504 S. Ash #3
506 S. Ash
514 S. Ash #1
514 S. Ash #3
514 S. Ash #6
405 S. Beveridge
409 S. Beveridge
501 S. Beveridge
502 S. Beveridge #1
502 S. Beveridge #2
505 S. Beveridge

506 S. Beveridge
507 S. Beveridge #1
507 S. Beveridge #2
507 S. Beveridge #3
507 S. Beveridge #4
508 S. Beveridge
509 S. Beveridge #2
509 S. Beveridge #3
509 S. Beveridge #4
509 S. Beveridge #5
513 S. Beveridge #1
513 S. Beveridge #2
513 S. Beveridge #3
513 S. Beveridge #4
515 S. Beveridge #1
515 S. Beveridge #2
515 S. Beveridge #3
515 S. Beveridge #4
515 S. Beveridge #5
309 W. Cherry
311 W. Cherry #1
405 W. Cherry
501 W. Cherry
614 W. Cherry
405 W. Cherry Court
406 W. Cherry Court
407 W. Cherry Court
408 W. Cherry Court
409 W. Cherry Court
300 E. College
309 W. College #1
309 W. College #2
309 W. College #5
400 W. College #3
407 W. College #2
407 W. College #3
407 W. College #4
407 W. College #5
409 W. College #1
409 W. College #3
409 W. College #4
409 W. College #5
501 W. College #1
501 W. College #2
501 W. College #3
503 W. College #3
807 W. College
809 W. College
305 E. Crestview
104 S. Forest
113 S. Forest
115 S. Forest
120 S. Forest
303 S. Forest
603 S. Forest
706 S. Forest
716 S. Forest
607 W. Freeman
109 Glenlew
500 S. Hays
503 S. Hays
507 S. Hays
509 S. Hays
511 S. Hays

513 S. Hays
402 E. Hester
406 E. Hester
408 E. Hester
212 W. Hospital
401 S. James
610 S. Logan
614 S. Logan
906 W. McDaniel
407 E. Mill
308 W. Monroe
413 W. Monroe
400 W. Oak #1
400 W. Oak #2
501 W. Oak
300 N. Oakland
505 N. Oakland
602 N. Oakland
1305 E. Park
506 S. Poplar #4
506 S. Poplar #5
506 S. Poplar #7
509 S. Rawlings #2
509 S. Rawlings #3
509 S. Rawlings #4
509 S. Rawlings #5
519 S. Rawlings #2
913 W. Sycamore
408 S. University
404 W. Walnut
504 W. Walnut
600 S. Washington
404 W. Willow

FOUR Bedrooms

504 S. Ash #3
508 S. Ash #1
405 S. Beveridge
409 S. Beveridge
501 S. Beveridge
502 S. Beveridge #1
505 S. Beveridge
506 S. Beveridge
508 S. Beveridge
405 W. Cherry
501 W. Cherry
614 W. Cherry
300 E. College
312 W. College #2
710 W. College
807 W. College
809 W. College
305 Crestview
104 S. Forest
113 S. Forest
120 S. Forest
511 S. Forest
603 S. Forest
500 S. Hays
503 S. Hays
507 S. Hays
509 S. Hays
509 S. Hays

513 S. Hays
402 E. Hester
406 E. Hester
408 E. Hester
212 W. Hospital
614 S. Logan
308 W. Monroe
413 W. Monroe
400 W. Oak #1
506 S. Poplar #4
506 S. Poplar #5
506 S. Poplar #7
507 S. Poplar (house)
519 S. Rawlings #6
404 W. Walnut
504 S. Washington
600 S. Washington

FIVE Bedrooms

405 S. Beveridge
300 E. College
312 W. College #2
710 W. College
305 Crestview
406 E. Hester - All
210 W. Hospital - All
507 W. Main #1
308 W. Monroe
600 S. Washington

SIX Bedrooms

401 W. College
406 E. Hester - All

AVAILABLE NOW**One Bedrooms**

507 S. Ash #5
509 S. Ash #22 & #24
718 S. Forest #1
612 S. Logan

Three Bedrooms

514 S. Ash #6
513 S. Beveridge #3
610 S. Logan
602 N. Oakland
(available 2/15)

Four Bedrooms

506 S. Poplar #6
506 S. Poplar #6
504 S. Washington

SEE OUR SHOW APARTMENT!**309 W. College #3****Monday thru Friday**

3:00pm to 6:00pm

Saturday

12:00pm to 2:30pm

SUMMER / FALL 2003
 4 bdrm- 503, 505, 511 S Ash
 319, 321, 324, 406, W Walnut
 305 W College, 103 S Forest
 501 S Hays
 3 bdrm- 310, 313, 610 W Cherry
 405 S Ash, 321 W Walnut
 106 S Forest, 306 W College
 2 bdrm- 305 W College
 406, 324, 315 W Walnut
 1 bdrm- 207 W Oak
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 618-549-0895

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The Daily Egyptian assumes no liability if for any reason it becomes necessary to omit any advertisement.

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No ads will be mis-classified.
 Place your ad by phone at 618-536-3311 Monday-Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or visit our office in the Communications Building, room 1259.

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Daily Egyptian Classified Advertising Order Form

20 Auto	100 Appliances	180 Auctions/Sales	270 Mobile Homes	345 Free	445 Travel
25 Parts & Service	110 Stereo Equip	185 Yard Sales	280 Mobile Home lot	346 Free Pets	450 Personals
30 Motorcycles	115 Musical	FOR RENT	230 Comm Property	350 Lost	460 "900" Numbers
40 Bicycles	120 Electronics	200 Rooms	300 Want to Rent	360 Found	480 Web Sites
50 Rec Vehicles	125 Computers	210 Roommates	310 HELP WANTED	370 Jobs Needed	
60 Homes	130 Cameras	220 Sublease	315 Bus. Opport.	380 Riders Needed	
70 Mobile Homes	135 Books	230 Apartments	320 Employ. Wanted	400 Entertainment	
80 Real Estate	140 Sport Goods	240 Townhouses	330 Serv. Offered	430 Food	
90 Antiques	160 Pets & Supply	250 Duplexes	335 Religious Serv.	435 Announcements	
95 Furniture	170 Miscellaneous	260 Houses	340 Wanted	440 Spring Break	

Classified Advertising Rates

1 Day....(3 line minimum)....\$1.40 per line
 3 Days.....\$1.19 per line
 5 Days.....\$1.02 per line
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- * Complete all 6 steps.
- * One letter or number per space.
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 3 Days
 5 Days
 10 Days
 20 Days

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E-mail: carbohr@west.com

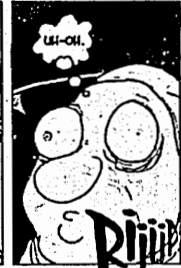
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Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday (Feb. 18). This is not a good year to take risks with your money or with your heart. Keep things as stable as you possibly can in spite of planned and unforeseen changes. You can do it by juggling. It's a great skill to learn.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 6 - Don't assume that everything you learned is true, or that everything you heard is false. Street smarts work better now than book smarts.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - The final outcome could be expensive if you're not careful. Don't try to bail out a loved one who's in a jam. You'd interfere with his or her education.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - A disagreement about household matters may have you stuck, but don't despair. You agree that a change is necessary, so start there.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - Establish a routine to help you deal with the variables. You might feel as if you're herding cats, so use every trick in your book.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - A partner may be able to express your position better than you can. Meanwhile, don't waste money on toys or trinkets. Put a temporary hold on spending.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - It may sometimes seem like you're taking a stand and standing there all by yourself. That's not really true when there's love on your side, and in this situation, there is.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is an 8 - Are your conscious and subconscious intentions in alignment? In other words, are you sure of the outcome you want? Better check.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - Go over your budget with a critical eye. You may be wasting a lot more than you realize. Plug those leaks!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - Plans are apt to go awry due to changes that are beyond your control. Remember your objective, and be flexible. You may have to get there using a different route.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 7 - In order to expand your influence, revisions may be required. What worked in a smaller space is inadequate now.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 6 - Finish up yesterday's task and whatever else is on your lists. That'll give you more time for fun should the opportunity knock.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - Go over your expenses one more time, and project what else you might need. The process you're involved with keeps changing. Stay flexible and keep control.

JUMBLE THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Arginton

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

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KIGHT

GLUDEE

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: (Answers tomorrow)



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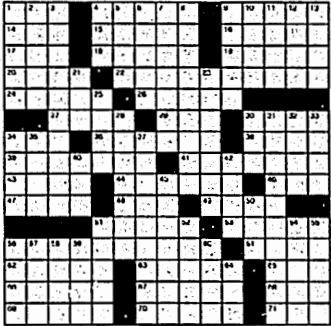
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Crossword

- ACROSS**
- Dodge fuel
 - Make unclear
 - Scout
 - Yale student
 - NASA booster
 - 1981 John Lennon hit
 - Bookish org.
 - Dated more recently
 - Separated
 - Easy win
 - Ability to recover quickly
 - Loveable
 - Disprove
 - Place
 - Fond du... WI
 - Corrosive stuff
 - Feminine pronoun
 - Fried strip
 - Press by persuasion
 - Futile relative
 - Coerce
 - UAE word
 - Encircling
 - Sardonic
 - Jersey hoopsers
 - Anger
 - Conger and money
 - Sheryl's band
 - Contributor
 - Gung
 - Musical sustanato
 - "I and My
 - "Village" pa rier
 - Chagal
 - Pol starter
 - Favorite
 - Swiss lake
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Solutions

- DOWN**
- Transmission components
 - Permit
 - Folios breed
 - Fortid
 - Elbe tributary
 - Less
 - Reflexive
- personal pronoun**
- Father of Italy
 - Swiss one's time
 - Lasso
 - Musical sustanato
 - "I and My
 - "Village" pa rier
 - Chagal
 - Pol starter
 - Favorite
 - Swiss lake
 - Pol source
 - Gold in bars
 - Mo. for Lees
 - Lockout's perches
 - Stravinsky or Sikorsky
 - Spudiate
 - Extend across
 - Employ
 - Lincoln's eighty
 - TV network
 - Advanced in years
 - Used goods transactions
- 50 Dejected**
- 51 Warsaw**
- 52 Sends birth**
- 54 Bay window**
- 55 Return in kind**
- 56 Dramatic**
- performance**
- 57 Abundant**
- 58 Winged wader**
- 59 Withered**
- 60 Skin opening**
- 64 Dabness signal letters**

Adam

SO LET ME GET THIS STRAIGHT... ALWAYS GIVE DASH FROM SPACE AND CREATE MAN. THERE'S NO AFTERLIFE, BUT CLANNING WILL LEAD TO IMPORTUNITY.



ARE YOU MAKING THIS STUFF UP? IS IT ANY STRANGER THAN AN INVISIBLE MAN WHO'S SOAK'S BODY HE REGULARLY EAT SO THAT WHEN HE DIE HE GO TO "THE HAPPY PLACE"



VALID POINT. WHO HAS ALWAYS CONFUSED ME IS WHY WHOEVER WANTS TO LIVE FOREVER. ONE TERM IS ALMOST MORE THAN I CAN STAND.



START YOUR OWN PITCHER. IT'S ALL ABOUT THE MARKETING, UNDERCUT THE COMPETITION.



Girls and Sports

by Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



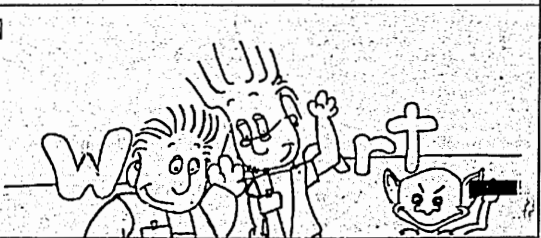
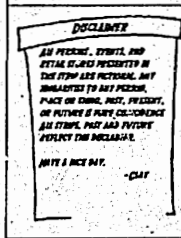
Doonesbury



Non Sequitur



Woe is Me



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Travelin' man

Former Saluki star Ashraf Amaya has made a name for himself all over the world, but he'll never forget his roots at SIU

story by TODD MERCHANT

Editor's note: This is the second in a series of four stories that will run throughout the basketball season as SIU senior guard Kent Williams makes his way up the school's all-time scoring list.

It was 1993 and the SIU men's basketball team had not been to the NCAA tournament in 16 years. On March 8 in St. Louis, the Salukis battled a tough Illinois State squad for the Missouri Valley Conference tournament title and a spot in the Big Dance.

Just before tip-off, senior forward Ashraf Amaya leaned into the SIU huddle and guaranteed his teammate, senior guard Tyrone Bell, that the Salukis would be victorious.

"He told Tyrone, 'you take care of the guards and I'll take care of the meat and potatoes and we're gonna win this thing,'" said assistant coach Rodney Watson.

SIU went off to defeat the Redbirds 70-59 and advanced to the NCAA tourney, where it was blown out by perennial powerhouse Duke in the first round.

The season, however, was still a success for the Dawgs, especially for their star forward. The NCAA berth was the culmination of a four-year odyssey in which SIU made it to the National Invitation Tournament three times, and Amaya earned all-conference honors three times.

He was named Freshman of the Year in 1990, Player of the Year in 1992 and Defensive Player of the Year in 1992 and 1993.

Amaya finished his career with 1,137 rebounds, which placed him second in the SIU record books.

He is also third all-time in scoring with 1,864 points, just two points ahead of current Saluki star Kent Williams.

Amaya's career statistics are even more impressive considering that many of his teammates were as big of threats as him.

"He scored over 1,800 points and got over 1,200 rebounds at a time when he was playing with other people that could rebound and score," said former teammate Rick Shipley. "It wasn't as if he was a one-man show for any team he played on, yet he was able to put up monster numbers."

Much of Amaya's high output can be attributed to his positive work ethic.

One of the first images that Shipley recalled when thinking about his former frontcourt mate was that of Amaya working out.

"You'd see him in the weight room, and he was always there before you got there and he was always there after you left," Shipley said. "He was always one of the last guys to leave practice."

Amaya said he had a lot of good memories from his time at SIU, but the

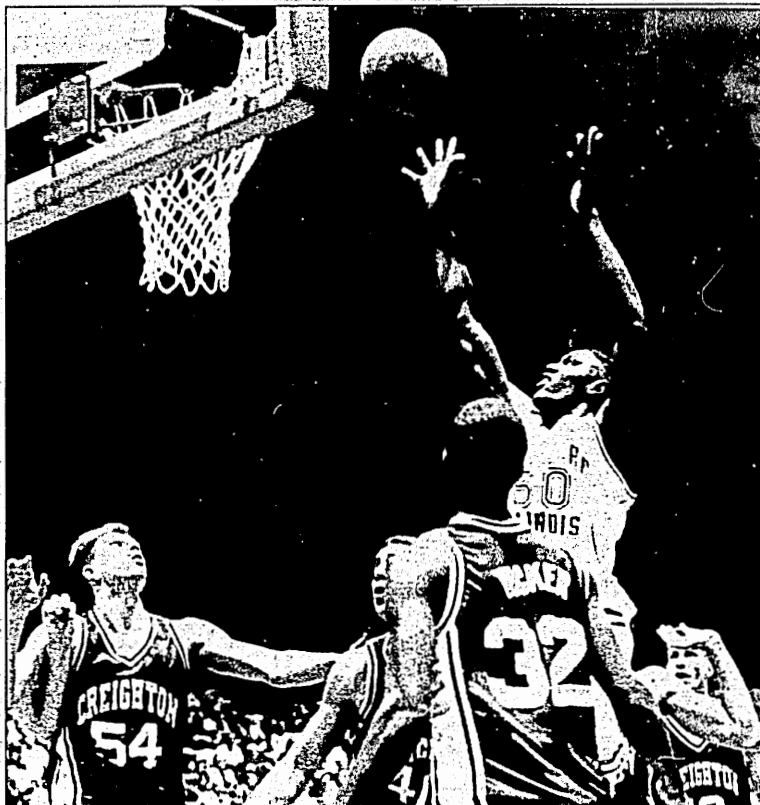


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Former SIU star forward Ashraf Amaya towered above the rest of the Missouri Valley Conference from 1989 to 1993. During his four years with the Salukis, Amaya amassed more than 1,800 points and 1,200 rebounds. He earned all-conference honors his last three years and was the Valley Player of the year as a junior.

one that stuck out the most are those that are negative.

He regrets not earning a degree, but more than that, he wishes he would have set his standards higher for himself.

"As I look back on it now, I pretty much coasted through, which is sad to say because I've been blessed with a tremendous amount of god-given talent," Amaya said. "I've only pushed myself to a certain point. Since I've become a professional, I realized how hard I should have been working."

Amaya was the most dominant player in the Valley for two years and also one of the top players in the nation. But he went undrafted and was forced to play in the Continental Basketball Association for a year and in Greece for another year before he earned a spot in the NBA with the Vancouver Grizzlies in 1995.

He bounced around the league for three seasons and played with five different teams including the Grizzlies, Los Angeles Lakers, Houston Rockets, Washington Bullets and Detroit Pistons.

"Any time you're undrafted, any time you don't have that protection of a team showing interest in you, it's hard," Amaya said. "So for myself, I pretty much had to go improve myself, so when I was fortunate enough to make a team, I pretty much had to knock heads and prove myself."

In 1998, Amaya, who did not have a contract at the time, earned a spot on the U.S. national team. The NBA Players Association was on strike and its members were replaced by unsigned players, which led to a lot of resentment toward Amaya and his teammates.

After earning a disappointing bronze medal at the world championships, Amaya returned to the States and could not find an NBA team that would take a chance on him.

Disillusioned by all that he had dealt with in the league, Amaya fled overseas to play in Europe.

The change of scenery has done wonders for his game.

Amaya has averaged more than 15.0 points and 7.0 rebounds per game in his five years in Italy and Greece. He has been named to several all-conference teams and earned a spot in an all-star game. He also was a member of a Greek League champion in 2001.

While his career is on the upswing, so is his personal life.

On Jan. 22, his wife of three years, Faye, gave birth to the couple's first child, a girl they named Ariel.

Amaya is currently in his native Chicago rehabbing an injury while supervising his real estate investment and property management businesses.

He plans to return to Europe soon and sign on with another team.

Even though he is having a good time overseas, Amaya knows it is incomparable to succeeding in America, and he still wants another chance to prove himself in the NBA.

"[Europe's] been great and I've enjoyed it," Amaya said. "There's no comparison. It's night and day. The NBA would be the penthouse, and I guess Europe would be, if you're in a good situation, a very comfortable hotel room."

No matter whether Amaya makes it in the NBA ever again, his former teammates and coaches know that he has already accomplished something that few people ever get the chance to do.

"We're proud of him," Watson said. "You get a guy to practice with an NBA team, that's a great honor, but for a guy to play in the NBA for two years, he's had a great career."

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Amaya led the Salukis to the postseason during all four of his years at SIU. The Dawgs played in the National Invitation Tournament three times before finally earning a berth in the NCAA tournament in Amaya's senior season.

SIU's all-time leading scorers

Charlie Vaughn	1957-61	2,088
Mike Glenn	1973-77	1,878
Ashraf Amaya	1989-93	1,864
Kent Williams	1999-pr.	1,862
Steve Middleton	1984-88	1,710

SIU's all-time leading rebounders

Seymour Bryson	1955-59	2,088
Ashraf Amaya	1989-93	1,878
Joe C. Merriweather	1972-75	1,864
Marcus Timmons	1991-95	1,862
Rick Shipley	1987-91	1,810

ESPN bails on SIU men's basketball

ESPN.com did not pull any punches with what they thought of SIU's loss at Bradley Saturday. On its bubble watch, which is a list of teams that may or may not receive an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament, ESPN wrote, "Southern Illinois' loss at Bradley was the last nail in its NCAA coffin. At 17-5, the Salukis need the MVC's automatic bid in order to get the chance to repeat their Sweet 16 run of last season."

SIU head coach Bruce Weber disagreed with that assessment, saying wins over three very strong teams

to close the season will give his team a shot. But in his most recent column, which called out mid-major contenders such as SIU for screwing up over the weekend, Andy Katz paints a dim picture of SIU's chances with the selection committee.

"Southern Illinois' at-large chances were slim even before losing to Bradley on the road," Katz wrote. "The Salukis don't have a key non-conference win."

"The Salukis had little room for error, and while losing in overtime at Bradley is nothing to be ashamed of, it still hurts their chances. Beating a surging Wisconsin-Milwaukee on Bracket Buster Saturday will help, but it might not change the committee's mind."

Tough opponents

SIU has won its last 23 games at the SIU Arena, but three of the

next four opponents traveling to Carbondale have a decent shot of breaking the streak.

Southwest Missouri State, Evansville and Creighton will invade the SIU Arena this week.

SNIS is only one game behind Creighton and SIU in the loss column despite a Ratings Percentage Index on 145. UW-Milwaukee boasts an RPI of 62, and Creighton has more wins than any other team in the nation.

Even Evansville is a threat by virtue of defeating Creighton earlier in the year.

Down but not out

SIU tumbled to the bottom of the Associated Press poll released Monday, but still managed to garner three votes to remain an honorable mention.

The Salukis are now 40th in the nation, according to the AP, and are tied for that spot with UW-Milwaukee, SIU's Bracket Buster opponent.

Streaks

Saturday's loss at Bradley broke SIU's six-game winning streak. The streak had been its longest since the 1999-2000 season.

SIU's home winning streak is now fifth in the nation. Marquette fell to Louisville Saturday, moving the Salukis up a spot.

SIU loses for first time in exactly one year on WSIU

The Salukis lost on WSIU-TV for the first time this season Saturday. SIU's last loss on WSIU came last Feb. 16 to Illinois State. Counting last year's extra leap day, the losses were exactly one year apart.

But then again...

It can be argued that SIU did not lose on TV because Saturday's game cut out with nine seconds to go.

With the game's outcome obvious, WSIU's satellite provider, which was the same as Bradley's, cut to "Breaking Bread with Father Dominic" with nine seconds left in overtime.

The contract with the satellite provider expired at 4:30 p.m.

Williams watch

Senior guard Kent Williams fell two points short of catching Ashraf Amaya Saturday. He is only 16 points short of second place Mike Glenn and may pass both Wednesday against SMS.

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Bracket Buster a spotlight for living at-large

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(KRT) — A catchy, alliterative name plus ESPN telecasts might be enough to help some Little Guy teams prove they belong on the same bracket with the NCAA's Big Boys.

That's the concept behind Saturday's Bracket Buster event. Eighteen teams from seven conferences — the Western Athletic, Missouri Valley, Mid-American, Sun Belt, Big West, West Coast and Horizon — hope to catch the eyes of the NCAA Tournament committee, which will select and seed this year's field in a month.

"The success of the Bracket Buster concept will be if one of these teams is able to play their way into the tournament as an at-large team or a team improves its seed with the boost from winning on Saturday," said WAC commissioner Karl Benson, a member of the NCAA Tournament committee.

"It's probably more of an exposure opportunity for us. The WAC is having three ESPN games on that day, and that's never happened."

Benson, a member of the NCAA Tournament committee,

and Missouri Valley Conference commissioner Doug Elgin, a former member of the committee, worked with ESPN to make the Bracket Buster happen.

Over the past six NCAA tournaments, 151 of the 204 at-large spots in the NCAA tournament have gone to teams from the six Bowl Championship Series conferences — Big 12, Atlantic Coast, Big Ten, Big East, Southeastern and Pac-10.

Benson bristles at the term "mid-major" when applied to his league, but the seven conferences involved received only three at-large bids last season.

"You can fight being (called) a mid-major, but there are six leagues out there. Period," Mid-American Conference commissioner Rick Christy said.

"I think it's an opportunity to shine some really bright lights on our programs at a time of year when there's some interest in our conferences. And it's an unbelievably unique effort to do something with our schedules."

The event, though, is not being met with cross-the-board enthusiasm.

If ever a team needed to bust a move on the bracket, it would be Butler. Last year, the Bulldogs lost

in the first round of the Horizon League tournament and failed to receive a bid despite a 25-5 record and victories over Indiana and Purdue.

However, Butler declined to participate in the Bracket Buster because of the uncertainty involving its opponent.

"We had already signed up to play Duke," Butler coach Todd Licklider said.

"I didn't know where we would play. I was going to have to blindly say, 'Let's put the conference and potential fatigue up against getting some exposure.' As I just weighed everything, it just didn't make any sense to us."

Mountain West commissioner Craig Thompson, a former chairman of the NCAA tournament committee, didn't believe his conference belonged in this so-called "mid-major" event.

"Why would we want to be involved with this? I'm looking at 'USA Today' and reading words like 'lesser leagues' and 'ambitious.' That is just not for us," Thompson said.

"We rank ahead of the Pac-10 in power ratings. Do you think they were called to participate in Bracket Buster?"

Last year's dominance of

at-large bids by the major conferences was blamed on the NCAA Tournament committee's ignorance of teams outside the top six conferences.

"We think that (the NCAA Tournament) should reward teams for excellence, not necessarily reward them for mediocrity," Horizon commissioner Jon LeCrone said.

"These games are important, but so is the remainder of the season. I sincerely believe the national committee will pay attention to these games."

Five of the nine Bracket Buster games are on ESPN or ESPN2.

"We've been struggling to get TV games, but this is a start of something that could be really good in the future," Hawaii coach Riley Wallace said.

"It's a tough trip for us in the middle of the season, but we're willing to do it to draw some attention to our program and to the WAC."

Some of the games are compelling. Fresno State, the top team in the Western Athletic Conference, plays at Creighton, the top team in the Missouri Valley Conference. Hawaii at Kent State, Wisconsin-Milwaukee at Southern Illinois and Tulsa at Gonzaga also should

be tasty matchups.

"I think it's kind of neat they're doing this," Fresno State first-year coach Ray Lopes said. "It's providing an opportunity, and for us, it's the only opportunity to be on national television."

And then there are some matchups that will be seen only in the television markets of the teams involved.

"We had our bracket busted a while ago," said Tim Buckley of 12-11 Ball State, which plays at 18-8 Western Kentucky. Ditto for Northern Iowa (7-14) at Louisiana Tech (12-9), and Illinois State (4-18) at Marshall (11-11).

All nine games will be "returned" next year, with the home teams playing on the road against their visiting opponents in nonconference games that will take place in November. (The exceptions are that Hawaii and UC-Santa Barbara will play each other and Kent State will play at Detroit.)

"Being a mid-major, it's a step we have to take," said Detroit coach Perry Watson, whose team plays at UC-Santa Barbara. "We have to take gambles that the power conferences don't have to take. This is the hand we're dealt, and we're prepared to play it."

MVC MEN'S BASKETBALL STANDINGS

	W	L	W	L
Creighton Bluejays	12	2	22	3
Southern Illinois Salukis	12	2	17	5
SW Missouri State Bears	10	3	14	8
Wichita State Shockers	9	4	14	8
Evansville Purple Aces	6	7	10	12
Bradley Braves	6	7	10	14
Northern Iowa Panthers	4	10	7	15
Drake Bulldogs	3	10	6	16
Illinois State Redbirds	3	11	4	19
Indiana State Sycamores	2	11	6	18

SPORTS FLASH

Scotten, Young qualify for nationals

SIU track and field athletes Ray Scotten and Jeff Young each hit provisional qualifying marks in their respective events this weekend for the NCAA national championships.

Scotten vaulted over the provisional mark at the Tyson Invitational Friday in an event hosted by Arkansas. His vault of 17-4.5 earned him third place.

Young qualified in the 55-meter hurdle preliminaries (7:39) before

improving his time in the finals (7:32) to take first.

Junior Korto Dunbar (7.93, first place in 55m hurdles), sophomore Venisha Williams (56-1, first place in 20-pound weight throws), sophomore Katy Ritten (55-3/4, second in 20-pound weight throws) and sophomore Inna Turevsky (18-10 3/4 in the long jump and 40-5.5 in the triple jump) all had personal bests in their competition.

The men had a good showing as well. Nyles Stuart finished first in the triple jump with a 49-9 3/4 and Eli Baker won the 5,000m (15:08.56).

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Saluki men are not fit with being tied

SIU knows it missed a golden opportunity this weekend at Bradley.

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Players from the SIU men's basketball team sat in the locker room with their heads rested in their hands, moaning out shouts of dismay after its 77-73 overtime loss to Bradley.

But this was not only a result of its recent loss — hearing the news that No. 17 Creighton was upset 80-74 to Wichita State a half-hour earlier pained the Salukis nearly as much.

"We felt horrible because we knew we could have been up a game up on [Creighton]," said sophomore guard Stetson Hairston. "Instead, we didn't take care of business. It makes [the loss to Bradley] even harder."

The Salukis are currently tied with the Bluejays at 12-2 for first place in the Missouri Valley Conference.

The loss could have more dire consequences than just the conference crown as the Salukis slipped to 17-5 overall, weakening their chances for an at-large bid.

But SIU head coach Bruce Weber said he does not think Saturday's loss to Bradley kills its chances for an at-large bid in the NCAA tournament, but he does think the Salukis will have to win out to make it.

Luckily for SIU, the next four games are at the SIU Arena where the Salukis hold a 23-game winning streak.

The Salukis seemingly have their hands full in all four of the remaining home games, starting with Thursday's battle with Southwest Missouri State (14-8, 10-3), which currently stands in second place in the MVC.

SIU has already had a Bear scare and was lucky to leave the game without another blemish on its record after Kent Williams sliced through the lane to score the game-winning layup with just 1.4 ticks left on the game clock. The Salukis narrowly escaped 76-75.

It does not end there, though. On Saturday, SIU will play host to the ESPN Bracket Buster showdown with a strong Wisconsin-Milwaukee squad that carries a 21-5 overall record.

The game, which will be aired on ESPN2 at 2:05 p.m., provides a national audience for the Salukis, and the Dawgs hope to make their pitch to the nation as to why they should return to the NCAA Tournament.

The Salukis play Evansville (10-12, 6-7) on Feb. 26 and are weary of the Aces. Evansville, which upset Creighton 74-66 back on Jan. 23, has a potent offensive attack that is led by junior forward Clint Cuffley's 17.2 points per game.

And then the big one — a showdown with Creighton on March 1.

"Right now, I'd love for Southwest Missouri to take care of Creighton before they come here, but that is wishful thinking," Weber said. "We have talked for the last two weeks that you have to earn the championship. No one is going to give it to you."

When the two MVC powerhouses last faced off, Creighton regained victory after defeating the Dawgs 85-76. Unlike last time, next month's contest is at SIU, where the Salukis have much more confidence and Bluejay All-America candidate Kyle Korver is appearing to be a human.

But the Dawgs know they cannot rely on home-court advantage alone to give them the game, and they are aware that this game is exceedingly crucial.

"It is a fine line we are riding," Hairston said. "We just have to win out. And that is including the conference championship."

Weber said that if SIU wins out, the Salukis

should finish around No. 50 in the Ratings Percentage Index. The RPI is a valuable gauge the NCAA selection committee uses when checking mid-major schools such as SIU.

Where most teams would possibly crumble under the massive pressure of the next four games will contain, SIU is welcoming it.

"This is the point we have been waiting for. You can see when we are playing the Northern Iowas and Drakes that it seems we can't get up for those games," said senior guard Kent Williams. "We have been through these type of games and want to get the big ones. Now they are here."

"Instead of being stressed out about it, we are ready for it and ready for the challenge."

And a return to the NCAA tournament is immensely imperative for the Salukis.

"Returning is extremely important," Williams said. "Not just for me being a senior, but because that is our goal every year. We reached it last year and know it is attainable this season. It is in our hands to lose."

"I want to go out going to the NCAA tournament and making this year even more special than last year."

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Hard work pays off for Maurice Gibbs

Touted guard attempting to lead CCHS to Sweet 16 and maybe beyond.

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 Daily Egyptian

You can't keep Maurice Gibbs off the basketball court.

Gibbs, Carbondale Community High School's standout senior guard, was told by his doctors that he could not play after sustaining a hip injury during his sophomore campaign, but it was not enough to keep him away.

"I was still in the gym practicing," Gibbs said, "still in there going hard with a hurt hip and with a limp."

His toughness, along with strong competition, has fostered his development. He has played on one of the nation's best Amateur Athletic Union teams, the Illinois Warriors, in addition to his trips to the Recreation Center.

"I get to play a lot against college people," Gibbs said. "We go to the Rec center and work out with (former Salukis and CCHS grads) Troy Hudson and Rashad Tucker in the summertime. That helped me a lot. Coach [Jim] Miller kept me in the weight room."

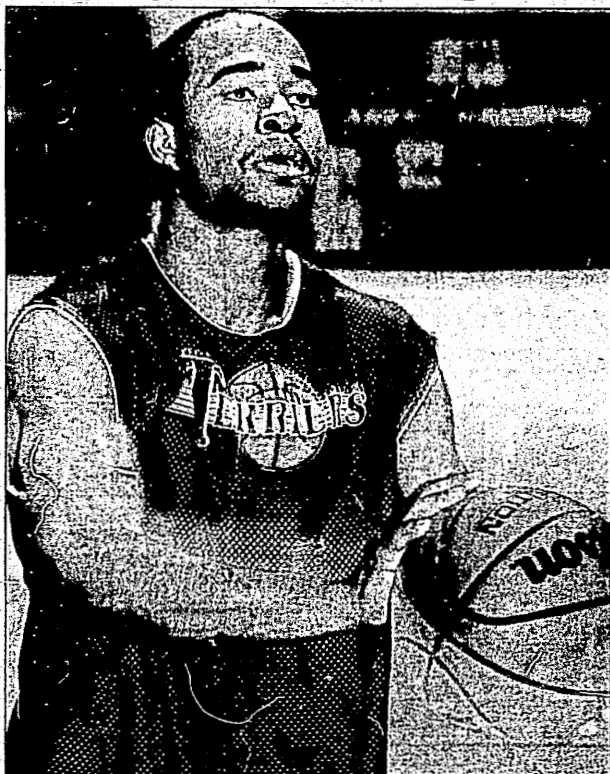
That work ethic has propelled Gibbs, who averages 20 points per game for the Terriers, to become one of southern Illinois' best.

"When I came in from junior high, I was just a driver. I was freaking everybody. Now it's high school level, so you gotta up your game more, work on your jump shot," Gibbs said. "I can hurt you from anywhere on the floor."

The 6-foot-3 guard qualified for the state track meet in the high jump, his freshman year, so his athleticism was never in question.

All these attributes have made Gibbs a hot commodity. He was offered a scholarship to SIU last summer but was not prepared to make a decision at that time.

Gibbs would still like to be a Saluki if the opportunity presents itself again, but he must first concentrate on finishing his high school career with a bang.



Carbondale Community High School senior Maurice Gibbs shoots free throws after practice last week. Gibbs was offered a scholarship to SIU in the summer, but he has yet to make a final decision as to where he will attend college.

If he came to SIU, he would join a long line of basketball players making the jump from the little dogs — Terriers — to the big dogs — Salukis.

"I'm basically worrying about the season

right now," said Gibbs, who's being recruited by schools from SIU's Missouri Valley Conference and Ohio Valley Conference schools. "I feel we'll go to state, so I'll get bigger colleges looking. Once the season is

over with, I guess I'll make my decision."

But before he makes his decision Gibbs still has goals to achieve with the Terriers (19-5). The team can achieve a 20-win season tonight at home against Cahokia.

A South Seven Conference title is also within reach for the Terriers, who sit atop the standings at 8-0. Their conference finale is Saturday at Belleville Althoff (7-1).

After finishing off the regular-season Feb. 28 against cross-county rival Murphysboro, the senior-dominated Terriers will have something to prove in the state playoffs.

Carbondale's team goal, along with a 20-win season, is to advance to the round of 16 and play in the super-sectional game at the SIU Arena with a chance to advance to the Elite Eight in Peoria.

Four starters are back from last year's team that suffered a disappointing loss two games before it would have advanced to the super-sectional.

"We weren't mentally ready to play. It was frustrating to watch when you know the kids could perform a lot better than they did," said Terrier head coach Jim Miller. "Hopefully it was a learning experience. They had a long time to get that bad taste out of their mouths."

The Terriers are seeded fourth in the Salem sectional, behind No. 1-seeded Althoff, a team that Carbondale defeated by four points Jan. 10. No. 2 seed Belleville West notched a four-point win over Carbondale in Belleville Jan. 21, and the Terriers defeated third-seed East St. Louis in a summer league game.

"I don't think there's much difference between the top four teams. Actually the top six teams are very, very similar," Miller said. "So being the fourth seed, if nothing, it's probably more of a motivating factor than getting the No. 1 seed and thinking very highly of yourself."

"We didn't get a whole lot of respect in that sectional, but you earn your respect as well, and that's what we've tried to tell our kids."

And after conference road wins at Centralia and Marion during the weekend, the Terriers could be peaking at the right time.

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