BOT to Poshard: Fix it

Board of Trustees unanimously votes to accept committee’s recommendations, Poshard will correct ‘inadvertent plagiarism’

Joe Crawford
Daily Egyptian

The committee that reviewed plagiarism allegations against SIU President Glenn Poshard released a report Thursday that said the president’s 1984 doctoral dissertation contained "inadvertent plagiarism" and should be corrected.

The committee recommended the university take no further action, such as a formal hearing, and the SIU Board of Trustees voted unanimously to accept the recommendations of the committee in a special meeting Thursday afternoon. The Board remains confident in Poshard’s ability to lead the university and he will continue to serve as president, Board Chairman Roger Tedrick said.

Poshard’s dissertation will be withdrawn from Morris Library and University Microfilms, and the document will be replaced with a corrected version prepared by Poshard.

Poshard, who wept as he read his statement, said he accepted the committee’s recommendations. “Even though the review committee says these mistakes were unintentional and inadvertent, they are my mistakes and I take full responsibility for them,” he said.

The report said the style Poshard used in his dissertation is no longer used at the university but was used by many of Poshard’s contemporaries. The informal style—which did not require using quotation marks around

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Firefighters dispatch to area schools

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Fire fighters and a group of high school students had a hot topic to talk about with local elementary schools. Members of the Carbondale Fire Department traveled to area schools to promote fire safety Thursday. Volunteers in the LifeSavers program from Carbondale Community High School performed programs at Parrish, Thomas and Lewis Elementary Schools. The programs, and other activities in Carbondale schools, have coincided with Fire Prevention Week.

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A group of 10 high school student volunteers showed their classmates how to stop, drop and roll in case they ever caught on fire. Lifesavers also performed skits in correspondence with this year’s theme, “Plan Your Escape.” This is the second year Lifesavers participated in Fire Prevention Week.

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Planned ‘Unofficial Halloween’ nears

Christian Holt
Daily Egyptian

Some SIUC students will break out their best disguises, after selling out their blue clothing perform Megastar 2.1, a family-oriented, humorous, energetic and often thought-provoking satire on modern life.

The three members of the Blue Man Group make a prank call as part of their performance Thursday evening at the SIU Arena. The Blue Man Group, known for their blue grease paint, latex bald caps and black clothing perform the performance of the Blue Man Group.

The creator of the group, Steve Mulderink, a senior from Cowan, Illinois, decided to form an Unofficial Halloween in Carbondale. As of Thursday the group had 2,000 members who planned on celebrating Halloween on Oct. 20 instead of the weekend before the real holiday.

The creator of the group, Steve Mulderink, senior from Countryside studying management, said he created it in order to fully enjoy his last Halloween in Carbondale. Mulderink even went as far as to print T-shirts and sell them online. He said about 250 were sold, and even though pre-orders officially ended Wednesday, Mulderink said he is still getting e-mails from students wanting a shirt.

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Fire Station Open House

When: Saturday, 1-4 p.m.
Where: Carbondale Fire Station No. 2 (Oakland Avenue)
Purpose: Fire station tours, survival skills demos, fire fighters to answer questions and Sparky the fire dog.

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CALENDAR

**H.H.H. Costume Run for the Beel Downtown Classic**

3 p.m. Saturday at the 710 Parking Lot

The Hash-House Harriers, an International Running Club, is sponsoring its monthly 5K Run for the Beel!

This 5K will include costumes and finding hidden little treasure pum- pkins — for hunting and reflecting on the memories of those no longer present who participated.

Cost is $7 and runners should be 21 or older.

Contact Aaron Holler at 713-523-1 for more information.

**Kid’s Fest: Featuring the 4th Annual Wiener Dog Race and Wiener Dog Fashion Show**

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Anna City Park

Wag-a-thon is a Fun Way to Support Local Animal Rescue Groups. The festival will feature a costume contest and the best dressed wiener dog will receive a prize for its owner.

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National Coming Out Day celebrates with T-shirts and Sharpees

Brandy Oxford
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Considering the multitude of T-shirts with phrases from “Hotter” to “I’m with stupid” on them, it would seem these walking billboards wouldn’t have much left to say.

SIUC’s gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender population found a unique way to use the space Thursday as many celebrated National Coming Out Day with shirts that had phrases such as “I’m gay,” “out” and “ally” written on them.

“The intention is, because gay people are invisible, that if we have a day that we designate that people should come out, even if you’re already out, it kind of creates an environment where maybe those people who aren’t out feel a little safer to stand up,” said Paullete Curkin, coordinator of the GLBT Resource Center.

Students who participated in the event encouraged friends, family and co-workers to sign their T-shirts as a show of support. Greg Garant, a junior from Carbondale studying psychology and secretary of the Saluki Rainbow Network, said a few people noticed at his shirt, but he mostly found support on campus.

Curkin said National Coming Out Day has been celebrated at SIUC for about eight years. Before this year, students who wished to participate in National Coming Out Day at SIUC wore blue jeans. Chelcee Loghry, senior from Carbondale studying English and co-director of Saluki Rainbow Network, said participants were able to start conversations about National Coming Out Day with non-participants who were wearing blue jeans by explaining the significance of the pants held on that day.

“It was kind of tricky in that way. This is a little more blatant,” Loghry said. “It’s just out there, because there are a lot of people who come to our meetings who aren’t out on campus and they probably wouldn’t be comfortable doing this, so we’re showing them that we’re okay doing it.”

Loghry said everyone she asked to sign her shirt did.

“The goal was to say we’re out and we’re comfortable with it and we’re OK — nothing’s happened to us,” Loghry said.

Garant said the idea to transition from blue jeans to T-shirts and Sharpees came from a shirts and Sharpees AIDS benefit at Upside Downtown, a local bar located on West Main Street.

National Coming Out Day was first observed Oct. 11, 1988, on the one-year anniversary of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. Robert Eichberg and Jean O’Leary founded the event one year after the 500,000-person march.

The Saluki Rainbow Network is one of the most long-standing gay/straight alliances in the country, Garant said.

Garant said they may try to do shirts and Sharpees again, possibly during GLBT Awareness Week in the spring. During that week, students put up signs warning passersby gay people are participating in “Homo Acts,” Garant said. The students then sit and read or do homework.

“People always put those stereotypes with gay people. You know, they must be doing something gay-like, like designing a room or something,” Garant said. “It shows that it’s anyone; it’s such a normal thing.”

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World & Nation

Wire Reports

Baghdad

Contractor shootings of Iraqis questioned as war crimes

Home to ERP — UN officials in Iraq stepped up pressure on the United States Thursday to investigate any unprovoked killings of Iraqis by private security contractors, saying such attacks could amount to war crimes or crimes against humanity.

While Americans are unlikely to face such charges in Iraq, the attacks have raised as a basis for spreading out what many Iraqis view as unprovoked killings by contractors of the US military. (Iraqis often view contractors protecting US-governed buildings as combatants.)

"We will monitor the allegations of killings with the utmost care," UN Human Rights Commissioner Jan van Overbeek said. "Any such disturbing acts, whether or not crimes against humanity and war crimes, must be prosecuted.

The warnings followed two high-profile cases of shooting incidents involving private contractors on the streets of Baghdad.

On Tuesday, guards working for the American security company Unity Resources Group fired on a car as it approached their convoy, killing two women civilians. The company said its guards fired on the vehicle's side attack and fired only after issuing several warnings for the car to stop.

Also, Blackwater USA is under scrutiny for an incident in which Iraqi officials say 17 Iraqis died after the Blackwater USA guards opened fire in central Baghdad on Sept. 16. The company has said its guards were responding to an armed attack.

NASA

Possible wing problem with Discovery, could delay launch

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA is studying a possible problem with the thermal shielding on Discovery's wings that could force a delay in this month's launch.

Discovery's seven astronauts climbed aboard a giant mobile launch platform Wednesday for a practice countdown. At the same time, shuttle managers discussed whether three of the 440-finned carbon panels that protect the Orbiter wing flaps and other areas of the vehicle's flaps should be replaced.

The shuttle would have to be returned to the hangar for that kind of work, which would delay the mission's countdown to scheduled for lift off of Oct. 23, with a new law allowing extension of the space station's lifetime.

NASA spokeswoman Alidahoud said the outer coating on three of the wing panels showed "weird black bugs" under an electron microscope. NASA Engineering and Safety Center has been reviewing for the past several months.

The Space Shuttle Advisory Board recommended Wednesday that the three panels be replaced, but NASA officials said they were checking signatures from the troubled student, including threats made last week, apparently went unheeded.

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Colin F. Stowe, a Pennsylvania prosecutor, says his office has thwarted, officials said.

The school, which has about 240 students, has metal detectors but none were operating Wednesday. Investigators said the devices were used only intermittently.

When asked how Coon got past an armed security guard or whether warnings signs were ignored, the police chief said he couldn't comment. McGrath said police consult with school officials on a regular basis to locate metal detectors, based in part on crime in schools.

Wearing black clothing, black-painted fingernails and a T-shirt of Marilyn Manson — the rocker he said he chose to work with — Coon then shot himself behind his right ear with a .38 caliber shell loaded with pellets.

Coroner Frank Miller ruled the death a suicide.

One teacher remained hospitalized Thursday.

Montgomery County District Attorney Bruce Caston, center, speaks at a news conference in front of confiscated weapons Thursday in Norristown, Pa.

He said he didn't want to put an additional tax burden on the wildlife club but would consider a "gap" with no Social Security taxes for income from $97,000 to around $200,000. Anything above that should be taxed.

An Associated Press reporter overheard the conversation and dis- cussed it with Bowman. He said he didn't agree with Clinton and felt that as someone who makes under the $97,000 he pays an unfair share.

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一位美联社记者听到他们的交谈并讨论了它与Bowman。他说他不同意克林顿的意见，并感到像他这样收入低于$97,000的人支付不公平的份额。
Meth and its effects

Grants and public service announcements target meth use

Katie Kienast

In search of a solution to the local crystal methamphetamine problem, the Jackson County Sheriff’s Office and the Illinois Sheriffs’ Association have added new resources to their arsenal.

The Jackson County Sheriff’s Office was awarded two grants through the U.S. Department of Justice. The office was awarded a $450,000 Community Oriented Policing Services Grant, which will fund the formation of a meth task force to cover both Union and Jackson County said Tom Busch, administrative assistant to the Jackson County Sheriff. The formation of this task force is currently in its beginning steps.

The other grant — The Project Safe Neighborhood Grant for $107,000 — will be used to combat meth addiction can be found in its beginning steps.

“Meth can be snorted, smoked or injected. The illustrations show some of the more common methods of methamphetamine use such as smoking off a piece of foil, smoking from a light bulb and snorting lines. Unlike other highs, the buzz from meth is almost instantaneous.

Sheriffs’ Office was awarded two grants through the U.S. Department of Justice, there are two types of meth labs, large batch labs and small batch labs. Large batch labs produce as much as 100 pounds of the substance, but are mostly located in the Midwest.

The commercials, which originated in Montana as part of the Montana Meth Project, have been successful in the Montana area. When The Illinois Sheriffs’ Association heard of these commercials, it became interested in bringing them to this area, said Rob Howlett, deputy director of the Illinois Sheriffs’ Association.

Sometimes, due to the pollutants in the air caused by meth production, self-contained breathing apparatus are required, he said.

Small samples are taken from the labs for court purposes and the rest of the materials are given to companies that specialize in hazardous waste, McNamara said.

State law enforcement is also turning to television to support the campaign against meth use. The Illinois Meth Project, which is sponsored by the Illinois Sheriffs’ Association, has begun to air anti-meth public service announcements. There are twelve public service announcements scheduled to air on MTV, which offer a graphic look at the drug’s effects.

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WORDS OVERHEARD

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Our university is a joke.
And the Daily Egyptian is at a loss for words.
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Born to be BLUE

Madeleine Leroux  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The maroon Salukis turned blue with excitement.
Fans filled the SIU Arena Thursday for the Blue Man Group’s one night only performance. The show is part of the "How to be a Megastar 2.1" tour, and each show demonstrates the process of becoming a rock star.

Blue Man Group shows combine elements of humor, music, props, acting and audience participation to create a unique live experience.
DJ Mike Relm opened the show at 7:30 p.m. with a display of audiovisual talents before the main event began. The Blue Man Group came on at 8 p.m. to an explosively energetic crowd.

The Blue Man Group’s Web site defines the character of a Blue Man as “a mystical, magical, mute being — a hero and a clown, a child and a shaman that defies description as readily as it welcomes speculation.”

Many fans came to Carbondale specifically for the show. Michael and Brenda Smith drove from Mount Vernon after making a donation to PBS to receive tickets.

“Do we fill the arena more as art and theater than music,” Brenda Smith said.

John and Dane Stanley from Anna received their tickets as a gift, along with a pair of backstage passes. The couple heard about the show from their son, who saw it in Chicago when it first came out.

“We haven’t been to a concert in over 20 years,” John said, as they waited for the Arena doors to open.

Amy Slinkard, from Cape Girardeau, Mo., saw the group in Las Vegas and said she wouldn’t miss a chance to see it again.

“It’s not like a concert, it’s not like a movie,” Slinkard said. “It’s kind of hard to explain.”

Originally consisting of three Blue Men, who started in New York, the Blue Man Group now employs close to 60 Blue Men and more than 50 musicians who perform in New York, Boston, Chicago, Las Vegas, Berlin, Orlando and Germany.

Brooke Lach, an 18-year-old Murphysboro resident who streaked her hair blue for the show, saw the group in Orlando about two years ago.

Lach won her tickets for the show and said she wouldn’t have been able to afford them otherwise.

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See a Blue Man Group slide show online at www.siuDE.com

She Helped the United Nations Fight Hunger

Catherine Bertini  
World Food Prize Winner  
Now Senior Fellow at the Gates Foundation

Monday, October 15, 2007
7 p.m.
SIUC Student Center Ballroom B
Presenting the Gil and Jean Kroening Lecture

Catherine Bertini has done what few others can claim: she brought monumental change to the United Nations while earning praise for her efforts to help people in some of the world’s most challenging places: North Korea, Afghanistan, Bosnia, Kosovo, the Horn of Africa, and in Central America following Hurricane Mitch.

Applying her senior management experiences in the private sector to her decade-long tenure as executive director of the UN World Food Programme, Bertini transformed it into a model organization, placing it at the forefront of international agencies in efficiency, effectiveness, accountability and income.

In addition to enjoying the support of Presidents George H.W. Bush and Bill Clinton during her time at the UN and earning the 2000 World Food Prize, Bertini’s leadership was recognized by Bill and Melinda Gates, who asked her to join the Gates Foundation earlier this year as a senior fellow for agricultural development.

Sponsored by the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, the College of Agricultural Sciences, the Illinois Soybean Association and the United Nations Association Southern Illinois Chapter

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Women’s safety classes starting soon

Carbondale Police Department offers safety work shops

David Lopez
DAILY EGYPTIAN

According to the U.S. Justice Department, a woman in the United States is raped every two minutes. The Carbondale Police Department is working to keep the women of Carbondale from becoming a part of that statistic.

The first Personal Safety For Women class was scheduled for Saturday, but due to low enrollment, the class will not be held this week. The classes are designed to teach women about prevention, precaution and, if necessary, self-defense.

Officer Randy Mathis of the Carbondale Police Department will teach the classes. Mathis stressed that the classes are geared toward raising awareness and alertness, rather than self-defense.

“It’s not a class to teach people how to fight,” Mathis said. “The goal is to create an opportunity to escape.”

The class is being offered with the help of the Carbondale Women’s Center and the SIU Student Health Center.

The next class is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 2. Classes are held at the Carbondale Police firing range a quarter mile south of Old Route 13 on Bigler Road.

“It’s a community-campus collaboration,” said Christy Hamilton, coordinator of relationship violence and sexual assault at the Student Health Center.

Hamilton said because a large number of attendees are students, the scheduling of the first class may interfere with some students’ responsibilities.

“A another bad part of this semester is that it’s midterm, so I’m wondering if they won’t have more participants in the November dates,” Hamilton said.

Sarah Anderson, a senior from Harrisburg studying radio-television, said she was not aware such classes were available.

“If I lived in Carbondale, I would definitely come to it. I just think that any knowledge you gain on anything would be beneficial,” Anderson said.

Having been a victim of domestic abuse herself for seven years, Anderson said she sympathizes with other victims and believes courses such as these are invaluable.

“It really sucks, because you’re with somebody you love and you blame yourself for what’s going on,” Anderson said. “I’m out now, so that’s good, and that’s the hardest part — getting out.”

The classes will consist of a lecture portion, which will stress the prevention aspect of the program, including alertness and preparation, and two hands-on workshops designed to teach women what to do in case an assaulter confronts them, whether it is a stranger or a loved one.

The classes are similar to the SIU police’s Rape Aggression Defense courses, which also teach women how to avoid being assaulted. The RAD program is also offered to children. Officers must be trained in each program in order to administer the classes.

The first RAD program is scheduled for Monday, Oct. 22.

David Lopez can be reached at 536-3311 ext. 273 or dave.lopez@siu.edu.
According to the group’s site, the reason for creating the unofficial holiday was to make the city of Carbondale more inclusive and to model the Halloween rules.

The group advised members to “invite your friends and your friends’ friends.” This could turn into a new Carbondale tradition until the 2000s rule is allowed to open on Halloween weekend.

Hunt said she usually doesn’t run drink specials and would not be running them to support this unofficial holiday.

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Mulderink said he was doing everything possible to keep this celebration from turning out the way organized Lifesavers. Aside from leading the elementary school programs during Fire Prevention Week, Lifesavers organizes fundraisers at CCHS for various causes.

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Kelly Lenzini and Emily Moore, juniors at Carbondale Community High School, or CCHS, and Lifesavers volunteers, said the mother of a suicide victim — who thought her son could have been doing the exact opposite of what he was doing during Fire Prevention Week — said this is the first year since 1975 master’s degree that she is sure Carbondale will remove the rule.

Mulderink said he was doing everything possible to keep this celebration from turning out the way organized Lifesavers. Aside from leading the elementary school programs during Fire Prevention Week, Lifesavers organizes fundraisers at CCHS for various causes.

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SPOOKY SPOT: DCI Biologicals

Editor’s note: This is the second in a weekly series exploring haunted places in the Carbondale area.

Don’t be fooled by the clean, bright lobby of DCI Biologicals — just 15 feet below the welcome area is a dark labyrinth of secrets from the building’s past.

DCI Biologicals, the plasma donation center downtown on West Main Street, is a business frequented by many students and residents.

The basement of DCI is as dark and decrepit as the lobby is bright and clean.

Local ghost researcher Scott Thorne said DCI has been known for several strange things: the sound of footsteps, doors opening and closing, as well as the hazy figure of a woman seen moving around the main room. Thorne also said there is no legend behind why the building may be haunted.

Walking down the stairs to the lower level, it is evident that this area has not been used for several years. Cobwebs span the hallway, broken concrete and tile litter the floors and paint peels from the walls.

The light diminishes with each step as the windows grow more distant. The only source of light comes from the tiney flashlight in hand.

Taking a right down a dark cinderblock hallway no more than four-feet wide leads to an unused bathroom — the spookiest spot in the building, according to DCI Assistant Manager April Conder.

A toilet in the first stall is evidence of the sinister history of the building. Thorne also said there is no record of any visitors ever peeing in the room.

Exiting the bathroom and heading down another hallway leads to a large room with peeling paint and a window near the ceiling. The window allows just enough light into the room to make out a dead bird hanging by its leg from the top of a door.

A batcher knife was found stuck in a window in the adjacent room a few months ago, Conder said.

The blood stains a dead body and the general creepiness of the basement are enough to keep even the most stalwart adventurer away.

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DAILY EDITION

Haunted southern Illinois DCI Biologicals part of Carbondale lore

Pulse Picks:
by the Pulse Team
Here are some suggestions from the Pulse Team for what to do this weekend:

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2. Spend most of Saturday in the theaters checking out "We Own The Night" and "Why Did I Get Married?"

Audra Ord
1. Dance the night away Saturday night with the Sublime and Blink-182 cover band at Copper, also Saturday night.
2. Get creeped out by area haunted houses in Herrin and Marion.

Snoop Dogg to pick up park trash

SANTA ANA, Calif. — Snoop Dogg will pick up trash and perform other park maintenance as part of his sentence for carrying an illegal weapon in an airport last year, authorities said Thursday.

The rapper, whose real name is Cordozar Calvin Broadus Jr., will do “everything from raking leaves to painting benches” in order to meet the 160 hours of community service he was ordered to perform, said his attorney, Donald Ezra.

“He’s glad to make a contribution to Orange County,” the attorney said.

Dogg chose the Orange County park site from a list of probation-approved community service sites and will be supervised by a park ranger, county prosecutor Andre Manssourian said.

A judge approved the park service Wednesday. County officials declined to release the name of the park, citing concerns that media and fans might interfere.

No date was given for him to start or complete the service, his attorney said.

The 35-year-old rapper pleaded guilty last month to felony possession of a dangerous weapon. He was arrested Sept. 27, 2006, after the discovery of a collapsible baton in his computer bag at John Wayne Airport in Orange County.

Los Angeles — Britney Spears won modified visitation rules Thursday that allow her two boys to spend one overnight a week with her, and the pop star’s attorney requested her mother become the required court-appointed monitor.

Spears made a surprise appearance in court after Superior Court Commissioner Scott Gordon held a morning hearing on her emergency request to expand visitation but declined to rule. He gave attorneys for Spears and her ex-husband Kevin Federline who was recently granted custody, more time to discuss the matter outside court.

Spears was previously allowed monitored visits with the children but no overnight stays. Neither she nor her attorneys spoke to reporters after the closed, afternoon hearing.

During the earlier open hearing, Spears’ attorney, Anne Kiley, argued that overnight visits were critical for Spears to bond with her sons, 2-year-old Sean Preston and 1-year-old Jayden James.

“I do think it is an emergency for them not to have overnight visits with their mother, which they’ve always had,” she told Gordon.

“What possible concern can he (Federline) have if there are monitors present?” she asked.

Superior Court spokesman Allan Parachini announced the new visitation order but he could not say who would be the overnight monitor.

Federline, who was not at the hearings, agreed to the modification, his attorney, Mark Vincent Kaplan, said outside court.

“He agreed — didn’t have to — but he agreed that he would allow that additional time . . . provided that there were additional assurances in place that made him feel the kids were protect- ed,” Kaplan said.

Spears’ attorney had asked the court to consider her mother, Lynne Spears, as the monitor.
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DAILY EGYPTIAN

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**When:** Saturday  
**Time:** 4:05 p.m.  
**Where:** UNI-Dome, Cedar Falls, Iowa

**Media:** Broadcast: Mediacom, www.siu.salisbury.com

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**The word on the Salukis**

SuU is still undefeated after six games this season and boasts the top scoring defense in the Football Championship Subdivision for the third straight week with 461 points per game. The Salukis, however, have not won a game in the UNI-Dome in the past 10 tries, getting the last win in the 1981 Division I-AA Championship season.

**The word on the Panthers**

Northern Iowa comes off of its bye week holding the other undefeated record in the Gateway at 5-0. The Panthers are 2-1 coming off a bye under coach Mark Farley, and are 1-3-1 all-time against the Salukis in the UNI-Dome. For the homecoming game, the UNI-Dome has been sold out for the first time since 1994.

**Position breakdown**

**POSITION: QUARTERBACK**  
Saluki quarterback Nick Hill is second in the Gateway with 204.9 yards per game and has completed 91 passes for 1,220 yards so far this season. He has an efficiency rating of 183.2, throwing for 14 touchdowns and one interception.

Northern Iowa quarterback Eric Sanders leads the Gateway in total offense with 243.3 yards per game and has completed 101 passes for 1,168 yards so far this season. He has an efficiency rating of 157.6, having thrown for six touchdowns and four interceptions.

**ADVANTAGE: EVEN**

**POSITION: RUNNING BACK**  
Saluki running back John Randle is the primary runner in a multi-back system, averaging 95.2 yards rushing per game. He has carried the ball 77 times this season. He averages 6.2 yards per carry and has met-up with the end zone six times.

Northern Iowa running back Corey Lewis leads his team in both rushing and passing yards with an average of 113 yards rushing and 179 all-purpose yards per game. He has rushed the ball 99 times. He averages 6.2 yards per carry and has five touchdowns on the year.

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**Saluki Insider**

**What is your upset pick this weekend?**

“The upset for college football fans is that, for the first time this season, no team in the top 25 will lose to a team that is not ranked. No. 1 LSU will not lose the game itself doesn’t win over No. 17 Kentucky, upset I think all the pressure for T.O. to have zone performance of 183.2, having thrown for 14 touchdowns and one interception. Northern Iowa quarterback Eric Sanders leads the Gateway in total offense with 243.3 yards per game and has completed 101 passes for 1,168 yards so far this season. He has an efficiency rating of 157.6, having thrown for six touchdowns and four interceptions. ADVANTAGE: EVEN.”

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

Stephen Bardo

“They play such an aggressive style of defense that leads to their off-ense. And leads to momentum that, ‘I’m going to take your skin off — you better wear some shoulder pads. You better be in for a dogfight, because that’s what it’s going to be.”

— ESPN commentator and former NBA player Stephen Bardo on the SIU men’s basketball team

**How they compare**

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Northern Iowa-bound

Team vows not to underestimate their weekend opponents

Megan Kramer
Daily Egyptian

After an unexpected road loss in a game they were expected to win Tuesday, members of the SIU volleyball team said they wouldn’t be underestimating the opponent this weekend.

Coach Brenda Winkeler said the team had a meeting to talk about what went wrong in its 3-1 loss against Southeast Missouri State, and what the players will need to do to turn their intensity level around as they travel to Cedar Falls, Iowa, to take on Northern Iowa Friday and the Panthers face Bradley Saturday.

“That’s what you have to do — you have to evaluate it — and that’s the first thing we said is what we can learn from it going into the weekend,” Winkeler said.

Junior setter Erika Bartruff said the team wasn’t concerned with the Tuesday loss in practice Wednesday and was more focused on what’s next on the schedule.

Bartruff said the team worked on trying to regain its normal fast-paced style of play, which was lacking against the Redhawks.

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Salukis look for win at UNI since 1983

Scott Mieszala
Daily Egyptian

The Salukis are looking to do what has not been done in all but one of their lives Saturday.

Only one member of the SIU football team was alive the last time the team has come away with a victory at the UNI Dome — 27-year-old tight end Byron Garris. The home team has had a distinct advantage in the SIU-Northern Iowa series, with the last road win for the Salukis coming in 1983 and the Panthers getting their last win at McAndrew Stadium in 1994.

The No. 7 Salukis (6-0, 2-0 Gateway) will take on the No. 2 Panthers (5-0, 1-0) Saturday, with kickoff between the Gateway-leading squads set for 4:05 p.m.

“We’ve been able to beat them down here, and they’ve beaten us up there, and sooner or later one of us is going to break that string,” SIU coach Jerry Kill said. “I don’t know when it’s going to happen, but maybe, hopefully, it might happen this time.”

Saluki senior quarterback Nick Hill enters the game second in the Gateway Football Conference in total passing yards, with 1,225. Hill also leads the conference with 24 touchdown passes, and has thrown just one interception this season.

Still, Hill said his key for the season is to improve from game to game.

“Every game you see things on film that you can better at, and I think everybody can see that,” he said.

The Salukis also boast the Gateway’s defensive player of the week in sophomore, linebacker Chauncey Mixon, who recorded 14 tackles — 2.5 for loss — and a sack in SIU’s 24-17 win over Youngstown State on Oct. 6.

Mixon was not a starter for the Salukis to begin the season, as defensive coordinator Tracy Clarys said. Thus, Thurtan performed better in spring ball.

Clarys said Mixon has improved his physical play and consistency a lot from last season.

“They both play a lot,” Clarys said. “But whoever makes the most plays and does what they’re supposed to do, that’s who’s going to start on Saturday.”

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Volleyball

Senior middle blocker Ashten Stelken leads the team in kills and blocks with 3.5 and 1.6 per game, respectively, helping the Panthers sit in fifth place in the conference.

On Saturday, the Salukis will take on Bradley (2-16 overall, 3-6 MVC) led by senior outside hitter Nikki Pierchula who averages 2.59 kills per game.

While it might be easy to over-look the Brovers because of their record, Conner said the team has learned its lesson on counting teams out before the game.

“The big thing I’m always thinking about is to not underestimate a team whether they’re ranked high or low,” Conner said.

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BANTER, page 15: Who will upset whom this weekend?
— Erik Bantner