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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

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Six bicycles reported stolen on campus

SIUC police urge bicycles registration

Burke Wasson
 Daily Egyptian

After 16 vehicles fell victim to car stereo thefts in SIUC lots between Aug. 29 and Sept. 3, on-campus burglaries have shifted to the bicycle racks.

According to SIUC police, six bicycles parked in on-campus racks were reported stolen Thursday. The department has no suspects at this time.

Two bicycles were stolen outside Schneider Hall between 1:15 p.m. Wednesday and 5:45 p.m. Thursday. Two more were taken from the Brown Hall bicycle rack between 3:10 p.m. and 6:59 p.m. Thursday.

Another bicycle was reported to be stolen between 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday outside Mae Smith Hall, and a sixth bicycle was reported stolen between 6:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. Thursday at Faner Hall.

The missing bicycles range in value from \$250 to \$600. SIUC Police Sgt. Donna Kuncie said there have not been any bicycles reported stolen since the Thursday thefts, but more may be discovered missing Monday when students go back to class.

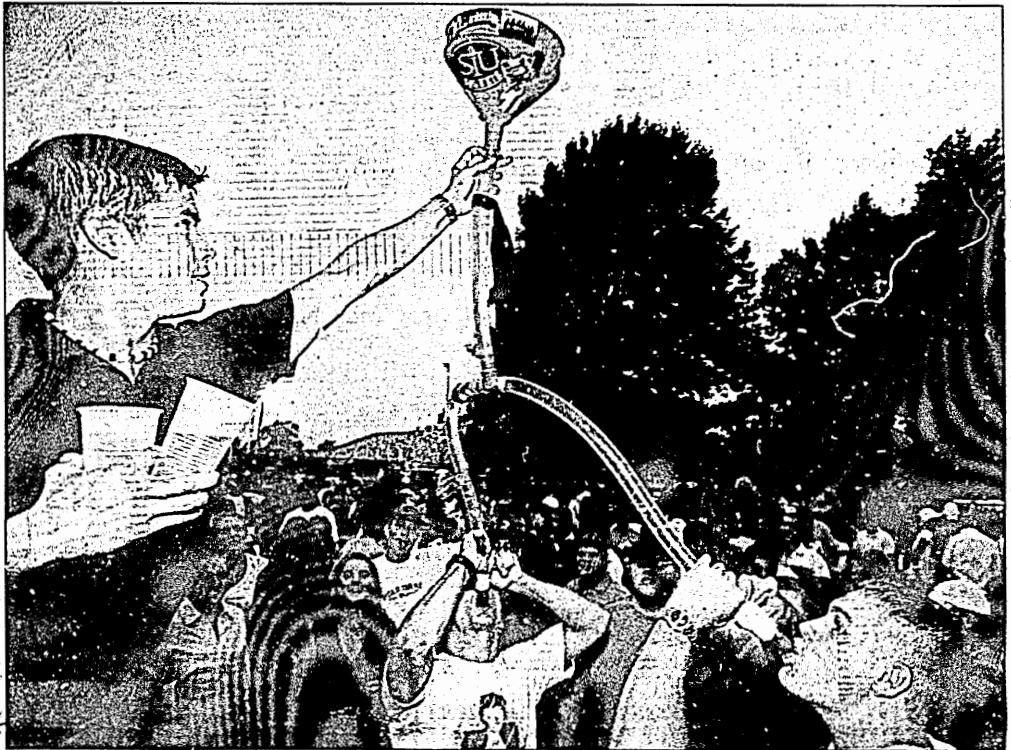
Kuncie said locking bicycles to the racks is not always a fail-safe method of preventing thefts because some of the recently stolen bicycles were locked.

Kuncie said the best way for on-campus bicyclists to reduce the risk of their bicycles being stolen is by getting them registered at the SIUC Parking Division. She said police could recover missing bicycles more easily if they have serial numbers registered with the division.

"The best way to prevent thefts is having the bikes registered," Kuncie said. "That way we can determine ownership, and it's kind of a deterrent for the bike thieves, too. If they see a decal on the bicycle, they know that there's information recorded somewhere on that bike. It's a good deterrent."

Besides the added security that

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DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN FILE PHOTO

Two SIUC students 'bong' a beer during last year's homecoming tailgate festivities outside McAndrew Stadium. Hundreds of students tailgated but skipped the football game entirely, missing SIU's first victory over Western Illinois in 18 years. Homecoming T-shirts were being sold depicting a Saluki drinking from a keg with the phrase 'here for the beer' printed on the back. SIU's perceived spirit for alcohol rather than football led Sports Illustrated On Campus to name Carbondale the worst sports town in America.

Fans criticize Sports Illustrated article

Students confident Carbondale is not 'worst sports town'

Jessica Yorama
 Daily Egyptian

It did not seem school morale would be high this game.

A Sports Illustrated feature bawling tainted the town's name.

Along with Carbondale's self-crowned title of "best small city,"

A 1st placing label had evoked its share of pity.

Copies of the magazine still floated around town

With a page 25 statement deeming Carbondale "college's worst sports town."

For years, SIU students have heard the word "worst" in different contexts. From visitors who, upon the traditional strolling about of the Saluki dogs, proclaimed the school to have "the worst mascot." Not to mention, countless

polls placed the football team below as many as a hundred plus squads, and, in doing so, declared them "one of the worst teams." There are the occasional comments in passing which have even labeled the SIU Arena among the worst stadiums.

But not until the weekly Sports Illustrated On Campus magazine distributed its Sept. 16 issue did SIU discover how Carbondale was viewed as a whole. Far worse than having a non-threatening mascot or a poorly ranked team is having the name of your town singled out and placed under a black box with the words "Worst Town" placed above it.

"That's why I'm here," Cummings said at Saturday's SIU v. Murray State game. "You know [Sports Illustrated On Campus] is lying. The guy who wrote it is probably some 'desk jockey' who sits at a desk all day and writes whatever is sent to him."

In citing reasons for the statement, the magazine described a town with fans more committed to tailgating than attending the actual game. This

accusation and the looming rain put hardly accepting the title placed upon prospective tailgaters in an awkward them.

It was the first game since SIU received the less-than-desirable title, not to mention SIU Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk's challenge for fans to disprove the Sports Illustrated dishonorable distinction.

To tailgate or not to tailgate — that was the question prior to the home game versus Murray State. The air was somewhat humid; there was a sporadic drizzle and to tailgate, to some, seemed only a means of reinforcing a finally ailing stereotype that students had more interest in pre-game socializing than the actual competition.

Still, in spite of these factors, SIU fans gathered the essentials and headed to the lots to tailgate, but they were

Gus Bode



Gus says: I'd watch the game if I could drink in the stadium.

"Whoever wrote that should come out to our basketball games or come see our rugby team play," said Travis Galle, a senior in radio-television from Cambridge. "They probably just came to that one game against Quincy and judged us on one game where we had low attendance."

"I hope whoever wrote that has to write about croquet and figure skating for the rest of their lives and goes to sportswriters' hell."

Not everyone felt as passionately about the statement as Galle did. In fact, Lia Uili, a freshman in architecture from DeKalb, said although she believed there to be a decent amount of support for Saluki athletics and although SIU is "not great at sports," she still found the statement to

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Hispanic Heritage Month presents scheduled activities

Events to educate, inform students on Hispanic culture

Jennifer Rios
 Daily Egyptian

Mexico, a country recognized for its beautiful oceans, delicious food and unique culture, could be experienced without going to Cancun for spring break.

Throughout the months of September and

October, students, faculty and staff have worked together to present students with the opportunity to attend many activities that capture the Latino culture of many countries. Hispanic Heritage Month begins Monday and continues until Oct. 16, with a variety of free educational and entertaining events taking place each week.

The month will kick off with an opening ceremony in the Faner breezeway from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Wednesday night's event will provide students an opportunity to discuss Latino concerns on

campus and in the community, but, according to organizers of the event, the discussion is not designed exclusively for Hispanic students.

"It is for all students to attend, not just Latino students," said Carl Ervin, the coordinator of multicultural programs and services. "The issues discussed will help strengthen the entire community."

Latin American students who helped to design the program also encourage other students to participate in the open forum.

"Students can learn how Latinos feel so

that they can be more educated about what is going on," said Julio Barrenzuela, president of Latin American Student Association.

Wednesday's forum will be held in the lower level of Grinnell Hall at 6 p.m.

Latin American Student Organization celebrates independence

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Hurricane Isabel expected to hit U.S.

(CNN) - Hurricane Isabel dipped just below Category 5 status late Sunday morning, but the still powerful hurricane with top winds of 155 mph was forecast to hit the U.S. East Coast by the end of the week.

"We feel pretty confident that someone will [get hit]," said Eric Blake, a specialist at the National Hurricane Center told Reuters. "We're forecasting a major hurricane for the United States East Coast."

Hurricane center forecasters said they expected the storm to hit the U.S. East Coast by the end of the week, but added that air currents and condition could push it further north before landfall.

"Landfall along the U.S. Mid-Atlantic coast somewhere between North Carolina and New Jersey between four or five days is appearing more and more likely," the hurricane center said.

Isabel remained far from land Sunday, Sept. 14 at 370 miles east-northeast of the Turks and Caicos Islands, moving west-northwest at about 12 mph.

Forecasters warned large ocean swells and dangerous surf conditions were likely over parts of the Leeward Islands, Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic over the next several days.

Man arrested in \$1 million arson fires

WEST COVINA, California (AP) - Federal agents arrested a 25-year-old member of a co-op dedicated to peace and environmentalism in connection with arson fires and vandalism that did \$1 million in damage to a Hummer dealership.

Joshua Thomas Connoles, of Pomona, was arrested at home Friday and booked for investigation of felony arson and vandalism and jailed at \$825,000 bail.

The fires Aug. 22 gutted a parts warehouse and destroyed 20 Hummer H2 sport utility vehicles at a West Covina dealership. Another 20 Hummers and several Chevrolet Tahoe SUVs were badly damaged by fire and spray paint.

Three other dealerships and at least four privately owned vehicles in the area also were damaged during the vandalism spree.

Words such as "ELF," "Fat, Lazy Americans" and "I (heart) pollution" were painted on the SUVs.

"ELF" stands for Earth Liberation Front, a loose association of militant environmentalists.

After the arson and vandalism spree, the FBI released surveillance video from a Ford dealership in Duarte that showed two young men spray-painting SUVs.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Toll rises after deadly typhoon

SEOUL, South Korea (CNN) - South Korean rescue crews are searching for dozens of people still missing after the most powerful typhoon on record there blasted the peninsula.

At least 78 deaths are blamed on the typhoon that drove 25,000 people to seek shelter as record winds and driving rain ripped across southern and eastern parts of the peninsula early Saturday.

Twenty-four people are still reported missing and officials expect the death toll to continue to rise.

Packing winds of up to 134 mph - a record for South Korea - Typhoon Maemi cut power to 1.4 million homes, sank 18 ships and paralyzed road, rail and air transport.

The typhoon struck as South Koreans celebrated the three-day Thanksgiving festival of Chusok.

Rescue workers pulled eight bodies from the basement of a collapsed shopping center in the southern city of Masan and fear there could be more people trapped inside.

Authorities say the typhoon has already caused seven

million won (\$6 million) worth of damage, with that figure expected to rise.

Swedes vote as murder hunt continues

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (CNN) - Still reeling from the death of foreign minister Anna Lindh three days ago, Swedish voters are turning out in large numbers to cast their ballots in favor or against the euro currency.

Lindh, 46, was stabbed several times inside an upmarket Stockholm department store Wednesday. She died early Thursday as a result of wounds to her abdomen.

At a polling station in central Stockholm early Sunday, a slow stream of voters cast their ballots, but officials say they expect voter turnout to exceed 80 percent.

There are 7 million registered voters in Sweden, and results are expected later in the day.

Sunday's vote is a consultative referendum, and is not binding. Sweden's parliament will make the final decision on whether to approve or reject the currency.

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POLICE REPORTS

University

Carlos S. Rivera, 20, of Belleville was arrested and charged with forgery and possession of drug paraphernalia at 8:59 p.m. Wednesday at the Allen III residence hall. Rivera was taken to the Jackson County Jail in Murphysboro, where he was released on bond.

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Criminal damage to a vehicle occurred between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Wednesday at Lot 44. There are no suspects at this time.

William Ntim Jr., 23, of Chicago was arrested on a failure-to-appear warrant on an original charge of possession of cannabis at 3:27 p.m. Thursday at Lot 7. Ntim posted \$500 cash bond.

Carbondale

Corey A. Allen, 26, of Carbondale was arrested on an original warrant for aggravated criminal sexual abuse and on a failure-to-appear warrant for operating an uninsured motor vehicle at 6:12 p.m. Friday in the 1300 block of East Main Street. Allen was taken to the Jackson County Jail in Murphysboro, where he is still incarcerated. Allen's bond is placed at \$10,000.

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'Strange Fruit' explores social identity

Associate professor Patrick Johnson captivates crowd

Rachel Lindsay
Daily Egyptian

A blue light lit up the scrim, or two-way screen, as a black silhouette flowingly danced in the background and sang "God Bless the Child." The audience watched as a figure wearing a black sequined dress stepped out from behind and began to undress.

Friday evening Patrick Johnson, an associate professor of performance studies at Northwestern University, performed his internationally-known multi-medium show "Strange Fruit" at Kleinau Theater in front of a sold-out house.

The figure on stage talked about its coming-out experience, stripping off the black sequined dress, a painted mask and a wig to reveal Johnson in spandex. He quickly changed into workout clothes and began to lift weights and talk about his experiences as a black male.

Throughout the presentation, which centered on Johnson's experiences growing up as a gay black male in the South, Johnson used costumes and a variety of media to illustrate his points. Singing, dancing, poetry, slides and interpretive movement all helped to capture his audience's attention.

"It was very exciting, the energy he uses in his performance," said Christine Genish, a senior in radio-television. "You sit there watching, and it's like, 'Wow.'"

"It was incredible," said Joo-Woon Jung, a sophomore in radio-television.

The running theme of the show was "exorcism," according to Johnson. He said he designed his presentation to illustrate how society denies parts of people's identity in favor of an overall stereotype.

"Gays can't be black; if you're poor, you're not white," he said. "Stuff like that."

Johnson's show began as an essay about black identity. In the essay, Johnson explored the different parts of his person and eventually designed the first two movements, or scenes, of his presentation, "God Bless the Child" and "Dis Hair Thang."

Over the course of six months, Johnson added six more segments and performed the final presentation at his alma mater, the University of North Carolina. Since then, Johnson has performed "Strange Fruit" at 22 schools, including Purdue University and the University of California at Berkeley.

Senior Simyra Campbell said she thought the show was "a little heavy."

"I agree with a lot of what he said — I think the black community hides a lot of things," she said. "He shows the prejudice that people don't even realize they have toward one another."

Each movement centered on an issue of Johnson's identity. Johnson covered topics such as racism, homosexuality, gender discrimination and religion by acting out scenes from his childhood. In one movement, Johnson related an experience in a "gay bar," where the DJ stopped the music to preach about God's love. He danced around the stage with a tambourine and initiated a call-and-response with the audience.

"I like how he exposes the truth yet hides it with humor," said Angela



ANNIE DENTAMARO - DAILY EGYPTIAN

E. Patrick Johnson discusses his grandmother's view of homosexuals and how she reacted when Johnson told her he was gay. Johnson is an associate professor of performance studies at Northwestern University and has been performing his one-man play, 'Strange Fruit,' for four years.

Ervin, a junior in history education. "You really have to pay attention in order to see what he means. It's kind of like life. There's a lot of racism and hidden truths that we need to expose."

Though humor played a central role in his performance, the show became more serious as the night went on. In movement six, Johnson changed the tone of his show with

a poem that openly touched on the topics of the night. He ended the performance the same way he began, dancing behind the scrim to an altered version of "Four Women," by Nina Simone.

The audience gave him a standing ovation.

Though Johnson has decided to retire "Strange Fruit" at the end of this year, he plans to create

another one-man performance in the future.

"I think the show does a lot of healing for those who come to see it," Johnson said, "especially those who are dealing with being different in some way."

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Local filmmaker dispels negative attitudes

International residents see viewpoint of American media as one-sided

Andrea Zimmermann
Daily Egyptian

As logistics manager of an office supply store in Salt Lake City, Farshad Aminian was rarely on the sales floor. A few days after 9/11, when life was a bit more normal, he was walking across the store when a customer entered. Naturally, Aminian turned to greet her, and the peaceful environment around him shattered.

"As soon as she saw me, she began to scream, 'A terrorist! A terrorist!'" he said. "The manager had to explain to her, 'Ma'am, nothing is happening. He works here.'"

The customer had assumed because of his Iranian heritage, he was a terrorist. Aminian's reaction was the same as many people around the world when 9/11 happened.

"I was horrified. I couldn't believe that somebody would do something like that to the United States," Aminian said.

In the week following 9/11 and the woman's outburst, Aminian gained his citizenship to the United States.

Currently, he is a cinema-photography graduate student at SIUC. His most recent project is a documentary on the Muslim community in Carbondale.

"I always wanted to do something. I've always felt that as a filmmaker I need to do something. This is my duty as a human being and a filmmaker to just show some part of the community."

The passage of the PATRIOT Act inspired Aminian's project. The anti-terrorism legislation passed by Congress Oct. 26, 2001, has granted leaders and local law enforcement officials greater liberty than before.

"I saw this patriotic law passing and the different problems with the Muslim communities in different places. So I thought, why not? I have to show the other side of the coin."



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Shahira Fahmy, an assistant professor in the school of journalism, has found that newspapers have become more of a business than a service to its readers, providing only an American viewpoint and forsaking objectivity.

Aminian views the PATRIOT Act as a violation of basic human rights reserved for all Americans by the forefathers of the Constitution. Since Sept. 11, he thinks the government has gotten away from that way of thinking.

"A bunch of extremists are in power right now, and they want to enforce a very dangerous law," Aminian said. "They want to create a panic environment that we're under attack every single moment."

"That is the way they can impose whatever idea they have by creating this panic situation — you know, red alert, orange alert — in order to do whatever they want to do. It is something very fanatic, and it is against every single human liberty or right. Violence is another form of war. This law only brings more violence and separation."

For many Americans of Middle Eastern descent, the PATRIOT Act was more than a law to protect the nation from terrorism. It was a frightful reality they hoped would never come to fruition in their own lives.

The progress of Aminian's documentary has also suffered from this new prejudice against Muslims. He found it difficult to find Muslims in the area who were willing to talk. He described them as all having the same state of fear.

"The Muslims were scared to talk about anything. Most of the people in the Muslim community here said, 'We aren't supposed to say anything. We don't want to say anything. We just want to study and go.'" Aminian believes many people think Muslims are violent people.

"I noticed all they had was a message of peace and tolerance. Basically, they are a peaceful bunch who want to lead a life that is peaceful."

Just a few weeks ago, Aminian had his own encounter with the fallout of the Patriot Act. He was driving back to Carbondale through Iowa when a police officer pulled him over for speeding.

Flashing lights behind him told Aminian he was in trouble. When he rolled down the window to greet the officer, he was met with more than the usual set of questions — the officer asked what nationality he was. Aminian was confused to why this was pertinent to a speeding violation. "I was like 'Give me my ticket and let me go,'" he said.

Aminian realized soon enough a ticket and warning were not what the officer had in mind. The officer, according to Aminian, continued and asked to see his passport, even though Aminian is an American citizen. Frustrated, he turned over the passport, and the officer returned to his squad car and ran a background check. After a long time, the officer returned with a ticket in hand.

"When he came back, he gave me a ticket for the maximum amount, and I know he could have given me less," Aminian said. "I asked him what was the reason [for the wait], and he said, 'The terrorists are all over this country, and it is my duty to defend my country.'"

The next morning, Aminian contacted his lawyer to take action against the officer. His lawyer came back with a response that disap-

pointed Aminian.

"He told me that under the new PATRIOT Act, they could do whatever they want to. He said, 'You are lucky they didn't lock you up for 48 hours.'"

When Aminian came to the United States seven or eight years ago, he didn't find such blunt hatred of foreigners.

"Of course, I had a culture shock. Other than that, I didn't face any of the problems that we are facing now," he said. It was only after 9/11 discrimination against people of Middle Eastern descent became more visible.

Aminian said he noticed small incidents of discrimination before Sept. 11 and has seen prejudice against Muslims escalate. He believes the hatred was always there but did not surface until after the attacks. And now, based on his experiences in Salt Lake City and Iowa, he thinks the law has now turned on Muslims as well.

"I feel like after this incident that happened to me with this cop, I feel like the law is not protecting me anymore," Aminian said. "I have no protection by the law."

Aminian believes the widespread prejudice stems mostly out of fear and ignorance. Although the terrorist stereotype is typically of Arab descent, he points out that terrorists can be found anywhere. They can be white, black, Christian or Muslim.

"People always have different reactions. Some of them are understandable to some extent but most often are just not justified to me," he said. "I think it is out of hate. Scary things are happening, and you just can't generalize. If 20 people do something horrible, you cannot generalize the millions of people."

Despite the rough times and discouraging circumstances, Aminian believes it has given him even more reason to push forward with his documentary.

"I may be a little more cautious, but overall, no, I will not be scared," he said. "It is my duty as a filmmaker to show some of the common problems that we are dealing with right now as a fellow citizen."

According to Aminian, the American media has played a huge role creating the environment in which Muslims must now live.

"It is kind of a monopoly which they portray one side of the story and leave the other side to I don't know whom. So this is our duty as independent filmmakers to show the other side of the story — the other side of the coin," he said.

"It is my duty to show the people and let them judge who is wrong and who is right."

The struggle between right and wrong is fought between the American media and alternative media sources. Assistant Professor Shahira Fahmy has noticed the difference in American media and that from her country, Egypt.

"[After 9/11], they portrayed the whole Arab world as happy, but Arab media showed Iranian people holding candles for the U.S.," she said. "It was a part of reality that wasn't shown."

She explained the American media as "unintentional and not in-depth."



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU graduate student Farshad Aminian is currently working on a documentary about the Muslim community in Carbondale.

"Because of budget cuts, the media have fewer correspondents stationed abroad. I would like to see coverage put things in context explaining why they do what they do," Fahmy said.

While some may see this as a minor detail fallen by the wayside, Fahmy believes this is one of the reasons newspaper business are becoming more of a business than a service to their readers. Both Fahmy and Aminian believe the American media are only providing the American viewpoint.

"What you see is the same but in different dialogue. It's not fair, not fair," Aminian said. "In the Iraq war, they did the same thing. They just covered the one side of the story. They never let people see the truth behind the scenes of what was going on both politically and psychologically."

Aminian hopes his documentary, which he plans to work on over winter break and have finished by spring, will reveal the real Muslim community in Carbondale and show people these are really not violent people.

"Many times they end up being in this country either to go to school or go to work. They are very useful to this economy," he said.

"What I've gotten after shooting five hours of footage is peace and tolerance. You are supposed to have tolerance to have a very democratic society."

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Journalists reflect on media coverage since 9/11

Embedding, increased patriotism caused some bias

Kristina Hermdobler
Daily Egyptian

Scott Cannon was in Iraq for five weeks during the first part of recent war there. He spent all of that time with a unit of U.S. soldiers, but he is not in the military.

Instead, Cannon, an '81 graduate of SIUC, is a national correspondent for the Kansas City Star and was one of the journalists selected to be embedded during military action in Iraq.

"There is some concern embedding would make us too cozy with the soldiers. We were crapping in the sand in front of each other, so we naturally developed some congeniality," Cannon said.

"I was friendly with the guys, but I also wrote stories that reflected negatively on them."

The concept of embedding journalists with U.S. troops caused

controversy during the attack on Iraq, as did the media's coverage of that war and their coverage of all the events following Sept. 11, 2001.

Cannon said his biggest complaint as an embedded journalist was that he was isolated too far from the action.

David Burnett, a renowned photojournalist who recently presented his work at SIUC, said he can sympathize with Cannon's frustrations.

Although Burnett has never been embedded, he has covered many conflicts, including the war in Vietnam, as an independent photojournalist.

Even though he thinks there is a need for some members of the media to be embedded, he said independent journalists are just as important because they have more freedom of mobility.

"Being embedded was great for the people who went somewhere," Burnett said.

"For the vast majority, stuck in a

unit somewhere out of the day-to-day loop, life must have been very frustrating."

Because Cannon was not embedded with a unit close to the "shock and awe" of the war, he had a deep understanding of the need

for many journalists to present the many faces of the war. And because of the possibility of biases developing after a journalist is embedded with soldiers, Cannon said it was essential for his newspaper group, Knight-Ridder, to have some journalists who were embedded and others who were not to give readers the bigger

picture.

"The views of only an embedded reporter are not worthwhile, so we had both embedded and non-embedded journalists," Cannon said.

"I wouldn't advocate only what embedded journalists could supply," Burnett agrees.

"There ought to be no special glory to being 'embedded,'" Cannon said. "In Vietnam, we

weren't embedded. We just went with the troops. [There is] no need for fancy names, titles or handles to make it bigger than it is."

Although Walter Jaehing, director of the School of Journalism at SIUC, is anxious to review completed research about embedding, he said there are some obvious results of having journalists so involved in the action.

"Embedding has a way of creating a sense of brotherhood between the journalists and the soldiers," Jaehing said.

"It is a good thing for a reporter who is covering the football team to fly with them and accept free meals from them? When journalists accept that type of treatment, it does have a definite influence."

Jaehing said this influence was most evident when television journalists referred to themselves as part of the action by using pronouns like "us" and "we."

Most Americans accepted that perspective because the majority of the American public didn't really want a balanced view of international events, especially after 9/11, he said.

"They wanted the journalists to

be cheerleaders [for the American side] and they were," Jaehing said.

"And it was good business to give the people what they wanted."

Cannon said he, too, saw the American media give in to the public's intense patriotism by displaying the American flag, among other things.

"This is not something that makes me comfortable," he said. "It is driven by market forces, but I find it quite unhelpful."

Jaehing and Burnett said the American mainstream media's intense patriotism gave Americans a different perspective toward 9/11 and the wars that followed than the global media gave other nations.

"In the beginning there was great empathy for the United States [by the international media], but I think that a good deal of that goodwill has been dissipated by what is viewed as a unilateral course of action by the United States and a desire to exclude many traditional allies in the construct of the post-9/11 assault on terror," Burnett said.

Freedom fiesta

Latin American Student Organization celebrates multicultural Latino independence



Hilda Jenkins of Carbondale waits for her performance at the Las Independencias celebration Friday evening in Grinnell Hall. Jenkins is co-founder of the dance group Ballet Folklórico Mexicano. The group has been together for 2 1/2 years.

story by LINSEY MAUGHAN

Lost in the swirling color of the skirts of Latino dancers, those who attended Septiembre Latino: Las Independencias may have temporarily forgotten they were in Carbondale Friday.

The Latino independence

celebration, held in Grinnell Hall from 7 to 10 p.m., featured live music, dancing, singing and food amid the socializing of people coming from a variety of ethnic backgrounds.

Latin American Student Organization President Julio Barrenzuela organized and hosted the event, which was co-sponsored by the Residence Hall Diversity Leadership Team and was the first of its kind.

Barrenzuela said the primary objective was to acknowledge the existence of a variety of cultures. The goal was to start something different and allow people of all origins to come together and learn about other nationalities.

"The students come and they go," Barrenzuela said. "Their experience here in the United States and at SIU could be a little better if we acknowledge their existence."

Barrenzuela wanted to recognize other countries' independence days the way America celebrates its own.

"If you can't go to South America, we will bring South America to you," Barrenzuela said.

Among countries whose independence days were celebrated were Guatemala, Brazil, Mexico, Chile, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica and El Salvador.

Ballet Folklórico Mexicano, a multiethnic Latino dance group

from Carbondale, performed three dances at the event.

Bob Jenkins, master of ceremonies for the group, said the Latino dance group formed a year ago through local families interested in learning Mexican folk dance as well as educating their children about their heritage.

"Dance teaches tradition and history," Jenkins said. "We are our parents. We are our mother and father and our grandparents."

Jenkins said tradition is very strong in Mexico and by being a part of this group, those involved are able to share the rich culture, tradition and beautiful folk dances that exist in Mexico.

The dance group was also enthused to be a part of the celebration of independence, in addition to its performing.

"We respect freedom no matter where it is in the world," Jenkins said.

Jenkins said the members of the group made much effort to capture the authentic Latino experience.

Jenkins said each part of Mexico has its own particular dress.

He said the women involved in the dance group went all over the country and even to Mexico to find the fabrics and materials necessary to make the dresses for their performance. One particular dress consists of 20 yards of material, 40 yards of lace and 100 yards

of ribbon.

Also adding spice to the independence celebration was a three-person Guatemalan band, who sang and played a variety of instruments.

SIUC student Jessica Carrillo was among those to attend and found interest through her own Mexican roots.

"The turnout is really good," Carrillo said. "When people think 'Hispanic,' they think of Mexico. This shows there is a lot more to Latino culture than just Mexico."

Rocio Rosales, another SIUC student with Mexican heritage, agreed.

"It's a great opportunity to bring a lot of people together, not only Latinos," Rosales said. "This is really cool because it brings your hometown to you."

Barrenzuela was very pleased with the outcome of the event.

The ultimate result was people from a variety of countries salsa dancing, laughing and learning about other cultures while celebrating their own.

"I want to do this throughout the year," Barrenzuela said, "so that people can see through their own eyes how much we miss our countries sometimes."

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Ballet Folklórico Mexicano is open to anyone interested in learning Latino folk dance as well as to musicians and singers. Call Hilda Jenkins at 529-4612 for more information.



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Rómulo Sánchez plays the charango at the Las Independencias celebration in Grinnell Hall Friday evening. Sánchez, originally from Guatemala, has been playing in the musical group Sol Latino for the last year and a half.

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THEIR WORD

Share common sense with RIAA

The Tiger (Clemson U.)

CLEMSON, S.C. (U-WIRE) — As music lovers everywhere download and share more and more songs, the Recording Industry Association of America is filing more and more lawsuits: 261 as of Wednesday, to be exact, and over 1,500 more could be on the way.

These lawsuits are ridiculous. The RIAA is trying to stop a legitimate activity that actually, in the long run, benefits the artists they are attempting to protect.

Remember that the RIAA is not a government agency; rather, it is just another group of businessmen who are trying to make a buck. The U.S. government should step in and protect the rights of its citizens in this case.

The artists are the group that people sharing music should be concerned about hurting; after all, they are the ones who make the music to listen to in the first place. But file sharing does not harm, in fact it probably benefits, the performers.

First of all, file sharing makes lesser-known artists popular. A band that would never get its albums into the mainstream public because CD prices are so high can be picked up for free on the Internet. This often leads fans to purchase CDs and radio stations to play the songs their listeners are hearing on the Web. Both of these are huge boosts to small groups and cause no harm for traditional favorites either.

In many cases, the music fan will not only download a song to listen to it but also go out later and purchase the CD with that song on it. This, however, is not a major concern for the artists. Their money comes primarily from concerts and promotions, while proportionally small amounts come from CD royalties. What could be better for overall popularity, which leads to packed concert halls and more promotions, than name and song recognition, which is easily obtained on the Internet?

In fact, this method of gaining recognition is even necessary in many cases because CD companies have conspired to raise CD prices to obscene levels. So, if customers can't or won't purchase the overpriced CDs, the key to gaining listeners and fans comes from downloading singles, rather than purchasing the full album.

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The RIAA blames file sharing for the 31-percent decrease in CD sales since the middle of 2000, but the main factor is the huge rise in prices. People demand less when things cost more, and that's exactly what's happening with CDs.

Having reasonably comparable alternatives certainly plays a role, too, but the high prices created a need to look elsewhere in the first place.

If the organization does feel it has to do something, why doesn't the RIAA offer people a small fee to share files "legally"? Recent evidence says this would be extremely effective and welcomed by the general populace.

The new iTunes store, run by Apple, offers 200,000 songs for only 99 cents each. In four months the store sold over 10 million songs at this rate — all legally sold under current copyright laws.

These recent RIAA lawsuits have reached people of all ages, including a 71-year-old grandfather in Texas, who claims his grandchildren were responsible for the file sharing on his computer. At the other end of the spectrum, a 12-year-old girl in Los Angeles settled the first of these cases this week for \$2,000, or about \$2 per song. The RIAA has threatened fines as large as \$150,000 per swapped song.

They've got to be kidding.

The RIAA is flexing its muscles, but somebody needs to reduce its steroid dosage in a hurry before they strong-arm everybody out of a completely legitimate activity.

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GUEST COLUMNIST

GA hours not proportional to pay

Chris Drew
Graduate Student English

I'd like to address the letter to the editor that appeared in the Sept. 12 edition of the DAILY EGYPTIAN titled "GAs lucky to have position."

For the record, most GAs who teach their own classes MUST work more than 20 hours per week if their students are receiving the college-level instruction they deserve. Therefore, anyone who makes the claim that GAs work "half-time" either does not understand the time commitment involved in doing a quality job of teaching or does not think that our undergraduate students deserve quality instructors.

Let's break down a GA work week: teach two classes = six hours per week; class prep = one hour per class; office hours = two hours per week; prompt writing for assignments = two hours per week; continuous research and improving teaching skills = unlimited; journals and paper-grading = eight hours minimum; miscellaneous (including conferencing with students = ? If we calculate the minimal amount of time it would take to do a mediocre (some would argue "sub-par") job, this is still more than 20 hours per week.

In fact, every GA I've talked to regarding the conditions of GAs reported that if a GA is doing a quality, university-level job of teaching his or her undergraduate students, it consistently takes somewhere between 30 to 45 hours. These are estimates I received from various GAs and are backed up by the documentation that GAs at other universities (such as Temple and Brown U.) have provided to gain better conditions.

I would also like to address the claim that GAs make \$13,200 per year. I make less than \$1,000 per month. My contract — like every other GA I know — is for one academic year.

That means we get paid for two 16-week semesters. This does NOT equal \$13,200. It equals less than \$8,000. Plus, don't forget the more than \$1,000 we have to pay in fees. Now we're down to around

\$7,000. It's probably safe to assume that for classes you have to take in order to qualify to be a GA you're going to drop around \$500 — now we're down to less than \$6,500. These are expenses required to be paid in order to qualify for an assistantship. This is not "well above poverty-level wages."

Allow me to point out another issue of concern to GAs at SIUC. According to a GPS member that I recently spoke to regarding this topic, it was revealed that the average age of GAs at this university is 35 years of age. A large number of 35-year-olds are not living alone. In fact, several of my colleagues are parents, some single parents. These are the ones living off about \$6,500 who are truly "lucky to have a position!"

It's important that graduate students have this discussion. I appreciate the attempt to provide some "facts" in Friday's letter to the editor. Even if you're content in believing that the University has offered you "\$26,000 to work 20 hours a week" (which I hope I've made clear that this is a grossly inaccurate estimation) there are still others who are not.

While it's true that graduate school is a choice, you don't have to choose to accept your status as exploited labor. I invite all GAs to question their conditions.

Is it right that you should be going into debt in order to live comfortably? For those who aspire to remain within the university system — is it right that you should be compensated so poorly while at the same time eliminating the potential for your own career? Plus, the more GAs a university hires the fewer tenure-track professors are needed.

For those who desire change, I encourage you to talk to other GAs about your conditions, or, if you want, I invite you to talk to me. For those of you who feel lucky to be exploited, please, do not let me burden you with my message. I'm sorry if I'm disturbing your comfortable worldview.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“I was brought up to believe that how I saw myself was more important than how others saw me.”

Amr El-Saedat
Egyptian president 1970-1981

WORDS OVERHEARD

“We just wanted them to be proud of our flag and our country.”

Lyne Byrd
Lakeland school principal,
on why the school felt it was important
to pay tribute to the flag on 9/11

COLUMNISTS

Moral obligation to smoke

Tax money is every bit as addictive as nicotine, and Democrats are hooked. Liberals love to tax almost as much as they love to spend. These seem to go hand in hand, but too little tax money has never stopped liberals from spending like it's a bodily function. When the coffers are full, however, the checkbooks can open up with little public scrutiny.

This love of taxes has put Liberals at odds with the general public. Liberals love taxes, but the people do not. Drumming up enthusiasm for hiking up taxes is a difficult chore, but Liberals seem to have the answer — make the tax increase popular. As ridiculous as this sounds, they've succeeded in just that.

Over past few years Liberals have made cigarettes their cash cow. While massive cigarette taxes have broad appeal with voters, increases on cigarette taxes is simply another liberal scheme designed to expand the government and burden taxpayers with huge government entitlements.

Cigarette tax increases have nothing to do with keeping people from smoking. If any state really cared whether smoking was bad for its people or not, they all would have banned it long ago.

"Start smoking or grandma dies."

The states collectively took in \$8.4 billion in cigarette taxes in 2002 (Illinois raked in \$464.3 million of that for itself), and the U.S. government took in \$7 billion — and they both want more. If smoking were outlawed, the government would go broke.

Democrats all over the nation are proposing increases in cigarette taxes to pay for anything and everything under the sun. Add this to the fact that a majority of Americans do not smoke, and the average person might begin to think that such an increase is a good idea because it would not affect them (wrong) and it would benefit everyone (wrong again).

Take, for example, Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich, an expert in indirect taxes (he being the guy who tried to raise the price of a FOID card from \$5 to \$500). While campaigning for governor he promised senior citizens a "comprehensive prescription drug plan" that would be paid for by an increase in cigarette taxes.

Basically, Blagojevich is promising to set up a system whereby smokers pay for prescription drugs. So what happens when taxes on a pack of cigarettes get so high that everyone quits smoking? How will seniors get their medicine? Blagojevich seems to be imposing on people of Illinois a moral obligation to smoke.

If Illinoisans stop smoking, grandma will be faced with a favorite cliché of liberals — "the choice between food and medicine." If you don't hate old people, you'd better start



Right Angle

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smoking. Ironically, Blagojevich's plan calls for some cigarette tax money to be used to fund anti-smoking programs.

This would seem to be killing the golden goose, considering the drug plan is dependent on people smoking. Is the goal a smoke-free state, or is the goal comprehensive prescription drug coverage? Blagojevich's plan does not allow for both.

And Illinois is not the only state toying with the idea of providing entitlements with cigarette tax money. Other states are facing similarly ridiculous proposals. South Carolina, for example, is debating a program that would raise the price of cigarettes to fund an insurance program for "the children" (it's all about "the children" for Liberals). South Carolina had better get smoking, unless of course they hate "the children."

The dirty little secret about cigarette taxes is that increases are not set aside to fund special programs such as drug benefits or health insurance.

The money is thrown into the general pot, and the increase in cash is used to justify these huge government entitlements (Liberals love entitlements, too). And if everyone stops smoking, or more realistically, tobacco companies go bankrupt, state governments can just do what SIUC is doing.

Under the new smoking policy set to take effect next fall, which bans the sale of cigarettes on campus, the Student Center will lose \$52,000 per year. This loss, of course, will be passed along to all students in the form of an activities fee going to the Student Center. Using the SIUC model, if everyone stops smoking, the state can just raise everyone's taxes.

The University got dependent on cigarette money that is now going away and will pass the loss on to every student, smoking and non-smoking. What's to stop a state government from doing the same if cigarettes were effectively taxed out of business?

"Start smoking or grandma dies" has a much more persuasive tone than "we need more government entitlements so give us more in taxes." In either case the result is the same.

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Women need to become self-dependent in marriages



Stand up and say something now!

BY TIFAIR GILLESPIE
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Humiliation, infidelity, illegitimate children and unwanted exposure are the bitter tastes of life among the women in high-profile marriages.

Can Louis Vuitton bags, Chanel suits, expensive homes and 10-karat diamond rings replace the love and trust that may be lost from constant exploitation?

I have had many friends comment on the infidelities of Kobe Bryant and President Clinton.

I am honest and ashamed enough to say that most of them stated that they would stay with their high-profile husbands, not because of love but because of their love for money.

Stepping into the shoes of Mrs. Kobe Bryant, Mrs. William Clinton and Mrs. Jesse Jackson may not be as comfortable as some may think.

Sit back and envision turning on the television and seeing your husband confess to infidelity.

Break out the smelling salts, because I would pass out. What would be running through your brain?

Imagine lying in a numb state of mind, hurt, confused and ashamed with thoughts of emotional, mental and financial instability.

Contemplating these thoughts signifies absolute dependency as well as fear. Self-dependency of one's own finances, careers and social life would eliminate most thoughts of vacillation.

These women may be commended by some for forgiving what most would say is the unforgivable. I actually condemn the actions of these women appearing in public behind or next to their men.

What about the millions of women, young and old, who are influenced by the values of these women who are oftentimes their role models?

"Hillary Clinton would not be in office if she would have divorced the President," a cohort of mine stated.

Then I thought, what would happen if the first lady and the president were signing divorce papers while America was watching? It would be a true representation of America in the twentieth century.

Divorce rates are at an all-time high while even fewer are getting married. Why are percentage rates of divorce higher than ever?

In the earlier part of the century, most women could not conceive leaving

their husbands who provided stability in the home.

Today, women leave their husbands because they are tired of them leaving their underwear on the doorknob.

What has happened to the women of the world today? Have we lost all religion? Have we turned into demanding, immoral, self-loving creatures?

Not by any means. More women today are finding success in every facet of their lives, be it in their careers or in their quest for total independence.

Self-dependency is important for the survival of the fittest. The sooner women start to realize they can buy a home, have a career and even have children without the presence of a man, the sooner they will begin to feel ecstatically independent.

What's the use of giving your life to a man and tomorrow you perish? What would you have truly lived for — a house, Fendi shoes and a mistress who calls your husband the father of her child?

Don't get me twisted; the sanctity of marriage is beautiful. But when women and men do it for stability that can be achieved through one's own self-claimed independence, that is when the fires of hell break loose.

Before women or men get into the commitment of marriage, they must know what they are bringing into an alliance.

Don't ask what can he or she do for you, but rather what you are bringing into this relationship.

A house on the hill: \$1.25 million; Manolo Blahnik silkenoes: \$1,500; Louis Vuitton speedy bags: \$5,000; being able to say you acquired that with YOUR hard-earned cash: priceless!

Stand up and say something now appears every Monday. Tifair is a senior in advertising. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

LETTERS

International students should speak freely

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing this letter to thank Ana Velitchkova for her illuminating Sept. 11 tribute. Her courage and willingness to share her perspective as an international student is an act that requires more risk than most Americans are aware.

I would like to think that our University community, being committed to the viewpoints of others in pursuing greater knowledge and understanding, would welcome this voice wholeheartedly as an addition long overdue.

Unfortunately, I know that this will not be the case. Some Americans, imbued with a heavy dose of dogmatic nationalism, will respond in

a reactionary fashion, informing Velitchkova to return to her country of origin, "to move to Iraq" or some other such nonsense.

My sincere hope, and it is one that I am confident that I share with a majority of my peers, is that we as Americans — who as citizens of this country possess a certain measure of privilege that internationals are denied — will refuse to tolerate this blatantly ignorant behavior.

As citizens, it is our responsibility to ensure that the right to speak freely is guaranteed for citizens and non-citizens alike.

Our government's policies, whether we like it or not, affect every country on this planet. The right of internationals to express themselves in an atmosphere that is accepting of other viewpoints with which we may disagree is something truly priceless.

It is a voice that we as Americans must not

ignore if we are to truly understand ourselves, our University community and our government's role in the world around us.

To those international students who already speak out I hope that you continue to do so. To those who have yet to do so for whatever reasons, it is my hope that this letter will encourage you to openly and freely say what you wish.

Joel R. Landry

Senior, double major in political science and economics

University should pay respect to nation

DEAR EDITOR:

On a day like today, one seems to take a sec-

ond look at the things that represent our country. As I was driving past McAndrew Stadium on my way to class, I was pleased to see that the flags outside the stadium had been lowered to half-mast.

I was appalled, however, to see that the SIU flag was just about the same size as the American flag.

Every American knows that any state or other flag must be lower than the American flag and also smaller.

Is the University trying to tell us that we need to pledge allegiance to SIUC rather than the U.S.?

This University needs to stop worrying about smoking policies and budget cuts and to start worrying about paying proper respect to our great flag and nation.

Kurt Paradis

Senior, radio-television

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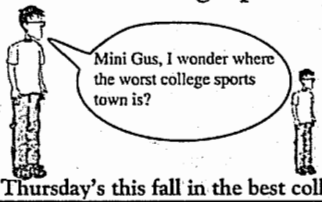
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Mini Gus, I wonder where the worst college sports town is?



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MEDIA

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"The press is much tougher on the United States abroad than it is at home."

Jaching also thinks the American government's response to the attacks of 9/11 affected the global media's initial sympathy toward the American people.

"At first, there was a tremendous amount of sympathy and compassion toward the United States," he said.

"Now, two years later, most of that compassion and sympathy has been used up."

Jaching said war is one of the most difficult situations for the media to cover, especially when they are covering a war in which their country is involved. The truth, he said, often becomes a relative concept.

This holds true for the war in Iraq, Jaching said.

"Embedding" was a tactic to insure positive coverage and it worked," he said. "Rather than

news media covering war as a conflict, they reported it as a football game and how our team was doing."

Jaching said that caused a lack of coverage on many levels.

"The shock and awe stage obviously killed a lot of people," he said. "But there was little knowledge or concern in this country about those casualties."

Despite bias media coverage of the wars following 9/11, Jaching and Cannon said those attacks have awakened, at least temporarily, American eyes to how events far from America's borders affect the United States and its citizens.

"The most dramatic change in the media [after 9/11] was the way in which international coverage became more important," Cannon said. "I saw it at our paper and at other newspapers, magazines and television shows. Generally, over time, this has faded and we are back to covering Kobe Bryant and Laci Peterson stories."

Jaching said he doesn't think Americans are more interested in international news now, but rather

in American interests in different parts of the world.

The cost of having permanent correspondents around the globe is high for the media, so many outlets have resorted to flying journalists from one place to the other just long enough to cover the action. But Jaching said this can cause journalists to misinterpret the situation and thus misinform the public.

"It is like the chicken and the egg scenario," he said. "Are we not getting enough because we aren't interested in it or because it is less expensive to tell us about Britney Spears?"

Despite the American media return to "softer news," Cannon said we still have more international coverage than we did before 9/11.

"The move toward international coverage is more now than it was two years ago," Cannon said, "but less than one year ago."

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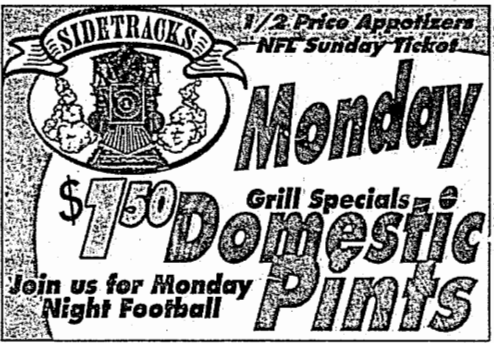
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Terror threat looms, despite lowered concern

Yona Silverman
Daily Pennsylvanian (U. Pennsylvania)

PHILADELPHIA (U-WIRE) — On Sept. 10, 2001, most North Americans went to bed secure in the knowledge that they would wake up in the morning and everything would be exactly like it had been the morning before and the morning before that. Most North Americans were wrong.

Immediately after the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001, the nation remained in a perpetual state of worry. Buildings in New York City were evacuated daily and people were inundated with cries from survivalists and others urging them to beware — more attacks were imminent.

Now, two years later, North Americans are still waiting.

The shock of Sept. 11 has died down. Certainly the fall of the towers has not been forgotten, but the initial fear has dulled.

This year, unlike last year, neither the University of Pennsylvania nor the city are holding dozens of events in memory of those killed in the attacks.

And the Department of Homeland Security has not issued any warnings in the days before the anniversary — the terror alert level remains at yellow, or "elevated risk," where it has rested since May.

But, according to some terrorism experts, just because al Qaeda has not yet scaled another large attack on U.S. soil does not mean it will never come.

Just how great is the possibility that al Qaeda is poised to attack the United States again — and soon?

Well, it is not today's date that should concern people, according to Political Science Professor Brendan O'Leary.

"Anniversaries are less politi-

cally important than people imagine: Paramilitaries, guerrillas and terrorists are more likely to avenge the anniversaries of dates on which they or their communities have suffered defeats, rather than engage on dates on which they performed prior attacks," O'Leary said.

The possibility of another terror attack at some point in the near future, though, remains high.

"The threat, whatever it was on September 10 [2001], certainly isn't all that different now," said Political Science Professor Stephen Gale, who teaches a course on terrorism at Penn.

Gale explained that though the United States has taken measures to ensure greater safety on passenger aircraft, it is unlikely that al Qaeda would choose to attack the country in that way a second time. For Osama bin Laden and his followers, Gale explained, Sept. 11 was generally a failure.

"The two major objectives didn't work," Gale said. "They were supposed to hit the White House and the Capitol. The buildings in New York were a diversionary attack. The idea was to decapitate government."

Now, two years later, experts disagree on the status of al Qaeda — some say that the war in Afghanistan has significantly impacted the terrorist organization's operations, which could make an imminent attack less likely.

Political Science Professor Ian Lustick wrote in an e-mail that he believes that the "destruction of the Taliban regime in Afghanistan deprived al Qaeda of resources and help [ed] protect us, in the short term..."

Gale is not so sure.

"As far as we know ... the active cells of al Qaeda as far as Sept. 11 are just as active today as they were then," he said. Explaining his belief that al

Qaeda used Afghanistan simply as a training ground, he added that "al Qaeda did not work as part of the Afghan regime."

However, some think that the war and continued U.S. presence in Iraq may have weakened the country's position in the war against terror.

"I think the problem is that the war on Iraq didn't have to have anything to do with the war on terror — but it did," said Political Science Professor Avery Goldstein, noting that this factor could lead to increased tensions with Islamists.

O'Leary agreed, explaining that the link between al Qaeda and Saddam Hussein proposed by the Bush administration became a self-fulfilling prophecy.

"I think the invasion of Iraq will have consolidated anti-Americanism in large parts of the Muslim world," O'Leary explained.

He and Lustick are worried not only about the anti-American sentiment created by U.S. actions overseas, but also the potentially negative feelings caused by America's treatment of Muslims at home.

"Many of the steps we have taken domestically to investigate and restrain Muslims and Arabs at home have alienated populations who could otherwise have been crucial allies in the struggle against the tiny minority of Arabs and Muslims" who may support al Qaeda, Lustick said.

But while experts agree that a threat does exist, life is expected to proceed as usual at Penn today. Still, according to Vice President for Public Safety Maureen Rush, the University is prepared to deal with the effects of a terrorist attack, should one occur in Philadelphia.

"We have a major emergency crisis plan in place," Rush said.

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be inappropriate.

Ull and her two friends said they planned to make their way into the stadium eventually. But, in spite of being clad in Saluki apparel, the companions did not share each other's sentiments on the issue of being the worst sports town.

"I believe it, but it doesn't bother me," said her friend, Katie Espy, a freshman in Spanish also from DeKalb. "I think it's kind of funny."

Still, for every tailgater who shrugged their shoulders or reacted nonchalantly to the statement, there were at least two offended by the label.

"I was very disappointed. There are many universities with less school pride than us," said Sean Necas, a senior in automotive technology from Chicago. "Our basketball team was good two years in a row, so they went for us. If they had said Eastern or somewhere like that, we wouldn't know who that was."

Whether before kickoff, shortly after or following halftime, tailgaters vowed to make their way into the game at one point or another. Each tailgater also promised the Salukis would remain undefeated following the game.

Fans had different predictions as far as the margin of victory was concerned. Some fans such as Clayton Edwards predicted a "hard-fought victory," and others, a fairly easy win for the second home game. The latter was the case as a nice-sized crowd witnessed the Salukis sprint past the Racers 32-7.

The stadium was not filled to capacity, but according to regular attendants such as graduate student Izetta Wiggs, the 10,167-person crowd was larger than usual. The many seats that were filled did not illustrate a scene from the worst college town. There was an overwhelming amount of maroon on everything from the pom-poms and T-shirts to the hair of fans who disregarded the rain and wet bleachers to cheer on the Salukis.

"Hey, number one," Malakanda resident Tom Cummings shouted before a play late in the third quarter. "Just back up so you don't have to tackle him. It's going to hurt."

Cummings' constant warnings to the other team did not seem like those of a faithless fan. Cummings, a 1986 graduate in engineering, said although he goes to most games, the Sports Illustrated On Campus statement presented him with all the more reason to attend Saturday night's match.

Using attendance, the same reason behind the magazine crowning

Carbondale the worst sports town, Cummings mentioned the 10,167 fans at the game as support for his argument that SIUC is far from the worst athletic town.

He said the previous two victories and the Salukis' dominant performance supported theories that the team was improving and had the opportunity to progress from "worst to first." An increase in attendance of roughly 3,000 fans from the season home opener showed that, if anything, fans in the "worst sports town" have become more supportive.

"It's been threatening a downpour all day, and look how many people showed up," Cummings said. "The guy who wrote that probably couldn't find Carbondale on the map."

"You know, everybody has the right to say stupid things, but some people just abuse the privilege."

Somewhere there's grief from those reading the comment for the first time. Statements from people who think the Druggs have passed their prime.

But inside McAndrew cheerleaders proudly crown the school song. With thousands of fans who proved the title wrong.

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Thursday night's event will feature a cultural movie, Frieda, which will be shown outside the Recreation Center at 8:30 p.m.

"Students wanted an event with Latino background and history," said Thomas Harris, the residence hall diversity coordinator.

Ervin said this would be a unique event from typical movie nights because it is held outside.

The first week of events will come to an end with a Mexican Independence Day celebration Saturday at Turkey

Park from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., but many other events will continue next week.

Hispanic tailgating is a new activity, which will be held at 3 p.m. Sept. 27 before the SIU v. St. Joseph's game at McAndrew Stadium.

"Latin Tailgate will bring a Latin flare to traditional tailgating," Ervin said. "Try out Hispanic food and listen to Hispanic music."

Another unique event that will be offered this month is Salsa Night. Students who have never salsa danced before or would like to brush up on their skills can attend an instructional meeting in the Student Center ballroom at 7 p.m. Sept. 25.

The actual celebration will take

place the following night in the ballroom at 7 p.m. Sept. 26.

Along with salsa dancing, the night will include an authentic salsa band and refreshments.

Other interesting events will be posted around campus to keep students informed on the many activities throughout the month.

"Take it from a person who has traveled the world. It is good to be cultured and have an understanding of other people," Barenzuela said. "After all, we all live in the same country."

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comes with having a bicycle registered, students also have the luxury of saving money because there are no fees for registering a bicycle at the parking division.

"It's important that they get them registered because that gives us serial number information which we can

enter into leads," Kunce said. "And it doesn't cost them anything."

Kunce said SIUC police are doing what they can to monitor the bicycle racks and are also employing new strategies in watching vehicles parked in the overnight on-campus lots. She said she cannot reveal any of the department's patrolling strategies as potential thieves would take advantage of the privileged information.

Kunce said she advises anyone who

notices anything out of the ordinary at the on-campus bicycle racks to call the department.

"If anyone notices anyone unusual around the bike racks, if they would call the police, that would be great," Kunce said. "We need help from students, too."

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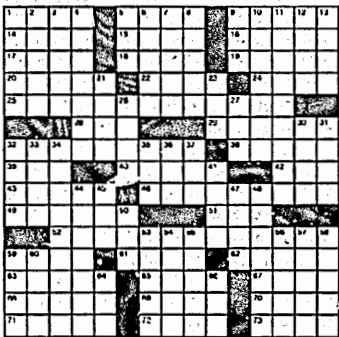
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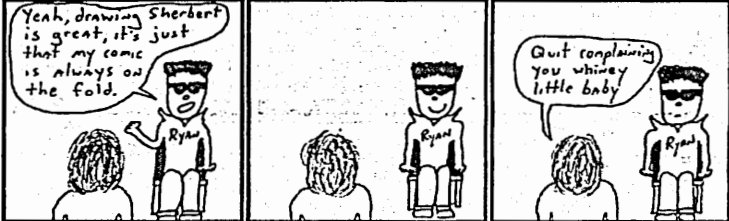
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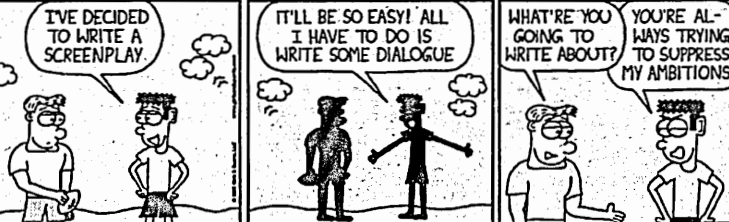
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Saluki men's cross country snags Bradley Open title

Baker places second; Byrne takes third in team victory

Todd Merchant
Daily Egyptian

Prior to his team's opening meet, SIU men's cross country head coach Matt McClelland hinted nobody on the squad was a lock as the top runner, including perennial No. 1 Doron Giat.

That claim held true Friday at Denweiler Park in Peoria as Giat finished third on the team and eighth overall, but the Salukis snagged first place at the Bradley Open.

Junior Eli Baker paced SIU with a time of 24 minutes, 49.80 seconds that placed him second in the eight-kilometer race. Hot on his heels was sophomore teammate Joe Byrne, who finished third with a time of 24:54.16.

Rounding out the Salukis' top five were Giat (25:17.64), Diarmuid Grant (25:48.61, 21st) and Tony LaChiana (25:53.51, 25th).

"I came in this season, and I knew that I could run what I did run, but in the past little things had gotten in the way," Baker said. "This season I came in and I was focused on what I wanted to do."

"Not only did I finish No. 2, but the team took first, and having those guys up there pushing and running with you, it just makes it that much easier to do that."

It was the first time Baker has been the top SIU runner, a spot normally held down by Giat. A senior, Giat has paced the Salukis in every meet he has run, but he is still recovering from a bout with mono and was not in top shape.

Although the first-place finish was a great way to begin a season, the Salukis are far from ecstatic with their performance. One of the biggest concerns was the gap between the top five runners. SIU's gap at Bradley was 1:03.71, more than twice the team's goal of 30 seconds.

"Last year our 1-5 gap was ridiculous; it was probably around three minutes if I had to guess. It was really bad," Baker said. "Yeah, we want it to be 30 seconds and we've got some

things to work on ... the first meet with that gap being a little bit bigger, I think that was OK because everybody ran well."

SIU tallied 57 points to barely edge out Northern Iowa (60), which is the preseason favorite to win the Missouri Valley Conference meet. Eastern Illinois (69), Marquette (86) and Illinois State (130) placed in the top five as well.

Besides the Panthers and Redbirds, SIU also topped three other MVC teams at Friday's meet — Indiana State (161, sixth), Evansville (221, eighth) and Bradley (321, 13th).

"We whooped Illinois State; we beat them by almost 100 points, which is a big, big gap," Baker said. "We put all our top three runners in front of Illinois State's [No. 1 runner]."

"Northern Iowa, they're ranked No. 1. We beat them by three points, which is the first time since I've been in school here that we've beaten Northern Iowa in a cross-country meet."

The first-place finish was the first for SIU since the 2001 Saluki Fast

Bradley Open	
Team Results	Peoria, Ill.
1. Southern Illinois	57
2. Northern Iowa	60
3. Eastern Illinois	69
4. Marquette	86
5. Illinois State	130

Individual Results	
1. Velibor Radojevic, UNI	24:47.99
2. Eli Baker, SIU	24:49.80
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48. Hunter Sheldon, SIU	26:35.06
62. Kyle Monroe, SIU	27:01.25

Start Open. It was also the Salukis' first title outside Carbondale since taking the 2000 Southern Indiana Invite in Evansville, Ind.

SIU will not have long to rest on its laurels as the Salukis travel to

Tuscaloosa, Ala., this Saturday for the Alabama Invite.

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at McAndrew Stadium	
Murray State (1-2)	0 7 0 0 7
# 21 Southern Illinois (3-0)	7 9 13 3 32
Scoring Summary:	
1st	
11:24 SIU Koutsos 8 run (Coffin kick) SIU 7 - MSU 0	
2nd	
06:12 SIU Robinson 16 run (Coffin kick) SIU 14 - MSU 0	
04:35 SIU Sutherland, safety SIU 16 - MSU 0	
01:49 MSU Green 4 pass from Childress (Ohliger kick) SIU 16 - MSU 7	
3rd	
10:44 SIU Koutsos 10 run (Coffin kick) SIU 23 - MSU 7	
03:20 SIU Weishaar 2 run (Coffin kick) SIU 29 - MSU 7	
4th	
06:01 SIU Coffin 27 field goal SIU 32 - MSU 7	
Rushing:	
MSU - Lane 15-43; Hatchell 2-19; Cook 10-18; Walker 5-15; Alexander 1-0; Childress 7 minus 14.	
SIU - Abdulqadir 19-126; Koutsos 10-44; Robinson 10-42; Holley 1-13; Sambursky 8-9; Wheeler 1-6; Weishaar 5-5.	
Passing:	
MSU - Childress 14-19-1-123; Hatchell 2-3-0-17.	
SIU - Sambursky 5-12-1-66; Holley 0-2-0-0.	
Receiving:	
MSU - Green 8-85; Roddy 3-13; Biggers 2-20; Nowacki 2-19; Lane 1-3.	
SIU - Little 1-27; Abdulqadir 1-24; Hollingshed 1-9; Allen 1-5; Weishaar 1-3.	
Attendance: 10,167	

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MURRAY

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remainder of the game. Murray State would go for it on fourth down three more times on the night, failing each time.

The key to that success was the defensive line owning the line of scrimmage. The Salukis had strong play from numerous players including Chris Sutherland, Linton Brown, Billy Beard and Lionel Williams.

Sutherland, who had two sacks on the night, nailed Murray State quarterback Stewart Childress in the end zone for a safety, giving SIU a 16-0 lead with just four more minutes remaining in the first half.

"Linebackers were flowing to the ball and not getting touched, so I mean that just speaks for the defensive line right there," senior linebacker Eric Egan said. "You've got to give a lot of credit to them."

The one touchdown the Salukis surrendered came when All-American safety Alexis Moreland, who led the

team with 10 tackles in the game, was on the sidelines with a bruised shoulder.

With Moreland off the field, Murray State marched down and scored on a pass from Childress to Deandre Green to cut the halftime deficit to 16-7.

In the locker room, SIU head coach Jerry Kill told his players that the opening drive of the second half was going to be the biggest one of the season and if they did not get some points the game could slip out of their grasp.

On the drive, the Salukis came out of the locker room and took advantage of one of five Murray State personal fouls and a 23-yard third-down conversion by Abdulqadir to eventually score a touchdown that Kill called a backbreaker.

"When you got a team on its heels you got to drive the stake, finish it right there," Koutsos said of the four-minute scoring drive. "Don't give them the chance to get back in the game, and Coach Kill stressed that in the locker room."

Another thing Kill stressed to his

team was playing with class. In last season's meeting, Murray State racked up 19 penalties for 161 yards. This time, the Racers were only penalized seven times for 89 yards, but five of them were personal fouls and came at key moments for SIU to keep crucial drives alive.

One example was on a third-down play late in the third quarter. SIU fullback Brandon Robinson was on his knees after having dropped a pass, and a Murray State defender flew in the dove into Robinson's lower back. The flag was thrown and the Salukis eventually scored a touchdown to go up 29-7.

Kill repeatedly told his players all week in practice not to let them get caught up in Murray State's antics and to just come out and win the right way.

"Make sure we go out with first class," Robinson said of Kill's preaching. "Just beat them and shake their hands."

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TRASH

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But they did and that was the result." Moreland's tackle on Childress resulted in a bruised right shoulder that caused him to miss the lone scoring drive for Murray State. Converted quarterback Stanley Bryant filled in for him and made two stops on the drive.

"It's just banged up. It is just a little bruise," Moreland said. "It wasn't the quarterback that actually did it. It was his helmet. He was ducking down on me. He must have been scared of the hit."

The Salukis have played quality competition against OVC schools, but they will still have to up the ante against more-talented Gateway foes.

Right now, though, the prospectus is good for the Salukis against the more run-heavy Gateway. In the three games this season, SIU is allowing just 1.9 yards a carry on the ground.

This game held great significance as most of the Gateway games will. This was the last time Murray State and SIU will face off in the near future.

The dominating play issued by the Saluki defense will be a statement the Racers will not forget anytime soon.

"It is always good to go out on top," Moreland said.

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SIU quarterback Joel Sambursky looks downfield for a passing opportunity with senior fullback Brandon Robinson during Saturday's game against Murray State at McAndrew Stadium.

SPORTS FLASH

Nomicos leads men's tennis at MTSU

Junior Alexandru Nomicos appeared in two consolation championships to lead the SIU men's tennis team at last weekend's Middle Tennessee Fall Invitational in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

The Salukis won a total of 10 matches, including six in singles competition and four in doubles.

In flight one singles freshman Bojan Ilievski and sophomore Tomas Gonzalez each won a match piece while Nomicos advanced to the consolation final, where he fell 8-3 to Razvan Ilie of Tennessee Tech.

In flight two singles junior Lukasz Soswa and senior Peter Bong each won one match, and Soswa and junior Julian Angel Botero both lost their consolation matches.

In flight one doubles action the tandem of Bong and Gonzalez won one match, while Soswa and Ilievski lost their flight two match.

Botero and Nomicos had the best doubles showing, winning three matches and the title in flight three.

The Salukis will be back in action in two weeks when they compete in the Kentucky Invitational Sept. 26-28 in Lexington, Ky.



Saluki volleyball finishes third at Butler Invitational

Salukis open conference play next weekend

Adam Soebbing
Daily Egyptian

Despite a sluggish start, the SIU volleyball team picked up its intensity to come away with a third-place finish at the Butler Invitational in Indianapolis this past weekend.

Falling to the host Bulldogs in straight sets 30-18, 30-25, 30-19 Friday night, the usual problems surfaced for the young Saluki squad — errors and inconsistency.

"We didn't play well at all. We didn't communicate, and we didn't play defense well," head coach Sonya Locke said.

"If I knew what it was, I would find a remedy for it."

Against Appalachian State in the second match of the tournament, Locke found a cure for the Salukis' lethargic play. SIU came out Saturday and defeated the Mountaineers 3-1 in come-from-behind fashion.

Led by senior Kelly Harman and freshman outside hitter Haley Hann, SIU's representative on the all-tournament team, the Dawgs battled back after losing game one to defeat Appalachian State 19-30, 30-28, 31-29, 30-27 for their second win of the season.

Harman paced the Salukis (2-7) with 11 kills, seven digs, three aces and three block assists while Hann finished with nine kills, nine digs and two aces for SIU.

"She put together a total stat line, and that is what we are looking for from every player that gets out on to the court," Locke said of Hann, who earned her second all-tournament honors of the season.

"We're looking for the total package and not just one dimension. At least one of those matches she did that for sure."

Immediately following the victory over the Mountaineers, the Salukis faced off against undefeated and eventual tournament champion San Francisco (12-0).

After allowing the Dons to jump out to a big lead in game one, the Salukis battled back before eventually losing 31-29.

Game two saw SIU lose 30-17 before a 30-26 victory in game three. The Salukis were eliminated in game four by the score of 30-18.

"I don't think they were intimidated," Locke said of her team.

"I don't think they felt like they couldn't win or anything like that. We've seen teams that are just as good as [San Francisco]."

Instead, Locke thinks fatigue may have contributed somewhat to the Salukis' loss against the talented Dons, who received 18 votes in the latest AVCA/USA Today Top 25 poll.

"We came off of a tough win and it may have showed signs of the condition we really are in, and maybe we need to work a little harder in that area," Locke said.

With the Salukis set to enter conference play this coming weekend with contests at Drake and Creighton, Locke is not too concerned with her team's win-loss record.

She just wants them to continue to show improvement, and eventually their talent will begin to overshadow their inexperience.

"We know that they're talented," Locke said.

"We want more wins because we are competitors, but as long as they keep displaying their capabilities, even though they are inconsistent, we are going to be fine."

"We didn't play well at all. We didn't communicate, and we didn't play defense well. If I knew what it was, I would find a remedy for it."

— Sonya Locke
SIU head volleyball coach

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Freshman outside hitter Haley Hann passes a ball during practice at Davies Gymnasium. Hann made the all-tournament team for the second time this weekend as the Salukis finished in third place at the Butler Invitational.

Saluki softball squad shuts out opponents at own tourney

SIU keeps opponents scoreless in five games; combining for 61 hits

Ethan Erickson
Daily Egyptian

The Salukis dominated every aspect of their fall invitational at Charlotte West Stadium Saturday and Sunday, going 5-0 without allowing a run against Tennessee-Martin, SIU-Edwardsville and local junior colleges John A. Logan and Rend Lake.

Combining for 61 hits in the five games, the Salukis scored at least three first-inning runs in four of their five games. Only one of SIU's wins came by fewer than eight runs.

"These girls come out here ready to play every game no matter who the opponent is," junior pitcher Amy Harre said.

"In warm-ups they're out here diving. They're ready to play. They're serious about it and when they come out, jump on runs, they're just helping the pitcher."

SIU's pitchers didn't need much help, though. Harre allowed two hits in 12 innings of work including a complete-game 8-0 win against Tennessee-Martin, the only other Division I team in the tournament. In that game, Harre, who showed her defensive mettle along with her teammates, narrowly missed a no-hitter when she allowed a hit in the seventh and final inning.

"She hadn't thrown the ball since May, and she was unbelievable," head coach Kerri Blaylock said.

"She threw the ball very well, but all three pitchers did. I thought we had dominating pitching all day [Saturday]."

SIU's three other pitchers, all newcomers, were also impressive on and off the mound during the weekend.

"They all threw the ball really, really well and hit the ball well too," Blaylock said of her freshmen hurlers.

"They worked both sides of the ball so I was very, very pleased."

Blaylock has set high standards for all of her freshmen.

"I expect a lot out of all of them," Blaylock said.

"They're highly recruited kids, and they came in and they're doing a great job. My expectation does not change between freshmen and seniors. I expect a lot out of all of them."

All four freshmen and senior transfer Alison Thompson saw significant playing time in SIU's five routs, and Blaylock said the team is versatile enough that anyone could play in the spring.

For the first time, Blaylock was able to face John A. Logan coach Bruce Jilek, who was her coach when she attended Herrin

High School. And after SIU took a 3-0 lead out of the first inning, the two had plenty of time to joke around while Jilek, dressed in baggy shorts and a white bucket hat, stood in the third base coach's box just a few feet away from Blaylock's post in the Saluki dugout.

"He means so much to me," Blaylock said. "He's the reason, really, that I'm a coach. If it wasn't for him, I'd never be into it. He's such a great teacher, and so it's really different being on the sidelines against him."

"He's hysterical. He'll just joke with me about different kinds of stuff. He's got a really good sense of humor. We just chat about a lot of things."

The Salukis will be back in action this weekend when they compete in the St. Louis Tournament Sept. 20-21 in Kirkwood, Mo.

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SIU junior Kelly Creek makes a throw to third base during Sunday's win against Rend Lake Community College in the Saluki Invitational. The Salukis went undefeated in the tournament.

Saluki Fall Invitational

Saturday's Results	Carbondale, Ill.
SIUC 5, Rend Lake 0	WP: Cassidy Scoggins
SIUC 8, Tennessee-Martin, 0	WP: Amy Harre
Sunday's Results	
SIUC 8, John A. Logan 0	WP: Ashley Hamby
SIUC 8, Rend Lake 0	WP: Alison Thompson
SIUC 8, SIUE 0	WP: Amy Harre

SIU volleyball takes third at tourney
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Softball Salukis shut out tournament
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Murray State cannot hang with Salukis

Saluki football continues rolling, dominates Racers
Jens Deju
Daily Egyptian

Heading into Saturday night's football game, most of the talk revolved around Murray State's defense.

It was a defense that allowed just 45 yards of total offense to Valparaiso two weeks ago.

It was a defense that allowed just 117 rushing yards in two games.

And it was a defense that was man-handled as SIU rolled 32-7 to silence any critics who said last weekend's victory over Southeast Missouri State was a fluke.

In Saturday's contest, Muhammad Abdulqaadir alone exceeded the number of rushing yards allowed by the Racers, running for 126 yards on 19 carries. As a team, SIU put up 245 yards on 54 attempts.

Fellow senior Tom Koutsos was second on the team in rushing, racking up 44 yards on 10 carries. He also scored two touchdowns in the game, giving him 140 points in his career, which set a new school record.

Following the game, Koutsos downplayed the mark and said the number he wanted to look at was three, as in how many wins the No. 21 Salukis (3-0) now have. The win also snapped a three-game losing streak to Murray State (1-2).

"Forget about all the records," Koutsos said. "We're starting to win here, and it just feels good to go out and be 3-0."

The last time SIU won its first three games was 1999. SIU now has an off-week before facing Division II St. Joseph's. Should the team win that game, it will have its first 4-0 start since



Defensive end Billy Beard looks to punish Murray State quarterback Stewart Childress Saturday evening at McAndrew Stadium. Beard finished the night with three tackles.

1991 when the Dawgs won their first five games of the season.

While Koutsos and the rest of the Salukis' running attack was alive and well during the win, Murray State's

ground game was essentially impotent.

The Racers, who ran for 344 yards against SIU last year, managed just 81 yards on 40 attempts Saturday. For the season, SIU is allowing oppos-

ing offenses to run for just 1.9 yards a carry.

As dominant as the SIU defense was throughout the game, it was even more so when it mattered most.

Early in the game, the Salukis had their second goal line stand in two weeks, which set the tone for the

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Salukis take out trash-talking Racers team Saturday

SIU defense holds OVC opponent to just seven points for second week

Zack Creglow
Daily Egyptian

The SIU football team realized that a team does not have to talk any trash when the scoreboard can do a much better job.

Numbers spoke louder than words Saturday night, and the 32-7 that lit the scoreboard at McAndrew Stadium was

a convincing statement.

"They'd get a personal foul, I look up at the scoreboard and it says 16-7," said Alexis Moreland, who for the second straight week led the team with 10 tackles. "They get another foul. It is 23-7. There was another personal foul again and it was 32-7."

Murray State committed five personal fouls during the game, while SIU was not flagged for any.

"There was a little chit-chat tonight," Moreland said. "I think it was more so because nothing was going their way."

The junior safety was correct. The Racers had no answer for the Salukis' stifling defense. Murray accu-

mulated just 221 yards of offense, which is just 32 more yards than Division I-A Kentucky allowed to Murray State the previous week.

The numbers are a drastic change from their meeting last season, when the Racers destroyed the Saluki defense for 475 yards. The biggest turnaround on the stat sheet is the 344 rushing yards allowed this time to the humble 81 surrendered this time.

While paper and numbers may suggest the game was a cakewalk, SIU defensive end Billy Beard scoffs at the notion.

"Don't say it was easy," said Beard, who recorded three tackles. "Don't even put that in the same sentence

with them."

Part of Beard's emphatic reasoning was because the SIU defense had to buckle down on four fourth-down conversion attempts.

But after last week, where Southeast Missouri State was denied on all of its fourth-down conversions, it is starting to look like the Ohio Valley Conference schools are slow learners.

The Racers were unable to convert any of their four attempts, the most significant coming early in the first quarter when they drove 82 yards to get the ball down inside the Saluki five-yard line.

On fourth-and-goal on the two, Racer quarterback Stewart Childress sprinted to the corner of the end zone

on a bootleg, but Moreland stopped him at the three-yard line.

"During two-a-days, we couldn't get a yard on them either down at the goal line," Kill said. "I thought we were bad on offense. I'm beginning to think we're good on defense."

SIU's defense may just prefer fourth-down conversions. On the season, teams attempting them are 0-for-8.

"If they had watched the SEMO game, they wouldn't have [gambled on fourth down]," said senior linebacker Eric Egan, who tied Moreland with 10 tackles, two of which resulted in losses.

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U-Card Events for the Week of September 15 - 21

<p>September 17 Student Center, Main Lobby</p> <p>Educational Program Category Sponsored by: Student Development - 453-5714</p> <p>Bike Tunnel Hill - Mandatory Pre-Trip Meeting Adventure Resource Center - 7:00pm Trip Date - September 20 Sports & Athletics Category Sponsored by: Student Recreation Center - 453-1285</p> <p>Building the Best Campus Climate for Latinos* Grinnell Hall Lower Level - 6:00pm Educational Program Category Sponsored by: Multicultural Programs & Services - 453-5714</p>	<p>September 18 Law School Tennis Courts - 4:00pm Sports & Athletics Category Sponsored by: Student Recreation Center - 453-1225</p> <p>September 19 David Briggs Organ Recital Shryock Auditorium - 7:30pm Performing Arts Category Sponsored by: School of Music - 536-8742</p>	<p>September 20 Tennis Doubles Tournament Law School Tennis Courts - 2:00pm Sports & Athletics Category Sponsored by: Student Recreation Center - 453-1225</p> <p>September 21 Tennis Doubles Tournament Law School Tennis Courts - 12:00pm Sports & Athletics Category Sponsored by: Student Recreation Center - 453-1225</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Hispanic Month: September 15 - September 15</p>
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