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Gregory fasts to fight police brutality

BRETT NAUMAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

"What I am doing represents light. Police brutality represents darkness ..."

- Dick Gregory, SIU graduate & activist

Dick Gregory has experienced racism his whole life. Now the activist and SIU graduate will starve himself in an effort to end police brutality against blacks in the United States.

On Jan. 15, Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, Gregory began a hunger strike. He will not eat solid food until Congress enacts legislation forcing police officials, FBI and CIA agents to carry licenses with their guns.

"If the Ku Klux Klan call me a 'nigger,' I can call them a name right back," Gregory said. "If the Ku Klux Klan pulls a gun on me, I can snatch it away from them and either whoop or shoot them with it. I can't do this to a cop."

The 78-year-old former Saluki track star said he believes police brutality can only be curbed by putting police officers in a position where they would have something to lose, namely their gun licenses.

Gregory, Rev. Al Sharpton, Martin Luther King III and other black activists have founded a group called "Enough is Enough." The group travels to different cities in the United States independently investigating cases of police brutality. Gregory said the group has consistently found cases of discrimination against blacks in the different cities.

"White people aren't complaining about black cops shooting their family members," Gregory said. "Black cops know white people won't tolerate it."

In Chicago, the group protested the death of SIU graduate and-

black woman LaTanya Haggerty. She was killed in a traffic stop on June 4, 1999. Police said they thought she was carrying a gun, but it was actually a cell phone.

SIUC College of Engineering Administrator Bruce Chrisman remembers when Haggerty was killed. She graduated from the College of Engineering in 1996.

"We had students in the department who remembered her," Chrisman said. "There isn't anything worse for an educator than seeing one of your students killed."

Gregory and "Enough is Enough" also experienced police brutality in the community of Riverside, Calif. Gregory, Sharpton and King III were all thrown in jail there for protesting the death of Theresa Miller.

Police shot Miller 14 times when they said she went for her gun in her car. Miller was epileptic and in the middle of a seizure when police fired at her. Police said they saw drugs in the car causing them to search her vehicle.

The independent investigation conducted by the black community revealed the police planted a gun in Miller's car. Gregory said the family sued out of court for \$10 million.

"That money won't bring back their daughter," Gregory said. As a longtime friend of Gregory, Chrisman knows how serious he is about this protest. He said Gregory has tremendous will-power when he has a cause.

"He started the fast at 150 pounds," Chrisman said. "He'll lose 60."

Gregory, who is also a nutrition theorist, has participated in more than 125 hunger strikes. In 1967 Gregory began a hunger strike which lasted for more than two and a half years against the Vietnam War.

In an average day, he consumes eight lemons, four oranges and three grapefruits in their blended liquid forms. He also drinks a cup and a half of maple syrup and a gallon of water.

"As long as you get a gallon your body won't dehydrate," Gregory said.

Gregory, who lives out of various hotel rooms to accommodate his hectic travel schedule, is prepared not to eat solid food for years.

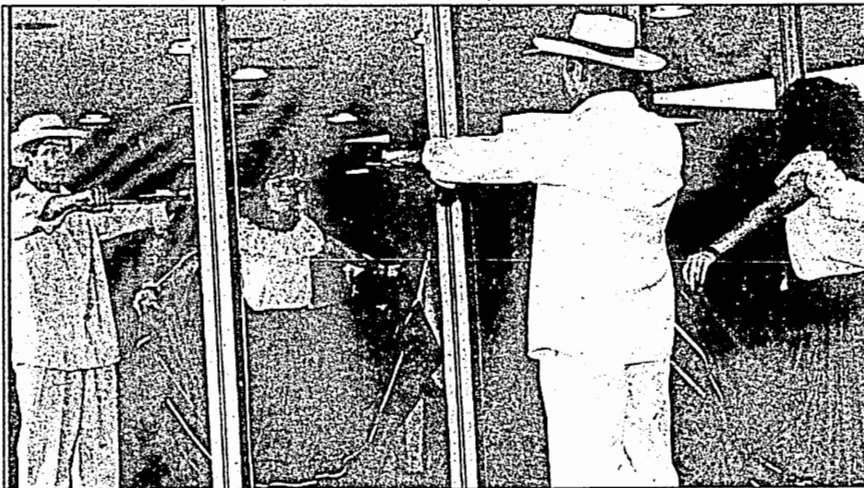
He realizes that many more people will have to participate than just himself before Congress will feel much pressure. Gregory hopes big corporations will put pressure on Congress to pass the law. In the end Gregory said his cause will eventually accomplish its goal.

"What I am doing represents light," Gregory said. "Police brutality represents darkness. Watch a sunset. Sunlight knocks nighttime right out of the sky."



Gregory

International Festival 2001



Alonso Cordoba and Sandra Guerara, both of Columbia, represent Latin America at the International Parade of Flags and the opening proclamation ceremony for the International Festival going on all this week on campus. The two marched in the parade and performed a Columbian dance at the proclamation ceremony.

MARY COLLIER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Oh say does that banner still wave?

Parade of flags and proclamations mark the start of International Festival

EMILY OSTENDORF
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beginning of International Festival 2001.

"It's nice to go out there with other countries," Jibreel said.

He also said that it was a proud moment to represent his own nation.

"I can just declare it. Here is my country. Here is my flag," he said.

Students and faculty gathered in the Gallery Lounge afterward to hear opening proclamations by International Student Council President Bedi Erim, SIU President James Walker, Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard and interim Chancellor John Jackson.

Walker read an address from Gov. George



Food fair brings cultures together

SARAH ROBERTS
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Pulsating music and vibrant costumes blended with a dash of native flags and just a pinch of attitude created the perfect recipe for Wednesday's festive food fair as part of SIUC's 27th annual International Festival.

Students representing more than 12 countries from Bangladesh to Latin America chatted and mingled with an immense crowd while serving up heaps of steaming vegetables, soup and rice.

Karen Bellevue, a senior in management information systems from Chicago, was one of six members of the Caribbean Student Association responsible for manning her group's

food table. She estimated preparation of the six Caribbean dishes took nearly four hours, with the jerk chicken emerging as a crowd favorite.

Gus Bode

With a spicy blend of red and green peppers, chicken, seasoning spices and thyme, the jerked chicken is deceiving in its mild appearance.

"It's really hot. At first you don't feel anything, but just give it a second and wooh!" Bellevue exclaimed as she moved in rhythm to



Gus says: Where's my antiacid?

Rami Jibreel carried a black, white, green and red Palestine Liberation Organization flag with pride Wednesday to honor of the place he calls home.

Jibreel, a graduate student in mechanical engineering from Palestine, represented his nation and the General Union of Palestine Students organization during the Parade of Flags. Eighteen international campus organizations were represented in the march, marking the

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Shane Semangern, graduate student in workforce education, serves Carrie Heighway, a senior in university studies, at the Thailand ethnic food table on Wednesday at the International Food Fair in Ballroom D of the Student Center.

RONDA YEAGER
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FOOD FAIR

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Caribbean melodies.

The food festival has become a widely popular fixture in the International Festival, which is the most important event of the year for the International Student Council, according to vice president for Finance Eglia Baltta.

"We want to introduce cultures of different countries all over the world to the Carbondale and SIU community," Baltta said.

[Jerked chicken is] really hot. At first you don't feel anything, but just give it a second and you're hooked!

KAREN BELLEVUE
senior,
management information systems

from Albania last semester and said her involvement with the council has aided her transition in to a new atmosphere.

"We come together and organize many nice events and get to know each other and each other's cultures," Baltta said. "It's been a very nice experience for me."

She remarked that 18 student associations collaborated for the festival, with more than 10 members from each association volunteering for the food fair.

Pavlos Evangelides, a junior in computer science from Larnaca, Cyprus, said he volunteered to make others more aware of his native country and its delicious koopekia, a concoction of rice, beef and spices wrapped in grape leaves.

"Nobody seems to know where Cyprus is or that it even exists, and this is a way to show people about my country," Evangelides said. "I like to take part in anything showing my country's culture."

International Student Council volunteers weren't the only ones enjoying the lunch. A mixture of students, faculty and children invaded the Student Center ballroom to taste exotic foods in lieu of hamburgers and french fries.

Micki Knottke, a senior in business management from Batavia, and Jeff Hopper, a senior in university studies from Springfield, sampled dishes from Japan, Greece and Bangladesh before picking Japanese as their favorite.

"I'm Greek and my mom cooks Greek food for me a lot, plus one of our friends is Japanese and cooks for us all the time," Knottke said. "It's nice to have different foods to choose from other than pizza and takeout."

"We usually try to vary our tastes," Hopper added.

Belleuve, who proudly calls herself Haitian-American, found time to revel in one true festival theme in between demands for Caribbean carrot cake pudding and steamed mushroom rice.

"The best thing about this is the camaraderie, without a doubt," Belleuve said. "It's a wonderful chance to see so many different faces."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TODAY
Lunch with an Author
Larry Hickman
author of "Why John Dewey? Why now?"
Noon
Interfaith Center

Campus Shawnee
Greensmeeting
w/ City Council
candidate Corene
McDaniel
6 p.m.
Interfaith Center

Blacks in
Communications
Alliance Meeting
7 p.m.
Sangamon Room

Women's Basketball
vs. Drake
7:05 p.m.
SIU Arena

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THURSDAY:
Rain
High: 41
Low: 35



FRIDAY:
Foggy
High: 48
Low: 27



SATURDAY:
Partly cloudy
High: 44
Low: 23

POLICE BLOTTER

UNIVERSITY

- A 20-year-old Schneider Hall resident reported receiving several obscene telephone calls between 2 a.m. Friday and 5 a.m. Tuesday. Police have no suspects and are continuing to investigate.
- A 20-year-old female reported her \$1,478 financial aid check stolen and her signature forged between Friday and Sunday. Police have no suspects, and are continuing to investigate.
- Kelly M. Baltas and Melissa R. Baltas, both 21 and of Carbondale, were issued a Carbondale city pay-by-mail citation charging indecent exposure on Oct. 29 on South Illinois Avenue. The two were identified from videos made during Halloween.

CORRECTIONS

- Wednesday's story "Women in engineering come a long way," should have stated that three women will be receiving awards at the College of Engineering during National Engineers week.
- In Wednesday's story "Carbondale ward system battle moves to court," David Kenney's name was misspelled.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets the errors.

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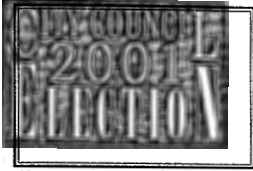
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City Councilman seeks second, last term



MARK LAMBIRD
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Editor's note: This is the second installment in a series profiling the candidates in the Carbondale City Council primary election.

Carbondale City Councilman Larry Briggs is a Texan by birth and a citizen of Carbondale by choice.

Briggs, who is running for re-election to the Carbondale City Council, said he was not going to run for a second term but felt compelled by supporters who told him he was doing a good job. Briggs said he truly enjoys the job and that was a big part of his decision to run again.

Briggs grew up amid the oil fields of east Texas in the town of Gladewater. From Texas, He went to the University of Oklahoma on football scholarship. He eventually left football and played for the university's baseball team.

"I was a 170-pound quarterback, I would have been killed playing football," Briggs said.

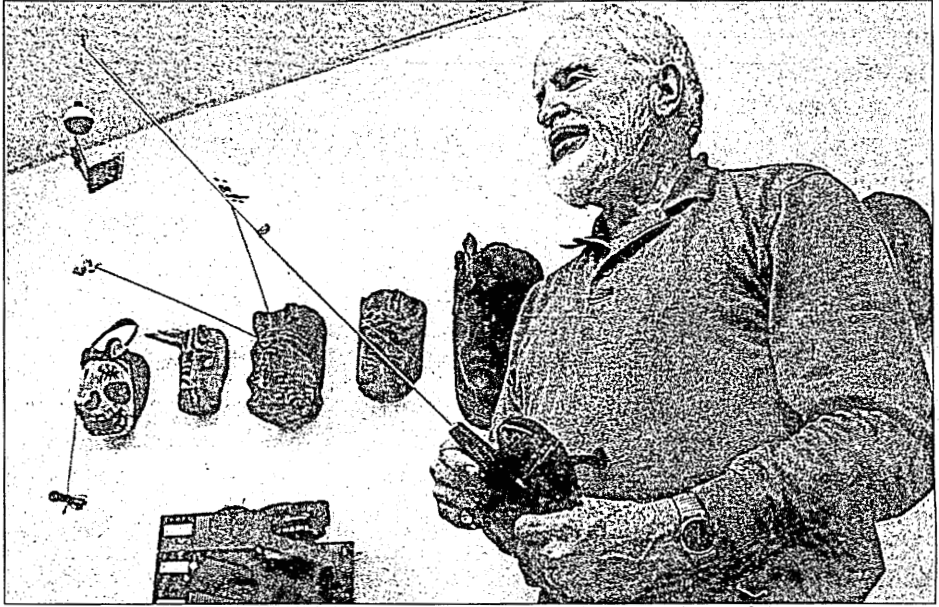
When Briggs decided to go into teaching, he sent his résumé to 20 universities and one of the offers that he got back was from SIUC.

"I had never heard of SIUC before I sent them my résumé," Briggs said.

Briggs worked in advertising for 27 years before arriving at SIUC. The stress of the job was the reason Briggs opted for a change. Carbondale has been his home since the 1980s when he took an offer to teach in SIUC's School of Art & Design.

"Once you reach a certain level you have to hit a home run every day," Briggs said.

In his first term, Briggs was a proponent of the Superblock project. He said lowering the bar-entry age was a major accomplishment in his first term.



JESSICA KOLB - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Associate Professor of Art and Design Larry Briggs demonstrates his technique for teaching students the lure money may have in real-world interviewing. Currently a Carbondale City Councilman, Briggs hopes to maintain his position, with the upcoming primaries on February 27.

Briggs was also among the city officials who volunteered along the Strip during Halloween activities in 1997.

"We went down and had friendly interaction, there were some problems but no property damage," Briggs said.

Briggs said last year the number of volunteers was not as large as was needed to handle the crowd. He said the press release sent out by the University: telling people not to come to Carbondale during the Halloween weekend also contributed to the problems.

"We sat and watched people get off the train at 4 [p.m.] and then they would get back on the train at 4 [a.m.] and go home," Briggs said.

Associate professor Larry Busch, a colleague of Briggs in the School of Art & Design, volunteered to walk the Strip with Briggs during Halloween festivities.

"I was astonished at how well Briggs' method worked with dealing with the crowd," Busch said.

He was there until the last person left the Strip, Busch said. He believes that Briggs is a

good city councilman because he is very well informed.

"He invests a lot of personal time in the city," Busch said.

Briggs said he was surprised when the council passed the resolution he sponsored to keep the bars open last year. City officials are scared to death of Halloween problems on the Strip, Briggs said.

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ESLALIE PREE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

A collective sigh of relief: SIU President James Walker, Faculty Association President Morteza Daneshdoost and Faculty Association Vice President Mary Lamb relax after signing the new tenured and tenure-track faculty contract Wednesday morning. After a year of intense negotiations, the union recently voted to ratify the contract instead of launching a strike.

Indian students, earthquake victims breathing easier

EMILY OSTENDORF
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The group effort of students and faculty has made it possible for Indians on campus and abroad to find hope following disaster.

The earthquake that shook western India on Jan. 26 killed 16,927 and injured 166,836 according to the Indian Ministry of Agriculture's website of current death tolls and relief effort.

SIUC's Indian Student Association, through the help of countless donors, raised \$1,700. The funds will be sent to victims of the quake through a relief organization. This action is on delay because victims have been relocated to safe zones in the nation.

Subha Natarajan, a graduate student in electri-

cal engineering from Chennai, India, serves as the association's vice president. She said that they had "a very good response" from local donors, even citing someone who put \$100 into the donation box.

Things are also looking better for Mailesh Naik, a sophomore in computer science from Ahmedabad, India, who recently received word that his family was safe. Others in Naik's hometown were not as fortunate. The death toll in this city alone reached 750, with an additional 4,040 injured.

Aftershocks continue even two weeks after the earthquake. On Saturday, 15 aftershocks ranging from 3.1 to 4.1 on the Richter scale rattled the area again.

Fifty-one countries came to India's aid following the quake.

Lentz and Grinnell halls follow example of Trueblood's Grab & Go

CODELL RODRIGUEZ
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Dale Bruns strolls around the Trueblood Hall Grab 'n' Go, moving a wet-floor sign from the path of a customer, keeping a proud look on his face.

Bruns, unit manager at Trueblood Hall, keeps an eye on overall smoothness at the Grab 'n' Go, which incorporated new options and a new look this semester. The changes were such a hit with students, they will come to Lentz and Grinnell halls starting in fall 2001.

"It's unbelievable how much business we're doing here," Bruns said.

To make the quick dining method more of a convenience, Trueblood took its once fast-food appearance and made it look more like a 7-Eleven. The area includes a Campbell's Soup stand, 13-ounce bags of chips, an area reserved for Uncle Ben's Rice Bowls and a freezer housing frozen hamburgers and pizzas.

Nellidene Howell, a senior in interior design from Quincy, lived in Thompson Point last semester and was shocked to see the difference between the Grab 'n' Go at Lentz Hall and the one at Trueblood Hall.

"This one has a lot more variety," Howell said as she sorted through the frozen foods.

Special modifications will be made in Lentz Hall with no extra charge to the students to incorporate the updated food-on-the-go facility. The existing Lentz Hall Grab 'n' Go will be moved to the more spacious dining room 4. The Lakeside Deli will also be moved from the basement, equipped with new items and combined

with the new Grab 'n' Go.

"The Lakeside Deli is increasing its variety for the students' convenience," said Peggy Corley, associate director of Housing/residence hall dining.

In addition to the extra variety, there will also be extended hours. The facilities will be open from 6 p.m. to midnight on Sunday, 7 a.m. to midnight Monday through Thursday and 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday.

The payment method of using points to put prices on items with 10 points per swipe will remain.

But larger items, like bags of chips, cost about 18 points, which equals almost two swipes.

Bruns said he thinks when the changes come to Lentz and Grinnell, they will be an instant success like the one at Trueblood Hall. The first day of the new Grab 'n' Go at Trueblood Hall, there were 3,900 card swipes.

While the variety is for the students' convenience, certain precautions had to be taken to ensure the safety of the new items. The facility now sits under the watchful eyes of several security cameras and the inventory stays secure within a cage in a back room.

Although security had to be beefed up, Bruns said the changes are there for the benefit of the students.

"I can't express how much the kids love this," Bruns said.

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how much the kids
love this.

DALE BRUNS
unit manager, Trueblood Hall

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LETTERS

Columnists not addressing serious issues

DEAR EDITOR:

If you want to be The Onion, please change your format to fit that style. You can make up fake articles about nude sunbathing by Campus Lake, or Bigfoot sightings in Thompson Woods. You can serve the students of SIU in an entertainment capacity, rather than as an informative news source. If not, please stop feeding us these useless attempts at clever wit, when there are far more important issues to discuss. Case in point, Geoffrey Ritter's inane column about SIU's inferiority to other state schools in Monday's VOICES section, "Can SIU survive? Will Kel doom us?" What is the point here?

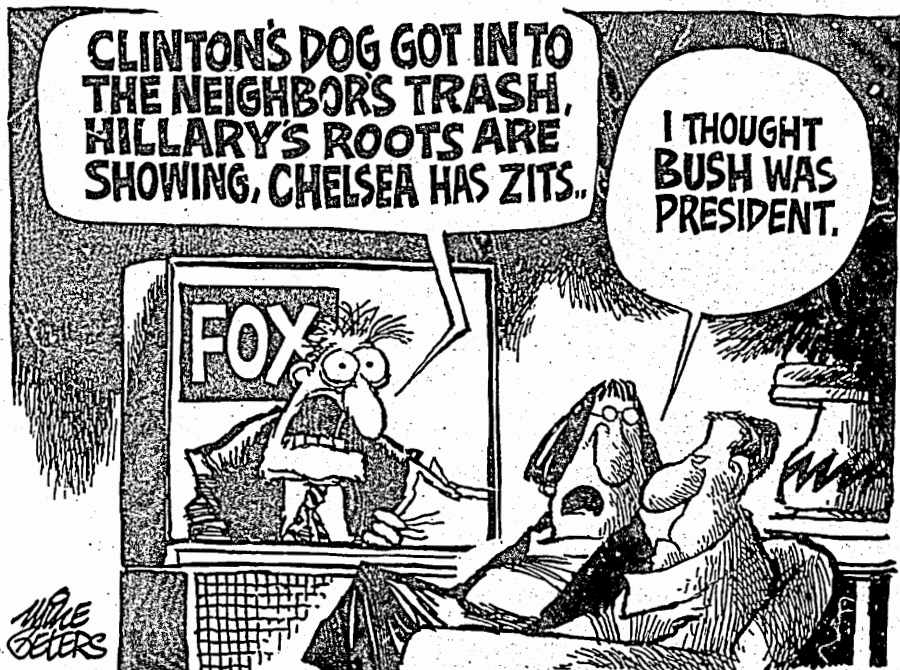
Isn't an opinion column supposed to have a point or opinion—concerning a specific topic? So, if Ritter's point is, which I don't see how it could be, that SIU is the dregs of the Illinois University system, then shouldn't he tell us why? Is it because of the Halloween debacle? Is it because of Kel Gleason's booting off Survivor II? Is it because our mascot is a rare breed of dog? These are the only options I can surmise from his column. If these are indeed the reasons, then how can we possibly take this guy seriously? He offers no concrete evidence to support any of his claims about our school.

His column serves simply—very simply—to get us to curl our lips in glee as a response to his unique brand of sarcasm. The problem is that this brand of writing has been anything but unique this year in your paper. Your columnists continually spew out worthless slices of their own lives, instead of actually commenting on an issue that may affect us as an entire community. Please tell your editorial staff to save the personal trips for their private journals. If they are writing for a STUDENT newspaper, then please write for the students. What about Bush? The potential oil-drilling in Alaska? Funding for faith-based organizations? Gas prices? Or, if you want to say that SIU are bottom-dwellers, then specify as to whom? Offer some factual evidence to affirm your opinions. It is your responsibility as students studying to be serious journalists to ponder serious questions. I do not need mascot analysis to qualify. By the way, contrary to Ritter's comments, I am not dead, I am very much alive and kicking, and I don't watch Survivor II.

Dave Stone
 Cinema and Photography

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OUR WORD

Handcuffs and scandal: Just another day at USG

Picture this scene: a student goes to his class one day, ready to participate in the day's lecture. But his name is not called and when he asks, "why not?" he is told he is no longer in the class. The student has documents that say he belongs there so he refuses to leave. Then the police come and escort him out in handcuffs.

Sound absurd? A scene just like this occurred last week with an Undergraduate Student Government senator at the regular USG meeting. Rob Taylor went to the meeting, his name wasn't called and he was told he no longer belonged there.

There had already been controversy about how Taylor's GPA was not the 2.25 needed to serve on USG but nothing had been mentioned to him that his GPA would be an issue that night. Taylor had documentation with him that showed a 2.26 GPA. When Taylor refused to leave, he was arrested, handcuffed and escorted out of the building accompanied by two guards.

Something has gone terribly awry if this situation can occur under the pretext of business-as-usual. While USG operates under the premise of being the student's government, there was nothing representative or fair about what happened that night. Just booting someone off without the simple courtesy of letting them know they can no longer serve is just another example of USG's sophomoric way of going about its business. Don't like a senator or his opposition to your plans? Kick him off

without letting him know beforehand. This kind of rationale does nothing for establishing any kind of respectability or credibility for USG.

Now uncertainty abounds regarding the whole fiasco—how did USG receive Taylor's GPA when those numbers are supposed to remain confidential? And why did USG Vice President Scott Belton insist on continuing the meeting even after numerous senators urged him to confront the issue? Instead of addressing those concerns, Belton encouraged a shouting match, a farce of what true student government should be.

Taylor no longer has his senate seat. His GPA is truly not high enough to retain the position. But he's furious and so are other senators who don't understand how a senator can just vanish without some kind of due process.

If it seems to students USG spends most of its time bouncing from one shady scandal to the next, they aren't too far from the truth. It's a shame considering that USG vowed to turn over a new leaf during a student forum last semester sponsored by the Public Policy Institute. USG senators insisted they wanted to be more accessible, more credible and generate more interest among the student body.

But if the recent ambush of Taylor is an example of what student government on this campus is all about, then USG is nothing but an overused acronym.

COLUMNIST

Priddy says farewell

Today feels very weird for me. After three-and-a-half semesters of this column, I feel like a lot of complete strangers have gotten to know me pretty well. And after more than 250 e-mail responses to my weekly rantings, it's hard to realize that I'll never get one again.

But, inevitably, my classes have gotten the better of me this semester, and I will drop to part-time student status this week, losing my campus work requirements. I will, however, be taking many wonderful DAILY EGYPTIAN memories along with me. And of course, the best memories of all were of the readers.

I don't want to sound like Eva Peron or anything, but years down the road, I know I will still see things that remind me of the people I've met here. Every autumn, I will recall the Veteran's Day 1999, when an anonymous enlisted reader raked my entire yard while I was at school after he read that day's column. Whenever the political circus begins a new election, I will think nostalgically back to Campaign 2000 and my exploits as the



Not Just Another Priddy Face

BY GRACE PRIDDY
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human coupon at Castle Perilous. And I am sure I will never again hear the phrase "Saving Grace" without remembering the encouragement of the architecture folks at Quigley Hall, and the support they gave me each week on the fourth floor bulletin board.

I guess mostly what I'm trying to say is that SIU is full of wonderful, supportive people. And, in turn, SIU produces more success stories because of them. When I started my column, I was a 17-year-old straight out of high school. To be honest, college scared me a lot. But the greatest feeling in the world was finding out each week that I wasn't alone.

I know the majority won't realize I'm gone, but the point is that many of you have changed my life without even knowing it, and after much too long without recognition, it is time for me to thank all of the people in Carbondale who have made my education worthwhile.

Thank you, SIU. You've given me all the strength I'll ever need, just by being yourselves.

NOT JUST ANOTHER PRIDDY FACE appears on Thursday. Grace is a junior in Architectural Studies. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

More time, more money

Departments can increase graduate student funding limits

MOLLY PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Nearly three months after a resolution passed rescinding University wide funding limits, some graduate students are finding they have more time to complete their degrees.

In December, the Graduate Council passed a revised resolution that transferred the responsibility of setting funding limits from the Graduate School into the hands of individual departments.

A similar resolution passed the council in May that eliminated all funding limits, which is the amount of time the University provides support for a graduate student to do research and complete their degrees.

Previous funding limits were 24 months for a master's degree and 48 months for a doctorate degree.

Since the new resolution passed, the Anthropology Department changed their funding limits to 30 months for a master's degree and a split-funding limit in the doctoral program which allows 40 months before being accepted as a candidate and 30 months to complete the degree.

Susan Ford, chair of the educational policy committee for the council, said even though the resolution was passed, it stalled because of pressure from administration wanting the council to require departments to set a funding limit, even if they differ from the original

University limits.

Administrators expressed concerns about graduate students having no funding limits and asked the council to reconsider possible revisions, she said.

In December, to the satisfaction of the administration, the council passed a revised resolution that required departments to maintain a limit.

The new resolution is different because it requires the limits set by the department to reflect the national average for the time it takes students to receive a master's or doctorate degree in a particular program. Also, departments that do not file a different time limit with the Graduate School will remain at the original limits set by the University.

Ford said allowing departments to set their own limits will allow programs that rely heavily on field-based research, such as psychology and anthropology, to change the limits based on the needs of their students.

Before the resolution, students were normally granted a one-year extension from the Graduate School, but this required extra paper work and time. The new resolution also allows students to seek extensions directly from their departments, Ford said.

Ford said the national average for obtaining a degree in anthropology is 10 years, six years more than the previous University funding limit.

She said departments also have

the option of tightening the time graduate students are funded. The College of Mass Communication and Media Arts suggested the possibility of lowering the amount of time students are funded and focusing more on recruiting than retention.

Interim Graduate School Dean John Koropchak said it was unwise to completely eliminate funding limits because students could abuse the policy.

"If students abuse the funding limits and stay around too long, it makes costs to the University higher," Koropchak said.

He said one of the main differences that made this resolution more appealing to the administration is that for a department to receive an increase in funding limits, the request must be supported by national and local data that prove obtaining a degree in a particular area takes longer than those originally set by the University.

Ed Ford, a graduate student, said you have to look at what the general public is willing to pay for when considering an increase in the amount of time a student is funded. Also, allowing for a student to be funded for a longer period of time decreases the amount of new students that can enter the field.

"Get them in. Get them out. Bring in the next person," Ed Ford said.

But, he also agreed that some programs take considerably longer to complete and giving the ability for departments to set limits allows them to deliver to these situations on a need basis.

"Rather than a one size fits all, this lets the unit decide," Ed Ford said.

Last guest speaker expected to end on inspiring note

Major historian comes to lecture about the connections among race, class and labor

ANDREA PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Joe Trotter is expected to tantalize his audience today, as he stands boldly in front of crowd in the Student Center to lecture on labor, class and race as part of Black History Month events.

Trotter, a history professor at Carnegie Mellon University, was sponsored by Multicultural Programs and Services because he received rave reviews by faculty and students on his one of 11 books, "River Jordan: African-American Urban Life in the Ohio River Valley." The 11-member committee said SIUC students would be inspired about the topic. "Sometimes it's hard to get a major historian to come speak at a school this size," said Pamela Smoot, associate professor for Black American Studies. "A lot of scholars would rather attend schools like UCLA."

Trotter will be the last guest speaker to speak in the Black History Month list of events. Last week, Wilma King, a history professor at University of Missouri Columbia, paved the way for



Trotter when she spoke of "Children in the Civil Rights Movement."

"If people want to learn a little more about black people, class, labor and how all these things tie in together, then they should definitely attend the lecture," said Carl Ervin, coordinator of Student Development Multicultural Programs and Services.

Trotter is known for talking about past labor conditions with blacks working in coal mines. Smoot said Trotter's book, "Black Milwaukee: The Making of an Industrial Proletariat 1915-1945," helped her write her dissertation.

Smoot inspired Multicultural Programs and Services to invite Trotter because of his national acclaim as an historian. Smoot said Trotter was honored in being

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Cox, born and raised in Carbondale, has been supporting himself by hand weaving shawls, rugs, pillows, scarves and throws for the past two and a half years.

Cox attended SIUC and received a bachelor's degree in art education. In order for him to get his degree, he had to enroll in a weaving class. Cox said he enjoyed the class so much, he kept doing it. He then decided to return to SIUC to pursue a master's degree in fine arts for fibers, finishing the degree in 1978.

Cox said he has given up several things in life to do the job he loves. He said he leads a simple life and does not have a lot of money.

"I would rather do this and

be happy than be paid \$50,000 a year and hate [my job]," Cox said.

Cox works out of his home and weaves various items by hand, which he sells in the Carbondale area. Cox's work can be found at the Associated Artists' Gallery, 715 S. University Ave., and at Visions Art Gallery and Studio on the boardwalk in Makanda.

He can also occasionally be found selling his work while participating in craft sales at the Student Center.

Cox recently became a member of The Art Trail of Southern Illinois. The Trail is a combination of shops in the Southern Illinois region that sell local artists works.

Cox is now working to convert his home studio into a business. Cox hopes this will maximize his profits and also allow him to attract more customers.

He believes himself lucky to be one of the people who can say they actually enjoy their work.

"I like what I do, what else can I say," Cox said.



JESSICA KOLB - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Richard Cox, a native of Carbondale, sets up a display of his Afghan works at the Student Center Wednesday.

LECTURE

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asked to attend to speak with a variety of students on an essential topic.

Smoot said although all the speakers this month were spectacular, Trotter will make a lasting impression.

Smoot expects a nice mixture of students, professors and people from the community because of the outcome at previous lectures this month. She said this lecture is not just for curious students, but to give all history majors more insight on the past.

"A lot of students do not want to attend because they think this is just an African-American event, just like some who think the same about Hispanic History Month," Smoot said.



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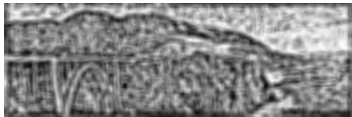
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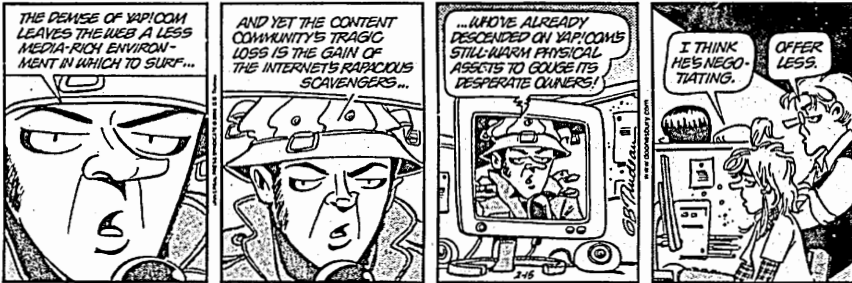


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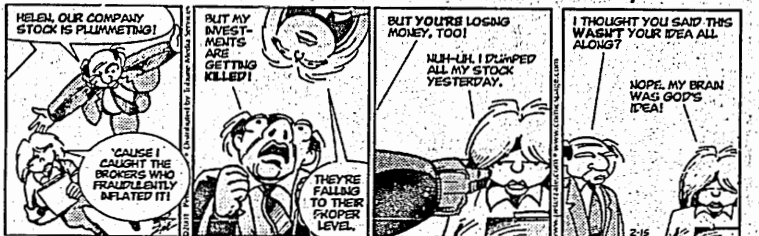
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Saluki Softball breaks free from indoors, heads for Mississippi

SIU softball opens the season at Mississippi State U. Tournament

COREY CUSICK
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Good-bye ... bye, bye ... Davies ... Davies, Davies ... Gym ... Gym, Gym.

With bad weather locking them indoors, the SIU softball team will finally escape an echo-trapped Davies Gym and flee south to ... Mississippi.

Well it's not Mexico, but it will allow the Salukis to use an actual playing field. On Friday, SIU will battle Drexel University in its season-opener and the first of four games at the Mississippi State University Tournament in Starkville, Miss., this weekend.

"It'll be good to get out of [that] gym," said senior first baseman Netty Hallahan.

The Mississippi State Tourney is the first of four early season tournaments SIU will take part in before starting Missouri Valley Conference play in mid-March.

Host school Mississippi State is the top

SALUKI SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

Fri.-Sun. 16-18	Mississippi State Tournament	Starkville, Miss.
Fri. 16	vs. Drexel	Noon
Sat. 17	vs. Tennessee Tech	1 p.m.
Sat. 17	vs. Winthrop	3 p.m.
Sun. 18	vs. Texas-Arlington	Noon

team competing this week, with its No. 23 ranking, but the Salukis will compete against a slew of top-25 teams in the early portion of the year with trips to Las Cruces, N.M., and San Jose, Calif., on the bill.

There are many advantages for the program in traveling to such distant venues. Other than the solid competition it provides, it also works as a recruiting aid to get the SIU name out, but for now the Salukis are just ready to actually play someone other than each

other in practice.
"That's pretty much what the preseason's all about before we get into conference play,"

Hallahan said. "Everyone plays, we all get comfortable and back in the swing of things."

"We hit off our pitchers [in practice], but it's a lot different because we're used to them and we know what type of pitches they have, so it'll be different to get out there and see what other teams do against us."

One item of concern for second-year Saluki head coach Kerri Blaylock is whether Mississippi is far enough South to stray from the bad weather around the region lately.

But weather-providing, the Salukis are ready to kick-off the season and see how their six newcomers mix with a solid core of returnees led by seniors Erin Stremsterfer, an all-MVC pitcher and Marta Viehhaus, an all-MVC center fielder.

Sophomore hurler Katie Kloess is returning after a solid freshman campaign where she finished 8-2 with a 0.57 ERA. Freshman Mary Jaszczak rounds out the Saluki staff. Jaszczak lived up to the hype prior to her arrival at SIU in the fall season for Blaylock.

The Joliet Township High School graduate and all-state selection is having few problems carrying her strong prep career into the collegiate ranks.

Blaylock is also high on freshmen twins Adie and Haley Viehhaus — younger sisters of Marta — and freshman outfielder Tara Glasco.

But mainly Blaylock is just ready to actually get on the field.

"Just to get out, get on the dirt and actually play a game and see where you're at," said Blaylock as a main objective this weekend. "[We want to] play well and see how much improvement you've made over the previous year."

Hallahan said this weekend will provide some of the underclassmen a chance to experience a higher level of play, rather than the day-in, day-out monotonous feel of practice.

"We can do all we can in practice, but game mentality is different, people will be nervous, excited," Hallahan said. "I don't think there's anything else we can do but go play."

MVC SWIMMING AND DIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Thursday, February 15

Preliminaries-11:00 a.m./ Finals-6:00 p.m.

200 yd. free relay
10 min. break
500 yd. freestyle
200 yd. I.M.
50 yd. freestyle
20 min. break
400 yd. medley relay
1 meter diving (W)
3 meter diving (M)

Friday, February 16

Preliminaries-11:00 a.m./ Finals-6:00 p.m.

200 yd. medley relay
10 min. break
400 yd. I.M.
100 yd. butterfly
200 yd. freestyle
100 yd. breaststroke
100 yd. backstroke
20 min. break
800 yd. free relay
3 meter diving (W)

Saturday, February 17

Preliminaries-10:33 a.m./ Finals-5:00 p.m.

200 yd. backstroke
100 yd. freestyle
200 yd. breaststroke
200 yd. butterfly
20 min. break
400 yd. free relay
1650 yd. freestyle
1 meter diving (M)

SALUKI SPORTS NOTES

SIU Tennis Coaches are Featured Speakers at Booster Luncheon

The Saluki Booster Club is conducting its monthly luncheon at noon today at Mugsy McGuire's, 1620 W. Main, which will feature SIU men's tennis coach Missy Jeffries and women's tennis coach Judy Auld.

FESTIVAL

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Ryan. The governor declared Feb. 11 through Feb. 17 International Week in Illinois, highlighting that SIUC has student representatives from 115 countries and ranks in the top 20 for universities with foreign enrollment.

Dillard added that international students, scholars and faculty on campus help bring diversity to Carbondale.

"The international students add a depth and dimension to the academic and cultural life of the community and the region of Southern Illinois," Dillard said.

"The community is so much a better place to live, to work and to visit because the international students have come to the University," he said.

Jackson thanked the international community as they "graciously and professionally provide ... a free passport to lands near and far."

BRIGGS

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"They don't want a black mark on their star city," Briggs said.

Briggs believes that one of the main problems facing the city today is the struggle businesses have with locating in Carbondale. City government has become too big and there are too many hoops for businesses to jump through in order to bring a business to town, he said. Briggs cited other communities in the area that have seen growth in the recent years.

"Marion says, 'what can we do to help?' Carbondale shows them a 25-pound book of ordinances they have to comply to," Briggs said.

The proposed ward systems is an issue Briggs believes will divide the City Council rather than strengthen it. Briggs said the ward systems will make council elections more political in the future because council members elected from a ward would be less concerned with

issues outside of their ward. Briggs said he will support the voters in Carbondale, whatever their decision about the ward system is.

Briggs said the University and the city must work together to increase student enrollment. The University does not want to spend the money that it would take, and the city does not want to give as much as it should. Briggs said that a coordinated effort is needed by the city and the University.

The bar-entry age issue Briggs championed in the last election may also be of concern, depending on the outcome of the election. There are some candidates, Briggs said, who will change their position after the election and be in favor of raising the age.

Briggs said this would be his last term in office. He will not seek a third term because he will be retiring and said it would be time for someone else to serve.

"I feel comfortable with what I have done on the council," Briggs said.

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LARRY BRIGGS
City Council Member

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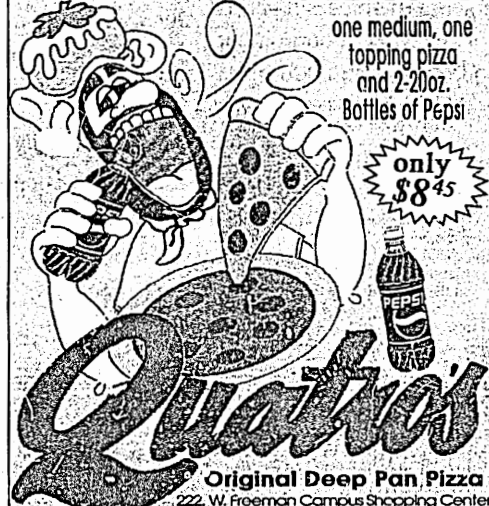
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Salukis to renew unpleasanties with the Redbirds

Dawgs continue road swing with trip to Illinois State

ANDY EGENSE
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4) are tied for second place in the Missouri Valley Conference hunt.

And SIU knows they will have to bring its 'A' game if the Salukis plan to win in a tough Redbird Arena.

"It's not stopping just one guy, it's stopping the whole team," said senior forward Abel Schrader.

"We really have nothing to lose. They're in front of us and we have to go in and try to play our best and let the chips fall where they may. It'll be fun, they will have a good college atmosphere and hopefully we'll perform well."

The Salukis have had only two players, Williams and Cross, reach double figures in scoring in six of their last eight games. But Weber knows in addition to finding more scorers, SIU will need a sound defensive game to win Thursday.

"It still comes down to Bryson. He's big time and Jeppson is real consistent ... and they're hungry and that's the big thing," Weber said.

This should be the most rigorous week of the season for the Salukis, who play at the University of Northern Iowa Saturday, making two separate trips to the state of Iowa in six days.

SIU defeated Drake

SIU men's basketball head coach Bruce Weber has gotten the ball rolling in the past three weeks.

Now he just hopes it doesn't stop.

SIU will attempt to avenge a mid-season home loss to Illinois State University tonight with a 7:05 tip-off at Redbird Arena in Normal. The Salukis (13-11, 7-6) were defeated by Illinois State 88-74 in Carbondale on Jan. 14.


"I think we're more ready to play and understand the intensity level of the new guys, so that's helped," Weber said. "We kind of understand our roles better getting Kent [Williams] the ball at right times. It's just consistency."

"If Josh Cross could play and be there where we're getting consistent numbers from him. If Jermaine [Dearman] would be there all the time - we show signs, but we don't show consistency."

SIU will have a daunting task with Illinois State's dynamic perimeter shooting, considering the Salukis have struggled defensively this season guarding the perimeter.

Redbird guards Tarise Bryson and Shawn Jeppson connected on 17-of-25 field goal attempts in the last game versus SIU, including a perfect 5-of-5 from 3-point land. Bryson dropped in 35 points, while Jeppson followed with 20 points of his own.

With Illinois State's double-overtime victory against the University of Evansville on Monday, the Redbirds (17-5, 9-



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Series Notes:
The Salukis have a 59-56 advantage in a longtime series that initiated in 1915. SIU lost to Illinois State 88-74 at the SIU Arena Jan. 14.

The word on the Salukis:
SIU has won three out of their last four with an 89-84 overtime win at Drake University Monday night. The Salukis' last three wins have all been close games with the margins of victory being five points or less.

Projected SIU starting lineup:

#2 G - Marcus Bekker (Jr.)	6-0
#33 G - Kent Williams (So.)	6-2
#45 F - Abel Schrader (Sr.)	6-4
#12 F - Josh Cross (Sr.)	6-4
#11 C - Syvester Willis (Fr.)	6-6

(13-11, 7-6)



The word on the Redbirds:
Led by All-MVC performer Tarise Bryson, Illinois State has answered its doubters this season by continuing to win. The Redbirds picked up a double-overtime win at the University of Evansville Monday night to remain one win behind first-place Oregon University.

Projected ISU starting lineup:

#12 G - Tarise Bryson (Sr.)	6-4
#13 G - Kandy Rice (Jr.)	6-0
#1 F - Cedric Knight (Fr.)	6-6
#40 F - Rich Beyers (Jr.)	6-8
#44 C - Andy Strandmark (So.)	6-10

Bottom Line:
SIU will have to limit the guard play of Tarise Bryson and Shawn Jeppson if it has any hopes of coming away with a win at SIU.



JUSTIN JONES - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Senior forward Joshua Cross and the Salukis will attempt to keep up their winning ways on the road after winning at Drake Monday night. SIU takes on Illinois State tonight in Normal.

Drake women triumph through tragedy

Drake women's basketball putting the pieces together for the MVC Tournament and other postseason hopes

JAVIER SERNA
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Triumph through hardship is something the Drake University women's basketball has been living this season.

With a nine-player rotation and a current nine-game winning streak, the second-place Bulldogs (16-4, 11-1) have already made it past the majority of their hurdles.

And they shouldn't have to leap too high to get past the struggling Salukis (2-11, 5-17) tonight at the SIU Arena. The incentive is there. A Drake victory would put them in a tie for first place.

After having beat the University of Iowa Dec. 16, the Bulldogs joined the Hawkeyes in a prayer for their teammate, Mandy Kappel. The freshman had been diagnosed with a brain tumor that same day. A week earlier another teammate, Martha Chaput, had been diagnosed with Hodgkin's Disease.

"When I think about that game, I honestly don't think about anything that had to do with

basketball," recalled senior guard Kristin Santa. "And yeah, we were really excited about winning the game and beating our old coaches [Hawkeye head coach Lisa Bluder was the coach of Drake last year], and Iowa is our intrastate rival and all, but I think more so than basketball that night, we were thinking about Mandy and Martha."

The Bulldogs had already leapt other hurdles.

In October, before the season even started, first-year Bulldog head coach Lisa Stone lost her best post-player in senior Carla Bennett. Doctors said she would not return until mid-January.

"It didn't look good," Stone said with a sigh. "Her foot was pointing one way and her ankle was pointing the other way."

Stone told Bennett what she would have to repeat to Kappel and Chaput less than two months later.

"We'll be here every step of the way and we'll be here to laugh with and cry with and help you get back to recovery," Stone told Bennett.

But fortunately for the Bulldogs, Bennett made the season opener on Nov. 17.

"Carla just worked very hard in rehab to get

herself better and ready to play in the first game," Stone said of Bennett, who leads the team, averaging 15.5 points and 8.9 rebounds a game.

The Bulldogs are also getting major production from Santa, and juniors Erin Richards and Stephanie Schmitz, all of whom are averaging at least 11.6 points a game.

As for Kappel and Chaput, both are recovering well from their illnesses and have kept active roles on the team, sitting every game on the Bulldog bench.

"Their presence is very powerful to all of us," Stone said. "It's great to have them up and walking and being healthy. Their return to the court next year will be very welcome."

But for right now, the reigning MVC champs are focused on the season at hand.

"We've learned a lot on how to put things behind you when you're on the court," Santa said. "When you're off the court you think about your teammates who are ill. As soon as you step back on the court, you have to put those things behind you. Yeah, we're playing for them, and we dedicated the season to them, but we had to learn to focus on basketball once we get on the court."

Our goal is to win the regular season, win the conference tournament and get to the NCAAs and do what no Drake team has ever done, which is get to the Sweet Sixteen.

LISA STONE
head coach, Drake women's basketball

And the Bulldogs, who beat conference leader Southwest Missouri State University on Jan. 3, have every reason to believe they can win short-handed or not.

"The SMS win was that much more powerful because we did what we did under those circumstances," said Stone, referring to her depleted roster.

Stone, who made the jump to Division-I basketball after 12 winning seasons at Division III University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, takes little credit for this year's success.

"The game is the same, the players are bigger and better," Stone said. "I've got a tremendous staff that helps me do what I do, but the credit is not Lisa Stone, it's these players and this team. My kids have worked their tails off for us. I'm just very fortunate to be here and very glad to be here."

But Stone knows there is still work to be done.

"Our goal is to win the regular season, win the conference tournament and get to the NCAAs and do what no Drake team has ever done, which is get to the Sweet Sixteen," Stone said. "We've got a lot to do before that."

GAME TIME
• THE SIU WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM HOSTS THE DRAKE BULLDOGS AT THE SIU ARENA TONIGHT AT 7.