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## Daily Egyptian

## SIUE breaks enrollment records

JEFF ENGELHARDT Dally Egyptian

he university

has been very proactive in

recruiting and

retaining students.

In fact, we're about-

9 percent ahead of

applications received

at this time last year.

Not all of SIU is struggling with enrollment.

Southern Illinois University Edwardsville released record-breaking enrollment numbers in back-to-back semesters as the institution is now at an all-time high for spring enrollment at 13,132 students. The mark comes after a fall semester that set a new record for the most stu-

dents ever enrolled at Edwardsville at 13, 942.

SIUC spokesman Rod Slevers said the university would not comment on the outlook for this semester's enrollment until Monday when it releases the official numbers SIUC is looking to reverse its trend of declining enrollment as spring enrollment fell in 2009 to 19.389 students com-Scott Belobraidic pared to 19,789 in spring assistant vice chancellor for enrollment 2008. management at SIUE

Greg Conroy, spokesman for SIUE, said there

is usually always a dip in enrollment during the spring semester, but the university appears to be headed toward a string of record-setting semesters.

Our staff of enrollment management watch the trends and take advantage of it, and because of that our freshman class keeps growing," Conroy said. "And that actually becomes a double-edge sword because we have to make sure we balance that against the resources which attracted the students in the first place."

A major reason for the enrollment records is the attention the university pays to its freshman class, said Scott Belobrajdic, assistant vice chancellor for enrollment management at SIUE.

Strategies such as the in-state tuition for out-of-state students and the First-Year Experience program that SIUC have started have been main focuses at SIUE for years, Be-

He said SIUE takes pride in a 17-to-1 student-to-teacher ratio, which ensures freshmen develop relationships with full-time professors and not just teacher assistants.

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#### SIUC

Fall 2007: 20,983

Fall 2008: 20,673 (decrease of 1.5 percent) Fall 2009: 20,350 (decrease of 1.6 percent)

Fall 2007: 13,398 Fall 2008: 13,602 (increase of 1.5 percent) Fall 2009: 13,940 (increase of 2.5 percent)

rce: SIUE 2010 Fact Book, SIUC Web site JULIA FROMME DAILY EGYPTIAN ,..

### Bomb threat reported at Unity Point

Daily Egyptian

The Jackson County Sheriff's Department is investigating an anonymous and unspecified bomb threat reported by Unity Point Community School at 12:15 p.m. Thursday, a department press release said. Classes were canceled for the remain-

evacuated to a safe location, the release said. The building was searched and no injuries were reported. uries were reported.

Students found a piece of toilet paper

with a bomb threat written on it in the bathroom and notified the principal, who evacuated the school, a Unity Point student sald.

Anna Tucker, a parent who picked up her son after buses took most of the students home, said she didn't receive any notification from the school.

Parents were notified as soon as school staff could, said principal April Haar. ...

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Rachel Bucher, left, from Clarendon Hills, Joins her friend Kim Fortney, of Arcola, in singing a song by Lady Antebellum Wednesday evening in Bucher's dorm room at Mae Smith Hall. Both women are frashmen studying rchitecture. Bucher was chosen to be the student voice describing SIVC when callers to the university are put on hold. Please see page 4 for story

## Homeward bound

What's the best way to get home?

NICK JOHNSON Daily Egyptian

Whether they're homesick, want to visit a significant other or need to beg their parents for money and feel a personal touch will do the job, students who call the Chicago and St. Louis metro areas home have plenty of ways to get there.

Options exist besides driving, according to David Coracy, president of Carbondale travel agency B and A Travel.

Chicago

Amtrak is the most affordable and convenient way for students to travel to the Chicagoland area, Coracy said.

By AAA spokesman Mike Wright's es-

timated rate of 16 cents per mile, a drive to Chicago with a vehicle averaging 20 miles per gallon would cost \$104. By contrast, costs for round-trip Amtrak tickets : to Chicago's Union Station and back depend on departure time and how far in advance the tickets are bought, according to the company's site.

For example, if purchased the week of travel, a round-trip can cost \$84 by departing from Carbondale at 8:15 a.m. Friday and leaving Chicago at 3:16 a.m. Sunday, according to the rail company's site. Options for other departure times the week of travel can cost up to \$166 roundtrip, according to the site.

If bought one month in advance,

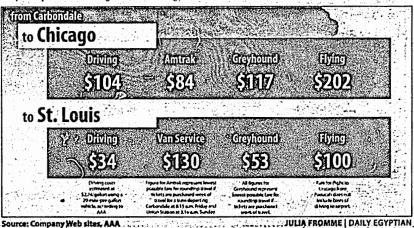
round-trip tickets cost between \$64 and \$74, depending on the departure time.

Justin Cole, a senior university studles major from Freeport, said he prefers to drive home, but other options such as Amtrak are good for students without vehicles.

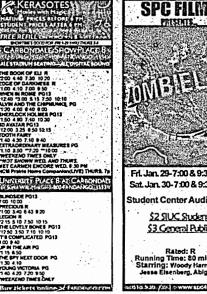
"I'd rather drive because I'm in control," he said. "I know how long it's going to take me."

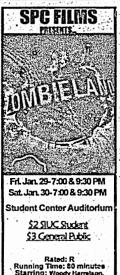
Maurice Joyce, a sophomore from Chicago studying music business, said he usually drives home but has taken Amtrak four or five times.

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Train tickets are cheap if bought : in advance and the ride is more comfortable, but it always takes longer than driving, he said.

Freshman Valerie Turner, a psychology major, said she prefers driving to the Windy City because it's faster and more convenient.

You can bring way more things home when you drive," she said.

Greyhound buses run to Chicago as well and cost between \$117 and \$138 round-trip (non-refundable) for the week of travel, according to the company's site. A refundable round-trip fare is offered for \$155.

The cheapest way for students without a car to get home is to carpool with someone else, said Dontele Crowder, a junior studying criminal justice from Chicago.

Direct flights from Barkley Regional Airport in Paducah, Ky., to Chicago will also be available starting Feb. 11, according to the airport's site. The airport is about an hour and a half from Carbondale and fares on flights start at \$202 if booked within 30 days of the trip, according to the airport's site.

St. Louis Though SIUC students who live in St. Louis don't have a rail option,

Tom Knox, an Amtrak worker for the last six years, helps Yessenia Olivas a sophomore from Chicago studying public relations, onto the train. SAMI BOWDEN DAILY EGYPTIAN

they have the option of flying directly from the Williamson County Regional Airport in Marion for about \$100 round-trip, Coracy

A drive to and from St. Louis using AAA estimations costs \$34.24.

A weekend ride to St. Louis on a Greyhound bus costs between \$53 and \$63 (non-refundable) round-trip the week of travel, and riders can save up to 50 percent with seven, 14 and 21-day advance purchase fares, according to Greyhound's site. Riders who want a refundable fare can purchase one the veek of travel for about \$72 roundtrip, according to the site.

Bart Transportation, a van service that runs throughout southern Illinois also runs to the St. Louis area for about \$130 to \$140 roundtrip, Coracy said.

They pick you up at your door and drop you off at the door you're going to," Coracy said. "They're pretty convenient, but I won't say they're inexpensive."

Students can also purchase third-party company Student Advantage's discount card, which knocks 15 percent off Amtrak fares and 20 percent off Greyhound fares purchased via walk-up or online.
With regard to safety, Coracy

said air and train travel are equally

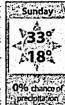
"When you start looking at number of deaths from each different source, car is the most dangerous way to travel anywhere," he

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## Pulitzer group reports dangers of climate change

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Three Journalists from the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting shared their experiences with climate control and the effects humans have on it Thursday at the Student Center.

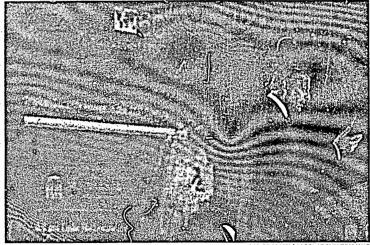
Around 50 people showed up to Ballroom A as journalists William Wheeler, Anna-Katarina Gravgaard and Jennifer Redfearn presented their contributions to "Heat of the Moment: Report from the Frontline of Climate Change," a production put together by the Pulitzer Center to show the harmful impact climate change is having around the world.

John Sawyer, director of the Pulitzer Center on Crisis Reporting, said the presentation comes at an especially interesting time, as the United Nations Climate Change Conference wrapped up last month in Copenhagen, Denmark.

Wheeler and Gravgaard discussed their work in southern Asia, which reported on the lack of drinking water in the region. Wheeler said focusing on the region, specifically Bungladesh, did not take too much thought.

"I was looking for a water story, and south Asia is one of the most susceptible regions in the world to the effects of climate change, due to the

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Al Gore speaks before the World Affairs Council, Friday, Nov. 6, at Lo vs Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia. Gore's involvement in environmental issues and climate change was the subject of the 2006 documentary film. An inconvenient Truth.

high population and the unique high hydrology of the area," Wheeler said.

South Asia has 25 percent of the world's population — and only 5 percent of its fresh water resources," he

Redfearn's research took her to

the Carteret Islands, north of Papua New Guinea, which she said would be completely under water within the next 30 years. She said the population there is looking to relocate to the Bougainville Island, part of Papua

Gravgaard said the reason for reporting across the world is to shed a light on the immediacy of the situa-

"(We're) trying to show some stories to show how climate change is affecting people now," she said. "Giv-

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what could happen in the future."

Wheeler said it is important for lournalists to focus on the climate problems around the world, but he sald it was a difficult story to tell.

"It's a unique story to tell as a journalist, our job is to ask the right questions, and in some cases you have to go there and do it yourself," he said.

William Frelvogel, director of the SIUC School of Journalism - which helped sponsor the event alongside the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute and the university's Global Media Research Center - said climate change is still very newsworthy, especially after the interest shown by major news networks during the climate conference in Copenhagen.

Wheeler said the timing of the project could not have come at a better time.

"When we started this, we knew there would be some interest because of Copenhagen," Wheeler said. "I was pleasantly surprised just how much interest there was in the American market. We struck at the right time. and in journalism - timing is everything."

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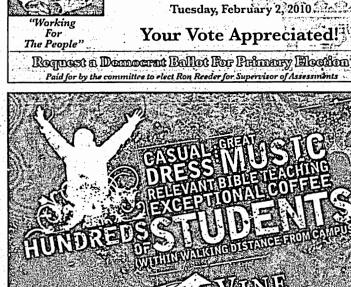
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## Can I put you on hold?

### On-hold telephone message gets a makeover

TRAVIS BEAN Daily Egyptian

"Hey, I'm Rachel and I'm a senior at Hinsdale Central High School. But this fall, I'm going from a Red Devil to a Saluki dog. So let me tell you some of the things that made me choose SIU."

This is the message people will hear if they call SIU's Financial Aid Office and are put on hold. But who is Rachel? Is she a real person or a fictional character with a fake story?

You know, I've always wondered who she is," Sarah Allison said.

Allison, a freshman from Carbondale studying health care management, works for the bursar office and said she has heard the message several times. In fact, nobody in the bursar office was sure of the mystery woman.

The woman is real and her name is Rachel Bucher, a freshman from Clarendon Hills studying interior design.

"It's funny because my room mate said, "There's this girl named Rachel and she said she was from Hinsdale Central and I thought it was you," Bucher said. "That was

Chancellor Sam Goldman said he came up with the idea of changing the on hold telephone message from the Saluki Fight Song to a message about the university.

"I enjoy hearing it," Goldman said. "As a matter of fact, I'm kind of happy when I'm put on hold because I listen to the message and I think it's just great."

Goldman contacted Michael Ruiz, director of University Communications, about changing the

They wanted something new so they came to us to come with something to change it," Ruiz said.

There are businesses, such as Commercials on Hold, that specialize in creating customized on-hold telephone messages with hired professionals, but Ruiz said they decided to find an incoming freshman.

Bucher sald Barking Dawg Productions, an advertising company that used to promote SIU to the public, approached her in evring 2009 and asked her to record the message. She said the former onhold message was a man with a very monotone voice, so she decided to spice it up a bit by adding personal information.

"It made it more personal, so the people who are calling aren't like, Oh, it's just this guy who doesn't know anything," Bucher said. "No, this is a real student."

Bucher said she read from a script and it only took one take. She said she learned a let about SIU, such as alumni who went on to become astronauts or how coal research is important to the university.

Although many people hear the

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message every day, Bucher sald nobody, outside of her friends, has ever recognized her voice. She has heard the message several times, but she said it took some getting used to when first hearing her

"It's weird. I called financial aid and they put me on hold. Fo I put it on speakerphone and left it on the table. My dad gets really excited when he hears it and said, 'Oh, it's you!" Bucher said. "And I said, Dad, I've heard it a million times."

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Gabriela Ponce, 32, a theater student at SIUC, said she didn't receive any information from the school either, and that her daughter didn't come home on time. Ponce went to her daughter's bus stop and found out about the threat from other parents, she said.

We were all worried because we didn't have a lot of information," she said.

Ponce and other parents got information from the main office of Evergreen Terrace, SIUC's housing community for students with children, which was in contact with the

school, she said.

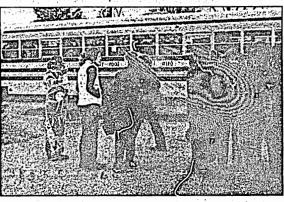
lessica Loverude, 20, said she wasn't sure if the school nouned her mother, who called and told her to pick up her younger brother.

Loverude's brother and other students were confined to the cafeteria and not allowed to go into classrooms to get their backpacks, she said.

Ponce said the school did the right thing by withholding information until the children were safe.

"I think it's better than (calling) every parent because that would cause too much chaos," she said.

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Students walt to board buses after a bomb threat was reported Thursday at Unity Point Elementary School in Carbondale, The students and faculty were evacuated and moved to a safe location, School will resume as scheduled tomorrow. ISAAC SMITH

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#### SIUE

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· "The university has been very proactive in recruiting and retaining students. In fact, we're about 9 percent ahead of applications received at this time last year and things look very strong for next fall," he said. "I think the best things that happen start with our frontline recruiters on the road."

The freshman class has increased from 2,731 in fall 2005 to 2,879 in fall 2009, Belobrajdic said. The record enrollment should help the entire SIU system and SIUE recruiters make an effort to direct potential students to SIUC when Edwardsville does not have the student's specific study of interest, he said.

With the recent rapid growth, Belobrajdic said the university is trying to keep its growth at 1 to 2

ercent per year so it can maintain its balance and add the elements needed to keep a strong student-tostaff ratio

He said the record numbers in back-to-back semesters came as a small surprise because of the unanswered questions heading into the fiscal year.

"When the concern about the MAP funding came out it raised questions about affordability. We

weren't sure how the students would react," he said. "We were pleasantly surprised we could maintain the incremental growth."

While the university is trying to slowly grow in the traditional areas, Belobrajdic sald it would pursue as much expansion as possible in offcampus and online courses.

No matter how large the student population at Edwardsville becomes. Belobrajdic said it is important the SIU system continues to work to gether so all campuses prosper.

Tve been here about three years and I always thought SIU being a system is one of our biggest strengths," he said. "When we work together, growth can happen all

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#### OUR WORD



## Textbook costs just another woe

While sitting in a lecture hall in Lawson, students speak in hushed, reverent tones.

"Have you bought the book for Econ yet?"

"I have to wait for my first paycheck"

"Go to chegg.com," another student whispers.

Most students have overheard or been a part of the above conversation.

Between the outrageous cost at bookstores and the constant upgrades to newer editions that make selling back a book futile, the price of textbooks is out of control.

Textbooks have become the hidden cost of higher education, leaving SIUC students to wonder how they are going to pay the tab.

At 710 Bookstore or University Bookstore, a student can be expected to pay \$100 for one textbook without breaking a sweat. And although there are students that like to keep their books for future use, most students resell their books, getting a fraction back of what they paid for them. The DAILY EGYPTIAN supports Saluki Bookstores attempt to consider what students need. Starting this semester, Saluki Bookstore is effering more than 500 titles for rent. But Saluki Bookstore is only one, and even it limits the titles that are rentable:

At the end and beginning of every semester, Facebook and Twitter operate like a black market – students selling old textbooks for more than what they could get back from the bookstore to students who will be taking that particular course.

Up the road, however, students at SIU-Edwardsville are able to rent their textbooks for the low fee of \$11.10 per credit hour. This cost is also included in their atudent fees, relieving the burden of paying out of pocket.

SIUE is also seeing record-breaking numbers in enrollment. SIUC has not been so fortunate. From fall 2008 to fall 2009, SIUE's enrollment increased by 25, percent, while SIUG's enrollment dropped by 1.6 percent.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN asks how SIUE, a school that is a part of our famThe Dayr Earnw asks how SIVE, a school that is a part of our family, can support an economical alternative to buying books for their students and SIVC cannot?

ily, can support an economical alternative to buying books for their students and SIUC cannot?

How about giving students a list of their required books when they register for classes? Andrew Miller pointed out in a letter to the editor Monday that bookstores are notified weeks in advance what books to stock their shelves with, and suggested that students be given access to this list.

Students pay these high prices because they aren't given the option to shop around. If students knew in advance what books were required, they could buy their books at the best price, and have them by the time classes start versus trying to gaske it through the first few weeks without them, something many SIUC students go through.

Students also get stuck with "old".

editions of textbooks when professors require a newer, barely changed a edition for a course. Students are out the money when they can't sell it back because it is no longer used.

These days it seems as if professors are scratching the backs of publishers such as McGraw-Hill by "upgrading" every year — nothing that revolutionary can be changing in the world of English grammar or basic algebra, night!

Textbooks should only be upgraded to the newest edition when new information is pertinent to a student's education.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN asks SIUC and book vendors to give students the opportunity to save some cash. Students are rarely bothered by having more choices.

Saving money on textbooks might not attract new students to the university, but it does give enrolled students one more reason to stay.

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## Voters say Obama's speech a call to lawmakers

The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS - President Barack Obama's intense focus on jobs in his first State of the Union speech hit close to home for the millions of Americans who are in a bad mood over their financial distress a year into his term.

But it was another line in Obama's speech that highlighted their deep skepticism that the programs the president discussed will ever lead to any real change. Obama called it a deficit of trust - deep and corrosive doubts about how Washington works that have been growing for years."

Many Americans wondered whether lawmakers from both parties would be politically inclined to get jobs and economic plans moving. and whether the nation would be in the exact spot a year from now.

"I just hope that he gets cooperation with it, because you know that if he doesn't and this creates gridlock and nothing gets done, next year we're going to be in the same place that we are right now," said Mary Bartels, a 47-year-old registered nurse who voted for John McCain in 2008 but has since warmed to Obama.

That's a very scary thought." Obama acknowledged in his speech that the change he wanted everyone to believe in "has not come fast enough" and that economic devastation remains - in joblessness, shuttered businesses and declining home values.

Many citizens who tuned into the president's speech ached for solutions but were wary of his words aware that in many places voters are no better off than when they



President Barack Obama greets members of Congress Wednesday after giving the State of the Union address to Congress on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.

lifted Obama to the White House, Voters have grown tired of poli-

tics and promises, and want action from Obama and other lawmakers.

"You could tell by the body language, how the Republicans just sat there for so much, that tomorrow it will be business as usual," said Ethan Ehrlich, a 32-year-old nurse-anesthetist from Miami Beach.

Obama's plan to create jobs was closely watched in states like Nevada and Michigan.

Nevada posted the highest foreclosure rate in the nation last year, with more than 10 percent of housing units hit with at least one foreclosure filing. December unemployment was 13 percent in the state, where rapid tourism growth has

collapsed in a spectacular two-year meltdown of job losses, foreclosures and bankruptcies.

Bartels has endured many levels of the financial crisis. Her fiance was laid off from a plumbing job in September and their house fell into foreclosure, She spent months before her foreclosure unsuccessfully trying to persuade lenders to adjust her mort-

gage, but received few responses. She eventually left Nevada last month and wound up in Washington state.

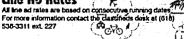
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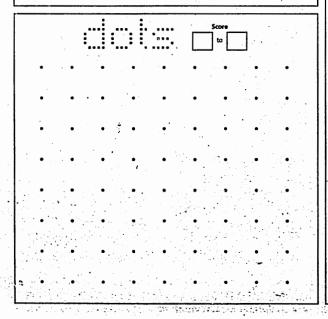
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By Nancy Black and Stephanie Clements

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Taunis (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Expect an unusual shakeup early in the day. You must assume a leadership position to move forward Family members appreciate you taking the lead so they don't have to.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — Energy reserves will run low if you allow others to pile on the work. Satisfy your own needs first.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6.— Financial information reaches you now. This opens up possibilities for personal activities that you've had on hold, include a friend or associate.

Leo (July 23-Aug, 22) — Today is a 7 — Unusual sources of information set the tone today. Satisfy your own goals by first taking care of someone else in order to free up time.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 6 — A partner of associate supplies the information you need to make significant career choices. Accept greater responsibility for group management.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — A favortie person makes work much easier, fou appreciate their support and ideas. Some founting its must be made, but they're practical, and they open new doors.

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## Salukis tested before conference

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The SIU women's swim team hopes to end the regular season on a high note while the men's season floats on with one more meet.

The Sulukis face off against Westem Kentucky at 1 p.m. Saturday in Bowling Green, Ky.

SIU assistant swimming coach Scott Olson sald Western Kentucky is a good team and the meet will be a great test for SIU.

Western Kentucky is at the same level of competition as our conference and we want to win, but at the same time we are looking at the bigger picture of what we need to do to get ready for the big dance," Olson said.

Freshman Kirsten Groome said the team has to stay focused and treat this meet like any other

This meet is going to be a good judge of where we are coming up on conference," Groome said. "We have been training hard but we can't go into the meet thinking we are going to win it so we just need to stay on our toes.

Groome said the meet would. be a good measuring stick to show where the team is moving as it heads toward the conference me

Senior Keli Kramer said (1) meet is not only a test for the team but it is also a way to prepare for conference. SIU will host the Missouri Valley Conference women's championship Feb. 11 at the Recreation Center in Carbondale.

We need to focus on our races and make sure we are swimming them correctly and really fine tune our races for conference," Kramer

coach Rick Walker said the teams focus is really on what they can take away from this meet to be more prepared for conference.

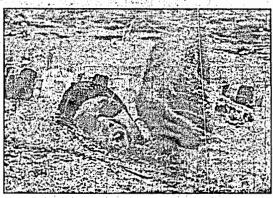
We can win a meet, but if we don't work on the things that we have to in order to be prepared for the conference meet, then what does that win do for us?" Walker said.

Walker said the team, win or lose, has to work on its preparation for conference.

Walker said Western Kentucky is a tough team and that is why his team competes against them at the end of the season.

"We have to look at the bigger picture because, if we don't them, w aren't moving forward," Walker said.

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Sophomore swimmer Jared Bradd practices Wednesday at the Edward J. Shea Natatorium. Bradd is a sprinter who competes in the 50- and 100meter freestyle events. The men and women's swimming and diving teams will travel to Bowling Green, Ky., to compete against Western Kentucky this Saturday.

TRACK & FIELD

## SIU to face toughest competition of season in Kentucky

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The SIU indoor track and field team hits the road for the second consecutive week to face its most talented competition of the season as it heads to Lexington, Ky, for the Rod Mc-Cravy Invitational

The invitational is the Salukis biggest test of the season, according to throws coach John Smith. For the men, competing in this meet is No. 1 Florida State and No. 19 Kentucky. The No. 20 ranked Saluki women, however, face No. 5 Florida State and No. 14 Louisville.

The biggest matchup challenge this meet looks to ride on the arms of the women's throwers yet again, as they face some of the top competitors in the country.

We have seven to eight of the top 10 girls in the country competing, including the No. 1 and No. 3 ranked girls from Louisville," Smith said. "It's almost like an NCAA nationals previcw."

Smith said he also believes the men's weight throwing team should perform well after a good week of practice, and sophomore J.C. Lambert, who finished third in the men's shot put last weekend, could break out this meet.

Lambert had been hampered by an injury sustained during Christmas break for the first few meets of the season, but is back to top form now.

Saluki runners look to continue their conference dominance with the aid of Kentucky's E.J. Nutter Field House, a field house designed for faster runs, according to sprints coach Alan Turner. The speed-based track should leave an advantage other schools will try and capitalize on as

Turner said the team would have to perform at its best in the meet.

The top ranked team in the country is there." Turner said. "If we don't run well, we might get embarrassed."

Kentucky's speedy track could also benefit Saluki jumpers, who faced problems adjusting to Indiana's slower runway last weekend.

"Some got it fixed, and those who did, got better, the ones who didn't, didn't get any jumps in, but that's how it goes sometimes," jumps coach Andre Scott said.

The SIU pole vaulters will look to sophomore Cody Doerslein, who posted the second-best performance of his career last week, to move up on the national list.

Pole vaulting coach Dan Digman said he hopes Doerflein reaches close to 18 feet in his event.

Digman said he also expects junior Miracle Thompson to bounce back from a weak performance last week due to lower back issues, how ever, Digman said he believes she has worked through it with practices and

visits to a chiropractor this week.

Despite the competition, head coach Connie Price-Smith said she believes SIU can give the top ranked schools a run for their money

"Last week we competed really well in a competition that was at a higher level, we have a really wellrounded staff and a well-rounded team and we are looking forward to competing against them all," Price-Smith said.

The Rod McCravy Invitational is a two-day meet, held Friday and Saturday in Lexington, Ky.

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## SalukiInsider

St. Lovis Rumo running back Steven Jackson's ex-gatifiend filed a pokee report on Jackson justing he assisted her while she was ine months pregnant if these allegations prove to be true, what should Jackson's punishment be with the team?



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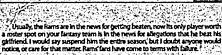
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He should be suspended for the season. Conduct like this is not acceptable for anyone, no matter how good they are at football. If this does turn out to be true, he should not be allowed to play football next season, and he needs to do some thinking about the decisions he makes as well.

The Rams don't need any more bad publish; they pretty much take care of that with their play. However, if there alterations turn up true he should be suppended for at least two seasons. The jernalty should be more severe because no one should be able to get away with this sort of serious offensa.



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Blaylock said pitching and defense would be the key to how well the team performs this season.

"If we can do that I think we'll finish at the top," Blaylock said. "We have just as much of a shot as anyone else."

Blaylock said she thinks any of the top five preseason teams — Creighton, SIU, Northern Iowa, Drake and Illinois State — have a shot to win the conference.

The Salukis will play their first

game of the season at 9 a.m. Feb. 12 when they play North Florida and the University of Illinois-Chicago in the Combat Classic in Miami, Fla.

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#### WOMEN'S CONTINUED FROM 12

Oliver said rebounding proved to be a deciding factor in the game.

"The last (shot) was a big deal, but it's all about rebounding with us, 'Oliver said. "We're always going to be the smallest team and we're always going to need to rebound. It's a tough loss."

The Lady Bears, who entered the

game leading the MVC with an average of 10.9 steals a game, took the ball the away from the Salukis 16 times and scored 24 points off their turnovers.

Senior guard/forward Stephany Neptune fotaled nine points and 10 rebounds on the night, but fouled out with 1:11 Left in the game.

Neptune said the team needs to take better care of the ball moving forward if they want to be in any position to win. "The games we do win, we only have about 13 to 16 turnovers," Neptune said. "We just have to go back into the gym and regroup."

The women will look to snap their current four-game losing streak at 2:05 p.m. Saturday at home against Wichita State.

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#### Men's

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Senior guard Harry Marshall 2rd Indiana State with 13 points, while senior guard Rashad Reed scored 12 and sophomore guard/ forward Carl Richard added 11.

Junior guard Justin Bocot said the team did not put forth the effort to win the game.

"Through the course of the

game, we just didn't bring it," Bocot said. "We tried to come back at the end, but it just wasn't enough."

Bocot was second on the team with 15 points in the contest, while Dillard led the way with 16 points. Teague recorded his first career double-double with 11 points and 13 rebounds, while sophomore forward Anthony Booker scored 10.

With the loss, SIU drops into a

tie for the No. 8 spot in the MVC with Indiana State, with only Evansville at 0-10 in the conference behind the two teams.

The Salukis will be back in action at 7:05 p.m. Sunday when they welcome Wichita State (18-4, 7-3) to the SIU Arena.

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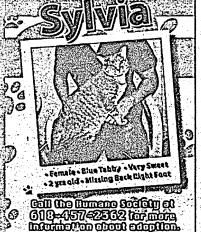
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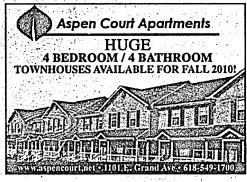
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SOFTBALL

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The SIU softball team is begin ning the 2010 season in the same place it finished the 2009 season: 2nd The Salukis were picked to finish seconnd in the preseason Missouri Valley Conference rankings behind defending champion Creighton. Head coach Kerri Blaylock said Creighton deserves the No. 1 ranking. as it returns three-time MVC Pitcher of the Year senior Tara Oltman. "Sometimes we prefer to be the hunter instead of the hunted." Blaylock said. "Traditionally in the past we have done well when we have a chip on our shoulder, and I think that's kind of how we feel right now." Blaylock said she never puts a lot of stock in the preseason rankings. Junior pitcher Danielle Glosson, the team's only returning pitcher, said she feels the same way as Blaylock.

"I like being the underdog and

Glosson led the team with 117

strikeouts last season, recorded

a 9-7 record and came three outs

away from pitching her first colle-

giate no-hitter April 11 against Mis-

Garza said the team needs to focus

on every game this season and not

that really could have put us far-

ther up the line in the rankings,"

Garza said. "We just want to play

our game every game and not play

on-base percentage and 35 RBIs. Glosson, Garza and junior out-

fielder Chelsea Held were all named to the MVC preseason all-conference team. Held was second on the team last season with a .365 batting average

hit a team-high 11 doubles and tied for

with the three who were named to

the preseason team, but felt there

to them about how I wanted to see

their name in the paper in May,

Blaylock said. I also always feel like

we've got a couple more who should have made it."

should have been more.

Blaylock said she was happy

"It's a preseason deal and I talked

the team lead with five home runs.

down to the competitors." Garza was named second team all-MVC last season after leading the team with a .375 average, .452

Senior second baseman Alicia

"Last year we lost a few games.

coming in and surprising people," Glosson said. "No. 2 is perfectly fine?

with me

souri State.

look forward.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

## Second half surge falls short



Missy Tiber, SIU women's basketball head coach, directs her players from courtside Thursday during the Salukis' game against Missouri State at the SIU Arena. The Salukis lost to the Bears 69-68, leaving the Salukis 3-15 on the season.

RAY MCGILLIS Daily Egyptian

The Saluki women's baskethall team was able to over me a 12-point deficit in the second half, but couldn't hold off the Lady Beers in the final seconds.

SIU led by one point as the game clock entered its final minute, but a missed shot by senior guard Christine Presswood gave Missouri State the ball with twenty seconds left.

Missouri State (13-6, 5-3 Missouri Valley Conference) scored on a second chance layup with

three seconds left to beat the Salukis (3-15, 2-6 MVC) 69-68 at the SIU Arena.

Head coach Missy Tiber said the team came into the game with the level of effort needed to win, but the lack of discipline is what made this game such a heartbreaker.

We had 23 turnovers, we gave up 18 offensive rebounds and we sent them to the free throw line 29 times." Tiber said. "In the last three minutes down the stretch we did not get a defensive rebound, and that one probably cost us the game."

Of the teams 23 turnovers, 14 came in the first half alone, but early turnovers by Missouri State kept the score close throughout the first half.

SIU trailed by eight in the first half before they went on a 7-2 run in the final minutes to send the teams into the locker room with a score of 34-21.

The Salukis held the conference's top scoring offense to 22-58 shooting, but yet again, lost the battle between the blocks, getting. outrebounded 45-38 and surrendering 28 points in the paint.

The Lady Bears opened up their lead in the second half to as much

However, the Salukis battled back and lead by as many as four with six minutes remaining.

Missouri State was led by the league's top scorer, sophomore guard Casey Garrison, and freshman forward Christiana Shorter, who scored 22 and 21 points, respectively. Shorter also added a game-high 11 boards.

Offensively, freshman guard Teri Oliver led the game with 24 points, while senior guard Christine Presswood added 20 points of her own.

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#### MEN'S BASKETBALL

## Salukis suffer setback to Sycamores

STILET, SMITH. Daily Egyptian

Free throws turned out to be the difference for the SI'J men's basketball team, as it cropped a 68-65 decision to Indiana State Thursday.

The Salukis (12-8, 4-6 Missouri Valley Conference) went just 13-25 from the line in the contest.

Head coach Chris Lowery said in the postgame show with Mike Reis the team's free throw shooting is what caused it to lose.

Going 8-17 in the second half. really that's the game right there," Lowery said.

The Salukis were able to make it a one-point game with about eight minutes left when sophomore guard Kevin Dillard made a 3-pointer to make it 45-44.

But the Sycamores (12-9, 4-6) responded with a 15-6 run to take a 10-point 60-50 lead with 5:29 remaining in the game.

The Salukis would make it interesting, however. Down 66-58, SIU went on a 7-0 run to make it a

66-65 game. After Sycamore junior guard Aaron Carter knocked down two free throws with 3.5 seconds left remaining, the Salukis had one last chance to tie the game.

Junior guard Carlton Fay turned the ball over trying to make a pass to Dillard, and the Salukis never got a shot off as time expired.

Lowery said Pay simply lost his composure in the waning seconds of the game.

They had one guy down un-Please see MEN'S | 11 derneath the basket, and we Just

panicked," Lowery said.

Dil'ard and senior guard Tony Freeman combined to go 4-9 from the free throw line in the second

Lowery said Dillard and Free-man are who the Salukis want to be at a line late in the game.

"That's where I'm upset," Lowery said. "When you're guards are deciding the game, that's what you want."

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