Alumnus withdraw financial support

Ralph Becker and Larry Brown accuse BOT of ‘gross’ neglect

Ralph Becker and Larry Brown have halted all financial contributions to the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts, citing dissatisfaction with the leadership in a letter addressed to Gov. George Ryan, Becker and Brown expressed acute disapproval with the interim administration among two largest individual financial contributors to the college, expressed disappointment with Ryan's response.

Suspect in DiCicco slaying held for trial

Preliminary hearing reveals details in allegations against Forcum

Forcum has been charged with first degree murder and attempted first degree murder in connection with the June 10 slaying of Tener N. DiCicco and the wounding of Brett H. Jackson's house guest the night of the attack. Presenting the case for the state, Mike Wepner called to the witness stand Dan Stone, a detective with the Jackson County Sheriff's Office. Stone said he was walking on the scene, he followed a blood trail from the living room to the northwest bedroom, where he found the body of a partially clad female. DiCicco had large, gaping wounds on her neck, disfiguring wounds to the face and defensive wounds to her hands. It was later determined that DiCicco died from blood loss after the attack in her neck area.

Sunset Concert-goers leave trash behind

Significant amounts of trash litter Turley Park and Shryock steps after concerts

Even Denny Morris was holding a beer can at last Thursday night's Sunset Concert, at least his status was. Additional beer cans, bottles and trash were scattered on the ground, streets and fence at the Deadwood area following last week's blues concert — a problem for those left to clean the mess or at least his statue was. Additional beer cans, bottles and trash were scattered on the ground, streets and fence at the Deadwood area following last week's blues concert — a problem for those left to clean the mess or at least his statue was. Additional beer cans, bottles and trash were scattered on the ground, streets and fence at the Deadwood area following last week's blues concert — a problem for those left to clean the mess or at least his statue was.
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A lost or misplaced wallet was reported stolen at the Student Center today. One suspect was identified, and police are investigating.

An electronic dictionary/translator was reported stolen at Morris Library Tuesday. There are no suspects in the case, and the value of the item is not known.

Vincent L. Garrett, 25, of Carbondale was arrested and charged with theft. He was accused of stealing a bicycle at the Student Center. Garrett was released on a recognizance bond.

A 19-year-old was injured in a bicycle accident at 10th and South Wall Street Tuesday. The accident was caused by the driver going through an intersection. The victim received medical assistance.

CARRDBONDALE

The Adolescent Health Center, 101 S. Wall St., reported a petty theft Monday. Vincent L. Garrett, 29, of Carbondale was arrested and charged with theft in connection with the incident. The victim, valued at $800, was recovered.

ALMANAC

THIS DAY IN 1982:

- Carbondale Mobile Homes offered free tours to介绍 new tenants to their mobile home park.
- SIUC administration prepared for a lean budget with the continuation of a layoff plan for about 200 employees.
- A research bill of $5.4 million appropriation fund for "Food for Century 3" program at SIUC was brought before the Senate, having passed the House the previous week.

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Riding down a dream

SIUC student turned road warrior Takes America on two wheels

KELLY DAVENPORT
Daily Egyptian reporter

If you ask SIUC junior Yusuke Konoma about his solo cross-country biking trip, he'll tell you he pitched his pop tent roadside, ate little more than Power bars and noodles, and pedaled anywhere from 60 to 85 miles a day.

Three times.

Konoma, a 20-year-old Japanese transfer student from the Nuku'alofa campus, returned to Carbondale Monday from a month-long escape to New York City, where he labored 110 pounds of gear to the frame of his six-speed and rode nine hours a day.

Last summer, Konoma landed in San Francisco from Japan and pedaled to Carbondale in 37 days, in time to start fall classes.

The year before shot, he traversed the 4,600-mile-long coastline of Japan.

"You could take me as a weirdo," Konoma said, smiling. "But my style is just pedaling." Konoma's last June in New York City helped him realize a lifelong dream to see America from his bike — from one coast to the next.

Helpful Carbondale community members provided $10 in petty cash when Konoma went door-to-door with a hand-lettered placard to raise a few dollars for his trip.

"Most people give me five bucks, five bucks, not buck," he said. "But one lady gave me $40. What? I said, 'I can't take $40 bucks, it's too much.' But she said, 'Go and have fun.'"

As a fifth-grade burger king to friends about biking across the face of America, Konoma never thought he could actually pull it off.

"It was too imaginary. But all my life I had that vision," he said.

Working his way by 10-mile excursions to neighboring towns in Japan to a two-month camping trip with Konoma confidence and experience in planning the logistics of solo trips.

Then a chance to stay with a new friend in San Francisco gave Konoma the kick start he needed to live out his ultimate biking fantasy.

"I said, shoot the shit and just do it — bike from California to Carbondale," he said.

Not even 23 flies, just a washcloth for a shower nor 11,000-foot mountain elevations, nor blizzard snowstorms: Konoma's seed for solo biking.

Instead, he created his own "Wilden Pond" on-rails: reveling in the solitude of vast Western deserts, flowering Killarney plains and snow-topped Sierra Nevada peaks.

"On your bike you can see little species of flowers," Konoma said.

By car, he said, the details of travel are too blurred.

Camping on Nevada salt flats gave Konoma a jolt.

"There was no other person for a 100-mile radius. Just said, 'stones, rocks,' he said. "I thought it was an omission on the map.'"

In New York City, he toured the Statue of Liberty and drove in Central Park after dark.

"I'm here and I'm alive," he said.

For his next voyage, Konoma dreams of battling mosquitoes and malaria on a pan-American safari from Alaska to Argentina.

"Travel for Konoma is as natural as breathing," he said.

"I was born, I got time and some money to do what I want," he said.
Don't be sluggish with your rubbish

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This is the room I took the girls when I didn't want them to make set with me, I chuckled to a friend. "I doubt you'll have to get them far for that," he replied dryly.

Something was going into my veins and it was an absurdly heavy descent into consciousness. I knew I couldn't move. I guess that makes me insane. Maybe tonight it's a white Goldansk, or a triple-suck smiley or a shamrock. More like it's more than just one.

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Tie down your stuff - a life lesson

While registering for classes for this spring over the internet, I figured I'd begin my summer vacation from teaching by putting my stuff into storage (my lease was up). Then I would make plans to sleep on the couch with various friends I had here in Carbondale, alternating weekly between groups to make sure that I wouldn't overexert my wallet. (Though, really, what were the chances of that?)

After finishing one of the group caught wind of my plans, panicked and current students think back on warm Thursday nights at Turley Park and in front of Shryock Auditorium, where the Sunset Concert legacy lives on, their minds may not be as busy as their predecessors.'

It's hard to see roses underneath bean cans.

The conditions left behind by concert-goers last week were horrific. After students and community members scattered to their homes and favorite bars, the arts in front of Shryock, looked like it had been washed down with the soap. Although there was probably very little exclave involved in the trash left behind, the actual reasoning is almost as dishonest.

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Dean of Agriculture enjoys his trip to South Africa

Dean Shoup's trip to South Africa gives him ideas on education and vacation

ANDREA PABERZ
Daily Egyptian reporter

Spending a nine-day tour in Johannesburg, South Africa, Agriculture Dean David Shoup mixed a little business with pleasure, even accompanying Gov. George Ryan on a trade mission in late May.

Ryan selected Shoup because of his extensive technology background in electronic satellites, education and agribusiness.

Putting business aside for a while, Shoup was able to enjoy the culture and the culture of the country. Though the focus of the trip was to accompany Ryan on a trade mission, Shoup spent some leisure time touring the country. Before Shoup could have some personal time, he had been in the midst of visitors who were making deals in the country.

The Solo Cup Co. of Chicago signed a $1-million contract to manufacture plastic cups for South African Breweries, the world's fourth largest brewer.

Service Master, the operator of campers such as Tincan Green Land, Carl Termini and Terri Maid, also secured a business deal with South Africa.

In addition, the state of Illinois also opened a trade office in South Africa.

"There is a lot of trade volume in South Africa," Shoup said. "It's considered a leader.

After seeing these deals made, Shoup had a chance to make a deal of his own — one that would include the University's help.

His idea involves sending SIUC students and faculty to study at some South African universities and to have some South African students study here. Shoup visited Vista and Rand Afrikaans universities, where he noticed need for agriculture and agribusiness education.

"I know several students who have done this and they really enjoyed the experience," he said.

Apart from business ideas and on changing students, Shoup became impressed by the South African culture. He learned a little about the percentage of the country that speaks English, they have as many as 18 official languages.

"Being in South Africa made me want to learn more about the people in the country," he said.

Thus he spent idle time reading former South African president Nelson Mandela's autobiography "The Struggle of My Life," from which he said he gained more appreciation for what Mandela had been. He also concluded that it was a great way to learn history.

"I would find myself up at 2 in the morning, just reading," he said.

To view firsthand what he had read, Shoup toured Robben Island, where Mandela spent part of his 27-year sentence under the apartheid government.

"South Africa is a beautiful country and the people I met there have been wonderful," Shoup said of his tour in Johannesburg.

"The wildlife, which featured seals and penguins. He also relaxed at Kruger National Park, where Shoup watched lions and tigers.

Ryan, who thought the trip was a success, always enjoyed the positive view of South Africa.

"South Africa is a beautiful country and the people I met there have been wonderful," Ryan told the Chicago Daily Sun-Times.

Shoup suggested that South Africa would be a nice place for an American to vacation. He said it would be very cheap, so a tourist could enjoy "a day or two of wine-voyaging and not some time with empy pockets.

"I would not mind taking a vacation there, the money exchange rate is pretty good," he said. "One dollar here is like $7 there."

BROWN BAGGIN' IT: The Natives played at the Town Square Pavilion Wednesday for the weekly brown Bag Concert. Most of the crowd ate their lunch during the concert but a few got up to dance during The Natives rendition of "Brown Eyed Girl" The lunch time concert is free every Wednesday at 12 p.m.

SIUC receives additional funds for disadvantaged children

Costello pushes for opportunities for disabled children

ANTONIO YOUNG
Daily Egyptian reporter

Robin Freeman is elated in knowing her son's preschool, the Head Start Agency, will be funded for another year, as the school continues to benefit her family with its services.

Head Start received a continuation grant of $741,777 June 21, as Congressman Jerry Costello successfully fought for additional funding for the program. The SIUC-operated federal agency provides educational opportunities for children of low-income families.

Given by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the grant will cover the agency's needs for the operation from July 1 until June 30, 2001.

The agency, in its 29th year of operation, caters to Jackson and Williamson counties, with four locations in Carbondale, Marion, Murphysboro and Johnston City. The schools educate a combined 463 children who range in ages from 3 to 5 years old.

The eldest of Freeman's four children, 4-year-old Lamaruss, has attended the agency for the past two years. Freeman, a Murphysboro resident, said she has always appreciated the program's services and attention.

"He has learned an awful lot at Head Start, such as writing his name and other things," Freeman said. "The school is very family-oriented. They want the kids to participate in just about everything."

Cathy Reed, Head Start director for 20 years, said the grant also helps train the program's caretakers in the care of children with disabilities.

"The grant is set aside for a required handicapped training, which makes up 10 percent of the enrollment," Reed said. "Money is given based on a formula that dictates the percentage of handicapped students in a given area."

Freeman said she appreciates the agency's free services, but would pay tuition fees if they were required because of the program's positive impact on her life.

"It has brought me and my son closer," Freeman said. "I plan to put all my kids through Head Start. I think it is really, really great."

Students gain real web experience

Just Ask Rental joins CASA in developing website

JASON CONER
Daily Egyptian reporter

Gaining on-the-job experience at college can be difficult, but the College of Applied Sciences and Arts has found a way to help.

Working with Murdale Just Ask Rental, CASA has gained a successful student-developed interactive website.

Then, these students had the task of marketing it at the Tri-State Hardware Show, which took place from April 29 to May 3 in Dallas. They were able to sell the website to more than 50 Just Ask Rental outlets.

Murdale Terry, visiting lecturer in the Department of Information Management Systems, said programs like this are a great way for the campus to interact with the community. For the students, Terry said, learning how web design can fit into a workplace environment is also one of the many things doing this for real. "Terry said. "We need additional course work in this area (at SIUC)."

Jan Henry agrees. Henry, chair of SIUC's Information Management Systems Department, said this four-month project was something these students could not get in a classroom. This was real, not simulat­ed, and she said the students were able to hone their skills in a professional environment.

"Not many students get to do this until they get out on the job," Henry said. "Not everything learned was easy... they did a wonderful job."

WEBSITE
THE JUST ASK RENTAL WEB SITE CAN BE VIEWED AT:http://JUSTASKRENTAL.RENTAL.COM

For students like Ryan Pawlak, a junior in information systems technology from Lake Zurich, this venture was a chance to gain work experience while at college. He said creating a website and marketing it was interesting.

Pawlak said TruServe, labeled as one of the biggest corporations in the country, will get the chance to use SIUC to expand its operations.

"I hope they continue these projects," Pawlak said. "Real world experience is invaluable. Not many Fortune 200 companies will give students a chance like this."

Jen Sheffer, co-owner of Murdale Just Ask Rental, said SIUC's future success is largely dependent on its ability to give students the skills they need after graduation.

She said this joint venture provides students with work experience, internships, and the opportunity of working with a successful project and the chance to become associated with employers.

"They would like to see a campus-wide web project that brings all the colleges together where multiple skills can be utilized. Most projects like this, the Governmental and in corporate sponsors. Also, she said they benefit the campus educationally, and they bring much needed attention to SIUC.

"It's the best of a public-private partnership," Sheffer said.
Joe Foot, dean of the college, said he does not support their decision but recognizes both Becker and Brown’s commitments to the University.

“They’re very loyal alumni who care very deeply about the University,” Foot said. “I think anyone would want the support of these two people.”

Although Becker has made sizable donations to the University in the past, this is not the first time he has submitted a motion.

Thirteen years ago, Becker, a 1985 radiological engineering graduate, announced the establishment of a trust fund expected to net $3 million in six years.

At the time, the trust fund was called the largest gift ever given to the University. But Becker soon demanded the donation be rescinded.

Becker estimated Wednesday that he had donated about $120,000 to the University in the last 15 years. Becker and Brown wrote in their letter to Ryan that they would only restore financial contributions when they believe that SIU is “doing the right thing.”

Although their financial commitments are temporarily suspended, both Becker and Brown absolutely reiterated their overall dedication to the University and hope for its future.

“We strongly believe in our roots and what SIU did for us,” Brown said. “There’s a tremendous legacy that we don’t want to see die.”

Brown said his disenchantment with the University came after attempting to work through all the “bureaucracy” and getting nowhere.

“Dean Morris would be turning over in his grave if he knew what was going on here right now,” he said.

Drug cocktail usage increases

Ike Wright DAILY TUSCALOOSA

AUSTIN, Texas — Recent medical studies show that use of pharmaceutical drugs as performance-enhancing aids is on the rise, according to the Office of National Drug Control Policy’s Division of Legislative Drugs.

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College students lured to internships by high salaries, benefits

Catherine Holman
Knights-Roger Tribune

Relocation bonuses, lunchies with top execs, gym memberships, and salaries of more than $20 as an hour — summer internships aren't what they used to be.

With the unemployment rate hovering close to 4 percent and a recession-busting boom level, unpaid jobs that students once begged for in order to get a foot in the corporate door are flying off the shelf. Instead of students doing anything to be hired, companies are now doing everything to hire them.

"Working for free doesn't happen anymore," said Jast Jones, manager of Internship Services at Buckman University. "I talk to employers who say: 'Ten years ago I didn't get paid for this.' It's not that world anymore."

"It's a gravy train, and students are riding it," Jones added. Companies, particularly those in the competitive high-tech sector, are scrambling to attract the right stuff. "And some aren't even waiting for candidates to enter college, recruiting instead at high schools.

"The old-school model of college recruiting was to provide an information session once per year for students. It's now several times a year, said Clien Sward, manager of college and university relations at the financial services firm PaineWebber. "We have to establish ourselves closer to them, with earlier internships."

Offering interns wages and benefits that might satisfy seasoned interns is one way companies are marketing themselves to students. But the numbers show something else: A practical, low-stakes internship — to contribute as full-time entry-level employees.

These kinds literally became part of the trend, said Microsoft spokeswoman Nicole Cunningham, senior national manager of human resources. "I think it's a great train, and students are riding it."

"It's no longer like that," said Glenn Ugent, who just turned 25. "It's a great time to travel together on Carnival Cruise Lines' Paradise, do a four-day Bahamas cruise aboard a 1,121-month summer internship al PaineWebber, the company she now works for. Greene explained most of the aluminum cans are recycling the income, plus damages."

"We're used to bringing high school students in and give them a good idea to bring high school students in and give them a good taste for what the field of engineering is about. We try to steer them on into the industry."

They now enter into the company. Fujitsu pays its interns with at least one mentor. "We want to really excite them to come back," Cunningham said.

The company also structures its internships to let students receive college credit. Although it varies by institution, most colleges give credit only for internships that involve students in individual projects, apply classroom knowledge, and allow them to work directly with employees of the company.

"Most of my friends are working this summer in internships," Fickett said. "A couple of them had a number of different employment opportunities."

"The key criteria is whether you can learn the most," Fickett said. "In the long run, experience is more helpful than money."

Bob Grone, superintendent of Carbondale Park Bins, explained most of the aluminum cans are recycled at the company. "It's a cheap way to get your kids to do something good."

"The key is nerve, is you can learn the most," Fickett said. "In the long run, experience is more helpful than money."

"It's gotten tougher to recruit," said Public Service Manager Al Brunson, adding that the company now strives to attract students who have just finished their studies in college and offers intern salary increases if they return to the company the following summer.

"Like Public Service, Fujitsu Network Communications, a designer and manufacturer of telecommunications systems in Paul, N.Y., is using a program to expose local high school students to the engineering fields. "The discriminating student is open to the idea that this is a good idea to bring high school students in and give them a good taste for what the field of engineering is about. We try to steer them on into the industry."

"They want to do with a political science degree," said Nicole Fickett, "and they see the salaries that result.""
WASHINGTON — In a milestone that is missed by both its technical accomplishment and for its medical and social implications, scientists on Monday announced that they have produced a rough draft of the human genome sequence, the set of coded cellular instructions that makes us what we are.

"We have caught the first glimpse of our own instruction book, potentially as crucial to our understanding," Francis Collins, director of the National Human Genome Research Institute, said at the announcement in the White House East Room.

"Historians will consider this a turning point," Collins continued. "Researchers in a few years will be talking about how we studied human biology without the genome sequence in front of us."

The sequence, often called The Book of Life, is a 3.1 billion individual instructions — called bases and represented only by the letters A, T, C, and G, its decoding eventually will tell doctors who is likely to respond well to certain drugs and enable researchers to eradicate many diseases and improve the treatment of many others. Within a decade, ordinary people will get their own genetic maps telling them what diseases they have to worry about, researchers said.

"There's that at least the potential to reduce the number of cancer deaths to zero during our lifetimes," said J. Craig Venter, founder of Celera Genomics. The current U.S. cancer death rate is 2,500 a day.

Celera, based in Rockville, Md., is the private company that raced Collins' governmental project to map the genome.

Now more cooperation, the researchers said, will flesh out the data simultaneously in a public scientific journal later this year.

"Today we are learning the language in which God created life," Collins said. "We are gaining ever more awe for the complexity, the beauty, the wonder of God's most incredible gift to us, life, beyond the profound new knowledge, deeper on the verge of enabling, new power to heal.

"We have a clear impact on all our lives — and even on the lives of our children."

Many of the very scientists who worked on the genetic mapping agreed that looking into DNA codes had been a profound experience.

"It's more about actually finding that the human genome is, in fact, human," said one researcher.

"To me it's about evolution and looking at our past, our ancestors," said another.

"We will learn a lot about ourselves," said another.

"Who we are is likely to change," said yet another.

"I think we're going to learn a lot about what it means to be human," said Collins.

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But Buchanan said that unlike other scientific discoveries, the dangers are definitely real.

"Many people think that because we have this information, we have the power to do whatever we want," Buchanan said.

"We have caught the first glimpse of our own instruction book, potentially as crucial to our understanding," Collins continued.

"Historians will consider this a turning point," Collins continued.

"Researchers in a few years will be talking about how we studied human biology without the genome sequence in front of us."

The sequence, often called The Book of Life, is a 3.1 billion individual instructions — called bases and represented only by the letters A, T, C, and G, its decoding eventually will tell doctors who is likely to respond well to certain drugs and enable researchers to eradicate many diseases and improve the treatment of many others. Within a decade, ordinary people will get their own genetic maps telling them what diseases they have to worry about, researchers said.

"There's that at least the potential to reduce the number of cancer deaths to zero during our lifetimes," said J. Craig Venter, founder of Celera Genomics. The current U.S. cancer death rate is 2,500 a day.

Celera, based in Rockville, Md., is the private company that raced Collins' governmental project to map the genome.

Now more cooperation, the researchers said, will flesh out the data simultaneously in a public scientific journal later this year.

"Today we are learning the language in which God created life," Collins said. "We are gaining ever more awe for the complexity, the beauty, the wonder of God's most incredible gift to us, life, beyond the profound new knowledge, deeper on the verge of enabling, new power to heal.

"We have a clear impact on all our lives — and even on the lives of our children."

Many of the very scientists who worked on the genetic mapping agreed that looking into DNA codes had been a profound experience.

"It's more about actually finding that the human genome is, in fact, human," said one researcher.

"To me it's about evolution and looking at our past, our ancestors," said another.

"We will learn a lot about ourselves," said another.

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**Tackling a new job**

Cassy Creehan joins the staff of assistant coaches for the SIU football team.

**Cassie Creehan**

Cassie Creehan graduated with a political science degree in spring 1999. After graduation, he was an assistant coach at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa. In the spring, he moved to Charleston University in Charleston, Pa. From cities in Pennsylvania to California, Cassie Creehan can now add the city of Carbondale to his list of places to football.

Two weeks ago, Creehan joined the SIU football team's coaching staff. He is an assistant at the league's offensive end. He replaced Jim Zbickowski, who took a coaching job at Milken University.

The reason why Creehan, a drafted in the 1st round of the 1999 NFL Draft, Hopefully, that position hold up."

**SPORTS**

Carbondale is well known as a coach's son. "I got used to scouting his games every Saturday. Plus, I felt like I earned both PAC honors and University's Football Coach of the Year with 13 tackles. That season, he played in all 14 games after missing the last six games of the 1998 season, kicking off Aug. 31.

"Just like I can bring an amount of structure to the team, so we can just keep getting better and better," Creehan said. "I will learn a lot from them, just like they will learn a lot from me."

In the couple of weeks Creehan has been at SIU, he said he has been adjusting well with his new surroundings and players. He is already leading the Salukis in "voluntary- tions" and practice two to three days a week at 6 a.m.

Cassie Creehan is ready to take the responsibility of being a top player. He would like to see the Salukis turn things around this season, getting better and better," Creehan said. "I will learn a lot from them, just like they will learn a lot from me."

**Ex-Horn Mihm ready to meet his NBA destiny**

**Travis Richardson**

**MINNEAPOLIS** - Chris Mihm has watched the NBA Draft every June since he was six years old. But after a three-year career at the University of Texas, the 6-11, 262-pound forward has finally been named and will be the one being watched.

After a three-year career at the University of Texas, which included a junior season in which he was named a National Basketball Association (NBA) analyst, Mihm will be watching the NBA Draft from the stands.

"I am ready to find out where I am going to spend next season. It has been a tough year for me, but I am looking forward to a change."

The past few weeks have been nerve racking, but they have been a lot better than 6. This is a chance to move on and be a different kid, one who is not going to get by his mother and sister.

Mihm’s mother, Phyllis Mihm, who has been the biggest influence in his life, has been watching the NBA Draft from the stands.

"It’s so hard to say anything," said Mihm’s mother. "There has been so much flying around late last season, I didn’t think this would happen."

The Chicago Bulls, who pick fourth, have had him in twice, while the New Jersey Nets, owners of the No. 3 pick, and the Orlando Magic, who pick fifth, have also evaluated him. "I have no idea what the future holds."

Mihm still does not have a idea of where he will go. He is considering the northwest and team have been non-committed in their draft decisions.

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**Lots of questions, challenges for U.S. women’s team**

**A.J. Coen**

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The Hawk's back

Former SIU basketball standout Shane Hawkins returns to campus for camp

Andy Eschere
Daily Egyptian reporter

Shane Hawkins always seems to be at the right place at the right time.

Whether it was on the floor setting up for a three-pointer or battling the challenges of the coaching ranks, Hawkins' work ethic has always paid him dividends.

The former standout guard of the 1993-98 seasons returned to SIU this week to help his former teammates and coaches with a week-long Salukis' Boys Basketball Camp for area youth.

Hawkins is now an assistant basketball coach at Barton County Community College in Kansas, one of the top basketball junior college programs. He still remembers his former playing days at SIU.

"It's nice to be back," Hawkins said. "It was good to get away. I had a great experience in Kansas, and I am looking forward to getting it going again in November."

Hawkins will start his second season at Barton County, who spent most of last year as No. 1 in the nation.

Hawkins undoubtedly loves college basketball and is willing to work his way up the ranks. He ranks 17th in attendance percentage in Saluki history by shooting 66 percent just ahead of current Chicago Bulls forward Chris Carr and former SIU and NBA star Walt Monroe.

After his playing days were through, he just happened to pull into the parking lot at the right time.

Shane Hawkins, a former Saluki basketball player and an assistant basketball coach at Barton County Community college, chooses team members for practice squads during Salukis' Boys Basketball Camp.

SIU football team is beefing up the defense

The Salukis added seven new players to the roster for the 2000 season, all from Division I-A programs including three defensive players from the University of Florida.

SIU defensive back coach Adrian White, who played college football at Florida during his connection Gainesville, Fla., which brought the three defensive players and a wide receiver from Florida are Teddy Sims, Derrick Cooper and Rod Graddy Sims, a 6-2, 228-pound senior safety, played in 11 games last season. Cooper, a 5-10, 168-pound cornerback, played in four games in his first season for Florida. Graddy, a 6-2, 205-pound wide receiver, did not play last year due to his junior season for the Gators.

Wide receiver Ian Skinner is a 5-7, 171-pound senior, but did not play last season at Florida after he suffered a knee injury in 1998.

Head coach Jan Quarles gives much of the credit to White's contacts.

"In this case, Adrian White is a former player at Florida and he knows some people," Quarles said. "We knew these players would be possibly transferring, and Adrian just did a great job with those kids and some other kids coming in."

Other transfers include Matt Burke, a 6-6, 292-pound sophomore defensive lineman from the University of Kentucky who redshirted during the 1998 season because of a knee injury.

Alex Auston is a 6-2, 228-pound running back from Michigan State University. Auston's future is questionable because he suffered an arm injury in 1998.

The Salukis will also bring in LaMarre Spillers, a Murphysboro native. The 6-foot, 200-pound defensive back played last season at the University of New Mexico.

Quarles thinks the new defensive players will compliment the young squad from last season and give them a chance to gain more playing time.

"I think they can come in and help us," Quarles said. "I think they know as players, they are going to work hard and establish themselves."

Jan Quarles, SIU football head coach.