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Strip, alcohol policies changed

Council votes to allow issuance of new or transferred liquor licenses on South Illinois Avenue

TIM CHAMBERLAIN
AND KAREN BLATTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Carbondale City Council voted Tuesday to continue the current policy regarding the closing of the Strip when crowds spilling into the street require it and to allow bars extra time to clear at closing time.

Restrictions on new and transferred liquor licenses to the South Illinois Avenue area were also lifted by a 3-2 vote. The lift of this restriction allows new or transferred licenses to be issued for bars on the Strip. This may make it easier for Matt Maier to receive a liquor license for his proposed establishment at 315 S. Illinois Ave., which fell into the restricted area.

The council was also slated to discuss liquor license caps and package liquor ordinances in anticipation of the Liquor Control Commission meeting immediately following the City Council meeting where the fate of three liquor license applications were to be decided. As of press time, the commission had not yet made any decisions.

Though the council voted to maintain the current Strip closure policy, the matter may be reconsidered when construction on the Mill Street Underpass is finished in the next few



JASON KUISER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

John Karayanis, owner of Chicago Underground, 717 S. University Ave., was in attendance during Tuesday night's City Council meeting, where council members voted 3-2 to lift restrictions on the issuance of bar liquor licenses on South Illinois Avenue. This decision may influence whether Karayanis or Matt Maier, owner of 315 S. Illinois Ave., receives the liquor license under the current limit.

years. The council approved allowing bars 30 minutes instead of the present 15 minutes to clear their establishments after closing time in order to ease the urgency of moving crowds from the bars to the street. The measure passed by a vote of 4-1, with Councilman Larry Briggs as the only member voting against it.

Sally Carter, owner of Hangar 9, 511 S. Illinois Ave., told the council that the extended time may not make any difference.

"We've been doing this less than 30 minutes anyway," Carter said. "It's helpful to have the leeway, but I'm not sure it's going to have the desired effect."

Ed Ford, Graduate and Professional Student Council president, said he was not convinced City Manager Jeff Doherty's original proposal of closing the Strip at 11 p.m. would not work. The idea behind the 11 p.m. closure is to reduce the "challenge" to the crowd. Ford suggested a closer look at Carbondale's options.

"More people in the area would mean more business downtown if we could get a good plan for traffic and parking," Ford said. "Opening the area to pedestrian traffic could reduce the desire to take the Strip. I hope the idea remains a possibility for the future."

Undergraduate Student Government representative Alex Goodson supported the idea of

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RHONDA SCIARRA
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Members of the SIU Board of Trustees are expected to approve a search procedure to find a new University president later this week, following President Ted Sanders' resignation Tuesday.

Peter Ruger, University legal counsel, is reviewing search procedures used to hire president Sanders. He will submit a revised procedure for a new search to board members this week.

Members of the SIU board are acting as a committee of the whole to find a permanent replacement before Sanders leaves office. The board accepted Sanders' resignation as SIU President Tuesday. His resignation is effective February 2000.

Sanders accepted a position with a national education policy commission based in Denver. His appointment as president of the Education Commission of the States was ratified unanimously Monday by the group's steering committee.

Board chairman A.D. VanMeter said the loss of Sanders is a setback in the University's efforts to gain stature and influence.

"Anytime you lose a vibrant and intel-

ligent leader, it is a loss," VanMeter said. "We will act as quickly as possible to find a replacement to carry and lead us to the future."

The trustees hope to receive nominations and applications for the presidency by Jan. 3, according to an advertisement placed on the board's website (www.siu.edu/bot).

VanMeter said the board is placing advertisements in newspapers and national media to attract a candidate pool and find a permanent replacement by February.

In the next few weeks, the board will accept nominations from constituencies on both campuses for a national external search committee, Ruger said.

"I would envision they will be involved when candidates have been identified, and we are still a long way from there," Ruger said.

Interim SIUC Chancellor John Jackson said he and SIUE Chancellor David Werner are anticipating the board's next move.

"We both agree and take note and interest in who the next president will be because we both report to the same person," Jackson said.

"What affects him affects us and

Finding Sanders' successor will be an arduous task

TIM CHAMBERLAIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Interim Chancellor John Jackson was not shocked by news of President Ted Sanders' planned resignation, but said replacing someone with the qualifications of Sanders will be a challenge.

Sanders announced Tuesday he will leave SIU by Feb. 1 to become president of the Education Commission of the States, a national educational policy group based in Denver.

Jackson said he knew Sanders was considering leaving the University as early as last week, and Tuesday's announcement confirmed the fact.

"Tentatively, I knew it was a possibility over the last week to 10 days," Jackson said.

"The last time he and I talked, he ranked it at about 98 percent, but not 100 percent, that he would go."

Jackson said Sanders had an excellent mix of knowledge about educational policy and Illinois and federal politics

that he brought to the president's office, which will be hard to replace.

"I think people don't appreciate how unique that combination of knowledge and networking is," Jackson said.

"I think it's going to be a challenge to replace him with someone who can do all of those things and do them well and keep the faculty at Carbondale, Edwardsville and Springfield happy. It's a challenging job."

The task of replacing Sanders began immediately Tuesday when SIU Board of Trustees Chairman A. D. VanMeter announced the board is developing appropriate search procedures, which likely will be released later this week.

An advertisement for the position was posted on the board website and the notice was directed to national media.

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A.D. VANMETER
Board of Trustees chairman

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Southern Illinois Forecast

TODAY:
Fair
High: 57
Low: 29

THURSDAY:
Partly Cloudy
High: 72
Low: 37

FRIDAY:
Scattered Showers
High: 47
Low: 67

POLICE BLOTTER

CAMPUS

- A 19-year-old SIUC student told University police someone stole a wallet and 10 compact discs valued at less than \$300 from an end lounge in Mae Smith Hall at 5 p.m. Monday. There are no suspects in this incident.
- An 18-year-old SIUC student was taken by ambulance to Memorial Hospital of Carbondale at 12:16 a.m. Tuesday after becoming ill from ingesting cannabis. Additional information about the student's condition was unavailable Tuesday afternoon.
- A Murphysboro man told Carbondale police a portable generator was stolen last weekend from the Hampton Inn construction site at the corner of Reed Station Road and East Main Street. There are no suspects in this incident.

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- Organizations for Paralegal Students bake sale, 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., Wham Breezeway, Cheri 687-4866.
 - Christian Apologetics Club "Bible Study in Romans," every Wed, 7 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.
 - Library Affairs digital imaging for the Web, 2 p.m., Morris Library Room 19, 453-2818.
 - Photogenisis meeting, 5 p.m., Room 1122, Chris 549-4952.
 - Pre-Law Association meeting, 5 p.m., Activity Room C Student Center.
 - Blacks Interested in Business meeting, every Wed, 6 p.m., Mackinaw Room Student Center, Michael 549-3115.
 - Latter-Day Saint Student Association learn about the bible and the church, every Wed, 4 p.m., Sangamon Room Student Center, Willis 536-6989.
 - PRSSA meeting, every Wed, 5 p.m., Lawson Hall 101.
 - SIUC OIRS Instructional Program: Body Spirit Dance Workout, every Mon. and Wed, 5 to 6 p.m., Michelle 453-1263.
 - SPC Comedy committee will meet to plan future events to join contact, every Wed, 5 to 6 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Nikki 536-3393.
 - College of Liberal Arts student learning assistance room, Faneer 2075, every Mon. through Thurs. until Dec. 16, 5 to 9 p.m., 453-2466.
 - Student Affiliates of American Chemical Society meeting, 5:15 p.m., Neckers 218.
 - Salukid Rainbow Network previously known as Gays, Lesbians, Bisexuals and Friends meeting, 5:30 p.m., Missouri Room, 453-5151.
 - Pi Sigma Epsilon co-ed business fraternity meeting, every Wed, 6 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Eric 351-9049.
 - AnimeKai Japanese animated video club, every Wed, 6 to 8 p.m., Faneer 1125 Language Media Center Video Room, Bill 536-7447.
 - On Campus Debate Society meeting, Every Mon. and Wed, 6:15 p.m., Communication Building Room 2005, James 351-9447.
 - Egyptian Dive Club meeting, every Wed, 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 101, Amy 549-0840.
 - Circle K world's largest collegiate service organization meeting, 6:30 p.m., Kaskaskia Room Student Center, Aaron a7reen@siu.edu.
 - American Advertising Federation meeting, every Wed, 7 p.m., Communications Building CRC Room, Kris 549-6725.
 - SIUC Chess Club will meet to play chess, 7 to 10 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Jim 453-7109.
 - Christian Apologetic Club "Cornerstone Christian Fellowship," every Wed, 7:30 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.
 - Associates Dedicated to Life in Balance, SIUC Irish Studies, and University Christian Ministries presentation: Meditation Through Storytelling, 7:30 p.m., Interfaith Center, Hugh 549-7387.
 - Cycling Club meeting, every Wed, 8 p.m., Alumni Lounge Rec. Center, Scott 549-1449.
- UPCOMING**
- SIUC Sealing Club meeting, every Thurs, 8 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room contact Shelley 529-0993.
 - Library Affairs Pover Point, Nov. 18, noon to 1:15 p.m., Morris Library 103D, intermediate Web page construction, 2 to 4 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2918.
 - Geology Club meeting, every Thurs, 5 p.m., Parkinson 110, Edie 453-3351.
 - Aviation Management Society meeting with guest speakers and tips, every Thurs, 5 p.m., ASA Room 9D, Zahlan 529-3341.
 - SIUC Kendo Club meeting, every Thurs, 6 to 9 p.m., Davies Gym, Janet 453-5429.
 - Chi Alpha Campus Ministries Africa-American bible study, every Thurs, 6:30 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Kudzi 529-7086.
 - American Marketing Association meeting, Nov. 18, 7 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Derick 453-5254.
 - Student Programming Channel television show on SPC-TV called B-Television, every Thurs, 7:30 p.m., Channel 24/SPC-TV, Neil 453-6550.
 - Library Affairs finding full text articles, Nov. 19, 11 a.m. to noon, Morris Library 103D, 453-2318.
 - Spanish Table meeting, every Fri, 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange.
 - The French Table meeting, every Fri, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Bobby's.
 - Japanese Table meeting, every Fri, 6 to 8 p.m., Melange Cafe, Janet 453-5429.
 - Chi Alpha Campus Ministries meeting, every Fri, 6:30 p.m., Wham 105, Eliza 529-4395.
 - Strategic Games Society meeting, every Sat, noon to close, Student Center, Sean 457-6489.
 - The Newman Catholic Student Center is sponsoring its 31st annual free Thanksgiving Day meal, Nov. 25, noon to 2 p.m., donations and volunteers needed, preparation for the meal will begin Nov. 22, Diana 529-3311.
 - SPC Films Committee meeting to help choose films for the student community, every Mon, 6:30 p.m., Activity Room A Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.
 - Outdoor Adventure Club meeting, every Mon, 7 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Chris 351-4458.
 - Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson, every Mon, 7 to 9 p.m., \$15 for students \$20 for non-students, Davies Gym, Chia-ling 351-8855.

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- ### THIS DAY IN 1959
- Five "icosahedron caps," the parasol dome designed by former SIU professor R. Buckminster Fuller, were installed at SIUC's Campus Lake recreation area for picknickers. A slightly larger version, completely enclosed, was erected at Southern's Little Grassy Lake campus for use by student design researchers.
 - American Airlines advertised stewardess openings. Among other standards to qualify for the position, females were required to be single and between the ages of 20-26, 105-135 lbs., and 5'3"-5'8".
 - "The World of Joyce and the World of Lawrence" brought together the top literary buffs on campus. The symposium, held in the Agriculture building, was designed to honor the publication of "A. D. H. Lawrence Miscellany—Second Series" and "A. D. H. Lawrence Miscellany" by the Southern Illinois University Press.

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Disability resolution passed

GINNY SKALSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Undergraduate Student Government senators wanted to raise awareness of accessibility problems for disabled students to faculty, staff and administration after listening to USG Special Populations Commissioner Brandy Glasser.

Glasser helped write a resolution to send a memo to faculty, staff and administrators reminding them to be aware of potential accessibility problems including "closed doorways to hallways and classrooms" and "accessibility to tables and seating in front of classrooms for visual and hearing impaired."

The bill was passed by acclamation. "It's really important that we make sure these accommodations are followed through," Glasser said.

Other legislation passed included a resolution that asks the Office of Student Affairs and the University to "assume the responsibility for all or most of the expenses" for increased security at Student Center dances.

The resolution also asks the SIUC Department of Public Safety and Student Affairs to "re-evaluate the need for seven to 10 armed police officers for Student Center dances that only SIUC students attend."

Senators were just a couple of votes shy of overriding USG President Sean Henry's veto of a bill that would allow the Finance Committee to approve Registered Student Organization waiver requests for special expenditures under \$500 without approval of the senate.

Henry said he vetoed the bill because it would be easier for RSOs if the Finance Committee would rewrite their policies to determine how they want RSOs to spend their

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MOSKOW PARK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Leaf sweep: Douglas Mayer, ground maintenance worker from Makanda, blends into the fall background as he rakes the fallen leaves in front of Lawson Hall Tuesday morning. Weather conditions are expected to remain fair until Friday, with high temperatures ranging from the high 50s Wednesday to the low 70s Thursday.

Asbestos presence nothing serious

KELLY E. HERTLEIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A recent inspection by maintenance officials of the basement of Altgeld Hall concluded the asbestos that is present poses no threat to its occupants, according to a campus maintenance official.

The inspection was conducted Thursday after a student complained of seeing asbestos leakage in the basement of the building.

Scott Pike, campus building maintenance superintendent, said the student mistakenly identified a tear in duct piping as an asbestos leak.

"I sent a guy to look at it, and when he got there, he ran into the student who called in about the asbestos," Pike said. "Only, what the student saw wasn't asbestos — it was duct work with foil backing that had been torn."

Asbestos has been linked to many diseases,

including lung cancer. A fibrous material widely used in the 1950s and 60s, asbestos was sprayed onto piping as a fireproofing agent in many schools, offices and homes. If the material becomes airborne, risks of health and safety factors may arise.

Pike said officials scanned the area for any further problems concerning asbestos and concluded that no asbestos was visible and no problems currently exist in the basement of Altgeld Hall.

Most older buildings on campus do contain asbestos. However, University engineer Phil Gatton said the material is encapsulated and should not be a cause for alarm.

"A majority of the buildings here do con-

tain [asbestos]," he said. "But as long as it's maintained and in good condition, there is no need to be concerned."

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SCOTT PIKE
campus building maintenance superintendent

"Everything down in the basement looked good," Pike said. "We didn't see anything that was an issue over there."

Future of bus service depends on students

TERRY L. DEAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A proposed fee increase will not slow down the University's five-year old bus service, SIUC transit officials said.

The Saluki Express Bus Service is in the final year of a five-year contract, which is expected to be renewed before fall 2000. Fees are currently set at \$27 per semester for 1999 but may increase by \$4 due to higher than expected bidding rates from transit services.

Lawrence Juhlin, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs, said a final decision on the increase will depend on the current bidding process and an evaluation of the system.

"The question we have to ask ourselves is, 'Do we want to continue the bus service?'"

Juhlin said contract bids will be decided sometime after Christmas. The SIUC Board of Trustees will make the final decision concern-

ing the proposed increase by spring.

The bus service is seeking a new five-year contract with an option for an additional year. Juhlin said the buses should continue to run based on the success of the service.

The Saluki Express has had an increase in ridership from about 81,000 to more than 107,000 since the service debuted in September 1995. Those figures include students, as well as residents of the community.

Jeff Duke, assistant director of the Student Center, has been in charge of the service since 1995. He said student involvement, rather than a fee increase, ultimately will decide the fate of the Saluki Express.

"We'll leave it in the hands of the students," he said. "Any input we get from them, we're always open to that."

Duke said the service has been upgraded during the past five years primarily for students. "We're really responding to the students," he

said. "We monitor the service all the time. The main thing is to get them here on time for their classes and back home."

The Saluki Express started after previous attempts by the University to create a mass transit system for students.

Juhlin was one of the administrators who questioned whether the bus service would work. He now supports the system and credits SIUC students with its success.

"Students have been asking for a bus system for 25 years," Juhlin said. "The only reason why we have a mass transit system is because of the students."

Undergraduate Student Government President Sean Henry has supported the Saluki Express and approves of the proposed increase.

"I think the service is worth the increase," said Henry, a former Saluki Express rider. "A \$4 increase is not a really big deal. I think it would be horrible to take away the bus service."

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS

CARBONDALE

Neighborhood watch town meeting today

A town meeting to discuss the Neighborhood Watch program in Carbondale is planned for 7 p.m. today at the Civic Center, Room 103.

"We're trying to get citizen input into the program," said Don Elliott, community resource officer of the Carbondale Police Department.

Currently there are 48 Neighborhood Watch areas in Carbondale. There are no student residential neighborhoods currently in the program, Elliott said.

"I'd be more than happy to help organize a Neighborhood Watch [in a student area]," Elliott said. "It doesn't take a lot of any one person's time, but it's an outstanding tool in the fight against crime."

Elliott said the program consists of organizing a meeting of concerned neighbors and putting up signs designating a Neighborhood Watch area. Residents look out for each other and report anything suspicious.

-Bob Jacobini

NATION

NEW YORK

NBC orders extensive schedule changes

Looks like NBC got hit a little early with a Y2K bug: The network announced a broad-based schedule shake up Tuesday that will mostly take effect in early January and that reconfigure every night of the week except Wednesday and Thursday.

From a viewers' perspective, the big news is Monday, where two failing sitcoms will be swept out the door, or to other nights, and where the network's lauded Saturday drama, "Freaks and Geeks," will move to 8 p.m.

In addition, the "Law & Order" spinoff, "Law & Order: Special Victims Unit," will move from its Monday 9 p.m. slot to Fridays at 10. The show's creator, Dick Wolf, had criticized NBC for airing his adult-themed show at 9, when kids are in the audience. NBC executives apparently agreed: the show's move is effective Jan. 7.

Clearly NBC's shake-up was forced by growing troubles on key nights. Monday has lagged dramatically; one-time stronghold Tuesday is now well behind CBS; and early Sunday remains an unsolvable puzzle. To remedy a big hole on Saturday, NBC ordered a new drama, "The Others," with Julianne Nicholson as a college student who meets a ghost in her dorm room.

NEW YORK

New golf magazine targets young people

Beyond the giant golf publications - Golf Digest and Golf magazine - are a growing number of subsets. Golf for Women, Senior Golfer and the upscale Travel & Leisure Golf will be joined by a still-untitled magazine targeting young players and fans being drawn to the green, it was announced Tuesday.

The new magazine will be launched next year by Rupert Murdoch's News Corp., with Michael Caruso, the former editor in chief of Details and Los Angeles magazine, as its editor. Golf has gone from being the uncoolest sport to one of the coolest," Caruso said in a prepared statement, citing Adam Sandler and the Red Hot Chili Peppers among the new breed of players.

News Corp., which in recent years has sold off all its magazines except for the conservative Weekly Standard, indicated in Tuesday's announcement that the start-up represents its shift to "more focused opportunities," as opposed to the mass-circulation titles it previously owned. One such magazine was TV Guide.

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OUR WORD

Multipurpose indoor stadium proposal flawed

The SIUC Athletics Department's Christmas wish list is becoming more like a catalogue of necessities.

What the department needs first and foremost is an estimated \$600,000 to balance an ongoing deficit that has been accumulating since the early '90s. A close second on the need list is the support of faculty, students and the people and businesses of Southern Illinois.

This year, the Athletics Department is being extra good with the expectation that their latest prayer to Santa will be answered — a new football stadium. The department will need a big fat check under the tree and campus support to build interim Chancellor John Jackson's proposed multipurpose, indoor facility that will be the new home of the SIU football team.

The big dollars will be hard to come by if past fund-raisers are any indication of the money-making ability of the University and the Athletics Department, especially because there is no solid cost projection for the stadium yet. Both the department and the University as a whole will need to find two-to-three times more money for the proposed stadium than the Athletics Department needs to budget its deficit already. With the departure of President Ted Sanders, and all the upper-level administration positions without permanent occupants, the SIU Board of Trustees will determine the fate of the proposal. If approved, the facility will open its doors in 2004.

While the conception of an indoor facility will invite commerce with conventions and special events enticing state and local funding from both the government and local business, the priority is to build a football stadium that will adequately benefit SIU and the Athletics Department.

But first, does SIUC even need a football stadium? The monstrosity called McAndrew Stadium has sent recruits fleeing back home to their parents faster than a scared toddler.

Jackson, with the assistance of interim Athletics Director Harold Bardo, is betting on the possibility that building a new football stadium will lead to signing top recruits, turning the football program into a champion, increasing support from the student body and the people of Southern Illinois and finally

turning the Athletics Department's most expensive operation into a possible money maker.

The objective is to create a winning program and make some money while we're at it. But Jackson's initial concept of an indoor, multipurpose facility outside Carbondale city limits is a financial liability for the already needy Athletics Department.

Almost immediately, the notion that football will be played in Southern Illinois under a roof makes us cringe. Observing the latest attendance rates at football games, the fans often decrease as the season lingers and the temperatures drop. It would be fair to blame the lack of interest in the late stages of the season on the traditional losing records, but realistically the lure of festive tailgate parties and the temperate autumn weather in Southern Illinois is often what attracts many fans to McAndrew Stadium early in the season.

Fans initially may choose to attend football games in the new stadium out of curiosity. But if a winning football team does not emerge with the new stadium, curiosity will fade and so will the revenue. The University will then have yet another dilemma on its hands with a brand new, empty stadium that consumed funding for other projects and programs that would guarantee benefits for the University.

With McAndrew Stadium currently located in the smack-dead center of campus, the likelihood of students attending games seems realistic. With the new proposal, it's not. If students don't already attend games within walking distance, will they be more inclined to travel out of town to attend a game? What about students without transportation? Will the University create a new Saluki Express bus route?

Let's remember the priority — to build a football stadium. While an outdoor facility couldn't host special events, and conventions in an indoor facility won't attract financial support from the state, a quaint, outdoor stadium located right on campus would bring in top recruits, assist in creating a winning football program and create support from students, faculty and the people of Southern Illinois. And the most important stocking-filler of all is that it will bring in the money SIUC so desperately needs.

Trustees cannot be trusted with SIUC

The SIU Board of Trustees is failing our University and community. While President Ted Sanders has lost the confidence of faculty and staff, the board allows him to preside over the decline of SIUC. Once considered the second jewel of Illinois public education, SIUC sits at the bottom when it comes to state funding increases. In the end, the board must be held responsible.

How much longer do we have to suffer before we get a board committed to the growth and development of SIUC and the Southern Illinois community? Four of the Trustees were appointed in the '70s. Has the performance of any trustee justified reappointment every six years?

Deteriorating Physical Plant
• Where have the trustees been as the Physical Plant on the Carbondale campus declined to the point where we are now faced with \$120 million of deferred maintenance projects? All of this has happened at a time when SIUC moneys have been systematically shifted to central administration. The President's Office is spending money on such things as outside consultants and laptops for board members. At the same time, the president is taking the interest on tuition and money from long-distance phone service paid by students on the Carbondale campus.

Unfair business practices
• Where were the trustees when President Sanders signed six no-bid contracts for goods and services? These contracts were signed just before a law requiring bids went into effect, but after an executive order

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that the law's ethical requirements be followed by state agencies. If no-bid contracts were considered unethical for other state agencies, why was SIU signing these contracts? How many contracts have local businesses lost because of these practices?

Computing systems in crisis
• Where have the trustees been while SIU hobbles along with out-moded and inadequate computing systems? The Oracle System, with \$13.5 million spent, is still not working properly. Individual colleges are scrambling to cover computing needs required for national grants. Where is the plan to provide computing facilities throughout all academic departments and to keep them up-to-date?

Management style
• What kind of management were the trustees practicing as they dismissed (or "reassigned") every top administrator they hired at SIUC since 1972? Do they serve the institution when they cut University constituencies out of decision-making?

• Who is watching the shop? When the trustees fail the institution, who holds them accountable? The seven trustees appointed by the governor have sat on the board for an average of more than 17 years. How much longer will SIU have to put up with this board?
Earlier this year, A. D. VanMeter,

a republican, was reappointed for another six-year term. However, at that time there were already four other republican trustees on the board, and state law mandates that no more than four members affiliated with the same political party may serve at one time. George T. Wilkins changed his political affiliation by voting in the Republican Primary in 1998. He also has a history of contributing to republican candidates.

The political imbalance on the board is a symptom of a larger problem. The board is not scrutinized as its members are reappointed. How else can they be held accountable?

We suggest that our University and the citizens of Illinois would be better served by open examination of the board and constituency and public input into decisions on all appointments and reappointments to the board.

The activities of the board must be open to public scrutiny and comment. If reappointments cannot be made responsibly, then perhaps it is time for limits on the terms of board members. Legal requirements for political balance on the board should be enforced. Board meetings should be opened for public comment as provided for in legislation before the State Legislature.

THE H.O.P.E. VOLUNTEERS

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- RANDY HUGHES, secretary/treasurer

MAILBOX

DEAR EDITOR:

My wife and I recently visited SIUC and became aware of concerns of some students and faculty. The concerns centered on the president and Board of Trustees' lack of leadership and vision. (Is it true only two trustees are grads of SIU and that one doesn't even live in Illinois?)

The student protest group Students for Excellence in Education was picketing outside the Student Center before the board meeting (Oct. 14). They informed us that the student population has fallen from 22,000 in 1991 to 19,000 today. The students were also concerned that lower student population would force SIUC to "rightsize," resulting in larger classes and the designation as a Carnegie II research institution might be in jeopardy.

At the Oct. 14 board meeting, one of these students was allowed to speak his concerns. Prior to the student's input, the issue of lower enrollment had been brought up. However, as of yet, no formal study has been undertaken in these eight years to clearly define why the loss of students. The only comment was that it was thought the students were all going to community colleges. Eight years is enough time to understand this issue and begin to resolve the enrollment issue. The University appears to be having a dual problem. Existing students are leaving and new students are not arriving. Why? If SIUC loses its competitiveness, the student population will continue to decline and the greatness that the University has achieved will only be a memory.

The University should welcome student input to help solve these problems. There is no better education than problem solving, and students can be eminently qualified in providing positive options to solve this problem. One reason for the problem might be deferred maintenance. One only has to look at the Student Center to see it needs updating. The wall coverings are old and dirty, the carpet is old and stained, and the furniture is also showing its age.

First impressions are very important to potential students and parents. They care about the condition and surroundings in which the student will live and attend classes. If the University looks seedy, the prospective and existing students will go elsewhere. In the competitive world economy, if you stand on your laurels, your competition will eat your lunch.

Now is the time — while we are all remembering the vision of Delyte Morris — for alumni to get involved. Visit your University... it needs our input and help during this crisis.

TERRY GANNON
alumnus '68

DEAR EDITOR:

Are other students aware that the United States doesn't have the final say over whether our laws are fair? It disturbed me to learn that our legislation is subject to review by something called the World Trade Organization.

At first, WTO seems reasonable — an organization set up to facilitate "free trade" among over 130 member nations. However, closer examination reveals some startling facts.

In the WTO, a nation can challenge another by arguing that its legislation is a barrier to free trade. "Barriers" include health/safety regulations, encouragement of local business, environmental legislation, sanctions against human rights abuses, etc. Challenges are often made on behalf of transnational corporations, who then profit from WTO decisions at the expense of public interests.

Three "trade experts" settle disputes behind closed doors, without outside appeals, disclosure, or other protections essential to fair judicial process. Nations guilty of "WTO-illegal" legislation have three choices: change their laws, pay heavy compensation, or face trade sanctions. Although WTO doesn't directly rewrite United States or other nations' laws, it does use economic punishment to extort changes.

Skeptical? Consider the following:
In 1996, Massachusetts enacted a boycott on governmental purchases from Burma for human rights reasons. Under threat of WTO action, the Massachusetts law was struck down.

Four Asian nations challenged the U.S. Endangered Species Act for forbidding sale in the United States of shrimp caught by killing endangered sea turtles. WTO ruled that this isn't allowed under WTO, and the United States is considering ways to change our law to comply with WTO. There are too many examples to list. Even if you don't care about Burmese human rights or endangered turtles, these are still cases where the WTO determined U.S. law aren't cases where the people, supposed to make our laws? Should public policy be struck down in favor of corporate interests?

I urge everyone to learn more. WTO affects our University, government, freedom and future. Watch for protests of the WTO meeting in Seattle, Nov. 29-Dec. 3, and visit www.trade-watch.org, or contact me for more information.

JUSTIN O'NEILL
senior, philosophy

Student leaders urge unity

BURKE SPEAKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Student government leaders say the resignation of SIUC President Ted Sanders will unite the University, abolishing the hostility toward SIUC leadership still resonating throughout campus.

Sanders announced Monday his intent to vacate his position with SIUC in February to become president of the Educational Commission of States, a Denver-based educational organization. He leaves behind a tenure shrouded in controversy, with many students and faculty resentful of his management style.

When Sanders fired former chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger in June, the decision created increased student and faculty resentment. Sanders cited conflicting management styles as the reason for Argersinger's termination, prompting a public outcry from the University community.

Protest groups Students for the Excellence in Education and Southern Illinois HOPE have called for Sanders' resignation since Argersinger's firing.

USG President Sean Henry said Sanders' decision to leave the University will help alleviate negative feelings among SIUC students and faculty with SIUC leadership. Sanders will meet with Henry at 10 a.m. today at the Stone Center to discuss Sanders' leaving.

"I think it will be a good thing for him and the University," Henry said. "This will bring new leadership to the University and help unite the student body."

USG Vice President Brian Atchison echoed Henry's sentiments and said that when the unpopular Sanders leaves office, the University community will be able to concentrate on banding together.

"Hopefully, this will get us over the divided line," Atchison said.

"We need to concentrate on getting back to a University as a whole again, and not just a Argersinger side and a Ted Sanders side."

Throughout his four-and-a-half-year tenure, Sanders'

leadership abilities were called into question by students, faculty and various administrators. Sanders was criticized for being unable to attract sufficient state funding and deal with declining enrollment, and was perceived by many as an isolated university president.

Henry said Sanders' inability to attend USG constituency head meetings and sit in on USG meetings was an ongoing disappointment, adding to Sanders' negative image.

Despite some initial student and faculty jubilation, Graduate and Professional Student Council President Ed Ford said the Board of Trustees will hire a president who will follow in the direction they want.

"I can't see a president being named that will change the direction of the University as a whole," Ford said. "The key is going to be having people get involved regardless of who's here and who's not here."

As the board considers the procedures to attract a new University president, questions still remain about how SIUC can choose a leader concerned with filling the student-friendly image that students desire.

Evergreen Terrace Senator Chuck Miller said that when Sanders exits in February the students and faculty must unite in a common goal — the advancement of SIUC.

"I have the desire to see some unity in our University," Miller said. "We need to pull together now. For so long we've been so divided with all of the protests, students feeling their rights were violated, and Ted Sanders had his name in the middle of everything."

While USG has not taken an official stance on Sanders' resignation, Miller wants USG to discuss presenting the board with a list of qualities needed in the new president. USG's next meeting is Dec. 8 in the Student Center Ballroom D.

While Sanders' resignation leaves another void in University leadership, Miller said it's time to put past conflicts behind to concentrate on SIUC's future.

"Change is never easy, but we can make change a good thing," Miller said. "What happens now is based on the attitude of students and faculty."

ECS anticipates Sanders' arrival

JENNIFER WIG
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Reactions to the departure of SIUC President Ted Sanders have been mixed in Southern Illinois, but Sanders' future employer is ecstatic about the switch.

Jim Geringer, chairman of Education Commissions of the States, said Sanders will make an excellent addition to the organization. Sanders was unanimously voted into the presidency Monday by the commission's steering committee.

"We're pleased he's leaving [SIUC]," said Geringer, governor of Wyoming. "Ted brings a lot of strength."

"[He] represented the broadest experience of any of the candidates. We looked at [him] as being able to represent the full range of views. ECS, on his leadership, will continue developing key issues."

According to its mission statement, ECS, a national, nonprofit, bipartisan education policy commission, aims to "help state leaders identify, develop and implement public policy for education that addresses

current and future needs of a learning society."

Sanders brings experience from the U.S. Department of Education. "I think he fits perfectly," said Judith Freedman, a member of the steering committee. "Sanders fills the requirements ECS wants, bringing global background, which is very good because [ECS] represents all 50 states."

"Everybody in the organization is looking forward to working with him. I think he'll bring new blood and new ideas."

Sanders, who begins his position Feb. 1, 2000, will replace interim ECS President Kay McClenny, Frank Newman, former president of ECS, retired in July 1998 after a 14-year term to study the future of the higher education policy. Newman's study, which began in November, is related to his previous work with ECS.

Based in Denver, Colo., ECS is composed of one governor and six commissioners from each state. The commissioners are chosen from state legislators, state and local board members, chief school officers, state higher

education executive officers, college presidents, superintendents and teachers.

Although ECS is a nonprofit organization, its funding for fiscal year 1998 was about \$9 million. ECS receives funding from state fees, state contracts and grants from foundations, corporations and the federal government. ECS employees work with state legislators to improve public education. For example, one current issue is teacher quality in schools. Suggestions made by the ECS staff are passed on to the legislators who can turn them into education bills.

As president, Sanders will manage the work of more than 60 people staffed at ECS. He will work with representatives from the United States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, American Samoa and the Virgin Islands.

Geringer anticipates Sanders' arrival and said ECS will make good use of Sanders' expertise.

"SIUC's loss is ECS' gain," Geringer said.

Daphne Retter contributed to this story.

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money. Finance Committee Chair Mario Burton said he does not think that it would be fair to set specific guidelines for RSO funding because some RSOs could have a real need for the money in certain situations.

"It wouldn't just be RSOs that could get a waiver," Burton said. "They

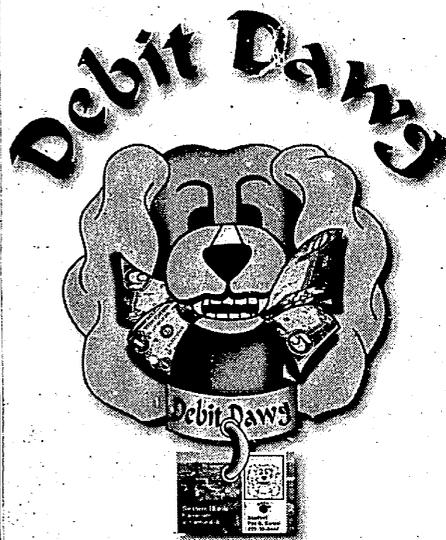
would have to fill out a proposal and have a valid reason before [the Finance Committee] would consider it."

Also passed at the meeting was an amendment that would make legislation not acted upon within 10 days or before the next senate meeting, whichever comes first, official. The amendment also requires vetoed legislation to be returned to senators before the next senate meeting.

Guest speaker Ray Lenzi, acting

vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement, gave a presentation on "Institutional Advancement in the New Millennium" at the meeting. He spoke about the SIUC Alumni Association, SIUC Foundation, Public Affairs, Special Events and Projects and Economic Development.

"SIUC is a unique institution that really brings together the whole arena of academic learning, research and excellence with the practical needs of the society," Lenzi said.



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Sanders' resignation only step one

Sanders' adversaries pleased with news of step-down, consider reconstruction of board next priority

ANDY EGES AND DAPHNE RETTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Members of Southern Illinois HOPE and the SIUC Faculty Senate declared a partial victory upon hearing SIUC President Ted Sanders' resignation Tuesday.

Mary Lamb, an English professor and member of the Faculty Senate, said she was amid smiles in her office Monday when faculty learned Sanders would be stepping down from his position in February.

While the news brought merriment to some faculty members, many said the battle is only half-won. Some are calling for a restructuring of the SIUC Board of Trustees.

"There is not much hope for change until there is a new Board of Trustees," Lamb said.

HOPE, a group that banded when former SIUC chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger was fired in June and called for the elimination of Sanders, is appeased by his resignation. But Beverly Stitt, co-coordinator of HOPE, said the group now will work to restructure the board — "the first of many steps in regaining our rightful place as the second jewel in Illinois' higher education system."

"We need different people on the Board of Trustees, before we select a new president," Stitt said. "Or we'll end up with a similar problem."

HOPE members credit a combination of their own early initiatives, such as phone calls, letters and e-mails to state legislators with Sanders' resignation.

The Rev. B.R. Hollins, co-coordinator with Stitt, also said their mission was partially accomplished with Sanders' departure.

"His leaving is good for the University and the future of the University," Hollins said. "We were not able to move forward and take care of University business because of bad management decisions."



DEVIN MILLER — DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIUC President Ted Sanders, who will leave the University in February to accept a position with a national education policy commission, has found himself at the center of controversy on numerous occasions during his four-and-a-half-year tenure at the University. Conflicting management styles between Sanders and former SIUC chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger led to her June 5 termination by the SIUC Board of Trustees.

Dawn Roberts, coordinator of Students for Excellence in Education, said she is glad to see Sanders leave, although she said problems at the University have not been lessened. She said SEE would like to focus her efforts on reorganizing the board.

"We're glad that he's gone, but the problems still exist," said Roberts. "Just because he's leaving doesn't mean the problems are alleviated."

But while some students and faculty concentrate on the negative aspects of Sanders' reign, former U.S. Senator and director of the Public Policy Institute Paul Simon said Sanders should be remembered for his dedication to the University.

"With time there will be less focus on the controversy to other issues," Simon said.

Simon cited Sanders' involvement with the governor and state legislators in helping secure SIUC funding.

Kay Carr, faculty association president, said she was not surprised after hearing that Sanders was resigning.

"This may be a positive thing, with constituency input we can find somebody to put this University back on track," Carr said.

The board will be soliciting nominations for presidential search committee members from various University constituency groups, which will include faculty.

Ed Hippo, a professor in mechanical engineering who consid-

ers himself an active member of HOPE, said he would like faculty to be a part of the search for a new University president.

"We need to make sure that we get a person who works toward the improvement of the University rather than tear it down," Hippo said.

Hippo said Tuesday he thinks the University will improve as a result of Sanders' resignation.

"I would say that we're in better shape now than we were 24 hours ago," Hippo said.

Walter Jaehning, media coordinator for the faculty association, said he was surprised when he learned that Sanders will resign.

"I feel this will contribute to the chaos so I cannot be happy in that regard, but I never thought he was a particularly good fit for the position," Jaehning said.

Jaehning said Sanders' resignation is a step in the right direction for SIUC, but the potential vacancy in the president's position could delay the search for an SIUC chancellor. When Argersinger was fired Sanders appointed John Jackson as interim. No official steps have yet been taken to acquire a new chancellor here.

"I doubt a chancellor is going to want to come here without knowing who his or her boss will be," Jaehning said.

Tim Chamberlain and David Ferrara contributed to this story.

Gus Bode



Gus says:

I HOPE they don't see themselves as the reason Sanders is leaving.

Randy Hughes, treasurer of HOPE, said the group's vote of "no confidence" against Sanders, which is part of its mission statement, was an important factor that may have led to Sanders' decision to resign his post.

"Sanders was here for a reason," Hughes said. "[For the] purpose of what the board wanted to accomplish."

Hughes said HOPE's actions were a reflection of the sentiment of many people on campus and that Sanders' departure could trigger a brighter future for SIUC.

"It was necessary for the University to move forward," Hughes said. "The president was seen as an obstacle."

Given Sanders' career, Joan Friedenber, a professor in linguistics and a former faculty senator, said she was surprised Sanders did not resign sooner.

"He's been around the block enough times to know when his time is up," Friedenber said. "I would gather that he knew the writing was on the wall."

Sanders never spent more than six years at one position in his 20-year career in education. His resignation comes in the middle of his fifth year at SIUC.

While faculty groups revel in the wake of Sanders' resignation and look to focus on a positive image for the University, one student group wants to further investigate the actions of the board.

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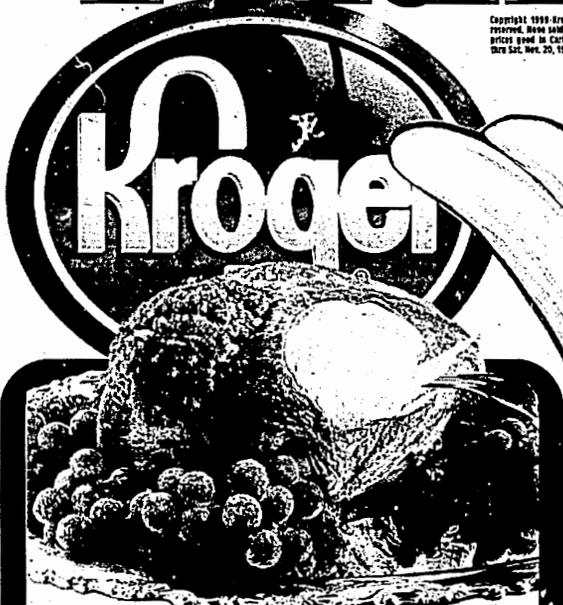
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Enrollment in the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts has increased rapidly in recent years, and for some programs in the college, that is both a blessing and a curse.

In an internal report on campus enrollment, it is estimated that MCMA has grown almost 400 percent faster than the University as a whole for the last three years.

Joe Foote, dean of MCMA, said the increased numbers are a result of quality programs and extensive recruitment efforts.

"The main reason is the academic quality of our programs," Foote said. "Also, we try very hard at recruiting, and we have open houses in the college and an ambassador program to help students adjust to campus life."

For Foote, these results are higher than he could have predicted.

"The numbers are startling," Foote said. "What started out as the second smallest program on cam-

pus six years ago is now the engine of growth for the University."

But the influx of students into MCMA is not being met with open arms by all the academic programs in the college.

Scott Hodgson, associate professor of Radio and Television and chair of the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, said the Radio and Television Department does not have the equipment or the faculty to handle more students.

The Radio and Television Department has about 500 students currently, and Hodgson estimates enrollment could increase to 600 in the next few years.

The television production course could be the hardest hit by the enrollment increase.

"The benefit of recruitment is that we get quality students for the program, but we have a responsibility to provide adequate services for all those students," Hodgson said. "The biggest problem we have is in television production because we need 40 percent more class space for students."

Another department in MCMA affected by the

recent enrollment boom is the Department of Cinema and Photography.

Dan Overturn, chairman of the department, said they have yet to determine how exactly they will deal with the enrollment issue.

"We're definitely bursting at the seams, especially in cinema," Overturn said. "It all comes down to three issues; equipment, facilities and faculty. A solution to these enrollment problems will only be determined by a full faculty meeting of the department."

One option the college has is to increase academic standards in some departments to cut down on enrollment.

"We're looking at raising the academic standards as a distinct possibility to curb enrollment," Hodgson said.

Increased enrollment will continue to be an issue as Foote believes MCMA will keep expanding in the future.

"All indications are that we will continue to grow in size," Foote said. "More and more students are inquiring about the program."

College students learn about life overseas

TRAVIS MORSE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Troy Mathews and Gloria del Valle were not prepared for what awaited them in the land of the rising sun, but going to Japan last spring turned out to be one of the highlights of their college careers.

"Living in another country so different than your own makes you open to other cultures," said del Valle, a senior in finance and business economics from Monterey, Mexico. "It was a very great experience."

Mathews, a senior in English from Springfield, said he feels the experience at SIU-N has better prepared him for life outside college.

"I studied the Japanese language and culture and had the opportunity to work with Japanese students learning English," Mathews said. "The experience has served to broaden my education as well as my perception of the world."

Both Mathews and del Valle par-

ticipated in the International Studies Japan Program, one of the options available to students in SIUC's Study Abroad Programs.

This campus service has been providing students with the opportunity to learn about life in other cultures for more than 15 years.

Thomas Saville, coordinator of Study Abroad Programs, said there are many ways the program can benefit students.

"It's something that counts toward a degree, and it's also something one can add to their resume," Saville said. "Furthermore, it's an opportunity for students to take courses not available here on campus."

One example Saville gives is an underwater archaeology course only available in Australia.

"Courses like that are a way for the University to add on to programs on campus, and that allows students to

do more in-depth studying on certain topics," Saville said.

The experience was extra special for del Valle, because it has allowed her to live and work in three different cultures.

"I came from Mexico to the United States and then to Japan," del Valle said. "It was great to see how different all three cultures are and also how much they have in common."

There are two major categories of international exchanges for SIUC students, semester or year abroad exchanges and summer travel or study programs.

Saville maintains the programs are not as expensive as one might think.

"One advantage is it is cost predictable," Saville said. "A student pays the tuition for their home school and just switches places with an international student. There is an ISEP fee, but if a student is getting financial aid

or a scholarship, it still applies."

Mathews said it was well worth the extra cost.

"It was very reasonable considering the experience I gained," Mathews said. "It was really a pleasure because all the people in Japan were gracious, kind and willing to help."

There are about 40 countries available for exchange, and Saville insists the programs are still growing.

"We have 14 summer programs on the horizon, and I'm sure we'll have more exchange countries available soon," Saville said. "The number of students utilizing the program is growing steadily."

Matthew Moran, a senior English major from Grayslake who studied in Finland, said he recommends the experience to any student.

"I didn't really do it for academic reasons," Moran said. "I did it to explore the world and meet new people. It's definitely worth seeing other cultures because you realize how secluded we really are."

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three months to fill Sanders' spot before he leaves, Jackson said he was confident the University will be able to find a qualified replacement.

"This is an important job and a good job, and I think there will be highly qualified candidates who will want to take it," Jackson said. "There's not a long list of people who have those qualities, but there are people out there who can be enticed to come to this position."

With Sanders' announcement, the total number of high-level administrative positions which are unfilled or in transition is now six. The other five positions in

transition are SIUC's chancellor, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and provost, vice chancellor for Institutional Advancement, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and director of Intercollegiate Athletics. Though the resignation adds to the list of positions in transition, Jackson said he did not think this latest development will hurt SIUC's ability to recruit quality candidates for any of the positions. He said the University in general has continued to function, and the people currently serving in interim or acting roles have been doing an excellent job of moving the University forward during its time of transition.

"I don't think it will have a major impact," he said. "This place is not in chaos, it's not in crisis, and most people go about teaching, research and service and don't worry about who's in Anthony Hall and who's in

the Stone Center."

Many people who have been calling for Sanders' resignation for months, such as members of Southern Illinois HOPE and Students for Excellence in Education, have expressed their happiness about Sanders' announcement. Jackson said that while he did not share those feelings, he understands that there will always be criticism.

"I think there has always been dissent since I've been here, and there always will be a certain amount of voicing of criticism and dissent," he said. "I think it's the nature of big universities to have people who criticize inside them."

"I doubt that will change. The characters may change, and the issues may change, but the fundamentals will go on."

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Donald Trump courts hispanics on Miami visit

DAHLEEN GLANTON
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

MIAMI — Donald Trump, the billionaire developer, is not yet ready to take on the title of presidential candidate, but in his first public venture into the campaign arena on Monday, he looked and sounded very much like a candidate.

During his daylong visit to Miami's Cuban-American community, Trump wooed the public with anti-Fidel Castro rhetoric, posed for pictures and spent a lot of time doing something he hates: shaking hands. He calls it "unsanitary."

There were speeches, a rally attended by more than 1,000 people, a motorcade of limousines escorted by Miami police and private security guards dressed like Secret Service agents. By Trump's side was his tall, striking girlfriend, 26-year-old Slovenia-born model Melania Knauss, who vowed to support any decision Trump makes regarding a bid for the White House and gladly step into the role of first lady.

The Miami visit, according to aides, was the first in a series of trips scheduled through the end of the year to test the political waters before Trump, 53, decides early next year whether to seek the Reform Party's nomination for president.

The next few months also will be devoted to convincing American voters that his ability to earn billions qualifies him to be a world leader.

"If I wanted the Reform Party nomination, I believe I could get it, and that's based on knowledge rather than feeling," he said. "The question is whether I feel I could win the election. I don't want to get 2 percent of the vote and end up the following Wednesday back in my office in

Trump Tower saying that was a wonderful experience, but what does it all mean? It wouldn't mean very much to me if I didn't win."

Trump was invited to Miami by the Cuban American National Foundation, an influential organization that advocates democracy in Cuba, to recognize Trump's support for continued economic sanctions against Cuba.

Trump's visit was billed as non-political, but it clearly was an attempt to court Hispanics, who constitute more than 11 percent of Florida's voters and 38 percent in Miami and Dade County. The more than 1.4 million Cuban-born citizens in Dade County form a huge voting bloc in Florida, a crucial state in many national elections.

In a June 25 op-ed piece published in The Miami Herald, Trump blamed Cuba's problems on "Castro's Marxist-Leninist economic system." He called the Cuban government a "brutal police state" and advocated continued support of the embargo that has banned U.S. firms from doing business in Cuba since the early 1960s.

Trump said he has turned down proposals from several large European investment groups to take the "Trump magic" to Cuba. But foreign investment there, he said, is simply making Castro rich.

"I will go there at some time, perhaps if I don't run for president because it has tremendous investment potential," Trump said. "My policy is you have to keep pressure on Castro and that pressure is starting to wilt under this administration. I have decided not to invest, maybe by a detriment financially, until Cuba is free."

Though the Cuban American

National Foundation does not offer political endorsements, the group's popular leader, Jorge Mas, called Trump "a friend of the Cuban-American community." Support from Mas and his organization could give Trump a boost among anti-Castro Cubans, who traditionally are loyal Republicans.

"Cubans here are very independent-minded Miami voters. The interest in Cuba is what will move people to vote for a candidate," said Fernando Rojas, a spokesman for the foundation. "Trump has raised the bar on the national level regarding Cuba and challenged other candidates to take a stand."

While Texas Gov. George W. Bush, the Republican front-runner, has not campaigned here, there is a fondness for his candidacy bolstered by the popularity of his brother, Florida Gov. Jeb Bush.

During a tour of the Bay of Pigs library and museum in Little Havana, Trump was presented with a plaque of the shoulder patch worn during the 1961 failed attempt to overthrow Castro in the early days of his revolution.

Trump said he is prepared to spend millions on the campaign should he decide to run, surpassing Bush's \$37.7 million war chest. But for some voters, no amount of money spent will win their vote if there is no action behind the rhetoric.

"Like many politicians, it's very hard to determine what anyone will do," said Enrique Varona, 72, a member of Assault Brigade 2506, the Bay of Pigs veterans who run the museum.

"Everyone involved in politics has a different point of view depending on who he is talking to. We will have to wait and see what happens."

Spain's royals travel to Havana

LAURIE GOERING
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

HAVANA — For centuries, Cuba was the gem of the Spanish empire, the "Pearl of the Antilles" and the staging ground for the conquest of the New World and the transfer of its vast wealth of gold and silver to Spain.

Spain's monarchs, however, somehow never managed to visit.

A royal throne, built in anticipation of a tour that never came, has sat unused since 1791 in Old Havana's colonial Captain's Palace in the Plaza de Armas.

The waiting ended this week

King Juan Carlos and Queen Sofia, here for the ninth Iberian-American Summit of Spanish, Portuguese and Latin leaders, arrived Sunday night to become the first Spanish royalty to set foot on Cuban soil.

On Monday, the pair strolled through the crumbling but beautiful Spanish colonial buildings of Old Havana, established in 1519, and got their first look at the historic sector.

Residents peered with curiosity from doorways and wrought-iron balconies above the cobblestoned streets as the royal couple paused to listen to street musicians beat bongo drums and got a tour of reconstruc-

tion efforts in Havana's oldest quarter.

"Long live the king!" yelled a few onlookers.

The king, who waved to the crowd, didn't opt to sit in the old wooden throne, which over the years was painted with a portrait of his grandfather, Alfonso XIII, and his mother, Queen Cristina.

Spain's influence remains strong in Cuba, its final Latin American colony, given up in 1898.

Centuries after tobacco, sugar and slaves brought them together in trade, Spain once again is Cuba's largest trading partner.

ends after the bars close at 2 a.m. The recommended action: to the council at the time was to close the street at a regular time both Friday and Saturday nights.

The council did not take action on this recommendation then because members could not decide on a time to close the street, and there were concerns about the effects on businesses in the area because of construction on College Street.

The council requested further dis-

cussion with the affected businesses, and the discussion was used by the council in making its decision Tuesday night.

After two meetings with the businesses it was found that a majority of the business owners did not want set times for closure of the street. The business owners conveyed to the council that they wanted to keep the street closures under the judgment of the Carbondale Police Department, as it is now.

he said. "If no, one is in place by February, the board will have to name an interim president."

Trustee Celeste Stiehl said members of the board are all very sorry to see Sanders leave, but they will work as quickly as possible in finding a replacement.

"By all means we would like to have someone in place by February if at all possible," Stiehl said. "We cannot really set a time on it. You can't really tell — there are many

imponderables."

Although board members hope a replacement will be found before Sanders leaves, VanMeter said they have no way of knowing that it can be done.

"The most important thing is that we find the right person. This is a great University and has great potential," VanMeter said. "I am certain with proper procedures we will find another leader to take Sanders' place."

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allowing the bars more time.

"It's a good idea to allow more time for people to leave," Goodson said. "No matter where you go with the number of establishments, there will be an overflow of people."

In September, the council discussed taking possible action on the regular closures of the Strip on week-

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vice-versa.

"We are both playing a kind of wait-and-see game."

Ruger said that if the board fails to find a permanent president by February, someone is still needed to assume the president's duties.

"It will depend on who the board determines as the best candidate,"

13-year-old convicted of second degree murder

WILLIAM CLAIBORNE
THE WASHINGTON POST

CHICAGO — In a case that fueled a national debate over juvenile justice, a jury in Pontiac, Mich., Tuesday found Nathaniel Abraham, one of the country's youngest murder defendants, guilty of second-degree murder in the fatal shooting of a stranger three years ago, when Nathaniel was 11 years old.

After deliberating over four days, jurors voted not to convict Nathaniel, who is now 13, of first-degree murder, which could have resulted in a sentence of life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Conviction on the lesser charge means he faces a maximum sentence of life in prison with parole a possibility. Or he could be sentenced as a juvenile and incarcerated until 21, at which time he could either be released or given a judicial review for possible additional punishment.

Nathaniel was wearing a Halloween costume when he was arrested for the Oct. 29, 1997, slaying of Ronnie Greene Jr., 18. He was so small his feet didn't touch the floor when he sat in a defense chair at his first court appearance. Tuesday, Nathaniel showed no visible emotion when the verdict was read.

However, one of his attorneys, Daniel Bagdade, who had his hand on the boy's shoulder, said Nathaniel trembled and cried, repeatedly asking what had happened to him.

Promising an appeal, Nathaniel's lead defense attorney, Geoffrey Fieger, called the verdict "repugnant" and said it was "born out of anger." He told reporters, "I think the rest of the world will scorn us and hold us in contempt."

Prosecutor Lisa Halushka called it a "sad victory for everyone involved" but said that at least the victim's family had received justice. At the same time, she said, the verdict "recognizes the responsibility of Nathaniel Abraham" while providing him the opportunity for help.

Oakland County Judge Eugene A. Moore ordered a psychiatric examination of the youth and set sentencing for Dec. 14. Prosecutors said they will recommend that he be sent to a juvenile detention facility where he can receive counseling and rehabilitation.

"Hopefully, with the help of the services that the court is able to provide for him, he will be rehabilitated and able to be released at age 21," Halushka said.

Nathaniel was the youngest child to be charged with murder in Michigan and the first to be tried under the state's 3-year-old juvenile justice law — one of the toughest in the nation — which allows prosecutors to obtain judicial approval for trying any juvenile as an adult, no matter how young.

He is believed to be the youngest defendant anywhere in the United

States in modern times to be tried as an adult for first-degree murder. As such, he became a symbol in a campaign against what some juvenile justice advocates view as a growing tendency in U.S. courts to prosecute and punish children who commit serious crimes as if they were adults.

Amnesty International USA put a picture of Nathaniel on the cover of a report critical of the juvenile justice system, saying that his trial violated international human rights standards for the protection of children.

Curt Goering, Amnesty USA's senior deputy executive director, said the verdict was "not the worst it could have been" and that Halushka's call for rehabilitation "at least recognizes the special needs such children have."

Evidence introduced in Nathaniel's trial focused in part on whether an 11-year-old could have aimed, fired and hit a walking target more than 200 feet away at night with a 30-year-old, .22-caliber rifle without a telescopic sight and missing most of its wooden stock. Fieger contended that Nathaniel was shooting at trees on a wooded hillside when a bullet ricocheted, striking Greene in the head as he emerged from a convenience store.

A second-degree murder conviction required a conclusion either that Nathaniel intended to kill or cause great bodily harm or that he created a high risk of death and bodily harm.

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Living together in 'Liberty Heights'

KENNETH TURAN
LOS ANGELES TIMES

HOLLYWOOD — For writer-director Barry Levinson, "Liberty Heights" is one from the heart.

The fourth film to be set in his native Baltimore (following "Diner," "Tin Men" and "Avalon"), this is a mature, accomplished piece of work, both funny and deeply felt, personal cinema of the best kind. Older now, seeing more, understanding more but caring just as much, Levinson has made the memory film we always hoped he would.

Although its focus on Baltimore's Jewish community in the fall of 1954 couldn't be more specific, the issues and themes "Liberty Heights" raises, its focus on the dreams, diversions and disappointments of an increasingly multicultural America, have a universal taste of life about them.

Levinson has done this, ironically, by embracing specificity, by having characters (unlike those in "Avalon," who never mention their Jewishness) proudly screaming out car windows as they drive from their Liberty Heights neighborhood into a Gentile area, "Get ready, folks, Jews are coming."

For Baltimore in 1954 was still a place where you could divine a person's religion and ethnicity by asking where they lived. But the Supreme Court had just desegregated the schools, barriers of all kinds were breaking down, and the reality of a more open America was beckoning everyone, even Nate and Ada Kurtzman (Joe Mantegna and Bebe Neuwirth) and their sons Van and Ben (Adrian Brody and Ben Foster).

"Liberty Heights" is at its funniest exposing the contours of the Kurtzmans' doomed all-Jewish world, complete with an irascible old-country grandmother (Frania Rubinek), who insists "if it's in the Bible, it's for a reason." And what specifically might that reason be? "A good reason."

Although Ben, now in high school, has already learned that "99 percent of the world is not Jewish," there's a lot he and the college-going Van "don't know about what it's like to be the other kind." For both brothers, forbidden romance will aid in the getting of wisdom; and "Liberty Heights" expertly intertwines their stories with another cross-cultural difficulty, one their father has managing his unconventional business.

The world and, more importantly, the IRS, think the loss of Nate Kurtzman's income is a collapsing burlesque house on Baltimore's famous Block. But it actually comes from the numbers business, a gambling enterprise so beyond the pale it's never even mentioned at home. Desperate to drum up more customers, Nate and his associates come up with a bonus system, but when a small-time black drug dealer named Little Melvin

(Orlando Jones) hits his number big, Nate faces a crisis that taxes even his considerable toughness and ingenuity.

Ben, meanwhile, has become fascinated with Sylvia (Rebekah Johnson), the only black student in his home room. The daughter of a prominent surgeon, elegant and self-possessed, Sylvia is not only a world away from Little Melvin, she is a world away from Ben as well.

Still, despite opposition from both sets of parents — her father has a rule against white boyfriends and his mother simply says, "Just kill me now!" — Ben and Sylvia find themselves really liking each other and wanting to spend time together.

Theirs is the sweetest of friendships, even extending to a joint visit to a lovingly re-created James Brown concert, but like everything else about "Liberty Heights," it manages to be clear-eyed and unsentimental as well as warm. Both Ben and his friends have accumulated considerable prejudice, old wives' tales and just plain ignorance and misinformation about blacks (not to mention about sex, but that's another story), which this relationship gracefully and often amusingly disabuses him of.

Van's romantic entanglement is just as forbidden. At a Halloween party in a Gentile neighborhood, while his friend Yussel (David Krumholtz) is getting into a bravado-induced fight for refusing to admit he's Jewish, dark and poetic-looking Van gets intoxicated with Dubbie (model Carolyn Murphy), a kind of ultimate shiksa goddess who is involved with a wealthy fellow socialite named Trey (Justin Chambers) who drinks too much and drives too fast.

The experienced Brody ("King of the Hill," "Summer of Sam") brings a fine poetic grace to the part of Van, and it is a tribute to Levinson's sensitive direction (and Ellen Chenoweth's adroit casting) that he gets equally strong performances out of the film's numerous first-time feature actors, including Foster, Johnson, Murphy, Chambers and Jones. Not even born when this film takes place, they've managed to recapture its nuances with remarkable fidelity.

But it's Levinson who's given them such rich and often comic things to say, who understands how to structure great riffs that seem to come out of nowhere. So we have Ben and his pals, faced with a sign reading No Jews, Dogs or Colored, wondering how Jews got the first position, or Yussel's tirade about anti-Semitism. They all pray to a Jew, he fumes. I guess it's OK to have a dead Jew hanging over your bed but not to have one come in the front door.

Levinson's storytelling style has always been on the discursive side, and "Liberty Heights," ebbing and flowing like a river of memory, shows that technique to its best advantage. There's almost a free-form quality to the narrative as stories weave in and out of one another, meandering a bit but never losing their novelistic grasp of feeling and atmosphere.



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Men's cross country places 13th at regionals

CHRISTINE BOLIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU men's cross country seniors Matt McClelland, Brian Bundren and Eric Rushing closed the door on the last collegiate race of their careers Saturday at the NCAA Midwest Regionals.

"We had an up and down year," McClelland said of his last cross country season. "Things switched back and forth. We started off hot, then after the Saluki Invite, things went downhill."

Both home meets for the Salukis brightened the season. They opened the 1999 campaign in early September with the SIU Season Opener, where they finished first of three

teams. They then finished third among 16 teams in the Saluki Invite.

However, as the year progressed, the season took a wrong turn.

The Missouri Valley Conference Championships proved to be a disappointment as the Salukis finished fifth of ten teams, and most recently at Regionals in Champaign, SIU extinguished the season by placing 13th of 20 teams.

The University of Minnesota (56) finished first overall, followed by the University of Missouri-Columbia (76), Oklahoma State University (104), the University of Illinois (155) and MVC opponent Drake University (187) rounded out the top five finishers, respectively.

"We weren't expecting to qualify," Rushing said. "Our goal was to beat as many conference teams as possible. We beat Southwest Missouri State [University] and the University of Missouri-Kansas City, and they beat us twice before this year."

The two times UM-KC, who placed 14th in the regional, outran SIU was at the Illinois Invitational, where SIU placed third of four teams, and at the Saluki Invitational.

McClelland, Bundren and Rushing led the way for the Salukis in the 10K race — McClelland (32:16) finished 46th, Bundren (32:27) came in the 54th spot and Rushing (32:33) finished 58th.

Other SIU contributors include freshman Joey Molteni's (33:06) 82nd place, sophomore

Joe Ziebert's (33:22) 92nd finish, sophomore Travis Pressler (33:23) came in 94th and junior Chris Owen (33:32) rounded out the Saluki field by taking the 99th spot.

"Eric Rushing had a good run," head coach Bill Cornell said. "We always knew he had the ability. Joey Molteni was the 16th conference man home. I was happy with his run. He has good things going for his future."

The only thing Cornell and the rest of the Salukis can do is train for indoor track season, which begins at the Early Bird Classic at Illinois State University, Dec. 11.

"It was a disappointing season," Cornell said. "We need to put the cross country season behind us and look forward to the future for track."

Last call for football team

Salukis have one final chance to leave good impression after disappointing season

JAY SCHWAB
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU head football coach Jan Quarless spent the last week doing homework on potential recruits in hopes that he won't have to be preparing for anticlimactic season finales in future years like he does this week.

SIU (4-6, 1-5 Gateway) plays host to Western Kentucky University Saturday in the final game for the Salukis in the 1999 season — a year that started off with excitement but is ending in dejection. SIU began the season 3-0, but has won just one of its last seven games.

The Hilltoppers (6-4, 4-3 in Ohio Valley) employ a similar option offense to the one Indiana State University showed SIU in the Salukis' 66-45 loss to the Sycamores Nov. 6. WKU knocked off Indiana State in overtime 40-34 last week.

The Salukis had last week off, and the coaching staff used the time to begin pinpointing high school and junior college players across the country they would like to target.

Most assuredly, SIU will be making impassioned recruiting pitches to defensive players. The Salukis have given up an average of 56 points during the last five games, and the young and banged up defense could be in for another rough outing against WKU.

But for now, the spotlight turns to SIU's seniors.

Saturday's game will mark the final Saluki football Saturday for a senior class that has gone through their whole SIU career without experiencing a winning season. Still, the class includes



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SIU head football coach Jan Quarless gave final instruction to his players after practice. The Salukis will take the field for the last time this season against the Hilltoppers of Western Kentucky at McAndrew Stadium. The game starts at 12:30 p.m.

several solid performers, such as wide receiver Cornell Craig and offensive linemen Brandon Frick and Jim Lavhorn.

In addition to all the losing, the seniors have had to brave the volatile Quarless during the past three seasons.

"Any group that's had to fight through this transition the last three years are special kind of people because I'm not the easiest guy to get along with," Quarless said.

One senior who will not be playing his final game Saturday is SIU all-time leading rusher Karlton Carpenter, who has not played all season after a summer of legal and personal problems.

The question of a potential sixth year of eligibility for Carpenter remains unsettled, and Quarless said it will likely remain undetermined until December or January. Even if the NCAA grants Carpenter another sea-

son, there is still some doubt whether Carpenter is interested in playing.

"I think Carp has to answer that at some point," Quarless said. "I think he's more concerned with the adjustment back to school and more concerned about feeling healthy and feeling strong."

Quarless has won just 10 of the 32 games he has coached in his three-year Saluki head coaching career.

Coach Q said he has learned some harsh lessons in the realities of trying to build a winner at a program with the financial and physical limitations of SIU.

"I think sometimes you have to be realistic in understanding it takes more than coaching," Quarless said. "I think all of us have egos that tend to make us believe we can overcome some obstacles that exist that we can't... we're further back then I thought."

Desire not melting for star U.S. goalie

PHILIP HERSH
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

She was scared of failing, an odd mind-set for someone who quite literally is a poster woman for success in everything she has tried.

The poster in question shows Sarah Tuetting of Winnetka wearing her goalie pads and USA hockey jersey and holding her mask, cello and bow. It has appeared in local magazines and Playbills as a promotion for the Music Institute of Chicago, where Tuetting studied cello for 14 years. The poster mentioned the Olympics and music but said nothing of being the regular goalie on the 1998 gold-medal team or being a pre-med major at Dartmouth or teaching sailing or the rest of the things Tuetting has crammed into the first 23 years of her life.

"Those two weeks at the Olympics," Tuetting said, "already seem like a heartbeat in time."

Tuetting often thinks of the snapshots her 83-year-old grandmother took from the television, which showed the United States winning the first Olympic women's hockey tournament.

The memories warmed her to another icy challenge. It was, she realized, what made her beat faster. Sunday, when training camp opened in Lake Placid, N.Y., for the 1999-2000 U.S. Women's Select Team, Tuetting was trying to make the beat go on until the 2002 Olympics in Salt Lake City.

She hadn't skated at all for nine months after winning the gold medal in Nagano, Japan. Finally, just before last Christmas, she got the urge.

With her brother, Jonathan, a fourth-year medical student at the University of Chicago, Tuetting went to the outdoor rink in Glencoe where she had learned to skate. It didn't even matter that the facility had closed before they arrived.

"I don't want this to sound cheesy, but just to see the ice, I knew hockey wasn't out of my blood," Tuetting said.

Upon returning to college, Tuetting began playing pickup games with the Dartmouth men's junior varsity club team. By spring, when she heard USA Hockey was going to create a residency program for a women's select team in the fall, Tuetting wanted to be part of it.

That is where the fear began.

"I was scared I wouldn't make it again," she said. But she made the most of her minimum opportunity. Not only did Tuetting make the team, she started the Olympic opener, final and two of the other four games for the unbeaten U.S. women. Her goals-against average was 1.15, her save percentage .938 and her decision to take a year off from college completely justified.

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Evansville's loss is Salukis' gain

Stetson Hairston chooses SIU over Purple Aces

COREY CUSICK
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU head basketball coach Bruce Weber signed his second recruit to a national letter of intent Tuesday afternoon for the 2000-2001 season.

However, Weber's latest recruit could further heat up the rivalry between the Salukis and Missouri Valley Conference foe, the University of Evansville.

Guard Stetson Hairston of Belleville East High School in Belleville, signed with the Salukis late Tuesday afternoon.

The 6-foot-2-inch guard had previously given Evansville head coach Jim Crews an oral commitment, but later asked Crews if he could visit other schools.

Hairston called Weber in mid-October informing him that he was having second thoughts about Evansville, but Weber said he would not contact Hairston again until he informed Crews about his uncertainty.

After Hairston notified Crews, Weber, who said he wanted to be up front with the Evansville coach, told Crews that Hairston had recently talked with him.

"I told coach Crews I would not visit (Hairston) unless he visited another (school)," Weber said. "And he did make another visit."

After Hairston visited Loyola University and still had thoughts of attending SIU, Weber did not hesitate at the chance of landing the athletic guard.

"I didn't want to not recruit the kid if he was going to end up going to some place other than Evansville," Weber said. "I want to be a nice guy, but at the same time, if he's not going to Evansville, I want to have a chance at him."

Weber said Evansville did not even bring Hairston in last weekend for his scheduled visit.

"Evansville, I think kind of got upset with him," Weber said.

Weber compared Hairston's athleti-

cism to that of former Saluki guard Monte Jenkins.

"I just think he's kind of that all-around kind of player," said Weber, who thought Hairston could play either the No. 1, 2 or 3 spot for the Salukis.

Regarded as one of the top 200 seniors in the nation, Hairston competed in the Nike All-American Camp in Indianapolis last summer.

Stetson averaged 19.3 points per game and 4.9 rebounds last season for Belleville East, as well as swiping 82 steals.

Stetson will join Josh Warren, who signed with the Salukis last Wednesday.

Warren, a 6-foot-8-inch forward of Washington, Mo., committed to the Salukis in July.

"We kind of got ahead of everybody, and then this summer when he was out in the AAU events, he really played well and people started jumping on the boat," said Weber of the big-bodied Warren.

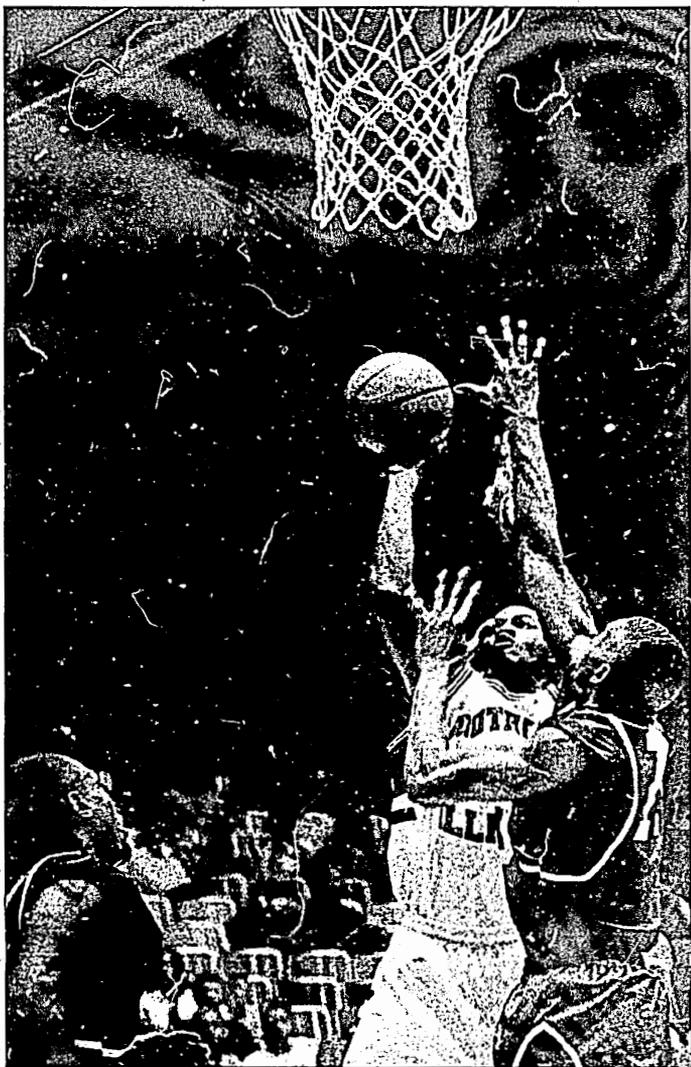
Weber hopes to sign two more good-sized high schoolers, as well as a junior college player to fill in at the front-line next season following the departures of seniors (forward) Chris Thunell and (center) Derrick Tilmon.

Weber said he also wants to sign a point guard with senior Ricky Collum in his final season, but is not sure whether to pursue a fresh-faced high schooler or go the juno route.

Weber is unsure of whether sophomore guard Brandon Mells will be his point guard of the future. With this in mind, Weber may opt to pursue a high school point guard who can play four years, rather than only two.

"I've told Brandon this personally, until he proves to me he can play thirty minutes a game, I have some doubts right now," Weber said. "He is good and explosive and can create quick points, but does he have the endurance to go for a full game."

Jay Schwab contributed to this story.



JUSTIN JONES - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Sophomore guard Brandon Mells goes up for two during Saturday's game against the World Basketball Opportunities in the SIU Arena. Weber is counting on Mells and junior forward/guard Abel Schrader to step up if the Salukis are to contend for the Missouri Valley Conference championship.

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hang of Weber's motion offense, SIU is in considerably better shape to score points.

Consequently, losing last year's leading scorer, Monte Jenkins, will not be that big of a deal. Right?

Not exactly.

What many SIU fans forget is Jenkins' superb defense last year. Jenkins gave SIU the kind of athlete they could sic on the

other team's best player, and breathe easier knowing Jenkins could contain him.

This year, the Salukis are without a true defensive stopper. However, it's a safe bet that Weber will have the Saluki 'D' in better form than it showed during a pair of shaky exhibitions performances. If SIU is to be as defensively sound as it was last year, though, the Salukis must rely on playing true team defense.

The Salukis are also short on the raw athletic talent that was the trademark of their successful teams of the early '90s. But SIU is

blessed with solid senior leaders in Tilmon, Chris Thunell and Ricky Collum, and has a roster jammed with able performers.

If SIU is to eclipse its 15-12 record of last season, the Salukis would be well served to come out of the gate strong. SIU begins the season against some teams that don't come with a boatload of name recognition, but are very solid programs. Western Kentucky University falls into that category, and the Hilltoppers will be in Carbondale to commence the season Saturday night.

That is when the SIU basketball team will

begin what has the potential to be a very interesting season, and perhaps one that will land the Salukis in the NCAA tournament or with an NIT bid for the first time in five years.

The University could use a jolt of positive energy, and Saluki basketball might very well provide it this winter.

With the support of the student body and SIU community, the Salukis are poised to give people around Carbondale something to smile about.

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Pressure is on Saluki basketball

The fall season for SIU sports did not go well, to put it mildly. The football Salukis started with a bang, then became depressing to watch as the season progressed. Debbie Barr's milestone last weekend was nice, but not enough to overshadow an abomination of a volleyball season. The other fall sports didn't do a whole lot to get anyone's blood pumping.



JAY SCHWAB

SPORTS REPORTER

All of this means an exciting Saluki basketball season is needed now more than ever to pump some life into an SIU sports year that has been devoid of much joy. Thankfully, the pages of the calendar have turned to the time of year for SIU sports to shine. It's winter-time.

The Saluki women hoopsters will likely be better than last year's injury-riddled 6-21 team, and it will be neat to watch freshman sensation Molly McDowell pick up where she left off in her stellar high school career. Still, Julie Beck's team is probably a year or two away from making much noise in the rugged MVC.

The big game in town will, as usual, be the SIU men's basketball team.

All eyes in Southern Illinois are locked in on second year head coach Bruce Weber and his Salukis. This campus is crying out for a reason to get wrapped up in something other than a new interim position to fill.

SIU basketball might just fit the bill.

The crowds at the SIU Arena were filling in nicely by the end of last season, as students and the community became believers in Weber and the disciplined style of basketball he brought to the Salukis. That excitement is compounded this year by one of the best Saluki freshman classes in years, highlighted by Southern Illinois' native son, Kent Williams.

There is reason to expect a season of thrilling Saluki basketball.

Judging from the 109 and 93 points SIU put up in its exhibition games, scoring points will not be as hard for the Salukis as it was a year ago, when SIU averaged just 64 points a game.

Fans at the Arena, who stand and clap in unison in anticipation of SIU's first basket of each half, often left games with mighty sore feet last season.

But with the new and improved Derrick Tilmon seemingly ready to supply some points in the paint, along with the arrival of Williams and another year for the Salukis to get the

Early dose of reality

SIU women's basketball team in for rude awakening after 62-48 loss to Athletes In Action

PAUL WLEKLINSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN

If an automobile company were to discover flaws in a new line of cars, they would hope to find them on the drawing board and not during the construction.

For SIU women's basketball coach Julie Beck, it's no different. They had one final opportunity for a test drive before Beck and company begin the regular season Friday against the University of Wisconsin, who ranks 30th in the USA Today/ESPN poll.

The Salukis had trouble getting started and never could catch Athletes In Action Monday night in the SIU Arena as they fell 62-48 to finish the exhibition preseason 1-1. The Salukis entered Monday night's game hitting on all cylinders on the heels of a head turning 81-63 victory over St. Louis Goldstar, Nov. 10.

REAL SEASON

• The Salukis begin the regular season in Nebraska in the Time Warner Cable Classic against the University of Wisconsin Friday. SIU finished the exhibition preseason with a 1-1 record.

But AIA doused the fiery Salukis with a cold dose of reality showing SIU what the regular season will have in store for them.

"I don't think the coaches ever needed it," Beck said about the rude wake up call AIA and the quality teams they face in the future will give. "I'm just glad we had two exhibition games. I think this will ready us a little bit more for getting thrown in the fire with ranked Wisconsin this week."

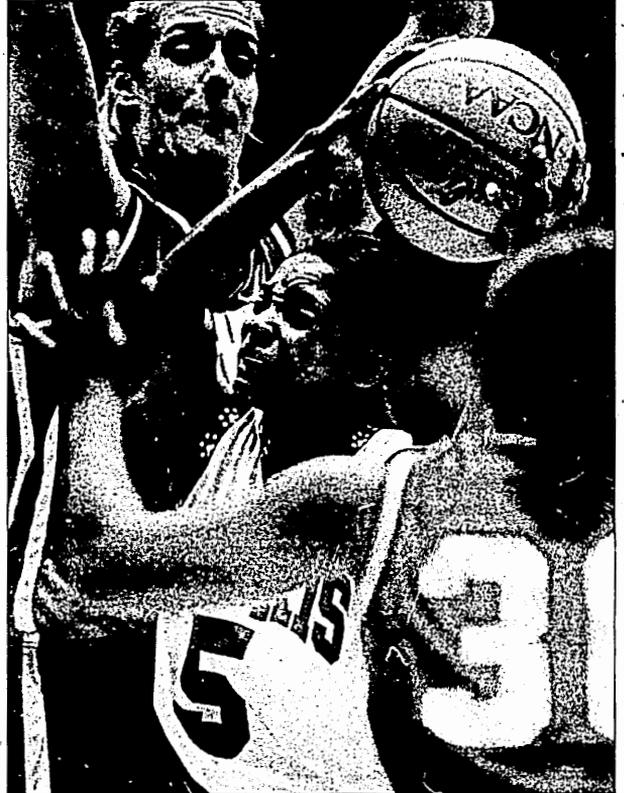
The Saluki squad that showed up in the arena Monday night turned out to be a different model from the previous one against Goldstar.

Beck partially credits her teams sparse play to her experimentation with different lineups.

"Not that we didn't want to win the basketball game," Beck said. "But I tried a lot of different combinations early. I wanted to try to play everybody [Monday night] and see what they could do. But at times, I looked out there and we had three or four freshman in. Wow, that's scary. They're going to get there, but that's youth right now."

The Saluki play was scary early scoring only three field goals in the first 15 minutes of the game. AIA put the brakes on the Saluki offense early as it jumped to a 23-9 lead. The Salukis then put together a 15-6 run before half time, including a three-point bucket at the buzzer by Terica Hathaway. The Salukis took a 29-24 deficit into the half-time locker room.

The Salukis shot just 28 percent from the field draining only seven of 25 field goals before the recess.



DOUG LARSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU starting point guard Kim Holloway is swarmed by the defense of Athletes in Action, a touring exhibition team, in Monday night's exhibition game at the SIU Arena. The Lady Salukis lost 62-48.

The Salukis opened the second half the same way they opened the game giving up 12 unanswered points and eventually falling by as much as 45-28 with 12:30 left to play. The Salukis could only cut the lead to nine, but that would be as close as they would get, eventually falling 62-48 before 245 fans.

For the second time in as many games, the Salukis were led by a freshman with Molly McDowell leading all scorers with 18 points in 30 minutes.

Terica Hathaway, last season's team scoring leader, added 14 points and pulled down eight boards in 32 minutes.

Abby Garcheck scored 12 points for AIA and missed a double double by three rebounds, recording seven. SIUC graduate and former Saluki basketball player Nikki Gilmore added nine points in her homecom-

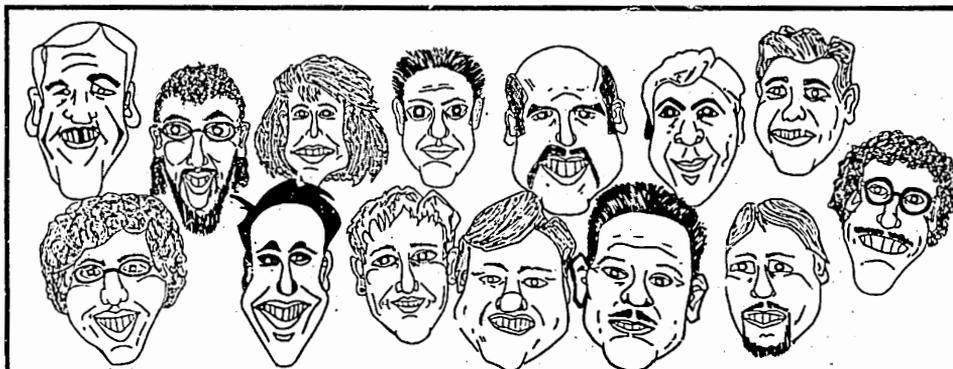
ing. "It was very different," Gilmore said about playing against her former team. "I felt like I was a traitor. I wish I was in maroon and white. I miss those days. I just miss the fans and the people here in Carbondale. It was a great feeling to be back and playing on a nice, nice floor."

The Salukis finished the game shooting a dismal 34.7 percent from the field and turned the ball over 19 times.

The Salukis learned last season, in which they finished 6-21, how important it is not have so many turnovers. AIA out rebounded the Salukis 39-29.

"I knew that Goldstar was going to be very different from Athletes In Action," Beck said. "They really gave our young kids especially a test [Monday]."

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