Springtime puppy love flooding local humane shelter

By Allison Pettigrew

Fall break at SIUC

- October 1990
  - University institutes first fall break;
    residence halls closed starting at 7 p.m. Oct. 25 and returned at 7 a.m. Oct. 30.

- April 2000
  - Interim Chancellor John Jackson approves the elimination of fall break for 2001.

- March 2001
  - As a result of the previous year’s debacle, deans propose a nine-day break, including weekends, for Halloween 2002. The proposed break would sidestep Thanksgiving Break from November.

- October 9, 2001
  - Chancellor Walter Wendler announces that SIUC will not take fall break in 2002.

- Present
  - Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Larry Dietz says a fall break could reduce student-academic performance and improve student retention rates by addressing a larger problem.

SIUC had its first Halloween break in 1990 when the university closed for five days. After a brief break from the breaks in 1993 and 1994, the university continued to close around Halloween from 1995 to 2003. Former Chancellor Walter Wendler declared the end of the breaks in 2003, saying they caused people to focus unnecessarily on the university’s Halloween-related “party school” reputation.

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By Joe Crawford

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SUN NEWS BRIEFS

Two students ticketed after residence hall fight

A fight in Kellogg Hall at Thompson Point Monday afternoon ended with a visiting high school student being thrown through a first floor window.

SIUC police issued Sidney McCoy, a sophomore studying management from Chicago, and a visiting 17-year-old high school student from Chicago, tickets for fighting. The 17-year-old was treated for injuries at Carbondale Memorial Hospital after he was thrown through one of the residence hall’s first floor windows at 12:06 p.m.

Witnesses, who insisted to remain anonymous, said they saw a group of at least four black males gathered around a hallway trash. The witnesses, who had entered a nearby dorm room, said they heard a verbal fight begin five minutes later followed by the sound of glass shattering, and a voice, presumably the 17-year-old, asking why he had been thrown through the window.

Employees were with the university’s Physical Plant and Housing Department cleaned up broken glass in the building’s carpet and exterior walls, as well as shattered glass from the broken window.

A police report will be released today with more details.

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A program that offers additional help for students in selected courses is looking to grow, as long as money can be found for the expansion.

Supplemental Instruction is a program that offers peer-assisted study sessions twice a week for selected courses. The program was implemented at SIUC in 2001 to help improve retention and persistence.

Lisa Peden, coordinator of Supplemental Instruction, said the program is currently offered in 17 courses. Peden said courses with an SI component are selected by the percentages of Ds, Fs and withdrawals from the previous semester. If SI received more money, Peden said, the program could expand to 30 or 40 courses that have shown a need for the additional instruction.

Peden said the program has received some additional funding in the past through Student Affairs, but greater expansion of the program is going to require more.

She said she has looked into grants, but is trying to find the funding elsewhere, as the grants are not a continual source of funding.

The existing budget allows the hiring of 12 to 14 student leaders per semester, Peden said.

“There are some institutions that have hundreds of SI leaders in hundreds of courses,” Peden said. “We definitely could expand.”

Larry Elam, vice chancellor for Student Affairs, said the program is based on peer collaborative learning, training students to help students.

The data is pretty clear, Dietz said. Students who participate in an SI component of a course generally do better than students in the same course who do not participate in the program.

Brad Veeck, a junior from Johnsburg studying accounting, said he started as a student leader this semester and has attended the additional study sessions in the past. Veeck, an SI leader for Accounting 230, said the program provides students with an additional outlet for questions and help, especially if they don’t feel comfortable talking to the professor.

“I think they can relate to me more than a professor,” Veeck said. “I’ve taken the class, I know what’s expected to get through it.”

Peden said in addition to study sessions, the program offers academic coaching, which provides individual assistance in any course, as long as there is an available student leader to provide coaching.

“That’s really what it’s all about,” Peden said. “Trying to get help to the students who want the help.”

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U.S. troop death toll reaches 4,000

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WASHINGTON
President Bush called it a day of reflection. He never explicitly said why, but the reason was clear: 4,000 U.S. dead in Iraq.

It is one of the tolls of the four-year-old war, the kind of round number that sticks in the public's mind.

So on a day that began with so much lightness - Bush kicking off the fun, charity, country music and flossing on the South Lawn - the president ended up offering sympathy for grieving families.

"One day people will look back at this moment in history and say, 'Thank God there were courageous Bush said in a...
Domestic violence pervades different areas

Forum discusses protective orders in rural, urban areas

Jakina Hill
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Domestic violence was discussed and dissected in a symposium Monday. Throughout four presentations and a panel, those in attendance discussed the differences between rural and urban areas, state department strengths and weaknesses and protective orders.

The event was organized by the crime, delinquency and corrections center and sponsored by the Center for Rural Violence and Justice Studies and a grant from the U.S. Department of Justice.

The keynote speaker for the afternoon was T.K. Logan, a professor of behavioral science at the University of Kentucky.

Logan focuses on relationships between intimate partners and sexual assault victimization, and the justice system’s response to intimate partner and sexual assault victimization in rural and urban communities. Logan presented her work to a group of about 50 people, mostly women, in the Student Center ballrooms. The PowerPoint presentation focused on the process of issuing an Emergency Protective Order and a Domestic Violence Order.

“Enforcement is the biggest problem with protection orders. Many women believe it’s just a piece of paper,” Logan said. “Many women believe it’s just a piece of paper.”

Logan said the media portrayal only enforces that a piece of paper will not protect them by focusing on failures as opposed to the successes.

Not everyone who asks for a protective order gets one, Logan said. The main factors preventing the issuance of an emergency protective order are affordability, availability, accessibility and acceptability.

Logan said people often don’t realize that every application for a protective order is not necessarily answered with one being issued. In Kentucky, if the state fails to get it to the person it is against in two weeks, the woman has to again file for and pay for the order.

Logan told a story of a woman who was asked by the judge to demonstrate how she was abused with a hanger. Logan said the woman got on her hands and knees to show the court what happened, only to be rudely dismissed by the judge.

Gail Thomas, staff attorney for the SIU School of Law’s Domestic Violence Clinic, participated in a panel discussion that was the closing event for the symposium. Thomas said Logan’s input was what she found most interesting, especially the dramatic difference from Illinois and Kentucky provisions on handling emergency protective orders.

“(Logan) talked about how prosecutors in Kentucky tend not to file charges, even if the victim has called 50 times,” Thomas said. “We have a way to go in Illinois but it made me appreciate what we do have.”

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Changing reality

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During a discussion about ethics in a journalism editing class, my fellow classmates and I were asked to mull over the question of whether perception really is reality.

While my immediate answer was a firm ‘no,’ I ponder the question, I realize it is true. There are several perceptions Daily Egyptian readers believe to be the truth, and my goal in this column is to do exactly what the headline says — change reality.

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On that note, I’d also like to make it clear that we are not media communications or press for the university. Our job is to bring you the news as objectively and accurately as possible.

We have no responsibility to ensure that all the news is rainbows and sunshine. Let’s face it — news isn’t always happy.

And sometimes we have to report things that are less than happy. We’re the paper that has the front page seat to this university and the things that go on here.

If we don’t report that things aren’t working, who will? Wouldn’t you rather hear about it from a student than a disconnected media outlet? We also want to hear what all the students think. Our Web site luckily gives us an easy way to do this. The ability to post comments has returned to our site. This semester and things have been going smoothly for the most part, but we still reserve the right to remove comments that are inappropriate, inaccurate and malicious and unrelated to the issue at hand.

We don’t take our own personal editorial views into account when editing comments, and it is Daily Egyptian policy to not comment on our own site. So you can speculate all you want, but Joe Crawford never commented on his own story — or should you? Check out the Voices pages.

As most people realize, the Daily Egyptian is run by students. What people may not take into account is that students graduate, or at least they’re supposed to two years after the Daily Egyptian is incredibly high.

Students start working here, and some decide they want to change their majors and go to internships — like I’m preparing to do this summer — and then we all eventually graduate. That’s the way it’s supposed to work.

Now we’ve all had bad experiences before, especially with the slew of weather issues the past few months have made all of us unaccustomed. Are you going to stop driving because the city didn’t clear the ice off once? I doubt it. So, those of you who have had a bad experience with the Daily Egyptian in the past, give us another chance. Please express your concerns, and we’ll do our best to make your experience what it should be: fair and accurate.

In the event any source feels a story is not fair or accurate, tell us. We want to hear your concerns. But remember the old adage: You catch more flies with honey than vinegar.

Rude phone calls and hanging up on us isn’t usually a good, professional way to deal with things, and only makes the process that much harder.

We try our hardest to do our best, but every once in a while a mistake may slip through. Please remember that no one is perfect all the time. A recent obituary appeared in The New York Times that said a woman moved to Carbondale where she and her husband worked with Buckminster Fuller — at the University of Illinois.

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It appears the revolving door that is the SIU chancellor’s office will be moving again.

As most of you know, SIU President Glenn Poshard put Chancellor Fernando Treviño on administrative leave last week. Now the university is basically going through a three-step process to address whatever the problems may be.

Treviño is still chancellor until Poshard says differently. If history prevails, though, Treviño’s time at SIUC may be short-lived. After all, a chancellor’s tenure at SIUC is usually shorter than a student’s. Even two-year transfer students.

Maybe Treviño will keep his post. But if he gets the ever-swinging boot, let me tell you how this thing will unravel.

First, our wonderfully efficient administration will elect some faculty to a panel. Then, that panel will meet 13 or 14 times and determine if an in-house committee would be beneficial for a chancellor search. Then, they’ll nominate the aforementioned in-house committee, which will endlessly debate on how many people should serve on the committee whose only job is to recommend a search committee.

Those committee members will tirelessly talk about which search committee to use in finding a chancellor. Then, we’ll pay some self-praising do-nothings in Chicago to give us four or five names. We will spend about $150,000 on this process, which will eventually be paid for by students somewhere down the line.

Sounds fun, huh?

This is kind of how we got Treviño at SIUC last spring after then-interim Chancellor John Dunn became president at Western Michigan University. The university set aside $150,000 for the process. They paid a Chicago firm $100,000 to set up a search and help identify attractive candidates.

Just before the search started, John Haller outlined why a search committee was needed.

“They bring with them a network, they bring with them a pool of candidates, and with the experience they have they can get a great deal of information beyond what one might get with a letter of reference,” said Haller, the vice president for academic affairs.

Yet, all those pennies spent failed to realize some candidates’ obvious shortcomings, such as one of the four finalists having a handful of ongoing lawsuits filed against him.

Hmph. You know what else one of these fancy search committees should do?

An absurdly high and unnecessary price tag and results that a fourth grader who can use Google could come up with.

SIU still uses beer-bong-looking funnels and recycling bins to deal with flooding and deferred maintenance.

Students and faculty deserve to be heard, and we need open and honest debate about the process. Let’s visit our friend Google, and find some names, rather hear about it from a student than a disconnected media outlet.

We also want to hear what all the students think.

Gus Bode says check out www.siaDE.com/podcasts to hear what the Voices desk has lined up. We use some background on our editorialists, debate our differences and conclude that Jordan should definitely get a new haircut.

And don’t fret — this is a new, weekly collaboration, so make sure to tune in today and next week (actually, you should just do it every day) to hear what’s going on at the Daily Egyptian.

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WORDS OVERHEARD
“We want to work with the customer, and if that happens to mean negotiating a price, then we’re willing to look at that.”

Kathryn Gallagher
spokesperson for Home Depot
on the retail store developing a bargaining policy to help cope with the economy.
Position is power

Paul Flowers

Five seconds left in the game. Dallas is up one over the Phoenix Suns and it’s the final game of the Western Conference Finals. This play will be the last for one of these two phenomenal teams. One winner will emerge, the other is going home. The ball is inbounded as Steve Nash runs around a screen at the top of the arc.

Five: In the mean time, Shaquille O'Neal is freed up in the post.

Four: Shaq gives a slight nod as Nash effortlessly drives the ball across the court.

Three: Nash goes up for what seems to be a long-three pointer.

Two: He makes a quick change and bullets the ball toward the rim and a leaping O'Neal.

One: Tip slam! Game over. The Suns are going to the finals.

Now we all know Shaq is hanged up beyond recognition, and it’s a long shot for a Phoenix Suns team to grab the floor for the NBA Finals. Let this example simply make a point on being as a power position.

Some would define the above scenarios as luck. Luck can be defined as being in the right place at the right time. It also be defined as preparation plus opportunity plus action, and in order to make a power move, preparation is a must. Time and time again, I go to class where our brilliant young minds are preparing for the future. Or so it may seem.

The thing that struck me as odd in these classes was that I could always walk up to the front of the room and have a seat. Aside from wanting to be in the front to have a less restricting seat and to sit more comfortably, I also know that the information received in the front of the classroom is different from that in the back. Don’t believe me? Try it out yourself.

After having gone to countless seminars on leadership and personal development, if anything, I’ve heard it over and over again — position is power. Those who sit in the front of the room simply position themselves for a more powerful learning experience. Those who sit in the back barely learn. It never fails, the back rows are always full, yet the front is as bare as L.A. Clippers trophy case.

In time, the wrapping of a world that can be headed up by this generation. And as a part of the generation, I think that we should ‘un-cool the ‘cool’ notion that the back of the room is where we belong.

The times have changed. People fought too hard to make sure we could sit wherever we wanted so let’s take advantage of today.

Let’s take advantage of the wealth of knowledge that’s been passed to us from the instructor. We’re driving into the Information Age with full-on force where knowledge is power. Those who have it will prosper, and those who don’t will whine and fuss.

So take a moment, reflect and then ask yourself, “What is my position on this?”

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Two Minutes of Truth

'’Til the last dog dies

McClatchy-Tribune

There is nothing inherently wrong about a presidential nomination fight that lasts until Easter; it’s been argued here that it’s rational, and national, series of primaries would last until Memorial Day or even Flag Day.

But the 2008 Democratic nomination battle is following the right calendar for the wrong reason. The longer it lasts, the worse the party’s chances this fall may become. President George W. Bush handed the Democrats an unpopular war and a recession, and yet they still may find a way to blow the election.

That joke about Democratic firing squads being formed in a circle still applies.

New York Sen. Hillary Clinton may well take her mathematics-be- damned battle against Illinois Sen. Barack Obama all the way to the nominating convention in Denver, and that doesn’t start until Aug. 25. Estimates by news organizations give Obama a lead of between 139 and 148 delegates. Given that the Democrats allot delegates proportionally, Clinton would need to crush him in the remaining primaries to pull even.

That improbability explains why her campaign was busy on two other fronts last week: trying desperately to convince Michigan and Florida to hold do-over primaries, and try to convince party leaders and elected officials in the ranks of the so-called “super delegates” that regardless of what the polls think, she is much more electable against Republican John McCain or Arizona than Obama.

Results of the earlier Florida and Michigan primaries were ruled illegitimate by party officials because the two states had tried to butt in line ahead of the caucus states, first in the nation Iowa, caucuses and New Hampshire primary.

In a bit that famous Clinton ‘manipulation,’ Clinton went along with the party leaders’ decision to not seat the delegates chosen in Michigan and Florida and agreed with other candidates to not campaign in either place, but she left her name on the ballot in Michigan and showed up back in a meaningless victory on election night in Florida. Now, purely in the interest of the democratic process, of course, she argues that the national party’s decision “disenfranchised” voters in both states.

She has a point. Voters in the two states are paying a heavy price for the professional incompetence of the presidential nominating process. It’s understandable that Michigan, a big industrial state, and Florida, the fourth most populous state in the nation, would want to move ahead of tiny, atypical New Hampshire and Iowa. But both states decided last week that do-over primaries at this point would present too many other problems, not the least of which is that it wouldn’t be fair to the other states that played by the rules.

Yet Clinton’s arguments to the super delegates also threatens massive disenfranchisement. For the super delegates in states that chose Obama to vote contrary to the wishes of their voters threatens the kind of election-day for-fut that occurred in 2000.

A party that screamed foul when Al Gore won the popular vote but was denied the presidency hardly can claim knowledge of the popular vote but was denied the presidency hardly can claim

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Participants in the 5K competitive run step off the start line at Evergreen Park on Pleasant Hill Road Saturday. The course started at the park, wound through the west side of campus and back to the park.  

Emily Sunblade  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

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Task force urges local food production

Illinois consumers hungry for local and organic foods

Tim McGovern  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Farmers in Illinois have no problem feeding their pigs and cows with food they produce, but most humans in the state get their food from elsewhere. A small group of legislators, educators and farmers are fighting to amend this problem.

Illinois currently imports 90 percent of its food, a fact Leslie Duram took issue with during a gathering Saturday at the DuQuoin-Richmond Economic Development Center to offer ideas and solutions.

"Often times food may travel as far as 1,500 miles or more before it reaches our kitchen," Duram said. "We need to keep money here in Illinois."

Duram, a professor of geography and environmental sciences as well as a member of the Illinois Local and Organic Food and Farm Task Force, said legislation is beginning to catch up to the issue.

The Illinois Food, Farms and Jobs Act of 2007 was passed unanimously in August to develop a plan for expanding and supporting a state local and organic food system that would increase locally grown food and organic food production.

A multitude of our food is imported from not only California, but countries such as Mexico and Honduras, where health standards tend to be lax. Chemicals we may have banned here may have been used over there.

The majority of food grown in Illinois is used for animal feed and fruitless as well as shipped to other states and countries, said Bridget Holcomb, a member of the Illinois Stewardship Alliance. The organization, located in Springfield, promotes farmer education and local food production.

"Though there is a growing demand for local and organic foods, farmers don’t receive government subsidies to grow crops such as spinach and strawberries that people consume," Holcomb said. It is relatively easy to grow a variety of food domestically even in the winter by using a "hoop house," or cheap greenhouse with a plastic-covered frame.

"If you find a product side can be grown in Illinois," she said. "They said that there are currently 73,000 farms in Illinois, down from 250,000 farms a century ago. The vast stretches of fields dotting the landscape produce inedible foods for humans, as most farmers only have access to corn and soy."

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Coffee house concerts give students a chance to chill

Audra Ord
Daily Egyptian

A student organization on campus is offering an alternative to the traditional raucous concert scene with three acoustic concerts this week at local coffee shops.

The Music Business Association is hosting concerts at Melange Coffeehouse and Longbranch Coffee House on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. The concerts are free and the performers are students from the SIUC School of Music.

“We looked at what there was in Carbondale, there weren’t really any live music venues for a more relaxed, chill environment,” said Michelle Myers, president of the Music Business Association.

The coffee house concert series gives students a chance to hear music they enjoy out of the traditional concert setting, said Jac McDole, a senior from Leases, Texas, studying music business and radio-television.

“It’s giving students a chance to sit down, enjoy some coffee, do their homework and listen to [live music],” McDole said.

Andy Martin, vice president of the Music Business Association, said coffee shops are a great venue for acoustic music because of their intimate setting.

“Getting out to a cozy bar isn’t really going to relax me, but I think a coffee shop environment and nice, calm music is going to be really relaxing and a chance to get away,” Myers said.

This week’s coffee house concerts mark the first of their kind, though Myers, Martin and McDole hope they will become a regular event series.

The coffee shop proprietors have been cooperative in hosting the events because they like the idea of using live music to draw people to their businesses, Myers said.

Myers said all the coffee shops are supportive of local musicians and are willing to be a part of live music in the area.

She said another goal of the concerts is to create more awareness of acoustic styles of music in Carbondale.

“It’s a style of music college students are used to hearing, and a chance for students to see some of their colleagues perform,” Myers said.

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The coffee house concerts are free and go from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The weekend lineup:

— SIUC Jazz ensemble Thursday at Melange
— Blue Grass Boys Saturday at Melange
— Guitarists from SIUC School of Music on Sunday at Longbranch

All performances are free and go from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

TV Tuesdays:

‘South Park’ preachy pulpit

Alicia Wade
Daily Egyptian

“South Park” is back for more risqué antics and controversial comedy in the animated comedy’s 12th season on Comedy Central.

Though the season is a mere two episodes in, it seems as though the strange world of the Colorado town has moved away from developing regular characters further and exploring new venues within the town. Instead, storylines lean toward the preachy, which in some ways is beneficial for a show that has been invading television sets for more than a decade.

It allows “South Park” to always be relevant no matter how far away the episodes about alien probes and pig and elephant DNA seem to be. Sending a message to its viewers with commentary on pop culture and anything else creators Matt Stone and Trey Parker decide to take on is nothing new for the show.

It’s admirable that “South Park,” which gained its notoriety for being a crude cartoon and delving into subjects otherwise untouched by television programming, has developed into a critical platform putting celebrities, government officials and even religions under scrutiny.

But unfortunately, the latest offerings in the half-hour slot have been relatively unfunny when compared to past episodes. Though it is early in the season, the preaching within “South Park” leans more toward unbearable to watch because of its harsh critique rather than an eye-opening, hilarious half hour.

In its first episode of the twelfth season, “South Park” once again dealt with HIV and AIDS. Main character Cartman was infected with HIV after receiving a bad blood transfusion.

Cartman then infected his friend Kyle, who couldn’t stop laughing at his misfortune. Cut to the end, and the boys of “South Park” learn the cure for HIV and AIDS is money injected into the body. While it’s funny on the surface and obviously a commentary on how those with the means get medication to aid in the fight against HIV and those without are left with no defense, the show just doesn’t pack the same comedic punch as it used to.

Absurdity is at an all time low and there are few jokes or gags for audiences to laugh at. Even the second episode featuring Britney Spears with half her head after a Failed suicide attemptpered more toward the pulpit while scrutinizing the media who chase Spears and the people who eat up celebrity gossip.

The episode was “South Park’s” version of “The Lottery.” Though it was a little more funny watching the inhabitants of the Colorado town turn their flashlights toward the star to sacrifice her than watching HIV and AIDS become a comedic subject, it still doesn’t pack the same punch as past episodes.

Hopefully, given time, this season of “South Park” will be as strong as former seasons. Though it is admirable to use a television platform to scrutinize subjects otherwise untouched in other media outlets, it’s time for “South Park” to get back to being funny and preachy, and not just preachy.

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Pulse Chatterbox

Sarah Jessica Parker was recently voted “Unsexiest Woman Alive” by Maxim magazine. Parker responded, “Do I have big fake boobs, Botas and tiny lips? No. Do I fit some ideals and standards of some men writing in a men’s magazine? Maybe not.” What is your reaction to Maxim’s designation?

Diana Soliwon

Um, sorry. I don’t waste my time reading all those magazines that plaster the latest women alive on their covers.

Audra Ord

Nurk White doesn’t think S&P is on the same level as, say, Heidi Klum, she’s definitely not a dog. My thoughts are that Maxim should eliminate this category from their “sexiest” list entirely, so nobody has to face the shame of being deemed the least attractive person on the earth. Talk about a downer.

Alicia Wade

I’m skeptical of how Maxim came to this decision, especially after the whole receiving the new Black Crowes album-without-even-listening-to-it debacle. Possibly a dirty game in the dark with celebrity pictures?

Gloria Bode says come back tomorrow and check out the CD reviews!

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By Linda C. Black

Today’s Birthday — Not everybody believes you can make a difference this year, but don’t let them stop you. The competition and opposition keep you on your toes. You can win respect and a magnificent prize.

To get the advantage, check the day’s rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — There are still a few disappointments to say, but success is in sight. Your next assignment is to protect your winnings. Don’t lose more than you recently gained.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 6 - A thoughtful gesture will be repaid in ways you can’t imagine. Don’t cut the goodness of your heart. Your efforts will not be wasted.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is an 8 — You like to think, but that is not your best alternative. Follow a hunch instead, and you’re more likely to win the prize.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — A crazy plan could work, but the odds of success are not high. Ask the person who came up with this idea to study it a bit longer. Don’t launch until Friday.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 8 — You’re well motivated, except your colleagues and how they think. Understand this and you can figure out what they’re up to do next. This could be quite useful.

By Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurek

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**CAREER**

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complement to the duo of Tony Young and Jamaal Tatum.

Falker had a breakthrough season as he won MVC Defensive Player of the Year and led the conference in blocks. Shaw shined when the Salukis took top competition as he averaged 16.6 points per game when they took on Minnesota, Arkansas and Virginia Tech.

The elevated play of SIU’s frontcourt helped the Salukis to a 23-5 record and an NCAA Tournament where they capped off one of the school’s best seasons.

Shaw went down in the first round game against Holy Cross but managed to put in 11 points while Falker scored 12. In the second round, Falker recorded a double-double while Shaw sat out. Though the Salukis lost 61-58 to Kansas in the Sweet Sixteen, one thing that stands out, Shaw said. “I don’t think you can point to one thing that stands out," Shaw said. "But playing in the Sweet Sixteen, winning the conference tournament and cutting down nets is something I won’t forget."

**Writing records**

Falker and Shaw are leaving their names in the SIU record books. Falker is second in games played at 1,315. Shaw played 369 and is eighth in points scored with 1,363. His most impressive mark is 195 three-pointers behind him.

Shaw and that he will miss teaming up with him. "It’s going to be weird playing without him but it’s just been fun," Falker said. "Everyday is just been good, we’ve been having fun because we’ve been putting up numbers on other teams.

When the lights finally went down on their careers, Shaw said it was him and Falker in the locker room, talking about basketball like they always do, one last time.

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**Niners forfeit draft pick for tampering with Bears’ Lance Briggs**

**The Associated Press**

NEW YORK — The San Francisco 49ers forfeited their fifth-round pick in next month’s NFL draft after commissioner Roger Goodell said they tampered with Chicago linebacker Lance Briggs.

In a statement released by the league Monday, Goodell said the team submitted an email with a picture of Briggs to another team Friday and that meant he could not leave the Bears.

"We have to take the necessary steps to ensure we are in compliance with the NFL’s anti-tampering policy," Goodell said in a statement. "This was not a malicious act; we believe that our organization was within the NFL’s guidelines. Going forward, we will take the necessary steps to ensure we are in compliance with the NFL’s interpretation."

Briggs, an all-Pro in 2007, had been designated as Chicago’s franchise player, signing a one-year tender that meant he could not leave the Bears.

He had been expected to leave as a free agent after last season but instead re-signed with Chicago for $13 million over six years. Briggs will earn $21.6 million in the first three years of the deal and $13 million of the contract is guaranteed.

"We are appreciative of the efforts of the league office on this matter and support the commissioner’s decision," Bears president and CEO Ted Phillips said in a statement.

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The weather, a lack of electricity and a worthy foe for the SIU women’s tennis team.

Tennessee Tech (3-11) edged SIU 4-3, in a match that began Sunday morning at the University Courts and ended in the afternoon at Sports Blast.

Head coach Andrea Nothwehr said she was proud of how the team handled the adverse and, at times, bizarre situation.

“Between waiting on the rain and the power to come back on, we just had to stay prepared the whole time,” Nothwehr said. “This wasn’t a match where we got into some pressure situations, which helped us. The more pressure situations you encounter, the better you are in the future.”

Michelle Cruz, Jessica Flannery and Amanda Taffler picked up individual victories to help the Salukis split the singles matches against the Golden Eagles at three apiece before a wintry mix postponed doubles matches only minutes after they started and moved to Sports Blast.

After an hour-and-a-half-long power outage at Sports Blast further postponed doubles action, SIU and Tennessee Tech split the first two doubles matches. The Golden Eagles picked up the doubles point and victory behind the strength of their No. 3 doubles team. Eveygan Varelas and Kelly Habelmans held off Amanda Taffler and Andrea Courtemey to secure a 9-7 victory.

Assistant coach Tom Gonzalez said the Salukis’ recent hard work showed despite the outcome of Sunday’s match.

“It was a hard-fought match on a very difficult day,” Gonzalez said.

Even though the Salukis were unable to pull out a victory against Tennessee Tech, they were able to win its first conference match of the year Saturday.

SIU (7-4, 1-0) defeated Evansville 6-1, to secure its first Missouri Valley Conference win of the season.

Nothwehr said the doubles teams had been working on its aggressiveness and, when it showed how the Salukis earned the doubles point with an 8-6, 8-5, 8-3 of the Purple Aces. SIU carried that momentum into its singles matches, collecting victories in five of the six matches against the Purple Aces.

While the Salukis split the singles matches, the SIU men’s team had its losing streak extended to four games.

The Salukis recorded a pair of home wins on Saturday.

Senior Sabine Tsala Mvibongo, left, and sophomore Jessica Flannery celebrate during their match Saturday at the Sports Blast. The Salukis defeated Evansville 6-1 in their first conference match of the season.

The Salukis’ momentum of the weekend carried into the first day of spring practice for the Salukis’ softball team.

Members of the Saluki softball team celebrate their 6-5 sweep over Northern Iowa March 16. After sweeping Northern Iowa, the Salukis took three of a row to Wichita State. It was the first time since 1993 SIU was swept by a conference team.

“Even though I was worried, about after the switch of venues and weather delays.

The SIU men’s and women’s teams look to get back into the win column when they head to play Saint Louis for a two-day meet today and Wednesday.
Senior forwards take next steps

Falker, Shaw reminisce about careers together

Jeff Engelhardt  Daily Egyptian

It started as a competition between two freshmen battling for playing time.

Four years later, it ended as a close friendship that resulted in some of the most memorable Saluki moments.

Randal Falker and Matt Shaw have won conference championships, cut down nets and danced in the Sweet Sixteen, but Thursday’s loss to Arizona State was the duo’s final curtain call.

The Salukis were the unanimous choice to win the Missouri Valley Conference but SIU was never able to put together a dominating streak and ended in third place with a trip to the National Invitation Tournament. The loss to Arizona State embodied the senior duo’s season in many ways with Falker fighting through physical defense and Shaw trying to find his hot spot.

Coach Chris Lowery said he was going to let his seniors finish what they started three seasons ago.

“I’m very proud of the contributions our seniors made to this program over the years. They never quit no matter what,” Lowery said.

Shaw and Falker showed no quitting against Arizona State as they only sat out five minutes combined. Though the duo exits on a loss, they have left fans with some of the biggest wins in school history.

The Beginning
Shaw was the true freshman from Centralia with a dangerous jump shot and Falker was the redshirt freshman from St. Louis with game-changing blocking ability. The two were set to impress coaches and earn playing time in their rookie campaign during the 2004-05 season.

Falker made a strong case to be the forward by playing all 35 games and leading the team in blocks with 30 while finishing third on the team with rebounds. Shaw won the battle, though, and started the last 15 games of the season, leading the team in field-goal percentage and earning MVC All-Freshman team honors. Shaw said his initial relationship with Falker was highly competitive because both of them wanted to play at all costs.

“There was definitely competition between us our first year,” Shaw said.

“It’s different every year,” Falker added. “We always find a way to come together and that always seems to pay off.”

Both players learned from each other.

Falker was the first baseman and senior catcher Mark Kelly started every game and aside from the bullpen’s struggles Sunday, the Salukis offense appears to be on track.

Senior shortstop Tyler Lairson finished the series 9-for-11 with a pair of doubles and two RBIs. Lairson is hitting 464 this season with eight RBIs.

“We had the confidence to come back. It would be nice to get back in there and go to Charleston and get a win to get our confidence rolling again,” Callahan said.

I thought we were a confident team going into today, but (Sunday’s) game didn’t turn out how we wanted it to.”

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“I never know where I’ll be at but hopefully I’ll be back in the lineup and we’ll just go from there,” he said. “It’s whatever the coach thinks.”

Lairson’s hitting has also been productive given his lineup spot. As the eighth hitter in SIU’s lineup, he isn’t asked to drive in runs with the same kind of pressure as junior catcher Mark Kelly and senior