Cornel West inspires SIU audience

BRITTANY PETTIFORD Daily Egyptian

The standing-room-only crowd was brought to its feet to cheer for the man of the night as Professor Cornel West stepped onstage Thursday at Shryock Auditorium.

“I came to Carbondale to unnerve you,” West said. “I come from a stigmatized and traumatized people that try to tell the truth!”

His words sent the audience into an uproar of applause. West spoke to a full house of students, faculty and community members, in an event the Student Programming Council’s Lectures Committee has been preparing since September.

West is a renowned speaker and civil-rights activist, philosopher, writer and strong advocate for democracy.

During his lecture, West shed light on modern American politics and embraced the themes of having integrity, honesty and decency.

“What is your life task?” he said, “Not just your future occupation.”

Tony Pacheco, a senior from Chicago studying psychology, said he was moved by West’s ideologies.

“Hearing him made me question my relationship to the things around me,” he said. “I think it comes from his delivery of analysis of our modern world.”

Thomas Deat, a sophomore from St. Louis studying finance, said he was very pleased with the lecture and was inspired by West.

“I’m really at a loss for words,” he said. “I definitely feel he affected more than just African Americans in the audience. I’ve learned much about his philosophies and how I can reach that same level of wisdom.”

Manny Bopaya, a senior from Springfield studying nursing, said he came to the lecture to hear West speak about the role of educated black men in society, and how they are portrayed.

“I believe his ideologies are radical, yet maintain an honest unfiltered view of the world’s past, present and future,” he said. “I definitely feel that his teachings should be implemented in philosophy and African studies courses because of his own experiences and academic background.”

West received his doctoral degree in philosophy from Princeton University and taught at Yale University, as well as Princeton University. He has also published many books, including “Race Matters” and “Democracy Matters: Winning the Fight Against Imperialism.”

West briefly spoke about the present climate of American government.

“Jim Crow Jr. is still operating, even easier, with a black president,” he said. “I’m not against President Obama, but I do not agree with some of the choices he has made.”

Jim Crow Jr. is what West described as the imprisonment of lower-class minorities for soft crimes, including marijuana offenses.

West said parts of America’s justice and economic systems are failing under the administration, and criticized Obama for his naive view of America when the president spoke in 2004, calling America a “magical place.”

“I said, ‘This brother is about to have a rebirth,’ ” Dave Newberry said. “He is about to discover America.”

“Along the way, Obama has lost his integrity and is beginning to lean. He has not upheld the promises he has made us.”

West held a question and answer session after the lecture. Students and members of the community stood to ask questions about politics in America, experiences and academic background.”

Larry and Gina Cometto, of Coulterville, share a kiss Sunday at Bald Knob Cross of Peace in Alto Pass during the 78th annual Easter Sunrise Service. It was the couple’s first visit and said they planned the visit after their children moved from home. "We celebrated Easter with the families yesterday," Larry said, "So we wanted to spend today together and it's beautiful here!"

Attendees listen to the 78th annual Easter Sunrise Service Sunday at Bald Knob Cross of Peace in Alto Pass. The cross stands at 111 feet and was completed in 1963. It overlooks the Shawnee National Forest and was repaired in 2013 for its 50th anniversary. Victoria Olsen, of Portland, Ore., said she is glad the service is outside, as a building should not define church.

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On top of one of the highest hills in Alto Pass, one man celebrated his first Easter Sunday since being released from prison as he, along with nearly 1,000 others, watched the sun rise.

Dave Newberry spent the previous nine years in prison and turns 48 Monday. He and his sister Shelly, 40, both of Alto Pass, said they came to the 78th-annual early morning ceremony at Bald Knob Cross of Peace simply to rejoice.

“We came to start a new life – a new rebirth,” Dave said. “It’s a whole new life. I look at things a lot differently. You don’t take each day for granted.”

Imprisoned for federal conspiracy, Dave said he was released last month from the United States Penitentiary in Marion. Pastor Ralph Brandon, 69, of the Christian Covenant Fellowship Church in Carterville and president of the Bald Knob Cross of Peace board, said he was glad many people joined the celebration.

“I think all these people come because they don’t have to wear a suit and tie. They can just come as they are,” he said. “Secondly, they come because of the nature and they’re close to God and seeing the sunrise and standing up here and seeing the vastness of this whole area.”

The 111-foot tall cross sits on a hill overlooking the Shawnee National Forest.

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West said he was eager to hear from everyone who had the courage to speak and appreciated the questions. At the end, West received a standing ovation from the crowd.

Pamela Smoot, a professor of Africana studies, said she was very pleased with the turnout of the lecture. Smoot helped orchestrate West’s first visit in 2009.

Matthew Ryg, director of the Lectures Committee of SPC, spoke during the introduction of West and thanked him for visiting this year.

“He was very generous and flexible in negotiating his speaking fee,” he said. “He required literally tens of thousands of dollars less than Doris Kearns Goodwin charged earlier this spring.”

Ryg said West is a gracious human being and hoped he would be able to energize student organization, involvement and activism on campus.

“I love his energy and fire,” he said. “I look to Dr. West for commentary on all the major social, political and economic issues of the day.”

As West was leaving, he gave a personal statement directed to the students. “For students, the key to our history is remembrance, reverence, and resistance,” he said. “You have that and our history will never be lost. We have to tell the truth across the board, we have to make sure that we don’t get caught in one line and most of all be critical of ourselves.”

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Question: Which of the top two seeds from each conference has the best chance of winning the NBA playoffs?

A- Oklahoma City Thunder
B- Indiana Pacers
C- San Antonio Spurs
D- Miami Heat

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CNN swaps credibility for ratings

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Daily Egyptian

A plane carrying 239 people has been missing for 44 days. If one were to only watch CNN, one would believe that was the only worldwide event to occur during the past 44 days.

Of course, the world is waiting to find out how this tragedy happened. We feel for the families of those on Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 who have been presumably lost. We too would like them to have closure. But until the plane is found, the 24-hour updates on what could possibly have taken place need to stop.

Barbara Walters questioned CNN anchor Don Lemon Monday on The View about the network’s almost-obsessive coverage. He stood behind the network, claiming watchdog journalism.

“The families are relying on the media to get information,” he said. “Malaysia doesn’t have an open media and they’re not used to people challenging them.”

Lemon said there is an audience interest in the case, but Walters disagreed, saying CNN would not continually cover the case if it weren’t for the ratings.

He countered her argument, saying, “I think it is a mystery and anytime you have something as big as a giant triple seven disappear in this day and age with so much technology where everything is tracked, and have no trace of it for four weeks, it’s crazy.”

The network now brings in analysts daily with holograms of drones were sent into the Indian Ocean that day. It’s an all-you-need-to-know guide about the intangible.

When anchors run out of things to talk about, they have bored to entertain us, we turn on the media outlet is to blame for the nation’s stupidity. CNN President Jeff Zucker said at an event to reveal new CNN Worldwide programming.

“Last month, CNN was the fastest-growing network in all of television — not just news, not just cable, all of television. The same remains true in April,” Zucker said at an event to reveal new CNN Worldwide coverage began.

He actually said a news source should compete with entertainment channels. But, that’s what the 24-hour television news cycle has become: entertainment. And it’s hurting us all.

The millennial generation CNN is trying to nab with the black-hole airplane mystery was raised in the age of constant boredom. If something doesn’t constantly entertain us, we turn the channel, pick up our smart phones or write a status about how bored we are.

If CNN doesn’t amuse the audience with video-game-style animations, viewers turn the channel and don’t know how many drones were sent into the Indian Ocean that day.

This time, the media outlet is to blame for the nation’s stupidity.

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Emeritus Faculty Organization
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Law School Auditorium
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6:00
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Law School Auditorium

Social Gathering follows the brief Business Meeting. Members, Non-Member Rhatz and Current Employees are cordially invited. Come and learn about how current legislation affects your pension benefits.
Confusion over ferry evacuation continues

GILLIAN WONG
Associated Press

Divers continued the grim work of recovering bodies from inside a sunken South Korean ferry Monday, as a newly released transcript showed the ship was crippled by confusion and indecision well after it began listing. The transcript suggests the chaos may have added to a death toll that could eventually exceed 300.

About 30 minutes after the Sewol began tilting, a crew member asked a marine traffic controller whether passengers would be rescued if they abandoned ship off South Korea's southern coast, the transcript, released Sunday, showed. The crew member posed the question three times in succession.

That followed several statements from the ship that people aboard could not move and another in which someone said that it was "impossible to broadcast" instructions.

Many people followed the captain's initial order to stay below deck, where it is feared they remain trapped. Sixty-one bodies have been recovered, and about 240 people are still missing.

"Even if it's impossible to broadcast, please go out and let the passengers wear life jackets and put on more clothing," an unidentified official at Jindo Vessel Traffic Services Center urged at 9:24 a.m. Wednesday, 29 minutes after the ferry first reported trouble, according to the transcript released by South Korea's coast guard.

"If this ferry evacuates passengers, will you be able to rescue them?" the unidentified crew member asked.

"At least make them wear life rings and make them escape!" the traffic-center official responded.

"If this ferry evacuates passengers, will they be rescued right away?" the crew member asked again.

"Don't let them go bare — at least make them wear life rings and make them escape," the traffic official repeated. "The rescue of human lives from the Sewol ferry... the captain should make his own decision and evacuate them. We don't know the situation very well. The captain should make the final decision and decide whether you're going to evacuate passengers or not."

"I'm not talking about that," the crew member said. "I asked, if they evacuate now, can they be rescued right away?"

The traffic official then said patrol boats would arrive in 10 minutes, though another civilian ship was already nearby and had told controllers that it would rescue anyone who went overboard.

The ferry sank with 476 people on board, many of them students from a single high school. The cause of the disaster is not yet known, but prosecutors have said the ship made a sharp turn before it began to list. Several crew members, including the captain, have been arrested on suspicion of negligence and abandoning passengers.

More than 170 people survived the sinking of the Sewol, which had been on its way from the South Korean port city of Incheon to the southern tourist island of Jeju. The captain took more than half an hour to issue an evacuation order, which several passengers have said they never heard.

The confirmed death toll climbed over the weekend after divers finally found a way inside the sunken vessel and quickly discovered more than a dozen bodies. They had been hampered for days by strong currents, bad weather and low visibility.

The South Korean news agency Yonhap reported that another body was recovered early Monday near the sunken ship.

As the divers continued searching Monday, relatives huddled around signboards listing descriptions of a half dozen yet-unidentified bodies that were pulled out of the vessel overnight.

Monday, April 21, 2014
Hundreds gather to worship at Cross of Peace

Victoria Olsen, 60, of Portland, Ore., said she is glad the service is outside, as a building should not define church.

"I'm not within walls," she said. "My church is out in the forest, in the woods, on the water. Nature is my church."

Brandon said he has been going to the event for some seven years.

According to the Bald Knob website's history section, arguments arose among the cross' board members in the early 2000s.

In 2008, all members of the board stepped down and the court then appointed seven members to a Transitional Board of Directors later the same year. Brandon said he was one of those pastors.

Priest Uriel Salamanca of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Cobden provided the service's sermon this year, which focused on the resurrection of Christ.

Brandon said more people may have come because of the nice weather, as the last several years have been cold and rainy.

Norman McFarland, 63, of Palatine, said he has gone to the celebration since 1962 and has watched the cross change over time.

"At first it was just a rough shell, iron structure," He said. "The first year they put a big red neon light all the way around it so that you could see across the valley – it was very cool."

In 1963, the cross was officially completed, McFarland said. He said it was repaired in 2013 for its 50th anniversary.

"As I sit here I remember my parents," McFarland said. "It's a childhood memory thing as well as the Easter sunrise part of it too."

The band at Sunday's service was from the First United Methodist Church in Sparta.

Bagpiper Paul Thompson, 67, of Marion, played "Christ the Lord is Risen Today," and "We're Marching to Zion," at the beginning of the event. He then played "Amazing Grace," and concluded the service with several other tunes.

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Pfister’s ‘Transcendence’ earns his degree

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Graduation isn’t just for college and high school seniors. It’s also for Oscar-winning cinematographer-turned-director Wally Pfister.

Pfister is well known for his work on Christopher Nolan’s “Dark Knight” trilogy and “Inception,” which won him the award. “Inception” is his Taliesin, Nolan his Frank Lloyd Wright.

Pfister takes the lessons he’s learned from Nolan and applies them on a smaller scale in “Transcendence” (Rated PG-13; 119 Min.), an attempt at Nolan-esque big idea science fiction without the gunplay and action sequences that push “Inception” along at a breakneck pace. It’s less exciting without these sequences, which Pfister shot so beautifully, but considering the tangled plot it’s smart he didn’t try to throw more elements into the stew.

“Transcendence” focuses on technology guru Will Caster (Johnny Depp), a genius closing in on a way to meld the human mind with technology. He’s assassinated by a group known as the R.I.F.T. (Revolutionary Independence From Technology), but before his brain goes dark his wife Evelyn (Rebecca Hall) manages to hook it up to a computer and feed it into the hard drive. Soon Will exists within the computer, able to gain knowledge from every device on the globe and complete scientific feats deemed impossible. Soon it’s unclear whether Will or the computer is in control.

The biggest gap “Transcendence” leaves in the Nolan formula is the way Pfister expects the audience to strain credulity. Despite how crazy “Inception” gets, the logic behind it, no matter how impossible, seems airtight because the script is so well written. Nolan has an answer for everything.

About a decade ago Jason Reitman’s “Thank You For Smoking” smartly addressed such plot contrivances. In an early scene from Reitman’s movie about a Big Tobacco lobbyist, two guys are sitting in a room, trying to decide how they can make a movie where two people have sex in space while smoking a cigarette. One guy says to the other, “Well, we’ll just say we invented that thing that lets you smoke in space.” “Transcendence” makes a similar suggestion. Essentially Evelyn says to the audience, “We just invented that thing that lets us plug into his mind.” It’s such a leap of faith that the film’s groundings in reality begin to rip away, so much so that we soon see the shaky foundation the movie relies on. The movie builds itself into a corner until it reaches a conclusion that reeks of deadline writing. The very end is a direct throwback to Nolan’s typical ambiguous endings.

Pfister’s training as a visual artist is evident, especially in the way he shoots the sterile lab in which Will’s computers are stored. One shot from over Evelyn’s shoulder as she walks down a long white hallway stands out as an example of Pfister’s eye for creepy moments. It’s quite effective.

If Nolan were actually a professor, he’d probably have to grade on a curve, considering what a challenge it would be to match some of his recent filmmaking. But if “Transcendence” were Pfister’s final exam it would earn him a B-. Not a bad start, but there is definite room for improvement.

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Boston accommodates those affected by 2013 tragedy

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The messages started arriving just hours after the bombings, pleading for an entry into the 2014 Boston Marathon. For months the calls and emails continued, runners begging for an opportunity to cross the finish line on Boylston Street and convinced it would ease at least some of their grief.

“They’d say, ‘I’m not a qualified runner, I don’t think I ever will be. I train. I run. I could do it.’” Boston Athletic Association executive director Tom Grilk said last week.

“It might have been because they were present at the finish, or they knew somebody who was working or was affected. They might have been somebody who lives in Haverhill, Mass., and they were watching the race and it hit ‘em hard. That was true for a lot of people,” Grilk said.

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“The anger, guilt and heartbreak I still feel today will never go away,” wrote Kate Plourd, who was in the medical tent, dehydrated and vowing never to go away, “I’m not a qualified runner; I don’t think I ever will be. I train. I run. I could do it. But organizers felt they might still be missing people, people who perhaps didn’t think their trauma was worthy amid all the lost limbs and physical scars. So, in November, they announced that about 500 bibs would be available for those “personally and profoundly impacted by the events of April 15, 2013.”

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Saluki football closes out spring practice

TONY MCDANIEL
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SIU football held the annual maroon and white game Friday night at Saluki Stadium. Despite both sides giving their best effort, the game was considered a tie. The Salukis hosted the final official spring practice for the Salukis and is the last time the Dawgs can hold team workouts until the summer.

While SIU’s offense looked strong for much of the game, junior transferred quarterback Mark Iannotti stood out the most among the offensive unit. Iannotti completed 15 of 26 passes for 186 yards and a touchdown.

Coach Dale Lennon said Iannotti has improved a lot since joining the team this season.

“He’s really stepped forward,” Lennon said. “He’s putting himself in a leadership role which is what you want out of the quarterback. He’s right in the thick of things.”

Sophomore Wide West also threw for two touchdowns. West said he has worked hard to improve at his position this spring.

Among the running backs, redshirt freshman Cameron Walter led with 14 carries for 86 yards and a touchdown.

Lennon said the Salukis could expect quality depth from Walter this season.

“(Walter is a) very tough running back,” Lennon said. “He doesn’t go down easy. He has that burst you like in your running back. If he gets a team he can get to the second level.”

Junior Malcolm Agnew carried the ball three times for just 10 yards.

Senior Ken Majesty, who rushed for five touchdowns in 2013, picked up an injury late in the scrimmage when he twisted his right ankle.

Those injuries hurt when you have them, and they’re very painful,” Lennon said. “I’m hoping all is it is a low ankle (injury) and not a high ankle which is always a tough one to come off of.”

Sophomore Kyle Newquist and senior LaShawn McKinney had the most productive evening of all the Saluki receivers.

Newquist found the end zone twice and had six catches for 77 yards, while McKinney had 44 yards on just three receptions.

McKinney said the game went well, but the receivers can improve.

“I feel like I had a pretty decent day,” he said. “Of course we want to get bigger and better numbers. There’s always room for improvement.”

On defense, the Salukis combined for four sacks, three forced fumbles and an interception.

Redshirt freshman Khari Wither-Alexander stood out on defense for the Dawgs. Alexander had three tackles and a sack Friday. Lennon said Alexander is a player he is excited about.

“He’s going to be good,” he said. “He has a knock at getting into the backfield, and he’ll be a pass-rush specialist type guy for us, eventually he’ll be good with the run defense also.”

Sophomore inside linebacker Carl Beene had a productive defensive game as well. Beene recorded five tackles, one sack and a forced fumble.

One aspect the Salukis have worked on this preseason is adapting to the five coaching staffs. Changes the team made during the offseason. Lennon said he thinks the team has adjusted well to the changes.

“It could have been very inhibiting, but I give credit to the coaches that came in. They did a great job of adjusting and adapting,” Lennon said. “It’s probably gone way better than I anticipated and I think we’re ahead of the game from where I thought we’d be.”

SIU will get its first official test of the year Sept. 6 when the Salukis travel to Charleston to take on the Eastern Illinois University Panthers.

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Basketball looks ahead to future potential

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The Dawgs added five players to a team that made a miraculous run to the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament semifinals.

Austin Weiner, Deion Lavender, Chaz Glotta, Jordan Caroline and Armon Fletcher will all represent the maroon and white of the Salukis next season.

Director of Athletics Mario Moccia said he doesn’t follow the recruits closely, but said he has heard good things about them from those around the team.

“From what I understand from the coaching staff, they certainly fill some of our needs. They certainly have all had success in their background,” Moccia said. “They looked to be in a pretty good caliber from an athletic and academic standpoint.”

SIU’s most recent signees were Weiner, a 6-foot-8-inch forward from Crown Point Young Minds Academy in Irving, Texas, and Lavender, a guard from Marquette Catholic High School in Alton.

Weiner's coach, Mathis Crowder, said Weiner's skills will fit with the college game and the transition should be easy for him.

“(He) one of the best kids I’ve ever coached,” Crowder said.

Crowder said Weiner once took many 3-pointers but adjusted his game to attack the basket and have a better mid-range game.

Weiner averaged 25 points and 12 rebounds per game for the Yellow Jackets this season.

Crowder said Weiner is a high-character kid who is very laid-back. He said wherever they would wards college basketball games, Weiner would want to stop watching after halftime, since he said he had learned all he needed to about the teams in the first 10 minutes.

Lavender averaged 26 points per game his senior season while his team finished 21-7. Lavender, along with Fort Zumwalt North guard Chaz Glotta, will try to help the Saluki backcourt since junior Mike Balogun and sophomore Marcus Fillyow are transferring.

Glotta, from O’Fallon, Mo., scored 2,360 points in his high school career and averaged 28 points per game his senior season. Glotta’s coach was his father, Charles Glotta. Charles said Chaz is already used to the competition of being a Division I athlete.

“He’s been a varsity starter since his freshman year,” Charles said. “He put 28 up in his first game as a freshman.”

With two guards leaving, it will be up to Chaz and returning starters, sophomore Antonio Bean and freshman Tyler Smithpeters, to run the offense.

Chaz said he understands the decision coach Barry Hinson had to make in advising the two players to transfer.

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SIU sweeps aside Loyola Ramblers

SIU softball extended its season-high winning streak, winning all three games of its weekend series. The Dawgs (24-19, 12-7) were victorious over the Ramblers of Missouri Valley Conference newcomer Loyola University (16-27, 7-12). Both junior Katie Bertelsen and Senior Taylor Orsburn gave strong pitching performances. Coach Kerri Blaylock said a large part of SIU’s success in the recent stretch of games has stemmed from the emotional boost the bench has given the team.

"The energy on the bench from Taylor Harris and Caylee Cook started the Bradley series and we’ve just been elevated," she said. "It’s helped us out a lot and the kids have fed off of it.”

Game one Friday against Loyola was a duel between each team’s starters resulting in a 2-1 Saluki win. Loyola sent senior lefty Brittany Gardner to the circle to face SIU’s ace Bertelsen. Both pitchers would go the distance for their team. Gardner was lights out for Loyola, holding SIU to just one hit through the first six innings and seemed in line for the win heading into the seventh inning with a 1-0 lead over the Salukis.

In the seventh inning the Salukis attempted a double steal with sophomore Kelsey Gonzalez on third, and junior Kara Kimball on first. Loyola’s catcher overthrew the ball to second base, which allowed Gonzalez to score and tie the game 1-1. The error allowed Kimball to advance to third base.

The next batter, junior Meredith Wilson, saw 16 pitches before she hit a single to score Kimball and seal the win for SIU 2-1 in walk-oﬀ fashion.

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Sophomore Lacey Newbold slides into home Saturday during the Salukis’ 6-2 win against Loyola University at Charlotte West Stadium. Newbold was called safe in the play. SIU swept the three-game series, bringing the team’s record to 24-19 and 12-7 in the Missouri Valley Conference.

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