Preparation for the Players Ball is not as easy as Babbity Bockity Boo

Jennifer Wei & Christine Bolin Daily Egyptian reporters

Mix together an array of formal and intimate apparel, several outgoing personalities, a few screams, raunchy humor and a lot of sleep, and you get the recipe for the Players Ball. The 8th annual Kappa Alpha Psi Players Ball/Auction Diamond Jubilee Pageant took place Saturday at Shryock Auditorium.

The Player of the Year and the Ms. Diamond Jubilee are chosen by three judges in the Kappa Alpha Psi Internal. The award is given based upon audience reaction, stage presence and character. Each player must do an interactivity, sketch, read an original poem and exhibit "environmental awareness."

The goal of each player is to rate the audience and the judges with a whimsical act, full of entertaining jokes, alliteration and rhythm on how to be a player. The Ms. Diamond Jubilee is chosen by talent.

Backstage, 45 minutes until showtime

All is quiet as the 17 court members prepare themselves in formal wear. Ushers, dressed as the court get ready while the four soon prepare downstairs.

Perisha Carr steps into a pair of slippers Cinderella would kill for. These slippers, made of clear plastic, have 6-inch heels that question the laws of gravity. Carr, who has been her favorite, is competing for the Ms. Diamond Jubilee Crown against none other than Maria Mason.

"We both have a good chance," said Carr, a sophomore in nursing from Chicago. "It's going to be hard because we're both very talented. Hard work will hopefully pay off." Although most of the players are men, women can compete for the title. Women are attempting this year, but last year's winner was Latendra Mallard.

Mallard, a senior in administration of justice from Chicago, stands in a sleeveless white gown with a tiara rat-tat-tat. Hat. On stage, her personality has a presence mixed with clever use of expressions and rhythm. She scans this year's possible players, guessing who may wins as she waits for her chance to again charm the audience with her attitude. "There is so much competition out there," Mallard said. "Every contestant has something different to bring to the table. It is going to be very hilarious."

Fifteen minutes and counting...

Quiet and distant memory as hundreds of people put on the finishing touches. Daniel Hall, the coordinator of the event, finishes cutting hair for one of the players. Hall, a senior in management information systems from Chicago, dashes around trying to pull the event together. Unfortunately, not everything is going right. The fraternity brothers can't about to be tamed, the comedians still haven't arrived. Hall has not gone dressed yet, and the other woman aye for the diamond crown is missing in action.

Perisha Carr, a sophomore in nursing from Chicago, makes final preparations before the 8th annual Players Ball Saturday night at Shryock Auditorium. Carr was later crowned Ms. Diamond Jubilee 2000.

That woman, Latendra Washington arrives right when the show is scheduled to start. She weaves through the sea of people to rush upstairs and change. Washington, a freshman in communications from Lombard, returns moments later in a white formal dress and elegant hairdo.

"I just want to see all those people," said Washington, who loves to entertain in general. "Right at the end, when the audience is clapping, then it's a rush of wind and I fell in love with it." Washington explains that many of

Construction agreement improves work relationships

New pact calls for completion of projects without delays

Rhonda Scibetta Student Affairs editor

A new agreement struck between the University and local trade unions ensures that future construction projects on campus will advance without delays, strikes or interruptions.

In the deal, reached by SIUC and the Egyptian Building and Construction Trades Council, the University promises to use union labor on all campus construction projects with estimations of $50,000 or more. In exchange, local labor unions under the Egyptian Building and Construction Trades Council will proceed with work and complete projects in a timely fashion.

"It guarantees that there will be no work stoppage of any kind," said Thomas Crapper, secretary treasurer for the Egyptian Building and Construction Trades Council. "It also guarantees that labor management will work together to mobilize the job program and make sure the quality is there."

All firms will be able to bid on construction projects, but successful bidders must agree to the labor agreement before they are contracted for construction projects on campus. The agreement is in effect through July 31.

Because the University will be solely using labor from the Southern Illinois region on projects subject to the agreement, the benefits are given to the surrounding communities, according to Kevin Stein, business manager for the Labor Union of Carbondale.

"It puts our people to work, rather than bringing in somebody from outside of the part of the state," Stein said.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Administration Bill Capfer fast began negotiations with local trade unions for this agreement two years ago, and Vice Chancellor for Administration Glenn Poshard helped solidify the pact.

Similar agreements have been reached for by former Gov. Jim Edgar for Illinois correction facilities, beginning with Tamms Correctional Centre, as well as Shawnee and John A. Logan community colleges.

"I think in a good credit to the council to put an agreement like this together for what is the largest employer in Southern Illinois, and that is Southern Illinois University," Poshard said. "We're pretty proud of the fact the University is taking part in what is almost a model for the rest of the region."

This agreement, interim Chancellor John Jackson said, is an excellent example of cooperation between the University and the labor unions.

"We are long-term partners in love and less of work," said Jackson. "We have done lots of things together, Jackson said. "We work very hard to keep these relationships, and I think this particular agreement will advance those good relationships that we have always enjoyed."

New plans to improve Core Curriculum

Committees develop 26 possible solutions for next five years

Anne Marie Tavela Daily Egyptian reporter

Twenty-six proposed changes to the core curriculum during the next five years are addressing four main problems found within the program.

The new plan, titled "Keeping Faith," addresses budgetary resources, course sufficiency, instructional quality and learning technology as areas in need of change.

Beginning in fall 2000, the plan will be implemented for the next five years, but it is unknown when final changes will take place.

For the past six months, the Core Curriculum's two advisory committees and a specially convened planning committee have been working to develop a plan to improve core curriculum.

Jim Allen, director of University Core Curriculum, said the purpose of the plan is to increase student retention by making the core curriculum more appealing and beneficial to students.

"It's clear that the best thing we can do for our students is not to make them study, but to make it better," Allen said. "The better the program, the more students will be happy."

The plan explains each problem in depth and suggests 26 possible ways to improve the core curriculum. A main cause of student dissatisfaction being addressed is the lack of connection between core curriculum classes and many majors.

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A 31-year-old SIUC student told University police his car was burglarized while it was parked in lot 7 Thursday morning. A 31-year-old unidentified suspect reportedly forced open the rear driver's-side window of the gold 1989 Toyota Camry. At 7:40 a.m., University police were notified of the break-in as the Camry was parked at 1040 E. Main St., where it was stolen.

There are no suspects in the incident. The car had been parked unattended in lot 7 when the break-in occurred. The items stolen included a Dell laptop computer, personal papers and a wallet. The total value of the items was not immediately available.

**This Day in 1986:**

- Phillip Rosenthal of Chicago was pronounced dead in a hospital emergency room at 8:15 p.m. after being shot by a police officer as he ran from officers during a traffic stop. The officer, a 21-year-old Chicago police officer, was killed by a stray bullet.
- The University of Detroit Mercy women's basketball team won the NCAA Division I championship.
- The Oakland Athletics defeated the Kansas City Royals 4-3 in Game 7 of the World Series.

**UNIVERSITY Academic Calendar**

**TODAY**

- Library Affairs Power Point, 3 to 4:15 p.m., Morris Library, 103D, 653-2018.
- Student Alumni Council meeting, every Mon., 6 p.m., Kaskaskia/Ashland Rooms, Jason 453-2444.
- Student Alumni Council meeting, every Mon., 6 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Delta Zeta is holding their annual taco dinner to benefit California University for the hearing impaired, Mar. 29, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m., Creek Row Dining Hall, Delta Zeta House, Stephanie 556-4546.
- Salkiol Rainbow Networking meeting, 10:30 a.m., Connoly/Troy Room, Philidelphia 457-5735.
- A 19-year-old SIUC student said his wallet and portable stereo equipment were stolen from East Campus residence. The student said the value of the missing items was $220. There are no suspects at this incident.

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- Three cars in the Vic. Koenig Chevrolet dealer, 1020 E. Main St., were burglarized between Tuesday and Friday. Carbonhale police said a male employee discovered a hole cut in the security fence and noticed stereo wires were missing from three cars. There was no loss estimate available and there are no suspects in this incident.

**AlUMNIA**

- The Men's and Women's gymnastics teams are out from SIUC's sports budget despite 10 National Championships. 1993-94.

**Student Entertainment**

- Career Exploration career exploration, Mar. 28, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Dance Club meeting, every Wed., 8 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, student entertainment, every Tues., 7 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, Lisa 536-6798.
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Cardboard boat regatta on its way

Larry Busch is planning the annual event, which is set for April 29.

With last year's retirement of the founder of SJUC's Great Cardboard Boat Regatta, Richard Archer, Larry Busch is taking the helm of planning this year's cardboard boat race.

"This event was just way too good to let slip away," Busch said. Busch, an associate professor of art and design, took the initiative of carrying on the race's 27-year tradition and has been instrumental in planning this year's event, which will take place at noon April 29 at Campus Lake.

Busch, however, is hesitant to assume the title of commodore. "I am going to leave that with Archer," Busch said. "I am the behind-the-scenes guy."

The Great Cardboard Boat Regatta takes place each year in the spring, involving participants who build boats from cardboard and maneuver them through a course on Campus Lake.

Intrigued Chancellor John Jackson has agreed to continue the University's assistance with the event, helping with such things as foghorn-tied and engine covers.

Busch has been, at SJUC, since 1974 when Archer began the race and has headed up similar regattas in the late 1970s. There are more than 200 similar races across the world stemming from the first race at SJUC. Busch said he has invited Archer to come back and announce this year's regatta.

Jodi Ecklund is helping Busch by preparing this year's brochure advertising the regatta. The newest design from Rochelle fell became involved in the race when he built a boat in 1998.

"I think it is probably one of the best events the University puts on," Ecklund said. "It is filled with a lot of fun."

Last year's race was featured in Sports Illustrated, and other races have been on MTV and Good Morning America. Last year, more than 100 boats competed both in the race and in other fields, such as creativity and design.

Students in SJUC's three-dimensional design classes are required to build boats, and this year Busch is encouraging increased participation from several middle and high schools in the area. Anyone is welcome to enter a boat.

Shiflett learns to fly with the Foo Fighters

New guitarist takes it one day at a time

Travis Mumper
Academic Editor

No matter how much experience and technical skill one brings to the table as a guitarist, auditioning for Dave Grohl and the rest of the Foo Fighters is sure to be a nerve-wracking experience. It was for Chris Shiflett, the band's new guitarist.

A week before his audition last summer, the band sent Shiflett a tape of songs, from all three Foo Fighters albums at that point. It was not an easy process, but Shiflett said it turned out to be well worth the wait.

"It was neat to listen to the band from day one," Shiflett said. "I was very excited to try out for them."

Day one was five years ago when Dave Grohl, a co-founder for Nirvana, picked up the pieces of his musical career to put together band and release the debut album, "Foo Fighters." The band is named after a UFO phenomenon observed by German pilots during World War II.

The album was an instant success, propelling the powerful singles, "This Is a Call," "I'll Stick Around," and the ballad, "Big Up." The band's second album, "The Colour and the Shape," garnered even more acclaim and Foo Fighters became one of the only groups still carrying the torch of angst-ridden garage punk in the late-'90s.

In 1998, Foo Fighters released "There Is Nothing Left to Lose," a three-album package from guitarist Pat Smear left the band. For the subsequent tour with the Chili Peppers, it needed an extra hand on stage. That's where Shiflett came in last August when he was given the coveted role as touring guitarist for the band.

Shiflett, a 28-year-old Santa Barbara, Calif., native, said to belong to the band "No Use For A Name." He said the transition to the Foo Fighters took a lot of getting used to.

Five students thrown from truck

Accident classes Giant City Road for an hour

David Ferrara
Daily Egyptian reporter

Six SJUC students were hurt on Giant City Road when a truck slid off the roadway throwing passengers into the air Thursday night.

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Busch said, "It was neat to see how everyone had made boats out of cardboard and tape."
Voting like you mean it
Learn the issues

Illinois' less-than-mountainous presidential primary is now over and, for most people, the selection of which is the next leader of our country. But our current vice president and former president do not fight a battle to the White House, and we, the citizens, will choose a winner.

N.J. Gover and George W. Bush's appearances on television and on the real with buttons and slogans will surely work in the next few months as they prepare to launch full-fledged campaigns in the fall. These political races will bring high stakes, inevitable leads or storylines, and finite opportunities to become educated voters and democratic decisions depend upons.

No pilots find themselves smitten with one candidate's buttons, both of them must make advantages of this campaign to learn about both candidates.

Both candidates have been revealing political records. Both have eved military force was a cornerstone and a vice president is the vice president, and Bush, who grew up in a political family, was well in view of the public eye as a big businessman before he was elected Texas governor. Now that the Internet can bring the messages of meetings, newspapers, clips, and biographies within the reach of educated voters, voters need not waste on the televised political debates to decide where candidates stand.

Voters are educated before the campaigns dominate the headlines in every city, they will be more equipped to evaluate the promises and accusations that will surface in the fall. They will understand the political meanings and implications of the words "campaign finance reform" and "school vouchers" that can change meaning with different political parties.

As Bush, Gore, and other public and local figures gear up for the first election of the 21st century, voters must get prepared. Our ability to vote is easily taken for granted in this country, but as part of an educational community, SIUC students, staff and faculty have an excuse to ignore their right and duty to vote knowledgeably. When you walk into a voting booth in November, do it with confidence — the informed voice of a voter.

Carbondale needs a gimmick

Terry L. Deahl

Keep losing people, particularly students, coming here to Carbondale. We can set a little bit of this in motion. Maybe we can get things turned around by taking a page out of Rhode Island book.

The state has made Mr. Potato Head — you know, the go with the intangible facade — the symbol of a new tourism campaign. The Associated Press reported last Thursday that Rhode Island will put up $6,000 a year advertising the little-plain guy around the state. That's a good step.

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Neighborhood Co-op turns 20

What started as a buying club has turned into a neighborhood grocer

DAVID OSBORNE

From a small group of friends meeting in living rooms trying to buy natural foods, to a large store from operation boasting 1,200 members and $800,000 in sales, the Neighborhood Co-op has come a long way in 30 years.

The Neighborhood Co-op celebrated its 30th year of existence Saturday with a celebration more reminiscent of a block party than the hoopla normally associated with a business anniversary.

The Co-op started as a buying club in 1980 by people looking for a way to purchase brown rice, whole wheat flour, garbanzo beans and other natural foods not readily available locally.

Murphy said the group met weekly to discuss the benefits of buying from a cooperative and how it could benefit their community. They would drive to Madison in a flatbed truck and pick up their order.

“Everywhere was sold in 50-pound bags,” Murphy said. “You would say, ‘I can use 10 pounds, and the guy next to you would say, ‘Well, I can use 20 pounds, and so on.’”

Murphy said the trip would take more than 20 hours. With the truck fully loaded, its top speed was only 45 mph. The load was then distributed from the members’ houses.

In 1985, the Co-op opened its operation at 102 E. Jackson St., at what is now the location of Rosetta Nevins. A shortening operation, the new shelves were constructed from old doors and two-bys. Buyers drove to Madison to purchase their food, but now they could bring the load to one place.

In the late 1980s, the distributor began coming to Carbondale, eliminating the need for the long drive.

“It’s a different scene now,” Murphy said. “Natural foods has become big business, and we get services from three different distributors.”

In 1990, the Co-op filed for incorporation as a nonprofit corporation. Murphy said that, prior to that, it operated just like a co-op, but had not bothered to do the paperwork.

In 1999, the Co-op showed a net income of $12,000. That money is put back into the business in the form of increased inventory or new equipment or services.

The idea that the money stays here in the community is one of the things that drew Max Grubb, an associate professor in the Radio-Television Department at SIUC, to the Co-op.

“Co-ops are not profit driven,” Grubb said. “They’re all about the community.”

That same sense of community draws Jessica Lucas, a senior in plant biology from Springfield, to the Co-op for most of her shopping needs.

“Sometimes it’s more expensive,” Lucas said, “but the money isn’t going to a big corporation.

Lucas, who is vegan, likes the variety of organic grains and vegetables offered by the Co-op.

“There’s more variety of natural foods than in the pseudo-health food aisles at the large chain stores,” Lucas said.

The Co-op moved next door to its present location at 104 E. Jackson St. in 1997, effectively doubling its floor space. Murphy said he has continued growth for the Co-op, with sales expected to double in the next five years.

“In 20 years, we will be a full-service natural food supermarket — a Schnucks-sized store selling nothing but natural foods,” Murphy said.

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The turning point is when you realize the contestants aren't in it to compete. It's much more about the relationships. When you see one person fall, everyone comforts and carries them along. — Darren Hall, "One of the core concepts is that the core curriculum should fulfill," Winters said.

CHRIS SHIFLEET
new pictures of the Foo Fighters

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MANY STUDENTS said they were excited about the upcoming changes to the core curriculum.

"I think it's a good idea," said one student.

"I'm happy about the changes," said another.

"I think it will be better," said a third.

The changes to the core curriculum are part of a larger effort to improve the educational experience at the university.

"We want to make sure our students are getting the best possible education," said Dr. Smith, the university president.

"We are committed to providing our students with a top-notch education," said Dr. Jones, the provost.

The changes to the core curriculum will take effect in the fall of 2019.

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**Pitching plagues baseball at ISU**

Salukis split four-game series with Redbirds in Bloomington-Normal

**Andrew Ender**
**Daily Egyptian reporter**

The Salukis’ baseball team managed to split for a four-game set with Illinois State University despite a miserable starting pitching day, Saturday’s doubleheader.

The Salukis (11-13, 5-7) lost 14-3 in Saturday’s opener and were defeated 10-5 in the nightcap. SIU came away with victories on Friday and Sunday by winning seven-6 extras innings of the first game of the series to clinch their first win before leaving town.

The game ended in exciting fashion as SIU needed 10 innings before disposing of the Redbirds. With the score locked in the bottom of the ninth, reliever Luke Nelson was called upon to slam the door on the Redbirds.

Two Redbirds runners later, Nelson hit a batter with the bases loaded, forcing the game to six, before getting out of the jam.

SIU regained the lead in the next inning after a fielding miscue with senior Brad Beamer (24-1) in the long jump.

Other Saluki contributions included sophomore Joe Zoboni’s second-place finish in the 1,500-meter run (3:51.90) and a third in the 50-meter run (6.50). Joe also placed (6-9) third in the long jump, junior Greg Dengel (46-4 1/4) placed third in the triple jump and senior Erik Olson (187-1) placed second in the javelin throw.

**Men’s track and field finishes third**

Both SIU track and field teams competed at the U.S. College Track and Field Series Saturday at McAlister Stadium, where the men’s team placed third and the women placed fifth.

For the men, Indiana State University (193) won the meet, followed by Illinois State University (186). The Salukis (143) finished third and the women (130) rounded out the competition.

First-place finishes for the Salukis included 94-pound senior Justin Long in the high jump, junior Bekh Llewellyn (192.3) in the shot put and freshman David Randle (35-7) in the put put.

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**SPORTS BRIEFS**

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**Men’s golf sub-par in invitational**

Salukis finish last in three-day tournament

Javier J. Serna
**Daily Egyptian reporter**

The Saluki men’s golf team had one of those performances that it would like to forget about last weekend. It may not be sour, though.

On day one of the Eastern Kentucky University Spring Invitational, the Salukis were third with a score of 308, scoring three-under par 68, meaning junior Jared Jones and freshman Jared Stoudt scored three-under par 72.

That was as close as any Saluki would come during the three-day competition, with senior Justin Long reaching the score on Friday and Carpenter finishing seventh in 75 to reach 250.

"It’s very frustrating," Long said. "We’re not used to playing like this at all."

The Salukis finished with a score of 954, giving them last place finish in the 18-team field. Methodist College won the tournament with a final score of 871, while Morehead State College (891) took second place and host Eastern Kentucky University (900) finished third.

Methodist College leader, Chad Collins, finished first overall with a score of 203, staying under par all three days.

Long, who led the Salukis with a final score of 236—ten strokes behind 17th place, was disappointed with the team’s performance.

"We had no answers for the results," Long said.

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Senior Mike Hardige, who posted a final score of 250, had some answers.

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**New York does not want Starks**

Frank Isola
**Knights-Roger Thorn**

INDIANAPOLIS — John Starks is in to join the New York Knicks. If his former club is no longer interested, because Starks is ineligible for the post-season.

An arbitrator ruled Tuesday that Starks be made available during the three-day competition, with senior Justin Long reaching the score on Friday and Carpenter finishing seventh in 75 to reach 250.

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**Winters**

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Hayrock said it will be different next season without her, although she returns junior Erin Starnesmore and freshman Katie Roland, who are both quality backfielders.

"The kid is like my security blanket," Hayrock said. "When you need something big in the later innings, she’s going to get the job done. I’m going to miss her, she’s so deserving of this." In addition to breaking the record, this weekend brought a highlight of another sort for the Saluki picker. Winters, who rarely bunt, collected her first collegiate hit and bunt against Western Kentucky University Saturday with an infield single.

That was interesting because I haven’t hit at all in high school and it’s like an advantage of force, you have to try your best," Winters said.
Sports Briefs
Men's and women's track teams had strong weekend performances.

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Syracuse spoils Salukis' Invitational

SIU Softball finishes second, but average prior loss to Orange Women

Cory Cubick
Daily Egyptian Reporter

The Saluki Invitational on Saturday did not bode well for the SIU softball team this weekend, but an averaging victory Sunday added to the second place finish.

SIU finished 3-1 as it played host to the 11th annual Saluki Invitational Friday and Saturday at Low Field. The Salukis 1-0 setback to Syracuse University, who won the championship with a 4-0 record, was the only blemish on an otherwise impressive weekend.

We lost one game against Syracuse, but in a long season, we're going to have a few losses in it, but we've got to learn to overcome it and not have a string of losses," Saluki head coach Kerri Blackwood said.

Syracuse (11-12), which is a first-year program coached by former Saluki third baseman Mary Finnbog (1988-91), stuck around for a game Sunday that was not part of the Saluki Invitational. SIU would mount the price loss with a 6-0 victory over the Orange Women.

In the victory, senior Saluki hurler Carisa Winters became the Missouri Valley Conference all-time strikeout leader with a career total of 799 strikeouts.

The Salukis (23-9) opened the Invitational with their third win of the season against Missouri Valley Conference all-time strikeout leader with a career total of 799 strikeouts.

Senior pitcher Carisa Winters became the Missouri Valley Conference all-time strikeout leader Sunday against Syracuse University. Winters broke the previous record of 767 by "I think it hurt them (Friday)," Blackwood said. "I think they realized that we knew, but maybe I didn't come to play."

The Salukis would regroup in Saturday's Extra Game surrounded by a surprise offensive start from Winters -- an 11-0 single.

It was her first career hit, and it was a big one. Down 1-0, Winters fielded a second baseman's throw to start the second inning against former Saluki outfielder Matty Vietmeier, jumping-starting a three-run rally. SIU defeated Western Kentucky University 9-1 in five innings.

In the final game of the Invitational, the Salukis sparked a win across the plate in the top of the seventh inning on a sacrifice fly by Simmons, giving SIU the 1-0 victory over Southeast Missouri State University.

Strummer (9-4) also put forth a solid effort, pitching six innings and allowing only two hits. Winters picked up her fifth save of the year.

Although SIU did not win the Invitational, it was a pretty solid showing for Blackwood's squad.

The team was pleased not simply to vindicate Friday's loss, but produce an overallｍanorous effort up and down the line-up.

"It felt great to beat Syracuse, that was the best," Winters said.

"It wasn't necessarily revenge, but more of a statement that we are the better team."

Strikeout queen of the Valley

Senior pitcher Carisa Winters became the Missouri Valley Conference all-time career strikeout leader Sunday against Syracuse University. Winters broke the previous record of 767 by two strikeouts.

Senior hurler Carisa Winters earns distinction as all-time strikeout leader in valley on Saturday

Cory Cubick
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Senior pitcher Carisa Winters added another title to her belt Sunday.

After setting the school's all-time strikeout record of 629 last season, the senior southwest dabbled SIU's "strikeout queen" became the all-time Missouri Valley Conference strikeout leader in Sunday's 6-0 victory against Syracuse University.

With Winters' sixth strikeout against the Orange Women, she moved past Nora Capone (1996-99) of Southeast Missouri State University as the all-time leader. Winters now has 769 strikeouts for her career. The Herrin native has 140 on the season.

While it was nice for Winters to break the record at home, she did not let her nerves bother her as it approached. She said she tried to stick to her simple, everyday game plan.

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"She's not only going to break this record, she's probably going to destroy it," Saluki head coach Kerri Blackwood said. "It just says volumes about this kid.

Winters is 9-4 on the season with a team-high five saves. With conference games only to start up this weekend, she should be the front-runner for the MVC Pitcher of the Year.

Winters has been a first-team All-MVC selection in the past two seasons with a combined record of 14-20, while allowing only 59 earned runs in 391.1 innings of work. She owns a career ERA of 2.8.

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Baseball
Salukis remain at .500 after splitting four game series with Illinois State

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March 27th

- Resume Writing and Cover Letters Lecture Series II
- Lawton Hall, Room 222, 5pm

- Museum Studies/Costume Exhibits Lecture Series III
- Missouri State University Museum thru May 13th

- Career Exemplars for Undergraduate Women Lecture Series
- Whitmire Room, 9-11, 6-8 pm

March 28th and 30th

- Romance Medley
- Spottswood Recital Hall, 8pm
- Romeo & Juliet, Much Ado About Nothing 5 & 6 pm

- SIUC Jazz Festival, SIUC Jazz Ensembles Performing snork Audiatorium, 8pm

March 29th

- Personal Hugz: Carrying Your Life Map Lecture Series
- Woody Hall, Room 211, 11:30 am - 1pm

- Music/English Lecture Series
- Lecture Series I
- Love/Truth/Peace Foundation Recital Hall, 8pm

March 31st

- SIUC Jazz Festival, High School Competition
- SIUC Music Center, 8pm

- Love/Truth/Peace Foundation Recital Hall, 8pm

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Library Events

- Missouri State University Museum thru May 13th
- Lawton Hall, Room 222, 5pm

- Love/Truth/Peace Foundation Recital Hall, 8pm