Student remembered for passion, humility

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Daily Egyptian

Many approached the podium at The Vine Church Sunday night to share remembrances of Godwin Kotey.

“I’ve traveled place to place looking to meet people like him, people who make an impact from the moment you meet them,” Guy Perticone, a graduate student from Oswego, N.Y., in theater, said of his late friend.

Kotey, a graduate student from Ghana in speech communications, came to the university in 2010 on a scholarship to pursue his doctoral degree. During his stay in Carbondale, Kotey became terminally ill and died March 5, three days after he returned to Ghana because of the severity of his illness.

Kotey, 47, was a husband and father of two children, ages seven and five.

He was known in Ghana for his work in the performing arts, where he won several prestigious awards. He directed and produced nine films and 11 documentaries. He also acted in several films, commercials and theater productions.

According to his website, Kotey was a senior lecturer at the School of Performing Arts at the University of Ghana, Legon. He was a renowned playwright and CEO of Dream House Studios.

Gabriela Ponce, a graduate student from Ecuador in theater and a classmate of Kotey, was a key speaker at his memorial.

“It was an honor sharing the stage with him,” she said. “When you heard his voice project you just knew his passion for theater, for life.”

Ponce said Kotey’s focus of work at SIUC was tearing down borders and accepting diversity.

“We worked on a long-term project together, and his enthusiasm and educational prosperity seemed to rub off on everyone he met,” she said.

Vivian Gates, a close friend of Kotey, said he was extremely humble.

“He never talked about his successes in Ghana. Most people never even knew about his mag-nificent career or achievements. He emulated humility,” she said.

Gloria Pindy, a graduate student in speech communications from the Democratic Republic Congo and friend of Kotey, said there was a community of people there to support him when he became ill.

Community center aids international residents

SHARON WITKIE
Daily Egyptian

Language barriers are often the reason for cultural barriers, says the director of the Old School Community Center.

The center, formally known as the Bowen Gym Multicultural Community Center on High Street since 2003, is relocating to North Springer Street in a donated space where it will continue to offer programs in language and cultural services and interpreter training to help combat cultural barriers, said Debbie Gates-Burklow, the center’s director.

Gates-Burklow, who is also the president of Expressions of Faith, the non-denominational, non-profit corporation that manages the center, said staff members and community volunteers have been renovating the space in preparation for its open house in April.

“We love this old place,” Gates-Burklow said. “We plan to renovate it from top to bottom.”

Dee Brown, one of eight part-time staff members at the center and coordinator for the disaster preparedness program, said the center is essential in Carbondale, where there are people from many cultural backgrounds, mostly because of the international students enrolled at Southern Illinois University Carbondale.

“When you walk into Faner, it’s like walking into the United Nations,” Brown said.

He said many international students bring their families to Carbondale, and these family members may not be able to communicate effectively in English, particularly when talking to doctors and lawyers.

Brown said the center’s keystone language and cultural services program provides services of professional interpreters trained in eight languages to help individuals better understand medical and legal advice. The eight languages are Spanish, Arabic, Chinese, Mandarin, Korean, Haitian Creole, French and Japanese, he said.

He said the center’s interpreters are trained to interpret communications “word-for-word” so that the client knows exactly what is being said.

“Our interpreters take a neutral position with 100 percent accuracy,” Brown said.

Angie Acosta, the center’s interpreter education coordinator, said her job is to administer the nationally recognized 40-hour certification program. She said it’s designed to teach people already proficient in two or more languages how to interpret conversation or translate written materials with complete accuracy.

Brown said his primary duties are to educate the public about disaster preparedness and to assist international clients with survival planning.

“People from other countries aren’t familiar with the types of disasters we have here,” he said.

Brown said language barriers often keep international residents of the community from understanding emergency warnings.

In his course, he teaches basic and practical information such as how to gather supplies for an emergency kit and where to go for help if a disaster occurs, he said, and has interpreters assist him to ensure everyone can understand.

Brown said the center is developing Jacob’s Ladder, a program designed to help ex-offenders reintegrate into the community.

Shane Hassler, the center’s program developer for Jacob’s Ladder, said his program will help felons find jobs, which ultimately helps to reduce recidivism rates.

Gates-Burklow said the main focus of the open house in April is to increase awareness of how her organization is creating a support network for international members of the community.

“All the programs work to benefit the people and the community,” she said.

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— Dee Brown, disaster preparedness program coordinator
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“His did so many things for other people and was extremely selfless. He built lasting relationships,” she said.

Kotey’s illness eventually left him unable to speak.

“He had a look of strength in his eyes. Even when he couldn’t speak you could tell he was trying to stay positive,” Pindi said.

In her closing words, Pindi said she would always remember her friend as outgoing, personable and always smiling.

“He was the person you met once and it changed your life forever. He connected to people in a way that not many can,” she said.

The memorial service ended with Kotey’s friends and loved ones honoring him by dancing and singing in an African drum circle.

Donations for the family and to help with shipping costs of Kotey’s musical instruments, books and other belongings can be sent to his sister-in-law, Pamela Kitone at 156665 Hardwoods Oaks Court Apt. #204 Dumfries, VA 20266.

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Provided photo of Godwin Kotey

Fight claims, pot put Fla. teen's side on defense

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SANFORD, Fla. — The family and supporters of slain Florida teenager Trayvon Martin found themselves on the defensive Monday following revelations he had been suspected for marijuana before he was shot to death by a neighborhood watch volunteer. Police also confirmed a report that the watchman claimed Martin was the aggressor, punching him in the nose and smacking his head on a sidewalk.

Martin, 17, was suspected by Miami-Dade County schools because traces of marijuana were found in a plastic baggie in his book bag, family spokesman Ryan Julis said. Martin was serving the suspension when he was shot Feb. 26 by George Zimmerman, who was patrolling the neighborhood that Martin was visiting with his fathe.

Martin’s mother, Sybrina Fulton, and family attorneys blamed police for leaking the information about the marijuana and Zimmerman’s claim about the attack to the news media in an effort to demonize the teenager.

“They killed my son and now they’re trying to kill his reputation,” Fulton told reporters.

The Sanford Police Department insisted there was no authorized release of the new information but acknowledged there may have been a leak. City Manager Norton Bonaparte Jr. said it would be investigated and the person responsible could be fired.

Martin family attorney Benjamin Crump said the link between the youth and marijuana should have no bearing on the probe into his shooting death. State and federal agencies are investigating, with a grand jury set to convene April 10.

“If he and his friends experimented with marijuana, that is completely irrelevant,” Crump said. “What does it have to do with killing their son.”

The state Department of Juvenile Justice confirmed Monday that Martin does not have a juvenile offender record. The information came after a public records request by The Associated Press.

Zimmerman, 28, claimed he shot Martin in self-defense and has not been arrested. Because Martin was black and Zimmerman has a white father and Hispanic mother, the case has become a racial flashpoint that has civil rights leaders and others leading a series of protests in Sanford and around the country.

Meanwhile, the Orlando Sentinel reported that Zimmerman told police he lost Martin in the neighborhood he regularly patrolled and was walking back to his vehicle when the youth approached him from behind. The two exchanged words, Zimmerman said, and Martin then punched him in the nose, jumped on top of him and began banging his head on a sidewalk. Zimmerman said he began crying for help. Martin’s family thinks it was their son who was crying out. Witness accounts and 911 tapes in which the voices are heard are not clear.
David Hug, a senior from Waterloo studying recreation, flakes his rope while other climbers prepare for their routes.

Erin Carman-Sweeney, a junior from Carbondale studying geography and environmental resources, climbs a route in the Black Corridor.

James Prillaman, left, a freshman from Champaign studying computer science, belays Drew Heller, a sophomore from Aurora studying journalism, on a route in the Black Corridor.
Climbing routes are rated on a scale of 5.5 to 5.15 with the level of difficulty rising with the number. The letters a through d are used with the numbers once a rating reaches 5.10, denoting further levels of difficulty.

A spring break climbing trip, full of triumphs and failures, began for eight SIUC students March 9, when the group met to load up the three-car caravan that would take them on their 26-hour journey to Red Rock Canyon, Nevada.

Thaddeus Portz, a graduate student from Effingham studying engineering and SIUC climbing club president, said the trip cost around $1,400. Each member paid the $30 dues for the semester and a $70 fee for the trip, which covered traveling expenses and the campsite the members called home for a week.

The club chose Red Rock, which sees more than one million visitors per year on its 195,819 acre conservation area, for the variety of climbing. Because of the varying skill levels of the members on the trip, the park could accommodate everyone.

Skill levels among the Carbondale climbers ranged from novice to advanced. These differences were hardly apparent, and the more experienced climbers aided the newer climbers to speed up their learning curve.

Portz said the group put forth a lot of effort during the week.

James Prillaman, a freshman from Champaign studying computer science, said as a new climber, he was glad he experienced the trip.

“I think it was really cool to be thrown out into Nevada to see some real rocks and intense climbing.”

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Portz said Ashley Bolin, Molly Gabel and James Prillaman all led their first 5.10a routes. The difficulty of a 5.10a route can be described as the final step from being a beginner to becoming a climber, Portz explained. He said he was proud to lead the route.

“It just shows me as a climber I am capable of anything,” Bolin said.

The group spent a week exploring and climbing routes in different areas of the park and meeting a variety of goals along the way.

Every climber had something they wanted to accomplish on the trip, and whether his or her goal was met, the members of the club left with smiling faces, said David Hug, a senior from Waterloo studying recreation.

“You don’t want to be climbing just to climb a rating, you want to be climbing because you love what you do. You want to enjoy the true art of climbing,” Hug said.

Dave Hug, left, a senior from Waterloo studying forestry, and Thaddeus Portz, a senior from Effingham studying engineering, discuss an approach hike to a climbing route at Red Rock Canyon in Nevada. The multi-pitch route, ‘Mans Best Friend’, is 180 feet high and took more than two hours to climb and descend.

Ashley Bolin, a freshman from Lombard studying zoology, moves her feet up the route she attempted at Red Rocks Canyon in Nevada. Bolin said she was impressed with how her overall climbing skills improved during the trip. “As a climber, I learned new skills,” Bolin said. NATHAN HOEFERT DAILY EGYPTIAN

Drew Heller, Thaddeus Portz and James Prillaman, sit around a camp fire to rest after the 26-hour drive to Red Rock Canyon in Nevada.

Chalk clouds from David Hug’s hands during a climb. Climbers use chalk to keep their hands from slipping while on a route.

David Hug, of Waterloo, embraces Molly Gabel, of DeSoto, after they completed a route led by Gabel.
Study Break

The practice pad

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Salukis can't afford Weber

The search for the new men's basketball coach is entering its fourth week, and there hasn't been any word from the SIU athletic department about how the search is going.

Former Illinois and SIU coach Bruce Weber reportedly has an offer to return to SIU, although Mark Scally, associate athletic director in charge of finance, said that wasn't true. Even if Weber does have an offer, the financial state of the school might be enough to keep Weber out of Carbondale.

"With a new coach, we're going to sign a contract that is appropriate to a school of our level," Scally said. Scally said they will not do a contract as high as Lowrey's, which was a seven-year, $790,000-a-year contract signed in 2007, after SIU made the Sweet 16. This means Weber, who made $1.3 million last season with Illinois, is way out of SIU's price range.

There are several arguments for why Weber would come here. With the $3.9 million buyout he's likely to receive from Illinois, he could certainly afford to give SIU a hometown discount.

When Weber made an appearance on Chicago Tribune Live March 22, he said his family was one of the main reasons he liked the Midwest, and he turned down several lucrative offers to leave the area. But now, with his youngest child graduating high school, it sounds like Weber isn't a lock to stay in the Midwest.

"I need to have a fresh start, to get away from everything (at Illinois) that's happened," Weber said.

Even if he does want to stay in the Midwest, Frank Martin just left Kansas State, opening up a job at a bigger program with higher expectations and a larger paycheck for Weber. Martin made $1.5 million last season according to the USA Today, so if it came down to a bidding war, SIU would bow out rather quickly.

The only thing that might help SIU land Weber is if they can justify giving him a large salary with an expected increase in ticket sales. But with a 37 percent decrease in ticket sales since 2008, don't expect Saluki Athletics to open its wallet with the hope that Weber can bring in a ton of money right away.

Paul Kee, beat writer for IlliniHQ.com, said barring a change of heart, Weber would be reluctant to take over for Lowrey, his former assistant and close friend. So even if SIU had the money, it might not be enough to convince Weber to come back.

The new coach will have to be come rather cheaply. Weber is the only coach that could have a significant impact on ticket sales in his first year, so the athletic department will have to operate with the expectation that ticket sales will stay where in at until the team performs better.

This means SIU will probably look to sign a coach for around $300,000 or $400,000, which would compensate for the drop off in ticket sale revenue if they stagnate around the $788,185 the men's basketball team made last season.

Scally said the new coach will probably make approximately the average for coaches in the Missouri Valley Conference, so the kind of coach SIU brings in will match the caliber of mid-level Valley coaches.

This may be disappointing for Saluki fans who hope for a Weber homecoming and a quick turnaround of the basketball program, but it can't be as disappointing as the play on the court during the last few seasons.

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