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Task force forms human rights commission

WILLIAM ALONSO
DAILY EGYPTIAN

One of the major recommendations released by the Carbondale/SIU Task Force on Race and Community Relations is the formation of a Human Rights Commission. The goal of the commission would be to affect remediation, conciliation and address grievances.

Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard, SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler and Task Force co-chair William Norwood announced Tuesday the release of the recommendations made by the task force.

The task force was created last May following an off-campus incident involving African-American students and the Carbondale Police Department. Some Black students accused the police of racism after they Maced a crowd at a house party. The task force was formed by Dillard and former interim Chancellor John Jackson.

The recommendations covered leadership and oversight, education and public relations, building-trust and business and employment policies and practices.

The task force recommendations did not go without opposition from members of its committee. Speaking to the entire committee, Roland Fouche, a senior in administration of justice, said there were final changes made to the recommendations without consulting the Black Affairs Council.

"This sort of practice is a perfect example why community members and SIU students find it difficult to work together. At the base of any relationship you need to have trust. Before we can actually work together, we have to have trust," Fouche said. "Because of those final changes in those recommendations, I have to withdraw my support for the recommendations."

There was no immediate response from any of the committee members.

Dillard said after receiving the report Thursday he asked the city clerk to obtain copies of similar commissions from various cities across Illinois and outside the state. He said the city government would need some time to review and develop actions from the task force recommendations.

"We are moving in an area that is new to us," Dillard said. "As long as I have been on

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RONDA YEAGER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

FINGER LICKIN' GOOD: Kayla Nunley, 7, of Carbondale, enjoys ham as a part of a Thanksgiving meal on Monday night at Eurna Hayes Community Center in Carbondale. Southern Illinois Healthcare Community Benefits sponsored the dinner and National Association of Black Social Workers and Adolescent Health Center Program volunteered with food preparation and serving.

Black Affairs Council facing fiscal woes

Accounting glitch
gouges 75 percent
of council's budget

BEN BOTKIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

An accounting oversight has hacked away three-fourths of Black Affairs Council's budget this year.

The council was allocated \$29,266 from Undergraduate Student Government this May, only to later be told they owed about \$22,000 for overspending beyond their annual budget for the past five years. Left with a budget of a little more than \$7,000, council members are frustrated by the problem and struggling financially.

"For the past five years, [the

council] has not purposely been going over their budget," said Kevin Buford, president of the council.

Carl Ervin, the council's adviser, said members of the organization were surprised when told about their limited budget this year.

"They're confused as to why, and what they can do to change it," Ervin said.

Jerry Poneleit, an account technician in Student Development, realized the council's account had a deficit at the beginning of the semester.

"It came to light when I was able to discover the cash balance problem," said Poneleit, who has been an accountant in Student Development for a year and a half.

Although Poneleit saw the discrepancy in the council's account,

he said he is unsure of how the student organization managed to overspend \$22,000 before the problem was remedied.

Buford said the lack of funding the organization received this year has hurt its involvement on campus.

"I don't think we're seen on campus as much due to that," he said.

Since the organization's funds are limited, they can no longer afford to bring in guest speakers and lecturers as often, Buford said.

Buford is also concerned about funding hindrances because minority students feel connected through the council's activities.

"One of the major problems minorities on campus complain about is having no outlets for minorities," he said.

The council has obtained addi-

tional sources of funding through Black American Studies programs, the Affirmative Action Office and fund-raisers, but is still operating on a low budget.

But activities will continue for the student organization, despite the financial limitations. A "Cram and Jam" event is scheduled for Dec. 4 and 5. The event is an occasion for students to eat sub sandwiches and pizzas at Cafe Latte, located in Trueblood Hall, while studying before final exams.

And with the unexpected financial burden, Buford knows the council has to fix the problem and get back on track next year.

"This is a year we have to take a lot of heat," he said.

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Students weigh various options for celebrating Thanksgiving

JANE HUH
DAILY EGYPTIAN

On Thursday, some students will celebrate the shortened turkey holiday differently, but in the same spirit of thanks nonetheless.

Due to the week-long Halloween break, this year's Thanksgiving break has been abbreviated to balance the school closings. This year those who will be going out of town for the November holiday face a cramped travel schedule for the four-day break as opposed to last year's nine-day break.

For students who cannot make the trip back home to their families, accommodations and planning may help create other options for enjoying the holiday.

Campus residence buildings like Thompson Point will be closed during the break. However, Baldwin and Abbott Hall is reserved for those who have no place to go with a \$9.50 charge per night.

Ashley Gregory, coordinator of residence life at Thompson Point, said the closings are simply a logical solution because most students leave for break.

"It wouldn't be fair for the staff to be

on duty and not get to celebrate with their families," Gregory said.

The number of students who stay on campus during holiday breaks varies from year to year, and Gregory said there has been no drastic change in this year's sign-up for the reserved halls.

Some students, regardless of how long break is, choose to stay because of the challenging long-distance travel, to continue working or to stay at a friend's home, Gregory said.

Joe Martin, a freshman in psychology from Forreston, lives in Thompson Point's Kellogg Hall but will stay at his brother's house for the weekend.

Instead of driving to his parents' home, Martin is expecting his parents and younger sister to drive down to Carbondale to have Thanksgiving dinner with them.

"I'm used to being home for Thanksgiving. It's too short of a break but I am pleased that my family's coming down here," Martin said.

Other students plan on keeping things simple yet just as festive.

Abbey Bueza, a sophomore in early childhood education, will spend the

Gus Bode



Gus says: Too bad I'll be driving on Thanksgiving.

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Bush announces grants for homeless

WASHINGTON — President Bush announced Tuesday at a Washington charity that he is providing more than \$1 billion in grants to organizations that aid the homeless.

The initiative is part of a program run by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, which oversees homeless assistance grants to non-governmental organizations.

Bush said it was the largest such grant in the nation's history.

"It is a grant program that will help provide food and shelter, drug treatment, job training and other vital services," Bush said.

Bush encouraged Americans to give to charitable organizations, saying their volunteerism and donations can help in the fight against terrorism.

"In order to make sure the home front is secure, in order to make sure we don't allow the terrorists to



achieve any objective, Americans must give generously to community-based programs that help make neighborhoods a better place for all," Bush said.

Air Force fighters escort helicopter away from Camp David

THURMONT, Md. - Two military fighter jets escorted a helicopter away from the presidential retreat at Camp David on Tuesday.

The incursion into the no-fly zone is the second since the Sept. 11 attacks. After the attacks, the no-fly zone was expanded from five to eight miles around the compound.

The first incident occurred on Oct. 31 when student pilot Ken Stinson flew over the compound and was escorted to a local airport for more than three hours of questioning.

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UN rebuffs Taliban surrender proposal

KONDUZ, Afghanistan — The United Nations rejected a proposal by the Taliban for an unconditional surrender, UN officials announced on Tuesday.

UN officials said they did not have the means to oversee a surrender in Afghanistan because they did not have troops on the ground.

The announcement came as Taliban forces were surrounded by Northern Alliance forces in what the Pentagon described as a standoff.

At the same time in Washington, D.C., President Bush reiterated the scale of the current conflict.

"We could be there for quite a while," Bush said.



He also said that the war would involve "other fronts," not just in Afghanistan.

Labor protests rock Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela — Three labor protests erupted in Caracas Tuesday, slowing traffic and putting police skills to the test.

More than 2,000 government workers in three different protests demanded pay for overdue pensions, bonuses and salary increases. There were similar protests staged outside the Finance Ministry to demand overdue Christmas bonuses.

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Calendar item deadline is two publication days before the event. The item must include time, date, place, admission and sponsor of the event and the name and phone of the person submitting the item. Items should be delivered to Communications Building, Room 1247, or faxed to 453-8244.

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Funding may grow for Morris Fellowships

Proposed increase would extend the fellowship funding for five years

MARK LAMBIRD
DAILY EGYPTIAN

In a move to increase the quality of doctoral students enrolled at SIUC, the Graduate Student Council is investigating a resolution that would increase funding for the three Morris Fellowships

offered every year.

The fellowship runs for three years and offers \$1,250 a month to doctoral students for research; the proposed increase would extend funding for five years. The two-year extension would be paid by the departments that nominated the candidate for the fellowship.

If passed, the resolution would go into effect during fall 2003. David Wilson, associate dean of the Graduate School, said the wording of the resolution was being reworked before it goes to the council for debate.

"The matter will be reintroduced as a resolu-

tion to be debated and voted on during the February meeting," Wilson said.

Wilson said the proposal fits in with the plans unveiled as part of Chancellor Walter Wendler's Southern at 150 program because it would increase the quality of doctoral students coming to the University. Wendler's program was introduced Monday at the Faculty Senate's annual meeting.

"It would definitely increase the amount of outstanding graduate students coming to the University," Wilson said. "We would be able to get students who would do quality work that would draw attention to themselves and the University."

The resolution was proposed because other institutions have increased its fellowships to five years. The council said this makes the Morris Fellowship less attractive as a recruiting tool.

Wilson said nine students received the fellowship, with three students selected every year. The numbers of students that receive the fellowship have dropped, he said.

At one time, five students were chosen for a total of 15 students at once.

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LISA SONNENSHEIN - DAILY EGYPTIAN

CINDERELLA, DRESSED IN YELLA ... : Jerrod Harris, an 8th grade student at Carbondale Middle School, joins the girls in jumping rope during recess Tuesday.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

WSIU photo contest deadline draws near

The deadline for WSIU's photo contest on the theme of "Milestones," an episode of the ongoing series LIFE 360, is Friday, Nov. 30. Those interested are invited to submit a photograph that creatively interprets or expresses why this theme means to them. Photos may be black and white or color and no larger than 8x10 inches.

The first-place winner will receive a Epson Stylus Photo Printer and will have their photo forwarded to the national competition, sponsored by LIFE 360. The national winner will be awarded a week-end trip for two to anywhere in the continental United States or Puerto Rico.

If you have any questions, please call Renee Dillard at 453-4286 or Monica Tichenor at 453-6160.

Grad fellowship sciences program

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission is seeking student applicants in sciences, mathematics and engineering to apply for its graduate fellowship program.

The NRC regulates the civilian use of nuclear power and materials to protect public health and safety. Each fellowship pays a monthly stipend of \$2,400 and full tuition and fees for up to 24 months.

Applicants must have an exceptional academic record and U.S. citizenship. For more information, visit www.orau.gov/nrced/ or contact Pat Presley at 865-576-3409.

New online service offers virtual TAs

An online service allowing undergraduate students to pose exact academic problems to graduate students launched this month. A fee of \$3.33 is charged when a student accepts a solution, 80 percent of which goes to the graduate student who provided it.

By accessing www.ridethebellecurve.com, students can also submit drafts of essays to be evaluated by graduate students.

Ridethebellecurve.com is also composing a bank of problems and solutions so that students can browse previously posed problems and their solutions.

Salukis teach dance skills

The Dance Skills Clinic will teach tips and techniques to prepare youths for future college tryouts from 1 to 5 p.m. on Sunday at Davies Gymnasium.

The clinic will include instruction for stunts, funk and jazz routines and dance technique. The clinic is available to anyone ages five to 18.

For more information, contact the Division of Continuing Education at 536-7751.

SIUC neuroscientists recall human memory

Nerve study helps scientists understand why people remember what they do

BRIAN PEACH
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A car accident, a relationship ending or even where you were Sept. 11 are among the traumatic events that people tend to remember for the rest of their lives.

"Most of the strong memories you have

are related to arousal, like

'People have been very excited, and the results have been very well received.'

Douglas Smith
behavioral neuroscientist,
SIUC

thinking about where you are, there is no arousal. That's why it's often easy to forget where the heaviest thing you own is."

Jensen is one of two SIUC professors

doing research with memories by artificially arousing the part of the brain responsible for memory recovery. They are not as concerned with the fact that people actually remember what they do, but rather how to recover those memories once they are gone.

Jensen and Douglas Smith, behavioral neuroscientists and professors of psychology, are doing studies in areas relating to the brain that other scientists tend to ignore.

By studying a nerve that runs through the body of animals and humans, called the vagus nerve, the professors have learned that the recovery of memory and motor skills is often possible even after severe brain damage.

The vagus nerve's function is to carry messages about the body's physiological state to the brain. These include how fast the heart is beating and how quickly the lungs are respiring.

By studying the nerve, the professors and their students have shown that stimulation in rats can improve memory and learning increases. When trauma occurs, undamaged areas of the brain are stimulated through the vagus nerve to learn to take over functions of damaged areas.

The stimulation is electrical and by administering it painlessly to rats under

Workshops sprout profitable crop ideas

College of Agriculture to help boost profits in ag community

MIKE PETTIT
DAILY EGYPTIAN

While waffles and pancakes call for maple syrup as a topping, farmers may call for the sugary sap to help them make more money.

Jim Zaczek, an associate professor in forest ecology, is looking at using maple syrup production as an alternative agricultural crop in Illinois.

"A lot of farmers may have only one or two crops they grow, so it's always good to have a few other things going," Zaczek said.

Zaczek, along with other agriculture faculty and professionals, will offer strategies such as diversifying crops at workshops sponsored by the College of Agriculture. They are designed to assist the Southern Illinois agricultural community in increasing profitability.

The conferences will run Nov. 27 and 28 from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center.

The first workshop will focus on new crops and animal products, while the second will address alternative uses of traditional commodities and new technologies. The conferences were influenced by the fact that in the past four to five years, commodity prices have been relatively low.

"The agricultural economy of Illinois has been pretty



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OUR WORD

Little Willow closing leaves void in community

Last Thursday, the Illinois Department of Public Health moved to revoke the license of a Carbondale children's nursing facility because of allegations involving the sexual abuse of four patients and the deaths of two others within the last year.

Little Willow, a children's care facility for patients under 22, is under scrutiny for alleged misconduct. Little Willow shut its doors after the IDPH moved to revoke its license.

The IDPH made its decision following an investigation into alleged abuses. Last year, two infants died while at the facility. In July, four patients were sexually assaulted by another patient. Little Willow disputes the accounts and the nursing home's attorney calls IDPH's findings, "inaccurate and false."

The facts surrounding the case remain in dispute. What is not in dispute is the emotional and financial burden the closing of this facility has placed on parents with children formerly housed at Little Willow.

There are also the workers at the facility who did their jobs in caring for the children and are now out of work. The allegations were serious enough to warrant an investigation. There's no doubt about that. The department felt strong enough to make a decision based on its investigation, making it impossible for Little Willow to have remained open.

Carbondale residents' initial reaction was probably, "Good.

It needs to be closed down." Maybe it does. But what now? What about the parents in this area who have to find another place for their children? Little Willow helped relocate children to other facilities, including one in Carterville.

What happened to the children, if true, is sickening. But closing down the facility is not the end of story. The parents of the 30 or more children formerly housed at Little Willow need and deserve a care facility in this area. If Little Willow cannot be reopened, following sweeping changes in management and care practices, then another facility should take its place.

Caring for children with special needs is not easy. The necessary assistance in health care varies. The parents of Little Willow's children were forced to alter their lives. What is the cost of these new facilities to care for their children? Is there enough help from state health care providers to offset costs?

What about expenses to travel outside the area, and what new arrangements have to be made to get the children to and from the new facility? There are no quick and easy solutions to any of these questions.

Surely, the parents are thankful their children were not victims in the tragedies that have been alleged. But while the legal battle ensues, there will be a void left in our community. Little Willow has to be replaced in some form or another.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

'All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing.'

- Edmund Burke

COLUMNISTS

The magic of childhood is not Devil worship

I was recently amused when I heard of a media poll that asked: "Harry Potter Movie: Harmless Childhood Fun or Devil Worship?" Apparently, 60 percent of those polled answered "devil worship."

OK, let me preface this by saying I understand the Christian Coalition's concern with the children's book hero. After reading the books and seeing the movie, I cannot think of a single child who wouldn't want to be whisked away on the Hogwart's Express to a life of magic wands, unicorns and castles.

Heck, I'm in college, and I still want to. I can see how some parents are upset that presenting witchcraft in such a dazzling light might cause children to wish they could dabble in the magical arts as well. However, I don't feel I was actively worshipping the devil as I sat in the theater.

I hope these protesters are ready for the aftermath of banning this movie. After all, if they ban this

movie, they better dig out their home video libraries and reconsider some of their children's favorite classics.

Let's see, we better get rid of "Aladdin," I remember wishing I had a magic genie when I saw it. And "Snow White," "Cinderella," "Sleeping Beauty," "Fantasia," those have definitely got to go. Too many magical spells there.

Hmmm ... "The Lion King" had that kooky baboon medicine man. Don't want to promote that around the house. Yep, better just pitch all of the Disney movies to begin with. OK, with those out of the way, we can concentrate better. Let's see, "Star Wars" and "Casper the Friendly Ghost" might lead our kids to the occult; we ought to toss those.

Even worse, I remember wanting to be a pirate after seeing "The Goonies," and isn't piracy as bad as devil worship? It looks like Chris Columbus has been corrupting young minds for 20 years. No surprise that he'd be the one to bring

us Harry Potter, eh? Gee, after looking over the video cabinet, we'd better just pitch it all, minus "Prince of Egypt," of course. Hope the kids like that movie. They're going to be seeing a lot of it.

It amazes me that after years and years of these McCarthy-esque scares, parents still think the best way to dissuade their children from evil pop culture is by bringing the media's attention to the problem.

I remember when the Disney sex scandal surfaced on the news. Eagerly, my brother, sister and I burst out our collection and hunted for each sexual reference, remote controls in hand. Secretly, we thanked those angry parents for letting us in on the secrets we missed during dozens of viewing times before.

Similarly, I remember the "Garbage Pail Kids" controversy in the '80s. I was part of a circle of kids in my school who were banned from collecting the repulsive cards. Thus, we formed one of the most elite underground trading

rings for the collectibles this side of sin and vice.

I can't often see these angry parents a solution to their problems. I suppose if I were so poor at child-rearing that I couldn't even talk with my own children, worrying that every other microscopic influence on their lives would become magnified in my absence as a role model.

I would probably be terrified of Harry Potter, too. However, I hope parents can find the irony in providing free advertising for the concepts they oppose in the first place. In the meantime, I'm off to see if I can make a broomstick fly. After all, it worked in the movies, and Lord knows my generation can't tell the difference between fiction and nonfiction.

NOT JUST ANOTHER PRIDDY FACE appears on Wednesdays. Grace is a senior in architectural studies. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.



Not Just Another Priddy Face

BY GRACE PRIDDY
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'Tis the season

Well, here we go again. With Thanksgiving just around the corner, it is every mall's favorite holiday, Christmas.

It all starts on "Black Friday," better known as the day after Thanksgiving. Beginning with that dreadful day, everyone will start their yearly obsession with gross overspending on items that are relatively unimportant in the everyday life we live.

So, why is it that we as Americans feel so obligated to spend so much of our hard-earned money on a holiday that is supposed to be one of a religious nature? Did someone discover a hidden chapter in the Bible that says we should put ourselves in debt for the following year to celebrate the birth of Jesus? Why didn't I get the memo?

Please, don't get me wrong, I am not a religious person. To me, God and the Tooth Fairy are one and the same, but I have no problem with

those who choose to believe in God.

That is what makes this country great. We have the right to believe in goblins if we so desire, and that's a good thing. The one thing that makes me sick is the fact that this "sacred" holiday has turned into a commercialized day of stress and greed. Remember how you would be mad if you didn't get those roller skates you asked for? Oh yeah, and the one time you asked for a Nintendo, only to get socks, underwear and whatever else our parents at the time thought we needed?

Since when did this holiday change its name to "Usmas," rather than Christmas? I want to know who the first person was who decided to turn this "blessed day" into a month-long period of economic stress and urgency. I can live with the fact that parents want to raise their children in a Christian atmosphere despite my personal belief of atheism.

The point I am trying to make is that children are being taught at a

very young age that they should save up their money all year long so they can blow it on a day that never once has ever been about personal gain.

This isn't about Jesus's birthday anymore, it's about Santa Claus and those stupid reindeer, especially the ugly one with the red nose. What the hell is that all about?

Every year I'll be at some department store in some consumer paradise and I'll see some family that obviously doesn't have the money to spend, but they do it anyway. Credit cards, no interest for six months, some scum bag in a three-piece suit always has a plan to sell you whatever overpriced materialistic item you so desire.

Come Christmas time, it's no-holds barred in the sales industry. We, the consumer, fall for it every stinking year.

Tommy Hilfiger and Calvin Klein lead teenagers these days instead of real role models such as Colin Powell and Rudy Giuliani. Why is it that kids shoot each

other at school? Does it have anything to do with the fact that usually some spoiled brat is poking fun at some less-privileged kid until he can't take it anymore and snaps? Not that I'm condoning the killing of anyone, but parents must be made aware of the monsters they sometimes create.

All your little sweeties aren't so sweet when you're not around. When you give them everything they ask for, a lot of times they feel like they are better than those kids who don't or can't get everything they want.

So before you go and buy little Johnny his Playstation 10, or little Susie her life-sized Britanny Spears doll, think about the future ramifications. Do we really want to teach our youth materialistic greed at such a young age? As of now, it seems so.

Chuck is a sophomore in English. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Guest Column

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LETTER

'N' word is slander, right?

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing in response to a letter written last week by SIUC faculty member Dr. Dexter P. Wakefield. In his letter, he describes those who use the "N" word as "takers." I agree. I occasionally hear that word, among other culturally oppressive ones, come from the lips of my friends. I always tell them not to use such slander in my presence, and their immediate response is "why not, they say it." And they are right.

It seems to be the most common way that I hear black males call to each other across the Student Center in class, at the bar. So I ask all African-Americans, Dr.

Wakefield, and anyone with an opinion, to clarify this issue for me, I have always thought any word used to separate and oppress should not be used. I am not familiar with the origin of the word; perhaps it was used as an endearment, for all I know. But, if in popular belief, it is thought to have negative meaning, then by simply saying it, one is helping add to the negativity that is already so obvious. Who is allowed to say the "N" word? How about "dyke," "fag," "WOP" etc? I really don't know how anyone else feels, but I would rather not slander one's culture, sexual orientation or humanity.

Kristin Arky
senior, university student

READER COMMENTARY

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POUND PUPPIES! Pound Allie, an 18 month old Lab mix, has been a customer of Animal Crackers, in Cobden, since she was a puppy. Now she will be trained and groomed at the new Animal Crackers II, at 315 S. Illinois Ave., next to Carbondale Cycle. Animal Crackers II offers boarding, puppy training, grooming, supplies and currently breeds German Shepards. Allie will continue her training to become a support dog, in order to assist her owner Karen Briggs, of Murphysboro (far right). Briggs hopes Allie will be able to pull her wheel chair and brace her if she needs help standing up. Dale Zimmer, a friend of Briggs, pets Cody, the store owner's dog.

OPTIONS

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holiday with her husband, daughter and their friends in Carbondale instead of visiting her parents in Cary.

"As a married couple, my husband and I find it easier to stay home and celebrate holidays with other married couples in Carbondale," Bueza said. "This avoids choosing whose side of the family to visit."

International students like Sasiphen Klaimanee, a graduate in business, will not make it to her Thailand homeland. However, she said she does not mind staying on campus with her

friend Paweena Panananon, a sophomore from Thailand.

Klaimanee and Panananon will use the break to complete homework assignments and relax.

"Where I come from, people don't really celebrate it and it's not a big deal," Klaimanee said.

Panananon said even though she does not traditionally celebrate Thanksgiving, she will get into the spirit by attempting to cook turkey for her friends.

"This will be something new for me," Panananon said.

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TASK FORCE

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the council, I have not been involved with anything as important as this."

Wendler said he will enlist the help of Vice Chancellor of Diversity Seymour Bryson to work with the University to review the findings of the report. He said he would look for ways to have mutual activities between the community and SIU carried out.

"The report [the Task Force] produced is an important document," Wendler said. "Our goal on the campus will be to immediately take that report and begin looking at how the recom-

mendations will affect or might be affected by the organizations we have on campus."

Wendler also said the University will review recommendations made by an Affirmative Action committee in light of the task force recommendations.

"We want to take all these pieces and good ideas and get them moving in the same direction and this will be our goal," Wendler said. "We will act expediently in gathering ideas from the community. I don't want to get caught up in a long committee process. We are out for results."

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tough," said W. David Shoup, dean of the College of Agriculture.

Shoup is hopeful the workshops will help farmers to identify with crops they do not normally grow and to make everyone aware that there are opportunities for crops we already have.

"The number one reason why we're into these things is to help farmers make a little more money," Shoup said.

With a relatively small amount of investment, maple syrup production might be a contender in agriculture tourism, Zaczek said.

Though the majority of maple

trees and syrup production is in the northeastern part of the United States, Illinois has a good base of maple trees, rife with potential, Zaczek said.

"It's a sizable, economical and agricultural product out there," Zaczek said.

Mike Williams, chief policy advisor for the Illinois Department of Agriculture, will be discussing the AgriFIRST Value Added Programs for farmers at the workshop.

With a \$3 million budget, AgriFIRST will provide grants to enhance alternative value opportunities for agricultural commodities like grains, livestock and wood products.

The department accepted appli-

cations from companies, individuals and cooperatives needing the help. Depending on how much money is granted, the department hopes to supply grants in three periods, one after another, Williams said.

"There's always been economic need in the agriculture sector," Williams said.

The workshops are set up for farmers, bankers, rural appraisers and others in the agricultural community to get together and cooperate on new products and ideas from a financial standpoint.

"The main emphasis is improving the economic picture," Shoup said.

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anesthesia, the scientists have discovered the perfect frequency to make the healing possible. Any other frequency, lower or higher, will not work.

Smith and Jensen have used the stimulation to treat complex epilepsy in some human subjects, and the results were promising. Now they hope to extend this research to other patients.

Though they have made a lot of progress, both are looking to the future for further breakthroughs.

The scientists want to learn more about what the activation of the vagus nerve does in the brain. They would be able to use that knowledge to recover

brain damage in humans. Without stimulation, it's hard for persons to make a complete recovery, because when human brain cells die, they cannot be replaced.

It is also possible that this research will be applied to people with Alzheimer's disease or other memory disorders.

Having much to share with fellow professors and scientists, Jensen and Smith recently lectured at a seminar and discussed their progress as the only group working with the vagus nerve.

"People have been very excited, and the results have been very well received," Smith said.

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Bush urges Americans to continue charitable donations

G. ROBERT HILLMAN
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

WASHINGTON (KRT) — Citing a slump in charitable giving, President Bush urged Americans on Tuesday to give more of their time and money at home, as his administration stepped up its worldwide efforts to replenish and rebuild Afghanistan.

Americans by the millions gave generously after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on New York and Washington. But Bush said he was "disturbed" by recent reports of a dip in overall charitable contributions.

So, in this Thanksgiving week, he is calling for a renewed commitment to send terrorists a message about the country's resolve. He and first lady Laura Bush are pressing the appeal in new series of "Thanks-for-Giving" public service ads on television and in other media.

"The generosity of this country will say to the world that we're a nation that will not be affected by terror and evil," the president said Tuesday during a visit to the Washington soup kitchen SOME-So Others Might Eat.

At the same time, Secretary of State Colin Powell launched new international efforts to increase the flow of humanitarian aid to Afghanistan, now that the ruling Taliban is in retreat, and to plan for the nation's reconstruction.

With winter setting in, Powell said, "We cannot wait. We must act as fast as we can."

The challenges are immense and complicated by the ongoing military campaign to find Osama bin Laden and members of his al-Qaida terrorist network, as well as the pressing need to form a new Afghan government to replace the Taliban, he said.

Most of Afghanistan's 25 million people have been displaced, forced from their homes by the latest war, he said, and they awake each morning cold, hungry and sick.

"An entire generation of Afghans has never known peace, never known a full stomach, never known a decent education, never known what freedom is all about," Powell said.

And he reminded nations around the world that they have "an enormous obligation to not leave the Afghan people in a lurch, to not walk away, as has been done in the past."

The president expressed similar sentiments at a Ramadan dinner at the White House on Monday night with about 50 ambassadors and others from the Muslim world.

"America is also sharing our table with the people of Afghanistan," Bush said. "My administration is committed to help reconstruct that country and to support a stable government that represents all of the people of Afghanistan."

Afghan groups working on a post-Taliban government plan to meet next week in Berlin under the auspices of the United Nations. And German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer, who was at the State Department reconstruction conference along with representatives of three dozen other countries, said Germany supported the efforts, but warned of a rocky road ahead.

Among other things, he said the drive to rebuild the war-torn Balkans had emphasized the need for good organization as well as a reservoir of good political will.

"Reconstruction is not an easy thing," Fischer said.

Powell offered no estimate of the cost of rebuilding Afghanistan, citing the ongoing war, nor was he ready to formally solicit contributions from other countries. But he said there was an urgent need to establish a steering committee to begin preparations.

"There will be other meetings," he said, noting that Japan has agreed to serve as a host as well.

Already, the Bush administration has committed about \$320 million in humanitarian and other aid to Afghanistan, with promises of more to come.

Now, with the Taliban on the run and Thanksgiving approaching, the administration has sought to tightly package its dual messages of help at home and abroad.

Bush visited the SOME soup kitchen to press his case for increased contributions and for his scaled-down, faith-based initiative that has passed the House but is stalled in the Senate.

The president has backed away from several of the controversial church-state provisions that would have provided more federal funds to religious and community charities. But he is still pushing a provision that would allow taxpayers who do not itemize their deductions to claim their charitable contributions.

Bush is also still seeking provisions to allow tax-free distributions to charities from Individual Retirement Accounts and to allow farmers and restaurants deductions for donations of food.

"It is a wise use of the tax code," he said.

The president said he has been conferring with Sens. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., and Rick Santorum, R-Pa., on a Senate compromise, and urged Congress to send him a bill that he could sign before Christmas.

He also announced that the Department of Housing and Urban Development was distributing more than \$1 billion to states to help the homeless, including nearly \$55 million to Texas.

"It is part of our government's desire to support the armies of compassion," Bush said, pointing out that the grants would be used for food, shelter, drug treatment and job



CHUCK KENNEDY - KRT

With a painting of Robert F. Kennedy hanging in the background, President Bush speaks Tuesday at a dedication ceremony to rename the Department of Justice Building.

training, among other programs.

Nonetheless, several keystones of his early domestic agenda - the faith-based initiative, education reforms and energy programs - that were bottled up before the Sept. 11 attacks have been further sidetracked since. And with Congress still at work this fall, Bush and his top aides are trying to revive them.

"Even in a time of war, Congress has a job to do on the domestic agenda," White House Press Secretary Ari Fleischer said Tuesday.

In the Thanks-for-Giving public

service ads - produced by the Ad Council that created Smokey the Bear 57 years ago - Mr. and Mrs. Bush seek to boost charitable contributions and volunteerism throughout the nation even during a slumping economy.

Appearing side-by-side in a barn at their Central Texas ranch last week, the first couple does a soft sell.

"As your family gathers, give thanks and think of all that can be done in your community," Mrs. Bush says.

And Mr. Bush adds, "Thanks for

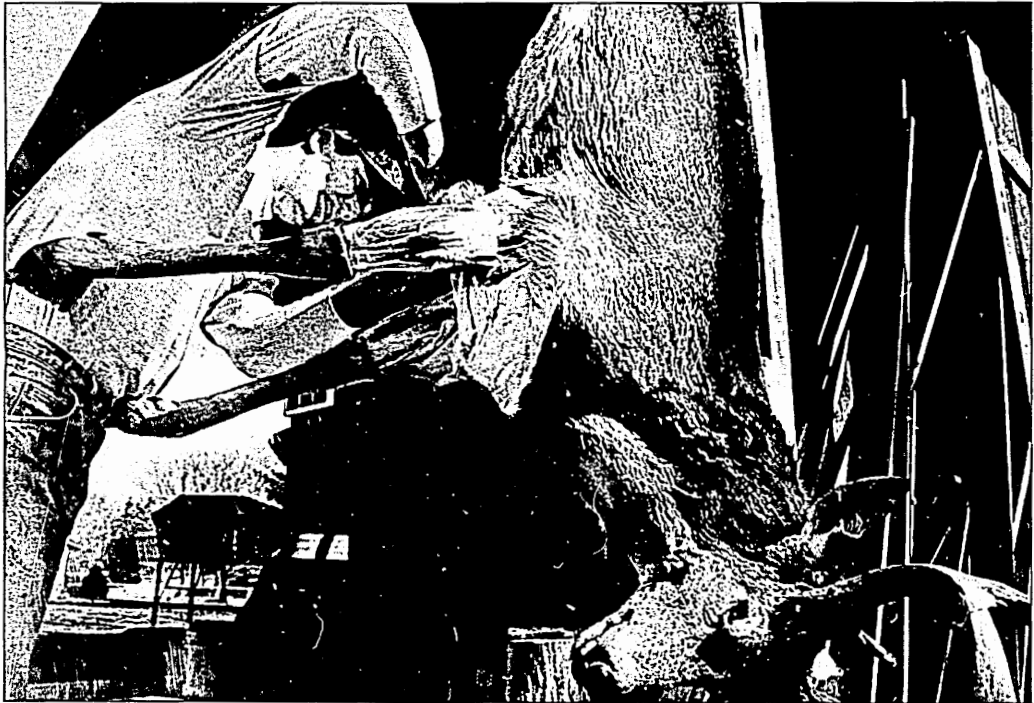
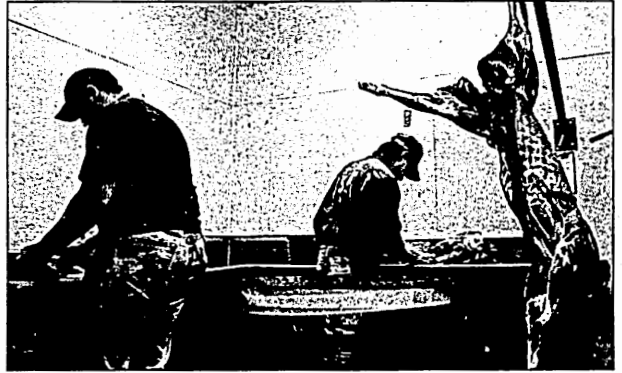
making such a difference. Thanks for giving."

At the SOME soup kitchen, though, Bush pulled no punches Tuesday, urging all Americans "to dig a little deeper in their pocket."

"I hope Americans will not substitute the gifts they've given... in the aftermath of September 11th for neighborhood groups such as SOME," the president said. "I encourage America, as we head into Thanksgiving, to find a program that needs help, or if you've been helping a program in the past, continue your help."

The Buck Stops Here

With Southern Illinois' deer season in full swing, the smell of venison is in the air



Above: Steve Lies, co-owner of Whitetails and Waterfowl Taxidermy in Murphysboro, skins a buck as it hangs outside his shop. The deer hide is put on a deer head mold and its eyes are replaced with glass beads. Top: Wesley Shirley and Harold Meyers cut up the meat as another hangs in the shop.

Story by Molly Parker

For hunters, happiness is awakening at 4 a.m. and trudging through the darkness to a tree stand somewhere deep in the woods, shotgun in hand. And let's not forget struggling to stay awake as the day drags on and several small deer pass underneath the stand. Perhaps, you think, you should just shoot the next one that walks by, but instead you stay patient.

Then it happens.

Right before you are preparing to pack up and go home as a failed hunter, the BIG ONE you've been waiting for all day comes by. You put your shotgun against your shoulder. Your heart is beating so loudly you fear the deer will hear and dash away.

But you know a skilled hunter takes time to aim twice and shoot once. Because if you miss, you'll only have the somber story of how the BIG ONE got away. If you succeed, you'll get a small white pin and bragging rights to "the story" that, most likely, will only get more amazing with time.

For Chicago native Fred Keslin, he almost had to tell the story about how his deer got away, but luckily for him, he got another shot at the doe the following day.

"I hit this deer [Saturday] in the lake, but it got dark and we couldn't see the blood trail. We went back and forth and back and



SIUC students Scott Windhorst of Decatur and Jeremy Piper of Pittsfield check the teeth of a deer to find its age at the Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge. The deer was brought in to be tagged.

forth looking for it," Keslin said. "Hours passed — the sweat was rolling down my forehead."

A small crowd of listeners at the checking station within Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge cheered as Keslin re-enacted the story, hands wailing in the air, glasses cockeyed on his face. The next day, Keslin and his friend returned to the refuge and found that the deer had been flushed out. He shot, this time, suc-

Photos by Kerry Maloney

cessfully.

"After we went to church [Sunday] we felt the good Lord was looking after us," the Chicago native said. "And I guess he was."

Sunday closed the year's first shotgun season that ran from Nov. 16 to Nov. 18. A spokesman for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources said that because of the warm weather, they expect the numbers to be slightly down from last year's 103,000 tagged. Deer tend to move more in the cold weather as a means of staying warm.

This hunting season marked 12-year-old Jonathan Heyde's first kill, who shot not once, but twice, before his buck went down.

"I was sitting on a log, and I seen it. I shot at it, then seen it keep moving so I shot at it again, and that time I killed it," said the Marion resident as his deer was checked.

While hunting for most is a memorable experience, carelessness can lead to hunting-related accidents. A man was accidentally shot and killed north of Colp in Williamson County by a member of his own hunting party Friday. Accidents like these are not common, but always a concern when crowds of people flock to the woods with a shotgun.

All hunters are required to wear a blaze orange hat or cap and an upper body cardigan so that deer hunters are easily distinguished from deer. But the DNR spokesman said most hunter-related deaths are caused by hunters falling out of a deer stand rather than being mistaken for a deer and shot.

Hunting doesn't stop with the deer hunter. The deer season

"By the second of the season, you don't want to see a deer again in your life."



Steve Miller measures his deer's 30 inch neck outside of the taxidermy shop. Miller unfortunately hit the buck with his truck after watching it grow from a fawn and hunting it for years. Miller was going to mount just the antlers but after watching the animal for so long, he wanted to see the whole beautiful animal mounted.



Above: Venison is kept in one of the freezers at Shirley Farms Deer Processing and Hunt Club.

Below: A mounted buck hangs in the display room of Whitetails and Waterfowl Taxidermy in Murphysboro while co-owner Steve Lies eats deer sausage in the work room. The shop has everything from turkey to bear hanging on the walls.

Bottom: Not everything is used on the deer. Discarded deer parts are tossed and later buried.

DEER

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craze that sweeps across country bumpkins and city slickers alike wouldn't be possible without the people who work the checking stations. It is at the checking station that workers gather information to use in annual deer reports and to ensure the deer was killed legally.

Scott Windhorst, an SIU student from Decatur, said he signed up for the job to make a little extra cash. He worked all day from Friday to Sunday, checking the teeth for age and, on the side, enjoying the food — which was not deer meat.

But just down the road in De Soto at the Shirley Farms Deer Processing & Hunt Club there was so much meat you'd freak. Someone has to make all that dead meat into something edible, so all day the workers there turn dead carcasses into succulent steaks and sausages. Workers rip the skin from the deer, hang it in a freezer and cut the meat from the deer into strips of bacon, slims, summer sausage, bratwurst, hamburger, steaks and bologna — yes, deer bologna.

"It's better than the other kind of bologna 'cause it's actually got meat in it," said Mark Shirley, the meat processing owner.

In De Soto, the workers have an assembly line: Harold "Beaver" Meyers was cutting meat from the deer into manageable pieces, Mark Shirley was de-boning, Wesley Shirley was steaking and finally Phyllis Denam wrapped the meat.

Shirley said he used to hunt and eat deer meat, but after working day in and out in the aroma of raw meat, he just got a little burnt out. "I hate deer," he said. "I could smell a deer from a mile away."

"At the first of season, you're ready for it. By the second of the season, you don't want to see a deer again in your life."

But that doesn't stop him from awarding a trophy every year to the person that brings in the largest

deer. As of Monday, the winner was a 205-pound, 14-point buck.

And for hunters that got the Big One, the Whitetails and Waterfowl Taxidermy shop is there to ensure that the memory of the hunt never fades. They'll skin it, stuff it and put glass eyeballs in and your deer will come to life again — minus the legs and body.

On Tuesday morning, co-owner Steve Lies was pulling the skin from a deer to be mounted. He cut a circle just above the shoulders, working the skin until it dislodged itself from the meat of the deer. The antlers, head and skin of the 11-point deer was taken into the shop.

Inside the shop, a half-dozen bloody deer skulls were laying on the ground to be thrown away. It will take about six months for the shop to complete the deer head-and-shoulder mount. The skin has to be dried and cured with salt and the antlers cut from the skull.

Then, the skin is draped over a Styrofoam deer-shaped mannequin, close in size to the deer, and then sewn together. The antlers, after being cut from the skull, are placed onto the back of the mannequin and the face is skinned out. The final touch is the glass eyeballs.

"It takes years and years of practice to learn how to make them look real again," co-owner John Hinde said.

And for people who have watched their game for years, having them mounted is a perfect way to preserve the memories. Steve Miller watched a deer grow from a fawn and his brother had been hunting it for three years.

This year, he was hoping to kill it. But before he could hunt it down, he hit it with his truck on the road. So now he's going to get it mounted, because it's too hard to let go of something he's been after for so long.

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Sleep, learning not related, studies say

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(BOSTON U.)

BOSTON (U-WIRE) — The common refrain, "I was tired," may not absolve students of responsibility of failing a test while exhausted, according to new research done at the University of California-Los Angeles.

"Sleep does not appear to have an important role in the consolidation of memory," said Jerome Siegal, a researcher at UCLA.

While studies have found sleep to spur the learning process, Siegal has encountered several studies with contradictory views.

Studies have claimed that the REM or the "rapid eye movement" level of sleep is important for the learning process. However, humans only get a medium amount of sleep as compared to other species, Siegal said. He explained that according to Dr. Robert Strickgold, a researcher from Harvard Medical School, it is

very hard to prove that sleep affects learning.

The idea that sleep and learning are related hasn't been adequately supported in the past. Strickgold's view is sleep only affects functional memory. People don't learn in their sleep, Siegal said; studies show that students who learn faster are not getting anymore sleep than those who learn at a slower pace.

One of the studies involved the comparison of the displayed intelligence of certain animals with their levels of REM sleep. They based levels of animal intelligence on their actions and reactions; therefore, dolphins and primates are considered very intelligent. It was found that dolphins and primates have low amounts of REM sleep. Animals' low levels of intelligence get large amounts of REM sleep.

Strickgold has said if sleep has any effect at all on memory, it is on procedural or functional memory. This type of memory involves such things as remembering how to ride a bike, Siegal said. REM sleep does not,

Speakers say drugs fund U.S.

STEPHANIE CALIGAL
THE DAILY FREE PRESS (BOSTON U.)

BOSTON (U-WIRE) — The War on Drugs is benefiting the U.S. economy and business and hurting democracy at home and abroad, said Al Giordano, a former political reporter for the Boston Phoenix and editor of the Narco News Bulletin.

Giordano, speaking at Morse Auditorium, also presented guest speaker Catherine Austin Fitts, who spoke about how the government is being controlled by drug money, which contributes to 50 percent of their political campaigns.

Fitts used the example of two boats, one containing a shipment of sugar from South America and the other containing a shipment of drugs. The sugar on the first boat would be sold for \$100,000, while the drugs on the second one would be sold for \$25 million. The money from the sale of the drugs would be invested in the stock market, allowing drug dealers to buy American companies.

"The government pays major companies to launder drug money," she said. "The War on Drugs is not being

run by drug lords, it is being run by the U.S. government."

Giordano mentioned how the U.S. is preventing democracy abroad specifically, in Latin America by supporting governments that support their "War on Drugs." These governments support their favored drug dealers and stamp out competition from poor farmers who want to grow the coca plant, from which cocaine and crack come from, for the purpose of feeding their families, he said.

"When it comes to terrorism, the U.S. is the largest exporter," he said. Giordano spoke about "Plan Colombia," in which he said the U.S. invested \$500,000 to stop illegal drug trafficking because the Colombian government refused to invest its money into the American stock market.

He also mentioned Sept. 11, 1973, when he said that more people died from orders given by the U.S. government than on Sept. 11, 2001. He said that the U.S. government under President Richard Nixon conspired with a far-right wing military in Chile to overthrow its then democratic government. The coup ended in the murder of

"The war on drugs is making billions for some. It protects the people on top, and punishes those on the bottom."

Al Giordano
former political reporter, Boston Phoenix

thousands of innocent people, he said.

"The war on drugs is making billions for some. It protects the people on top, and punishes those on the bottom," said Giordano, who favors the legalization of drugs.

Some found this news about the drug war interesting and shocking.

"I thought it was really eye-opening. I wonder if it could all be that simple. In some ways I wouldn't be surprised if it was all true," said Sue Curry, a junior in the College of Arts and Sciences.

"I thought the connection between Wall Street and the drug world was really intense," said Dan Feder, a Boston University Professor senior, who organized the event on behalf of the Student Underground.

Fear grounds Thanksgiving travelers

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KNIGHT RIDER NEWSPIAERS

WASHINGTON (KRT) — The statistical scorecard is clear: An estimated 532 Americans probably will die on highways this holiday weekend, according to the National Safety Council. Mile for mile, flying is still a far safer way to get to Thanksgiving dinner.

But air travel is down 20 percent this weekend compared with last Thanksgiving, while the American Automobile Association estimates that driving is at an all-time high. Some 87 percent of Thanksgiving travelers plan to make their treks by car, up from 83 percent last year.

In doing so, they're coping with conflicting emotions: The need to connect with friends and family this Thanksgiving vs. heightened fears about air travel. Flying is a tough sell for Americans since terrorists hijacked four planes Sept. 11 and American Airlines flight 587

crashed last week in New York.

When people weigh whether to drive or fly to a holiday gathering, they're not considering statistics, said David Rokeip, the director of risk communications at the Harvard Center for Risk Analysis.

"It's not how evolution designed us," Rokeip said. "Our ancestors didn't use risk analysis when deciding how to protect themselves. It was with intuitive factors that work."

Whether it makes sense or not, Americans feel safer behind the wheels of their cars than zooming along at 30,000 feet. "It's a common human response to risk to feel safer when we have control," Rokeip said. "And we feel more control when we're driving than when we're flying."

Even before Sept. 11, controlling fear of flying had been an important issue for roughly 1 in 5 air travelers.

That number has grown because "now we're trying to take control of a new risk," Rokeip continued. "We're controlling our exposure by moving

away from something we perceive may be a way that the bad guys are using to get us."

Further complicating recent thinking about risk is the fact that while everyone knows what is most likely to kill us - heart disease, cancer and the like - it's the exotic stuff that grabs our attention.

"Catastrophic crises are more resonant than chronic ones," said Eric Dezenhall, a crisis management consultant who works in Washington. "The gaudier and more counterintuitive and cinematic the fear, the more we are drawn to it."

Consequently, "People are more frightened of getting anthrax than they are of getting diabetes," Dezenhall said. But diabetes is projected to kill 198,000 Americans this year, while anthrax's count is four.

So most people feel far more at risk flying in the air than eating their Thanksgiving dinners. That's not smart, according to the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a Washington nonprofit group that focuses on health and nutrition.

Student 6-year plans raise crowding, finance issues

LINDA K. WERTHEIMER
THE DALLAS MORNING NEWS

DENTON, Texas (KRT) — Sean Stanton's mother gave him an ultimatum before he began his fifth year of college: graduate or pay the tuition.

"Basically, right now, my motto is making a D," Stanton said. "D stands for diploma."

Stanton plans to graduate in December after six years at the University of North Texas. "It's a real burden," said his mother, Coetta Rhodes. "I expected him to finish in four years."

So do many parents. But the time Stanton is taking to graduate has become the norm in Texas and across the country. Most students, particularly in public colleges, are taking five to six years to graduate, and in many cases, longer.

The reasons are numerous.

Working multiple jobs, dropping classes, taking lighter loads and changing majors extended Stanton's undergraduate college career. Colleges also have added credit hours for many degrees.

Students' slower pace worries some state officials and college leaders, who are working to get students out of college faster, partly because of overcrowding and the financial burden on families.

Some college officials say the graduation rates are a reflection of the times and that six-year college stays will be the new standard. The four-year graduation rate is already passe on federal statistical charts.

Based on demographics, most future college students in Texas will come from low-income families and will have to work many hours to afford school. They won't have the time or the money for full course loads.

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Position: Faculty/Staff Ombudsman at Southern Illinois University Carbondale. The position is a quarter-time appointment. Compensation is through three extra months over the normal nine month academic appointment. The Faculty/Staff Ombudsman reports directly to the chancellor and in addition provides an annual report to the Faculty Senate at its September meeting.

Qualifications: The position is limited to tenured full professors currently employed at SIUC with at least seven years of employment at SIUC. The position requires a good understanding of the University, administration, faculty staff, policies and processes at SIUC.

Experience in the role of faculty, administration and governance of the University is highly desirable. Applicants must be comfortable working with a diverse range of people within the University community. Training in conflict resolution and confrontational skills is desirable.

Responsibilities: The role of Faculty/Staff Ombudsman is largely that of a problem solver. s/he is available to give advice and to help faculty and staff in answering questions and resolving problems and/or conflicts. The position requires weekly scheduled office hours and accessibility by other communication means at other times. Counsel and communication with clients is strictly confidential. In addition, the responsibilities require that all matters be dealt with in a fair, impartial manner. The goal of the Faculty/Staff Ombudsman is to resolve problems and/or conflicts in an informal manner; however, s/he is available to assist in the development of formal appeals and grievances.

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- 'Arrest' post
- Wheels on the moon?
- Police bones
- DeWaded
- Botany
- Just about
- British gun
- Simoniza
- Barrens
- First name in jeans
- 60-year-old preli
- Tractor man
- Shantled side
- Dirch, section
- Director Epron
- Gleed!
- More coarse
- Great letter
- Some
- Alone
- Mother in sheep's clothing

DOWN

- 1st Cuban Bn
- Sir
- 3 Letters on cameras
- More oozy
- Search
- Blue mylie
- Agreement's daughter
- 8 Irish
- journalist
- Gleny
- 8 Eur. carrier
- 10 Board of NY
- 11 Just about
- 12 Look of desnon
- 13 On edge
- 14 Early
- 15 Oldscrobes
- 17 Libs a lot
- 22 Tibetan monks
- 23 Barcelona song, "Mars ..."
- 24 Just about
- 29 Percent
- 31 Annually
- 69 Kirtise inset
- 39 GE acrobaiton in 1986
- 44 Boat race
- 48 Eddie longas
- 46 Coarse people
- 50 Han Solo's princess
- 52 Shuck, old-style
- 53 A Great Lake
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KERRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Senior guard Holly Teague has averaged 12.5 points in two games this season; she scored a game-high 17 points Monday night against Saint Louis. The Salukis are back in action Saturday when the take on SEMO.

Women to take on SEMO

TODD MERCHANT
DAILY EGYPTIAN

For the SIU women's basketball team, Thanksgiving break will be more than just a chance to fill up on turkey and watch football on the tube.

The Salukis will travel to Cape Girardeu, Mo., on Saturday to do battle with Southeast Missouri State in a non-conference tilt.

The Otahkians (1-1) recently placed third at the Texas-Pan American Lady Bronc Classic. They lost the opening game to Montana, 78-63, but bounced back in the consolation game to defeat host school Texas-Pan American, 72-55.

SIU (1-1) is coming off of an exciting 57-53 victory over Saint Louis University Tuesday night. The Salukis committed 33 turnovers that game, which followed a 32-turnover performance against Nebraska in the season opener.

Assistant coach Tricia Floyd said keeping the turnovers to a minimum will be the biggest key during Saturday's game.

"We've got to take care of the ball better," Floyd said. "We need to get our turnovers down under 20."

The Salukis sustained a 41-point drubbing against Nebraska last Friday, caused mostly by too many fouls and a lack of rebounding.

Floyd said she thought SIU did a much better job in both areas against

the Billikens Monday night. She noted how Nebraska was an extremely aggressive team and more physical than Saint Louis.

"They really attacked us," Floyd said, "but I didn't think we did a bad job. Molly [McDowell] didn't play at Nebraska, and that hurt us."

McDowell did start against Saint Louis, but got into early foul trouble and was forced to sit on the bench for most of the first half. She ended up with 11 points, with the majority of those coming from free throws.

Floyd said that although McDowell only played five minutes in the first half, she was still a key component in the Salukis staying with Saint Louis.

"Even though she was on the bench, she gave us a lot of leadership," Floyd said.

McDowell is expected to start Saturday against the Otahkians. Joining her will be Holly Teague, Hillary Phillips, Gesla Woodard and either Tiffany Crutcher or Jodi Heiden.

Teague is leading the Salukis, averaging 12.5 points in the first two games. Woodard is averaging 11.5 points and 7.5 rebounds per game.

SIU will have to compete with a couple of big scorers from SEMO. Sophomore forward Lori Chase is averaging 22.5 points and 5.5 rebounds in the team's first two contests. Senior guard Veronica Benson is second on the team with 14.0 points and 3.5 rebounds per game.

Floyd said the biggest obstacle will be stopping the 5-foot-11-inch Chase. "She's their top returning scorer, and we're going to have to contain her," Floyd said. "It looks like she's a forward who plays out on the wing, so we'll probably have Hillary [Phillips] guarding her."

Phillips is one of SIU's top defensive players, averaging two steals a game this season.

Phillips admits she doesn't know a lot about Chase, but said she likes to guard the opponent's top player and is not intimidated by them.

"I try not to focus on how good a girl is suppose to be," Phillips said. "I just go out and try and get the job done."

Saluki notes: The Otahkians played Oakland City Tuesday night, but results were unavailable as of press time. Saturday's contest will be the 26th meeting between SIU and SEMO, dating back to 1962, but the first meeting since 1982 when SIU defeated SEMO 68-55. The Salukis led the overall series 23-2.

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SUPPORT THE TEAM

The SIU women's basketball team will battle Southeast Missouri State at 7 p.m. Saturday in Cape Girardeu, Mo.

SALUKI SPORTS NOTES

Indiana tickets still available

The SIU athletic ticket office said Tuesday that there are still plenty of tickets available free to students for the SIU men's basketball game against Indiana University on Dec. 1.

There are approximately 600 tickets remaining for SIU students who wish to attend the game.

There are also numerous seats in the upper bowl open to the public, ranging in price from \$12 to \$16.

The ticket office, which is located on the top floor of Lingle Hall, next to the SIU Arena, will be open today from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. The office will be closed during the break and will open again on Monday.

Kemner named to All-Conference team

Kristie Kemner, a junior outside hitter with SIU's volleyball team, was named to the Missouri Valley Conference All-Conference first team on Tuesday.

Kemner is the first Saluki to be named to the all-conference first team since Deb Heyne last earned the honor in 1993 and 1994.

Kemner finished third in the conference in kills per game (4.13) and fifth in digs (3.48).

Kemner became the 11th Saluki to have more than 400 kills in a season as she finished with 426 this year. Her 1,107 attempts is the third-best season total in Saluki history.

Kemner led SIU in kills, digs (353) and attempts. This season, Kemner also became the sixth Saluki to have more than 1,000 kills and 800 digs in a career.

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two days rest," Weber said.

The tournament, which was moved off the famed Las Vegas Strip to an area high school because of sensitivity to gambling issues, could be a major catalyst for the Salukis. The possibility of knocking off Iowa State and another opponent like Georgia Tech or Illinois from a power conference is invaluable for the Salukis, who are 2-0 so far and harbor serious postseason aspirations.

"The biggest thing is playing against good competition," Williams said. "We get to play another team from that other pool, and whether it's Illinois or Georgia Tech or Penn, we want to play good competition because come conference time that just makes you that much better."

Junior forward Jermaine Dearman was encouraged by SIU's stifling defense in the 69-64 win over Saint Louis, but recognizes an even better performance may be required to defeat Iowa State.

"If we keep up the defense, the

rebounding and keep backing each other up, we'll be all right," Dearman said.

Against the level of opposition the Salukis are facing, they'll need to play close to their best basketball to have success in Las Vegas. SIU has received above average play from freshmen Darren Brooks and Stetson Hairston in its first two wins, but the Salukis will need more production to emerge — including more play from senior Rolan Roberts — to fit in among the heavyweights in Vegas.

So far, the season has started out nicely for the Salukis, and the potential benefits of the tournament are mammoth. But SIU's early season momentum could be deflated if it doesn't follow up with a strong showing in Vegas.

Yet armed with a team that intends to challenge for a conference title, Weber doesn't think that expecting the Salukis to shine amid the beaming lights of Las Vegas is unreasonable.

"We have high goals this year," Weber said. "Some people have asked me if we've put too much pressure on the kids and I asked the kids the other day after the second exhibition game,

"Have we put too much pressure on you?"

"No one said anything, so I guess they're OK."

A big weekend in Sin City could remove all doubt.

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Las Vegas Invitational Schedule

Thursday
SIU vs Iowa State, 4:30 p.m.

Friday
SIU vs Hartford, 2:00 p.m.

Saturday
SIU vs either Illinois, Penn., Georgia Tech or Eastern Illinois. Time to be determined.

Monday's first round results
(Played at on-campus sites)
SIU 69-51, St. Louis 64
Iowa State 83, Hartford 54
Illinois 93, Eastern Illinois 53
Penn 79, Georgia Tech 74.

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hitters like Qiana Nelson or Kelly Harman in the lineup on a whim?

And then there is Erica Miller. Miller, in her first year, put the rally in rally scoring as she instigated many SIU runs with her tricky serving ability.

I watched the supposed dominant teams like Missouri and Northern Iowa burst into Davies Gymnasium. Yet as I watched the matches unfold, I never got a sense that SIU was simply overmatched. No one team that I saw this season looked more talented than the Salukis.

So when a team has talent but loses, it has to be the coach's fault, right?

I believe in Sonya Locke. She has never given me the impression of being a bad coach.

A bad coach falls into patterns that don't just stop with wins and losses. A bad coach coaches defensively, will not have the respect of the team and quickly becomes more and more one-dimensional.

Locke is anything but one-dimensional. She does: from time to time reach voice octaves that I don't even think are defined yet when she gets excited, but this is a thinking coach that adjusts her style to fit her team's personality.

Locke knows the sport of volleyball, and her passion for her players can be seen in games and at practice when few outsiders are watching.

The team lacked consistency from time to time and in pivotal situations, but Locke remained consistent throughout.

"I know that I do right by this team," Locke said. "As long as I know I do what this team expects of me, that's all I can do."

Many of the Salukis losses this season came down to individual plays that went against them. The Salukis seemed more times than not to beat themselves rather than to be beaten.

The Salukis were an emotional team, one that overreacted to turning points. In the rally-scoring format, turning points are as common as the Kemner kill.

The Salukis were like a fleet of sports cars in a race that became stuck in fourth gear this season.

The potential for success was there all along, yet in-game circumstances borted the Saluki potential.

For next season, do you change the body (coach) of your sports car or the parts (players) to be successful? I hope you would fix the fifth gear.

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McCain is sponsoring a bill aiming to eliminate gambling on all college sports and was less than amused when he found out there would be three basketball tournaments played in Las Vegas this season.

"When he found this out he just said it was a horrible image for college athletics to have events happening in casinos," Weber said. "I understand where he's coming from. On the same token, there's a bowl game in Vegas and the teams stay in the casinos. It's almost impossible not to stay in the casinos when they go to Vegas. We're obviously staying in casinos also."

This isn't the first time the Salukis will be staying in a casino. They traveled to Puerto Rico two years ago for a tournament and stayed in one there.

While both Weber and Kowalczyk said they understand the stance against playing the tournament in Las Vegas, they don't think it really makes much of a difference to move it from the city to the suburbs.

"I don't think it would have mattered where we played it, quite frankly," Kowalczyk said. "I think that's hypocritical, you're there so you might as well just play it. If you're going to worry

about it at all, then there shouldn't be any colleges in Las Vegas, there shouldn't be anything held there and they shouldn't have NCAA conventions there."

Some people say if you eliminate college gambling you will lose a lot of fans. While he said that may be true, Weber hopes SIU fans care about more than just making a few bucks off the team.

"You hope the people that come to your games are pure fans that love your program and want to support you and is not just interested in the aspect of gambling and we're supposed to hit the point spread or whatever," Weber said. "I guess I'm a little bit naive or idealistic, but that's what you're hoping for, that you got the pure fan and not a fan that's just interested in the gambling part of it."

Sophomore forward Sylvester Willis said the team's sole reason for going to Las Vegas is to win games and they've been taught enough by their coaches and others to not let themselves get caught up in the atmosphere of the Sin City.

"We got smart guys on the team, we're not stupid," Willis said. "Nobody's going to go out and be on 'Toxic Confessions' with a hooker or nothing like that. We're going to be all right."

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'It's a major trauma and it's a tragedy for college athletics.'

Bruce Weber
head coach, men's basketball



BRIAN KITE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

NOT ALL Fun & Games

For student athletes, gambling can be a career-ending choice

STORY BY JENS DEJU

SIU Athletic Director, Paul Kowalczyk was at Northwestern University in 1998 when its athletic department spiraled into shame when a gambling scandal came to light.

Former basketball players Kenneth Dion Lee, Dewey Williams and two others were federally indicted two days before the beginning of the Final Four and charged for fixing three basketball games during the 1994-95 season. In a separate incident, former football player Brian Ballerini was accused of running a bookmaking operation on the Northwestern campus.

Kowalczyk said when these incidents occurred, it had a crushing effect on the entire athletic department.

"The effects on the institution and on the individuals involved is very devastating and I think it's extremely important that we send the right message to our student-athletes [at SIU] that gambling is not OK in any level," Kowalczyk said. "I definitely am intent upon trying to educate our student-athletes as best as we can in that regard."

SIU men's basketball head coach Bruce Weber, whose team travels to take part in the Las Vegas Invitational this week, also was in the Big Ten when the scandal hit Northwestern, as he was an assistant coach at Purdue University.

"It's a major trauma and it's a tragedy for college athletics when something like that hits," Weber said. "It's scary and we talk about it with our players because it could happen anywhere."

One of the NCAA's goals is to edu-

cate student-athletes about the problems with gambling, specifically gambling on sports.

Bill Saum, the NCAA Director of Agent and Gambling issues, said they distribute posters, videos, brochures, have public service announcements and feature speakers as a way of getting their message out to campuses across the nation.

"The NCAA is opposed to all sports wagering, legal and illegal," Saum said. "We believe it has the ability to impact the integrity of the game and we believe that it has the ability to make a negative impact on our athletes and coaches."

Gambling scandals in sports is nothing new, having played a key role in some of the biggest sports fiascos of our time.

You can't mention gambling without bringing up the name of Pete Rose, the man with the most hits in Major League Baseball history, and yet is not in the Hall of Fame because he was accused of betting on baseball while he was a player.

Another notorious scandal is the Black Sox disaster of 1919 when the Chicago White Sox were accused of throwing the World Series.

The NCAA is not immune to gambling problems as college athletics have been bet on for about as long as professional sports.

Bylaw 10.3 is the piece of legislation outlining the NCAA's stance on gambling. It reads as follows; staff members of the athletics department of a member institution and student-athletes shall not knowingly:

a. Provide information to individuals

involved in organized gambling activities concerning intercollegiate athletics competition.

b. Solicit a bet on any intercollegiate team.

c. Accept a bet on any team representing the institution.

d. Participate in any gambling activity that involves intercollegiate athletics or professional athletics through a bookmaker, a parlay card or any other method employed by organized gambling.

One doesn't even have to place a bet to be involved in gambling. Just discussing a fellow player's health status can be unknowingly aiding someone in a potential bet.

"We got calls [at Purdue] from different people and guys you think were acquaintances or something and all of a sudden they would start asking us is this guy hurt or that guy hurt," Weber said. "It set up a red flag, what do you guys care about that? You're thinking then that these guys are maybe gambling on the game."

Weber said he preaches the importance of making good decisions to the teams and hopes they keep making those good decisions, especially this week when they travel to Las Vegas.

The tournament was originally scheduled to be played at the Paris Hotel and Casino, but a push led by U.S. Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.), NCAA President Cedric Dempsey and a few coaches such as Purdue's Gene Kealy, led to the games being moved to nearby Valley High School in suburban Las Vegas.

Saum said it's a step in the right

direction to take the games out of the casinos and into a site which doesn't promote gambling.

"We encourage our institutions to make choices that are best for them, but at the same time, probably the majority of our basketball teams are underage and we have to be attentive to the fact

that there is a legal age to gamble," Saum said.

He added that he expects the schools to take sufficient time to educate the student-athletes about the issue.

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BET YOUR BOTTOM DOLLAR

- 1993 University of Maine football and baseball players are suspended for participating in a \$10,000-a-week gambling operation.
- 1994 Northwestern running back Dennis Lundy is suspended and later removed from the school's record books after intentionally fumbling during a game against Iowa in which he had bet \$400 on his team to lose.
- 1995 13 Boston College football players are suspended during the season for betting on college football, including 3 who reportedly bet against their own team.
- 1997 Federal grand jury begins ongoing investigation into Fresno State basketball team after covering the spread in only 8 of 30 games.
- 1997 Former Arizona State basketball players Stevin Smith and Isaac Burton Jr. are convicted of shaving points in four games during the 1993-94 season, including one on which two Arizona State students placed a \$250,000 bet in Las Vegas.
- 1998 Former Northwestern basketball players Kenneth Dion Lee, Dewey Williams and two others were federally indicted with fixing 3 games during the 1994-95 season. Former Football player Brian Ballerini charged with running a bookmaking operation on campus.

ERIC MOGENSEN - DAILY EGYPTIAN

A shot at the big boys

Men's hoops takes on Iowa State in Las Vegas tourney

JAY SCHWAB
DAILY EGYPTIAN

There must be a pretty enormous carrot dangling out there for SIU basketball fans to already be looking past a huge Thanksgiving Day matchup with Iowa State.

There is, and it hails from, Champaign.

Courtesy of SIU's Monday night win at Saint Louis in the first round of the Las Vegas Invitational, if SIU can knock off perennial power Iowa State on Thursday, the Salukis would likely play themselves into a game with the Fighting Illini, currently ranked No. 2 in the country.

Illinois has steamrolled both of its first two opponents this season, and are considered by some to be a legitimate national championship contender. There's no doubt gifted point guard Frank Williams and the Illini are imposing, but a chance for SIU to square off against the team that dominates the attention given to college basketball in the state is tantalizing for the Salukis.

SIU and Illinois have met just once ever, a 1983 contest won by the Illini. The Illini have historically been unresponsive to requests to play credible in-state opponents such as SIU, so the prospect of earning a meeting this weekend is captivating to the Salukis and their fans.

"That's our goal — we want to play Illinois," junior guard Kent

Williams said.

To do that, SIU would probably have to make it to Saturday night's championship game. Saluki head coach Bruce Weber won't deny his team's zest to take a crack at the Illini, but cautioned that the path to that matchup will be difficult.

"Of course we'd like to be in a position to maybe play Illinois, but we've got to beat Iowa State first and take care of business," Weber said.

SIU meets Iowa State at 4:30 p.m. Thursday before a Friday contest with Hartford, likely the weakest team in the eight-team field. The key to the tournament appears to be SIU's Thanksgiving tilt with the Cyclones.

Iowa State (1-0) rolled to an 83-54 win against Hartford in its opening game in the Las Vegas Invitational. Though the Cyclones lost four starters from its Big 12 championship team last year, they are still considered an NCAA tournament-caliber group, and head coach Larry Eustachy is regarded among the best strategists in the country.

The Cyclones' top player is sophomore guard Jake Sullivan, but Providence transfer Marcus Jefferson, athletic forward Tyray Pearson and wing player Shane Power also highlight a talented cast.

Weber is glad that his team has a few days to recoup its energy headed into the Thanksgiving showdown.

"Nothing against Hartford, but I'd rather play Iowa State now with



STEVE JAHNKE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU center Rolan Roberts goes up strong against Billiken forward Chris Sloan during the Salukis' victory over Saint Louis University Tuesday night at the Savvis Center. Although Roberts, who had to sit out last season after transferring from Virginia Tech, has not provided an offense, he had two blocked shots against the Billikens. The Salukis will now travel to Las Vegas to play Iowa State on Thanksgiving Day.

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A season of unfulfilled potential

The SIU volleyball team finished the 2001 season with three more wins than in 2000, and four more Missouri Valley Conference wins.

But before you volleyball fans race to your capboards for the ticker tape — just stop and ask yourselves what could've been?

The Salukis ended up 11-19 overall and 5-13 in the conference, good for a seventh-place tie with Wichita State. However not good enough for a spot in the postseason.

Yet, it was this same SIU team that gave Big 12 powerhouse Missouri all they could stomach early on in the season in a 3-1 loss. Missouri is 20-8 and probably in their vehicles right now heading to the NCAA Tournament.

It was the same Salukis that defeated two of this season's conference champions — Western Kentucky from the Sun Belt Conference and Tennessee Martin representing the Ohio Valley Conference.

And it was the same Salukis that finished the season fighting two of the top three teams in the MVC point for point until the end. One of which being the Northern Iowa Panthers, only the 17th best team in the nation.

Screw the ticker tape, find a shrink. Maybe the shrink can explain why a team as good as any of the teams in their conference is stuck sharing a spot with the Wichita State Shockers. Now there's the real shocker.

Ask Saluki head coach Sonya Locke where her team should've finished this season and her answer doesn't include Wichita State anywhere close to SIU.

"I believe we could've been champions," Locke said. "I really believe we had that kind of talent."

The talent is in place here at SIU. What team wouldn't want Kristie Kemner tattooing the ball as opponents run for cover? Or Tara Cains, the southpaw slammer, who at times seemed to match Kemner's power?

The seniors — Jenny Noel, Megan Baumstark and Lisa Vodin — provided the foundation a team needs, and Lindsey Schultz does it all in true stealth fashion. Although her stats don't necessarily grab your attention, her ability to be all over the court does.

The Salukis talent ran deep as well. What other team has the luxury of inserting quality



Clint Harting
DAILY EGYPTIAN

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Salukis the underdog in season finale

SIU football to face Big 12 opponent Baylor

JAY SCHWAB
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The SIU football team is off to Texas for a season-ending matchup with Baylor on Saturday.

The Salukis, 1-9 on the season, will be hard-pressed to halt their six-game losing streak against the Bears, a member of the Big 12 Conference. Baylor has lost eight in a row after winning its first two games of the season, but still possesses a tremendous size and speed edge over the Salukis.

Unless something entirely unexpected occurs,

the Salukis' season will end with a splat after Saturday's noon kickoff at Floyd Casey Stadium in Waco, Texas.

"They're a very good caliber football team, and one that will be very, very difficult for us to handle on Saturday," SIU head coach Jerry Kill said. "But we're going to go up there and we're going to give her our best shot."

"The big thing is we get another week's practice with some youngsters, and that's what we're going to use it for."

The Bears have played some of the nation's top teams respectably this year, including a 33-17 defeat at defending national champion Oklahoma in October.

"It's a little different when you're watching film and it's 14-7 in the third quarter and they're playing the University of Nebraska and you're

watching Nebraska on video and trying to evaluate Nebraska and figure out how you're going to move the ball," Kill said.

Still, the Salukis should be energized at the opportunity to play a major foe, and added incentive comes in the realization that the game will be the final one as Salukis for seniors such as Bart Scott and Bryan Archibald.

But SIU's odds of springing a shocker are dampened by a roster depleted with injuries.

On the bright side, SIU will receive \$150,000 for its weekend troubles of providing competition for the Bears. The game was hastily scheduled after the Salukis' scheduled date with Ball State was canceled in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks.

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