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'We have a tie'

USG Vice Presidential candidate Vincent Hardy, left, and his opponent Steven Turner, center, react to the news of an exact tie (473 votes for each candidate) Wednesday night in the USG Offices. As a result of this first-time occurrence there have been accusations of poorly run election polls from both parties.
JAMES DURBIN
 DAILY EGYPTIAN



USG senators ostracize Burns

Allison Petty
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

When Dylan Burns walked in, the room fell silent.

The assembled senators stared as Burns walked through their midst, attempted a high-five with several and received no response.

"Go about your business," he said, before taking a seat next to Undergraduate Student Government President Demetrous White, whom he publicly accused of favoritism two days earlier.

After a brief pause, chatter and laughter abruptly resumed and Vice President Candace Fletcher gavelled the meeting to order. What followed was an hour of heated debate and confrontation so unruly one senator compared it to a "dog fight."

Burns accused White of favoritism toward Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., citing a nearly 600 percent increase in the fraternity's funding since White has been president of USG. White has said Burns' allegations had no merit.

Stephon Albert, chairman of the finance committee, is a member of the fraternity but said he steps out of the meetings when funding is allocated for Alpha Phi Alpha. Albert addressed Burns during the public comments portion of the meeting.

"You used my name ... to get your election," Albert said. "That's cheap. That's not something a man would do."

After Albert spoke, about half of the senators applauded.

Vincent Hardy, a senator

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Election results under dispute

Allison Petty
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tense silence turned to screams, hugs and cries of "Oh my God!"

as Election Commissioner John Teresi declared Wednesday that Undergraduate Student Government presidential candidates Chiquita Watts and Dave Loftus tied with 473 votes each.

Roughly 50 candidates and supporters waited in the Student Center until 9:30 p.m. to hear the election results, which Teresi read while standing on a coffee table in

the USG office.

"Is this some kind of late April fools' joke?" asked Vincent Hardy, who was Watts' vice presidential candidate.

"I wish it was," responded Teresi, who has to organize another election sometime in the next few weeks according to USG constitutional rules.

But moments later, the friction

reappeared.

Watts and Loftus said they believed the election was run poorly and the votes should be hand-counted by Teresi and the rest of the election commission.

Other results were clearer.

USG president Demetrous White won student trustee, beating

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Temporary chancellor may stay into next year

Officials say Goldman could lead university through accreditation process

Joe Crawford
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

There is no timeline for the university to begin searching for a permanent chancellor, and officials said the administrator who temporarily holds the campus' top post could be there a while.

Interim Chancellor Sam Goldman has the full confidence of the Board of Trustees, so much that he might keep the job through the university's accreditation process next year, said SIU spokesman Dave Gross. Officials from the North Central Association of Colleges and

Schools are expected to visit campus as part of the process in 2009.

"The sense with (SIU President Glenn Poshard) and the board is that they are very comfortable going through that process with Dr. Goldman at the helm," Gross said.

Goldman stepped down from his position on the board Friday to take the chancellor job. Goldman said he did not take part in the discussions that led to his appointment.

Gross said Poshard wanted to reevaluate the university's last search process, the undertaking that ended in Poshard selecting former Chancellor

Fernando Treviño from a pool of four finalists. Poshard put Treviño on paid leave March 12 and it was announced Friday Treviño would be reassigned as a tenured professor in the School of Medicine.

The strengths and weaknesses of the last search will be considered when designing a new one, Gross said.

Treviño held the chancellor position for nine months before he was put on leave. John Dunn, the last person to hold the post as a temporary job, was in place a little more than six months before Treviño's appointment.

Board chairman Roger Tedrick

said Goldman might be easier to work with than other chancellors because he has been a member of SIU's governing body.

"He knows both sides of it," Tedrick said. "He knows what issues we face and what problems we struggle with and try to solve and he knows the campus."

SIUC needs stability, Tedrick said, and the board believes Goldman can provide that.

Goldman said the projected length of his tenure has no effect on the way he does his job. He said he has

not discussed a timeline with Poshard, but

Goldman said he would take on long-term and short-term initiatives regardless of when a new chancellor might take over.

"It's really quite immaterial to me," he said. "I'm ready to go in 10 minutes or I'm ready to stay 10 minutes longer."

Goldman, 73, has said he has no interest in pursuing the permanent chancellor position. The former professor and dean retired from the College of Educational Administration and Higher Education in 2003.

"This is not a career move for me," he said. "I'm not going anywhere. I don't have any mountains to climb."

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Sam Goldman



Stepped down from the Board of Trustees to take the interim chancellor position

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 Man nicknamed by President Bush shares stories.
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Public Policy Institute director plans fall retirement

Lawrence says he will continue his work in politics

Barton Lorimor
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Mike Lawrence led a respected career in journalism and politics before a former U.S. senator asked him to come teach both at SIUC.

On Wednesday, Lawrence said he would retire as director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute effective Nov. 1. The 65-year-old said he plans to remain in Carbondale with his wife Marianne, and resume writing a political column he had prior to working at the institute.

"I have had the greatest fulfillment of my life by interacting with SIUC students," he said.

Lawrence said former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon asked him to help create the institute in 1998. When Simon died in December 2003, Lawrence was appointed to replace him as director. Sheila Simon, daughter of the late senator, said Lawrence performed well in a position no one envied after her father's death.

SIU President Glenn Poshard said he first met Lawrence as a state senator in 1984. He said Lawrence has always wanted to make the public understand

state politics.

"Anywhere you went in the Capitol and anyone you talked to would say Mike was the most respected reporter," Poshard said.

Though he was unsure of how interim Provost Don Rice would conduct a search for the next director, Poshard said he hopes to be included in the discussion since he knew Lawrence as a reporter, policy maker and professor.

Assistant Director Matt Baughman said he expects a 10-person search committee consisting of the institute's board of counselors and university officials to find the next director.

Before coming to Carbondale, Lawrence worked for former Illinois Gov. Jim Edgar as press secretary and senior policy adviser. Edgar said he did not always agree with Lawrence's opinion, but frequently took his advice.

"Mike had the best way of saying to me, 'Governor, you are nuts,'" Edgar said. "SIUC has been fortunate, and I think they're going to miss him."

Edgar said he was one of many guests Lawrence invited to speak to his journalism and political science classes and hold discussions with students at luncheons hosted by the institute.

State Sen. Kirk Dillard, R-Westmont, a former chief of staff in the Edgar administration, said when

"He renews my faith every day that there are great and decent people working in journalism, state government and at our state universities. If the public could know him, they would have faith their tax dollars were being well spent."

— Kirk Dillard
state senator, R-Westmont



ANTHONY SOUFFLÉ ~ FILE PHOTO

Mike Lawrence, director of the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, talks on the phone in his office with a representative of Sen. Barack Obama's, D-Ill., office Jan. 30, 2007. Lawrence announced Wednesday he will retire this fall, but remain active in Illinois politics.

Lawrence gave his opinion about a policy at staff meetings everyone listened. Dillard said Lawrence was one of the more intelligent and classy people to work in Illinois politics.

"He renews my faith every day that there are great and decent people working in journalism, state government and at our state universities," he said. "If the public could know him, they would have faith their tax dollars were being well spent."

Before Edgar hired him, Lawrence was a political columnist and reporter based out of Lee

Enterprises' Springfield bureau, which he created as managing editor of the Quad-City Times. He later became the Springfield bureau chief for the Chicago Sun-Times.

He was a fair and balanced journalist, said Charlie Wheeler, a former reporter in the Sun-Times bureau for Lawrence. Now the director of a graduate program at the University of Illinois in Springfield for journalism students, Wheeler said Lawrence's reputation led him to become a mentor for several government officials.

Steve Brown, spokesman for Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan and former statehouse reporter for the Daily Herald, said Lawrence was expected to testify before a committee this morning about reworking Illinois' legislative districts.

"We won't see him at home making pot holders," Brown said. "We expect to still see him on the scene."

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Feds to collect DNA from every arrest



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Thomas McGowan, center, celebrates his release on DNA evidence as he exits the Crowley Courts courtroom in Dallas with his lawyers Barry Scheck, left, and Jason Kreag Wednesday. McGowan had served 23 years of a life sentence in prison for a rape he did not commit.

Eileen Sullivan
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The government plans to begin collecting DNA samples from anyone arrested by a federal law enforcement agency — a move intended to prevent violent crime but which also is raising concerns about the privacy of innocent people.

Using authority granted by Congress, the government also plans to collect DNA samples from foreigners who are detained, whether they have been charged or not. The DNA would be collected through a cheek swab, Justice Department spokesman Erik Ablin said Wednesday. That would be a departure from current practice, which limits DNA collection to convicted felons.

Expanding the DNA database, known as CODIS, raises civil liberties questions about the potential for

misuse of such personal information, such as family ties and genetic conditions.

Ablin said the DNA collection would be subject to the same privacy laws applied to current DNA sampling. That means none of it would be used for identifying genetic traits, diseases or disorders.

Congress gave the Justice Department the authority to expand DNA collection in two different laws passed in 2005 and 2006.

There are dozens of federal law enforcement agencies, ranging from the FBI to the Library of Congress Police. The federal government estimates it makes about 140,000 arrests each year.

Those who support the expanded collection believe that DNA sampling could get violent criminals off the streets and prevent them from committing more crimes.

A Chicago study in 2005

found that 53 murders and rapes could have been prevented if a DNA sample had been collected upon arrest.

"Many innocent lives could have been saved had the government began this kind of DNA sampling in the 1990s when the technology to do so first became available," Sen. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., said. Kyl sponsored the 2005 law that gave the Justice Department this authority.

Thirteen states have similar laws: Alaska, Arizona, California, Kansas, Louisiana, Maryland, Minnesota,

New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

The new regulation would mean that the federal government could store DNA samples of people who are not guilty of any crime, said Jesselyn McCurdy, legislative counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union.

"Now innocent people's DNA will be put into this huge CODIS database, and it will be very difficult for them to get it out if they are not charged or convicted of a crime," McCurdy said.

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— Jon Kyl
Senator, R-Ariz.

Executions to resume after court OK's injections

Mark Sherman
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — U.S. executions are all but sure to resume soon after a nationwide halt, cleared Wednesday by a splintered Supreme Court that approved the most widely used method of lethal injection.

Virginia immediately lifted its moratorium; Oklahoma and Mississippi said they would seek execution dates for convicted murderers, and other states were ready to follow after nearly seven months without an execution in the United States.

Voting 7-2, the conservative court led by Chief Justice John Roberts rebuffed the latest assault on capital punishment, this time by foes focusing on methods rather than on the legality of the death penalty itself. Justice John Paul Stevens voted with the majority on the question of lethal injections but said for the first time that he now believes the death penalty is unconstitutional.

The court turned back a challenge to the procedures in place in Kentucky that employ three drugs to sedate, paralyze and kill inmates. Similar methods are used by roughly

three dozen states.

Death penalty opponents said challenges to lethal injections would continue in states where problems with administering the drugs are well documented.

The case decided Wednesday was not about the constitutionality of the death penalty generally or even lethal injection. Instead, two Kentucky death row inmates contended that their executions could be carried out more humanely, with less risk of pain.

The inmates "have not carried their burden of showing that the risk of pain from maladministration of a concededly humane lethal injection protocol, and the failure to adopt untried and untested alternatives, constitute cruel and unusual punishment," Chief Justice John Roberts

said in an opinion that garnered only three votes. Four other justices, however, agreed with the outcome.

Roberts also suggested that the court will not halt scheduled executions in the future unless "the condemned prisoner establishes that the state's lethal injection protocol creates a demonstrated risk of severe pain."

States can avoid this risk by using the three-drug procedure approved in the Kentucky case, Roberts said.

Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and David Souter dissented.

Executions have been on hold since September, when the court agreed to hear the Kentucky case. The justices stepped in to halt six executions, and many others were put off because of the high court's review.

["The inmates] have not carried their burden of showing that the risk of pain from maladministration of a concededly humane lethal injection protocol, and the failure to adopt untried and untested alternatives, constitute cruel and unusual punishment.

— John Roberts
chief justice

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NEVADA

Man at center of Las Vegas ricin case arrested, charged

LAS VEGAS (AP) — An unemployed graphic designer who authorities believe was nearly killed by ricin was arrested Wednesday on federal charges that he possessed the deadly toxin as part of an "exotic idea," never carried out, to poison his enemies.

Roger Bergendorff, who authorities allege began making ricin a decade ago, was arrested upon his release from the hospital where he had been treated since Feb. 14.

He is charged with possession of a biological toxin and two weapons offenses stemming from materials authorities said were found Feb. 26 and Feb. 28 in his room at an extended-stay motel several blocks off the Las Vegas Strip.

"He was released from the hospital and he's in custody," said FBI agent Joseph Dickey, a spokesman for the bureau's Las Vegas office.

The charges carry a possible penalty of 30 years in federal prison and a \$750,000 fine. Bergendorff, 57, was scheduled to appear Wednesday afternoon before a federal judge in U.S. District Court in Las Vegas.

WASHINGTON

Murtha says McCain too old to be president

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic Rep. John Murtha said Wednesday that Republican Sen. John McCain is too old to be president.

Murtha is 75, four years older than McCain. He says they are nearly the same age, and the rigors and stress of running the country is too much for guys their age.

"I've served with seven presidents," Murtha told a union audience. "When they come in, they all make mistakes. They all get older."

"This one guy running is about as old as me," he said, drawing laughter and applause. "Let me tell you something, it's no old man's job."

If elected, McCain would be the oldest man to become president at age 72. Ronald Reagan became president at age 69, but he served as president for eight years and was just a few weeks shy of his 78th birthday when he left office.

Celebrated in White House visit, pope addresses bishops

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pope Benedict XVI moved Wednesday from a jubilant White House visit where he defended religion in the public square to a contemplative prayer service at a national Roman Catholic shrine, where he was expected to tell bishops that they must heal the suffering caused by clergy sex abuse.

Benedict arrived at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception to deliver remarks to hundreds of U.S. prelates during a vespers service.

It was the end of a heady day for Benedict, who drew an enthralled crowd of 13,500 people to a South Lawn arrival ceremony at the White House earlier in the day. The event turned into an 81st birthday party for the pontiff, complete with singing and a cake prepared by the White House pastry chef.

TEXAS

Nearly 300 arrested in immigration raids at poultry plants

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Nearly 300 people were arrested Wednesday in immigration and identity theft raids at Pilgrim's Pride poultry plants in five states.

More than 100 people were arrested on immigration violations in Chattanooga, Tenn., and Moorefield, W.Va., with 45 arrests in Mount Pleasant, Texas, on charges of false use of Social Security numbers.

More than 25 people face administrative charges of immigration violations in Live Oak, Fla. They will also face identity theft or document fraud charges. More than 20 were arrested in Batesville, Ark., on federal warrants for alleged document fraud or identity theft.

"We knew in advance and cooperated fully," said Ray Atkinson, a spokesman for the Pittsburg, Texas, company.

Pilgrim's Pride faces no charges, he said.

The raids were part of a long-term investigation, officials said. Plants were raided in Mount Pleasant, Texas, Batesville, Ark., Live Oak, Fla., Chattanooga, Tenn. and Moorefield, W.Va., authorities said.

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fellow candidates Dylan Burns and Josh Garrison by a margin of more than 50 votes. White said he felt vindicated that students still believed in him and were not blinded by what he said were the "dirty politics" of Burns.

Students voted overwhelmingly in support of the proposed \$10 "green" fee for environmental sustainability. Katie Thomas, a junior from Fort Collins, Colo., studying political science, said she planned to celebrate by doing the homework she had put off for the past three weeks in order to campaign for the fee.

Watts and Loftus were not alone in their concerns about the validity of the election results.

Thomas said she witnessed multiple candidates campaigning too close to the polling places and even escorting voters to pick up their ballots. Thomas said she would not implicate anyone by name, but was most frustrated with how poorly the elections were run.

She said multiple students told her they voted two or three times in Lentz Hall while the computer system to scan student IDs did not work.

Teresi said election workers in Lentz Hall recorded students' ID numbers on paper, and no one was allowed to vote more than once. Teresi is set to receive \$800 for his role as election commissioner.

Josh Whalen, an undecided



USG senator Dylan Burns reacts to comments from fellow senators questioning his character during a USG meeting in the Student Center Wednesday night. Burns has come under fire in light of his recent allegations toward USG President Demetrous White.

JAMES DURBIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

freshman from Oswego, worked at the Student Center polls Wednesday. Whalen said election commission member Ed Ford stood next to him at the polling place and suggested students should not vote for the "green" fee.

Thomas said Ford, a graduate student from Carbondale, told students windmills kill birds and the "green" fee would be hijacked by university administration. Ford

declined comment.

Whalen said many students to whom he gave ballots were confused about how to vote.

"This page right here, they have no idea what to do with it," Whalen said, indicating the area on which students voted for USG senators. Whalen then said he had not read that portion of the ballot himself.

Graduate student Jeena Jones said she was not only allowed but

encouraged to fill out the wrong ballot.

Jones, a first year graduate student from the Caribbean studying economics, said she was given ballots for USG elections even though an election worker in the Student Center knew she was a graduate student.

She said she told the election worker she didn't think she was allowed to vote for USG officers because of her graduate status, but

was told to fill out the ballot anyway. Jones said the experience made her believe the system was flawed.

"I don't think it's up to par, personally," Jones said. "Anyone could just walk up to the table, pick the papers up, vote and just stick it in the pile."

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MEETING

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representing the College of Business, said the discord among senators reflected the problems of the university's administration. He said USG needed to change so students could feel confident in its leadership.

"Right now it's like a dog fight," Hardy said. "If this continues, USG will be gone for good."

Brandon Allen, a senator representing Brush Towers, stood

and chastised the senate members for acting like small children. He then turned his comments to Burns.

"I don't care what you do to win an election, but don't air out our partially dirty laundry to the DE and make our senate and our government look so terrible," Allen said.

Senators also applauded after Allen spoke.

One non-senator said she was concerned about tension she believed was race-related and personal. Jacqueline Muhammad, a John A. Logan student from Chicago, acted

as a proxy for senator Erica Jackson. Muhammad said she was surprised and disturbed by what she had witnessed at the meeting.

"The state of USG right now is really bad and it looks really bad to everybody else," Muhammad said. "Just from sitting in this meeting, it's amazing that this is supposed to be the students getting things done for the school."

Several of the senators said they were ashamed to be part of USG, but most expressed hope the organization would recover its dignity.

White did not address Burns or the controversy, other than to say the senate shared responsibility for reviewing the funding bills.

Burns did not respond to Albert or Allen during the meeting.

Afterward, however, he said he felt alone at the meeting and was unhappy Albert and White took the allegations personally. He defended his actions, saying he stood up for what he believed was right.

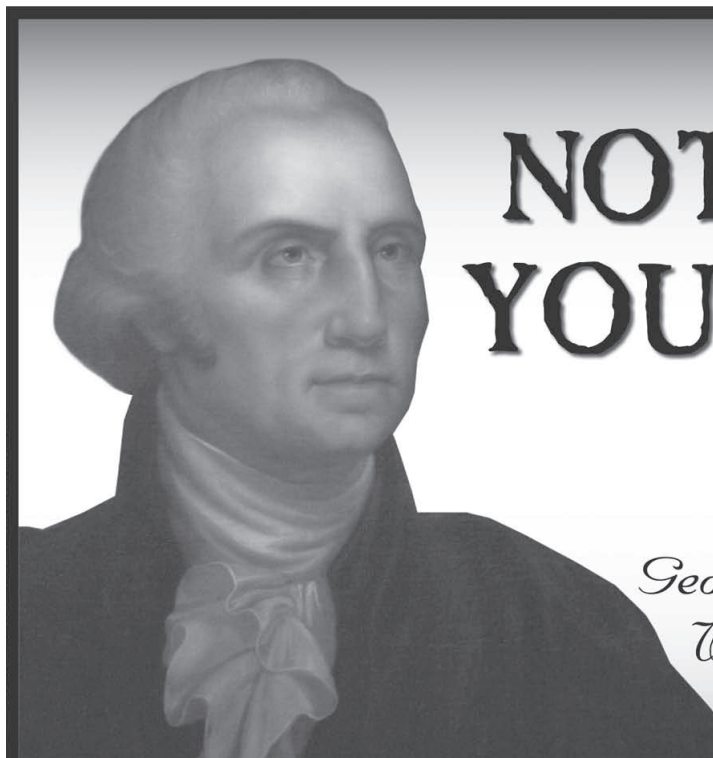
"I think the students needed to know and I stood up and said, 'This is wrong,'" Burns said. "I don't see how that could be anything but

manly."

Burns said he took partial responsibility for allowing the allegedly disproportionate funding to slip through the senate. But he said he hoped USG would take greater care in the future.

"When you fulfill the role of a whistleblower or you do what is right, you sometimes don't have people marching behind you in a parade," Burns said.

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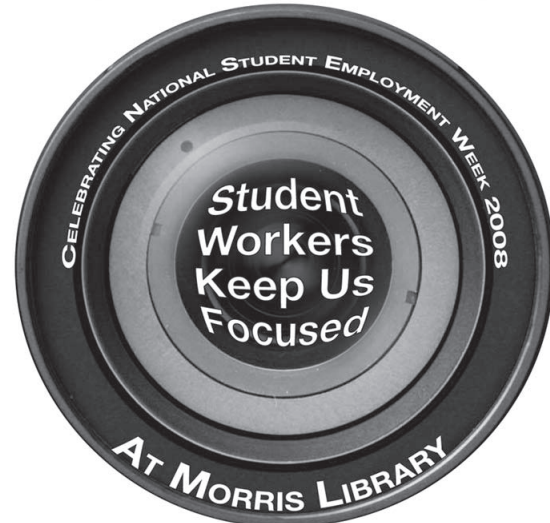



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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Disappointed with the front page

DEAR EDITOR,

I was disappointed to see a front page above the fold picture of two men kissing in the Wednesday edition of the DAILY EGYPTIAN. The DE is a newspaper that is rack distributed in family establishments across our community. Whether it is two gay men or a heterosexual couple kissing, it is completely inappropriate. As a mother of smaller school age children, I am cautious about when and what I educate my kids about certain issues. It's easy to change the channel on television, but it is hard to avoid these issues when you walk into a place of business and see two men kissing on the cover of the DE on the news rack at the entrance of a business. Strategically placing this story above the fold was insensitive to families like mine.

I come from a newspaper background; it is obvious that an agenda is being pushed with this story. I'm disappointed in the judgment of the editor. These are the types of issues that will affect my decision as to where to send my kids to college. Murray State is looking good at this time.

Disappointed,

Leigh Ann Kristiansen

Makanda resident

THE DUKE REPORT

Top five ways to legally rob college students

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No. 5: Tow trucks.

You park in a lot behind your friend's apartment, because it is the closest space, and the lot is half empty. You come out two hours later to notice the lot still half empty, and now without your car.

Chances are that if you've lived in Carbondale for more than a year, you've had some experience like this. I don't know what is more pleasant about retrieving an impounded vehicle: the magnificently decorated waiting room, the clean and courteous staff, the fact they only take cash or the likely follow-up trip to the mechanic to see just how bad your car was internally beaten.

I'm from Chicago, and I am used to tow truck drivers. Their job commands about as much respect as a meter maid or that of an IRS auditor, and it definitely isn't easy. The problem is this town's feudalistic parking system. The sole reason why we have so many tow trucks, and so many restricted lots in this town is for opportunistic people to rob college kids, legally.

No. 4: Ordinance violations.

Sometimes people deserve tickets.

Neighbors have the right to complain if someone has a blowout kegger that rages and is a nuisance. If people have rotting trash all over their front lawn, they deserve a ticket. But this is a college town, and ordinance violations are just a systemic way for the city to gouge students.

You can be ticketed for a broad range of things, but my personal favorite is couches on front porches. We had a very nice loveseat that was on our covered porch. It didn't get affected by the elements, and it really brought the porch together. The city decided it was an ordinance violation, and ticketed us.

This city has a 19-year-old bar entry age, yet does yearly raids wherein they ticket underage drinkers under for — you guessed it — an ordinance violation. My new personal favorite is the loud

stereo ordinance. Don't get me wrong, bass-quakes at 3 a.m. annoy me as much as the next guy, but c'mon, doesn't anyone see the racial component here? It should be called the "urban music ordinance."

Ordinances are here to legally set up a system wherein the city can rob students, legally.

No. 3: Credit cards and predatory loans.

"Sign up for this credit card and get a free sandwich."

That is just low.

You know we're hungry, and we're poor, so you use that against

us in this symbiotic evil that is student promotion. I wonder what percentage of those free-sandwich credit cards has put college kids in debt. But I guess that's the plan.

Worse are the predatory student loans. Listen to me: You do not have a rich uncle. These loans are at terrible interest rates and are designed to prey on broke college kids with no idea of what they are signing. Worse, they essentially give these out to anybody, and I'm

But this is a college town, and ordinance violations are just a systemic way for the city to gouge students.

sure that these predatory, up to 30 percent interest loans are going to get paid back in full, just like the subprime mortgages did. There is no such thing as free food or money in this country, and anyone who is selling you such lies is in actuality, robbing you, legally.

No. 2: Overdraft fees.

If someone overdrafts, it is his or her fault. It makes sense that there should be a penalty. But anyone who has gone through the overdraft ordeal with a college bank knows just how ridiculous those fees are.

Depending on your bank, there is the initial overdraft fee (anywhere from \$20 to \$50) mixed with all types of late penalties and daily fees. An overdraft of \$1 can spiral into a negative balance of more than \$200 in little more than a week.

Some banks are better at working with students on these fees. Your best bet is to talk in person with a bank manager to try and get some of the fees waived. But regardless, it seems odd to me that these banks allow college students to open up accounts wherein they can very easily overdraft, then charge you out the wazoo for doing so. Overdraft fees are your fault; excessive overdraft fees are extortion.

No. 1: College textbooks.

College textbooks are more profitable than heroin. Seriously.

I worked at Northwestern's college bookstore in high school. There I learned the insides of this trade. The profits made by bookstores are enormous, and used books are their crack cocaine.

Some stores are better, but all stores are in that business to generate a profit. They sell used books at much higher markups than what they will ever pay back for them. Stores and especially book publishers love issuing new editions (with very minor corrections) annually, forcing you to buy the new edition because the old edition won't be bought back.

It seems ludicrous to me that this is how educational materials are distributed. The entire system amounts to a backdoor education tax wherein greedy private bookstores find every way possible to squeeze students' cash. But the university doesn't care; they make money off the private store that routinely rips off kids in the Student Center.

College textbooks is the No. 1 way to rob a college student.

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Sarah Walker, left, and Julie Ackerlund tickle 5-year-old Ben Harsy during the individual skills portion of group therapy to encourage and reinforce him to stay focused during the session.

“The university’s mission is teaching in research and service, and that’s what we do here. We teach graduate students how to work with children with autism, we have research projects going on and we provide a valuable service to the community.”

— Rebecca Trammel
director of the Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders



ABOVE: Jill Greising works with 4-year-old Avery during her individual skills portion of group therapy. Greising is a graduate student in the behavioral analysis program and is currently working on a research project at the CASD. LEFT: Alan is carried off into a separate room for timeout after throwing a fit and refusing to share with another classmate during playtime. The children play together before separating and working on individual skills with the graduate students.



Calming the CHAOS

Photos and story by Jason Johnson

April is dedicated to promoting awareness about autism.

That is the Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders' goal all year long.

The CASD became an official center at SIUC in 2003 in the Wham Education Building. The center diagnoses autism, screens children with autism and educates the community about autism.

"Autism spectrum disorders are a group of related brain-based disorders that affect a child's behavior, social and communication skills," said

the clinic's director Rebecca Trammel.

Trammel said spectrum disorders affect individuals in different ways. Early signs of autism include a lack of interest in play and peers, repetitive motor mannerisms and little to no eye contact, she said. She said the disorder affects boys four times more often than girls.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one out of every 150 children throughout the nation will be born with autism. That means nearly 1.5 million Americans have autism and it will directly

impact the lives of another 15 million, including loved ones, health care providers and educators.

"It has a kind of immediate social value in that it's going to affect people directly," said Maranda Trahan, a doctoral student from Chauvin, La., in the behavioral analysis therapy program.

Trammel said the area's rates of autism are comparable.

There is no cure for autism but the graduate students involved in the CASD help autistic children transition into more normal lives.

The graduate students work one-on-one with autistic children to help them develop strong social skills and communicate their needs.

"It's applied, so everyone gets to work in the field doing something hands on, actually helping people — not just experimenting," Trahan said.

Therapy is provided in a classroom environment so the children can transition into traditional schools. Graduate students repeat activities and use a variety of positive reinforcement for the children.

Pictures are used in all aspects of the therapy. They help the children recognize and remember names and faces and transition from one activity to the next.

Martha Bunting said her granddaughter Avery Cockrell, a 4-year-old who is in her second year of therapy at the center, has gained a lot from the center.

Bunting said Avery used to scream constantly but the center helped her improve her

speaking skills to be able to communicate what she wants and comprehend what is expected of her.

"She cooperates a lot better now," Bunting said.

Trammel said the mission of the CASD is to train students to collaborate and learn about a disorder from other perspectives. Collaboration is stressed at the university level to prepare students to work with professionals from other fields in the real world. Work with autistic children, who are sometimes challenging, will help students prepare for the workforce, Trammel said.

"The university's mission is teaching in research and service, and that's what we do here," Trammel said. "We teach graduate students how to work with children with autism, we have research projects going on and we provide a valuable service to the community."

Trammel and Anthony Cuvo, a professor in SIUC's rehabilitation institute, founded the program for graduate students in fall 2000 with three graduate students and three clients. Since then, the center has served 230 clients from 29 Illinois counties. The center has also trained 123 graduate students.

It began as part of The Autism Program, which originally included the Hope School partnered with the SIU School of Medicine in Springfield and the University of Chicago. TAP has grown into a statewide program and consists of 12 regional centers and two outreach centers.

The center was designed as part of the graduate students' practicum: a behavioral

analysis therapy, and communication disorders and sciences students take as part of their graduate experience.

"I don't think there's anyone else ... that has this kind of program that has a CDS and a (behavioral analysis therapy) program doing practicum together," Trammel said. "That's two academic units working together for one training program, and that's unusual."

Jill Greising, a second year behavioral analysis therapy student from Minnesota intern- ing at the CASD, chose this program because of her experience working with autism in undergraduate studies.

"Even though kids throw tantrums or they get upset about things, don't take that personally ... and realize that what you're doing will in the long run work towards their advantage," Greising said.

The only cost associated with the program is a minimal charge for materials for children enrolled in group therapy. There is no fee for assessment or enrolling children in therapy.

The center performs services in addition to the student mission as part of the grant through The Autism Program.

"What (CASD) really does is it satisfies, the way we think about it anyway, the university's mission that we should combine teaching and research and service. I think we have a really good blend of that here," Trammel said.

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Group therapy is broken into sections including art and science. Walker helps Ben and Avery Cockrell, right, build a confetti fish during the art instruction.



Aidan Ohse tries to catch bubbles blown by intern Julie Ackerlund outside the Center for Autism Spectrum Disorders in the Wham Education Building.

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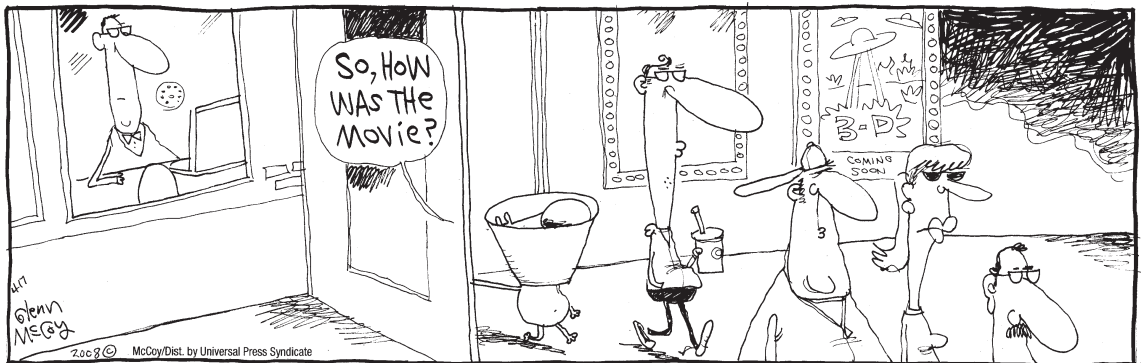
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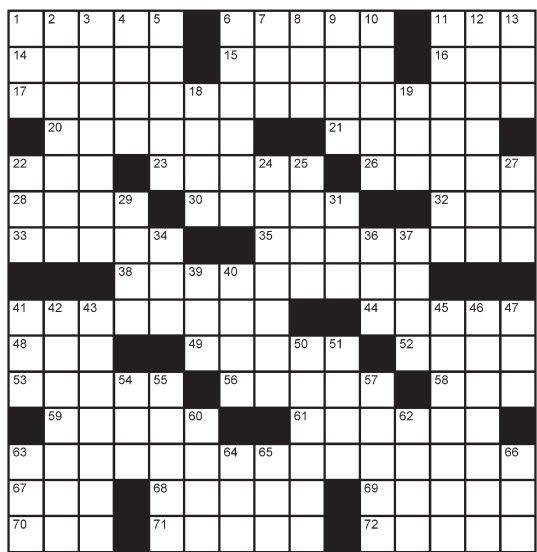
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THE Daily Crossword Edited by Wayne Robert Williams

- ACROSS
1 Abstinence periods
6 Period on the job
11 QB's pursuit
14 Bandleader Shaw
15 Listens to
16 Day's end, in poems
17 Start of a quip
20 Rugged ridges
21 Ticket details
22 Pindar product
23 "Bellefleur" author
26 Removed moisture
28 Caution
30 Strained
32 Paul Anka's "Beso"
33 Curry letters
35 Dining option
38 Part 2 of quip
41 Ice cream option
44 Supporting group
48 Dolphin Marino
49 Honest!
52 Cartographic speck
53 Big name in rap



- 56 Actress Berger
58 Avoirdupois unit
59 Arledge of ABC sports
61 Fidel of Cuba
63 End of quip
67 Shoshone
68 Old newspaper
sections
69 Church officer
70 Dropout's doc.
71 Missouri River feeder
72 Lugues
DOWN
1 CAB's successor
2 Fleet groups
3 Intense lookers
4 Fork part
5 Melee
6 California peak
7 up (excited)
8 Descartes' conclusion
9 Italian monks

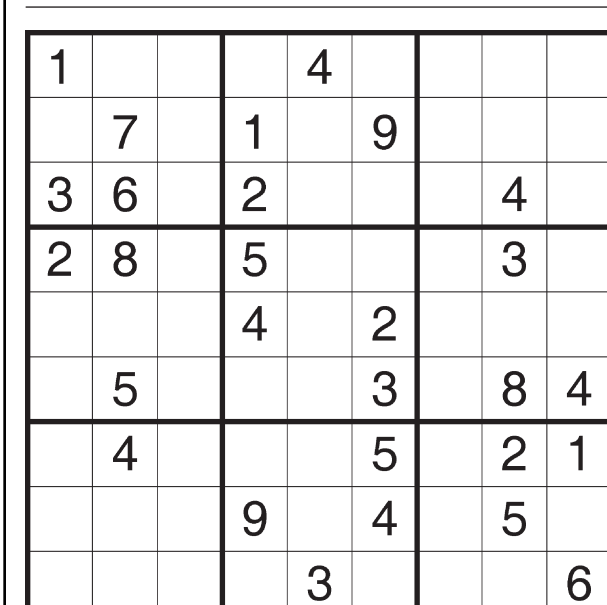
Wednesday's Puzzle Solved



- 10 Clicked one's tongue
11 More irritable
12 Hardest to penetrate
13 Winter ATV, _ _ Cat
18 Warm up
19 Musician's pride
22 Be obligated
24 Case in point
25 Actress Ward
27 Buck lover
29 Headline material
31 N. or S. state
34 As written: Lat.
36 Pau pronoun
37 Vino region
39 Nol of Cambodia
40 Writer Anita
41 Unmatched
42 Tell the tale
43 Funded
45 Spanning
46 Bowled over
47 Marsh
50 Cut into
51 Greek letters
54 Rogers of oaters
55 Latin American January
57 Grate deposit
60 Aphrodite's child
62 Renowned archer
63 Loutish fellow
64 Amtrak stop
65 Overeater
66 Grads-to-be

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Sudoku By The Mepham Group



Sudoku solution grid and 'Level: 1 2 3 4' indicator. Text: 'Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.' Solution to Wednesday's puzzle grid.

HUNGRY? advertisement with logo and 'checkout the online menu at... siUDE.com'.

By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday — Figure out, this year, where best to apply your energy. Get the highest return on your labor investment. There will be plenty of work, but it doesn't all pay the same. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 7 — It's good to be good at what you do, of course, but it's also nice to make lots of money doing it. That's your next assignment.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — It's getting easier to see the path you want to take. Sketch out a rough map while you're in the mood. It'll come in handy later. Lists are helpful, too.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 6 — Doing a domestic job saves you a good chunk of change. Building a business from home could be profitable, too. Can you make anything you can sell?

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — Make sure the people who work for you know what you want them to do. They're providing the service, but you have to provide the directions.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Abundance is yours, through your own efforts. Nobody gave you a thing you didn't earn, including a lot of respect. You've got it; take care of it.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7 — Love is the most powerful energy on earth. It's also the most valuable resource you can have. Count your blessings and thank those who are making you so wealthy.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 7 — You want a new home office, or maybe a studio? There should be a way to rearrange your stuff to make this possible. Sell some of it too, and get new equipment.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — An older friend knows a couple of tricks you can put to good use. Don't be shy about asking for advice. It's valuable and, in this case, it's free.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — More work is required for the next few weeks. The pay should be good, and the job's not too hard. You're the right person for the task.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — For the next few weeks, you'll have an exceptional way with words. Use this opportunity to get all your messages across.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Turns out you have more than you thought. Didn't you know? Keep inventorying your supplies and other resources. You're actually doing quite well.

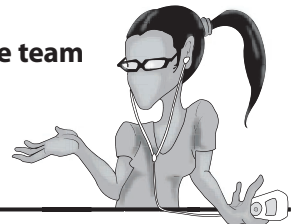
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — A trip to the mall with your very best friend is a way to improve your mood. You're getting better at avoiding impulsive spending, so it should be OK.

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Dear Hollywood: Dr. Phil lacks discretion

ALICIA WADE

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The horrifying images of a teenage girl in the fetal position on the couch protecting her head from blow after blow administered by another teen, while onlookers ready to take part in the beating screamed, are no doubt difficult for those who saw it to get out of their mind.

Taped by her attackers, this awful recording of Florida 16-year-old Victoria Lindsay being beaten by six other girls to the point that she suffered damage to her hearing and

eyesight was made for the sole purpose of putting it on the networking Web sites YouTube and MySpace.

Prompting the attack were comments about the girls allegedly made by Lindsay on her MySpace page.

The six female attackers and their male counterparts who guarded the door so Lindsay couldn't leave the situation, all age 18 and under, were arrested and will be tried as adults.

And, Hollywood, it seemed like the judicial system was going to take over and give these teens the due process they deserved — until one of your own stepped in.

The "Dr. Phil Show" paid a \$30,000 bond for one of the accused attackers, Mercedes Nichols, to garner an interview with her for a

planned show.

Really, Dr. Phil? Really?

Terri Corigliano, a spokeswoman for Dr. Phil, told the Associated Press through an e-mail, "We have helped guests and potential guests in the past when they need financial assistance to come on the show — assisting with clothing allowance, lost wages, accommodations, travel and necessities," Corigliano wrote. "In this case, certain staff members went beyond our guidelines (in regard to the bail being paid)."

Even if a certain staff member went beyond the guidelines, this act is abhorrent. There are no ethics involved in this action, just a hope for higher ratings.

At best, the "Dr. Phil Show" is a second-rate examination of mostly

common problems that's really only good to watch when absolutely nothing is on, or the remote has sunk so far into the couch that your lazy bones can't reach it with an easy stretch.

Any show they probably could have done with Nichols would have consisted of a tearful story from her, a talking-to from Dr. Phil and interjected applause from a stupefied audience.

The thought that somehow Dr. Phil would have been able to do anything with that interview besides reiterate what everyone already knows from following the story in the news is ridiculous. By paying Nichols' bond, the show is really just saying, "There are no consequences if your action is severe enough that your story will

boost our ratings a few points."

This thought is disturbing at best. Come on, Dr. Phil. You, the preachiest of the daytime preachers, should know better. You tell people how to behave for a living. Maybe you should take your own advice.

Let these kids go through the justice system. Whether they're proven guilty or not guilty or plead out, let them have that fair process and see that their actions have consequences. Then have your show. Maybe fewer people will care by then, but at least you'll look vaguely ethical.

Or maybe you don't care either.

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Cave Fest set to rock this weekend

Audra Ord
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Hundreds of people fill the cave, dancing along to thumping live music and being mesmerized by a psychedelic light show. A large group of tents is nearby; this "tent city" is home for the weekend for many of the dancing audience members.

Cave Fest 2008 Earthday Gathering is this weekend, Friday through Sunday, at the Shawnee Cave Amphitheater. Tickets for the event are \$20 in advance and \$30 at the gate.

Cave Fest combines music, vendors and light shows in a weekend event at a unique natural outdoor venue — a large cave near the Shawnee National Forest.

"There is really nothing else like it. You get to enjoy the beauty

of southern Illinois and watch concerts under a huge cave," said Maureen Geraghty, a senior from St. Louis studying photography.

Geraghty, who has been to two Cave Fests, said there are two areas where attendees can listen to music during the weekend: a techno tent, where DJ's play music all day and all night, and a stage in the cave where live bands play.

John Clark, a freshman from Carbondale studying cinematography, said he has never been to Cave Fest but plans on attending the event this weekend. He said he has friends who have gone, and he thinks it sounds like something he would enjoy.

"I've heard it's a lot of fun," Clark said. "It's just a lot of people who want to party and have a good time."

Clark said he has been hesitant to

attend Cave Fest in the past because of the negative party associations with it and the presence of drugs at the event.

Some other students haven't attended Cave Fest for reasons similar to Clark's.

Chelsey Stacy, a senior from O'Dell studying elementary education, said she heard Cave Fest is where all the hippies go and she's afraid to go because she wants to avoid "hippie drugs."

She said she's not into drugs but she would like to attend a Cave Fest before she graduates, just to observe and see what it's like.

"I've heard stories (about Cave Fest) but I don't think I should share them," Stacy said.

Geraghty encouraged others to attend Cave Fest to hear several bands and meet new people.

"It's a lot of fun to camp out

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and jam out to the different types of music," Geraghty said. "I've had some of the best times there exploring and listening to music, and everyone is really friendly."

The Shawnee Cave Amphitheater, home to Cave Fest, is seven miles south of Murphysboro.

For more information about the event and a list of bands playing, visit the event Web site at <http://cavefest.fws1.com>.

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Forbes magazine recently announced the New York Yankees (valued at more than \$1.3 billion) are the most valuable team in baseball. If you had the money, which professional team would you buy?

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"I would buy the Chandigarh Lions, one of the original six of the Indian Cricket League. Chris Cairns is the captain of the team and apparently one of the world's finest players. They finished in second last year, I would buy them and get them to first place."

"I think I would want to buy the Kansas City Royals. They are in a big enough market that if you pump enough money into the team, people would start showing up and filling up the place. They've got a lot of young and up-and-coming talent!"

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"I would buy the Cubs because if I ended the 100 year drought, I'd be a deity in Chicago. I would sit in the right field bleachers with the people who care about the team the most, spend money like Steinbrenner and scout like Oakland GM Billy Beane."

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SALUKI TRACKER

Andrea Norris



Senior sprinter Andrea Norris was named Missouri Valley Conference Women's Track Athlete of the Week Wednesday. Norris ran the 100-meter dash in 11.82 seconds and picked up a second-place finish at the Ole Miss Invitational.

Do you have questions for the Saluki Insider that you want answered?
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SPORT BRIEF

Saluki men's tennis falls to Eastern Illinois Wednesday, 4-3

A break from the conference season was not kind to the SIU men's tennis team.

The Salukis (8-12) were defeated by Eastern Illinois, 4-3, Wednesday in Charleston. The out-of-conference match was a final tune-up for the Panthers before participating in the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament.

EIU (13-8) earned the doubles point by winning two of three matches. The No. 1 doubles team of Lucas Waked and Anton Leonenko accounted for SIU's lone doubles victory, defeating Robert Stedman and Chris Thomas.

Victories in singles action by Waked, Hugo Vidal and Sebastian Rubiano helped the Salukis keep pace with the Panthers. But EIU's Felipe Gama won a retired match against Chase Miller to win the final singles match and victory for the team.

SIU returns home to close out its regular season. The Salukis host Bradley Saturday and Illinois State Sunday for Senior Day.

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TRACK & FIELD

Salukis looks to shine at Vanderbilt invite

Salukis hope to continue momentum

Luis C. Medina
 DAILY EGYPTIAN

The SIU track and field team is looking for a better showing this time around at the Vanderbilt Invitational.

The Salukis will attempt to take the positive momentum built in their three previous outdoor meets into Friday and Saturday's Vanderbilt Invitational in Nashville, Tenn. SIU has continued to perform well since both teams posted second place finishes at the Missouri Valley Conference Indoor Championships.

SIU began the outdoor season March 28, winning 12 meet titles and posting 41 top-three finishes at the Gill Spring Classic where the women finished in first place and the men in second. In the team's first three meets of the outdoor season, the Salukis have combined to win 22 meet titles.

Coach Connie Price-Smith said she was pleased with her team's performance to date, but expects to see more.

"I want to keep seeing improvements," Price-Smith said. "We're six weeks out now, and things are starting to freshen up and everyone's competing better and getting better marks."

In addition to team momentum, SIU has a pair of conference award winners.

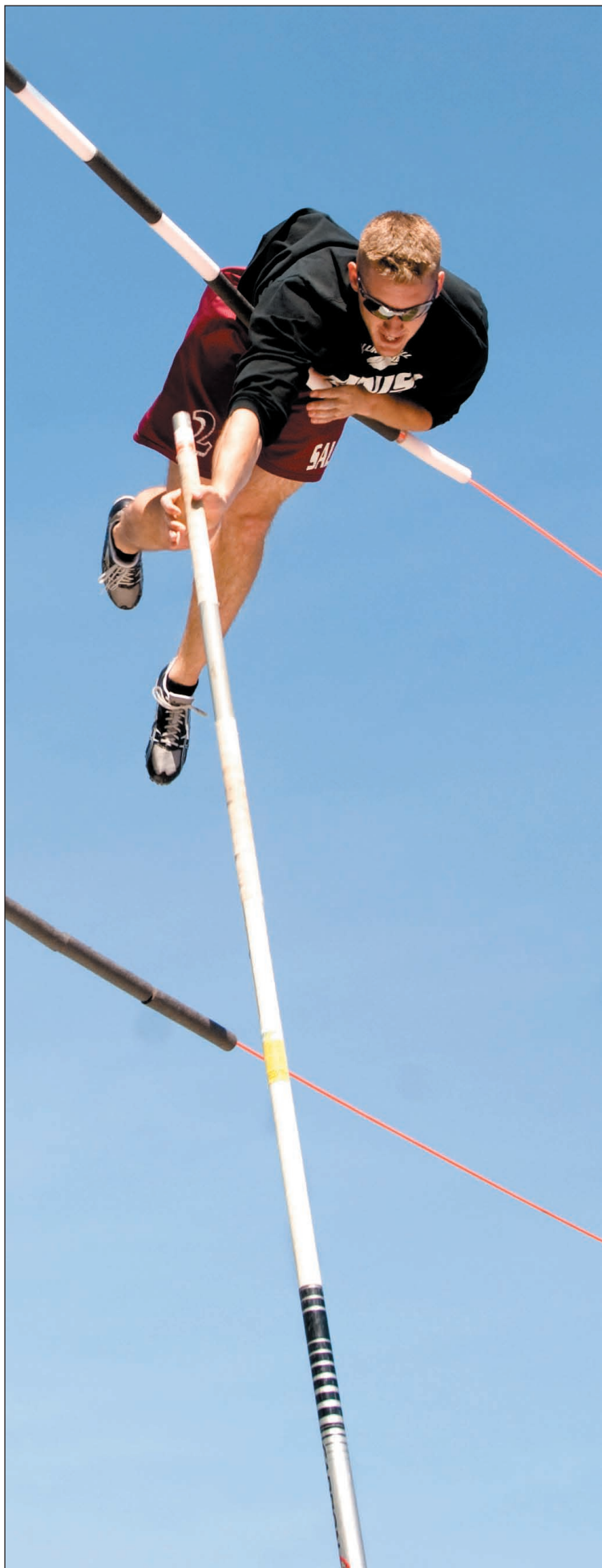
One week after freshman sprinter Brandon Deloney won the Missouri Valley Conference Men's Track and Field Athlete of the Week, senior sprinter Andrea Norris won the award on the women's side. At the Ole Miss Invitational, Norris ran the 100-meter dash in 11.82 seconds, which was good enough for a second-place finish.

At the 2007 Vanderbilt Invitational, the men placed eighth and the women placed ninth out of 20 schools. Middle Tennessee State won both the men's and women's title.

This year's field also includes Austin Peay State University and Southeast Missouri State Tennessee's men's team and women's teams rank No. 4 and No. 11 in the country, respectively.

Senior thrower Brittany Riley and sophomore distance runner Jeff Schirmer were the only SIU athletes to capture individual titles at last year's meet. Riley, who also posted a second place finish in the discus at the event, picked up the women's-only victory with a hammer throw that measured more than 216 feet. Schirmer's victory came in the 3,000-meter run, where he ran a time of 8:34.64.

Price-Smith said she expects everyone to perform well at this



BRANDON CHAPPLE ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Senior Blake Brachear pole vaults during practice Wednesday afternoon at McAndrew Stadium. The Salukis will compete at 4 p.m. Friday at the Vanderbilt Invitational in Nashville, Tenn.

"I want to keep seeing improvements."

— Connie Price-Smith
 head coach

year's event, especially the sprinters and long distance runners.

"This will be one of the biggest meets for our distance group," she said. "They'll go down there and

they'll have a good race because they always run really well there."

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SOFTBALL

Salukis snap streak, split doubleheader

Dismore, Wamsley bring offensive spark

Jeff Engelhardt
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An unexpected winter break in Iowa last weekend cooled off the SIU softball team's hot streak but didn't fully ice it.

The Salukis split their first games since April 9 Wednesday at Charlotte West Stadium as visiting Evansville escaped with a 5-0 victory before falling 5-3 to cap the doubleheader.

It didn't take long for the Purple Aces (19-16, 5-9) to snap the Salukis' 27-straight scoreless inning streak as they put a run across in the top of the first inning. After Nikki Waters surrendered a leadoff walk, Evansville first baseman Brittany Herald ripped a line drive to right field where Katie Wilson had an errant throw to home plate, allowing the first run to score.

Herald made her presence felt again in the sixth inning when she hit a solo home run to give Evansville the 2-0 lead. The Purple Aces didn't let up in the sixth and eventually chased Waters out of the game when third baseman Elisabeth Fehlman hit a three-run homer to give them the 5-0 victory.

Saluki junior Katie McNamara relieved Waters and threw 2.1 scoreless innings.

SIU (24-16, 10-4) had scoring chances but failed to get a run across. The Salukis had a player reach base every inning and finished with seven total hits. Sophomore second baseman Alicia Garza was especially effective in game one, going 3-for-4 with a double.

Coach Kerri Blaylock said the team competed hard but the timely hits weren't there.

"I think there are only three kids hitting the ball — three out of nine," Blaylock said. "If we can get all nine of them going at the same time I think we can be a very potent offense."

It was déjà vu for SIU in game two when Herald jump-started the

Evansville offense in the top of the first. While Herald was responsible for bringing across an unearned run to start game one, she earned all of a solo homer to start game two.

Junior catcher Jayme Wamsley responded in the bottom of the second with a two-run homer to give SIU the lead. The home run was Wamsley's first since Feb. 23 and second on the season. She finished 3-for-3 in game two.

Wamsley said it was good to go deep again and she hopes it sparks her offense going forward.

"I've been hitting 0-for-100 it feels like," Wamsley said. "Since I was able to get in a rhythm again, I felt like it's definitely going to boost my confidence to know I still have it."

The Salukis took a 2-1 lead into the fifth, but suffered a defensive lapse and Evansville took advantage. Freshman

pitcher Danielle Glosson fielded a bunt and threw it away, causing runners to advance to second and third with no outs. Price and Kristen Shirk chipped in one RBI each to retake the lead for Evansville.

The game was slipping away in the bottom of the sixth until Garza came to bat with two on and two out. Garza proceeded to hit a two-RBI double, which was followed by an RBI single from the returning Tiffanie Dismore to give SIU the 5-3 lead and win.

Dismore took her first at-bats since suffering a broken jaw six weeks ago and finished 3-for-3 with the final RBI in game two.

Dismore said she was just happy to get back out in the field and contribute to a win.

"It's good to get back in the box. It felt right," Dismore said. "I just wanted to help the team out, especially after sitting out for six weeks. I just didn't want to think too much."

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EDYTA BLASZCZYK ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Senior outfielder Krystal Stein runs across first base during the Salukis' doubleheader against Evansville Wednesday. The Salukis split the doubleheader, losing the first game 5-0 and winning the second game 5-3.