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Justice speaks on care for mentally disabled

Madeleine Leroux
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Anne Burke decided to study law so she could speak for those who need a voice. More than 20 years later, she is up for reelection for her second term as an Illinois Supreme Court Justice.

Burke spoke Wednesday in Ballroom D of the Student Center to a crowd of more than 100 people. The focus was the past, present and future of the mentally disabled population and childcare services.

Once a physical education teacher for mentally disabled children, Burke is credited with founding the Chicago Special Olympics in 1968. This event grew to become the International Special Olympics, which is now operating in more than 160 countries.

“The twists and the curves of my life have carried me far from the days as a physical education teacher in the Chicago Park District,” Burke said. “It has been a world transforming experience.”

Burke began her law career late in life, graduating from law school at the age of 40. She said it was her husband’s encouragement that brought her to practice law.

“He told me that I had a lot to offer as an advocate for children,” Burke said.

Her judicial career began in 1987 when she was appointed the first woman justice of the Illinois Court of Claims. Later appointed special counsel for Child Welfare Services, Burke led an effort to reshape and improve the Illinois juvenile justice system.

“I think it is fair to say that everything I have accomplished since my days in private practice has flowed from this sense of working for fairness, and children who are at risk,” Burke said.

Burke encouraged all in attendance to get involved in programs that benefit children, especially the needs of children in foster care.

“Every foster child who has been successful has had someone to mentor them,” she said.

Closing her speech, Burke presented a challenge to all to help shape the future care for mentally disabled adults.

“Let us make the world safe for the aging mentally disabled population,” she said.

Burke became the third woman on the Illinois Supreme Court in July 2006. She is up for re-election in February of 2008.

“Work like this is never finished,” Burke said. “There is always more to do.”

Burke’s lecture was part of the Jeanne Hurley Simon lecture series, which honors Paul Simon’s first wife who died in February 2000.

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TULSA, Okla. (AP) — Oral Roberts University President Richard Mugabu asked for and was granted a letter of absence Wednesday from a political conference in Arizona, pending spending at donor's expense and illegal involvement in a political campaign.

The 38-year-old son of the evangelist who founded the school said he would continue in his role as chairman and chief execu-
tive of Oral Roberts Ministries, and declared what he called "minor" financial improprieties.

On Oct. 2, Mugabu told three former ORU professors they were wrongfully dismissed and accused Roberts of misman-
aging donations.

"We feel encouraged regarding what we have heard, and we're committed to work with you and the university as well as in other ways," the professors said.

The memo concluded that the dismissed professors have no cause to sue Roberts University.

"It was unnecessary," Mugabu said in the memo. "It was unwise."

Mugabu also reasserted that he would review hiring and firing practices and limit contact between politicians and University officials.

Oral Roberts University is a private, faith-based school in Tulsa founded by the evangelist. It's located near Fort Mie-
ger, one of the many military bases that are involved in the Iraq war.

Hey, just bring some firearms," Walter Alexander told police in a transcript of his tape-
recorded statement obtained by The Associated Press.

Alexander told police after his arrest Sept. 15 that he and another man showed up with guns at the former football star's rent, then headed with him into a casino hotel room to retrieve collectibles that Simpson said belonged to him.

"He said...we won't have to use them to look you, know so that those people know that you know, we're here for business," Alexander said.

Simpson's attorneys, Yale Galanter in Miami, and Gabriel Grass of Las Vegas, did not immediately respond to questions for comment.

Tulsa police have used an intense four-day shootout diplomacy mission, according to a co-defendant who has agreed to a plea deal to testify for the prosecution in the armed robbery case.

"If it's true, it hurts O.J. tremendously. Under conspiracy law in Nevada Wednesday on the hook, if they can prove it."

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Blackwater won't be fired, may leave Iraq

A firm like Blackwater provides a valuable service. They protect people's lives, and I appreciate the sacrifice and the service that the Blackwater employees have made.

— President George Bush

A transition from Blackwater would take time. The company employs more people and has more equipment than its two competitors in Iraq. Any outside company that might replace Blackwater would have to provide trained U.S. military with security clearances. If Blackwater leaves, competitors may hire some of its people.

Blackwater spokesman Anne Tyrrell said, "We will follow the lead of our client. If they want us to stay we will stay. If you want us to leave we will do so."
WWII veterans: a dying kind

Vickie Devonport listens to Joe Khalil, a doctorate student in mass communications from Lebanon, give his first hand account of recording oral histories during a lecture Wednesday night in the Communications Building. Devonport gave the lecture on how to record oral histories from veterans of conflicts and also works with WSU in recording the histories of World War II veterans. 

WSIU collects oral histories from local WWII veterans

Brandy Oxford

About 1,500 World War II veterans die every day.

In an effort to preserve their stories before they are lost forever, WSIU’s local outreach project — "Honor and Sacrifice: WSIU collects oral histories from local WWII veterans and Veterans of all foreign conflicts, can be reached at 536-3311 or brandy_oxford@siude.com.

Joe Khalil, a doctoral student studying mass communication, said interviewing Americans who participated in the war effort helped him, a Lebanese, gain a better understanding of the American experience with World War II.

"I come from a country which was war-torn based on religion and here this was based on race," Khalil said. "Outreach coordinator Vickie Devonport and her colleagues began collecting oral histories of local WWII veterans in May. The Corporation for Public Broadcasting provided a grant to WSIU for programming and local outreach that included the collection of oral histories.

PBS provided those who received the grants with a field guide for collecting histories from World War II veterans.

In a project for PBS, filmmaker Ken Burns’ movie "The War" partnered with the Library of Congress and its Veterans History Project to preserve the oral histories of World War II veterans.

"I want people to know what the war was about, who was the enemy and why it had to be won," Khalil said. "That’s why I did just old Frank talking — that if you don’t know where you’ve been, you don’t know how in the world you can know where you’re going."

Vickie Devonport

POLICE

A group of police officers make themselves available for discussion on the second Wednesday of every month in a dining hall on campus, Stearns said. But Boddie said police officers are not completely at a loss to a lack of student awareness. He said the four police officers sitting at an unmarked table look more like officers having dinner rather a forum for open-dialogue.

"I like the approach they are taking, but they need to reach out better," he said. Councilman Chris Wissmann announced Tuesday that the American Civil Liberty Union will meet at 4 p.m. today in the Lesar Law Building. The meeting will be a chance for those concerned about safety to gather without antagonizing police, he said.

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A word from within

Lenore Langsdorf
Peggy Stocksdale

Editor’s note: The authors of this guest column were members of the seven-person committee recently charged with reviewing allegations of plagiarism within SIU President Glenn Poshard’s 1984 dissertation. Their words have not been altered in any way other than to correct grammar and style.

We are writing in response to the “Our Word” editorial (including the cartoons) in Friday’s DE, and Monday’s “The P Word” editorial (including the cartoon), both of which have occasioned a good deal of negative response on campus and in the wider community. We hope that you will explain what’s puzzling about those editorials, as an initial contribution toward developing a reasoned and positive educational experience from what now is a sadly contentious episode in our university’s life.

What needs explaining is this: In Friday’s paper, under the headline of “Exactly what the doctor ordered,” you say: “The committee has failed us. The Board of Trustees has failed us. Our university is a joke. And the Daily Egyptian is at a loss for words.”

The initial question we ask is: What committee has failed you, and how? The first editorial appeared on the day that the review committee, charged last month by Chancellor Fernando Terrovio, delivered its report to the chancellor, who in turn delivered it to the Board of Trustees. Yet the cartoons that follow those four sentences show a caricature labeled “blue ribbon committee”—an entity formed by SIU President Glenn Poshard, more than a year ago, which delivered its report last month. Both editorials confuse these very different committees.

These are different committees, chosen in radically different ways, and with completely different charges. We cannot speak for the “blue ribbon committee,” and we certainly do not speak for the Board (any more than the Board speaks for us). Nor can we speak for President Poshard—or he, for us. However, we can speak as members of the review committee to what we have determined.

We ask that you, and all concerned persons in our community, listen to the press conference and hear, for yourselves, that the chair of the Board of Trustees, in response to a specific question, said that “the Board does not feel that he committed plagiarism.” The chair of the review committee, however, responded to the same question by saying that the review committee concluded that “inadvertent or unintentional plagiarism” was the result of student Poshard’s citation practices. (The Southern Illinoisan provides the audio: See their Web site under “Archives,” Oct. 1.)

The report submitted by the review committee on the day that you published the first editorial does not consider plagiarism to be a joke. And the report submitted by the review committee on the day that you published that editorial does determine that plagiarism, understood within a particular definition of the many that exist, is present in the dissertation that student Poshard’s committee approved. One item in the review committee’s charge was to determine the “severity” of instances of incorrect citation. Just as we know is the spectrum of severity in a messy room, a case of poison ivy, a broken bone, or a misleading newspaper article, there is a spectrum of severity in plagiarism. Correlatively, the law recognizes shades of severity in both civil and criminal cases—from negligence to intentional wrong doing; from manslaughter to first degree murder. People commonly accept that there are differences in the character of acts that make for differences in what decision is warranted. We determined that the category of “inadvertent plagiarism” was the most warranted in this case.

Lastly, although we regret that the Board reacted otherwise, that difference should suggest, at the very least, that we have acted independently in investigating the allegations and reaching our conclusions and recommendations. Our report, listed as “Faculty Review Committee Report,” along with the Board’s statement and other statements and reports, is available for all to read at http://news.siu.edu. The DE editorial board, as well as various commentators and letter writers, feel that because the review committee was composed of SIU faculty, it could not have remained objective because we were evaluating our boss. We believe that you should reconsider this presumption.

First, President Poshard is not our boss. We do not report to him directly or indirectly. We are all tenured faculty.

Second, had the chancellor or we decided to convene an outside panel to review the allegations, this panel could not have been blind to the subject of the review (as is usually required in external, peer review).

Third, had that committee come to the same conclusion that we did, we’re sure that the DE editorial board would have found many ways to discredit them, such as accusing us or the chancellor of cherry-picking panel members. To avoid any appearance of cherry-picking, the chancellor named this committee on the basis of our already being elected positions of leadership in the Faculty Association, Faculty Senate and Graduate Council.

Fourth, we knew from the beginning that our findings would be highly scrutinized by both President Poshard’s distractors and his supporters. Moreover, we have our academic colleagues around the world looking over our shoulders. These we trust in check, and kept us honest in our attempts to reach a fair conclusion.

Finally, as teachers and researchers, we suggest that reading our report and listening to the press conference might alleviate your sense of being at a loss for words. In the light of reading and listening to the relevant evidence, we, as members of the review committee, ask that you reconsider the belief that you have been failed, in light of reading and listening to the relevant sources of information and considering the following:

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We have our academic colleagues around the world looking over our shoulders. These we trust in check, and kept us honest in our attempts to reach a fair conclusion.

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Art cannot be constrained to a sound byte

Andrew O’Connor
andrew@email.edu

You are sitting watching TV and a commercial comes on. It is a montage of beautiful scenery, flying rivers and smiling kids. No, it’s not the next pharmaceutical wonder drug, or some politician’s campaign commercial, it is a message from the wonderful and kind oil industry. Following BP, almost all the major oil companies have been on a PR blitz recently to convince the American public that they are environmental stewards. They tout increased ethanol production and funding for “alternative” energy as proof of their “refounded greenery.” To convince the network, company and person — is tainted by it.

This is why we have a sort of false consciousness in which Americans know how much a chicken bowl at KFC costs but not the difference betweenSunis and Shiris. We know that we are in Iraq because of WMDs, Bin Laden and 9/11.

We are in a sound byte culture and, like to be informed. Everything is made to sell a product, advertise a service, or tout an ideology. The corporate media allows them to do so. They are environmental stewards. They tout increased ethanol production and funding for “alternative” energy. We are convinced of this, our common consciousness because we like to be informed. Everything is made to sell a product, advertise a service, or tout an ideology. The corporate media allows them to do so.

William Bily
service manager

AFAC conducts witch hunt

Dear Editor:

I would like to make this an open letter to a group of people who at this time have taken it upon themselves to use the faculty and administration at SIU. But I can identify only one person among you. The rest of you are in hiding.

Columns made by Joan Friedenberg, apparently your default spokeswoman, appeared in the Daily Egyptian of Monday, Oct. 15. Ms. Friedenberg, “a retired linguistics professor who has said she is associated with Almam and Faculty Against Corruption at SIU” — I am quoting the Daily Egyptian here, Oct. 15, 2007, Vol. 93, No. 40, page 10 — above the fold — “said she believes the group knows about 100 other cases of plagiarism by those within the university.”

Friedenberg said she does not do the research to find suspected plagiarism and therefore she does not have a complete list of the cases. She said she doesn’t know of plans to release more information relating to the other cases in the near future.”

I find these to be threatening statements, and I haven’t even written a thesis or dissertation. But I do care about this university. I’d like you people to tell us, what is the point of this witch hunt? What are you trying to accomplish? Is your goal to make SIU look as bad as possible for as long as possible? It is clear that you are a fringe group bent on the widespread destruction of reputations at SIU. Where ever do you people come from? It’s time to take your hoods off.

Frances Fanning
Carbondale resident

DE can’t be trusted

Dear Editor:

When I read the editorial in the Oct. 12 Daily Egyptian I was appalled. For a campus newspaper to boldly state that the president and Board of Trustees failed them is terribly disrespectful, harmful and libelous.

Rather than address this issue, I feel the need to discuss the larger issue of the power of images and sound in the 21st century.

The commercial has its roots in revolutionary Soviet Russian art and politics. Early Soviet films such as Battleship Potemkin were devolved and used as Soviet propaganda.

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For the past half-century, in ever increasing ways, these ads, and the thousands of other product placements, Internet banners, logos and print ads have impacted and formed our common consciousness without any real critical thinking about them.

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Andrew O’Connor

A junior studying political science

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With fall sports rolling along, the winter teams are gearing up for competition.

**Men's basketball**

Nov. 3  King  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Nov. 4  Lincoln Memorial  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Nov. 11  Northern Illinois  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Nov. 17  Missouri State  Springfield, Mo.  7:05 p.m. CT
Dec. 22  Chattanooga  Chattanooga, Tenn.  7:00 p.m. ET
Dec. 23  TBA (Anthem Tournament)  Carbondale, Calif.  TBA
Dec. 25  TBA (Anthem Tournament)  Carbondale, Calif.  TBA
Dec. 30  Indiana  Charlotte, N.C.  7:05 p.m. ET
Jan. 15  Evansville  Evansville, Ind.  7:00 p.m. CT
Jan. 19  Wichita State  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Jan. 23  Missouri State  Springfield, Mo.  7:05 p.m. CT
Jan. 26  Creighton  Carbondale  8:00 p.m. CT
Jan. 29  Evansville  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Feb. 2  Northern Iowa  Cedar Falls, Iowa  7:05 p.m. CT
Feb. 5  Indiana State  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Feb. 10  Creighton  Omaha, Neb.  6:00 p.m. CT
Feb. 13  Drake  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Feb. 16  Wichita State  Wichita, Kan.  6:05 p.m. CT
Feb. 20  Northern Iowa  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Feb. 23  TBA (ESPN BracketBuster)  Carbondale  TBA
Feb. 26  Bradley  Peoria  6:00 p.m. CT
March 1  Illinois State  Carbondale  TBA
March 6  TBA (MVC Tournament)  St. Louis  TBA
March 7  TBA (MVC Tournament)  St. Louis  TBA
March 8  TBA (MVC Tournament)  St. Louis  TBA
March 9  TBA (MVC Tournament)  St. Louis  1:05 p.m. CT

**Women's basketball**

Nov. 1  Harris-Stowe  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Nov. 4  Saint Louis  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Nov. 10  DePaul  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Nov. 12  Christian Brothers  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Nov. 18  Illinois  Champaign, Ill.  2:00 p.m. CT
Nov. 23  Western Kentucky  Bowling Green, Ky.  2:00 p.m. CT
Nov. 24  South Dakota State  Bowling Green, Ky.  2:00 p.m. CT
Nov. 28  Austin Peay  Clarksville, Tenn.  7:00 p.m. CT
Dec. 3  Central Arkansas  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Dec. 7  Chicago State  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Dec. 11  Tennessee Tech  Cookeville, Tenn.  7:00 p.m. CT
Dec. 12  UW-Green Bay  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Jan. 3  Indiana State  Carbondale  7:05 p.m. CT
Jan. 5  Illinois State  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT

**Swimming & diving**

Nov. 2 Exit  Missouri State  Springfield, Mo.  7:05 p.m. CT
Dec. 8  Saint Louis  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Jan. 19  Missouri State  Springfield, Mo.  7:05 p.m. CT
Jan. 27  Western Kentucky  Bowling Green, Ky.  7:00 p.m. CT
Feb. 2  Evansville  Carbondale  2:05 p.m. CT
Feb. 14 to 16  MVC Championships (Women only)  Carbondale  TBA
Feb. 28 to March 1  Spring Meet (Women)  Nashville, Tenn.

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**Ready for the Long Haul**

Senior swimmer Julie Ju

Senior swimmer Antonio Santoro

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Nov. 16 to 18  Purple Invite (Men and Women)  Lafayette, Ind.
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**Forestry department gets USDA water grant**

*By Brandy Oxford*

Until water quality becomes a problem, few people consider the source — runoff from buildings, streets and farms.

Last week the university’s foresters discovered a water grant for a three-year study of some of the key Kaskaskia River’s watershed communities.

“The overall goal is to assess the water quality in terms of their community well-being and also to assess these watersheds in terms of their water quality,” said Marc Davenport, assistant professor of the human dimensions of natural resources.

The USDA-Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service funded 12 grants out of 64 proposals through its National Integrated Water Quality Program. Projects funded by these grants are meant to improve the quality of the surface and ground water in watersheds throughout the nation.

“It’s nice to get this money to get things started because we’re going to put in some permanent structures to monitor water quality,” said Jon Schoonover, assistant professor of physical hydrology.

Part of the funding will pay a technician to do some of the water quality analysis.

The group will be looking at how land use and conservation practices affect water quality, which outreach methods are most effective, and the capacity of the communities to engage in watershed planning and adopt conservation strategies, according to the project’s press release.

Davenport said a large part of the project will be communicating information to community leaders and residents concerning how they can address concerns by adopting conservation practices.

Social scientists Joan Brehm, with Illinois State University and Davenport and hydrologists Schoonover and Karl Wildand are the key investigators in the project, but they will work with others to incorporate undergraduate and graduate students.

The group working on the project chose to look at Richland and Silver creek communities in Jacksonville and St. Clair counties. Belleville and O’Fallon will be two of the larger cities studied, but Davenport said they will be studying urban, metropolitan and rural communities and agricultural crop areas for the project.

They will be developing community research teams, comprised of representatives from the chosen locations, to establish ways in which community members can take part in the research.

“They’ll also be liaisons for within the community to give our project credibility and legitimacy in these counties,” Davenport said.

“We’re starting contacting the National Resources Conservation Service, the local representatives them, and we’re going to have them to identify some of those community members,” Davenport said.

Davenport said the first year will be gathering information about stakeholders, the second year on surveying residents and the last year on outreach, including a Web site and a traveling exhibit.

Two years said equipment has been ordered and the group hopes to begin their study next spring.

**Watershed grants**

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Tuesday, October 18, 2007

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Marc Lacey of the New York Times recently reported about a growing trend in Cuba that’s still very much in fashion. The trend is the image of revolutionary heroes on T-shirts, including Che Guevara, Martin Luther King Jr., Nelson Mandela and even a CD carrying case.

As Marc Lacey points out, the popular faces of social-activists’ pasts are starting to be phased out by a new breed of T-shirts donning the famous mugs of people such as Pedro, Napoleon Dynamite, Reckless and Richard Pryor.

As America is a country that tends to forget about or cover up the past, you can almost see the image of heroes on T-shirts giving people cause to forget about or cover up their wrongdoings and focus on the good, it only seems right that comedians have replaced activists as chest-worshiping staples.

However, this can only be seen as a good thing. You may not be able to relate to the deep ideals and political stance of the gay sporting the Pryor shirt, but at least it will make you smile.

Gloria Bode says more haunted southern Illinois stories tomorrow. Ooh, scary.
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Sports

Hill

Hill said the key is to learn from the interceptions, and he won’t be entering the next game worrying simply about not throwing the ball away.

The positive from losing against the Panthers was that SIU overcame the mistakes and nearly won the game, but Hill said they are not satisfied with that.

“We know we put ourselves in the hole that we did,” Hill said.

The 436 passing yards is an SIU record, which Hill needed 33 completions and 45 attempts to achieve.

Kill said he wouldn’t have trusted Hill to throw that many times in a game last season, but then again, Kill would have attempted 45 passes.

Hill has averaged 25 pass attempts per game this season, compared to 35.1 pass attempts per game last season.

His completion percentage of 61.7 from last season is up to 70.9 percent, and Hill said fourth in the FCS with a 17.8% efficiency rating.

The Salukis managed 70 yards on the ground against Northern Iowa, and Kill said there were eight to 10 occasions in the second half where SIU should have run the ball but passed.

“Maybe lost our patience, or I did,” Kill said. “I looked at some of the things that I needed to do better as a head coach, and we’re going to march on.”

Quarterback coach Pat Poore said Hill was the first one back to watch film Sunday and has been the first on the field at practice, getting ready for Saturday’s game against Missouri State.

Hill is a fierce competitor, Poore said, and mistakes and interceptions are just part of football.

“Kickers are going to miss a field goal here and there, running back going to miss a read and not hit a hole,” Poore said.

Kill said the Panthers forced the Salukis out of the run many times and called plays he felt he had to in order to control with UNI.

Hill said the team knows it can win relying on either the run or the pass in any given game.

“Our day we had to throw it a lot. This Saturday we might have to run a lot,” Hill said. “The best thing about this team is we probably do both, and we’ve proved that; both pounding in the games and going to the air in games. So that’s definitely another thing teams go to prepare for, and it keeps teams off balance.”

Scott Missela can be reached at 536-3311 ext. 256 or smieszala@siu.edu.

Missouri State quarterback Cody Kirby drops back to pass in a recent game. Kirby, a freshman, has thrown for eight touchdowns and rushed for six this season.

SIU defensive coordinator Tracy Claeys said he knows Missouri State likes to throw the ball around, but the Bears’ ground game is also noteworthy.

Missouri State has averaged 244.6 rushing yards per game this season, compared to 228.1 yards per game this season.

“I’d like to think we’re getting better every week, and it’s a very tough league, so you got to face very good football teams each and every week,” he said.

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Saluki Insider

**SEAN MCGAHAN**

The NBA has yet to announce if Kobe Bryant will return to the Los Angeles Lakers this season, even though rumors say he’s cleared out his locker. What are the odds of Bryant wearing a Lakers jersey this season?

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**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

John Hulda

“Bryant should own his championship rings and the rock he got his wife after his Colorado transgression and start his own franchise — the L.A. Kobes. The Kobes could compete against the New York Knicks, the Houston L.A.s and a slew of other NBA (Me Basketball Association) teams.”

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**MEGAN KRAMPER**

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**GUEST COMMENTATOR: ERIKA BARTHROP**

“I think he will leave. He’s been sitting out of practice and made remarks about getting out and not being a Laker anymore, and it shows a lack of loyalty with his teammates, and if he’s going to make those comments then no reason for him to stay around because his team isn’t going to trust him or look up to him as a leader anymore.”

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“Since we’re best friends, you kind of have the subconscious bond that I know how she’s feeling and she knows how I’m feeling.” — Medick said.

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**How they compare**

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“Not being with our families and just working hard and intense everyday, it was just good to have each other there,” Medick said.

Last season, Roberson started all 99 games for the Salukis, while Medick became limited action in only 14. Even though Roberson was in a starting role, Medick knew if she wanted a spot in the lineup she would have to work extra hard.

Winkler said the work has paid off, and Medick is a completely different player than she was a year ago.

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“We have the same mindset when we play,” Roberson said. “We’re both working hard and intense everyday, our families and our friends know we’re pretty self-motivated.”

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“I believe for a fact we were going to get that onside kick back. Our kicker’s good, man. He’s like the best kicker I’ve ever seen at looking at that sideline. At practice we kick it and Clayton catches it every day in practice when we run that.”

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Football

IN HILL THEY TRUST

Senior quarterback Nick Hill dodges a Northern Iowa defender during Saturday's 30-24 loss. Hill was named Tuesday as one of the 16 nominees for the Walter Payton Award, which goes to the most outstanding player in the Football Championship Subdivision.

Scott Mieszala

SIU quarterback Nick Hill's performance against Northern Iowa exposed two things: he's trusted by his coaches and is among the 16 elite players in the Football Championship Subdivision.

Hill, a senior in his second full season, threw for 436 yards with three touchdowns and three interceptions in Saturday's 30-24 loss at Northern Iowa. Two days after the defeat, he was added to the list of 16 candidates for the Walter Payton Award — a title given to the most outstanding player in the FCS at the end of the season.

"It feels good, but I think it's a compliment to our team," Hill said. "I think that everybody on that list is on a team that's playing well and that's ranked high in the country."

Coach Jerry Kill said despite Hill's three interceptions, the senior quarterback kept SIU in the game, which came within six yards of winning on the final play despite the Salukis committed four turnovers. "We had a busted route on one interception and then he threw a couple, and then we had a fumble," Kill said. "But we wouldn't have been in the game if it wasn't for Nick."

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Volleyball

Attack of the sophomores

Medic and Roberson lead team in both blocks and kills

Megan Kramper

Middle blockers Marina Medic and Chandra Roberson have much more in common than the positions they play on the volleyball court.

The pair can be credited for 38 percent of total kills and 84 percent of blocks per game for the Salukis, and their individual statistics are almost identical.

Medic averages 2.81 kills per game, while Roberson racks up 2.77 per game, and the sophomores carry .312 and .320 hitting percentages, respectively.

Off the court, the duo shares an off-campus apartment with freshman Jennifer Bermwanger and is notorious for singing on the bus during road trips. "If you don't make it in volleyball, you could maybe make it in singing," coach Brenda Wucherer said with a laugh.

The pair, along with sophomore outside hitter Kelsie Laughlin, can be found together almost all of the time and share a close connection on and off the court.

"We can pretty much finish each other's sentences," Medic said.

Roberson and Medic said the chemistry they developed on the court has turned into a tight-knit friendship, which they said could be an advantage in pressure situations.

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Freshman Bear a ‘pleasant surprise’

Scott Mieszala

The SIU football team isn't the only team in the Gateway getting meaningful production from underclassmen.

The No. 9 Salukis (6-1, 2-1 Gateway) play Missouri State at McKernan Stadium Saturday. The Bears (4-3, 1-2) are lead on offense by freshman quarterback Cody Kirby.

Kirby, who has been named the Gateway Football Conference's offensive player-of-the-week since this season, has thrown for 1,042 yards and eight touchdowns, and has rushed for 186 yards and seven touchdowns.

"He's a true freshman, but he's done some good things at the quarterback position," Missouri State coach Terry Allen said. "He's got not only the ability to throw the football — he's got good athleticism, so you can allow him to run the football and do some of those things."

Allen said Kirby is a strong runner and a pleasant surprise, but the receiving corps has helped.

Tamarkus McElvane, a senior wide receiver, has battled a leg injury this season but is the Bears' leader with 18.5 yards per reception and three receiving touchdowns. McElvane is one of three Missouri State receivers with more than 100 receiving yards this season, and one of 12 Bears with a pass reception this season.

"We like the passing game and spread the field," Allen said. "So you have to be able to not just select a receiver."

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Hill season per-game averages

2006 (13 games)
Attempts: 511
Yards thrown: 3,200
Touchdowns thrown: 24
Interceptions thrown: 12

2007 (7 games)
Attempts: 25
Yards thrown: 3,282
Touchdowns thrown: 24
Interceptions thrown: 14


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The duo leads the Salukis in blocks and kills per game this season.