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# Salukis bid for home playoff games

University Housing to be open for students to attend playoff game

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While it is still unknown whether the SIU football team will play host to a first-round playoff game, the Athletic Department is preparing as if it will.

The NCAA selection committee will meet Saturday evening following the day's slate of games to determine pairings and home sites, but SIU Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk has already begun the process of preparation.

Kowalczyk has bid the minimum amount for SIU to play host to games through the first three rounds. Minimum bids are \$30,000 for the first round, \$40,000 for the second round and \$50,000 for the third round.

Kowalczyk has been in contact with Gateway Commissioner Patty

Viverito and Committee Rep. Perk Weisenburger, Illinois State's athletic director, but nothing will be known until noon Sunday when ESPN News airs the selection show.

"We're in a holding pattern right now," Kowalczyk said, "but we need to be prepared and we are."

The NCAA will seed the top four teams with each being guaranteed home games for the first two rounds, while the remaining teams are considered even. The rest of the home sites are determined by the amount of the bid, win-loss record, strength of schedule and conference quality

as well as stadium quality, attendance figures and location.

SIU's loss to Northern Iowa has put the Salukis' chances of receiving a top-four seed and automatic home playoff game in jeopardy.

"Any number of scenarios can happen at this point," Kowalczyk said.

The first-round game is scheduled for Saturday, posing a problem for many students wanting to attend the game.

Since many will still be at home during the Thanksgiving holiday weekend, the Athletic Department has worked in conjunction with

University Housing in order to give students the opportunity to see the game, should there be one.

All University Housing residences will be open for students to return that Saturday, but it will still be considered break housing, meaning students will have to pay the \$9.50 fee to stay overnight.

Break housing is a standard option for students, but University Housing will have a larger staff on duty than normal in anticipation of a sizeable number of students coming back early

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ANDREW SOUTER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Ty Johnson, a freshman in pre-law, paints the Pride Rocks along with other members of the Saluki Rainbow Network to express their pride in being members of the gay and lesbian community. The SRN had painted the rocks as part of National Coming Out Week, but they were quickly defaced.

## SRN members decorate Pride Rocks

Month after rocks were defaced, Saluki Rainbow Network supporters paint rocks

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Almost as soon as Jenae Williams put down the list of suggestions of slogans and symbols to paint on the Pride Rocks, members of the Saluki Rainbow Network crowded around the list and got to work.

Similarly, almost as soon as members painted the rocks last month, an anonymous group went to work at defacing their messages.

The Pride Rocks, located next to the Recreation Center, have always been a place for organizations to express group pride. Members of various campus organizations paint messages on the rocks throughout the year, which usually remain about a week before another group paints their illustrations and thoughts.

However, not even a day passed before SRN's words were muted by an anonymous group of individuals

who defaced the rocks. According to Leah Reinert, some group members are aware of who committed the act, but they are not yet allowed to discuss who they are.

Despite the slurs and inappropriate terms painted over of their work last time, Williams was determined to make certain the group used "acceptable slogans and symbols" when expressing themselves on the rocks. Williams was supportive and encouraging of those who came out to participate.

"You guys are amazing and strong, and I want to thank you for being here in the daylight and showing people that we won't be scared away from campus," Williams said.

The group was composed predominantly of SRN members as well as a few individuals who came to support the group's efforts. Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, was among the group who came to support the organization. He met a small group outside his office in Anthony Hall and joined them in their walk to the rocks.

Dietz said the group contacted him after the first incident, which took place last year. He said he was

interested in participating in the activity because he felt every organization should have the opportunity to express group pride by painting the rocks.

According to Paulette Curkin, staff adviser for SRN, there is no specific amount of time the work of an organization can remain visible. She said she would not be upset if the rocks were quickly painted over; it was the vandalism that was discouraging to members.

Though Ty Johnson said he was disappointed in last month's defacing, he was not discouraged when it came to repainting them Wednesday.

"I was really upset last time," said Johnson, a pre-law freshman from Galesburg and the director of Prideline, a support hotline for homosexual students. "I kind of expected it. It's just the fact that we worked so hard on the rocks and someone took it upon themselves to deface them."

"Also, it was National Coming Out Week, and we were trying to make people feel more comfortable about coming out, so it was like a slap in the face when this happened."

Members said they did not know what to expect as far as the possibility of another defacing, but all agreed

if the incident were to happen, they would come out again to paint the rocks.

"I wouldn't be too surprised [if the rocks were defaced again]," said SRN member Leah Reinert, a sophomore in architecture from Decatur. "But we're going to keep painting them until people realize that we're here and they're not going to knock us down."

Despite having dealt with defacing twice, the mood was very light-hearted as members painted rainbows, wrote messages of "Diversity Now, I Love Being Gay" and "Massachusetts Now, Next the Rest of the World." The latter was in response to the recent Supreme Court decision to permit gay marriages in Massachusetts, a step many individuals, both homosexual and heterosexual, hope their states will follow.

Though not the major decision that the Massachusetts decision was, Stacey Acevez said events such as painting the rocks still have their influence on society.

"I was surprised [last time], just disappointed," said Acevez, a senior in social work from Chicago. "There's power in presence. This shows we're not afraid. We're proud."

## Police, landlords encourage people to lock homes

Residents can sign up for House Watch Program over break

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Toothbrush? Check. Gas money? Check. Doors and windows locked? Carbondale Police and landlords would like to think so.

With SIUC students attending fall break Friday, area home rental agencies and police are reminding people to keep their homes safe from burglaries while they leave town for a week.

Carbondale Police Interim Chief Steve Odum said the department would be doing its part to combat the threat of residential burglaries while students are out of classes and likely out of town until Dec. 1. He said he is emphasizing to patrol officers to concentrate more effort to watch high residential areas and neighborhoods during the break.

Although Christmas vacation usually results in more residential burglaries, Odum said it is not out of the ordinary for the city to suffer more burglaries any time students leave town.

"Burglars understand there are people out of town and there's more opportunity," Odum said. "It's a crime of stealth, so they don't want people to see them. There are not as many people moving around on the streets, and there aren't people walking around to parties and things like that. There are fewer people out there with a possibility of seeing [burglaries], so we do see more burglaries during breaks."

Odum said if Carbondale residents are concerned their home could be in danger of unlawful entry, they can always register with the department's House Watch Program. Applications for the program are available 24 hours a day in the lobby of the Carbondale Police Station, 600 E. College St.

"We'll come around the house a

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**NATIONAL NEWS**

**Schools considering tuition discounts, rebates**

DALLAS, (KRT) -- Texas' public universities are copying a page from the marketing handbook of the nation's airlines.

University officials, freed up by the same new law that allows them to raise tuition, are rolling out bargains and discounts aimed toward changing students' habits. As with the airlines, certain conditions will apply.

At the University of Texas at Austin, students could get a price cut by taking more classes or going to summer school. At UT-Arlington, they could get a break by paying their bills on time. And at UT-Permian Basin, students who take a full load every year could earn up to \$1,200 their senior year.

Lawmakers last spring gave universities the right to set tuition as high as they wanted; UT-Austin has provoked the ire of some lawmakers with proposed increases of up to 29 percent.

Some schools plan to offset increases with new pricing schemes they couldn't use before deregulation. Officials also hope the bargains will further goals they've wanted to meet for years.

But while some university officials and students

endorse tuition deals, others express reservations. Some worry that students, already confused by the financial-aid application, may get more confused.

**Jackson-faces charges of lewd contact with child**

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. (CNN) -- Authorities have issued an arrest warrant for Michael Jackson on multiple counts of child molestation and have directed him to surrender and turn in his passport, Santa Barbara County authorities said Wednesday.

District Attorney Tom Sneedon said Jackson faces multiple counts of lewd or lascivious contact with a child younger than 14.

Jackson could face a minimum of three years and a maximum of eight years in prison on each count if convicted. Authorities said bail on the warrant was set at \$3 million. A judge has ordered affidavits in the case sealed for 45 days.

Jackson's spokesman, Stuart Backerman, released a statement saying arrangements have been made with the district attorney for Jackson "to return to Santa Barbara to immediately confront and prove these charges unfounded."

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**Destruction of homes within 'rules of war,' spokesman says**

TIKRITE, Iraq (KRT) -- The decision to destroy at least a dozen homes belonging to family members of guerrilla suspects in and around Tikrit was "within the rules of war" and was approved by the commander of the 4th Infantry Division and probably by the overall commander for U.S. forces in Iraq, a spokesman for the division said Tuesday.

But some military officers acknowledged that the tactic had caused debate over whether it would inflame opposition rather than tamp it down. One officer referred to the demolitions as "unprecedented."

The destruction of the homes is a sensitive issue because the tactic resembles a controversial Israeli practice of destroying the houses of families of suicide bombers in the West Bank and Gaza. The U.S. State Department previously has denounced the Israeli actions.

U.S. forces destroyed the homes on Sunday and Monday, after evacuating women and children, as part of an aggressive crackdown on anti-U.S. guerrilla forces. Those forces have shot down at least two helicopters in recent weeks and planted scores, if not hundreds, of roadside bombs in the area known as the Sunni Triangle.

Military officials on Tuesday lowered the number of houses destroyed to 12 from 15.

**Reward set for Saddam deputy**

BAGHDAD, Iraq -- The U.S. military on Wednesday announced a \$10 million reward for information leading to the capture of Saddam Hussein's top deputy, who is believed to be behind many of the insurgent attacks in Iraq.

Izzat Ibrahim al-Douri is the second most-wanted Iraqi behind Saddam. Both men remain at large.

Al-Douri was the vice chairman of Iraq's Revolutionary Command Council and is No. 6 on the list of the 55 most-wanted Iraqis.

The Bush administration has offered up to \$25 million for information leading to Saddam's arrest or proof of his death.

The U.S. military is stepping up its offensive against the anti-coalition insurgency, leveling houses and buildings used by suspected Iraqi guerrillas.

On Sunday, soldiers used rockets to destroy al-Douri's house near Kirkuk in northern Iraq. The house was one of more than a dozen structures the U.S. military has demolished in recent days.

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**CALENDAR** Today **POLICE REPORTS** University

SIU Skydiving Club  
Membership meeting  
6 p.m.  
Mackinaw Room in the Student Center

A report of reckless conduct was reported at 5:15 a.m. Sunday in Lot 45. Unidentified suspects were hitting golf balls in the lot.

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Criminal damage to state property was reported at 4:08 p.m. Tuesday at Washington Square Building B. An office building sign was found pulled off its support poles. There are no suspects at this time.

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Jason A. Salter, 19, of Bolingbrook was arrested and charged with delivery of less than 30 grams of cannabis at 7:02 p.m. Tuesday at Mae Smith Hall. Salter was taken to the Jackson County Jail in Murphysboro, where he is still incarcerated.

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Criminal damage to state property was reported Wednesday between Lot 10 and Anthony Hall. A five-pointed star was found spraypainted on a lighted sign. There are no suspects at this time.

**CORRECTIONS**

In the Wednesday Nov. 18 article "Saluki teams end season on down notes," the last sentence in the story should have said the indoor track season begins Dec. 12 with the Fast Start O<sub>2</sub> 15n.

The Wednesday Nov. 18 article "Campus buildings prepare for break," should have said the Recreation Center will open at 5:30 a.m. Monday through Wednesday during Thanksgiving break.

The **DAILY EGYPTIAN** regrets the errors. Readers who spot an error should contact the **DAILY EGYPTIAN** accuracy desk at 536-3311 ext. 253.

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# McNair Program to benefit SIUC minorities

Grant encourages students to continue post-graduate studies

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The Office of Research and Development will begin actively looking for students to participate in a capstone education program next semester.

Under a four-year, \$900,000 grant, SIUC will begin the Ronald E. Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program. The program is designed to assist low-income, first-generation minority college students in receiving a well-rounded undergraduate education with the hopes those students will continue their schooling after graduation.

It began in memory of Ronald E. McNair, a physicist and astronaut. McNair, who came from an impoverished family, graduated magna cum laude from North Carolina A&T State University with a bachelor's in physics before earning his doctorate.

He was the second black in space but perished when the space shuttle Challenger exploded in 1986.

Paul Simon, director of SIUC's Public Policy Institute, helped write or the legislation to create funding for the program.

Karen Renzaglia, a plant biology professor at SIUC, and Prudence Rice, associate vice chancellor and director of research and development, co-wrote the proposal to bring the McNair to campus.

"There is a real need to help people like him to get out of the cycle of poverty," Renzaglia said.

Renzaglia was chosen to head the enterprise last month. SIUC is one of 155 schools that will receive funding for the program. Although the grant was originally \$1.6 million, the Illinois Board of Higher Education, which heads McNair, reduced the amount due to budget problems. The office of the vice chancellor

for Research and Development will supply an additional \$20,000 the first year of the grant.

"We're just really thrilled that we're starting this program," Renzaglia said. "It just is starting out nicely — so far, we've had a lot of people inquire, including students. And that's the most important, is having students interested."

According to Renzaglia, the program focuses on research with an emphasis in the area of environmental studies. Eligible students will be given research opportunities throughout the academic year and a stipend to research during the summer months. They will also receive in-depth academic counseling and coaching for the graduate school entrance exams. In addition, participants will have help in researching graduate school programs and assistance in obtaining financial aid.

Student eligibility is based on requirements such as a low-income background. A student must also be a first-generation minority college student who intends to earn a doctorate degree after graduation. Renzaglia said her office would be focusing on those in their sophomore year of college in all majors.

The McNair program will be SIUC's third of five federally funded TRIO programs, according to John Koropchak, vice chancellor for Research and Development

and Graduate School dean. These programs are designed to help low-income and first-generation college students overcome social, cultural and class barriers in higher education.

"We feel this program really integrates into what we already have here on campus," Renzaglia said.

Participating students will begin research this summer and attend special classes related to environmental studies in addition to their regular coursework in the fall. The program will also provide seminars related to the environment.

According to Koropchak, enrolling students in the program may also benefit minority faculty representation in public universities. This is because the grant is also designed to shepherd students toward a teaching profession after obtaining a doctorate degree. The low minority enrollment in PhD programs is a national problem, Koropchak said.

"Participation is not as high as you would expect based on population distribution," he said.

After four years of piloting the program, Renzaglia said the University would be eligible to reapply for the grant.

"We feel like this is all part of a wonderful series of programs we have to support minority and under-represented students as well as low-income, first-generation students," she said. "And we do well in that regard."

## NEWS BRIEFS

### REGIONAL

#### School of Medicine awards two grants

Research scientists at the SIU School of Medicine in Springfield have been awarded two federal grants.

The U.S. Army has awarded a three-year federal grant to Kounosuke Watabe, professor of medical microbiology and immunology at SIU in Springfield, to study the tumor metastasis suppressor gene in prostate cancer.

The total budget for the grant is

\$534,437. The study will look at how the primary tumor cells of prostate cancer spread to other parts of the body in mice.

The second federal grant was given to Jodi Huggenik, associate professor of physiology at the School of Medicine, to study tumor suppressors in prostate cancer. The total budget for the two-year grant is \$219,266. The study is looking to identify two tumor suppressor genes in order to understand their function as tumor markers for prostate cancer diagnosis. The grant is an expansion of a five-year, \$1.17 million grant Huggenik received in 2001 to study tumor suppressors in pediatric cancers.

# Students living in dorms must prepare to leave for one week

Outside doors at residence halls will be locked during break

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Two-person dorm: \$4,903. Personal belongings: \$3,872. Coming back from fall break with personal belongings intact within the dorm room: priceless.

Spending Thanksgiving break away from the residence halls is expected, but coming back to an empty or flooded room is not.

Beth Scally, assistant director of University Housing, said theft and flooding could be avoided if students use common sense when preparing to leave for a week.

"You don't want to leave like \$10,000 of cash on the desk or anything like that," Scally said.

Scally said students, belongings are usually very safe. SIUC Police patrol the areas, and the outside doors of most residence halls are changed so people who are not supposed to be in buildings cannot enter.

"I would never say never about anything, but I feel pretty secure that our police department and everyone else does a good job of making sure there's not strangers in the buildings or people that are trying to break into rooms," Scally said.

Although police patrol the area during break, bicycles would be safer if left inside the residence hall rooms.

Scally said she encourages students to unplug everything during break, including lava lamps. However, she said refrigerators could be left on.

"Safety-wise, it's good to turn everything off," Scally said.

"If a refrigerator's on, we won't unplug it."

"The staff will be clarified that

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assistant director, University Housing

they're not supposed to unplug the refrigerators."

During break, students must leave their heating convectors on low because if the temperature cools, the pipes could burst and flood rooms.

Scally said the room temperature could rise to 90 degrees depending on the outside temperature. But not all the residence halls are closing.

The high-rise residence halls, Neely, Mae Smith and Schneider halls, are being kept open because there are many students who must stay during break because of campus events such as the football team's possible home playoff game.

Maintenance will also be done during break in the halls and individual rooms.

In Boomer Hall, maintenance will use bug spray.

Electrical work will be performed in Pierce and Brown halls, causing both halls to lose electricity at times.

"The electricity will be intermittent, so a fish tank would probably be ok," Scally said.

"I wouldn't keep any major food in the refrigerator."

Scally said the easiest and most effective precaution students can take is to lock their door when they leave.

"Students have to use common sense and make sure they lock their doors," Scally said. "Don't do anything to make yourself a victim."

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Cathy Bencini, a telecommunicator for the Illinois State Police, answers a call in the communications center of the newly built State Police District 13 headquarters in Du Quoin. The communications center is one of several secure rooms in the new building requiring a special authorization card to gain entry.

# Building a better facility

State police test first new facility  
in nearly 70 years

story by JACKIE KEANE

More than four times the size of their previous building erected in 1936, a neon blue sign illuminates the street.

The sign is one of the few things Illinois State Police District 13 employees moved next door to their old building.

The old building was designated as a radio station and contained a communication center, administrative offices, repair shop and small garage. According to Illinois State Police District 13 Cptn Charles Mays, police work has come a long way since the 1930s.

"The days of just putting on a badge and gun and going out and arresting the bad guy is much more complicated," Mays said.

Exposed pipes hang below the ceiling, and the sound of the furnace running is the only thing to be heard throughout the old empty building. Drapes from the 1970s era hang on the windows. According to Ray Minor, Illinois State Police trooper and safety education public officer, there were strategically placed buckets throughout the building to catch the leaking water.

"It is the kind of difference between night and day," Mays said. "Now we have a facility to do daily operations in a nice atmosphere and climate for our employees."

The three-person offices at the old building are the size of one-person desks at the new building.

Minor fell into this category. He once shared an office with two desks for three people. Now, with his own office, he has more space. Oldies play from his boom box as a picture of his family and his many awards of recognition drape the wall.

"I'm jamming down in here," Minor said. "It's just so nice to have my own office."

"When you worked out of this other building for our whole careers, it's just so hard to explain."

The \$5.6 million facility became occupied last month, but the ribbon-cutting by Gov. Rod Blagojevich took place near the end of August. It offers emergency power backup, improved security, audio-visual conferencing and the latest in radio communications consoles, as well as a more incorporated head quarters.

"Ok ma'am, what we're going to do is send an officer," said Cathy Bencini, a telecommunicator in the communications room.

Bencini and Yvonne Murray, the two call-takers on duty, finally have enough space and equipment to work efficiently. Although they have had computer-aided dispatch for three years, the new facility offers a new radio system. They operate on high and low band frequency.

The operations room tracks calls for seven out of Illinois' 22 counties and sends calls to the Illinois Department of Conservation, Secretary of State Police, Illinois State Investigative units, Arson

Investigators and Crime Scenes Services, who will then dispatch officers.

Upon entering the bulletproof glass doors, there is a plaque mounted on the right wall. With metal so old and tarnished, it is hard to read: "Erected 1936 by state of Illinois Henry Horner Governor."

A loud click signals the unlocking of the door's security system. Anyone entering the building must have either an identification clearance to enter or get buzzed in by the operators.

The plaque and the sign are just two of the old items taken from the old building next door, besides files and paperwork brought by personnel.

The department made its move weeks ago, but employees are still trying to put things in place and unpack boxes full of files.

This new 30,000-square-foot facility is more than four times the size of the old one. And there is much more under one roof.

Besides the new walls, furniture and rooms, teams from Marion have moved to Du Quoin. Medicaid Fraud, Tactical Response Team, Southern Illinois Drug Task Force, Crime Scene, Division of Internal Investigation, Technical Services, Computer Evidence Processing and Intelligence Resource Center are now all under the same roof as the patrol division.

With each team now under one roof, there is a much easier flow of communication. Coconut cake aroma seeps out of an office and fills the hallway on the investigative side

of the building. The building has an investigative side and patrol side. Debra Landman, Southern Illinois investigation commander, said it is much more convenient to all be located under the same roof.

She said she recently saw the benefits of being together with the patrol side in the Herrin sexual assault case.

The building also offers a training room where employees can receive training via computer-aided conferencing. This allows for officers, who are required to receive yearly updated hazmat or blood-borne pathogen training, to not have to leave Du Quoin and receive the same training they would in Springfield. The instructors can see their students, and they can see the instructor.

"Now with distance learning, we can actually stay right here in the district," Minor said.

Despite the new move, efforts are being made to preserve the old building and celebrate the new one.

An SIU professor is preserving the building originally designated as a radio station through pictures.

The Du Quoin High School journalism class put together a time capsule the students will open at their 25th anniversary.

They put things from the community and troops in Iraq, an autographed picture of the old building, a yearbook, current magazines and newspapers into the capsule.

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The Illinois State Troopers of District 13 were able to move out of their old headquarters, which they have occupied since 1936, and into the new building in early November. The new building is 30,000 square feet compared to the original 7,000 square feet of the old building and costs \$5.6 million to build.

# Enrollment rises at Center for Basic Skills

Raised admission standards could put pressure on center

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One in five freshmen enrolled at the University this year did not meet regular admission standards but were still admitted to the institution — marking an increase of 86 students from the year before.

Five hundred fifty-six students are currently enrolled at the Center for Basic Skills, a program that admits students who fall below regular admission standards and acclimates them to campus life during their first year at the University.

CBS students have full schedules and are fully admitted to SIUC, but they are provided additional services to familiarize them with the campus.

Program Director Seymour Bryson said CBS students are just like other students on campus, but their progress is more closely monitored and aid is readily accessible.

"Students are enrolled in regular courses, but all of our students are required to take University 101," he said. "We do do placement tests for students. We work with part of the College of Education, and students who can benefit from reading skills are enrolled in that course."

"Other than that, they are the same as any other student."

The center offers mentoring and tutoring programs, employing 27 undergraduate students in paid positions to aid its 556 students with both academics and college life.

CBS Associate Director Yvonne Williams said the tutors and mentors are available throughout the semester.

Though only six 30-minute sessions are required, students can use the service as often as necessary.

CBS Mentor Colleen Tardi is assigned to meet with 27 freshman girls. Though she may only see them a few times, she is available when one of the students has a bad day or has any questions.

"I ask how their day is and if there are any problems I can help with," she said. "I just make sure everything is OK."

Administrators at the center also send progress reports to the students' guardians, record how often the students has visited a mentor or tutor, and for what reason and



J.P. Allen, a freshman in radio-television, clarifies a mistake in his paper for class while graduate student Stan Livingston reads over it for him at the Center for Basic Skills office in Woody Hall. Enrollment at the Center for Basic Skills increased by more than 100 students this year as the ACT score requirement was raised by one for normal admission to SIUC.

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collect mid-term reports. Williams also said the administrators try to keep the program as personal as possible, so students receive birthday cards, while both parents and

students receive newsletters a few times a semester.

Last year, the center reviewed more than 2,000 applications.

*"We're going to make some mistakes on some students, but if you get a kid with a 25 or 26 [ACT], that doesn't guarantee that they're going to graduate, either."*

— Seymour Bryson  
program director, Center for Basic Skills

When a student is refused regular admittance, he or she can make an appeal to the University, which is sent to CBS for evaluation.

The students then go through a battery of tests analyzing their motivations, level of procrastination, commitment to education, preparation, planning, anxiety, among many others, before they are admitted to the program.

"What we want to know about is their will to win," Bryson said, "and how committed they are."

The University is looking to raise admission standards for fall 2005, but Chancellor Walter Wendler said it would not go to a point where no applicant who wants an education would be denied, even if their scores fall below the standard — placing more pressure on the center.

The University raised the minimum required ACT this year from 20 to 21. Bryson said the center accepted 124 students with an ACT score of 20 who would have been accepted without question the year before.

"One hundred twenty-four students who last year were regular-admit students are now special-admit students," Bryson said. "How they differ — I don't know. Were they better students last year than this year — I don't know."

Students enrolled in the center are just as successful as students with regular admittance.

The University has a graduation rate just shy of 40 percent, while the center boasts a graduation rate between 35 percent and 37 percent, according to Bryson.


"Any student who wants to be successful can be successful," Bryson said. "We would not allow any student in admittance to this campus who we didn't think had the potential to be successful."

"We're going to make some mistakes on some students, but if you get a kid with a 25 or 26 [ACT], that doesn't guarantee that they're going to graduate, either."

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## OUR WORD

# Support Saluki football

After a storybook season, Saluki football has made the next step into history by putting out bids for all three rounds of the Division I-AA playoffs.

For many devoted fans, the playoffs have been on Christmas wish lists for years, but that large unnamed gift under the tree also bears a \$30,000 price tag.

But such a huge sum of money isn't the issue, according to Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk. In fact, he believes in the Salukis so much he filed the paperwork Wednesday bidding for home games for all three rounds of the playoffs at a tidy sum of \$120,000.

This number is more than a little deceiving. A bid is more like a guarantee. This means no money has been put down yet but guarantees we will put forth the money if requested. However, SIU will not lose any money if we do not receive a home game. If the National Collegiate Athletic Association thinks we deserve a home game as much as we think we do, it will allow us to host at least a first-round playoff game.

This money seems like an enormous amount — and it is — but it is going toward valid causes, one of which is traveling expenses for the visiting team. Also, if SIU does not receive a home game, no money will be lost, and the expenses to travel away would be taken care of. According to Kowalczyk, any leftover money goes into the NCAA general operating fund which one way or another goes back to the institutions.

However, a small catch in the NCAA bylaws states that 75 percent of the estimated net receipts as submitted on the proposed budgets must also be handed over to the NCAA.

Football should be football, cut and dry. We understand traveling expenses can rack up, which justify the \$30,000 for each game. But for the NCAA to also ask for 75 percent of the net revenue is a bit unreasonable. Most Division I-AA schools do not have money that can just be thrown around — especially here at SIUC.

But the Salukis will find out if they are seeded in the top four for the playoffs at noon Sunday. If we receive one of the top-four seeds in the Division I-AA playoffs, then we are guaranteed home games for the first and second rounds. If we do receive a first round home game, it will be Nov. 29.

As we've already said, this game will cost SIUC a lot of money. A win will be difficult without fan support, and the fact that the game falls on the tail end of fall break could have been an unfortunate coincidence for the Salukis.

But thanks to Elizabeth Scally, assistant director for Housing and Residence Life, and the rest of University Housing, students will be allowed to return a day early. Of course, nothing in life comes without a price. According to Scally, to cover operating costs, the University charges all students \$9.50 a day to stay in the dorms during the break. But where else can someone find lodging for less than \$10 a night?

She said they will still be operating under break housing, but much of the staff has agreed to cut their vacations a day short to accommodate more students.

Students can stay updated on the seeds by watching ESPN news at noon when they announce the seeds or by logging onto [www.SIUSalukis.com](http://www.SIUSalukis.com) at 2:30 p.m. Sunday.

Game tickets will be sold at \$6 for students and \$12 for non-students. Alumni are also pitching in to help game attendance, according to Kowalczyk. Currently, the Athletic Department is soliciting alumni to help cover the cost of a ticket for students. It is still uncertain how the tickets will be handed out, but students can find out by watching for updates on the same website.

For staffers to sacrifice a day of vacation, alumni to help pay for tickets and the Athletic Department willing to pay a large sum for home field advantage should be incentive enough for students to come back a day early and support the Salukis.



## COLUMNIST

# Letter to my mom, dad and Bush

*As her father's time increases in Iraq, so does Kodee's anger at George W. Bush. She is attempting to raise enough money to bring her father home herself — her most recent money-making plot is to get a job as an officer in the army — but she is also attempting to petition the U.S. government. Kodee has been inquiring about whether Uncle Sam has a wife so she could plead to "Aunt Sam" to bring her father home. Kodee knows her father is sick of Iraq and that he has recently seen two of his friends die.*

*To her, Bush's reasons for the war in Iraq are not good enough for him to take her father away, and she is not afraid to express her disdain for current U.S. policy. It has nothing to do with politics. She wants her father, who is her only living blood relative, back in her life.*

*The following are her uncensored thoughts on our 43rd president.*

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT,

I'm rilly mad at you and you make my hart hurt. I don't think your doing a very good job. You keep sending soldiers to Iraq and it's not fair.

Do you have a soldier of your own in Irak? Why can't our soldiers come home? They don't like it over there and they are sad. They never smile in pickshurs you kno.

Why did you call Ryan [a friend of a friend who is in the National Guard] for duty? It's not fair cant you see? Hes got a life here and you made his mom cry. Angie [Ryan's fiancé] cryed to. Why do you want to make peopole cry? I miss my dad and he misses me. His job is done he says so. Why can't you send him home? I think your mean and I don't like you. You should have a hart.

*This letter was written to Kodee's mother, who died when she was 5. She recently made a copy of this letter, put it in a balloon and released it into the heavens in hopes it would reach her mother.*

DEAR MOMMY,

I miss you. Did you get your wings yet? I ring lots of bells. Ive been trying to be good mom. Are you watching me?

Me and you need to talk moim. Can I see you agin? I get to explane something. Ryan got called to duty and he has to go to Iraq. Tell God to fire the President. It's not fair. Can you wach over him like you woch daddy? Promiss not to let him die



**Kenningsology**

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okay mommy.

Daddy says he misses you. Me to. Daddy says your still in his hart. Mom I love you. When you walk with God today tell him to make Ryan stay alive. Wach out for rockets mommy. I love you.  
Love, Kodee

*Kodee also wrote a letter to her father, whom she has seen on television at least once. Normally, her guardians try to keep her away from the news, but she has managed to get around their rules a few times.*

*Her single greatest complaint about her father's living conditions in Iraq is that he looks dirty and needs a shower.*

DEAR DADDY,

I miss you and I love you. How are you? Are you still coming home dad? I'm still here without you. I saw you on our dreme date you need a shower daddy. Next time can we go where its snowy. Are you still hot?

Ges what dad I lost a tooth. The tooth farys rates haven't gone up so I'm holding out. I figger she'll evenly have to give up and give the extra quarter.

We went to pops and we went to a honted havest house. Daddy it was scary I didn't like it. I think the content was macher for me. Hey dad I dug a fox hole. It is regulashin. It is hoah.

Can I have my rank back now? I've been good. Daddy I love you. Can you kill all the bad guys now so Air Force One can bring you home? I love you. Don't die okay dad.

Love, Kodee

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

“If history repeats itself, and the unexpected always happens, how incapable must Man be of learning from experience!”

George Bernard Shaw  
“Maxims for Revolutionists”

## WORDS OVERHEARD

“More than anything there is just a new excitement and fresh enthusiasm.”

Lori Opp  
SIU Women's head basketball coach,  
on the upcoming season

## COLUMNIST

## Be ungrateful and blame America first: Part II

I usually follow a self-imposed policy of not responding publicly to criticisms of my column. However, this week I am making an exception. Two "criticisms" I had received were so egregious, they deserved everybody's attention.

SIU Emeritus Professor Bill Perk, in an e-mail to me, said I did not deserve my microbiology degree and was going to advise the department chairman to not award me my degree. After a semi-psychotic berating (in which he graded my column and gave me four F's), he went on to say I would be an embarrassment to the department, just like Matthew Hale (white supremacist and alleged conspirator in the murder of a federal judge), was an embarrassment to our Law School.

Keep in mind he threatened to send this to my department chairman. Basically, this professor was threatening to undermine my education because he did not agree with my political views. After I confronted him about this, he told me he said these things merely to get my attention. Well, he did, and hopefully I got the attention of some of his colleagues.

Chancellor Wendler, I hope you read this.

The second assault came from Prof. Mary Cashel, who "recognizes and respects the importance of freedom of speech," yet she wants the Daily Egyptian to "consider (my) temporary suspension." It appears Prof. Cashel supports the ideals of free speech but only if it agrees with hers.

She also said I was "slanderous," and I attempted to "defame the character of another." Calling Ms. Velitchkova "ungrateful" and pointing out she likes to bash the United States is far from slander and defamation. Both claims are true. I would again encourage any of my critics to read her columns.

Really, I am not surprised by these two critics. They represent a frightening trend among many liberal "free speech supporters": agree with their position, or they will shut you down.

Now, as promised last week, I present Part II: It probably goes without saying that my critics all consider themselves ardent patriots. I do not critic for a fact, but it is probably safe to assume my most bitter critics agree with Ms. Velitchkova.

To help bring these "patriots" back to reality, let us take a look at what the United States has accomplished over the past 60 years:

We have ridden the world of more than a handful of nasty people, including Adolf Hitler, Benito Mussolini, Slobodan Milosevic, Manuel Noriega and Saddam Hussein.

We helped establish the United Nations. (As the unchallenged world power after World War II, it would have been impossible without U.S. support.)

We are one of the leading nations in worldwide humanitarian aid. (For instance, in 2000, we donated over \$100 million to the Afghans and also helped the flood victims in South Africa. These are just two of the many acts of humanitarian aid the United States offers each year.)



### Political Hot Zone

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We are gracious enough to rebuild enemy countries, even though these same enemies tried to kill us. We were under no obligation to rebuild Germany or Japan (who attacked us first by destroying Pearl Harbor), yet we did. What is more is American soldiers died rebuilding these countries.

We fought to bring food to starving Somalis, and Americans died fighting warlords in this act of humanitarian aid.

We have fought communism worldwide in part because of its hatred of democracy and the ideals of free speech and religion. In a bitter Cold War, we fought the USSR, who starved its subjects and oppressed every conceivable freedom we take for granted.

We have brought education to the women of Afghanistan after ridding them of the oppressive Taliban.

We are providing water, food and electricity to the people of Iraq.

I am not sure whom these "patriots" are trying to fool. I would much rather them say they are unpatriotic and proud of it than to try to pull off this farce that "blaming America first" is what true patriots do.

Obviously, America does not do everything right (see the Vietnam War and Manifest Destiny). However, it is perfectly clear that, overall, the United States is an overwhelming force for good in the world.

Several questions have plagued me for over a week. To those of you (natural-born citizens, immigrants, guests and otherwise) who consistently blame America for everything that is wrong in the world, why do you stay here? Do you stay to take advantage of our world-class educational system, our right to free speech or our ample opportunities for economic success? Do you stay for freedom from persecution?

Maybe the most important question is this: Is it ethical to take advantage of all this country has to offer and then turn around and stick a knife in its back?

Perhaps I will never know or understand those answers. All I do know is I am extremely lucky to have been born an American.

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## GUEST COLUMNIST

## Faculty's race doesn't reflect students

Brett Luster  
senior, journalism

There is a problem with the faculty at this school — its racial makeup does not accurately reflect the students.

There are 157 African-American undergraduates out of 1,201 total in the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts. There is one black faculty member — in Cinema and Photography — and there are no Hispanic faculty members out of 40 total.

It has been more than 10 years since an African American or Hispanic has taught at SIUC in the School of Journalism.

This is not acceptable. How can black radio-television students accurately monitor the pulse of a community if they do not learn from teachers who have been in the same streets they have? How much perspective do Hispanic students gain from a stellar but white and Asian communications faculty?

I am a mulatto — half black and half white. When I was growing up in rural central Illinois, whites were the only people in town. All the blacks were in East St. Louis. That's it. I had no racial variation in my school.

There were no black leaders in my community. I didn't have the opportunity to learn from a teacher of color at my school. Racial bigotry was the salient product.

People should be judged on merit, but there is a point where a community begins to suffer from the lack of diversity. That time has come to SIUC.

Do not allow the integrity of this institution to filter. I beseech you.

There is a journalism teaching position open now through the spring. Find those qualified leaders of academia. Bring them to campus. But adamantly seek employees of color.

Black professors are a hot commodity, according to Dr. Walter Jaehnic, director of the School of Journalism. The school was recruiting an African-American woman with her Ph.D. in the early 90s. We offered her \$44,000. Florida offered her \$85,000. She moved to Gainesville.

Focus on getting African-American professors here first, whatever school they're from. Our students need different viewpoints to take out into the world. Make sure the faculty is qualified, but don't overlook teachers from smaller schools.

Some attribute it to the community and the nightlife. Others say our budget problems suck. Any way you look at it, the lack of Hispanic and black teachers is not acceptable. SIUC has a diverse pool of students from

all over the United States. We benefit from instruction by journalism teachers with a wide range of experience.

However, there are no news teachers here who can teach from a black perspective even though SIUC ranks fourth in the nation in traditionally white schools graduating black students. Why hire foreign professors when there is qualified Hispanic and African-American faculty in the United States?

These teachers are at a premium. But we have both the resources and the talent to successfully recruit these minorities.

According to Mike Lawrence, who was a press secretary to former Gov. Jim Edgar, aggressive outreach is imperative. Black student organizations such as the National Association of Black Journalists — stand up. Contact education graduate programs with vigor. Invite candidates to campus. Seek out black Ph.D. and master's candidates. This is my challenge to you.

The point is to attract quality black journalists from the hiring pool. Do not go after minorities for the sake of them being black or Hispanic. Not just anyone will do. You will find qualified people.

To reach diversity we need diverse search panels, according to Lawrence, who is now the associate director of the Public Policy Institute. Picture yourself as an African American interviewing at the school.

Is it inviting to see an all-white hiring committee? Bring in people from outside the School of Journalism.

Dr. Jaehnic cited the lack of black clubs and churches in attracting African-American professors. Set up dinner appointments with African-American faculty on campus. Show them what black churches there are in Carbondale. Take them to the north side of town.

Expose the work Habitat for Humanity is doing in low-income black neighborhoods in this city and in Cairo. Tell them about the work Habitat is doing for Mexican migrant workers in Cobden.

Avidly encourage them to interact with Carbondale's African-American community. Foster a receptive environment. Show them. SIUC is conducive to their needs.

Please. Communications students want a diverse group of teachers. This is the business of disseminating information. We need as many different perspectives as possible.

According to Lawrence, we will not significantly increase diversity without extraordinary things. That's right.

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## LETTERS

### Columnist practices same thing he denounces

DEAR EDITOR:

In Brain Smith's "Right Angle" column, which was published Monday, Mr. Smith made a comment that many Americans "can't stand ... arrogant Liberals telling them how to live their lives." This comment wasn't backed up by any examples, but I thought I'd offer some counterexamples from a more leftist position.

There are numerous examples of Conservatives trying to legislate morality and "tell people how to live their lives," as Mr. Smith puts it.

For example, it was our conservative president who effectively shut down numerous clinics in Africa because he disagreed with their philosophy on reproductive health care, leaving many regions with no health care at all.

It is also Conservatives who are constantly decrying homosexuality and doing their utmost to block efforts to provide gay men and lesbians with equal rights and protection under the law.

If that isn't telling people how to live their lives, I don't know what is.

If Mr. Smith wishes to make such comments about Liberals, he might want to consider backing it up with examples.

With the tone of his article, Mr. Smith seems to be dipping his toes in a bit of that arrogance he is criticizing Liberals for.

Jonathan Ruskin  
Carbondale

### Support for 'Political Hot Zone'

DEAR EDITOR:

I am speaking in support of Alex

Berezov's article regarding being ungrateful and blaming America.

Alex was right on target as far as I'm concerned.

The left-wing extremist always has something to complain about.

Alex is not afraid to speak out for a baby's right to life or any other issue, which is against what the Bible teaches.

God bless you, Alex. Keep those articles coming.

You have the courage to stand up for what is right.

Judy Korando  
Murphysboro

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# Interfaith Center saves turkeys

Students, community members celebrate vegetarian Thanksgiving

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The planning is complete. The dishes have been counted, recipes have been sorted and the food has begun to be prepared. Thanksgiving dinner is ready to be served but without the traditional gobble-gobble.

The Interfaith Center, 913 S. Illinois Ave., will play host to the community's annual Vegetarian Thanksgiving Dinner tonight from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

"It has all the other aspects of a traditional holiday feast," said Hugh Muldoon, director of the Interfaith Center. "At the same time, it is compelling because it challenges the common centerpiece of Thanksgiving — turkey."

The menu for the vegetarian meal is full of Thanksgiving favorites such as sweet potatoes, stuffing, bean salad, as well as 30 pounds of

vegan mashed potatoes, gallons of gravy and 60 pounds of tofu turkey.

Tracy McEvilly, a student at SIUC, spent much of last week perfecting her recipe and the presentation of the 10, six-pound "tofurkies" that will be served.

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**Be us, says:**  
Gus, very quiet. I'm hunting tofurkies.

event's sponsors.

"I felt that this was a good way to contribute to the efforts of Student Environmental Center without having to do paperwork," McEvilly

The meal will also include a variety of other vegetarian and vegan foods.

Besides food, the event will have live music and the appearance of a dancing vegetable.

McEvilly said she wanted to help organize the dinner because of her involvement with the Student Environmental Center, one of the

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"I wanted to make my contribution in the kitchen."

The Vegetarian Thanksgiving Dinner is sponsored by the Neighborhood Co-op, Southern Sustainability, Campus Shawnee Greens, Student Environmental Center and the Interfaith Center.

Everyone is welcome to attend the dinner. Muldoon said about 150 to 200 people are expected to attend the event and encourages people to come early.

There is a suggested donation of \$5. "We're not selling this meal," Muldoon said. "It's about celebrating and giving thanks. We are happy to have everyone there, happy to be together."

Anyone interested in volunteering to help should call 549-7387.

# GPSC argues proposed e-mail policy

Resolution opposes plan to be drafted

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While a proposed e-mail policy would allow the University to communicate to SIUC students, the Graduate and Professional Student Council collectively said the policy would only cause more harm.

"The problems with this are immense, from access to privacy to freedom of choice," GPSC President Amy Silveven said.

GPSC unanimously opposed the University's plan to utilize online electronic mail to communicate to SIUC students and plans to draft a resolution opposing the policy.

Under the official SIUC student e-mail policy, each student upon enrollment would receive an account from the University. This e-mail account would be used for educational purposes as well as a way for the administration to send messages to SIUC students.

The University would therefore expect students to check their e-mail accounts frequently so they would not miss important information. Faculty may also use the e-mail service to communicate coursework to their students. These specifications would be indicated in the syllabus.

The University would not be accountable for message delivery. As a result, it would not accept an error in forwarding mail or the returning of mail due to a full mailbox as an excuse for not receiving official messages. Also, failure to check e-mail in a timely manner would not be acknowledged as a reason.

The policy, drafted in October, would not include already existing e-mail accounts through academic departments, but students could opt to redirect SIUC mail to another e-mail account.

Eric Waltmire, vice president for Academic Affairs, said he believes the motive behind this policy is for the University to not take responsibility for transmitting information to students.

"It seems to me that this is drafted in every way to allow the University to claim it is giving people notice of anything when in actuality they will never get it," he said.

GPSC also had concerns over the amount of outside services soliciting e-mails to students through a required University account. Silveven said when she had a University account, the e-mail from different advertisers disabled her use of e-mail.

GPSC uses Hotmail for e-mail communication. According to Silveven, GPSC has not had any problems with junk mail, but the provider has also kept viruses and worms that had been downloaded on other computers on campus.

Silveven said the University should consider that not all SIUC students would be able to log on every day, especially during the scheduled breaks when residence hall and computer labs are closed.

"Students do not necessarily have access to computers every 24 hours on campus," she said.

A resolution opposing the e-mail policy will be drafted for a vote at a future GPSC meeting.

# DE takes home four national awards

Six DAILY EGYPTIAN staffers attend National College Media Convention in Dallas

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The DAILY EGYPTIAN recently received a little recognition for all its hard work.

The National College Media Convention (the biggest college student media convention in the world) took place Nov. 5 to 9 in Dallas, Texas, where the DE received four national awards.

Two thousand six hundred college journalists and their advisers attended the event, including members of daily, weekly and monthly publications from across the United States. Representing the DAILY EGYPTIAN were general manager Lance Speere, editor-in-chief Michael Brenner, campus editor Katie Davis, sports reporter Zack Creglow, reporter Moustafa Ayad, photo editor Derek Anderson and Voices editor Kristina Hermbloder.

Taking place in the Hyatt Regency Dallas, the convention was co-sponsored by the Associated Collegiate Press and College Media Advisers in partnership with College Broadcasters Inc. The convention featured keynote addresses, hundreds of breakout sessions, a career fair, on-site critiques, discussion groups and a tradeshow. The Black College Communications Association was also present, holding concurrent events for its members.

"What we do at the conference is we provide workshops for four days, taught by college professors from other universities and from working professionals," Speere said.

# Social work professor publishes first book

Book provides guide to human rights principles, their ties to social work

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Although Elisabeth Reichert is new to the book-writing game, the release of her first book has many of her colleagues buzzing about its impact on social work and human rights.

"It's very exciting because all the libraries in the U.S. are demanding it," said Reichert, an associate professor of social work. "It's a good sign that there is definitely an interest for human rights."

Released in March, "Social Work and Human Rights: A Foundation for Policy and Practice" provides a thorough introduction to human rights and their application to social policies and issues.

Katherine van Wormer, professor of social work at the University of Northern Iowa, said she expects Reichert's book to help boost social work in the direction of human rights.

"There's a lot in this book for everybody and

Creglow believes he walked away having learned a lot from the schools and professionals that were there.

"It was a very educational experience for me," Creglow said.

Creglow said at the convention, he had the opportunity to learn from a sports columnist of the Dallas Morning News about conflict resolution, and in other sessions he learned about issues such as diversity.

The ACP and CMA presented annual and national awards during the convention including ACP's Pacemaker and Reporter of the Year awards, as well as the CMA adviser awards and annual CBI awards. The ACP Best of Show Competition for newspapers, yearbooks, magazines and radio broadcast news programs also took place.

Brenner received third place for Sports Story of the Year, Graphic Artist Shane Pangburn received third place for Graphic Illustration of the Year, the DE staff received fifth place for Best in Show among Daily Tabloids, and Graphics Editor Dave Massemma received a first place for Best of Collegiate Design.

Brenner received his award for a story he wrote spring 2003 regarding the SIUC-Creighton basketball game.

Brenner said he was in the newsroom one night when he heard about a line of students waiting overnight for tickets for the game.

"I just kind of went out there intending to maybe write a story later, to see what was going on. While we were out there we decided to just stay the entire night," Brenner said. "I stayed there all night with them and was able to turn in the story the next day with the help of about five Frappuccinos. I just crashed after that, but it was worth it."

Brenner believes his story helps to prove a big point about SIUC.

not just for students in social work," van Wormer said. "I'm really excited about this book. SIUC is lucky to have someone of Reichert's stature."

The book, published by Columbia University Press, addresses human rights in relation to cultural relativism, ethics and vulnerable groups including children, women, victims of racism, older persons and persons with disabilities.

Reichert was inspired to write the book after attending the United Nations fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing in 1995.

"I then realized that human rights was a relevant topic for a book," Reichert said. "We're supposed to help people. In social work, we work with people who are vulnerable because they may not have resources."

Link, professor of social work at Augsburg College in Minnesota, said a contribution of the book is how Reichert highlights social justice but reminds readers it is a complicated idea interpreted by some to be legal, socialist or impossible to achieve at all.

For more information on the study abroad program in Australia, contact Elisabeth Reichert at 453-2243.

"That story was actually important to me because it does help show that this is not the worst sports school in the world," Brenner said. "I mean, would people be camping out overnight to get basketball tickets if this was the worst sports school?"

Brenner was for the most part satisfied with the awards the DAILY EGYPTIAN received.

"For the paper as a whole, I was pretty happy to actually get best of show," Brenner said. "I'm really disappointed we didn't get a Pacemaker, but we'll get one next year."

At the conference last year, the DAILY EGYPTIAN won a National Pacemaker, making it one of five daily newspapers recognized as the best college newspaper in the nation.

"This year we weren't nominated as a finalist, so we had to watch other college newspapers win," Speere said. "When I talked to the group afterwards they said, 'There's no reason why we shouldn't be up there again.'"

Speere said the convention motivated DE staff members who attended to do better.

"They came back also with a lot of good ideas after sharing information with other college newspapers and learning from many other professionals," he said.

Speere said he believes local readers don't always know what they have with the DE.

"I'm extremely proud of what we do every day. I don't feel like we necessarily need the awards to validate what we do. I think there are other ways that we get our validation," Speere said. "But at the individual level, I think it is great for the students when they are recognized nationally for what they're doing here."

Speere said it's nice when an SIUC student can compete nationally and win a national award.

"We can say, 'Say what you will; this young man or woman is one of the best in the nation,'" he said.

"It's extremely helpful because she has these vignettes where she demonstrates how we can apply the commitments and expectations of these instruments in our daily lives," Link said.

To better describe human rights, Reichert's book dissects aspects of human rights as they relate to the social work profession.

Reichert said human rights came into being in 1948, with the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, but the concepts have been around much longer.

"Human rights is always a work in progress," Reichert said. "It's interesting just to look at its history and how it has developed ... Human rights comes from the people. It's grassroots. Human rights is more inclusive. Often people think human rights is political, but it's really much more."

Social Work and Human Rights also contains case studies that provide exercises to assist readers in applying human rights to everyday situations.

Mizanur Miah, director of the School of Social Work, said the book is making a strong contribution to the field.

# SIUC club teaches students self-defense, weapons training

SIU Aikido Club meets twice per week in Recreation Center

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Size always matters. Well, not always, but it helps.

Aikido, a form of martial arts, may be easier to learn for those who are bigger and stronger, but those who are not can master the skills as well. In fact, people of smaller stature often have the advantage when it comes to posture and balance, which is an important part of Aikido.

"Aikido is not force against force, and it's not really based on intent to harm," said Rob Gallegly, the assistant instructor. "It's really based on using the energy of the opponent against themselves, to protect you and if you can preserve the other person."

The SIU Aikido Club, which has approximately 18 members, will be celebrating its 20th anniversary next year. The club meets from 6 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Martial Arts room in the Recreation Center.

The first hour-and-a-half of class is designed for beginners, and the second half is designed for advanced students. Aikido weapons training is also offered from 6 to 7 p.m. Wednesday and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Saturday. The club has four Aikido trainers, and no previous experience is needed.

Aikido is a traditional Japanese martial art that was originally developed when Japan faced a time of war. It was formed to promote joining people of the world together in peace.

The SIU Aikido Club was formed for similar purposes. Randy Greer, the club's adviser and youth instructor, said the club was started in the 1980s after a girl was raped on campus.

"Instructors pulled their resources together and started training to get people's awareness up about self-defense," Greer said. "We wanted to be a resource for people to learn how to defend themselves and be more aware of dangerous situations."

A \$30 membership fee required to join the club.

Although Aikido has different levels of advancement similar to karate or martial arts, the SIU Aikido Club chose not to award different belt colors to students at different levels. The only belt color differentiation is between instructors and students.

"Sometimes different colored belts promote egotism," Gallegly said. "They are all students. It doesn't matter what rank they are."

Aside from weekly training, the club also participates in seminars. At the seminars, students and instructors learn more specific skill and techniques. The group plans to attend a seminar in Chicago over Thanksgiving break. Gallegly said the club plans to have Aikido semi-

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— Randy Greer  
adviser and youth instructor, SIU Aikido Club

nars all throughout the year next year as a part of their 20th anniversary celebration.

Although safety is a primary issue, injuries can occur since Aikido is based on the pairing up of opponents.

"If you punch the air all day long you are going to think, 'Hey, I am pretty good,' but as soon as you hit somebody, it's going to be a harder and different interaction," Gallegly said. "With beginners, we start slow and are very focused."

Karen Gallegly, the head instructor, said the primary focus of Aikido is not to strike people, but striking is eventually incorporated after much training. The Aikido group works more on learning how to bring somebody down to the ground without actually harming them.

Not only can Aikido provide students with self-defense knowledge, but it can help with self-confidence as well. Greer has worked with children with learning disabilities. He said the mind-body connection helps strengthen both self-confidence and the ability to learn.

"It teaches kids self-esteem and the ability to handle conflict with out violence," Greer said. "I have always received good input from parents."

## BOOKS

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"It is one of the most popular books and is timely in human rights and is very valuable to the global context as well as the context of human society and social education," Miah said.

Reichert's book covers the development of human rights, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, covenants and other treaties involving human rights.

Link, who is using Reichert's book in her global peace and social

development class, said she thinks the book is great and finds it helpful.

"I really liked the way Reichert has reminded us the work that has taken place to achieve peace and attention to human well-being," Link said.


In May, Reichert will be taking a group of students to Perth, Australia, for a study abroad program focusing on human rights and social work issues. All students, including those from other disciplines other than social work, are welcome, and undergraduate and graduate credits are available for those students who participate.

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# Penn State U. to offer Napster to students

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The Chronicle (Duke U.)

**DURHAM, N.C. (U-WIRE)** — Pennsylvania State University does not want its students to get arrested.

That is one of the motivations behind Penn State's recently announced plans to provide the music-downloading service Napster to its students, 18,000 of which will get this service at the start of the spring semester.

Penn State sees such a policy as contributing to a greater campaign against illegal music downloading.

"Music piracy has found a breeding ground on college and university campuses due to the high-speed computer networks that we all operate," said Penn State spokesperson Tyson Kendig.

Penn State President Graham Spanier, also co-chairman of the Joint Committee of Higher Education and Entertainment, has made illegal music downloading a university priority and initiated what many higher education and music industry professionals see as a model for other universities.

"I don't think there's any question that this is a first step," said Napster spokesman Seth Oster. "The deal

with Penn State represents a major stride forward in the battle against music piracy."

Penn State's initiative also publicizes a long-anticipated alternative to peer-to-peer networks.

The newly revamped and completely legal version of Napster, which debuted Oct. 29, promises to offer users the perks of music from the Internet without the pains of copyright infringement. The basic service, available for free download, allows users to access Napster's database and download any of its more than half a million songs for \$0.99 apiece.

Penn State has contracted to provide the premium service, which Oster calls "a step above basic Napster," to its students. The monthly access fee — to be covered by Penn State — includes full-length streaming music, access to Billboard music charts dating back to 1955, over 40 radio stations and music articles in addition to the basic features.

Downloading individual songs, however, will not be covered by Penn State. Still, "the student pays nothing unless they want to own a song," Oster said.

Oster's appraisal is the same point that has garnered complaints from students, many of whom prefer

the free access of copyright-infringing peer-to-peer networks to pay-as-you-download alternatives such as Napster.

"The subscription is free, but you have to pay for any song you download," said Penn State sophomore Heather Baruch. "I'm not going to even use it — I'll just use Kazaa." But free downloads have a price.

"Because of the instant gratification of the Internet, this generation has the mindset that everything should be free," Kendig said. "To infringe on copyright law and steal songs over the Internet is akin to shoplifting."

Just as stores prevent shoplifting with security cameras, the Recording Industry Association of America now monitors illegal downloading practices in what RIAA representative Jonathan Lamy called an "educational campaign" to target the largest file distributors.

Lamy said the campaign has resulted in a total of 341 lawsuits against distributors in the period from September to mid-October. RIAA watchdogs find distributors the same way that students search for songs.

Recently, the RIAA search led to the subpoena of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

for information about an on-campus student who allegedly made available for download songs by RIAA artists. As yet, UNC has not responded to the subpoena because they claim that it was improperly filed.

Although students throughout the country know about the RIAA campaign, many say they are not concerned about the possibility of litigation for downloading files because, according to their understandings of peer-to-peer networks, as long as they do not allow uploads, they are safe.

"I'm not currently sharing files, so I feel like the odds that I'll actually get in trouble are very slim," said Penn State sophomore Jane Everett. "It's worth it to not have to pay."

Lamy acknowledges that to date, there has not been litigation against users who do not allow uploads. Chris Cramer, Duke's information technology security officer, said the lack of litigation stems from the difficulty in discerning who are the big downloaders.

"Right now we are focused on the distributors," Lamy said. "The idea is that if you can create enough inconvenience and deterrence for using the peer-to-peer networks, then fans will just migrate to one of the great legal services instead."

Inconvenience may not be as effective as fear, suggests Everett.

"I don't see why people will pay if they feel like they are not in danger. If people aren't afraid of [litigation], they're not going to bother," she said.

A new proposal at Penn State may prohibit students from operating peer-to-peer programs from dorm room computers unless they have a specific academic purpose, said Kendig. "We will continue enforcing legal use of our computer networks," he said, adding that as yet there are no plans to block the popular peer-to-peer software Kazaa.

Penn State sophomore Alexis Kaplan sees her school's measures as limiting.

"It's my computer, why is it their business what I do? I pay an Internet fee, so now I'm paying to not be able to do what I want online," she said.

Still, Oster remains confident students will use Napster's charge service for its "far superior" nature to other downloading services.

"Peer-to-peer networks are simply utilities where you search for a song, find it, download it and then hope against hope that you haven't infected your computer with a virus and that you actually got the whole song," Oster said.

## Shortage of men felt at colleges, universities across nation

Shadi Rahimi  
Daily Californian (U. California-Berkeley)

**BERKELEY, Calif. (U-WIRE)** — Berkeley High School senior Chris Carlisle isn't planning to apply to University of California-Berkeley this year. In fact, he's not sending any applications to college.

"I want to be a firefighter," Carlisle said. "I just ain't thought about college."

Carlisle's decision reflects a growing national trend — fewer men are choosing to go to college and now make up just under 44 percent of students enrolled in degree-granting institutions across the country.

With this phenomenon, UC Berkeley's gender gap has reversed. At 54 percent of the college-age student body, women outnumber men in every ethnic group except among whites.

"It's pretty cool," said junior sociology major Maniza Barajas. "Before, women experienced so many restrictions when it came to higher education. Now we're less dependent on men economically."

But among minorities, the gap is extreme. Of

about 1,200 black students on campus this fall, nearly 800 are women. Asian-American females outnumber Asian-American males by more than 1,000.

Such an unbalanced increase in female presence on college campuses may not be altogether healthy, some experts say.

"Sociologically, it throws things way out of balance," said Lynda Tredway, an instructor at the UC Berkeley Graduate School of Education, who has published work on the minority achievement gap.

Tredway said the college gender gap stems from racial perceptions and low K-12 performance for males. From the onset of their school experience, the odds are against black and Latino boys, she said.

"There's a racial dimension in the classroom that is unavoidable," Tredway said. "Teachers 'adultify' the behavior of African-American and Hispanic males. They are not seen as just boys but feared as men."

This mentality often translates into higher suspension rates for those boys, Tredway said, which in turn increases the likelihood of dropouts.

Blacks in particular are suspended from school more often than students in other ethnic groups, according to the National Center for Education Studies.

And statewide, dropout rates for black male high school seniors are more than three times higher than for Asian-American males, according to the California Department of Education.

Few of those black and Latino males who stay in school even take all courses required for UC entrance. Last year, more than twice as many Asian-American male graduates completed the required courses as compared to black and Latino students, according to the department.

The trend of low K-12 performance for boys carries over into college applications. Tens of thousands more female than male high school students took the SAT's last fall in California.

Last year, thousands more women applied to UC Berkeley than men. Women made up three-quarters of all Latino applicants to UC Berkeley. Black female applicants outnumbered males by more than 400.

Black males sometimes have difficulty picturing themselves in college when they do not see

others there already, said Justin Martin, a junior in social welfare.

Martin is a member of 100 College Black Men, which has blacked male students from Berkeley High to UC Berkeley for tours and workshops.

"When they get here, they have a lot of interest," Martin said. "They see that a lot of the obstacles they face are the same as what we're going through. The struggle is the same."

While women nationwide have found ways around long-standing race and class barriers, studies suggest such obstacles are still holding men back.

And although low performance in high school may explain the small number of black and Latino male college applicants, it remains unclear why a gender gap exists among Asian-Americans, experts say.

Theories about why some minority males perform poorly in school are as abundant as the solutions offered, said Lisa Kala, a lecturer in the Graduate School of Education.

They're so plentiful, Kala's cabinet drawer is stuffed with minority achievement studies.

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couple times a day and check on it," Odum said.

"Our officers try to get around every shift to check your house. That's for everybody that's going to be out of town for several days and even people who might not leave until the middle of the week."

Carbondale rental property owners said although they would also be checking their vacant homes during fall break, they would like people to safeguard their homes from any possible burglaries.

Landlords said protection methods as small as leaving a light on inside a home or asking people to pick up mail are more effective than some realize.

Carolyn Fronke, the office manager of Bonnie Owen Property Management, said tenants should take preventative measures to avoid people from entering homes through sliding doors.

"Sliding doors is the easiest way for people to get in," Fronke said. "If they just put some kind of 2-by-4 in between the wall and the door, that helps a lot. They can always break the glass, but that does help them from

Jenny Downs, the collecting and leasing agent of Home Rentals, said she wants to remind tenants trying to save money by turning off the heat in their homes that doing so could result in busted pipes.

Besides efforts on the part of tenants, Downs said her agency performs routine checks on apartments that appear to be empty for a few days.

"If we notice there is no activity going on in an apartment, then we'll just peek our head in to see if anybody has been around," Downs said.

"If there's nobody there, then we will go in and check their thermostat and make sure they locked both locks because we do have a deadbolt and a bottom lock on our properties."

Whatever measures people take, Odum said people should not forget the most basic of burglary prevention methods: checking to see doors and windows are locked.

"Sometimes people may have left their window open when the weather changes, and they just forget," Odum said.

"Making sure doors and win-

### PLAYOFF

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to attend the game.

"Our staff wants to make sure they still have the opportunity, if they choose to be able to go to the game, to support [the football team]," said Elizabeth Scally, assistant director for Housing and Residence Life. "We don't want the fact that we are closed to hinder someone from attending the football game."

Students will be on their own, however, to find out if and when the Salukis will be playing host to a playoff game. The Athletic Department's website, www.SIUsalukis.com, will post game information at 12:30 p.m. Sunday immediately following the selection show on ESPN.

"We've had tremendous support from our student body all year," Kowalczyk said. "Given that it's Thanksgiving, I'm sure some won't be able to get back here, but we certainly hope many will because they can really make the difference."

With all first-round games scheduled for that Saturday, SIU is not the only school facing these problems.

Rick Hartzell, athletic director of the University of Northern Iowa,

and student ticket prices will be kept at the lowest possible amount to hopefully entice students back for the game.

Northern Iowa has had problems thus far ensuring housing for the students should they return early, unlike SIU.

"We're making that attempt, but right now we're not sure," Hartzell said. "We have places for all of our players to stay, but right now we haven't been able to accomplish that last step."

While SIU has bid the minimum, in the hopes of having a home playoff game or two, other teams can and are bidding more.

Northern Iowa has bid more than the minimum for each of the first three rounds, according to Hartzell.

The Panthers have been to the Division I-AA playoffs 10 times since the playoffs were established in 1978 and are preparing just as they have in the past.

"We bid beyond the minimum, and we always have bid beyond the minimum," Hartzell said. "We've been through it a bunch, and we kind of know what it takes."

A portion of the bidding money goes to traveling expenses for visiting teams, but the NCAA does take 75 percent of net revenues from the

game's proceeds, making it tough to make money out of the deal.

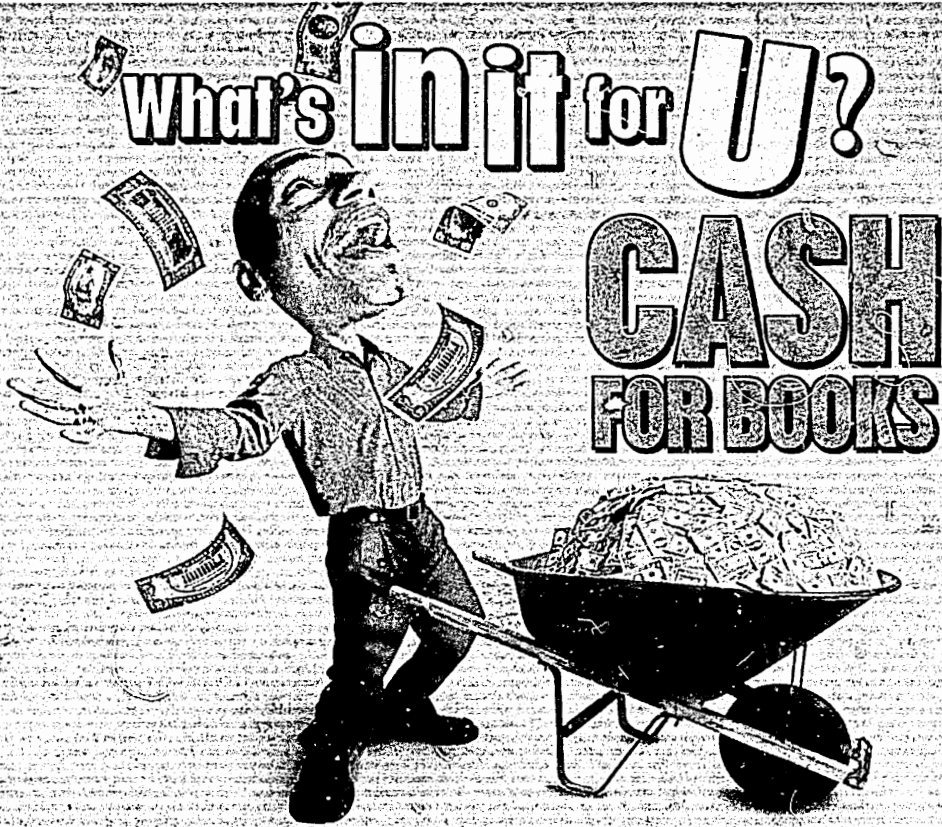
Despite the 75 percent that goes to the NCAA general operating fund, SIU Athletics Marketing Director Mike Trude is hopeful that if SIU does receive a home game, it will be able to make the money back in ticket, concessions and merchandise sales.

Ticket prices have been set at \$6 for students and \$12 for non-students, the same amount the University charged throughout the season.

Kowalczyk is working on a scenario in which alumni will buy a number of the \$6 tickets in order to be raffled off to students in a lottery process. The Athletic Department is hoping if they can attend the game for free as usual, students would be more likely to return to school early, but this option is still in the process of being finalized.

While fan attendance is secondary to the team's performance on the field, SIU football head coach Jerry Kill says the more the merrier.

"I've just been locked up in my little cubicle trying to figure out how they're going to play," Kill said. "But the more students we have here and the more people at the game, the better the situation."



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# Northwestern University hate crimes 'made up'

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**EVANSTON (U-WIRE)**

— Evanston police arrested a Northwestern University communication freshman Monday and charged him with felony disorderly conduct, alleging he lied about two hate crimes to bring attention to race relations on campus.

Jaime Alexander Saide, nicknamed Xander, told police he found the words "Die Spic" written on a poster and wall adjacent to his first-floor room in Chapin Residential College Nov. 4. Four days later Saide told police someone grabbed him from behind on the street nearby the dorm, held a knife to his neck and whispered "Spic, we didn't run away this time," into his ear.

Saide "made up" both incidents, Vice President for Student Affairs William Banis wrote in a press release issued Tuesday morning. Police charged Saide late Monday with two counts of felony disorderly conduct in connection with fabricating police

reports about the incidents.

Saide confessed he falsified reports about the racist acts to initiate dialogue about racial relations on campus, said Chief Frank Kaminski of Evanston Police Department. Saide could not be reached for comment.

"Certainly his motivation was to bring attention to himself and his cause," Kaminski said Tuesday at a press conference.

He added that Saide's false testimonies have done a disservice to the campus, shifting police officers' focus from "legitimate" concerns, such as the recent robberies of Northwestern students.

"I'm absolutely appalled that this childish prank has instilled the unwarranted fear in the community," Kaminski said. "We're going to make sure this case is prosecuted to the full extent of the law."

"We are obviously extremely disappointed in the actions of one of our students," Banis wrote in his press release. "These fabricated incidents inflamed and upset the entire campus community needlessly."

Banis also wrote that the univer-

sity will continue to investigate other bigoted incidents on campus and will "respond appropriately" to Saide's fabrication. According to NU's student handbook, Saide could face a broad range of consequences — from counseling, to fines, to expulsion.

Saide appeared at Circuit Court in Skokie for a bond hearing Tuesday morning, Kaminski said. The Associated Press reported that Saide's bond was set at \$3,000, and he was ordered to return to court Dec. 18.

Bradley Him, Saide's roommate, said he saw police officers escort Saide out of his room Monday night and Saide has not returned to his dorm since the arrest.

"I am a bit shocked," said Him, a Weinberg freshman. "I thought he was tremendously strong-willed throughout the entire incident. He really wanted to take action."

There have been 10 incidents of bigotry on the Evanston Campus since January. Most of them involved a racial slur or swastika being drawn on a student's door or university building. But only three of those incidents — two of which Saide may have

fabricated — are classified as "hate crimes" because they threatened violence and targeted a specific person.

Saide's story sparked student group leaders to organize a "Stop the Hate" campaign. Members of the campaign encouraged minority students to wear black and refrain from speaking speak Nov. 11 to demonstrate the importance of diversity. More than 500 people gathered at The Rock the next day for a rally against intolerance.

He also wrote about his heritage and upbringing in light of his story in a column in Tuesday's Forum section of The Daily.

Tracy Carson, coordinator of black student alliance For Members Only and one of the protests' organizers, said she was extremely disappointed that Saide would deceive the entire campus.

"There were a lot of people trying to champion the cause and fight on behalf of his stories," said Carson, a Weinberg senior. "I am very worried about his psychological well-being."

Still, Carson said, the eight other instances of racial and religious van-

dalism on campus show NU needs to take racism seriously. Supporters of the campaign met Sunday to discuss "practical measures" to address intolerance on campus.

Carson said although Saide's behavior "de-legitimized" some of the group's proposals, his confession proved why new students should take a diversity training course when they get to NU.

"Xander's case shows another extreme with hate crimes," Carson said. "When people don't have cultural tolerance, it manifests itself in hate crimes. And those who wish to address it think they have to force the discussion."

Nazia Kazi, a Weinberg senior who found the words "sand nigger" scrawled across her dry-erase board in the Foster-Walker Complex last year, said Saide's case trivialized the plight of students who actually were targeted.

"I feel like now if someone reports an incident, they will not get the attention they deserve," Kazi said. "And things like these definitely deserve attention."

## Selective Service fills vacancies, not drafting

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Daily Illini (U. Illinois)

**CHAMPAIGN (U-WIRE)**

— Although the U.S. Selective Service is filling vacancies on draft boards throughout the country, many say that alarm over a possible return of a Vietnam-style draft system is unfounded.

If ordered by Congress and President George W. Bush, the Selective Service could reinstate the draft.

"There is no draft at this time, but it has been a federal law that men register within 30 days of turning 18," said Alyce Burton, a spokesman for the National Selective Service office.

Burton said Selective Service positions are being filled because terms have expired, leaving large numbers of vacancies on drafting boards.

"We are always seeking volunteers on our local draft boards," Burton said. "As a result of a maximum 20-year limit, many of the members who have been serving since the 1980s have had to leave."

History professor Kristin Hoganson said a potential draft depends on what happens in Iraq and Afghanistan and the future of the war on terror, whether Bush pursues war with other members of "The Axis of Evil" and the popularity of the

Bush administration's policies.

"The Bush administration is waging an increasingly unpopular war," Hoganson said. "The administration thinks the war is becoming more unpopular and costly than anticipated. There may come a day they won't be able to conduct their policies with an all-voluntary Army."

Dan Amon, public affairs specialist for Public and Congressional Affairs in Illinois, said 84 percent of draft board positions have been filled. He said a draft will be unnecessary in Iraq and the war on terrorism.

But if there was another draft, college students would no longer be immune from it after changes were made to the draft law in 1971.

"A great effort has been made to make the draft equal and fair," Amon said. "Students [would] now be allowed to finish out the semester, and seniors [would be] allowed to finish out the year before being drafted."

College Republicans President Victoria Cosentino said she would support President Bush if he decided to bring back the draft.

"If the draft was something the president felt was necessary, I would support his decision," she said. "It would be unfortunate if any student's education is disrupted, but I feel it's a matter of duty."

However, College Democrats President Lauren Kidwell said she is opposed to sending more soldiers to Iraq without a clear exit strategy.

"Bush has not been forthright on Iraq," Kidwell said. "I want to see how he is going to resolve the Iraq situation before we send more soldiers."

If there is a draft, there have been speculations that women might also be called to duty.

"Women in the armed forces are a good thing," said Sarah Tomlinson, a senior in LAS and College Republicans chair. "Women could go to battle as well as the men."

Jake Hughes, senior in ACES, has been in the ROTC Army program for four years.

"I'm a soldier; whatever President Bush decides to do, it is my responsibility as a soldier to obey the rules," Hughes said. "I would be willing to go if I were drafted."

Jillian Skiff, a junior in applied life studies and member of the ROTC Army program, said she doesn't support the draft system but doesn't think a draft is a realistic possibility because people are still enlisting.

"It is highly unlikely women will be drafted," Skiff said. "If I'm called upon to support my country, I would go."

## Kerry tries to regain front-running

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WASHINGTON (U-WIRE)—Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry, once the front-runner for the Democratic nomination, has made several changes in his campaign in the past week to try to reclaim the lead in New Hampshire which most polls show is held by former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean.

In the past week, the Kerry campaign has undergone many high-level staff changes that have caused many to ask if the senator's campaign stalled for too long.

On Nov. 10, Kerry fired campaign manager Jim Jordan, replacing him with Mary Beth Cahill, the Chief of Staff for Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass.

This major change comes only three months before the primary in Iowa.

Jordan, the former head of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, was ousted after Kerry has fallen from his early an early lead to third in most Iowa polls and is trailing Dean in New Hampshire.

Due to this shake-up, his chief spokesman and deputy finance director resigned from the campaign shortly thereafter.

On Nov. 14, Kerry publicly announced he would not accept public funds to finance his bid, investing some of his own money to the cause.

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## GARB

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"It is eerily similar," Trude said. "The only difference is in the basketball season is that we knew where we were going to be playing."

Predicting destinations for the Salukis during Division I-AA playoffs is tricky because teams have to enter the bidding process for rights to host a game.

The widespread belief is SIU will receive a first-round home game.

The University has placed bids spanning to the third round.

But against who is the question

Trude would like to be answered, because at the moment he has no idea to whom he is marketing, whether it is solely SIU fans or fans from a nearby team in the region as well.

With a home game during the playoffs, SIU and local retailers are sure to make their fair share of profits, but the NCAA also sneaks its hand into the retailers' pockets.

Given the playoff game is at home, 710 Book Store will have to compensate the NCAA for 80 percent of all items the NCAA provides and 25 percent of all other sales, such as SIU sweatshirts 710 Book Store has independently sold throughout the year, not just foot-

ball season.

Come playoff time the store will have to fork over \$10 from the sweatshirts' \$40 price tag every time one is purchased.

"You have to play by their rules," Trude said.

Despite the heavy sanctions, 710 Book Store should make a profit after the home games, even though most students will be out of town for the Thanksgiving holiday.

"I think our fans will do well, and I think they will wanna buy playoff items," Trude said.

There has already been over 600 requests for tickets, and that is not even knowing if we are going to have one at home."

## WAITING

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coaches] said they're going to pull an all-nighter scouting and watching film," Abbott said.

Following a season in which almost every game was a battle, head coach Jerry Kill gave the team some much-needed time to rest following the last regular season game, canceling Monday's and Tuesday's practices before returning to the field Wednesday.

Some players such as Abbott used the time off to catch up on schoolwork, but others were not quite sure what to do without their daily routine of going to practice.

"It was kind of like that movie 'Sawshank Redemption,'" Sambursky said. "He's been in jail for so long and he gets out and he doesn't know what to do with himself, so that's kind of how we've been. We were like, 'Wow, we don't have anything to do today.'"

Kill, who has been able to turn the Salukis' record completely around from a 1-10 mark two seasons ago, was probably happier than anyone else to be back on the practice field, joking that he was tired of being around no one but grown-ups the last few days.

He then turned serious and said capturing the school's first-ever conference title and everything else the Salukis have done until now is something to be proud of, but it means nothing as of this moment.

"Everything that happened until now don't matter," Kill said. "This is a new season. This is season No. 2, and we have to reevaluate our goals, and our first goal is to win our first playoff game here."

## DEJA VU

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in the nation.

"That team's offense was decent," Huff said.

Their quarterback, Rick Johnson, he was a fine quarterback. A lot of that was probably due to him being a fifth-year senior, like [Koutsos]."

Johnson, despite throwing for nearly twice as many interceptions as touchdowns during his career, holds the SIU career record for passing yardage with 5,228. But his blue-collar orchestration of the Saluki offense pales in comparison to the poise shown by Joel Sambursky.

The sophomore has thrown for 1,561 yards and 14 touchdowns this season while tacking on another 431 yards and six scores on the ground.

And he has done it all despite playing in the shadow of his more celebrated backfield mates — a shadow that Huff said he thinks may vanish next season with the departure of Abdulkadir and Koutsos.

"That kid is going to have some fun before he leaves school," he said.

"Next year they'll probably have to start leaning on him more and more, but I think he's going to have a heck of a career."

Whether or not that career includes a national championship ring, though, ultimately will be up to the man in the black sweater vest stalking the Saluki sidelines.

“That kid is going to have some fun before he leaves school.”

— Fred Huff  
SIU Sports Information director

Huff can still recall Dempsey and his coaching staff working many nights, long after the rest of the Athletic Department staff had gone home, and Kill and his staff are no different.

"I can remember before the national championship game in 1983 when I had to tell coach Dempsey that the team needed to leave the field to eat because it was getting close to game time," Huff said.

"But he said, 'We've still got some things to work on.' He was a disciple of hard work, and I think Jerry Kill definitely falls into that same category."

Kill would like to see the Salukis fall into another category — national champions. But before SIU fans can pencil in a trip to Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 19, the Dawgs will have to traverse a playoff field that could include as many as four of their regular-season opponents.

"If there's one thing I can say, it's that the chemistry is there," Kill said. "The '83 team obviously had it, and I think we have it too."

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## BRENNER

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new heir-apparent to Gene Keady's throne at Purdue.

Can SIU compensate for the loss of Kent Williams and Jermaine Dearman?

Yes and no.

Do not expect a dominant post player like Dearman or a stellar scoring point guard like Williams to emerge. But do expect great play, especially on defense, from Stetson Hairston and Darren Brooks. They may not be Williams and Dearman, but they are still two outstanding talents.

Those two are now the superstars, and SIU is still in pretty good hands. Expect all-MVC honors from Brooks and one heck of a season from Hairston, once his suspension is over.

Can the Salukis compete inside?

Two words: Josh Warren.

He is the most underrated Saluki and the answer inside for SIU. Willis is a good center and, for some reason, always gets the opening tip. But Warren is thicker, stronger and, thanks to a lot of conditioning, no longer fat. His weight is a huge advantage on defense, and he has done nothing but improve since

coming to SIU.

Warren is not half bad on offense, either. For a big man, he has deadly accuracy and almost never misses an 18-foot jump shot. Look for Willis to start, but also look for huge things from Warren.

If he can show any type of stamina, Warren could be great.

Is Jamaal Tatum as good as advertised?

Right now, all signs point to yes. He is young, athletic and happy to be here.

Jamaal Tatum may not be a four-year starter like Kent Williams, but he is sure to make a splash before he leaves Carbondale.

Who the hell is LaMar Owen?

Weber signed 6-foot-5 LaMar Owen out of Southeastern Illinois College when everyone was expecting him to bring home a juco big man — and in a way, he did.

Owen may stand a mere 77 inches, but his phenomenal vertical leap makes him a big man. He can elevate a good foot above the rim and could be a monster on the boards as well as a surprise to the coaches who passed on him.

Can SIU go another year undefeated at home?

It would be nice, but

it's unlikely.

SIU will be playing too many talented teams and, as much as it hurts, the Salukis do not have the weapons they did last year.

Look for the home winning streak to snap at 32 when Wichita State comes to town Jan. 11. SIU barely beat the Shockers here last year, and with its improved roster, Wichita State is likely to be the first team to leave Carbondale intact since Evansville in February 2001.

Can SIU win the Valley?

It is possible. Without Williams and Dearman, it will be tough to string together enough wins to win a regular season Valley title. But, given what will be an explosive Saluki team, it has a shot at pulling a few upsets and possibly winning the conference tournament.

A few more fearless predictions for the 2003-2004 Salukis:

Projected record (excluding post-season): 18-9  
Team MVP — Darren Brooks  
Breakout player — Josh Warren  
Leadership award — Sylvester Willis

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- Copy Editors/Page Designers (Sunday-Thursday)
- Columnists (submit sample columns with application)
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10:10  
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THE FAR SIDE OF THE WORLD  
(PG-13) 3:45 4:45 7:00 8:00  
10:00  
MATRIX REVOLUTIONS (R) 3:30  
4:30 6:30 7:30 9:30 10:20  
SCARY MOVIE 3 (PG-13) 5:00  
7:45 9:50

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9:00 9:50  
LOONEY TUNES: BACK IN  
ACTION (PG) 3:45 4:30 6:15  
7:00 8:30 9:30  
MYSTIC RIVER (R) 5:00 8:15  
RADIO (PG) 5:10 7:45 10:10  
SCHOOL OF ROCK (PG) 4:15  
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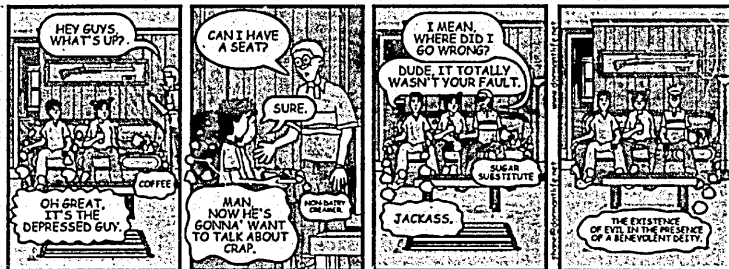
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**S** Southern  
**I** Illinois  
**E** Entertainment

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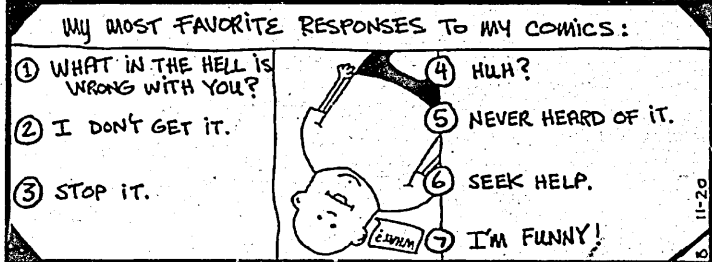
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by Shane Pangburn



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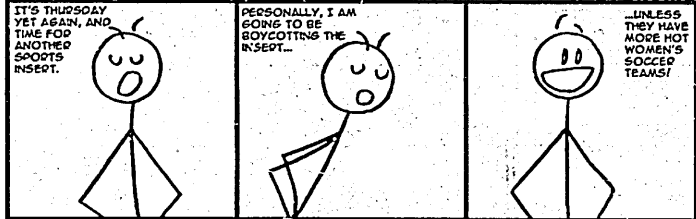
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**In The Band** by Thomas Shaner

**Daily Horoscope**



By Linda C. Black  
Today's Birthday (Nov. 20). By hunting through attics and other secret places, you could find great treasures this year. They can improve your home, or at least make it more interesting. That ought to get you motivated!

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 6 - A partner can help you make connections you couldn't have made otherwise. Use a mediator to help you reach the people you wish to consult.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** - Today is a 5 - You can be a creative person when necessity demands it. Do it just for the fun of it. You'll accumulate reserves.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** - Today is an 8 - The difficult part is mostly over, much to your delight. Schedule a rendezvous for just the two of you so that you can really celebrate.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** - Today is a 7 - The perfect thing for your home may finally be on sale. Dig through the papers in search of bankruptcies and foreclosures. Garage sales, too.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** - Today is a 7 - The more you study, the more you'll start to understand your partner. You may never understand your partner completely, of course, but that's part of the fun.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** - Today is a 6 - You've certainly done enough work for free lately. Isn't it about time you got paid for your efforts? It is. Bring the matter up.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** - Today is a 7 - You might be feeling a tad rebellious, but rebellion isn't a good idea. Stifle that impulse a little while longer, until you're with the one you love. Then, you can get wild and crazy.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** - Today is a 7 - Something you've wanted for your home but couldn't seem to find is almost within your grasp. Don't just sit there - shop!

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** - Today is a 7 - You may be surprised to learn how much your friends admire you. Tell them about your recent adventure.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** - Today is a 6 - Working for extra income is your standard operating procedure, but it's not the only way to get more money. Just ask.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** - Today is a 6 - Your curiosity is piqued. You'd like to venture outside the box. Can you somehow do it while still remaining tight where you've always been? Ask more questions.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** - Today is a 7 - You could take on more responsibility, but you probably won't get more money. It might still be a good deal for you if you can trade for something you can use at home. Experience counts.

**JUMBLE**

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Herd Arnold and Mike Argente

Unscramble these four Jumbles. One letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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LESUNS

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**Crossword**

**ACROSS**  
 1 Deficiency  
 5 Bovine bunch  
 9 Bochoo TV drama  
 14 Jal  
 15 Reebok rival  
 16 Skip the big wedding  
 17 Totally absorbed  
 18 Clevered up  
 20 Raps  
 22 Daily Planet reporter  
 23 CIA fire-runner  
 24 Painter Frans  
 25 LP law  
 28 Salutation  
 32 Episodic TV show  
 36 Merit  
 37 "Cheers" barfly  
 39 Suit fabric  
 40 Winter fall  
 41 Heartbreak  
 43 Epic tale  
 44 Khartoum's country  
 46 Freshwater duck

**DOWN**  
 1 Escapade  
 2 Alda or Arkin  
 3 Guitar gadget  
 4 Cooking equipment  
 5 Bothing  
 6 One of the Gabors

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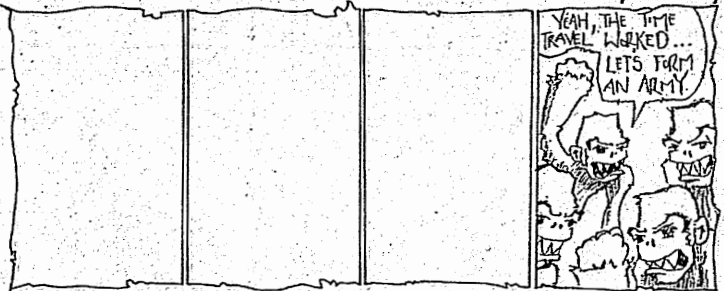
**Solutions**

ACROSS	1	DEFICIENCY
5	COWS	
9	BOCHOO	
14	JAL	
15	REEBOK	
16	SKIP THE BIG WEDDING	
17	TOTALLY ABSORBED	
18	CLEVERED UP	
20	RAPS	
22	DAILY PLANET	
23	CIA FIRE-RUNNER	
24	PAINTER FRANS	
25	LP LAW	
28	SALUTATION	
32	EPISODIC TV SHOW	
36	MERIT	
37	"CHEERS" BARFLY	
39	SUIT FABRIC	
40	WINTER FALL	
41	HEARTBREAK	
43	EPIC TALE	
44	KHARTOUM'S COUNTRY	
46	FRESHWATER DUCK	

**DOWN**  
 1 ESCAPADE  
 2 ALDA OR ARKIN  
 3 GUITAR GADGET  
 4 COOKING EQUIPMENT  
 5 BOthing  
 6 ONE OF THE GABORS

**Adam**

by J. Tierney



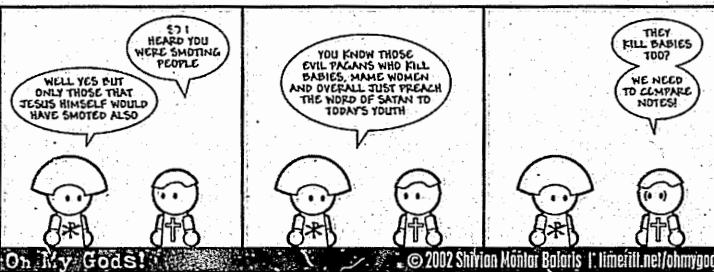
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## Déjà vu?

This year's SIU football season looks eerily similar to the 1983 version in which the Salukis won the national championship

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Former SIU head football coach Rey Dempsey and his players celebrate their 1983 national championship minutes after defeating Western Carolina in the title game. SIU is now preparing to make its first playoff appearance since that victory and will find out its opponent Nov. 23.

The image of the 1983 football team hoisting the national championship trophy still remains firmly etched in the minds of many SIU fans. But Rey Dempsey, the coach of that much-celebrated squad, thinks it's time to forget the past and for this year's team to carve its own place in history.

And for Joel Sambursky, the message delivered by Dempsey prior to a Sept. 27 ceremony honoring that fabled 1983 team still rings true.

"He said, 'That's over, that's in the past,'" Sambursky said. "We shouldn't feel any pressure to follow in their footsteps. We've got to find our own identity."

But as much as this year's squad has done to distance itself from a team that still surrounds that team, some similarities are inescapable.

Each team was coming off a so-so season, failing to live up to expectations. Each had won its first 10 regular season games, often in dominating fashion. And each team witnessed its quest for a perfect year slip away in its season finale.

For the 1983 team, it was Wichita State — a now defunct football program — that stained its regular season run, downing the Salukis 28-6. For the 2003 version, it was a relentless Northern Iowa squad and an unforgiving game clock that iced SIU's bid to record the first unblemished regular season in Gateway Conference history.

The 1983 Salukis rebounded from their lone defeat, running roughshod through the I-AA playoffs en route to being crowned national champions. The postseason journey for this year's team begins Nov. 23, when the first-round playoff pairings are revealed.

Up until this point, the fortunes of the two teams have almost mirrored each other. What happens in the coming weeks will decide whether or not they will be forever linked. But while similarities may appear to abound on the surface, differences loom underneath.

Twenty years ago, the Salukis were driven by a defensive juggernaut that allowed fewer than 13 points a game and hauled in a

team-record 28 interceptions. The 2003 squad, on the other hand, has been bolstered by a high-powered offense, lighting up the scoreboard for nearly 40 points a contest.

The 1983 Salukis running attack was led by a halfback who ended the regular season with less than 700 yards on the ground. This season's two-headed backfield monster trudged off the merciful turf at the UNI Dome on Saturday just shy of 2,000 yards combined.

Despite the obvious disparities in their physical makeup, both squads were engineered by tireless field generals, who each turned around a program mired in a cycle of perpetual defeat.

When Dempsey took the reins in 1976, SIU had posted a winning record in just three of the previous 14 seasons. Seven years into his tenure, the Salukis — for the first and only time — tasted national championship glory.

But the glory faded. Dempsey departed for Memphis State shortly after the Salukis' title game win over Western Carolina, and the SIU football program fell into a tailspin, spawning only two winning records during the next 17 years.

Enter Jerry Kill. It started ominously in 2001 with a 1-10 record, the new head coach's lone win coming at home against a lackluster Illinois State team. But just two years later, the Cheney, Kan., native somehow righted the Salukis' ship.

Ranked No. 5 and with road wins over marquee teams such as Western Illinois and Western Kentucky, the Salukis will likely open the playoffs at McAndrew Stadium, where SIU is 11-5 under Kill.

Seeing the team perched in such a prime position has come as no surprise to former SIU Sports Information Director Fred Huff, who sees numerous parallels between both of the squads — not least of which is the work ethic of their diligent coaches.

"If there's one thing that those two teams have in common that sticks out in my mind, it's just how well coached they were and are," Huff said. "Rey Dempsey was such

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a taskmaster, and that's one reason why he's still viewed so highly around here. Maybe Jerry Kill hasn't served as many years, but in that short amount of time he has done an unbelievable job."

It has been an assortment of weapons that have garnered those wins for the 2003 Salukis, but two decades ago it was one cohesive unit that carried SIU to a national championship — defense.

One of the hallmarks of that defense was its sweltering pass rush, led by defensive end Sterling Haywood's 10 sacks, which is still tied for the highest single-season total in school history. Haywood's son, Sterling Jr., a sophomore reserve running back for this year's team, has yet to convince his father the 2003 Saluki defense could match up to the 1983 unit.

"He's always going to say that their defense was better," Haywood Jr. said. "But deep down I think he knows that our defense is No. 1."

This year's team would be hard-pressed to duplicate the numbers of the 1983 team's secondary. Leading the way was defensive back Donnell Daniel, who picked off six passes and future NFL first-round draft choice Terry Taylor, who snagged five in the postseason.

But it is the image of defensive back Greg Shipp snaring four of Western Carolina quarterback Jeff Gilbert's passes in the national title game that remains most embedded in the memory of Huff.

"Shipp was never someone who, if you saw him in a furniture store or somewhere else, that you would've thought was a defensive back," Huff said. "He was anything but thin or slender, but he was fleet of foot and he sure could close to the ball."

Shipp and Taylor were far from the only defensive stalwarts on the

Salukis during their drive through the playoffs. Linebackers Granville Butler and Fabray Collins each tallied more than 140 tackles, posting the first- and third-highest single-season marks in school history.

"Their defense was suffocating," said Mike Reis, Zimmer Radio Group sports director. "There should almost be an asterisk next to them because they were the best defense I've ever seen."

As a unit, the 1983 defense conceded only 12.7 points per game, which is only a few points less than the 16.5 given up by this year's Salukis.

But that year's team didn't field two bona fide Payton Award candidates in senior running backs Tom Koutsos and Muhammad Abdulqadir.

"They had nothing close to the outstanding running backs of this year's team," Huff said. "Those guys are studs."

Billed as "Thunder and Lightning," Koutsos and Abdulqadir have captured most of the headlines for this year's squad, but they are not the sole reasons why the Salukis are headed to the postseason.

"Our defense is the reason we've won all these games," Kill said. "They've showed up to play every week and, at times, they've carried us."

This year's defense has also lugged the Salukis to a 6-1 Gateway record, surrendering just 153 points during conference games along the way, second only to Western Kentucky and UNI. Despite its many accomplishments, its bend-but-don't-break style has failed to turn as many heads as the 1983 installment.

"The 1983 team's defense was so dominating that the offense was kind of ignored," Reis said. "Their offense was much more conservative. It was almost like their defense played as if they didn't want the offense to screw up the game."

One statistic often overlooked is the 1983 offense scored nearly 33 points per game during the regular season, one of the highest outputs

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1983 SALUKIS			
Opponent	W/L	SIU	OPP
at Western Illinois	W	38	6
Eastern Illinois	W	17	14
at Missouri State	W	56	7
at Northern Iowa	W	52	9
at Arkansas State	W	38	28
Drake	W	28	9
at SW Missouri State	W	24	6
at Indiana State	W	34	21
New Mexico State	W	41	3
Illinois State	W	26	26
at Wichita State	L	28	28
NCAA Division I-AA Playoffs at SIU			
Indiana State	W	25	23
Nevada-Reno	W	23	23
I-AA Championship Game at Charleston			
Western Carolina	W	28	13

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2003 SALUKIS			
Opponent	W/L	SIU	OPP
Quincy	W	64	14
at Southeast Missouri State	W	28	7
Murray State	W	32	7
Saint Joseph's	W	78	0
at Indiana State	W	37	14
Illinois State	W	30	17
at Western Illinois	W	27	32
Southwest Missouri State	W	20	8
at Kentucky State	W	26	8
Youngstown State	W	21	8
at Northern Iowa	L	21	21

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## Upsets could alter I-AA playoff picture

Committee to announce brackets noon Sunday

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Heading into the final weekend of the I-AA football regular season, the playoff picture is becoming clearer. Eleven teams have secured spots in the field of 16, and four more can punch their tickets to the Big Dance this weekend.

There are also a few teams sitting on the bubble, waiting for one of the above squads to slip up Saturday.

While the playoff brackets are solidifying, there are a handful of games this weekend that could make the selection committee's task even tougher as they finalize the brackets that will be announced noon Sunday on ESPNNews.

The Atlantic 10, Big Sky and Southland conferences are all led by dominant teams destined for the playoffs. But if any of the league leaders — Delaware, Montana and McNeese State, respectively — fall Saturday, it could open a spot for another squad.

Below is how the playoff field is shaping up:

## Their tickets are punched

• **McNeese State (9-1):** The Cowboys have been sitting atop the national rankings all year long, excluding one week when Western Illinois snagged the top spot. McNeese could seal up the Southland with a win Saturday at Nicholls State. But a loss may really mess things up. And it isn't impossible since the Cowboys have had to come from behind the last two weeks.

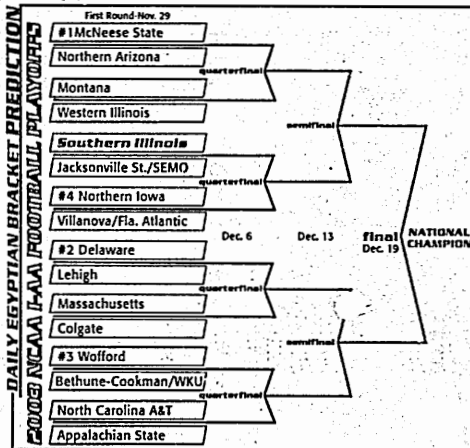
• **Delaware (10-1):** The Blue Hens catapulted into a top-four seed last week by defeating conference rival Massachusetts in a three-overtime thriller. The fact that UD has such a rabid fan base will also help in obtaining a seeding. The Hens face a tough Villanova squad that has nearly fallen out of the playoff picture in the past month. A Delaware win or UMass loss would clinch the A-10 title for the Blue Hens.

• **Wofford (10-1):** Following a royal snubbing last year, the Terriers attacked the Southern Conference with a vengeance this season, going undefeated in league play. A season-opening loss to I-A Air Force has been the only blemish on an otherwise flawless season. Wofford should earn the top seed in the South and could be the only representative from the usually dominant SoCon this year.

• **Northern Iowa (9-2):** With the seventh toughest schedule in I-AA this season, the Panthers earned a top-four seed the hard way. Northern nearly upset Iowa State to start the year and an upset loss against Western Kentucky is all that is holding the Panthers back from a No. 1 seed.

• **Montana (9-2):** The Grizzlies are hoping for a loss by either McNeese State or Delaware, which would all but assure Montana of a top-four seed. The Griz still have to deal with rival Montana State this weekend before worrying about their playoff position.

• **Colgate (11-0):** The Raiders are one of only four remaining undefeated squads in Division I football, and since the Ivy League (Penn) doesn't send teams to the postseason, Colgate will be the only perfect squad in the I-AA playoffs. The fact that they play in the not-so-grand Patriot League is the only reason the Raiders are not staring at a No. 1 seed.



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• **North Carolina A&T (10-1):** The Aggies take on South Carolina State this weekend, but it doesn't matter since they have already sewn up the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference title. NC A&T will likely play some bubble team in the first round.

• **Massachusetts (9-2):** The Minutemen looked primed for a top-four seed before their loss to Delaware last week. Now they're probably looking at a first-round game against Colgate. However, if Delaware, McNeese State or Montana loses Saturday, UMass still has a narrow shot at gaining a top-four seed.

• **SIU (10-1):** The Salukis shot themselves in the foot Saturday and now have to sit and wait to see what the selection committee decides. The loss may be good for SIU's focus. Barring any upsets, the Dawgs will likely play host to the Ohio Valley Conference champ, Jacksonville State or Southeast Missouri State, in the first round.

• **Western Illinois (8-3):** The Leathernecks were No. 1 at one point this year, and although they dropped a couple Gateway games, they finished the season strong. Western will probably travel west to face Montana.

• **Northern Arizona (8-3):** The Lumberjacks quietly put together a solid season while playing in the shadows of Montana, Montana State and Idaho State in the Big Sky. Northern fell to both of the Montana teams and I-AA Arizona State and will have to pay a penance by likely facing McNeese State on the road in the first round.

## A win and they're in

• **Jacksonville State (7-3) or Southeast Missouri State (5-6):** These two teams are battling for the OVC title and a chance to face SIU at McAndrew Stadium. With an 0-4 non-conference record, including a drubbing at the hands of the Salukis, SEMO was not expected to even have a chance at the postseason. Jax State, on the other hand, came out of nowhere in its first season in the OVC to post a nice 6-1 mark thus far in the league.

• **Villanova (7-3):** Four weeks ago the Wildcats were undefeated and sitting atop the A-10 standings, but following losses to UMass, Hofstra and Maine, Nova needs a win this weekend over Delaware to gain entry to the playoffs. The game will be at home and the Wildcats have much more riding on the contest, so it should be a tight game.

• **Nicholls State (5-5) or Stephen F. Austin (6-4):** If Nicholls State can upset McNeese State, the Colonels would earn a share of the

Southland title and the automatic bid. But if SFA tops Northwestern State, it would create a three-way tie, and the Lumberjacks would earn the automatic bid since they have gone the longest without being in the playoffs.

• **Montana State (6-5):** The Bobcats shouldn't even be considered a playoff team, but a win over Montana Saturday, coupled with a victory over Northern Arizona last month, would give them a share of the Big Sky title and the league's automatic bid.

## Floating on the bubble

• **Lehigh (7-3):** Don't let the Mountain Hawks' record fool you; their losses have come against I-A Connecticut and two undefeated I-AA squads, Pennsylvania and Colgate. Lehigh will likely make it into the playoffs and give a team like UMass a run for its money.

• **Florida Atlantic (8-2):** Independent teams rarely make the postseason, at least not since Youngstown State won a few national championships in the early '90s as an independent. But due to the lack of quality teams this season, the Owls have a shot at making it. They have wins over Youngstown State and I-A Middle Tennessee State, but a loss to D-II Valdosta State could be the Owls' tragic flaw.

• **Appalachian State (7-4):** The selection committee normally shies away from four-loss teams, but there really aren't enough worthy teams with fewer losses. If the Mountaineers manage to sneak into the postseason, it will be because of two reasons: They play in the traditionally strong Southern Conference and the committee needs another team from the South to fit into its regional playoff scheme.

• **Bethune-Cookman (8-2):** The Wildcats would be competing for the MEAC title if it hadn't been for a 13-7 loss to North Carolina A&T earlier this month. With one of the best players in the nation in quarterback Allen Suber, BCC might be the best team on the bubble.

• **Western Kentucky (8-3):** Most years, if the defending national champion winds up with only three losses and plays in arguably the toughest conference in the nation, it is a shoo-in for the postseason. The Hilltoppers, however, have the misfortune of being the fourth team out of the Gateway, and the selection committee has never picked four teams from the same league. Western gave the committee a way out by playing two of its games against lowly D-II competition. The Toppers could still make it in, but they need a lot of help.

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Jennifer Barry, a senior in public relations, shops for Salukiwear at 710 Book Store Tuesday afternoon. With the success of the SIU football team, clothing sales have been climbing at local retail stores.

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## Success sells Saluki garb

Local retailers benefit from 10-1 SIU football season

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At the moment, Randy Johnson is the SIU football team's biggest fan. "I already have reservations for Chattanooga," Johnson said, referring to the Division I-AA national championship site. In ways, Johnson is the same breed as any normal SIU fan cheering on the Salukis every Saturday, watching them record their best season since 1983 and loving every moment of it. But for Johnson, who has man-

aged 710 Book Store for four years, the 10-1 season and potential playoff run the maroon and white are in the midst of bringing in the green for the store. 710 Book Store, which is under contract to be the vendor at SIU home games, surpassed last season's monetary figures despite having one less home game at which to sell. Placed at two locations at McAndrew stadium, the numbers for 710 Book Store during the 2003 regular season finished at around \$23,000, which is \$3,000 greater than the year before. And the freshly opened Saluki Central at University Mall has been busy non-stop. To trump the frenzy riled up because of the return of the All-America backfield of Tom Koutsos

and Muhammad Abdulqadir, Mike Trude, director of marketing for SIU athletics, orchestrated the successful campaign of "Thunder and Lightning." "The big thing was the Thunder and Lightning" campaign. It worked out perfectly," Trude said. "What was unique is that we had some slogans in the past that not even the team bought into. This year, even the local newspapers and radio stations bought into it." 710 Book Store was one of the retailers that sold the "Thunder and Lightning" T-shirts featuring cartoon renditions of Koutsos and Abdulqadir as the graphic on the front of the shirt. The recent Gateway championship shirt, ever since it hit the racks Monday, has become the

new hot item. Marketing the Saluki logo, as of late, has been more rudimentary than in years past. With the renaissance of SIU Athletics in recent years — most notably the men's basketball team's two NCAA tournament berths and this year's football squad — local retailers have witnessed a continued increase in sales revenue. "They all feed onto the other," Johnson said. "There has been tremendous success in Saluki Athletics recently." The parallel in sales between the 2002 Sweet 16 men's basketball squad and the Saluki football's drive toward the playoffs is becoming more apparent.

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## Salukis playing the waiting game

SIU staying focused while playoff fate hangs in balance

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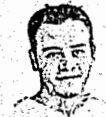
While some Division I-AA teams will be on the field Saturday fighting for playoff position, SIU will have to just sit back and await its postseason fate. But unlike the men's basketball team, which had to sweat out the selection process the past two seasons, the No. 5-ranked Salukis know their 10-1 record should not only be good enough to get them into the field of 16 but also to get them a home game. The only real questions for the Salukis are who will they play and what will they do in practice since they cannot put together a game plan for their next foe? Without a known opponent, the Salukis are

going back to the fundamentals they worked on a few months ago in two-a-days during training camp. "It's like the first week of camp," SIU senior wide receiver Courtney Abbott said. "We're just trying to go back to fundamental stuff. It's a great opportunity to work on some stuff that maybe we couldn't have worked on weeks earlier because our time was limited." SIU quarterback Joel Sambursky said he would like to know who the Salukis' next game is against so he could start preparing for them, but there are benefits to having to just practice without knowing who the next game is against. "We kind of broaden our game plan a little bit more because we're preparing for everybody," Sambursky said. "You want to be able to sit back and be able to watch film and look at your opponent and do all those type of things. You want that, but you don't have it." Helping keep the players motivated this week

is that, unlike fellow Gateway Conference teams Western Illinois and Western Kentucky, whose playoff fates are uncertain, the Salukis know there is a light at the end of the tunnel. Senior linebacker Eric Egan said it would be pretty hard to give full effort on the practice field without that guarantee of another game. "If we were sitting here thinking we're practicing but we don't know if we're playing, that would suck," Egan said. SIU will learn its fate at noon Sunday when the Selection Show airs on ESPNNews. Eight of the spots will go to conference champions, leaving eight at-large bids, one of which is certain to go to the Salukis. Once the pairings are announced, it will be time for SIU's coaches to go to work breaking down the opposition. "As soon as we find out who we're playing, [the

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» COMMENTARY



Waterloo and other great losses

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## Saluki Q&A

Editor's note: Due to an error, this column, which originally ran in Wednesday's special basketball guide, was cut off. This is the column in its entirety.

Last year, Saint Weber left us. He left us to join those dirty orange Neanderthals to the north. For whatever reason, Pope Kowalczyk did not excommunicate him. Saint Williams and Saint Dearman left as well, degrees in hand, ready to take on the best Turkey and Germany had to offer. With them went assistant coach Chris Lowery, Saint Carney and the core of the greatest Saluki team of all time. And as spring turned into summer and summer turned into football season, the only thing they have sent back to Carbondale is a laundry list of questions. Unfortunately, due to gross academic apathy, I'm still here. This is no help, I know. Byn Turner's three-point percentage is my lay-up percentage. But I can answer some of the questions the saints left behind and hopefully uncover a few saints-to-be in the process.

**Is Matt Painter going to be as good as Bruce Weber?**  
Yes, yes and maybe. As far as the X's and O's go, don't expect the Salukis to miss a step. Painter knows what he's doing and, like Weber, was always willing to put in the arduous hours necessary to give his team an edge. He will expect the same from all his assistants, so SIU should always have solid game plans. And despite the age difference, Painter's program should be similar to Weber's. In the immortal words of Sylvester Willis, "Weber was the front man, but Painter had his hand up the puppet's butt."

Weber was a great motivator, but so is Painter. Players always seemed to respond to him in practice, and because he was their choice to succeed Weber, he should not have much difficulty making the players buy in — which was key to Weber's program. But do not expect Painter to be Bruce Weber Jr. He is his own man, which brings up the X-factor of the season — will the chemistry be the same? Painter and his staff can be excellent, the players can be talented and the program can be in good shape. But as the University of Miami, last year's Los Angeles Lakers and the Atlanta Braves can point out, sometimes things just don't work out. But I have a hunch things will work out, and Painter will become the

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