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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

OCTOBER 23, 2001

Knights' Inn armed robber still at large

Suspect allegedly fled
police on foot after
Sunday robbery

BRETT NAUMAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Police continue to search for a suspect accused of robbing a desk clerk of the Knight's Inn at gunpoint Sunday morning.

Kenneth L. Chaney, 35, from East St. Louis, is wanted on a \$30,000 arrest warrant on the charge of armed robbery for allegedly brandishing a handgun at 2:38 a.m. in order to make off with an undisclosed amount of the establishment's cash.

Chaney fled from the Knight's Inn, 2400 W. Main St., in his red 1991 Buick Park Avenue allegedly driven by a 44-year-old Carbondale man, Marlon K. Reed.

Illinois State Police were able to locate the vehicle shortly after the robbery on Old Murphysboro Road near Tower Road. When police stopped the vehicle, Reed was arrested but Chaney took off on foot, eluding officers.

Reed was charged with driving with a suspended driver's license and released. Carbondale Police Community Resource Officer Dan Reed said Reed has not been charged with armed robbery yet, because without speaking to Chaney they have no proof he was involved in the robbery.

"It depends on what develops with the investigation," Reed said. "We still haven't proved he was actively participating or had knowledge of the robbery."

Armed robbery is a class X felony which carries between six and 30-year prison sentences upon conviction.

Anyone with information of the whereabouts of Chaney should call the Carbondale Crimestoppers at 549-COPS.

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Chaney



RONDA YEAGER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SLIP N' SLIDE: Kyla Walsh, a senior in recreation administration management from Salem, slides with Kerry Shipley (left), 5 of Jonesboro, and Kacey Shipley (right), 9 of Jonesboro, on Friday at Boyd Orchards in Anna.

City to investigate speed on Grand Ave.

Wendler requests
added police along
four-lane stretch

BURKE SPEAKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

City Manager Jeff Doherty said Monday the city soon will be considering a reduction in the speed limit on Grand Avenue in front of the Recreation Center, in response to a request by SIUC's chancellor.

Doherty said he has asked the Carbondale Police in the meantime to increase their presence along the four-lane stretch, where the current

speed limit is 30 mph. Chancellor Walter Wendler on Friday asked the city to reduce the speed to 25 mph.

"That area has been a concern since the Recreation Center was built," Doherty said. "We'll take a look at the speed limit. It is something that is controlled by state law, and there's traffic regulations and laws to look into first."

The city has not started reviewing the situation, and Doherty noted there are a number of factors that figure into the decision. Unlike the campus speed limit reductions that Wendler recommended, altering a city speed limit takes a greater length of time and state involvement.

For one, Doherty said the Illinois

Department of Transportation would need to perform a traffic control study. Another aspect would be reviewing the Illinois Traffic Control Manual, a gauge for procedures and steps used to regulate the speed limits on all state roads. City engineers also are needed to look into the feasibility of such a project.

Once thoroughly explored, the Carbondale City Council will need to vote on the issue. While he would not speculate on a time frame for such an undertaking, Doherty said it should be within the year.

Doherty added that the city will delve into the issue of speed reduction just as soon as he can discuss the matter with other city officials, which would include council mem-

bers and Mayor Neil Dillard.

Chancellor Wendler's request comes on the heels of two separate traffic accidents, one of which resulted in the death of SIUC student Anne Coleman, who was hit while riding her bicycle through a crosswalk. The other involved a student who was struck by a car while walking through a crosswalk.

The 25 mph speed limit will be reduced to 20 mph, according to Wendler. He also advised repainting some crosswalks and adding warning signs for pedestrians entering them.

Wendler said Friday he will

Shots fired at Sports Center, two arrested

Semi-automatic pistol
found in suspect's
vehicle, police say

BRETT NAUMAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Two men were arrested early Saturday for allegedly firing a handgun at a man they argued with at the Sports Center earlier that night.

Dia J. Jennings, 24, and Lawrence E. Thomas, 21, were arrested shortly after 3 a.m. when the victim notified police he had been fired at three times by them.

The incident began earlier at the Sports Center, 1215 E. Walnut, when the man, Thomas and Jennings became involved in a verbal argument. Carbondale Police Community Resource Officer Dan Reed said the victim left the bar but was spotted by both men later in the night on North Wall Street.

Reed said when the victim was spotted, Jennings and Thomas pulled a 180 degree turnaround in their white Pontiac and began to follow him.

While traveling in the 800 block of North Wall Street, the victim said three shots were fired at his vehicle. The victim drove to the Carbondale Police Station and reported the crime.

The suspects were first seen by officers on South Graham Street between Walnut and Main Streets. They were pulled over and arrested. Police recovered a .38 caliber semiautomatic pistol from the vehicle and both Jennings and Thomas were charged with aggravated discharge of a firearm.

Jennings, from Carbondale, was also charged with defacing ID markings on the weapon and was taken to the Jackson County Jail. Thomas, from Chicago, was released with a notice to appear in court.

Aggravated discharge of a firearm is a class one felony which carries a penalty between four and 15 years in prison.

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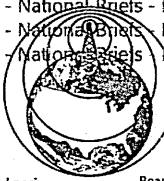
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Two D.C. deaths may be anthrax related

Two postal workers who recently died are being tested as possible anthrax cases, Washington officials announced Monday. In addition, another postal worker has tested positive with inhalation anthrax. One postal worker was diagnosed Sunday with the deadly form of anthrax. The two postal workers being tested for anthrax worked at the Brentwood facility in Washington. The facility has been closed indefinitely, and testing continued Monday on more than 2,000 postal employees. An additional nine individuals are being investigated as possible anthrax cases, but it hasn't been confirmed yet as to whether they were all postal workers.



ished at Soldier Field. The \$587 million renovation is expected to be complete before the 2003 regular season opener. However, two 2003 preseason games are scheduled to be played at Memorial Stadium.

The stadium seats 70,904 fans, and the Bears will split concessions and parking revenues with the university. The Bears also will pay a 10 percent rent on ticket prices.

Man with swords arrested in Boston airport

BOSTON, Mass. — A man was arrested Sunday after walking through Logan International Airport with three samurai swords. Raymond Momson, 23, walked up to three terminals wearing a cowboy hat, with the swords attached to the waistband of his jeans. Passengers became frightened and scrambled out of his way. According to airport officials, Momson did not attempt to disturb security and he had no plans to fly anywhere. He was scheduled to be arraigned Monday in district court.

Bears to play in Champaign next season

CHAMPAIGN — Chicago Bears officials announced Monday that the team will play all of its home games next year at the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign. The Bears will play at U of I until renovations are fin-

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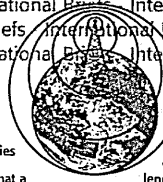


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Taliban accuse U.S. of 'genocide'

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN — Taliban authorities in Afghanistan accused the United States of "genocide" when they announced Monday that a U.S. aircraft had bombed a hospital in Herat, killing up to 100 people. Mullah Abdul Salam Zaeef, the Taliban ambassador to Pakistan, said the dead included doctors, nurses and patients. He said 18 others were killed when U.S. aircraft hit two clinics and stores in other parts of the country. He said 1,000 Afghans have been killed since U.S. airstrikes began more than two weeks ago.



Violence rages in Middle East

JERUSALEM — Three people died and seven were injured Monday during another day of violence in the Middle East. Palestinian security sources told CNN a Palestinian man was killed and two others were injured Monday when their car exploded. Earlier Monday, another man died when a tank shell hit his house on the West Bank. Earlier in the day, a gunman opened fire near the Talpiot industrial area, of Jerusalem and wounded four people before a soldier killed him.

Police Blotter

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- Jason G. Franklin, 21, was arrested at 3:48 p.m. Friday and charged with disorderly conduct and public indecency on South Washington St. at Lot 100. Franklin was released on a personal recognizance bond.
- Lakeitha C. Cooper, 18, was arrested at 5 p.m. Friday and charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of less than 30 grams of cannabis. Cooper was released on a personal recognizance bond.
- Michael J. Gabiga, 21, and Anthony M. Polanzi, 22, were cited at 2:03 a.m. Saturday and charged with public consumption of alcohol. Both were issued Carbondale pay-by-mail citations and released.
- Herman Johnson Jr., 18, of Chicago, and Philip Cicero Hartsfield, 17, of Oak Park, were arrested at 8:10 a.m. Saturday and charged with possession of a stolen vehicle and felony. Thomas C. Plepel, 18, was arrested and charged with possession of less than 30 grams of cannabis. Johnson and Hartsfield were taken to Jackson County Jail, and Plepel posted a \$75 bond and was released.

Corrections

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- Resume Writing Workshop meeting
Oct. 23, 5 p.m.
Lawson 121
- Saluki Advertising Agency meeting
Tuesdays, 6 p.m.
Room 1244, Communications Building
- Blacks in Communication Alliance RSO meeting
Tuesdays, 6 p.m.
Student Center
- GPSC meeting
Oct. 23, 7 p.m.
Ballroom A, Student Center
- Varsity Fashion Fair Models Fall Fashion Show
Oct. 23, 7 p.m.
Ballroom D, Student Center
- Student Programming Council Marketing Committee meeting
Tuesdays, 5 p.m.
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LISA SONNENSCHEIN - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Kareen Bellevue, a senior from Chicago, poses in the display case at the Student Center while Candice James, a sophomore from St. Louis, tries her best to get her to move. Bellevue acts as a mannequin to preview the Ecstasy of Fall Fashions hosted by the Vanity Fashion Fair Models. The show takes place at 7 tonight in the Student Center Ballroom D.

Students model fall fashions

Vanity Fashion Fair brings style to the Student Center

CODELL RODRIGUEZ
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Corrine McCrary's job Monday was to sit still and look pretty.

McCrary acted like a mannequin from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to promote "Ecstasy of Fall Fashions" in the Student Center display cases by the North doors. The program is organized by the Vanity Fashion Fair Models to bring a sense of fashion to the SIUC community.

"We try to present fashion to the campus and the community," McCrary said.

The show, which will take place tonight in the Student Center at 7, will start by intro-

ducing old members of the organization. Then it will bring in the new members followed by a showcase of fall wear like coats, sweaters, hats and scarves. The show will lose innocence when it switches to leather and then to lingerie. Finally, all the members will come onto the stage for a final bow.

"It's very entertaining and unique," McCrary said. "The fashion is great."

To promote the show, McCrary and three other models posed in the Student Center, and they also hung fliers. McCrary said the modeling was especially fun but also difficult.

"We just get out there and do it," McCrary said. "It's hard and we have to keep a straight face."

She said sometimes the models wear sunglasses so they can close their eyes and not look at people who come by. Sometimes their friends will see them and try to break their

character.

While the modeling was fun for her, she said the best part is when people can't tell the models from real mannequins.

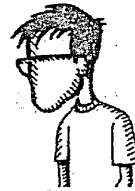
"It's fun to see people say, 'are they real?'" McCrary said.

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SEE THE LATEST FASHIONS

"Ecstasy of Fall Fashion" is today in the Student Center Ballroom D at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door.

Gus Bode



Gus says:
Strike a pose!

Former partner remembers dome designer's legacy

Thomas Zung to lecture on life of 'Bucky' Fuller

MIKE PETTIT
DAILY EGYPTIAN

For a man who failed out of college twice, did not speak for one year, and for the most part was "self-taught," Richard Buckminster Fuller may not sound like a typical anthology candidate.

The late "Bucky" Fuller, though, is also an internationally renowned thinker and designer known for his scientific work with geodesic domes, as well as the designer of Epcot Center.

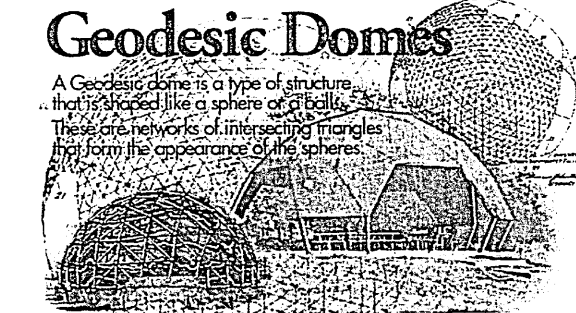
These are only a few reasons that proved to be enough cause for Thomas Zung to write an anthology on his mentor, which will be presented at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center Auditorium.

Zung, a native of Shanghai, China, first met Fuller at the International College in New York, where he received his Master's degree in design science while studying under Fuller.

Zung later worked with his mentor at the architectural firm of Buckminster Fuller, Sadao & Zung Architects, Inc. in Cleveland for more than 30 years. It was Fuller's way of thinking that inspired Zung to pen his new book.

"The need for the public, especially the young, to discover his thinking anew impelled me to take on this anthology," Zung wrote in his new piece.

The book, "Buckminster Fuller - Anthology for the New Millennium," is a work that isn't just about designing buildings, said Steve Bellefleur,



ROBIN JONES - DAILY EGYPTIAN

associate professor of Industrial Design.

"It's about how to use our resources for the better of all of mankind," he said.

After losing one of his two daughters to multiple diseases early in his life, Fuller refused to speak for a year, and contemplated instead, questioning everything, said Jon Davey, associate professor of architecture and design.

"He basically became an absolute skeptic until he became satisfied with the answers he could understand," Davey said.

Fuller was an advocate of helping the world, and believed that he could help the world through energy and resource-efficient design. Former SIU President Delyre Morris later invited Bucky to bring his "design science revolution" to SIUC.

Fuller taught at SIU from 1959-1970 at the School of Art and Design, and disseminated his notable knowledge to his students.

Not only did he form many mathematical and scientific theories, including an argument on why pi is wrong, and coining the idea of "tensegrity," but he combined architectural, social, technological and ecological theory together to help better the world.

"He was thinking in much broader terms than buildings," said Terry Owens, chair for the Department of Architecture and Interior Design.

"He was thinking in terms of where we were

Post Office implements stronger security

Employees watch for suspicious packages

GINNY SKALSKI
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The U.S. Postal Service is offering the same advice to its employees as it is to the public — pay close attention to every package and letter you handle.

Two postal workers at a facility in Washington D.C. that transports mail for the Capitol died after showing symptoms of anthrax. Two others who also work at the facility have been diagnosed with inhalation anthrax, Washington's chief health officer Ivan Wallis said at a news conference Monday.

The Postal Service has beefed up security nationwide in response to the recent delivery of envelopes containing anthrax-tainted dust. JoAnne Hartmann, customer relations coordinator for the Gateway district of the Postal Service, could not comment what the stricter policies are because of safety concerns, but said part of the heightened security measures include simply informing employees of what makes a package or letter suspicious.

Postal employees have been warned to watch for mail with no return address, handwritten letters that are not legible and lopsided or bulky packages that are either stained, leaking or emitting a strange odor. These same warnings are being stressed to the public.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

Pacific Sunwear signs deal with University Mall

University Mall will be adding a Pacific Sunwear store to the mall, scheduled to be open by Jan. 1, 2002. Manager Debbie Tindall said the deal was confirmed Friday afternoon, and the store will be adjacent to The Buckle.

The California-based store's wares are similar to Gazdooks and The Buckle. The store will be about 3,800 square feet, and construction will begin within one week.

Vandals tip over car Sunday

A group of mischievous vandals successfully tipped over a vehicle Sunday morning in the 500 block of South Beveridge Street.

Police responded to reports at 1:10 a.m. of the incident, indicating six white men were attempting to tip over a red Ford Probe parked in the street.

Carbondale Police Community Resource Officer Dan Reed said the men had fled from Beveridge Street by the time officers arrived. The men had tipped the vehicle onto its driver's side and tipped it back on its wheels before fleeing the scene.

USG 'Pie Jam' raise \$400 for disaster relief

Undergraduate Student Government raised \$400 for the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund through its "Pie Jam" fund-raiser Saturday at the Free Forum Area.

The fund-raiser featured music, pie-throwing and auctioning off of USG senators for a date. Untied and Voices of Inspiration provided music, along with disc jockeys from campus radio station WDB. Matt Jones, a local comedian, provided additional entertainment.

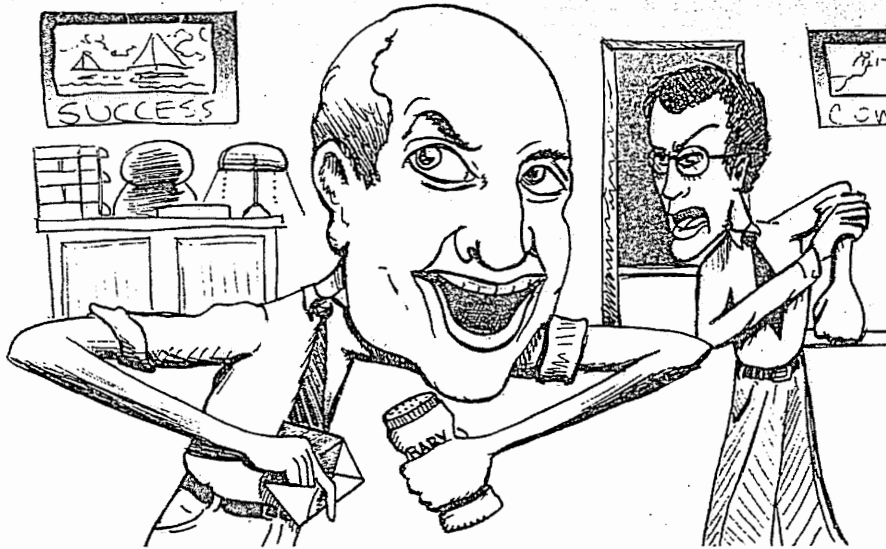
USG Senator Mary Wallace said the event was a big success, with many people making donations to the American Red Cross.

"Pie Jam" signifies the first large event USG has coordinated in a while, Wallace said.

Wallace said USG is considering making the fund-raiser an annual event.

SEE LECTURE PAGE 10

OUR WORD



Anthrax hoaxes making a difficult time harder

The anthrax threat of the past few weeks has Americans panicking. Whether from a local or foreign source, the thought of one or several individuals flooding our mail with a dangerous and potentially deadly substance is unimaginable. Since the first anthrax attack of three weeks ago, government entities, businesses, news organizations and universities have been on alert. The U.S. House of Representatives was shut down due to infections discovered among 31 staffers in Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle's office in Washington, D.C. Now, let's take a sigh and pull ourselves together.

The government has released information concerning what type of anthrax substance is actually contained in these letters, apparently a bacterial strand of the potent disease. There is also a procedure in place if people suspect their mail has been tampered with. Suspected letters or packages should be placed in a plastic bag or container. After doing so, leave the area, seal it off from others and wash your hands with soap and water. Call your local police department and report the suspicious package.

There is no need for panic or hysteria. Antibiotics will cure

infected persons if it is found early enough. There is the possibility for successful treatment after exposure if the public acts swiftly. Nonetheless, the threat is real.

Aside from actual occurrences, there appears to be anthrax everywhere now thanks to would-be hoaxes and copycats, who are lacing letters with everything from baby powder to decorative glitter. This is childish and financially costly behavior for all of us. The U.S. government has committed millions of dollars to fight this new "bio-terrorism." Every false alert not only drains money from the real fight but further exacerbates the situation.

These clever hoaxes should also note that the government views these pranks similar to false bomb threats, which can result in stiff fines or jail time. Keep this in mind the next time you want to stick some flour in an envelope and mail it. Our attention must be focused on finding the actual source of this scare. The government is doing its part in educating the public. Americans have to try and go on with our lives and not let this current dilemma disable us.

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COLUMNISTS

Rap and responsibility



Outlaw Nation

BY JOSEPH D. JOHNSON
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The reality of violence is gripping. It absorbs you. It enrages you. It saddens you. The reality of violence is hardly seen on TV. Arnold Schwarzenegger plowing down 100 Middle-Eastern bad guys with an Uz and a flame-thrower is not reality. Such visions don't phase us. A plane ramming into the World Trade Center tower was reality. It did phase us. It absorbed us. It enraged us. It saddened us.

I'm not phased that often by violence. I gleefully sing along with my Eminem CD, as he spurs out lyrics detailing the fictional murder of his wife and kidnapping of his daughter. One of my favorite films is "The Godfather." I barely ever miss an episode of "The Sopranos." But on Friday night, unexpectedly, I was hurled into a stage of trauma that I wasn't in the least bit familiar with.

I marched in the annual "Take Back the Night," where victims of sexual assault and domestic abuse courageously march and speak out against violence. The march finished in a pavilion where everyone was encircled by a clothesline holding T-shirts detailing personal instances of violence. My entire world was jarred

as I read the stunning accounts. Indeed, the reality of violence is gripping.

Thoughts that never appeared in my head were swirling about at a feverish pace. Am I wrong for listening to Eminem? I didn't believe his grisly tales of violence were real or I really believed in calling people "faggots." I knew better. It was all art. Al Pacino didn't really have his brother killed. Jimi Hendrix didn't really shoot his old lady down. But what about responsibility?

Were people seeing Slim Shady and Michael Corleone as role models because of their likeability? All of a sudden I felt worse than Fredo in the box: My God, what about my columns?

Sure, I'd been blasted for my column condoning underage drinking. But it really didn't phase me. I hadn't seen it as too irresponsible. With the laughable Project 21 on its way, I figured the underage drinker deserved a voice in the matter. I mean, I'll serve my time for underage drinking as soon as our governor (who's the biggest name behind the "project") serves his.

But now I would have to scour over each sentence I wrote with intense precision, making sure not one harmful message seeped out to the vulnerable public.

In this new "responsible" frame of mind, I attended the Midwest Crackin' concert at the Sportscenter Saturday night. And as the Sub-Zero Records (plug, plug) rappers ripped line after line of the usual gangsta rap rhetoric, it occurred to me why they shouldn't have been responsible. The white police were at every door and enjoyed their usual harassment of African-Americans in the parking lot. People complain about anti-police music in Carbondale and my columns identifying the police as the enemy. Well, those reactions wouldn't occur if every night in Carbondale didn't play out like a scene

from a John Singleton film.

So, this new generation lacks responsibility. Maybe Eminem should be responsible. Maybe Project 21 should be responsible. But hey, we were given this world; we didn't make it. Police brutality existed a long time before N.W.A. dropped "F--- the Police." Literature and art glamorizing rape and violence existed a long time before Marshall Mathers ever sketched a verse.

Ultimately, it's up to us, as consumers or art-lovers or whatever, to take responsibility for how we live or how society sucks. It's time to stop blaming rappers, writers or video store chains that have adult sections. It's time to look in the mirror and realize most of us aren't doing a damn thing to change our swiftly decaying world.

Now, how irresponsible is that?
Columnist's Note: Thanks to Samantha for the march and much love to Joe Lige for the concert.

OUTLAW NATION appears on Tuesday. Joseph is a sophomore in journalism and cinema. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Eat, drink and be merry, just not at a Seinfeld concert

I've noticed that several of the other columnists have used this space as a forum for ranting about lousy things that go on in their lives. They rant and rave about the little incidents that get under their skin. I guess they do this as an alternative to going completely nuts and taking out their quirky frustrations on the entire student body (I'm sure none of us want to see Grace Priddy snafu). Actually, I've felt a little tense these days myself, so I figured I'd give it a try.

Last Saturday, I went to see Jerry Seinfeld at the Fox Theatre in St. Louis. I paid \$52.50 for tickets to go see Seinfeld. You might find that to be a bit crazy or maybe even boastful, but I'm not mentioning this for any other reason than to help illustrate a point. I would say that Jerry Seinfeld is no less than the greatest stand-up comedian of our generation. Seeing him live was certainly a once in a lifetime opportunity; this man doesn't even need to be on tour anymore, because he has nothing left to prove. So it really stupefied me when I observed all the people who felt the need to get up out of their seats and move around during his show. Did all these people just realize that



Tongues of Fire

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they actually had something better to do? Where were they going? Was I missing something? Was John Stamos in the next room signing autographs?

Now, in their defense, I'm sure these people had some real important things to do while they were at the Jerry Seinfeld show. Maybe they had to go to the bathroom. I'm sure that the bathrooms at the Fox Theatre are quite ornate and lovely, but I think they should have balked at that particular honor. The man was only on stage for 90 minutes. Don't you think your highly

advanced body could hold your bladder for 90 minutes? Worst-case scenario: you pee your pants. Who's going to know? Everyone else is too busy watching Jerry Seinfeld! Many of the other individuals who were getting up were going to buy some popcorn. Please, people... you're not at a stinkin' baseball game. You don't bring popcorn to a venue do you? Why bring it to see a comedian? If you can't even go 90 minutes without eating maybe you should be going to see Richard Simmons speak instead of Jerry Seinfeld. If you can't separate your time for being entertained with your time for food consumption, maybe you should just stay at home and watch reruns of "Mama's Family" instead of inconveniencing everyone else. Why didn't you just eat before the show anyway? Next time, make an itinerary so you can better manage your day. You don't see Jerry up there chowing down on some fried chicken when he gets a little hungry during the set. All he had on stage was a glass of water; if he can't hold it out for 90 minutes so can you.

Or maybe some of these people had to go make one of those important cell phone calls out

in the lobby. Unless it's Johnny Carson on the other line, I think you should just let your voice mail pick it up! You can do all of these things while you're at home. You can only see Jerry Seinfeld live here! Now granted, some of the high rollers who regularly patronize the Fox probably have a little more bank to throw around than this humble columnist. But 50 bucks is still 50 bucks. Where I come from, you don't waste that kind of money. Walking around during Jerry Seinfeld's act is like taking your money and missing it in a paper shredder. It's like paying thousands of dollars to go to school here at SIU and then not even showing up for your classes. It's like buying an \$80 textbook and then not even reading it, but instead flipping out the pages and using them to make a little campfire to roast marshmallows. Please, for my sake, don't roast marshmallows on these breathtaking years of your education.

TONGUES OF FIRE appears on Tuesday. Steven is a senior in radio-television. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

LETTERS

Victims come in many different shades

DEAR EDITOR:

I was very disappointed that people did not understand what the author of the column "Letter to the Enemy" was trying to say. In writing the letter from an Afghan child's point of view but not letting us know until the middle of the letter, the author was trying to make the readers see this tragedy from someone else's point of view. All this confusion and sense of tragedy is not felt only by Afghans. Those advocating a military solution cannot really believe that Joe Johnson (and others who feel this to end peacefully) does not want sympathy for the families and friends of terrorist attack victims. He simply does not want to see other innocent lives lost. He is not siding with the terrorists, he's siding with people who do not want to live in fear. Frankly, it scares me that people think that there are no Afghans, even children, who are innocent. Is it so impossible to believe that the people of Afghanistan are also victims of terrorism?

Erin Bilyeu
sophomore, anthropology

Curry's analysis of racism off base

DEAR EDITOR:

After reading Tommy Curry's latest column, I feel the need to respond. I quote President George W. Bush's inaugural speech, when I write, "America has never been united by blood, birth or soil. We are bound by ideals that move us beyond our

backgrounds, lift us above our interests and teach us what it means to be citizens."

Confronted with this truth, I wonder if anyone could not recognize the fallacy of Mr. Curry's statement that it is not racist to consider one's race a more important identifying factor than one's status as an American. To so consider would be to view with more importance one's appearance than one's ideals and beliefs. Surely, this is the definition of racism. I would further suggest that Mr. Curry is again in error when he refers to himself as an African. An African is one who was born in or currently resides in Africa. Since he does not meet either condition, I suggest he find a new label.

Darren Odum
junior, computer science

Is it business as usual for our administrators?

DEAR EDITOR:

Contract negotiations between SIU and the faculty union are approaching again. Questions are being raised over the University's budget problems and the union's pay concerns. It should be known that other bargaining units on campus have had problems settling their current contract negotiations this year. SIU was appropriated by the state for fiscal year 2001 moneys for a 3 percent pay increase to faculty and staff, plus an additional 3 percent for merit and retention of key personnel. This entire pay increase was given to the faculty and Administration and Professional staff. It was not given to the civil service bargaining unit. People with contracts not open this year were given 3 percent only. Contracts open this year were offered 5 percent raises

if concessions were given back to SIU. A tight budget and lack of money were cited as reasons for not being offered the full amount. Questions arise as to why: the money from the withheld percentages are going to be used for. Adding fuel to the fire is a recent pay increase, far in excess of 6 percent, for numerous Physical Plant administrators and now a large pay raise for President Walker. Either someone is misrepresenting the condition of the budget, or perhaps money is being taken out of the workers' pocket to finance hefty pay raises for select people. Perhaps the small bargaining units are not key personnel, or perhaps our work does not merit the money the state appropriated for us. Morale... what's that?

Teamsters Local 347
SIU Physical Plant - Grounds Department

Black NFL QBs anything but a novel idea

DEAR EDITOR:

This is in response to Clint Haring's editorial, "The black QB: Novel idea, but never has been accepted?" where he attempts to tie the racism tag on the National Football League. Wrong, wrong, wrong. Black quarterbacks like Donovan McNabb and Daunte Culpepper are breathing new life into the system. It just takes time for those stubborn offensive coordinators to give it a chance, just like it took time for those to stray away from the three yards and a pile of dust philosophy. Believe me, there will come a day when the "double-threat" quarterback will be a necessity — it's called evolution.

Randall Cunningham didn't "change" his style due to society pressures. If you do

recall, Cunningham had a devastating knee injury which basically forced him to become a straight drop-back quarterback. The Philadelphia Eagles loved his style of play; why in the world would they ask him to change it for the sake of society?

And, what's this "quick trigger" blame on head coaches? You know, the ones in Detroit who were quick to bench a black quarterback, Charlie Batch, in favor of a white quarterback, Ty Detmer? Just last week Detroit benched Detmer at half-time and sent in Batch. I've seen both McNabb and Culpepper have brutal games — especially early in their careers — and teams still kept them in as the starting quarterback. A short time ago, when Detmer played for Philadelphia, I believe he was benched and McNabb named the starter. According to your logic, Clint, that's racism — isn't it? You are right on one point. People did look at Cunningham early in his career and said "He's no Joe Montana." Just like some looked at the immobile, slow white Montana trying to sprint for a first down and said "He's no Randall Cunningham." Quarterbacks, black or white, are great for different reasons.

Bill Wilson
Chicago

Let individuals decide what they want

DEAR EDITOR:

I don't understand how, especially in our current situation, people are still complaining about the human body. Kara Dunkle obviously can't stand to look at anybody. The human body is a work of art, it is something that should be admired and respected. It should not be covered up and hidden away. We have been given these wonderful bodies,

whether tall, short, thin, fat, square or round. Kara, if you don't like it THEN DON'T LOOK!!! If you don't want your children to look at it, tell them, but you know one of these days they will get naked in front of the mirror and wonder, does everybody look like this? You can give your opinion and cry and scream us in the right direction, but we do hear our rights and one of those is happiness. Different people define happiness in different ways. I accept your opinion. Can you accept those who watch these videos and have a right to do so?

And in regard to the name of Family Video. Family Video means a video for any member of the FAMILY and some members of a family watch those videos. A family is not only children, adults are part of a family too. Family Video does not place these videos next to cartoon movies or other children's movies. It places it in the back as far away as possible from the children's section. It also has it separated by walls and a swinging door. Trust me, people know when you go in there.

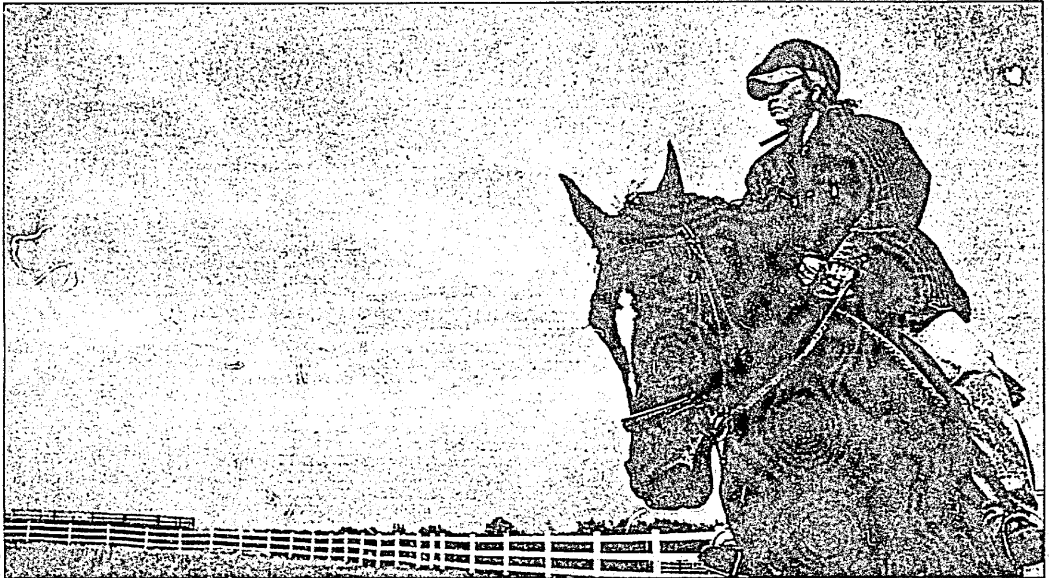
And as for your comment, "I'm not going to go back there and watch those movies," that's fine. If you don't like those movies don't go rent them, but don't expect the rest of the world to do what you say. We don't find it offensive, some of us find it funny. Ever heard of a pizza and porn night? A bunch of people get together order pizza, rent a porno and laugh at all the crazy things that go on. Sex is funny, it should be. The naked body is something to look at and admire, not run out of town. We all have our rights too. and I say PIZZA AND PORN FOR EVERYONE. Who wants it?

Marlo Kennedy
senior, theater

HORSE SENSE:

LeeAnn Blubaum rides Roxy around the circle at the SIU Horse Center on Monday afternoon. Blubaum is part of Riding Class 212, a second level riding class in the Equine Science program taught by Stephani Speiser.

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SPEED

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increase police patrols to enforce speed limits, ensure bicycles are walked through crosswalks and prevent jaywalking. He added that written warnings will be issued from Monday until Nov. 9, and after Nov. 12, police will dole out fines and citations.

But SIUC Police Lt. Todd Sigler said Monday that while police have been especially mindful of campus speed violations, he has not yet been told to issue written warnings to drivers and pedestrians who do not comply with the rules.

In regards to safety at the Grand

Avenue crosswalk, Doherty said pedestrians should be wary for their own safety.

"Many times drivers are not looking for a crosswalk in the middle of the street," Doherty said. "And pedestrians are getting comfortable at the stop walks and traffic doesn't necessarily sometime stop."

He said despite just educating people on proper safety along the roadway, the city is more than willing to comply with the chancellor's request.

"If the chancellor asked us to do that, sure. We'll take a look at it and see what we can do," Doherty said.

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Law students use theater students to learn

MARLEEN TROUT
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Fresh out of law school, Melissa J. Shafer aimed to make a good impression during her first client interview. But Shafer, now an SIUC assistant clinical professor of law, realized she knew nothing about the client she had just seen after he had walked out of her door.

The nervousness she brought to her new role overshadowed the wisdom of her old law textbook when the real situation hit.

For the past four years, Shafer has been working with the Theater Department to make sure her law students never have to experience that stinging embarrassment.

Throughout this week, the Law School will serve as a stage for theater students who act as clients for first-year law students to iron out kinks in the client interview before they experience it in the professional world.

"It's really an innovation in terms of legal education because they are learning the skills of practicing attorneys in a practical setting," Shafer said.

Sarah McIlvain, a sophomore in theater from Chicago, acts the part as a middle-aged matron in a dress speckled with huge purple flowers. For the next few days, she is Kelley Walker, the 39-year-old mother of a teenage son who was cited for drunken driving after he attended a family friend's Monday night football party.

Now law student Susan Burns from Champaign will provide a preliminary interview and draw out the facts of the case as part of Law 503-A, Research and Writing, a mandatory class for first-year students.

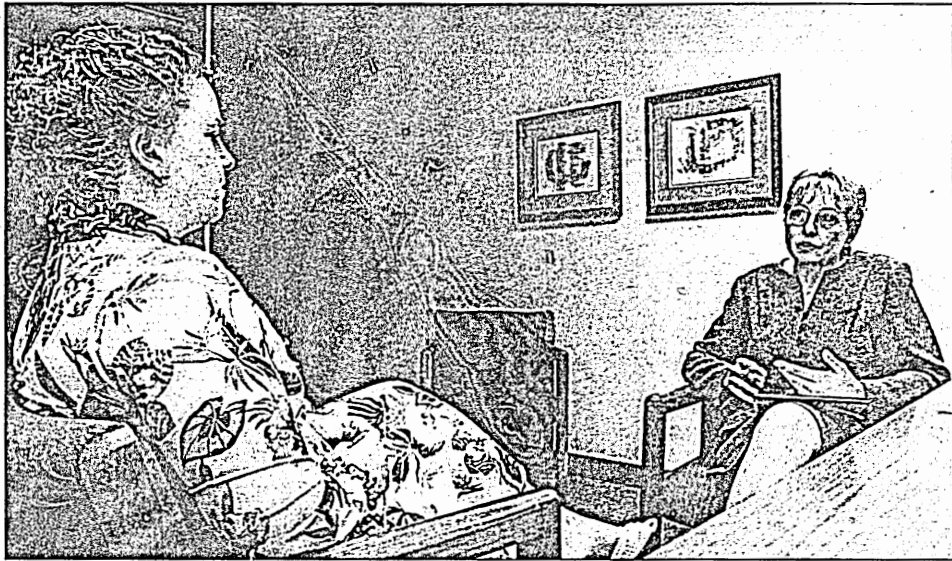
"Were you aware that he was drinking?" Burns asks the parent, as one of the many sensitive questions the two will cover.

"On occasion, I have known him to drink," Kelley Walker says of her 17-year-old son. "He was fine when he drove me home."

This marriage of the Law School and Theater Department takes law students a little closer to reality and students from both areas receive class credit for the role play. Using actors to portray clients has long been practiced by law firms in assessing their attorney's interpersonal skills.

Rebecca Fishel Bright, assistant theater professor, said the training gives her students another job option while waiting for that big break on Broadway, and it expands their acting skills.

"They're given the facts of the case



LISA SONNENSCHNIGER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Sarah McIlvain, a sophomore theater student from Chicago, acts as a client during a mock interview with first-year law student Susan Burns of Champaign, at Lesar Law Building Monday. The program gave both theater and law students practice in their field.

but beyond that they make up the character," Fishel Bright said. "It helps our students learn to improvise and that just makes them stronger actors."

After gathering pertinent information from Kelley Walker, Burns tells her client about a state statute, a host-liability law and contributory negligence.

"I'll have to speak with the senior partner of the firm, do some preliminary research and I will get in touch with you with additional questions as soon as we collect more facts," Burns assures her client. "The major issue is the fact that he is not of age."

After Burns tells the parent that there is a good possibility she can sue the family friend, Kelley Walker makes her exit. But the work has just begun for Burns. She will research all of Walker's options and prepare a memo for her professor. Then in the spring, she will meet with her client again and present her findings.

But first, Burns must endure the debrief, a session that enlightens her on all she did right and wrong in the process.

McIlvain gives the nervous law stu-

dent a thumbs up after the interview. Theater students, such as McIlvain, have been trained in their Practicum class to read body language, looking for eye contact or signs of empathy.

"I liked the fact that she said she didn't know if we had a case," McIlvain said. "She wasn't just saying things to make me think she was more knowledgeable. She made me feel like she cared."

But she lets Burns know that she could've established a more personal relationship in the beginning of the interview.

Shafer praises her student for being an active listener and exploring other options like settling out of court.

"A pretty good explanation of the law without over promising," Shafer tells her. "You let her know you were knowledgeable about the law, but yet you're going to need to do further research."

Shafer gives tips she learned while in the practice, such as running through the facts again just to make sure client and lawyer are on the same page. She also reminds Burns that every client varies and expects different results.

The whole process is videotaped and if students are proud of how they performed, they can use the tape as part of their resume portfolio. Shafer says the most important aspect of the video is to learn.

"Most law schools say, 'Here's what happens in a case now go and write about it,'" Shafer said. "Students don't

get real excited about a piece of paper. We teach them the skills practicing attorneys use in their context. You don't get a piece of paper, you get a client that walks in with a real concern."

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extreme adventure

There's quite a ruckus in Evergreen Park

STORY BY JANE HUH

PHOTOS BY STEVE JAHNKE

On a Sunday afternoon, a band of children gather at their turf — the BMX Racetrack — where a race is underway.

For a sport relatively foreign to Carbondale, BMX bike races are slowly but surely gaining popularity.

The nationwide sporting event runs under the rules and regulations of the National Bicycle League. The series is broken down by the country's regions: Northwest, Midwest, Southeast and Western. Like other sports, NBL has a hierarchical order of competition beginning at local and state levels and reaching international arenas. Sports channels, ESPN and ESPN2, are broadcasters of the sport's nationals held at Louisville, Ky. Races are divided by proficiency and age group.

In Illinois, there are close to ten official bike tracks that run NBL races, including Evergreen Park. Other tracks are located in Springfield, Marion and Pickneyville.

Carbondale's track was built in 1997, by former track director, Bill Mercer, who was an avid bike racer at the time.

"In the early '80s I raced on tracks at Murphysboro and Mount Vernon," Mercer said. "I wanted other kids to experience what I did."

Because of his time-consuming home busi-



Before all the races begin, the National Anthem is played. Members follow a rider carrying the United States flag around the track while the song is playing.

ness, Mercer stepped down from the director's post last year and passed it on to David Culp. But he continues to contribute as much as he can by volunteering and promoting the races.

Volunteerism is what sustains the track.

"It's a family thing, a not-for-profit organization that relies on sponsorship and volunteers," said David Rennison, a parent volunteer.

Through word of mouth, families and local

supporters organize the races. According to Rennison, despite the scant financial resources, the race events are always on schedule with the weather's cooperation. Volunteers take pride in making these events possible for the kids and their desire to master the unconventional sport.

However, he says more assistance and involvement from the city would not hurt.

"We're fighting a financial struggle because of people not knowing we're here," Rennison said, adding he "would like to get more students out here."

Track volunteers and city officials have yet to discuss plans to receive the city's fiscal backing. Rennison also said he has contacted SIU's Engineering Department for advice in improving the track's structural layout.

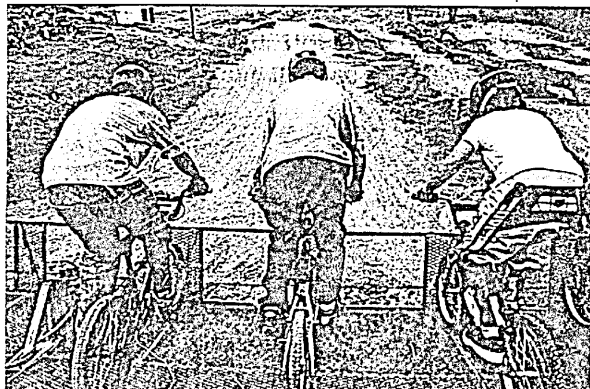
While the raceway is by no means a makeshift track, Rennison said a 250-foot track extension is foreseeable in the near future.

Sketched with slopes and humps that spread across 900 feet, it is a standard NBL bike racetrack.

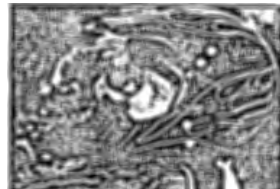
A starting gate holds up to eight bikers before of their arms let down, releasing a flood-gate of speeding pedals. Bikers face the first obstacle called "table-tops" that resemble mini-plateaus. "Step-ups" are like road bumps.

Curve-hitting "burns" cause riders to execute a smooth side-slant before they ride through the final phase of "rhythm" rollers which locks the rider in a rhythmic pattern. A "corner marshal" stands aside to check for cheating or to come to the aid of an injury.

Each biker makes three motos, or laps, on the track. The fastest time of the three motos determines an individual's final result.



Three competitors get ready to break from the gate for a practice lap. A speaker system prepares the riders, then sounds a series of tones just before the gate drops.



With the evening near a close, Zack Williams sits at the gates before the start of his final moto of the evening.

Race participants range from ages under five to 60 years old.

Despite his diminutive figure, 5-year-old Aaron "Big Wheels" Wheeler is ranked second in the Midwest and sixth in the nation in his rookie category. Standing tall in full biker regalia, Wheeler gets respect from his teenage colleagues.

"The other kids were doing it, and I knew that I wanted to do this dangerous sport," Wheeler said, "My first race was here and I got second place."

Wheeler, who was four when he first started, said he hopes to become a "dirt bike racer" when he grows up.

Jennifer Knight, 13, from Du Quoin, is one of the few girls who races. She says being a minority among the boys does not intimidate her.

"I'm faster than some of them," she said. Only until recently has the raceway received considerable recognition. According to Rennison, there are more new faces this year than all of the previous four years combined.

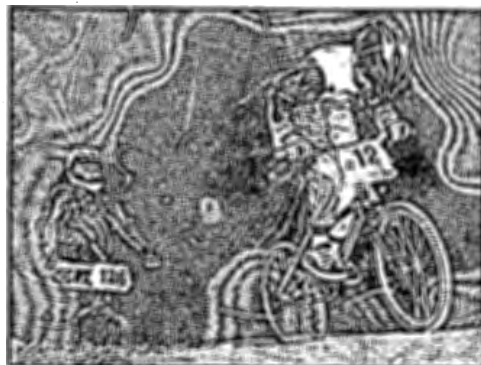
The pool of young racers holds potential for advancement to national competitions.

Last summer, the pack made a trip to Burnetts, Ind., for the World Championship Finals. There, the young racers and their families experienced a new understanding of the sport after meeting close to 3,500 bikers from all over the world with the shared passion.

"It's huge. I didn't quite catch the magnitude of it until I went there," Rennison said.

In the end, Rennison and his fellow volunteers want the track to serve a positive role in the children's lives.

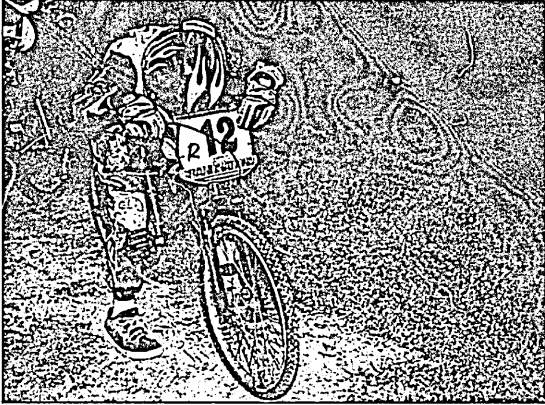
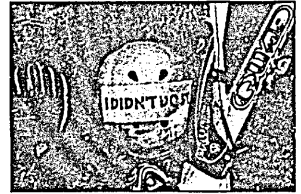
"You don't have to be born with the gift to ride a bike. Professional racers started right on tracks like this," Rennison said. "We do this for the kids out here and all of us believe in it."



Zack Williams, one of the younger bikers on the track, pulls ahead just before the finish line in a moto on Sunday at the Evergreen Terrace-BMX Raceway.

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Right: A helmet and gear surround the bike of Corey Woodside, one of the more experienced bikers at the raceway. The saying on the helmet is a true characterization for him and many of the other riders that frequent the track.



Tired and exhausted from racing, Zack Williams rests his head on his handlebars before his last moto starts.



Another young rider, Dakota Culp, goes airborne over the "table-top", the tallest dirt mound on the track that has a steep incline and a flat peak, located just after the start of the track.

Below: A BMX rider takes a practice lap as the evening draws near at the raceway. Bikers compete in three motos, the rider with the fastest time out of the three being the winner. Sunday's race, the final of the season at the raceway, featured more than 30 riders from all different age groups.



LECTURE

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going as a society, and what he could do as a designer to make this world a better place to live in," he said.

Fuller received numerous awards, including the American Institute of Architects Gold Medal Award, the most prestigious award in architecture, Owens said.

Besides teaching at SIU, Fuller also designed the construction for the various geodesic domes on campus as well as his own "dome-home," the geodesic house he lived in while staying in Carbondale.

Bill Perk, current owner of Fuller's house and SIUC emeritus, will be attending Zung's lecture that will consist of a PowerPoint slide presentation with video clips of Fuller speaking his mind.

"I'm sure it will be interesting to see what Bucky says," Perk said.

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BRINGING BACK BUCKY

Thomas Zung will lecture in the Student Center Auditorium Thursday at 7 p.m. There will be a reception and a book signing following the lecture.

Student film to air on Chicago PBS

CODELL RODRIGUEZ
DAILY EGYPTIAN

When Mike Meyer finished his 7-minute film about a pencil salesman, he was shooting for an A. He had no idea it would hit the airwaves.

Meyer, a senior in cinema production from Aurora, made the movie for his film production class and later sent it to a show called Image Union on the Chicago PBS station. Meyer said he got the idea to send it in one night when he could not sleep and was watching "Schindler's List." During one of the breaks, there was a commercial for the program accepting films.

Meyer sent the film in and was notified that his film is playing Nov. 23 at 11 p.m.

The black-and-white film is about a man in the 1950s who sells pencils door to door. The struggling salesman eventually runs into a life insurance salesman who convinces him to sell automatic pencils. The man finds out the insurance salesman was actually a KGB agent and the automatic pencils were carrying secret messages. The salesman's wife was also cheating on him with none other than the KGB agent.

Meyer said he was influenced by films like "Salesman" by the Mayles brothers and even "Fight Club."

"I wanted the center of the movie to be people's obsession with makes and models and frivolous stuff that blinds them to what really matters," Meyer said. "It was kind of my tribute to film noir of the '50s and '60s."

Gillian King, who plays the

salesman's wife, said she was excited when she learned the film was going to be on television.

"I'm hoping this film will make me a big star," said King, a senior in cinema from Joliet. "I think the film turned out really well."

The station thought the film turned out well too, awarding Meyer with air-time and \$25 a minute which will give him more than \$200.

"I definitely encourage people to check out their website," Meyer said. "The worst you can do is for them to say 'no.'"

Meyer said part of the reason the station accepted his film is because the short is suspenseful but doesn't fall short on "zarinism."

"It's fun and that's one of the things I pride myself on," Meyer said. "I hope no matter who you are, you'll have fun [watching the film]."

King said one of the reasons the film turned out well is because of Meyer's skill as a director.

"He's a perfectionist when he shoots but everything turns out really great," King said.

Meyer said he doesn't really have an explanation for his filmmaking. He said the whole process of making his films comes naturally.

"The way I write my movies is the way most people bite their nails," Meyer said.

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SECURITY

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Hartmann said some local postal workers are taking added precautions in handling the mail, using gloves and/or masks when handling the mail. She said the Postal Service has provided these items for individuals who feel uncomfortable handling the mail in light of the anthrax discoveries.

"It's not a requirement, but a response to safety concerns," said Hartmann, noting that she has seen only a few employees using the items during her recent visit to some Southern Illinois post offices.

In the coming weeks, Hartmann said people should be watching for a postcard that will be sent out across America detailing the traits of suspicious packages and letters. She said the note will also include information on what people should do if they receive a package they suspect to be suspicious. In those circumstances, the item should be isolated in a Ziploc bag. Anyone who came in contact with it should wash their hands with soap and water and then call the local police to collect the item.

Other delivery services are also taking extra measures to prevent the sending of tainted packages and letters. Airborne Express has intensified security guidelines, according to Bill Schwartz, station manager of the Marion branch, located at the Williamson County Airport.

Schwartz could not comment on the specific security measures but said the company is limiting the packages it

handles to known shippers. That means only businesses and individuals already registered as a shipper with Airborne Express may send packages through the company.

"If someone [not registered] has put something in a drop box, we will not send it out," Schwartz said.

Instead, the package will be isolated until the sender can be contacted to pick it up or Airborne Express will return it to the sender. Unregistered senders can still send packages through the company by going through a verification process.

Schwartz said employees are also going to be mandated to wear gloves when sorting freight. It will be up to the individual employee whether they wear gloves when they actually deliver the package.

Federal Express is also intensifying its security. The company has authorized its employees to isolate any packages they feel are suspicious so they can be inspected by proper officials. According to its website, the company is also requiring additional information regarding the identity of a shipper.

Schwartz said it would be more difficult for a person to send an infected package or letter through a delivery service like Airborne Express because of the accountability required of senders.

"Anything we ship we have to be able to trace to where we got it from," Schwartz said. "With the post office it's easier [to send infected packages] because of their tracking capabilities."

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An Evening at the Orchard

Recreation students celebrate season with underprivileged children

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ANNA — Katie Stoner swings back and forth on a rope in a barn for children.

Stoner, a senior in therapeutic recreation from Anna, is helping the Union County Housing Authority show children a good time. The group took underprivileged children to Boyd Orchards in Anna and let them pick pumpkins.

"This is a great learning experience for them," Stoner said.

The event also helped recreation students gain experience for their future. Erik Rafferty, a senior in recreation from Freeport, said the event was for his major but didn't seem much like work.

"I've always wanted to work with kids," Rafferty said.

To help the children learn, Susie Boyd, who co-owns the orchard with her husband, took the children on a hay ride through the orchard and told them about the produce grown on the acreage. When they got back, they put the pumpkins

down and rushed inside the barn where the orchard's goods are sold for a lesson on Halloween.

"What's our favorite holiday?" Boyd asked.

The children wiped away their looks of fascination and changed it to joy when they screamed in unison, "HALLOWEEN!"

Scotty King winks at his mother. Scotty said his favorite moment of the hayride was "the part where I lost my tooth."

After the lessons, the children were free to wander around the playground organized by the orchard every October. The children were entertained by bales of hay piled high, a long-slick slide, a hay maze, an inflatable apple worm and a swing rope.

Boyd said she likes to make the orchard child-friendly so it can be enjoyed by people of every age.

"I just like kids and this is something fun that gets them away from the TV and computer," Boyd said.

Boyd said they originally built the park inside the barn because they had two children of their own.

"They were always looking for something to do," Boyd said.

Now, the orchard is helping other children find things to do as children run around causing hay to fly through the air and recreation students join them.

The guests also took advantage of the food. The orchard gave out apples and caramel corn for the children and to the students playing with them.

"I bought a bag [of apples] and they're almost gone," Stoner said.

After the evening at the orchard, the children will take the pumpkins they picked, carve them and then display them outside the Community Center in Jonesboro.

Boyd said she was pleased that the students brought the children to the orchard because it is important for them to know they can still go outside and have fun.

"I think this generation is one generation removed from playing in the hay," Boyd said.

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Katie Stoner, a senior in therapeutic recreation from Anna, takes her turn on the rope swing inside the Boyd Orchard playground on Friday.

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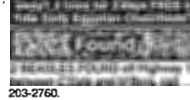
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October 27 vs. Indiana State 5:00 p.m.

Men's/Women's Swimming

October 26 vs. Drury 2:00 p.m.

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October 27 @ MVC Cross Country Championships (Normal, Ill.) 10 a.m.

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SALUKI SPORTS NOTES

Volleyball loses in three

Big 12 powerhouse Missouri rolled over the already flattered SIU volleyball team in three games Monday in Columbia, Mo. SIU, losers of their last three, now fall to 8-13 overall.

The Tigers came out on fire in game one, posting a .405 hitting percentage en route to a 30-22 win.

The Salukis, who finished the match with a .157 overall hitting percentage, managed to score 26 points in game two in a 30-26 defeat.

But it was once again all Tigers in game three, as Mizzou finished the game hitting .432 and winning 30-21.

The Salukis were led by junior Kristie Kemner with nine kills and 11 digs and senior Jenny Noel with nine kills and 10 digs.

SIU returns to conference action this weekend as the Salukis host Illinois State Friday at 7 p.m. and Indiana State Saturday at 5 p.m. at Davies Gymnasium.

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man to see playing time for the Salukis on Saturday, but there probably won't be many more to follow.

Even though health pitfalls have eaten into SIU's depth at certain positions, Kill plans on allowing the bulk of what he considers a promising crop of freshmen to redshirt the remainder of the season in order to best position the Salukis for success in the coming years.

"There's no question there's a few freshmen who could help us right now, but I'd like not to do that this late in the season ... we've got a plan and we're going to stick to the plan," Kill said. "Nobody's panicked or anything like that."

Kill said it's inevitable that some of his newcomers may not stick it out at SIU, as is the case with every other program. But he said it's imperative that he keeps as much of his young talent on board as possible if the Salukis are to make much progress.

"Our big job right now is to hold those guys together," Kill said. "So far I think we've done a good job of that."

Tree time

While SIU's infamous losing streak to Western Illinois is much publicized, the Salukis' seven-game skid to Indiana State hasn't generated near as much attention.

Although not as extensive as SIU's 18-game losing streak to WIU, the Indiana State streak is almost as shocking, considering the Sycamores have consistently been among the Gates' y's bottom-feeders during that span.

The Sycamores (2-5, 1-2) again appear to be a beatable team this season, though they are riding a high after coming from behind to win at Southwest Missouri State on Saturday.

Kill said that the complexity of Indiana State's offense will be challenging for he and his staff to prepare for.

"Offensively, they run about every play in the history of football," Kill said.

Killer sense of humor

Kill did nothing to dispel his reputation of possessing a ready wit with the media at his weekly press conference on Monday. He had the majority of media members bursting into laughter when discussing some of the adjustments in his life since taking over the SIU job.

"I live in a house over in Carterville and I'm not even comfortable with it because it's too damn nice," Kill said. "I'm not used to that. I feel guilty because my parents never had all the stuff I got."

Never one to pass up a chance to make a self-deprecating comment, Kill also indicated that his waistline is likely to expand with every Saluki loss.

"You can always tell when things don't go right with me," Kill said. "That old belly gets a little bit bigger."

Walking wounded

As the season progresses, predictably, the injuries are starting to pile up for the under-sized Salukis.

In addition to those Salukis who remain out of action with longer term injuries, linebacker Jason Nolda (concussion), offensive lineman Matt Anderson (knee), defensive lineman Ron Doyle (knee) and wide receiver Mark Shasteen (shoulder) are questionable for the Indiana State game.

"We're playing without a lot of people," Kill said.

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young age, he and Kowzan have to deal with far more harassment than their older counterparts.

"Coaches treat you differently," Condon said, "they try and take advantage of you."

Officials in the IHSA are taught to deal with abuse as well as several other issues when they go to their rules interpretation meetings each year. They must attend a separate meeting for each sport in which they intend to officiate.

Officials also must attend a six-hour clinic every three years for each sport in which they are certified.

Condon and Kowzan are also both members of the Illinois Umpires Association, which is run through SIU. They meet at the Recreation Center and discuss various issues concerning referees, and they also help to train new officials.

Even with all of the abuse and responsibility, Condon and Kowzan love what they do. In fact, Condon intends to further his officiating credentials this winter when he attends the Harry Wendelstedt School for Umpires, a major league baseball umpiring camp.

Condon said that a person has to have a passion to officiate and want to be out there every single day.

He definitely fits the mold. "Officiating gives me a rush," Condon said. "I like to be under pressure, having to make that important call in the final seconds. It doesn't get any better than that."

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Miami loses snapper

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THE MIAMI HURRICANE (U. MIAMI)

CORAL GABLES, Fla. (U-WIRE) — The Miami Hurricanes knew they would probably not be ranked as one of the top two teams in the season's first BCS poll, but the 'Canes had more pressing concerns this week.

Last Monday, the Hurricanes lost long snapper Chris Harvey for the season when the sophomore underwent surgery on his torn ACL and meniscus. Harvey suffered the injury in the second quarter of Miami's 49-27 win at FSU when he attempted to plant his foot and his knee collided with a Seminole player.

Joe Fantigrassi, who for the past two seasons has served as the emergency long snapper, was immediately vaulted into that role for the remainder of the FSU game. Fantigrassi had no problem handling five extra point attempts but ran into trouble on both of Miami's attempted field goals. On an alert play, Capshaw took a poor snap from the anxious foot of kicker Todd Sievers and ran it in for a seven-yard touchdown.

After a bad snap on a fourth-quarter field goal attempt, Capshaw tried to do the same thing, but instead the ball found the hands of FSU linebacker Michael Boulware, who had nothing but green turf ahead of him en route to a 73-yard score.

Part of the problem might have been attributed to Fantigrassi's very limited practice schedule for most of this season. The 6-foot-4, 270-pound lineman takes 10 to 12 snaps before practice as backup for guard Martin Bibla's and then would get 3 to 4 snaps with the punt team.

Against West Virginia, redshirt freshman Chris Myers will serve as Bibla's understudy, leaving Fantigrassi to concentrate solely on the long snapping duties.

Saluki Cycling Team qualifies for nationals but unable to attend

Team suffers from a lack of funding

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Although the SIU cycling team qualified to compete in the national championships this year, it doesn't have enough money to make the journey to New York, where it would have raced against the top teams in the country.

The team finished the mountain bike season in second place among other Division II teams, beating out many larger schools, such as Notre Dame, Indiana University and the University of Kentucky. But a lack of funding for SIU's team prevents it from attending the biggest race of the year.

Brendan Collier, who reactivated the team last year, said he is disappointed the team can't compete at the national level.

"It is frustrating because we're actually a pretty good team and we're doing very well," Collier said. "We're beating schools that are fully funded. If only you could see our competition when they pull up to races."

Vic Henderson, a first year racer, placed fifth in his class after this season. He also qualified to compete in the nationals but wasn't upset about not attending.

"It would have been nice to go, if we had the money," Henderson said. "But this is our first active year and we weren't expecting to go in the first place. But I'd hope to go next year."

Collier said he has plans for improving the situation for next year's team.

"I am seeking better support for the future," Collier said. "My idea, with starting this team as it is this year, was to build a good reputation and have something to show for next year when I propose money from whomever, USG or the Rec Center, I will have something to

show for it and show what we did last year."

Collier said he would like to see the cycling team eventually turn into an athletic program that would be funded by SIU, which he believes is a possibility.

"When you consider that we don't need a facility, we actually are probably, I would imagine, one of the less expensive sports to support," Collier said. "For us to go to nationals, it would have only cost less than \$1,000."

Team members already spend a substantial amount of money on their bikes — which typically cost around \$1,500 — entrance fees and the cost of travel. For the team to keep progressing, Collier believes some outside help will be needed.

"It's a great sport that I think more people would be into if they were enabled, because there's no doubt some of the initial purchase and the initial costs are very expensive and that can be exclusive," Collier said. "It takes a lot of dedication to drop down as much

money as we do for our bikes. And if only it had more support from the school, I think more people would be doing it, and I think people would really enjoy it."

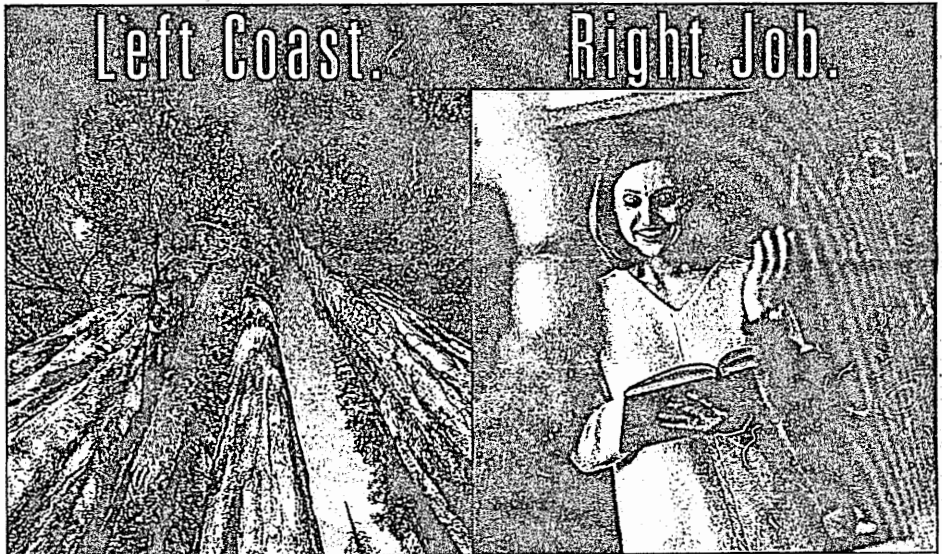
Club Sports Notes

As the sailing season comes to a close, the SIU Sailing Club had members place in two regattas. In the Fall Squall, hosted by SIU's club, Stephen Gerrish placed third. The Crab Orchard Lake Sailing Association hosted a regatta last weekend in which Eric Yung placed second overall.

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For more information on the SIU Cycling Team, call Brendan Collier at 457-7067 or email the team at siucycling@hotmail.com. The team meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Center above the pool.



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SIUC students referee high school athletics

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It was the last game of the regular season and emotions were running high as undefeated Benton High School took on underdog Breese Mater Dei Friday night in Breese.

Benton was attempting to keep its perfect record intact and gain a No. 1 seed in the playoffs, while Mater Dei was fighting for its playoff life, needing another victory to qualify.

However, for James Kowzan and Dave Condon, it was just another game.

Kowzan and Condon, both students at SIUC, were members of the five-man officiating crew that called Friday night's game.

The men are just two of the 12 SIUC students who referee sporting events at the high school level in Illinois, and they are the only two officiating football games.

The Illinois High School Association is presently experiencing a shortage of referees in the southern portion of the state and has begun looking toward younger referees to combat the trend.

Condon, 25, is the second youngest official employed by the IHSA. A few years ago, at the age of 22, he became the youngest person to umpire a state

finals baseball game in Illinois.

Condon attributed the shortage of referees to the kind of personality that is needed to officiate in sports today. He said referees must be objective, a trait that most sports enthusiasts lack.

"You have to be on an even keel," Condon said, "you have to be on both sides of the fence."

Condon said the majority of people who enter officiating are former athletes who miss the action.

"When athletes finish playing, they have two avenues they can go down: coaching or officiating," Condon said.

A former three-sport star from Lockport High School, Condon played baseball at SIUC before going into officiating.

He began working at the intramural events at the Recreation Center and has gradually moved up from there. He is now registered in four different sports with the IHSA — football, basketball, baseball and volleyball.

Kowzan, 28, took a similar path. He started working at a local youth club in his hometown of Du Quoin, and after filling in at a junior high basketball game, began officiating school sporting events.

Kowzan moved up to the high school ranks and said it is less stressful to call a game there than at the lower levels.

"Players in high school are smarter



SIUC student and IHSA referee James Kowzan shoos the coach from Mater Dei High School off of the field during a Mater Dei-Benton game on Friday night. Kowzan is one of 12 SIUC students to be approved for refereeing by the IHSA.

and better and they make it easier to call the game," Kowzan said.

The biggest selling point of officiating for Kowzan is the money. He said that it's a great way to get through college.

"It's probably the best job that you can have as far as dollar amount per hour," Kowzan said. "You go out and work two or three hours for \$40 or \$50. You can't make that kind of money as a college student working anywhere else."

Both men said that officiating usually works out with their classes as well. They try and schedule classes during the day so they can be done in time to work during the evening.

This semester Condon only has two classes but both are at night, which affects his work availability.

"That shoots two nights out of the week that I can't officiate, which is my

passion," Condon said. "I wouldn't want to be anywhere else. It's better than playing, it's better than coaching. It's the best seat in the house."

With the fun comes a fair amount of responsibility. Games can hinge on a split-second call by the officials, and sometimes they make the wrong call.

Kowzan has made his share of mistakes and said he feels bad every time it happens.

"You hope that it doesn't happen, but it does," Kowzan said. "You just have to work hard and stay on your toes and it won't happen."

Sometimes officials let their emotions get the best of them, and that is when they start to make mistakes. Kowzan remembers calling a varsity basketball game last season in which he gave out his first ever technical foul to one of the coaches.

"I was so mad at the coach that I allowed it to take me out of the game," Kowzan said, "and I ended up missing a few calls."

Yet, no matter how fair the referees are, there will always be verbal abuse from players, coaches and fans. But Kowzan said that the abuse he deals with is not too bad. He said that coaches are usually just trying to stand up for their players.

Kowzan said that if a coach gets "ugly enough," then he just throws a penalty flag.

"You've got that opportunity, and he [the coach] knows that," Kowzan said, "but most times cooler heads are going to prevail."

Condon said that because of their

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Salukis freshen up for Saturday's date

JAY SCHWAB
DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIUC head coach Jerry Kill would just as soon not watch his team receive another pummeling this year as dreadful as the one it suffered Saturday.

The Salukis were creamed 49-21 by an impressive Eastern Illinois team, and Kill thought his players looked physically and emotionally drained during the game.

Kill met with his team on Monday, but the Salukis didn't practice. He is hopeful that a day away from the grind will allow his players to rejuvenate themselves heading into this weekend's road matchup with Indiana State.

Kill also met with several of his players individually on Monday, and he tried not to be too heavy-handed.

"I can scream and yell at them and say 'what the heck happened?', but I need to ask them," Kill said. "They're

the ones playing, I'm not."

One of the main lessons learned by Kill's team Saturday was that because the Salukis aren't as physically blessed as many of their opponents, a lethargic effort like the one turned in against EIU can make for an ugly afternoon.

"We can't afford to play average or a little bit below average and have a chance to win games," Kill said. "If you're a real physical, good team you can do what we did Saturday, not play with a lot of emotion and still win. But we're not good enough to do that."

With five games remaining in the regular season and the Salukis sitting at 1-5, it's become obvious that any grandiose designs for Kill's first season at SIUC are a stretch. But Kill wants his team to set some reachable objectives for the remainder of the season, starting with this weekend in Terre Haute.

"I think we have to reevaluate our goals a little bit," Kill said. "We're 1-2 in the Gateway. We need to concentrate on trying to be 2-2 in the Gateway."

Young and restless

SIUC offensive lineman Loren Flaherty became the 10th true-fresh-

Women's tennis finishes season

Team's fall season ends with a second place doubles finish at Louisville Invitational

CLINT HARTING
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The banged-up Saluki women's tennis team escaped the fall season with at least one positive thing to carry over to the spring — outstanding doubles play.

The Salukis' No. 1 doubles team consisting of senior Erika Ochoa and sophomore Alejandra Blanco capped off a strong doubles fall season with a second place finish at the Louisville Invitational this past weekend.

Ochoa and Blanco defeated Kadja Richards and Megan Zimpher of Miami University of Ohio 8-5 before falling in the championship 8-0 to the duo of Lisa D'Amelio and Rebecca Hawkins of Eastern Michigan.

The Invitational marked the second straight second place finish for the doubles tandem, which formed when Blanco's original partner, sophomore Tana Trapani, went down to injury.

Saluki head coach Judy Auld was pleased with Ochoa and Blanco, who were participating in only their second match together.

"They played well together and are both very hard hitters," Auld said. "They finished off the fall season on a positive note."

Blanco was pleased with their performance but believes their styles are too similar.

"We both have the same strokes and sometimes that is a disadvantage for us," Blanco said.

Due to injury, Auld was forced once again to bring only four players to the Invitational. The depleted

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Judy Auld
head coach, women's tennis

Salukis didn't fare so well in singles, as Eastern Michigan took home four of the six singles flights.

However, Auld is optimistic that the Salukis will return healthy and strong for the spring season.

Auld anticipates the return of Trapani, who went 4-0 in singles this fall before she dislocated her hip. She hopes sophomore Sarah Kriamanis will also return from a wrist injury to add much needed depth.

"I don't think we will know a lot about Sarah until she starts hitting," Auld said.

Auld has been impressed with the continued development of new players Sandy Swanepool and Kari Stark.

Swanepool and Stark have had to step up and play other teams' No. 3 and No. 4 because of the injuries. Auld believes Stark had a strong showing at the Invitational and has been playing well each match.

"She has had three good matches this fall," Auld said. "She is a stronger player than I had imagined."

Auld only hopes that Swanepool and Stark will learn not to let mistakes take them out of the games.

"I have trouble getting past my mistakes," Stark said. "My mental game can definitely use some work."

Auld will seek to recruit one more player for the spring to bring some stability and a much-needed seventh player.

The Salukis begin the spring season against Missouri Jan. 26 in Columbia, Mo.

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