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BOT backs Poshard – again

Brandy Oxford
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Despite two accusations of plagiarism against SIU President Glenn Poshard, the Board of Trustees reiterated its support for the president on Thursday.

After a board meeting in Edwards Hall, chairman of the board Roger Tedrick said Poshard was hired two years ago because the board had confidence in his ability to move the university system forward.

"He has done nothing to undermine that confidence," Tedrick said in a statement.

Tedrick commended Poshard for emphasize-

ing to legislators in Springfield the importance of passing a capital projects budget. He also praised the president’s efforts to increase enrollment on the Carbondale campus.

On campus enrollment at SIUC was up by more than 300 students, according to 10th day enrollment numbers, but overall enrollment was down 20 students this fall.

This meeting occurred a day after the panel chose to review Poshard’s 1984 doctoral disserta-

tion and 1975 master’s thesis met for the first time.

"The panel that is now in place to assess these claims will report to this board very soon," Tedrick said in the statement. "Until that time, this board will have no further comment on this matter."

University officials and board members did not address the allegations during the meeting, but one SIUE student presented a petition with 75 signatures, requesting that the issue not be swept under the rug.

In an Associated Press interview, Poshard said these allegations are hardly comparable to some of his past experiences in decades of public life.

Five board members did not return multiple phone calls or messages left at their homes or offices.

Student trustee elect Megan Pulliam said she is directing all questions regarding the accusations of plagiarism against Poshard to Tedrick.

"I felt honest and truthful about the seriousness of addressing the issue," she said.

Another issue addressed — updates to "Thompson Point" — was approved. Between now and 2010, Thompson Point will be equipped with numerous security cameras, including cam-

eras and electronic keyless entry.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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Commission

advises city on

complaints filed

Volunteers mediate city and complaint filer

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When a group of SIUC students brought its
case before the Carbondale City Council at a Sept. 4 meeting, it was from the not-so-distant past.

That is why the Human Relations Commission

was formed in 2003 — to advise the City Council on relations between groups and individuals.

HRC serves as a body to hear complaints and concerns anyone feels should receive attention by city officials, and mediate discussion between the groups.

The first step to making a complaint heard is filing it with HRC.

John Holmes, chairman of HRC, is in charge of the 11 volunteer members representing the different demographics of Carbondale.

Each student, business district, each residential quadrant of the city and a student from SIUC must have an active member serving on the commission.

"When the city passed the ordinance creating HRC, it basically charged the commission with providing information to people in the community and urging them to work together so that the community understood each other better," Holmes said.

HRC receives complaints of all kinds — such as mis-
treatment by a city employee, inappropriate behavior of local merchants or landlords, even garbage col-

lection, Holmes said. Complaints may be brought to the commission at their regular meetings, the first Monday of every month, or by filing a form available at police stations and the office of the city manager.

Though HRC does not have the authority to determine how a complaint can be settled, the com-
mission can advise City Council members.

The commission was formed after Carbondale Police were accused by witnesses, university officials and concerned citizens of using excessive force while breaking up a house party of students.

Threats, which carried on for months, accused police of spraying the entire house with mace and specifically targeting the party’s host, Holmes said.

In the aftermath, Carbondale City Manager Jeff Doherty said he felt a group was needed to commu-
nicate better between the students, community and city.

"I felt that I could have used a body or group to facilitate discussion," Doherty said.

As of last week, no official complaint had been filed concerning the arrest of an SIUC student out-

side of a night club, which caused students to protest against police brutality and create a group that would express safety concerns with City Council members.

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Operation hope for Jena 6

Supporters march through campus to show support against injustice

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Black balloons marked the site and a message was sent.

Injustice will not be tolerated.

Operation Hope for Jena 6 was seen throughout campus Thursday evening, as about 100 Carbondale community members marched in support of the six black high school students from Jena, La. The students were charged with second-degree aggra-

vated battery and second-degree attempted murder, after many racial incidents begin-

ning in August 2006.

The well-publicized ordeal began when white students in Jena hung three nooses from a tree on the high school campus after seeing black students sitting underneath it the day before.

The SIUC chapter president of Generation Change, Christina Colon, said she was upset that she only heard about this a few weeks ago.

“We get five minutes, if that, about racial discrimination going on,” Colon said. “We felt we needed to do something about it.”

Michael Green, a third-year law student from Peoria and partial organizer of the march, said this discrimination would not be tolerated.

“Stop the injustice. Stop the injustice now,” Green said.

Organized as part of the Jena 6 National Day of Action, the march began at 6 p.m.

The group gathered on the front lawn of the Hiram Leroy School of Law,
**Teenager sentenced to 30 months in prison for threats at pro-choice clinic.**

**BLOOMINGTON, Ill.** — A southern Illinois teenager who threatened to shoot down anyone who entered a pro-choice clinic was sentenced Thursday to two and a half years in prison.

But Shaw Bramlett, 18, of Aria could be released after his trial. A 2002 count of 30-month term, followed by a year on supervised release.

Bramlett pleaded guilty in August to a misdemeanor intimidation charge and a count of violating an order of protection. As part of a plea deal, prosecutors dropped felony counts of making a terrorist threat and telephone harassment.

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The owner of the restaurant, Chu Yi Lee, came from Taiwan to open the business in Carbondale 16 years ago. She chose the city because it was a small place to raise her children. Chicago Hotdogs is also owned by someone born outside the United States, and experiences a good amount of business.

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**Health department recalls lead-tainted lunch boxes**

Steve Lawrence
The Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — About 50,000 lunch boxes distributed by California in an effort to promote healthful eating may contain lead, and state officials Thursday urged consumers not to use them.

Tests found elevated levels of lead in three of the boxes, which were made in China and given out at health fairs and other events, said officials of the state Department of Public Health. They carried a logo containing the words, “Eat fruits and vegetables and be active.”

“Certainly it’s unfortunate that an item we’re using to hopefully promote healthy behavior is then discovered to be a potential health hazard,” the department’s director, Mark Horton, told reporters in a conference call.

A test by the Sacramento County Health Department in July indicated the boxes contained lead, he said. Several weeks of more sophisticated testing confirmed the presence of lead “in multiple parts of the box,” including the logo, he said.

Asked why it took so long to issue a warning to the public, Horton said: “I think we took the appropriate steps based on the information available to us at the time.”

Lead can cause brain damage when ingested by young children. Horton urged parents whose children may have used the boxes to consult with a physician to see whether they should be tested.

The green canvas boxes were imported from China by T-A Creations Inc. of Los Angeles. The only request for testing was made by the Sacramento County Health Department in July, officials said.

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**Foreign food, foreign language**

Business owners from other countries work to succeed locally

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Daily Egyptian

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Bush explains opposition to expanding children health insurance program

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WASHINGTON
President Bush’s promise Thursday to veto a major expansion of government health care for millions of children reflects the political stakes in a newly potent health care debate that is beginning to shake up Congress and resonate through the 2008 presidential campaign.

Just days after Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton, D-N.Y., made a splash with her health care plan, Bush abruptly called a press conference to try to shake back Dan Quayle’s reputation of indifference to children’s health needs. A Democratic plan for greatly expanding the pool of eligible children for government-financed health insurance, the president warned, would move the country toward nationalized health care.

“I believe this is a step toward federalization of health care,” Bush told reporters in the White House press room. “Their proposal is beyond the scope of the program, and that’s why I’m going to veto the bill.”

The increasingly vocal fight over health care will be the focus on the campaign trail, reflects the public’s growing anxiety over the cost and availability of medical care. More than a decade after President Bill Clinton’s health reforms died without enacting most of patients’ choices, some analysts argue this long-simmering public is ready to consider significant changes to the system.

Democratic leaders remain wary of recommending an overtly dramatic overhaul of a familiar system, while Republicans are being careful not to appear indifferent to the problems of the ill. It is against that back drop that Bush on Thursday criticized some Democratic plans for helping more families into the State Children’s Health Insurance Program, or SCHIP.

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Obesity clinic fights fat

Nutritionists give facts about being overweight

Christian Holt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The growing problem with obesity may stem from more than just eating a lot of french fries.

Heather Hartung, Educational Director for the Rural Health and Social Development Center, said “Obesity is a growing epidemic right now.”

In hopes of raising awareness of the obesity problem and helping doctors who work with obese people, Hartung held a conference Thursday at John A. Logan College.

The conference, called “Tipping the Scales,” is in its first year.

Hartung said the percentage of people who are considered obese is higher in southern Illinois than the state average.

“It’s something we need to start dealing with,” Hartung said.

College students sometimes have the idea that because they walk to class obesity and being overweight cannot happen to them.

However, James Teufel, a researcher for the Center of Rural Health and Social Services, said because of the change in living situations, college students are actually more at risk for obesity.

“In large part the obesity epidemic is related to the cultural shifts,” Teufel said.

However, according to Kari Bruce, program director for the Rural Health and Social Development Center, because of eating habits and a failure to exercise, college students often find themselves in a situation that puts them at an obese level.

Bruce also said students should watch their health because of the effects it could have on health insurance.

“We’ve created a society that encourages an unhealthy lifestyle,” Bruce said.

James O. Hill speaks at John A. Logan College Thursday during the “Tipping the Scale: Managing Obesity in Southern Illinois” seminar. The presentation expelled the myths of fad diets and taught the proper way to lose weight.

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A cause deserves an effect

Ahh, protests. They are a many splendored thing — when successful. Unfortunately, recent demonstrations on SIUC’s campus have not flourished. Too many times have we seen groups with crudely drawn signs chanting into a megaphone. These people end up losing their point entirely. Passersby usually have no idea what the issue is and are too annoyed to care.

There is nothing more exasperating than a half-hearted protest.

The walk out against the Iraq War set to take place near Anthony Hall today looks to be a bit more organized. Several speakers are slated and its organizers have asked students to leave their classes at 11:45 a.m. to demonstrate the cause’s significance. Though the sentiment is good, we question whether students will be sacrificing much. What better feel-good deed is there than skipping a class you don’t really want to be in anyway?

Take Moton High School, a typical segregated school built in Prince Edward County, Va., in 1939. Forget a gymnasium, cafeteria or restrooms. This small building built to accommodate 180 people burst with more than 450 pupils by the late 1940s. Times were tough, and the civil rights movement was still gathering steam.

So when Barbara Johns, a 16-year-old Moton student, carried out a school-wide protest in April 1951, the NAACP commended her idea. The students and the NAACP eventually sued for desegregation, and their suit became one of five that throttled the famous 1954 Brown v. Board of Education decision.

What Johns did — the key to any successful protest — is she organized. Her idea was born in the winter of 1950, yet she waited until April 23, 1951, to bait Moton’s principal off-campus and stage the school assembly that called for a strike.

In order for any protest to be effective, every aspect should be planned — and planned well.

Handling out pre-addressed envelopes to our representatives and senators is the first key step. This simple act may help jumpstart the dialogue between citizens and leaders. Although politics might not be everyone’s cup of tea, it is where the real change begins. If 20,000 letters from Carbondale came flooding in to politicians’ offices — although highly unlikely — it would give the issue the extra umph.

Of course, a round of speeches to educate the people at any event is also a must. Pamphlets outlining the cause and what action can be taken for those on the go helps reach a broader audience. And appearance is everything. If you’re a hippy with dirty feet, do yourself and your cause a favor: take a shower.

One recent issue has already seen the fruits of this approach. Claims of racial bias surrounding the six black students initially charged with attempted murder against a white student in Jena, La., catapulted protests into a nationwide demonstration Thursday. Thousands of people coordinated in black clothing to demonstrate a united front. Notable activists, the Rev. Al Sharpton and the Rev. Jesse Jackson, were called to speak in the small town.

Yes, there are still lessons for fledging activists to learn. The Daily Egyptian is glad a glimmer of hope shines in the haze of apathy that has plagued this generation.

According to a Sept. 10 edition of Time, “Polls show that while confidence in our democracy and our government is near an all-time low, volunteerism and civic participation since the ’70s are near all-time highs.”

We applaud the students of this university for contributing to these numbers. But more importantly, we hope they continue to improve their methods.

Don’t let an opportunity pass you by

Resume builder, network opportunities, and public discourse, while helping readers understand the issues affecting their lives.

Few students take advantage of what is offered when they first come to school. I’m not just talking about being able to put something on a resume either. So much more comes with joining an organization. In my own perspective, I have gained experience and insight that I could never have learned in a classroom.

No matter how great a teacher might be, there are some things you have to learn for yourself. No one can teach you to work with other people or react to situations outside of your norm. Interacting with the people I have met through various activities has helped me to keep an open mind when facing new situations.

Joining an organization may take up your time, but you get out of it what you put into it. In my own case, I took it a little to the extreme and have joined a few organizations and held various positions in those organizations. But I have come out with so much experience as well as memories.

One organization that takes up most of my time is my sorority. This is by far the most demanding but I wouldn’t trade the time it takes for anything. Greek organizations tend to build a negative stereotype while the true facts are overlooked. Greek freshmen consistently make higher GPAs than non-Greek freshmen do. More than 50 percent of the SIU Top 25 Most Distinguished Seniors are Greek. Seventy-five percent of Greeks graduate in four years, compared to 55 percent of non-Greeks.

These are just a few examples of how Greek life can have a positive effect on you. I know my society, as well as all the other organizations I’ve been involved in, have had a positive effect on me. Not only have I learned incredible time management, but I have learned how to take on a great deal of responsibility.

We are only given so much time to participate in the organizations offered here. Do yourself a favor and take advantage of the opportunity while you still have it.

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WORDS OVERHEARD

“I’m only disabled if the environment or my attitude dictates that I am.”

Burt Pusch, post-doctoral research student on his congenital condition, a physical disability.
Demands nos plain

Wayne Madsen

Democratic Senate-House conferees should stick to their guns in everyway tough energy legislation aimed at pushing Americans out of their gas-guzzling SUV's in a last-gasp attempt to stop a global warming catastrophe.

Forging the strongest energy bill possible means retaining two House provisions that would increase the gas mileage of the average motor vehicle to 35 miles per gallon from the current 27.5 mpg by 2020 and require that 15 percent of the electricity generated by private utilities come from renewable sources such as solar and wind by the same date.

They also should keep another House provision that levies a $16 billion "windfall profits tax" on oil and natural gas companies in order to dramatically reduce America's unsung war of global warming gases like carbon dioxide.

Unfortunately, both the Senate and House energy bills are fudged under siege by a coalition of oil and gas industry lobbyists led by House Energy and Commerce Committee chair John D. Dingell, D-Mich.

The wrangling over the two bills is pleasing to major corporate interests. Any who are opposed to any eco-friendly legislation may well see the bill ending up on the scrap heap unless environmentalists and progressives can rally their forces.

Senator Joe Lieber Harry Reid, D-Nev., and House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., who shepherded the bill through this fall and earlier this summer, suddenly have grown faint-hearted as lobbyists for Big Business threaten to withhold campaign contributions.

Any notion that current Corporate Average Fuel Economy vehicle standards must be improved has met with strong opposition from Big Auto — concerned that adhering to the improved standards will increase the price of vehicles by $1,000 to $3,000. This probably is an exaggerated fear, but it's still a small price to pay for saving our beleaguered planet.

Big Oil basically sued the Senate bill's bio-fuel mandate. The House version does not include a bio-fuel mandate because the lobbying efforts by Midwestern farm groups lacked the clout to overcome heavy lobbying by the petroleum industry. The diminution of tax breaks and a threatened windfarm profit levy also has drawn its wrath.

The action by the former Energy Committee chairman was a cynical attempt to convince his colleagues nuclear energy is a safe, alternative to carbon-based fuels.

Congress' lack of progress in curbing global climate-altering greenhouse gas emissions is in stark contrast to environmental legislation already enacted by the states.

California led the way with legislation requiring improved fuel-efficient vehicles and reducing greenhouse gas emissions from electric utilities. California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, has moved his state toward adopting many of the greenhouse emissions-reducing provisions of the Kyoto Protocol, more than 30 years ago, and Congress' response was to pass a series of laws that did little or nothing to enhance the nation's energy proposals.

Indeed, the heavy hand of government intervention distorted the market and wasted billions of taxpayer dollars on impalpable or uneconomical alternatives to conventional energy supplies.

Catastrophic man-made climate change is a scientifically factual and it may be coming soon to a neighborhood near you. Sadly, a lethargic Congress once again has abdicated its responsibilities to safeguard our nation — and the world.

Madsen is a contributing writer for the online liberal Journal.

Benard L. Weinstein

Baltimore pundit H.L. Mencken once noted that for every conclusion there's a solvent that is simple, neat and wrong.

We have no better example of that dictum than the energy bills that a joint House-Senate committee of conferees will attempt to forge into a final version this fall.

Our legislators want to raise taxes on oil and gas companies, repeal most of the incentives enacted in 2005 to encourage offshore exploration and production, require utilities to generate at least 15 percent of their power from renewables, and subsidize ethanol and other bio-fuels like corn.

In addition, the Senate bill would impose stricter efficiency standards for appliances and lighting while mandating a 40 percent increase in automobile and light truck fuel efficiency.

Congress is behaving just as it did in 1973 after the OPEC embargo. The same catering toward obscure business interests and price gouging that being sounded today was overheating 34 years ago, and Congress' response was to pass a series of laws that did little or nothing to enhance the nation's energy proposals.

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Sometimes referred to as a "travesty in five acts," our national energy policy in the early 1970's actually increased rather than decreased our dependence on foreign sources of supply.

Today's fashionable energy alternatives are bio-fuels such as ethanol, and windmills. But even with their huge subsidies, they can't produce the billions of BTUs required to fuel America's economic engine — regardless of how energy efficient we become. What's more, the "law of unintended consequences" will work over the two pending energy bills.

For example, the House provision calling for a 15 percent renewables standard for utilities by 2020 fails to recognize there are significant regional differences in the availability of renewable energy sources.

Subsidizing bio-fuels and forcing automakers to build more fuel-efficient vehicles, often portrayed as the keys to containing high gasoline prices, will do little to curb costs at the pump today or in the future. With a growing share of the nation's corn production being diverted to ethanol, the cost of animal feed as well as most corn-based food products has been skyrocketing.

According to a recent study by Iowa State University, the increase in ethanol production has raised food prices by $4.74 per person over the past year.

What's more, some oil industry executives no longer believe there will be sufficient demand for gasoline over the next decade to justify the refinery expansions they anticipated earlier. That could keep gasoline prices high for years to come. As one executive put it, "Why would I invest in a refinery when Congress is trying to make 20 percent of the gasoline supply ethanol?"

There is nothing in either energy bill that will help increase the nation's energy supply.

There's a professor of applied economics and director of the Center for Economic Development and Research at the University of North Texas in Denton.

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A look at the DE 40, 30, 20, 10 and five years ago

Gus Bode through the years
Gus Bode's look has changed many times since Sept. 21, 1967. One thing remains constant: He resides on the front page to comment on issues from a student perspective. Here is Gus as he appeared on each front page in this look back.

1967
Gus comments on dirty apartments, library fines for professors, a proposed downtown hotel-convention center, Oliver North speaking on campus and USG resolutions concerning the student conduct code.

1977
Student senator Jerry Finney inspects dimly lighted basement "apartment" with gas meters on wall, exposed pipes and wiring. In a 1967 story, the Daily Egyptian reported SIU housing authorities approved this basement apartment "as an acceptable student living center." Elsewhere in the paper, Carbondale police reported no progress in the investigation of a statue stolen from SIU professor R. Buckminster Fuller's home, and the IGA grocery store advertised a loaf of bread for 19 cents.

1987
Betsy Edmonds, an SIU-C graduate student, beams after being crowned 1987 Apple Festival Queen in Murphysboro. In this 1987 story, the Daily Egyptian reported that about 15,000 people attended the Grand Parade at the Apple Festival. Elsewhere in this edition, Eddie Murphy performed at the SIU Arena and a preview of an upcoming City Council meeting revealed expected changes into the Halloween Fair Days celebration.

1997
Ellen Novar, a graduate student in business from Chicago, competes for a position on the SIUC roller hockey team. About 130 players tried out for positions on the team. In this 1997 edition, the Daily Egyptian also previewed Peter North, who was scheduled to speak at Shryock Auditorium.

2002
Mike Glenn (right), a former Saluki basketball standout, shakes hands with Derek Hopson, a graduate student in Clinical Psychology, at the SIU-Indiana State football game. A Chicago Bulls' draft choice, Glenn hoped to sign a contract with them. In a 1977 story, the Daily Egyptian reported Mike Glenn, the then-second-leading scorer in SIU basketball history, was to report to Chicago Bulls training camp. Glenn had injured his neck in a traffic accident. Elsewhere in the paper, the Mann Theatres at East Gate advertised a showing of Star Wars and a columnist warned of bar patrons sustaining ear damage.

Joel Sambursky and Jerry Kill discuss game plans near the end of the Salukis' game against Southeast Missouri State earlier in 2002. In this edition, the Daily Egyptian looked ahead to the Salukis' game against West Virginia Tech, reported on USG resolutions regarding the student conduct code, and remembered Anne Coleman, who was killed in a crosswalk in 2001.
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WASHINGTON — Honest Abe will become Colorful Abe with splashes of purple and gray livening up the $5 bill.

The government showed off the new bill Thursday in an Internet news conference — a high-tech unveiling that officials say is entirely appropriate for a 21st century redesign of the bill featuring the Civil War president, Abraham Lincoln.

The changes are similar to those already made, starting in 2003, to the $10, $20 and $50 bills. In those redesigns, pastel colors were added as part of an effort to stay ahead of counterfeiters and their ever-more-sophisticated copying machines.

Originally, the five wasn’t going to be redesigned. But that decision was reversed once counterfeiters began bleaching $5 notes and printing fake $100 bills with the bleached paper to take advantage of the fact that some of the security features were in the same locations on both notes.

To thwart this particular scam, the government is changing the $5 watermark from one of Lincoln to two separate watermarks featuring the numeral 5.

The $100 bill has a watermark with the image of Benjamin Franklin.

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By Linda C. Black

Today’s horoscope: You’re lucky this year, generally speaking. You’ll be able to fail when, if figuring out the way to play, you’ll lose. Follow your hunch and you’ll win.

To get the advantage, check the daily’s rating. It is the easiest day 9 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Assume responsibility for the job and you’ll do it well. You’ll attract attention, but you’re not doing it for that. You’re not doing it for the money, either. You’re doing it for satisfaction.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is an 8 — It’s hard to tell other people how much you appreciate what they’ve done. You can’t get your due, so deal with the people who mean the most.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 9 — You’ll like to own the lottery, but that doesn’t look likely now. Proceed to achieve your goals the old-fashioned way: by working toward them.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is an 8 — You’re at the phase of development where you’re ready for a strong teacher. Ask the important questions, and don’t be afraid to find out the answers.

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Here are some suggestions from the Pulse Team for things to do this weekend.

Alicia Wade
1. Relive the earlier part of the decade by belting out “She Hates Me” at the Puddle of Mudd show at Copper Dragon Saturday night.
2. Go for a picnic in Giant City, bring some friends and relive your youth by playing tag, hide and seek and ghost in the graveyard.

Eugene Clark
1. Go see the Himalayas at Booby’s Beer Garden.
2. The weather is going to get cold soon, so take advantage of the weather and the vast amounts of nature in southern Illinois.

Jakina Hill
1. Study.
2. Watch the Salukis beat up on Pine Bluff.

Audra Ord
1. Cheer on the Dawgs at the home football game Saturday and show the high school band kids some love when they perform pre-game.
2. Go back to your high school rock roots and jam to Puddle of Mudd at Copper Dragon Saturday night.

Making melodies

Local artist releases first CD

Audra Ord

Through his first CD was released only a month ago, local musician Chris Mathien is already hard at work on his second album.

The one I’m working on now is way better,” Mathien said.

The projected release date for his second album is March 2008. The working title is “15-4A,” named after Mathien’s apartment, where he does the recording.

Mathien records his albums personally — he wrote all the songs and played the instruments for the tracks. Live performances by Mathien, though, feature a group of musicians.

Mathien’s band, which also goes by his last name, will be playing at Hanger 9 on Oct. 11, where they will be performing with Hyphenate and The Skinny Dips.

“The band is a way to get the ideas (of the CD) out there without having to clone myself a bunch of times,” Mathien said.

Mathien is composed of Mathien as lead vocalist and guitarist, Steve Williams on rhythm guitar, Mike Schiff plays the bass and Jermaine Bollinger on drums and backup vocals.

“Every single person in the band will say something different about the sound. It’s hard to pin,” said Danny Tock, Mathien’s manager.

The members of Mathien are tied together by a common thread — passion for music.

“Music chose me,” Schiff said.

Mathien said the title of his first album, “Head, Heart... Hands,” comes from an experience one of his friends had with a club devoted to masculinity.

As part of the group meetings, Mathien’s friend recites a mission statement: “I pledge to offer my head, heart and hands in service of the king.”

Mathien in-progress album will be more objective and appealing to the general population with lyrics that are not as personal.

Another significant difference between Mathien’s first album and his current project is the second one has no cursing.

The artist said he had an encounter with a lady who supported his music but wouldn’t buy his first album because of the cursing.

“I want to be able to sell her another album that she’ll like and listen to,” Mathien said.

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against Evansville on Sept. 16, and part time catcher and first baseman Christiana Trapani.

Another area Blaylock tries to work with for fall ball is the opportunity to get everyone time on the field. Blaylock said she has given the team a chance to look at areas where they are strongest and where they need improvement.

“I as a whole we’re doing really well,” Haas said.

Leading the Salukis offensively this fall has been junior catcher Jayme Wamsley, who has hit 15-for-24 in eight games played.

Wamsley said she has confidence in her swing this fall and hopes the Salukis can end the season on the right note.

Once tournament games are over, Blaylock said she gives the team a week off to relax and forget about softball for a while. They will then continue to practice outdoors but individualize their workouts to work on areas each player needs to focus on before they begin the spring season in February.

The Salukis will begin play Saturday against the University of Missouri-Rolla at 11 a.m., followed by Emporia State at 1 p.m. and close the day against Truman State at 5 p.m.

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“It’s definitely a number I want to get up, and this week we’re facing a team that passes a lot and everything,” Reese said.

Kil said SIU has been pressuring opposing quarterbacks well thus far, which has helped along the Salukis’ turnover ratio. SIU has intercepted seven passes and recovered four fumbles this season, while only turning the ball over three times on fumbles.

The Salukis have not thrown an interception this season. Senior quarterback Nick Hill has attempt- ed 88 passes without an intercep-

tion, dating back to last season. Hill also has two or more passing touchdowns in all three games this season, and is third in the Football Championship Subdivision with a 183.6 passer rating in his season yes as a starter.

“I think my preparation before the games is a little bit better than it was last year,” Hill said. "Just more experience. Any time you get more experience — a whole season under your belt — it helps.’’

The Golden Lions’ defense has intercepted three passes this season and tallied 11 sacks. Arkansas Pine Bluff junior defensive end Ledarius Anthony leads the Golden Lions with 5.5 sacks.

SIU senior left tackle Darren Marquez said he just worries about his assignments and his respon-
sibility does not change based on who is lined up across the line of scrimmage.

“My goal is to keep Nick Hill’s jersey clean,” Marquez said. “So I’m going to treat this opponent like any other opponent, and my goal is to keep them away from Nick.”

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Junior utility player Katie Wagner throws to first base during an SIU softball game last weekend. The Salukis wrap up their fall season this weekend.

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The word on the Salukis...
The Salukis came home after a 44-10 blowout victory against Southern Utah last week. The Salukis have averaged 50.3 points per game in their last five contests at McCracken Stadium. Defensively, the Salukis forced four turnovers against Southern Utah and rank third in the nation in turnover margin at 2.67.

The word on the Golden Lions...
Last week the Golden Lions suffered a heart-breaking 13-10 loss to Alabama State. While the Lions' offense has only scored more than 10 points once, defensively they have held their opponents to just 10.3 points per game. For the third time in four weeks the Lions find themselves on the road during the first 10 weeks the Lions have played.

Position breakdown
Quarterback: SIU quarterback Nick Hill continues to be very efficient. The senior has yet to throw an interception in 74 pass attempts this season. Hill has thrown nine touchdowns thus far and connected on 67.7 percent of his passes. Last week Hill threw for 252 yards and four touchdowns. While the Golden Lions have yet to throw an interception, their two quarterbacks have combined for just 368 yards and completed only 43.8 percent of their passes this season.

ADVANTAGE: SIU

Running back: The Salukis’ running game has gained just more than 600 yards this season, with running back Larry Randle leading SIU with 172 yards. Starter John Randle said he’s fully healthy after missing the last seven weeks of playing time. The Golden Lions have run for 224 yards this season, while averaging 1.9 yards per carry. Martell Mollett leads the Lions with 109 yards on 27 carries. Last week quarterback Jonathan Moore led the Lions running attack with 76 yards on 14 carries, adding a touchdown. ADVANTAGE: SIU
FOOTBALL

Dawgs roar back to face Golden Lions

Scott Mieszala
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John Randle knows no matter what the score is, Arkansas Pine Bluff is not going to let up. The SIU football team plays the Golden Lions Saturday at McAndrew Stadium, and kickoff is slated for 1:30 p.m. (CST).

Randle, a senior running back, said Arkansas Pine Bluff features a hard-hitting defense that did not let up last season, even when the Salukis pulled away in the second half and won, 48-21.

“We ended up getting a big lead on them, but they came back every play hitting hard,” Randle said. “So that’s probably one of the hardest teams that I played last year, that we played against.”

SIU head coach Jerry Kill said the Golden Lions’ defense is fast, aggressive and athletic. Arkansas Pine Bluff has allowed just 31 points in three games this season.

“I think what makes me most nervous is they haven’t given up a lot of points, and we’re going to have to find a way to score points offensively,” Kill said.

No. 7 SIU is fresh off a 44-10 win last week at Southern Utah, but Randle did not play due to a high ankle sprain.

Randle said he wanted to play, but was held out to further heal his ankle and Kill had told him he would play if he was needed.

“The senior wasn’t needed, but said he’s at 100 percent for the Golden Lions (1-2),” Kill said.

“I’m ready to get back out there,” Randle said. “Hopefully my ankle holds up throughout the season. I’m going to keep strengthening it and everything.”

SIU (3-0) looks to be clicking in every way on offense, averaging 45.7 points per game and gaining 440 yards per game.

Offensive coordinator Matt Limogevecz said every offensive position is guilty of missed assignments, but the saving grace is that the Salukis have been making up for each other’s mistakes.

“I think every guy needs to clean up his own backyard, so to speak, and we’ll be even better,” Limogevecz said.

Defensively, the Salukis have sacked opposing quarterbacks three times this season. Arkansas Pine Bluff has allowed 17 sacks in three games, and SIU senior defensive tackle Devon Reese said he’s hoping he and the rest of the Saluki defense can up their sack totals.

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Volleyball

Salukis look to heal year-old wounds

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The SIU volleyball team has revenge on its mind.

The Salukis play the University of Evansville today at 7 p.m. in Davies Gymnasium. SIU hopes to erase the wounds of last year’s late-season sweep at the hands of the Purple Aces, junior setter Erika Barttuff said.

The defeat came amid a five-match losing streak for the Salukis that left them watching Evansville claim the final spot in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament.

“I know for me personally, that match is still very fresh in my mind,” Barttuff said. “Just knowing how I felt after that match and seeing that to fire me up as motivation to say, ‘You are in our house and you are not going to do that to us again.’

Evansville’s trip to the MVC Tournament last season ended a six-year tournament drought. The Salukis hope to end their own four-year drought this season, and a win against the Purple Aces (8-10 overall, 1-1 MVC) would be a step in that direction, senior defensive specialist Kari Buehlhorn said.

“We are always about the same in ranking,” Buehlhorn said. “So it is really important for us to get ahead of them, especially during the conference season.”

In order to keep Evansville from getting the better of them, the Salukis (9-4 overall, 1-1 MVC) must slow down defensively to combat Evansville’s “tip and roll” offensive attack, SIU head coach Brenda Winkeler said.

In the past several games SIU struggled defending against tips, allowing numerous balls to fall to the ground inches in front of Saluki players.

“We really have to work on staying composed in the back and not getting too crazy with our movements,” Buehlhorn said. “We have to stay relaxed so we are ready to pick up all the junk.”

Winkeler made a change to SIU’s defense by moving junior libero Kevry Elswick, who is fourth in the MVC with 4.98 digs per game, farther back on defense. Elswick’s quickness should allow her to record more digs and keep the Saluki’s attack alive, Winkeler said.

Evansville’s senior libero Julie Walneth leads the MVC with an average of 6.3 digs per game. To overcome her presence, SIU must maintain its quickness offensively, Medics said.

“That is our biggest asset,” Medics said. “Just bringing quick on both offense and defense.”

For the first time in two weeks the Salukis had an entire week to prepare and used it to refocus on the basics, Barttuff said.

Having only one match this week gave the Salukis an opportunity to better prepare for a key conference opponent, Medics said.

“Our depth on offense is a big deal,” Barttuff said. “We would be in a game and maybe a certain thing wouldn’t be working out and you would think, ‘I need to work on this in practice tomorrow,’ but there really wouldn’t be tomorrow.”

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Softball

SIU takes winning streak into weekend

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The SIU softball team has used the fall season to incorporate new freshmen — and the result hasn’t been far from where the Salukis left off last season.

Overall, SIU has compiled a 7-1 record during fall play — including a 4-0 record at the Saluki Invitational Sept 15-16 — and will look to take that momentum with them into the weekend when they play in the Kirkwood Fall Tournament in Kirkwood, Mo.

Head coach Ken Blaylock said SIU has done a great job of coming back together after the summer and incorporating the new freshmen into the lineup.

“It’s about coming together as a team, and I think the freshmen are doing a great job,” Blaylock said.

Freshmen play a big role in the Salukis line up this season, starting with pitchers Nikki Walters and Danielle Glosson, who both share starting duties with junior Katie McNamara. Other freshmen are utility player Chelsea Held, who had an in-the-park home run

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