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The Daily Egyptian reported

Nov. 8 that the City Council voted

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and Five of the Carbondale City

Code, which will require property

managers to pay a $6 fee per rental

unit each year. The allocated funds

are meant to pay the salaries of

existing and future property

inspectors. Fees are due to the city by

Jan. 1, 2009, in time for the 2009 fiscal

year budget, which begins the fol-

lowing May.

"Title Four requires an inspection

of rental properties every three years

by city officials. If a property fails to

comply with any code, a landlord

is charged $50 for each unit requiring

re-inspection. Previously, the initial

inspection came without cost, but a

report from the Building and

Neighborhood Services Department

said the building inspector staff

would have to be expanded to keep

up with workloads.

"Though the city had already

taken action to increase the number

of housing inspections, Loftus said

he hoped his resolution would draw

attention to the issue.

"It's going to say, 'Hey, there's

still a problem, and these manda-

tory inspections are needed,'" Loftus

said.

USG President Demetrous

White said he thought the resolu-

tion was the most important of five

passed by the organization during its

two-hour meeting.

"We are part of this community

and so we have to stand up because

those are students living in those

buildings," White said. "Students

are renting these apartments from

landlords and we have to take a

stand against that."

White said he would sign the

resolution and forward it to city

administrators. Additionally, a 60 cent per semes-

ter increase in the campus recreation

See USG, Page 12
Black Male Round Table
• 6 p.m. Tuesday at Griffin
• Forum for young men to discuss an array of issues, ranging from civil rights to issues experienced at SUIC and its community

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Any vehicle that survived the icy slip and slide from last week’s ice storm now faces a new foe.

The cycle of freezing and thawing because of recent temperature fluctuation has left roads littered with potholes, testing tires and tempers throughout Carbondale streets.

Potholes generally form when water seeps into pavement and freezes, then thaws and expands the hole, said Carbondale Maintenance and Environmental Services Manager Sean Henry.

The city treats the holes as if they are normal obstacles of the road, meaning the city will not pay for vehicle damage caused by the holes.

Damages to a vehicle could be expensive depending on the impact of the hit as well as the depth of the hole. Bob Finster of Dave’s Auto Repairs in Carbondale said the cost of repairs could be near $2,000 for repairs to the front end alone.

Cars that ride low to the ground face the risk of more damage, he said.

Hitting a pothole can break the vehicle’s control arms, damage its struts, throw off its front alignment or possibly knock off its tires.

Kelsey Skinner, a freshman from Streator studying architecture, said citizens should be able to file claims against the city because road maintenance is the city’s responsibility.

Skinner said suggestions that drivers simply go around the depressions are often unrealistic.

“You can’t swerve if there’s a car in the other lane,” she said.

Carbondale has its patch trucks out as often as the weather allows, said Carbondale City Councilman Joel Fritzler.

“It just takes time for them to get filled,” he said.

“It’s a constant struggle to keep up.”

Henry said the search for the holes could be called a community effort.

“We get calls from the general public,” he said. “City departments such as the police report them. We also have staff that go out looking for them.”

Problems with potholes can be reported to the Carbondale’s Maintenance and Environmental Service at 457-3275.

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Texas votes may favor Obama

Neda Pickler and Bill Ford
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DALLAS — Hillary Rodham Clinton has been waiting to get to Texas to begin her comeback against a surging Barack Obama. She might be more careful about what she wishes for.

Clinton has been holding on the state’s large Hispanic population — typically about a quarter of the turnout in Democratic primaries — to give her a victory on March 4.

But the Democratic Party in President Bush’s home state has a complicated, hybrid-primary-caucus that might just be better suited for Obama.

I had no idea how bizarre it is,” Clinton told reporters this week. “We have grown men crying over it.”

Unlike other states that allocate delegates by congressional districts, Texas distributes 126 of its delegates among 31 state Senate districts using a formula based on Democratic voter turnout in the 2004 and 2006 general elections. The 31 districts contain from two to eight delegates.

The March 4 primary in each Senate district will allocate that district’s delegates.

The turnout formula has assigned more delegates to urban centers with a lot of young or black voters that tend to favor Obama and fewer delegates to poorer Hispanic communities.

Clinton has spent most of her time so far in the southern, largely Hispanic part of the state. She has made two trips to Hidalgo County, where the Senate district awards just four delegates. She has left the rest of the state to her husband, former President Bill Clinton, who appeared in a dozen cities over the last week in East and West Texas.

But her state director, Ace Smith, said she would travel throughout the state before Wednesday.

“There are some districts in Austin and Houston that we do well in that have a lot of delegates. But there are a bunch of a lot of other districts that have less delegates. We’ll do extremely well, Smith said. “If we ran a really strong race in Texas, the delegates are going to take care of themselves.”

“WE’ll be everywhere,” he said.

Obama organizer Steve Hilfband said Obama’s momentum and demonstrated ability to win more votes than Clinton will prove more important than the state rules.

“In a majority of the states across the country, Hillary Clinton’s candidacy and message has not caught on with voters,” he said. “I’m not sure why she thinks Texas in and Ohio are all the sudden going to rise to her message. She’s not about chic, she’s not about the future.”

Hilfband said the more people in Texas learn about Obama, the better he should do. He said Obama only got paid staff into Texas a couple weeks ago but now has over 200 offices in the state.

Domestic officeholders and party officials — are not bound by any of this voting.

Group claims Iran speeding up nuke plans

RAF CASERT
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BRUSSELS, Belgium — An enlaced Iranian opposition group claimed Wednesday that Tehran was speeding up a program to develop nuclear weapons. "The Iranian regime entered a new phase in its nuclear project," said Mohammad Mehدادlou of the Paris-based National Council of Resistance of Iran.

The NCRI is the political wing of the People’s Mujahedeen of Iran, which advocates the overthrow of government in Tehran. The Mujahedeen has been designated a terrorist group by the United States and the European Union as well as Iran.

Mehdadlou claimed that Tehran has established a command and research center near a Tehran university. And, he said, Iran is developing a nuclear warhead for use on medium-range missiles at a site on the southeast edge of Tehran. Mehdadlou also claimed that the regime obtained aid from North Korea.

It was not possible to independently verify the NCRI claims. Mehdadlou said his group got the information from “hundreds” of reports and sources from within the Iranian regime, whom he did not name. He said some of the sources are within the nuclear project itself.

An official of the International Atomic Energy Agency, who spoke anonymously because he was not authorized to talk to the media, said the agency was aware of the allegations. Mehdadlou said he had passed information to the IAEA on Tuesday.

Iran has steadfastly denied it is working to obtain a nuclear bomb, claiming that its nuclear program is for peaceful purposes.

A recent U.S. National Intelligence Estimate concluded Iran had halted a nuclear weapons development program in 2003 because of international pressure. But the White House said Iran continues to hide information, remains in violation of two U.N. Security Council resolutions, tests ballistic missiles and is enriching uranium, which can be used to build an atomic bomb.

Four years ago, the group disclosed information about two hidden nuclear sites in Iran. But much of the informa-

tion has presented since to support claims of a secret weapons program has not been publicly verified.

Safety issues finally settled for shutdown

Robert Burns
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon counted down Wednesday toward an unprecedented effort to shoot down a dying and potentially deadly U.S. spy satellite, using a souped-up missile fired from a ship in the Pacific.

The timing was tricky. For the best chance to succeed, the military awaited a combination of favorable factors: steady seas around the Earth’s atmosphere — to give the missile a chance to catch the object — and milder-than-normal weather conditions.

The operation was so extraneous, with such intense international publicity and potential ramifications, that Defense Secretary Robert Gates — not a military commander — would make the final decision to pull the trigger.

The government organized hazardous materials teams, under the code name “Burent Frost,” to be flown to the site of any dangerous or otherwise sensitive hazard.

That might land in the United States or elsewhere.

Also, six federal response groups that are positioned across the country by the Federal Emergency Management Agency have been alerted but not acti-

vated, FEMA spokesman James McIntyre said. These are purely precautionary and preparedness actions only,” he said.

High seas in the north Pacific posed the first obstacle as the USS Lake Erie prepared to launch a three-stage missile. Beyond a cer-

tain point there would be no return to the United States from which the cruiser’s launch procedures.

The plan was for the SM-3 to soar 130 miles to just beyond the edge of the Earth’s atmosphere in an attempt to speed its non-
explosive warhead directly into the object.

Early in the day, a senior mili-
tary officer said it didn’t look as though the weather would be good enough. That was shortly after the space shuttle Atlantis landed at 9:07 a.m. EST, removing the last safety issue for the military to begin determining the best moment for launch.

Wheaton Accelerates

Joe Manely — MCCLATCHY TRIBUNE

Thousands of Barack Obama supporters stand in line to hear the presidential candidate speak at a political rally at Reunion Arena in Dallas Wednesday.
Students pack ballrooms in pursuit of careers

Students look toward future at All-Majors Job Fair

Luke McCormick
Daily Egyptian

Students usually clad in hooded sweatshirts and jeans traded up to formal business attire Wednesday in the Student Center Ballrooms.

Hundreds of students paced the ballroom floors offering handshakes and résumés in hope of making contacts that might lead to a post-graduate career.

The ballrooms were host to the All-Majors Job Fair held by SIUC Career Services. The Job Fair was attended by nearly 100 organizations ranging from the Marines to Family Video.

The first quality most organizations said they noticed about students is whether they are professionally dressed and confident.

Other attributes of importance to potential employers included multi-tasking and past employment.

“We are looking for students from all majors that are personable and have self-confidence,” said Latoya Doggan, human resources representative and operations recruiter for State Farm Insurance.

Many of the organizations represented Wednesday said the positions they were searching for were open to students of all majors.

Judith D. Bartels, district manager for Social Security Administration, has a student with a degree in zoology working in her branch. The job deals with public relations and determining Social Security eligibility.

“We are wide open to all majors, as long as the students are analytical and have great people skills,” Bartels said.

Not all the organizations at the Job Fair were offering employment opportunities, though. The University of Missouri’s Health Management and Informatics Department was offering information on pursuing a master’s degree at its institution in Medical Health Management and Informatics.

Adrienne Vogt, a student recruitment coordinator for the program, said they also considered students from a wide variety of majors.

“We are offering the opportunity to pursue a higher education, to make the student more marketable when they enter the job market,” Vogt said.

The representatives attending the Job Fair were doing some mingling of their own, but not just with students. Contacts were being made throughout the day as representatives exchanged business cards.

Eric Birky, a junior from Bloomington studying marketing, said that the event was a great chance to get his name and credentials out to multiple companies.

“I made a bunch of contacts and didn’t even have to leave campus,” Birky said.

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Corinne Schaidle, a senior majoring in plant and soil science, looks over booths during the All-Majors Job Fair Wednesday at the Student Center.

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Yesterday, hoping to find something intellectually stimulating to cure my boredom, I, like most good Americans, turned on my TV. I thought to myself, “I’ll watch something thought-provoking or not I was in an episode of the ‘Twilight Zone.’”

I started to question whether or not I was in an episode of “Cash Cab.” My brain has significantly changed, and I do see some programs on these channels. I enjoy, however, in the past few years I have noticed the appearance of two specific and vile types of the programming: Make believe and apocalypse vision.

Make-believe programming is where we get alien vampires and the Apocalypse is, to the once lone beacons of the History Channel, “experts” are doing so for how many nervous breakdowns will be caused by the endless array of end-of-the-world shows. So please, network executives, put the discovery back in Discovery Channel and put the history back in History Channel.

Alien vampires and the Apocalypse

ANDREW O’CONNOR andrewoc@siu.edu

Sure, it probably does boost your ratings. I am very aware that at least one-third of all people watching “How It’s Made” on the History Channel are stoned. But you are destroying your networks’ integrity, and putting out only the same ratings-obscured, mind-numbing and flashy as your network’s programming? ---and has been visited by extraterrestrials and the U.S. government is covering it up and has been doing so for a long time.

By all means, do a show on aliens, but enough with these cartoon programs and bearded guys.

The current fascination with the Apocalypse is, by far, the worst. Every other week, I am bombarded with commercials that emulate one. “Gamma Radiation could microwave the Earth at any time without notice,” or “A computer program has predicted the world will end in 2012.” Would you people please stop, or the Apocalypse is, by far, the worst. Every other week, I am bombarded with commercials that emulate one. “Gamma Radiation could microwave the Earth at any time without notice,” or “A computer program has predicted the world will end in 2012.”

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While Illinois politicians cry foul over the Department of Energy’s “deceptive” cancellation of the nearly $2 billion FutureGen project, and scurry to circumvent the department’s decision to withdraw federal funding from the project’s ballooning budget, they have effectively limited the debate over whether FutureGen is really in our economic best interest. The resounding message is the “clean coal” pipe dream. Even in the minds of government officials whose livelihood is to handle our national energy policy, is not economically viable. Even in the wake of all this, Illinois is rural, poverty stricken and starving for some sort of economic revitalization, but our legislators and university officials are doing us a disservice by proposing coal as any part of our economic best interest. The resounding message is the “clean coal” pipe dream. Even in the minds of government officials whose livelihood is to handle our national energy policy, is not economically viable. Even in the wake of all this, Illinois is rural, poverty stricken and starving for some sort of economic revitalization, but our legislators and university officials are doing us a disservice by proposing coal as any part of our economic best interest.
Students celebrate better health

Maria Capati
Daily Egyptian

Healthy students typically get better grades, have higher self-esteem, create better relationships and are more likely to finish their education, said the Recreation Center's assistant director of recreational programs, Sally Wright.

Wednesday was National Recreational and Fitness Day, a day to celebrate and focus on fitness and wellness, Wright said. She said the celebration was originated by National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association to promote healthy lifestyles through intramural and recreational sports.

A variety of activities, such as a bean bag toss competition, free five-minute massages and fitness classes were offered to students Wednesday as part of the celebration.

Gaby Farache, an undecided freshman from Edwardsville, said she has never had a massage before and is more likely to know what it is supposed to be after the massage.

“The massage felt really nice it was five minutes in heaven,” Farache said.

Getting the students involved in sports and healthy activities benefits not only their body, but also their mental health, Wright said. Students were offered free blood pressure and glucose screenings as well as an opportunity to ask a personal trainer questions.

Maisha Jackson, a graduate student from Carbondale studying early childhood education, said having a certified trainer explain what she is doing wrong during her workouts was helpful.

“I didn’t know what my heart rate should have been when I was exercising,” Jackson said. “Now I know what it is supposed to be to get the full and proper workout that I need.”

Christy Hamilton, coordinator of the health education, said violence and sexual assault programs, said collaborating with the Recreation Center is necessary because students should know that a healthy body and a healthy mind go hand in hand.

“All dimensions of health are important,” Hamilton said.

The fitness day was also an opportunity for the Recreation Center to promote programs and the Healthy U Incentive program.

Lynn Thompson-Cundiff, assistant director of fitness, said Healthy U is an eight-week-long program that encourages students to take part in health and fitness activities. She said this is the second year the program would be offered. Fifty stu-
dents participated last year, she said.

Students can sign up at the Lifestyle Enhancement Center for $5 fees, Thompson-Cundiff said.

The program kicks off next week and students receive a prize just for signing up.

Participants can earn Healthy U dollars by participating in challenges and attending educational programs offered by the Wellness Center. Participants are put in a lottery whose students get weekly e-mails about the upcoming challenges, the

name of the winner from the previ-
ous week and the winner’s prize. She said students should check out the Recreation Center’s Web site for more information at http://www.

siu.edu/~oirs.

Thompson-Cundiff said Healthy U was created to help stu-
dents commit to a healthy lifestyle and to give a little push to those who need help getting started.

“If we can help just one student have a healthier and happier life, then this is what the program is about,” Thompson-Cundiff said.

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BUDGET

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The governor’s topics ranged from growing up in Chicago to cuts affecting nearly every state agency while proposing new programs.

“He said everything that you’re supposed to say, which is nothing,” said State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Carbondale.

The governor pitched proposals such as giving $100 in tax credits for each child in a family in response to the child poverty rate, expanding state funds for transportation, increasing early childhood education, etc. according to Thompson-Cundiff.

Thompson-Cundiff said the governor should sell its lottery program to private investors, and use those profits on the capital plan — which calls for $9 billion in state funds.

State Sen. David Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, said selling the lot-	ery would provide the state a revenue source than any other state.

“Nothing he needs to do if he wants to save money is quit starting new programs,” Luechtefeld said.

“He wants a lot of new health care programs that are extremely expensive.”

State Sen. Gary Forby, D-Benton, said he liked the governor’s proposal of issuing each family $300 per child in tax credits to help at a time when the economy is not stable.

Forby said he also won-
dered how the governor’s proposals could be financially supported.

Unlike previous years, Blagojevich did not provide any hint of what his speech would dis-
cuss. State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Carbondale, said he did not get a copy of the speech or proposed budget for fiscal year 2009 until an hour before the governor began.

The secrecy is the fear of a repeat of former Gov. George Ryan’s spending plans, and cut more "pork" spending in order to pay for it, Blagojevich said the cuts will be challenging, but manageable.

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A trip inside the mind of the men in striped shirts

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Basketball fans often worry about the opposing team’s guard, shot-stopper and dominant center, but only a tiny other object can trigger undetermined fear in the hearts of the home crowd: the whistle.

There will never be the whistle to destroy its tens of thousands of winning the game or use it to help the team capture the game or use it to help the team. For referees Vern Harris, the dual perspective and the official’s perspective contrast as much as the stripes on his uniform.

“We just call them like we see them,” he said.

Harris officiated the SIU men’s basketball game Feb. 5 against Indiana State and Don Daily. The crew has been officiating for 10 years in all NCAA conferences for men’s basketball.

Daily said the game looks different when calls are made as opposed to sitting in the stands. The crew usually divides the court into three sections with each official being responsible for his respective side.

Kissinger, the youngest official of the three, said refereeing is like any other job, the friendships.

They are not yelling at me personally, they are yelling at the stripped shirt. They are attacking the job. Once you get that realization, then things are a lot easier and you don’t even hear it.”

Daily said every referee has a learning curve and younger officials are tentative because they do not have the respect of the coaches and may be more prone to missed calls.

“Officials get past that stage quickly though, Kissinger said, since they often referee three games a week. The hectic schedule keeps them on the go throughout the week, Daily said.

“Players at the mercy of the officials, but it’s just something you have to get used to,” he said.

After the Illinois game against Indiana State, Harris had only a few hours to rest before he had to get up at 4 a.m. to get on a plane. Harris handles games in the Midwest and the West, so his flights are usually not long but still frequent.

Despite the hurried pace of their job, referees still have to maintain mental and physical focus while on the court. Officials must warm up before a game and stretch to get ready for 40 minutes of running up and down the court, but Kissinger said running through airports keeps officials in good condition.

In addition to calling fouls, referees have to make sure the coaches and players understand what is being called and why. Daily said officials never lack for confrontation with coaches, but talking with them and players makes the game easier on everyone.

“If coaches are going to come to us with a legitimate question, we’re going to answer,” Daily said. “They’re professional, we’re professional and that’s how we have to keep that relationship.”

The focus on calls will often change from game to game depending on the matchup. Referees will make the game about certain players and the styles of the teams to have an understanding of what to expect on the floor.

Kissinger said an example could be a team that plays tight man-to-man defense that may be allowed more zone coverage, or a team that plays a 2-3 zone defense. Officials have to adjust to this and can still control the game can be played to an even level without having the officials dictate the pace of the game.

At half time they usually talk about what transpired over the last half and talk about any calls they may have missed or had questions about. Harris said white officials will make adjustments their peers will “make up” calls if trying to even the foul count. “It’s just like we say you call fouls on when you’ll call fouls on,” he said.

Often referees end the game before the fans can still control so the fans could hear what is being called and why. Kissinger said in the business and coming back for the next game. Daily said it’s the friendships and camaraderie among officials that keep him in the business and coming back for another game of whistling. But when the ball and the crowd of the season is all over, Kissinger said there is only one thing he wants to do. “Absolutely nothing,” he said.

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Airman dies as fighter jets collide while training

Melissa Nelson
The Associated Press

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — An Air Force fighter pilot died Wednesday after his jet and another likely collided during a training exercise and crashed into the Gulf of Mexico. The other pilot was rescued and is expected to survive.

The single-seat F-15C Eagles crashed Wednesday off the Florida Panhandle, said Col. Todd Harmer, commander of the 33rd Fighter Wing, 58th Fighter Squadron. The pilots had ejected and were later rescued.

The base has suffered a “great loss,” Harmer said in an e-mailed statement. He said, “We will continue to do everything we can to assist our families and airmen at this tragic time.”

The cause of the collision about 35 miles south of Tyndall Air Force Base was not immediately known, but the Air Force will investigate, Harmer said. Weather in the area was clear.

The exercise emphasized “basic maneuvers and tactics,” Harmer said. A Coast Guard rescue jet located one pilot and radioed the location to a fishing vessel, which picked him up, said Coast Guard Petty Officer James Harless. A Coast Guard helicopter then hoisted the pilot off the vessel.

That pilot told rescuers he saw the other pilot also eject but lost him in the clouds, Harless said. He told them the approximate location for the second pilot, who was found by a Coast Guard helicopter, Harless said.

Both pilots had been with the wing “for quite some time,” Harmer said.

No debris from the jets has been found, Harless said.

The Air Force grounded all of its F-15s — nearly 700 — after the catastrophe. The planes, built by McDonnell Douglas Corp., were deployed to the Persian Gulf in 1991 in support of Operation Desert Storm and have since been used in Iraq, Turkey and Bosnia.

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This year marks the 30th year of the Big Muddy Film Festival, a 10-day event that includes a film competition, award-winning documentaries and presentations of films from the United States and abroad. This year's competition begins today and runs through March 2. The competition features 78 films in four categories: documentary, narrative, animation and experimental. It's for students and by students, and it's for the community, too, said Michael Holder, a sophomore from Carbondale studying film. "It's something that we're doing to give people the opportunity to get their film shown.

The Big Muddy Film Festival was founded in 1978 by Mike Covell, professor emeritus of cinema and photography, and is organized and operated by the Department of Cinema and Photography.

Hong Zhou, faculty adviser for the festival, said Covell has been offering support, encouragement and advice throughout the year to all involved with planning the event. Zhou said he is very thankful for the assistance and expertise Covell has offered.

Planning for the festival began in August 2007 and film submission opened in late September, Zhou said. Approximately 300 films were submitted from over 20 countries. Over 200 films entered, 78 films were chosen through a prescreening process conducted by a core group of judges as well as volunteers from the College of Mass Communication and the community. Nineteen of the 78 films chosen as finalists are foreign films; these films will be screened in their original language with English subtitles.

"I'm excited because it's really very very diverse, and it's for form and this year's program. I am confident that the audience will be able to find something that they will enjoy," Zhou said. Three jurors have been selected to judge the competition. The jurors—Naomi Uman, Jonathan Caouette and Usama Alshaibi—are all established filmmakers themselves. In addition to judging the films, they will have their own presentations during the festival.

Another part of the competition is the John Michael's Award, which is presented to the top social justice documentary. The winner of this award is chosen by a panel of social activists from the community and faculty, said Lindsay Greer, a graduate student from Clare, Mich., studying mass communication and media arts.

Because it's the 30th anniversary year, this year's festival is not only entertaining, it's also educational.

"A lot of what we're showing are documentaries so it's a way to become educated on different issues that are occurring in the world, and different perspectives," Greer said.

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Paul Campbell.

Swinger was thrust into a starting role since the injury took place and has started 10 games this season while averaging 3.9 points per game.

Senior forward Cortney Sales has also taken on a larger role, picking up 11 starts this year.

Sales said Gibson brings excitement to the team, practice and said Gibson’s role on the bench may have helped her.

“I think she liked that point of view and it helped her because now she’s back and has more stuff to say about different things, so she kind of helped me with that, too,” Sales said.

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SHAW CONTINUED FROM PAGE 20

Shaw finished the first half at a perfect 5-for-5 to lead the team with 12 points. He finished with a game-high 23 points.

Shaw said he saw the opportunity to get low and got in a rhythm, which helped him finish at the rim.

“It was just one of those nights where everybody felt that any shot they took was going to go in,” Shaw said. “That’s how we have to start playing all the time, just playing with confidence and knowing that when you get an open look you’re going to make it.”

But when halftime was over, Shaw went back to hitting bombs. Shaw started the half for the Salukis by hitting an open 3-pointer, which was followed by a Wesley Clemmons 3-pointer.

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“Shaw’s performance was the main reason for the Salukis’ victory, it was passus like Clemmons that led to the efficient shooting. Often it was Mullins who found Shaw after driving to the lane or passing around and over defenders when he set up in the post.

Northern Iowa coach Ben Jacobson said Mullins hurt the Panthers as much as Shaw.

“When (Shaw) is making threes and Mullins is that aggressive and looking for his 3-point shot that much, they are a hard team to guard,” he said. “It’s no secret that Fuller can’t be guarded one-on-one, so if those guys are making threes they are hard to guard.”

As if going 8-for-9 from the field wasn’t impressive enough, Shaw was able to do it against one of the premier big men in the league as he got the better of Eric Coleman.

Coleman, who has more than 100 career blocks, was unable to register a block in the game despite the double teams often brought to stop Randal Falker and Shaw in the post.

Lowery said Shaw played with a lot of toughness and if he plays like that consistently, the team will be hard to beat.

“We needed that game out of Shaw for more reasons than one,” Lowery said. “He needs to know we want to go to him in certain situations. When Randal is in foul trouble, Matt went inside and we got two buckets back to back for him.”

The rest of the team followed Shaw’s lead and punished the Panthers from distance. The team finished 12-for-20 from behind the arc and spread it out as Mullins, Carbon Faj, Josh Bone, Tyrone Green and Clemmons all registered a long ball.

The Salukis will look to keep their three-game winning streak alive when they host Nevada at 3:30 p.m. Sunday for an ESPN BracketBuster game.

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SPORT BRIEFS

White Sox hope bullpen is Dotel’s save

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Chicago brought in reliever Octavio Dotel not to close games, but to save the White Sox bullpen.

The right-handed reliever who ranks 56th in strikeout-to-walk ratio among relievers since 1957 will be welcomed sight for a bullpen that was 19-23 with a 5.49 ERA and had 23 blown saves last year.

A lot of games are going to be decided by the bullpen. Last year you look at our record out of the bullpen, it was amazing how many runners scored in the seventh, eighth inning," Chicago manager Ozzie Guillen said Wednesday. "The White Sox were good at keeping those runs from scoring in the seventh and eighth innings."

The next scheduled home game is 6:05 p.m. at Comiskey Park against the Cleveland Indians, as the White Sox try to become the first Gateway Conference team to defeat a Football Bowl Subdivision opponent three consecutive seasons.

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The regular season comes to a close Nov. 22 with a road game against Illinois State.

Santa Fe football schedule announced

SIU football head coach Dale Lennon announced the 2008 football schedule Tuesday.

The Salukis open the season Sept. 6 against Hampton University before traveling to Northwestern Sept. 13 as they try to become the first Gateway Conference football team to defeat a Football Bowl Subdivision opponent three consecutive seasons.

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Saluki baseball tournament moved due to weather

Because of the threat of inclement weather, the SIU baseball team moved its season opening series on Feb. 22 against Western Michigan to First Tennessee Fields in Cordova, Tenn.

"We want to give our guys the best opportunity to play," head coach Dan Callahan said. "The conditions of our field are not up to standard at this time."

The Salukis were scheduled to face the Broncos in a three-game series beginning Feb. 22 at Abe Martin Field. The next scheduled home game for SIU is Feb. 29 against Northern Illinois, but the tentative suspension of Huskie athletics could postpone the series.

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With the NBA trade deadline looming at 3 p.m. EST, which trade do you think should happen?

Jeff Engelhardt

"I think the Bulls should package Ben Gordon and Ben Wallace for Vince Carter. Gordon is nice off the bench, but the Bulls would be better if they were bagger in the backcourt, and Wallace hasn’t played like a four-time Defensive Player of the Year should. At least the trade would make the Bulls more entertaining to watch."
Salukis get revenge

Megan Kramper

With the memory of a heartbreaking 68-63 loss less than a month ago still lingering, the Salukis looked like a different team in different surroundings Wednesday night at the SIU Arena. Shawn scored 23 points in the Salukis' 67-47 victory over Northern Iowa.

The Salukis were impressive from the floor, going 54.8 percent from the field and were 12-for-20 from the 3-point arc. Senior forward Matt Shaw, who led the team with 21 points, said 3-point shooting was a key component in the win.

"It was just one of those nights where I think everybody felt that any shot they took was going to go in, and that's how we have to start playing all the time," Shaw said.

This was a different scenario for the Salukas in as in the two teams previous meeting on Feb. 2 when the team let the Panthers shoot 40 free throws.

This time the Panthers only got to the line three times, making all of their attempts.

Shaw said being smart defensively helped the Salukas keep from committing unnecessary fouls like those committed in the previous meeting.

Every time Shaw touched the ball, Wednesday night, it turned into gold for the SIU men's basketball team. Shaw went 8-for-9 from the floor with 23 points and nine rebounds including four 3-pointers to lead the Salukis (15-12, 10-6 MVC) to their third straight win.

Shaw said he has had trouble hitting open looks from the floor throughout the season but tonight was confident in his ability to knock down shots from range.

Being at home, Shaw said, also gives the team a level of confidence and brings more energy and enthusiasm out of the team.

Junior guard Bryce Mullins added 13 points and seven assists for the Salukis while senior guard Tyone Green chipped in nine points.

Northern Iowa (15-12, 7-9) was led by freshman guard Kerwin Dunham who scored 13 points for the Panthers.

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Senior forward Matt Shaw shoots the ball as part of ESPN's O'Reilly Bracketbuster Saturday afternoon on the court at the SIU Arena. Beauchamp said he took a hoe Nevada at 3:30 p.m. The game will be broadcast on ESPN.

Matt Shaw missed a shot. Unfortunately for the visiting Northern Iowa Panthers, that is all he missed.

The senior forward brought his full arsenal of offensive weapons as he beat Northern Iowa from the outside with 3-pointers and the inside with polished post moves.

Shaw and Mullins created problems for the Panthers but struggled because they couldn't hit key shots in the stretch.

The Salukis will be back in action Saturday as part of ESPN's O'Reilly Bracketbuster as they host Nevada at 3:30 p.m. The game will be broadcast on ESPN.