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THE GREAT MARCH  
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The DAILY EGYPTIAN honors Charles 'Chico' Vaughn. Vaughn's total of 2,088 points is still a Saluki basketball all-time record.

Charles 'Chico' Vaughn  
SIU basketball 57-61

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FEBRUARY 27, 2003

*"Her sacrifices were great. She endured beatings, unemployment, not having enough to eat, but she kept going. She was just an amazing woman."*

— Dr. Pamela Smoot  
Black American Studies Professor



STEVE JAHNKE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Titus Heagins, visiting assistant professor in cinema and photography, rebuts a comment from another attendant at the final brown bag discussion of Black History Month Wednesday afternoon in the Mississippi Room at the Student Center. The topic of the discussion honored the ordeals and accomplishments of Fannie Lou Hamer, an African-American woman that fought for the right of African-Americans in the state of Mississippi to vote as well as several other civil liberties during the sixties.

## Life-long fight pays off

Brown bag discusses Hamer's struggle against equal rights

Samantha Robinson  
Daily Egyptian

Picking cotton at the age of 6 and dropping out of school at 12 years old did not determine the future of Fannie Lou Hamer — it only made her stronger and more determined to work for the betterment of life for black Americans.

She was a woman of strength, courage and determination, and did all she could to make sure black people were able to vote and had other American rights.

Hamer, who was best known for coining the phrase, "I'm sick and tired of being sick and tired," lived her life to make sure others would not have to live this way.

Hamer's accomplishments and the stories of some of her ordeals were the topic of discussion at the final brown bag of Black History Month Wednesday in the Student Center.

In the crowded Mississippi Room, Black American Studies professor Pamela Smoot presented a tribute to Hamer.

"I felt she was a great woman and needed to

be paid tribute to," Smoot said. "Hamer inspires me, just like a lot of other black women."

Hamer was born in Mississippi in 1917 the youngest of 20 children. She lived with her family on a plantation. When she was 6, she was expected to pick 60 pounds of cotton a day, and by the time she was 16 was picking 200 to 400 pounds per day and making \$1 a week.

In 1962, Hamer decided she was tired of sharecropping, so she and 17 others went to register to vote. On her first attempt, she failed the literacy test and vowed she would keep trying until she passed.

Once she passed the test, the plantation owner told her she had to get off his land, so she left the same day. Ten days later the house she was staying in was shot at by nightriders.

But it did not stop Hamer. It only made her stronger and more determined to make sure people had equal rights. She became involved with the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee.

Fed up with the exclusion of black Americans in politics, Hamer addressed the Credentials Committee at the 1964 Democratic presidential convention in Atlantic City, N.J., as a representative of the Mississippi Freedman Democratic Party.

She spoke about the injustices that allowed

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## SIUC graduate detained for allegations of terrorism

Moustafa Ayad  
Daily Egyptian

A Palestinian professor charged with funding Middle-Eastern terrorism operations was fired Wednesday by the University of South Florida.

Samuel Al-Arian, a 1978 SIUC graduate, is currently being detained following accusations of terrorist activities and an arrest last Thursday, in Tampa, Fla.

Samuel Al-Arian was arrested and charged Feb. 20 because of his connection with Palestinian Islamic Jihad, U.S. Attorney General John Ashcroft said following the arrest.

University of South Florida President Judy Genshaft said Al-Arian, who has been suspended since shortly after the 2001 terrorist attacks, was fired for violating university policy, according to The Associated Press.

The president said that Al-Arian's activities have been false and misleading and that he did not meet the university's standards. She declined further questions at Wednesday's press conference, The Associated Press reported.

Al-Arian was arrested in his home a week ago, as were seven other individuals. Federal prosecutors are charging Al-Arian and the seven other unnamed men with 50 counts of racketeering and conspiracy.

Al-Arian received his undergraduate degree in computer engineering from SIUC. Robert Benford, chairman of the Sociology department at SIUC, said he has colleagues and friends at USF and keeps in steady contact with them. He mentioned Al-Arian in a speech he gave last semester "Collateral Damage from the War on Terrorism," which addressed civil liberties and free speech.

"He was being railroaded and espoused because of unpopular opinions he had about

Palestine," he said. "My concern was that under the new Homeland Security Act and Patriot Act, one of the things that would be threatened would be academic freedom."

The Homeland Security act has opened up avenues for law enforcement, allowing them to monitor Internet communications without notification. Any government agency or any level can initiate surveillance and no subpoenas or court overights are required.

After Al-Arian appeared on the "O'Reilly Factor" of the Fox News Network on Sept. 26, 2001, following the attacks on the World Trade Center, he was accused of having terrorist connections. The University of South

Florida immediately suspended his teaching duties. USF received 14 threats that led to investigations.

Benford said he did not know of the evidence the Justice Department has concerning Al-Arian, but said that as citizens of this country, he believes Americans are allowed and allotted certain freedoms that protect free speech and the right to a fair trial.

"One freedom we died for is the right to be presumed innocent until proven guilty," Benford said. "We should have a system of justice where we shouldn't have to prove our innocence. There are always people with vested interest in maintaining the status quo. We need freedom to discover new truths, new knowledge."

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## No surprises here

Low voter turnout in Jackson County just what officials expected

Sara Hooker  
Daily Egyptian

Few people trekked to the polls to cast their vote for the Carbondale City Council candidates Tuesday, but it was no surprise to the candidates or county workers.

Fifteen percent of those registered to vote in Jackson County made it to the polls for the Murphysboro and Carbondale primaries — 11 percent of those for Carbondale.

The 1,674 Carbondale voters chose Sheila Simon, Michael Neill, Steven Haynes, Lance Jack, Dan David and M Stalls to advance to the April 1 general election for the three four-year terms open. Chris Wissmann and Joel Fritzer continued on as the two-year candidates vying for the single open seat.

Jackson County Clerk and Recorder Larry Reinhardt said turnout was about what he expected — 2,000 to 3,000. He said he doesn't know why primary turnout is always low.

"I think it's more than anything people wait for the general election when the candidates are finally chosen before they come out in numbers," Reinhardt said.

In precinct 29, only 1 percent of the 1,264 registered voters showed up to cast their vote. Precinct 29 is made up of residents in Lewis Park, The Fields and the mobile home parks on East Park Street. Reinhardt said it is one of seven student-dominated precincts and is the largest in the county.

"I don't know whether it's not worked as much, but that's probably the lowest turnout, but has the largest number of concentrated registered voters," Reinhardt said.

Turnout in the other six student-dominated districts, 21 through 26, averaged about 10 percent, Reinhardt said.

The largest precinct turnout percentage — 30 percent — occurred in precinct 12. Reinhardt said the precinct, located in the area behind Mardale Shopping Center, is predominantly college professionals, faculty and staff and always has a high turnout.

City Council candidates expressed their disappointment in the low number of voters.

Four-year candidate Matt Woods fell short of the sixth person to advance to the general election by 91 votes. While he said he doesn't think more voters would have made enough difference to matter in his campaign, he said low number was disappointing.

"It's pretty bad when we have as many people as we do in this town and only 1,700 show up and vote," Woods said.

Two-year candidate Pat Kelly did not advance to the general election, but said low primary numbers are normal in communities everywhere. He said what some people don't understand is that local elections affect people in their day-to-day lives more so than state and national elections.

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**NATIONAL NEWS**

**Court rules for abortion protesters**

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that federal racketeering and extortion laws were improperly used to punish aggressive anti-abortion protesters, lifting a nationwide injunction that barred people from interfering with clinic business.

The court's 5-4 ruling applies to protests of all sorts, not just at abortion clinics.

Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, writing for the majority, said that when protesters do not "obtain" property, they cannot be punished under federal extortion laws.

The court's ruling is a victory for Operation Rescue, anti-abortion leader Joseph Scheidler and others who were ordered to pay damages to abortion clinics and were barred from interfering with their businesses for 10 years. The ruling ends that injunction.

Rehnquist said their protest activity did not qualify as extortion. That outcome had been sought by activists like actor Martin Sheen, animal rights groups and even some organizations that support abortion rights.

**Death toll from Kentucky explosion rises to 3**

CORBIN, Ky. — The death toll from last week's blast and fire at a southeastern Kentucky insulation plant has risen to three.

David Hamilton, 37, died late Tuesday and Arnold Peters, 57, died early Wednesday, both at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville. Jimmy Lemmings, 42, died at the hospital Sunday.

Altogether, 44 people were taken to hospitals after the explosion and fire Thursday at CTA Acoustics. More than a dozen of the injured were transferred to other hospitals for treatment of severe burns.

Federal and state fire investigators finished their initial examination at the company, which makes acoustic and thermal insulation for the automotive industry. They concluded it started around a productionline where mats of fiberglass and backing material are bonded by passing them through ovens powered by natural gas.

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**Saddam says he won't go into exile**

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein says he would rather die than leave his country and that he would not destroy its wealth by setting fire to its oil wells in the event of a U.S.-led invasion, according to the Associated Press.

Saddam, in an interview with CBS' Dan Rather, dismissed any idea of going into exile to avoid war.

"We will die here. We will die in this country and we will maintain our honor — the honor that is required — in front of our people," Saddam said according to excerpts of the interview posted on the network's Web site Tuesday. CBS said the comments would air Wednesday on 60 Minutes II.

President Bush said last month that he would welcome exile for Saddam, and some Arab countries — most notably Saudi Arabia — have proposed offering Saddam exile to avert war.

Saddam also indicated he would not set fire to Iraq's

oil fields or destroy its dams if there is a U.S.-led invasion of Iraq. During the 1991 Gulf War, Iraq set fire to hundreds of Kuwaiti oil wells as they were driven out of that country. It took months to extinguish the fires whose thick, black smoke created an environmental disaster.

"Iraq does not burn its wealth and it does not destroy its dams," Saddam says in the interview filmed Monday in Baghdad.

The Iraqi also said his country had never had any links to Osama bin Laden and his al-Qaeda terror network. "I think that Mr. bin Laden himself has recently, in one of his speeches, given such an answer that we have no relation with him,"

In a portion of the interview broadcast Wednesday morning, Saddam directly rejected such a connection.

Saddam also said he would obey any new Security Council resolution if he determined it did not violate Iraqi rights.

"If there are new resolutions that violate our dignity, our security, our independence, then it will be clear that we will stand by our principles," the Iraqi leader said during the interview.

**Today**

High 30  
Low 22



Light snow most of the day, clearing off by early evening. Highs in the low 30s.

**Five-day Forecast**

Friday	Partly Cloudy	37/23
Saturday	Mostly Cloudy	43/30
Sunday	Mostly Cloudy	43/23
Monday	Partly Cloudy	42/30
Tuesday	Partly Cloudy	49/28

**Almanac**

Average high: 49
Average low: 28
Wednesday's precip: 1"
Wednesday's hi/low: 20/16

**POLICE REPORTS**

**University**

Darlyn J. Haudrich, 19, Waterloo, was arrested and charged with resisting a peace officer and underage possession of alcohol at 1:43 a.m. Saturday in the overnight parking lot east of University Park. He was released on \$100 bond.

**Carbondale**

A CD case and about 30 CDs were reported stolen between 9 p.m. Monday and 2:15 a.m. Tuesday from a vehicle in the 200 block of West Freeman Street. A window was broken to enter the vehicle. Police have no suspects and no estimates for damage or loss were available.

**CALENDAR**

**Today**

Psi Chi and Psychology Student Association meeting (free pizza) Lawson Hall 131 6 p.m.

SIU Skydiving Club new members meeting Student Center, Ballroom A 6 p.m.

**Friday**

Japanese Table meeting (Survival Japan) Student Center, McDonald's 6 p.m.

French Table weekly meeting Café Melange 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

German Table weekly meeting Corner Diner 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.

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• In Wednesday's issue of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the page 4 article "Live Free sponsors non-smokers' night," wrongly attributed a 1993 study to the American Medical Association. The study was not authored by the AMA, but published in the Journal of the American Medical Association.

• In Wednesday's issue of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the photo of the art can with the page 3 story, "Snow, ice leave behind nuisances," should have shown the potholes were located at the intersection of South Lewis Lane and East Walnut Street.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets these errors.

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

# New provost settles in to life at SIUC

John Dunn faces new challenges with optimism

Ben Botkin  
Daily Egyptian

The day before John Dunn became SIUC's provost & vice chancellor, close to 300 students and professors were picketing outside Anthony Hall and calling for a fair faculty contract.

"There was an informational picket outside with the faculty, and I was hoping fervently he wouldn't have to walk through that on his first day of work," Chancellor Walter Wendler said.

Dunn started his job last year on Nov. 1, just two days after the Faculty Association filed notice with the administration of its intent to strike. That period marked an unhappy time for the University, he said in a recent interview.

"That was difficult and, I think, sad, and I don't mean that by any sense of the faculty was wrong and the administration was right," the 57-year-old Dunn said. "We can do better and we must do better."

Several months later, union officials are no longer talking about the possibility of a walkout, and the faculty has a new contract. But that doesn't mean the challenges are over for Dunn, who oversees budget planning for the University.

With state officials predicting a budget deficit approaching the \$5 billion mark, SIUC and other universities are bracing for possible budget cuts in the next fiscal year. Dunn's primary duties involve heading a budget task force that is reviewing proposals for spending cuts ranging in anticipation of funding shortfalls that may hit SIUC.

## Gus Bode



Gus says:  
Dunn ... but he just got here.

"These are challenging times for higher education," he said. "We're going to have to be particularly vigilant."

Although reductions may be necessary, Dunn doesn't want the focus to drift away from the needs of students who chose to attend SIUC.

"For students who are here, this is their four-year or five-year window of opportunity," he said. "Somehow in this, we have to keep that focus very clear."

The path that would take Dunn to the provost's office of SIUC began in nearby Pinckneyville where he graduated high school in 1963. Dunn left southern Illinois to attend Northern Illinois University, where he earned a bachelor's and master's degrees in physical education.

After departing from Illinois, Dunn earned



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Dr. John Dunn faces many challenges as new provost and vice chancellor of the University. His primary duty is to oversee budget planning. Dunn left his job at the University of Utah to come to SIUC and started here Nov. 1, 2002.

his doctorate in physical education from Brigham Young University, and served as a faculty member at the Oregon State University for 20 years. Dunn also has a research background has involved studies looking at ways to improve the lives of those with disabilities.

Most recently, he was the dean of the University of Utah's College of Health, stepping down to come to SIUC.

And Dunn's current and former colleagues both agree that he knows how to maintain the appropriate balance while planning for the future. His focus was clear as a dean at the University of Utah, said Scott Ward, an associate professor at the institution's College of Health.

A couple years ago, Ward told Dunn of his desire to expand the college's physical therapy department through working with hospitals in the Salt Lake City area.

Ward wanted the physical therapy department to have clinical services that would exist in conjunction with area medical facilities. After Dunn assessed the situation, Ward says he pursued the goal in a timely manner.

"I shared my vision with him," Ward said. "Within a few months, we had meetings with a hospital that led us to establish cooperative ties."

Two years later, students of the University of Utah have a program that combines classroom studies with practical experience in clinics.

"(Dunn) knew his job as dean was to actively push for worthwhile programs," Ward said.

But the smaller things didn't escape Dunn's attention either, according to a former co-worker. Margo Bonnette became frustrated several years ago after she started a new job working as an administrative manager at the University of Utah's College of Health. She was having trouble adjusting to her new duties and consider-

ing resignation.

"I was ready to throw in the towel and say I'd made a mistake," Bonnette said.

But with a little encouragement from Dunn, dean of the college at the time, she managed to work through her initial difficulties.

"He helped me gain the confidence I needed to continue the job," she said. "He's just fabulous. He's the best I've worked with. You just want to be on his team."

Nancy Parker, who worked with Dunn as an administrative assistant for several years at the University of Utah, said he was able to make friends on all levels of the campus.

"He was great to work with," she said. "He was a friend with people on campus, from the lowest staff position on campus to the president."

"He was just so open to everyone — faculty, staff and students. Sometimes you don't find that in an administrator."

And his openness is also evident at SIUC, said Michael Jarard, president of the Undergraduate Student Government. When there was talk of faculty possibly going on strike, Jarard said Dunn told him as much as he could about the situation.

As Jarard continues to work with Dunn as a member of the budget task force, he says the administrator doesn't avoid questions.

"He's very receptive," he said. "When I go to Dr. Dunn with questions, Dr. Dunn gives answers. Dr. Dunn straight to the point tells me what I need to know."

Wendler said Dunn is an ideal match his position, with an outlook that listens to all voices on campus.

"With this budget and planning task force, I think he is demonstrating his ability to give and listen to ideas," he said. "He has a deep appreciation of shared governance."

Dunn is looking ahead to the future and also aware of the current difficulties.

"It's a challenging time, but I think people are nervous about a number of things," he said. "I'm excited about Southern at 150."

His philosophy includes an optimistic outlook, even when the outlook is less than perfect. Recently, he was discussing various matters with several administrators and wanted to leave the meeting on a good note, said a University official.

"I was in a meeting and we were dealing with some pretty serious issues," said Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. "He said, 'You know, I would like us to leave the meeting with some positive statements.'"

And Dunn's reputation is also carrying over to those he doesn't work with on a regular basis. When he arrived on campus last fall to check into his temporary apartment at Southern Hills, Dunn, who earns a salary of \$200,004, gave a down-to-earth impression to the first person who greeted him.

"He came and got his own key and toed his own boxes," said Ruth Pomnier, a receptionist at Southern Hills.

The new administrator continues to live like many other on-campus residents as he waits for his wife, Linda, to join him from Salt Lake City.

"He's an ideal resident. He asks for no special treatment," Pomnier said. "He's very appreciative for even the smallest service we give him. If first impressions mean anything, I was very favorably impressed."

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# Inter-Greek Council to get in the holiday spirit this weekend

56th annual Theta Xi variety show takes place Saturday

Jessica Yorama  
Daily Egyptian

The next major holiday may be more than a month away, but members of the Inter-Greek Council will bring the holiday spirit to SIUC during the 56th Theta Xi Variety Show Saturday.

During the annual event, members of several greek organizations will honor the theme of "Holidays" through various skits at 3 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium.

The show will feature three large groups and three small groups, one of which is non-greek.

"People really like these types of

shows," said Interfraternity Council President Bradley Portz, a junior in agriculture business economics from Marissa. "It's a really cool way to see students that have put together their own skits, how much time it takes and how the performances turn out."

Many campus fraternities and sororities, some working alone, some teaming up with other organizations, have prepared for several months to develop 13-minute skits pertaining to the theme.

Those placing in the competition, however, will not be the only winners during the Theta Xi Variety Show. Several greesks will receive scholarships at the conclusion of the show.

Scholarships awarded will include the Betty Lou Mitchell scholarship, given to an undergraduate student demonstrating academic excellence and leadership skills, and the Leo Kaplen scholarship, provided to a

graduating senior in the biological sciences. Both of the awards are named for former greek advisers who were also members of greek organizations.

Although not every organization is participating in the actual show, some greesks have been lending a hand over the past few months to help put it together.

Meredith Hudgens is not performing in an actual skit, but said she is happy with the hard but satisfying work that has come with preparing for the show.

"It's a lot of fun and a good way for younger and newer greesks to meet and get together," said Hudgens, a senior in political science from Elgin. "It's a very friendly competition."

Jan Berry, who is in charge of special events for the Inter-Greek Council, said the show is not only a good learning experience for greesks,

but also a good way for them to show their talents and dedication to the campus and community.

The Theta Xi Variety Show has typically had a good record of attendance in the past, usually selling out prior to the show.

According to Portz, the Inter-Greek Council made the decision to move the event earlier in the day because it conflicted with the much anticipated SIUC basketball game, in hopes of attracting the large audience it did the previous year.

Last year, the event took on the theme, "Bright Lights, Big Cities," with participants paying tribute to a major city of their choice. The winners of this competition were the members of Sigma Kappa and Sigma Pi who presented a colorful presentation of "New York, New York," complete with American flags to pay tribute to the city.

This year's holiday theme, which will showcase various skits such as a 1940s style tribute to Valentine's Day, promises to be equally interesting for attendees.

"The show is a good way to show everyone that the greek population may be small, but we're involved," said Berry, a junior in public relations from Decatur. "And why not come out and see the show before you go to the game. They're both SIU related."

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Tickets are \$10 and are available at the ticket office of Shryock Auditorium today, Friday and directly before the event...

# New proposal could change health coverage

## GPSC approves proposal for year-long student-health care

Valerie N. Donnals  
Daily Egyptian

The Student Health Advisory Committee recently proposed that health care coverage for students extend to the summer months, regardless of whether they take classes.

Currently, students who do not enroll in classes during the summer are not covered by the health coverage can purchase this feature for an additional cost.

The committee's proposal calls for automatic yearlong coverage.

The proposal was introduced in reaction to customer satisfaction surveys for health services, which indicated problems with insurance coverage.

The proposal would require two payments of \$174 for 12 months of coverage. As with the current policy, financial aid can cover the cost of this fee, and students who have outside coverage are able to apply for a refund.

The Graduate and Professional Student Council passed a resolution Wednesday to support the new health care proposal that will ensure students insurance all year.

The current health plan offered to students through the University is a mandatory fee with a right of waiver. Students pay \$134 each fall and spring semester for health coverage.

Students enrolled in summer classes

pay an extra \$80 for insurance during the summer.

However, students who decide to work or go home during the summer have the option of a summer insurance plan through the University at the cost \$250 to \$350, according to the director of Student Health Programs, Cheryl Presley.

Because the coverage is optional, the majority of students go through the summer without insurance.

Any illness or injury incurred during the summer is considered a preexisting condition and treatment during fall or spring semester is not covered by the insurance policy.

*“Plenty of students don't think they need it, but then something happens. Nobody expects to get hurt. We just want to eliminate potential problems of our students.”*

— Amy Sileven,  
member,  
Student Health and Advisory Committee

the risk of being turned down for treatment when they come back to school.

Sileven estimated that 90 percent of the cases that get rejected for coverage occur during the summer months.

Sileven, a member of the Student Health and Advisory Committee, said that the committee of student voting members approved the proposal unanimously, and GPSC trusted their recommendation.

The fee would not be an increase for students who enroll in classes all year and will save students who do not enroll in the summer between \$70 and \$170.

A charge of \$80 would be added for students who go without summer coverage for the extra insurance.

Presley added that a person can opt for outside insurance, which can have rates of \$500 to \$1,000 per month for the same coverage, depending on the insurance company and the student's medical history.

Presley stressed that the proposal is not asking for an increase, but is more of a restructuring of the current system.

She said students who currently do not buy summer coverage would pay a little more, but they would be the ones to benefit the most because coverage would automatically be extended through the summer.

“The board decided it is a totally win-win situation for students regarding their insurance coverage,” Sileven said.

Students would be protected from being turned down for treatment for preexisting conditions and the insurance would cover treatment at any urgent care center or emergency room in the country.

“Right now it is just a concept to see if the students respond,” Presley said. “It makes a lot of sense and takes out of the equation preexisting conditions in case a student gets hurt over the summer.”

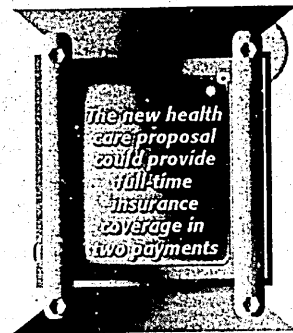
Presley said that if there is a lot of support for the new plan from students, there will be several channels to go through before it is implemented and will require approval from the Board of Trustees. “It's a good proposal,” Presley said. “It takes so much of the uncertainty out of it for students.”

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## Current policy vs. new proposal

### Current Plan

**\$135 fall**  
**\$135 spring**  
**\$80 summer**  
(enrolled students)  
**\$250-350 summer**  
(optional for students not enrolled)



### ★ New Proposal ★

**\$174 six months coverage**  
**\$350 insured for year**

RANDY WILLIAMS-DAILY EGYPTIAN

## City to demolish burnt-out house

Brian Peach  
Daily Egyptian

A home gutted by a fire is now the possession of the City of Carbondale.

The city was on the verge of receiving a court order to destroy the house when the property owner decided to donate the eyesore and avoid unnecessary confrontation.

Carbondale City Attorney Paige Reed said the demolition proceeding for the home at 301 N. Marion St. started late last year, and the city began seeking a court order soon after.

“The property owners decided that rather than going through the demolition proceedings with us, they would rather just hand over the property to the city,” Reed said of the home owner, a business named Homecomings Financial Network, which is now located in California.

Reed said the business no longer wanted the home. The home was severely burned during a fire in late spring of 2002 and never repaired by the owner.

City Clerk Janet Vaught said the city requested the permission to demolish the home because of safety concerns.

Reed said the city could have done the same if the home was in constant violation of a city code.

Reed said that with ownership in the city's hands, it does not have to worry about seeking a demolition order, and can go about handling the property as it sees fit.

She said the city will decide whether to keep the land or convey it to an interested owner in the future, who will likely turn it into another residential place.

“At this point it's going to be cleaned up,” Reed said. “It'll become a vacant lot, and it will be up to the City Council as to what they want to do with the property.”

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— Paige Reed  
Carbondale City Attorney

Discussion of the property is not on the City Council's agenda for next week, and Reed said the issue will be discussed as soon as all the details are worked out.

These include taking care of the back taxes owed on the house from 2000-2001, so the city will clearly hold the title to the property, Reed said.

She added that the owner also has a chance to go to the county and file a “sale in error” request, saying they do not want the property because it has been destroyed.

They would then be reimbursed for some taxes, and the property would legally belong to the city.

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## Student organization offers taste of culture

### Students invited to dinner, cultural show Sunday

Angel Johnson  
Daily Egyptian

“A Taste of Bangladesh” invites students to enjoy an evening of exotic foods and cultural entertainment.

The dinner will take place from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sunday, March 2, in the Student Center Ballroom CD.

It includes an eight-course meal and two hours of cultural programs.

“We will have music, dancing and traditional costumes,” said Saifur Rahman, president of the Bangladesh Student Association.

The Bangladesh Student Association has been planning the event for the past four months and is expecting a big turnout.

The Bangladesh Student Association's mission statement said that it is imperative to expose the SIUC campus to the rich and beautiful culture of Bangladesh.

The group's goals to encourage age friendship and interaction among its members and the people of southern Illinois.

The event is not only intended to be entertaining, but also enlightening.

“We are trying to present authentic foods of Bangladesh,” said Shahinur Shaif, a member of the association. “We want to familiarize people with the traditional dishes.”

Four performers will be dancing to the traditional rhythms of Bangladesh throughout the show and all participants in the cultural show will be dressed in authentic Bangladesh attire.

The Bangladesh Student Association currently consists of about 20 students and their spouses, as well as four Bangladesh patron members employed at the University.

“Everyone is invited to attend ‘A Taste of Bangladesh,’” Rahman said. “Just be prepared for a unique experience.”

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Tickets for “A Taste of Bangladesh” will be \$12 for students, seniors and children and general public tickets are \$14 if bought in advance. Tickets can be purchased at the Student Center central ticket office.

## NEWS BRIEFS

### CAMPUS

### Poems put on in Kleinau Theater

“Headliners” is an ensemble show of poems, all based on newspaper accounts. The show will be at 8 p.m. Thursday, Friday and Saturday in the Marion Kleinau Theater. Cost is \$3 for students with an ID and \$5 for general admission. For more information, contact Sandy Pensoneau at 453-2291.

### La Rondine to perform at McLeod

The Department of Theater and the School of Music combine to present La Rondine at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday in McLeod Theater.

The Box Office is open from noon to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and one hour prior to each performance. Admission for students with a valid ID and children is \$6. Cost for adults are \$11 and seniors are \$9.

### USG helps to register

Students who still wish to sign up to register to vote in the City Council April 1 election can do so before March 4. Undergraduate Student Government will be sponsoring a voter registration drive at 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. today at Lentz Hall in Thompson Point. They will be traveling to each building in Thompson Point during these hours to get students registered.

### REGIONAL

### Big Muddy gets dirty

The Big Muddy Film Festival continues today. Judges Panel Discussion will be at 2 p.m. in Life Science 3. Competition Showcase 4 is at 5 p.m. at the Student Center.

Judges Presentation is at 7 p.m. in the Student Center. Competition Showcase 5 is at 9 p.m. at Long Branch Coffee House, 100 E. Jackson St. Documentary Feature 5 will be at 9 p.m. at Mungo Jerry's Fat Cat Cafe, 1023 Chestnut in Murphysboro.

Cost is \$3 for Competition Showcase 4. Admission for every other show is free.

# Attitude not aptitude

## SIUC's first African-American homecoming queen says it's people's attitude and not their aptitude that makes them successful in life

**Kristina Dailing**  
Daily Egyptian

**H**azel Scott-Miller has been through a lot of firsts in her life. She was one of the first black students to integrate Carbondale Community High School.

She was one of the first African-Americans to work at IGA in Carbondale.

She was the first in her family to graduate from college.

She was the first African-American homecoming queen at SIUC.

But throughout her life she hasn't been the type to ever put herself first.

Julia Mitchell, a friend of Scott-Miller and a graduate of SIUC, said Scott-Miller has a way of making everyone around her feel special. She said she is always friendly, happy and smiling.

"Whenever I see Hazel, I know I am going to be smiling and happy," Mitchell said. "I know I am in the company of a very special person."

Scott-Miller is originally from Sandusky, IL., but when she was 6 years old, her family moved to Carbondale.

She was exposed to SIUC early in life and decided to attend to be close to home and go to school with her friends.

Scott-Miller enjoyed living close to the University because of her love for exercise and keeping fit.

"I look back and remember how much I cherished my time walking to SIU and then walking home," Scott-Miller said. "I loved the exercise."

Mitchell also remembers fondly her walks with Scott-Miller and their other two friends, Betty Butler and Delores Henry. The four girls went to high school and college together and all graduated in education.

"We would start at a meeting place and then

pick up other friends along the way," Mitchell said. "We talked the whole way on our daily morning walks."

While at SIUC, Scott-Miller never formally rushed a sorority, but was a Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity sweetheart and was very involved with the organization. The rest of her time at SIUC was dedicated to her classes and her job at IGA as the first black cashier.

"She was a hard worker," Mitchell said. "She was a diligent worker who could juggle different tasks."

She also student taught at University High School. She had two African-American women role models who influenced who she is today.

Her teachers, Charlotte Crimm and Thelma Walker, were two women she said carried themselves well and were always very professional.

"I try to exhibit that same degree of professionalism in my profession today," Scott-Miller said.

During her senior year she was elected the very first African-American homecoming queen at SIUC.

"At the time I did not look at it as being very special," Scott-Miller said. "Now I look back and see the significance of it."

Mitchell, her friend of 46 years, said she would never forget when her friend was named homecoming queen.

"When I saw her riding in the parade, smiling and waving, it was one of my proudest moments and memories of her," Mitchell said.

And even though it was 1968, the tail end of the Civil Rights Movement, Scott-Miller said the people in the community and at the University were very supportive of her.

"It was exciting because a lot of whites supported and a lot of blacks supported me," Scott-Miller said. "The people I worked with hung a sign in the window congratulating me."

Scott-Miller said her time at SIUC helped

her become an all-around type of person. She said her parents had always put a strong emphasis on learning and SIU helped her to continue with a strong education.

She graduated in 1968 with a bachelor's degree in special education.

"SIU is a wonderful institution," Scott-Miller said. "It was a foundation that prepared me to go out into the world."

Her younger brother, Kenneth Scott, also attended SIUC and said she is an inspiration to him.

"She helped to encourage me to not just go to college, but to actually graduate from college," Scott said.

Scott, who graduated in 1977 with a degree in community health management, now works in Chicago as a sales integrator with SBC, formerly Ameritech.

He said they were always close because they were the last two children left in the house together when their older siblings left home.

"I admired her ability to cope with any type of situation," Scott said. "She had such a desire to be the best person she could be."

After graduating from SIUC, she went on to receive her masters in educational psychology at Wayne State University in Michigan. She worked on post-graduate work at the University of Tennessee and received her mid-management certification at the University of Texas in Arlington.

Today she works for the Dallas independent school district to help provide services for special education students in alternative school settings. She has been working at her current job since 1981 and believes that it is important for students to get an education.

She works with administrators, teachers and counselors to make sure special education students are having their academic needs met.

"I basically believe in getting an education,"



PROVIDED PHOTO

**Hazel Scott-Miller was crowned the first African-American Homecoming Queen at SIUC in 1967.**

Scott-Miller said. "Even if people go into entertainment or sports, it is very important that they have an education to fall back on."

She also still loves exercise and staying fit. She teaches aerobics through the school system's wellness program as a way to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

"Health is very important," Scott-Miller said. "I cannot remember a time when I didn't exercise. It has always been a part of my life."

She has two sons and two granddaughters. She still loves her job and spending time with the people she loves. She still has fond memories of bowling at the SIUC Student Center and walking by the Old Main building as she walked across campus.

And although she had so many firsts, she is the last person to turn away a friend or hold back a smile.

"You never know if that smile you give will help someone get through the day," Scott-Miller said.

And to the people around her, she is that same friendly, loving person she was back growing up in Carbondale.

"She is still true, still beautiful and still a wonderful person," Scott said.

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## Congratulations!!

The Daily Egyptian Professional Staff and the School of Journalism congratulate the Daily Egyptian student employees for their accomplishments in this year's contest.

### 2002 ICPA Editorial and Advertising Awards

The Daily Egyptian won 10 first place awards, 8 second place awards, 4 third place awards and 4 honorable mentions in the 2002 Illinois College Press Association contest. Winners were announced Feb. 22 at the ICPA state convention in Chicago. There were 34 Illinois college newspapers competing in this year's contest, with more than 1,000 entries.

The 10 first place awards were the most by any daily newspaper in this year's competition, as were the 8 second place awards:

#### Awards by place

- 1st place, James Kerr, Comic Strip
- 1st place, Pulse Staff, Entertainment Section
- 1st place, Brian Kite, Graphic Illustration
- 1st place, Molly Parker, Editorial
- 1st place, Brett Nauman, Feature Story
- 1st place, Marleen Troutt, In-Depth Reporting
- 1st place, Burke Speaker, Headline Writing
- 1st place, Kerry Maloney, Photo Essay
- 1st place, Derek Anderson, Feature Photo
- 1st place, Derek Anderson, Spot News photo

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- 3rd place, Jay Schwab, Jens Deju, Sports News Story
- 3rd place, Derek Anderson, General News Photo
- 3rd place, Molly Parker, Spot News Photo
- HM, Photo Staff, Special Supplement
- HM, Alexa Aguilar, Feature Story
- HM, Molly Parker, In-Depth Reporting
- HM, Derek Anderson, Feature Photo

- 2nd place, DE Staff, General Excellence
- 2nd place, James Tierney, Editorial Cartoon
- 2nd place, Seth Dewhirst, Comic Strip
- 2nd place, David Msseemmaa, Amanda Whitlock, Feature Page Design
- 2nd place, Molly Parker, Mark Lambird, News Story
- 2nd place, Jay Schwab, Sports Feature Story
- 2nd place, Derek Anderson, Photo Essay
- 2nd place, Ad Staff, Full Page Ad

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## OUR WORD

# Give smoke-free a chance

After a long week of classes and tests you go home, hop in the shower, get dressed up and spray on your cologne in preparation to go out to your favorite Carbondale establishment — the bar.

But what's the point?

As soon as you enter your favorite local establishment that shower-fresh smell is long gone. As you step into the haze, your eyes begin to burn. You cough. Someone next to you lights up a cigarette and the mainstream smoke blows right in your face. When you return home that night you smell like an ashtray and the following morning you start coughing up everything you inhaled the night before.

If this sounds familiar you're not alone. Currently many states allow smoking in bars with the exception of California, which banned smoking in its bars and restaurants in 1998.

Since 1996, 191 cities, towns and counties have enacted ordinances banning smoking in restaurants with 30 of these ordinances also requiring bars to be smoke-free. New ground was broken in Carbondale last night at Carboz nightclub in an effort to provide a smoke-free environment for patrons.

Carboz, along with SIUC's Live Free Project, sponsored Carbondale's first ever clean-air club night. Club-goers were treated to hors d'oeuvres, a food buffet, a dance contest with winners earning a free trip to California, and even an oxygen bar.

Having one night of smoke-free fun was a positive step in providing an alternative to smoke-filled clubs. Other clubs in various cities, including Chicago, have experimented with smoke-free nights and have had enormous success with large turnouts.

But the alternative of a smoke-free night should be available every night of the year.

The Carbondale City Council should propose tax incentives and/or rebates to businesses that go entirely smoke-free. If an owner or potential owner complies they could provide a clean, healthy alternative for students and visitors as well as possibly tapping into a new productive market.

The main reason club and bar owners are shying away from a permanent smoke-free establishment is for fear that it will diminish sales and alienate smokers. But a study conducted by the University of Massachusetts Center for Survey Research found that banning

The alternative of a smoke-free night should be available every night of the year.

smoking at restaurants and bars could boost business. Out of 2,356 adults surveyed, they found that three in 10 people would opt to dine out more often at smoke-free restaurants. Another finding in the report found that nearly 40 percent of those surveyed said they avoided going out in the past because of tobacco smoke.

Carboz clean air night was the first and it shouldn't be the last. Many students choose to stay in because of health concerns and to avoid the ashtray stench cigarettes leave on their clothes and hair.

Until then we'll continue dousing ourselves with cologne and perfume so that we can overpower the stench of a cigarette-butt filled ashtray that is better known as the bar.

THE REAL REASON THERE'S FUNDING TO  
BUST METH ADDICTS, BUT NOT TO FIX THEM.



THEY MAKE FOR HILARIOUS EPISODES OF "COPS"

J. TIERNEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

## GUEST COLUMNIST

# Peace movement misunderstood

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I have always been of the opinion that ignorance is curable. In that token, let me begin my duty as a future physician and treat a few pathogenic misconceptions expressed by Mr. Winerman of Harvard University in his column "The Fallacy of Peace," which appeared in the DAILY EGYPTIAN Feb 14.

While I cannot speak for all people involved with the peace movement, I can assert from personal involvement with them that many of us are opposed to widespread violence of any sort, anywhere, by anyone, without exception. Whether this violence is perpetrated by an Iraqi, Korean or American dictator makes no difference; it will surely be met by more violence, which inevitably leads to more suffering. This is the crux of our grievance.

While we do not condone the actions of the violent leaders of Iraq and North Korea, neither do we condone any military action which would serve to further the suffering of those we would claim to "liberate," thereby inflaming the anger of those people already aligned against us, possibly inciting them to further more gruesome acts of terrorism on our friends and families. Please refer again to the crux of our grievance as to the mechanism of this chain of events.

I and many of my acquaintances in the peace movement acknowledge the necessity of balance; that peace and conflict exist in relation to each other, and both must exist to some degree. We do not, however,

believe that a military conflict with any nation as currently planned would maintain this balance; it would only upset the equilibrium to a more destructive end.

Mr. Winerman would do well to follow the scientific method, which his university is so famous for advocating. One must observe and record data before reaching a conclusion. It is obvious that he has not. If Mr. Winerman had asked any of those involved with the peace movement if they supported the Iraqi regime, he would have received a resounding "No!" Instead he chooses to reach conclusions without observation.

I would invite Mr. Winerman and anyone else who is still confused or doubtful as to the power of nonviolent action to walk to the Rec Center here on campus on a Tuesday or Thursday between 6 and 8 p.m. Glance through the window of the martial arts room and you will see a group of dedicated students. These people are practicing an art called "Aikido," the Way of Spiritual Harmony, founded by Morihei Ueshiba (I offer his book "The Art of Peace," as suggested reading material.) Observe for a few moments and if you are still not convinced, return after class between 8 and 8:05, and talk to the sensei there. Ask if any of the defense techniques the students are taught are designed to hurt or injure one's opponent. The answer will be an unequivocal no, yet the techniques are effective in defending the student. I offer this as proof that love and respect will always triumph over hate and violence.

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

I wonder if other dogs think poodles are members of a weird religious cult.

Rita Rudner  
comedian

## WORDS OVERHEARD

For many people, if it was something they really wanted to do, like go to a concert, they would go out in the weather. It's apathy, and the people who didn't vote are still going to complain.

Diana Esner  
A polling judge from Makanda, on the low voter turnout for the Carbondale primaries

COLUMNISTS

# It smells like school spirit

The game is tied at 64. Brooks drives the ball in with just seconds left. He lays the ball up, it starts to roll out, and with just tenths of a second left the ball is tipped in by Hairston. Salukis win! What better way to celebrate what ESPN called "the finish of the day" by rushing the court. There is honestly no way to describe the feeling I felt as I join the student body on the court celebrating. And as I rushed home afterwards and turned on ESPN to watch the highlights it finally hit me; I have school spirit. I couldn't believe it, me of all people, wanting my school to win.

I know what you are thinking; I should want my school to win every game; that I should care. Well, it wasn't always this way. You see, a long time ago in a town about five hours away, I was a high school student. Not just any ordinary student either, I was one of those who roamed the hallways hating my school with every breath in my body. This hatred became so bad that I wanted my school to lose every game that it played. From football to bowling, if my school lost, I was happy.

I came to Carbondale excited about school, and wanting to make up for my lack of school spirit.

Now I really don't know why I felt this way. I was somewhat active during my four years in high school. I was in most of the alto sax for two years in the school band, I received decent grades, and I was even on the tennis team. So how can I want my school to lose if I was in a sport? The answer to that is simple; my team could've lost, but I could have won. It makes sense when you think about it, tennis is an individual sport where the only person you are counting on to win your match is yourself (or your partner if you played doubles).

So why the sudden change of heart? I think most of it has to do with growing up. It's been about four years since I've been in high school and a part of me still loathes that school. But I didn't have fun there either, and now that I look back on it, I find that it is my fault for not having a good time and no one else's. You see I



The Wild Kard

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came into high school thinking I wasn't going to enjoy myself at all. The longer I attended, the more I thought I was going to have a horrible time. It was like a quicksand effect, my negative thoughts kept sinking me into a pit of hatred. By the time I realized this, high school was long gone, never to be had again. All the good times I could have had were wasted moping around the hallways. I thought I could have never redeemed myself from such a selfish act.

Then came the fall of 2002, I come to SIU after finally transferring from Joliet Junior College. This time around I knew that if I came into college with the same attitude I went into high school with, I would have the same miserable time. So I came down to Carbondale excited about school, excited about meeting new people and wanting to make up for my lack of school spirit I had. So I started studying more, already gaining grades that exceed the ones I received in high school. I started cheering on our school's football team, excited when they won, heart broken when they lost. I've been going to all the basketball games, almost always sitting in the front row, cheering our team onto victory. And I couldn't be happier. With a new outlook on life, I not only became a better student and friend, but I also gained pride in my school. With high school gone, I look forward to my remaining years at SIU. Not only as a student, but also as a student who has finally found his school spirit.

*The Wild Kard appears every other Thursday. Brian is a junior in cinema and photography. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*

# Death threats and breathe again

## Death Threats

Checking my e-mails I have to confess to the world that recently I received a death threat, left speechless I gave my testimony to my Sunday school preacher, Lord my poetry seems to affect some of my Thursday column readers protect my soul, I pray that you bless those non believers, release the demons shrieking, I fly with angel's wings and torture decremented thoughts until I hear your spirit scream ... am I your nemesis, and since I know that you're reading this I want to insure you that my palm was bleeding from the pen of the mere thought that you were seeing this, my eyesight is keen I walk with a bible, I work on campus so therefore it's not hard to find me, I'm in four organizations and there's about 1,000-foot soldiers behind me you've taken my expression to the next level and I'd be crazy to only think that you just admire me, you want to be me don't you.... and since I'm a real man and I don't know what you look like this is my only way to confront you, I was a kid once and I never had any respect for bullies that led behind computers and tried to punk you ... anonymous e-mails don't scare me, I grew up in the projects of Chicago so mental bluffs are unnecessary, and as far as your death threats goes ... keep sending them ... because they're always good for news commentary and I get the last laugh

## BREATHE AGAIN

At one point I felt like a motherless child emulating characteristics of the man I've grown to be  
I lost my breath for a second but then



Poetic Justis

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the great heavens put me to the test, Sometimes I look at you and see so much of me in you, we became one, now follow me, we took journeys on stormy days with the sun outside, picture that, and death is the only time I've known people to permanently lose their breath, but we're alive so why aren't we breathing. It's still cold outside, the weather isn't changing, but inside our hearts it's warm, we were born with air inside our lungs but sometimes we find ourselves gasping For that same air, hearing voices say

Breathe....Breathe.... begging the Lord afraid as we walk pass that broken mirror oblivious of what we've become, break down what we've created and you'll be exposed to one sun, no matter how much change we had it always equaled up to one sum and in between life and death there's a break of silence.... then the middle man whispers, "some people never got the chance to love in which you breathe again" .....

Now take a Deep Breath.....

*Poetic Justis appears Thursdays. Jawsaad is a graduate student in mass media. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*

# LETTERS

## USG committee member speaks out on fees

DEAR EDITOR:

I was disturbed by a recent article in the DAILY EGYPTIAN concerning the Undergraduate Technology Fee Committee's funding decisions. I was caught off guard on several aspects of the article. First, as one of the student representatives and chair of the committee, I feel that the undergraduate student population deserves the most accurate information. Second, the committee provides funding with two aspects in mind: (1) Does the request qualify for funding and (2) the amount of students it benefits? Third, as far as the History Department's request for funding, the proposal did not qualify for funding. The committee decided in the beginning that items for instructor use and library acquisitions should not be purchased because student technology money should not be used for those items.

Fourth, the article in the DE on Feb. 25 was factually inaccurate. (1) The History Department's proposal is not for software. They have requested archived materials on CD-ROMS similar to archive material located on microfilm. This is

something the library should purchase as part of the library acquisition budget because no matter where it is housed, it is library materials. Let me reiterate that the above request is not software and would not be available on computers in the library. The CDs will be housed behind the circulation desk with the rest of the CDs purchased through the library budget. Is the proposal a benefit to students? Yes. Will it be open to all students through checkout at the library? Yes. But this request should be presented to the Dean of Library Affairs to be purchased as part of their budget.

Fifth, this proposal was not funded based on fourth point, and, contrary to the article in the DE, the library did not receive software funding. In fact, the library was only funded to purchase 80 new desktop computers for the undergraduate library and additional Laptop computers for checkout for undergraduate students.

I would also like to add that I respect the USG and its efforts to bring the students' voice to the front burner. Moreover, this is why I would like to ask the members of the senate to think about the effect of passing a mandate for the student representatives it has appointed. Pass a resolution that sends recommendations to the committee but does not force students to vote in a way that they feel is wrong. Preserve the integrity of the committee and

its membership.

As a member of the committee, I am given the task of evaluating 47 proposals from 47 different aspects of campus. This year those 47 proposals totaled more than \$1.7 million in request for a budget of \$830,000. For me, as a committee member, to approve all 47 proposals is fiscally irresponsible. I can, however, look at the proposals and fun as many of the departments who qualify for the funding. Personally, I feel the same today as I felt four months ago: the History Department does not meet the qualifications for funding.

I ask any student to contact me personally at [twills@siu.edu](mailto:twills@siu.edu) or [utechfee@siu.edu](mailto:utechfee@siu.edu).

Tim Willis  
chair, Undergraduate Technology Fee Committee

## True Salukis wear maroon

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing in response to the upcoming Creighton vs. SIU game. During the past week

I have heard a lot of students say they are going to get tickets for this Saturday's game. First off, I'm glad that everyone at SIU wants to come to the game, but most of these comments are from students who have not even been to a game this season and just now want to see their first.

I think this is wrong. The real diehard Saluki fans have been to almost every game this season and deserve first chance at tickets rather than the "first timers." We need the Dawg Pound members who have been at the games all year so we can give Creighton the worst time of their lives on their visit to Carbondale. For those students who happen to get tickets and have not been to a game, two things: 1) Wear maroon and 2) BE A FAN, not a spectator.

In closing I hope that this game our chancellor will wear maroon and support the dawgs unlike the game against UVA. Yep, Walt, we saw you wearing the yellow shirt.

Reidney Datzg Pound Member

Chris Todd  
junior, secondary education

Jeff Nichols

junior, administration of justice  
40 years of combined Saluki attendance

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## Tempers rising

Managing anger can be tough, but it is necessary for safety and health

story by SAMANTHA ROBINSON

Curtis, a former SIUC student who now lives in Carbondale, realized he needed help with his anger management when he broke his girlfriend's arm.

She had to tell the hospital what happened, and in turn the police were notified. She did not want to press charges, so nothing happened to Curtis.

"I felt so bad," Curtis said, who would not reveal his last name. "After all I had done, she still did not turn me in. She really loved me and I was a fool."

Yelling, teasing, crying, depression, violence, aggression and suicide are just some forms of anger.

Feeling frustrated, not having desires fulfilled, or after being assaulted, many people become angry, which can lead to violence, abuse or loss of control.

### Sources of anger

Several things can trigger anger. The most

common are someone's safety and well-being. If someone believes they, or a loved one, are in immediate danger, their emotions take over and the outcome can be fatal.

The threat or loss of power, pride, self-sufficiency and self-esteem are also triggers of anger. If someone feels they are being put down and made to feel inferior, anger can take over.

Barb Elam, stress management coordinator of the Wellness Center, said that a common trigger of anger is usually when people perceive some form of injustice and want to retaliate.

"If you are yelling and screaming, you have lost control," Elam said.

This is a part of what is known as aggressive behavior. Often times someone may discount others by not respecting their rights, or by being demanding, sarcastic or hostile. Someone inappropriately expressing their feelings and opinions can be a great danger to those it is being launched against.

“When anger is justified or not, it mostly hurts the angry person.”

— Barb Elam  
stress management coordinator,  
Wellness Center

### There are often times a pattern to anger:

Here are a few questions to understanding your own pattern

1. Who or what makes you angry?
2. When do you get angry?
3. What do you do about it?
4. Where do you feel angry most often?
5. Do you stay angry for a long time/ how long do you remain upset?
6. How does the anger end?
7. Does anyone or anything help to stop you being angry?
8. How effective is your anger in getting you what you want?

just in case you need it, I got this little questionnaire from  
[www.siu.edu/offices/counsel/anger.htm](http://www.siu.edu/offices/counsel/anger.htm)



### Managing anger

It is important to know how to manage anger and not lash out in the heat of the moment.

"When anger is justified or not, it mostly hurts the angry person," Elam said. "They are the ones feeling stressed and are not helping, but hurting themselves."

Elam said that it is important to get treated because research has shown that hostility can be related to high blood pressure and cardiac problems.

This is something students deal with on a regular basis. The everyday routine of being a college student, working and, in some cases, taking care of children, can cause them to be angry at some point in the day.

Curtis had a relationship with a woman that lasted five years, until she finally got fed up with his abuse. Curtis was 17 years old and already out of control and unable to manage his anger.

"I grew up in a house with a father who was always angry because of work," Curtis said. "He

took it out on my mom and she stayed, so I saw nothing wrong with it."

After he broke his girlfriend's arm, he decided to enroll himself in anger management classes and get help. He also volunteered his time working with young boys in hopes of helping keep them from taking out their anger on others.

One way of managing anger is by taking responsibility. Instead of blaming the victim or minimizing the facts, one should become aware of the repercussions of the behavior and also learn alternatives to getting angry and becoming violent.

### Treatment

Elam said one method of getting over anger is by talking to someone about the situation.

"If we perceive the situation one way, but then talk to someone else, we can get a different perspective that may calm the situation," Elam said.

Owning up to one's mistakes is the first step to treating anger and regaining self-control.

"Not that anger is necessarily a bad thing. It's what you do with it," Elam said.

She said many people make the situation worse by getting angrier and not discussing it with anyone.

"You have to take care of self first," Elam said. "We teach people how to do that through breathing techniques, muscle relaxation and visual techniques."

There are discussion groups someone can join to help them with anger and how to channel it outward — not toward someone else.

Curtis said the group he joined was great for him and has helped keep him from taking out his frustrations on others.

"If I ever had the chance to get back with my sweetheart, I would," Curtis said. "I know what I did was wrong, but I can never take it back."

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# Dedicated Category added to Big Muddy

John Michaels' memorial category a big addition to Big Muddy Film Festival

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John Michaels made a big impression on SIUC. Michaels was a graduate student in cinema and photography at SIUC in the 1980s.

He left Carbondale in May of 1987 with a master's degree in fine arts. He was going to be a film maker.

But Michaels' dream was cut short when he was diagnosed with brain cancer. He died during his second surgery to remove the brain tumor that took his life.

Today, he may not be making movies, but those who worked with him on the Big Muddy Film Festival certainly have not forgotten him.

"He was active in peace and justice issues," said Mike Covell, founder of the festival. "He worked on a film project about a church in St. Louis that gave political asylum to refugees from El Salvador."

Now, the film festival gives an annual award, John Michaels Memorial Film Award, in his honor to film entries that cover serious topics like peace, justice and environmental issues.

Though the John Michaels award is in its own prestigious category, it is only one of those in which films can be entered.

The Big Muddy Film Festival typically receives animation, experimental, documentary or narrative films.

An experimental film is one that explores different technical approaches to filmmaking, pushing the typical standards of the field.

Narrative films are scripted films with actors and a script, just like those found at movie theaters.

Although Covell said entries vary and many are received in each category, the two most popular are documentaries and narratives.

"Everyone is a Hollywood wannabe," he said. "So everyone wants to make a film you would see in the theater."

"Everyone" except Shana Erwin, sponsorship liaison/co-graphics coordinator of the Big Muddy Film Festival.

Erwin, a senior studying cinema and photography from Springfield, said that although she has experimented with all the types of films, she has very anti-Hollywood dreams, in that she doesn't want to be limited to producing films that others dictate.

Erwin and Covell agree that it is not easy to have a winning film in any of the categories. In fact, they say it is not easy to even make a good film.

Still, they agree that an animated film is probably the hardest to develop.

"Animation always goes over well because it is a specialty field," Erwin said. "They have to be

well planned and since they are planned, it's hard to go wrong with animation."

Still, it is easy to go wrong in filmmaking.

"The easiest film to make is a bad one," Erwin said.

The "bad" ones, usually never make it through the pre-screening process to actually be seen by the jurors or judges.

In fact, the jurors never even get to pick one of the most important awards, such as the John Michaels Memorial Film Award.

This award is selected by members of the community who are peace and justice activists, like Michaels was.

This year's award goes to two different films for their excellence in addressing human-rights issues.

One of the winners; "Unprecedented: The 2000 Presidential Election" by Joan Sekler, with looks into the battle in Florida for the presidency.

The second award went to a film called "Afghanistan: From Ground Zero to Ground Zero," by Jon Alpert.

It is the story of an Afghan-American woman who travels back to Kandahar, Afghanistan, to see what has become of her country.

"He would probably be shy about having an award named after him," Covell said of Michaels. "But he would be pleased it is given to a film that awards peace and justice since that was a big concern in his life."

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## Schedule of Events

### Thursday, Feb. 27

- 2 p.m. — Judges Panel Discussion, Life Science III (free)
- 5 p.m. — Competition Showcase 4, Student Center (83)
- 7 p.m. — Judges Presentation (Jim Trainor), Student Center (free)
- 9 p.m. — Competition Showcase 5, Longbranch (free)
- 9 p.m. — documentary Feature 5, Mungo Jerry's (free)

### Friday, Feb. 28

- 3 p.m. — competition Showcase 6, Student Center (82)
- 5 p.m. — Competition Showcase 7, Gallery HQ (82)
- 7 p.m. — Judges Presentation (Joe Berlinger), Student Center (free)
- 9:30 p.m. — Gigantic: A Tale of Two Johns, Student Center (84)

### Saturday, March 1

- 10 a.m. — Judge's Presentation (Stephanie Black), Variety Theater
- 7 p.m. — Gigantic: A Tale of Two Johns, Student Center (84)
- 9 p.m. — Irons etc (To Live and Die in Hollywood), Student center (84)
- 9 p.m. — Shorts Showcase, Yellowmoon Cafe (free)

### Sunday, March 2

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# Even In Blackouts performs tonight at Hangar 9

Chicago-based acoustic pop band returns to Carbondale

Jared DuBach  
Daily Egyptian

Going out on one's own and trying something new can either end up rather well, or it can end up in career suicide. For Even In Blackouts, succeeding or failing has nothing to do with it. It's about doing it their way.

Guitarist John "Jughead" Pierson has gathered together a group of talented musicians to produce his vision of what pop punk can achieve if applied to different standards. Although loosely called acoustic pop punk, Even In Blackouts' originals take basic elements of pop punk and add amazing vocals and positive lyrics to create something new and fresh. The band is performing at 10 p.m. Thursday at Hangar 9 with The Ghost and The Copyrights.

When one hears the term "acoustic pop punk," it sometimes leaves them baffled. In certain cases, when people hear that Pierson is going to be performing, there is sometimes the reaction that his new band will sound like his old band, Screaching Weasel.

Screaching Weasel featured the same high energy behind the music, but was completely electrified, had a bold and brash front man and was at the height of the Chicago punk movement. Even In Blackouts by contrast is acoustic, features female vocals and is working from the ground up.

"Some of the crowds are still basing us on what Screaching Weasel did," Pierson said. "In Philadelphia, the energy was really strong. Their

reaction to the music is different, possibly because they don't get that many bands coming through there."

One of the main factors behind Even In Blackouts is its acoustic sound, and Pierson has tried to keep it at that level since the group's founding more than a year ago. But Pierson said trying to accomplish this is difficult because in certain instances, the instruments have to be mic-ed.

"Once you have drums, you have to. But a few of the songs we'll do straight acoustic to kind of test the ground," Pierson said.

Even In Blackouts released its first album, "Myths and Imaginary Magicians," last summer, and after this current tour, Pierson said the band will begin recording for the next album at Sonic Iguana in Lafayette, Ind.

According to Pierson, the next album will feature songs with more changing verses with different chords. There will also be a lot of "finger picking" on the acoustic guitar. It will also feature 10 other acoustic instruments other than those featured on the previous album, including a banjo, accordion, cello and violin.

Although Pierson's name will forever be synonymous with Screaching Weasel, he said that he is most often recognized on the street for being in the Chicago improv group The Neo-Futurists.

"It's in the vein of dada or the surrealists," Pierson said. "That show has been running for 14 years and lately has been selling out three shows a weekend."

Pierson also said that he does a lot of physical comedy and studied improv for 10 years.

Not only is Pierson a musician and an actor, but he is also an author.

Pierson has written a fictitious account of life in a popular punk rock band, which is loosely based upon his own experiences. The book, "Weasels In a Box," has gone unpublished for some time now.

"I finally hired an editor," Pierson said. "Although there's no date yet, it might be out in the summer."

Since his first band Screaching Weasel began, Pierson has answered to the nickname of "Jughead." The reason behind this might be suspiciously secretive, but it's really not. In the beginning, vocalist Ben Weasel wanted the members to adopt stage names similar to that of the Ramones, hence "Ben Weasel."

People started calling Pierson "Jughead" because he frequently wore a T-shirt with the cartoon face of Jughead, a character from Archie Comics. Although Pierson has gotten older over the years, and is a grown man, he doesn't mind the name.

"I'm not very big on name recognition," Pierson said.

According to Pierson, there's really no one set way that he or the group go about writing songs and coming up with lyrics. Although it's possible that the style of the band may change over time, there's really no way of saying for sure what lies ahead for Even In Blackouts.

"We just do what comes natural," Pierson said.

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For more information on these groups,  
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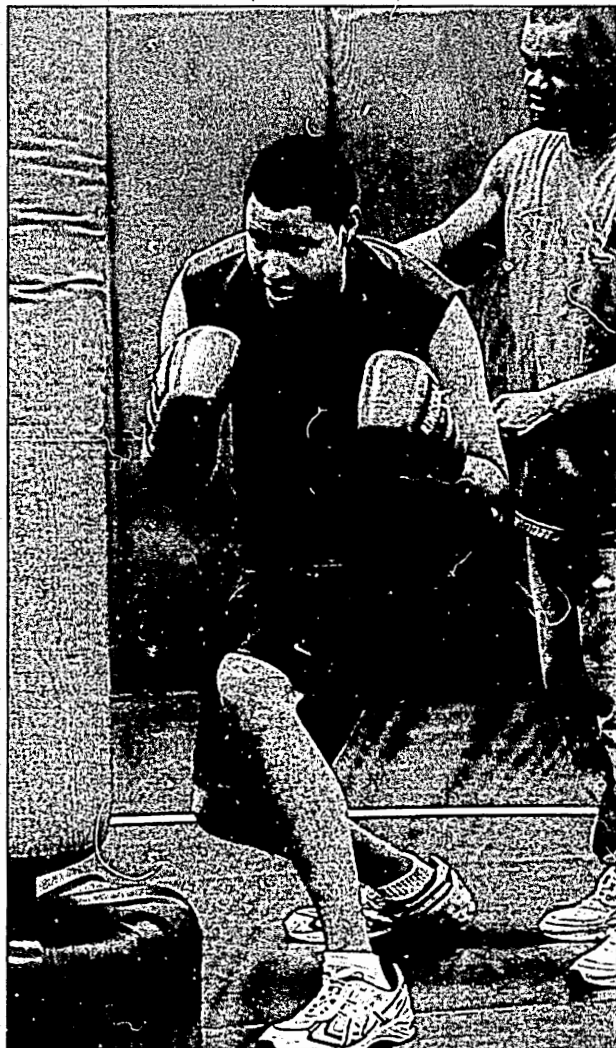
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**VOTERS**

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affect people in their day-to-day lives more so than state and national elections.

Kelly said during this campaign he walked every floor of every building of student housing and between the three towers and Thompson Point, only eight Resident Advisors were registered to vote.

"The message I'm trying to promote is if the students vote, the city has to pay attention," Kelly said.

Steven Haynes, a four-year term winner, said he thought a few more individuals would head to the polls, but he hopes those that did show up will be there again in April.

"That's going to be the question," Haynes said, in regards to turnout for the general election.

People have until Tuesday to register for the April 1 general election.

Voters who need to change their address with the clerk's office need to do so before the registration ends to be eligible to vote.

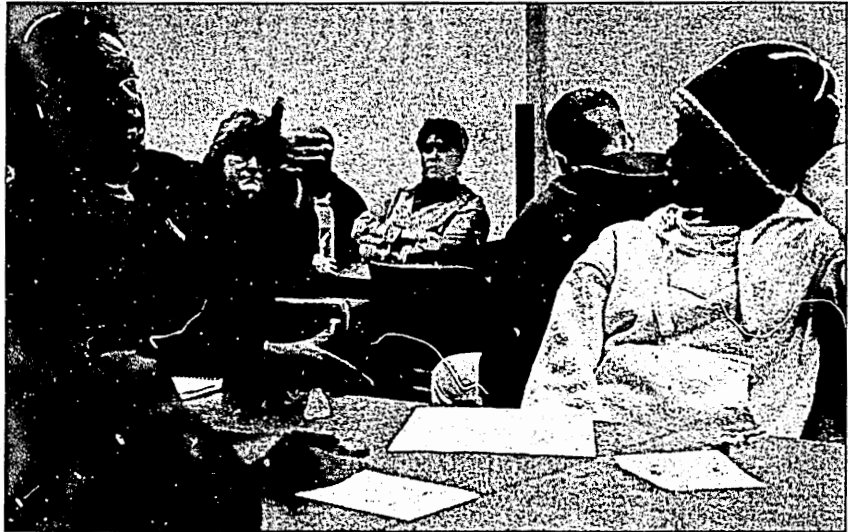
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They will be traveling to each building to try to get students registered.

Mayoral candidates are meeting with students at 6:30 p.m. in Lentz Hall this evening and students will have the opportunity to register then.

"We just wish everyone would come out and exercise their right," Reinhardt said.

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Sharon Gray, graduate assistant in the history department, speaks about injustices in the current judicial system in response to a question asked by Dr. Pamela Smoot, the presenter of the brown bag discussion. Dr. Smoot had asked the attendants if any of the problems that faced Hamer then were similar to the problems facing African-Americans now.

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**HAMER**

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an all-white delegation to be seated and represent Mississippi because it did not fairly represent the entire state since most black people were not allowed to vote.

As a result, the MFDP was offered two seats at-large, which meant they would not be seated or have a voice at the convention and promised that in the future no delegation would be seated from a state where someone was illegally denied a vote.

In response, Hamer said, "We didn't come all this way for two seats when all of us is tired."

Those in attendance of the brown

bag got a chance to view original footage of Hamer's presentation at the convention and how President Lyndon Johnson interrupted it.

"It was very informative and good to hear about the struggle being led by a black woman," said Africa Bradley, a junior in psychology and sociology.

While attending the National Women's Studies Association Conference, Smoot purchased *For Freedom's Sake: The Life of Fannie Lou Hamer*, by Chana Kia Lee, and said she was just blown away by her great story.

"I already knew a lot about her, but there were some intricate details missed," Smoot said. "Like I knew

about her running for Senate, but not what made her."

In 1964 Hamer ran for the 2nd congressional district senator of the U.S. House of Representatives, but was unsuccessful.

Throughout her life, Hamer fought for health care, voter registration, education and other issues pertinent in Mississippi.

"Her sacrifices were great," Smoot said. "She endured beatings, unemployment, not having enough to eat, but she kept going. She was just an amazing woman."

The tribute to Hamer presented information that was not widely known and helped these in attendance learn about her life.

Jennifer Franklin, a junior in information systems technology said the tribute was interesting because she did not know much about Hamer.

"I learned a lot and it made me want to learn more about influential black people," Franklin said.

Smoot said she hopes everyone who attended left being able to feel who Hamer was. She said for her, after dealing with people for so long they become a part of you.

"She was a true champion," Smoot said. "She has touched my heart and my soul."

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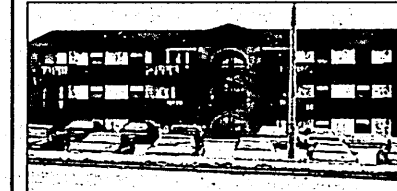
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403 W. Elm #2  
403 W. Elm #3  
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718 S. Forest #3  
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703 S. Illinois #101  
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612 S. Logan  
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507 1/2 W. Main #B  
507 W. Main #2  
400 W. Oak #3  
202 N. Poplar #2  
301 N. Springer #3  
414 W. Sycamore #E  
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404 1/2 S. University  
406 S. University #1  
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334 W. Walnut #1  
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504 S. Ash #1  
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502 S. Beveridge #2  
508 N. Carico  
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306 W. Cherry  
311 W. Cherry #2  
404 W. Cherry Court  
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310 W. College #1  
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706 S. Forest  
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500 W. Freeman #6  
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410 E. Hester  
703 W. High #E  
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703 S. Illinois #202  
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612 S. Logan  
507 1/2 W. Main B  
906 W. McDaniel  
300 W. Mill #2  
300 W. Mill #4  
405 E. Mill  
407 E. Mill  
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501 W. Oak  
511 N. Oakland  
1305 E. Park  
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509 S. Hays  
511 S. Hays

513 S. Hays  
402 E. Hester  
406 E. Hester  
408 E. Hester  
212 W. Hospital  
614 S. Logan  
906 W. McDaniel  
407 E. Mill  
413 W. Monroe  
400 W. Oak #1  
400 W. Oak #2  
501 W. Oak  
505 N. Oakland  
602 N. Oakland  
1305 E. Park  
506 S. Poplar #4  
509 S. Rawlings #2  
509 S. Rawlings #3  
509 S. Rawlings #4  
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And the Charlottean who had disrespected the anthem would be the hero of the story.

But as the song progressed, my mind took one of its frequent sabbaticals from reality, and I became haunted by the ghost of Star-Spangled Banners past.

"Brenner, Brenner," it said. "Why do you no longer care?" I thought it was incredible poetry for an entity that did not exist, so I listened.

"You have lost the star spangled spirit," he continued.

Without saying another word, the spirit tapped his ruy microphone three times and we were in the middle of the War of 1812.

We stood, beside Francis Scott Key as he desperately wrote the first verse to his famous poem. It was incredible. The rockets actually had a red glare, the bombs were bursting in the air and the flag was there as well. It was a beautiful sight.

He whisked us to World War II and showed the anthem playing after the Marines raised the flag on Iwo Jima.

Back in the modern era, he showed renditions of the Star-Spangled Banner from Whitney Houston at the Super Bowl to Roseanne Barr at a Boston Red Sox game to every song Wayne Mesmer ever sang at Wrigley Field.

All were sung at a time I appreciated the patriotism the song can instill in an American — before I had lost the star-spangled spirit.

Suddenly, I was back in reality. But as quickly as I had come to, I faded away again.

I awoke in the Alamo and immediately saw the ghost of Star-Spangled Banners

present. He looked a lot like John Wayne and was just as authoritative.

"Now listen here Pilgrim," the spirit said. "While you're hallucinating about me, there are plenty of people who appreciate the magnificence of the song you have grown to hate."

He showed a veteran in section Q with tears in his eyes. He showed a small child in the same vicinity holding a small American flag.

The Duke pointed out a national guardsman who was one of my co-workers at the DAILY EGYPTIAN. This would be his last time hearing the song in his homeland for a long time. He would be going to Iraq the next day.

"You get the point?" the scruffy spirit said.

"Yes, these people have a reason to care, but I do not."

The spirit took out a ruby revolver, fired it in the air three times, and I found myself on press row at the Arena again.

And the rockets red glare, the bombs...

That was the last note to pass my ears before the ghost of Star-Spangled Banners future, who was wearing a Canadian flag around his body, appeared.

"I am the ghost of national anthems future, eh," he said with a friendly smile.

Before me stood Carbondale in the year 2053. It was covered in snow, was clean as a Bill Cosby joke and displayed several signs advertising the new universal health care system. Everyone was polite, cheerful and considerate of others.

I became sick.

"Spirit, what has happened?" I asked.

"You ran for president in 2040 on the platform of eliminating the Star-Spangled Banner," he replied. "By that time, MTV was the nations

top network. Carson Daly and company endorsed you after a trip to Amsterdam. You won and eliminated the national anthem at sporting events.

"But Canada did not, so Americans began to sing 'O Canada' whenever Canadian teams came to their cities. Eventually, Americans became Canadians."

I felt 1,000 needles hit my back at once. I knew something had to change.

"Spirit, spirit," I screamed. "Say it isn't so. I will change! I promise. I will appreciate and cherish the national anthem."

"Just don't let this great nation turn into Canada!"

The spirit took out three ruby hockey pucks and a stick. He hit all three of them into the air, and I slowly began to hear the sound of a woman's voice.

Oh says does that star-spangled banner yet wave...

It was not too late! I was in America again! I turned to my fellow basketball reporter and said, "What day is it?"

"It's Saturday you idiot."

"It's Saturday!" I thought to myself. "I haven't missed it. The spirits have done it all in seven verses!"

My eyes shifted to the flag and I listened to the rest of the song beaming with pride.

Or the land of the free, and the home of the brave.

Those words had never sounded so beautiful.

The national anthem does mean something, I thought to myself.

I silently apologized for thinking otherwise, and I hoped the man who made the roster comment was thinking the same.

*Mitchel is a junior in journalism. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*



Tony Young, Jermaine Dearman and Stetson Hairston react to a three-point shot attempt by Blake Schoen that became wedged between the backboard and the rim during the first half of Wednesday's game against Evansville.

**EVANSVILLE**

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SIU (20-5, 14-2 MVC) was a completely different story. Four Salukis were in double-digits led by Jermaine Dearman who had 17 points. The others were Josh Warren (13 points), Kent Williams (12) and Darren Brooks (11).

Weber said the fact that SIU's points were evenly distributed, and the team didn't have to rely on just one player, was key to the victory.

"It was great that some other guys made shots," Weber said. "They did a good job of running at Kent. A couple times they doubled him. And other guys made plays."

For the game, the Salukis shot 55 percent from the field and an amazing 81 percent from the charity stripe.

While Weber was happy with his team's performance on the offensive end, he was equally impressed with their defense.

Weber said he was disappointed in the team's defense earlier in the season, but their recent play has been encouraging.

"We've made big strides. I was shocked," Weber said after the game. "I haven't looked at the stats because I've been so depressed about our defensive field goal percentage, but we've moved into second in the league."

Evansville started the game strong and hung with the Salukis until about the eight-minute mark of the first half when the score was 21-21. SIU then closed out the half on a 19-4 run to go into halftime leading 40-25.

The Dawgs had a 22-14 rebounding edge in the stanza and ended the game with a 31-24 advantage.

In the second half, Evansville came out quickly and narrowed the lead to just 10.

With the win, the Salukis' home winning streak now sits at 26, which ties Duke for the third-longest current streak in the nation.

Next up for the Salukis is another home contest in the highly anticipated rematch with No. 17 Creighton, which beat Southwest Missouri State 63-58 Wednesday night.

Both teams are now 14-2 in MVC play and sit tied for first place in the conference race.

Since Creighton won the first game by nine points back on Jan. 18, the Salukis have said their goal was to make Saturday's match-up mean something and that is exactly what they have accomplished.

Korn said there is just one thing SIU has to do against Creighton.

"Beat them."  
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# A day in the life of LORI OPP

story by CHRISTOPHER MORRICAL

**W**ith only two home games remaining in her third season as head coach of the SIU women's basketball team, Lori Opp remains optimistic about how well the season could still end up.

The Dawgs are experiencing their sixth losing season with a record of 7-16 overall and a 3-11 mark in the Missouri Valley Conference.

She said the season could still be saved if the team makes the conference tournament, but it is looking to Bradley first.

Bradley travels to Carbondale today for a game at 7:05 p.m. in the SIU Arena.

This week, Lori Opp talked with Christopher Morrival of the DAILY EGYPTIAN to discuss the inner workings of a day in the life of a mid-major women's basketball coach from practice to practice.

This is a day in the life of Lori Opp.

## 3:50 p.m. Practice begins

As soon as Opp stepped foot into the SIU Arena she was stopped for an interview by a reporter. When that was completed, the coach went around to her assistant coaches and had a few words with them.

The team was already on the court shooting around. Opp walked to center court along the sideline and watched the women practice layups and free throws. Occasionally, a player would come over and give her a hug.

By 4 p.m. she has practice underway. During a layup drill, Opp leaned against the padding below the hoop and made comments to the players on how they looked.

One drill involved a player dribbling down the side of the court. She passed the ball to assistant coach Staci Starkweather who stood on the Saluki logo. Getting the ball back, she dribbled to the hoop and took a shot, then did the same thing going back the other way.

Practice ended early at 6:15 and the women headed back to the locker room to watch game tape. Unfortunately, the VCR in the women's locker room doesn't work, so the women used the men's locker room.

The team sat through 20 minutes of tape from its game earlier this year against Bradley.

"The Bradley game, the last time we played at their place, we shot 23 percent," Opp said. "You can imagine it wasn't a very exciting tape to watch. We missed a lot of shots. In watching it, we talked a lot about how we can be successful against them and how we handled their pressure and didn't struggle with their press."

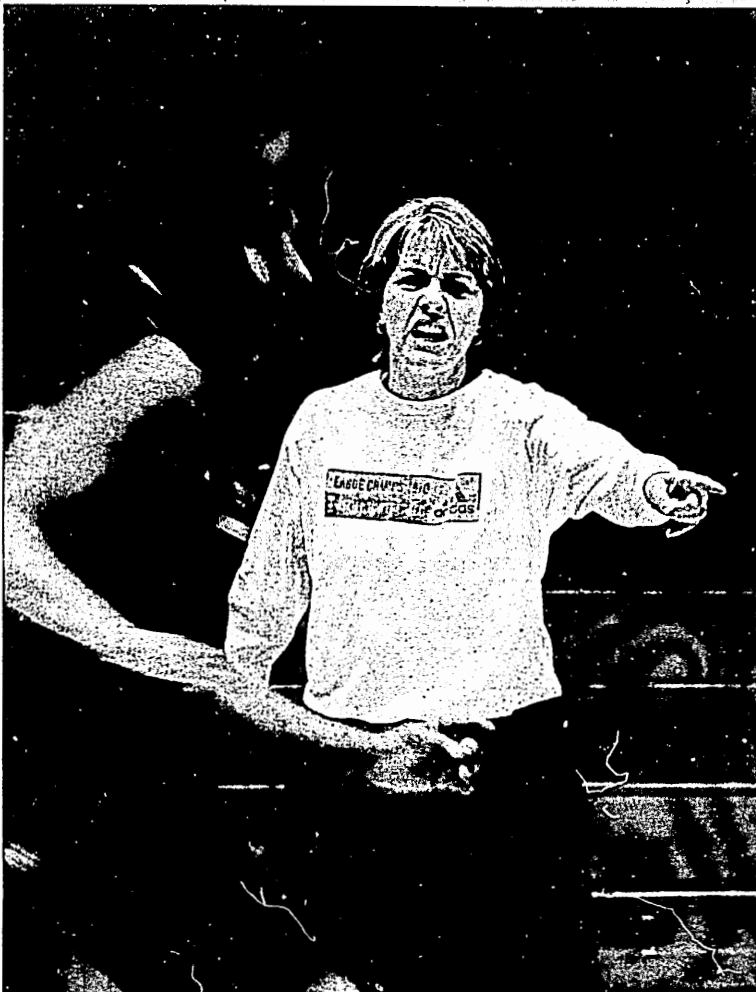
## 6:35 p.m. Post-practice activities

On a typical day, Opp leaves the office by 7 p.m. She would call recruits or return calls before leaving. She also uses the time after practice to call the players to check on injuries or any other problems the team might be having.

Tuesday night was different. Opp fielded a call from a recruit who is coming into Carbondale this weekend with her father.

"If recruiting is heavy, the work load can be heavier at the beginning of the year," she said. "In the second part of the season, you're breaking down tape or, if you have recruiting to continue doing, you're in a routine."

When she left the Arena, Opp, who already lives in Carbondale, went to look at another house she is thinking about buying in town. She looked at her potential new home for 45 minutes before driving in her white 2001 Toyota Camry to Mississippi Flyway for dinner with friends. She enjoyed ribs and fries as she discussed the house and



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

(Above) SIU women's basketball head coach Lori Opp yells out instructions to players during practice Wednesday at the SIU Arena.

(Right) Opp takes a moment during practice to talk to senior guard Molly McDowell. Opp is in her third year as head coach of the Salukis, and she is still on a quest for her first trip to the Missouri Valley Conference tournament.

her team.

"A nutrition-packed dinner," she said laughing. "Low in calories, low in fat."

At 9:45, Opp headed home. There she called a few of her players before catching the second half of the Channel 3 News. Then it was time for bed.

"This was early for Opp—she usually doesn't go to sleep until 2 or 3 a.m. She likes staying up watching television or reading a book.

She is reading the latest Harry Potter book.

## 6:30 a.m. The morning routine

The alarm clock sounded and Opp pulled herself out of bed. After a shower she grabbed a Diet Coke and a strawberry breakfast bar on her way out to run errands.

She went to Wal-Mart to buy supplies for Senior Day — Saturday's game against Northern Iowa.

She then drove to an elementary school to drop off "top secret" stuff to the principal. The team often goes to the school to participate in clinics. From there, she went to SIU.

## 9:45 a.m. Back to work

Once back in the office, Opp made a hotel reservation for the visiting recruit. She also made a follow-up call to the woman she hopes will become a Saluki.

She then finished up the scouting report for Bradley and made sure it was ready for distribution to the team. She also started working on a report for Northern Iowa.

After that, Opp watched more videotape of Bradley.

The coach usually takes this time to answer



e-mail and talk to any of the players as they come in. She then talked to Jeff Honza of the Athletic Department about Senior Day and what she has planned.

## 12:30 p.m. Lunch and errands

At 12:30 p.m. it was time for lunch on the run. She stopped at McDonald's for a fish sandwich, fries and a Diet Coke. She was on her way to Hobby Lobby to buy more supplies for Senior Day.

Then it was over to Dr. Brian Woodard's office at Southern Illinois Spinal/Sports & Rehab Center at 1 for message therapy.

Back to the office by 2, Opp worked on a March calendar to give to the team, wrote a couple of follow-up letters and returned phone calls.

## 3 p.m. The circle is complete

When this was done, it was back to practice. Twenty-four hours had gone by and only 27 remained before the team was to take on Bradley.

After practice, the team got together and went bowling — a typical day before the game routine.

Reporter Christopher Morrival can be reached at cmorrival@dailyegyptian.com



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Opp looks on as her team runs a drill during practice Wednesday afternoon.

# THURSDAY SALUKI SPORTS



Carl Lewis  
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"I don't look back and say 'How could I have done that?' I say 'How can I do better.'"

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## Closing in

Salukis beat Evansville, set up first-place showdown Saturday with Creighton

Jens Deju  
Daily Egyptian

Evansville forward Ian Hanavan had the game of his life.

The senior forward scored a career-high 26 points and grabbed nine rebounds.

However, a lack of support by his teammates led to a victory for the SIU men's basketball team 76-64 Wednesday night at the SIU Arena.

Hanavan scored 12 of the Purple Aces' first 14 points and went into the locker room at halftime with 16 points and six rebounds.

The next highest scorer in the first half for Evansville (10-15, 6-10 Missouri Valley Conference) was Tobias Brinkley with three points.

SIU head coach Bruce Weber said Hanavan was simply unbelievable.

"Hanavan went crazy," Weber said. "Coming down the stretch, he just played with a lot of passion and went at us."

SIU sophomore center Josh Warren, who chipped in 13 points and four rebounds off the bench, drew the assignment of covering Hanavan for most of the game.

Warren, like Weber, was amazed with Hanavan's play.

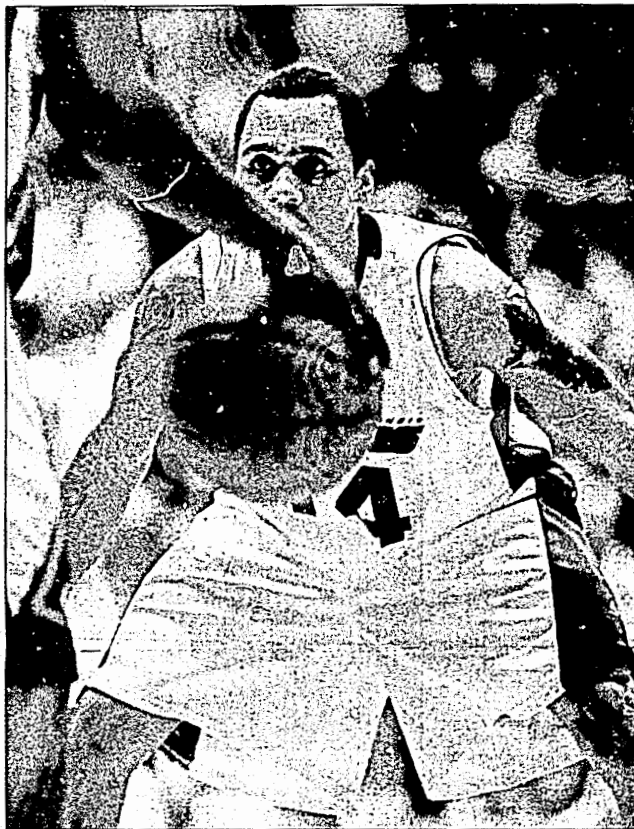
"He was unstoppable tonight," Warren said.

The Salukis were able to contain Hanavan in the second half holding him to just 10 points, four of which came in the final minutes when the game was already out of reach for the Purple Aces.

For the game, no other Evansville player hit double digits with Brinkley's nine points being the team's second-highest output.

Junior forward Clint Cuffie, who on Tuesday was named the MVC's Most Improved Player of the Year, scored just eight points which is much less than his season average of 17.

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AMANDA WHITLOCK - DAILY EGYPTIAN  
SIU junior guard Bryan Turner keeps a close eye on an Evansville ball handler during the Salukis 76-64 win over the Purple Aces Wednesday night at the SIU Arena. With the win the Dawgs improved to 14-2 in the Missouri Valley Conference to keep pace with Creighton atop the league standings. The Bluejays defeated Southwest Missouri State 63-58 Wednesday.

## COMMENTARY



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## A Spangled Carol

Everyone noticed, but only some reacted.

Bruce Weber and the players remained still. The color guard, which had just reached half-court, did not flinch.

But half the crowd, including those of us on press row, jerked their heads toward the Dawg Pound as the national anthem was about to be played when some imbecile shouted, "Milwaukee sucks [rooster]." (Use your imagination.)

My fellow DAILY EGYPTIAN sportswriter and I exchanged smirks, took off our hats and listened to the song. I did not think anything of it and honestly did not care. To me, it was just a song, and an annoying one at that.

I had heard it a million times and would hear it a million more times before dying in a llama hunt at age 37.

I was sick to death of the Star-Spangled Banner, and I was going to write a column decrying what I thought was the idiotic practice of singing the same annoying song at the beginning of every sporting event.

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## Saluki women's basketball face crucial homestand

Dawgs have four games left to catch ISU, Evansville

Ethan Erickson  
Daily Egyptian

With four games remaining in the season, the SIU women's basketball team trails Evansville and Illinois State by two games in the win column.

The Salukis get a chance to close that gap tonight with a home game against Bradley, part of a two-game homestand that will see Saluki seniors Molly McDowell, Hillary Phillips and Megan Miller play their last games at SIU Arena.

But foremost on their minds is getting to the Missouri Valley Conference tournament. McDowell is the only one to achieve that elusive goal, doing so her freshman season.

A win over Bradley would start the Salukis down the road to Des Moines, Iowa, and the league tournament.

The Braves (11-12, 7-7 MVC) waded SIU 66-45 Jan. 31. On that night, the Salukis shot 23 percent and did not put a single player in double figure scoring.

"We didn't play real well,"

McDowell said of that game. "I think we got the open shots that we needed to get, but we just weren't shooting real well."

In addition to finding the bottom of the net with more regularity this time around, the Salukis must also limit their turnovers against Bradley's press. Their success will also depend on if players other than McDowell can score.

"We need several different people to step up," Opp said. "It's been a group effort when we've won our games, and it needs to continue to be a group effort."

In the win at Illinois State in the last outing, five Salukis scored eight or nine points to support McDowell's 23. This is a trend that has impressed Bradley coach Paula Buscher.

"I think they've been playing a lot better as of late," Buscher said. "They've proven that with some big wins. They're playing harder. They've got some people that are stepping up and playing better than the first time we played them."

McDowell will have a little something extra to play for tonight, facing a former teammate.

Sophomore forward Va'Nicia Waterman played on the same Nokomis High School squad that won back-to-back state titles. McDowell's junior and senior seasons.



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SIU junior guard Dana Pinkston drives the ball down the court along with senior guard Hillary Phillips during the Feb. 16 game against Creighton at the SIU Arena. The Salukis will face Bradley at 7:05 tonight at home.

The two talk several times a week.

"This is a big one for me because I haven't beat her since she's been at Bradley, so I would really like to get that done," McDowell said.

Buscher said Waterman wants the win just as much.

"For those guys, this is kind of that

bragging rights game," Buscher said.

"They're both very competitive individuals. You don't win as many state championships as those two have together by not being competitive individuals."

Waterman is averaging just fewer than seven points a game, but has

been in double figures four of her last six games, including an 18-point, seven-rebound effort in the last game.

But the Salukis will also have to stop another face familiar to area basketball fans. Rasheeda Love, a 5-foot-8 guard hailing from Mount Vernon, attended John A. Logan College before heading to Peoria. She's hit double figures the Braves' last four games.

"She's stepped up in the last few games and played well for them," head coach Opp said.

This young Bradley team, which has won five of its last seven, but Buscher said the team's youth does not hurt it.

"We definitely look young on paper, but in my mind it's just on paper," Buscher said. "This sophomore class has got quite a bit of playing time both their freshman year and this year."

Regardless of their opponent the next four games, SIU has to find a way to win.

"The rest of our games are must-wins," McDowell said. "In our minds we need to get all four of them just in case Evansville or Illinois State picks one up."

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