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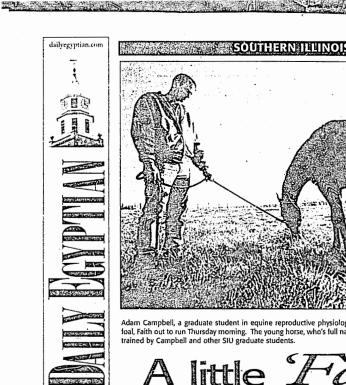
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City clerk Carbondale city clerk honored for her contributions to her job and

Curriculum students share

their experiences about living in the United States.

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Orientation SIUC gets a head start on orientation this spring for incoming fall students.

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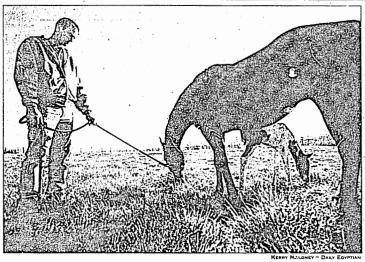
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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT CARBONDALE



Adam Campbell, a graduate student in equine reproductive physiology from Quincy takes Rusty and her new foal, Faith out to run Thursday moming. The young horse, who's full name is Salukis Fulfillment of Faith, is being trained by Campbell and other SIU graduate students.

A little Faith' goes a long way

Foal and mare survive difficult birth, are healthy as ever

RHONDA SCIARRA STUDENT AFFAIRS EDITOR

The birth of a small paint filly at the SIUC Horse Center is being heralded which has been given the name Faith, and her mother Rusty, a thoroughbred mare, were never expected to survive

When the mare's water broke at 1:01 p.m. March 24, Marcy Christiansen, Horse Center herdsman, entered the stall to feel the position of the foal and determine if any problems would arise. She found that the foal was positioned com-pletely upside-down inside the mare.

After placing calls to Sherrie King, professor of equine science, and Stuart Arderson, a veterinarian from Anna, Christiansen and other students worked to reposition the foal. To complicate their attempt, the mare became agitated and increasingly stressed as each minute

Both Anderson and King arrived within an hour after the mare's water broke and joined in the efforts. Anderson said because the mare had been in labor so long, they were con-cerned the foal might be dead.

"When mares are in labor their con-tractions are extreme," Anderson said. "Usually, foals don't survive after 30

It had been more than an hour, and because the mare became even more restless, they moved her outside.

The crew with Anderson's assistance, attempted removing the foal by using a calf-jack, a series of chains designed to force the foal from the womb. After an hour and a half of unsuccessful attempts to save the foal and mom, King was concerned with keeping the mare in pain any longer.

Shortly after Anderson left to get the injection to put down the mare, a student noticed the foal's nose begin-ning to emerge from the mare, and that

the foal had finally reached the correct

"What went through my mind was getting the dead foal out of there and saving this mare's life, or else they both would die," Christiansen said.

But when the foal was delivered, to the crew's surprise, Faith was alive and aware of her surroundings. In the next days, workers at the horse center bottle-fed the filly and began slowly teaching her to nurse from her mother.

Because the number of antibodies in Faith's body was low, she received a blood transfusion from another gelding at the farm. Because Faith rece ved so attention from human counterparts her first hours of life, she became more inclined to turn to a human for food then her own mother.

"At the very end, the biggest problem we had is when the foal heard a human's voice, she would whinny and come to the stall door looking for a bottle," Christiansen said.

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Finalist named for vice chancellor of Academic Affairs and provost

Interim provost, Margaret Winters, one of three chosen to fill the position

> KATE MCCANN DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Three finalists for the permanent provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs position were named by interim Chancellor John Jackson Thursday.

Among the three finalists were interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Margaret Winters, named as an interim by Jackson on Jan. 28 to

Winters, named as an interim by Jackson on Jan. 20 to temporarily fill the provost position.

The other two finalists are Patricia W. Cummins, professor of romance languages at the University of Toledo, and William Swart, dean of the College of Engineering and Technology at Old Dominion

The provost position opened in the wake of Tom Guernsey's announcement of his resignation as interim provost in order to devote more time to his position as dean of the SIUC School of Law.



Winters said she was delighted to be a finalist and will accept the permanent position if chosen from the three, adding that she has enjoyed the past two months as interim provost.
"It's been wild," Winters said. "I've learned an incred-

ible amount and there's a lot more to learn."
Winters was originally appointed to fill the position

ntil June 30 or until a permanent provost can be found. William Swart also indicated he would accept the

osition and relocate from Virginia to Carbondale if named provost.

"I'm very excited about the position," Swart said, "It would be a great honor and privilege." Patricia Cummins could not be reached for comment. Elaine M. Vitello, dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, heads the search committee for provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs. Vitello is out of town and could not be reached for comment out of town and could not be reached for comment.

USG votes to increase transit fee

Long debate finally yields a decision to continue support for the Saluki Express

> GINNY SKALSKI DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

About three hours and two resolutions later, Undergraduate Student Government voted to

Undergraduate Student Government voted to support the mass transit fee increase to maintain the Saluki Express system on campus at Wednesday night's USG meeting.

Senators voted in favor of raising the mass transit fee by 36 percent for fixed year 2002 after lengthy debate. The fee will rise from \$23.50 to \$32 per semester if approved by the Board of Trustees.

The push for USG to approve the fee increase came after Graduate and Professional Student Council members voted against raising the fee. Without student support, the administration has made it clear the mass transit service would more than likely not continue.

Senators debated two separate resolutions

regarding the mass transit fee.
The first resolution, written by Evergreen
Terrace Senator Chuck Miller, stated USG was in support of maintaining mass transit on campus, but the administration should seek other outlets rather than raising student fees to maintain the

The resolution also stated that if "no reason able solutions are reached," then students should

vote on the increase on a student referendum.

Miller said he hoped by making a student refendum, students would have the opportunity to decide for themselves whether they wanted to

"This is an important enough issue that we need to hear from the entire student body, not just [senators]," he said.

Senators voted against the resolution citing concerns that a decision was needed sooner.

USG President Sean Henry, who sits on the mass transit advisory board, wrote a resolution

that was also voted down by a slim margin.

The resolution called fer USG's support of mass transit and stated that USG would defer any final decisions to the mass transit board.

Government Affairs Commissioner Willis Reynolds, who was also a proxy at the meeting, voiced his concerns that the committee does not represent the students and USG does.

"This bill doesn't represent the students, it bucks the responsibility to a committee of eight people," Reynolds said.

Many senators shared Reynold's concerns and

voted against this resolution.
Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Lawrence Juhlin spoke about the proposed fee for about an hour. Juhlin informed senators that the increase would come after Beck Bus was the only company to made a bid to renew the Saluki

Juhlin told the Senate that by not raising the fee, about half of the Saluki Express routes would have to be eliminated. He added that the Board of Trustees had no reason to approve the raise in the fee if USG did not approve of the increase.

After senators voted down both resolutions,

East Side Senator Eric Waltmire made a motion to write a student referendum to include on the

ballots in the next USG meeting.

Senators took a recess to discuss the wording of the referendum. During the recess, Henry told several senators that he would veto anything they passed in regards to a referendum.

Henry said he told senators this because he

arrenry said in total senators this because he wanted them to take a strong stand one way or another and not leave it up to the students to vote on because only about 10 percent of the student body votes in USG elections.

[Senators] had the information for weeks, there is no reason we couldn't take a stance on the

After the recess, senators voted down the

The meeting continued with other items of new business until Agriculture Senator Maggie

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- Library Affairs finding books using illinet online, 11 a.m. to noon, Morris Library 103D, Java Script, 2 to 3:30 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Christian Apologetics Club answering life's questions from God's word, noon, Corinth Room Student Center, Wayne
- French Club meeting, 5 to 7 p.m., Mugsy McGuire's, Courtney 457-8847.
- World Hunger Sale needs assistance with sorting, pricing, and various other projects for the sale, now through Apr. 1, various times, Margie 549-7193.
- Russian Table meeting, every Fri., 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Cafe Melange, 453-5410.
- Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and the Illinois Department of Transportation will be offering free motorcycle rider courses, Mar 31, 6 to 9:30 p.m., Apr. 1, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Apr. 2, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., for registration or further information 1-800-642-9589.
- For Healing Purposes Only long awaited CD release party, 7 p.m., Cousin Andy's Coffee House, suggested donation is 55 for adults and S3 for low income and students.
- InterVarsity Christian Fellowship "Fruits of the Spirit", 7 p.m., Agriculture Building Room 209, Kara 351-7516.
- Christians Unlimited meeting with guest speaker Don Wooters, 7 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Erin 684-4792.
- Delta Psi Alpha Coed Fraternity Masquerade Formal, 7 to 11 p.m., Ramada Inn, 56 per person and \$10 per

couple, Himmer 536-1288.

School of Music jazz ensembles, 8 p.m., Shryock Auditonum, \$3 public and \$2 students, 536-8742.

UPCOMING

- The Carbonale Lions Club will be distributing sugar free candy, diabetes nisk tests, and collecting money to support programs of the American Diabetes Association and the Lions of Illinois Foundation, Apr. 1, 9 a.m., near the following locations: Custom Cleaners and True Value in the Murdale Shopping Center Complex and at the Kroger West Grocery Store, Emil 549-5980.
- Outdoor Adventure Club climbing and hiking for all levels, Apr. 1, 11 a.m., Giant City Shelter One, Scott 549-1449.
- The Cast Your Cares Crusade Choir is holding auditions fer vocalists that are interested in carrying out God's word, every Sat., 3 to 5 p.m., Wesley Foundation, Trjuan 457-0921.
- Saluki Volunteer Corps needs assistance with children preparing for performing arts, running video cameras and much more, Apr. 1, 6 to 9:30 p.m., Murphysboro Middle School, Angie 687-1727.
- Trinity High School auction and dinner, Apr. 1, 6 to 9 p.m., Murdale Baptist Church, dinner S4 for adults and S2 for children, Rodger 867-2490.
- Irish Studies Forum set dancing, Apr.
 2, 3 to 5 p.m., Quigley Hall Rnom 140B, Alicia 351-6526.
- Young Women's Coalition seminar on "Young Woman in Support of Caehother", every Sun., 6 p.m., Activity Room C Student Center, L'Rae 529-5858.
- Association of Childhood International meeting. Apr. 3, 3 p.m., Quigley 128.
- · Student Alumni Council meeting.

every Mon., 6 p.m., Kaskaskia/Missouri Rooms, Jason 453-2444.

- Alpha Phi Omega interest meeting, Apr. 3, 6 p.m., Student Center Illinois Room, Mikel 549-3527.
- SIUC Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson, every Mon., 7 to 8 p.m., Davies Gym small gym second floor, S15 student membership, Bryan
- Outdoor Adventure Club meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Video Lounge Student Center, Christy 536-7253.
- American Advertising Federation meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Communication Building Room 1244, Cassie 351-1400.
- Kendo Club Japanese fencing meeting, every Mon. and Thurs., 8 to 10 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.
- Yoga Sports Club exercises and meditation, every Mon. and Wed., 8:30 to 10 p.m., Recreation Center Assembly Room, Craig 457-8578.
- Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Mill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2898.
- Japanese Table, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, bring your lunch, Dawn 536-8380.
- SPC Films meeting to select films for student entertainment, every Tues., 5 p.m., basement of Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.
- Ballroom Dance Club meeting, dar lessons and practice session, every Tues., 8 to 9:30 p.m., Davies Gym second floor small gym, 515 student members, Bryan 351-8855.
- Unity Point School needs assistance with age appropriate activities for children, Apr. 4 and 18, 7 p.m., Unity Point School, Maryon 453-4341.

POLICE BLOTTER

UNIVERSITY

- Jacques Morrison, 19, of Matteson, was arrested and charged with trespass at 7:20 p.m. Wednesday after he was spotted in Wright Hall where he had been banned the area. Morrison was taken to Jackson County Jail.
- Two windows were broken out of Mae Smith Hall between midnight and 3 a.m. Thursday. One window was broken out on the ninth floor near the elevators and the other was broken out on the 14th floor in the hub lounge. There was no damage estimate available and there are no suspects in this incident
- Eric C. Kelleher, 20, of Carbondale, and Phillip A. Niketas, 22, of Charleston, were arrested and charged with fights by agree ment at 12:13 a.m. Thursday after fighting at Schneider Hall. Both were released on a city pay-by-mail citation.

CARBONDALE

- A 25-year-old Carbondale woman told police someone broke into her trailer in the 2500 block of South Illinois Avenue between 11:30 a.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday by pushing open a window and stole a \$150 videocassette recorder. There are no suspects in this incident.
- A 24-year-old Carbondale woman told police someone broke into her trailer in the 900 block of East Park Street between 5:45 and 8 p.m. Wednesday by breaking out a bathroom window and stole a boom box and a compact disc. Carbondale police said the trailer was ransacked. The voman estimated loss in the incident at \$190. There are no suspects in this inci-

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A life of family, city and SIUC

City clerk gains highest honor

KAREN BLATTER

City Clerk Janet Vaught has a side that not many knew about. At one time, she raced motocross in a wder puff competition and still to powder puff compension and this day has her motorcycle license.

But, what people do know about

her is that Vaught is dedicated to her job, family and SIUC.

Vaught spent 21 nearly years at her Women's History position for the City of Month

Carbondale and this year gained both national and state recognition as the first Master Municipal Clerk in Illinois. Master Municipal Clerk is the highest rank and honor for clerks around the world. The honor is achieved through contributions to the community and the profession, educational background and a good association with the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

The main duties of a clerk

include being the town historian and keeping all the records of the city. Vaught also acts as the liaison between the City Council and the community, because many citizens go to the city clerk first to ask what they need to do in order to have cer-tain issues addressed by the council.

"We are the front line for the community," she said. "We try to assist in getting them the information they need and at the same time assist the council and seeing that they get whatever we need." Glennda Davis, deputy city clerk,

shares the city clerk office with Vaught. Vaught serves as her supervisor as well as a teacher.

Davis said working with Vaught has taught her many things about her job and public relations. "We have a really good working relationship, we depend on each

other," she said. "She taught me that you treat everyone equal because for each citizen, this is the first time they have heard of what they are asking

The position as city clerk in



Janet Vaught, right, pictured with husband Chuck, gained the recog-

nition for being the first Master Municipal Clerk in Illinois.

Carbondale is appointed by the mayor every four years and is conruent to the term of the mayor. Vaught has been appointed by three mayors in her time

Vaught said getting the job as the city clerk was a case of being 'in the right place at the right time.' She said she did not want to be a city clerk when she was growing up, in fact she studied to be a teacher, achieving her master's degree.

But in May 1979, out of a field of 36 applicants, Vaught got the job as

eity clerk.
But Vaught's dedication goes further than just her job. Her family is one of her priorities, along with keeping a strong relationship with the University:

Vaught met her husband, Chuck, while they both worked for the city. The couple was introduced to each other while working in different departments in the city.

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Feeling at home in a foreign land

International students share experiences of living in America

TERRY L. DEAN

Jun Yang laughs with the rest of her classmates after one student makes a funny comment. She would feel a lot better if she understood what was

being said. Alex Tokarev and his wife, Silvia, have not had to struggle as much with language. Their problem has been trying to cope without health insurance for Silvia, who is a diabetic, because the University does not cover the spouses of international stu-

Making the transition from home to the United States for international students is not easy: SIUC has about 1,200 international students enrolled as of spring 2000. Many come to America to continue their studies, having already attained a degree from universities in their home-

SEE INTERNATIONAL, PAGE 5

Fall orientation begins in April

New kids on the block get used to campus early

RHONDA SCIARRA STUDENT AFFAIRS EDITOR

The first of five Student Orientation, Advisement and Registration sessions will begin next month for students entering SIUC this fall - a change to traditional orientation weekends

— a change to transmont orientation weekens occurring prior to the start of fall classes. The five, one-day SOAR sessions begin April 14 and continue through May for incom-ing students and their parents. Five, two-day sessions will also take place in June, a voiding five tradegree with a sight in the producers. future students with a night in the residence

In these upcoming sessions, new students will be able to register for classes, get student ID cards made, establish e-mail accounts, take tours of campus and learn what services and opportu-

nities the University offers.

Presentations by various University departments are also designed to ease the transition future students will make.

Beth Lingren, assistant director of Student Development, anticipates that up to 200 future students will participate in each spring session, and up to 300 for each summer session. "These programs are designed to get the stu-

dent committed to SIUC earlier," Lingren said

In previous years, orientation events have taken place in the days before the start of the fall semester. Because new students need that time to take care of ID cards, move in, find classes and other tasks, they may not have the chance to take advantage of orientation events, interim Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Jean Paratore said.

"They are trying to do all of their stuff and don't attend a lot of orientation sessions," Paratore said. "It's not really an orientation when you do it three days before classes start.

A welcome week including a new student move-in day, a University picnic and a new stu-dent convocation is still planned for the fall. "We'll still do all of those things," Lingren

said, "but we'll know that students will hopefully feel more at ease when they get here."

Paratore said this year's or have been the result of a cellaboration across campus departments including Academic Affairs, University Housing, Admissions and Records, the Recreation Center and the Student

"This is not a Student Development pro-gram," Paratore said. "This is a campus program. Orientation and recruitment and retention involves the entire campus.

"We are very concerned that it be a success, and we think it will be.

NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

Poshard will donate money for child abuse

Glenn Poshard, vice chancellor for Administration, will celebrate Child Abuse Prevention Month with a speech and donations to help in the fight against child abuse.

The presentation will be 10 a.m. Monday at John A. Logan Community College. The Poshard Foundation for Abused Children will present checks of about \$2,000 each to the Womens Centers in Carbondale and Cairo, the Anna Bixby Center in Harrisburg, People Against Violent Environments in Centralia and the Child Advocacy Center in Herrin.

The presentation will take place in the main lobby of the college.

New chairman appointed to USG

Undergraduate Student Government senators voted to appoint College of Liberal Arts Senator Rob Taylor as Internal Affairs Committee Chairman at Wednesday's USG meeting.

As the chairman, Taylor will also serve

as chair pro tempe of the Senate.

The appointment came after the for-mer chaitman, Evergreen Terrace Senator Chuck Miller, resigned. Miller sited con-flicts of interest between being a USG presidential candidate and chairing the committee.

Taylor was appointed to his Senate seat at the March 22 USG meeting. He is also a candidate for USG president in the spring elections.

FLAGSTAFF, ARIZ.

Recycling effort buoyed at Northern Arizona

The non-profit group, Grass Roots Recycling Network, has issued a report about how much recycling is benefiting the

According to the report, recycling keeps 28 percent of municipal waste out of land-

Recycling is on the rise at Northern Arizona University. An official for the recy-cling center on the NAU campus said the uning center on the NAO campus said the university has increased its recycling production by about 15 percent every year since beginning its program in 1991. That was the tegislators approved a law mandating that all state agencies recycle at least half of their waste poer.

of their waste paper.

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT CARBONDALE AND ALL SOLVE



The bass player in SIUC's Jazz Ensembles I, Josh Dix concentrates on playing his bass during a practice Tuesday afternoon at Altgeld Hall in room 114. The SIUC Jazz Ensembles I and II play tonight at 8 p.m. in Shryock Auditorium.

ALLY EGYPTIAN

Jazz. Ensembles take the stage at Shryock

TRAVIS MORSE

The mystique of that singular American creation which is jazz music is lost on some and embraced by others. To those not on the jazz wavelength, it can seem puzzling and obscure. To musicians like Kevin Choice, jazz can be an expression of one's soul.

"I love the way you are able to really express your true self," said Choice, a graduate student in piano performance from Oakland, Calif. "By improvising, a musician is able to represent more of himself and his own per-

Like it or not, this art form is invading SIUC this week with the Southern Illinois Jazz Festival, in its second year as a three-day event. As a result, Choice and several other student musicians are taking part in the Jazz Ensemble. I and II performance Friday might at Shryock Auditorium.

Robert Allison, associate professor of music and coordinator of jazz programs, said the performance should appeal to a wide variety of jazz listeners.

"This is a major happening for jazz lovers," Allison said. "We've tried to pick pieces with-in the ability of the band that also have an educational appeal."

The songs include contem-rary jazz numbers as well as classic pieces by such noted artists as Charlie Parker and Dizzy Gillespie. Tim Carr, a freshman trum-

pet performance major from Carbondale, finds Parker's "Scrapple From The Apple' par-ticularly challenging musically. "I play lead trumpet on that tune and it can be hard," Carr

said. "It has a nice groove to it, though."

Carr sair! events like this should be used to get awareness out about a music program in desperate need of funding.

The music program, in general despite the program in general despite the music program, in general despite the program in general d

eral, doesn't get much support even though the faculty is first-rate," Carr said. "Events like this, well as more touring that could be done, could garner more support."

After the ensemble concert, the Southern Illinois Junior High and High School Festival

will take place Saturday at Shryock This event has nine dif-ferent bands from across Southern Illinois competing for awards.

SHOWTIME

 SIUC JAZZ ENSEMBLES I AND II PLAY TONIGHT AT 8 P.M. IN SHAYOCK AUDITOR.UM. TICKETS ARE S3 FOR THE PUBLIC AND \$2 FOR STUDENTS. ON DATUMDAY, THE SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
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TAKES PLACE FROM 1 TO 5 P.M. AT
SHRYOCK AUCITORIUM. THE EVENT IS
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Allison said this part of the jazz festival could be a successful recruitment tool for

"Half of my band came to the festival as high school students," Allison said. "It's all about making contacts to attract students to the campus."

To Shadi Frick, a senior

music education major Carbondale, the entire festival is giving the community something it can never get enough of,

"I love classical music, but I personally believe there is a lot more freedom in jazz," Frick said. "I don't think the community can get enough of it."

GROUND CONTROL TO major depalma

'Mission to Mars' alternately boring and brilliant

TRAVIS MORSE ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

A PG-rated space adventure by "master of suspense" Brian DePalma is sort of like a romantic comedy direct-ed by Oliver Stone. Something about

it just doesn't feel right. DePalma is a cynic at heart and his best films, "Scarface" and "The Untouchables," are about the very inhuman qualities men can display. One need only look at the ending of his brilliant conspiracy-filled film, "Blow Out" to realize that. Nancy Allen, standing in front of a giant American flag, is strangled by a ruth-less killer, her lover John Travolte help-less to stop the disaster as a 4th of July

celebration surges in the background. In this scene, patriotism is turned into hypocrisy and death is the only thing constant in a world of darkness and

With "Mission to Mars," DePalma tries to bring back the Spielbergian wonders of "Close Encounters of the Third Kind," but loses his edge in the process. However,

Rating of...

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as is always the case in the world of DePalma, even his failures are

his tailures are watchable for the bits of technical genius scattered throughout.

The film, set in 2020, follows a group of astronauts, led by Don Cheadle, who embark on a journey to Mars to investigate possible signs of life. Cheadle's follow space truckers, played by Gary Sinise and Tim Robbins, stay behind in a very Kubrickian U.S. space station to menitor the mission in case of a disaster. And, of course, a disaster is exactly

And, of course, a disaster is exactly

what happens when Cheadle's crew is engulfed by a mysterious sand tornado on the surface of Mars.

Naturally, Sinise and Robbins are compelled to save their stranded com-rade, so they hastily assemble a rescue mission. It is at this point the movie suddenly becomes great ... for about 45 minutes anyway. The scenes aboard the rescue craft are

shot with elegant pre-cision in that operatic way that only DePalma can achieve.

Unlike the paranoid, lightning fast pans in the cinema of Stone and orsese, DePalma's camera moves with a slow predatory grace. He turns a potentially corny scene where Robbins dances with his wife to the tune of Van Halen's "Dance the Night Away" into a thing of great beauty.

There is a scene after that as well

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WEEKEND EVENTS

FRIDAY

Carbondale:

· Open mic night at 9:30 p.m. at Longbranch

Coffeehouse.

Live DJ show every Friday and Saturday at

Stix with no cover charge.

Today through May 13 is the Highwire

Arrists exhibit at the University Museum. Free admission.

 Today through May 13, Shouts From the Wall: Spanish Civil War Posters is being showcased at the University Museum. Free

admission:

- Music Business Association takes the stage at the Melange Coffeehouse from 8 to 10:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.

- Frydaddies play at Boo Jr.'s at 10 p.m.

- The band, For Healing Purposes Only, will have a CD release party and concert at Cousin Andy's Coffeehouse at 7:30 p.m.

Suggested donation is 55 for adults 53 for students and low income people. Well-behaved children get in free.

- The SIUC Jazz Ensembles I and II perform at Shorck Auditorium at 8 p.m. Admission is

at Shryock Auditorium at 8 p.m. Admission is \$3 for the public, \$2 for students, children and senior citizens.

senior citizens.

An art opening, "Myth and Circumstance: A Show of Art" by Stacey Holland, will be at the Longbranch Coffeehouse from 8 to 10 p.m. There will be musical entertainment by DJ Bootney Farnsworth. No admission fee. Tonight and Saturday night, SPC Films will be showing Sam Mendes' Oscar-winning film

"American Beauty" starring Kevin Spacey. Times are 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. in the Student Center Auditorium. Admission is \$2 for stu-

dents and \$3 for others.

Fragile Porcelain Mice play at the Hangar 9 at 10 p.m.

Swen performs at PK's from 9:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. There is no cover charge.

An opening reception to Galactic Space

Mama, art from beyond, at the Associated



Gallery from 7 to 9 p.m. The exhibit runs through April 15.

Chicago:

• Groove Collective plays at the Chicago House of Blues at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12.

SATURDAY

• 12 Gauge with opening band Heet Viktrs will play at Boo Jr's at 10 p.m.
• The Bottletones bring its own style of rock to Hangar 9 at 10 p.m.
• The band Happy Planet performs at PK's at 9:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.
• Back Room at the Branch at Longbranch Coffeebours will feature the hand 1 pore.

Coffeehouse will feature the band Loose Gravel from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. • 4 on 6, a jazz trio, take the stage at Melange Coffeehouse from 8 to 10:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.

• From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., the Southern Illinois Junior High and High School Festival of jazz

Junior righ and migh School nestival of Jazz music will take place at Shryock Auditorium. There is no admission. Saturday Moming Storytime at Bames & Noble will feature "Eensy-weensy Spider" by Mary Ann Hoberman. It starts at 10:30 a.m. and there is no admission price.

Guster performs at the Chicago House of Blues at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$17.50.

"Spring Fling" at the St. Louis Zoo. begins Saturday and continues through April 9 from 1 to 3 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays. Admission to the zoo is \$4.

INTERNATIONAL

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However, without a strong grasp of the language, and no friends or other family members to support them, many international students are often overwhelmed by the American way of life. Yang knows

this feeling all to well.
Yang, a 29-year-old graduate
student in instructional design,
came to the United States in 1998 from China. Pretending to laugh with the rest of her classmate was just one way of dealing with the pressures of fitting in.

"Sometimes I just kept silent," she said. "I try to concentrate so hard, but you feel like you're stupid because you don't understand.

Yang's problem is that her pro-fessors and classmates speak too fast for her to comprehend. Yang eventually overcame her fear to speak

American classrooms and the relationship between teachers and students is vastly different in both countries, she said. Teacher's are held in such a high regard in her country, a student would never openly question a professor because that would be viewed as disrespect-

"One student in my class told the teacher that she gave too much homework," Yang said. "I was shocked. Chinese students dare not speak to a teacher like that. You show a very high respect and you do

not challenge the teacher." American's use of "slang" words was also a problem, but more so for her husband Lu Cian Lu. Lu Cian, 31, is a graduate student and teaching assistant in speech communica-

He recalled a situation when he was preparing a class for a mid-term exam, and how the Chinese lanand American "slang" guage clashed.

"I told them, 'don't forget to bring a pencil and a rubber, which means eraser in China. When they told me what rubber meant in America, I felt so embarrassed," Lu

For Alex Tokarev and his wife Silvia, who uses her maiden name of Stamenkova, the transition to the United States has not been helped by certain rules governing

Tokarev, a 31-year-

policy for students, but his wife is not. Tokarev said his wife, who was diagnosed with diabetes at age 3, has been refused by outside health

insurance providers because of her pre-existing medical condition.

To make matters more difficult, they plan to go back to Bulgaria for insulin, and because the University requires spouses to be insured, Stamenkova, 29, will have to stay there if she does not find a provider

in America.
"It's some kind of Catch-22,"
Tokarev said. "[The University]

wants you to have insurance, but they don't offer it. They say, 'go out-side the University to find [a

old graduate student in

economics, is covered by

SIUC's health insurance

silent. I try to concentrate so They came to SIUC hard, but you from Bulgaria last August. They were feel like you're stupid because recently married, and viewed their new life you don't understand. here as something of a honeymoon.

JUN YANG 29-year-old graduate student from China

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just keep

provider]," but they can't cover her because of a pre-existing condition." Tolarev will go back in May for her medication, and Stamenkova will try to enroll in a graduate pro-gram in recreation for fall 2000. She currently has a Master's degree in theology from Bulerais.

theology from Bulgaria.

SIUC does provide support services for international students and their spouses. Stamenkova and Jun

Yang are members of the International Spouses Group, which provides the spouses of international students a chance to interact with one another.

"You can meet many friends there, and share the same problems with them," said Stamenkova, who could parley speak a word of English before

coming to America. ISPG was started in 1985 by International Students and Scholars.

The group is an exten-sion of International Wives Friendship, a support group consisting of American volunteers who work with student's wives.

Both groups were created to help smooth the transition for interna-tional students and their spouses.

"We try to take care of them, and make their lives a little bit easier," said Beth Mochnick, community programs coordinator for International Students and Scholars.

Mochnick knows Yang and Stamenkova and is fully aware of how tough it is for them. Mochnick's greatest enjoyment comes from seeing them adjust to life in America. life in America.

She also appreciates what they bring to the University in terms of their life experiences, and said Americans would too, if more interacted with them.

"When you get past the things that are different, you learn to work with them according to who they are, not where they come from," she

Life in America does have many upsides, according to the students. Yang has a 10-month-old daughter named Joanne Lu Yang, and was very impressed with American nurs-es and doctors during her pregnanсy.

And although she is not yet a student, Stamenkova has not allowed her medical situation to stop her from enjoying herself. She won a table-tennis tournament in February at the Recreation Center. She also likes to draw, and enjoys Carbondale's flowers and open

All agree that America has much to offer international students by way of an education, despite the problems they have encountered.

They also maintain close ties to their homeland. Tokarev eventually plans to return to Bulgaria to teach, but said America was the best place to come for educational opportuni-

to come to: custaments of the living in American, although she misses her mother country very much. In China, people refer to the country as, "mother," in honor of their homeland. Yang even uses a old Chinese saying to help sum up that

"We say in China, 'even if your mother is poor and ugly, she's still your mother' So no matter how good America is, I'll never leave her."

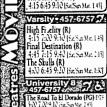
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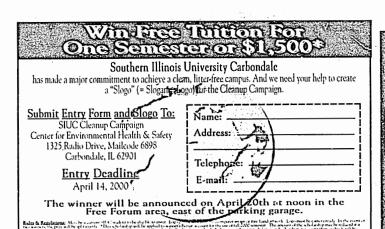






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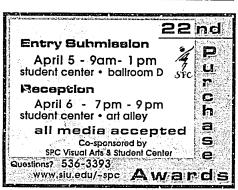
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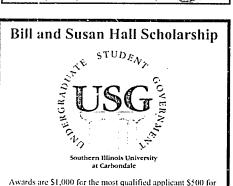
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INCREASE

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Jefferson made a motion for USG to

support the 36-percent increase.

The motion was finally passed about three and a half hours after the beginning of the meeting.

As the meeting continued, senators tried to remove items of legislation from the agenda. Several senators began to leave, as other items of new business were discussed.

Around that time, Miller got up and went to the microphone to announce to the Senate "we're a joke to this University." Senators were

speechless as Miller left. Miller said he left early because he was upset by Henry's earlier com-ments that he would veto any motion for a referendum that was passed. He also said he never missed a USG meeting and he was frustrated about the meeting not being conducted

properly.
"I felt there was nothing that was going to be discussed that was important because the Senate was taking too much time arguing, and the meeting wasn't being conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order," Miller.

VAUGHT

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Chuck, revenue officer for the City of Carbondale, has always admired Vaught's honesty and integrity. "She doesn't do one thing for one person and not for someone else," he said

Vaught has always put family as a priority in her life by being active in her daughters' lives. Her oldest daughter, Patty, 19, is a freshman at SIUC, and her other daughter, Jenny, 15, is a sophomore at Carbondale Community High School.

Both of her daughters are active in

softball and volleyball, and Vaught

never misses a game.
"The best thing in my life is my kids," she said. "I'm just one of those

mom: who go to everything. I'm lucky."
Although Vaught is not a
Carbondale native, she has lived here since she was 6 years old and considers elf a "University Bra

Her father, Clifford Burger, was the budget director for the Office of the President of SIUC, Burger was recruit-ed by SIUC President Delyte Morris and Vaught has stayed close to the University since. She went to high school on campus, as well as gaining two of her higher education degrees from the University.

Morris was known for his 20-year tenure at the University and all the changes he made that created the insti-

tution SIUC is today.

Vaught remembers playing in Morris office when she was a little girl. she said she would sit on his lap and he would pat her on the head.

would pat her on the head.

Vaught is also active, in organizations related to her profession and community groups, including the Campus
Council for the Undergraduate
Experience at SIUC.

"I was raised with the University,"
she said. "I can't image not having the
University somehow in my life."

CONTROL

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that demonstrates DePalma's mastery of building tension. A leak suddenly appears in the hall and the crew scrambles around in zero gravity, desperate to find the hole. Without the ase of music, DePalma, like in the their scene in "Mission Impossible," edies on crafty editing to extend the

suspense to each viating lengths.

Scenes like this achieve a riveting hyperreality, but, alas, all good things must come to an end. Once the rescue ship reaches the planet, we are forced to return to the clicheridden plot of an interesting but techno-babble ridden script by John and Jim Thomas

guilt without ever being over the top.

In the end, though, the ball is in DePalma's court and In the end, though, the ball is in Del'almas court and he serves up a film with a great midsection, a so-so begin-ning and a gimmicky "2001"-like ending. Maybe the ver-eran filmmaker is tired of always being the violent outsider trying to weasel his way into public acclaim and respectability. Well, to quote the old Faith No More tune, "You want it all, but you just can't have it." It may be hard being a rebel filmmaker, Mr. Del'alma, but it's what you do best.

The actors manage a few memorable moments, espe-

cially Sinise, who I've come to believe can act his way out

of any situation. His character is filled with deep regret for the loss of his astronaut wife, played by Kim Delaney, and

Sinise pulls off a difficult performance balancing grief and

FOAL

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In the end, more than 20 people had gathered to help or watch the delivery, and they were all in tears when it was over with.

"We had everyone here, from the people who fix the roof, o students, to the department chair," Christiansen said. "For the first six hours, everyone couldn't believe it. They were walking around here with their jaws on the ground."

Laura Grames was on her way to the barn to work with

one of the horses that afternoon. The junior from Chicago walked in five minutes after the mare's water broke. She

ended up spending the next two hours with mon and baby.

"It was very traumatic, but at the same time it was very rewarding," Grames said. "It is incredible to go out there now

and see how they are both doing."

Now a week later, the duo is doing well, spending longer and longer increments of time out to pusture and leaving last-ing memories for the crew who worked to save them.

"I guess to say I was pleasantly surprised that they ever survived is an understatement," King said, "The take-home lesson is, 'Don't ever give up.'



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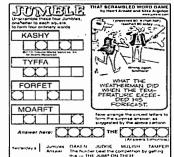








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Women's tennis cruises against Illinois-Chicago

Salukis get quality production throughout the lineup

ANDY EGENES
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

If this does not give them a boost of

confidence, nothing will.

The SIU women's tennis team cruised to an 8-0 victory against the University of Illinois-Chicago Thursday afternoon at the University

The Salukis (7-3) had quality per-

formances throughout the line up and,

tornances throughout the line up and, perhaps most importantly, appear to have their top two players back on tracit. No. 1 player Simona Petrutii, and No. 2 player Parnela Floro, who have struggled lately, cuised through their matches with ease and look to be play-ing like their old selves again. SIU coach Judy Aud said the suches beable into general theories for the structure of the said of the suches beable into general theories of such players.

matches should give everyone a boost of confidence, especially Petrutiu and

"They have their games back," Auld said. "I think it's going to be ost both of their confidence. The fact that they played really well ... I think that is a real-ly big key." Petrutiu, who won 6-*, 6-1, was more than ready to break out of the rut she has been in

"I think this has been a really good match, and from now on, hopefully my game will come back quickly." Petrotiu

Auld stressed that she is pleased with the quality play from the whole roster, not just the top players on the tearn. The entire singles line-up won in convincing fashion with no player needing a third

"It's good that we get good play from everybody. Everyone is equally impor-tant," Auld said. "Everybody has their role and has to know how to fit into it

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and be ready to step up to help out the

Like retrutiu, Floro dominated her

opponent, winning 6-3, 6-1 and putting the punch back into the top of the Saluki line up.

"I feel a lot better," Floro said. "I think everyone did a lot better today, which is good, so hopefully we will keep going towards the conference [tourna-ment]."

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Men's golf team travels to South for four-day tournament

The SIU men's golf team will try to rebound from some sluggish early season performances when it competes in the Arkansas State University Indian Classic this weekend starting Saturday. The tournament, held in Jonesboro, Ark., continues through Tuesday.

Men's tennis face Illinois-Chicago Saturday

The SIU men's tennis team will play its first home thatch of the sea-son against the University of Illinois-Chicago at 1 p.m. Saturday on the University Courts.

The Salukis (3-7) broke a five-game losing streak when they defeated Saint Louis University March 22.

Saluki coach Brad Iftner's team will play its next four matches at home before returning to the road.

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play baseball professionally. In his 151 games with the Aces, Molina had a batting average of .314 with 17 home runs and

Not unexpectedly, Molina's numbers have dropped off some this year. So far, Molina is litting ,242 with two home runs and 10 RBIs, and he has been slumping of late. However, Molina remains among the leaders on his team in slugging percentage (387), walks (14) and homers.

"I want to come back and show I'm still good, that I can still play," Molina said.

Brownlee said the reason Molina has been able to over-

come the traumatic bearing incident is simple.
"He's a hard-nosed individual and he loves baseball,"

As Molina and the Aces visit Carbondale, Callahan's

team will be forced to temporarily brush their respect for Molina aside and prepare to play ball.

"I admire that he not only wanted to come back, but he's made a heck of an effort to come back. "Callahan said." If he has one bad weekend all year, I hope it's against us.

SIU junior pitcher Billy Hardin said although it might be

tough, if a game is on the line and Molina is in the batter's box, he would have to approach the at-bat like any other. "[Molinis] back in the game, so you still have to go right at him," Hardin said. "But in the back of your mired, yould

think about what he's gone through."

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"I told [Tracy] I was going to put her out there for as long as she could go," Blaylock said. "We have enough closers that we can get a couple people on base and not be afraid, so I

where the get a temper people on use and not or allowed withink Iracy did a great job.

In guise the of Wednesday's doubleheader against Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, the Salukis, down 2-0, utilized a five-run fifth inning, highlighted by junior center fielder Marta Viethaus' game-breaking grand slam.

Viethaus, SIU's all-time home run leader (20), had

not hit a home run yet this season before the slam.

In the seventh inning, Viethaus smashed another

home run, a two-run shot to push the final score to 7-2. Viefhaus was 3-for-4 in the game with two home runs and six RPIs.

Winters (11-4) pitched a complete game, striking out nine, while yielding no earned runs and only two

In game two, a pair of solo home runs by Hallahan and senior second baseman Lori Greiner provided enough run support for Stremsterfer, who held the Panthers (8-20) to one run in the 2-1 Saluki victory. Hallahan now leads the team with five home runs on

the season, while it was Greiner's second round-tripper

Stremsterfer (7-4), who took a no-hitter into the fifth inning, finished with 10 strikeouts and allowed only

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Correction

In Thursday's sports colum "Fournier stands about the rest," it should have read that the other two candidates, Pau Kowalczyk and Daniel Spielmann, did bring forth valid objectives

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT CARBONDALE

Evansville's Anthony Molina puts hellish beaning incident in past, makes courageous comeback for Aces

JAY SCHWAB

After having his face smashed in by a speeding fastball and becoming ensuared in a national controversy, Anthony Molina is moving on with his life by doing something that comes natural to him - playing base

Molina, an infielder for the University of Evansville, is well-known across the country for being brutally beaned in the eye by Wichita State University pitcher Ben Christensen during warm-ups of a game between Wichita State and Evansville on

Molina was standing near the on-deck circle when Christensen whipped a thrown ball in his direction from about 20 feet away. The ball shattered Molina's left eye socket, opening a 1-inch gash above his eye and causing three fractures in his cheek. His eye is swollen shut for days.

Most assumed Molina would never

resume his baseball career. They were

Molina, who never saw the ball coming, will be in uniform when his Purple Aces wait be in uniform when his Purple Acts
take the field for a four-game series against
SIU at Abe Martin Field beginning today.
"Some people might give up," Molina
told the Evansville Courier & Press prior to

the start of the season. "I won't ever give

Doctors said the pitch could have killed Molina had it landed slightly more to the right, and predicted he may never regain his

But Molina underwent off-season eye

surgery, and has managed to return for his senior season. He had follow-up laser urgery earlier this month, but the vision in his left eve is still only about 20/60.

Christensen, who was suspended for the rest of the season after hitting Molina, has since been drafted in the first round by the Chicago Cubs. He was reportedly upset that Molina was timing his pitches from the on-deck circle.

Christensen claims he was not attempting to hit Molina, but rather trying to send a message to him in accordance with team policy regarding opposing hitters timing Shocker pitchers.

SIU baseball head coach Dan Callahan said regardless of Christensen's intentions, what happened to Molina was a shame

"I've got all the respect in the world for [Molina]," Callahan said, "It's a tragedy what happened to him."

The bizarre story made major news

nationwide. Christensen's actions were a hot and inflammatory topic on talk radio for weeks.

Evansville head coach lim Brownlee is reluctant to discuss the beaning anymore, but said he is proud of the toughness Molina has shown by returning to baseball after the griz-



"He's not 100 percent, but he's gutting it out the best that he can," Brownlee said. "It was a very unfortunate incident, and he's trying to get through it.

Before that life-altering April day in Wichita, Kan., Molina was considered a Wichita, Kan., Molina was considered a prospect to fulfill his boyhood dream and

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SIU tries to break defensive skid this weekend

Salukis will need to bring bats and gloves against talented Aces

ANDY EGENES
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIU baseball head coach Dan Callahan has been more than displeased with the defensive effort his squad has

The Salukis (11-12, 3-5 MVC) have been missing in action defensively of late, with several errors occurring

from mental lapses.

Some have been purely technique-related.

"I didn't know at this level that you would shy away from balls," Callahan said in regard to the left-side of the infield in Tuesday's game against the University of

SIU faces the University of Evansville in a four-game

series this weekend starting today at 2 p.m.

In the 15-5 loss against the Fighting Illini, things looked so bad, Callahan was not sure how to approach

the problem.

Callahan sat down with his staff Wednesday morning to collaborate on ideas to find out the proper solution to the defensive downfall against Illinois, when SIU com-

mitted four errors, but had several other plays that should have been handled.

Callahan gave it some thought and decided the mistakes needed to be addressed so the problem does not become a long-term cancer.

For a while we were second in the conference in team defense, and somehow we are still third," Callahan said. I don't know how, the way we've played the last week to 10 days. We have got to get better.

The Salukis will need to improve quickly as Evansville (18-5, 5-3), which has won six games in a ro comes to town for the four-game set this weekend. The Aces will throw Preston Larrison (4-1, 2.72) on Friday, who could be a first- or second-round pick in next year's

Major League Baseball draft.

The Salukis managed to beat Larrison in the middle of the second half of last season, when they lost 25 of their last 30 games of the year.

But SlU has a couple of hot hitters that could be a

factor in the game

Saluki right fielder Steve Mazzola and utility player Roman Schooley have been key offensive producers the last couple of days. Schooley leads all Saluki hitters in average, hitting .367 on the season, while Mazzola has hit .440 in the last 10 games.

But this particular series involves more than just base-

SIU (11-12, 3-5) vs. Evansville (18-5, 5-3)

The two teams will play a four-game set this weekend at Abe Martin Field starting with a game Friday at 2 p.m.

Saturder's doubleheader starts at noon Sunday's game begins at 1 p.m.

Friday's probable Starters:

SIU- LHP Brendon Fort (2-3, 8.75 ERA) or RHP Victor Hockett (1-2, 5.66 ERA)

Evansville-RHP Preston Larrison (4-1, 2.72)

Bottom Line: The Salukis will have to step up their defensive skills to stop bouncing around the .500 level.

The SIU baseball coaching staff has been close to the I he SIU basebal coaching staff has been close to the Vannsille staff since the senseless act last April when Evansville infielder Anthony Molina was hit in the face by Wichita State pitcher Ben Christensen. "We are good friends, Callahan said. "When we play the game, it's like a war. But before the game and after the

game we can sit down and talk as civil human beings.

SIU softball sophomore Jenny Guenther, attempts a bunt at Thursday's home game against Saint Louis. SIU won the first game of the doubleheader 1-0.

Sluggish start does not stop sweep of SLU

Softball wins seven straight, sweeping Eastern, Saint Louis

COREY CUSICK

Despite connecting on only one hit, the SIU softball team held off a struggling Saint Louis University squad in game one of a doubleheader at LAW Fields Thursday, clinging to a

Although Saluki head coach Kerri Blaylock will take the victory, she was not pleased after the game and did not shy away from letting her team know it as she conducted a stern talk with her ballclub in between games.

"I told them in very strong terms that I am going to push them to be better and that they need to be able to come to play all the time. We are not and I don't know what it's going to

take," Blaylock said.
"We did not come out prepared to play with the bats. There is no reason in the world we shouldn't be able to hit the ball better than we did."

As the Saluki offense struggled, its As the Saluk offense struggled, its defense and pitching did the job to keep the Billikens scoreless. The Billikens (6-21) did little to help themselves, as they committed six errors in the ballgame.

Freshman hurler Katie Kloess

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THE SIU SOFTBALL TEAM OPENS MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE PLAY THIS WEEKEND WITH A DOUBLEHEADER AT THE UNIVERSITY DOUBLEHEADER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA SATURDAY IN CEOAR FALLS, IOWA, FOLLOWED BY A DOUBLEHEADER WITH BRADLEY UNIVERSITY SUNDAY IN PEORIA.

pitched 4.1 innings, striking out four to improve her record to 5-1 on the year. Junior pitcher/designated player Erin Stremsterfer did a solid job in relief, going 2.2 innings, striking out five and allowing no hits to earn her third save of the season.

In game two, the Saluki bats livened up a little as a third inning two-run double by junior first base-man Netty Hallahan was all the run support pport senior pitcher Tracy mspecher would need.

Remspecher, who has had some fatigue problems in her shoulder, was only two outs away from a complete game, but Blaylock elected to bring in senior Carisa Winters for the final two ours of the ballgame to seal the 3-0 victory and improve SIU's string of victories over Saint Louis to 18

Remspecher improved her record to 2-0, while Winters picked up her sixth save of the season

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