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# SIUC invites student input on advisement

## Town Meetings on Academic Advisment

February 26, 1998 5 to 6 p.m.

Unit	Location
Agriculture	Ag 102
Applied Sciences and Arts	ASA 204B
Business and Administration	Lawson 141
Center for Basic Skills	Woody Hall C-7
Education	Wham 105
Engineering	EGRA 111
Liberal Arts	Faner Museum Auditorium
Mass Comm. and Media Arts	Lawson 151
Pre-Major Advisement	Woody Hall C-117
Science	Neckers 440

Source: Academic Affairs

By Bobbi Shamhart, Daily Egyptian

**TOWN MEETINGS:** Colleges follow lead of USG and seek to improve advisement.

JAYETTE BOLINSKI  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The Undergraduate Student Government's recent focus on improving academic advisement at SIUC has motivated colleges to schedule simultaneous town meetings Thursday evening to obtain student input on advisement.

Jackie Bailey, director of Student Services at the College of Education, said the meetings

are designed to encourage students from all colleges to voice their concerns and make suggestions about academic advisement.

"By having these meetings, we're saying, 'You really do matter. If there's something we can do to make your time at SIUC better, then we'll try within our budget and staffing to meet your needs,'" Bailey said.

At the meeting, students will meet with advisers from 5 to 6 p.m. Thursday at different locations depending on the students' academic unit. All colleges are participating in the event.

USG vice president Megan Moore and other USG staffers have been working to make

improvements to academic advisement at SIUC. She said the town meetings are a complete surprise to her.

"I think this shows that the advisers are willing to look at problem areas and look at what is working," she said.

Moore pointed out advisement is a very important part of a student's educational career.

"Advisement is the first window to campus. The first thing you do is register for classes and see advisers," she said. "It's important that it be a positive experience."

Bailey said the town meeting

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## DRUMMING UP THE AFRICAN EXPERIENCE

**UNITY:** Performance fills SIUC Student Center with rhythm of the homeland.

TAMEKA L. HICKS  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

It was not the constant, rhythmic thump of the African drum that sprang Patrick Gant to his feet to dance, but the natural sound of a cultural calling.

The calling of the drum was directly sent by former SIUC student and drummer Seku Neblett and master percussionist Mamadou Mane Badiane as the outcry of past Africans organizing slave revolts.

As soon as the deep, intriguing sound of the drum rumbled from the stage and into the audience, the diverse cultures joined in the celebration of Africa.

The drumming display Monday was sponsored by the International Student Council and the Black History Month Committee.

Rolling shoulders, swaying heads and collective hand clapping expressed the feeling among the about 40 people in attendance Monday, including Gant, a senior in education from Chicago.

Without hesitation, his legs vibrated as he engaged in his personal definition of unity.

"I like music like that," Gant said. "If I can jump up to the music on the radio, I definitely can get up to this. It sounds good — just the natural rhythm how they're using their hands. That shows unity by them being here playing together."

For four years, Neblett has traveled



DOUG LARSON/Daily Egyptian



**Black History Month**

Master percussionist Mamadou Mane Badiane plays the D'jembe, a traditional African drum, while Seku Neblett plays the Bugurabu, the "king of the African drums." The duo performed "A Spirit of Africa: A Talk With the Drums" at the Student Center Monday as part of SIUC's Black History Month celebrations.

the United States with Badiane to elementary, high schools and colleges to share the African experience. The men played the Bugurabu, a four-piece leather-skinned drum, for almost an hour, explaining its symbolism between selections.

"The drum is able to speak to the universe," Neblett said.

"These drums speak the same language they did in Africa. It has the same liberation message."

Neblett, who participated in the Freedom Singers and the civil rights movement during the 1960s, said the drum sends the message that all Africans and African-Americans should be in an

organization that fights for their culture. As a descendant of a family of musicians, Neblett said it is relevant for Africans and African-Americans to listen to the beats of the drum and to realize its significance.

"Depending on the level of consciousness, the drum helps organize our people," Neblett said. "It's the most important aspect, so I try to raise the kids' level of consciousness."

Mavin Edwards, a Carbondale resident, felt a spirit coming over her as she wrapped herself into the resounding echoes of the drum.

She joined the drummers on stage as the constant vibration nourished her

movement.

"It was just a spiritual calling," she said.

"It's a communication to a higher source. I have always been sensitive to music. I tend to shut out my surroundings. It's between me and the most high."

Neblett was surprised at the energy sparked by the crowd. Oftentimes his hands tire after several minutes of play, but as he witnessed the crowd participation, he merely disregarded any discomfort.

"Oh yeah, I get tired," he said. "Man, the only thing that kept me going today was her energy. That's what saved me."

# Police Blotter

## UNIVERSITY

- Christopher S. Nobles, 21, of Boomer Hall was arrested at 11:58 a.m. Friday for unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia. Nobles was taken to Jackson County Jail where he posted bond and was released.
- Thomas J. Butka, 21, of Carbondale was arrested at 11:16 a.m. Friday at Boomer Hall on an outstanding Jackson County warrant for failing to appear in court on a previous underage possession of alcohol charge. Butka was taken to Jackson County Jail where he posted bond and was released.
- An 18-year-old student reported that some time between Jan. 9 and Feb. 2 a credit card was stolen from Trueblood Hall mailroom. Police have a suspect after an attempted use of the card at Wal-Mart.

# Almanac

## ON THIS DAY IN 1972:

- Who's addressing the Model United Nations on campus, George Sherry, chairman of the U.N. Peacekeeping Committee, said the United Nations is not powerless or irrelevant but, on the contrary, "has provided a very powerful weapon for finding ways out of international crisis."
- Tickets were on sale for the Roller Derby between the Midwestern Pioneers and the San Francisco Bay Bombers at SIU Arena. Tickets ranged from \$2 to \$4.
- A safety belt that must be buckled before the engine can be started was announced by the Ford Motor Company as an option for the 1972 Pinto. A Ford spokesman told reporters at the Chicago Auto Show the seat belt-starter interlock may be a federal requirement on all 1974 autos.

# Corrections

If readers spot an error in a news article, they can contact the Daily Egyptian Accuracy Desk at 536-3311, extension 229 or 228.

# Sabaki Calendar

## TODAY

- Women's Services is now interviewing new members for the adult children of divorce support group, community members welcome, February 25, 26, and 27, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Woody Hall B244. Contact Mary at 453-3655.
- Campus Girl Scout Cookie Sales, February 25 and 27, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Foner Breezeway. Contact Karen at 529-8175.
- Black Student Ministries Daily Bread (Prayer, etc.) Wednesdays, 10 to 11 a.m., Student Center River Rooms. Contact Lamel at 549-5532.
- Christian Apologetics Club "Communicating the Truths of Christianity with Confidence," Wednesdays, noon, Student Center Thebes Room. Contact Wayne at 529-4043.
- Big Muddy Film Festival showcase of documentary films, February 25, noon to 3 p.m., University Museum. Contact Jennifer at 453-1482.
- Library Affairs "Java" seminar, February 25, 1 to 2 p.m., Morris Library Room 15. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.
- Campus Ministries Silent Prayer Vigil for Peace, February 25, 1:30 p.m., Free Forum Area. Contact Bethy at 529-7260.
- Library Affairs "PowerPoint" seminar, February 25, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Morris Library
- Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.
- Museum Student Group meeting, all majors welcome, February 25, 4 p.m., Foner 2469. Contact Adrienne at 453-5388.
- Morris Library an J Intramural-Recreational Sports 7th Annual Open House and Information Fair, February 25, 4 to 7 p.m., Rec Center. Contact Lelellan at 453-1477.
- Southern Illinois Peace Coalition demonstration against U.S. war on Iraq, February 25, 4 p.m., Shryock steps, 5:30 p.m., Town Square Pavilion. Contact Randy at 549-1393.
- Student Orientation Committee meeting, new members welcome, Wednesdays, 5 p.m., Student Center Activity Room A. Contact Jen at 457-4339.
- College Republicans meeting, Wednesdays, 5 p.m., Student Center Thebes Room. Contact Enk at 549-9771.
- PRSSA Pyramid meeting, February 25, 5 p.m., top of Communications stairs. Contact Margaret at 549-7097.
- GLFB general meeting, Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m., Student Center Mississippi Room. Call 453-5151 for information.
- Japanese Anime Kai will


- show the animated video "Escaloflowe 21-26" with English subtitles, February 25, 5:30 p.m., Foner 1125. Contact Josh at 549-4472.
- Black Affairs Council programming meeting for anyone interested, Wednesdays, 6 p.m., BAC Office. Contact Juan at 453-2534.
- Pi Sigma Epsilon co-ed business fraternity general meeting, February 25, 6 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room. Contact Alison at 529-8085.
- Music Business Association meeting, all majors welcome, February 25, 7 p.m., Algeid 248. Contact Donnyel at 549-8060.
- Big Muddy Film Festival guest artist presentation of the "White Trash Girl" series by Jennifer Reeder, February 25, 7 to 9 p.m., Student Center Auditorium. Contact Jennifer at 453-1482.
- Blacks Interested in Business meeting, February 25, 7 to 8 p.m., Student Center Corinth/Troy Rooms. Contact Greg at 536-8269.
- Zoology Club meeting, February 25, 7 p.m., Life Science II 303. Contact Renee at 351-6244.

## UPCOMING


- College of Science Town Meeting: Advisement for Science majors, February 26, 5 to 6 p.m., Neckers 440. Call 536-5537 for details.

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Partly cloudy.  
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Low: 39



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Thunderstorms.  
High: 56  
Low: 54

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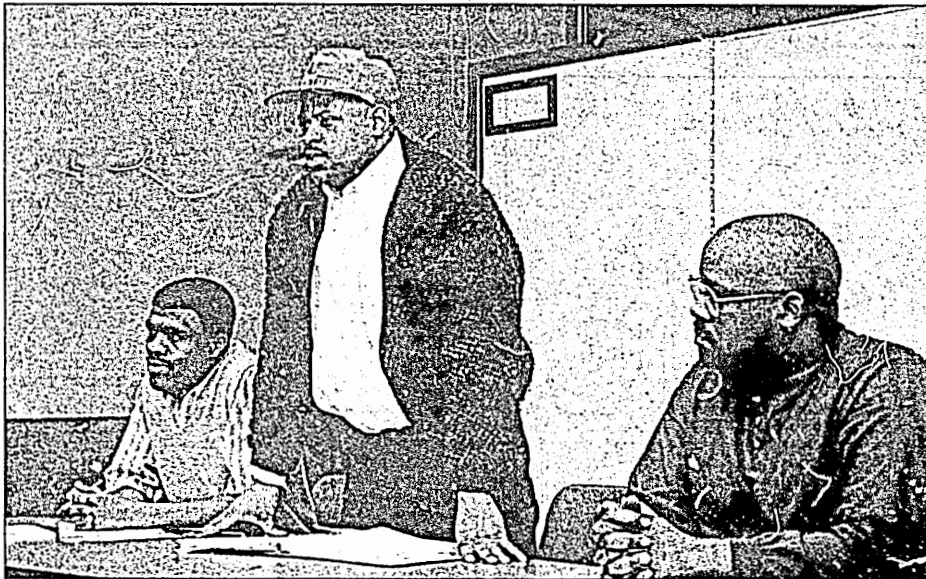
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**UNITED WE STAND:** (Left to right) Montee Gillespie, Darius Robinson and Brian Clardy were panel members at the Africans and African-Americans: United by Name Only? discussion at the Student Center Monday.

# Students look for ways to bridge gap between African heritage

**CONNECTION:**  
Organizations attempt to figure out ways to bring groups together.



**Black History Month**

**DANA DUBRIWNY**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Oluwaseun Daraniola traveled from Nigeria to the United States two years ago on a quest for higher education in a country with a healthy economy.

But when she arrived, she encountered much more than she had expected.

"I had a very negative experience," said Daraniola, a freshman in accounting from Oak Park. "The African-Americans told me that I didn't belong to this country because I wasn't an African-American."

In an attempt to address similar disconnections between Africans and African-Americans, the Black Affairs Council and the African Student Council met for a workshop titled "Africans and

African-Americans: United In Name Only?" Monday at the Student Center.

The Mississippi Room was filled with more than 60 students, faculty and staff as a panel of five led a discussion on the diffused relations between African-Americans and their brothers and sisters of Africa.

Delmarcus Collins, a senior in education from Chicago, believes a fear of the unknown hinders the cohesion of the two groups.

"There are a lot of stereotypes and myths that both Africans and African-Americans buy into," he said. "We put up an invisible barrier between us and there is very little dialogue. This leads to us not understanding their lifestyle, and in turn, they don't understand ours."

This misunderstanding leads

blacks to pit themselves against each other when, according to those at the workshop, they should be interacting and learning from each other.

"This is inner discrimination," Collins said. "This self-hatred goes on throughout the campus and we need to look at our differences instead of just looking at personal experiences."

Though few solutions for the differences were introduced at the workshop, the discussion emphasized the need for self-education in learning the African heritage to change current relations.

But Collins believes that there is hope for such a bridge through classroom instruction as well. He has taken Black African Studies courses at SIUC and said course instructors actively investigate the connection between the groups.

This effort is rare, Collins said, because there is little discussion of African and African-American disunity.

"They are the trailblazers that

are helping us learn about each other," he said, "and they are the only ones that will bring it up because it's such a taboo topic."

Like Daraniola and Collins, Darius Robinson attended Monday's workshop in order to bridge the gap between his African-American peers and distant African relatives.

Through self-education and interaction with Africans, Robinson, a graduate student in manufacturing systems from East St. Louis, has learned to avoid judging all Africans as a whole. He believes this tactic is one of the best ways to avoid creating a vast barrier between Africans and African-Americans.

"Ninety-nine percent of my interactions with Africans have been good," he said. "But that one percent was not a great experience. I have enough sense, because I am educated, not to judge that situation and model it as a stereotype for all my brothers and sisters from Africa."

# SPC announces slated date for Spring Thing

**FESTIVAL:** Annual celebration revived as alcohol-free event.

**HAROLD G. DOWNS**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

A date has been set for a spring event sponsored by Student Programming Council to replace the controversial Springfest, which had previously served as SIUC's spring festival.

The day-long event will be called SPC Spring Thing and is slated for April 18 at the Sam Rinella Fields near Brush Towers.

Andrew Daly, an SPC member who developed the spring event, said the festival will feature bands, a comedian, novelty games and food and drinks. Registered Student Organizations and Carbondale businesses will be present to provide information on their organizations. Daly said SPC is in the process of getting local and national corporations to help sponsor the event. SPC also

hopes to make the festival an annual event.

"It will be a clash of almost everything," Daly said.

The festival became a subject of controversy in November when Undergraduate Student Government passed a resolution asking the University to sponsor and cooperate with a spring event. Because the sale of alcohol had been planned, the University would not allow any SIUC-affiliated organizations to co-sponsor the event because doing so would violate the University's alcohol policy.

SPC presented a proposal outlining the event to the administration. The University approved all of SPC's proposal except alcohol sales. Alcohol will not be allowed at the event.

SIUC had an annual Springfest celebration until 1992, when it was canceled because crowd members pelted each other with beer cans. A similar non-alcoholic event took place from 1993 to 1995 but was canceled due to lack of interest.

Daly said the absence of alcohol will not have an impact on the event, and people will have to adjust accordingly. Security for the event also should not be a problem, Daly said.

"Basically it will just be a Saturday afternoon where everyone can come out and have a good time," he said.

Joel Fritzer, program manager of Carbondale Main Street, which was instrumental in developing last fall's First Cellular Main Street Pig-Out, said his organization will not be involved with the festival because SPC did not respond in time.

"They took too long to get back to us," Fritzer said. "We are hoping to work with them on some future events."

Chancellor Don Beggs said the event should be positive for students.

"I think there is a real interest on students' part to allow them to do things that are fun, that are constructive, and to have a fun time and be responsible," Beggs said. "I hope it is an asset. Students are trying to make it work and I respect that."



•Anyone interested in sponsoring or volunteering for the SPC Spring Thing can call the SPC office at 536-3393.

**Gus Bodo**



Gus says: So I guess I'm not invited this year.

## Southern Illinois

### CARBONDALE

#### Local police investigating aggravated battery incident

Carbondale Police are investigating an aggravated battery that occurred at the Convenient Mart early Sunday morning.

At 1:11 a.m. two men were arguing and fighting at the Convenient Mart, 315 E. Walnut St. A person tried to break up the fight and one of the suspects stabbed him.

The victim was taken to Memorial Hospital of Carbondale where he was listed in stable condition at the time of arrival.

The stabbing suspect is described as a 24-year-old black male, 5 feet 5 inches tall and 160 pounds with short hair.

Police are asking anyone with information about this case to call 457-3200 or 549-COPS.

### CARBONDALE

#### Lee pleads not guilty in court for charge of murder

Gary D. Lee pleaded not guilty Monday to charges of first-degree murder, resident burglary, theft of property over \$10,000 and robbery.

Lee, 30, of Carbondale was arrested Jan. 18 for the Jan. 16 stabbing death of SIUC alumna and Unity Point Elementary School teacher Ellen Drake. If convicted of the murder charges, Lee could be sentenced to death.

Drake's body was found in her Carbondale home by a relative early Jan. 18. Police arrived at 3 a.m. and determined that a possible homicide had taken place because of the wounds Drake sustained.

A phone call traced to a cellular phone taken from Drake's home led police to Lee, who was arrested in Memphis, Tenn., driving Drake's 1998 Toyota Camry.

Jackson County State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec made a request for samples of Lee's blood, hair and saliva at the arraignment to check them against evidence found at the Drake's home Jan. 18.

## Nation

### WASHINGTON, D.C.

#### Clinton endorses Iraqi agreement for now

President Clinton says there will be serious consequences if Iraq fails to make good on its agreement to open suspected weapons sites to U.N. inspectors. Clinton says he still must review the details, but at this point he is cautiously endorsing an agreement worked out this weekend between U.N.

Secretary-General Kofi Annan and Iraqi leaders to end the crisis in the Gulf. The president says the massive military force the United States has built up in the region will remain in place until Washington is convinced Iraq is cooperating with inspectors.

### WASHINGTON, D.C.

#### Clinton likes new decision to print sex offenders names

President Clinton is hailing a Supreme Court decision today to uphold a law that allows localities to publish the names and addresses of convicted sex offenders. Mr. Clinton says the decision leaves intact "a crucial tool to protect children from known sexual predators."

Today the nation's highest court refused to hear arguments that "Megan's Law" in New Jersey inflicted an unconstitutional extra punishment on sex offenders, who had served prison terms, by notifying their communities of their presence.

Jim's Rokyrod Mishap



Our Word

Students need to take advantage of town meetings on advisement

Imagine a college campus where students raised concerns and the University listened with genuine interest. SIUC students long have complained about a lack of voice when dealing with campus issues. Select 2000 and the athletic fee increase are two of the top examples cited to support such an argument.

But something remarkable is beginning to happen on campus. The University is beginning to take student concerns to heart. A prime example is the town meetings being scheduled Thursday night to address academic advisement problems. Colleges throughout SIUC have organized the meetings to allow students to express concerns about advisement within their academic units.

The decision to have campus-wide meetings was so radical it even shocked Undergraduate Student Government leaders, who have been leading the way to reform advisement.

Such an action by the University shows SIUC is becoming more concerned for the interests of its students. Repeatedly, the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board has stressed the need to correct internal problems instead of simply coating the University with a glossy image. These town meetings are a first step toward correcting such internal problems.

Another problem that has plagued SIUC could negate such a positive plan by the University — student apathy. Students have a terrible habit of not attending such events where their input is sought.

For changes to be made in advisement, students must attend the meetings Thursday to describe the problems that need repair. The 5 p.m. meetings should not conflict with most classes, an argument used to justify low attendance for the chancellor candidate student forums. Students may have to delay dinner, but one meal is a small price for the possibility of changes in academic advisement.

USG Vice President Megan Moore said, "The more information they have about what students need and expect, the better off everyone will be."

In order for that information to be disseminated, students have to take the initiative and attend the town meetings. The University has begun a positive move toward increased student input, and it is the responsibility of students to provide that input. Effective communication requires two sides, and the University has opened one side. Students must now take advantage.

"Our Word" represents the consensus of the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board.

Seize opportunities while you still can

They said it couldn't be done. They called us names like "fool," "selfish peon" and "misguided dullards." We would get lost, they said, or shot or spat out or lose our money or drown in a swamp or wake up in a bathtub full of ice with our kidney cut out and our stomachs stapled together. Mardi Gras in 40 hours was a pipe dream, they said, and certainly we should suffer the consequences for our tomfoolery.



Josh Robison

Cancel My Subscription

Josh is a senior in history/education. Cancel My Subscription appears every Wednesday. Josh's opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the Daily Egyptian.

They were wrong. Now, I won't deny the fact that there are certainly more viable methods of attending the Mardi Gras festival, methods that would allow for things such as food and sleep, but this journey wasn't about food or sleep or anything else the general public deems necessary to be a legitimate human being. This was a modern day crusade to reclaim fun — to slay the infidels of normalcy and boredom.

Plus, we had nothing better to do. (Editor's Note: The entire lot of these five individuals that crammed themselves into a car at 3:15 a.m. on Saturday morning and drove non-stop for 10 hours to find themselves in New Orleans, a city that had never been visited by any of them, most certainly had better things to do. A fairly lengthy list of better things that could have been done can be found within the "Wasted Time Department," located on the fifth floor of Woody Hall. However, for the sake of saving paper, a better method can more accurately explain how they spent their time. Attending Mardi Gras — considering their combined grotesque lack of funding, planning and intelligence — is probably the dumbest thing they could have done, with the possible exception of peeing on an electric fence.)

Mardi Gras was fun. We'd never experienced anything like it. Some might question the legitimacy of driving twenty hours to spend a bit more than 12 at the destination, even when that destination is the most famous party on Earth. But their are times in life when no justification is particularly necessary. We went there because it was there.

Generally speaking, you regret the things in life that you do not do, and none of us had any desire to wake up in four to five years with items such as a real job or possibly wives and be forced to watch news clips of the celebration, knowing we had never experienced it first hand. Now we won't have to.

In truth, man's journey to the moon couldn't be scientifically justified, but we weren't about to allow soulless robots to be our only lunar legacy. We sent our own because it was there. As was this crazy thing called Mardi Gras.

So, when next year rolls around and you're looking for justification to attend a party that can't be justified, just remember the huge line of bull you just read. It might work, though I sincerely doubt it.

WANTED: Your name, face and opinion here Tuesdays for Guest Columns. Bring typewritten, double-spaced columns, with your ID and phone number, to the Communications Building, Room 1247. Students provide year/major, faculty include position/department and non-academic staff include position/department. Community members include city of residency. All columns should be about 500 words and are subject to editing. The DE reserves the right not to publish any Guest Column.

Mailbox

Faculty need to make SIUC a better place

Dear editor,

Ron Brown's letter to the editor (Feb. 12 "Protesters are informed") is correct. Any disturbance (Ron chose logging) can and potentially does impact habitat quality for neotropical songbirds, decrease diversity, increase erosion and degrade water quality. These concerns are real and valid.

However, is the Shawnee National Forest Service the only agency in our region that is responsible for these impacts?

Perhaps you should also file lawsuits with the Crab Orchard and Cypress Creek National Wildlife Refuges and Horseshoe Lake and Union County State Conservation Areas for their forest fragmentation. And what about all of the private landowners and businesses that negatively impact natural habitat?

Shouldn't there be a lawsuit filed against the business where you work and I live for the destruction of habitat and increased erosion? Why should they be allowed to increase their business when it is destroying sensitive habitats? And I should not forget the recreation users (equestrians,

ATVers, hikers, bikers, etc.) who also impact the forest; they deserve lawsuits too!

Forget about the Bill of Rights and Constitution stuff, that is sand down a rat hole compared to environmental degradation. Why do you only blame the forest service for these problems? Every one person who has lived or will live in this region has made some impact, positive or negative, and is some way responsible for the current and future Southern Illinois landscape.

I personally love Southern Illinois, its people and the Shawnee. The recreational and scenic beauty of this region is primarily attributable to the forest establishment. The same can be said for southern Missouri and Indiana. What would these areas look like without Mark Twain and Hoosier National Forests? Perhaps you have forgotten what Southern Illinois was like in the 1930s before SNF land acquisition began. Why doesn't the government satisfy your complaints and turn the 275,000-acre SNF back to private landowners?

Certainly Brown can do a better job of forest stewardship, as he sits in his wood house (only 40 acres of timber) by the wood stove (only consumes 2 acres of firewood per year) in the wooden rocking chair (only one 150-year-old white oak) reading the paper (pulp from a Georgia

pine plantation) drinking a cup of Folger's (made possible by clear cutting Colombian rain forest).

The plank stuck in your eye has now grown to a log. Mr. Brown, you should feel comfort though — because we can all be Pharisee priests.

Ron is also right about Dr. Clark Ashby. I think God (goodness) for him also. It is comforting to know that a retired ecologist still cares enough to express his opinions. Perhaps Brown would agree that Drs. Dick and Jean Graber are similar. Unlike this superfluous debate, role models such as them will never grow old, only more honored and respected.

Mark Basinger, graduate student, plant biology

Iraq victim of Hussein, not the world

Dear editor,

I found Lucky Molliviat's letter ("Student voices other side of Iraqi sanctions") Feb. 18 a collection of self-contradictory statements. Mr. Molliviat: It is because we have learned from history that

we will not allow Iraq to possess the weapons of mass destruction.

Like Adolf Hitler, Saddam Hussein launched an unprovoked blitzkrieg attack against a peaceful neighbor for the sole purpose of greed. Like Hitler, Saddam Hussein has murdered his own people using chemical weapons. Like Hitler, Saddam Hussein has brought sanctions against his country and people. It is not the world victimizing Iraq, it is Saddam Hussein.

The United Nations forces that defeated Hussein's imperialistic armies did not destroy Iraq the way he did Kuwait's oil fields. They simply denied him the ability to produce and own weapons of mass destruction. Hussein has the ability to solve this crisis and end the embargo. He must comply with the treaty and allow the United Nations forces unrestricted access to inspect for nuclear, chemical and biological weapons.

Again, history has shown us Hussein does not care enough about his own subjects to put their welfare first, so why should we trust him with the ability to harm others on a large scale?

Bill Anderson, graduate student, social work

# Gubernatorial debate fires up with verbal attacks



Burris

**CANDIDATE:** Burris continuing to gallop far ahead of competition in political race.

KIRK MOTTRAM  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

What to this point has been a temperate Democratic gubernatorial primary turned warmer Monday when the four candidates vying to take on presumptive Republican nominee George Ryan in November squared off in a debate aired live from Springfield.

The debate was the second of nine contests scheduled before the March 17 primary and served to sharpen a fuzzy picture of four candidates, whose agendas have blurred before a seemingly uninspired electorate. Topics discussed during the hour-long match ranged from the proposed Peotone airport to mega-hog farms.

According to a recent Chicago Tribune poll, Roland Burris, former Attorney General and state Comptroller, has run away with an 18-point lead over Rep. Glenn Poshard, D-III. He leads former U.S. Justice Department official John Schmidt by 24 points and retired U.S. Attorney Jim Burns by 25.

To many pundits and political professionals this suggests Burris, a four-time statewide candidate, has the highest name recognition among the field. Unfortunately for Poshard, Schmidt and Burns, their numbers have budgeted since the first Tribune poll six weeks ago.

Though voter turnout in primaries is quite low, what these numbers seem to represent is an electorate that either is tuned out altogether or confused as to the differences among the candi-

dates. Regardless, voters do not seem sufficiently stimulated and are sticking with the name they know best — Burris.

John Jackson, political analyst, contends voters oftentimes find it difficult to distinguish between candidates in a four-way primary. Despite this, he is surprised by the stagnation of Poshard, Schmidt and Burns, who have failed to generate enough momentum to break out of the pack and challenge Burris.

"The lack of movement is the most surprising thing in there," he said. "It's hard in a multi-candidate race for one candidate to separate themselves from the rest of the field."

fight for these measures?" Schmidt said.

"I got to tell you, only a candidate supported by the NRA would put out a two-page anticrime initiative for the state of Illinois that never mentions the word guns."

Poshard ignored the assault on his crime proposal and attacked Schmidt for taking credit for the 1994 Crime Bill and COPS program, legislation that was passed before Schmidt entered the Justice Department. Though Schmidt admits it was crafted before he took office, he contends his responsibilities included its implementation and enforcement.

vote against the Brady Bill. It was what the NRA described as a 100 percent voting record."

To complement an assault weapons ban, Schmidt also supports a plan that would bar gun purchasers from acquiring more than one handgun in a 30-day period to prevent straw purchasing and a proposal that requires all gun sales to go through licensed dealers or state police.

This exchange characterized much of the debate as Poshard and Schmidt continued to pummel each other while Burns and Burris remained relatively sober. Burris did step into the fray at one point and responded to an attack mounted by Schmidt regarding the proposed Peotone airport. Schmidt criticized Burris and Poshard, who support the airport, of ignoring the financial risks and the effect such a venture might have on Midway Airport.

"I really think [Burris] and [Poshard] and others who support the concept of a third airport need to explain to the 50,000 people whose jobs depend on Midway Airport what's going to happen to them if we go forward," he said.

Burris asserted the construction of a third airport in Peotone would not affect Midway and ultimately would create thousands of jobs while stimulating transportation and the economy.

"[Chicago] Mayor [Richard] Daley was going to build an airport (the proposed Lake Calumet airport) and within five months we would have been landing airplanes in Lake Calumet," Burris said. "It's all politics on the third airport. They would have built an airport and it wouldn't have hurt Midway either."

Other issues tackled Monday were education funding, funding for the Illinois Department of Transportation and the proposed HMO bill of rights.



Poshard



Burns

...only a candidate supported by the NRA would put out a two-page anticrime initiative for the state of Illinois that never mentions the word guns.

JOHN SCHMIDT  
CANDIDATE FOR DEMOCRATIC GUBERNATORIAL

This trend, however, may die if voters listening to the debate Monday respond to the some of the issues highlighted during it.

Though Schmidt attacked the Democratic front-runner on gun control and the proposed Peotone airport, Burris emerged from the debate shaken but not scathed. The majority of the bickering occurred between Schmidt and Poshard, who warred over gun control, education funding and transportation.

At one point, Schmidt criticized Poshard's recent anti-crime proposal press release that failed to include the word "guns."

"In the end the key issue is have we demonstrated a willingness to confront and challenge the NRA and the gun lobby and

Schmidt pushed the gun-control issue further, chastising Poshard for voting to repeal the assault weapons ban.

"[Poshard] voted to repeal that assault weapons ban when I was fighting to preserve it," he said.

Poshard fired back, "I've had a strong law-enforcement record my entire career irrespective of one vote I may have cast which [Schmidt] wants to bring up in every debate we have."

Schmidt, before answering the next question, addressed Poshard's statement with one final blow.

"It's not just one vote," he said. "It wasn't one vote to repeal the assault weapons ban, although that one vote in my mind is serious enough. It was the



Schmidt

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# Report says substance abuse leads to acts of violence

**SURVEY:** Alcohol abuse may create relationship, psychological problems.

**BRIAN S. EBERS**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Although a study by SIUC researchers indicates that more than half of college students were physically assaulted while under the influence of alcohol, 66 percent believe alcohol enhances social activity.

College students across the nation who were under the influence of drugs or alcohol, or both, were subjected to more acts of violence and ethnic harassment than their sober counterparts, according to a 17-page report compiled by SIUC researchers.

The report indicated that 13 percent of respondents experienced racial harassment and 71 percent were forcibly touched in a sexual manner while under the influence in the last year.

Researcher Cheryl Presley said the survey, which reached 83,201

college students nationwide, including those at SIUC, provided a first-time analysis of campus violence coupled with substance use.

Alcohol can potentially impact a student's life in several ways, Presley said.

One-third of the respondents indicated that they had been affected by others' drinking in some fashion.

"Either directly or indirectly, there can be negative consequences," Presley said. "You can be affected, or someone like a roommate might affect you second-hand if they come in late and are loud."

The physiological aspects of brain chemistry definitively explain why alcohol abuse may lead to violence. Occasionally though, violent character changes erupt in even the kindest, most gentle person, spinning them off into deviant behavior when they drink, said Alice Hees, associate professor of health care professions.

Hees, a registered nurse, works to help those who are dependent on alcohol and drugs.

"Insulting the brain with drugs and alcohol causes the brain to lose volitional control," Hees said. "Rational decisions are not within the parameters of the mind. The cortex is anesthetized."

The report stated students have certain beliefs about their social atmosphere, and those beliefs may reinforce their use of alcohol.

The survey responses indicate that 64 percent of students under the influence were involved in acts of physical violence. About 50 percent thought alcohol facilitates sexual opportunities while 79 percent reported unwanted sexual intercourse while under the influence.

Looking past the deep-reaching social repercussions, respondents generally held a high opinion of alcohol in society.

A majority of respondents upheld that alcohol is a beneficial social lubricant, giving people something to do and to talk about. One in two students responded that alcohol enhances social activity, allows people to have more fun and facilitates peer bonding.

# Environmentalists sue Navy over whales

LOS ANGELES TIMES

**HONOLULU** — Environmentalists went to federal court Tuesday to try to stop a Navy ship from blasting high-volume sounds at humpback whales, arguing that the research program could harm or even kill the endangered animals.

In testing set to begin Wednesday, the Navy hopes to study how the whales react to low-frequency, high-volume noise and then use that data in an environmental impact statement for a new sonar

program designed to detect quiet submarines.

But Earthjustice Legal Defense Fund, representing several environmental groups, sued to block the program, saying it would expose whales to sounds so loud that courtship and reproductive activity in the whales' essential habitat could be disrupted.

In a sworn statement, one researcher who has studied humpbacks in Hawaiian waters went even further: "Blasting humpbacks with sound of this intensity could kill them," said Marsha L.

Green, president of the Ocean Mammal Institute.

"To use endangered whales as military sonar targets is a crime against nature."

The program would focus on male humpbacks off the Kona Coast of the island of Hawaii, a few miles from the border of newly dedicated Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary.

The whales spend winters here calving and raising their young before heading to feeding grounds in Alaska in the spring.

## ADVISEMENT

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was scheduled after a meeting of the chief academic advisers and registration personnel. At that meeting, a member of USG came to discuss advisement reforms.

"We decided it was such a positive activity for students to want to be involved and want to help make productive changes that we wanted to help them," Bailey said.

The group decided to have town meetings on academic advisement simultaneously in each of the colleges so that students within each college could sit down and talk

about the advisement system with advisers and faculty.

"Our intent is to listen and try to see if there are better ways we can do advising or registration," Bailey said.

Ratna Sinha, chief academic adviser at the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, said she believes it is important to build a relationship with students that will last throughout their entire academic careers.

"We want to show students they are our priority and that we care," she said. "We need feedback, though, to see how we are doing."

Sinha said keeping the lines of communication open is key to having a good advisement program.

"We hope students will take this

opportunity to come over and talk to us and let us know how we are doing," she said. "Unless they tell us, how can we help them?"

"The more information they have about what students need and expect, the better off everyone will be."

Bailey said the College of Education intends to follow up on this meeting. Advisers will take into consideration the major issues and will then work with education students to see if and how their needs can be met.

"We can't promise that every issue that comes up will be immediately solved," she said. "But at least we can begin to talk about it."

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# It's a bird! It's a plane! No, it's White Trash Girl

## BIG MUDDY

•Reeder will speak during the showcase about her series.

Admission to the showcase is free.

Big Muddy schedule changes:

•The "Films About Sexuality" showcase Thursday will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will be screened in the Furr Auditorium in Pulliam Hall.

•"In the Company of Men" will be shown Friday at 7 p.m. before the 9:30 p.m. screening of "Pillow Book" in the Student Center Auditorium.

•"In the Company of Men" will also be shown in place of the two "Fellow Book" screenings Saturday at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. in the Student Center Auditorium.

**FILM:** Superhero helps those who are in need of help from social problems.

JASON ADRIAN  
DE ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

The title character in the 20th Annual Big Muddy Film Festival guest artist Jennifer Reeder's ongoing series "The Adventures of White Trash Girl" may carry toxic bodily fluids in her system. But as long as you're not among the upper crust of corporate America, you'll escape her wrath.

"Generally, White Trash Girl fights against injustices to marginalized people — specifically poor people," Reeder, who is also one of the three Big Muddy judges, said. "She's sort of against anyone who takes advantage of non-advantaged people."

Reeder's series, which will be screened from 7 to 9 p.m. tonight in the Student Center Auditorium, chronicles the (mis)adventures of White Trash Girl as she romps through each episode exploring issues of race, class, gender and sexuality.

Though this modern-day superhero can maim or kill with her bodily fluids if angered, Reeder insists White Trash Girl is still a hero with whom people can relate.

"She's a good old working-class woman. She waits tables by day and is a super hero by night," she said. "I like to describe her as a Robin Hood with big, blond hair and high-heeled boots. She's a real people hero."

But as Spiderman combs New York City streets looking for muggers and the Hobgoblin, White Trash Girl acts as more of a magnet for social problems in need of her super power assistance.

"Problems come to her," Reeder said. "Her community is all working-class people, so she offers her help to anyone whose bosses are skimming paychecks, people who are hurt and can't get medical care and single mothers."

Reeder came up with the idea of White Trash Girl when she was a graduate student at Ohio State University in 1995. She then began making independent tapes of the superhero, and since the incarnation of White Trash Girl, who happens to be the product of a 14-year-old girl and her funny uncle, the films have been eliciting rigid snickers and hushed tones from people finding the topics uncomfortable to speak about.

Even though the issues are being discussed and presented in a fictionalized manner, Reeder finds it curious that people who see the films have such a hard



Photo courtesy of the Big Muddy Film Festival

**TRASHY:** Jennifer Reeder as the title character in the "White Trash Girl" series which will be shown from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday Feb. 25 in the Student Center Auditorium.

time talking about uncomfortable subjects.

"We all know there is rape and incest in some families, and there are certain uncles we should stay away from. But nobody really talks about it or uncovers it," Reeder said. "It's not that we need to sit down and have an encounter group to

a sexy, violent character.

Although the popular television show "Xena: Warrior Princess" maintains a sexy, smart and violent image, Reeder said she may be receiving such fixed criticism because White Trash Girl's combination of erotic sexuality and clever intelligence is too taboo for independent film.

of subverting the status quo."

Sex is dealt with in a variety of ways in "The Adventures of White Trash Girl," but Reeder handles sex in a way that does not put erotic acts on display.

"In visual terms, there's no real representation of sex in the tapes," Reeder said. "Things are described or alluded to which makes it more explicit."

"There are people that say it goes too far and then there's those that say it doesn't go far enough. I feel like people get it whether it goes too far or not far enough."

Some people feel that Reeder has gone overboard with White Trash Girl. Reeder has received malicious feedback twice from people crusading against White Trash Girl.

Reeder said she does not understand why people get so upset over an independent film that takes on social issues in a manner that does not evangelize what she thinks is right.

"I'm just trying to make people think a little bit, but I'm not about fire and brimstone," she said. "I'm just a nice Midwestern girl."

She's a good old working-class woman. She waits tables by day and is a super hero by night.

JENNIFER REEDER  
BIG MUDDY FILM FESTIVAL GUEST SPEAKER

talk about it or anything like that. It's just interesting to me when I hear sort of a rolling nervous laughter welling up out of the audience and see people squirming in their seats as I screen the tapes."

A large part of White Trash Girl's ability to cook up a little uneasiness in some members of the audience is her overt sexuality. Some critics have been bothered by White Trash Girl being such

"Maybe it's just in art and academic circles that sexy and smart don't go together, and I think they do go together and they are White Trash Girl," she said. "I think sex represents something that is somehow subversive. No matter how much sex there is on prime-time TV or in the mainstream cinema, there is still a way that aspects of erotica — or more so straight-out pornography — have a way

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JAY RODRIGUEZ  
 DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The Daily Egyptian won 22 awards at the Illinois College Press Association convention Saturday, surpassing last year's record-breaking haul by two awards.

The DE placed second behind the University of Illinois-Urbana Champaign, which won 25 awards.

Twenty-seven college and university newspapers from across

Illinois were represented at the 16th annual awards banquet in Chicago.

The DE won first and third places in editorial writing, first and third places in feature page design, and third place and an honorable mention for spot news photography.

The DE also placed second for its classified section, third for advertisement less than a full page and advertising campaign, and won honorable mentions for advertising campaign and advertisement less than a full page.

News Editor Christopher Miller, won first place for feature page design and honorable mentions for front page layout and headline writ-

ing.

Managing Editor William Hatfield and Voices Editor Jason Freund, won top honors for an editorial about Greeks at SIUC preparing to battle Select 2000.

Former Editor-in-Chief Marc Chase won first place for his feature story on Carbondale's homeless.

Other staff members who also won awards include Jon Preston, Sara Eastman, Devin Miller, Travis Akin, Tim Robinson, Ken Gass, Jon Prevet, Brent Coder, Jerry Bush, Tamara Robbins, Monica Mahon, Landon Williams and Suzanne Schweitzer.

# California dairy industry officials put squeeze on homemade cheese

LOS ANGELES TIMES

LOS ANGELES — California and dairy industry officials Tuesday launched a large-scale education campaign warning against consumption of homemade "bathtub cheeses," which are popular in the Latino community but have been linked to serious food poisoning outbreaks.

The campaign targets soft, salty cheeses made by unlicensed manufacturers and sold illegally door-to-door, at swap meets and at mom-and-pop stores.

The effort was initiated after a number of suspicious disease outbreaks in California, including a wave of salmonella in three northern California counties last spring that sickened more than 100 people, officials said. That was traced to

batches of bootlegged cheese, also known as "queso fresco," frequently made from unpasteurized milk. Such cheeses also have been linked to outbreaks of listeriosis.

Both bacterial infections are characterized by diarrhea, fever, vomiting and other flu-like symptoms. They can cause serious complications in pregnant women, the elderly, the very young and those with compromised immune systems.

"We've found out this (underground cheese making) is widespread around the state," said Adri Boudewyn, chief executive officer of the California Milk Advisory Board. He estimated that illicit manufacturers produce 46 million pounds of cheese a year in California.

"(Law) enforcement by itself doesn't work," he said. "We can't be

punitive without an outreach program."

The milk board is devoting more than \$650,000 to the education campaign, anchored by advisories that will be aired on Spanish language radio and television. The effort will be reinforced by the state Department of Health Services and the state Department of Food and Agriculture, Boudewyn said.

Efforts to crack down on illegal sales have not been very effective, officials said. This campaign "represents a new kind of thinking," said Ann M. Veneman, secretary of Food and Agriculture.

State officials said a large part of the problem is cultural. In Mexico, these soft cheeses often are made in people's homes — a tradition that has carried over among U.S. immigrants.

# U.S. students lag in math, sciences

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON — In findings decried by President Clinton and a host of educators, America's 12th-graders ranked in the lower third among 21 nations in tests measuring their knowledge of math and science, according to data released Tuesday.

The tests, given in the 1994-1995 school year, also found that even this country's top high school seniors — those taking advanced math and science courses — were outperformed by similar students in most other countries.

"There is no excuse for this," Clinton said bluntly as he called

upon Congress to join him in renewed efforts to improve the nation's public education system.

"These results are entirely unacceptable," added U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley, who cited a shortage of qualified teachers as one of the reasons for the poor showing by the U.S. students.

As an example, he said a recent government survey found that about half of physics teachers lack a major or minor in that subject.

The new test data are the final installment of the Third International Mathematics and Science Study, billed as the most comprehensive international study of academic achievement ever.

Previous results found that U.S.

fourth-graders did particularly well in science and were above average in math.

Among eighth-graders, however, U.S. students did not fare nearly as well — they ranked in the middle of the pack in science and below the international average in math.

The results for the three grades combined — in which American children do relatively well early on, begin to tail off and then do very poorly at the 12th-grade level — replicate the findings of earlier international comparisons.

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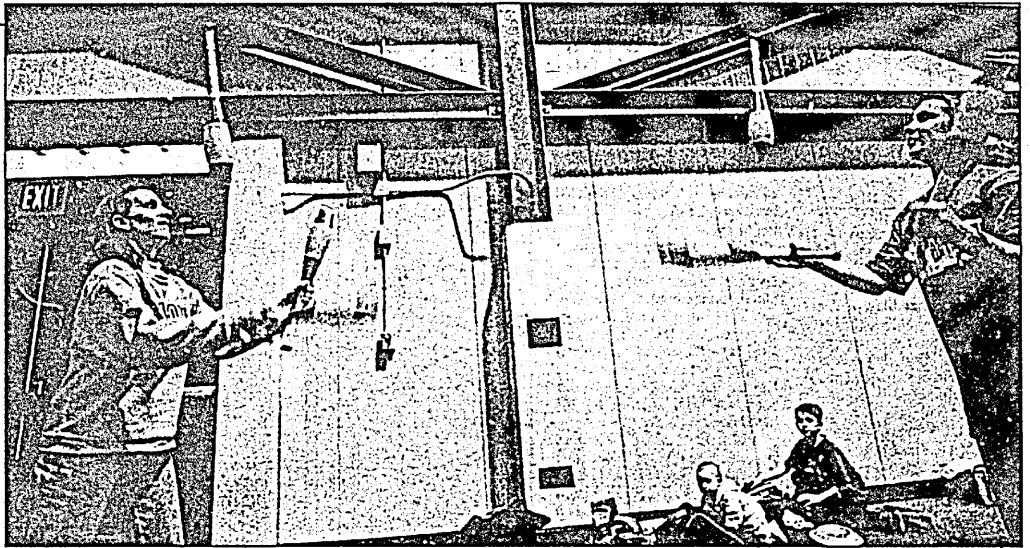
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## Juggling a family



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(Right) Judy Boehmer and her daughter, Sarah, from Jerseyville, practice juggling in the Recreation Center Sunday. Judy and Sarah, along with the rest of their family of eleven, are The Boehmer Family Jugglers and were visiting their son at SIUC over the weekend. (Above) Boehmer demonstrates the balancing abilities of her daughter, Margaret, as she stands on one foot in her mother's hand.

# Dae-jung takes over South Korea's reins

## DEMOCRACY:

South Korea experiences first peaceful transition between political parties.

WASHINGTON POST

SEOUL, South Korea — Kim Dae-jung, one of this century's most resolute crusaders for democracy, was sworn in as president Wednesday morning in a ceremony that completed the first transfer of power from a ruling party to the opposition in a modern South Korean history.

At an outdoor inaugural jubilee attended by more than 40,000 people, Kim, 74, a man who has been persecuted, jailed, exiled and hounded for decades as an enemy of the state, called for reconciliation with South Korea's authoritarian past and a tough national effort to overcome the disastrous economic straits into which the nation has lately fallen.

"We are standing at a crossroad from where we can march forward or retreat," Kim said. "Let us open a

new age during which we will overcome the national crisis and make a new leap forward." Kim declared also that he intends to bring to a gradual end the "shame" of the divided Korean Peninsula through a cooperative reunification with rival North Korea, and he said he would push for immediate improvement in communications with the Communist north.

The occasion was favored by crystal blue skies and unusually warm February weather, and school teacher Han Jeong-sook was one of many onlookers who took off her coat as she watched traditional dancers and a brass band perform for the new president. "It's a miraculous day," Han said of the weather. "Maybe God thinks he will be a great president."

As he takes office, Kim's message of national healing and a democratic future could not be drawn in bolder strokes. Among those on hand for the ceremony was former president Chun Doo-hwan, a military strongman who orchestrated a death sentence against Kim in 1980 when the democracy activist

became a threatening opposition leader. Former President Roh Tae-woo, another military strongman, sat next to Chun. At Kim's side was Kim Jong-pil, a former national security chief who once ordered his intelligence agents to kill Kim and who is now the new president's political partner and nominee to become prime minister.

"I thought this day would never come," said former U.S. ambassador James T. Laney, who was among the dignitaries here for the inauguration. Laney said he was in the Supreme Court chamber in the 1970s when Kim appeared in chains and a white prison uniform. The charge against him, Laney said, essentially was "being too popular an opposition leader" for president Park Chung-hee.

Over the next two decades of striving for democratic reform, Kim earned his nickname, "Indongchlo," a kind of wild grass that grows even in winter and is just about impossible to kill. Because of those efforts, he spent years in jail or under house arrest. Laney said it is remarkable that Kim is now the nation's leader,

and he attributed the new president's generosity to his onetime persecutors to his "enormous confidence."

At Wednesday's inauguration, where the attendance of American pop singer Michael Jackson added a tinge of Hollywood to the political festivities, Kim thanked the United States, the International Monetary Fund and others for being the "reason we are barely escaping catastrophe" as a result of an economic collapse that left the world's 11th-largest economy nearly bankrupt last December. A \$57 billion IMF bailout plan brought the country back from the brink.

Kim, a populist and popular leader who has reassured the nation with calm competence since his December election, promises to be the most open, democratic leader in the nation's history. Wednesday, he tried to narrow the gap between president and people by inviting many ordinary citizens to the inauguration and thanking them for "giving birth to a genuine Government of the People."

This followed a recent

American-style "town meeting" with citizens who were able to question the president-elect directly. The inauguration itself was steeped in themes designed to remind South Koreans of their past successes and fuel them with pride to face difficult times ahead. In the past few months, South Korea has gone from being a world economic power to appealing to the IMF for what proved to be the lending organization's biggest rescue package ever. A million or more people are expected to lose jobs in the months ahead as IMF-ordered fiscal reforms are implemented.

Kim, who has survived at least two assassination attempts by previous governments, designed Wednesday's ceremony to prepare his nation to fight the same kind of struggle that has shaped his life. He also called for help from the opposition Grand National Party in the national legislature, where it has a majority and has ruled for decades.

"I will consult with you on all issues; you, in return, must help me, if only for one year—this year—when the nation is standing on the brink of disaster," Kim said.

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The inspector general of the Navy has begun an investigation of the Navy's worldwide blood bank program following reports of dangerous mishandling of donated blood at National Naval Medical Center.

For more than two weeks, a team of eight blood bank specialists has converged daily on the hospital in Bethesda, Md. — one of the U.S. military's premier health facilities and a place where presidents are treated — to figure out why conditions got so bad that administrators indefinitely suspended donations there three months ago.

In addition, senior Navy officials ordered the inspector general to look beyond the Bethesda facility to review blood bank procedures used by the Navy worldwide. In March, the team will move to the Navy's Bureau of Medicine and Surgery to study its administration of the blood bank program. It also will review the training, organization and use of computer systems at other Navy blood banks.

The mishaps in the National Naval Medical Center blood bank were documented in November, when the U.S. Food and Drug Administration filed a scathing critique of the unit with the bureau. What was supposed to be a routine FDA visit to the blood bank ended up lasting three

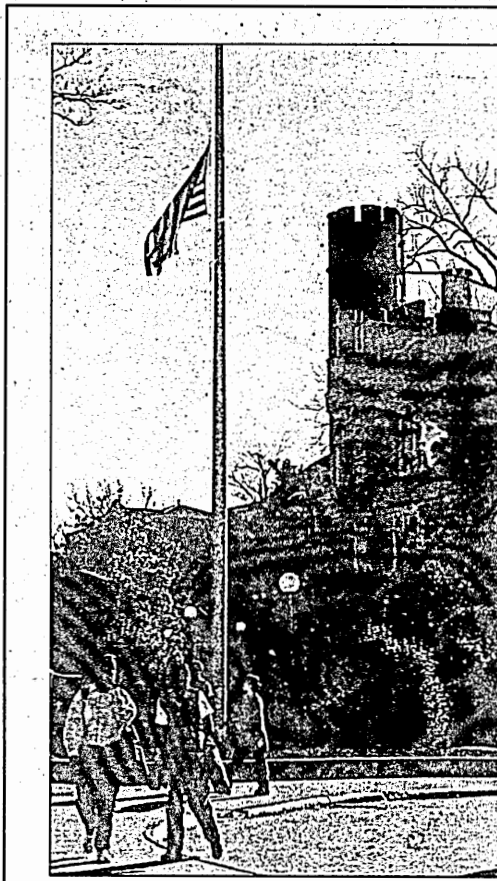
months as inspectors chronicled hundreds of safety violations dating to 1996.

They said sloppy management practices and numerous book-keeping errors allowed suspect blood into the military blood supply, including units not thoroughly tested for the AIDS virus. Hospital officials say the blood supply is safe, that no one was harmed, and that hospital services have not been affected by the blood donation shutdown.

But a new incident occurred Jan. 28, when waste blood that should have been rendered harmless in a pressurized steam chamber was instead transfused into a 2-pound premature infant in the neonatal intensive care unit.

The blood was in a bag that had a perforation that exposed the blood to airborne bacteria or viruses—and then left unrefrigerated overnight before it mistakenly was made available for the transfusion. A technician discovered the mistake after 11 cubic centimeters of blood, about one-third of an ounce, dripped into the boy's veins.

Two civilian supervisors working under a contract were removed from their jobs. The child, now about 2 months old and still weighing less than 3 pounds, did not contract any infections and could be released from the neonatal unit in two weeks, his mother said Tuesday. The baby's father is an Air Force staff sergeant stationed in South Korea.



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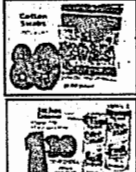
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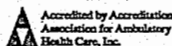
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# U.S. hockey probe continues

**'BLACK MARK':** Some team members think trashing of hotel rooms sullied U.S.'s reputation.

NEWSDAY

NEW YORK — Three New York Rangers who are U.S. Olympians agree that vandalism inflicted on Nagano, Japan dormitories by unnamed players has sullied the reputation of American hockey and left a "black mark" on the 1998 team.

"We were embarrassed off the ice, but not on the ice," Brian Leetch said.

Yet Leetch, Mike Richter and Pat LaFontaine stopped short of urging the guilty parties to come forward and likened the incident to a prank that snowballed. It appears the Americans are willing to take

the hit for their unthinking compatriots.

"I don't know who did it," Richter said. "Everybody was interviewed and I said I didn't even know if it was hockey players. It may have been; it may not have been. The point is the intent and the act and what took place was blown out of proportion. I'm not going to defend it; it wasn't the right thing to do and I wish it didn't happen. At the same time, somebody opened up a fire extinguisher. No one tried to hurt anybody. It's a dumb prank that's gone wrong. Anything that needs to will obviously be paid for and all that."

The U.S. Olympic Committee, the NHL and USA Hockey launched an investigation that is ongoing since a couple of players' rooms in the Olympic Village sustained an estimated \$3,000 damage after the Americans lost their quarterfinal game to the Czech

Republic, 4-1, Wednesday and were ousted without a medal. Reports have said that during excessive early-morning revelry by some U.S. players, several fire extinguishers were released and at least one was thrown down five floors outside into a courtyard along with broken chairs. No injuries have been reported.

"I know personally that the media coverage and the actions of some individuals have tainted a lot of feelings about the players on the U.S. team," said LaFontaine, who heard about the problem only after landing at JFK Airport Thursday night. "Individually, you have to know how you handled yourself, how you behave, and you have to feel proud about what you did to represent your country. Common sense says if it is a few individuals, then the whole team shouldn't be tainted. That's something that will be decided."

## NEWCOMER

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title with 8.6 boards per game, beating Indiana State senior Jayson Wells (8.3), Akinkunle (8.2) and Hill (8.0). Thunell also finished ninth in the Valley in three-point percentage at .417 and 14th in three-points per game with 1.79.

Thunell scored just 25 points in SIUC's first four games but heated up as the season progressed. Thunell scored double figures in nine of the Salukis' last 10 regular season games, including two games with more than 20 points.

Thunell notched career highs in scoring with 27 in a 106-78 win over SMSU at SIU Arena Jan. 15 and in rebounding with 14 twice this season. Thunell also sparked the 70-66 win over Bradley Saturday with 16 of his game-high 24 points in the first half. The sophomore also hit two big free throws to help SIUC seal the win down the stretch.

"It's been a nice surprise," Thunell said. "I've always known what I was capable of doing. I just didn't know how I would fit in with this year's squad."

"It was just a matter of me finding out my role on the team. When the Valley regular season started, I think I started fitting into my role and what I needed to do."

Thunell had a standout career at O'Fallon High School, where he received MVP honors his senior season at the Belleville East Invitational as his team won back-to-back championships at the tournament.

Thunell chose Florida International over SIUC, and he averaged 7.5 points and 4.8 rebounds in starting 18 of 28 games for the Golden Panthers. Thunell showed the ability to shoot the ball as well as pound inside with a .477 shooting percentage from the field, .369 mark from behind the three-point arc and .837 at the free throw line.

But Thunell decided Florida was not the place for him and decided to

return to Southern Illinois. In accordance with NCAA transfer rules, Thunell sat out last season after transferring from one Division I school to another. The year off helped him get ready for this season, but it was not an experience he would want to go through again.

"When you sit out, you realize how much you miss the game," Thunell said. "When you come out, you've got a different look at it because when you love something so much and it's taken away from you for a year, it really puts something on your mind."

Pushing individual honors aside, Thunell is now ready to help the Salukis win the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament this weekend in St. Louis. SIUC opens play against ninth-seed University of Northern Iowa Friday at 6:05 p.m.

"Right now, we've got to really concentrate on the tournament coming up," Thunell said.

"It's definitely a great honor, but right now you don't want it to be a big distraction going into the tournament."

## 1997-98 MISSOURI VALLEY CONFERENCE MEN'S BASKETBALL AWARDS

### All-Conference

#### First Team

Rico Hill, Illinois State  
Rodney Buford, Creighton  
Jayson Wells, Indiana State  
Marcus Wilson, Evansville  
Adebayo Akinkunle, Bradley

#### Second Team

Dan Muller, Illinois State  
Chris Hollender, Evansville  
Danny Moore, Southwest Missouri State  
Kevin Auli, Southwest Missouri State  
Rashad Tucker, SIUC

#### Honorable Mention

Jamar Smiley, Illinois State  
Jason Perez, Wichita State  
Shane Hawkins, SIUC  
Nate Green, Indiana State  
Doug Swenson, Creighton  
Rob Dye, Bradley  
Monte Jenkins, SIUC  
Ben Kandlbinder, Southwest Missouri State  
Chris Thunell, SIUC  
Ryan Sears, Creighton  
Tony Brus, Northern Iowa  
Steve Hart, Indiana State  
Skipp Schaeffbauer, Illinois State

### Player of the Year

Rico Hill, Illinois State

### All-Newcomer Team

Chris Thunell, SIUC  
Ryan Sears, Creighton  
Doug Swenson, Creighton  
Maurice Evans, Wichita State  
Michael Menser, Indiana State

### Newcomer of the Year

Chris Thunell, SIUC

### Freshman of the Year

Ryan Sears, Creighton

### All-Defense Team

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Adebayo Akinkunle, Bradley  
Eric Roberson, Bradley  
Terry Hankton, Wichita State  
Doug Swenson, Creighton

### Defensive Player of the Year

Adebayo Akinkunle, Bradley

### Sixth-Man Award

Doug Swenson, Creighton

# Women runners hope hot streak continues at MVC meet

**RISING TIDE:** Coach DeNoon confident of team's chances after recent successes.

**COREY CUSICK**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC junior Felicia Hill feels no pressure in maintaining her No. 1 Missouri Valley Conference ranking in the high jump and triple jump this weekend at the MVC Championships in Normal.

Hill broke the school record in the high jump at the Saluki/USA Open Friday with a jump of 5 feet 7.25 inches. Hill also recorded the second best triple jump in school history (40' 6.25").

But Hill said the conference meet will not put any added pressure in her routine.

"I'm just going to stay focused and have fun and hope for the best," Hill said.

"I'm just excited. I'm a little nervous but more excited than nervous."

Hill said she feels confident about her chances in both events.

"I'm looking forward to this meet, and looking forward to win-

ning both events and coming out as conference champion," Hill said.

Women's coach Don DeNoon said the conference race is closer than it has ever been in recent years.

"Well, right now the way the conference stats show up, there's only a 15-point gap between five schools," DeNoon said. "So, we could finish as high as first or low as fifth."

The race is so tight coaches and pollsters cannot pick who will finish first.

DeNoon ranks Southwest Missouri University No. 1. Women's assistant coach Tina Debro ranks Illinois State University No. 1, and the conference poll ranks Indiana State University No. 1. Northern Iowa University and SIUC are also right behind in the pack.

DeNoon feels confident about the teams chances because of its peak performance the past two meets — the McDonald's/Saluki Invite Feb. 13 and 14 and the Saluki/USA Open Friday.

The team finished second at the McDonald's Invite and had 22 season-best times at the unscored Saluki/USA Open.

Along with Hill's two No. 1 rankings, the team also will bring

junior Michelle Nitzche, who owns the school record in the pole vault (10' 04"), senior Raina Larsen, the No. 2 miler in the conference (4:59.14), and senior Kelly French, the No. 2 3,000-meter (10:01.85) and 5,000-meter runner (17:22.82) in the conference.

Also performing well this year is the reigning '800-meter MVC outdoor champion junior Mindy Bruck, who will compete in the 800-meter run, and sophomore Jenny Monaco, who runs in the 3,000-meter and the 5,000-meter.

DeNoon said the team's hard work has improved many individuals' times lately, and he hopes it will continue this weekend.

"We had 42 personal-bests combined in the last two weeks," DeNoon said.

"We really haven't rested our athletes at all, so hopefully, with everyone tapered down, we can step up to a higher level."

## MVC MEET

•The women's track and field team will compete at the Missouri Valley Conference Championships this Friday and Saturday in Normal.

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# Ex-49er Stubblefield signs six-year, \$36 million deal with Washington

WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — One of the NFL's weakest defensive lines got dramatically better Monday when the Washington Redskins made one of their biggest splashes ever in free agency by signing defensive tackle Dana Stubblefield to a six-year, \$36 million contract.

Fresh off a third Pro Bowl appearance in five seasons for the San Francisco 49ers, Stubblefield received the largest contract the Redskins have ever given a player, one that includes an \$8 million signing bonus and a \$198 salary of \$1.9 million. Stubblefield's contract is worth \$5.7 million per season over the first five seasons. A sixth season was tacked on at a salary of \$7.5 million, but both

sides can void the final year. The league's salary cap this season is \$51.5 million per team, \$10 million higher than last season.

"There's a great talent here, there's young players," Stubblefield said. "I think they can feed off some of the things I have to offer. These guys are making a commitment to win. By bringing me in, that's their sign of a commitment. ... It's a new chapter in my life, a new book. It's a great step I'm taking."

In less than two weeks, Redskins President John Kent Cooke has signed off on almost \$20 million in signing bonuses and a \$25 million stadium improvement project. General Manager Charley Casserly and Coach Norv Turner outlined the potential costs

of landing Stubblefield or another top free agent early last week, and they said Cooke ordered them to be aggressive.

They will continue pursuing Cincinnati defensive tackle Dan Wilkinson.

"Signing Dana Stubblefield shows the commitment our owner has to win," Casserly said. "The thing you like about Dana Stubblefield is the commitment he has to win. His enthusiasm for the game was infectious in San Francisco and will be infectious here."

Stubblefield, 27, became one of the NFL's highest-paid defensive players after a season when he was second in the NFL with 15 sacks and voted NFL defensive player of the year by the Associated Press.

## BASEBALL

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far as coming back."

In recent years, SEMO has been one of the more successful programs in the Ohio Valley Conference. Coach Mark Hogan has led the Indians to the OVC title game in two of the last three seasons.

But this year, the Indians have struggled out of the gates. The team was picked to finish sixth in

the OVC this year and this could be the best opportunity yet for the Salukis to earn their first win of the season.

The Indians came into the showdown with a 2-4 record. They twice beat Iowa State University this season but suffered losses to University of Mississippi and Illinois State University.

However, the Indians were victorious in last season's meeting in Carbondale against the Salukis, 9-4.

SEMO will look to take advan-

tage of the Salukis' shrinking roster. SIUC was limited to 13 position players against Oklahoma State last weekend, which has given Callahan reason to believe the season can be turned around when everyone becomes healthy.

"It was a little bit refreshing that we saw some good things on Sunday despite all of the trials and tribulations we have gone through thus far with sickness," Callahan said. "We saw some things we like — including a team that never quit."

## KEITH

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with a team that finished eighth in the MVC. The talent is there, now it's up to Hawk to put them on his broad shoulders and grab another title.

There's no doubt that Shane Hawkins is a winner. A high school state championship is proof of that. He has overcome all of the other obstacles in his way, and now he has one more chance to clear the biggest one of them all.

Hawk was supposed to be too

small and too slow to play Division I college basketball. After a solid freshman season, the critics said Hawk's play would go downhill after Chris Carr and Marcus Timmons left. But those doubters were wrong.

Hawk has solidified himself as one of the best players ever to step foot in the MVC, and the conference record books are proof of that. But Monday's 70-66 loss to Wichita State on Senior Night at SIU Arena left a bad taste in his mouth, and he does not want to repeat a 3-for-12 shooting performance at the Kiel Center Friday.

Regardless of what happens this weekend, Shane Hawkins will go down as one of the best players ever at SIUC. The future is probably not a professional basketball career, although he should end up as a high school or college coach and may even end up at SIUC someday.

Hawk has set an example for all other Pinckneyville basketball players to follow. In Pinckneyville, the ball swishes through the net on a Hawkins shot one last time, only to be caught by the next generation of Panther stars. And that's exactly how Shane Hawkins would want it to be.

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Ryan Keith  
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# Hawkins exemplifies winning attitude

The bright orange basketball swishes through the net and hits the floor with a loud thump, destined not to be picked up again until late November.

This is the scene at most area high school gyms as sports change with the seasons. First football, then basketball, then baseball. And the cycle continues year after year.

But in Pinckneyville, the cycle is one-dimensional. The ball does not hit the floor. Instead, it is passed on to the next generation of Panther players, those with dreams of winning a state crown and playing college basketball in their eyes.

I had that dream once, much like almost every kid in the small Southern Illinois town of 3,300. The other sports are fine, but only basketball can rally the entire town and focus everyone's attention for four months.

Several other SIUC students had that dream once too, but for all but one the dream ended as soon as laces were untied at Thomas Gym one final time. Shane Hawkins made his dream come true.

Hawkins' career at Pinckneyville shares several characteristics with his four years at SIUC. He started at both places for four years, becoming one of the few to do that at either place. His dreams for a championship also came up a little short for his first three years in both places.

But 1994 was a magical year for Hawk and the Panthers. Hawk took Pinckneyville on an improbable ride to the Class A State Championship, including a buzzer-beating shot that gave the Panthers their first state title in 46 years. The ending also spoke of Hawk's leadership ability, as he passed off from a double-team to a wide-open teammate for the win.

Now Hawk is in the same situation he was in four years ago. The Salukis are down to their final game each time they lace it up in St. Louis for the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament this weekend. And his teammates will look to him to carry them to another title.

Hawk has tasted success at the college level, but nothing would be more sweet than to return to the NCAA Tournament

# Salukis' Thunell receives MVC's Newcomer of Year accolade

**HONOR:** Thunell becomes first Saluki to garner Newcomer award since 1983-84 season.

RYAN KEITH  
DE SPORTS EDITOR

SIUC sophomore Chris Thunell learned that good things come to those who wait.

After transferring from Florida International University and sitting out last season, Thunell received the best gift of all from the Missouri Valley Conference Tuesday afternoon. The 6-foot-9 forward was named the conference's Newcomer of the Year at a press conference at SIU Arena.

"It's definitely a great honor," Thunell said. "But a lot of the credit goes to my teammates. I couldn't have done it without them. I just wish we could have done a little bit better."

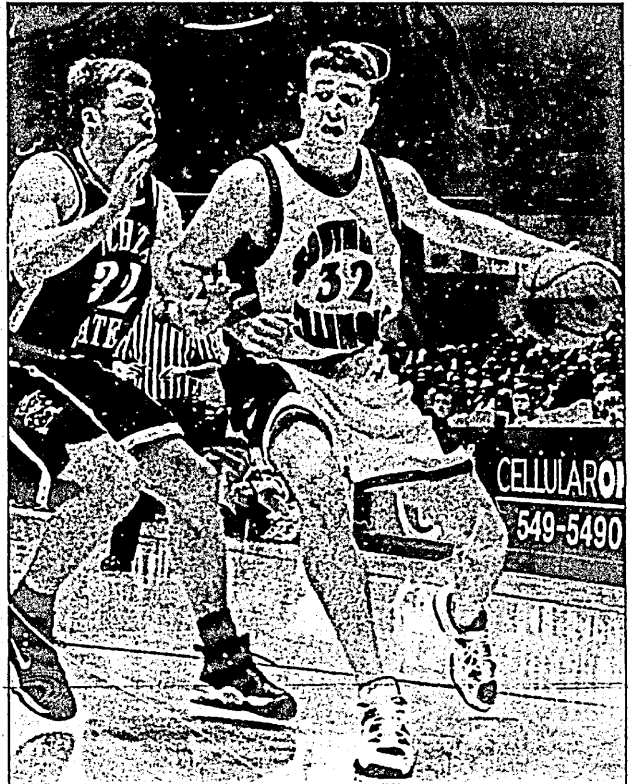
Thunell joined Kenny Perry as the only Saluki to win the Valley's Newcomer of the Year award since its inception in 1968. Perry averaged 13.4 points per game to lead SIUC to a 15-13 record in 1983-84.

Illinois State junior Rico Hill was named the conference's Player of the Year, while Creighton's Ryan Sears earned Freshman of the Year honors. Bradley's Adebayo Akinkunle took home Defensive Player of the Year and Creighton's Doug Swenson won the Sixth Man award.

SIUC senior forward Rashad Tucker earned second team All-Conference honors, while Thunell, junior guard Monte Jenkins and senior guard Shane Hawkins earned honorable mention.

After a slow start, Thunell has been a bright spot in a disappointing 13-15 season and eighth-place finish in conference play for the Salukis. Thunell finished fourth among the Salukis and 19th in the conference in scoring at 12.4 points per game, but it was his rebounding that set him apart.

Thunell captured the Valley rebounding



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**TOP DAWG:** Saluki sophomore Chris Thunell drives to the basket against WSU defender Chris Grill Monday night at SIU Arena. Thunell was chosen as Missouri Valley Conference Newcomer of the Year Tuesday and is the first SIUC player to earn the honor since the team's 1983-84 season.

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# Diamond Dawgs may lose two pitchers

**GONE FOR SEASON?**  
Seniors Bresko, Chester facing possibility of elbow surgery.

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Just when the SIUC baseball team thought its depth problems could get no worse, the team faces losing its top pitchers.

The Salukis already have been hampered by a rash of injuries and sicknesses in their 0-6 start of the 1998 season. Sophomores infielder Steve Ruggeri and outfielder Marty Worsley were out of action because of illnesses last weekend in the three-game series

with Oklahoma State University. The team was outscored 34-17 in the three defeats.

Now, the Salukis could lose senior pitchers Aaron Bresko and Donnie Chester, as the team prepares for the first of two meetings this season with Southeast Missouri State University 2 p.m. today in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

SIUC already is without senior pitcher Jason Fraser, who is nursing a strained right elbow. His status is day-to-day.

But Bresko and Chester have much more serious problems. Both are experiencing elbow problems, and season-ending surgery is a strong possibility for both. Bresko's injury occurred in an early preseason game, while Chester has had a history of elbow

injuries and has not pitched all season.

Despite the Saluki pitching staff's 10.88 ERA, SIUC baseball coach Dan Callahan said he would prefer not to rush either of the injured hurlers back in the lineup for the fear of causing further injury.

"It's a crap shoot when you have surgery," he said. "It also depends how willing they are to work hard as far as rehabilitation. It's a tough and demanding schedule as

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