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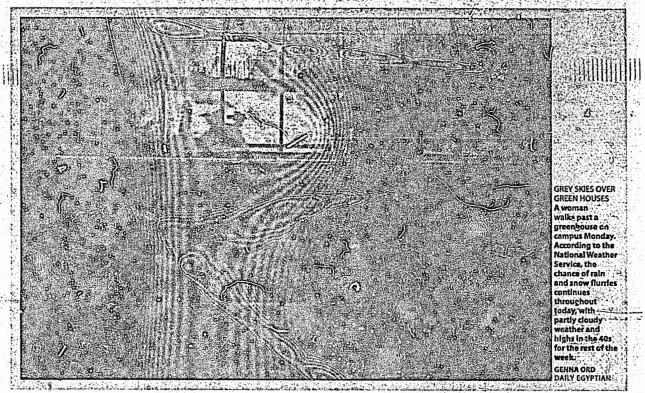
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Simon honored before taking office

RYAN VOYLES Daily Egyptian

While Paul Simon came to SIUC at the end of his political career, his daughter used her time at the university to get to the next

- Sheila Simon, an assistant clinical professor at the Law School, was recognized Monday in frontof more than 100 for her contributions to the Law School at the Lesar Law Building. Simon is Illinois' lieutenant governor-elect after she and Gov. Pat Quinn won the state's gubernatorial election earlier this month.

Frank Houdek, associate dean of the Law School, said he has worked alongside Simon at the college for many years, and she was a fantastic professor who cared about student success.

"She is a very enthusiastic professor who brings a tremendous amount of energy and creativity into the classroom, and I think students really appreciated that, Houdek said.

Simon has worked at the school since November 1998, serving as a staff attorney in the clinical law. program, directing the domestic

violence clinic and teaching in the lawyer skills program.

She said she learned more about law when she taught at SIUC than all of her years in law school.

"The most that I've learned about, beyond the law, is from the students, and they're the ones who. really taught me to teach," Simon

Though she said her coworkers thought she was crazy, she would try 10 different teaching techniques on students to see which one would work. She said these successes would be tried at her new position as well.

I think I can take some of those same skills and work on the budget of Illinois and get people to pay attention, help out and be a part of it." Simon said.

Matt Baughman, associate director for the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, said Simon has always been a good person who never asked the institute for much.

"She didn't make any demands and she never needed anything other than the typical papers and reports to make sure we were doing right by her dad's honor."

Paul Simon served as an Il-



Shella Simon greets a line of people at a and the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute, was reception Monday at the Lesar Law Building, to honor Simon for her service to the university. The reception, put on by the SIU School of Law and southern Illinois.

linois and U.S. senator until his es in political science, history and according to its website, retirement in 1997. He came to journalism, as well as created and SIUC soon after and taught class-served as director of the institute. Please see SIMON 3.





Library extends hours before finals week

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Susan Tulis says it doesn't cost much to extend Morris Library's hours the wer' before finals.

The library will extend its hours to 3 a.m. Sunday through Thursday and to midnight Friday and Saturday from Monday to Dec. 15, said Tulks, associate dean for Library Affairs.

She said extending the hours for 10 days costs \$400 and goes toward paying Sahid Patrol students to monitor the building past the library's normal opcrating hours. The money had been set saide at the start of the semester, she said.

The two volunteers will just make some extra money, she said.

Electricity costs remain the same

because lights stay on beyond the library's regular hours for deaning crews, Tulis said.

She said the coffee shop study area, the computer lab and the rotunda on the first floor will be available for students to study.

The number of studen's using the extended hours varies, but Tulis said 19 students took adventage of the extension the week before finals in the extension.

Max Ryan, a junior from Gurnee studying theater, said the library offers more resources such as reference materials and Internet — which Ryan said he does not have at home — when cramming for finals.

He said studying at the library late into the night can be beneficial, but there are also some drawbacks.

"Finals are usually early in the morning. "You have to learn what you need to learn, but in the morning, it might be hard to wake up," he said.



Ray McGillis, a lunior from Chicago studying sports administration, looks through books Monday in Morrist i Library. The habratva hours for finals are until 3 .m. Sunday through Thursday and until midnight Friday to Saturday until from Monday to Dec. 15. PAT SUTPHIN DAILY EGYPTIAN

"When you're taking the test, you're asking yourself Should I have stayed up that late to study?" _ But I suppose if you're cramming it's perfect."

David Carlson, dean of Library Affairs, said studying at the library rather than at home gives students one major advantage — less distractions.

Tor a lot of students it's a matter of focus and being in a place where there are less distractions, he said. The so students can study without the distraction of their roommate or a party down the hall or ... whatever the case maybe."

Tulis said the hours extension not only gives students more time to study

but allows them to study when they are most focused.

I think some students can't get focused until late at night," she said. "I, on the other hand, would be sound asleen."

Ryan said studying at the library provides less distractions and more mothration to study thoroughly

"There's something about actually going to the library and being there that really helps me focus," he said. "I think Tm here... I might as well get it done."

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Plant, Service Operations struggles to fill staff during budget cuts



JACOB MAYER Daily Egyptlan

Plant and Service Operations had a reduction in staff because of retirements, and it has not been able to fill those positions because of the hiring freeze, says Phil Gatton, director of Plant and Service Operations.

Gatton said the hiring freeze and unfilled vacancies helped the department make this year's budget cuts, but the inability to fill positions affected how the department responds to problems on campus.

"The way that we've done business in the past is starting to change, and our response time, primarily our ability to respond to emergencies and maintenance issues, is not as good as what it once was," he said.

The department has 10 to 15 positions open that were filled as of last school year, he said. Those positions affect areas such as custodial work, which limits the department's ability to do the same amount of work it did in the past, Gatton said.

"It's obvious we have the same amount of square footage and have less people to do the work, so it

Fe've gotten this far, and we've actually had a lot of good things that have happened. A lot of people here are still employed; a lot of good jobs are here. We've got a lot of things done during tough times, and I think we'll find a way to survive.

Phil Gatton director of Plant and Service Operations

starts to look a little bit more ragged around the edges," he said. "Obviously there's a reduction in quality."

Dave Tippy, assistant superintendent of SIUC grounds, said staff reductions have affected what kind of projects can be accomplished

Instead of being able to get four or five things accomplished on a daily basis, it may go down to one or two, he said. Those ones that we don't get done get put on the backburner until we can get to them, so the pile grows a bit deeper

Tippy sald responsibilities such as recycling might not be covered if there is a large event to be set up on campus or an emergency such as a large snowstorm.

We try to come up with new, realistic goals for how we can provide the service that we need to. and we hope that they don't last long enough to get us behind in our regular daily routine," Tippy said.

Along with the staff reductions, Gatton said the department has eliminated much of its "other than salary" budget, or the part of the budget that includes everything except salary costs. He said the department's "other than salary" budget is always one of the first parts cut when budget reductions become necessary.

Gatton also said the department has eliminated much of its middle management staff through several years of budget cuts, which has increased the workload for other employees.

Everybody is wearing a lot of hats," he said. "What might have been three different jobs is now rolled into one position."

He said the cuts have made the department more reactive, instead of proactive to prevent problems.

"We can't put out all the fires," Gatton said. "We have to be looking at what fires have to be put out because we just don't have enough staff to get everything fixed."

Brad Dillard, associate director of Plant and Service Operations. said the hiring freeze has disproportionately affected certain maintenance crews, which has caused some repairs made around campus to take longer and cutbacks on preventative maintenance.

He said the department minimized how the budget cuts and hiring freeze affected students by having classroom maintenance as its highest priority, above offices and other public areas.

Gatton said the department has worked to become more efficient in how it schedules projects so more time can be spent working on a project, rather than planning how and when to do it.

Because of fewer staff and less money, the department has purchased some products of higher quality such as roofing materials that have a longer life span and don't have to be replaced as often, Gatton said.

He said the cuts have made the department more aggressive in its search for alternative money such us grants, and the facility maintenance fee has helped the department to complete projects such as new roofs for buildings on campus.

For the first time in six years, the department also received monev from the state for capital renewal projects, which will total about \$6.5 million during the next three years, Gatton said.

As the university faced a \$15.3 million shortfall coming in to fiscal year 2011, Chancellor Rita Cheng said in an e-mail to university personnel Aug. 2 that she had asked each department on campus to submit plans for an average 4 percent reduction in its budget for the fiscal year. The SIU Board of Trustees approved this year's budget Sept. 16, which listed the 4 percent cuts as saving \$7.3 million.

Cheng also said at the State of the University address Sept. 30 she asked all non-academic units to cut an additional 1 percent from their budgets for the coming fiscal year.

The cuts cost the Physical Plant, which is primarily supported by state money, about \$531,000, Gatton sald.

He said he thinks the budget cuts and hiring freeze has pushed the department to the limit, and any additional cuts would likely cause layoffs to stall

"If we take another cut from the state, we're probably going to be talking about a pretty significant amount of layoffs," Gatton said.

He said the financial situation might not improve quickly, but he is optimistic his department will be able to work through the difficult times and continue to make improvements on campus.

We've gotten this far, and we've actually had a lot of good things that have happened," Gatton said. "A lot of people here are still employed; a lot of good jobs are here. We've got a lot of things done during tough times, and I think we'll find a way to survive."

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Chancellor Rita Cheng said she knew of Simon's legacy before she came to SIUC, and she soon learned of his daughter.

"I began to hear something about a Sheila Simon ... and how she began to make a mark for her own," Cheng said.

She said she had high expectations for Simon as lieutenant governor, and knew the higher education budget would be in good hands.

Houdek said Simon's ability to listen to others and speak her mind will do her well in her new job.

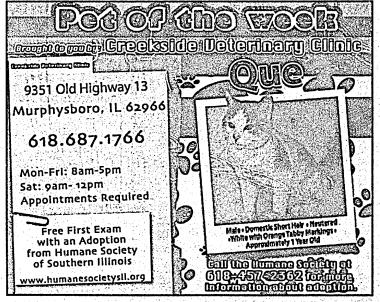
"She's a pretty special and unique person, and while we're happy to see her working for the state, we'll miss her in the Law School for sure," he

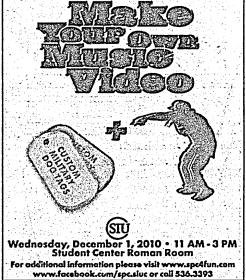
Simon said she looks forward to taking the knowledge she learned at SIUC and applying it in her new role.

I very much appreciate all of my buddles for what (they) taught me

along the way, and (for) what I hope to put to work towards the whole state of Illinois," she said.

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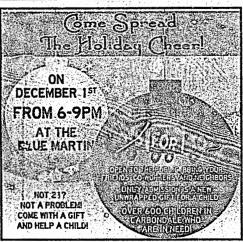
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Suicide myth freezes over

Dally Egyptian

It's no secret that a change in weather can result in a change in mood, but the myth of a higher suicide rate during the winter is completely false, says Rosemary Simmons, director of the SIUC Counseling Center.

According to a report from National Center for Health Statistics, contrary to popular belief, suicide rates are actually the lowest in December. The report said the rate rises in the spring and the fall, a pattern that has not changed in recent yer me

Simmons said the myth of high suicide rates around the holiday season is linked to the misconception of seasonal affective disorder, also known as seasonal or winter depression. Many believe when the temperature drops and winter takes its course depression rates increase, resulting in higher suicide rates, Simmons said.

This is true, in a sense, she said. "People may become more susceptible to depression, but not all people who are depressed kill themselves."

Kathleen Chwalisz, a professor of psychology, said seasonal affective disorder is a depressive phenomenon that cycles. With the winter weather, Chwalisz said people tend to experience feelings of sadness, which can lead to depression, especially for those who are from a northern region.

One of the things I noticed moving down to southern Illinois, colder climates are brighter, up north," Chwalisz said. "The winters are great here because it's warmer, but the gray skies can be depressing and bring you down."

Christopher Michaels. junior from Carbondale studying psychology, said the changing weather isn't the only factor contributing to winter blues. Stress eople may become more susceptible to depression, but not all people who are depressed kill themselves...

— Rosemary Simmons director of SIUC Counseling Center

from unhealthy family relationships and traveling could contribute to feelings of sadness, he said.

holidays Simmons - said traditionally involve time spent with family, and even if some people feel overwhelmed by their relatives, the support is still there.

For those who don't have a family to celebrate with, Chwalisz said it is possible to create relationships everywhere. At this point in the semester, people usually, have a close-knit group of peers, but it's still possible to reach out, she said.

If they come from dysfunctional families, people can create families for themselves," Chwalisz said. "You can choose relationships that are healthier; you can create those here and at home."

Chwalisz said it's common for the weeks before Christmas break to trigger feelings of loneliness for students. She said students can confuse high stress levels with seasonal depression. When people become depressed, the hippocampus, the center of emotion and memory in the brain, shrinks. When treated, she said medication such as antidepressants forces the hippocampus to grow back significantly.

Geremy Linnertz, a sophomore from St. Louis studying plant and soil science, said the excessive amount of homework assigned before winter break doesn't help ease winter sadness. He said students are already overwhelmed and organizing personal schedules with schoolwork can be difficult, and the gloomy weather adds onto feeling trapped.

Chwalisz said younger people are more prone to impulsive actions

as a result of feeling helpless.

"They don't have the life experience and might not realize there are other options," she said.

Chwalisz sald students especially might believe they are depressed when they are actually just overwhelmed. With how finals are arranged, she said students become increasingly stressed during the holiday season, which might be misconstrued with seasonal depression.

Thinking about mood issues in terms of seasons and time frames is too simplistic, because there are a lot of complexities that come into how people feel," Chwalisz said.

Changes in quality relationships, self-esteem issues and problem solving abilities are all factors that contribute to a person's overall well-being, she said.

Solid stress management is important and techniques can be as simple as managing time more effectively. Chwalisz sald.

Linnertz said he finds himself experiencing feelings of sadness more in the winter than other times of the year, but has never thought of suicide as an option.

There are always other social pressures that remain overwhelming for a lot of students, Linnertz said. The change in seasons seems to make things a little gloomler.

The counseling center offers a "crisis walk-in" for students who experience feelings of loneliness and depression to talk to a counselor immediately, Simmons said.

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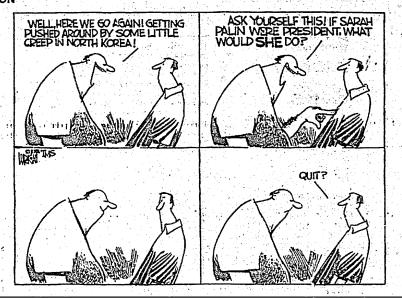
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Coal research a positive community contributor

DEAR EDITOR:

"We strongly disagree with Christina Bovinette's suggestion in her Nov. 8 letter to the editor that SIUC should not be affiliated with coal research. It is generally recognized that coal must continue to be a major part of the worldwide energy mix for the foreseeable future. In many countries, coal is often the only practical major energy option. Solutions to global energy and environmental issues can only be developed if the world has access to the best research and technical solutions on coal. As a result, the scientific, engineering and policy issues surrounding coal are the subjects of intensive research at institutions around the world. The outcomes of such work will guide government and industry decision makers on energy and environmental policy issues.

At SIUC alone, faculty, students

and staff engaged in coal research have helped make Illinois miners safer, opened the way for effective mixed land reclamation and demonstrated that sulfur control is practical, among many successes. Today that research is focused on the great challenges of carbon management and how coal fits into environmentally friendly energy systems of the future. On campus, there is also considerable interest end effort put into developing alternative energy sources. We are proud that SIUC is contributing to the solution of these critical, international drallenges.

John A. Konopchak vice chancellor for research and graduate dean

John Mead

director, Coal Extraction and Utilization Research Center

Listen, read carefully when signing leases in Carbondale

DEAR EDITOR

Thankfully, my friend and I have found an epartment that certainly is working out for us, but an issue with University Edge, our last realtor, is costing me \$300.

My friend and I are beck in Carbondale for work after graduating in May, We were looking for apartments to settle into and found a good place in our search.

We liked it enough that we went ahead and spoke to the realtor about signing a lease. We were told a cosigner well allow us to get the place for a considerably lower rent payment. We asked what that would require and he told us he would need some basic information from the cosigner.

Due to this vague explanation, we went ahead and signed the lease that included a security

deposit of \$300. We also had to pay out, epfront, the first and last installments to make the contract binding before we could move in.

As it turned out, the cosigner form was sent to our fathers, and after reading the full requirements, the realter wanted a lot of personal information that none of the other realters we have dealt with required.

Therefore, the cosigner refused

to give out all of the information, especially because the form also stated that the realtor could go into the cosigner's account whenever he wanted to.

This changed everything. The

realtor should have explained this to us when we asked what was required.

He would not allow us to have the cosigner without all of that personal information given to him, so we said we couldn't take the spartment. It was only a day and a half later, and he refused to return the \$300 saying it was a binding contract. However, we were told it was not binding without the balance of the installments required before we could move in. They are just keeping the \$300.

...

We certainly made sure to check all of the information on our next lease, and again, we now have found a good place. However, losing all that money is not fun, and everybody should make sure to read everything in a lease and ask questions. If not, a company will take advantage.

> Johnny Sole 2010 SIU alumnus, Carbondale resident

A day does not equal a day according to SIU

DEAR EDITOR:

Chancellor Rita Cheng's four-day furlough plan will actually result in civil service, faculty and staff losing more than six days pay due to the way SIU chooses to calculate salaries. The university calculate salaries. The university calculates civil service, staff and faculty salary based on a five-day work week, even though many of tis are expected to work weekends and/or evenings in addition to our regularly scheduled duties.

The chancellor is asking us to take furlough days in November,

December, January and March. Those months have 19, 17, 20 and 22 "working days" respectively. So, instead of losing one-thirtieth of a month's pay during each of those months, we will lose one-nineteenth, one-seventeenth, one-twentieth and one-twenty-second respectively. This equates to 6.3 days of pay.

It's also worth noting that "three" of the proposed "days" take place around the holidays and during the winter when our budgets are stretched thin enough as it is.

One of the problems the six unions who have not agreed to the chancellor's plan have is the lack of transparency and hevesty shown by the university's bargaining teams during negotiations. Budget numbers keep changing and information is withheld. Portraying a six-plusday furlough plan as a four-day one doesn't help make thet any better.

Kelth E. Wilson senior lecturer in aviation management and flight

Spread the lack of wealth

DEAR EDITOR:

I certainly agree with Professor Robbie Licherman that higherpald folks ought to help lower-paid faculty and staff in meeting the furlough charge. And I also agree with her that "shared governance and basic fairness" ought to be foundation principles in this whole

Therefore, I would suggest one solution for a top-down shared plan would be for all full professors (including chairs) to match them-

selves up with a low pald faculty member and cover their obligation for them. I am confident this
plan would produce a heck of a lot
more money than Chancellor Rita
Cheng and six to seven of her "at
the top" administrators would produce, even if they doubled their efforts. And it gains the Lieberman
goal — avoiding "equal sharing."
Ah, the spirit of democracy.

Marvin Kleinau professor emeritus

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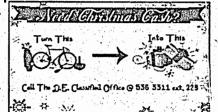
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injuries, for one, were huge us, but then again we had a lot suys step up. They came in, had ad games for us, had good series us and that right there kind of osts our confidence as an entire fensive unit, just to see we've got pth," Boemer said.

Senior kicker Kyle Dougherty, enfor receiver Joe Allaria and sophmore outside linebacker Jayson DiMarche received an honorable

Both Player of the Year awards went to Western Illinois Leathernecks, as quarterback Matt Barr was named the MVFC Offensive Player of the Year and linebacker Kyle Glazier the Defensive Player of the Year.

Barr finished the season with 3,312 passing yards, 26 touchdowns and just seven interceptions. He also ran for 452 yards and seven touchdowns, Giarier had 154 total tackles. 15 of which were for a loss, four sacks and one interception.

The league's Coach of the Year Award, which in 2009 went to SIU coach Dale Lennon, was awarded to Indiana State head coach Trent Miles. The Sycamores finished 6-5 and fied for third place in the MVFC after winning just two of their past 64 games before this season.

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It will be a battle of two confident teams Sunday at Ford Field, as the Lions gave the Patriots a run for their money (at least for a half) on Thanksgiving. If Detroit can play the way it did against New England for the entire game against Chicago, the Bears could be in for a shootout.

Fantasy Forecast: Greg Olsen, tight end - Olsen's nifty touchdown grab over the top of a Philly defender shouldn't have surprised anybody. The guy's a stud, a hot red zone target and is probably the only Bear worthy of a starting spet on fantasy rosters at this point.

St. Louis

Last weeks Berns 36, Broncos 33 Week 13 score prediction: Rams 17. Cardizals 14

The Rams finally got a road win

in 2010, but more importantly, they kept pace with Seattle, who lost Sunday at the top of the NFC West, It's the worst division in football, and the team that wins it won't have a shot at anything bigger, but if the Rams win that division it would be nothing short of a miracle. This team has driven itself into the ground for half a decade, but there were a few people who said enough was enough before this season. One of them was a rookie quarterback. Sam Bradford's incredible stoicism, combined with his remarkable accuracy and overall talent, have been the primary reasons for the quintupling of wins for this franchise in 2010.

But the 36-33 victory Sunday in Denver wasn't just a passed test for Bradford: the Rams were down 10-0 early in a hestile environment, and contrary to the last four or five years, it lost neither its confidence nor its cool. The Broncos enut down St. Louis' best player, running back Steven Jackson, by limiting him to just 2.5 yards per carry. The very young defense gave up three straight scoring drives.

Bradford took over the game after that, but he by no means did it alone. Other rookles, such as wide receiver Danario Alexander (four catches, 95 yards Sunday) and tight end Michael Hoomanawanui (36-yard touchdown catch in the first quarter) have made their names all season long. Add to that the continually solid performance of rookie right tackle Rodger Saffold, and the argument is there: if it weren't for their rockies playing like veterans, the Rams wouldn't have nearly as many wins this season, Period.

Another road test awaits the Rams on Sunday when they go to Arizona and meet a Cardinals' defense that has given St. Louis fits for the better part of a decade. If Bradford can put together another 300-yard, no-interception performance, it would be more than impressive, and the NFC West may be there for the taking in the next few

Fantasy Forecast: Sam Bradford, quarterback - He's thrown one interception and 11 touchdowns in the last seven games. And it might as well be no interceptions, because the one pick was on a shovel pass play and wasn't even his fault. It's obvious he's careful with the football and does everything he can not to leave points on the field. Bradford has been worth at least a backup role on fant/sy rosters all season, and now that his yardage totals are increasing, he's a safe start in many leagues.

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Braces RICHTOWN BUILDINGS

i trust what they've learned," Newton said. "If they say a kid needs a brace to wear for a while, we're going to do that."

Newton said he goes with his players to meet with athletic trainers and strength coaches to develop a program that would gradually help the athletes get into peak condition.

Certified athletic trainers, physical therapists and occupational therapists guide injured athletes through a series of exercises to build to more advanced workouts, Glennon sald.

"Any time we're using a brace in rehabilitation, it's incumbent upon us to remind the patient to maintain the strength of the involved muscle so they don't get weak," he said.

Years of proconged brace use can affect athletes' mobility, Kimbali said. Their movement fluidity on and off the playing field can depend on the type of shoes, ankle brace or knee brace they wear as well, she

Prolonged usage of braces can lead to dependency, Adams sald. Kimball said athletes will con-

tinue to perform as they once had If they have a device that allows them to take preventative measures for preexisting injuries and afterward when they recover.

Glennon said it's important to keep the muscle where the brace is used limber so the brace does not become a permanent-use item, such as in cares with patients who have neurological deficiencies.

It all depends on the joint and the injury that you're trying to rehabilitate," he said.

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ATHLETICS

Prolonged brace use

may cause problems

BRANDON COLEMAN Daily Egyptian

The short-term gain from using a brace for a sports injury outweighs the risk of unused muscle weakening from prolonged use, says Robyn Adams, a physical therapist and trainer at Southern Illinois Healthcare.

The key phrase is short-term.

When a brace is used properly, it allows a person to perform a function he or she otherwise could not, Adams said.

The brace provides external support," she said.

Physical therapists build exercise regiments for athletes that target specific areas where the brace was worn to help people recover lost muscle and wean them off the brace. Adams sald.

In the right context a brace can certainly help. It can support a protected area. It can prevent or lessen the likelificod of injury exacerbation," said Terrence Glennon, a physical therapist for Southern Illinois Healthcare.

A soft brace made to support the ankle, knee or back does not restrict the wearer much, Glennon said. Athletes place limits on themselves because the brace reminds them of their injury, he said.

Metal braces, such as ones worn by football linemen, do restrict movement but also protect from harder impact, Glennon said.

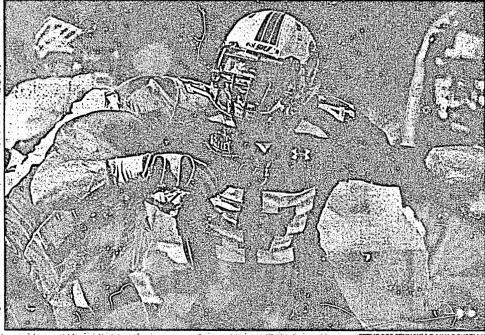
Rebecca Kimball, assistant strength coach at SIUC, said she does not encourage the use of braces when student-athletes lift weights or strengthen weakened areas where a brace was worth

"I don't kt them wear their braces in the weight room because we're in a controlled environment where we can work on our stability," she said. When they're working out with me, it's as hard as we need to be going at that time"

Kimball said student-athletes are out of their braces 90 percent of the day and those who wear braces usually spend only two hours per day in them at practice, she said.

Men's golf coach Leroy Newton said he abides by what trainers, such as assistant athletic director Ed Thompson and assistant athletic trainer Lee Land, say when placing an ethlete in a brace and planning a regimen to help rehabilitate the injury.

FOOTBALL



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n Franklin attempts to break past Northern lowa's offensive line Oct. 9 at Saluki Stadium. Along with Franklin, nine other and cornerback Korey Lindsey were both named to the first team.

Nine Salukis receive All-Conference honors

NICK TOHNSON Daily Egyptian

The Missouri Valley Football Conference named nine Salukis to its All-Conference team Monday, two of whom earned first-team honors.

Junior center Bryan Boemer, senior cornerback Korey Lindsey were selected as first-team All-Conference players, while four others were named to the second team and three received honorab. mentions.

Boemer's first-team selection comes a year after being named to the second team.

T've got one more year left, so basically it just sets the bar for me to repeat again next year," Boemer said. It just gives me more of a drive to work harder."

Lindsey's selection makes him the fifth player in program history to be named first-team All-Conference three times in a

Offensive tackle David Pickard, fullback John Goode and defensive end Chance Coda, all lors, were three of the second-

tam selections, joining senior inside linebacker Stephen Franklin.

Franklin led SIU with 76 tackles this season, five of which were for a loss, and added two sacks and one interception.

"Any time you get noticed, any time you work and people notice ... I'm just happy from that perspective," Franklin sald.

Franklin said - the secondteam selection will help him as he seeks to continue his football career. He said his four-year career at SIU taught him the value of patience and how to work through adversity.

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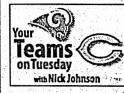
you've got to continue to work no matter what situation you're In and try to make the best of it," Franklin sald.

Boemer said his and Pickard's selections were an honor, especially because of the injuries and adversity the offensive line experienced this season.

Pickard overcame a foot injury early in the season to earn his selection, and fellow senior offensive lineman Richard Wilson struggled with a knee injury as well.

STAFF COLUMN

Bears, Rams make statements in crucial games



St. Louis and Chicago made major impressions on both theirfan bases in statement games, with Bears blasting the supposed class-of-the-NFC Eagles and the Rams hanging on to barely avoid a mile-high fall in Denver. It's hard when he's on, he's on, and his

to tell which win meant more for which team, but two things are finally clear after 12 weeks: the Bears are for real and the Rams are no longer a joke.

Chicago

Lost week: Bears 31, Eagles 26 Week 13 score prediction: Bears 31. Lions 24

Lovie Smith has to be proud of the way his team keeps find ing ways to win games in the face of the constant, searing criticism of his quarterback and coaches. Jay Cutler is a loose cannon, but

four touchdown passes finally ignited an offense that had been rubbing two sticks together for the better part of the season. Mike Martz hasn't coached many, if any, quarterbacks like Cutler, and he's going through a learning curve. Luckily for him, he's an offensive mastermind and once he gets a rhythm going, there isn't a defensive coordinator in the league that can outsmart him.

The Bears' defense and special teams always play lights out. That's a given. If the offense can maintain its recent success, nobody should be surprised if they blow up the Packers the last week of the season on their way to the NFC North

It's been said before, but the only curious part about the Bears' offense is the lack of Matt Forte, who is completely healthy and one of the best weapons in Martz's arsenal. But teams take points any way they can get them in this league, so that doesn't matter too much to anybody - except probably Forte.

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