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Nakajo arrival:

Founder of SIU-Niigata to visit Carbondale campus.

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Crime stats:

SIUC crime statistics are shuffled online.

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Almost time...

Saluki basketball teams talk up their seasons at MVC Media Day.

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Fraternity members suspended for hazing

Beta Phi Pi members under investigation by Student Iudicial Affairs

> JENNIEER WIG DAILY EGYPTIAN

Seven members of the Beta Phi Pi fraternity were suspended from the University Wednesday for an alleged hazing incident that took place

The accused were notified by letter Wednesday that they could no longer live on campus or attend their classes because of the reported 'paddling' of two rushees, causing them to seek medical services. Since a preliminary Student Judicial Affairs hearing Monday, one of the seven suspensions has

been overturned.

Joaquin Rogers, an accused member of the Beta Phi Pi fraternity and president of the Pan-Hellenic Council, said the reported incidents never hap-pened, but was not sure why the rushees would inake up such a charge.
"It shocked me because I didn't think they were

the type of person that would say anything like this," Rogers said. "It's still kind of a surprise."

The two rushees were

Gus Bode



Does it count as hazing if you like it?

unavailable for comment. Rogers said the fraternity had history sessions at his apartment the night of Oct. 9, in which the four people going through the new-member process had to learn about the history of their organization. According to Rogers, other members were pre-sent at the session, which took place between 8 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Hazing is a violation of the Student Conduct Code which is defined as any action required of or imposed on current or

potential members of a group which, regardless of consent of the participants, produces or is reasonably likely to produce bodily harm, humiliation or ridicule, substantial interference with academic effort, or a significant impairment or endanger-

enor, or a significant impariment of endanger-ment of physical well-being."

A hazing act signed by Gov. Edgar in 1995 con-siders hazing a Class A misdemeanor, punishable by up to a year in prison and a \$1,000 fine. If the hazing results in great bodily harm or death, it is a Class 4 Felony, punishable by three to six years in

Beta Phi Pi is the third SIUC fraternity to have its members accused of hazing in the past two years. Four Delta Chi fraternity members were suspended for hazing in 1998, but the suspensions were later overturned. Also Phi Beta Sigma frater-nity's RSO status was suspended in January 1999, along with eight of its members, for hazing.

Rogers said the accusations of the two rushees tell different stories. He said that one report cites Rogers as the sole hazer, another names the entire fraternity and a third names the seven suspended members. Rogers said the accusations also included harassing phone calls and attempted bribery if the



Pumpkin pickin': Steven Gross, Tim Gross and Robert Cowan from Carterville Grade School pick out Halloween pumpkins during a tour at Boyd Orchard Tuesday morning. see related story, page 6

Debating affirmative action: How far have we come?

TERRY L. DEAN DAILY EGYPTIAN

Affirmative action has taken its share of hits in the last few years, but the battle concerning the controversial issue is far from

With a growing number of Americans becoming more disillu-sioned with the policy, opponents and supporters continue to spar over affirmative action — a 1960s initiative designed to increase employment and educational oppor-tunities for minorities

Critics charge that the policy has resulted in the unfair advancement of minorities in job hir-ing and college admissions. Supporters argue has helped provide minorities with more opportunities otherwise not afforded to them.

Supporters charge that there may be an ulterior motive behind some anti-affirmative action rhetoric which was a product of anti-civil rights forces.

Walker Allen, director of SIUC Admissions and Records, rebuffs the idea that supporters are

"We have goals, and we're working to try and get to those goals achieved," he said. "The reality is that we don't have enough minority groups that are participating at the level we

would like, so we want to give as many as we can a hand up, not a hand out."

Affirmative action spawned from the 1964 Civil Rights Act passed by Congress. The law made discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex and

to done. And just as the presidential can-

didates disagree on how to handle affir-mative action and other inclusion issues,

so do the two local candidates for the

Incumbent Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, and his Democratic chal-lenger Robert Koehn both agree that

there must be equal opportunity for all people in the district. Bost disagrees with

ection in the action, we mean equal opportunities for minorities, I think we should move toward

the question of how we can increase the

while Koehn supports it. "When talking about affir-

affirmative action,

115th state representative seat

national origin in the workplace

Former President Lyndon Johnson originally signed the 1964 act in to law. Originally offered by former President John F. Kennedy early in his adminis-tration, the act became Johnson's

chief priority after Kennedy's assassination in 1963.

Opponents opponents were strongly against segrega-tion and any policies supporting that effort. In the interim, words such as "reverse discrimination," "quotas," and "set-asides" began to replace the more inflammatory language hurled from affirmative action oppo-

SILIC's enrollment of women and blacks has experienced modest increases in recent years. In terms of SIUC's total student enrollment more than 22,000 blacks comprise 13 per-cent, while women represent roughly 42 per-

Walker said those increases have more to do with better recruitment practices rather

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Bost, Koehn address racial diversity in Southern Illinois

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Delores M. Albritton remembers a time in Carbondale when she and her friends were not allowed to eat ice cream inside a restaurant, sit in the main part of a movie theater or sit in the same train partment as the white children.

During Albritton's youth as a black child in Carbondale 50 years ago, segregation was a way of life.
"We didn't have signs saying

'white only," Albritton said, "but we knew better." Albritton, now the executive

director for Attucks Community Services in the Eurma C. Hayes Center, said that racial inclusion in Southern Illinois has definitely improved in the last 50 years.

"Now we can go anywhere, live any-where," said the 59-year-old Albritton.
"A lot of positive things have happened." But many agree that work still needs amount of opportunity for all, and be fair for all sides," Koehn said. Koehn said the answer in moving toward better equality lies in education

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PRSSA bake sale, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Communications Building.

Small Business Development Center offers business start-up seminars, 9 a.m. to noon, Bunn-Richmond Economic Development Center in Carbondale, 536-2424.

Library Affairs Instructional Applications of the Web, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library Room 15, 453-2818.

Library Affairs Digital Imaging with PhotoShop, 10 a.m. to noon, Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.

Christian Apologetics Club meeting to understand Christianity, every Wed, noon, Troy Room Student Center, Wayne 529-4043.

eLaw Jesse Key meeting, noon, Lesar Law Building Room 102, Libby 351-8032.

Library Affairs Introduction to Constructing Web Pages, 1 to 3 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.

Women's Action Coalition meeting to discuss issues that need your voice, every Wed., 4 p.m., Women's Study House, Greta 453-5141.

Ninth Street Tabernacle Ministries

Public Relations Student Society of America meeting, every Wed., 4:30 p.m., Cambria Room Student Center, Tim 453-1898.

Healing Towards Wholeness Support Group for women who have experienced sexual assault or abuse, every Wed., 4:30 to 6 p.m., 453-3655.

• Model U.N. meeting, every Wed., 5 to 7 p.m., Activity Room B Student

bible study, every Wed., 4 to 5 p.m., Student Center, Andrea 351-9420.

TODAY

- Zoology Club Halloween Party,
 p.m., LSII 1059, Scot 351-7577.
- Saluki Rainbow Network, every Wed., 5:30 p.m., Student Center, 453-5151.
- College Republicans meeting, 5:30 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Beth 529-2674.

UPCOMING

- Southern Illinois Volleyball Club Men's USAV practice has been changed to Oct. 26, 6 to 8 p.m., Davies Gym, Scott 453-2824.
- Egyptian Dive Club meeting, every 549-0840
- Pi Sigma Epsilon meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Library Room 327, Nicole 549-1509.
- Chi Alpha Campus Ministries African-American bible study, every Wed., 7 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Kudzai 529-7088.
- Saluki Advertising Agency meeting, every Wed., 7 p.m., CRC Resource Center, Laura 529-8805.
- Library Affairs Finding Books Using ILLINET Online, Oct. 26, 11 a.m. to noon, Mom's Library 103D, 453-2818.
 Divorce/Relationship Ending Support Group screening for new members, every Thurs, 4:30 to 6 p.m., 453-3655.
- Student Program ming Council homecoming meeting, every Thurs 5 p.m., Student Center, 536-3393.
- University Christian Ministries listening circle, Oct. 26, 5 p.m., Interfaith Center, Hugh 549-7387.
- Student Environmental Center and Campus Shawnee Greens meeting, every Thurs., 6 p.m., Interfaith Center, Andrew 351-5959.
- · Japanese Student Association

- conversation, every Thurs., 6 p.m., Melange, Ai 351-9198.
- Voices of Inspiration choir rehearsal, Oct. 26, 6 p.m., Altegeld Hall, Tony 536-6462.
- Asian Students Association and Friends meeting, Oct. 26, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., Corinth Room Student Center, Argus 457-6640.
- Blacks in Communication Alliance RSO members meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Missouri Room Student Center, Enca 457-8197.
- Circle K International volunteer organization meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Thebes Room Student Center, Tammi 529-8996.
- A Haunted House for Koly Kids, Oct. 26, 7 to 11, Oct. 27 and Oct. 28, 7 p.m. to midnight, Old Lowe's in Manon, Elks 993-3151.
- Rodeo Club meeting, every Thurs.,
 7 p.m., Agriculture Building Room 209 or 213, Rob 985-6613.
- Sigma Tau Delta guest speaker Dr. Mark Amos, Oct. 26, 7 p.m., Illinois Room Student Center, Katie 549-096:
- Sailing Club meeting, every Thurs, 8 p.m., Activity Room A Student Center, Kns 7900.
- Windsurfing club meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Activity Room B Student Center, Jeff 529-4954.
- SIU Swing Club meeting, every Thurs, 8 p.m., Davies Gym, Dave 536-8121.
- Zen Meditation silent sitting, every Thurs., 8:45 p.m., Interfaith Center, Jim 453-4786.
- Therapeutic Massage Fest 2000 sports massage for cyclists, Oct. 27, 3 to 5 p.m., The Bike Surgeon, Bill 529-
- International Coffee Hour informal socializing, Oct. 27, 3 to 4:30 p.m., Interfaith Center, Beth 453-5774.

WEATHER



TODAY: Partly cloudy High: 78 Low: 55



TOMORROW: Mostly cloudy High: 76 Low: 54



FRIDAY Mostly cloudy High: 77 Low: 55

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THIS DAY IN 1989:

- · Seymour Rryson, assistant to the president for Affirmative Action, worked with the Affirmative Action Advisory Committee to formulate a formal affirmative action policy for students.
- · The committee on justice and law In the committee of the Jackson County Board, considered changing the closing times on bars in hopes to reduce drunk driving.
- "Dead Poets Society." starring Robin Williams, was showing at the Liberty Theatre in Murphysboro for \$2.75.

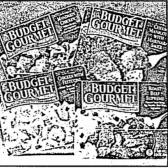
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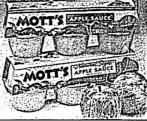


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Mayor of Nakajo, Japan to visit SIUC

Founder of SIU-Niigata visit includes a trip to SIUC's Kumakura Gardens

DAILY EGYPTIAN

The mayor of Nakajo, Japan, will arrive in Carbondale tonight for a three-day visit to meet with University and city officials and to finally see the garden named for him.

Nakajo Mayor Nobuo Kumakura, the founder of SIU-Niigata, SIUs Japanese campus, plans to stay until Saturday.

Jared Dorn, director of International Programs and Services at SIUC, said the mayor

was one of the first people in Japan to ask for a branch campus from American universities.

"The mayor was really the most enthusiastic leader in Japan for hosting a branch campus,"

During the next few days, Kumakura will be attending events in his honor. Some will be

hosted by various SIU administrators, like President James Walker, interim Chancellor John Jackson and Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management Larry Dietz. Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard has a Friday-morning reception planned for

Dom said the highlight of Kumakura's trip will be his first visit to the Kumakura Garden, his namesake, between 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Thursday, He said the mayor has never seen the
garden behind Faner Hall included in the
Dorothy Morris Gardens since it has been culti-

Several dignitaries from Nakajo, including wn assemblymen, will be attending the event.

Dorn said Kumakura first came in contact with SIU because of an attempt by the United States and Japanese governments to bring the two nations closer together.

"A bi-national committee of 10 U.S. Congressman and 10 Japanese Diet (parliament) members was set up to help promote

This committee, called the United States-

Japan Committee for Expanding Trade, made the recommendation that United States universities establish campuses in

Tom Saville, coordinator for Study Abroad Programs at SIUC, described Kumakura as a visionary and personable.

There wouldn't be an

SIU campus [in Nakajo] without him," Saville

SIU campus [in Nakajo] without him, "baville said." All of other people were needed to make SIU-N, but he is the one who put it together." However, the Nakajo campus has not been doing well in recent years. Membership has declined to around 100 students from about 600 students when the campus was founded in 1989. About 100 former students currently attend

Branch campuses were new to Japan in the

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Kumakura

Co-workers grieve over loss of friend Death of grad student and wife leave

unanswered questions

Robert and Jana Owens returned from a week-long vacation touring California's Napa Valley Thursday night. Friends said the couple had been looking forward to the vacation and shared a passion

notating forward to the vacation and space a passion for touring local vineyards in Southern Illinois.

At 12:45 Monday afternoon the Owenses were discovered dead in their home by the Jackson County Sheriffs Department after they failed to report to

Speculation among friends and co-workers sur-rounding the unusual nature and possible cause of death of the husband and wife has circulated but only one thing was certain as of Tuesday night - both will

Robert was an area supervisor for the transcript office at the records and registration department in the Office of Admissions and Records. He was also working on his master's in workforce education at

SIUC, and Jana was a veterinarian in Anna.
"Everyone is wondering what happened," said
Nickie Matheny, who worked with Robert in the

I thought he was the

finest person you

could ever know. He

was the kind of per-

son you enjoyed working with and

being around.

JIM SULLWAN .

Admissions and Commence Records. "A couple of [co-work-ers] are taking it pretty hard. Counselors were here this morning, and another will be here this after-

sign of forced entry in the cou-

entry in the cou-ple's home at 247 Brenning Rd., Murphysboro, and after an autopsy performed Monday night, there were no outward signs as to the cause of death, according to Jackson County Coroner Thomas W. Kupferer. Their bodies

County Coroner Thomas W. Kupterer. I near nocues were found in an upstains bedroom.

The cause of death is pending toxicology and tissue samples, which will be processed at the Illinois State Police Forensic Services labs in Springfield. The

results could take up to two weeks to be processed.

Robert's supervisor Steven Foster, associate direc tor for records and registration in the Office of Admission and Records, said Robert was a dedicated

worker who always gave 110 percent.
"Anything like this is a tragedy," Foster said. "For all the potential that was there, and then for it to be snuffed out makes it difficult for most people to deal



MEETING THE PEOPLE: SIU president James Walker meets members of the Carbondale Community during a reception for the new president at the Civic Center Tuesday evening.

Proving everyone wrong

SICIL program helps disabled find jobs

> GINNY SKALSKI DAILY EGYPTIAN

Positioned high on a stool, John Wade's oversized glasses, complete with a magnifying lens, slide down his nose as he hands back change and gives a warm smile to another cus-tomer in the Student Center Marketplace.

tomer in the Student Center Marketplace.
Wade, who was born with cerebral palsy, is
one of about 40 people who are employed by
the University through the Southern Illinois
Center for Independent Living, or SICIL.
The SICIL program helps place disabled
people in area jobs by providing them with
training. A job coach is also employed to
supervise the progress of program participants
and cater to any special needs they may have.
"Our goal is independence, to not work
with them," said Bernardine Doetch, employ-

with them," said Bernardine Doetch, employ-ment training specialist for the SICIL. "[Job coaches] just keep fading until [employees] don't need them enymore."

Wade, 34, immediately found his niche when he began working as a cashier in the Marketplace in January 1995. Wade was born with a mild case of cerebral palsy, a condition with a mild case of cerebral palsy, a condition caused by damage to the brain that typically results in an inability to fully control motor function. As a result, the SICIL made special accommodations for Wade, supplying him with a stool. Additionally, the University helped Wade pay for special glasses that include a magnifying lens so he can spot the numbers on the cash register faster.

"I wanted to prove to myself [that I could] make it in the job world," Wade said. "It's not always easy for someone in my situation to

make it in the job world."

Doetch, who has been a job coach with the SICIL for 14 years, said the program not only trains disabled individuals who have little-tono work experience, but they also help people who have recently become disabled and must relearn job skills.

Currently, Chartwells, SIUC's dining service, is the largest employer for the SICIL.
Participants in the program work at Student Center food outlets, campus dining halls and even in some janitorial positions.

"Participants do have a choice," Doetch

said. "They don't have to accept a job."
For Wade, his decision to give Marketplace
a whirl was well worth it. Wade, whose only
job prior to his employment in the Student Center was at Old National Bank checking

signatures, said he genuinely enjoys his job.

As a cashier in a high traffic area, Wade looks forward 10 socializing with customers, as

tooss roward to socianizing with distorners, as his goal is to brighten everyone's day.

"I figure it doesn't do me any good to come up at 5:30 a.m. during the week to make it to work on time at 6:45 a.m. "If I can put a smile learners of the social content of the social content of the social learners of the social content of the social content of the social social content of the social conten on [a customer's] face it makes them feel good,

on [a customer's] face it makes them feel good, and it makes me feel good."
A "graduate" of the program, Wade has not had a job coach for years. The Carbondale native said without the program it may have taken him a let longer to find a job he enjoyed and an employer willing to make accommodations for his needs.

"People assume [disabled people] don't have a brain and we can't do things for ourselves, that we're not independent," Wade said.
"The fact that I knew I was going to be given an opportunity that's all I wanted. That's all

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NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

S.I. Airport to receive transportation grant

U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin and U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello announced Tuesday that the Southern Illinois Airport will receive a \$1.584 million improvement grant for the Runway Safety Area.

The project was one of many to be funded under the Fiscal Year 2001 transportation spending bill. Others included funding the Metro Link in St. Charles County, the Illinois Bus and Bus Facilities and Intelligent Transportation Systems. The Runway Safety Area will provide a

safety buffer in case an airplane runs off the pavement during landing or lands

short of the runway.

"The funding for Southern Illinois Airport is very important, as it will allow the airport authority to make significant safety improvements," said Costello in a press release from his office.

Peace Caravan passes through Carbondale

The Pastors for Peace Caravan will stop in Carbondale today on their way from New York to Cuba.

from New York to Cuba.

The pastors will have a press conference at 4 p.m. at the Newman Catholic Student Center, 715 S. Washington St. The conference will explain the purpose of the pastors as they pick-up humanitarian aid for non-governmental agencies in Cuba to challenge the government's long-standing embargo against the Caribbean island.

Carbondale citizens of the Church of the Good Shepherd, the United Church of Christ and St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church will donate supplies for the cause. Members of the group will attempt to

deliver medical equipment, medicines, school supplies, school buses, computers and sports equipment. The group is not licensed by the U.S. Government, but plans to deliver solar panels, batteries, fluorescent lamps and transceptors to provide alternative energy sources for schools and readingle lighter. medicinal clinics.

The caravan, which has been in use since 1992, consists of about 100 United States and Canadian citizens. This is the 11th US-Cuba Friendshipment Caravan organized by Pastors for Peace, a project of the Interreligious Foundation for Community Organization.

E-law groups sponsor speaker

The E-law group is sponsoring a talk by Jesse Keyser on Internet start-up companies. The E-law group is a law school organization that focuses on law and techongain at the table will begin at noon today in Lesar Law Building, room 206. The event is open to all interested parties, and lunch will be provided.

Wind Ensemble to play Shryock tonight

The annual fall concert of SIU's Wind Ensemble will take place at 8 p.m. today in Shryock Auditorium. The 45-member concert band will play from band compo-sitions of the past 50 years. Pieces include Henry Fillmore's "His Honor March," Vincent Youmans' "Fantasy" arranged by Paul Yoder, "Divertimento for Band" by Vincent Persichetti, and the Ragtime and Mambo Loco movements from "Divertimento for Band" by Ira Hearshen.

Tickets cost \$3 for adults and \$2 for students, children and senior citizens. Proceeds from the event will fund SIUC music scholarships. For more information, call the University Bands Office at 453-2776. WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 25 2000

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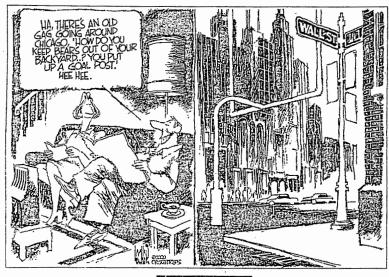
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OUR WORD

SIUC Halloween depends on visitors' reception to reverse psychology

An honest mistake

was made when the

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Do you remember as a young child, when Mom would say "don't touch the stove - it's hot"?

So what did you do? You touched it, burned yourself, didn't you?

Interim Chancellor John Jackson told much of Illinois not to touch "the stove" earlier this month when he sent a press release to media and other

university publications saying that the Carbondale campus is restricting visitors and is closed for fall recess.

By sending this press release, the University has opened more doors than it shut with this unwitting attempt to control something that may or may not

happen.
We support the idea of a safe the releases to keep Halloween weekend, but it was a misvisitors away. take to send out unintentional invitations to curious visitors that SIUC is closed and visitors are not welcome.

If someone was pondering the idea of making the jaunt to Carbondale, and then read this release in the local newspaper telling him or her not to come, it may spark their curiosity and convince them to see what the hub-bub is about.

Curiosity automatically arises when we are told not to do something. The first question that comes to one's head: why? The answer obviously is to deter any pandemonium occurring in Carbondale through fall recess. The University is setting itself up for failure by sending out the press releases, thus stimulating a curiosity among potential visitors whomay have barely considered coming down in

It is no surprise that most of the damage that has occurred in the past has been done by visitors. Visitors don't have to live here nor do they have take responsibility for their actions, unless caught red-handed. They also don't have to live with the reputation bestowed upon them from past incidents.

Telling the state of Illinois that SIUC is restricting visitors on campus during the Halloween break

is telling more people to jump on I-57 and come to Carbondale to see what the University is trying to hide.

Many people across Illinois and the United States, have come to think of SIUC as a party school. From the riots in the late 60s to Halloween in 1996 (which subsequently has been projected nationwide on Discovery and The Learning Channel), both curiosity and "Animal House" roman-

ticisms have brought visitors to our city. By telling people not to come during fall recess ultimately could result in more visitors than expect-

With flocks of visitors possibly coming from as far as Missouri, Tennessee and Wisconsin, SIUC and Carbondale must be prepared for the influx of people on the Strip. An honest mistake was made when the press releases were sent out, but a truly damaging error would be to count on the releases to

keep visitors away.

The overall attitude about this weekend from the University and city officials has been optimistic and positive. We hope it is a safe, productive and a fun break from rigorous class schedules. We also hope people do heed the press releases so Carbondale can enjoy its Halloween without getting burned by the dangerous influence of outsiders.

MAILBOX 🛣

Citizens should vote with their heads and hearts

DEAR EDITOR:

In response to Ms. Joiner's Oct. 24 letter ask-ing visters not to throw away their votes on Ralph Nader, I say use your head and your heart Nov. 7. Support Ralph Nader and the Green Party: Why? I ceause it is in our (the American people's) best interest.

People's) test interest.

Two points:

1) Nader, in his campaign speeches, points out how we helped Europe get back on its feet after World War II with the Marshall Plan. This plan allowed those countries to institute universal health care, yearly month-long vacations for workers and old-age pensions. Fifty years later on this side of the Atlantie, do the majority of our people enjoy those kind of benefits? Not Why? Because it is not in the vested interest of the major corporations who fund the two major political parties.

political parties.

2) Face it, our lives are busy studying and working. Which is why we delegate to politicians the responsibility of making our laws. Do they exercise this fiduciary responsibility in a responsible way? Too often not. What happens when a new law is drafted, put on the books? Simply, it new law is dratted, put on the doors, "simply, it gives something to someone, while taking it away from someone clse. Whom do legislators/politicans tend to flour when making laws? The 58 percent of the eligible electrors who didn't bother to vote in the last presidential election, the 42 percent who did vote or those who give them untold millions of dollars (i.e., the corporations)?
The answer is a no-brainer, which is why the

present two-party system is corrupt.

So, please, give a hoot. Get involved, Vote
Nov. 7. It's our future, our country — not the corporations'!

Charlie Howe

Administration's priorities hinder SIUC's pursuit of excellence

DEAR EDITOR:

Administration spokesman Tom Britton is quoted in Friday's DE as saying "We aren't inter-ested in guaranteeing faculty lines or creating

In other words, the administration has no crest in protecting quality education.

One wonders what IS the administration's

main priority. Some of us think that the main priority. Some of us think that the University's role is to provide excellent teaching, excellent research and excellent academic support for the community. These cannot be achieved without faculty and our students deserve the best faculty available.

The purpose of University administration is to facilitate the provision of excellence, not to hinder it.

W. D. Wallis

OVERHEARD ...

Halloween has been played out.

COURTNEY FEELY
junior in aviation management, about SIUC's history
and future with Halloween weekend.

Presidential politics can be reduced to a simple formula

If nothing else, this election will once again put to test one of the long-standing principles of presiden-tial politics. First postulated by Eddie Einstien, Albert's milkman brother, and later

expounded upon by a close relation to the Edisons of Canton, Helga's Law holds that no Democrat who has sired comely lasses can ever win the White House.

There have been many changes to our nation since Andrew Jackson's not-so-easy on-the-eyes daughter Helga haunted the streets of Washington, but this one strange

of Washington, but this one strange truth has remained constant. Chelsea Clinton, Amy Carter, Caroline Kennedy — all lovely, interesting women. I have nothing against them. This is pure science. Empirical evidence clearly shows that for whatever reason, the surest way to win the election is to produce a plain-looking child, preferably with reddish tints, willing to mope around Pennsylvania Avenue. I shudder to think what FDR's girls must have looked like.

looked like.

And Helga's law cuts both ways. In 1984, Mondale was demolished by Reagan simply because his daughter Eleanor, now a television

reporter, was just too darn hot.
Dukaukis, tragically burdened by two Greek goddesses,
was cursed from the first.

And now Al Gore. It seemed a few months back that Helga's law might finally be in jeopardy. Perhaps, with the change of millennium, the curse would at last being lifted. Al Gore was solidly ahead in the polls and the Gore-girl effect, as many strategist were calling it, seemed nul-lified.

But then came the debates. Who among us watched the candidates and did not think there must be something seriously wrong with the way we choose our leaders. Truly this can not be the will of the people.

They're not even good at being phonies. And it goes to show how bad things are that I've taken

hopeful solace in this, imagining that once in office hopeful solace in this, imagining that once in office these nuppets will somehow transform into real peo-ple. Not surprisingly, this is the same impulse people use to convince themselves, despite all evidence, to marry the wrong person.

If Al Gore were a store, he'd be Radio Shack: he's convinced that he's invented every gizmo on his selves when he's really only a resource for replace-

ment parts.

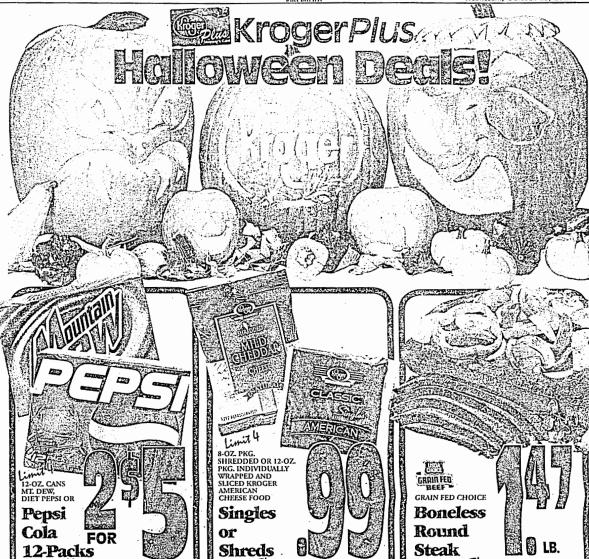
If George Bush were a mart, his name would be Wal. Acting homespun and handing out shopping carts even as his tactics gut small-town America. And like Wal-Mart, under Bush, guns would be easier to

Pat Buchanan is a pawn shop. There's probably something interesting going on in there, but you have to deal with an awful lot of paranoia to find it. And dollar Bill? Clinton would be a video store

with an adults-only room off to the side. And like most entertainment, we love what he's selling, but he

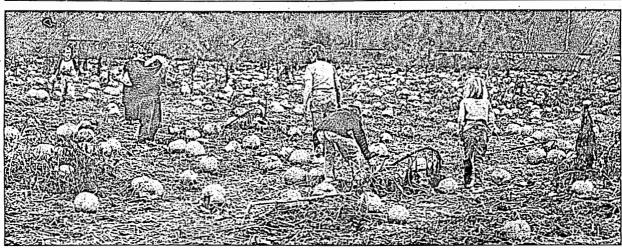
makes us feel dirty.

Ralph Nader, would of course not be selling anything at all. Without an ugly daughter to his name, he would be, as he always has been, honest and scrupulous, Consumer Reports.





SAVINGS UP TO 1.29 EA



A group of anxious pumpkin pickers search for their Halloween pumpkin at Boyd Orchards in Anna on Tuesday. The pumpkins are grouped by price, and most range from \$2 to \$4.

Local pumpkin patch offers seasonal enjoyment for people of all ages.

ANNE MARIE TAVELLA DAILY EGYPTIAN

After slipping off the rope swing and plum-meting into a soft bed of straw, second-grader Andrew spends the next few minutes trying brush the straw from the front of his shirt.

Andrew says the hay barn at Boyd Or hards is like no other place he's been.

"It's weird, but in a good way," he says smiling broadly.

Andrew's second-grade class, along with a third-grade class, both from Eagle Ridge Christian School in Cape Girardeau, Mo., visited Terry Boyd Orchards, 675 Sadler Road, Anna,

esday for a field trip. From Sept. 1 to Nov. 12 the orchard, which grows apples, peaches and pumpkins, offers sea-sonal fun for schools and families including pump-

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kin picking and apple cider slushies.

The barn houses a plethora of activities for children, including a castle made of straw, a sand box and a rope swing. The sounds of shriels and laughter resonate from the 40-foot slide where children climb a staircase of straw bales to plunge

Mark Graham, father of third-grader Nikki, said the orchard was an excellent place to bring the

"I had a hay barn to play in when I was a child,

but my kids don't," Graham said.
Outside an elaborate decoration of straw bale flowers, scarecrows, pumpkins and gourds sit against the front of the barn.

A few feet away, a round hay bale is disguised as a spider, complete with black plastic tubing for legs and a painted face. This is where pumpkins can be selected for purchase. They are

price, and most of them range from \$2 to \$4.

Along with the standard round, orange "jack-o-lantern" pumpkins, the orchard grows lumina pumpkins and long island cheese pumpkins. The lumina or "ghost" pumpkins are white with a bluish tint, and the long island cheese are peach

with a doughnut shape. Both are primarily used for decorative purposes.

Pumpkins are also used to create the walls

of the pumpkin house. The shed-sized house has a wood frame with pumpkins filling in the spaces between the wood.

The orchard is run by Terry and Susie Boyd. The family has been growing apples for five generations. This is the third year they have grown pumpkins and offered activities.

sie said the Boyds wanted to provide a place for children to be active and learn about the orchard's fruits and vegetables.

"I'm always looking for something fun, that's natural for kids," she said.

Visitors can take a hay ride through the orchard, while Susie uses a small megaphone to point out types of trees and describes what the dif-ferent kinds of apples look like and their uses.

The ride stope at the pumpkin patch where the children are permitted to each choose a pumpkin to take home. There's only one rule, they have to be able to carry the pumpkin they choose by

This time of year provides the perfect setting



rounded by rolling hills plastered with a vibrant mn colors from tree leaves changing

into bright oranges, deep reds and rich browns.

The patch is divided into different sections.

The smaller pumpkins are on one end, larger ones in the middle and the ones grown for commercial purposes are at the other end.

Susie said they usually try to point the smaller children to the little pumpkins.

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1980s, and 35 were established but now most of the campuses are gone. Causes include Japans aging population, and a tendency of Japanese stuaging population, and a tendency of Japanese stu-dents to bypass the branch campuses and come directly to America, Dom said.

In 2000, there are only three branch campuses

left in Japan.

Dom said Kumakura has a long and distin-guished past. During World War II, Kumakura was a student at the Japanese Naval Academy at Etijima, an island near Hiroshima. Dom said the

war ended before Kumakura graduated, which is why he never served in com

After the war, Kumakura became a high school teacher, and eventually got involved in politics. Dom said Kumakura has been mayor of Nakajo for 28 years, and he recently won another election.

A husband and father of three, he has spent

most of his life in government service. His so now a U.S. citizen who teaches at a high school in attle. His two daughters live in Japan.

Nakajo, a town about the same size as arbondale, is located on the Sea of Japan on the east side on Honshu, which is the large island where Tokyo is located. Nakajo is primarily a farming community.

EMPLOYEES

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I've asked of people in life - to give me a fair

Jack Shaw, food service director of Student Jack Shaw, look service director of students. Center dining, is extremely pleased with the employment training program. Without the program, Shaw said he would be hard pressed to find employees to fill all of the vacant positions that arise throughout the year.

"There's not enough employees to service the need of the public," he said. "You just can't sit back and wait for people to come to you. We

really have an on-going partnership.

A self-proclaimed Saluki fanatic, Wade said his job not only has given him the opportunity to become more independent but it has also allowed him to mingle with many SIUC ath-

While he loves mingling with athletes, staff and students, Wade said his biggest pet peeve is when patrons "take advantage" of the bowl of pennies that rest near his register, taking more than two at a time.

"I'm pretty happy with what I'm doing right now," Wade said. "I'm a people person, and I like for my regulars to come through my line everyday and to get to know them.

CANDIDATES

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and training. He said as state representative he would look at the factors that keep minorities from accessing opportunities and jobs, like income lev-els, poverty and lack of resources in education. "Affirmative action is not just at the job site, it starts very early in life," Koehn said. "Things like family, health care, quality education — when

those things are in place, a person can be success-

Bost said he is opposed to affirmative action cause he feels it creates tension, not harmony, ecause he feels it o een races

Too many people think that with affirmative action discrimination gets pushed the other way, st said. "It just creates more resentment.

Bost stressed that he supports "help up" pro-grams, not "hand out" programs. He said he is a believer in programs like the Eurna C. Hayes Center, a Carbondale community center that helps the disadvantaged. The center, Bost said, is an example of how federal funds can be used with

"We know what our problems are, it should be our call, that is our concern," Bost said.

Mario Burton, president of the Black Affairs Council, said he is concerned about the racial atmosphere for plack SIUC students who come

"Part of the problem for blacks is the rural set-ting of [Southern Illinois]," Burton said. "Carbondale is growing, and it needs to change with the times.

According to a 1998 U.S. Census es Jackson County had a black population of 11.5 percent. Union County had a black population of

0.7 percent, and Perry County's is 2.7 percent.

"I think the racial makeup of those counties is due to the rural family structure in those areas,"
Bost said. "Carbondale is diverse, more transient, less likely to be racist."

Albritton said as a lifetime resident of Carbondale those percentages do not surprise her. But she said she thought for young black families who may want to live in Southern Illinois, it might

"I'm sure there are still problems around here," Albritton said. "But things are better, there is no question about that."

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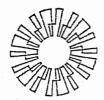
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Department of Education begins displaying Universities' statistics as public domain

DAVID OSBORNE DAILY EGYPTIAN

For the first time, SIUC's crime statistics, along with undreds of other colleges and universities can be found online at the Department of Education's website.

Crime in 1999

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Manslaughter -

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Alcohol Arrest

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Sexual Assault-Force

Sex Assault-Nonforce

Judicial Affairs Referrals

Arson

Burglary

Murder -

Auto Theft

Robbery

Under the Jeanne Clery Act, SIUC has been compiling crime statistics and making them available to the public. Starting this year, those statistics were collected by the Department

Education were added to an online database. Using the database, prospective students and their parents can look at a school's data.

The numbers for SIUC show some good news, and some bad. SIUC's number are up for aggravated assault, arson and sexual assaults, while burplaries and automobile thefts are down. SIUC also shows a decrease in arrests for alcohol,

drugs and weapons.
SIUC Police Lt.
Todd Sigler cautions about reading too

much into the numbers. With the relatively small numbers that make up SIUC's statistics, a slight change can seem much more significant than it really

"In respect to theft, it has been declin-

ing over 20 years," Sigler said.
Sigler said sexual assault has remained relatively steady, with small increases and decreases during the years.

Jean Paratore, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs and dean of students, offered one possible explanation for the increase in this year's numbers: the reporting requirement for sexual assaults changed

this year. Previous to this year, the numbers were based

"Now it's all occurrences, all reported incidents going

into the report," Paratore said.

Paratore's office compiles the report and submits it to the Department of Education. Part of the statistics come from SIUC police, the rest from other agencies.

"What we've does — we've contacted the

"What we've done — we've contacted the Carbondale Police, the Jackson County sheriff, and the other counties where we have institutional-controlled

facilities," Paratore said. While Carbondale and Jackson County responded, at all of the other agencies contacted did.

In addition to crime, universities are also required to compile statistics on alcohol, drug and weapon viola-

tions that are referred for disciplinary action, such as referrals to SIUC's Student Judicial Affairs. While the arrests in those areas are relatively small, the Judicial Affairs referrals are much higher.

Paratore said most of those numbers come from vio-lations of Housing policies. She said sometimes a student resident assistant might catch a student with alcohol in their room, and the report is forwarded to Judicial Affairs without police involvement. Sigler said the larger numbers for referrals could

stem from the difference in criteria used. Judicial Affairs relies on a preponderance of evidence, where the legal system requires a higher standard.

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"We may be called gate, but it may or CRIME STATISTICS may not result in an

arrest," Sigler said. He pointed to the Undergraduate Student Government President Bill Archer. Archer was brought before the Judicial Affairs board and censured after an SRA reported an odor asso-ciated with marijuana use in Archer's room. The evidence in that case was not sufficient for a court of law. The Jeanne Clery

Act was signed into law Nov. 8, 1990 by President George Bush as the "Student Right-To-Know and Campus Security Act." It took effect Sept. 1, 1991, and the epartment

Education was charged with enforcing the law.

The law required all institutions of higher education

to release campus crime statistics and security policies to their current and security policies to their current and prospective students or employees. Congress enacted this law, which was originally known as the "Crime Awareness and Campus Security Act of 1990."

Amendments in 1998 added new catepories to the crime statistics, an obligation to report statistics for public proper-ty in and immediately adjacent to the campus, a geographic breakdown of sta-

tistics, and a daily public crime log for schools with a police or security department.

The law was also amended to require the

Department of Education to centrally collect the crime statistics and make them publicly available. The 1998 amendments also formally named the law in memory of Jeanne Clery.

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result in an arrest.

TODD SIGLER

Department of Education Web server crashes because of incoming statistics

> DAVID OSBORNE DAILY, EGYPTIAN

An idea for simplified reporting of university crime statistics turned into a major traffic jam on the information superhighway.

The Department of Education required universities to turn their crime numbers in for the first time this year. to turn their crime numbers in for the first time this year. In order to ease reporting, the institutions were to input the numbers directly to the department's web server. The result was first a slowdown, then a crash of the server now. The Department of Education extended the reporting deadline until this past Tuesday.

Jean Paratore, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs and dean of students, said the going was dreadfully slow last week as she tried to comply with the reporting requirements, then things just stopped. She called the department, and they told her the server had

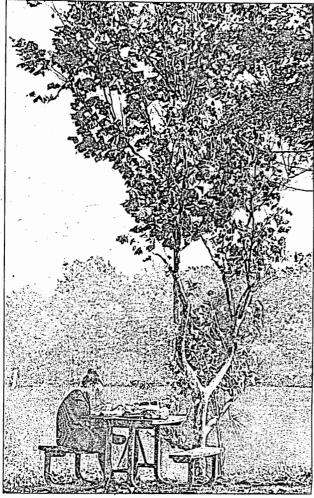
crashed and advised her to try again the next day.

"I finally sent it the next day at 7:15 a.m. before everyone else got on," Paratore said.

The original deadline for submitting the reports was

Oct. 17. As it became apparent the department's server would not handle the traffic, the deadline was extended a week. SIUC managed to get its report in by the origi-

Paratore said she did not think that the Department of Education anticipated the number of schools that would be trying to upload their reports at once. Instead of spreading out the reports, many schools tried to upload the reports during the two weeks prior to dead-line, causing the crash. "I can laugh about" sow—I'm done!" Paratore said.



STUDYING LAKESIDE: Jennifer Cerulli, a law student from Warrenville, studies under a tree at Evergreen Park Tuesday.

Tuning students on to their own college radio station

MATTHEW MCGUIRE TMS CAMPUS

New York, NY— College students may run college radio, but the majority of college radio stations find they

have a hard time getting their peers to tune in.

"The main gripe I get from college stations is that they have listeners in the community," said Moose, director of college and specialty romotions for The Music Syndicate, a company that spe-

romotors for Invisit Syndractic Company that specializes in music promotion to college radio.

What to do? A board of panelists tried to answer the question Sunday, Oct. 22, during the College Music Journal Music Marathon panel "College Radio, College Community: How Can the Former Reach The Latter?"

One roadblock that often stands in the way of attract-ing the attention of the university community is lack of respect from the school's administration, said Carlyn Kest er, national director of college promotions for Reprise

Ted Dougherty, who now works promotions for Columbia Records to college and heavy metal radio, used to work as the station manager at Seaton Hall University in New Jersey and found that station's all-metal format dished so are well with the administration at the Catholic C didn't go over well with the administration at the Catholic university. In the end, the radio staff and a iministration met half way.

In addition to ziring public service announcements throughout the day, the station would broadcast daily church service from 6 to 7 a.m. The station also agreed not to play Iron Maiden's "Number of the Beast" and anything black metal show somehow made the cut.

At other colleges, several students found that the

administration was unaware how professionally the student radio station is run and were reluctant to support what was perceived as a place for students to waste time. Often times, just sitting down with the administration and explaining how the station benefits the community and the

students who run it is a surprise the university. Outside of university bureaucracy, getting the attention of the student body can be a challenge as well especially when most col-lege radio stations don't play the mainstream that the majority of the student body listens to.

Be sure that the college bookstore and cafeteria are

playing the college radio station, Moose said. And to entice the building to broadcast the station, the radio station could give away any extra promotions materials such as stickers, posters and CDs to attract customers to the book-store or cafeteria and also alert them of the radio station.

Marshall Kraft, the music director for NOSNO, and dent-run radio station at Green River Community College dent-run radio station at Green River Community College in Sumner, WA, said his station garnered the attention of the student body when they offered a lunch special with

"It was unbelievable the response we got from kids who wanted to have lunch with the band," Kraft said. "The band just wanted to sit around and drink beer, and the kids just wanted to sit there and watch them drink."

Other student radio stations found they had luck using

Other student radio stations found they had luck using other student groups to promote the radio station. Millie DeChirico, promotions director from WPAS, the Georgia State University radio station in Adanta, CA, has the radio station's top 30 list published each week in the student newspaper. The station also worked with student filmmakers at the school to produce a 30-second commercial for the station that plays before all the movies in the student theater. A similar commercial also runs on the Georgia Strate students un pleasion station.

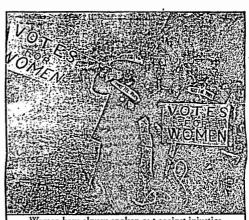
Georgia State's student-run television station.

Sybil Augustine, music director at WORT, a community radio station in Madison, WI, keeps the college community listening to the station by offering shows to DJs from the college station, which for the time being is only available over the internet. The station also offers time to trious community members, who are then mentored by the station's staff.

Regardless of what technique each station uses, there is ne thing to keep in mind, Augustine said.

thing to keep in mind, Augustine said. "The bottom line is getting you community involved."

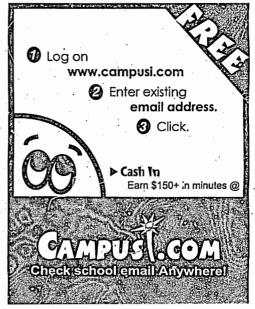
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HAZING

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two kept quiet.

Preliminary hearings are part of a fact-finding investigation by Student Judicial Affairs and Student Development, to see if any charges must be made and hearings to follow. Four of the members had hearings Monday where one of the students' sus-pension was lifted because his name was not on the incident report. The other three hearings, including Rogers', take place

Jean Paratore, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs, said she could not confirm which fraternity is under investigation or that they have been suspended, because the investigation is ongoing. "We have had a couple of complaints

from two students who were going through the new-member process regard-ing alleged hazing that occurred," Paratore said. "We are investigating both through the [Registered Student Organization] perspective and also through Judicial Affairs relating to the individuals who were involved.

Paratore said whether they are true or not, hazing allegations are taken seriously.

"Hazing is not acceptable behavior, and we will not accept or tolerate it," she said. "If it has occurred and we can determine that it has occurred we will take very swift action and deal with it very seriously."

Paratore also said the fact-finding sessions are in process, which will determine whether there will be a formal hearing.

whether there will be a formal hearing.

Larron Williams, a senior in finance
from Chicago, said at his Monday hearing
the moderator gave him four different
accounts of what happened Oct. 9.

Williams' suspension was not lifted, and he
is scheduled for another hearing Nov. 2.

Darian Nolan, a junior in finance from
Chicago, said he "didn't have a chance to
have their mind." at his Monday hear-

change their minds" at his Monday hear-

My name was on the list as 'a paddler,' Nolan said. "[The moderator] still sees me

as a threat to the community."

Nolan's suspension was also not lifted.
His next hearing is Friday. Nolan and one of the other members have campus jobs. Because suspension includes all campus involvement, neither can work until the suspension has been lifted.

Terry Huffman, director of Student Judicial Affairs, said he could not com-ment on the situation because it ais ongo-

ing.

According to Rogers, the parents of the pledges are threatening lawsuits against the fraternity and the seven members who allegedly hazed their sons.

The fraternity has been collecting signatures for a petition to change the Student Conduct Code, which allows beginning their configuration of the student Conduct Code, which allows

Judicial Affairs or Student Development to suspend students without hearing both sides of the story.

Embarrassed male fails to report rape

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(U-WIRE) GAINESVILLE, Fla. - The stigma of male rape is often the biggest reason the crime can go unreported.

"I have received e-mails, four or five, from men after they have graduated telling me that this [rape] happened to them while they were students at UF," said Maggie Gerard, coordi-nator of the Victim Advocate program.

The men were so embarrassed that they did not feel they could come forward while they were still at the University of Florida. The men did not want anything done about the report other than having it on record, Gerard said.

Ann Tierney, a psychologist from the Center for Sexual/Assault Abuse Recovery and Education at UF, said male rape on the UF campus is often not reported.

Nationally, rape occurs 1.2 times per 1,000 men aged 20 to 24, according to National Crime Victimization Study conducted by the

U.S. Department of Justice in 1998.

That age range is the group with the largest percentage of male rapes per 1,000 people. Comparatively, women, aged 20 to 24, are raped eight times per 1,000 people. The highest age range is 16 to 19, according to the Justice Department study. Justice Department study.

Men have many of the same issues that

women do with rape but women are educated to recognize and report the incident, Tierney

Many men may not realize that what happened to them is considered rape and some may not want to acknowledge that they have been raped, she said.

Although homosexuals are generally the targets of rape, it can happen to heterosexuals. Sixty percent of all male rape victims are heterosexual, according to the University of Miami Counseling Center and its Sexual Assault Response Team.

Many men are ashaped to come forward

Many men are ashamed to come forward because of the stigma attached to what it means to be masculine in this society, Tierney said. They focus on the sexual part of it and not what has happened to them, she said.

Rape is an act of overpowering another erson and this is embarrassing to many men because they are traditionally seen as strong and not able to be overpowered, Tierney said.

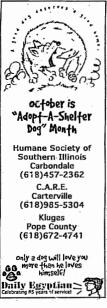
"Rape is not just bad sex or sex that you didn't want to have, it is a very different kind

of phenomenon and the feelings that go along with that are very intense," Gerard said.

After a rape experience, men often feel humiliated to a higher degree than some women do because of the male image.

"Awareness of male rape will not happen until men take it [rape] up as a cause and decide to do something about it," Tierney







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with and to understand."

James A. Sullivan, a professor in workforce education and development who was Robert's academic adviser for his master's degree, described him as gentle and dedicated to his job.

"I thought he was the finest person

you could ever know," Sullivan said.
"He was the kind of person you enjoyed working with and being

Robert supervised a full-time worker and several student workers in the records office where he worked for the past three years. Robert had worked in various positions in the Office of Admissions and Records for 1'1 years except for the four years the couple spent in Champaign so Jana could finish her degree in veterinary medice. Robert and Jana were married for about 15 years according to friends and didn't have any children. Both have family in the central Illinois area.

"Bob was just a nice person," said Larry Frailey. Robert's direct supervi-sor. "Of all the people I've ever met, Bob was one of the nicest. Everyone who met him liked him. It's a blow to the whole office."

Rhonda Sciarra contributed to this story.

ACTION

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action policy. The University's policy has been in existence for more than 25 years. SIUC, along with other colleges and universities, established its own policy based on state and federal laws. The current mood has not gone unnoticed by officials on campus.

"Discrimination affects everyone. said Associate Chancellor for Diversity Seymour Bryson, who also leads the Office of Affirmative Action and Equal Opportunity at SIUC.

"Whites are victims of discrimina-

tion just like anyone else, but there are issues and circumstances that cause it to be more prevalent in other groups."

Affirmative action became preva-lent in last Wednesday's presidential debate between George W. Bush and Al Gore. At one point, Gore peppered Bush repeatedly with questions about affirmative action, once flatly asking the Texas governor whether he favored affirmative action in any form, to which Bush avoided answering direct-

The issue emerged in the 1996 campaign as well. California's Proposition 209, which banned preferences in government jobs and college admissions, passed by a 54-46 margin by California voters during the 1996

Lawmakers from other states, such as Michigan, Nebraska, Texas and Arizona followed suit and vowed to put similar referendums on the ballot for the 2000 campaign.

Recent Supreme Court decisions dating back to 1998 have resulted in a weakening of many state and federal affirmative action laws. Opponents say these situations affirm their position that the policy has gone to far.
"There should be a middle

ound," said State Rep. Mike Bost, Rground, said State Rep. White Loos, a Murphysboro, an opponent of affirma-tive action, or "preference-based initiatives" as he calls them.

"I feel that there are certain things that have been done, possibly special rights that have been given, to appease certain groups instead of doing what the Constitution says, which is to treat all men and women equal."

Many Americans agree with that notion. Polls snow that a significant mber of Americans, between 50 and 60 percent, are opposed to affirmative action or at least the notion of "preferences" as it relates to affirmative action policies.

However, supporters would argue that recent statistics might diminish much of that support. In 1997, a year after Proposition 209 sailed through on a referendum, the University of Texas showed almost a 50-percent drop in black students from the previous year. Out 6,500 freshman, only 150 were

Nevertheless, opponents continue to assert that the policy is racist in nature, despite its intentions, while supporter's stress that racism nerica is what caused the need for the policy in the first place. Opponents such as Bost remain steadfast saying it is ideology, and not ignorance, that drives their motives.

"Rather than focusing on the race, or focusing on the gender and individual differences, we need to focus on the person," he said.

Chuck D helps set independent tone at CMJ music marathon

MATTHEW McGuire TMS CAMPUS

Baseball wasn't too far from the minds of those in New York this past weekend, and it wasn't too far from the mind of former Public Enemy frontman Chuck D as he delivered the keynote speech at this year's College Music Journal Music Marathon.

Unlike the level playing fields of baseball diamonds and basketball courts, Chuck D argued that while an excellent baseball payer will always make it to the top (post 1947, he recognized), talent does not always equal success in the music industry. "In sports, one thing that I always admired was the organization of it," said Chuck D, who's recently been going by the name Mistachuk in his new hard rock project Confrontation Camp. "I've always loved music, but I've always looked at music as being some sort of disorganized hustle. In sports, it didn't matter if you were good or wack, you could at least participate at some level. If you were good and you were the cream of the crop, there was a structure that would float you up. Music isn't necessarily like that. There's a lot of participating artistry in music over the past 50

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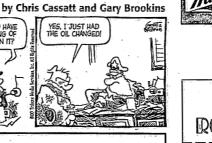


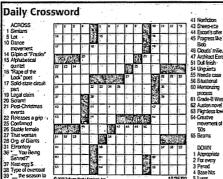
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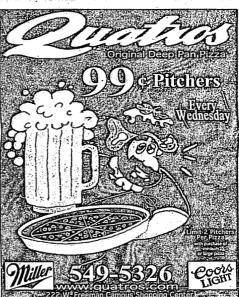




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tend to be shafted in the seeding process. And try as they may, MVC teams are unable to attract the necessary media

ention to lure many top-caliber players.

But these frustrations are facts of life for MVC schools, who must find a way to build upon the steady progress that has been made in recent years. There's no better way to do that than claw into postseason play, and — here's the big part — do some darnage upon getting there. "In spite of all these alibis, we've got to find a way to get

into the (NCAA) Tournament, win a couple games, and build upon the credibility that we already have," said Waltman, whose Sycamores bowed out to Texas in the first round of the NCAA Tournament last year.

There are MVC teams capable of achieving postseason success this season, including the Salukis, whose impressive talent could make them one of the nation's biggest surpris es if SIU's heralded newcomers can match the intensity of

last year's gritty squad. Creighton, targeter last year's gritty squad.

Creighton, targeted by the media and coaches as the preseason favorite to win the league, is the only Valley team that should be able to match up with SIU in terms of sheer athleticism this season. In addition to its rock-solid backcourt of Ryan Sears and Ben Walker, Bluejays head coach. Dana Altman has assembled a deep team that has added size to complement a dangerous perimeter attack. Beyond hoping that whatever teams are expected to do well in a given year reach their potential, the conference is looking at long-term options for improvement. The Valley has moved to offer league schools financial incentives to bolster their non-conference schedules, a strong plea to conference and the provided by the conference of the provided by the provided by the provided provided by the p conference coaches to raise their bar of expectatio

"I still think for our conference to get more respect, we have to play more Big Ten, Big Twelve schools," said Walker, whose Bluejays have done their part by knocking off a handful of major opponents in recent years. "It gives us lots of exposure and lets people know we can play with any-

Most coaches seemed to like the new policy, save some misguided grumblings from Evansville head coach Jim Crews, who seemingly prefers fattening up on patsies to making a real effort to elevate the league.

While there is much for the conference to think about

as it continues its search for respect, for Tuesday, most everyone was content to ponder their chances in the fast-approaching season. Illinois State head coach Tom Richardson summed up the feelings of the league's coaches during his remarks Tuesday to the hoard of Valley media.

"I hope I'm as excited in January as I am right now," said Richardson, whose Redbirds should be improved after a dismal showing a year ago. "But only time will tell."

Richardson may be wondering about January, but as usual, a nation of college basketball fans will be paying the most attention to MVC schools in March.

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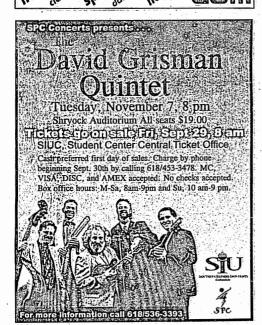
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Minnesota spared harsh penalty for basketball infractions

JUDITH YATES BORGER KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Despite finding the Gophers men's academic fraud scandal to be among the worst it has seen in 20 years, the NCAA has spared the University of Minnesota harsh penalty, according to a report to be released this afternoon.

The NCAA committee on infractions has placed the university on probation for four years, reduced scholar-ships, official visits and evaluation of opportunities in men's basketball, and imposed work restrictions on former coach Clem Haskins, former academic counselor Alonzo

Newby and former secretary Jan Cangelhoff.

The penalties could have been worse. The committee on infractions seriously considered imposing a postseason ban on men's basketball for the 2000-2001 season but ultimately concluded that university President Mark Yudof's action, combined with the scope of the investigation, mit-

After the scandal, the university bought out Haskins' contract and did not renew the contracts of four others in e athletic department. It also returned \$350,000, which is 90 percent of the money it received from NCAA tour-naments in 1994, 1995 and 1997, and eliminated seven scholarships beginning this school year.

The committee on infractions commended the university for the integrity and comprehensiveness of its investigations, its complete and accurate self-report, its willing-ness to accept responsibility and commitment toward crit-cial self-examination and restructuring to avoid repeat vio-lations," according to an NCAA news release. "The committee noted, however, that the university did not discover the academic fraud through its own monitoring processes and its thorough after-discovery of violations contrasted with its significant failure to monitor prior to discovery."

The committee said Haskins was involved in the acad-

emic fraud, Newby behaved unethically and Gangelhoff completed about 400 items of course work for at least 18 men's basketball players.

"The screenings involvement with the preparation of work for the student-athletes was arranged primarily by the academic counselor with knowledge of the head men's

basketball coach," accord ing to the NCAA release. "As a result of this academic fraud, ineligible student-athletes competed for the university's men's basketball team from 1994 through 1999."

Yudof declined to comment Monday night. However, a top university official said he was not disappointed by the NCAA's action. The NCAA is expected to release a copy. of the complete report this afternoon on the Internet: www.neaa.org/enforcement. University administrators and men's athletics officials have scheduled a news conference

for 4:30 p.m. to discuss the report.

While the NCAA is loath to compare scandals and while the IVAAL is locate to compare scancias and punishments, its findings in the Minnesota case follow a decade-long trend of trying to deter athletic programs from cheating instead of destroying them for it. That philosophy grew out of the Southern Methodist University scandal of the 1980s, when it was discovered that boosters that points. Dallas school had all always to flave and at that private Dallas school had haid players to play and that school officials tried to cover it up. It was the messiest scandal in the history of collegiate

It was the messiest scandal in the history or conegiate athletics. In 1987, SMU refused to disclose what it knew about the payoffs, and the NCAA imposed the so-called "death penalty," dismembering the football program and banning it from competing for one season. Television and ticket revenue vanished. So did blue-chip recruits, who had no interest in trying to revive a dead program. Vo scandal has approached the scope and severity of "Ponygate," as it became known. But the harsh penalties sent a chill through athletic departments and university boardrooms across the country. Now, colleges are more contrite and offer goodwill gestures in the hope of avoiding the NCAA's wrath. The infractions committee, consistently has been lenient, on malfeasant colleges that sever ties with its wayward athletes and employees, impose its own sanctions on itself and recommend penalties, as Minnesota did. Five years ago, Baylor University was embroiled in a similar case involving basketball coaches who supplied coursework for junior-college transfer students. The school fired three coaches, declared four athletes academically eligible and placed its

program on probation.

Citing Baylor's "quick and decisive" actions, the NCAA imposed no new sanctions, meaning the team could appear on television and compete in postseason tour-

Nebraska, Oklahoma set pace in 1st BCS ranking

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Nebraska and Oklahoma were ranked Nos. 1 and 2 in the

Nebrasica and Organoma were ranked Nos. I and 2 in the first Bowl Championship Series rankings, announced at half-time of ABC's Monday Night Football game.

The BCS rankings will be used to determine the two teams that will play for the national championship in the Orange. Bowl on Jan. 3.

Bowl on Jan. 3.

The rankings combine four parts — the Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN polls, eight computer ratings, strength of schedule ratings and won-lost records — to create an ultimate rating of college football teams.

Third in the BCS was Virginia Tech, which is ranked second in both major polls but didn't garner the computer scores that Oklahoma did.

Minimum fourth, followed by Floride State Floride and

Miami was fourth, followed by Florida State, Florida and lemson.TCU was rated 13th.

BCS rankings also play a large role in bowl assignments for

the Fiesta, Sugar and Rose bowls. Each has a regional tie to a conference or conferences but will be assigned opponents based

Nebraska and Oklahoma meet Saturday in Norman and could play a second time in the Big 12 Championship Game. If either is ranked No. 1 or 2 in the final BCS standings, it will play in the Orange Bowl in Miami. If not, the Big 12 champion will go to the Fiesta Bowl in Temps, Ariz.

Other teams with inside shots at the Orange Bowl include

the winner of the Nov. 4 Vurgina Tech-Miami game, which is expected to determine the Big East championship, and the vinner of the Clemson-Florida State game, expected to determine the Clemson-Florida State game, expected the Clemson-Florida State game, expected to determine the Clemson-Florida State game, expected the Clemson

mine the winner of the ACC title. - The Florida, with a victory over Florida State and in the SEC championship game, could slip into a top-2 position if other narios fail.

TCU could finish undefeated and still might not land a spot in a BCS bowl, partly because of its low-rated schedule and partly because of the possible ascent of Notre Dame.

Salukis sticking toget

One of two 'sabbatical' players return

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Saluki football wide receiver Brian Hamlett resurfaced from an identified "sabbatical" during last Saturday's game at Southwest Missouri State University

Hamlett had two catches for 26 yards in the 27-9 loss. Both Hamlett and linebacker Bart Scott did not play nor attend the Oct. 14 game versus Drake University. Scott was not seen with the to um and has not been around team functions for the last two weeks.

SIU football head coach Jan Quarless said Scott is "still on sabbatical." Quarless said he wants to keep it as that and did not make any further comment.

A member within the team said Scott could be back with the team "soon." The member also said the word sabbatical is a "fancy way of saying suspended."

Another team member said he has not seen Scott in the

last two weeks and does not know what his situation entails. All the while, Quarless is trying to keep the "sabbatical" situation within the confines of the team and said, "Let's just

In other team news, Quarless is concerned about the throwing game. Quarterback Sherard Poteete threw the ball for 115 yards and ended the game with 85 yards rushing.

I think there are different ways to use a quarterback. I am concerned about the throw because we haven't been as efficient, but we still threw the (ball) 28 times.

JAN QUARLESS
SIU head football coach

Quarless says he still has confidence in Poteete's abilities

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Quarless said. "I am concerned about the throw because we haven't been as efficient, but we still threw the (ball) 28

The Salukis (2-5, 1-2) are tied for fifth place with Illinois State University. SIU will travel to Normal for a Saturday

contest against the Redbirds (3-4, 1-2). SIU will need to bounce back after dropping a 27-9 loss Saturday to Southwest Missouri State. The Bears scored 24 fourth quarter points in the come-from-behind victory.

Despite the setback, the Saluki defense gave a valuable effort, and Quarless was pleased with his team's performance.
"I never questioned effort and intensity," Quarless said. "But we failed to execute when we had to."

Saluki Football Notes:

Offensive lineman Chad Graefen has a thigh bruise and should be probable for Saturday's game.

Linebacker Teddy Sims has a sore knee. He did not prac-

tice Tuesday but should be ready Saturday.

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basics correctly first, [then] advance it. There's no doubt as the year goes on, I want to extend play, and I want to use our athleticism.

The Salukis know it will take more than athleticism to build upon last season's success, in which advanced to the second round of the National Invitation Tournament. As one of only two Saluki seniors who figure to log major minutes, Cross will be asked to help fill the leadership vacuum left by the departure of a gutty group of SIU seniors.

Cross is eagerly anticipating his leadership role on this year's Salukis, who he said should be able to overcome a lack of team size.

We don't have much size but we have quickness and we can really outdo some people this year," Cross said. "If we can get around guys and play some defense, we should be OK."

In fact, SIU should be more than OK. But faced with a challenging non-conference schedule before umping into the always-competitive Valley slate, the question becomes how far the Salukis' influx of speed and skill can carry them.

"It just kind of depends on how well our new guys come in and mesh together," said Williams, who added 20 pounds to his bench press during the offseason. "We got great talent, but it's going to take a little while for them to understand the concept of our offense and everything."

Williams, who played the off-

guard position as a freshman, has en dabbling at the point guard spot speel projected starter Brandon Mells, who is nursing a foot injury. But Williams running the Saluki offense may be more a sign of the function of the functio

future than a stop-gap measure.
"It could be perman "It could be permanent,"
Williams said. "Right now it's kind of
because Brandon's out and we need somebody to step in that spot. But when I was being recruited by [Weber] he told me that he'd like me to be a point guard before I get out of

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BRUCE WEBER

ere, so there's no better time to start

than now."

Williams will no longer have to put up with being the obvious target for opposing defenses. The aggressive nore should benefit from the extra freedom the arrival of his tal-

extra freedom the arrival of his tal-ented new teanmates — such as wing players Toshay Harvey and Tyrese Buie — will afford him.

"A guy like Toshay and Tyrese aren't just shooters or slashers, they can do more than one thing," Williams said. "Having better players round will help me ofers up a let around will help me open up a lot

The Salukis have about 12 strong players, pending Weber's decision on potential redshirt candidates. Because of the plethora of talent Weber has to choose from, the Saluki coach is preaching patience to his squad.

"If they produce, we'll play them all and the thing then is to value whatever time you get," Weber said. "If you're sitting there moping and saying 'I'm not getting enough time,' other guys are going to pass

That's a luxury Weber hasn't had I hat a luxury Weber hash t had until this season, and could wind up propelling the Salukis well beyond fourth place. But regardless of where SIU finishes, one thing seems cer-tain — the 2000-01 Salukis are

equipped to put on a dazzling show.
"We're going to ge out on everybody, get in passing lanes, it's going
to be a whole other kind of style," Cross said. "We're going to be running and jumping much more—it's going to be chaotic in a good sense.

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let it go."

"And that makes a big difference to have a coach you want to work hard for. I feel that having fun and work-

want to work hard for I feet mat having fun and working hard is what basketball is suppose to be about."

The Salukis were picked to finish eighth in the 10-team conference by league coaches, sports information directors and a media panel. Perennial power Southwest
Missouri State University was picked first in the poll.
Opp is in her first season in the head coach position

since Julie Beck resigned Aug. 2. for personal reasons. Last year Opp was an assistant to Beck, so she is familar with the team, but wants to incorporate a more fast-paced element that was absent from last year's squad.

"We'll play a real up-tempo style," Opp said: "We'll try to score early and often ... last year we had a prob-lem scoring. Hopefully we can take care of that prob-

lem. "Our post-players are very capable of running the floor. We're going to score as much as we can in transition, and defensively we're going to pick up a little bit and play a real up-tempo, in-your-face style of defense."

SIU will have to account for the transfers of three of

last year's players in Kim Holloway, Janina Lopez and LaToya Graves, but with five new recruits, Opp remains lent.

McDoweil also thinks the team's chemistry is more complete this year.

It will be a lot easier this year, because I think everybody is more into playing a team style of ball than we were last year," McDowell said:

Hathaway, who averaged 11 points and 5.2 rebounds a game last year in 28 games played, will be expected to continue scoring points and grabbing rebounds in the

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TERICA HATHAWAY

team's newfound style.

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Opp will be looking to seniors Hathaway, Courtney Smith and Kristine Abramowski to step up as team

leaders this season.

"They seem to be very focused," Opp said. "Their intensity level in practice is great, and as far as the leadership role, they have been fantastic in talking to our

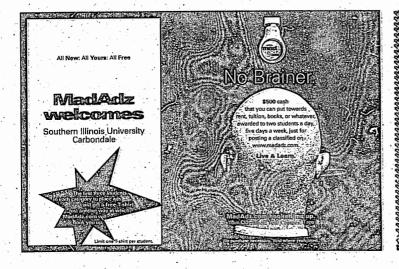
young pups and helping them along."
Notably, in addition to junior college transfer Holly
Teague who brings depth at the guard position, Opp has four new freshmen who she hopes will make an ir

"With our four freshman, Angela Tolbert is very athletic, Jenny Wegler works very hard, she's more of a blue-collar player, and Tiffany Crutcher and Jodi Heiden in the post will both give us some immediate help," Opp said.

"If we can continue with the same work ethic and

If we can continue with the same work ethic and intensity that we have been I think we can be very successful.







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Salukis sticking together as one of two 'sabbatical' players returns.

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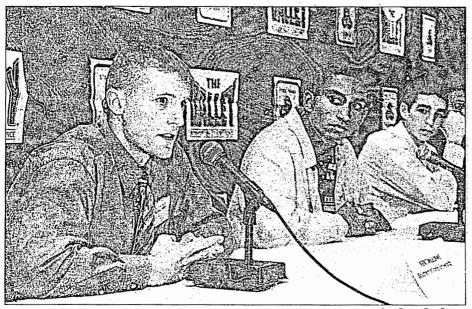
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MVC Media Day



SIU sophomore guard Kent Williams talks to the media at the Missouri Valley Conference's media day in St. Louis Tuesday. Expectations are high for Williams this season after a strong rookie year

Salukis fourth in MVC poll

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ST. LOUIS — Bruce Weber has the athleti-cism at his disposal this season that he lacked in his first two years as SIU men's basketball head

Six highly-regarded newcomers, along with a solid returning cast including last year's Missouri Valley Conference Freshman of the Year Kent Williams, skilled big man Jermaine Dearman and seniors Joshua Cross and Abel Schrader, have the Salukis positioned to accomplish great

things this season.
But much of SIU's talent is unproven, and the improving MVC features a handful of teams that also boast promising rosters. So the new-look, run-and-gun Salukis head into the 2000-01 season tabbed for fourth place in the 10-team

league, courtesy of the preseason poll unveiled at the Valley's Media Day Tuesday in St. Louis. Creighton University was picked to win the conference, while the University of Evansville and defending MVC champion Indiana State University were picked to finish second and third, respectively. Although Weber is armed with the quickness and depth to engineer a legitimate push to the top of the standings, he intends to ensure the

top of the standings, he intends to chastic the con-soluble employ a controlled type of fury.

"The one problem is having so many new guys," Weber said. "To do a lot of things you want to do — maybe pressing and things like that — you've got to be careful, because if you put too much in, you're not going to do anything well.

"We've got to make sure we teach some

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Women hoopsters seek to revinvent themselves

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carried a sense of optimism for the 2000-01 sea

ST. LOUIS - With less than two weeks before the SIU women's basketball team's first exhibition game, rookie head coach Lori Opp son at the Missouri Valley Conference Basketball Medi Day Tuesday. Never mind that she inherited a team that

finish'd last year's campaign 8-20. Senior wing player Terica Hathaway and sophomore guard Molly McDowell, who accompanied Opp to the Gateway City, both echoed Opp's claim of a new atmosphere in practice thus fa

"There's a real big difference [this year] for me," Hathaway said. "We've worked so much harder for whatever reason. I think [Opp] brings so much fun to the team. She brings excitement and she makes you want to work hard for her.

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Valley still has a ways to climb

ST. LOUIS — The Missouri Valley Conference, eternally seeking more national respect, should be in the position to demand is during the course of the upcoming basketball

It has a cluster of teams that are legit postseason candidates, and though it is premature to

son candidates, and though it is premature size things up with much certainty, the Valley is poised to make major noise this season.

The three teams picked ahead of SIU are strong. Typically weak Valley bottom-feeders Drake and Northern Iowa finally have enough talent to emerge from their misery. And the teams in the middle are sure to make it a dogfight every winter night the ball is thrown up in Valley gym. As Indiana State head coach Royce Waltman

says of the Valley, "There's no easy win, there's no easy basket."

So what's missing? Mainly Mainly postseason wins, which the Valley would be well-served to address come March.

The way college basketball works these days, what happens before the NCAA Tournament

shrugged off by the media and fans, whose

limited attention span leaves only enough focus to remember what happens under the lights of the TV cameras during March Madness

Jay Schwab

DAILY EGYPTIAN

That means the strides the MVC has made in overall competitiveness will carry minimal impact until there are more stories like the 1998-99 Southwest Missouri State team that knocked off a pair of power conference teams in the NCAA Tournament on the way to a Sweet 16

appearance.

There are a number of formidable obstacles for the MVC, arguably the best mid-major league in the country, en route to moving up a few notches in the college basketball hierarchy and being able to annually expect three or four teams in the Big Dance.
Big-name teams from big-name conferences,

which are necessary to play in order to accumuwhich are increasing to play in cheef to accommodate high enough power rankings to garner real postseason consideration, are ever-so-reluctant to play MVC teams on the road. If Valley teams do make it to a postseason tournament, they

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