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Israeli diplomat talks conflict in Middle East at Student Center

MOLLY PARKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN

As volatile conflict continues to plague the Middle East, Israeli diplomat Nimrod Barkan entertained questions about Israelis and the overseas strife in the Student Center on Monday.

During a brown-bag lunch discussion, Barkan condensed thousands of years of ethnic conflict between the Palestinians and Israelis into 30 minutes and explained the formation of Israel in 1948, which has been a source of major conflict between the Israelis and Arabic countries in the Middle East.

Besides being an Israeli diplomat, Barkan is also a director of policy studies in foreign ministry in his country. He said the Israelis, who are predominately Jewish, would like to see peace restored between the Arabic countries and the Israelis in the Middle East, who have a long history of ethnic conflict.

The trip, originally scheduled as a conversation meeting between the Jewish, Christian and Muslim faiths at St. Andrews Church in Carbondale, managed to bring Barkan to the University to explain the situation in the Middle East to Americans.

The meeting was arranged in conjunction with the History Department, the Jewish foundation of Southern Illinois and the Hillel, which is the foundation for Jewish life on campus.

Sam Goldman, professor of administration and higher education, was a member of the roundtable discussion and said Barkan was trying

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Route 13 rush-hour accident sends two to hospital



JUSTIN JONES - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Calvert Johnson had to be taken to Memorial Hospital of Carbondale on a stretcher after the Cristaudo's Catering van he was driving collided with a Jeep Cherokee heading eastbound on Route 13 in front of Mugsy McGuire's during Monday's rush-hour traffic. Rescuers had to free two people trapped in the Cherokee, which flipped over after the collision. Johnson's son was also taken to the hospital for observation. Eyewitness Lori Morrison, 36, of Murphysboro described the accident. "I saw the van hit the Cherokee," Morrison said. "It spun out first and then flipped." Mary Jording stopped her car when a witness told her a dog flew out of the Cherokee after the collision. Jording chased down the gray terrier, Molly, after the dog ran from the scene. Jording talked with the dog's owner and told her she was uninjured. "She knows her dog is OK," Jording said. "She was more worried about her dog than the accident."

Multicultural dance company visits Shryock

SARAH ROBERTS
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Melanie Motsinger has been waiting for this moment for more than 10 years.

Since reading an article in "Dance" magazine in 1990, the lifelong dancer and owner of the Touch of Class dance studio in Harrisburg, has been fascinated with what she calls the dance company of the 20th century.

Tonight others will be able to share in Motsinger's moment as the Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company performs at Shryock Auditorium for the first time.

"I expect nothing less than awesome dancing," Motsinger said. "I feel that it is going to explode on-stage, and everybody there is going to be fascinated by the amazing ability he has to project what he's feeling through dance."

Founded as a multicultural dance company in 1982, the Bill T. Jones/Arnie Zane Dance Company made its international debut later that same year at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. The product of an 11-year collaboration between Bill T. Jones and the late Arnie Zane, the company has performed its extensive repertoire in 30 countries and more than 100 American cities.

The company's latest work, "You Walk," features an eclectic mix of East African, Medieval Spanish, Central American and opera

DANCE!

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music.

Robert Cerchio, director of Shryock, said the performance examines how the merging of unique societies can lead to conflicts.

"It really deals with the clashes and difficulties different cultures experience when they come into contact with each other. When you combine anything, something is created, but you also tend to lose something. He [Jones] does this regarding the blending of cultures," Cerchio said.

Cerchio meets with local choreographers and dance studios each year to review hundreds of performance company videos and produce a list of possible bookings for Shryock.

"We usually have anywhere from 20 to 30 companies that we could book for performances," Cerchio said. "It's just a matter of shopping and finding the right deal."

SEE WALK THIS WAY, PAGE 2

City Council primary today

MARK LAMBIRO
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Four candidates will advance to the April 3 ballot after today's Carbondale City Council primary election.

Eight candidates will appear on the ballot for the Carbondale City Council race. Incumbents Maggie Flanagan and Larry Briggs are running against previous contenders Corene McDaniel, Jeffrey T. Shepard and Carl Flowers. The ballot also includes SIUC students Bill Archer and Rob Taylor along with first-time candidate Kevin Kozlowski. Each voter has the option of selecting two candidates.

Jackson County Clerk and Recorder Larry Reinhardt said he expects a lower turnout than in the municipal race two years ago, because that election included the mayoral race.

"Last time we had the two races on the ballot rather than one, this year just the council race is on the ballot," Reinhardt said.

Reinhardt said he estimates 2,000 people will go to the polls today. The election will cost the county \$20,000, about \$10,000 less than a typical gubernatorial or presidential election because of the fact that fewer election judges are needed during municipal elections. Reinhardt said the polls usually have five judges but tomorrow, only three or four will be used.

The two ward-system referendums will not appear on the ballot until the April 3 election. The first referendum seeks to divide the city into six wards with one councilman elected from each ward. A conflicting referendum, which was filed later, wants to divide the city into four wards but also elect two councilmen at large.

The referendums were approved earlier this month by the Carbondale Electoral Board.

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Carbondale 2	Vinyard Comm. Church, 1445 S. Wall
Carbondale 3	High Ridge Senior Center, E. Walnut
Carbondale 4	Housing Community Center, N. Main
Carbondale 5	High Ridge Senior Center, 411 E. Walnut
Carbondale 6	Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 7	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 8	Church of Christ, 1805 W. Sycamore
Carbondale 9	St. Paul's Church, 1101 S. Wall
Carbondale 10	Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois
Carbondale 11	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 12	Church of Good Shepherd, Orchard Drive
Carbondale 13	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
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Carbondale 15	St. Paul's School, 1101 S. Wall
Carbondale 16	Grace United Meth., Old 13 & Tower Road
Carbondale 17	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 18	C.H.S. East, 1501 East Walnut
Carbondale 19	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 20	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 21	University Hall, 1101 South Wall
Carbondale 22	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 23	Grinnell Hall, SIUC Campus
Carbondale 24	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 25	Leritz Hall, Thompson Point
Carbondale 26	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 27	Church of Christ, 1805 W. Sycamore
Carbondale 28	High Ridge Senior Center, 409 N. Springer
Carbondale 29	Vinyard Comm. Church, 1445 S. Wall

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ISRAEL

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to help Americans understand the situation in the Middle East.

"The Israelis are trying to say, 'Stop violence and let's go to the negotiating table,'" Goldman said.

The United States has a long history of relations in the Middle East, which keeps a rich oil supply flowing into the country. As a continued effort to guarantee oil, President George W. Bush recently ordered a missile attack into Iraq as a pointed political message that the United States would be strict in enforcing no-fly zones. Iraq has continued not to recognize the zones, which were placed at the end of Desert Storm.

"The United States is saying to Iraq, you'd better behave," Goldman said.

Anti-American aggression escalated this

past weekend in Arabic countries as Secretary of State Colin Powell spent the weekend in the Middle East in meetings with Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov. Burning of the American flag highlighted the acrimonious environment.

The Arabs have strong associated ties with Russia, which further instigates negative U.S. sentiment toward Arabic countries. The United States is the most important ally the Israelis have, Goldman said.

"The Arabs have aligned themselves with the losing side of the Cold War," Barkan said.

However, Goldman doesn't believe the Bush administration is taking a newfound tactic with supporting the Israelis in the Middle East, although there have been different tactics in how president have responded to the problems in the Middle East.

"The United States commitment to Israel goes back all the way to Harry Truman," Goldman said.

WALK THIS WAY

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The Jones/Zane Dance Company finally turned out to be the right deal for Cerchio, who attempted to bring the performers to Carbondale in previous years.

"Bill T. Jones is on the cutting edge, right out in front," Cerchio said. "He deals with a lot of issues and things you don't see every day."

Motsinger, however, has a definite goal for the 14 students she is taking to the show.

"This is a big step for Carbondale, and it could be a sign of more great companies to come," she said.

Cerchio said Jones' productions are always challenging but hesitated to predict what audi-

ence members would gain from the performance.

"Each person takes something out of a performance that is unique to them. I don't want to dictate what that may be," Cerchio said.

Motsinger, however, has a definite goal for the 14 students she is taking to the show.

"This is the first multicultural performance we're going to see, and I really want to open their eyes," Motsinger said. "I want them to experience new things that they've never seen before."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

TODAY
 Lunch with an Author
 Marji Morgan
 author of "National Identities and Travel in Victorian Britain"
 noon
 Interfaith Center

Student Programming
 Council's Marketing
 Committee
 5 p.m.
 Activity Room B -
 Student Center

College Democrats
 Meeting
 5:15 p.m.
 Mackinaw Room -
 Student Center

Only public events affiliated with SIU are printed in the Daily Egyptian Calendar. The editors reserve the right not to print any submitted item. RSO and departmental events will be printed in the Daily Egyptian Online Calendar at www.dailyegyptian.com.

Calendar item deadline is two publication days before the event. The item must include time, date, place, admission and sponsor of the event and the name and phone of the person submitting the item. Items should be delivered to Communications Building, Room 1247, or faxed to 453-8244. No calendar information will be taken over the phone.

WEATHER

TUESDAY:

Scattered showers
 High: 50
 Low: 28

POLICE BLOTTER

JACKSON COUNTY

• At 6:51 p.m. Sunday Chad Woods was arrested and charged with domestic battery. Police said he allegedly struck and attempted to strangle the victim. Woods was taken to Jackson County Jail. The victim was taken to St. Joseph Memorial Hospital.

UNIVERSITY

• At 3:51 a.m. Sunday Hannibal Amir Bures, 18, was arrested and charged with aggravated assault and resisting and obstructing a peace officer at Mac Smith Hall.

• At 1:38 a.m. Sunday, Michael T. Foy, 18, was arrested and charged with possession of more than 30 grams of cannabis and two counts of delivery of more than 30 grams of cannabis. He was unable to post bond and taken to Jackson County Jail.

• At 2:20 a.m. Saturday, Christopher Gerald Hannel, 22, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. He posted \$100 bond and was released.

• Between 11:45 p.m. Friday and 7:05 a.m. Saturday a motor vehicle was burglarized in Lot 106. A leather coat, backpack, textbooks, a pen, pant and CDs were taken from the vehicle. The loss is valued at \$600 and there was no sign of forced entry. Police have no suspects.

• Between 10 p.m. Friday and 1:30 p.m. Saturday a motor vehicle was burglarized in Lot 106. Speakers, a Pioneer CD player, Hiphonics amp and Maglight were taken from the vehicle. The amount of loss is valued at \$808.

CORRECTION

In Monday's front page story, the headline should have read "Cuban citizen may enroll at SIUC next fall."

The Daily Egyptian regrets the error

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Promised USG allocation reforms delayed

Change in funding request forms, process could make for bittersweet allocations

CHRISTIAN HALE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Undergraduate Student Government finance committee hopes to begin the annual funding allocations process by the end of the week, getting a late start despite a year of promised reform.

At Wednesday's USG meeting, the finance committee was fully staffed, enabling it to do official business concerning promised reform of the allocations process.

USG President Bill Archer said he is nervous about some delays concerning the upcoming spring allocation period.

In the past, funding request forms for Registered Student Organizations were handed in to the finance committee the Friday before spring break, which is fewer than two weeks away.

"[The finance committee] hasn't released the information or the forms yet," Archer said. "Considering some RSOs only meet every other week — including USG — it's getting close."

Archer said he is worried about the effectiveness of the new form.

The old funding request form was 20 pages in length and full of background questions about the organization requesting funding. The new form is only two pages and less inquisitive.

USG Senator Rob Nunn, member of the finance committee, said the hardest part of any new proposal is getting people to listen and accept it.

He said the form may be shorter, but there are three pages of rules that must be followed to get any funding.

"You have to dive in head first to fix big problems," Nunn said. "We want to set a good cornerstone for people the next year or two to build from."

Archer said the length of the old form appeared daunting to many students, resulting in a host of errors within completed forms and in some cases, causing some organizations to give up trying to complete it.

"However, I don't think you can streamline a funding request form, especially when people are saying there is no rationale behind any of the fund-

ing," Archer said. "With only two pages, there is no way to rationalize anything."

Nunn says by the end of the week, the forms should be ready to hand out to student organizations requesting funding during the spring allocation process.

Another item of reform, unanimously supported by the finance committee, concerned a new plan to fund Priority One RSOs, which act as umbrella organizations to groups that share similar or parallel interests.

"What we want to do is alleviate some of the problems with the corruption in the past," said Nunn.

Nunn said the committee's first move is to give more money to Priority One organizations, which will then fund RSOs that operate underneath them.

"With the new forms, the RSOs would tell the Priority Ones how much money they would want," Nunn said. "The Priority Ones would still

come interview at the end of the year for funding like they always did, but they would be asking for more money for groups underneath them."

Nunn also said those Priority Ones would use these new forms to back up an organization's request to that particular Priority One, creating a paper trail to foster more financial accountability.

"Instead of having InterGreek Council and 27 fraternities and sororities, only IGC would show up for the allocations interview," Nunn said.

In this example, IGC would have the paperwork from those organizations under it, Nunn said. It would take a lot of work away from the USG finance committee and make things less confusing and overpowering, he said.

Nunn said with the lowered projection in the amount for allocation next year, possibly decreasing 20 percent to \$350,000, the finance committee realizes that funds are going to be "a hell of a lot lower."

"Basically, every RSO can expect not to get as much as they have in the past," Nunn said. "Right now, we're just trying to lay the groundwork for reform."

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ROB NUNN
USG SENATOR

NEWS IN BRIEF

CARBONDALE

Graduate scholarship grants now accepted

Applications are now being accepted for the Elizabeth Earnes Women's Studies Graduate Scholarship.

To apply for the \$750 scholarship, applicants must submit four sets of complete applications — a letter outlining interests and participation in issues regarding women, a two-page abstract of thesis or dissertation and two letters of recommendation — by March 30. One official transcript of graduate work is also required.

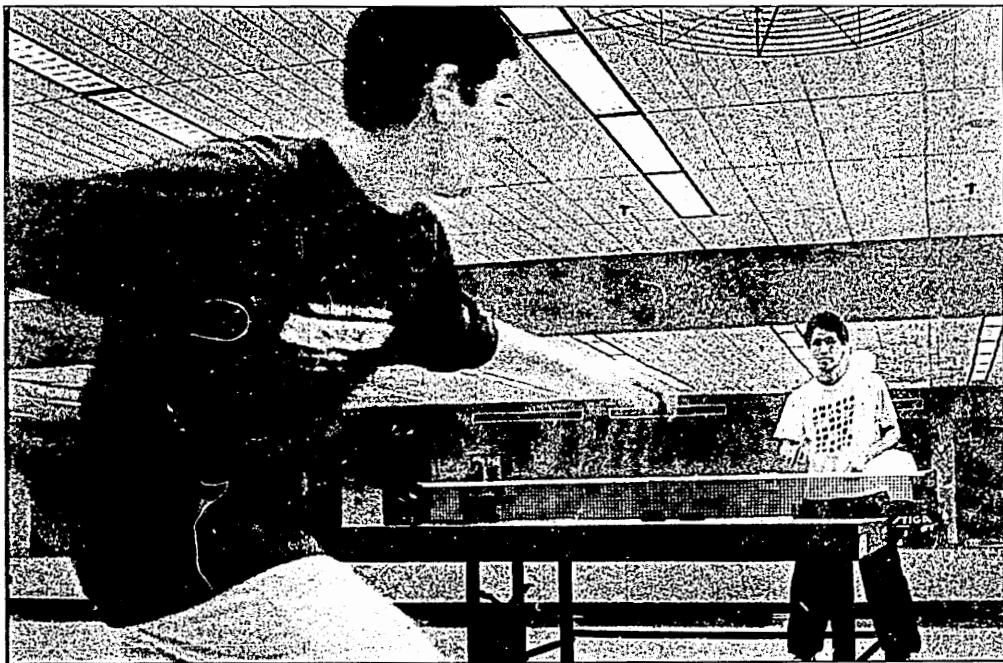
For more information, call 453-5141 or fax application to 453-3263.

History professors honored for teaching

Two professors in the History Department recently acquired awards for their excellence in teaching.

Robbie Lieberman, associate professor of history, received the College of Liberal Arts Outstanding Teacher Award for demonstrating excellence in teaching history on all student levels.

The George S. and Gladys W. Queen Award for Excellence in Teaching went to Jonathan Wiesen to recognize outstanding undergraduate teaching.



Charnchai Tangpong, a doctoral student from Thailand, and Michael Whitney, a doctoral student from Country Club Hills, sharpen their table tennis skills at the Rec. Center Monday. After competing together on a doubles team, both Tangpong and Whitney feel they have a complete understanding of each others techniques.

JESSIE KOLA
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tangpong dominates in pingpong tournament

SIUC students take home first and third in tournament

CODELL RODRIGUEZ
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Charnchai Tangpong bounces the small orange ball on the pingpong table anxiously as Michael Whitney prepares to challenge him.

Tangpong, a doctoral student in business administration from Trang, Thailand, and Whitney, a doctoral student in rehabilitation administration from Country Club Hills, have been practicing together since 1995, but now they have medals to show for it.

During the Association of Collegiate Unions International Tournament, which took place Feb. 9 through Feb. 11 at Northern Illinois University in De Kalb, Tangpong and Whitney took the first and third place positions.

Finishing high in the regional tournament, Tangpong and Whitney continue their practicing in preparation for the national tournament at the end of March.

Tangpong is not a stranger to the national tournament, finishing in the top eight in 1997. Bill Null, recreation manager of the Student Center, said Tangpong has a good chance of finishing high in the tournament again this year.

"I don't get to see him a lot, but I know he's a great player," Null said. "As far as our region, we [SIUC] are probably the strongest and one of the reasons is because of Mr. Tangpong."

Tangpong said table tennis does not get much attention and was more popular when he started playing.

"I've been playing since I was five," Tangpong said. "Table tennis was much bigger back then."

Tangpong has tried to boost the popularity of the sport by founding the SIUC Table Tennis Club in 1996, which is still on campus today.

Even Whitney is still in awe of Tangpong's skill after six years of training with him.

"He's the best player I know," Whitney said.

Whitney's years of training with Tangpong have set up a symbiotic force in their doubles game, allowing them to sweep the regional ACUI tournament.

Whitney said the factor that led to their success was their ability to play off each other. He said the other teams were too busy thinking about getting the ball to the other side of the table.

"That's what makes or breaks a team," Whitney said. "They don't play well together."

Tangpong and Whitney used a method of taking turns, while others hit the ball according to the side of the table it lands on.

The two players are looking forward to competing against the best in the nation and are ready to treat the game as much more than a simple recreation.

"Table Tennis is my first love," Tangpong s. J. "I play much more seriously."

Gus Bode

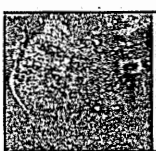


Gus says:
Too bad his name isn't ping.

COLUMNIST

Who is the very model of an SIUC chancellor?

Good morning. Please, come in. I understand you're here about the chancellor position. Very well, let's get the interview started then, shall we? I see here your name is Gilbert Sullivan. So, Mr. Sullivan, our national search has been going on for some time now, what qualities would you bring to the chancellor position here at SIUC?



Marcum My Words

BY CHRIS MARCUM
 marcum_my_words@hotmail.com

(Sullivan jumps onto the desk, bursting into song)
 I am the very model of an SIUC chancellor, I've information on degrees from doctoral to bachelor, I know the presidential past and quote the names historical, From Bob Allyn to James Walker in order chronological; I'm very well acquainted, too, with matters international, I understand statistics both fiscal and pedagogical, About the University I know more than a person should, With many cheerful facts about the history of Thompson Woods.
Uh ... yes, I see. Could you step down from my desk, please? Thank you. Now, I take it you've read the announcement for the position, then? We are looking for someone who can handle the "administration of academic personnel, fiscal and student-life policies for the institution." Have you given any thought as to how you would tackle these issues?
 On these topics I've researched each and ev'ry specific datum, I can now recite the entire Student Conduct Code verbatim, But to think that I've mastered each campus rule would be fallacy,
 For no one can understand the campus parking policy. Yes, so we've been told. But let's get back to the overall issues here. SIUC is not just here in Carbondale, but has an international presence as well, with many international exchange programs and linkages. As chancellor, you would be involved in maintaining and strengthening these programs. Also, an important function of the chancellor is helping to ensure the financial stability of the University. Your thoughts?
(Sullivan pushes the chair away, breaking into a soft-shoe routine)
 To run a university, it takes the steadiest of hands, To coordinate programs from Carbondale to Nakajo, Japan; I'd fill all the funding holes in programs established heretofore, And strengthen degree programs in Jamaica, Hong Kong and Singapore.
 The piles of money needed to operate is quite amazing, And I'm second only to Bill Clinton in terms of fund raising, In fact for bringing in the cash, we should start a new department,
 We can give it the title of Institutional Advancement
Um ... we already have that department, and ... could you stop

twirling that cane a moment and sit down, please? Now, we just held a public forum for the community to share their thoughts on what kind of person the next chancellor should be. What is your opinion on what was said at that forum?

They said that I should be a man of humorous capacity, And address students at the highest levels of

veracity, I'd further be accountable to president and BOT, And when I'm through they'll say a better chancellor they've never seen.

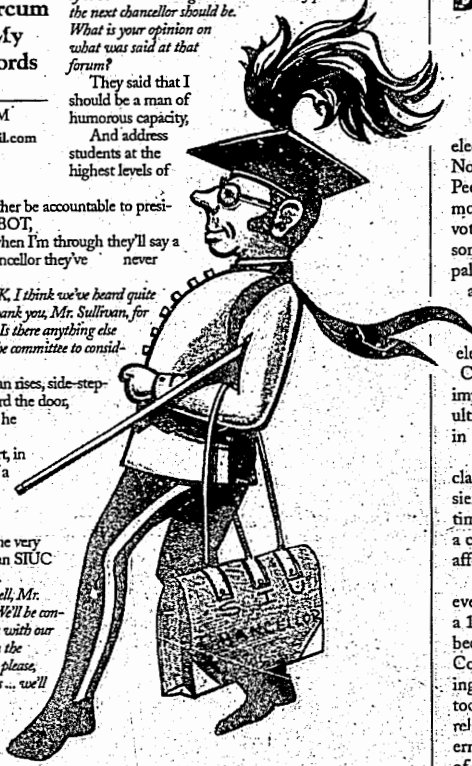
OK, OK, I think we've heard quite enough. Thank you, Mr. Sullivan, for coming in. Is there anything else you'd like the committee to consider?

(Sullivan rises, side-stepping toward the door, singing as he exits)

In short, in matters of a campus operating officer,

I am the very model of an SIUC chancellor.

Very well, Mr. Sullivan. We'll be contacting you with our decision. In the meantime, please, don't call us ... we'll call you.



MARCUM MY WORDS appears on Tuesday. Chris is a senior in theater. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

OUR WORD
Today's primaries should be a primary concern

If the messy national presidential election proved one thing this November, it's that every vote counts. People tend to recognize this a little more during a national election, because voter turnout and registration rates rise somewhat. But too often local municipal elections are ignored — disregarded as not important or glamorous enough to participate in.

Elections like today's primary election for the Carbondale City Council can have the most immediate impact on our lives, an election that will ultimately influence everyone who lives in this community.

Some students scoff at the notion, claiming that SIUC students are transient, and don't really need to invest the time or effort into deciding who sits on a city council. They ask, "how does it affect me?"

The council's decisions show up in every aspect of our lives. The next time a 19-year-old is allowed into a bar is because of actions taken by the City Council. The outcome of the never-ending Halloween saga will depend on it too. Not happy with tenant/landlord relationships? The council is the government body that can change it. Tired of the sad state of University Mall? Again, the council is the one with the power.

Even if students choose to ignore the potential effects the council has on their lives, the representation of the student body as a whole is at stake. SIU students make up a huge chunk of Carbondale's population. We are patrons of the stores and restaurants, renters of the housing and attendees of community events. Since we affect the atmosphere and economy of this city in such an obvious way, it is absolutely necessary that we help decide who will be the voice for our interests on the council.

Today is just the primary, the part of the election process often ignored. But the results today will narrow the field from eight potential candidates to the four for the general municipal election. If students feel strongly about student or minority candidates moving into the general election, then it is their turnout today that could determine the outcome.

So take the five minutes out of your day today and go to your polling place (in today's DAILY EGYPTIAN there is a listing of polling places.) It's not just an issue of civic duty or participation. Our issues and our representation are at stake, and every SIU student has the right and obligation to ensure our interests are heard.

LETTERS

Globalization allows Americans to ruin the rest of the world with pollution

DEAR EDITOR,

When Robert Reed asked "What social wrong will we demonize next?" in Thursday's DAILY EGYPTIAN, the answer is all of them. And when asking "how far are we willing to go," the answer is as far as it takes. This is the attitude. American society must take in order to stop the plague that is destroying the planet, known as the American Dream. Americans consume, destroy and pollute about three times more of the world's natural resources than any other country in the world, and with only a quarter of the population when compared to other countries. Our wasteful and selfish lifestyles have left the entire world wondering what the future of our planet is.

Reed wrote that we should not waste our time with boycotts because they are ineffective in a globalized economy. This is the worst attitude a person could have, but it is typical of Americans. Instead of supporting the people who are working nonstop to prevent the destruction that globalization brings, Reed suggests we take it as is, stick our faces in it and swim.

Globalization is ultimately America pushing its wasteful lifestyles onto the

rest of the world, whether they want it or not. It allows American corporations to set up shop overseas, where pollution control is at a minimal, if in existence at all. It allows America to literally destroy native cultures, rain forests, waterways and all other life that depends on these ecosystems for food, water and shelter. Yet Reed suggests we not utilize the only thing that can put a stop to such behavior, our economic vote. It is our economic vote, the dollars we spend on products and services, which allows the destruction of the world to continue. It is by far more powerful than our political vote. So next time you buy something, instead of thinking about how this is going to make your life more enjoyable, effortless or entertaining, try to think about what you are supporting.

Goodyear was a good example. Their products, along with Shell Oil, DuPont, Dow Chemical, 3M, Alcoa, Mirubishi and thousands of other corporations that depend on ecological destruction for economic gain, are the cancers of the earth, and your support is what is suppressing the cure.

Throw away your TV Rob, and live your life for the Earth, and not for a wasteful society you fear to stand up against. And I suggest you send an apology to Joseph Johnson, for he is not headed in the right direction, but is already at his destination.

Mike Long
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Students fixing computer problems

Accounting students doing real-world work for Beck Bus

JENNIFER WIG
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Working with computers can be a complicated job, but SIUC students are managing it better than professionals.

George "Bill" Beck, president and CEO of Beck Bus Transportation Corporation, decided to implement a computerized accounting system in his company last fall, but has not managed to do so after several people quit before completing the task.

A 1970 graduate of the SIUC

College of Business and member of the Business Advisory Board, Beck asked administrators in the college if they could provide him assistance with the plan.

James King, associate professor in accounting, jumped into the project, bringing his class with him.

King said the experience was exactly what the students in accounting will do in the workplace after graduation.

"One of the complaints I get from [my students] is that the level of responsibility they have now is not as high as when they were doing the project," King said.

The students had to observe the accounting system at Beck Bus before creating a procedure manual for payroll and accounts receivable. They then designed flowcharts for the systems, developed a system-

analysis table for payroll and billing and presented their work to the managers at Beck Bus in Mt. Vernon.

Liping Liu, an associate professor of management, agreed to finish the project this spring. The project is expected to be complete in June or July. Liu was unavailable for comment.

Michelle Rozycki, office manager at Beck Bus, said until the computer system is in use, they will continue doing payroll and billing by hand, which can be complex.

Rozycki said the company has attempted to become computerized in the past without success because no one could finish the complex work. But she has faith in the students who are doing the job now.

"[King's] got some pretty intelligent students who are asking all the right questions," Rozycki said.

First college ethnic newsmagazine continues call for equal opportunity

SHARON KIM
DAILY BRUN
(U. CALIFORNIA: LOS ANGELES)

LOS ANGELES (U-Wire) - Appearing first on December 4, 1968, *Nommo*, meaning "power of the word" in Swahili, is both University of California at Los Angeles' and the nation's oldest ethnic publication on a college campus.

Initially directed only to UCLA's African-American community, *Nommo's* objectives changed during the late 1970s and early 1980s.

"Our focus in those years was to remind black students of their obligation to return their intellectual resources to the black community and encourage high school students in inner-city schools to achieve so that they could come to UCLA," said Prentice Deadrick, editor of *Nommo* during the 1979-80 academic year.

One of the newsmagazine's major goals aimed at making the Los Angeles inner city aware of the African-American student presence at UCLA. In hopes of encouraging youth, its organizers distributed *Nommo* to predominantly African-American high schools and cultural and community centers off-campus.

This distribution, according to Deadrick, increased the newsmagazine's circulation from 1,000 to 25,000 during the years he was editor.

Also during his tenure as editor, *Nommo* became the first special-interest publication to be printed in color when the newsmagazine published a special memorial issue dedicated to African-American children murdered by a serial-killer in Atlanta during the late 1970s.

After a 32-year history, the basic issues *Nommo* addresses have not significantly changed over the years, according to Terelle Jerricks, a fifth-year history student and current editor of *Nommo*.

"The main agenda was making UCLA live up to its promises as a public institution," Jerricks said. "As a public university, all students should have access to it."

What initially began as an effort to raise consciousness about injustices in the African-American community, *Nommo* has now expanded to cover issues that concern other minorities and women as well.

"People of color are affected by the same issues," Jerricks said.

These issues include housing discrimination and the lack of availability of health insurance for some minority groups, challenges which force them to seek free, overcrowded clinics or to just "be in pain," Jerricks continued.

From the tumultuous times of the Vietnam War and the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., which took place during the newsmagazine's early years, Jerricks said *Nommo* had to

change to adjust to the more neutralized atmosphere of the mid-1970s.

From that time to the mid-1980s, *Nommo* became more aware of women's issues, focusing on sexism. During the mid-1990s to the present, the newsmagazine has focused on affirmative action, according to Jerricks.

He added that problems like police brutality and corruption, racism and discrimination — issues prevalent during the time of *Nommo's* birth — are still alive today.

Though the newsmagazine has achieved some of the awareness it has sought, Jerricks said there is still work to do.

In the future, he said he hopes for *Nommo* to become a more major newsmagazine with a larger readership. He is trying to incorporate more feature stories that are directly related to the Los Angeles community, specifically subjects that other newsmagazines may not want to address.

Currently, *Nommo* comes out on a bi-quarterly basis but Jerricks is working to make *Nommo* a monthly newsmagazine. By increasing the number of issues, Jerricks said he can reach more readers, and help them approach issues they may not be aware of.

With *Nommo*, he hopes to "burst their bubble."

"People sometimes forget about the world outside of their reality," Jerricks said.

Students leave New Orleans for Mardi Gras

YLAN MUI
THE MAROON
(LOYOLA U. NEW ORLEANS)

NEW ORLEANS (U-Wire) - Mardi Gras is one of the biggest free parties in the world.

Hundreds of thousands of people converge on the city for a fortnight of mad drinking and debauchery.

Daiquiris, king cakes, flambeaux, plastic beads and dancing on Bourbon Street. There's a "Girls Gone Wild" Mardi Gras video for a reason.

But whatever that reason is, you're sooooo over it.

Though about 1.5 million people are expected to swoop down on the city like party vultures for Fat

Tuesday, about 500,000 are expected to fight their way out of the madness of Mardi Gras, according to the New Orleans Tourism Council.

Lauren Gutierrez, communications freshman at Loyola University, is trading the Big Easy for the Big Apple.

Forget the bourgeoisie Bourbon Street bash. Gutierrez is looking forward to a week of high-class culture — hobnobbing at New York University, catching the musical Cabaret on Broadway and screaming her lungs out at Total Request Live in Times Square.

"I have to see TRL in action," she said.

"I don't even like TRL, but I'm going to go just because."

But fulfilling Carson Daly fan-

tasies hasn't been easy. Travel both in and out of New Orleans during Carnival is as difficult as scoring a strand of blinking beads.

Gutierrez has to hop a train Mardi Gras at 7 a.m., and won't arrive in New York City until the next day at 2:30 p.m. — that's more than 30 hours en route.

But with plane tickets running more than \$1,000 now, she said the \$133 price tag is worth the long ride.

Gutierrez's travel trauma doesn't end there.

On the way home, she flies from New York City to a connecting flight in Houston, but has to land in Baton Rouge and drive back to New Orleans. All the flights into the New Orleans International Airport were full.

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**HERE FISHY**

FISHY: Jake England, a junior in psychology from Decatur, and Eric Niemiec, a junior in forestry from Chicago, drop lines in Campus Lake Monday afternoon. Both reeled in fish using minnows for bait.

EULALIE FRYE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Law doesn't stop 18- to 20-year olds from drinking in New Orleans

ROBERT TREADWAY

THE MAROON (LOYOLA U.-NEW ORLEANS)

NEW ORLEANS (U-WIRE)—Coming from conservative Atmore, Ala., Brian Helton, 20, was used to having the legal drinking age at 21. No questions asked.

Although Atmore is not a dry county, the police were strict on the alcohol laws.

"They pretty much carded everyone; you could not have open containers, no alcohol in public view and certainly no alcohol on Sundays in the Bible Belt," the finance and accounting sophomore said.

So when Helton came to Loyola University-New Orleans, it was culture shock, as if he struck oil. The mineral spirits were flowing everywhere.

Like many other "underage" students from outside of New Orleans, Helton had his independence day. No longer did he have to be 21 to drink alcohol.

According to Loyola University's alcohol policy, students 18 years of age can consume alcohol in their dorm rooms because the university is in a unique situation. In 1996, Loyola and Tulane declared residence hall rooms as private residences. Under Louisiana law you may drink alcohol in a private residence.

This may come to an end soon.

Created in 1999, the Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking meets several times a year to evaluate the university's alcohol policies. Led by Counseling and Career Services Center staff counselor Leigh Anne Terbone, the group made several suggestions late last year to the Rev. Bernard Knoth, S.J., university president, about changing the rules.

One recommendation was to change the age for drinking in the dorms from 18 to 21. The proposal has sat on Knoth's desk awaiting approval or denial for several months.

"This is something that we definitely don't want to rush into," Knoth said.

He said he plans to discuss the recommendation with Res Life and several vice presidents before he makes a decision. He said there is no timeline on the decision.

Some students voiced concerns about changing the policy. Robert Reed, director of Residential Life, said the current rules have one advantage.

"At least now we have a good relationship

between RAs and students. Thankfully we don't have to be 'beer police,'" Reed said in November.

TO CHANGE OR NOT TO CHANGE?

Debate about the drinking age has gone on in Louisiana for many years.

In 1996, the state drinking law was changed to 21 under pressure from the federal government threatening to stop funding for highway projects.

Some students think changing the drinking age would not make a difference. Helton is one such student.

"I don't think it would change anything. People are irresponsible. I think the lower you make it, the younger people are going to want to drink and start binge drinking," he said. "I think it should be individually based."

Hyun-Jung Kim, 23, communications senior and president of the International Student Association, said that in her travels to Korea and England, she hasn't seen anywhere where the drinking age works. She said she thinks the lower drinking age in London may foster more responsible drinking habits. To her, a drinking age is meaningless, especially in New Orleans.

"I don't know why they have limits (on teenagers)," Kim said. "It's very easy to drink, especially in New Orleans. Everyone on Bourbon Street drinks during Mardi Gras. You can go to a drive-through daiquiri shop. If they card, you can get an older person to get it for you."

Though underage, Helton said he drinks freely, usually without any hassle from carding. "I pretty much drink when I have the urge. Nothing really stops me now," he said.

THE WAVE CHANGES DIRECTION

Tulane University is on the fast track to banning alcohol consumption in dorm rooms.

Tulane president Scott Cowen announced Jan. 25 that the university will prohibit students under 21 from drinking in he dorms.

The school will phase in the new rules over the next 18 months. According to a Jan. 26 article in *The Hullabaloo*, Tulane's student newspaper, "first-time, first-year freshmen under the age of 21 will not be allowed to drink in their rooms starting (next) school year. All students under the age of 21 will not be able to drink in the residence hall rooms starting in the fall of 2002 (sic)."

Cowen believes that his decision is necessary. "There are times when the administration has to make decisions that they think are in the best long-term interest of the institution. I do this with the confidence that this is the best alternative for the institution. I have no equivocation about that," Cowen said in the same issue.

Students across Tulane's campus had mixed reactions.

Kneth said he spoke with Cowen about Tulane's reasoning behind the move and will keep that in mind when talking about Loyola's policy.

THE RAID

A New Orleans Police Department's Second District alcohol task force has been cracking down on reports of underage drinking in the area.

Sergeant Dwayne Sherman, commander of the task force that performs the raids, said this is just one part of the force's duties. Besides checking up on bars regularly, it also meets with university alcohol task force officials to hear their concerns.

"It's just been an ongoing thing (the raids)," Sherman said.

He said that any complaints go to the alcoholic beverage control board.

"If we suspect the law is being violated, we inspect the complaints," he said.

Sherman said the raids are regular, and only a few complaints resulted in finding violations.

Christopher DiNatale, manager of Madigan's and GB's Patio Grill, said he is used to police raids, as well as the decrease in business when police come knocking.

"The task force comes, starts carding people left and right. They make everyone feel uncomfortable, and (people) eventually leave," DiNatale said. "When it gets (to be) raiding season, they (customers) go to the Quarter."

One Uptown bar owner said he doesn't appreciate the force raiding his bar all the time. He said he wishes to remain anonymous as not to incur any backlash from police. He said he doesn't understand the moves by the police or the universities.

"Their moves are kind of contradictory that they (students) can drink in the dorm, but they can really crack down on us. We're the bad guys on this," he said.

He said he thinks the law should be changed.

U. Chicago claims indemnity in radiation poisoning suit

REBECCA JARVIS

CHICAGO MAROON (U. CHICAGO)

CHICAGO (U-WIRE)—University of Chicago administrators announced this week that the terms in a contract made between the University of Chicago and the U.S. government by which it took control of the operations of a federally owned nuclear laboratory in Oak Ridge, Tenn., absolve the U of C from damages resulting from the laboratory's operation.

This provision in the World War II-era contract, administrators say, undercuts a lawsuit Oak Ridge residents have filed against the University of Chicago and more than a dozen major corporations.

Residents claim in the lawsuit that the U of C is partially responsible for radiation poisoning they alleged to have suffered from since the 1940s.

"The contract promises to indemnify and to hold harmless the University," said Larry Arbeiter, director of communications of the University of Chicago. According to Arbeiter, the terms of the contract may make it difficult for plaintiffs to prove that the University, which has not managed the facility since the mid-1940s, when the contract expired, is responsible for their health problems.

The Oak Ridge National Laboratory, which the University of Chicago managed, is one of three separate nuclear research facilities in the town of Oak Ridge. Workers at each of these laboratories originally filed claims against the government under the Federal Tort Claims Act in the early nineties. But the Supreme Court of Tennessee, citing certain provisions in tort law, ruled that the government was not liable for these claims.

In a second effort, made between 1994 and 1997, nearly one hundred workers at the plants filed eight cases against the manufacturers of Beryllium, a substance they handled on the job that experts say leads to cancer. These lawsuits, filed against roughly 20 manufacturers, are still pending because, with roughly 60 years past, it is unclear as to who manufactured the chemical element.

To rectify the situation, the government amended the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act of 2000. This act provides recompense for injured workers. Bill Richardson, Energy Secretary, explained that workers "who qualified would receive compensation for lost wages, or monetary support in a lump sum of \$150,000."

U. Illinois debates tests ACTs, SATs

JOYCE CHANG
DAILY ILLINOIS (U. ILLINOIS)

ized test scores to evaluate prospective students.

"I don't foresee a sudden change (in the admissions process) for UIUC," said Ruth Vedvik, director of the University's Admissions and Records Office.

Vedvik said she feels confident that the University does not overemphasize standardized test scores.

Atkinson recommended that the California schools only require standardized tests that test specific subject areas rather than aptitude.

Atkinson said he is a supporter of standardized tests, but feels the SAT and ACT are inappropriate in the college admissions process. He suggested the continued use of SAT IIs, a different form of the test focusing on specific subjects, for the admissions process until tests directly related to the college preparatory curriculum are developed.

Gaston Caperton, College Board president, responded to Atkinson's proposal in a news statement.

"The SAT is a common yardstick in an era of grade inflation, and where students complete different courses with different teachers using different grading systems," Caperton said.

Atkinson's proposal needs approval from the faculty senate and the system's governing Board of Regents before it can be enacted in the University of California system. This process could take up to a year.

Atkinson said the proposed changes are extensive and labor intensive. However, he said the changes are necessary.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. (U-WIRE)— The president of the University of California system recently proposed ending the use of the SATs as an admissions requirement for schools in the California system, citing the "devastating impact" the test has on students.

In his speech Sunday at a conference for the American Council on Education, Richard Atkinson said there is an overemphasis on standardized tests that compromises the education system in the college admissions process, according to the University of California Web site.

"Anyone involved in education should be concerned about how overemphasis on the SAT is distorting educational priorities and practices, how the test is perceived by many as unfair and how it can have a devastating impact on the self-esteem and aspirations of young students," Atkinson said.

He also said that SAT preparation is based on test-taking skills rather than on the ability to read and write.

"I kind of don't like standardized tests at all. They don't show if a person has had a bad day and a couple of hours really doesn't show what a person learned in high school," said Kitty Hess, freshman in LAS.

The University currently uses a combination of class rank, high school course patterns and standard-



JESSICA KOLE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

THUMBS UP: Students critiqued films produced by cinema students Monday afternoon in the Cinema Round Stage in the Communications Building. The films showcased were entered and accepted into the Big Muddy Film Festival that started last Friday and continues until March 4th.



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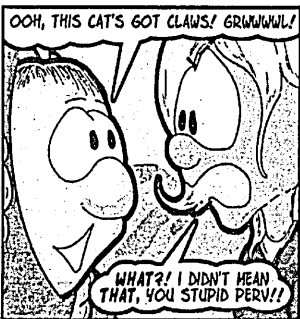
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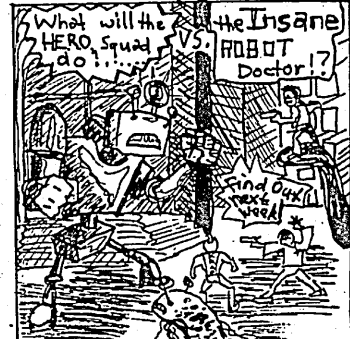
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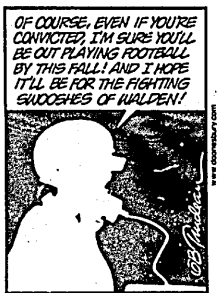
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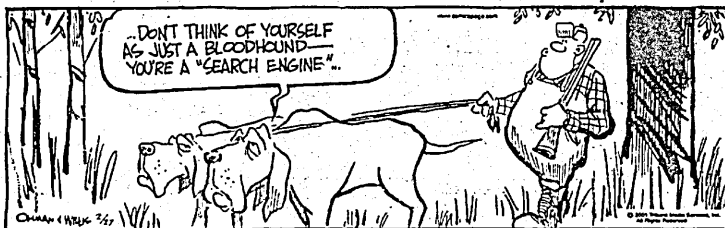
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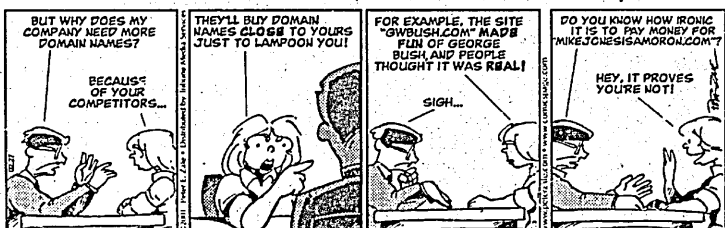
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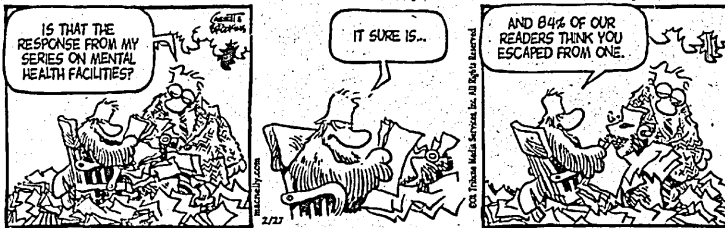
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Stremsterfer silences early Saluki struggles

SIU overcomes early setbacks, finishes strong at Troy Cox Invitational in New Mexico

COREY CUSICK
DAILY EGYPTIAN

After her team was dealt its fourth consecutive loss, Erin Stremsterfer simply said no more.

The senior Saluki softball hurler fired a no-hitter in the fourth game of the Troy Cox Invitational this past weekend in Las Cruces, N.M., to halt a struggling opening showing and jump-start a rejuvenated finish.

The Salukis lost their first three games of the Invitational, but regrouped and won the final two contests, starting with Stremsterfer's domination in the 1-0 eight-inning win against New Mexico State University Saturday afternoon.

"I was like, OK I'm pitching this game and I'm going to go out and set the tone, and no one is getting on base," said Stremsterfer, who tossed her third career no-hitter for SIU.

Along with not allowing a hit, Stremsterfer (1-1) was equally stingy with the free pass, not allowing any walks, while fanning nine.

"If I'm hitting my pitches, and hitting my spots, I feel like no one can hit me," she said.

For Stremsterfer, who was named to the all-tournament team along with freshman shortstop Haley Viehhaus, it was just a matter of returning to what her team is accustomed to doing.

"I think we were just sick of losing," Stremsterfer said. "That's not very normal for us. We don't ever want to get used to losing, you know we don't like that feeling."

The Salukis (3-4) continued the solid play through Sunday, using a two-run rally in the seventh inning against Iowa State University for a come-from-behind 3-2 victory.

Sophomore infielder Tahira Saafir hit the game-winning smash, a deep shot to left field that was dropped at the wall to score senior Netty Hallahan, giving SIU the dramatic

win.

Saluki head coach Kerri Blaylock was proud of the fight her team displayed after a sluggish performance in the opening day and a half.

"We could have just said 'Oh, we dropped three straight, let's just throw in the towel,' and they didn't at all," Blaylock said. "The fight that they had [Sunday], they were just refusing to lose."

That sluggish start had a little to do with the opposition, as SIU opened with No. 17 University of Oregon and a 20-4 Baylor University squad, which won the Invitational.

Oregon took advantage of four Saluki errors, leading to two unearned Duck runs. Stremsterfer suffered the loss for SIU.

Against Baylor, junior outfielder Jenny Guenther provided all the run production for SIU with a three-run homer, while Stremsterfer went 2-for-3 with the bat. Sophomore pitcher Katie Kloess (2-1) picked up the loss in five innings of work.

"Mark my words, Baylor will be ranked this week, higher than Oregon or Mississippi State are," Blaylock said. "So right there, three games out of seven, and you're talking about top-25 competition."

Freshman Mary Jaszczak (0-2) was hit hard in her only outing this weekend, lasting only two-thirds of an inning in SIU's 4-2 loss to Texas A&M University at Corpus Christi.

Blaylock said the heralded former high school hurler will be all right, it just wasn't her day.

But Blaylock pointed out that Jaszczak, like the rest of the Salukis, will lose again from time to time, but she

would rather get the losses out of the way now against top-caliber competition while learning from their mistakes, rather than later in the season in conference play.

"I purposely made this schedule tougher," Blaylock said. "And I knew we might take a few lumps."

But those lumps are at least educational ones, and reminders for later in the season when the losses come at a greater cost.

"It teaches us how to lose. It teaches us that we don't like losing," Stremsterfer said. "By losing a couple at the beginning of the year, you realize that you don't like that taste."

Troy Cox Invitational in Las Cruces, N.M.

Friday	
SIU - 1	Oregon - 4
Loss - Erin Stremsterfer (0-1)	7 IP, 7 H, 2 ER, 9 K
Top Hitters:	
Stremsterfer 2-3	M. Viehhaus 2-3
SIU - 3	Baylor - 6
Loss - Katie Kloess (1-1)	5 IP, 8 H
Top Hitters:	
Stremsterfer 2-3	J. Guenther 1-5, HR
Saturday	
SIU - 2	Texas A&M-CC - 4
Loss - Mary Jaszczak (0-2)	0.2 IP, 3 H, 2 ER
SIU - 1	New Mexico - 0
Win - Stremsterfer (1-1)	8 IP, 0 H, 0 ER, 9 K
Sunday	
SIU - 3	Iowa State - 2
Win - Kloess (2-1)	7 IP, 3 H, 3 K
Top Hitters:	
Stremsterfer 1-3	A. Rexcat 1-3
T. Saafir 1-3	

SOFTBALL RECAP

MISSOURI VALLEY RECAPS

Drake 50
Bradley 74

Bradley University defeated Drake University 74-50 Monday night in Carver Arena to secure the second seed in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament, which begins on Friday.

The Braves (17-10, 12-6) finish the MVC season undefeated at home this season, while the Bulldogs drop to 12-15 overall and 8-10 in the MVC.

Jerome Robinson led Bradley with 21 points and six assists, while Luke McDonald paced the Bulldogs with 19.

Drake will now have to play a Friday night play-in game at the MVC Tournament.

Wichita State 71
Illinois State 79

Illinois State overcame a 40-34 halftime deficit to beat Wichita State University 79-71 Monday night in Redbird Arena. Despite the win, Illinois State will be the No. 3 seed at this weekend's MVC Tournament because Bradley owns the tie-breaker between the two teams.

Senior guard Tarise Bryson led the Redbirds (20-7, 12-6) with 28 points, while Terrell Benton led the Shockers (9-18, 4-14) with 18 points.

Wichita State will be the No. 9 seed and play a Friday night play-in game at the MVC Tournament, while Illinois

State will play No. 6 seed, the University of Evansville on Saturday.

Northern Iowa 54
Evansville 60

The University of Evansville slipped to a No. 6 seed following SIU's last-second win at Indiana State University Monday night, despite the Purple Aces 60-54 win against last-place University of Northern Iowa on Monday in Evansville, Ind.

Senior forward Craig Snow led Evansville (14-15, 9-9) with 18 points, while Joe Breakenridge led Northern Iowa (6-22, 3-15) with 15 points.

Northern Iowa plays a Friday night play-in game, while Evansville battles No. 3 seed Illinois State on Saturday in St. Louis.

Southwest Missouri State 46
Creighton 74

Regular season MVC Champion Creighton University completed its perfect home season with a 74-46 blowout of Southwest Missouri State University Monday night in Omaha, Neb.

The Bluejays (23-6, 14-4) will be the No. 1 seed at this weekend's MVC Tournament, while the Bears (12-15, 8-10) are now forced to play a Friday night play-in game.



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Jermaine Dearman floated a six-footer with just ticks left on the clock to upset the Indiana State Sycamores at home Monday night. Dearman's shot lifted the Salukis into fourth place in the Missouri Valley Conference standings but they have yet to escape the shade of Sycamores. A rematch will happen this Saturday during the MVC tournament in St. Louis.

FILE PHOTO
JUSTIN JONES



Dearman beats the buzzer ... Again!

Salukis seal fourth seed for MVC Tournament for another battle against Sycamores

ANDY EGENSE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Abel Schrader won his final regular season game in a Saluki uniform with a pass straight out of the basketball history books.

With 1.6 seconds remaining, Schrader sailed a 75-foot out-of-bounds baseball pass to sophomore Jermaine Dearman, which Dearman leaped and converted a six-foot jumper for a 61-59 Saluki win against Indiana State University Monday night in Terre Haute, Ind.

The play mimicked former Duke University forward Grant Hill's pass that hit Christian Laettner for a game-winner against the University of Kentucky that put Duke into the NCAA Final Four in 1992.

Ironically, it was the second time that Dearman has beaten the Sycamores with a shot at the buzzer. His 3-point heave gave SIU a 68-65 victory against Indiana State on Jan. 20 at the SIU Arena.

With the victory, the Salukis secured the fourth

seed in this weekend's Missouri Valley Conference Tournament. Both SIU and Indiana State were playing for the fourth seed, so the Salukis (16-13, 10-8) will be the home team when the two teams play for the third time this season March 3 at 2:30 p.m. at the Savvis Center in St. Louis.

"I hope I don't have to do that again," Schrader said. "Jermaine made one heck of a catch, and more importantly, he put it into the hole and that was good."

Indiana State (18-11, 10-8) head basketball coach Royce Waltman disputed the call after the referees along with the Saluki players and coaching staff exited the floor. According to SIU sports information director Fred Huff, Waltman did not dispute Dearman's shot, but thought there should be more time on the clock that would have allowed Indiana State a final possession.

Schrader said he had no intention of returning to the floor before Dearman followed with, "I wasn't [going] either. I'm going to get dressed, then I was going home."

Once again, the Salukis could not sustain a 15-

point lead after point guard Marcus Belcher hit a 3-pointer less than a minute into the second half. Sycamore senior standout forward Matt Renn, who led his team with 17 points and 15 rebounds, gave ISU their first lead of the game with a running one-hand jumper inside the lane that gave ISU a 59-57 lead with 54.8 seconds remaining in the game.

But Schrader converted on two free throws to tie the score before SIU made a defensive stop and set up the miracle play.

SIU head basketball coach Bruce Weber got the play from his friend, a Division II basketball coach, but admitted that last second situations rarely work out in this fashion.

"It's a once in a lifetime type of thing," Weber said. "For Jermaine to catch it and keep his composure ... but God, for some reason, like the first time when he caught the ball and shot that three, you knew it was going in."

"[This time] I just knew it was going in, I don't know why, but it just seemed like it had eyes for the hoop."

This marks the third time this season that the Salukis have won on a last second buzzer-beater. Other than Dearman's two game winners, sophomore guard Kent Williams banked in a 35-footer to win at the University of Evansville Feb. 3.

Williams led the Salukis with 15 points, along with four assists. SIU and Creighton University, who will take the No. 1 seed in the MVC tournament, are the only two teams to win at the Hulman Center this season. ISU won against Indiana University with a last second 3-pointer Nov. 29.

Even though Schrader ended his final home game with a career-high 20-point performance only to lose to the University of Evansville 79-74 Saturday, his main priority was to get a win.

"It's special because our Senior Night got spoiled," Schrader said. "This was kind of our Senior Night, that's the way we took it, and we got a big win. I'm happy for everyone on the team and more importantly, I'm happy that we're going to the conference tournament with a win and playing better basketball."

Long road trip pays dividends

SIU baseball wins two of three, takes Northwest State Tournament

JAVIER SERNA
DAILY EGYPTIAN

It took 11 hours just to get there. But in the end, the expansive trek paid off for the SIU baseball team as it won the four-team Northwestern State University Tournament this weekend in Natchitoches, La.

Originally, SIU head coach Dan Callahan had estimated the trip would take "only" eight hours. But maybe Callahan overlooked all the traffic that comes with people flocking to Mardi Gras.

"In retrospect, had I known that it would take so long to get there, we probably wouldn't have made the trip, but at the same time, you look at what we did," Callahan said.

Friday, the Salukis extended their win streak to three games with a 4-2

win over Oral Roberts University at Brown-Stroud Field. On Saturday, host Northwestern State put the streak to rest, beating SIU 4-0.

In the final game of the road trip, SIU made easy work of Centenary College in a 10-2 battering Sunday. Oral Roberts and SIU both won two of three games, but SIU's victory over Oral Roberts Friday made SIU champions of the tournament.

The Salukis (4-5) have won four of their last five games — not too shabby considering the Salukis lost their ace pitcher and No. 3 pitcher to academic ineligibility before the season started.

"I think the team is starting to recognize that we've got potential," reliever Jered Detering said.

"Early on we recognized that we're really going to have to pick it up this year. I think the coaches recognized it, and I think the players rec-

ognized it. We hated to lose those players but at the same time, we're out here to play."

With a depleted pitching staff, the remaining arms have shown consistency lately.

In Friday's game, Josh Latimer (2-0) threw 6.1 innings, allowing six hits and two runs for the win. Detering threw for an inning and two thirds and Scott Lucht earned the ninth inning save.

The Salukis didn't get the winning run until the bottom of the eighth inning when Roman Schooleer doubled. Pinch runner John Clem scored the winning run on a bunt single by Ryan Murray. Sal Frisella scored the final run on an error after he got on base with a single.

"That was a big win because Oral Roberts is a team that made the NCAA (tournament) and they have a very rich baseball tradition," Callahan

said. "I thought we played pretty well and with some intensity."

Saturday, Billy Hardin (0-3) allowed three earned runs in seven innings. He struck out seven and walked two batters in the loss. Northwestern State pitcher O.J. King threw a one-hit shutout, striking out seven Saluki batters.

And while Hardin lost his third game, Callahan remains confident in Hardin's abilities and was satisfied with Hardin's performance Saturday.

"He threw good enough to win," Callahan said. "We had one bad inning, they scored all their runs in that inning. They had three infield hits and we made an error that inning and that hurt us, especially going up against a kid who ends up throwing a one-hitter."

SIU turned matters around on Sunday.

The Salukis had a six-run third

inning and the Gents never really threatened for the rest of the contest. Freshman Billy Clayton got his first collegiate win, pitching five innings while giving up two hits and two runs.

Scott Handy went 3-for-5 at the plate for the Salukis, with an RBI. Dane Kerley went 2-for-4 and scored twice, while Luke Nelson (2-for-5) and Sal Frisella (2-for-4) each had an RBI and a run scored.

But Callahan, as always, sees room for improvement.

"We've been inconsistent on offense, but we've got some hitters that I'm sure are going to hit," Callahan said. "We're seeing progress and I think in time we're going to be much more potent offensively."

ON THE ROAD AGAIN

THE SALUKIS FINISH UP THEIR 10-DAY GAME ROAD SWING WEDNESDAY AT 2 P.M. AT MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY.