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Professor hopes to work with company to solve problem, find truth

NICK JOHNSON
Daily Egyptian

SIUC automotive professor Dr. David Gilbert said at a press conference in his office Thursday he will continue to research unintended acceleration in Toyota vehicles.

Gilbert, who has more than 30 years of experience in the automotive field, spoke to reporters after presenting his preliminary findings to the House Subcommittee of Oversight and Investigation in Washington, D.C., Tuesday.

In what he described as a "whirlwind affair," Gilbert went from SIUC's automotive campus in Carterville to Washington, D.C., less than two weeks after he and Omar Trinidad, an assistant automotive technology professor, began testing vehicles for the state of Illinois. He said his team has tested Toyota sedans in the same time period in Carterville.

"There's a real good possibility that we'll see some real good results from this research," Gilbert said.

At the hearing, Gilbert testified that he and Trinidad found that a "bash," an instance of SAA, could be introduced to the computer system in Toyota vehicles without the computer reporting it as an error.

"Without an error code, the vehicle would not enter fail-safe mode, an emergency mode that reduces power to the engine, and acceleration would continue," Gilbert said.

Toyota has recalled more than 6 million vehicles over the past several months because of SAA, and Congress held three hearings this week to evaluate the carmaker's response to the problem.

"This research is far from over," Gilbert said. "We need to see how Toyota's systems compare with other manufacturers. We need to see how their systems work on other models."

The manufacturer first blamed oversized floor mats, then sticky accelerator pedals, for the potential of SAA in 11 of its models.

But that doesn't explain SAA, Gilbert said. "Those circumstances don't fit what people are saying," said Gilbert, who teaches a class on electronic engine control. "You're not just going to be driving down the highway and suddenly a floor mat gets jammed underneath (the accelerator) and you take off. That's not the way it works."

Bidding to begin on transportation facilities

RYAN VOYLES
Daily Egyptian

Scott Weber said the 10-year wait is about to come to an end.

Weber, the supervising architect for the Physical Plant, was one of several speakers present Thursday in the Student Health Center Auditorium as contractors from around the region planned final preparations for bids to construct three new facilities for the department of aviation and flight and the automotive department.

"This has been a project that has been a long time coming," Weber said. "It's been over 10 years since we've been planning and moving this project forward all the way to this point."

Thursday's presentation allowed more than 30 contractor groups to hear engineers, architects and members of the Capital Development Board explain the details of the project before turning in bids next month.

Marc Boudet, project manager for the state of Illinois, said because the construction is a state project, all bids must be approved by the CDB. The CDB said 20 bids must be received by the close of business April 9 for the project to move forward.
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ALUMNI ADD TO UNIFORM FUND

Eden Thorne, left, of Carbondale, sells raffle tickets to John Timmermann, of Herrin, Wednesday at Tres Hombres in Carbondale. Thorne and Timmermann, both alumni of the SIUC band, gathered with other alumni to help raise money to purchase new uniforms for the Marching Salukis. "We're here to support the current Salukis so they can wear the new uniforms they deserve," Thorne said. "Once a Marching Saluki, always a Marching Saluki!"

GILBERT CONTINUED FROM 1

Additionally, Gilbert said every time he tried to introduce a similar "fault" in a Dick model on campus, the GM computer system picked up the fault every time and put the vehicle into fail-safe mode.

Three Toyota executives — Akio Toyoda, president of Toyota Motor Corporation, Jim Lentz, COO of Toyota Motor Sales, U.S.A., and Yoshimi Inaba, CEO of Toyota North America — have since said they are "confident" that the computer systems are not at fault.

Gilbert repeatedly said he has nothing against Toyota and would "do anything he can" to help the manufacturer.

"I'm simply trying to make sure that this problem gets taken care of in such a way that we don't get anybody else hurt," he said. "This is my field, this is my area, and this is what I do best and I would like to get to the bottom of this." 

Gilbert said he recently traded in his Ford pickup truck for a Toyota truck and has a notice of recall on his office bulletin board. 

After examining his own vehicle, he didn't see the potential for floor mat entrapment, he said. "I tried every which way in the world to get it to jam up, and I just couldn't do it," Gilbert said.

Gilbert said Toyota will ultimately become a more transparent and better company after it resolves its current issues.

"The safety standards of the automotive industry in general will also improve," he said.

Gilbert said a brake pedal override system, in which a vehicle will go into fail-safe mode when the gas and brake pedals are pushed down at the same time, is what he expects to be developed by the industry.

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Projects developed by Green Fee to receive $180,000

JEFF ENGELHARDT
Daily Egyptian

The Green Fee is about to sprout.

The Green Fund Committee began to review 23 proposals for sustainability projects Thursday as it decides how it will use the $180,000 at its disposal. This will be the first time the money collected from the $10 student Green Fee will be used for projects.

Ryan Klopf, chairman of the committee and research associate in the plant biology department, said he was excited and impressed with the diversity of the requests.

"What we're trying to do is pick the most polished proposals that we think will have the biggest impact on improving sustainability," Klopf said. "But we're taking a very broad definition of sustainability, so there are lots of ways to improve on that."

Some of the proposals the committee has reviewed include electrical engineering projects that aim to develop a low-cost, solar-powered water heater prototype—"one of the main reasons the Green Fee was implemented."

One of the most comprehensive proposals was for a greenhouse to grow organic produce for the dining halls to use year-round, said Jon Dyer, vice chairman of the committee.

"The idea is out there on the table for the potential construction of a wind turbine, a greenhouse to grow organic produce for dining halls and assistance for a senior design project," said Jon Dyer, vice chairman of the committee.

Dyer said the senior design proposal—an electrical engineering project that aims to develop a low-cost, solar-powered water heater prototype—is one of the main reasons the Green Fee was implemented.

"One of the initial visions for the Green Fee was to really spur student-led innovation projects," Dyer said. "It's great to see students getting involved and taking advantage of the opportunity."

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William Connors, chief chef for University Housing, said the greenhouse would provide opportunities for multiple departments on campus. The biology department could help grow the produce, the agriculture department would have the greenhouse on its property and University Housing would be able to offer fresh, local produce, he said.

"This would be a huge step forward and is a great thing for the whole university," Connors said.

"The idea is out there on the table and if we can make this work, I think we could get people behind it," he said. "We think it is to establish a bond with the students participate through the research and the funding of the project." Gatto said. "I think part of the reason for submitting it is to establish a bond with the Green Fee committee because I want them to be involved all the way through."

Klopf said the committee would meet again Monday to review the second half of the proposals and hopefully come to a decision about which projects will receive money by the end of next week.

"We don't have a specific date right now for when we will decide what we're funding, but we started reviewing proposals right hours after the deadline so we're trying to turn this around as fast as possible," he said.

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Alumni going “Interactive” to recruit students

RYAN VOYLES
Daily Egyptian

**The Alumni Association will look to past students to help recruit new ones with the help of a recently launched Web site.**

The Alumni Association has begun plans to market a new Web site, http://www.salcouriinteractive.com, which will go a long way toward recruiting new students, said Michelle Suarez, executive director of the association.

Gene Green, assistant director of alumni communication, said the goal of the site is to make it easier for prospective students to find what they are looking for at SIUC. He said almost every college and department would have a link on its site to the interactive homepage.

"It is a partnership that we see with the colleges and various departments," Suarez said. "We'll manage this side of it, and they'll manage their volunteer side of it."  

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--- Michelle Suarez  

executive director of the alumni association

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**Dec. 31, is still in its early stages with several features still needed," said Shannon Wibberly, a typewriter in the printing service and creator of the Web site. He said he expects the page to live up to its full potential within the next several months.**

"Initially it is just a portal right now, but we want to add a lot more in the future," he said. "Maybe create a blog, adding their web pages for their chapter clubs - keep everybody informed on what is going on with alumni."  

Wibberly said the only major cost to the site is his salary. He is the only one working on and maintaining the site and a couple hours a week, he said.  

Tim Marks, assistant director of alumni services, said the most important feature of the Web site is it's ability to allow alumni to volunteer to help recruit prospective students. Alumni who sign up have several choices of how to help, including going to local high schools in their area and being referred to students interested in certain fields.

He said the colleges and departments would have a say in exactly what they want their volunteers to do.  

Suarez said more than 100 people have volunteered in the two months the site has been active.

She said advertising for the site would increase in the coming weeks, including mass e-mails to alumni, links on the SIUC homepage and TV advertisements during the men's basketball Missouri Valley Conference Tournament in March.

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**New Web site to allow alumni to volunteer towards recruitment**

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How to get a “Get ‘er done” mindset

BARB ELAM, MS
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Do you think you do your best work under pressure and then procrastinate about doing homework or other projects? Think tomorrow would be better than today to get it done? Many students complain of poor time management habits and put off studying, cleaning, exercising or other tasks. This often results in feeling stressed and overwhelmed later. Motivating yourself to be more organized involves changing mental habits as well as behaviors. A way to approach your thinking habits is to recall other times you felt motivated and interested in achieving goals. Visualizing yourself doing the task and imagining success can help and is a strategy Olympic athletes use to reach goals. You can use this too.

Self-talk is a key component in behavior change. If you find yourself thinking “I don’t want to do that” or “I feel too lazy. It’s too hard,” you are discouraging yourself. How would you encourage a good friend to “go for it!” You might say to them, “You can do it! You’re good at this. You have done hard things before and you will do this too!” Stating encouragement internally to yourself can be useful.

One time management strategy is to reward yourself for doing the dreaded task for just 10 minutes, whether it involves reading a chapter, exercising or picking up your clothes. Getting yourself to do something for a very short period of time can interrupt the avoidance habit. Often once you start a task, you may continue. Getting started is the hardest part for many people. Another technique is to reward yourself for getting something done. Observe how you typically “waste” time. Do you watch TV, sit on the couch or surf online? If so, direct yourself that you are not allowed to check e-mail, look at text messages, etc., until you accomplish at least 10 minutes of an avoided task. The reward is to give yourself your favorite time killer (TV, eating) after you accomplish something rather than before.

Labeling yourself as lazy is not helpful and not entirely true. If you are a college student you have already read hundreds of pages of studies, you have taken many tests and other things you did not care to do. Remind yourself that you do have some qualities for success. Research has shown making a list helps people get things done. Writing down tasks in a schedule book or “to do” format helps to keep them focused. It is important to break down the list to the smallest possible components. For example, instead of writing down “Do 10-page English paper” you might list:

- Go to library or search online for topic.
- Write down ideas.
- Create an outline.
- Write one paragraph or page.
- And so on. By breaking your list down, you can accomplish small pieces of the task instead of facing the entire scary prospect at once or putting it off endlessly until you panic. For more tips and help with time management, contact the Wellness Center.

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Guest Column

Physical activity and balanced nutrition: A path to healthy living

TOM FARRY
Director of physical/teacher education

Recently Michelle Obama initiated the “Let’s Move!” campaign targeting childhood obesity. The initiative is aimed at providing access to healthy food and to promote increased physical activity for today’s youth. That doesn’t sound too bad, does it? Well apparently it does to several people who scolded Obama, claiming the campaign was “anti-obesity” and that the campaign is “an attempt to stereotype and eradicate normal” (Wrigley, 2011). The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute has classified as overweight and obese individuals (body mass index of 25 or >30 respectively).

The National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (1988-1991) found that more than 33 percent—one-third of the country—of the U.S. population is obese. Research by the American Heart Association has shown that obese individuals have a higher risk for conditions such as coronary heart disease, type 2 diabetes, cancer, hypertension and several other diseases (Poizner et al., 2006).

So why is it so important to improve the health and well-being of our children? Obama’s “Let’s Move!” campaign states that we currently spend $315 billion a year combating obesity. A number of factors may influence our health and well-being, which may be broadly categorized into two areas: environment and genetics. Although genetic traits do play an important role in the development of obesity, diet and exercise type, they may only increase the susceptibility of an individual to become obese. As a nation we must direct more attention to factors we can control, such as our eating habits and levels of physical activity.

American society has become characterized by environments that promote increased intake of unhealthy foods and limited physical activity. The National Association for Sport and Physical Education recommends school-aged children accumulate at least 60 minutes of physical activity every day. Try to make positive health choices throughout your day, stairs instead of elevator, salad instead of burger and begin to reap the benefits of a healthier you. For more tips on managing time and activities, contact Barb Elam in the Wellness Center.

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Wellness Coordinator of Stress Management Programs

What the Health is Going On?

Wendy L. Smith,
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**Thursday's answers**

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### Sudoku

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4 8 9 1 7 6 5
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### Horoscopes

**By Nancy Black and Stephanie Clements**

Today's birthday — Expect drama in the workplace this week as family and personal issues become entangled. Be cautious about financial matters. Your intuition will be guiding you through this time. The astrology suggests that you need to look at your personal finances and make some decisions. Be prepared to take a calculated risk, as this may be the best time to make a move.

**Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a good time to focus on your personal life. Be open to new opportunities and consider taking a break from work to recharge.**

**Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a good day to focus on your physical well-being. Exercise, eat healthy, and take time to relax.**

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### Jumble

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter at each square, to form four ordinary words.

**Jumble:**

NUBE NUEB
GULAH UGAL
JELING JELING
TALKEN KALTEN

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### Word Game

**How do we get out here?**

**THE SCRAMBLED WORD GAME**

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A:
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(Answers tomorrow)
SOFTBALL

Leadoff Classic against five teams

WHEN: 10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Friday
10 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday,
11:30 a.m. Sunday
WHERE: Columbus, Ga.
TOP MATCHUPS:
Friday vs. No. 22 ranked Florida State
Saturday vs. No. 4 ranked Michigan
SIU RECORD: 8-2

SALUKI TOP PERFORMERS:
SS Haley Gorman: .464 BA, 5-15 OBP, 12 runs
P Danielle Glown: 5-1 W/L, 2.39 ERA,
opponent’s BA: .248

BASEBALL

SIU at JSU

WHEN: 1 p.m. Friday
1 p.m. Saturday
3 p.m. Sunday
WHERE: Jacksonville, Ala.
Rudy Abbott
RECORDS: SIU: 9-1, 1.62 ERA.
10 Ks
SALUKI CONTRIBUTORS:
SP Randy Hoelscher: (2009 at Springfield College) 9-1, 1.62 ERA,
101 Ks
RP Bryant George: 23 Career saves
GAMECOCKS’ CONTRIBUTORS:
Jacksonville State: 1-4
SP Austin Lucas: (2009) 7-3, 3.93 ERA, 52 Ks
OF Daniel Adams: .476 BA, 10 RBIs, 6 runs

TENNIS

Dawgs hit the road

WHAT: Men at University of Illinois-Chicago
WHEN: 6 p.m. Saturday

SIU:
Singles Play against Tennessee Tech
Falk De Deneboom def. Oscar Pachon: 7-6, 3-6, 10-6
Brandon Flores lost to Alex Chen: 6-3, 1-6, 6-4

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS-CHICAGO:
Singles play against University of Missouri-Kansas City
Sebastian Eyestedt def. Bred Barryman: 6-3, 6-4
Eliastin Harbo def. Patrick Smith: 6-2, 4-6, 6-3

WHAT: Women at Austin Peay
WHEN: 2 p.m. Today

SIU:
Singles Play against Tennessee Tech
Malade Dehart def. Leyli Zora: 6-1, 6-1
Emily Whitney def. Laura Pieras: 7-5, 6-3

AUSTIN PEAY:
Singles Play against Chattanooga
Vanja Tomic def. Jenna Nurek: 6-2, 6-4
Carolina Weiland def. Emily Hangartner: 6-2, 6-2

Sophomore Emily Whitney returns a volley Saturday in her win against Laura Pieras at Sports Blast in Carbondale. The Salukis women took on Austin Peay State University today. The men’s team will take on the University of Illinois-Chicago Saturday.

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Basketball

Moccia: Lowery's job is safe for next season

Chris Lowery will be the head coach of the SIU men's basketball team next season unless he decides to leave. Athletic Director Mark Moccia said Lowery, who has led the Salukis to a 1-12 record overall and a 6-10 record in the Missouri Valley Conference this season, would not be let go by the university.

"Chris is our coach," Moccia said. "We signed him to a contract. He's our man." Lowery, who has been the head coach at SIU since 2004, has led the Salukis to a 124-71 record in that time, taking the team to three NCAA Tournaments and one Sweet 16 appearance.

Moccia said if Lowery were to leave SIU for another job, he would likely look for a replacement from the Bruce Weber/Matt Painter/Lowery coaching tree.

Men's Basketball

SIU at Wichita State

Freshman center Gene Teague tallied for the ball during the second half of the men's basketball game against Creighton Tuesday at the SIU Arena. The men will face Wichita State for the last game of the regular season Saturday.

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SALUKI TOP PERFORMERS:
- Kevin Dillard: 13 points and 5 assists per game
- Carlton Fay: 11.9 points and 3.5 rebounds per game

SHOCKER TOP PERFORMERS:
- Cheer Hannah: 22.1 points and 4.8 assists per game
- Toure' Murray: 12.1 points and 5 rebounds per game

Women's Basketball

SIU at Missouri State

WHEN: 7:05 p.m. Friday
RADIO: Saluki Sports Network, KTIX 101.3 FM
SIU: 4-21, 3-12 Missouri Valley Conference

SALUKI TOP PERFORMERS:
- Christine Priewode: 15.8 points per game (2nd in MVC)
- Stephanie Neptune: 10.8 ppg, 10.7 rebounds per game (only player in conference averaging double-double)

LADY BEAR TOP PERFORMERS:
- Casey Garrett: 19.2 ppg, 5.5 assists per game (both are top in MVC)