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## Trial:

Pamela Travis murder case starts at Jackson County Courthouse.

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## State of the University:

Provost Jackson says SIUC has more good than bad.

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Photo courtesy of SIUC Formula Race Team

**TUNE UP:** Members of the SIUC Formula Race Team make final preparations to last year's race car. They placed 46 out of 99 other teams in last year's competition.

## Built Saluki tough

The track is the classroom for SIUC's Formula Race Team as they design and build a race car from the ground up

KAREN BLATTER  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Dave Freeman stays motivated to spend long weekend hours building the SIUC Formula Society of Automotive Engineers race car when he recalls dri-

ving the car at overwhelming speeds for the first time.

"When you take off," said Freeman the team captain, "your eyeballs are pushed to the back of your skull."

Freeman and 10 other members of the SIUC Formula Race Team use that mem-

ory of traveling more than 70 mph and only one and a half inches off the ground to build their dream. The car features a 600-cc Honda motorcycle engine, the largest allowed for the competition.

Spending more than 20 hours a week creating the car, the members have to design all the parts themselves and put the car together. Most of the members spend their weekends toiling, making the race car from start to finish.

Freeman said between his classwork and completing the car, he does not have much time to socialize.

"You feel the sacrifice," he said. "You put in so many hours at school and the car you don't really have time to see other people."

The team began more than three years ago when mechanical engineering students discovered a competition in Detroit. To compete, the team is required to build a car from scratch and enroll the creation in a series of seven different tests. The team has to design brakes, a chassis, a



CURTIS K. BIAS/Daily Egyptian

David Freeman, a junior in mechanical engineering from Reynolds, checks the spot welds on the frame of SIUC Formula Racing Team's car Saturday.

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## SIUC minority ballplayers rank among lowest in graduation rates

**EVALUATION:** Magazine places SIUC 40th on list of "Bottom 50" Division I schools.

MIKAL J. HARRIS  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC is abysmally unsuccessful in graduating its African-American male basketball players and needs to re-evaluate its eligibility requirements, an administrator and former Saluki says.

Eleven percent of African-American male basketball players entering as freshmen from 1987 to 1990 graduated from SIUC within six years. All of the University's other basketball players entering during that period graduated within six years of their initial enrollment.



Special Report

Part 3 of 4

In March, SIUC made its first appearance on *Emerge* magazine's fourth annual list of 50 universities with the worst record in graduating African-American basketball players. The "Bottom 50" list and its accompanying article, "Nothing But Fouls," used the 1997 National Collegiate Athletic Association Graduation Rates Report to rank SIUC 40th among Division I schools in this category.

The belief that big-time college sports programs use African-American athletes to make money but do little to ensure that these athletes receive degrees has been questioned by critics.

On the other hand, many notable African-American male student-athletes opt to leave college early to pursue big money in the pros. The University of North Carolina's Antawn Jamison, the NCAA's Player of the Year, announced similar intentions Monday.

But as money-making college sports powerhouses are bombarded with these concerns, some institutions with smaller sports programs seem to have escaped addressing these problems directly.

SIUC belongs to that group of institutions, but some within the University finally appear to be facing the statistics.

SIUC's Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory Committee passed a resolution urging the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics to improve the academic performance and graduation rate of the University's African-American male student-athletes.

Harvey Welch, vice chancellor of Student Affairs, was faxed a copy of *Emerge's* findings after its publication. He was not pleased with SIUC's designation, but this disappointment deeply troubled him on a more intimate level.

Welch became SIUC's first African-American basketball player in 1951. Also the father of former Saluki basketball four-year letterman and alumnus Brian Welch, he has a number of concerns about the academic progress of SIUC's African-American male basketball players.

"I'm proud of this school, but I don't think we've done a good job with our black male basketball athletes in terms of getting them

## Student trustee bill now in Edgar's hands, again

KIRK MOTTRAM  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The governor must once again decide whether student trustees may cast binding votes on their respective boards and still retain the right to be elected democratically, as the measure approving both items passed the

Senate Wednesday.

HB 2364, sponsored in the Senate by Sen. Stan Weaver, R-Urbana, passed 55-1 after passing the House 115-2 in November, setting up a replay of events in July when Gov. Jim Edgar was presented with similar legislation. In effect, Edgar will face the same decision this year in whether to allow for both student

trustee elections and binding student trustee votes. Edgar did not allow for both last time. He amendatorily vetoed HB 923 July 31, citing the need for screening committees to select student trustee candidates rather than

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# Almanac

## ON THIS DATE IN 1981:

- Truck driver Peter Sutcliffe admitted he was the Yorkshire Ripper, killer of 13 women and namesake of one of history's most notorious murderers in London. After being accused of carrying out a five-year string of savage slayings in the north of England, Sutcliffe pleaded innocent to the charges of murder because of a lack of mental competence. Evidence laid out in the courtroom included eight hammers, a hacksaw, carving knives and screwdrivers.
- The city of Atlanta imposed a dusk-to-dawn curfew for children 14 and younger after 266 black children were slain. "I think that because of the non-availability of children on the streets, the killer or killers are moving on to child-like adults, who are more difficult to verify as having been abducted," said a city spokeswoman.
- "Friday the 13th Part 2" and "The Jazz Singer" were playing at Carbondale theaters.
- Charlotte West, director of women's intercollegiate athletics, announced her decision to terminate the women's badminton program at SIUC. Her decision was based on the fact that the NCAA did not recognize badminton as an intercollegiate sport and the realization that the NCAA would soon be the governing body of athletics.
- An Illinois House committee rejected a bill that would have expanded police powers to bug private conversations in kidnapping or drug cases without the consent of any party but would have required a court order issued by a chief circuit court judge.
- Administrators announced their decision to allow some sophomores the option of living in unapproved, off-campus housing. Only a limited number of sophomores were eligible under the new policy, which was initiated by the Undergraduate Student Organization. Only those with a GPA of 3.0 and at least 23 credit hours would qualify.

# Corrections

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

# Saluki Calendar

## TODAY

- Non-Traditional Student Services information table, Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Student Center Hall of Fame. Contact Michelle at 453-5714.
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- Library Affairs "Java" seminar, April 30, 3 to 4 p.m., Morris Library Room 15. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.
- Chinese Table, April 30, 4 p.m., Student Center Ramen Room. Contact Wilson at 549-7825.
- Aviation Management Society meeting, new members welcome, Thursdays, 5 p.m., CASA room 9D. Contact Doug at 549-2747.
- Japanese Animu Kai shows animated videos in Japanese with English subtitles, Thursdays, 5 p.m., Foster 1125. Contact Andrew at 536-1270.
- Library Affairs "Finding Medical Information using the World Wide Web" seminar, April 30, 6 to 7 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergrad Desk at 453-2818.
- Gamma Beta Phi year-end pizza party, April 30, 6 p.m., Student Center Illinois Room. Contact Robyn at 536-8407.

## TODAY

- Civil Air Patrol meeting, Thursdays, 7 p.m., Marion Airport. Contact Wayman at 684-6838.
- Student Environmental Center meeting, Thursdays, 7 p.m., Interfaith Center. Contact Sean at 351-0290.
- New Canaan Cathedral full gospel, non-denominational, evangelical, intercessory prayer and Bible study, Thursdays, 7 p.m., Wesley Foundation. Contact Larry at 549-0263.
- Women's Services musical performance For Healing Purposes Only, April 30, 7:30 p.m., Cafe Melange. Contact Leona at 453-3655.
- Campus Girl Scout meeting, April 30, 7:30 p.m., Student Center Mackinaw Room. Contact Karen at 529-8175.
- Southern Illinois Collegiate Sailing Club meeting, Thursdays, 8 p.m., Student Center Kaskaskia/Missouri Rooms. Contact Maggie at 529-4694.
- Non-Traditional Student Services brown bag lunch, "Stress Management", presented by the Wellness Center, May 1, noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Sangamon Room. Contact Michelle at 453-5714.
- Spanish Table, Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange. Contact Diminios at 453-5425.
- French Table, Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m., Booby's. Contact Aline at

- 351-1267 or see [www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/4051/FC.html](http://www.geocities.com/CapitolHill/4051/FC.html).
- German Club - Stammisch, May 1, 5:30 to 7 p.m., Booby's. Contact Anne at 549-1754.
- Japanese Table, Fridays, 6 to 8 p.m., Cafe Melange. Contact Shinsuke at 529-0007.
- SIU School of Music Faculty Recital by Sook Ryeon Park, May 1, 8 p.m., Old Baptist Foundation. Contact Scott at 536-8742.
- Friends of the Carbondale Public Library Book Sale, May 2, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 405 W. Main St. Contact the library at 457-0354.
- Egyptian Dive Club Treasure Hunt with a Dive Computer as the grand prize, May 2, 1 p.m., Ed's Pit, registration \$5 for members. Contact Amy at 529-2840 or see the web site.
- Science Center is hosting "Beans for Science" fundraiser, May 2, 5 to 8 p.m., University Mall. Contact Pam or Jim at 529-5431 for details.
- Department of Speech Communication Performance Studios Sampler, An Evening of Free Performances, May 2, 8 p.m., Kleinau Theatre. Contact Denise at 453-2291.
- Southern Illinois Friends (Quaker) meeting, Sundays, 10 a.m., Interfaith Center. Contact Erik at 351-9678.

## UPCOMING

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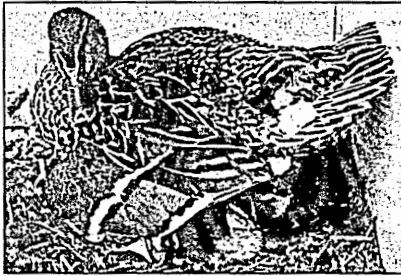
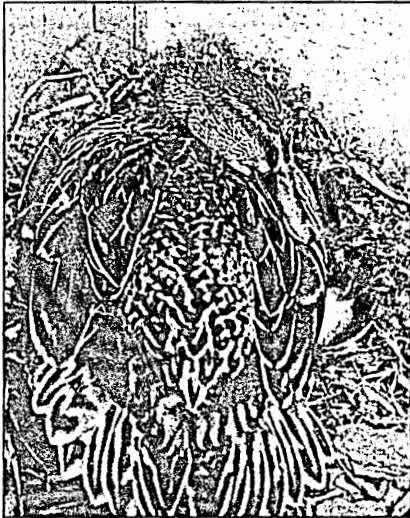
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## The Miracle of Spring

A female mallard duck nests in a corner outside the northeast entrance to the Communication Building. Students and faculty alike have stopped by to look at the mother duck, who made her nest in the first week of April. Earlier this week, about 14 ducklings hatched, prompting attention from local media, including a TV crew and an Associated Press photographer.

## Nation

### WASHINGTON, D.C. Supreme Court impatient with death penalty delays

Showing growing impatience with death penalty delays, the Supreme Court sharply rebuked a federal appeals court Wednesday for belatedly blocking a killer's execution in California two days before he was scheduled to die.

The justices, dividing 5-4, found the lower court judges guilty of "grave abuse of discretion." They denied all relief for convicted murderer-rapist Thomas M. Thompson and freed California to press for a new execution date.

In the process, the nation's highest court delivered a stinging lecture to the nation's largest federal appeals tribunal, the San Francisco-based U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. Justice Anthony M. Kennedy, a former Ninth Circuit judge, scolded the lower-court judges for rejecting Thompson's plea — and then reversing themselves 53 days later, halting Thompson's execution after almost 13 years of state and federal appeals of his conviction.

## World

### UNITED NATIONS

#### Clinton to veto bill on U.N. dues over abortion provision

U.S. President Bill Clinton will veto a U.S. bill providing for the payment of part of Washington's U.N. arrears because of abortion provisions, U.S. ambassador Bill Richardson said Wednesday.

Richardson, who holds cabinet rank in the Clinton administration, told reporters here: "the president's going to veto the bill."

His comments came after the U.S. Senate on Tuesday authorized payment of \$819 million in U.N. arrears by a razor-thin 51-49 vote that fell mostly along party lines, with Republicans supporting it and Democrats opposed.

— from Daily Egyptian news services

## Attorney gives jurors outline for trial

**OUTCOME:** Gary Starks' murder case begins; explanation given to jury on what to expect.

**CORINNE MANNINO**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Attorneys in the Gary Starks murder trial provided jurors with an outline during opening statements Wednesday at the Jackson County Courthouse of what they could expect to hear and what attorneys expected the jury to find in the outcome of the case.

Jackson County State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec began by describing Oct. 8, the day Pamela Travis, 29, of Carbondale was found dead in her apartment at The Fields, 700 S. Lewis Lane.

He then told the jury of the testimony they would hear from various witnesses, including the maintenance man who first saw "a most

gruesome sight."

Wepsiec said Travis' body was found in her bedroom lying on her back, the upper portion of her body badly burned, a kitchen towel in her mouth and the cord from a radio/cassette player around her neck. Remnants from a plastic bag that was tied around her head with the cord were later found.

Wepsiec described the scene of the crime and told the jury there would not be any eyewitnesses or fingerprints leading to Gary Starks, but there would be circumstantial evidence and DNA results that would prove otherwise.

In her opening statement, public defender Patricia Gross said the jury would hear proof that Starks, 35, of Carbondale was at work at Wallace Inc., 317 E. Main St., when the fire was started in Travis' apartment. She also encouraged jury members to listen closely to answers to her cross examination, because she believed the jury would "find it very enlightening."

Starks is charged with concealment of homicidal death and four counts of first-degree murder and could face the death penalty if convicted. Starks agreed to have the judge decide sentencing in this case instead of the jury.

Starks was a suspect in the case within the first 48 hours of the investigation, police said following his Nov. 20 arrest.

Claude Starks, Gary's brother, is charged with obstructing justice for allegedly providing false information about this case to investigators. Claude Starks, 31, has not yet gone to trial concerning that charge.

The jury heard testimony Wednesday from: Rolan Hilleman, the maintenance man who found Travis' body; Officer Kent Burns of the Carbondale Police Department; Sgt. Paul Echols, crime technician for the Carbondale Police Department; Donna Travis, Pamela's sister; and Dr. John Allen Heidingsfelder of Evansville, Ind., the forensic pathologist who performed the autopsy on Travis' body.

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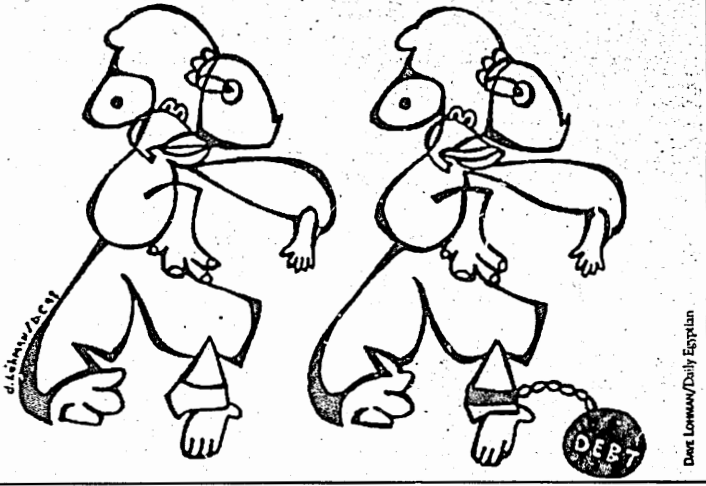
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Our Word

Union talks exclude student body

This semester has seen the ever-popular SIUC drama of union negotiations played out constantly on campus. As a result of this, the Daily Egyptian has dedicated extensive time in covering the issue, as well as giving our opinion on the subject as an editorial board. Our stance is a simple one, since we are unaware of all the discussion that is taking place at the table behind closed doors, we neither agree nor disagree with the faculty or the administration. Our only wish is for a quick resolution that ends in an agreement suitable to both sides.

With that in mind, the comments made by Undergraduate Student Government President Dave Vingren concerning the possibility of a faculty strike should be commended because they have finally given the student body a voice in the process.

Vingren proposed a written resolution that he wished the senate to pass at Wednesday's USG meeting. It states that a strike by instructors would be inconclusive to the academic careers of students. The "academic careers" he mentions mainly concern seniors in their relation to their upcoming graduation. Regardless of whether or not it passed, the statement can be applied to the student body as a whole. If the faculty were to strike, then seniors definitely would not be the only ones affected.

Regardless of the level of student apathy toward this issue, a strike by the union should not be necessary. It would show a failure on both the faculty and the administration to reach a workable solution.

Another positive about Vingren's statement is that it finally is a statement by the Undergraduate Student Government concerning this issue. It has been disappointing to see the student body not stepping forward with an opinion. The Graduate and Professional Student Council made a statement concerning their opposition to a strike, but there has been no strong student input. Although both statements made by GPSC and Vingren are similar in nature, a stance by USG represents not only seniors, but all undergrads as well.

It should be noted that the issue of a strike taking place is not the only issue at hand. Would a strike be beneficial to students interests? Of course not, but faculty leaving this University for other institutions is not good either. There should be no need to strike, but there should also be no need for long-term negotiations characterized by stalling.

This is the last editorial this board will print this semester concerning the faculty union. Our stance has stayed the same throughout the turbulent, often confusing, negotiations. Unfortunately, this drama looks as though it will continue into the next semester and possibly beyond. The faculty and administrators have a right to state their concerns and fight for change where they see fit. What should always be remembered, though, is that this is an institute of higher learning, full of students that are struggling to build a future for themselves. Do not forget them in the battles and posturing you are waging between yourselves.

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

Final quotes for the true student

Finals are upon us and rather than another nit-picking of government policy, I thought I would share with you a few thoughts from people far wiser than I. You will notice that a number of these quotes are from author Robert A. Heinlein, and if you are looking for summer reading, look no further.

"There seems to be a deep instinct in humans to make everything compulsory that isn't forbidden." — R. A. Heinlein  
"Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly." — Robert F. Kennedy

"Ignorance today can be characterized by stupidity and laziness — both capital offenses." — R. A. Heinlein  
"We have no place for a man who wants to give orders but who won't clean the privy." — R. A. Heinlein

"Facts do not cease to exist simply because they are ignored." — Aldous Huxley

"It is a bad sign when the people of a country stop identifying themselves with the country and start identifying with a group. A racial group. Or a religion. Or a language. Anything, as long as it isn't the whole population." — R. A. Heinlein

"Sick cultures show a complex of symptoms ... but a dying culture invariably exhibits personal rudeness. A loss of politeness, of gentle manners, is more significant than a riot. This symptom is especially serious in that an individual displaying it never thinks of it as a sign of ill health but of proof of his or her strength." — R. A. Heinlein

"The main difference between the young and the old, the cause of the so-called 'Generation Gap' — a gap in understanding that has existed throughout all time — is that the young simply cannot believe that the old ever really were young, whereas to an old person his youth is something that happened just last week, and it annoys the hell out of him when someone in effect denies that this old duffer ever owned a youth." — R. A. Heinlein

"Every religion is good that teaches man to be good, and I know of none that instructs him to be bad." — Thomas Paine

"If we justify war, it is because all people always justify the traits of which they find themselves possessed, not because we will bear an objective examination of its merits." — Ruth Benedict

"One of the problems I have with students is that they believe history is all in the past, that we've had our problems and shortcomings but we've learned from them and are all better now. Rarely ever do we learn from history, and it is up to those of us who do learn to teach those who do not and to fight those who would benefit from our not learning." — J. Crider (a public school history teacher)

"Don't go around saying the world owes you a living. The world owes you nothing. It was here first." — Mark Twain

Finally, here's one from me: Never respect authority. Respect knowledge and experience; respect honesty and loyalty; respect compassion and responsibility, but never, ever respect authority.

**WANTED:** Your name, face and opinion here 71.5 days for Guest Columns. Bring typewritten, double-spaced columns, with your ID and phone number, to the Communications Building, Room 1247. Students provide year/major, faculty include position/department and non-academic staff include position/department. Community members include city of residency. All columns should be about 500 words and are subject to editing. The DE reserves the right not to publish any Guest Column.



Bill Mamer  
Are they crazy?

Bill is a junior in English and history. Are they crazy? appears on Thursdays. Bill's opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the Daily Egyptian.



Lekiewa Rasberry

Guest Column

Lekiewa is a senior in psychology. This is the last guest column of the semester. Lekiewa's opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the Daily Egyptian.

Player's Ball disrespects all black women

"You are the daughters of two continents, Africa and America. I embrace you, I celebrate you. You don't stand alone. If the first woman created (the black woman), was able to turn the world upside down, now we can turn it right side up again." — Winnie Mandela, the former wife of Nelson Mandela, at the Million Woman March in Philadelphia. The march was a day of reflection, resurrection and atonement for black women.

The purpose of the march is to combat the suffering and disrespect of black women that is apparent all over the world, including at SIUC. I believe that the Kappa Alpha Psi Player's Ball March 21 proves that the march was extremely necessary.

The winner of the ball received the "Pimp of the Year" award. What does a person have to do to win?

These "players" or "pimps" strutted around stage, degrading black women (their wives, daughters and mothers) by calling them "whores" and "bitches." In addition, they also performed sexually explicit acts on women while on stage. One "pimp" and a line of five women that he referred to as Alpha Gamma whores. The auditorium was packed with black people celebrating and laughing the demeaning and degrading actions.

These acts are detrimental because a nation cannot rise any higher than its women and the black nation is in an extreme state of emergency. These pimps and players are destroying the

black women and family. Black women are the most likely among all ethnic groups in America to be violently raped, assaulted or victims of homicides. Single-parent households are the norm for us. These female-headed households are easier for white supremacy to control, wherein black women must confront a white-dominated male society alone, and their children are much more likely to be incarcerated.

These types of situations are reasons why I decided to coordinate transportation to the Million Woman March, I felt compelled to inform SIUC about the Player's Ball and about the tremendous opposition we faced in receiving transportation to the march by this University.

You may recall the editorial written by the Daily Egyptian (Oct. 23, 1997) that requested for the participants to "March Home." In essence, they wanted us to stay at home and not receive the important message of rebuilding our families, institutions and schools and most importantly to respect yourself.

Where was the outcry from the same newspaper about this Player's Ball? Black students should take extreme measures to stop this annual event. For those who disagree with my words, just ask yourself, Would you ask Coretta Scott King, Rosa Parks or Winnie Mandela to attend or be part of the ball? If not, why would you ask your black queens on campus?

# Provost announces SIUC has more good than bad

**BETTER:** State of university address credits student leadership organizations.

**J. MICHAEL RODRIGUEZ**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Provost John Jackson delivered his views on the state of the University to administrators and professionals at their spring constituency meeting Wednesday, saying there are a lot more good things than bad, which left one administrative-professional staffer agreeing with every word.



Jackson, vice chancellor for Academic Affairs and provost, spoke to 30 staff members in the Student Center Video Lounge.

**Jackson** "I'm a political scientist. I look at good and bad," he said. "I think there are a lot more good things than bad things."

He said he was startled by local media reports stating faculty relationships have become hostile on campus.

He said SIUC has been doing the same thing for 130 years and when an outside mediator comes in to fix lines within the University, it breaks the usual way of doing things.

"In a real sense we had to start over in a collective bargaining atmosphere with the new set rules of the game," he said. "So if it is taking a while, it must be taken in that context."

"It's been difficult. We have to get past this first contract, get it

done and get on with life." Jackson commended Chancellor Donald Beggs for his idea of focus groups for all constituents on campus.

He said he received a lot of good feedback and many good suggestions. He focused most of his speech on the problems earmarked by each group.

Carolyn Donow, research project specialist, said she was pleased with Jackson's coverage of the various problems and said union negotiations are not a problem but more a part of life.

"That is part of what the

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**JOHN JACKSON**  
SIUC PROVOST

University is — it's discussion, it's disagreement, it's working together," Donow said. "That's what we see is happening now."

Donow said she was happy to see Jackson address students concerns as well.

"I thought it was very interesting and telling that he chose the things that the students brought up in their focus groups," she said.

Jackson said this year had five dean vacancies of the 10 dean positions on campus.

He noted that the new chancellor also plays a part in how the state of the University is viewed today.

"The state of the University pends partially on leadership," he said. "As you know this is a time of some leadership change."

Jackson stressed the importance of recruitment, citing the administration's move to reduce the ratio of international tuition to in-state tuition from 3-to-1 to 2-to-1.

He said a concern was for more faculty to become involved in the recruitment of quality students.

"Some faculty have told me, verbatim, point blank, to my face, your job is to bring me students, my job is to teach them," he said. "That's an attitude. I think it's an attitude problem."

He addressed the issue of admissions and applications being up this year compared to last year, but the problem is getting them to the campus.

"When we know who they are, we know where they live ... all we have to do is get them on campus and get them converted," he said.

Jackson said once students are here, the University can then work on retention. He said one way was the addition of special interest floors.

"Ultimately, that sense of community is what it is all about," he said. "That's what's going to help us overcome some of the fragmentation, some of the alienation that has hurt in terms of retention."

"Our retention rate is not good. We need to do better. We can do better in my estimation."

He said the University's image has improved over previous years. He gave credit to student leadership organizations and the Daily Egyptian in preventing problems around Halloween.

Jackson said the University has made it a long way and every constituent must play their part in improving the University.

"We've been here for 130 years, and we need to all ensure that it is still here 130 years from now," he said.

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degrees," he said. "These kids are intellectually capable of graduating. I don't think black athletes are dumber now than I when I was here. I think it's exactly the reverse because they are exposed to more."

"I know the black athletes aren't doing as well as they should, and I have a problem with a system that allows a kid to be eligible for four years; but does not allow them to graduate."

**SIUC statistics explained**

The graduation rates in the official NCAA 1997 Graduation Rates report are based on students who received an athletic scholarship and who graduated within six years of their initial college enrollment. Graduation rates of transfer athletes are documented in the report for comparative use.

The NCAA annually compiles and publishes graduation data for Division I institutions and evaluates this data once each decade. The Division I report is distributed to high schools, higher education leaders, members of Congress and members of the media.

"The graduation rates are the most important statistics we have to present to the NCAA," said Leo Gher, chairman of the athletics advisory committee. "We have to be certified in order to be in the NCAA Tournament and to reap the financial benefits we receive as members."

The 1997 report shows 39 percent of African-American male athletes entering as freshmen from 1987 to 1990 graduated from SIUC within six years. On the other hand, 59 percent of white male athletes entering as first-time freshmen from 1987 to 1990 graduated from SIUC within six years.

Administrators caution that all student graduation rates can be affected by a number of factors, but Division I student-athletes nationwide still manage to enjoy a higher graduation rate than their non-athlete student peers.

Student-athletes who entered college in 1990 graduated at a rate of 58 percent compared to a 56 percent rate for all students. This is the highest percentage differential between student-athletes and the general student population since 1986.

In general, student-athletes entering in 1990 graduated at rates slightly higher than non-athlete students of their same racial and gender group. African-American male student-athletes graduated at a rate of 43 percent, compared to a 33 percent graduation rate for the entire African-American male student population.

But once those comparisons are narrowed to examine African-American and white male basketball players, the numbers show that SIUC's unbalanced student-athlete graduation rates follow a disturbing national trend.

Thirty-nine percent of African-American male basketball players entering college nationally in 1990 graduated by August, 1996, compared to 58 percent of white male basketball players.

None of the African-American male basketball players entering SIUC during the 1990-91 school year graduated by August 1996.

Like Welch, Seymour Bryson, director of SIUC affirmative action, believes the low numbers result from a higher priority on athletics than academics.

"Society has to stop being hypocritical," he said. "We tell coaches that we value education, but at the same time we look at fan attendance and game loss records."

"I know very few coaches fired for low graduation rates, but I have seen many fired for losing records

and poor fan attendance."

Like Welch, Bryson also is a former SIUC African-American male basketball player. Both believe that their younger peers can excel both on and off the court. They are members of the SIUC Sports Hall of Fame — a prestigious fellowship initiated by Bryson 20 years ago that now includes 33 basketball players.

Bryson, who amassed 1,244 career rebounds from 1955 to 1959, is the University's career rebounding leader. He also ranks sixth on SIUC's list of all-time career scorers with a total of 1,535 points.

But unlike the vast majority of recent African-American male basketball players, Bryson took full advantage of his SIUC education. He earned a degree in sociology in 1959, a master's degree in rehabilitation counseling in 1961, and a doctorate in educational psychology in 1972.

Bryson believes today's African-American male basketball players are capable of the same achievements — if not more. He said the problem lies with the conditioning of those athletes to believe in a future of professional athletics, and that coaches are pushing athletes to focus on that hard-to-attain goal instead of academics.

"It's up to the coaches to help culture students into academics," he said. "They make them believe they have an opportunity to make it in basketball. They make it an end rather than making it a means to an end, when the goal is to leave an institution with a degree."

As SIUC's first African-American male basketball player, Welch said earning a degree was foremost on his mind. And after comparing SIUC's basketball athletes with those at other institutions over the years, Welch believes African-American male basketball players should not be duped into believing their years at SIUC will lead them to an NBA career.

"We don't produce professional athletes in large numbers," he said. "We don't get the Mr. Basketballs of Illinois and Indiana — they don't come here. We get the athletes with less talent, we don't get the kids who go to the NBA. If we compete with North Carolina for a recruit, 100 percent of the time that recruit will choose North Carolina."

"We can make baccalaureate degree and master's degree holders out of African-American male basketball athletes, but we can't make them professional athletes. They're going to be limited without the degree, and I would feel the Athletic Department should encourage students to get the degree."

Agreeing with Welch's assessment, Bryson said SIUC's African-American male basketball players could find more gratifying career opportunities just by seeking the advice of those who once stood in their place.

"For most kids coming out of a place like SIUC, there's a slim chance of going into professional basketball," he said. "Every kid who puts on a uniform thinks about going into the NBA — and most coaches push for it."

"This campus has a lot of role models that blacks could use who played ball, like myself. We could enhance their opportunity to get a good education."

**Go pro or graduate?**

Despite what would appear to be sage advice from the old school, some African-American male basketball players continue to leave school early to pursue professional careers. Ex-Saluki guard Troy Hudson made the most recent attempt.

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during the 1997-1998 season. The Saluki three-point specialist — who was placed on the Jazz's injured list in December and then cut from the team — later averaged 9 points per game with the Continental Basketball Association's Sioux Falls Skyforce.

In spite of local media doubts, Chris Carr's decision to skip his senior year and declare himself eligible for the 1995 NBA draft was more successful. He was drafted by the Phoenix Suns late in the second round, and now plays for the Minnesota Timberwolves.

Former African-American male basketball players Ashraf Amaya and Marcus Timmons also tried their luck in professional basketball without benefit of an SIUC degree. Timmons never made it to the NBA, but debuted professionally with Italy's Olympia Pistola in 1995. After brief stints with the NBA's Vancouver Grizzlies and Washington Bullets, Amaya — a former Missouri Valley Conference Player of the Year — no longer is in the NBA.

On the other hand, when UNC's highly touted Jamison announced his intentions to go pro Monday, he said he was assured by coaches and NBA teams that he would be among the first five players selected in the NBA draft.

He also revealed he will be able to graduate ahead of his senior class this year by enrolling in summer school.

Former SIUC basketball coach Rich Herrin graduated 85 percent of his basketball players during his 13 years at SIUC — including Welch's son Brian, now an accountant. But before he resigned as coach earlier this month, Herrin explained that he strongly supported the decisions of the SIUC players — all of whom were African-American — who decided to leave school early to go pro.

"These guys have an opportunity, and I'm not going to take that away from them," he said. "They can't play forever because their

bodies can only last for so long."

Jim Hart, director of SIUC Intercollegiate Athletics, said he encouraged Carr to stay at the University and earn a degree, although Carr chose to do otherwise. Although he agrees that African-American male basketball graduation rates "are not what we'd want them to be," he still stands staunchly behind Herrin's encouragement of other professional hopefuls who left SIUC without degrees.

"What's Herrin supposed to do — tell them not to leave because they need to graduate and finish a degree?" he asked shortly before asking for Herrin's resignation this month. "You can't dangle an opportunity like professional basketball in front of them and not give them a chance."

**Difficulty of being a student-athlete**

For every African-American male athlete who decides to go pro, there are others who take different routes. For all basketball players who remain at SIUC, participating in a marquee athletic program is difficult. They may save tuition expenses, but they amass a stressful routine.

"Student-athletes have a real tough time," Gher said. "People think they have a free ride, but black student-athletes have a very isolated lifestyle."

"They get up at six, lift for two hours, attend class like a regular kid, then at 3 they practice, eat at 6 and then go to a required study table. It's very isolated — and that doesn't even include travel!"

Saluki forward James Jackson, a junior in graphic design from St. Louis, has balanced his dream of pursuing a career in visual communication with the rigors of playing college basketball since 1995. But as an athlete, he does not want to share the fate of the majority of his African-American peers. He plans on earning his bachelor's degree in 1999 or 2000.

Jackson, a two-year letterman and top reserve, said he never has had any problem with keeping his grades up. This may be because of

the positive reinforcement he said he found in former coach Rich Herrin and his teammates.

"The coach will tell you to leave practice if you have class," he said. "We all get on each other, too. If someone is not attending class, he usually gets made fun of."

But Bryson believes this reinforcement has not been as effective for the African-American male basketball players who have not graduated.

"By doing what you're here for, you should be attending class and meeting expectations," he said. "Those individuals who are in charge of these students are not doing what they're supposed to do. The players are still allowed to compete. That's where I have some questions."


**Help within the Athletic Department**

There is a more formal approach in finding assistance for student-athletes within the Athletic Department. Incoming student-athletes are required to enroll in "The Successful Student," a two-hour course taught by Athletics Department staff members. The course covers topics including time management, career development and NCAA guidelines.

A team of four athletic coordinators fielded more than 3,200 calls and visits from Saluki athletes in fall 1996 alone. Coordinators are available to help student-athletes gain priority registration with University academic advisors, select classes and evaluate instructors. They also monitor student-athletes in classes and assist student-athletes with free tutoring, study tables and time management. Student-athletes are not required by the University to use these services, but student-athletes with cumulative grade point averages below 2.25 are required to attend the two-hour evening study tables.



These efforts to aid student-athletes serve a dual purpose by helping the entire Athletic Department. The University is in the midst of


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studying the program to ensure its NCAA certification.

Achieving a departmental graduation rate at least 15 percent above the graduation rate of SIUC undergraduates is an important Saluki Athletics goal. That aspiration was realized in the 1997 graduation-rates report. Fifty-six percent of Saluki athletes entering in 1990 received degrees by August, 1996 compared to 39 percent of non-student-athletes — a rate 17 percent lower than that of student-athletes.

Another Athletic Department goal is for 75 percent of student-athletes entering SIUC to graduate after using four years of eligibility.

Eighty-five percent of Saluki student-athletes met that goal, according to the 1997 report.

Improving the graduation rates of African-American male basketball players like Jackson is not one of the expressed goals of the Athletic Coordinators Office, but measures are being taken to help the academic performance of SIUC's minority athletes in general.

One way advisory committee members said its resolution to improve African-American student-athlete achievement could be accomplished would be requiring coaches to give maximum support to efforts to improve class and study table attendance.

Nancy Bandy, assistant director of SIUC athletics, said maximum support of those academic aids had been difficult for SIUC's men's basketball program, for a variety of reasons.

"There have been problems with men's basketball players' class attendance and study table attendance, and nothing has been done about it," she said.

"It's a lack of discipline,

although there are some coaches who require class attendance. Some players have a notion that they will go pro."

Bandy said the Athletic Department also is exploring other options.

The department seeks to add more minority coordinators. Two African-American coordinators are now employed.

Bandy says this strategy will work only if academic coordinators realize their ultimate duty to student-athletes.

"Some believe that having role models of the same ethnicity will make students perform better," she said.

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**If a student's grades are down, he has to get them up before the following semester or he can't play.**

JIM HART  
SIUC ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

"I agree with it overall, but it depends on the individuals who are hired. If you hire someone who thinks winning overall is important and not academics, that's not good."

**Future plans?**

A look at the 1997 survey of African-American life at SIUC provides some insight into general African-American students' decisions to remain at SIUC. Thirteen percent of African-American students surveyed in 1997 said the opportunity for intercollegiate athletics was very significant in their decision to stay at SIUC. Thirty-six percent of these stu-

dents said the pursuit of an academic degree program was very significant in their decision to remain at SIUC.

Athletic Advisory Board regulations seek to place African-American male basketball players goals similar to that of their non-athlete African-American peers. This measure may have negative effects on the team's future success, but he said it is more important that his athletes are achievers in the classroom.

"If a student's grades are down, he has to get them up before the following semester or he can't play," Hart said.

"It makes it hard to recruit students because they don't have as much leeway here as they would at another university."

"Though our athlete participation may decrease, it will show to the students the significance of an education," he said. "Some may go on to pro ball but they'll go on with grades behind them."

But Welch said he has a better solution for low graduation rates of African-American male basketball players.

"Make them eligible on a semester-to-semester basis," he said.

"And I think Athletic Department administrators should come up with a way to have the student-athletes graduate within four years. What's six years? My son played here and graduated in four years — it can be done."

And Welch believes this plan can be implemented if SIUC's future men's basketball coach also places a higher priority on the team's academic success.

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"We judge (how many people are listening) by phone calls because ratings are too expensive," said Kerry Keeker, a senior at the University of Missouri who has worked for the last four years at KCOU 88.1 FM. "We get collect calls from the prison all the time. They'll say 'Mariah Carey' instead of their names, so we know to play a Mariah Carey song and send out a shout to the Boone County Prison."

For many campus radio stations, resources are tight. DJs at WPUM

90.5 FM - which employs 30 of the 1,000 students attending St. Joseph's College near Chicago - chip in \$5 every so often to help the station pay for CDs and equipment.

Even the most popular college DJs aren't immune from having to dig into their pockets to cover expenses.

"We pay for supplies. You know - everything down to the cookie and coffee for our guests," said Wolfe Kincaid, who, along with roommate Lee Overstreet, have run the No. 1 college radio show in the country for the last two years, according to the National Association of College Broadcasters.

The Lee & Wolfe Show operates out of WVUA 90.7 FM, or V-91, at the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa every Friday night between 5-8 p.m. and has quite a following - including the city's mayor.

"I get people from all walks of life who say, 'You're one of the guys from the radio,'" Kincaid said.

Added Overstreet: "I long for the day that I don't have to worry about technical stuff and can work on the show itself. I can't wait to do this and get paid."

Paychecks aren't an option for most college broadcasters, who are simply grateful to have a place where they can hang out at all

hours, airwaves from which they can launch their careers, and the chance to expose their listeners to music mainstream stations aren't likely to play.

"We don't operate with competition in mind," Keeker said. "We're offering something no one else does - totally new bands."

To promote the local college music scene, campus radio stations produce a wide variety of shows. KCOU boasts of its College Music Report, and KWVA 88.1 FM at the University of Oregon says its most popular program is "Live at Five from a Dive."

The University of Wisconsin at Madison is eager to join the effort to support college bands - and, of course, to give students another opportunity to be heard. Through the Federal Communications Commission has given the school permission to post a radio tower within a 1-mile radius of campus, townsfolk in and around Madison say they don't want the thing marring their scenic landscape.

While battling for the right to hit the airwaves, UW students have taken their station to the Internet.

"The (web) is nice and all, but we can't have more than 100 listeners at a time," said Bill Oakley, assistant station manager and DJ at UW's WSUM. "We want to hit the airwaves. This is the start of a real radio station."

## Correction for Lakeside Veterinary Hospital.

The information that appeared on Wednesday April 29, 1998 was incorrect. The Budget Vaccination Clinic will be on Friday May 8th & Friday May 27th. For more information call 529-2236 or 942-2777.

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drivetrain and other car parts. The car competes in seven events evaluating design, cost, acceleration, endurance and several different tests.

The team competed last year for the first time. As the second-highest scoring rookie team, they placed 46th out of 99 teams competing.

Besides constructing the car, the team also has to create a proposal for sponsors to cover the car's \$15,000 cost.

Although the team will use the same car they entered in last years competition, it will be drastically different because of numerous changes.

Each team member builds a different part of the car, from paper sketches to the final product.

"Each piece on the car is like doing a senior design project," Freeman said. "The car is made up

of a billion pieces. It is a big project - especially for the number of guys who are doing it."

Building the car provides a unique opportunity for each member to apply what they have learned in their classes to a practical experience.

Anthony Rickert, senior in mechanical engineering from Bethalto, said he has been able to reinforce the his professor's ideas.

"You really learn the skills better," he said. "It is a big step learning how to apply what you learned out of class."

For now, the team is concentrating on preparing the car for the next competition May 27 through May 30, where the challenge is not racing the car, the challenge is creating

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and testing out the concepts put into the car.

"A lot of people think we go to a race," Freeman said. "Even though it is somewhat of a race, it is more an engineering contest."

Contests aside, long hours of working together can build unique friendships.

Ben Grodjesk, a sophomore in recreation from Pekin, said along with all he has learned, the friendships he made are the best part of working as a team.

"You make '10 new friends as soon you join," he said. "You get to hang out with people who like some of the same things you do, and you get to learn from each other."

Despite all the time the Formula car consumes, the team stays motivated to continue spending the long hours. For Rickert, and the rest of the team, being behind the wheel is the true award.

"It is a whole lot of work," Rickert said. "But when you get to drive it, it is all worth it."

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the students themselves. Because other board members are selected initially by an independent committee and then forwarded to the governor for approval, Edgar has argued student trustee candidates must undergo the same scrutiny. Edgar does, however, support the binding vote item.

Following the veto, student leaders mounted an aggressive lobbying effort on behalf of an override. Instead of an override, students successfully persuaded Rep. Rick Winkel, R-Champaign, to introduce a bill mirroring HB 923. Prior to its introduction, though, another bill reflecting Edgar's changes appeared in the House. The House Higher Education Committee subsequently called it, but due to significant pressure from student leaders, amended it to include the election provision. This version is the version that exists today, the fate of which rests with the governor.

SIUC Student Trustee Pat Kelly calls Wednesday's Senate vote a victory for students

statewide. Kelly was instrumental in organizing House lobbying efforts, and still remains in contact with student leaders pushing for the bill's passage. Kelly is cautiously optimistic about the bill's future, but says with the overwhelming support it received in the General Assembly, the governor's signature could be im-

approval, though, student efforts would mean nothing. Tom Livingston, Edgar's chief higher education adviser, says the governor has yet to undertake any serious analysis of HB 2364. The General Assembly has 30 days to move the bill to the governor's office, and Edgar has 60 days to act on the legislation. Livingston

Champaign spent the majority of last week lobbying lawmakers. Now, he said, the numbers must speak for themselves.

"We'll let the merits of the bill and the overwhelming support for the bill do the talking," Waldinger said.

Though support for HB 2364 in the General Assembly is abundant, Livingston says the governor still opposes future student trustee elections and would like to see them replaced with screening committees. Livingston also warns that just because the legislature overwhelmingly supports the bill, does not mean the governor will necessarily sign it into law. In fact, he says about 60 bills with near unanimous legislative support have been vetoed or amendatorily vetoed by Edgar during his tenure. This, coupled with Edgar's position on student trustee elections, might not bode well for the bill. Regardless, Kelly will be pursuing the governor's signature at all costs. If Edgar vetoes the bill again, Kelly promises a counter-punch.

"This sends a pretty solid message to the governor," he said "But, if the governor decides to veto, we're going for an override."

**Gus Bodo**



Gus says: Thank you sir, may I have another?

This is a clear directive from the General Assembly that says what powers the students should possess.

Pat Kelly  
SIUC Student Trustee

ment. "This is a clear directive from the General Assembly that says what powers the students should possess," Kelly said. "The legislators know, understand and trust the students to determine their own future. They believe in the democratically elected student trustee, and we hope the governor understands the importance that."

Without the governor's

said the governor will not pocket the bill, but meet with students, administrators, and staff policy analysts when the legislation is moved.

Mike Waldinger, Winkel's press spokesman, said the bill will move to Edgar's desk soon. He also contends students made the difference in Wednesday's Senate vote. Student leaders from University of Illinois at Urbana-

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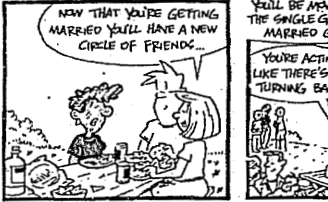
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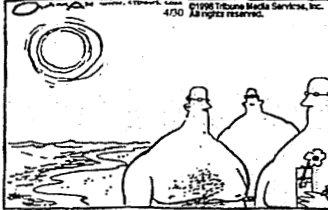
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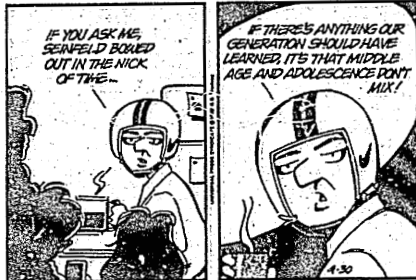
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- Crisis of issues
- Cereals grasses
- Sandwich shop
- Taylor of 'The Nervous'
- Org. for seniors
- Islamic republic
- Fish-house menu item
- Bathroom fixture
- Silly baby
- Birthplace of Simon Bolivar
- Asian island sea
- Spread to and wide
- 'Frosty Woman' character
- Container with a tap
- Gather together
- Overlapping effect
- Linux partner
- Table protector
- Card of order
- Name for a son
- Frying
- Bat wood

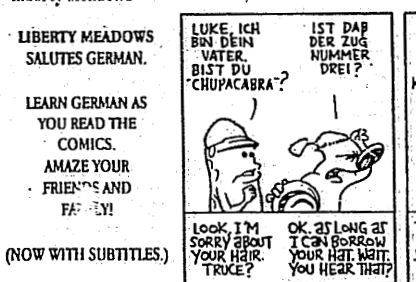
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- Working independently
- Puppeter Lewis
- Allow
- In the past
- Winter Coldwell
- Potential plant
- Creator of Big Fish
- Great Lulu
- Gogol novel
- Phonic peas
- Trouched down
- Computer messages
- Lower digits
- Scull
- Marsh grass
- Down
- Go wrong
- Winn's letter
- Used transactions
- Sambocks
- Bum
- Shut back
- Put up
- Jack of the nursery
- Put off guard
- the Red
- Screen humor
- Pon fuds
- One who takes or grants
- Circle
- Old World yards
- Medieval era
- Band
- Colonist
- Landers
- Switzerland, generally
- Satisfying occasion?
- Banned slightly
- Burning
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- Ushers
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- Put up
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## Basketball Rockets prepare for Drexler's last game

WASHINGTON POST

HOUSTON—Hakeem Olajuwon found himself reduced to begging. Olajuwon, center for the Houston Rockets, has known Clyde Drexler for the better part of two decades. They met as teammates at the University of Houston, and they won an NBA title here—Olajuwon's second, Drexler's first—in 1995. When Drexler approached Olajuwon nearly two

months ago and told his friend he planned to retire and return to the alma mater as head coach, Olajuwon had two reactions. The first was shock. The second was a fierce desire to change Drexler's mind.

"I tried so hard to talk him out of it," Olajuwon said. "I like to have him around. I didn't want him to leave." But the University of Houston is still nity college, so I guess I'm happy."

earning the starting catcher spot this season.

Women's golf seniors Stacy Skillman and Jamie Smith left SIUC as champions and made their work in the classroom a No. 1 priority. Senior divers Alex Wright and Karla Gerzema made SIUC proud of their accomplishments on the national level while senior swimmer Jeff Clark stood out with his 4.0 GPA and numerous swimming highlights.

There are plenty of others who may not get the headlines but who are just as valuable. For them, the joy comes in getting that degree and making a run at those titles. They will be missed.

The future should be even better for Saluki athletics next season. The women's golf and swimming and diving teams will be back as strong as ever to defend their conference crowns. The Saluki softball team returns everyone from a squad that is tearing up the Valley this season.

Quarless' squad is still thin on numbers, but the foundation is there to make a good run. Julie Beck has inherited a young women's basketball team loaded with talent.

Several Saluki athletic programs have the ability to become conference champions. It is up to them to build on this year and make 1998-99 a year worth remembering.

## Devil Rays make waves from the start in American League

SPORTING NEWS

Owner Vince Naimoli can't ask for much more than this. His Tampa Bay Devil Rays, in their first month of regular-season existence, rolled up some big offensive numbers and held their own in the tough American League East.

Fans of the fledgling expansion club can't ask for much more, either.

It won't last, of course, but who cares? The Devil Rays have succeeded while the richer and supposedly more competitive Arizona Diamondbacks have not. The Devil Rays have assembled a team that can hit and score, a team that is knocking the stuffing out of the conventional wisdom about expansion.

"The word expansion really is a misnomer," G.M. Chuck LaMar says. "I think it's better to call it a first-year organization. We lost the expansion label on November 18 with all the things we did during and after the draft. It's much different than when Pat Gillick and the Toronto Blue Jays started their quest

for a championship in 1977."

That's true, of course. The Devil Rays waded right into the free-agent market. They signed front-line starter Wilson Alvarez to a huge contract. They also signed future Hall-of-Famer Wade Boggs and relief ace Roberto Hernandez and traded for first baseman Fred McGriff, but that doesn't make their April performance any less impressive.

Tampa Bay won more games than any previous baseball expansion club in its first month of play. The Devil Rays spent most of April at or near the top of the league batting rankings, hitting .308 after the first 20 games. They ranked in the upper half of the American League in ERA and team defense, too. Expansion has never been like this.

The Diamondbacks were the team everyone thought would have a chance to be respectable, because Owner Jerry Colangelo put an even greater economic emphasis on being competitive in his club's inaugural season, but Arizona has gotten off to a Mets-like start. Meanwhile,

the Devil Rays have pounded out win after impressive, lopsided win.

The Rays recently went into Edison International's Field in Anaheim and took three of four games from a solid Angels club that is expected to be a strong competitor in the A.L. West. The Angels got some revenge at Tropicana Field last weekend, sweeping the Devil Rays, but Angels Manager Terry Collins came away very impressed.

"Take a look at their lineup," he said. "Fred McGriff, Wade Boggs, Kevin Stocker — where do you want me to stop? They've got a nice team. The only thing that makes them an expansion team is they have uniforms nobody has seen before."

Even the uniforms aren't bad once you get used to the idea of a huge, slow-moving sea creature as the standard-bearer for an exciting offensive club.

LaMar deserves a great deal of credit for drafting wisely and signing the right combination of veterans.

## KEITH

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continued their dominance with yet another pair of titles.

Those titles were especially sweet considering the timing. With a debate over athletic fee increases swirling around campus, the programs that receive some of the smallest amounts of money from the school reaped the biggest reward of all. Congratulations to two programs that deserve it for all of their hard work.

A few Saluki senior athletes leaving SIUC also deserve a pat on the back. Women's tennis senior Sanem Berksoy accomplished almost everything she could have on the court, breaking the school's all-time career wins record. Throw in her 3.97 grade point average in mechanical engineering, and Berksoy brings new meaning to the term student-athlete.

Men's basketball seniors Rashad Tucker and Shane Hawkins stood out on the court in their final seasons. Baseball seniors Matt Dettman and Brad Benson shone brightly in their two years as power hitters at SIUC, while Cory Schrank showed perseverance pays off after sitting the bench for three years and

## GOLF

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State University battled for the title in the three rounds. Heavily-favored Wichita State led second-place SMSU by six strokes after the first round and had a six-stroke lead over Drake heading into the final round.

But the Bulldogs shot a tournament-low 290 on the final day to defend their 1997 conference crown. Drake shot an 866 last year, easily outdistancing the Shockers (885).

SMSU (904), University of

Northern Iowa (917), Bradley University (945), Creighton University (959) and the University of Evansville (977) rounded out the team scores.

Saluki senior Kory Neisen had another impressive showing, firing rounds of 75, 77 and 77 for a total of 230 and a three-way tie for the 15th individually. Sophomore Garret Stiegmans fired rounds of 81, 74 and 80 (235) for 23rd place.

Rounding out the Saluki individual efforts were seniors Phil Boeckmann and John Raski III (234) in a tie for 34th place. Junior Craig Castrale failed to qualify. Drake continued its dominance

in conference play by adding the top two individual places to its second-straight conference team championship.

Ben Pettitt captured medalist honors by firing rounds of 70, 72 and 74 for a three-round total of even-par 216. Pettitt edged out teammate Cory Braunschweig, who fired a 75, 72 and 71 to finish two shots behind in second place.

Southwest Missouri State's Rohan Allwood used rounds of 71, 76 and 75 for a 222 and third place, while Wichita State's Corey Novascone, Brad Golden and Jeff Mackebon all shot 223 for a three-way tie for fourth.

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## Sports Talk

Ryan Keith  
DE Sports Editor

## A look back at the year in Saluki sports

The semester is nearly over and the Saluki athletic teams are wrapping up their seasons. Before we take off for another three months, let's take a quick look back at 1997-98 and forward at 1998-99.

First, an update on the search for the new Saluki men's basketball coach. Pinckneyville native and University of Arkansas assistant Brad Dunn has thrown his name into the picture, along with University of Kansas assistant Neil Dougherty. Former Creighton and Texas A&M coach Tony Barone has also stated his interest in the job.

Sources say a list of finalists could come out as early as today or Friday. The situation is still up in the air, but all signs are pointing to former Saluki assistant and current University of Illinois assistant Robert McCullum. SIUC may have the position filled as early as the beginning of next week, giving the new coach enough time to hit the recruiting trail.

This school year was a disappointing one for most of SIUC's athletic teams. The men's basketball team lost 16 games and a head coach. The women's basketball team suffered its first losing season in more than 20 years and watched its long-time coach resign.

The football team fell a little short for five weeks in a row and turned in a 3-8 mark during Jan Quarless' debut season. The men's and women's tennis teams both improved over the previous year but couldn't get over the hump in the Missouri Valley Conference Championships.

The baseball team has shown signs of life despite injuries that have decimated its pitching staff, but the consistency is missing. The volleyball, cross country and track teams also faced their share of adversity from injuries.

But the year was far from a total loss. Two Saluki programs — women's golf and swimming and diving — captured MVC crowns. The women's golf team came from behind and beat all the odds for its first MVC title ever. The men's and women's swimming and diving teams

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## Golfers can do no better than sixth

Men's team starts MVC Championships as No. 6 seed, ends the same way

RYAN KEITH  
DE SPORTS EDITOR

SIUC met the expectations of the other Missouri Valley Conference teams at the MVC Championships Tuesday. Unfortunately, those predictions did not include a return to Carbondale with a conference crown.

The Saluki men's golf team shot a consist-

ent score of 942 but could manage only a sixth-place finish at the conference tournament at Quarry Oaks Golf Course in Ashland, Neb. The finish matched the Salukis' sixth-place seed heading into the tournament.

SIUC fired rounds of 314, 313 and 315 to finish 22 strokes behind fifth place Illinois State University (920). The finish was two spots ahead of the Salukis' eighth-place showing in last year's championships. SIUC used

rounds of 312, 308 and 322 for a total of 942.

Drake University captured the conference title with a team score of 884, two strokes ahead of second place Wichita State University.

The championship was never challenged by the league's bottom six teams. Drake, Wichita State and Southwest Missouri

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### NICE PUNCH:

Andy Sabens, a junior in administration of justice and psychology from Carbondale, practices the discipline of Jeet Kune Do with Devin Decker, a senior in administration of justice and psychology from Joliet, Wednesday afternoon at the Recreation Center. Jeet Kune Do is based on the theories and concepts of Bruce Lee.

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Daily Egyptian

## Track teams try to stay away from distractions

**PREPARATION:** Saluki teams compete in final meet before MVC Championships.

COREY CUSICK  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC women's track and field freshman sprinter Shaneka Williams is trying to block out all the distractions that could disrupt her attempt for a solid performance at the University of Missouri Invite in Columbia, Mo., Saturday.

The Salukis are competing in their last meet before the Missouri Valley Conference Championships (May 14-17 in Cedar Falls, Iowa) and final exams. Williams said she wants to clear her head before the meet Saturday.

"I'm trying to eliminate that (distractions) by studying now," Williams said. "I've been studying now so I'll be able to train for conference the next few weeks."

Williams, who is running the 100- and 200-meter runs along with a leg on the 4x100 meter relay this weekend, said this meet will help her get prepared for conference.

"I'm using this meet to see what I need to improve on before conference," Williams said. "I feel very confident. I'm sure as a team we'll do well. If the weather is nice, I would like to try and run a personal best in the 100."

Women's coach Don DeNoon is also looking forward to a distraction-free weekend.

"This is a precarious time of year because you have exams, and you're also trying to train for a meet Saturday with exams the next week," DeNoon said.

Competing against the Salukis will be the University of Missouri, Kansas State University and Drake University. A group of about 10 smaller schools also are expected to compete.

DeNoon expects many season-best times this weekend after a week of solid training.

"We just want continued improvement from our athletes," DeNoon said. "We should see some strong opposition from all around.

Hopefully, we'll stay healthy and try to step it up another level and have some kids flying around the track."

The men's track and field team is also competing at the meet, but men's coach Bill Cornell has another worry besides exams and conference championships.

"We would like to see some good weather, and we definitely want to stay healthy," Cornell said.

"We've been taking it easy this week in practice, so we're hoping for some personal bests."

Cornell said final exams should be the main concern of his athletes until conference.

"The No. 1 importance is to get them ready for final exams," Cornell said. "I don't know if we can get them any more conditioned. We just want to rest them up so they are ready to explode come conference."

### TRACK

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