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Sweet Surprises



JESSICA TEZAK | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Glenda Noble, of Paloma, decides what cookie to purchase Monday at Larry's House of Cakes. Noble said she stopped at the local bakery so she could have something to surprise her granddaughter with when she picked her up from school. Tim Wyne, of Peoria, an employee of Larry's House of Cakes, said he expects business to speed up in the coming week as Valentine's Day approaches.

Parking, convenience create commuter controversy

TIFFANY BLANCHETTE
Daily Egyptian

Many commuting faculty, staff and students play the parking game when arriving on campus.

The destruction of the parking garage eliminated 344 parking spaces and the new parking lot, located east of the Student Center, provides 236 spaces, said Phil Gatton, director of Plant and Service Operations.

Gatton said the university tried to alleviate the current 27-space deficit by expanding to a total of 81 spaces in lots 10A and 10B, located east of the demolished parking garage. The plans for the new Student Services building, which will replace the garage, also incorporate more spaces, he said.

The parking situation near the campus main entrance limits parking availability for a number of buildings used by students, faculty and staff commuters.

People going to the buildings near the entrance which benefited

from the garage, such as the Student Center, Faner Hall and Neckers Building, will experience difficulty with parking availability, said Kylie Brewer, office support specialist for the College of Science Dean's Office.

"The frustrating part is when you can't find a spot and have to rely on being lucky," said Jess Pease, a graduate student from Harrisonburg, Va. studying forestry.

Brewer, an SIUC alumna, said she thinks there is more parking than many people are aware of.

In 2001, a land use survey asked students, staff, and faculty what they considered important on campus, Gatton said. He said the survey found SIU actually has more parking than students, so creating more parking lots wasn't convenient.

The lots located near the SIU Arena, Communications Building and Brush Towers are farther away from campus and require a longer walk, but they do offer commuter parking.

The parking trend at many

colleges, such as SIUE, is similar to SIU in that faculty and staff spaces are closer and student spaces are farther, Gatton said.

Brewer said students can avoid the frustration they experience when struggling to find a convenient parking space. Enrolling in 8 a.m. classes and even parking off campus can save students stress and sometimes money, she said.

Gatton said part of commuting to college is learning how to deal with things like parking.

"I've noticed students who wait for close spots for 15 minutes when there's more parking half a block away," Gatton said. "It's like going to Walmart and wanting to park 20 feet from the door, so you circle the lot for an hour before you park."

There's a certain expectation for suitable parking, especially since students pay for a parking sticker, Brewer said. What most students don't realize is that staff and faculty also pay for parking, she said.

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Arctic owl swoops into southern Illinois

SHARON WITKE
Daily Egyptian

When she spotted a snowy owl sitting on a fencepost near Shawnee Community College, Karen Tharp said she did a double-take.

The large, almost all-white predatory bird usually lives in the frozen tundra of Canada, Alaska and Eurasia. The owl occasionally makes appearances in the northernmost contiguous United States, but is rarely seen as far south as southern Illinois.

Tharp, the volunteer coordinator for the Nature Conservancy in Illinois, said she always looks for animals on her morning drive to her office on the Shawnee Community College campus.

"That morning, I saw a pretty large white bird on the telephone pole that looked like an owl," she said. "First I passed it, but then I turned around and drove back for a second look."

She said when she realized that she was looking at a snowy owl, she drove as fast as she could to her office, grabbed a spotting scope and a camera and drove back to photograph the owl.

Tharp first spotted the snowy owl on Jan. 27. She said she notified the Southern Illinois Audubon Society, and members of the birding organization have been documenting the owl since that time.

Tony Gerard, a biology instructor at Shawnee Community College, said he was also able to photograph the owl. He said it was most likely a juvenile male because of its gray mottled feathers. Fully mature male snowy owls are almost pure white, he said.

Gerard said he believed Ullin was the southernmost place in Illinois a snowy owl had been spotted this year.

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David Pitts, a biology professor and avian specialist at the University of Tennessee at Martin, said he made the nearly two-hour drive to southern Illinois as soon as he heard about the sighting.

He said the snowy owl is the most diurnal of all owls, feeding more frequently during the day than at night. They have a diverse diet of small rodents, fish and birds, he said, and have a life expectancy of about nine years in the wild.

Pitts said the snowy owl may remain in the area for another month or two.

“Once they find a suitable feeding area, they will anchor there unless the food runs out,” he said.

Vicki Lang, vice president of the Southern Illinois Audubon Society, said she’s also seen the owl.

“The snowy owl is a very large and heavy bird — bigger than you can imagine,” she said. “I could see it from more than a mile away.”

Lang said this is an irruptive year for the snowy owls, meaning

a year when they winter outside their normal territory.

She said every few years there are sudden surges in the snowy owl population that may be triggered by increased numbers of lemmings, their favorite food. The owls produce more chicks when food is abundant, she said.

Some of these young are forced to leave the Arctic tundra in search of food when the lemming population returns to normal levels.

She said members of the Southern Illinois Audubon Society, knowing it was an irruptive year, has been watching for snowy owls since December. Another snowy owl had been spotted in Randolph County near Red Bud, she said.

Lang said the snowy owls like to be near waterways and open fields, making southernmost Illinois an ideal location for the bird.

Snowy owls that have travelled the long distance from the Arctic arrive exhausted and hungry, she said.

“This owl is likely to be in a compromised state,” Lang said.

She said people who want to

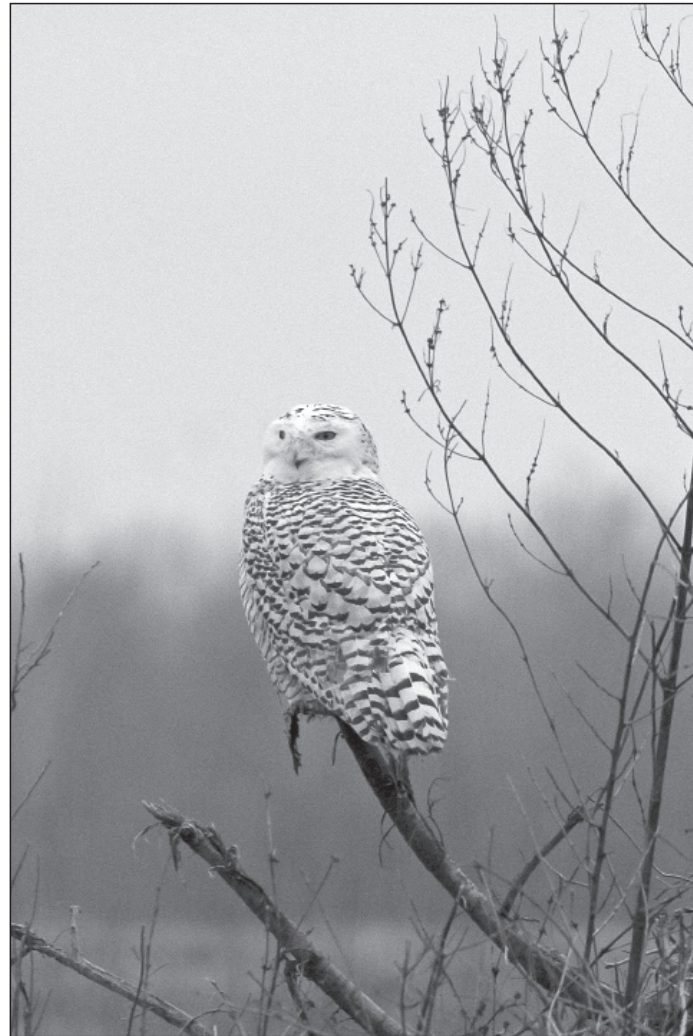
see the owl should do so from a distance to avoid scaring it.

The snowy owl has attracted bird watchers from other states. On Saturday, Bala Chennupati, a bird enthusiast from Huntsville, Ala., drove five hours hoping for a chance to photograph the area’s rare visitor.

He said he saw the bird sitting on the ground in a large open field, and he was able to get close enough to take some good pictures.

“This was a once in a lifetime opportunity,” he said.

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A snowy owl has made its home for the past 10 days near Shawnee Community College in Ullin. The snowy owl’s usual habitat is the Arctic tundra, but because of a population surge, juvenile males are searching for food in the lower 48 states, said Tony Gerard, a biology instructor at Shawnee Community College.
SHARON WITKKE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

PARKING

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According to the Department of Public Safety, a decal bought in August for faculty and staff costs between \$70 and \$125 and a commuter decal costs \$62.

Parking sticker rates are determined by the costs of

maintaining campus areas such as roads and parking lots, Gatton said.

The solution for the parking dilemma would be more parking garages, which would mean more convenient parking, but it would be reflected in the cost of parking sticker rates, he said.

For example, parking stickers

at the University of Illinois can cost \$600 or more per year, he said.

Not only do parking garages cost three to six times more to build and maintain, they’re not aesthetically pleasing on any campus, Gatton said.

“Campus is very beautiful, but the entrance had a parking lot, a

parking garage and a dilapidated football stadium,” Gatton said. “This is because what became the main entrance was initially the back door and as controversial as it may be, we had to clean up the entrance to our university.”

The green spaces, or the grassy, wooded areas, are really a part of the SIU campus, Gatton said.

“If we create all parking conveniently right next to buildings,” he said, “all we’re going to have is buildings and parking lots.”

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Council meeting to consider funding requests

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Daily Egyptian

The Carbondale City Council will discuss fiscal year 2013 funding requests, a proposed ordinance that would allow chickens in city limits and other items during the meeting tonight at the Civic Center.

Council members will debate the amounts of funding requested by non-profit organizations, such as the Boys and Girls club of Carbondale and the Women's Center, that provide educational and social services to southern Illinois citizens, many of whom are elderly, low-income or children.

The council won't vote tonight on the funding priorities but will gather information so it can take action on

the proposed funding requests in April.

"We have seven different people with seven different opinions about funding," Councilman Lance Jack said.

Jack said he expected to hear a number of people express their views about the requests.

An ordinance that has been almost two years in the making will also be on the table. The ordinance would approve an amendment to the city's zoning code and would allow chickens within city limits.

The city's planning commission heard comments nearly two years ago from members of the city's sustainability commission regarding the proposed amendment and requested a detailed draft. The sustainability commission presented the draft in September 2011

and a public hearing was scheduled.

Comments from the public hearing were incorporated into the document and in January, both the planning commission and the sustainability commission recommended the city council approve the revised proposed ordinance.

If the ordinance is approved, applications for a chicken coop license would be available April 1.

Wayne Weiseman, director of the Permaculture Project in Carbondale, originally proposed the change to the ordinance in February 2010. He said he hopes it will pass.

"It's been through several committees and it seems likely to pass, but you can never tell," he said.

Councilman Lee Fronberger said committee members who drafted the

amendment used a similar ordinance approved by the Columbia, Mo., city council in 2010 as a model.

Councilman Chris Wissman said he thought a lot of care and attention to detail went into the revision. One of his main concerns was that the chickens would be treated humanely, he said.

The council will also consider a resolution to approve a redevelopment agreement using tax increment financing to reimburse Coleman Rental Properties for a portion of the cost of remodeling and construction of a 2,400 square feet addition at 210 East Walnut Street.

Under terms of the agreement, the city would reimburse the developer an amount of up to \$132,000, which is part of the developer's cost of architectural fees, demolition, parking lot renovation

and remodeling of the existing structure.

Fronberger said he didn't think there would be much controversy about the TIF project.

"It will be a very positive move for the city and for the business," he said.

Another ordinance on the general business portion of the agenda is to approve the contract the city reached with the police department's bargaining unit. The previous contract expired April 1, 2011. The new contract, if approved, would run through the end of fiscal year 2015.

Wissman said the proposed contract is similar to contracts the council had approved in the past.

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Black History Month to highlight campus diversity

SARAH MITCHELL
Daily Egyptian

The Africana Studies major at SIUC is just one step the university has taken to bring diversity to the campus.

Though the subject includes far more than can be taught in a month, Black History Month will be observed throughout February and will feature events coordinated by the Africana Studies department.

For some at SIUC, the month's history carries a lot of meaning.

Joseph Brown, director of Africana Studies, said the celebration has come a long way since he was introduced to it.

"I'm the oldest person in the building, and I remember when there was Negro History Week," he said with a laugh.

Negro History Week was established by historian Carter G. Woodson in 1926. In 1976, it underwent a name change and became an annually observed month in the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom.

This year's theme is "Black Women

in American History and Culture" and features speakers, discussions, poetry readings and film screenings.

Lower Grinnell Hall will present a week-long "Tunnel of Oppression" demonstration from Feb. 19 to Feb. 25 showcasing the oppression of various groups throughout American history.

Brown said the changes made to Black History Month since its conception are linked to developments in Africana Studies in colleges across the country.

At SIUC, Africana Studies has been offered as a major for the past year, but Black Studies has been part of the curriculum since the 1960s.

Brown said there were not enough tenured faculty in the department to qualify the study as a major until a year ago. He said despite this, it is an old field of study.

"As long as there have been colleges in America, there have been Africana studies," he said. "At the University of Virginia, they had grant money to study the negro before the First World War. You couldn't let the

negros in, but you could study them."

Brown said the first person to bring Black Studies to SIUC was Betty Fladeland, a professor in the history department. She decided she would teach a black history class in the 1960s, he said, because she saw a need for it on campus. Brown said her first class drew hundreds of students and eventually inspired people to come down from Chicago and establish black organizations and study programs at Southern.

"We built this program here out of the sheer energy of the community and students and like-minded professors," he said.

Brown said more than 200 United States colleges and universities offer undergraduate degrees in black, African, African-American or Africana Studies.

The Africana Studies program averages about 250 students per semester in all courses and has six students majoring in the field.

Michael Washington, a senior from Chicago studying Africana Studies,

said he chose the major because he wanted to learn more about African culture from an Afrocentric perspective instead of a Eurocentric one.

Washington said the material covered in his courses challenges what is typically taught about racism, culture, oppression and government.

"It's an important field to study because it has the potential to inspire young Americans to change their perspectives on African-American culture and oppression in the world," he said.

Washington, who is working with the department for Black History Month, said the month can be restrictive in educating Americans about black history.

"In my opinion, the history of African-Americans shouldn't be limited to just one month, because black history is American history," he said.

Many of the month's activities are geared toward teaching students about the histories often ignored in the average American

history class, Brown said.

Frank Chipasula, professor of Africana Studies, said the point of both Black History Month and Africana Studies is to challenge what citizens' idea of America is.

"What is American?" he asked. "Who is American? America really is a structure imposed upon the nation."

Brown said activities such as those available through Black History Month, as well as the curriculum within Africana Studies, gives students a strategy for connecting the dots in their educations.

"If you're smart at all, you know something's missing and you need to figure out what it is," he said. "That impulse to go find out what's missing will take you to Black Studies, Women's Studies, Native American Studies, Latino Studies and GLBT Studies, because it's not an incorporation easily blended into the curriculum."

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THEIR WORD

A matter of faith

The following editorial appeared in the Chicago Tribune Friday:

Later this year, all health insurance plans will be required by federal law to pay for contraceptives, such as birth-control pills, and abortifacients, such as Plan B, the so-called morning-after pill. The Obama administration recently ruled that churches will be exempt from this mandate, but other religiously affiliated institutions, such as hospitals, social service agencies and colleges, will have to comply.

So the Archdiocese of Chicago will not face a government mandate to provide birth control in its employee health plans, but Catholic-affiliated DePaul University will. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has given church-affiliated institutions until August 2013 to meet the requirement.

There are sound financial and health reasons for insurers to provide contraceptive coverage, and many policies do. A woman is more likely to receive prenatal care and less likely to seek an abortion if she has planned her pregnancy.

But the Roman Catholic Church is morally opposed to contraception, teaching that “each and every marital act must of necessity retain its intrinsic relationship to the procreation of human life.”

What’s more, while supporters of

The Obama administration, by not providing a broad conscience exception for this insurance mandate, is denying the church’s right — protected by the First Amendment — to freely practice its faith.

the mandate focus on the prevention of pregnancies, the church holds that the morning-after pill is an abortion drug that, by preventing the implantation of an already fertilized human embryo, ends a life.

The Obama administration, by not providing a broad conscience exception for this insurance mandate, is denying the church’s right — protected by the First Amendment — to freely practice its faith.

This mandate sets up an agonizing dilemma for church institutions. The Rev. John Jenkins, president of the University of Notre Dame, succinctly summarized it in a letter last year to HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius: “This would compel Notre Dame to either pay for contraception and sterilization in violation of the Church’s moral teaching, or to discontinue our employee and student health care plans in violation of the Church’s social teaching. It is an impossible position.”

The Obama administration needs to broaden the conscience exemption so it applies to religiously affiliated institutions.

It is possible to balance these interests. Illinois insurers are required by state law to cover contraceptive drugs and devices that are approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration. We supported that legislation when it was passed in 2003. The Illinois law exempts employers who are self-insured, and religious institutions have a broad exemption under the 1998 Health Care Right of Conscience Act.

If the Obama administration provides a broader exemption to federal law, some church institutions may still decide to cover birth control. Loyola University is exempt from the Illinois mandate, but the school’s policy is to cover drugs that doctors prescribe, including contraceptives.

But without a broader federal exemption, many faith-based employers are likely to decide, reluctantly, that they must stop providing health care coverage.

The Obama administration has, in other instances, been willing to create elasticity in the new federal health care law. Example: Rules requiring a minimum \$750,000 in coverage have been eased for hundreds of health care plans. States have been granted reprieves from some provisions of the law.

Here the administration is dealing with a matter of faith, a matter of conscience. It should reverse this decision, to protect religious freedom.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

If you want to increase enrollment, start by letting students enroll

In response to the editorial that ran in Thursday’s edition: “What happens when reasons run out?”, I want to offer a new perspective. When I read through the numbers of enrollment decreases and increases, I see myself directly in those statistics.

I attended SIUC from 2009 to 2010 after transferring from a junior college. However, I was under 24 and unable to receive financial aid, except a couple of small loans. My

parents wouldn’t cosign the Plus Loan for me, so the entire year, I stacked up a heavy Bursar’s bill that would haunt me for two years.

The state has this wonderful notion that when your parents make so much money, it means they’re going to baby you even after you turn 18. If your parents do this for you, believe me, I envy you. But my parents left me to fend for myself, because it’s what they had to do.

I just returned this semester, right after my 24th birthday, after a dead-end job let me go for petty reasons. I tried to make it in the “real world,” but truly I needed to buy some time so I could figure out how I would be able to still maintain a future.

Call it fate, if you like clichés, but I could have started a much better life by now if SIUC and I didn’t have to fight.

Keep in mind there is a policy for enrollment, which puts holds

on your account if you owe more than \$500. I’m so sorry, but really I’m not, when I say: Who the hell doesn’t owe SIUC? We’re young adults (predominantly) being thrown into an economy that, well, sucks.

Does SIUC seriously want to increase enrollment? How about we stop kicking people out of college? With the economy the way it is, God knows an education is important.

Loosen the holds policy.

Counsel your students more! All I got was a letter in the mail here and there for two years while SIUC added more and more charges to my bill. I get that it’s my responsibility, but without that precious piece of paper giving me the right to a career, I did not have the money to do anything about it.

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Bertrand sings with the rest of the concert choir during practice Wednesday in Altgeld Hall. The group rehearsed the pieces performed for visiting high school students during the Heartland Honor Choir and Band Festival.



Bertrand takes a moment to collect her thoughts during her voice lesson Wednesday in the School of Music. Bertrand is working on three songs prepared by her roommate Rebecca Carmack, a senior from Villa Grove studying music composition, for her recital in March.

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Despite her specialization in vocals, Bertrand also studies piano to expand her abilities as a choral teacher. She said it is not uncommon for her to practice around six hours every day.



Bertrand takes a break in between voice lessons and practice to grab a quick snack Wednesday outside of Altgeld Hall. Bertrand said she doesn't usually have time in her day to eat lunch, so she grabs a snack when she can.

Photos and story by: Pat Sutphin

The challenges of a choral commitment

At 7:30 a.m., the music begins. For Monica Bertrand, a senior from St. Charles studying music education, the last note does not hit until well after the sun sets.

Bertrand begins each day by assisting Carlyn Zimmermann, choir director of Carbondale

Community High School.

Bertrand said she is not required to volunteer at the high school for her degree but does so to get a better understanding of how a high school choir is taught.

After volunteering, Bertrand goes to the School of Music, where

she practices piano for a couple of hours before her vocal lessons. Afterwards, she practices for a few more hours, attends class, practices again and then teaches private lessons before going home to eat.

On many nights, Bertrand returns to the school after dinner to

practice some more.

"I usually practice about six hours a day," Bertrand said.

Although she is specializing in vocals, Bertrand is also studying piano this year to expand her abilities as a choral teacher.

According to Jeanine F. Wagner, director of the School of Music, Bertrand is in one of the three most difficult majors at the school.

"It is not uncommon for students to practice five hours a night, every night, for weeks before a performance," Wagner said.

This level of commitment is normal for students in the School of Music, Wagner said. Between ensembles and chamber groups, lessons and practice, each student must find his or her own way to deal with the obstacles every day presents.

For Bertrand, the last note hits just before her eyes close, only to start again in a few hours, on a new day, with a new set of challenges to face.

Pat Sutphin can be reached at psutphin@dailyegyptian.com or 536-3311 ext. 251.



Monica Bertrand works with students Wednesday at Carbondale Community High School. The students Bertrand worked with were preparing for the Heartland Honor Band and Choir, a two-day event held by SIUC that allows high school musicians from southern Illinois to work with SIUC faculty.



Bertrand works with Katrina Buys, left, and Tempest Kipp-Evans, right, both juniors at Carbondale Community High School, Wednesday during their private lesson at the First Presbyterian Church in Carbondale.

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 1000 W. Schwartz
 402 W. Walnut
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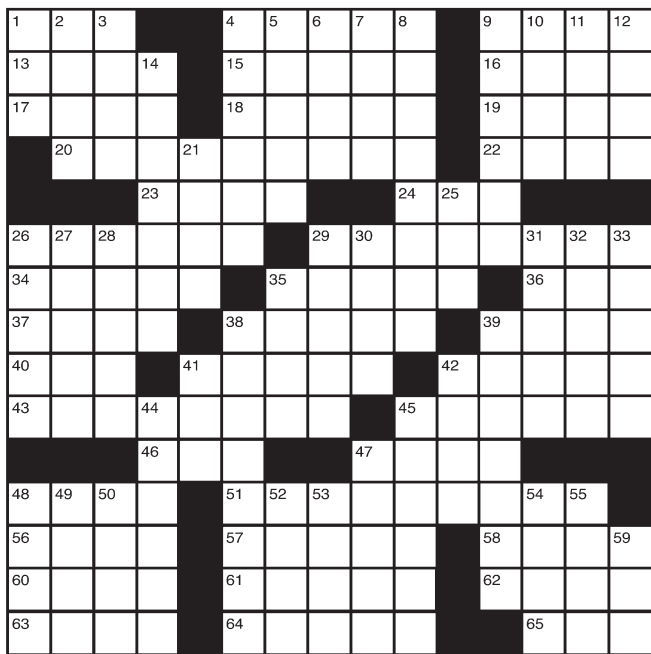
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- ACROSS**
- Wager
 - Blazing
 - Military division
 - Put-___; taken advantage of
 - ___ with; carrying
 - ___ up; threw in the towel
 - Sunny-___ up; egg orderer's request
 - "God ___ America"
 - Gorillas
 - Clot, as blood
 - Home of twigs
 - Brokaw and Selleck
 - Prefix for night or section
 - Concurs
 - Horses with little to wag
 - Vulgar
 - Distributes cards
 - Traitor
 - Male red deer
 - One of the five senses
 - Skin opening
 - Actress Arden
 - Drills a hole
 - Scorch
 - Police officer's superior
 - Athlete
 - Hotel
 - Actor James
 - Indian prince
 - Private eye
 - Piece of Greek Orthodox artwork
 - McCain and Boxer: abbr.
 - Group of eight
 - Laid down the ___; gave orders



Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews

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- DOWN**
- Public transport
 - Heroic poem
 - Fuss
 - Scrapbooks
 - Niagara ___
 - New thought
 - Take a nap
 - Musical group
 - Nation known as "The Pearl of Africa"
 - Back of the neck
 - Printmakers
 - Currier and ___
 - SAT, for one artwork
 - Most orderly
 - Departs
 - "___ a Small World"
 - Keeps hurting
 - Serious
 - Less common
 - Hem in & assail
 - Cereal grains
 - Wry literary style
 - T-shirt size

Monday's Answers:

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- Castrated bull
- "Phooey!"
- Back and forth
- Beethoven or Liberace
- Actor Gazzara
- Bench board
- New York team
- Small parcel
- Discontinue
- BBQ favorites
- Farmland unit
- Actress Collins
- Camp shelter
- Calf meat
- Ms. Fitzgerald
- Not many

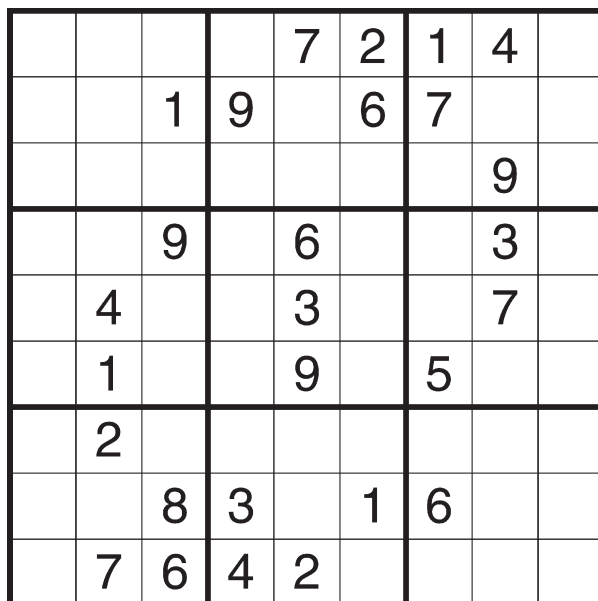
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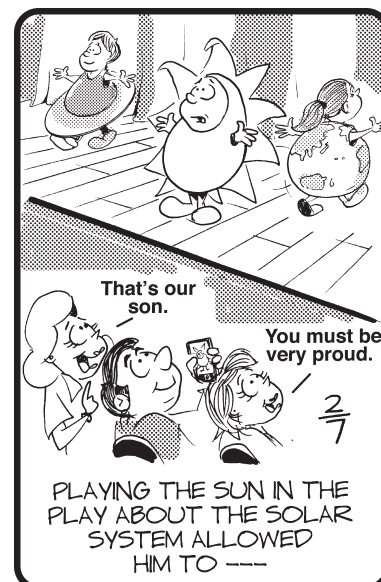
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Monday's Answers | Jumbles: BUDDY CRAMP BOUNTY STORMY
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Aries — Today is a 6 — Things could seem glued shut. Take extra time with hot, soapy water. Let things sit, and then the next time you try, there's progress. Use a gentle touch.

Taurus — Today is a 7 — Slow morning relaxation that glides into a comfortable afternoon would be delightful. Things could seem rough, so go with an easy flow. It all works out.

Gemini — Today is a 7 — A brilliant scheme could lead to more coins in your pocket. Assess your wins and losses, and get organized. Schedule for success, and plot your moves.

Cancer — Today is a 9 — Think of ways to make money with new technology. If you don't try, you won't know if it works. Finish up a big project. The rewards of diligence are sweet.

Leo — Today is a 9 — There are plenty of opportunities to prove yourself today. Change your perspective and try again. Put down roots with a commitment. Work smarter, not harder.

Virgo — Today is a 6 — Your ability to make others think is attractive now, but you may not want to overdo it. Don't overlook a loved one's needs. Keep up the good work.

Libra — Today is a 7 — If you don't fight off demons, you'll never know if you're capable of courage. You don't have to look far to find them. They're cruel to you. Succeed anyway.

Scorpio — Today is an 8 — Distractions are coming at you left and right. Focus on what's really important for you. Trust your intuition and a good friend. Listen consciously.

Sagittarius — Today is a 6 — Think things over, just not too much. Be patient with your instruction. Odds are you're forgetting something, so write it down. It's okay if it goes slowly.

Capricorn — Today is an 8 — You'll find out what's needed. Trust in your ability to overcome obstacles, just like you've done before. A partner helps you communicate feelings. Relax.

Aquarius — Today is a 7 — Fine-tune your routine, and consider a someone's suggestion. You can't always get what you want, but don't let that stop you from trying. Review the instructions.

Pisces — Today is an 8 — Disruptions may threaten your busy schedule, but it's nothing that you can't navigate. Try a new approach. Great reflexes and imagination come in handy.

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| Softball | | | |
|---------------|-------------------|----------------|------------|
| Sat., Feb. 11 | vs. Miami (Oh) | Woodstock, Ga. | 9:30 a.m. |
| | at Kennesaw State | Woodstock, Ga. | 2:30 p.m. |
| Sun., Feb. 12 | vs. Austin Peay | Woodstock, Ga. | 9:30 a.m. |
| | vs. Mercer | Woodstock, Ga. | 12:00 p.m. |

| Swimming & Diving | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|
| Feb. 16-18 | MVC Championships | Carbondale, Ill. | All Day |

| Track and Field | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|-----|
| Feb., 10,11 | Iowa State Classic | Ames Iowa | TBA |
| Fri., Feb. 17 | EIU Friday Night Special | Charlston, Ill. | TBA |
| Feb., 25,26 | MVC Championship | Ceder Falls, Iowa | TBA |

| Women's Basketball | | | |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------|
| Thurs., Feb. 9 | vs. Drake | Carbondale, Ill. | 7:05 p.m. |
| Sat., Feb. 11 | vs. Creighton | Carbondale, Ill. | 2:05 p.m. |
| Fri., Feb. 17 | at Wichita State | Wichita, Kan. | 7:05 p.m. |

| Women's Tennis | | | |
|----------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Sat., Feb. 11 | vs. Austin Peay | Clarksville, Tenn. | 12:00 p.m. |
| Sun., Feb. 19 | vs. SIUE | Carbondale, Ill. | 10:00 a.m. |
| Fri., Feb. 24 | at Arkansas State | Carbondale, Ill. | 4:00 p.m. |

| Men's Tennis | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------|
| Fri., Feb. 17 | vs. Austin Peay | Carbondale, Ill. | 3:00 p.m. |
| Sun., Feb. 19 | vs. SIUE | Carbondale, Ill. | 2:00 p.m. |
| Fri., March 2 | vs. Marquette | Milwaukee, Wis. | 5:30 p.m. |

| Men's Basketball | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|
| Wed., Feb. 8 | at Missouri State | Carbondale, Ill. | 7:00 p.m. |
| Sat., Feb. 11 | at Indiana State | Terre Haute, Ind. | 12:05 p.m. |
| Tues., Feb. 14 | vs. Creighton | Carbondale, Ill. | 7:05 p.m. |

MVC
SCHOLAR
OF THE WEEK

Matt Benes



Matt Benes, a sophomore from Home Glen studying electrical engineering, placed seventh in the 60-meter hurdles at the Rod McCravy Invitational in Lexington, Kentucky, Jan. 27-28, putting him as fourth in the event in SIU history. Benes has a 3.80 cumulative grade-point average.

SalukiBrief

JOE RAGUSA
Daily Egyptian

Senior guard Jeff Early scored a team-high 14 points against Evansville Saturday, but 13 of those came in the first half.

The one point Early scored in the second half provided the margin of victory.

SIU won 53-52 over Evansville at the

SIU Arena on a free throw from Early with two seconds left in the game.

"I was a little nervous, put in that spot," Early said. "We knew in the back of our heads we needed this win, no matter how it was going to come."

After trailing a majority of the game, Evansville tied the game at 52 apiece with 2:24 left in the game.

"We thought we were snake-bitten at that point," coach Chris Lowery said.

With five seconds left in the game, Early stole the ball away from Evansville guard Troy Taylor, who fouled Early as he was driving in for a breakaway layup that would've given SIU the lead.

Instead, Early had to earn the win from the free-throw stripe.

"I was just thinking we need this free throw, if I could just hit one of these free throws, we should be OK," Early said. "Even if I hit both, they were going

to shoot a three, so in my head I was (focused) on just hitting one."

Early sank the first free throw, giving SIU the 53-52 edge. But the second free throw rimmed out, Evansville rebounded and immediately called a timeout with two seconds left in the game.

Evansville inbounded the ball to Ryan, who settled for a long three-point shot over two Saluki defenders that bounced off the backboard as time expired.

Men's Basketball

Salukis enter home stretch

JOE RAGUSA
Daily Egyptian

The SIU men's basketball team kicked off the final month of the regular season in grand fashion by sneaking past Evansville Saturday.

After dissecting SIU's narrow 53-52 victory, coach Chris Lowery said he likes how the rest of the schedule looks on paper.

"We looked at the back end (of our schedule) and knew what was at stake, but we knew that this one was important," Lowery said. "It gives us a chance to get to 6-8 (in conference), and have some people that are ahead of us drop down to where we are, that's the key. It's a marathon."

SIU (8-16, 5-8 Missouri Valley Conference) sits in a tie for eighth place in the Missouri Valley Conference with five conference games left before the MVC Tournament starts March 1.

The case could be made that SIU has a chance to win four of those games and avoid the play-in round, but the Salukis would have to buck a few trends to do so.

Missouri State (14-11, 7-6 MVC) comes to Carbondale Wednesday, and the Bears ride a five-game winning streak against the Salukis, including a 77-65 win Jan. 10. SIU fell behind by as many as 21 points in that contest, but the Salukis made runs in the second half to pull close before running out of gas in the end.

A game like that at the SIU Arena

could turn in the Salukis' favor.

But after that, SIU goes on the road Feb. 11 to face an Indiana State team they beat 73-67 in Carbondale Jan. 13. The Sycamores are tied with SIU for eighth place in the MVC as of Monday, and sweeping the season series against Indiana State would be important for a couple of reasons.

First, it would help break the gridlock that is the middle of the MVC standings and put SIU in a good position to move up. Second, Indiana State also has a weak schedule ahead of them, and a season sweep would keep some distance between the Salukis and the Sycamores.

The next game against Creighton (21-3, 11-2 MVC) Feb. 14 almost isn't

worth talking about. Even though they lost to Northern Iowa on a last-second three Feb. 4, they're still easily the best team in the Valley.

This means the Salukis next chance at a win would be on the road against Drake (13-11, 6-7 MVC) Feb. 22, a team the Salukis fell to 75-68 in overtime Jan. 18.

The game will be the last road game for SIU this season, and it couldn't come sooner as the Salukis are a measly 2-8 on the road, with its only wins coming against Northern Illinois and Bradley.

Because of the bad road record, SIU could enter its final game on a three- or four-game losing streak against Northern Iowa Feb. 25.

The Salukis could've won the away

game in Cedar Falls, Iowa Jan. 31, if UNI guard Deon Mitchell didn't go into beast mode in the final minutes to help spark an 8-2 run to make the final score 58-49. This is another example of a game that could swing the Salukis' way on its home court.

The Salukis stand in a good spot to hop a few teams in the standings of a mediocre league, if they can get over their own mediocrity and win close games on the road.

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Under Armour becomes official sponsor of SIU

BRANDON WILLINGHAM
Daily Egyptian

Clothing cohesiveness will no longer be an issue for the Saluki Athletics program after a deal was reached with the program's new official outfitter.

SIU's athletic program signed a five-year agreement with Under Armour Inc. Wednesday that gave the company the right to provide athletic wear for all 17 varsity sports, including men's basketball and football, as well as members of the athletic department, such as coaches and staff members.

A few athletic teams such as softball and basketball have worn Under Armour since 2008, but a representative from the company said the brand will now hold more of a presence at SIU.

According to Saluki Athletics, the representative said the university's new official outfitter agreement includes marketing entitlements that will complement the brand's marketing campaigns through print and on-field presence at the university.

Athletic Director Mario Moccia said this is a historic agreement for Saluki Athletics that aligns SIU with a cutting-edge global outfitter in sports. He said the deal will distinguish the university from other schools by associating its brand with that of a well respected company.

"It's a distinction for the university to get an opportunity that speaks to both the power of the Saluki brand and the strength of the relationship the athletic department has built with the Under Armour company," Moccia said.

He said the company's relationship with SIU began with alumna Shannon Ferbrache, a former football player and the 20th employee ever hired by the Under Armour company as the director of sports marketing.

He said Ferbrache approached SIU and asked if it would consider using Under Armour to represent the university for football and men's basketball. Moccia said he and head basketball coach Chris Lowery went to Baltimore to look at the product, and both agreed to sign with the company.

One year after Under Armour signed the men's basketball program, it began to also sponsor the softball program. Moccia said it was at this point the university started to consider the idea of having all of the teams represented by Under Armour.

"They had three programs, so we started saying 'What's the likelihood of an all-school

deal?'" Moccia said. "It took us a long while before we got here, but finally we signed the deal just last week and we're pretty pleased with that."

Coaches and athletes say they're looking forward to high-quality new gear as well.

Prior to the agreement, the women's basketball players wore Nike products. Junior guard Teri Oliver said she likes Jordan and Nike attire, but with this transition she's willing to reconcile for some nice Under Armour apparel.

"I'd love to have some Under Armour sweats (pants) and hoodies," Oliver said.

SIU football coach Dale Lennon said the contract has given the football program an added edge in the recruiting game since 2008 because it's a performance gear that players want to wear.

"Our players and coaches are proud to be outfitted in an Under Armour uniform," Lennon said at a press conference Wednesday.

Lowery and SIU swimming and diving coach Rick Walker both said they were looking forward to associating the brand with the university.

"What a great fit," Walker said at the press conference.

Softball head coach Kerri Blaylock said the agreement with Under Armour is a huge step forward for the athletic department.

"We are so fortunate that such a quality company has partnered with us," Blaylock said. "We have been with Under Armour for four years. When you walk around with Under Armour apparel on, your recruits notice, your peers notice and the fans notice."

For SIU track and field, this is the first time the team has had the opportunity to use the apparel.

"Although (Under Armour is) new to the sport of track and field, (it has) done a great job with the uniforms," track and field coach Connie Price-Smith said at the press conference. "The athletes love Under Armour gear, the way it fits, the style and the feel of the material. It is a big boost for our program and I think it brings a unified look to the whole department."

Moccia said with all varsity sports adjoining as one unit with Under Armour, the SIU Athletics program is one step further to possibly living out Under Armour's creed: I will protect this house.

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Freshman Martijn Admiraal prepares for a serve Monday during a scrimmage with fellow teammates at Sports Blast. The Saluki tennis team record is 1-1 after its matches Saturday against Purdue University and Butler University.

Saluki men split doubleheader

AKEEM GLASPIE
Daily Egyptian

The SIU men's tennis team earned its first win of spring season as it split a doubleheader against Butler University and Purdue University.

The meet was held Saturday at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind., and the Salukis started with a match against Purdue.

The Salukis opened the meet against the 67th-ranked Boilermakers. In doubles play, the Salukis were almost able to pull off an upset of the Boilermakers and earn the doubles points by winning two of three matches.

SIU's 42nd-ranked doubles team Brandon Florez and Martijn Admiraal captured the only win as they beat Aaron Dujovne and Szymon Tatarczyk of Purdue 8-6. Junior Badr Cherradi and partner Jordan Snyder

lost 9-8 (7-1) in a tiebreak against Purdue. Partners Orhan Spahic and Szymon Opieczonek lost to Krisztian Krocsko and Pawel Poziomski 8-2 against Purdue.

Overall, coach Dann Nelson said his team was a couple plays away from winning the doubles points.

"We were within one hold of serve from winning the doubles points," Nelson said. "At No. 3 we were up 6-3 but we couldn't pull it out ... it was kind of tough to swallow, but we played well."

Singles play against Purdue was not as competitive. All six of the Salukis singles players lost. Only Spahic was able to force a third set before ultimately losing 3-6, 7-5, 0-1 (4-10).

The Salukis captured four wins during singles competition as seeds one through four defeated their Bulldog opponents. No. 1 singles player junior Cherradi defeated Tommy Marx of

Butler 2-6, 6-2, 6-4. No. 2 singles player Stanislas Rodier defeated Zach Ervin of Butler 6-4, 6-3.

During doubles play, the Salukis continued their strong showing against Butler, winning two of three matches. Admiraal and Florez defeated Zach Ervin and Sam O'Neil 8-2.

Nelson said this meet can be used as a measuring stick against other top competition. Doubles play was solid, while singles play still has room for improvement, Nelson said.

Despite splitting the meet, Florez said the team remains upbeat.

"It was our first win of the season with this new team so it's pretty exciting," Florez said. "Even though we lost to Purdue, everyone was fighting really hard."

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Saluki women defeat Panthers 5-2

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SIU women's tennis coach Audra Nothwehr said her team's confidence was high Saturday as it faced Eastern Illinois University.

The meet was held in Danville and was the second encounter of the two teams this season; the Salukis defeated the Panthers in October during the

Fall Classic. SIU continued the trend, beating the Panthers 5-2.

Nationally ranked No. 10 singles player, junior Melanie Delsart, played as SIU's No. 1 seed and won 6-2, 6-2 against Janelle Prisner of Eastern. SIU's No. 2 singles player, sophomore Anita Lee, was also victorious, winning 7-6, 6-1. The third and fourth seeds both lost during singles play, but freshmen sisters Ariadna and Gisela Cairo Baza

were both victorious as fifth and sixth seeds, winning 6-1, 7-5 and 6-1, 6-1 respectively.

SIU swept the Panthers during doubles play. Partners junior Jennifer Dien and freshman Natasha Tomishima won 8-7. Lee and partner junior Anastacia Simons defeated their opponents 5-3, while Delsart and Gisela Cairo Baza defeated their opponents 8-4.