Government officials join fight for lower-cost prescription drugs

Blagojevich continues to wait for FDA’s response

The mayor of Springfield, Ill., started a trend that is now getting support from government officials across the nation.

Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich was the first to follow.

And now, several other states have joined in Blagojevich’s fight for lower-cost prescription drugs, including Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Maine, Wisconsin and Vermont.

Blagojevich is following the lead of Springfield, Mass., by looking into ways to save the city money. And New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg has expressed his interest in joining forces with Blagojevich.

Alley O’Rouehoff, spokesman for Blagojevich, said the backing of New York City is a step in the right direction.

“New York City is the largest city in the country, and it definitely adds some weight to our argument to have the city’s mayor bring his city’s pharmacy into the fight to lower costs of prescription drugs,” O’Rouehoff said.

Bloomberg said the city spends billions of dollars on prescription drugs and has been working directly and indirectly. He said Canadian drug imports would save the city $108 million on Medicaid drug costs alone.

Earlier this week, Blagojevich’s task force reported the state would save up to $86 million if the state were allowed to purchase Canadian drugs.

O’Rouehoff said the governor’s office is sending a letter to the FDA to request a hearing.

“If the FDA won’t do it, then the governor’s office will continue to push for the state to be allowed to buy Canadian drugs,” O’Rouehoff said.

Bloomberg’s statement was met with much fanfare in Illinois.

“Anyone who has been following the issue knows that Bloomberg is a leader on this issue,” said MARIJUANA, page 15
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National News

Toy gun shuts down U.S. House office building

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Putin top aide quits

MOSCOW, Russia (CNN) — Russian President Vladimir Putin has accepted the resignation of Kremlin Chief of Staff Alexander Voloshin, Interfax news agency reported.

There were reports in the Russian media that Voloshin submitted his resignation to protest the arrest of Mikhail Khodorkovsky, a wealthy oil tycoon and chief of staff Alexander Voloshin, Interfax news agency reported.

Voloshin was arrested Saturday on charges of fraud and tax evasion. Prosecutors also said he and Khodorkovsky were involved in tax evasion totaling more than $1 billion. He remains in jail.

Earlier Thursday Russian authorities seized a controlling stake in oil giant Yukos. Shares in the company plummeted 5 percent on the news, Interfax reported.

"As you can imagine, this news is causing quite a sensation," CNN Moscow Bureau Chief Jill Dougherty said.

Russian President Vladimir Putin was due to meet with Russian Prime Minister Mikhail Khodorkovsky earlier this week on alleged fraud and tax evasion charges valued at $1 billion. He remains in prison.

Bounty offered for embassy bomb suspect

WASHINGTON (CNN) — The U.S. State Department is offering $25 million for information leading to the capture of the suspected mastermind of the August bombing of the Jordanian Embassy in Iraq.

Al-Qaeda in Iraq, which has ties to the Taliban, has not claimed responsibility for the attack. But authorities believe the bombing was carried out by extremists linked to the group.

"There are no items to report."

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Children search for perfect costumes

Traditional, original, expensive cheap, it's not too late
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Nearly 50 people trooped through the doors of The Party Shop looking for the perfect costume Wednesday afternoon, before Halloween comes and goes, but the perfect costume remains elusive. Don't panic—help is on its way.

Though a costume for Halloween sounds childish to some, a firsthand perspective isn't only option for college students looking to join the holiday festivities.

Hillary Ramsey, a sophomore at John A. Logan Community College from West Franklin, and her longtime friend, Lindsay Green, a sophomore in psychology, were looking for matching costumes to wear at Denny's and a party afterward.

Ramsey also said the deposit was too expensive — the suits were priced at $35 each, with a $20 deposit required by the renter, and Green found a T-shirt jacket and Pink Lilo headband skirts from the racks at Wal-Mart for $15 and $30, respectively. The $30 and $60 deposit were required by The Party Shop.

According to Mike Smoot, owner of The Party Shop, located on Route 146 in Carbondale, the garden girl costume and mullet wigs were his best sellers this year. Ramsey said he has ordered the wig three times and sold out within a couple of days of receiving them. Receiving extra costume pieces is unusual, however, Smoot said. Normally what they begin with is all they have.

The Party Shop offers students a wide variety of costumes for the Halloween season. It sells more than 2,000 costumes that include cheap costumes, wigs and pritn or unit outfits ranging in price from as little as $19 to a whopping $400.

If your pocketbook can't handle a $400 Halloween costume, The Party Shop also rents more than 3,000 costumes for as little as $15. You can choose from specialty costumes such as the "Dumb and Dumber" suits and "Wizard of Oz" characters or just regular costumes for college students.

The Party Shop owner also said The Party Shop offers various hats, costumes and other accessories as well as makeup, mustaches and costume jewelry for almost any costume imaginable. They order costumes in March and begin shipping near the end of September. The busiest week is the week of Halloween.

However, Wal-Mart also offers a wide variety of accessories such as mustaches, wig caps, Wigs and American Cancer Society Grant Program receives anti-smoking grant

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Provost Dunn talks tuition

USG passes three resolutions against proposed tuition hike

Leah Williams

Provost John Dunn came to the Undergraduate Student Government meeting on October 22nd to discuss tuition with the students. Dunn addressed USG's concerns about possible tuition increases. He discussed how a decrease in state-related funds and the Truth in Taxation law caused the University to reconsider its previous tuition plan, and he also explained why the increase was beneficial to the continued success of SIUC.

Dunn said he realizes tuition increases are often unwanted.

"It's not a pretty topic," Dunn said. But it is, and it is counterintuitive to what people, like myself, believe in and desire to do. We talk about our success.

Three resolutions opposing the University's plan for tuition for returning, nonresident, and international students were also passed, requiring a 2/3 majority vote.

Though the University's plan is still in the works, the proposed tuition increase for returning undergraduates is 7 percent with a maximum of 10 percent for international undergraduates at 16 percent.

Also under the resolutions, tuition increases for international students would be 17.5 percent for continuing students and 40 percent for incoming students.

According to Dunn, the proposed tuition increase for international students would be 7.5 percent with a maximum of 10 percent for incoming international students.

The University had to change its proposed plan because of the passing of the Truth in Taxation/Law of Higher Education. The new law requires the University to propose a new tuition plan. According to Dunn, SIUC's operation budget was $135 million with 33 percent aid from the state.

In 2004, however, the budget has grown to $436 million, but state assistance has decreased to 25 percent.

Dunn also indicated that the University would continue to use the new tuition plan to incorporate the teaching, scholarship, and other programs it provides.

USG passed three resolutions opposing proposed tuition increases.

Two of those resolutions called for a ban on raising tuition for returning and new students. The third USG resolution would not support any attempt the University would make to increase nonresident and international student tuition.

"We, as a state, are heading in the wrong direction," he said. "Higher education is not a privilege, it is a right. No Illinois resident should be stopped from getting a college education." Dunn said the feedback received in the Oct. 15 meeting so USG could hear Dunn speak on the issue.

Dunn said he realizes tuition increases are often unwanted. "It's not pleasant, and it runs against what people believe in and desire to do. We talk about our success."

Other university presidents have not taken advantage of the new law and have strongly considered doing so.

"Our goals with this were to make something more flexible and allow students the freedom to register at their own time and pace," Dunn said. "We wanted to make sure we could keep students in touch with our university and not with other universities."

And for those who have already selected classes, the new law allows availability of web registration, the new method has proven to be popular.

"We've received several emails from students saying how much they've benefited from the new method," Dunn said. "And we've actually had more students register using web registration this semester than we had used the old one.

"This way it really makes things a lot easier and takes away from some of the stress," said one of the students.

Dunn said the new method has proven to be beneficial.

"I think this way it's just easier for students and you really want to talk, you just hit up right in front of you."

The web registration was originally launched as a pilot project, restricted to students in the Graduate School and Student Activities. But Dunn said the experimental method proved so successful that it was made available to all students and has diversified on campus.

Although the new mode of registration is available to all students who were previously eligible to use Unilink, some students may not be able to do so. Students currently under academic probation and suspension, students who hold or other hold would not be able to register for classes online without prior approval of their advisor.

Dunn stressed that the events are for everyone in the community to attend, and they are all free and Unilink is not necessary.

Participants may have the opportunity to speak to and interact with the guest speakers present.

"It's a great opportunity to talk to guests that they talk with our students," Ervin said. "It's for the community, but also for our students and faculty involved and talk to the source."

Safety Halloween to be at University Mall

The Daily Egyptian News

The University Mall and Zimmer Fitness Group are hosting their annual Safe Halloween event at the mall with a family friendly movie at 7 p.m. Thursday. Admission is free to anyone who will be at the mall between 3:00 and 7:00 p.m. Children 12 and under may receive costumes. Trick-or-treating will not be allowed at the mall from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. This event is free and open to all children 12 and under. No face coverings or masks or toys weapons will be allowed in the mall.
Southern Illinois Pagan Alliance tells the facts

Group exposes myths, facts of paganism

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This celebration recognizes the end of the pagan religion's spiritual life around animals.

Myth: Witches sacrifice black cats for Halloween.
Fact: Most adherents of the pagan religion base their spirituality around animals.

Myth: Witches have superhuman powers when they use magic and spells.
Fact: The use of spells is actually the concentration of energy, similar to prayer.

There are many myths, misconceptions, and negative connotations attached with the pagan religion, but according to members of the Southern Illinois Pagan Alliance, these myths have no truths.

SIPA was founded in 1998 by Tara Nelson and Don Elwell in an attempt to provide education and open forums for pagans to discuss beliefs and traditions. There are more than 75 members of SIPA and nearly 200 people on the Internet mailing list.

In addition to founding SIPA, Nelson and Elwell own the only pagan shop in Southern Illinois, the store, New Ages Other ally the concentration of energy, and spells.

Nelson and Elwell are the master students in health education, said she has been a pagan for about six months. She said the word pagan is used because there are different branches of Christianity such as Catholicism, Baptists and so on.

"It is completely untrue," Nelson said. "We believe in all different kinds of gods, but Satan is definitely not of our beliefs."

Samantha Lilly, a junior at Carbondale, said she has been living within the pagan community for nearly 10 years and incorporates her traditions in her everyday life. She writes and illustrates a comic strip, which is published in the DAILY EAGLE.

She said she is currently researching the variety of pagan religions but honors Horus, the Egyptian sun god. She said there are numerous misconceptions people have about paganism.

Kelly said one misconception people have about pagans is they worship Satan.

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Nelson said they incorporate different traditions into their religion, but she said the word pagan is often misunderstood because it involves many different religions and traditions.

"I had already believed in pagan traditions, but I didn't realize I was practicing paganism until I found the language to explain it," Nelson said.

Nelson said being pagan was a form of paganism for about six months. She said her life has changed since she became pagan.

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"We are who we are," Nelson said. "Sometimes spirits have lessons for us, and it can help them get the closure they need."

"We are just like everyone else," Kelly said. "We believe in all different kinds of gods, but Satan is definitely not of our beliefs."

Kelly said she would be celebrating Samhain with her partner by having a "dumb" or nice supper, which is a silent dinner to remember family members and influential people.

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Nelson said she makes soul boats, which are hollowed out pumpkins that float in water with a lit candle. She said it is a way of remembering those who have died.

Lilly said the soul boat ceremony is a form of meditation.

"It helps the dead cross over," Lilly said.
Our Word

Bury our scary history

When Southern Illinois authorities say they are cracking down on the Halloween weekend, they aren't kidding. Two SIUC students found out that for themselves last weekend when they were arrested and charged with "indemnity theft." In other words, they played a prank and got caught.

When the Daily Egyptian spoke with one of the students, he said he and his friends were just joking around and that they were planning on returning what they took.

He also said the Murphysboro police overreacted to the incident.

And maybe they did. But pin on seeing many "overreactions" this weekend.

"I guess the likelihood of somebody walking down the street carrying a drink being stopped is probably going to be a little higher because we'll have more officers available," said Carbondale Police Deputy Chief Steve Odum. "But other than that, it will be business as usual."

Herms, as usual, with a few unusual exceptions...

All the bars on the Strip will be closed, no kegs will be sold, and the Carbondale Police Department plans to beef up its patrols by having more officers on watch. The SIUC Police Department is also set to increase its efforts to patrol the area during the weekend with the help of a federal safety grant to monitor drunken driving.

University Housing is taking measures to curb Halloween activities on campus by only allowing students who live in residence halls to enter the buildings between 7 p.m. Thursday and noon Sunday.

But when SIUC's past Halloween celebrations are taken into consideration, it is quite clear why the rules are expanding and people are going to great lengths to enforce them.

Stories of past Halloweens and the riots that plagued them remain, with powerful images of shattered shop windows and residence halls to enter the buildings between 7 p.m. Thursday and noon Sunday.

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Yet, no one could have predicted that plastering them remain, with powerful images of shattered shop windows and residence halls to enter the buildings between 7 p.m. Thursday and noon Sunday.

Despite the establishment of a five-year fall break by the University in 1995, parties wondrous about $10,000 in property damage in 1996.

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In order to have a safe, and unfulfilled, weekend, --a.k.a. not ending up in handcuffs -- we must be on our best behavior.

And with all the alternative activities going on in Carbondale this weekend, that shouldn't be too hard.

BOWLING GREEN (UPI) -- The result is seemingly as old as the university itself: College students are politically liberal and overwhelmingly sympathetic. But a new study shows some misguided perceptions about the ideological leanings and motivations that fed the derision of campus conservatives.

The Harvard Institute of Politics released the results of a survey of 1,000 college students across the country Wednesday and the results revealed may have a substantial influence on next year's presidential election.

Accordingly, 37 percent of students are planning on voting in 2004, a sharp reversal from previous years, when participation rates among collegians hovered around 30 percent. This statistic may seem astonishing because of Howard Dean and the other Democratic hopefuls, but the study finds that liberals can no longer rely on those students who do vote to support Democratic candidates. Rather, the survey contends that while a plurality of students describe themselves as independent, the demographic leanings slightly right as a whole.

Of those questioned, 31 percent self-identified as Republican, compared to 27 percent who called themselves Democrats. This is in direct opposition to the general public, which leans Democratic.

Support for President Bush is also higher among college students than in the nation as a whole. Bush's approval rating among students has waned steadily at 61 percent (marginally 10 points better than his national mark) since an April survey, while his national numbers have dropped significantly during that time.

Even more shocking in today's climate of irrefutable international relations and domestic policy hangovers is the belief held by 46 percent of those surveyed that "the country is on the right track." This large number reflects both the surprising conservatism of college students and unfamiliarity with the newspaper of Canada. While Bush enjoys impressive support from a group not generally interested in the conservative platform, he doesn't emerge unscathed. One-third of respondents said that they have lost trust in the president in the past year. Furthermore, nearly one in 10 say that the White House has been misleading about the war in Iraq.

Although students question Bush handling of the Iraq situation, the condition of the struggling economy may ultimately be the determining factor for the college crowd.

Seventeen percent of college students consider the economy the No. 1 issue in the 2004 election. That number is up 7 percent from a similar study last year and represents good news for Democrats, who are widely viewed as weak on defense and stronger on social and domestic issues.

In another political sign for the left, 71 percent of students believe that finding a job after graduation will be "very or somewhat difficult." When students are collecting degrees but not jobs May, the alternatives may seem a lot more appealing than the alternatives.

College students also have surprising opinions of the current Democratic candidates. The frontrunner among students who have a preference is Joe Lieberman, easily the most conservative of the nine hopefuls, and someone whose candidacy is widely considered to be doomed. Dean, who has received glowing media coverage for his ability to inspire and motivate the Internet generation, placed second. Still, the overwhelming plurality is undecided about 2004.

For this reason, both Republicans and Democrats will need to court the college vote like never before if they hope to succeed next November. Eighteen percent of students are undecided and in the 2004 general election, a number of students, in the 2004 general election, a number of students.
**Voices**

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**COLUMNIST**

**We all wear Halloween disguises**

I always knew that I was going to become a snob of things like, "Well, when I was a kid..." and on Halloween I can't help myself. When I was a kid, the only costumes were those whose parent scored little or no effort to help them get something else... The costumes were terrible, usually a plastic mask with a picture of the character on the front and an adult-size suit that was unattractive as it was ill-fitting. The area's ones-with-a-costumes would look apologetically while the rest of us strutted our finery. One Hallowe'en I spotted my older sister成本 to sacrifice, and so I was given a

Another year I was Pep Pan (unfortunately, I was mistaken for the Jolly Green Giant, no, no, no), and one year I could not make any cash at a costume party with a paper-made panda head and a handmade costume to chase the girls... The issues are an entirely different....

Those issues are an entirely different...

**Feckless Pondering**

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Halloween disguises

And monsters were allowed to chase the girls... Those issues are an entirely different...

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**Letters**

**Pro-abortion reader ignores truth of matter**

**Dear Editor:**

Conevole's letter "Columnist wrongfully perpetuates image of the pro-choice pro-choice" appears in the DAILY EGYPTIAN on Oct. 2.

"Nothing is more flattering to a writer than to have a reader say they're just like the writer," says Mr. Pondering. He says his goal is not to be the most controversial writer, but to have his readers think critically about the issues at hand.

"At some point, the reader needs to ask themselves, 'Is this writer talking about me, or is he just using me as an example?','" says Mr. Pondering. "There is no value in writing that simply states what you believe, unless you are trying to change minds."

In the next issue, Mr. Pondering plans to discuss the topic of abortion in greater detail.

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SAM, WE'LL TALK ABOUT THAT LATER. I'LL SEE YOU AT THE CEMETERY. WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU DON'T HAVE A GRAVE?

by Shane Pangburn

In The Band

by Thomas Shaner

I'm just going to wear my Halloween costume.

Drunken on Halloween

by Linda C. Black

Daily Horoscope

Today's Birthday (Oct. 31). Technical advancements in your home are both a blessing and a bane. You may feel a bit like a dupe while you're getting all the bugs worked out of your systems, but you'll actually be getting smarter.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 6 - There's no need for you to stand up to a bully alone when you have friends. You do, you know, so tell them what they can do to help.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today Is a 7 - Making minor adjustments may take longer than you thought. Actually, it's an ongoing process that must never end.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today Is a 7 - No need to tell everybody about your private life. Make sure your partner understands exactly how you feel.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today Is a 7 - Let somebody else present your argument. This time it's wise to delegate, or to seek an expert's advice.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sep. 22) - Today Is a 7 - Opposites may be quite happy together. You can do something about your situation. And traveling isn't a great idea this weekend. Finish a big job first.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today Is a 7 - You've let a little work pile up because you were planning to play catch-up for a little while, and you actually can do something about your situation. And travel isn't a great idea this weekend. Finish a big job first.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today Is a 7 - The most important thing is love, as you know. You may notice and connect early.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today Is a 7 - Keep it all on your enthusiasm, and don't take all this credit. Give respect and honor where it's due, or you won't receive any yourself.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today Is a 7 - New developments cause you to adjust old plans. Potential annoyances can be avoided if they're noticed and corrected early.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today Is a 7 - Keep it all on your enthusiasm, and don't take all this credit. Give respect and honor where it's due, or you won't receive any yourself.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today Is a 8 - You should dress up as your own generation, just for the fun of it. Once you spend a night in that outfit, it'll start to seem irrational.

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Salukis set to make run at Missouri Valley title

Men and women travel to Drake for conference meet

Todd Merchant

For a cross-country team that has been mired in mediocrity in recent seasons, the success of the Salukis has been an unexpected phenomenon. This fall, they are poised to make a strong showing at the Missouri Valley Conference championships.

On the men's side, junior Eli Baker is one of the key returnees. Baker had a standout season last year, finishing in the top 15 at the conference championships and placing 19th at the NCAA regional meet.

The women's team also has a strong foundation, with multiple runners who have already qualified for the national meet. Senior Justice LaChance is one of the team's leaders, having finished in the top 10 at the conference championships last year.

Both teams are looking to improve upon their performances from last season, and they are confident in their ability to compete at the highest level. The Salukis are determined to make a strong showing at the Missouri Valley Conference championships and to continue their impressive run through the season.
Fans use Internet boards, but not always on friendly terms

Shandel Richardson
South Florida Sun-Sentinel

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Freshman outside hitter Haley Hann comes from Littleton, Colo., to lead SIU volleyball in just her first season in Carbondale.

**FOOTBALL**

**Salukis take healthy team to Western Kentucky**

SIU looks to show last year's team resembles nothing of this year's squad

The Salukis can feel how the Hilltoppers matched their 7-2 all-time regular season in their matchup. They can easily recall how the Hilltoppers made their 20 years in the college, and no team has made their 20 years in the college season.

"We won't win the game," said Eric Egan. "They physically whomped us." But SIU does have a field being reminded, one that has lost to the eventual Division I-AA national champions - the players who were whomped. After the game, the field against WKU, they were without star running backs Tim Kureos and Mohammad Abduljakub, and it seemed the run of the team was beguiled in some capacity.

"We won't the team we were last year," Egan said. "This year, we are healthy. We actually have all of our guys now." With SIU (8-4-9) going into the game as the lone unbeaten team, the Salukis are adjusting to the scored in the conference and not the hunter.

"This is not about revenge or redeeming ourselves," Kureos said. "It's a big game for the GFC (Gateway Football Conference). We got to show up and play. It is a huge game for us and a huge game for our conference and for the whole season.

While WKU (6-2-9) is under a row head coach in Doc Holliday after Jack Mitchell's retirement following last season, the Hilltoppers still resemble the team of old. After attempting to open up and diversify the offense by using multiple receiver sets, WKU returned to the option and controlling the game clock in a very similar manner as last season.

"There's a lot of the same players back, and we have about 60 yards and scored a half of strategy of points," SIU head coach Jery Jill said of the Hilltoppers 19-14 victory over Indiana State University.

Western Kentucky was hit hard after taking home the national championship last year, not necessarily in quantity, but in quality. Of six starters lost on offense, this of the departed rosters is not mistakes, but in quality. Of six starters lost on offense, two of the departed running backs Van Koutsos and Alxulqaadir, and it seemed the rest of the team.

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"I don't think it was just kind of the way the things have turned down," Hann said. "I didn't think I'd go to college that way."

As far as freshman outside hitter moment they were in school until the end of the 1999 school year.

"It's all of the attention that surrounded Littleton and speculation of why this could happen didn't really bother Hann.

She didn't know anyone from Columbine, although some of her friends were there and didn't think the thing would ever happen at Columbine.

"I felt fine. Hann said of the aftermath and hysteria. "I wasn't scared."

As the city of Littleton began to pick itself up in the aftermath of Columbine, Hann was understandably beginning to prepare for her future — by picking up a volleyball for the first time.

Entering as a soccer player and swimmer through youth — Hann was a four-state All-star in youth swimming and a star soccer player for nine years — she decided to give volleyball a try through her high school and started to love the game.

Hann attended her early success to the fact she acted playing club volleyball for the Colorado Juniors.

"I can't go to college for it," Hann said. "It was a wonderful experience."

She has been more than just a team around SIU. Hann leads the Salukis in kills (122) and kills per game. Utilizing her experience in club play, Hann earned Gatorade Player of the Year, honorable mention all-state and first-team all-conference honors in her senior season at Columbine while leading the Chargers to the league title.

Although she made it look easy, the transition to the college game has provided a few obstacles for Hann.

Hann played multiple middle hits in high school by playing on the right side for SIU, an awkward position for a right-hander such as Hann. Although it is rare for right-side hitters to be extremely effective, Hann is seemingly changing the mold.

"Your responsibilities are a little bit higher because when you are blocking right side, you are usually blocking against the other team's best outside hitter," Hann said. "It is a huge game for us and a huge game for our conference and for the whole season."