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A killer performance



ANTHONY SOUTLE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Lyndsie Thoele, a senior majoring in broadcast journalism, can't help but laugh at the outlandish antics of Kevin O'Brien during the Murder Mystery Dinner Theater Thursday evening at the Student Center.

Winning lotto ticket sold in Murphysboro

\$5 million unclaimed

Katie Davis
Daily Egyptian

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Did anyone pick these numbers for their \$5 million winning lottery ticket Wednesday night? Anyone? Anyone? Bueller?

According to the Illinois Lottery Department, no one has come forward to claim the \$5 million prize for the winning lottery ticket purchased Wednesday at Huck's in Murphysboro, located at the corner of 20th Street and Highway 149.

Lottery spokeswoman Anne Plohr Rayhill said the winner has one year to claim the prize, though

most will contact the department within a few weeks of winning.

"They usually come knocking on our door, or we usually get a call within a few days," she said. "Or they will wait to come to us, because they have waited to find an attorney to talk with."

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Government officials join fight for lower-cost prescription drugs

Blagojevich continues to wait for FDA's response

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The mayor of Springfield, Mass., 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.

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

Abby Ottenhoff, spokeswoman 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 saying his city faces similar crunches because of the cost of

drugs," Ottenhoff said.

Bloomberg said the city spends billions of dollars on prescription drug costs each year both 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 \$90.7 million if the state were allowed to purchase Canadian drugs.

Ottenhoff said the governor's office is sending out copies of the task force's findings to other governors in the nation and continuing to work with U.S. Rep. Rahm Emanuel, D-Illinois, in

hopes of having drug importation included in the Senate's final Medicare package.

Bloomberg urged New Yorkers to go online and sign Blagojevich's petition, which has been signed by more than 15,000 people to date.

"Anyone can access the website and sign the petition," Ottenhoff said. "We welcome consumers from all over the United States to sign it because Illinois is not the only state that is struggling to keep up with the rising cost of prescription drugs."

"It's really something that we need the federal government to take action on so all the states have the flexibility to look for new ways to save money."

Student caught with \$8,000 of marijuana

Police seize 97 live plants, one pound of dry cannabis

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The Carbondale Police Department made an early trick-or-treat visit Monday to a North Almond Street house and came back with \$8,000 worth of marijuana.

Carbondale Police and agents from the Southern Illinois Enforcement Group raided the home of SIUC junior Ryan E. Vrane and left with 97 live marijuana plants and approximately one pound of dry marijuana.

Vrane, 24, arrived at his house during the seizure and was arrested. He was taken to the Jackson County Jail in Murphysboro, where he was released Tuesday on bond.

Vrane was charged in Jackson County Circuit Court with production of more than 50 cannabis plants, a Class 2 felony. If convicted of the charge, Vrane could serve three to seven years in an Illinois correctional facility and be fined up to \$25,000. His preliminary hearing for the case is set for Nov. 12 at the Jackson County Jail.

Southern Illinois Enforcement Group agent Stan Reno said police had been investigating Vrane's home for the past few years and were finally able to issue a search warrant with the help of anonymous witnesses who contacted the Carbondale Police Department.

"Witnesses made observations and said there was a growth operation inside the house," Reno said.

Carbondale Police Officer Dan Reed said the department confirmed through observation there was probable cause to believe the witnesses' accounts were true and then received a search warrant.

Neighbors who live near the home in the 200 block of North Almond Street said they noticed various police vehicles parked near the residence in recent weeks.

Vrane's next-door neighbor



PHOTO PROVIDED

Carbondale Police seized 97 marijuana plants and one pound of dry marijuana from Ryan E. Vrane. The plants were found at Vrane's residence on North Almond Street.

Sarah Mattmiller said she knew Vrane by his name but did not know there was an abundance of marijuana plants growing inside his house.

"I really didn't know him well at all," Mattmiller said. "I knew his name, but I don't really remember what kind of a person he is."

Gus Bode



Mattmiller, an SIUC graduate student, said she believes there were two other men living in the house with Vrane. She said she had not seen any of them come in or out of the house since the Monday afternoon raid.

The amount of cannabis police seized from Vrane pales in comparison with the 57 pounds of marijuana that was found in February inside Jill N. Lemcke's Carbondale apartment. Police estimated the cannabis was worth \$1,000 per pound.

Lemcke, who turned herself in at the Jackson County Jail, is still awaiting a trial date in the case. She remains free on bond.


She was charged in Jackson County Circuit Court with manufacture and delivery of more than

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NATIONAL NEWS

Toy gun shuts down U.S. House office building

WASHINGTON (CNN) — A security scare over a .38 revolver possibly brought into a congressional office building in Washington ended when two people came forward saying it was only a toy gun that was part of a Halloween costume.

After a massive search for two people who allegedly ran through a security checkpoint at the House Cannon Office Building, possibly carrying a revolver, U.S. Capitol Police Chief Terrance Gainer said the search and suspicions of danger were over.

The building was put into lockdown during the room-to-room search prompted by fears that someone had tried to smuggle the gun into the building. Charles Cooper, a congressional aide, said people in the building were notified over the intercom system that the suspected gun was a toy that was part of a Halloween costume.

During the scare, people leaving the building, near the Capitol, were searched, said police spokeswoman Jessica Gissel.

The Capitol itself was not evacuated, but the House went into recess 40 minutes after the incident.

The incident happened shortly after noon when an image that appeared to be a revolver was detected at an X-ray machine at the building's southeast entrance, Gissel said.

Police were saying a man grabbed a backpack and went through the crowded checkpoint, triggering a security alert.

At least one dead in N.J. parking garage collapse

(CNN) — At least one person was killed and 12 are missing Thursday after six stories of a parking garage under construction at an Atlantic City, New Jersey, casino collapsed, a spokeswoman for Mayor Lorenzo Langford said.

At least 22 others were injured in the garage collapse at the Tropicana and Casino Resort, authorities said.

A witness in a building near the site said she heard a large rumble, looked out her window and saw the structure — with workers atop it — fall.

Fourteen people were taken to Atlantic City Medical Center's City Division, where 10 were in the trauma unit, said hospital spokeswoman Debbie Wingley. Four others were at the center's Mainland Division, 20 miles outside of Atlantic City, she said.

Another two victims were carried to Shore Memorial Hospital, a spokeswoman said.

The 2,400-space parking lot is part of a construction project to be called The Quarter. It was projected to be completed in March.

Construction on the \$225 million project, which is intended to evoke images of Old Havana, began in April 2002.

The resort is owned by Aztec Corp. A woman who answered the phone at the company said she could not say whether the project would be completed as scheduled. "I cannot tell you anything right now," she said.

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 Russia media that Voloshin submitted his resignation to protest the arrest of Mikhail Khodorkovsky, head of Yukos Oil Company.

The Kremlin said Voloshin is being replaced by Dmitri Medvedev, who was Voloshin's chief assistant. Kremlin officials would not say when Voloshin submitted his resignation and why.

Khodorkovsky was arrested Saturday on charges of fraud and 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 said.

"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 financial leaders at the Kremlin later Thursday in an effort to calm money market nerves sparked by the arrest of

Yukos head 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

BAGHDAD (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.

Abu Musab al Zarqawi, a Jordanian who has ties to al Qaeda, is suspected of orchestrating the Aug. 7 attack on the Baghdad facility, which killed at least 16 people, including five Iraqi guards, and wounded dozens more.

The reward is equivalent to the amount offered for information leading to the capture of former Iraqi ruler Saddam Hussein, al Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden and some of his top lieutenants.

Zarqawi has had a long-standing connection to senior al Qaeda leadership and appears to be highly regarded among the terror network, according to the Website.

Today

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Partly cloudy.

Five-day Forecast

Saturday	Partly cloudy	74/59
Sunday	Mostly sunny	80/59
Monday	Mostly sunny	77/55
Tuesday	Partly cloudy	75/56
Wednesday	Partly cloudy	68/57

Almanac

Average high: 63
Average low: 39
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CALENDAR

There are no items to report.

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POLICE REPORTS

University

Rachael Michelle Fueny, 23, of Chicago was arrested and charged with aggravated assault at 2:10 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 22 at the Continuing Education building. Fueny posted \$100 cash bond.

A bicycle valued at \$75 was reported stolen between 11:10 and 11:30 a.m. Monday at the Doyle Hall bicycle rack. There are no suspects at this time.

A tennis bracelet valued at \$700 was reported stolen between Monday and Tuesday at Life Science II. There are no suspects at this time.

CORRECTIONS

In the Tuesday, Oct. 21 article "University contributions reach all-time high," it should have said the University received \$8 million in private donations in 2002.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets the error.

Readers who spot an error should contact the DAILY EGYPTIAN accuracy desk at 536-3311 ext. 253.

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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 pawed through the racks of The Party Shop looking for the perfect costume Wednesday afternoon. Every year, Halloween comes and goes, but the perfect costume remains illusive. Don't panic — help is on its way.

Though a costume for Halloween sounds childish to some, fairies and pumpkins aren't the only options for college students looking to join the holiday festivities.

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

Its variety made The Party Shop first on their list, they said.

"We came here and found the 'Dumb and Dumber' suits," Ramsey said. "But I don't think we're going to get them. We have to wear them to work, and we don't want to get them dirty."

Ramsey also said the deposit was too expensive — the suits were priced at \$50 each, with a \$200 deposit to rent. Instead, Ramsey and Green found a T-Bird jacket and Pink Ladies poodle skirt from the movie "Grease" for \$15 and \$30, respectively. The \$30 and \$60 deposits were no problem.

According to Mike Smoot, owner of The Party Shop, located on Route 148 just south of Herrin, the beer garden girl costume and mullet wigs were the "hot items" for college students this year. Smoot said he has ordered the wigs three times and sold out within a couple 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 choices for the Halloween season. It sells more than 2,500 costumes that include pimp costumes, wigs and priest or nun outfits ranging in price from as little as \$9 to a whopping \$100.

If your pocketbook can't handle a purchase, The Party Shop also rents more than 1,000 costumes for as little as \$15. You can choose from specialty costumes such as "Dumb and Dumber" suits and "Wizard of Oz" characters or just regular costumes such as a witch or French maid.

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

However, Wal-Mart also offers a wide variety of accessories such as masks, wigs and makeup at slightly cheaper prices. Wal-Mart also sells full costumes such as witches, soldiers and warlocks for about \$15 to \$30. Other places that sell costumes are K-Mart and Walgreen Drug Store.

"Dumb and Dumber" suits may be original, but a cheap costume was the goal for Eric Gullett, a junior in administration of justice from Baltimore, Md. Although he found a \$6 mask that fit his criteria, he said The Party Shop didn't offer the rest of what he needed.

"I think there's a lot of traditional costumes [here], but I wanted to a little bit more creative," Gullett said. "They've got a lot of stuff, though."

Gullett said he could not find a cheap costume other than '70s outfits in the thrift stores in Carbondale.



Zac Mayfield takes the spear from his sister Abbi at The Party Shop in Herrin. Last minute shoppers have flocked to the store where they can buy or rent a costume.

However, Jesse Landstrom, a communications graduate student from Dwight in professional practice, found just the accessory she needed.

A \$2 Egyptian wig she found in a thrift store close to Big Boys Q'n on Route 51 fit just right with her gold lamé Cleopatra costume from junior high school. One of her friends, an art major, is doing her makeup before she goes to Mugsy McGuire's Bar and Grill to hear the band Woodbox Gang.

Although Landstrom lucked out with a \$2 costume, most students don't have a costume to recycle: Thrift stores such as Community Thrift Store, 700 E. Main, offer a cheap and fun alternative to the elaborate and expensive, ready-made costumes sold at Wal-Mart or The Party Shop.

A little time and effort at the

thrift store can turn up jewels like lace and scarves to accessorize with costumes, a fedora or top hat, an outfit similar to the one worn in "The Matrix," a kilt or a wedding veil. The store carries costume jewelry such as chunky crosses and funky sunglasses in addition to footwear such as go-go boots and high-heeled shoes.

The store also contains a vast array of clothes from all eras, especially the '70s and '80s, although they do not sell face paints. According to Sandy Kirby, an employee at Community Thrift Store, '80s clothes and masks have been popular with college students this year.

"I've had tons of masks come in — they just don't stay in," Kirby said.

Most of the Halloween outfits have been selling as fast as the store obtains them, according to Kirby. The

cool part about the store is most of the outfits are under \$10, and the accessories are less than that. Kirby said a pair of sunglasses cost about \$1.

If Community Thrift Store does not have what a customer needs, Kirby said she sends them to another store such as Tropicana Vintage Clothing that carries the item. Other stores she could refer them to are Thrift Store, 215 N. Illinois Ave., or the Salvation Army and Goodwill shops.

She also said she helps customers put together cool outfits from the store's supplies, giving tips on what to wear. Tomorrow, Sandy said she would also get into the spirit of Halloween and dress up as a cowgirl.

It's Halloween, and you don't have a costume yet? Get looking. It's not too late.

Halloween trick-or-treating alternatives

Carbondale offers many alternatives to usual trick-or-treating

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While any thoughts of reviving the Strip this year are in vain, the remainder of the town will be alive and well for Halloween.

Though Halloween is typically viewed as a celebration geared toward people under the age of 12, particularly in Carbondale, it is recognized that adults, especially students, enjoy taking part in the holiday.

In addition to haunted houses and bar events such as the costume contest taking place at Carboz, there will also be a showing of "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," an annual event on campus.

While students make up a significant percentage of the Carbondale's population, it is also recognized that other populations, including children and pets, enjoy taking part in the holiday.

Carbondale is offering a variety of activities for children wanting to participate in the activity of trick-or-treating, but not by the traditional door-to-door method.

Precautions taken by parents over the years have caused slight changes in events typically associated with Halloween.

School Halloween parties, which once included dressing up and receiving candy, have transformed into the more often-recognized Fall Party.

Trick-or-treating, once an outdoor activity, is now offered in several indoor settings.

For more than 10 years, University Mall has been providing children under the age of 12 with the opportunity to enjoy Halloween in a well-lit, safer setting with professional security on the premises.

The mall Halloween events will begin with a coloring contest and meet and greet with Saluki athletes at 5 p.m., followed by a costume contest at 6 p.m.

Trick-or-treating will begin at 6:30 and will last through the close of the building at 9 p.m.

"One good thing is that [trick-or-treating at the mall] is all indoors," said University Mall Marketing Director Vanessa Bollmann.

"It's fun and it's exciting because there will be several hundred children dressed up and just as excited as them. It'll be more than just collecting candy."

Bollmann said the event has drawn hundreds of children in the past, and the mall is expecting anywhere between 800 and 1,000 participants this year.

For those more interested in indoor trick-or-treating but hoping to do so on a smaller scale, Vineyard Community Church is offering a chance for children to receive candy among other activities.

The event, titled Adventure in the Jungle, is not a celebration of Halloween but instead an opportunity for those who may not celebrate Halloween to collect candy and dress-up, along with other activities associated with the day.

Because Vineyard is a newer

church, it is not expecting the number of participants an event such as mall trick-or-treating may receive.

However, Office manager Terry Kissinger said the church is expecting anywhere from 150 to 250 children.

"We're recognizing that children want to go out and trick-or-treat," Kissinger said.

"If they go to school and are sad because their friends collected more candy than them, they may not want to do it again."

"What we want to do is make sure they have a safe holiday."

Kissinger said there would be a great deal of SIUC students assisting with the activity, which will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. at the church.

While both Vineyard Church and University Mall have certain regulations when it comes to costumes, Spears Animal Hospital said its trick-or-treating is open to all costumes and ages.

The first-year event gives people the chance to dress up their pets and receive treats as well as prizes for the best costumes.

Veterinarian Leann Greenwell said her expectations for pet trick-or-treating was not quite as high as for other Halloween events.

"If I could have 10 pets, I would consider it a successful event," said Greenwell, who said her previous job and the variety of pet costumes at Wal-Mart had inspired her to sponsor the event.

"It's just for fun. A lot of people see their pets as their children, and if kids trick-or-treat, why can't pets?"

Dental Hygiene Program receives anti-smoking grant

Funding will aid testing of tobacco control curriculum

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Thirty to 35 percent of SIUC students smoke. Twenty-eight percent of the national college population smokes. Twenty-two percent of the general population smokes.

With the help of a three-year, \$250,000 anti-smoking grant provided by the Illinois Division of the American Cancer Society, SIUC's Dental Hygiene Program will implement a new project titled "Effectiveness of Standard-of-Care Curriculum for Tobacco Education in a Dental Hygiene Context."

Margaret Stockdale, an associate professor of psychology, Joan Davis, an assistant professor in dental hygiene, and Martha Cropper, a field representative with SIUC's Center for Rural Health and Social Service Development, wrote the grant application together. It was based on a dental hygiene curriculum developed by Davis after learning about the availability of cancer society funding.

Stockdale said the American Cancer Society has developed a new program initiative to more

effectively spread information on cancer prevention to the community. Stockdale, Cropper and Davis believe dental hygienists can positively impact this vision.

Davis previously received a fellowship to aid in the development of a curriculum for tobacco control and education in the Dental Hygiene Program provided by the Institute for Oral Health, the American Dental Hygienists' Association and GlaxoSmithKline Inc. The curriculum consists of a PowerPoint including outlines, evaluations and information that educators can utilize in the classroom to reach tobacco control.

Stockdale said the new American Cancer Society grant will fund testing of the curriculum in the field over the next three years.

"The hypothesis is that schools with the curriculum will spend more time on tobacco education than schools without it," Stockdale said.

Stockdale said surveying will help them learn how often instructors have used the curriculum and how effective it has been. Testing will also include interviewing students who have graduated and finding out whether they have taught what they learned through the tobacco education curriculum to their patients.

Provost Dunn talks tuition

USG passes three resolutions against proposed tuition hike

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Provost John Dunn came to the Undergraduate Student Government meeting Wednesday night to discuss tuition with the senate.

Dunn addressed USG's concerns about possible tuition increases slated for fall 2004. He discussed how a decrease in state-related funds and the Truth in Tuition law caused the University to reconfigure 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. "It's not pleasant, and it runs counterintuitive to what people, like myself, believe in and the desire to do it as cheaply as possible."

Three resolutions opposing the University's plan to raise tuition for returning, new, nonresident and international students were also passed at the USG meeting.

Though the University's plan is still in the works, the proposed tuition increase for returning undergraduate students is 7 percent with incoming undergraduate tuition at 16 percent.

Also under the proposition, tuition increase for international students would be 17.5 percent for continuing students and 40 percent for new students.

According to Dunn, the proposed tuition for new students next year would be increased from \$4,245 to \$4,920. He said the increase of \$675 is calculated at a \$4 to \$4.50 daily cost.

"The goal of that was to take those money to make sure that we can continue to provide quality education experiences for you and, in addition, put some money back into programs that are critical to you and your continuing success," Dunn said.

Dunn said the University had to change its proposed policy because of the passing of the Truth in Tuition Law. The law guarantees a constant tuition to incoming college freshmen for four years. Dunn said the challenge the University

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNMENT UPDATE		
LEGISLATION	RESOLUTION	ACTION TAKEN
SR 04-05	Opposition to campus smoking policy.	Passed/Vetoed 10-20-03
SR 04-10	Increase of multiplier rate of our of state and international students	Passed
SR 04-11	Southern at 150.	Passed
SR 04-13	Opposition to FY 2005 student tuition increase.	Passed
SR 04-14	Opposition to FY2005 New undergraduate student tuition increase.	Passed
LEGISLATION	BILL TO FUND	REASON/S
SB 04-32	IDSA	Travel/ \$250
SB 04-33	Kappa Alpha Psi	Event/ \$6,200
SB 04-34	Korean Student Association	Event/ \$800
SB 04-35	Kwiet Storm Dance Team	Event/ \$864
SB 04-36	Alpha Kappa Alpha	Event/ \$75
LEGISLATION	AMENDMENT	ACTION TAKEN
SA 04-01	Combine Evergreen Terrace and Southern Hills Senate seats.	Passed
SA 04-02	Concerning Activity fee allocation.	Tabled
OPEN SEATS: 5 West Side, 2 Science, 1 Mass Comm., 2 Ed. & Hum. Services, 1 Southern Hills, 1 App. Science & Art and 3 Academic Affairs 1 Greek Row.		
NEXT MEETING: November 12.		

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facéd was figuring out how to incorporate the new law into its prior tuition proposal.

Decrease in funding from the state over the past 20 years also prompted the University to propose a new tuition plan. According to Dunn, in 1980, SIUC's operation budget was \$152 million with 53 percent aid from the state.

In 2004, the budget has grown to \$436 million, but state assistance has decreased to 35 percent.

Dunn said the University enforced the tuition plan so programs could be better funded. An increase in programs included graduate assistantships, student wages and faculty.

Dunn also said the tuition increase is important so SIUC can maintain its high quality of education. Funds are expected to go toward refurbishing classrooms, upgrading technology, increasing scholarship money and other areas of improvement for the University.

USG passed three resolutions concerning proposed tuition increases.

Two of those resolutions opposed the suggested increases for returning and new students. The third said USG would not support any attempt the University would

impose to increase nonresident and international student tuition.

The resolutions were tabled at the Oct. 15 meeting so USG could hear Dunn speak on the issue.

USG President Neal Young said USG believes tuition increases cause more financial strain on college students.

"An increase in tuition should not be the way to solve this problem," Young said. "What this does is create an even bigger economic challenge for students to come to college. On a long-term scale, only the wealthy and privileged would be able to come to college, which does not coincide with the need of a bachelor's degree in today's world."

Young said the right solution would be to make tuition free to Illinois residents.

"We, as a state, are headed in the wrong direction," he said. "Higher education is not a privilege, it is a right. No Illinois resident should have to pay tuition to further his or her education."

He said an increase in tuition for international students also hampers diversity on campus. By increasing tuition for those students, Fr said the University is making it more difficult for them to obtain a college education.

Web registration removes confusion

Self-registration running smoothly since Oct. 14 debut

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This fall, students at SIUC are discovering for the first time that with the point and click of a mouse they can shake the thoughts of dread and worry that often accompany class registration.

Since Oct. 14, Salukinet has offered students the option of self-registering for classes by using an entity already employed by more than half of all universities, according to Anne Deluca, assistant vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.

Deluca said the new method of registration discards the arcane features of UniLink — formerly the registration format of choice — that required students to use often-confusing "cell numbers" to find specific classes. With web registration, students can search for classes by subject, course number and section number and then simply point and click their way into a class.

While not all colleges and departments have adopted the new mode, Tina Collins, director of Records and Registration, said the feedback received in the weeks following the inception of web registration has been overwhelmingly positive.

"We've received several e-mails from students saying how much they've benefited from the new method," Collins said. "And we've actually had more students register using web registration this semester than have used the old way."

Web registration was initially launched in January as a pilot project, restricted to students in the Graduate School and students majoring in journalism. But Collins said the experimental method proved so successful that it was made available to a majority of the student body for Spring 2004 registration.

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 or suspension, financial holds or other holds would not be eligible for web registration without prior approval of their adviser.

But despite not all students being eligible, Collins said Oct. 14 was a busy day for the Salukinet server, although it did not begin at the scheduled 7:15 a.m. start time.

"We actually didn't get it up and running until about 8 a.m. because one of the components that goes into running it wasn't yet activated," Collins said. "But even when we did get it going, the high amount of traffic wasn't a problem since we had load-tested it beforehand to make sure everything would run smoothly."

And thus far it has been running about as smoothly as could have been envisioned, Deluca said, and she encourages students who have not taken advantage of the new method to strongly consider doing so.

"Our goals with this were to make something more flexible and allow students the freedom to register at their own time and location," Deluca said. "Plus, we wanted to make sure we were staying on par with other universities."

And for those who have already taken advantage of the availability of web registration, the new method has proven to be head and shoulders above the old one.

"I think it really makes things a lot easier and takes away from some of the stress," said Joe Arnold, a sophomore in English. "This way you don't have to spend hours looking through some catalog; you can just have it pop up right in front of you."

Angie Moritz, a junior in creative writing, also applauded the new form of registration, saying it has made her less apprehensive about the registration process.

"I think this way it's just easier to figure out which classes you really want to take," Moritz said. "Instead of a huge amount of classes to pick from, you can narrow it down and make it so much simpler."

Native American Heritage Month offers guest speakers, activities

Fifteen events scheduled through month of November

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The Normandy Invasion was the turning point of World War II, in part due to the efforts of Comanche code talkers such as Charles Chibitty, who will be on campus Nov. 18 as part of Native American Heritage Month.

Chibitty is the last surviving member of the 16 original code talkers, who used their native language to prevent the enemy from intercepting radio messages of troop movements of Allied forces.

He will discuss his experiences during "Comanche Code Talker: A Native Remembrance of Veterans Day" at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center Ohio Room as one of 15 events scheduled during the month.

SIUC's Multicultural Programs and Services office is sponsoring

"Beyond the Myths," which will have events from Nov. 3 to Nov. 20, along with the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts and the Native American Student Organization. The committee has been organizing the activities since June.

Carl Ervin, coordinator of Multicultural Programs and Services, said the diversity of the programming offers something for everyone to attend.

It helps students to get more out of their college education, and it exposes them to different cultures and ideas," he said. "It brings awareness to another part of American culture, the Native Americans."

The month will begin Monday with a book signing by Ward Churchill, an author and Native American rights activist, from 4 to 5 p.m. He will be signing his latest work, "Agents of Repression: the FBI's Secret War against the Black Panther Party and the American Indian Movement."

He will give a presentation later that evening titled "Genocide

in America" in Student Center Ballroom D.

Other guest speakers will include Mile Willuwait on establishing a Native American curriculum, Eddi Brown, former assistant secretary of Indian Affairs of the U.S. Department of Interior, and James A. Sandos, former intelligence officer with the U.S. Air Force.

"Native American issues affect everybody within the U.S. right now," said Nichole Boyd, student coordinator of the events. "These are very much issues that are still going on today, and a lot of these speakers are not only going to be covering Native American issues, but also African American, Hispanic and governmental issues. This celebrates how other cultures interact and have interacted with Native American cultures."

The month will also include movies, presentations and panel discussions centering around the lives and culture of Native Americans, past and present.

Boyd said the week will hopefully spark more interest for estab-

lishing Native American programs on this campus, which she found lacking when she first attended SIUC.

"I came down here from Chicago and was looking for a Native American community," Boyd said. "Coming from that back at home and not having it down here, I saw the need for more Native American activities on this campus."

The annual showing of "Incident at Oglala: The Leonard Peltier Story" will be shown Nov. 13 for the third year in a row. Ervin said the film centers on the controversy over the guilt of an imprisoned Native American.

"We have a film every year to remind people about his case," Ervin said.

A prominent theory asserts that Peltier was framed. A discussion of his guilt or innocence will follow the movie.

The month will end with "Finding Roots" from noon to 1:30 p.m. Nov. 20, which will focus on finding one's roots and how to conduct genealogy searches.

Ervin stressed that the events are for everyone in the community to attend, and they are all free and U-card approved.

Participants may have the opportunity to speak to and interact with the guest speakers after their presentations.

"We do stress with guests that they talk with our students," Ervin said. "It's for the community, but we really want our students to get involved and talk to the source."

NEWS BRIEFS

Safe Halloween to be at University Mall

The University Mall and Zimmer Radio Group are hosting their annual safe trick-or-treat at the mall starting at 5 p.m. Friday. Festivities include a coloring contest, a costume contest and SIUC athletes' autograph signing. Mall gift certificates will be given away for contest prizes. Trick-or-treating inside the mall will be from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. This event is free and open to all children 12 and under. No face-concealing masks or toy weapons will be permitted.

Southern Illinois Pagan Alliance tells the facts

Group exposes myths, facts of paganism

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Myth: Witches sacrifice black cats for Halloween.

Fact: Many believers 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 attempt to provide education and an open forum 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 Worlds, is located in Murphysboro and has been open since February 1999. It offers books, herbs, incense, glassware, jewelry, art and information on paganism.

Nelson, a graduate student in health education, said she has been a pagan for more than 15 years. She said the word pagan is often misunderstood because it involves many different religions and traditions:

She said the word pagan is used as an umbrella term to describe a variety of religions. Nelson said pagans are similar to Christians because there are different branches of Christianity such as Catholicism, Baptists and so on.

Many people associate witches with Halloween, but in all reality most pagans celebrate Samhain. The celebration recognizes the end of harvest and the remembrance of loved ones who have died.

James Kelly, a senior in adver-

tising, said this would be his first Halloween as a pagan. He has been studying paganism for the past two years and said he has officially been pagan for about six months.

Kelly was brought up in an extremely religious family and a small, close-minded town. His father is a United Methodist minister. He said he has not told his parents about his newfound religion in fear of not being accepted.

"We are just like everyone else," Kelly said. "The only difference is that we look at things in a different way."

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

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

"This is completely untrue," Kelly said. "We believe in all different kinds of gods, but Satan is definitely not one of them."

Sean Lilly, a resident of Carbondale, said he has been living as a pagan for nearly 15 years.

"No one thing made me become Pagan," Lilly said. "It's something that you just feel."

Nelson said she also believes paganism is not just a religion but also is a way of life.

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

Nelson said becoming pagan does not just happen overnight. She said it takes years of research and studying to learn and understand the different pagan terms and traditions.

Shivian Balaris, a sophomore in graphic design, has been a pagan for nearly 10 years and incorporates his traditions in his everyday life. He writes and illustrates "Ohmygods," a pagan-themed comic strip, which is published in the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Balaris said he first discovered his beliefs were a form of paganism after browsing through a bookstore in junior high.

"I read this book, and it sounded

like everything I believe in," he said.

Along with the comic strip, Balaris represents his beliefs through his tattoos, which are all based on his spirituality. He said he does not explain the meanings to people because he believes the pagan religion is extremely individualistic and personal.

"Paganism is like being at a buffet," Balaris explained.

"There are so many different things to choose from. You look around, decide what you like and put it on your plate to test it out."

Balaris said being pagan does not include having to follow a strict list of guidelines of rules. He said you could blend various beliefs into your own traditions.

Lilly agreed with Balaris and said not having an organized setup for a religion is one reason he was so attracted and interested in paganism.

With the season of Halloween, the four members of SIPA agreed misconceptions about pagans and witches are at the highest.

"People are afraid of what they don't understand, which can lead to fear," Nelson said. "And sometimes fear can lead to violence."

Nelson said Halloween could be an uneasy time of the year for pagans. She said many people think of witches as being green, ugly and mean, but in all reality they are normal people.

"If you take a walk through campus, you would not be able to point out the witches," Kelly said. "But there are witches everywhere; you just can't tell."

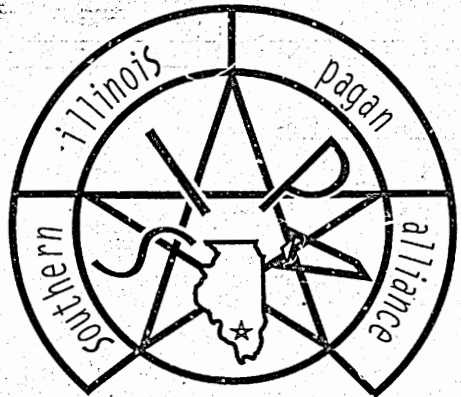
Balaris said many non-pagans believe witches have supernatural powers, which are created through magic and spells. He said prayer and spells are the same idea.

"Spells are asking for something through energy just like praying," he said. "Anyone can do it."

Nelson said there are some witches that have more obvious powers, such as psychic abilities and reading tarot cards. She said this is perfectly natural.

"Everyone is psychic," Nelson said. "It is just your gut instinct."

Nelson owns one dog and nine cats and said she trusts her animals



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for a view into the future. Nelson said she applies her love of animals into her pagan traditions.

"When my cats are freaking out about something," Nelson said, "I take it seriously because animals are more connected to the rhythm of the world."

A large part of paganism has to do with the importance of the earth. Balaris said living off the earth is just another part of a pagan's everyday life.

"We respect the planet," Balaris said. "We are here to learn and then give back to the community."

Balaris explained pagans and witches live a mundane lifestyle, which he explained as "somewhat boring."

Nelson said SIPA would be sponsoring a public Samhain ceremony Friday night, which will include an ancestral altar. Attendants can bring in pictures or other important items, which remind them of loved ones who have died.

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 symbolizes reincarnation.

"It helps the dead cross over,"

Lilly said. "Sometimes spirits have unsolved deaths, and it can help them get the closure they need."

Kelly said he would be celebrating Samhain with his partner by having a "dumb" or mute supper, which is a silent dinner to remember family members of influential people.

Samhain sets the end of the harvest and year cycle. Nelson said it is similar to New Year's Eve with resolutions and changes.

"I look at my life and banish the things that are not working," she said.

Regardless of potential criticisms, the members of SIPA are open with their beliefs and traditions of being pagan.

Nelson said being pagan was a conscious choice she made and is happy with.

"We are who we are," Nelson said.

For more information about Friday night's Samhain ceremony, contact Tara Nelson at 529-5029 or taracat@earthlink.net. For more information on SIPA or to sign up for the mailing list, go to SIPA's website, www.timerift.net. Membership fees range from \$8 to \$10.




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OUR WORD

Bury our scary history

When Southern Illinois authorities say they are cracking down for the Halloween weekend, they aren't kidding.

Two SIUC students found that out for themselves last weekend when they were arrested and charged with "misdemeanor 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 friend were just joking around and that they were planning to return what they took.

He also said the Murphysboro police overreacted to the incident.

And maybe they did. But plan 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."

Business 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 a Strip clouded by tear gas.

In 1981, a crowd of about 20,000 revelers clashed with police, resulting in dozens of arrests and almost 100 injuries. Yearly riots ensued sporadically throughout the 1980s, each time leaving a shattered wake of flipped cars and broken glass.

After the explosive riots in 1994, which required the National Guard to be called in and resulted in video footage on The Learning Channel in a "Binge Drinking and Riot" feature, the City Council moved to close bars on the Strip and restrict keg sales. But the frenzy was not stopped.

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

After a wave of calmer Halloween weekends, in 2000 the Carbondale City Council voted 3-2 to allow bars on the Strip to remain open and the sale of kegs to go unrestricted.

Then-Mayor Neil Dillard said the council would live to regret that vote.

And they did after more than 100 arrests were made during that holiday weekend.

With our reputation, it is no wonder why police are "overreacting" to festive pranks.

In order to have a safe, and unruffled, 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.



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GUEST COLUMNIST

Bush does have students' support

Zach Herman

The BG News (Bowling Green State U.)

BOWLING GREEN (U-WIRE) — The cliché is seemingly as old as universities themselves: College students are politically liberal and overwhelmingly apathetic. But a new study may shatter some misguided preconceptions about the ideological leanings and motivations that fuel the denizens of campuses nationwide.

The Harvard Institute of Politics released the results of a survey of 1202 college students across the country Monday, and the trends revealed may have a substantial influence on next year's presidential election.

Amazingly, 82 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 advantageous to 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 leans slightly right as a whole.

Of those questioned, 31 percent self-identified as Republicans, 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 remained steady at 61 percent (roughly 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 inept international relations and domestic policy bungling 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 or CNN. 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 nine in 10 say that the White House has been misleading about the war in Iraq.

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

Seventeen percent of collegians 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 positive 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 this May, the alternative may seem a lot more appealing than the incumbent.

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 campaign 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 on their candidate in the 2004 general election, a number the survey says is "far higher than the general population."

The college population may well be the swing vote in next year's election. You are responsible for taking our country back from the corruption and crony capitalism of the Bush administration. Don't say your vote doesn't matter — it does. So be aware, learn about the candidates and make your voice heard in the next election. Your future, and your future job, may depend on it.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“ Anyone who uses the phrase 'easy as taking candy from a baby' has never tried taking candy from a baby. ”

Unknown

WORDS OVERHEARD

“ They could see flesh was missing from his earlobe, but it wasn't like she bit the whole thing off. ”

Carbondale Police Sgt. Don Priddy describing the severity of the injury a man sustained after his girlfriend bit off his earlobe in an argument at a Carbondale bar Wednesday night

COLUMNIST

COMMUNITY LEADERS' FORUM

We all wear Halloween disguises

I always knew that I was going to become a sayer of things like, "Well, when I was a kid..." and on Halloween I can't help myself. When I was a kid, the only children with store-bought costumes were those whose parents cared little or had no time to help them get something else together.

The costumes were terrible, usually a plastic smock with a picture of what you wanted to be on the front and an adult-size mask that was as unattractive as it was uncomfortable.

The ones with such costumes would lurk apologetically while the rest of us strutted in our finery. One Halloween I was a fairy princess with my mother's old dresses cut to fit and a tinfoil crown.

Another year I was Peter Pan (unfortunately, I was mistaken for the Jolly Green Giant; ho, ho, ho), and one year I outdid my classmates with a paper-mache panda head and a handmade costume to match. Children would walk up to one another and ask, "What are you supposed to be?" and then I could explain.

"These tissues balled up under my sleeves are muscles" or "My face is white because I am dead, and my mouth is red because I eat brains."

The costume was more than a disguise; it was a whole identity, a new story and a new way of behaving. The boys dressed as creeps and monsters were allowed to chase the girls dressed as princesses and good witches.

I loved those costumes, and I loved that whatever I wanted could become possible with my mother's skills and my imagination. Now I am an adult and have accepted that my mother's craftiness was not passed down. My children, terrible as it makes me feel, have store-bought costumes.

The first year I took my son to the Halloween store, I was amazed that the outfits are now made of cloth, and the plastic masks are gone for the most part. The prices are reasonable, and the costumes last. Now my son can be a Power Ranger, and my daughter can be Snow White. Suddenly anything is possible.

I can't say that this doesn't unsettle me a little. No other child will be impressed with my son's likeness to the leader of the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers.

They could have chosen that suit instead of Superman or Spiderman. No doubt the real contest is what identity is en vogue and how cool one is compared to the other.

Where parents with little time and energy used to simply make their children into clowns, or tramps, or ghosts (one year there were no white sheets to sacrifice, and so I was given a flowered one and topped it off with a hat and purse and went as the ghost of spring) we all



Feckless Pondering

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now make a trip to Wal-Mart and call it a day.

In this same way I see my own future, coming now to the end of my undergraduate career. I will go to graduate school and hope to one day teach or work in publishing. My costume is still my own. I have created it and am choosing the elements that lend it the most authenticity. One may ask, "What are you supposed to be?" and I can answer, "Well, this degree could get me a teaching position, but the experience in newspapers could put me into journalism, and my mouth is red because I eat brains."

Medical school students have the coolest costume because it's so immediately recognizable. They have scrubs and a whole language all their own. Once we know what they are, they can field medical questions or tell us a few scary stories.

Philosophy majors are hard to spot, but once they show you how their costumes work you wonder why you didn't spot that before. The pale skin, the eyes that seem to see through you; they actually pull it off very well. The plant biology majors have to have their classmates to bring it together convincingly. They travel in groups with their wire-rimmed glasses and nondescript clothing and project the sense that they know a great deal.

The daily costume party will come to an end, when we enter the real world, with our Halloween hangovers, and find that our real identities don't match up with our costumed alter egos.

Maybe the real truth is that we will wear the store-bought costumes, look over the rack and grab "stock market executive" or "publishing coordinator" and know that few will want or need further explanation, and our faces will be lost behind our impressively stitched outerwear.

I want to remain the young and brilliant writer/talented undergrad forever but fear that I will soon be sitting in a cubicle looking over files of other people's writing, growing older and thinking, "When I was younger..."

Feckless Pondering appears every other Friday. Abigail is a senior in English. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Southern at 150 — the devil is in the details

Professor Morteza Daneshdoost
president, Faculty Association

Let me declare up front that I share the sentiment that led to Vision 20-20 and Southern at 150. We should have ambitions. We should be the best that we can be. I would like to be positive so that people don't have to say, "Here he goes again, pointing to the problems instead of the solutions." But, if we actually do want to advance our position, I have no choice but to point out what the current situation is and what can be done about it. So here I go.

Recently, the SIUC administration contracted the prestigious Washington Advisory Group to "assist in [SIUC's] efforts to improve its research standing." WAG conducted an assessment of "the current state of research," offering observations and recommendations about SIUC's goals as stated in Southern at 150. The group analyzed SIUC's goal of becoming one of the nation's top 75 universities and indicated what was needed to achieve it.

Although the group commented that the vision was laudable and perhaps possible to realize, one of their key findings is quite significant: "It was not clear to us that SIUC fully appreciates the scale of recruitment and investment that will be needed to achieve the University's goal," adding that SIUC must hire about 200 research faculty members, which will cost "many hundreds of millions of dollars." Also, they reminded us, the top 75 universities will not be standing still. They will spend and hire, too. And then, in addition to hundreds of faculty hires, "SIUC will have to raise funds for endowments, graduate student and post-doc support and infrastructure improvements."

Given the scarcity of state funding, those resources will have to come from endowments raised by the SIU Foundation. But, according to the Chronicle of Higher Education, the SIU Foundation had less money June 30, 2002, than a year earlier (the statistical reports usually lag by one fiscal year). Although many universities suffered losses due to the weak stock market, SIUC lost 7.2 percent, more than the 6 percent national average.

But far more critical is the ranking and the dollar amount of the 654 college and university endowments listed. SIU Foundation ranks 466. The endowment has decreased by more than \$4 million since 2000. Yet those who urge Southern at 150 upon us have given no realistic plan for raising the "many hundreds of millions of dollars" necessary. WAG's concern that the

SIUC administration may not understand this necessity is further underscored by a comparison of SIUC's endowment with its peers — both current and aspirational (as listed in Southern 150).

The disparities are staggering: SIUC's endowment in 2002 was \$43,071,000. Among current peers, the lowest ranked was Oklahoma State University's endowment at \$153,179,000, ranked 217. SIUC would need to triple its endowment even to approximate the smallest endowment of its current peers. As for the aspirational peers, the leap is still greater: Louisiana State University has the smallest endowment of that group, ranked at 118 with \$348,291,000.

These findings are sobering. They compel me to ask the SIUC administration and the Board of Trustees: Who's been minding the fund raising and the investment of the endowment? And when does a vision become an illusion? What current needs (for teaching, as well as research for fulfilling our university's traditional mission, as well as taking on a new one) will be neglected as this plan is pursued?

We all know that it is easier to devise a plan than to implement it. How many ambitious plans have we had in the past 10 years that never materialized? And why not? Could it be that we did not work out the realistic details? Or, could it be that we did not get others involved in the process?

Because the funds necessary to carry out the goals of Southern at 150 are not readily available, it is even more imperative to involve as much of the university community as possible in the process. So, may I suggest that the administration treat its colleagues, staff, friends and students with greater respect and do everything possible to earn their trust so that we can all share the dream. If you really believe in shared governance, please ask the faculty for their opinion first before you make up your mind. Please get faculty involved in advance if you are planning to close or merge their programs. Please ask the deans to stop telling faculty what courses to offer, what graduate students to hire and what to teach. If we want to turn the dream into reality, treat the faculty like the partners you need in order to succeed.

It is the Faculty Association's job and responsibility — sometimes to the point of annoyance — to analyze the plans and ring the wake-up call before the dream turns into a nightmare.

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LETTERS

Pro-abortion reader ignores truth of matter

DEAR EDITOR:

Courtney Lanute's letter "Columnist wrongly portrayed abortion" in the Monday edition of the DAILY EGYPTIAN made me ill.

First, Ms. Lanute, are you trying to say when a woman has an abortion it isn't for convenience? For what other reason is she getting one? To make her life harder? To add to the things to worry about?

No, it's to remove what she views to be a large nuisance: the difficulties and responsibilities of being a mother. Next, if the father is a deadbeat, why does that justify killing the child? And don't try to turn the tables so drastically. Noth of you had sex. Is the father responsible?

Absolutely. He's just as responsible as you are. (And don't try to use the "What about rape and incest" argument. That's not what's being discussed. Those issues are an entirely different let-

ter.) And how dare you, Ms. Lanute, say that to have an abortion is noble! Abortion is not a solution to poor parenting skills!

Abortion is No. 1 on the list of poor parenting skills! And by the way, we have adoption available so that a woman isn't "forced" to raise a child she may mistreat mentally, physically or emotionally.

It's sickening to see pro-choiceers whine about the "right" to make a "choice" as if an unsuspecting woman just wakes up one day with a baby inside her. If having a child in this stage of your life is too much for you to handle, then maybe you shouldn't be having sex.

That is where the choice lies: whether you get into bed or not. If you are going to have sex, you need to understand and be willing to accept the consequences.

Abortion is wrong. Ms. Lanute's letter only highlights the fallacies in then pro-choice point of view.

Braden Bost
writer, psychology

Columnist should stop making absurd connections

DEAR EDITOR:

I'm writing in response to the DAILY EGYPTIAN column, "The new vegetarianism," by Brian Smith.

To begin, I want to clarify that Webster's Dictionary defines patriotism as "a love of, and devotion to, one's country; the passion which inspires one to serve his country."

It is not, as Smith tries to argue, "America first, above all others." It is the passion to create a country out of the will of the people, and if the people want to protest, so be it. No one is calling protesters patriotic; protesters are simply performing, as a functioning democracy would have them behave. They are doing their duty — yes, their duty — to express their vision for their country.

Nor are liberals "desperate to be considered as such." Far from it. Being labeled patriotic will not guarantee any Democrat a successful campaign, and many

Democrats that I know would vehemently disagree with such an accusation. This seems, rather, to be a desire Smith is projecting onto his opponents — as imaginary, perhaps, as his carnivorous vegetarians.

Smith must be careful in painting such a faulty parallel between his fictitious meat-eating vegetarians and his liberal patriots. Smith's patriot appears bigoted; he appears to be someone who puts a nation's economic success before the desire of the people. Liberals are not trying to redefine patriotism but to refocus it. We were a country designed out of the visions of its founders, and patriots loved their country. When the wronger presiding as a patriot can remember what it means to love one's country in a broader sense, the liberals will no longer be accused of trying to redefine patriotism.

And Smith can stop making absurd connections between Liberals and meat-eaters.

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In The Band

by Thomas Shaner



Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. Black
Today's Birthday (Oct. 31). Technical advancements in your home are both a blessing and a bane. You may feel like a dunce 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 an 8 - No need to tell everybody about your private life. Make sure your partner understands exactly how you feel. No bragging, no matter how wonderful it's been.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - Don't spend much time talking, except to the people who can do something about your situation. And traveling isn't a great idea this weekend. Finish a big job first.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 7 - One who would love you for your money isn't worthy of your attention. Instead, choose the one who helps you build and soar.

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. You may now have options you've never considered before.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - Oops! You've let a little work pile up because you were having too much fun. Now, it looks like you'll have to play catch-up for a little while. ere may be some disagreement at first, but it works out well.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - Making minor adjustments may take longer than you thought. Actually, it's an ongoing process that may never end. Be patient.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - The most important thing is love, as you know. You don't have to talk about anything else when counseling someone in need.

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 a lid on your enthusiasm and don't take all the credit. Give respect and honor where it's due, or you won't receive any yourself.

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

JUMBLE

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

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Ans: A "O O O O O" "O O O O O" (Answers tomorrow)

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Heidi Arnold and Mike Arjorian

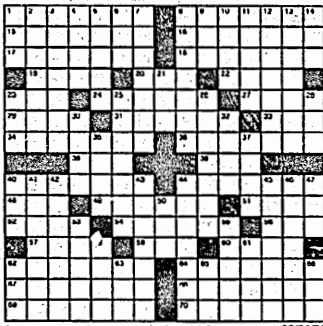
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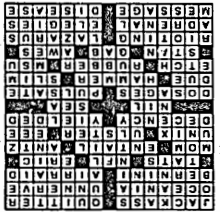
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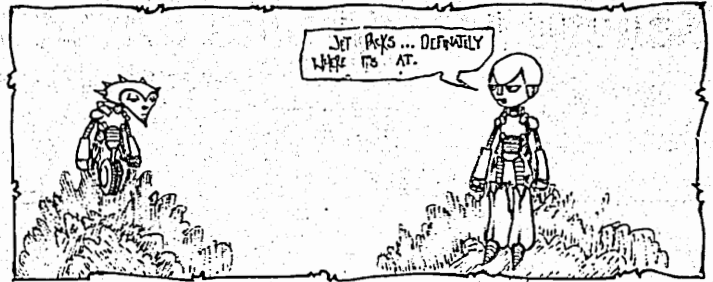
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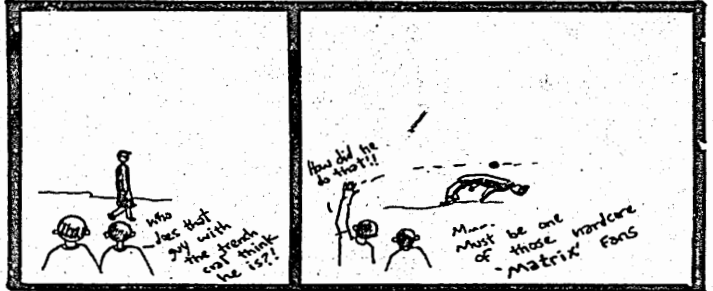
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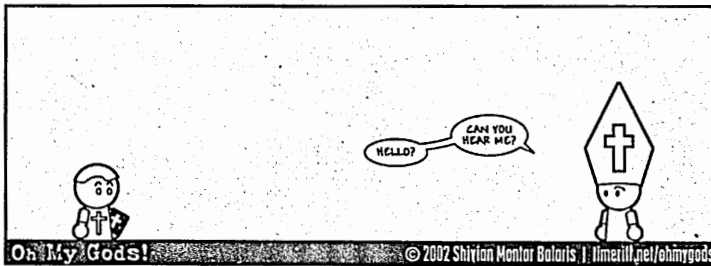
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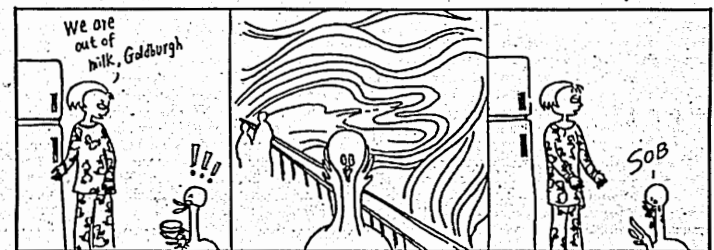
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» CROSS COUNTRY

Salukis set to make run at Missouri Valley title

Men and women travel to Drake for conference meet

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For a cross country team that has won two meets and finished second in another, being picked to finish fourth at the conference meet is considered nothing short of a slap in the face.

Those are the circumstances for the SIU men's squad, which now has something to prove to the rest of the Missouri Valley Conference when it heads to Ankeny, Iowa, for the league championships Saturday.

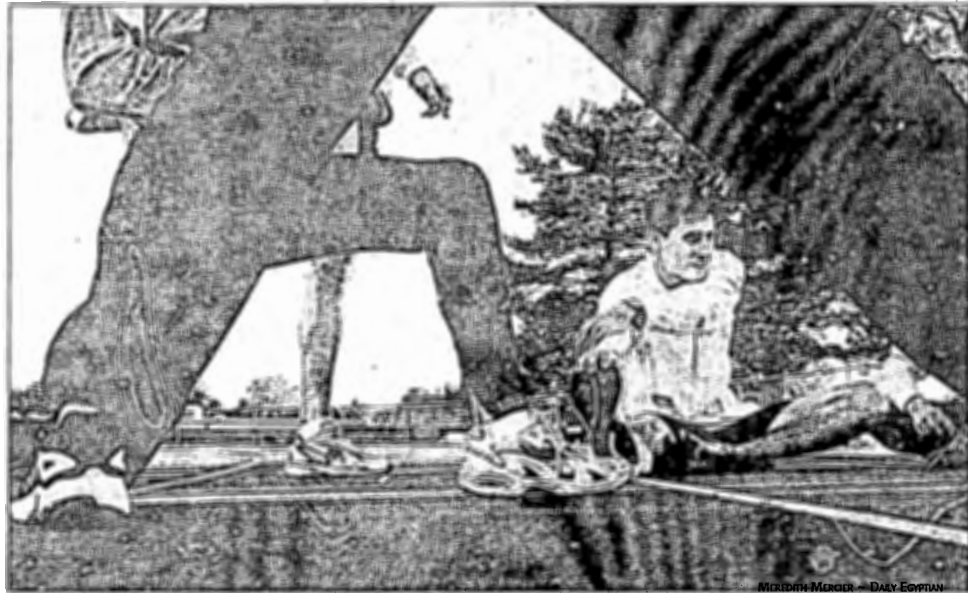
"That's something else we definitely got fired up about," junior Eli Baker said. "We saw that preseason poll and they put us sixth, and that fired us up and we went to Bradley and killed them. We're gonna show them again we're not a fourth-place team."

Both the men's and women's teams were picked to finish fourth at Saturday's race, but the Salukis men may have more motivation to do well.

They won the titles at both the Bradley Open and Saluki Invite and took second at the Crimson Classic, but that was before they competed at the Pre-National meet in Waterloo, Iowa, two weeks ago. SIU finished a disappointing 32nd out of 35 teams in its race and had one of the worst performances of any Valley team.

The meet sent a clear message to the Salukis that they still had a lot of room for improvement.

"I think it opened their eyes to the fact that there is other teams outside of Southern Illinois ... and we're gonna have to step up at every meet we go to," head coach Matt McClelland said. "The attitude the last two weeks has been outstanding, so we're looking forward to turning it around this



Tony LaChiana, a junior cross country runner, stretches with the team before practice Wednesday afternoon. The men's cross country team will head to Ankeny, Iowa, Saturday for the Missouri Valley Conference Championship, where the Salukis are picked to finish fourth.

weekend." SIU will be helped by the return of Baker to the lineup. The junior, who is the No. 2 runner for the Dawgs, did not run at the pre-nationals after it was discovered that he had a stress fracture in his left ankle.

Baker has rested his ankle the past two weeks and feels he will be more than ready to compete this weekend.

"It feels fine, it's not gonna dampen my racing," Baker said. "It's not gonna

be anything; I'll be able to race 100 percent."

Baker posted the fifth-best eight-kilometer time in the conference this season when he clocked in at 24 minutes, 49.80 seconds at the Bradley Open in mid-September. Right behind him at that race was teammate Joe Byrne, who finished the run in 25:54.16, which is the seventh-best time in the Valley.

Byrne said he is not worried about

times this weekend; his only focus is on finishing high and helping the team try to snag the title.

"This is the biggest race of the year. All the guys are up for it," Byrne said. "It's a good team atmosphere. We know what we have to do. It's going to be a tough draw, but we can pull it off. We can do it. The ball's in our own court."

One person who has extra incentive to do well at the Valley meet is

Doron Giac. This will be the final conference meet for the Saluki senior, and, according to McClelland, he is anxious to finish his career on a very high note.

"He's gonna step up," McClelland said. "He's one of those guys, when it comes time, he's gonna step up big."

The men's 8K race is set to start at 10:30 a.m. at the Otter Creek Golf Course and will be followed by the women's 5K race at 11:30.

» FOOTBALL

Big Uglies of offensive line paving the way for Salukis

Offensive line able to overcome injuries to keep Salukis rolling

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The life of an offensive lineman is not easy.

Whenever a flag is thrown for a false start or a holding call, the fans curse your mother.

When the quarterback is sacked, everyone points a finger at you.

Even when you are hurt, you are still an afterthought.

If Muhammad Abdulqadir or Joel Sambursky start limping, the crowd holds its breath as the trainer checks him out.

When an offensive lineman gets hurt, the fans yell for him to suck it up and keep playing.

SIU's offensive linemen have had to do that all season as a series of injuries have forced the Salukis to juggle their starting lineup more than a circus clown juggles flaming knives.

Following games, it has become habit for SIU head coach Jerry Kill to praise the efforts of his line despite the players being forced to either play out of position or see more minutes than expected due to injury. And last week was no exception.

In practice, Justin Kramer, the Salukis' backup center, suffered a season-ending injury. Then, in Saturday's win over Southwest Missouri State, the injury bug

struck again.

The Salukis lost starting tackle Wesley Proctor midway through the game, and early in the third quarter, starting guard Matt Miller also went down, leaving SIU without two-thirds of its starting offensive line.

In their absence, fifth-year senior George Mooney and freshman Will Justice stepped into the lineup and were able to keep SIU's offense from derailing.

Offensive coordinator and offensive line coach Matt Limegrover said he was not worried about having to go to his backups because after being able to recruit a couple of classes to SIU, he feels there is little drop off at the position from one player to another.

"We finally got to a point where if we had one guy get hurt it wasn't the end of the world, and that's a nice feeling for me," Limegrover said. "There's about eight or nine, maybe even 10 guys that I feel like if something happens, I can just put another piece in there."

Wednesday, as the rest of the Salukis prepared for this weekend's showdown against No. 8 Western Kentucky, Kramer was forced to watch from the sidelines. Both Proctor and Miller were back in full gear and practicing with their teammates.

Junior Brian Akins joked that the linemen are quick healers and said they have to be because the depth at the position is such that there are daily battles for starting spots.

"There's no plugged-in job. Every week you have to go out and play for your position," Akins said. "Anybody can come in and start; we're all just



Wesley Proctor lies on the turf after being injured during the second half of Saturday's game against SMS at McAndrew Stadium. Proctor will be suiting up this weekend against Western Kentucky.

that good. We can do some great things, and everybody has potential. You just have to live up to it."

In addition to the depth, another reason behind SIU's offensive line not losing track is the job the Salukis' coaches have done in preparing the players.

Justice said when he was thrust into the SMS game for Miller, the only problem he had was tight muscles from having been on the bench most of the game. He was ready for everything SMS' defense threw at him.

"It wasn't anything new," Justice said.

"I took just as many reps as [Miller] did in practice, and I was prepared, I watched the film, I was

mentally and physically prepared and it really says a lot for [the coaches]."

Despite their level of preparedness, the players still have to execute when they are inserted into the lineup in the middle of a potential scoring drive.

Mooney said when he came in for Proctor in the second half of last week's game, there was only one thought going through his mind.

"Just hope I don't screw up," Mooney said with a laugh. "Once you get the bugs worked out and get in there, you feel fine. It's first of all just getting over the nervousness, and after that it's not too bad."

For backups such as Mooney, the hardest part about preparing for game day is simply getting their

emotions in order.

"It's a lot harder trying to get psyched, trying to get hyped up, and you know you're not going to get in there right away," Mooney said. "That's the real stressful part — you never know when you're going to go in. You can get your call at any time."

Limegrover said SIU's offensive line is not the most talented in the Gateway Conference, but it has been able to achieve all it has because it plays hard plays together.

"We play as hard as anybody I've seen on film, and that gives us a chance each and every week, and that's all I ask of them," Limegrover said.

"The rest is gravy."

Fans use Internet boards, but not always on friendly terms

Shandel Richardson
South Florida Sun-Sentinel

(KRT) — His e-mail box floods daily at work.

They are messages from friends who want the inside information, the scoop. They know that if any juicy news breaks about Miami football, Michael Pinciro is aware of it.

Even though he is not a reporter, Pinciro is like a CNN correspondent in his buddies.

It's because Pinciro is a frequent reader of Internet message boards, forums where fans gossip, trash-talk and reveal information from fact to ridiculous rumor. Followers such as Pinciro spend several hours a day tracking the boards, searching for tidbits. They jump on the computer after their morning coffee, between classes or during that brief break at the office, just to see what they can learn new about "their" teams.

"Obsession with [the boards] is a strong term," said Pinciro, a 23-year-old Miami native. "But I think following a sport is a hobby. This is a way to get that inside information. It's basically a community forum where you can talk and find stuff about the team."

Message boards have grown in popularity the past few years, becoming just as much a part of the game as tailgating, and arguably are one of the top sources for news-hungry fans. It is here where pictures of former Iowa State basketball coach Larry Eustachy drinking with college students first surfaced, where rumors of fired Alabama football coach Mike Price's night at a strip club in Pensacola began.

Max Karyo of Boca Raton, Fla., said he has read several breaking stories on message-board posts at www.CaneSport.com, including the severity of wide receiver Parrish's injury suffered against Florida State and backup quarterback Marc Guillon's decision to transfer.

The infinite space and freedom

of the Internet creates avenues that weren't always available. Karyo, a 37-year-old lawyer, used to broadcast basketball games at Tulane during the famous point-shaving scandal in 1985. But most fans were unaware until the news hit the mainstream media.

That would never happen today, says Karyo.

"It would have been interesting had the boards been around then," he said. "Information would have been everywhere. Sometimes you get false information, but it balances out. You'll see information that appears on the board, and then you'll see it three or four days later or, the nightly news. If there's information out there, it's going to show up on these boards."

The news can be inaccurate at times. For every scoop, there are dozens of cases of misinformation. Last week, Virginia Tech message boards were flooded with claims that receiver Ernest Wilford was transferring after being slapped on the helmet by coach Frank Beamer on the sideline.

"Sometimes, you get rumors and people just run with them," said Adam Miller, editor of www.hokkiehaven.com. "I mean, they had Wilford already leaving."

Miller said 38,000 of the 65,000 hits the site receives are for the message board. That kind of popularity is what attracted Nick Cammarano. He moved from Coral Gables four years ago to attend Bucknell at Lewisburg, Pa. With no friends to discuss the Hurricanes, he turned to the computer. "You really get to read and see everything," said Cammarano, a 21-year-old business major. "I'm addicted because there's so much out there to talk about."

Big games, such as Saturday's between Miami and Virginia Tech, are when the boards generate the most traffic. Anonymous posters with screen names such as "OldDirtyCane" or "hokietj" spark exchanges about whether Miami tight end Kellen Winslow Jr. is the most annoying player in college football, or whether

running back Jarrett Payton can carry the load.

Players, for the most part, say they avoid the boards, although Miami defensive end Baraka Atkins has his sister check to see if anything negative is said. The last time an athlete wants to read is the criticism by a fan they only know as "Nolinator," who this week started a thread on www.hokkiehaven.com that asked someone to hit Winslow in the head with a bottle.

"It's probably not the best of ideas for me to go on there," Hurricanes tackle Eric Winston said. "A lot of people don't realize that these are probably just normal people who don't have any insight on football. A lot of times they have no clue what's going on."

Although posters may call them a news source, Winston said there is nothing journalistic about message boards. He calls them a good tool for fans, but said some of the comments are irresponsible.

"Most of the media is relatively competent," Winston said. "They know what they're writing and they are responsible in what they write, and it's not going out on whim. I think they have some sort of basis. Some of the stuff on the Internet you can get from anywhere. They don't care what they're saying."

Reaching a player or coach is the goal of some message-board posters. It is their way of being in the game, part of the team. There are those who criticize their teams just to get the players fired up. Others will drop a negative comment on the rival message board with hopes of making the opponent overconfident. Karyo became ecstatic talking about his claim that a UM assistant coach challenged one of his posts.

The irony of the constant interaction in the message board community is that most will never meet one another. Pinciro, a Harvard graduate who works for the Florida House of Representatives, prefers to keep it that way.

SPORTS FLASH

Drake's McDonald quits team

According to the Des Moines Register, Drake basketball star Luke McDonald has decided to forgo his senior season.

In an article in Thursday's edition, McDonald blamed foot injuries and his religious beliefs.

The 6-foot-5 guard from Lubbock, Texas, was the lone senior on a Drake squad that was picked to finish last in the Missouri Valley Conference at the league's media day Tuesday.

McDonald was chosen to the conference's first-team all-preseason team.

Drake is under the direction of first-year head coach Tom Davis, who gained numerous accolades as the longtime Iowa head man.

Bergen to Open Water Cup event Saturday

While her teammates are in Champaign, Briley Bergen of the SIU women's swimming and diving team will be in Cancun, Mexico, to compete in the last race of the 2003 FINA Marathon Swimming

World Cup.

The top open-water swimmers are invited to the event, and Bergen is a nine-time U.S. open water champion and has won the event in four different distances.

Women's swimming and diving faces big-name foes

The SIU women's swimming and diving team will travel to Champaign for a Saturday meet against the Illinois and Iowa State.

It will be a 16-event order meet that will allow the Salukis to swim in four events each.

The Salukis are atop the Missouri Valley Conference best list in eight of 20 events so far in this young season.

MVC teams get votes in top 25

Creighton received four votes and Wichita State got 2 votes in the ESPN/USA Today Coaches Top 25 poll released Thursday.

LOTTERY

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Rayhill said the prize must be claimed at the Illinois Lottery Department office, which has locations in Cahokia and Springfield. She said once the ticket has been verified as a winner by scanning the barcode, the office draws a contract with the winners so that the money is shared.

"If it was a couple of friends, we have to have a group or partnership agreement," she said. "Then we ask about an attorney or financial adviser — tax attorneys come in handy too. There are a lot of things we need to think about when someone wins a lot of money."

The manager of Huck's declined to comment, as did the regional supervisor, but Rayhill said this is the second payout the convenience store has seen in six months.

Rayhill said a second-place lottery payout of \$175,000 was awarded to an individual in May who purchased their ticket at the same Murphysboro Huck's.

"We're excited to have a winner in Southern Illinois again," she said.

"Huck's in Mt. Vernon sold a \$1.25 million ticket Jan. 25 of this year."

A representative from Jackson and Hevitt in Carbondale said the owner of the unclaimed ticket could expect to have 28 percent of their winnings taken for federal taxes and 3 percent for the State of Illinois.

MARIJUANA

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5,000 grams of cannabis and possession of more than 5,000 grams of cannabis.

The manufacture/delivery charge is a Class X felony. If Lemcke is found guilty, she could face six to 30 years in Illinois prison and a maximum \$500,000 fine.

The possession charge is a Class 1 felony. If convicted of that charge, our man."

Lemcke could serve four to 15 years in an Illinois correctional facility and be fined up to \$25,000.

Reino said he is pleased the investigation resulted in Vrane's arrest because of the high value of cannabis that was seized.

"This guy has been a significant source of cannabis for our area," Reino said.

"Through the hard work of the Carbondale Police and the Southern Illinois Enforcement Group, we got



Vrane

DAILY EGYPTIAN sports staff predictions WEEK 10	Brenner	Merchant	Enckson	Deju	Greglow	Soebbing
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Georgia @ Florida	Georgia	Florida	Georgia	Florida	Florida	Georgia
Indianapolis @ Miami	Miami	Miami	Indianapolis	Miami	Indianapolis	Indianapolis
New England @ Denver	New England	Denver	Denver	New England	New England	Denver
St. Louis @ San Francisco	St. Louis	San Francisco	San Francisco	St. Louis	St. Louis	St. Louis
Last week's record	5-1	3-3	5-1	3-3	4-2	5-1
Overall record	36-18	29-25	34-20	29-25	24-30	77-27

Playstation says:

SIU 24, Western Kentucky 0: The Salukis took scored late in the first quarter on a big 50-yard pass from Joel Sambursky to Jason Hollingshed. They didn't score again until the end of the third quarter when Sambursky hit Courtney Abbott for a 23-yard pass. Jamarquis Jordan had a 50-yard interception return and Craig Coffin hit a 37-yard field goal to seal the Dawgs' victory.

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» VOLLEYBALL

Don't look back

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

story by ADAM SOEBING

It isn't even that big of a deal anymore.

As far as freshman outside hitter Haley Hann is concerned, it's in the past.

When most Americans hear the words "Littleton, Colo.," and think of Columbine High School and all of its tragedy, Hann just thinks of home.

When she hears Columbine, she just thinks of her rival.

"It's over now," Hann said. "I don't even think about it."

A native of Littleton, Hann was just an eighth grader at Deer Creek Middle School when it all went down.

It was April 20, 1999, and Hann was sitting in class when sirens sounded and the school went on lockdown.

Hann could see helicopters flying around outside, indicating something serious was going on, but she could only sit and wonder what was happening.

"I didn't think it was that big until like a week later," Hann said.

Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold brutally murdered 13 of their classmates at Columbine that day, but Hann was too young to truly understand the events that would change the Denver suburb forever.

The country embraced Columbine, its victims and its survivors in helping the torn school and community on the road to recovery.

Police officers manned entrances and monitored students every moment they were in school until mid-way through Hann's freshman year at Chatfield High School, the same school that housed Columbine students for the remainder of the 1999 school year.

But: all of the attention that surrounded Littleton and speculation of why something such as this could happen didn't really bother Hann.

She didn't know anyone from Columbine, although some of her friends went there after middle school, nor did she think it would ever happen at Chatfield.

"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 unknowingly beginning to prepare for her future — by picking up a volleyball for the first time.

Excelling as a soccer player and swimmer throughout her youth — Hann was a four-time state qualifier in youth swimming and a star soccer player for nine years — she decided she would give volleyball a try her freshman season for fun.

"I didn't think I'd go to college for it," Hann said, "so I just kind of messed around."

She has done more than just mess around at SIU. Hann leads the Salukis in kills (102) and kills per



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SIU Outside Hitter Haley Hann returns the ball to her teammate during practice Wednesday afternoon. Hann, a freshman from Littleton, Colo., currently has 209 kills and 51 blocks for the season.

game (2.55) during Missouri Valley Conference play in just her first season in the league.

It didn't take her long to make an impact either.

Hann was named to the all-tournament team of the Saluki Invitational in her first action at SIU and backed that up by garnering all-tournament team honors two weeks later at the Butler Invitational.

With such an unexpectedly quick transition to the college game, Hann attributes her early success to the time she spent playing club volleyball for the Colorado Juniors.

Stressing fundamentals while giving her the opportunity to fine-tune her skills and display "x" game in front of college recruiters, Hann became an all-around player by the time her stint on the club circuit concluded.

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 Chatfield 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 mostly middle hitter in high school but plays 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 hitters," SIU head coach Sonya Locke said. "Right-side players don't always get the recognition, but she's doing a good job both blocking-

and offensively.

"She's holding her own."

While her teammates have been impressed with her play, they have been even more impressed with her competitive nature.

"An easy-going, fun person, Hann is all business when she steps on the court. "Before the game she's always acting silly. That's just kind of the way she is," senior Kelly Harman said. "But as soon as she's out there, she's intense and she wants to win."

Freshman setter Holly Haran put it a little more bluntly when talking about Hann's competitive fire.

"Haley doesn't like to lose." Only midway through her first year at SIU, Hann is focused on the future, not on the past. And if her recent success is any gauge, the Salukis and their burgeoning leader have much to look forward to.

» FOOTBALL

Salukis take healthy team to Western Kentucky

SIU looks to show last year's team resembles nothing of this year's squad
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The No. 3 SIU football team remembers much from last season's Western Kentucky game.

The Salukis can recall how the Hilltoppers manhandled their young and physically immature team. They can easily recall how the Hilltoppers embarrassed them at home by defeating SIU 48-16 while piling up 478 yards of total offense in the process.

"They took it to us last year," senior linebacker Eric Egan said. "They physically whooped us."

But SIU does have a hard time remembering one thing from that loss to the eventual Division I-AA national champions — the players who weren't injured. The last time the Salukis took the field against WKU, they were without star running backs Tom Koussos and Muhammad Abdulqadir, and it seemed the rest of the team was banged up in some capacity.

"We aren't the team we were last year," Egan said. "I mean, this year we are healthy. We actually have all of our guns now."

With SIU (8-0, 4-0) sitting atop the Gateway conference standings as the lone unbeaten team, the Salukis are adjusting to being the hunted in the conference and not the hunter.

"This is not about revenge or redeeming ourselves," Koussos said. "It is 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 them."

Though WKU (6-2, 3-1) is under a new head coach in Dave Elson after Jack Harbaugh's retirement following last season, the Hilltoppers still resemble the teams of old. After attempting to open up and diversify the offense by using multiple receiver sets, WKU reverted to running the option and controlling the game clock in a very similar offense to what the Salukis run.

"They threw it about six times last week and lined up and ran it for about 450 yards and scored half a century of points," SIU head coach Jerry Kill said of the Hilltoppers 59-14 victory over Indiana State.

Western Kentucky was hit hard after tak-

ing home the national championship last year, not necessarily in quantity, but in quality. Of six starters lost on offense, three of the departed comprised the whole starting backfield. Quarterback Jason Michael, running back Jon Frazier and fullback Jerami Johnson, who was drafted by the Cincinnati Bengals in the fourth round of the NFL Draft, have all graduated.

This season's ground attack features 5-foot-11, 220-pound sophomore back Leron Moore. Moore is approaching the 1,000-yard plateau with his 908 yards on the season.

Just a freshman, Justin Haddix has shown remarkable poise taking over for the spot vacated by Michael. The defense, which was the strength of last season's team, returns nine starters from that squad. They are surrendering just 16.3 points a game and are led by senior linebacker Erik Dandy, who could earn some All-America honors at the end of the season.

While WKU appears to be a top-caliber team, Koussos did notice one thing from what he's seen on the Hilltoppers' game film this season to what he saw on the sideline last season.

"They are not as good as they were last year," he said.

FOOTBALL PREVIEW

#3 SIU (8-0, 4-0) SALUKIS

#8 WKU (6-2, 3-1) HILLTOPPERS VS.

Game Time: 4 p.m. Saturday
Location: L. T. Smith Stadium, Bowling Green, Ky.
Radio: Magic 95.1 FM
Last meeting: W. Kentucky won 48-16 in Carbondale
All-time Series: W. Kentucky leads 3-3

—THE WORD ON THE SALUKIS—
The defense continues stepping up, allowing 188 yards of offense and just six points to SMU last weekend. SIU will need another such effort from their defense to beat the Hilltoppers and slow down an offense which averages 380 yards and 35 points a game.

—THE WORD ON THE HILLTOPPERS—
The defending national champions have won 15 of their last 17 games with two losses coming at the hands of Division I-A Auburn and then #2 Western Illinois. In the last three meetings against SIU, the Hilltoppers are 3-0 and have outscored the Salukis 106-22.

—EARLY TICKETS—
SIU is one of just six undefeated teams left among the 121 Division I-AA teams.

—GUT FEELING LINE—
A win over the defending national champion Hilltoppers should all but assure a playoff spot for the Salukis.

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