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Cheng holds final say on provost

RYAN VOYLES
Daily Egyptian

Though she said she would seek input from the campus, Chancellor Rita Cheng said Wednesday she will select the new provost and senior vice chancellor.

"I will be going to the faculty colleagues, the administrators here, anyone who has participated in the interviews and seek their advice," she said. "But once I receive that advice, I'll weigh it and make the decision myself."

Laura Dreuth Zeman, a professor in social work and women's studies and a member of the search committee, said she and other faculty members have been disheartened by a lack of administrators going out to seek opinion from faculty and staff in regard to the provost candidates. She said the lack of a feedback form after every open forum was stunning.

"In the past searches I've been to, along with the public forums for top administrators, people have had the opportunity to write a note or something to express their thoughts about the candidates; here there are no feedback forms," she said. "It's troubling that people most involved and most affected by the person in this position aren't going to have a voice."

Laurie Achenbach, a professor in microbiology and chairwoman of the search committee, said at interim Provost Don Rice's forum Oct. 20 that, due to concerns raised by some faculty members about a lack of ways to give feedback on the candidates, feedback forms would be passed out to faculty after the last candidate visits campus.

The last candidate, Cameron Hackney, dean of the Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design and director of the West Virginia Agricultural and Forestry Experiment Station at West Virginia University, will hold his open forum Monday.

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Zack Koehler, a junior from Batavia studying microbiology, throws socks at zombies Wednesday during a "Save the Doctor" mission for the Humans vs. Zombies game in the Fisher Hall breezeway.

Koehler is the leader of the Tunnel Snakes zombie hunting party. At the time of the photo, he was one of around 15 surviving humans still active in missions. FOR THE FULL STORY PLEASE SEE PAGE 6.

College of Agricultural Sciences gains students, but loses faculty positions in budget cuts



JACOB MAYER
Daily Egyptian

Brian Klubek says he wants his faculty positions back.

Klubek, chair of the department of plant, soil and agricultural systems, said the department, which is part of the College of Agricultural Sciences, lost three tenure-track faculty positions — two soil science and one horticulture, because of budget cuts.

"It's very frustrating, and it is frustrating to my faculty, but we're dealing with this we're trying to respond and looking to the future of getting our department back up to strength," he said.

Todd Winters, dean of the college, said he didn't have to lay off anyone, but he did eliminate four vacant positions.

Enrollment within the college increased by 21 percent in the final three years of former dean Gary Minich's

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chair of the department of plant, soil and agricultural systems

tenure, according to the 2009-2010 SIUC Factbook. Winters said it is tough to lose faculty positions during a time when more students are coming to the college.

"When you're increasing students and losing faculty, that does cause some challenges," he said.

Klubek said he and one other instructor now teach all the soil science classes, and some advanced-level classes, will be offered once every two years.

"That impacts our undergraduate students and especially our junior college transfer students in terms of scheduling classes," he said. "If they transfer in from a community college, they have to be very, very careful in scheduling classes to get all of the classes they need."

He said his department is in a tough position because it has increased enroll-

ment, but the vacant faculty positions could come back to negatively affect enrollment.

Winters said the college does have money to hire people in temporary positions to fill gaps and has every class covered this semester.

"I don't think it's seriously affected our academic mission," he said. "It's not the best situation, but I think we've been able to provide our students the education that they demand."

As the university faced a \$15.3 million shortfall coming in to fiscal year 2011, Chancellor Rita Cheng said in an e-mail to university personnel Aug. 2 that she asked each department on campus to submit plans for an average 4 percent reduction in its budget for the fiscal year. The SIUC Board of Trustees approved this year's budget Sept. 16, which listed the 4 percent cuts as

saving \$7.3 million.

Because the reductions were averaged across the colleges on campus, the College of Agricultural Sciences had to take only a 3.5 percent cut, Winters said.

The cut cost the college about \$233,000, all of which came from the elimination of the four positions, he said.

"In our college, with our budget, every 1 percent is about one faculty member," Winters said.

Although faculty positions had to be eliminated, the college did not have to make any cuts to its "other than salary" budget, or the part of the budget that includes everything except salary costs, Winters said.

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Correction

In the Wednesday edition of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the caption for the photo with the article "Provost candidate suggests solutions are already at SIUC" should have said "A decision is expected to be announced by the chancellor in mid-to-late November." The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets this error.

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Turkish Day celebrates Turkish Republic at SIU

KELSI LOCKHART
Daily Egyptian

Turkish students gathered to share their ancient culture and to celebrate the founding of their modern republic.

The event, called Turkish Day, was held Wednesday at the John C. Guyon Auditorium in Morris Library and focused on Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, who founded the Republic of Turkey on Oct. 29, 1923. Atatürk, whose name means "the father of the Turks," pioneered reforms that changed Turkey forever.

"This celebration is to remember Atatürk and his reforms because who we are is because of him. His reforms turned Turkey

into a western civilization," Selin Guner, a Ph.D. student in political science from Turkey, said.

Baris Sagsoy, one of the event's organizers and a native of Turkey, said one of the day's purposes was to show students that Turkey is not an Arabic country, but a multi-faceted country with a different language and rich culture that is thousands of years old and should be shared.

Members of the Turkish Student Association, a 25-year-old organization and sponsor of the event, said many Americans have misconceptions about the country that they are eager to clear up.

"Turkish people, we just want to share our culture and learn different cultures, and we ask people

to share their cultures and experiences here," Kursad Tosun, vice president of the Turkish Student Association, said.

Tosun, a graduate doctoral student in mathematics from Turkey, showed a video at the event about Atatürk and the changes that happened in Turkey after World War I.

"Every year, on the 29th of October, all around the world, Turks come together and celebrate this event," Tosun said.

Guner said one of the ways Turks celebrate is with good cuisine.

"There are many differences between Turkey and America, but the biggest one would be the food," Guner said.

"Turkish people, we just want to share our culture and learn different cultures, and we ask people to share their cultures and experiences here."

— Kursad Tosun
vice president of the Turkish Student Association

Several Turkish foods were served, such as lentil meatballs, beans, pita bread, rice, pastries and baklava. Attendees of Guner's presentation were invited to try the dishes.

There were also many students in attendance who were eager to learn about the Turkish culture.

Michael Hensley, a graduate student in economics from Peoria, said the presentation was interesting and he learned much, having known nothing about Atatürk and

the founding of Turkey before the presentation.

Hensley said he would attend the celebration of Turkish Day at SIU again.

Guner said the Turkish Student Association has celebrated the day at SIU for three years and it plans to do it again in 2011.

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He said the college had made cuts to that part of the budget in the past, but he wanted to continue the college's recruiting efforts and student services.

Karen Jones, interim chair of the department of animal science, food and fiber, and her department were directly affected by the budget cuts. She said she had to fill faculty positions that faculty members retire or resign.

She said her department has hired more non-tenure track professors to fill positions previously held by tenured or tenure track professors.

She said any additional budget

"We're agriculture. Farmers are used to getting through tough times, and you have to plan ahead. You have to think about the future and try to forecast the best you can."

cuts would be tough for the department, she said.

"We have a pretty good budget," she said. "Our budget still has some flexibility in it. A 1 percent cut would really hurt."

Winters said he held back an extra 1 percent at the start of the semester in case more cuts were needed. He said he

dean of the college of agriculture

saved the additional 1 percent by keeping two positions vacant at University Farms. However, he said he would try to reorganize these positions in a more efficient manner in the future.

Jones said University Farms is a major component of the animal science curriculum. While her department is not directly responsible for the day-to-day operation of the farms,

several faculty members are supervisors for the farms.

"Making those budgets at those units balance, especially after the May 8 storm with feed mills collapsing and barns falling down, is a large burden on our faculty to try and make everything work like it is supposed to," she said.

If more cuts become necessary, the college has some money in reserve that it could use to make another cut up to about 2 percent, Winters said.

Klubek said the cuts have not had a serious impact yet because the faculty has worked hard to keep the cuts from affecting students directly.

However, he said any additional

cuts could be "disastrous."

"If any more cuts have to come, that's going to be a backbreaker," Klubek said. "Our backs are against the wall. There is no more room."

Winters said the financial situation might get worse before it gets better, but the college has planned and adapted to keep up with budget cuts.

"We're going to have to think about the future and to forecast the best you can."

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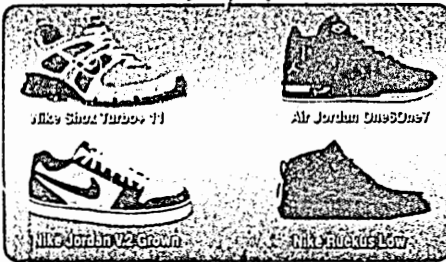
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Hoop house expands campus farming year-round

LEAH STOVER
Daily Egyptian

Kim Rowan said without the recently installed hoop house, organic farming on campus would need to take a winter break.

A hoop, or green, house maintains a warmer temperature that allows plants to continue to grow during cooler seasons when the ground freezes.

"As soon as the winter comes along the ground freezes so we're not able to plant anything," Rowan said. "The hoop house will serve as a season extender."

Besides being a student, Rowan said she is an active member in the Local Organic Gardening Initiative of Carbondale, a student-run organization that grows food for the dining halls.

As of now 32 percent of food provided in the dining halls is locally grown, but in the next few years the group plans to increase that percentage by providing vegetables, Rowan said.

William Connors, the dining hall food service chef, said tomatoes, peppers, corn, potatoes, cauliflower and cabbage will be harvested in the hoop house this winter. Though the hoop house will multiply current growth by 300 percent, he said the results won't come close to the vegetable demand in the dining halls.

"The hoop house could supplement what we buy, but it doesn't even come close to what we need," Connors said.

He said the dining halls serve

The more students that volunteer, the more work is done, then we can prove how important this is and in the end receive more funding.

— Laura Williams
a senior from Fairfield studying geography

more than 200 pounds of tomatoes alone, and the idea of campus farming satisfying these needs by December isn't realistic.

"We're just going one step at a time," Connors said.

Laura Williams, a senior from Fairfield studying geography, serves as manager of LOGIC and said the entire growing process is in the early phases.

"Although the farming has expanded over the past two years, we definitely have a long way to go," Williams said.

She said the first step in kick-starting the process is to encourage more people to volunteer in the fields.

Twice a week, students and faculty are given the opportunity to go out to the fields and volunteer their time. However, Williams said usually only four people show up, and lack of awareness is to blame.

"Over time awareness will increase, and if there are more volunteers the process will go along a lot quicker," Williams said. "People don't always realize the way food can affect every aspect of their lives."

Rowan said she is surprised more students aren't interested in participating especially after the

Green Fee became incorporated into tuition. On May 1, 2009, the SIUC Board of Trustees passed the \$10 per semester student Green Fee, which is projected to raise \$300,000 annually and fund the campus farming, according to the SIUC sustainability website.

With money from the fee, Williams said her group expects to eventually get more land and possibly another hoop house. She said this would be a component of reaching their goal of supplying a majority of the food served in dining halls.

"The more students that volunteer, the more work is done, then we can prove how important this is and in the end receive more funding," Williams said.

As far as this winter goes, Connors said the hoop house will make a significant difference but dining services will continue to import much of its produce.

"This is just a start," he said. "We're still in the experimental phases, but in the end we hope to expand enough to provide dining halls with a substantial amount of locally grown foods."

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DECISION

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Randy Hughes, president of the Faculty Association, said he has heard some faculty express their dissatisfaction with how the forums have been handled, along with a concern that their opinions are not being taken into consideration.

"I think that faculty concerns and what they find out about the candidates, all that information should be considered in a decision," he said. "Another aspect where the feedback seems to be failing is that the search committee has been relieved in this process, which is unusual too."

Dreuth Zeman said the search committee was disbanded once they submitted the names of recommended candidates. She said though committee members can still give individual opinions to Cheng, the committee is not allowed to interview candidates when they tour campus.

But Cheng said she is still open to all feedback from campus, and anyone should feel free to contact

her by e-mail or phone or visit her office to voice an opinion.

"In the spirit of shared government, (faculty) should engage in the process, because the provost would be important not only to the deans but also the individual faculty. It's the academic core of this institution," Cheng said. "So we need a real good, strong person in that position. Shared governance suggests that yes, yes (faculty) should be involved."

Hughes said the policy of shared governance includes faculty acting in a type of "advisory role" to make a decision, but he said he was still unsure if the spirit of shared governance was being practiced in this situation. He said faculty and staff feedback needs to be taken as "real and impactful" in the decision.

While he understands Cheng's decision will be final, Hughes said administrators need to show they will take feedback seriously.

"There needs to be some mechanism for the constituents to know their feedback played a real and relevant role in the selection," Hughes said.

I will be going to the faculty colleagues, the administrators here, anyone who has participated in the interviews and seek their advice. But once I receive that advice, I'll weigh it and make the decision myself.

— Rita Cheng
Chancellor

Cheng said she hopes to make a selection by mid-to-late November. She said everyone's opinion matters, but she reiterated the provost will be second-in-command to her, and she wants someone she is comfortable with in the role.

"I will broadly seek campus input, but the final decision will be mine," she said.

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OUR WORD

Chancellor should choose provost cautiously

If an 11-person committee devoted months to narrowing down provost candidates for Chancellor Rita Cheng, it stands to reason it would have a say in the final decision.

And, in a way, committee members will, Cheng said Wednesday "in the spirit of shared governance" she encourages anyone, including committee members, to speak to her about the candidates following their on-campus visits this month. Although she will choose from the four finalists selected by the committee, and promises to take the community's opinion into account, Cheng stands firmly by choosing a candidate herself.

Committee member Laura Dreuth Zeman, professor of social work and women's studies, said Cheng told the committee its role ended when the names were submitted to her, and the committee would not interview candidates during on-campus interviews.

However, Cheng did not exclude committee members from candidates' forums and faculty receptions at SIUC and, in fact, committee head Laurie Achenbach introduced the candidates at many of those forums.

Cheng justified the time and money spent on the committee with the time and effort it put into the selection process: screening applicants, checking references and choosing five finalists from roughly 40 applicants in the end. The fifth dropped out, leaving Cheng with interim Provost Don Rice, Gary Minish, former dean of the College of Agriculture, Robert Hampton, professor of sociology and social work at Tennessee State University, and Cameron Hackney, dean of the Davis College of Agriculture, Natural Resources and Design in West Virginia.

Without knowing what other SIUC employees or former em-

ployees were in the candidate pool, it appears two of the candidates would be a given, and not necessarily based on merit. SIUC's hiring is notoriously incestuous within its political and literal family with many such decisions, from the university president to lower-level faculty and staff.

This was not, however, the case with Cheng, who came from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee where she was provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs. And she took the university by the horns almost immediately upon her arrival, working to boost the school's pathetic enrollment numbers and fix its perpetually in-the-red budget. Because she has less than six months in office, we can't fully gauge her capabilities, or know if she can be trusted to choose a provost.

What we can gauge is her fear-

less tendency to offend those she represents. We praise the effort, even if she angers staff, faculty and students with suggested furlough days and tuition increases. In a field that does not often allow us to be popular and loved, we appreciate her willingness to take the unpopular stance from time to time. Perhaps she recognizes the direct correlation between successful outcomes and public memory. If she can give everyone what they're begging for in increased enrollment and a less strained budget, they're likely to forget her unpopular decisions and suggestions.

If this next decision, her choice of a provost and second in command, is unpopular in form and function — that is, if the public is angered it didn't have more of a vote and doesn't agree with her provost choice — we hope she at least chooses wisely. It would be a shame to waste university money or committee members' time to ignore

their and the community's recommendations. This is especially true when committee members such as Dreuth Zeman heavily criticized the selection process, specifically its short time frame and candidate research and interview constraints. Even Googling the candidates' names was on a specific time frame. And Dreuth Zeman said she did not find the process to be "in the spirit of shared governance."

So, in the spirit of responsible governance, which is what SIUC desperately needs at this point, we ask that Cheng not embarrass the university by choosing an in-house candidate for his popularity, or choosing an outside candidate unfit for such a high-level and high-stress position. This university has burned through its fair share of provosts and chancellors; let's hope this pairing works better than the hodgepodge patchwork administrations of SIUC's recent past.

GUEST COLUMN

Fired NPR news analyst's fame exit bigger than career

Tara Kulash
sophomore studying Journalism

As a news analyst for NPR, Juan Williams was expected to be publicly objective. NPR prohibits its employees "from appearing on programs that encourage punditry and speculation rather than fact-based analysis" and are "harmful to the reputation of NPR."

Last week, however, Williams stated personal opinions on Fox News that at NPR deemed inappropriate. He was fired.

On "The O'Reilly Factor," Williams discussed his fear of Muslims at the airport with Bill O'Reilly and Mary Katharine Ham.

"When I get on a plane... if I see people who are in Muslim garb and I think they are identifying themselves first and foremost as Muslims, I get worried. I get nervous."

If this was the only part of the interview shown, it would be understandable for viewers to be angry with Williams. However, if you see the rest of the discussion, he defended Islam, saying Muslims should not be stereotyped as a whole.

In Williams' statement on the Fox website he said, "In a debate with Bill O'Reilly I revealed my fears to set up the case for not

making rash judgments about people of any faith. I pointed out that the Atlanta Olympic bomber — as well as Timothy McVeigh and the people who protest against gay rights at military funerals — are Christians, but we journalists don't identify them by their religion."

Williams also pointed out that O'Reilly was the one making offensive comments on the show, discussing terrorists forming entire countries such as Iran.

I'm pretty sure this has turned into a "he said, she said" war. I also think each party is to blame. Williams crossed the line repeatedly with NPR by expressing opinions that did not coincide with his position on the staff. Apparently, the issue had been addressed repeatedly as well, but he did nothing to change his behavior.

I think NPR was waiting for Williams to mess up so it would have an excuse to fire him. This is where the company made its mistake. Williams' comment was taken out of context, and NPR jumped the gun to fire him. If his boss had only waited a little longer, I'm sure they could have had grounds to fire him for a real reason. The way the situation was handled also made NPR lose credit anyway. In Williams' words, his boss, Ellen Weiss,

accused him of bigotry and basically asked for an apology over the phone. When he refused, she terminated him.

The conservative public is using this against NPR, saying it was petty. Fox said NPR turned on its employee without the decency of a face-to-face discussion. NPR CEO Vivian Schiller didn't help the situation at a press conference by claiming that Williams' beliefs were between "him and his psychiatrist." I would expect more maturity from the CEO of a news radio station, but Schiller didn't meet those standards.

Some followers suggested NPR's government funding to be cut, which is only about 2 to 3 percent of its overall budget, and others threatened to never donate to the station again. I'm afraid NPR hurt itself by making a hasty decision.

Fox, on the other hand, is eating this up. As Republicans try to take over offices at the mid-term elections, they can pinpoint the station for firing its employee over conservative remarks, and republican popularity votes will probably go up. Fox also retaliated by hiring Williams onto its staff full time. This will be a major blow to NPR because Williams' fans will now follow him on a conservative station.

This could also gain popular votes for Republicans. Although I disagree with many of Fox's opinions, I think the station played this situation to its advantage. Rather than showing dedication to Williams, I believe Fox is more or less using him as a tool. The public will look at Fox as the noble station and gain more loyal fans. So NPR screwed up, and Fox took full advantage of the moment.

But the real idiot is Williams. As a news analyst on NPR, his job was to deliver the news. As a commentator on Fox, his job was to express his opinions. The two roles did not agree with each other, because NPR's standards ask news employees not to express public opinions that could damage the station's reputation. Williams had been asked to watch what he said, but he continued to kiss up to O'Reilly to get a few dollars more. His behavior with each station differed, which makes him all the less credible, too. He also loves to pat himself on the back, which drives me crazy. He's narcissistic and self-righteous. In interviews, he always makes reference to his books and how he is a civil rights leader. Writing books about an issue doesn't automatically make you a leader.

In his defense statement on the Fox website, Williams said, "Gee, I guess NPR news executives never read my bestselling history of the civil rights movement... or my highly acclaimed biography... I guess they never noticed... my last book on the state of black leadership in America found a place on the New York Times bestseller list."

I just had to laugh out loud at that. Congratulations, again, Williams. Thank you for reminding us, again, of your achievements. Maybe you should write a book about the ethics of journalism so we can all learn from your mistakes.

In reality, though, I don't think this issue is what everyone is making it to be. It's being blown out of proportion to win votes.

Author Mitch Albom said in his article, "Paying a Price for Free Speech," "Come on. We are the best country in the world. But we are the only country so media-soaked that we would turn these isolated sentences into a national referendum."

Williams was never a household name before this incident, and I think his newfound fame is hollow. It's just like Albom said of other reporters fired for expressing opinions, "Their exits were bigger stories than anything they'd done in their careers."

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Zombies invade Carbondale for week-long game

66 *I was totally for humans, but now that I am a zombie, I wish I was a human so therefore I despise them.*

— Luke Perdue
a freshman from Abingdon
studying civil engineering

JACOB MAYER
Daily Egyptian

Andrew Harless walked through campus Thursday armed and ready to stun zombies.

Harless, a freshman from Springfield studying photography, began the day as a human with a bucket full of rolled-up socks designed to stun the opposition as part of a week-long Humans vs. Zombies game on campus, but became a zombie by the time the sun went down.

Humans vs. Zombies is a game of tag commonly played on college campuses, according to its website. The week starts with a large group of humans and just a handful of zombies, said Derek Boker, a senior from Brighton studying political science and a moderator. He said he started the week as a human, but was turned zombie once he was tagged by one. To defend themselves, Boker said humans can throw socks to stun zombies for 15 minutes.

Harless said the humans took a beating during the Wednesday mission.

"It was just a slaughter," he said. "A lot, a lot went down."

Boker said he enjoyed being a



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Sarah Grueneberg, a freshman from Elk Grove studying criminal justice, decorated her arm in zombie fashion before guarding the human's base in the campus-wide Humans vs. Zombies game Thursday out-

zombie more than a human because he didn't have to always be on guard for an attack, but the whole game is fun so long as everyone follows the rules.

"The first rule of this game is don't be a d-bag," he said. "You're trying to have fun. It's basically tag during the day and at night

there's a little more of a story."

Luke Perdue, a freshman from Abingdon studying civil engineering, said he started the week as a human but was tagged and is now a zombie.

"At the beginning, I was totally against zombies," he said. "I was totally for humans, but now that I am a zombie, I wish I was a human so

therefore I despise them."

Boker said whichever side has the most people at the end of the game Saturday wins and another game is planned for the spring semester.

Perdue said communication is the key to victory, and zombies have to be careful to choose the right time to attack.

"We have to be sneaky — hiding in bushes, jumping out of buildings," he said. "We have to pretend like we're a zombie in a movie to get (the humans)."

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Debate team dashes to top of nation early in season

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The debate team sits among the best in the country as both pairs of debaters are ranked second and third.

For the past three years, the debate team has finished in the top ten at the National Parliamentary Tournament of Excellence, which is held in March, and this season's pursuit could be the fourth.

Brandon Merrell, a senior from Snohomish, Wash., studying economics and political science, along with his partner Mike Selck, a sophomore from Blue Springs, Mo., studying speech communication, are ranked second nationally. Just behind them are teammates Ben Campbell, a freshman from Springfield, Mo., studying economics and political science, and Andrew Thomas, a junior from Stockton, Calif., studying English and philosophy, in third.

Campbell said performing at a debate competition can be nerve-

racking at times but is also rewarding. He said his favorite part of competitive debates is being able to think on his feet.

"It is exhilarating and the more people you are speaking in front of the better it is at the end because you feel such a sense of pride for what you did," Campbell said.

Todd Graham, who is in his 11th season as director of the debate team, said he has been pleased with the team's early success but there is still room for improvement.

"I'd say we are well on track to being right where we want to be and we just got to keep our heads in check because we got a long way to go before we get to national championships," Graham said.

Campbell said the team's success is largely based on the help from Graham. He said his transition to collegiate debate was much easier because of Graham.

"Dr. Graham is undeniably the best coach in the nation and he has won numerous awards," Campbell said.



Brandon Merrell, a senior from Snohomish, Wash., studying political science, practices giving an introduction for a closing argument on the topic of admitting Turkey into the European Union during debate practice Tuesday in a conference room in the Communicator's Building. The SIU debate team will compete in a tournament Thursday through Monday at Colorado College in Colorado Springs, Colo.

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Though the team has only competed twice this season Campbell said his skills as a debater have increased dramatically.

"My ability to research and my critical thinking skills have increased exponentially since I joined debate," Campbell said.

Merrell said Campbell and Thomas have performed extremely

well despite having only two tournaments under their belt.

"It not only bodes well for the rest of the season and nationals this year but it also means that SIU is well set for the future," Merrell said.

The debate team will compete in a 50 to 60 team tournament Thursday through Monday hosted by the Colorado College.

"I want get our debaters acclimated to what it is like to be debating on that campus and to see what some of the local competitors are like so we can be better when it comes time for the national competition," Graham said.

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VOLLEYBALL

SIU embraces underdog roll against UNI

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Coach Brenda Winkeler said the Salukis are ready for the weird weekend in which they host the best team in the Missouri Valley Conference on Friday and the worst team in the conference on Saturday at Davies Gymnasium.

No. 13 University of Northern Iowa is undefeated in the MVC with an 11-0 record, including a three-set sweep of the Salukie (4-6) Oct. 2 in Cedar Falls, Iowa. The day before the loss to UNI, the Salukis had a sweep of their own against UNI's traveling partner Bradley (0-11).

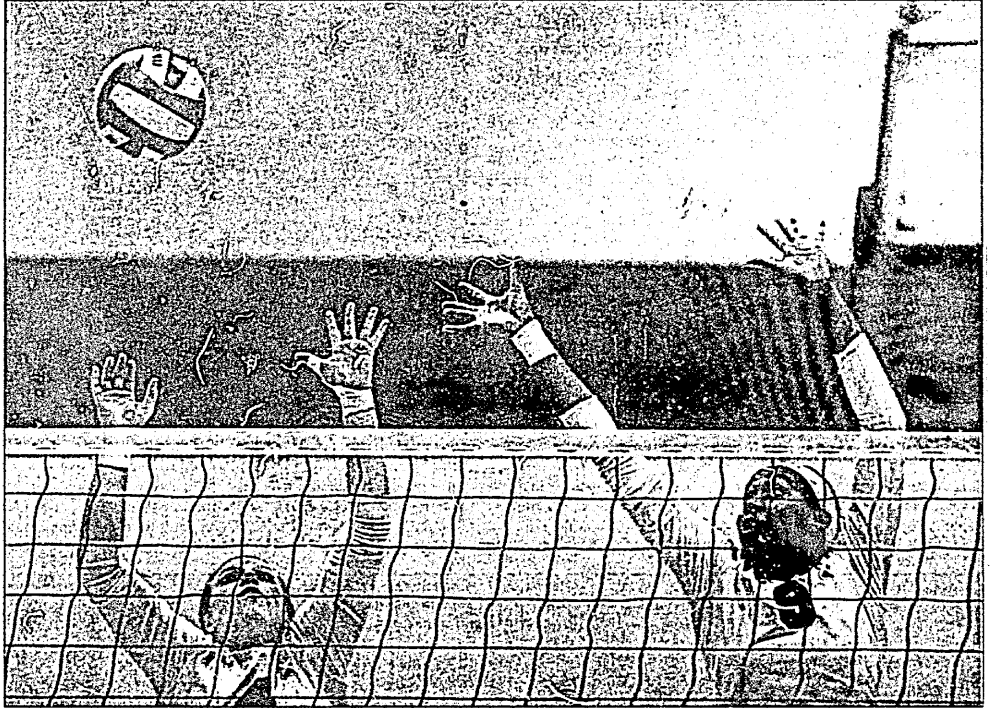
Winkeler said SIU knows what UNI is capable of and is always weary of a competitive team in the dungeons of the MVC such as Bradley.

"This is the reason you play games, and you don't play them on paper," Winkeler said. "We have No. 13 in the country coming in and us in the middle of the pack, so on paper you would see UNI wins, but I think it's going to be a fun experience for us."

Winkeler said two strategies the Salukis will need to follow if they plan on beating UNI are to serve aggressively and make UNI choose which attackers to defend. There may be more serving errors than she wants to see, but her team has to stay after it if they want the victory, she said.

Senior outside hitter Jennifer Berwanger and freshman outside hitter Jessica Whitehead had dominating performances Friday of 29 and 27 kills against Evansville and were named MVC player and freshman of the week. Winkeler said one of the strategies to getting Whitehead more involved was to quicken the pace of the game. Against UNI, the pace of the game will be lightning quick, Winkeler said.

"UNI will be faster, so that's one



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Sophomore setter Rachael Brown, left, and senior middle blocker Jasmine Conner jump for a block attempt Friday during their 3-2 win

over Evansville in Davies Gymnasium. The Salukis will face Northern Iowa and Bradley in conference play Friday and Saturday at home.

thing that will be difficult for her. Getting on and off the net and being ready to attack is way different than what you see in high school," Winkeler said. "That's usually the biggest things for kids to adjust to no matter what level of club or high school they played, is usually speed of the game."

Whitehead said she has worked on blocking and hit timing. Timing has been her issue, but she showed im-

provement against Evansville, she said.

Senior middle blocker Jasmine Conner said the Salukis know what to expect because of their previous battles with both teams. Against Bradley, SIU will need to stop its talented front row players, she said. Against UNI, the defense will have to worry about the wings, Conner said. "We know they're a big team. They have good hitters all through the front

row," Conner said. "We have to stay patient, they're going to get their kills and blocks, but I think for us it will be more about stopping their outsides and their right sides."

The team can't take Bradley for granted, senior right side hitter Alicia Johnson said. To beat Bradley, the team will have to play a fairly clean match and limit its hit and serve errors, she said.

For UNI, the team has worked

on blocking, passing and forming the defense around the block in an attempt to be UNI's only blemish in the MVC.

"This is the part when it's kind of fun being the underdog because we have them at our place and we play well at home," Johnson said. "I feel if everybody is on and does their jobs, there is no reason why we can't be the first ones to beat them."

BASKETBALL

Renovated SIU Arena hosts grand opening

BRANDON LACHANCE
Daily Egyptian

SIU President Glenn Poshard and Chancellor Rita Cheng passed senior forwards Katrina Swingler and Carlton Fay basketballs for layups Thursday to initiate the renovated SIU Arena.

Mario Moccia, athletic director, said the new arena will impress recruits, be comfortable for fans to watch games because of padded seats and cup holders and be easier to navigate because of a new configuration. The game experience will be enhanced because of the new scoreboard which allows replay accessibility and the ability to show who is coming into the game. The audience will also be able to view players' stats with a new stat board.

He said he is happy to see the results of the work he and all those involved with the renovated arena put into the project.

"It feels like a digestion period of an elephant. I think two years or something like that," Moccia said. "It feels very gratifying to check this big box off the list and start getting in here and using it; it's pretty exciting for us."



Freshman guard Taylor Ignoto, of Thousand Oaks, Calif., signs autographs at the opening ceremony for the newly renovated SIU Arena Thursday. Among the speakers at the event were SIU President Glenn Poshard, Chancellor Rita Cheng and men's basketball coach Chris Lowery. The stadium was originally built in 1962, bringing SIU into Division I ranking for the first time.

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CROSS COUNTRY

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"Last year, with only half a mile to go, we were winning the race, and then over that last half mile they won the race by one point," Dunbar said.

To win conference the Salukis plan to put Dunbar and junior Neal Anderson ahead of the Sycamores, while senior Kyle Kirchner and sophomores Zach Dahleen and Lucas Cherry try to break up their pack.

Runners such as Anderson, Kirchner and himself have a chip on their shoulder heading in to Saturday's meet, Dunbar said. The younger runners, Dahleen and Cherry, understand the upperclassmen's frustration from the 2009 season and want to capture a title just as bad, he said.

Teams that finish fourth through seventh place in the women's race will all be within a few points of each other Saturday, Hoelscher said.

The goal for the women's team is to finish fourth or better, Sparks said. Saluki front runners Toennies, Hoelscher and junior Jamie Pfister should finish in the top 15,

Every point is really going to matter to get to where we want to be. Fifth, sixth and seventh will probably (have) only a 20-point difference.

— Megan Hoelscher senior cross country runner and that should give the team an advantage, he said.

How high the men's and women's teams place ultimately comes down to the Salukis entrenching themselves among the leaders and holding their position, Sparks said.

"Every point is really going to matter to get to where we want to be. Fifth, sixth and seventh will probably (have) only a 20-point difference," Hoelscher said.

Hoelscher said she and Toennies plan to finish all-conference in the top 10 Saturday by keeping pace with Illinois State, which was pegged to finish second in the MVC pre-championship poll Tuesday.

"Coach told me stay with the Illinois State girls because I know all of them. I know how they run and I know they're going to be right



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(From Left) Cross country team members Kristlan Baldwin, Megan Hoelscher and Jamie Pfister laugh as Hoelscher explains an event that happened during cross country practice

at the runners' apartment. Both the men's and women's cross country teams will compete Saturday in the Missouri Valley Conference Championship in Augusta, Kan.

where I want to be," Hoelscher said.

Toennies said Illinois State has a strong starting five with runners who finish within seconds of each other.

"Megan, Jamie and I have competed well against them and hopefully we can put as many of us in front of them to help our fourth and fifth runners," Toennies said.

The championship begins at

10:30 a.m. Saturday in Augusta, Kan.

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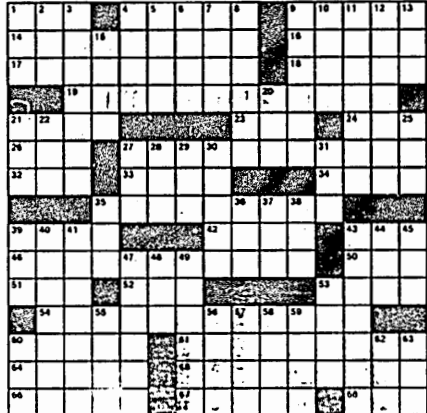
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 - 14 1989 Peace Prize winner
 - 16 Blanket-loving toon
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 - 18 One often working on Sun.
 - 19 Designed for ancient sorcerers?
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 - 23 Sonoma prefix
 - 24 Batman after Michael
 - 26 Western treaty gp.
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By Jonathan Penat 10/29/10

- 7 ... draw you
- 8 Package directive
- 9 Sea change with far-reaching effects
- 10 Two shakes, with "a"
- 11 Pop up
- 12 It helps prevent stumbling
- 13 Original Dungeons & Dragons ...
- 14 Kaffiyeh, th weaver
- 15 Corp. boss
- 16 One on a boat
- 17 The Big Bang Theory character from India
- 18 Soap component
- 19 ...-Provence
- 20 Rubble creator
- 21 First NHL defenseman to score 40 goals in a season
- 22 Maryland's Fort ...
- 23 Sign of summer
- 24 What can turn one into many?
- 25 Campaign weaponry?
- 26 Product at a stand
- 27 Nikkei 225 unit
- 28 Actress Charisse
- 29 Taken down a notch
- 30 Rookie's initiation
- 31 By doing whatever it takes
- 32 Scary magazine holder
- 33 Explorer initials
- 34 Beliefs
- 35 Single
- 36 Raw material
- 37 Piedmont product
- 38 Memie ... England
- 39 Atlantic fier
- 40 What musicians take between sets?
- 41 Austin Powers' nemesis Dr. ...
- 42 It's a loch
- 43 Northern Eur. land
- 44 Cellular messenger
- 45 Amer. capital

Horoscopes

By Nancy Black and Stephanie Clement

Today's birthday — Direct your personal power and will toward all types of creativity. Your career blossoms as you gain fluidity in expression. This year may be about imagining the many uses of the treasures stored within your memory. Make your findings public soon for best results.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 5 — You find yourself deeply involved with your own feelings today. Don't try to talk yourself out of them. Instead, face them squarely. This brings peace.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — You love the passionate response that you get from your favorite people when you share an idea. It's not time yet to put the plan into action.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — You love the passionate response that you get from your favorite people when you share an idea. It's not time yet to put the plan into action.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — Productivity gets a boost when you allow yourself to chase your passions. Take advantage of the circumstances to make hay while the sun shines.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 8 — Your work comes to conclusion on a most satisfactory note. Go out and celebrate your success with good food and good friends. Record this day for the future.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 9 — As you look forward to the weekend, handle small tasks as you go. That way you free up time for everyone to do something fun together.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 6 — Nurture your own social position by bringing something unusual to the plans. A male handles the invitations, while you focus on refreshments.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 9 — Everything gets accomplished that you need to do today. Oddly, your enthusiasm isn't as important as consistent effort. Teach others into compliance.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — It's easy to stay on track today with major changes. Just take the next step. You already have a great plan and the necessary energy.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 6 — Keep yourself focused on what's on your desk. Don't get distracted by associates and chatter. You want to get home to something more fun.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 9 — Enjoy every moment shared with associates. Everyone seems to be thriving and working at their optimal level. You see success ahead.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March. 20) — Today is a 9 — Plan on spending a lot of time in public situations today. Circumstances require your presence. Clear your schedule and remain flexible.

Thursday's Puzzle Solved



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JUMBLE — THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

by Mike Argrion and Jeff Krueck

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

KAFLE

LAWTZ

GOOLIG

DRIVEF

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THE POLITICIAN CLAIMED TO STAND FOR IT, BUT THE LISTENER DIDN'T ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Answer: [Circled letters: K, A, L, T, G, I, E, F]

(Answers tomorrow)

Thursday's Answers | Jumbles: PIETY CUBIC SYMBOL GOATEE
Answer: What the couple got when they weren't compatible — COMBATIBLE

The Duplex

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THURSDAY'S ANSWERS

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5	8	1	3	9	7	2	6	4
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6	3	4	5	8	2	1	9	7

D.E. Daily Bark

Two weeks removed from being traded to the Vikings from the New England Patriots, star wide receiver Randy Moss will take the field Sunday against New England. Will Moss torch his former team, or will New England prove they don't need him to win games?



I think Randy Moss will torch his former team, but the New England Patriots will still win the game because they have Tom Brady and a defense that's playing better than the Vikings.

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Moss will light up the Pats' inexperienced secondary like a Jack 'O Lantern — which is fitting, because the game will be played on Halloween.

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How is Randy Moss going to torch the Patriots when they have no one to give him the ball? Favre will play, but hobbled, and Tarvaris Jackson has no skill except with his feet.

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ENEMY

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Senior SIU linebacker Stephen Franklin said the Salukis have struggled with man-to-man execution against the run and can't afford to give the Missouri State running backs any space Saturday.

"If they get out in the open field they're pretty dangerous, so we're going to try and keep them confined in the box and make the tackles there," Franklin said. "We've just got to do a better job of knowing our schemes."

The Salukis' own running game has earned 167 yards per game, 74 yards less than Missouri State's.

Junior running back Shariff Harris, SIU's leading rusher, said it's up to him and the rest of the backs to get better.

"It's more execution. We've got the offensive line doing a heck of a job, we just have to do a better job. And it starts with me in the backfield. I've got to hit the holes right. Sometimes I will bounce and try to go outside and the hole won't be there," Harris said.

The Bears play a four-linebacker, three-defensive lineman base defense, the same scheme as the Salukis. Like SIU, they bring pressure from multiple angles with that defense, Lennon said.

But for the first time this season, the Salukis will have a completely healthy offensive line battling the Bears' pressure. Sophomore guard Eric Bergman and junior tackle Scott Becker have returned from injuries and will anchor the right side together Saturday for the first time since Week 4, Lennon said.

Missouri State turned the ball over five times in a 44-24 loss to the Salukis in the conference finale at McAndrew Stadium in 2009, and Allen said turnovers will likely be the deciding factor Saturday.

In a conference where eight of the nine teams have two or three conference wins, Lennon said much will be decided with four weeks left in the season.

"This weekend's important. It's important in the league. I think if you look at every team that's playing this weekend, it's probably as big of a weekend as we've got," he said.

Kickoff for the game is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday in Springfield, Mo.

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SWIM

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Walker said the team has more confidence coming off a great performance against the University of Missouri and the University of Ken-

tucky, but that doesn't guarantee a win Saturday.

"The reality of it is that we can have confidence and still get beat. We need to have confidence and results," Walker said.

The Salukis will face the Bears

at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Edward J. Shea Natatorium in the Recreation Center.

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Hamilton battles at bat and in his life

The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — He was the can't miss kid, a talent so prodigious that he may have rewritten the record books had things gone according to plan.

When cocaine meant more to Josh Hamilton than life itself, though, baseball didn't stand a chance.

"All I could think about was how to get and use more drugs," Hamilton said a few days ago. "I mean

that's all I cared about and all I thought about."

Blessed with tremendous ability, he was equally cursed by tremendous desires. They almost cost him his career, and could have cost him his life.

On Thursday night, Hamilton, was batting third and playing center field for the Texas Rangers in Game 2 of the World Series. If his team ends up winning the championship, he'll be the one being doused

on the field with ginger ale instead of champagne.

He plays a game where failure comes easier than success. But his time on the field may be the easiest part of a life he struggles to live, every day.

By now it's become a routine, because a routine makes it that much harder to stray. For a baseball player, the temptations of life can often be magnified by the temptations of the road.

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FOOTBALL

Potent MSU next for SIU



NICK JOHNSON
Daily Egyptian

Missouri State is fresh off a thrilling 31-28 victory in Week 7 over then-Missouri Valley Conference leader Western Illinois, but coach Terry Allen said his Bears will have much on their minds when the Salukis visit Springfield, Mo., for their conference matchup Saturday.

"Everything about Southern scares me, to be honest with you," Allen said.

But Missouri State's offense might not have much to fear. The Bears (3-1, 2-2 MVC) average 241 rushing yards per game, while the Salukis (3-4, 2-2 MVC), coming off a bye week, have given up an average of 178 yards per game on the ground. The Bears are running the football better than they ever have, Allen said.

Missouri State eviscerated Western for 351 yards on the ground Saturday and got two interceptions from defensive back Jimmie Strong, one of which was returned for a touchdown, in the victory.

"After we lost two league games in overtime on the road, to win at home against Western was pretty important, no question about it," Allen said.

Running backs Chris Douglas and Stephen Johnston have combined for 1,343 yards and 10 touchdowns behind a veteran offensive line to give the Bears a rushing attack they didn't have last season, Allen said. But quarterback Cody Kirby has been the Bears' leading touchdown scorer, with 12 rushing and eight passing. Kirby has rushed 85 times for 424 yards.

"He's their trigger man, he makes their whole offense go. He's definitely a strong run force but he also can do it with his arm," SIU coach Dale Lennon said. "Defensively we can't be making a whole lot of mistakes."

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SWIMMING & DIVING



EDYTA BLASZCZYK | DAILY EGYPTIAN

Isabela Castro laughs with fellow swimmers during Wednesday's practice in the Edward J. Shea Natatorium at the Recreation Center. Both men's and women's teams will compete Saturday against Missouri State at home.

Salukis prepare to scare Bears at home

RYAN SIMONIN
Daily Egyptian

The Salukis want to send a message Saturday to conference foe Missouri State.

Junior Matt Kruse said the swimming and diving team wants to put fear into the Bears for when the two teams meet again at conference.

"We want to beat them by a lot at

this dual meet, and scare them for conference and let them know that after this meet at conference, we are coming for them," Kruse said.

The two teams met in January at a tri-meet hosted by Missouri State where the Salukis beat Truman State but lost to the host, Kruse said. The team believes the results will be different because the Salukis have a home pool advantage.

"The mentality going in is that this is our house, our pool and we are not going to back down. We know we have a chance to win and everyone on the team believes that we will," Kruse said.

Sophomore Kirsten Groome said the meet would be a great opportunity for the freshmen swimmers on the team to see conference competition.

"They have no idea how Missouri State swims and who is on their team.

It will give them a pretty good idea of what we are up against," Groome said.

Coach Rick Walker said the team has to continue to put up its best performances to beat Missouri State. He said though Missouri State is the favorite, SIU can't get wrapped up in its opponent.

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CROSS COUNTRY

Southern Illinois set to attack conference pack

BRANDON COLEMAN
Daily Egyptian

Senior Megan Hoelscher says Missouri Valley Conference coaches underestimate the SIU women's cross country team because the Salukis did not bring five or more top recruits this season.

The Salukis will surprise teams such as Missouri State, Drake and Northern Iowa on Saturday at the MVC Championship Invite in Augusta, Kan., because everyone from Hoelscher to fifth-slot runner Kristian Baldwin and senior Emily Toennies are peaking at the same time, she said.

"Megan, Jamie and I have competed well against them and hopefully we can put as many of us in front of them to help our fourth and fifth runner."

— Emily Toennies
senior cross country ru.

"Baldwin right now has really stepped it up in practice these last two weeks; she's been running amazing," Hoelscher said.

She said Baldwin felt more pressure to finish near the top with Toennies and her at the start of the season, but since coach Matt Sparks helped Baldwin train to finish between 40th and 50th place at

conference, she has run in a more relaxed and confident way.

"We wanted her to focus on training that would get her 40th or 50th because that might not sound the greatest, but for what we need her to do that would be a good race," Toennies said.

For the first time in several years, Baldwin has renewed confidence in

herself and her abilities, Sparks said.

On the men's team, the Salukis were picked to finish second at conference. Sparks said the Indiana State Sycamores — picked to win the meet — were ranked ahead of the Salukis because of their runners' ability to pack together at the finish.

Senior leader Dan Dunbar said the Sycamores will be a challenge because not only do they pack at the finish, but they also excel at closing gaps and stretching leads during the last two kilometers of races.

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