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KERRY MALONEY - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Libby Wood is comforted at the burial of her father former state legislator Clyde L. Choate Saturday at Anna Cemetery. Choate also served as the SIUC director of external affairs. He died Oct. 5, at age 81, after suffering from a long illness.

## SIU's 'guardian angel' dies at age 81

Clyde Choate, former legislator and administrator buried Thursday

MOLLY PARKER  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The two young grandsons of Clyde L. Choate twirled their umbrellas in the cold October rain Thursday afternoon, shortly after those that gathered to bury their grandfather crept slowly away. They each had, in their small hands, an American flag and a rose

taken from two of the wreaths that were there to adorn Mr. Choate's grave.

The American flag, that his grandchildren so innocently waved, is no stranger to a man that risked his life for his country and comrades during World War II. On Oct. 25, 1944, Staff Sgt. Choate and his crew were in a tank destroyer, the only weapon available to oppose the German armor. It was set afire and Choate ordered his men to abandon the destroyer. He went back to search the vehicle for trapped soldiers, risking an explosion and enemy fire that ripped his jacket and tore the helmet from his head.

After he made sure his fellow soldiers were safe, Choate hit the German tank with a bazooka from only 20 yards away. He immobilized the tank, but the tank continued to shoot cannons and machine-gun fire. With his pistol, he killed two German soldiers as they emerged from the tank. And running again through enemy fire, he reloaded the bazooka and fired at the tank and completed its destruction, this time from only 10 yards away.

For his bravery, Choate was awarded the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest award. And at his burial, his two tear-filled daughters were handed the flag that draped

from his casket.

Choate, who served as an Illinois legislator and as SIUC director of external affairs, died Oct. 5 at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale after suffering from a long illness. He was 81.

Former Illinois senator Thaddeus Lechowicz, who is now a member of the Cook County Board, chose the words of Gen. Douglas MacArthur to describe Choate: "Old soldiers never die, they just fade away."

Following World War II, Choate went on to serve 30 years in

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## Bush: al Qaeda 'on the run'

ALEXA AGUILAR  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

President Bush reassured Americans on Thursday in his first prime-time televised news conference that the al Qaeda factions are "on the run," after five days of airstrikes on Afghanistan.

His news conference came just hours after the FBI issued a warning of possible retaliatory attacks against the United States by anti-American terrorist groups. Bush said that the warning was in response to a "general threat," and not a specific target.

He added that Americans should feel confident the U.S. military is doing all it could in the "first battle in the war of the 21st century."

"It's not the kind of war we've used to in America," Bush said. "We learned very important lessons in Vietnam. We learned we cannot fight a guerrilla war with conventional forces."

While Bush acknowledged that Afghanistan is the main target of American airstrikes, he said al Qaeda factions all over the world are being targeted.

"My focus is bringing the al Qaeda to justice," Bush said.

He said the Taliban may be able to stop the bombings if they "cough up" Osama bin Laden, the man believed to be the mastermind behind the Sept. 11 attacks. He also urged the Taliban to purge their country of the "parasites that hide in their country."

The countries harboring terrorism would be held accountable, he added. In particular, he called Saddam Hussein "an evil man" and said "we're watching him very carefully."

He said that he thinks that after the military operation is over, the United Nations should step in to stabilize Afghanistan's government.

His speech was the culmination of a national day of remembrance, and the one-month marker of the terrorist attacks. Bush attended a memorial service at the Pentagon earlier in the day.

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## SIU president scores \$50,000 raise from BOT

Walker donating \$30,000 to fund scholarships

GINNY SKALSKI  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A little more than a year has passed since SIU President James E. Walker arrived on campus, and his accomplishments have already earned him a hefty pay raise.

The Board of Trustees approved a \$50,000 salary increase for Walker at its meeting Thursday. Walker now earns \$275,000 yearly.

The board unanimously approved the pay raise after evaluating Walker's performance in an executive session Wednesday. Walker took the reins at SIU Oct. 1, 2000.

Chairwoman Molly D'Esposito said the board authorized the salary increase based on Walker's initiative in handling issues doled out by the board and by filling the chancellor's position so quickly.

"The area we looked at was what we asked Dr. Walker to do when we hired him, one was to bring stability to the University in terms of leadership," D'Esposito said. "There is a sense in our University that we are moving forward."

President Walker's Shared Vision plan, released last month, serves as a map of the direction Walker wants the University to move. The plan cited seven major areas,

including the creation of a committee to keep SIU at the forefront of educational trends, the launching of a multi-million dollar capital campaign and the development of 30 annual presidential scholarships for Illinois high school students.

Walker also announced his intentions to donate \$30,000 to the presidential scholarship fund at the meeting. The scholarships will be offered to in-state high school students who excel academically.

"I believe in it so much that I wanted to make what I consider is a small gesture of support of the program," Walker said.

Walker's raise went into effect Oct. 1 and, in the future, his evaluations will occur in June with the rest of the University's evaluation.

"That Shared Vision statement will be

the template by which we will judge him in [June]," D'Esposito said.

Board member John Brewster praised Walker's accomplishments so far, noting that SIU was lucky to snatch Walker away from Middle Tennessee State University, where he served as president for nine years. Brewster acknowledged Walker's achievements saying that the library at MTSU will soon be named after Walker.

"Obviously the board is very pleased with your performance," Brewster told Walker. "You have done everything we could have imagined. You're leading our University and taking us where we need to go."

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**Monday October 15, 2001**  
**Clothesline Project**  
10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Faner Brezeway, South End

**SIUC Graduate Student Performers**  
7:00 p.m., Morris Library Auditorium  
Performance collages dealing with the personal and social ramifications of rape and domestic violence in our culture.

**Tuesday October 16, 2001**  
**Prayer Reading by Sexual Violence Survivors**  
6:30 p.m., Longbranch Coffee House  
Contact Patie Kortkamp at 549-4807, Ext. 237 for more information

**Wednesday October 17, 2001**  
**Make a Mask; Make a Statement Reception**  
12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m., University Museum, North End, Faner

**Thursday October 18, 2001**  
**Clothesline Project**  
10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., Faner Brezeway, South End

**Media Literacy: Images of Women and Men in Mainstream Media**  
7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m., Lawson Room 121

**Friday October 19, 2001**  
**Women Only Safe Space and Healing Hearts, Minds, and Souls Program**  
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Interfaith Center  
Survivors ad those who support them will be creating collages to be carried in the **Take Back The Night March and Rally**

**Men Only Space**  
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Wesley Foundation  
Discussion on men's roles in the anti-violence movement and Healing Hearts, Minds, and Souls Program

**Take Back The Night March and Rally**  
Meet at the Interfaith Center at 7:00 p.m. for the march to the Carbondale Town Square Pavilion. Join us for music by For Healing Purposes only keynote speakers, SIUC Graduate Student Performers, a viewing of the clothesline project and speak-out.

Immediately following Rally, join us at Longbranch Coffee House for music by Loose Gravel.

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**Silence, bagpipes rang at attack site**

NEW YORK — Hundreds of New York recovery workers gathered for a memorial service Thursday one month after the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center.

A moment of silence preceded the service, led by chaplains from the police and fire departments and New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani. Bagpipes rang over the jumbled concrete and mangled steel remains of the towers as Giuliani saluted the thousands who lost their lives in the attack.



posters featuring Muppet character, Bert with Osama bin Laden.

The posters were carried during a violent protest in Bangladesh this week. They showed a large picture of bin Laden with a small picture of Bert above his shoulder.

Bert has been depicted in similar photos with Hitler and grand dragons of the KKK, on the web site "Bert is Evil!" The originator of the website denies any involvement in creating the bin Laden posters.

Saudi Prince Al-Walid announced a significant donation to the Twin Towers Fund for disaster relief after the service.

As the bagpipes died down, workers returned to their posts, continuing to clear the mass of rubble.

**'Muppet' producer upset about Bert-bin Laden**

NEW YORK — Producers of the popular children's show "Sesame Street" expressed their anger Thursday because protesters in Bangladesh are carrying anti-American

**Frozen bodies found on Mount Adams**

YAKIMA, Washington — A hiker discovered the mummified bodies of two Oregon men while chipping away at a rope lodged in ice.

The two men — Gary Clays, 28, and Matt Larson, 25 — froze to death in a glacier on Mount Adams 21 years ago. Both men were identified Wednesday and found to have died of hypothermia. Rescue workers retrieved the bodies Tuesday; one was covered with a blanket, another with a tarp. Larson's body was found with his billfold, including a driver's license and credit cards.

Larson and Clay disappeared Nov. 14, 1980, while hiking on the 12,276-foot mountain.



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**Scattered Showers**  
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**Indonesia prepares for protest**

JAKARTA, Indonesia — Indonesia withstood a fourth consecutive day of anti-American protest as police prepared themselves for an even bigger protest to follow Friday after prayers.

About 1,000 protesters marched on the American Embassy, demanding that Indonesia break off ties to the United States. At the same time, a group known as the Defenders of Islam announced it would begin searching for Americans and those who support the United States and force them out of the country.

The group attempted to enter the Jalan Jakarta tourist area but was turned away without violence.



**Iraq dismisses U.S. warning**

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq has pushed aside warnings from the United States not to use the current situation to launch attacks. In a return letter, Iraq described U.S. threats as naive and silly.

The United States warned Iraqi ambassadors last weekend in New York not to take advantage of the current situation and not to use any chemical or biological weapons.

Iraq said none of the actions the United States warned about are on Iraq's agenda.

**Police Blotter**

**CARBONDALE**

• Peter M. Gukling, 22, was arrested at 2:20 p.m. Wednesday and charged with aggravated battery of a Carbondale woman in the 700 block of South Lewis Lane. Police responded to a trespass complaint inside an apartment, and found Gukling inside even though he had been warned in September to stay away from it. Police discovered a woman battered who claimed Gukling had struck her. Gukling was taken to the Jackson County Jail.

**JACKSON COUNTY**

• Four people were injured Wednesday after a Wood Dale man lost control of the vehicle he was driving. Peter J. McKay, 22, was traveling south on Giant City Road when his 1996 Chevrolet Tahoe left the roadway edge, crashed into an embankment, went airborne and struck a utility pole. The vehicle finally came to rest in a deep ditch and overturned.

Nicole Pavlis, 24, Dayna Tater, 23, Joseph G. Vemi Lau, 22, and McKay all sustained various degrees of injuries in the accident and were taken to Memorial Hospital of Carbondale.

McKay was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

**Corrections**

Wednesday's article, "Whopping federal grant to aid northeast side" should have said that the grant was announced Wednesday. The Daily Egyptian regrets the error.

• Readers who spot an error in a news article should contact the Daily Egyptian Accuracy Desk at 536-3311, ext. 252.

**Calendar**

**TODAY**

- The French Table  
Fridays, 4:30 p.m.  
Booby's, 406 S. Illinois Ave.
- Spanish Table  
Meeting  
Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m.  
Cafe Melange, 607 South Illinois Ave.
- Japanese Table  
Fridays, 6 p.m.  
Cafe Melange, 607 South Illinois Ave.
- International Students and Scholars  
International Night  
Oct. 12, 7 p.m.  
Lower level, Recreation Center
- SIUC Chess and Club  
Oct. 12, 7 p.m.  
Roman Room, Student Center
- Department of Speech Communication  
Busted Flat in Baton Rouge  
Performance  
Oct. 12, 8 p.m.  
Kleinau Theatre

**SATURDAY**

- Barrett Chiropractic Clinic  
Fall Festival  
Oct. 13, 11 a.m.  
604 Eastgate Drive, across from Walgreens

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# A different kind of war effort

Bethel Grain produces food for Afghans

MARK LAMBRID  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The men and women who work at Bethel Grain are fighting a war, not with bombs and guns, but with corn and soybeans.

The war is against hunger and the front lines are in Pakistan, Uzbekistan and Peru or anywhere else that people are starving. More than 800 million people go to bed each night with out knowing where their next meal will come from.

The government offers several programs for countries in need. The products that Bethel Grain produces are donated to organizations by order of public law 480, also known as food for peace. Under the same law, countries are sold commodities and loaned money to buy food.

Bethel Grain sits along the railroad tracks on the south side of Benton, a town along Interstate 57 about 30 miles northeast of Carbondale, and employs 90 people. A grain elevator sits on the same property and the corn that farmers bring is moved directly to the plant to be turned into life-saving food. After the product is packaged, it is put into a rail car bound for Chicago or Port Charles, La. From there it is put on ships and transported around the world.

The plant produces two products that are used for famine relief, corn/soy blend and corn/soy milk. Each year the plant produces more than 100,000 metric tons of the two products. The corn/soy blend is produced the most.

On the company's battlefield, the constant drone of machines and dust fill the air and covers the floor and everything else. In the winter it stays warm, about right for short sleeves, but in the summer, the temperature in the plant can climb up to 150 degrees.

Bethel Grain places bids on the corn/soy products and the govern-



Amy Bandy, of Marion, fills chemicals used to test nutritional value like fats found in the corn/soy blend and milk at the Quality Control lab in the packaging department in Bethel Grain on Friday. Products are tested daily to ensure that their are proper amounts of nutrients.

ment buys contracts from the lowest bidder. Mike Martin, an agriculture marketing specialist with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, said the product is donated to relief agencies once it arrives to a port.

There are five vendors that produce the corn/soy blend for the government. Bethel is one of the smaller operations that the government purchases from.

The corn/soy blend is fortified with vitamins and minerals before it is packaged to add nutritional value. Vitamin A, niacin and iron are among the additives.

The government makes sure that the products meet minimum requirements for the nutritional values.

Tina Tate, quality control manager for Bethel Grain, said the government will shut down the operation if the values are not within 90 percent of the expected values.

The product is tested every 30

minutes daily to ensure quality and that the proper amount of additives present in the finished product.

Tate said four ounces of the corn/soy blend a day is sufficient to sustain life.

"Sometimes these products are all that is keeping people alive," Tate said.

The product is packaged and distributed in 55-pound bags.

The government donates products to many agencies including Catholic Relief and Care. These organizations are in charge of the distribution for all the products.

Catholic Relief is one of more than 100 organizations that distributes food. Lisa Kuennen-Asfaw, deputy director of public resources for Catholic Relief, said Catholic Relief is just a link in the chain.



Casey McCommons, of Benton, fills a 55-pound bag at Bethel Grain in Benton on Friday. The bags are shipped by train for distribution.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

### CARBONDALE

#### Driver unharmed in train collision

A car was hit by a train Thursday afternoon on Grand Avenue.

The car had pulled up to the crossing and the gates went down before the car moved out of the way. The female driver left the car before the train struck her vehicle and pushed it off the tracks.

The car had minimal damage and was driven away from the scene. The accident backed up traffic for about 20 minutes before Canadian National Railroad employees got the train running again.

Carbondale Police officials were not available for comment Thursday afternoon.

#### Carbondale celebrates harmony

The Carbondale in Harmony program will take place from 12 to 3 p.m. Saturday at Attucks Park on Wall Street. The community-focused program will have a variety of events promoting diversity.

The program was started in 1996 by Dr. Kortland Monroe of Memorial Hospital of Carbondale. It originally started as a picnic, a tradition which will continue this year. The event will also include performances and children's activities.

#### Annual Earthdance raises fund for local organizations

A global dance party for peace will be at the Carbondale Labyrinth at the corner of South Illinois Avenue and East Grand Avenue Saturday Oct. 13. The dance will begin at 3:30 p.m. and end at 2:30 a.m.

The dance party will take place simultaneously in 100 cities in 45 nations worldwide.

Funds raised locally from the dance will be donated to the Southern Illinois Center for a Sustainable Future, the Carbondale Labyrinth and the Student Development Center. For more information, call: Mati Vargas at 529-8642.

# Carbondale has much to offer, including high property taxes

Residents question the amount they have to pay

JENNIFER WIG  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Property taxes are due in October and November for the year 2000, and the figures may leave property owners wondering what they're paying for.

Carbondale City Council members have been discussing the city's taxes at several meetings. Some members say Carbondale's higher taxes prevent those who work in Carbondale from residing

within the community.

But depending on the neighborhood, Carbondale's taxes are similar to that of other communities.

There are eight taxing bodies in Carbondale, which include the library, the park district, the mosquito abatement district, John A. Logan Community College, the Carbondale township, Jackson County and two school districts.

The amount of property taxes for each resident depends on this: property's assessed value and the tax rate. There are 13 sections in Carbondale, with different tax rates for each section, depending on the quality of housing and specific services provided for each section.

Carbondale's highest tax rate is the downtown area, at 9.8 percent. The lowest rate is 6.7 percent. According to William Massey, chief county assistant official, those numbers are within the normal range.

"That's typical of a town Carbondale's size. Carbondale is a big little city," Massey said. "I don't think [the residents] are aware of how many services they've asked for."

The tax rate is created by the accumulation of the taxing bodies' bills. Each taxing body needs part of it to run its organization. No single board controls property taxes.

A property tax bill from the downtown area, which has the highest tax rate, shows the amount due for the year 2000 as \$7,033.44. The city's portion of that money is \$450.13.

City Councilwoman Maggie Flanagan said taxes are high, but it's worth it.

"I live here," Flanagan said. "We have a quality of life."

Flanagan said because of the way schools are being funded, taxes are slightly higher.

The Illinois Constitution says the state is to

pay for 50 percent of public school funding, but Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard said this requirement is never met, forcing communities to increase property taxes in order to properly fund schools.

"We need to have a new way of financing public schools," Dillard said. "It puts a heavy burden on all communities to provide the kind of infrastructure and teaching salaries we want in our education system."

Steve Sabens, superintendent of Carbondale Community High School District No. 165, said because the tax rate has dropped, he does not consider high taxes an issue.

Although City Council members seek reasons people who work in Carbondale do not choose to reside within the city limits, Sabens said high taxes are simply an ingredient in that decision.

"Any taxes that are excessive to an individual homeowner are too high," Sabens said. "I give the city of Carbondale a great deal of credit. They provide services in our community that aren't available in many communities."

Sabens said for him, searching for a home in a good community has more to do with the quality of life in that city rather than the taxes. He looks for transportation methods, road and sidewalk quality, a good fire and police staff and nice houses.

Sabens said using property taxes to fund schools is "unfair" and that schools would be better off if funded elsewhere, but "it's the system we have to live with."

But Sherry Lawrence, who works in Carbondale, said property taxes are the sole reason she chose to reside in Williamson County.

"We didn't even look at houses here," Lawrence said.

Taxes are slightly lower in Williamson County

because cities in that county do not charge township taxes. A township is the area physically outside the city limits, but close enough to be considered part of that city. Cities in Jackson County charge a township tax, which is .027 percent, or 27 cents for each \$100.

Dillard said the main idea of property taxes is to collect just enough revenue to cover the services, and that the city of Carbondale has cut back on using property taxes to fund things, relying more heavily on sales tax.

The city's portion is used for lights, sidewalks and police and fire officer pensions. The other taxing bodies, such as the library, school districts and park district, use the money for their yearly budgets, providing services such as upkeep of the parks and providing education.

However, Dillard said Carbondale's taxes are "not too high relative to the services provided."

City Councilwoman Corene McDaniel seeks to lower taxes slightly.

"I wish there was some way the city, the park district and the school district could work together to lower taxes a bit," she said. "The city by itself can't do it."

McDaniel said lowering taxes may entice more people to live in Carbondale.

City Councilman Mike Neill also said "taxes in general are detrimental to people living in Carbondale" and would like to see a study conducted.

"There's a reason they've chosen not to [live in Carbondale] and I think taxes would be one of those reasons," he said.

Carbondale resident Bernie Tiebout said Carbondale's taxes are reasonable compared to

## Average Property Tax Rate for Jackson County Cities

Carbondale	8.0 percent
Murphysboro	8.15 percent
Pomona	6.8 percent
Makanda	6.7 percent
DeSoto	7.9 percent

**Number of sections in each city**  
Example: Carbondale is divided into 13 districts. Each district has a different tax rate, based upon property values and services requested.

Carbondale	13
Murphysboro	4
Pomona	4
Makanda	5
DeSoto	7

\*Numbers have been rounded to nearest tenth.

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## Washington's 'BAD COP' role turns the tables

Corruption does the job for 'Training Day'

MIKE PETTIT  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

"Training Day"  
starring Denzel Washington and  
Ethan Hawke. Rated R



We've all had bad days. I just had one myself last week. But "Training Day" does a good job of pushing the bill when it comes to bad days, especially when it's your first day on the job.

Ethan Hawke plays Jake, a young cop trying to make his way into the Los Angeles narcotics division by going on his first training assignment with Alonzo, an experienced but corrupt narc played by Denzel Washington.

Now, the beginning of the film made me groan, thinking that this would be another veteran bad-ass/rookie-idiot partnership picture, and I just sat back, waiting for the clichés to develop on screen.

But after about 20 minutes, I praised the movie gods when I discovered that this was something different, for two reasons in particular.

First, rather than feeding me mindless cops and robbers action with blue and red lights and guns, it actually made me think morally and ethically about justice and the law.

Second, Denzel Washington played a bad guy. I mean really, how often does that happen? I've never thought of him as typecast, but watching him play something other than the hero increased my respect for him as an actor.

It's been a while since I've seen

Washington portray a villain, but in "Training Day," he gives a convincing portrayal of an upstanding public official gone bad.

Clad in black street wear and platinum chains, Alonzo meets up with Jake for his training assignment, and escorts him to his "office," a souped-up black Cadillac fully loaded with tinted windows, hydraulics and a dark cloud of corruption.

Hawke plays another frail, timid character on the verge of crying, but this time it actually fits the story in his role as the no-name cop trying to please his crooked narc trainer.

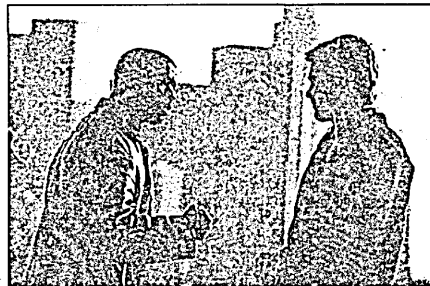
I was also surprised to see how well Snoop Dogg made his on-screen appearance playing Blue, a wheelchair-bound crack dealer trying to avoid Alonzo. He does a better job than Dr. Dre does in an unconvincing minor role as Paul, a corrupt cop who has teamed with Alonzo to cash in their dirty chips.

While the whole movie takes place in one day, it seems like an eternity in hell for Jake. Alonzo is determined to get the rookie accustomed to his own evils by forcing him to tag along on his day of doom.

Alonzo has Jake do everything cops usually refrain from, like smoking PCP and stealing money, and he even makes it look like Jake has shot and killed someone in a "bust."

But all of this is part of Alonzo's plan to pull him out of a hole of debt he's dug with some Russian thugs in Las Vegas, which isn't explained clearly enough to understand in a few scenes.

There are numerous times when Alonzo



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OK, I'LL TAKE THE SPEEDING TICKET: Denzel Washington "questions" a suspect in the new bad cop/good cop film "Training Day." Ethan Hawke also stars.

leaves Jake hanging in a time of crisis, pretending to test Jake's street smarts, when it is really the crooked character taking over.

Throughout his first day on the job, Jake wonders whether Alonzo's street justice ideology suits his style, and his actions show that he needs to make a decision before the working day ends.

"Training Day" is a gritty cop film that is

more than gunshots and badges. It shows how the evils of corruption and deceit attempt to serve justice on the street, but also how morals and ethics can help make the decision on whether you want the job.

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## Dead Musicians seize Shryock

Unique group celebrates latest  
CD with hometown crowd

SARAH ROBERTS  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Kevin Lucas is just another one of your typical starving artists.

He flirts with homelessness. Stacks of bills pile up on his countertop while he flexes his creative muscles. And he's still trying to graduate in May.

But at least he's enjoying himself.

He's getting the chance to chase his childhood dream, touring across the Midwest with his own band, the Dead Musician's Society (yes, like "Dead Poet's Society").

Yeah, he's poor, but he's in charge. And he says he doesn't mind if not everyone knows his name just yet.

"You don't do it to become famous. If that's the only reason you do it, you're going to be miserable," Lucas said.

But Lucas and his bandmates aren't miserable — and they really aren't that bad off either. They regularly tour the Midwest. They've played in front of thousands of people at the St. Louis Art Fair. And they already have three CDs to their name.

Not bad for a band that started out as a one-time gig

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Kevin Lucas  
DMS

four years ago, when Lucas was looking for someone to perform some songs he had penned and ended up as the leader of his own group.

"We played a local club, then we got a couple more gigs, and it just evolved into what it is," Lucas said.

What "it" is an eclectic instrumental mix of several different musical genres, from Celtic and jazz to hard rock and pop. It's not the typical Carbondale fare, and Lucas admits introducing the band's unusual sound to the bar crowd was rough at first.

"We literally had to win the crowd over every time we

played," he said. "We just had to have more energy than most bands were required to have. We really had to sell our music."

It took a couple of years and some tinkering with different sounds, but the band eventually made a few believers out of the locals and has since moved on to bigger venues, often dropping by the elite club scenes in St. Louis and Nashville, where it has nabbed critics picks

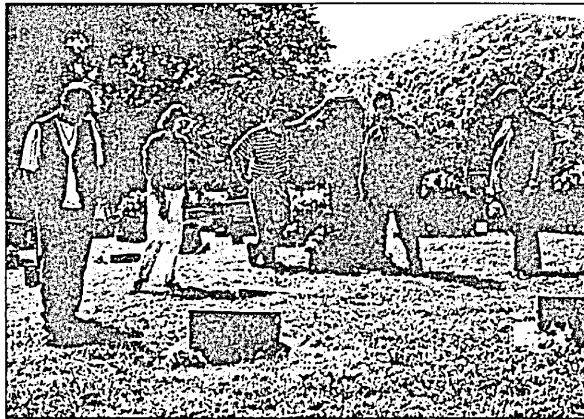


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Dead Musician's Society are set to play Shryock in support of their CD "Carpe Noctem".



# The monkey shines

What 'Iron Monkey' lacks in plot, it makes up for in action

CODELL RODRIGUEZ  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

"Iron Monkey" starring Donnie Yen and Jean Wang  
Ching Ying. Rated PG-13



Don't waste your time searching for the plot when the action is mesmerizing enough to keep your jaw on the floor.

"Iron Monkey" lives up to the wire-work martial arts hype started by movies like "The Matrix" and "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" (director Yuen Wo Ping choreographed the fight scenes for both). But other than some comedic aspects, it doesn't really accomplish anything else. But does it really need to?

Dishing out \$5 to see this flick means a buffet of beautifully choreographed kung-fu action scenes and a few funny moments. But moviegoers should not walk into the theater thinking they're going to get the monster epic of "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon." And "Iron Monkey's" less than stellar acting and flimsy storyline probably won't earn it any Oscar nominations. At least the filmmakers kept the film in its native Cantonese language with subtitles.

The storyline is basically Robin Hood set in ancient China. It centers around Dr. Yang (Yu Rong Guang), who works as a kind and understanding physician by day and turns into the ninja-clad Iron Monkey by night, robbing corrupt government officials and giving their money to the poor. If Robin Hood dressed in black and threw ball bearings instead of shooting arrows, it would be the same story.

Then one day, Wong Key-Ying (Donnie Yen) wanders into town with his son and gets involved in a brawl. He's arrested and accused of being the Iron Monkey. Key-Ying promises to catch the Iron Monkey in exchange for his and his son's freedom.

Despite having a story that lacks originality, "Iron Monkey" is still a very enjoyable movie. The fight scenes are absolutely gorgeous, and they outnumber the ones in "The Matrix" and



"Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon." Not only that, they're just as good. Not bad for a movie that was actually made in 1993. It is a prequel to the "Once Upon a Time in China," set in starring Jet Li. Don't expect to see him here though. In fact, there's probably nobody American audiences would recognize.

The best part of the fight scenes is how inventive they are. The locations of the brawls range from simple streets to the tops of burning poles. And the fighters use just about everything as a weapon, including swords, chains, bags of rice and in one case, the sleeve of a monk's robe.

Anybody who remotely likes watching kung-fu should have no problem falling in love with this movie. Guys using kung-fu? This movie has it. Women using kung-fu? This movie has it. Children using kung-fu? This movie has it. Monkeys using kung-fu? OK, despite the title, there's none of that.

But there are a few laughs and a little gore for the blood-thirsty types. Actually, sometimes the gore and the laughs go together. Such is the case during a decapitation that makes a Ken doll look realistic.

Nobody should go to this film thinking they're going to get a little culture because they are going to the new foreign film. But in this age of crouching tigers and hidden dragons, there's still room for a little iron monkey.

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and favorable reviews.

But Lucas said any perceptions of a laid-back life in the fast lane are way off target.

"People think you're making so much money, really rolling in the cash," he said. "But it's really a facade because being on the road is so expensive. We might have enough money for Burger King on the way back home."

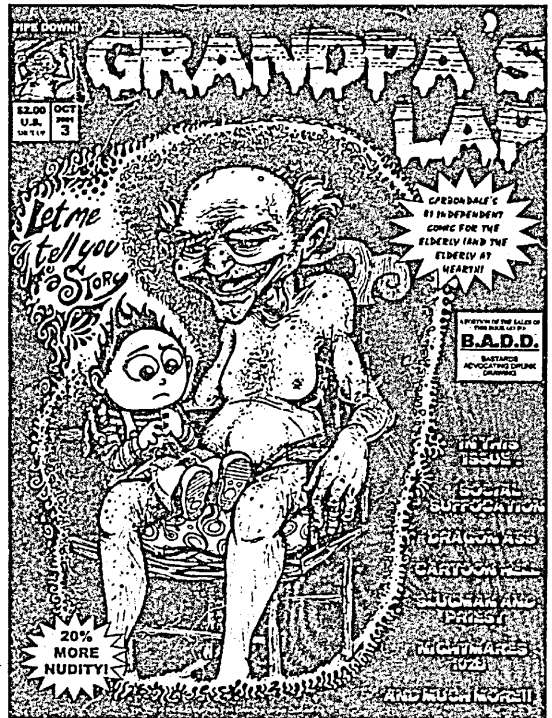
Home is Carbondale and, in a sense, Shroyck Auditorium, where the band will play tonight for the fourth time at the release party for its latest CD. Shroyck has always been good to the band, Lucas said, and it's the perfect stepping stone for the group's ultimate goal — playing in auditoriums across the Midwest.

"Auditoriums are a level up. They're very professional venues, very high-class, and Shroyck is definitely in that group," Lucas said.

The band is already working toward its goal by becoming a member of the prestigious Illinois Artstour Roster, which gives it access to an array of auditoriums. The deal is that various auditoriums receive grant money from the Illinois Art Council on the condition they book bands on the council's roster.

And Lucas knows a thing or two about prestige — his piano playing days as a kid evolved into classical music performances in national concert halls.

But that wasn't really his style. He eventually got bored with the buttoned-up music halls and decided to pursue a career more along the lines of Pearl Jam and Pink Floyd, one that has already surpassed his highest expectations.



## 'Grandpa's Lap' third issues hits the street

Local artists collaborate to create comic book

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Sitting on mom's lap; a feeling of security. Whispering wishes on Santa Claus' lap; warm memories. Sitting on this "Grandpa's Lap," repressed memories, increased apathy and weeks of therapy.

"Grandpa's Lap" is an underground comic book created and drawn by local twenty-something artists. To celebrate the release of the third issue of the monthly comic, there will be a reception at 314 Pecan St. on Saturday.

Showcasing the abilities of Tom Denney, a senior in art, and Carbondale residents Mike Hackett, Scott Fowers and Nathan Stiffler, "Grandpa's Lap" isn't your average PG-13 kiddie comic book. It's not even your NC-17 comic.

"It's an independent, subversive comic done by a bunch of cynical people," says Stiffler, a junior in drawing. "It's not about pissing people off or trying to get a rise out of people, it's just for enjoyment."

"Grandpa's Lap" is a collection of strips that run the gamut from the perverse and absurd to the complex nature of human relationships. The boys of Grandpa's Lap combine to form a collaborative comic that is a unique mix of sociological and psychological musings on dating, the effects of a childhood playing video games and unabashed autobiographical offerings.

Scott Powers, who draws and writes the "Dragon Ass" and "Anxiety Scrapbook" strips, handles all of the production of the book. Powers speaks humbly about the feedback received from the first two issues, even though he sells around 20 copies before he leaves the printing press at the Southern Illinoisan, where he works.

"Reaction? What reaction?" Powers says meekly. "I don't know because I am really biased. People tell me it's good and I don't tend to believe them. We are selling about 200 copies of each issue."

The two strips Powers produces con-

trast each other in a few ways. Powers says "Dragon Ass," the on-going story of a young man blindly fulfilling his destiny, is a blatant rip-off of Japanese animation stories and role-playing video games.

"I rip off 'Final Fantasy' and 'Record of Lodoss War.' Just all the stuff I grew up watching and playing video games," Powers said. "Ideally, I want to do something more serious and artistically valid."

Powers says that's where he's aiming with "Anxiety Scrapbook." Influenced by the work of Daniel Clowes, author of "Ghost World," "Anxiety Scrapbook" ranks as one of the more mature strips in the publication.

Standing juxtaposed to "Anxiety Scrapbook" is Hackett's "Social Suffocation." A strip following the exploits of disneyesque animal-like characters, "Social Suffocation" unfolds the story of an alcoholic, sex-crazed, local rock band.

Hackett, who graduated in 1999 with an associate's in commercial graphics, says he likes the flexibility he has with drawing animal characters.

"It looks like it is appealing for children, but the strips are really offensive," Hackett says. "If you have these cutesy Disney animals and draw them doing drugs and having sex, it's better."

As a fledgling comic book, the artists of "Grandpa's Lap" are hopeful of making some cosmetic changes to the book for a more professional comic book look. They also plan on developing a web page carrying comics exclusive to the site. Stiffler says they are looking to attract more contributors to the book.

"We have been out there trying to find people. That's a good thing though, it goes along with what we are doing here," Stiffler says. "We are trying to give people a chance to express themselves. It's a venue for people to express themselves who normally don't have an outlet."

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Artists interested in submitting artwork can contact "Grandpa's Lap" at [grandpas\\_lap@hotmail.com](mailto:grandpas_lap@hotmail.com).

"When people are excited and screaming, it's just such a different response than playing cymbals in a concert hall in front of a bunch of people in bow ties," Lucas said. "Once you get a taste of that, you don't want to go back."

So while tonight's performance may take place in a grand auditorium, it's still geared toward the hometown crowd. Lucas said DMS' new album, "Carpe Noctem," is more diverse and rock influenced than its previous efforts in order to appeal to a larger audience. It also features the band's first-ever vocal track, written by guitarist Andy Waldron.

Lucas was reluctant to allow the track at first — he believes the band can make its musical statement without relying on vocals — but was eventually won over by Waldron's talent and persistence.

"I figured if our band uses a variety of instruments, well, the human voice is an instrument too," he said. "And this album is on a higher level all the way around."

Lucas knows the music business is fickle, and fame is fleeting once you get it, but he's always known music would be a part of his life. And the bills will always be there, but so will his appetite for performing.

"The music industry is so up and down," Lucas said. "You're on top one day and on the bottom the next. But I really want to make a go of this and see where it leads."

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### ROCKIN' SOME DMS

The Dead Musicians Society will perform at 7:30 p.m. tonight in Shroyck Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for the general public and \$3 for students with ID. The band's latest CD, "Carpe Noctem," will be on sale for \$15 to the public and \$10 to students.

# Creation theory controversial

Science professors upset by recent WSIU-TV programming special

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Part of the SIUC science community took offense to some creationist programming that aired on WSIU-TV recently.

During the week of Sept. 24, WSIU-TV aired about a half-dozen program specials that attempted to conquer touchy topics such as the creation of Earth, the evolution of man and the Big Bang Theory, with religion playing a factor at times.

The battle between creationists and evolutionists is not a new one. The infamous Scopes Trial of 1925, or "Monkey Trial," attracted national attention, after a teacher was arrested for teaching Charles Darwin's theory of evolution.

While this doesn't have quite the drama of the "Monkey Trial," some SIUC science professors have relished the issue in light of WSIU-TV's evolution specials.

Michael Kruge, professor and chair of the Department of Geology, was one of the SIUC faculty members who e-mailed or called WSIU-TV to complain about the evolution programming.

"Our University-based station has vacated its educational responsibility to our community," Kruge said.

Among other complaints, Kruge did not think the programming was accurate and said that opinions claimed to be fact.

"This deliberately misleading approach undermines the patient work we science educators do in the classroom," Kruge said.

Professor of Geophysics Dhananjay Ravat said the programs also gave the impression that if scientists don't understand something, then God must be responsible for it.

An example of this in the programming is that some granites, a type of rock, inexplicably produce radioactive decays

that don't match what scientists already know about decays. So, according to Ravat, WSIU-TV implied that God must be behind it.

"Science has no methods to probe existence, or prove God exists," Ravat said. "As a result, creation is not an alternative philosophy to science. If I said it did in class, students would laugh at me because it's illogical."

Aside from religious implications, Ravat referred to other topics in the programs, such as the creation of mountains, that some faculty didn't agree with.

"There were untestable facts about how features of Earth were formed, and wrong [computer generated] models were presented," Ravat said. "If tested with conventional scientific methods, the models would prove to be wrong. There is no observational evidence to back them up."

WSIU-TV's Director of Broadcasting Services Bob Gerig, the one who approved the programming to be shown, stressed that the material shown in programs on the station is not necessarily any person's particular opinion on the issue.

"We can only show one program at a time," Gerig said. "From time to time we broadcast topics that are controversial to segments of our audience such as gun control, homosexuals, prayer in school, evolution and abortion. It's for the viewer to decide whether they want to watch or not watch a series."

Gerig explained that the PBS affiliate, along with showing 180 hours of original programming each year, gets programs from a number of outside sources including other stations, independent producers and even other countries.

The evolution series was among those obtained from another station, and Gerig said he approved it because it was a well-made series that he thought would provoke thought in viewers. He also said he wanted to make it "a cornerstone of the fall session."

"Whether it's right or wrong is not the point," Gerig said. "We're giving people access to information that they can decide for themselves."

Even though the program is receiving

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some criticism, Gerig said he was glad it has turned into something people can debate and talk about, and he believes in opening a dialogue for people to think about these issues.

"Other shows that aired those nights aren't being talked about anymore, but ours is," Gerig said. "There are equal reactions about the program, for and against, which tells me we did a good job of creating a discussion."

Krueger and Ravat said they both have donated money to WSIU-TV in the past, but only Ravat will continue. Krueger said he would transfer his financial support to KCET in St. Louis.

Since the Federal Communications Commission does not allow a non-commercial station such as PBS to show commercials, a large portion of the station's funds come from viewer support, and it hurts the station financially when people stop giving.

"It's his right, being a voluntary contributor, but every time we have a sensitive topic, you can't win when people pull out of funding," Gerig said.

Gerig said that controversial programming will continue to be part of WSIU-TV's lineup, because he thinks it should be left up to the viewer to decide what they watch.

"The viewer is the final gatekeeper of what they chose to watch," Gerig said. "I present the material and let people make their own decisions."

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# Seeing through the flames

Fire Department acquires new equipment capable of viewing interiors of burning buildings

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Before Carbondale firefighters dash blindly into burning buildings they will now have the ability of taking infrared pictures to determine whether people are trapped inside and how they can best combat the blaze.

Fire Chief Jeff Anderson announced Thursday that the Fire Department successfully snagged about \$7,000 from State Farm Insurance enabling the purchase of a thermal imaging camera. By simply pointing the camera at a structure, firefighters will instantly have a detailed map of the thermal heat areas inside the burning building.

Anderson said the Fire Department matched the State Farm Grant, permitting the camera's purchase, which rang in at about \$14,000.

"This will enable firefighters to reduce property damage and hopefully reduce the loss of life," Anderson said.

Community leaders, such as Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard and Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, gathered at the Carbondale Civic Center to meet and thank the 10 delegates of the insurance corporation that showed up for a demonstration of the camera's capabilities.

City Councilwoman Corene McDaniel saw firsthand how the camera can pick up the outlines of footprints of people after they have walked on areas of the ground. City leaders, such as Dillard, were impressed with the added safety the camera will bring to the city.

"We have put a lot of time, money and effort to improve our fire services," Dillard said. "We want to spend our time and effort to make sure we don't have the big fires, and if we do, we have the equipment to handle them."

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# Cable service changes in the works

## Mediacom increases capacity but St. Louis stations questionable

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Additional cable television channels will be possible for Carbondale in the future, according to Mediacom's government and community relations manager Randy Hollis.

But more channels cannot currently be added to the cable system because there is not enough bandwidth, or space, for additional channels. Hollis said the only way to add more channels to the current system is to remove something else.

"No matter what you take off, it's going to be somebody's favorite channel," Hollis said.

The Carbondale Information and Telecommunications Commission met Wednesday at City Hall to discuss complaints and how to deal with them.

Mediacom plans to increase the band width of the Carbondale system in the future. The system currently has a maximum capacity of 450 megahertz.

"We can't put anything more into it," Hollis said. "We've tried."

Mediacom is planning to rebuild its current system and increase the capacity to 860 megahertz. This will allow for more channels to be added as well as high speed Internet access and digital services, according to Hollis.

"We've got to get bandwidth first," Hollis said. "And the good news is, we're working on doing that."

Hollis said that customers will not see channels added gradually. Instead, he said customers will see the changes all at once, and Mediacom is working on the upgrades.

"Equipment is already starting to come in," Hollis said. "Mediacom is typically a non-metropolitan cable provider. Carbondale is a pretty good-sized city for us."

Despite the addition of new channels, and about 120 complaints from customers, St. Louis channels may still not be available in Carbondale. In April, the St. Louis channels were replaced with three other channels.

Hollis said Carbondale is in a market area defined by the Paducah, Ky., and Cape Girardeau, Mo., market. And St. Louis stations are in their own market, which is defined by that area.

"I hope people understand that our hands are tied to a certain degree on the St. Louis programming," Hollis said. "If we can get some back on here, I'm hoping that will be something well received by everybody, even if it's a six o'clock news cast."

Network affiliates have a right to

exercise network non-duplication. KPLR, a WB network out of St. Louis, is not allowed to provide service to a region where there is already another WB affiliate, according to Hollis.

"Maybe these complaints don't understand the duplication," said Carbondale Councilwoman Corene McDaniel, a member of the commission. "I think it's in the minds of the citizens that you just took the channels away, period."

According to Hollis, Mediacom took over AT&T's local services on July 19 and was not responsible for the last rate increase. However, he said rates do increase on a yearly basis.

"I won't sit here and tell you there'll never be another cable rate increase," Hollis said. "Typically when we [Mediacom] have a rate increase on expanded basic or basic, it's tied with and enhanced by additional product. That's been our track record."

Prior to the meeting, Carbondale Mayor Neil Dillard spoke to the commission, which will meet again Jan. 16 at 7 p.m. at city hall.

"I don't think we have any insurmountable problems," Dillard said. "Everything is functioning right. We want to be prepared and we want to move in the direction that we should be moving as a city."



Gus says: Where's my Buffy!

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# Classical music's calming effect may help

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DURHAM, N.C. (U-WIRE) — Mozart, Bach, Brahms and Beethoven — all are considered talented musical geniuses; now, some people believe that musical genius can be converted into an A on that calculus midterm.

Some people believe that listening to classical music while studying may help boost IQ and enhance memory and cognition. This phenomenon, originally known as the Mozart Effect and first brought to light by F.H. Rauscher, has come under recent scrutiny for its lack of reproducible results. So, can listening to classical music while studying result in increased performance on an exam? Scientists say it all depends.

Kevin Labar, Duke University assistant professor of psychological and brain sciences, said listening to classical music may enhance performance of visual spatial tasks, but the effects are transient, lasting only about 10 or 15 minutes — not nearly long enough to

claim any real benefit.

"It seems to relate in general to creating a pleasant mood, and inducing a pleasant mood seems to clarify thinking," Labar said. He explained that if anything, listening to classical music may create a relaxing mood.

"It puts you in a positive framework. It creates a calming state, which allows you to process another task more efficiently," Labar said, adding that no research has shown that listening to classical music is different from engaging in any other calming activity.

The calming state increases hormone release while minimizing adverse hormones, such as those that cause stress. According to research, creating a balance between these two types of hormones can help consolidate memory.

However, scientists say the potential effects of classical music depend on music preference — if a person does not find it calming, he will most likely experience few results.

But will listening to classical music while cramming the night before a big test still improve your performance?

Not likely, says Labar.

The best way to enhance memory is to study over a longer period of time, he explained. Cramming the night before a test decreases the likelihood of performing valuable and deeper encoding tasks. To truly benefit from studying, he said, material should be encoded in a variety of ways, and then related to one's personal experiences or other classes.

Whether it be by listening to Pachelbel's Canon in D or simply thinking pleasant thoughts, research has shown that the same psychological calming effect — which may or may not increase performance — can be produced.

Many Duke students expressed respect for classical music, but not a love of the genre itself. Still, some said they listen to classical especially for its mood-creating effect.

"It just calms me down," freshman Rachel Knox said. "Sometimes, silence is just too much."

Jennifer Song contributed to this story.

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# Trash Duty

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(LEFT) Jennifer Johnsen, a sophomore from Round Lake, collects cigarette butts to help make campus a little cleaner. Students, residents and local labor group members picked up garbage all over campus Thursday. (RIGHT) Senior Nico Sanchez, and junior Jackie Keane, both from Chicago, pick up litter on campus Thursday. The clean up event was organized by USG and other RSOs and was dedicated to a local labor group. October 11 will now be recognized on campus as a labor cleanup day.



## GRAIN

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"We don't do everything ourselves, we work with people in the countries and communities we serve," said Kuennen-Asfaw. She has worked in Ethiopia for the organization. In that country, a ship would bring the product from the United States to a port. The food is then unloaded onto trains or trucks to be shipped inland.

Catholic Relief works with many groups in the countries where food is being shipped. Kuennen-Asfaw said that no more than 700 people work for the Catholic Relief worldwide.

"Our main function is to build local capacity. We want these communities to become self-sufficient eventually," Kuennen-Asfaw said.

The organization has numerous programs that involve the corn/soy blend that Bethel Grain produces. They send food into schools, orphanages and health-care programs that feed children and mothers.

"We are just a link in the chain of many," Kuennen-Asfaw said.

She said the number of people that Catholic Relief helps a year is hard to gauge.

"From year to year the numbers change, some years you have disaster or emergencies that makes the number go way up," Kuennen-Asfaw said.

Food relief is sent to nations where there are refugees, natural disasters and wars.

The relief from the organization includes oil and a grain product along with corn/soy blend. Kuennen-Asfaw said the corn/soy blend can be used as porridge or as a flour to make bread.

She said her organization is in Pakistan delivering food to the refugees crossing the border from Afghanistan.

In Benton, halfway around the globe, the fight continues mainly unnoticed. The workers are there seven days a week, 24 hours a day, helping to feed the world with Southern Illinois corn.

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## TAX

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other communities, but because he hails from New York, he said his perspective might be different.

"As long as they don't go up," he said. Tiebout also added that the taxing bodies in Carbondale are reasonable, but because he does not have children, he would like to receive a break on school district taxes.

Richard Grant, director of the park district, said the organization has been lowering its tax rate.

"We try to keep the taxes as low as we possibly can and still provide the services," Grant said.

As a taxpayer, Grant said Carbondale's taxes are high but not too high.

"The services you get [in Carbondale] are better than other townships," he said.

But City Councilman Brad Cole said instead of "taxing people to death," for services, there is room to trim.

"Almost everyone that's a homeowner or that's new to the area has said something to me about the property taxes. When you add them up, they are pretty high," he said.

Cole said duplicate taxing bodies, such as two school districts, are unnecessary and in 1999, library taxes were increased, although the funding could have come from the city budget.

Cole said voters have approved some increases, such as the John A. Logan tax and the downtown special service area, which supports the Main Street program.

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# Illinois State Police to present alcoholism demonstrations

## Alcohol Awareness Week begins Monday

BETH COLDWELL  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Rick Rudnick encourages students who think they know everything about alcohol use to think again.

Rudnick, a graduate student in public administration from Geneva and head resident of University Housing, has been busy planning events for Alcohol Awareness Week, which begins on Monday.

Ken Culton, the new alcohol and drug awareness coordinator and clinical social worker for the SIUC Wellness Center, has also been instrumental in planning the week's events.

Together, the Wellness Center

and University Park Residence Life have scheduled demonstrations by the Illinois State Police, a performance by the Chicago Comedy Company and activities in the residence halls to educate SIUC students on the dangers of alcohol abuse.

Culton said that while most students do not have serious alcohol problems, one in five reported that alcohol use disrupts his or her schoolwork.

According to Culton, binge drinking is the main alcohol problem among SIUC students. He said a person who engages in binge drinking consumes more than four or five drinks in one sitting multiple times during one week.

"It is a problem, but there are alternatives and SIU students are finding them," Culton said.

About 3,000 college campuses across the nation celebrate Alcohol Awareness Week.

Alcohol Awareness Week will begin with a performance by the Chicago Comedy Company Monday in Grinnell Hall at 8 p.m.

The Chicago Comedy Company is a group of three improvisational actors who promote healthy lifestyle messages while including audience members in their performances. The group originated at Second City comedy club in Chicago.

"The goal is to deal with a serious issue in a humorous way, and they're very effective," Culton said.

Other events for the week will include a roll-over truck demonstration, a "seatbelt convincer" presentation and a mock DUI, all presented by the Illinois State Police. Students will also have the opportunity to operate a golf cart while wearing fatal vision goggles.

A "mock-tail" competition in the residence halls and a sober tailgate at the SIU vs. Eastern Illinois

University football game are also scheduled.

Rudnick said the hands-on activities are more appealing to students than speakers or informational displays.

"They're educational, but they're designed to be fun," Rudnick said. "They're tangible, so they'll impact you."

Chuck Parrott, director of Neely Hall, said he is sure the events of Alcohol Awareness Week will be effective in educating students about alcohol use and abuse.

"Emphasizing the pitfalls of alcohol is important for college students," Parrott said.

He said that automobile accidents cause a high rate of fatality for high school and college students, so the presentations by the state police are especially important.

Parrott said that because most of the events will take place near

Trueblood and the Neely Circle, students will be exposed to them. Culton said this year's events target 18-year-old and 19-year-old students because it is important for them to learn about problems associated with alcohol early in their college careers.

According to Culton, SIUC students need to realize that if they believe they have an alcohol problem, help is available.

"Students can call to ask about treatment or rehabilitation, or just to talk," Culton said.

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For more information about alcohol counseling, call the Wellness Center at 536-4441 or go to Keenan Hall room 215A.

# Abortion pill, RU-486, hasn't had impact that was expected

RUTH PADAWER  
THE RECORD (BERGEN COUNTY, N.J.)

HACKENSACK, N.J. (KRT) — When the federal government approved the abortion pill one year ago, the drug's supporters predicted it would revolutionize the way women ended their pregnancies — and temper the intensity of the public debate.

But a new national survey finds that only 6 percent of gynecologists and 1 percent of family practice physicians use mifepristone, known commonly as RU-486.

"People thought all these doctors were going to come out of the woodwork to offer the pill," said Ron Fitzsimmons, executive director of the National Coalition of Abortion Providers, which represents 160 clinics, including seven in New Jersey. "It hasn't happened."

Some doctors who offer it say they're finding few takers. One New Jersey abortion provider said

only 5 percent of his patients who are eligible for the method opt for it.

Forty percent of surveyed doctors said they "personally oppose" the use of the drug. Of the remainder, half said their decision not to offer it was based on concerns about protests or violence. The survey of 790 doctors was conducted by the Kaiser Family Foundation, a nonprofit, healthcare research group.

Prior to Food and Drug Administration approval of mifepristone on Sept. 28, 2000, 44 percent of gynecologists and 31 percent of family practice physicians told Kaiser they would be at least "somewhat likely" to prescribe the abortion pills if they became available.

They were drawn to the drug's advantages: the fact that it didn't require anesthesia or surgery; it offered privacy; and it mimicked a natural miscarriage, prompting bleeding over the course of nine to 16 days.

In addition, mifepristone allows a woman to end her pregnancy right after discovering it,

instead of having to wait until her sixth week for surgical abortion. For many women, those few weeks make a big emotional and moral difference.

Abortion rights supporters hoped that the enthusiasm for the drug would swell the ranks of abortion providers, at a time when the number nationwide was plummeting. Many believed mifepristone would move tens of thousands of abortions out of clinics, shifting them to where abortion foes could not follow: physician's private offices and individual women's homes.

But the more familiar doctors became with the drug's financial, procedural, and political hurdles, the less enamored of it they were.

Even among the 27 percent of gynecologists nationwide who already offer surgical abortion, many who had expected to use mifepristone have since backed away from it. In large part, that's because few anticipated the drug's manufacturer would charge as much as it does for the three-pill regimen: \$270.

The medication cost alone is so high, and

when you add the physician fee and the cost of ultrasound, the price was prohibitive," said one New Jersey abortion provider who had planned to offer it. "Once we presented it to our patients, they all said no."

The protocol for patients using mifepristone requires them to visit their doctor three times in two weeks. In the 5 percent to 8 percent of cases when it doesn't work, a surgical abortion is necessary. Mifepristone-induced abortions may only be used in the first seven weeks of pregnancy.

Another New Jersey gynecologist, whose clinic performs more than 2,500 surgical abortions a year, has offered the 600-milligram regimen of mifepristone for the past eight months — at double the price of an early surgical abortion, which averages about \$300. Patients favor it for many reasons, though few end up using it.

"They want to avoid anesthesia, and they want to have the abortion in the confines of their own home," he said. "Lots of other women want that method, too, but they can't afford it."

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**CHOATE**

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the legislature where he "brought home the bacon" to his Union County district. Choate was a prominent player in SIU's move from a small teacher's college to a major university, along with other Southern Illinois giants including Rep. Paul Powell of Vienna, former SIU President Delyte Morris and state senators R.G. Crisenberry and John Gilbert.

"For every penny [the late] Mayor Daley was getting for Chicago, they were getting every penny back for Southern Illinois University," said Gene Callahan, who covered the General Assembly as a reporter during this time. Callahan is now a member of the SIU Board of Trustees.

During Choate's 30 years in the House, he served as minority whip, majority whip, majority leader and minority leader. He was poised to become Speaker of the House after his longtime friend and downstate associate Powell left the seat. The battle raged for 93 ballots before Choate finally was defeated. The late Mayor Richard Daley worked against him and Bill Redomn won on a compromise vote.

But Choate would later get his revenge on Daley with a legislative maneuver that blocked the passage of the Daley-backed remap of U.S. House districts. Choate orchestrated the defeat of the remap that would have given Chicago two more seats from a restaurant telephone.

Gov. George Ryan, who served with Choate as a state representative said at the funeral that Choate, a staunch Democrat, was a master at deal making and reaching across party lines when it was necessary to get a bill passed. Ryan, a Republican, said Choate took him under his wing as a junior member of the House.

"I don't know anybody who met Clyde Choate that didn't like him and couldn't work with him," Ryan said.

Ryan, who went on to become governor after Choate retired, remained a close friend and associate to him in his later years.

"The Cancer Institute at Southern Illinois University — that was the last deal that Clyde and I cut," Ryan said.

Two sessions ago, when SIU was trying hard to get \$3.1 million in the budget to start construction of the Cancer Institute, Choate again



KERRY MALONEY — DAILY EGYPTIAN

The American flag is given to the daughters of Clyde L. Choate during his burial service Thursday afternoon. Choate was awarded the Medal of Honor for his service in France during World War II.

became a "guardian angel" for the University. The money was being blocked in the Senate by a prominent Republican and Choate called both Ryan and Senate President Pate Philip. Choate informed SIU officials that the money would be included. This was on a Wednesday. On Thursday, Philip brought it up before the Senate but it didn't get the OK of any other leaders and it died.

Garret Deakin, SIU's budget lobbyist was standing above the Senate floor watching and made another call to Choate. They needed him to make another phone call.

"And Clyde says, 'I can't. I'm blind and my in-home health care worker has gone for the day,'" Deakin said. "And then he says 'I know what to do.'"

Choate was 79-years-old. He walked down to his daughter's house and had her dial the

*"The apostle Paul must have had Clyde Choate in mind when he said 'I fought a good fight, I've run my course, I've kept the fight.'"*

Ken Gray  
U.S. Representative

phone number to Philip and took care of the issue. He called back the SIU crowd and told them Philip would adjourn the Senate and then the money would be in the budget.

"Just a few moments later, Pate [Philip] adjourns the Senate and later that night we found out that the funds for the institute were included," Deakin said.

"Southern Illinois University never had a better guardian angel than Clyde Choate," Lechowicz said, who shared rooms with him for 22 years when traveling.

The things that Choate accomplished during his life serve as a testament of a great man, added former

U.S. Rep. Ken Gray, another longtime friend.


"The apostle Paul must have had Clyde Choate in mind when he said 'I fought a good fight, I've run my course, I've kept the faith,'" Gray said.

At the end of the funeral, the nearly 200 people that filled the pews of the First Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Anna sang a song written by an old southern governor: "You are my sunshine. My only sunshine. You make me happy when skies are gray. You'll never know dear how much I loved you. Please don't take my sunshine away."

Then the crowd proceeded out the door and into their cars where the overcast sky had broken into a cold rain and there was no sign of the sun. At the cemetery, five soldiers raised their rifles to the sky and fired into the air as a final salute to their fallen comrade.

It was there that a lone soldier stood near the burial grounds without movement, with a shiny gold trumpet in one hand. He raised it to his lips and belted out the mournful tune of "Taps." The regal melody was muffled by the rain, which rolled down black umbrellas and joined the tears running down the cheeks of those that once loved and will always remember Clyde Lee Choate.

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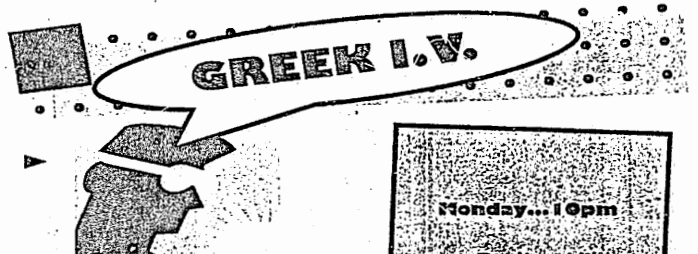
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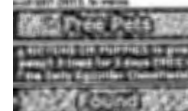
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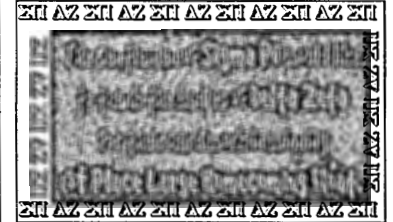
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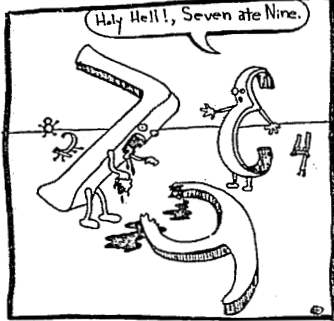
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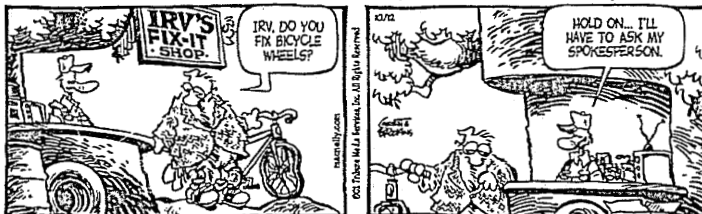
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# Water Dawgs look to continue conference domination

Swimming, diving teams travel to Peoria for MVC Shootout

JENS DEJU  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Missouri Valley Conference Shootout this Saturday in Peoria will provide the SIU men's and women's swimming and diving teams with an invaluable opportunity to scope out its competition.

"The meet will be the first chance of the season for the conference teams to display their new talent and show how much their returns have improved.

"I'm really excited just to see the competition, feel everything out," said sophomore transfer Brigitta Olson. "It's good to do it now so you can see what you have to train to, what you have to keep up to, so when it comes to conference you know what you're stacked up against."

SIU women's head coach Jeff Goetz said that while it is a competitive meet, he also looks at it as a fun meet.

"We just go out there, we have a good time," Goetz said. "It's good to see the other teams before the conference meet. This meet we get to see everybody, we get to swim everybody. It is a competition, but we're going for fun because it's lots of sprinting fun stuff."

Although they are going to have fun, the team still wants to win. That

is something the Salukis expect, as they have owned the conference recently, and will be going for their fifth straight crown this season.

"We expect to do great, we have a really good group of girls going," said senior Dana Morrell. "There's no need to be scared. I think we'll dominate the competition."

One thing going against SIU's favor is that they will not be able to get everyone into the water, as they can only take 11 swimmers and two divers to the meet.

"I don't like the fact that we're only taking 11 people. I'd like to see how everybody swims against everybody else," said senior Jenna Meckler. "I think after last weekend we'll do really well. We'll be kind of hyped up because these are the MVC people."

While the women had the chance to swim last weekend against the University of Kansas, this meet will be the first opportunity for the men's team to face off against somebody other than themselves.

"A swimmer gets antsy to where if you don't put him in a competition and let him go then they just get bogged down with trying to maintain hand workouts," said SIU men's head coach Rick Walker. "Letting them out to go compete is a good thing for them."

Walker said while the team will be trying its best, the Salukis are not going to invest too much in the meet.

"This is still very early in the season, but I'd like to go there and do well," Walker said. "At the same time,

**"We expect to do great, we have a really good group of girls going ... I think we'll dominate the competition."**

Dana Morrell  
senior, swimming and diving team

it's a conference obligation. We're going to go up and come back the same day that we compete. It's just too early to start focusing on wins and losses, good performances and bad performances."

Still, the Salukis plan on using the meet as a measuring stick to see where they currently stand in the MVC.

"We'll see where we're at and we'll see what we need to concentrate more on and what we need to work on," said sophomore transfer Brent Menghini.

Junior Jake Sinclair, last season's MVC male diver of the year, said the team is anxious to get back into the swing of things and start the competitive juices flowing again.

"For a lot of us, we haven't competed since last February or March and to come back and get in the spring of things and start competing, it's going to be great," Sinclair said. "We've all been looking forward to it."

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## HARMAN

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season, and once again playing well alongside Kenner. She is hopeful that the Salukis can find some winning rhythm and make it to the conference tournament.

"Coming in between the two of us, we kind of thought we could help our team the same way we did in high school," Harman said.

In high school, the only two seniors, Harman and Kemmer, led the underdog Quincy Notre Dame Lady Raiders to victory in the 1998-99 Class A State Championship.

"It was really fun for both of us," Kemmer said. "Out of a group of 13 our freshman year, there was only two of us left, me and Kelly."

After the Lady Raiders took the championship, both Harman and Kemmer recall the team celebrating on the court and becoming the first team ever to be forced off the court by officials for excessive dancing.

"We had the priests and nuns of our school up there leading the

cheers," Harman said. "It was a good time."

The Salukis, now in seventh place in the MVC, are shooting for one of the conference's top six spots to qualify for postseason action and possibly another dancing exhibition.

Harman believes passing will be a key to future Saluki success, not how many kills she gets.

"I think all of our hitters are capable of having double-digit nights," Harman said. "We need to run our middles more, because they can put the ball down."

But if SIU is in need of kills, Harman is ready to take on the responsibility with any added pressure that may come.

"I always expected it out of myself," Harman said. "I don't think it adds pressure. I think it adds confidence."

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## VOLLEY UP!

SIU will face the University of Evansville in conference action at 7 p.m. Saturday at Davies Gymnasium.

## SALUKI SPORTS

### NOTES

#### Women's cross country team headed to Pennsylvania

The SIU women's cross country team is making its longest trek of the season as it heads to College Station, Pa., for the Penn State Invitational on Oct. 13.

The team is coming off of a fifth-place finish at the Saluki Invitational last weekend.

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# Southwest Texas State U. facility question move to Division I-A

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SAN MARCOS, Texas (U-WIRE) - Students will be paying more money in student service fees and designated tuition to support athletics if Division I-A football comes to Southwest Texas State University.

James Studer, vice president of Student Affairs, said designated tuition, formerly General Use Fee, will increase from \$42 to \$50 per semester hour by 2005 to help subsidize the \$1.7 million annual deficit created by a Division I-A football program.

According to the "Business Plan to Move to Division I-A," which SWT had to present to the Texas State University System Board of Regents as a condition of the board's support of an expanded football program, the "minimum acceptable scenario" projects the annual expense of a certified Division I-A football team at about \$4 million. About \$2.3 million in revenues would offset these expenses.

Therefore, the "minimum acceptable scenario" projects a \$1.7 million deficit, nearly triple the 2000 deficit of \$603,858.

Currently, the athletic department does not rely on designated tuition to fund its operations.

"As tuition increases, (designated tuition) will follow right along with that," Studer said.

Designated tuition can be applied to any use.

"One thing we do right off the top is increase the salaries of our staff and faculty," Studer said. "We need to increase some academic programs and add a new admissions counselor. All those

needs are there, in addition to needing to put some more money into athletics."

As with all SWT fiscal matters, SWT President Jerome Supple will have the final decision on which programs are supported with the increased designated tuition, according to the "Rules and Regulations" governing the Texas State University System.

Supple said students would also pay more in student service fees.

"The agreement with the service fee committee five years ago was that [student service fees] would pay for athletic scholarships," Supple said.

Division I-A football requires an additional 22 football scholarships at a cost of \$10,200 apiece, according to Studer.

According to "The Business Plan to Move to Division I-A," "conversations will continue with students and student leaders to garner their support for increasing student service fees."

In 1995, Supple commissioned a task force to investigate the expectations the SWT community has of its athletic department.

The end result, "The Role of Athletics at SWT: A Task Force Final Report," has been one of the athletic department's two guiding documents. This document calls for the athletic department to increase its incomes "to offset the current demand on the student service fee."

However, Division I-A football will increase the pressures put on the student service fee, making it more difficult for academic programs to receive additional funding, according to Supple.

Currently, athletics receives nearly half of its funding from the student service fee, and nearly half of the total student service fees are spent on athletics. "I don't think it's going to take away

from areas that are already receiving funding, it's just going to be harder to get more money," Supple said at the February 2000 press conference announcing the move to I-A football.

It is a point Studer reiterated. "Division I-A football is not at the expense of existing programs, it's at the expense of new programs or making existing programs better," he said.

Studer, whose office oversees athletics, said affordability is a certified question.

"The money is not an issue here," Studer said. "If we can meet the attendance requirements and get into a conference, we are committed to spending the money. The commitment is that we would do it if we can meet the rules."

Not everyone shares Studer's commitment.

"We have a lot of people seeking concrete data," said Robert Northcutt, chairman of the budget committee for the Faculty Senate. "The question is, if you start chafing after this thing and you recognize you can't meet some of the financial demands, do you disen-gage? At some point we have to decide -can we physically, monetarily do it that point has not been reached."

Ron Sawey, an associate professor of computer science who has served on the Faculty Senate for 10 years, agreed with Northcutt that the numbers are too fuzzy for comfort.

"Every time I ask how much, I get no definite answer. I couldn't get any numbers," he said. "I don't think Studer knows how much Division I-A will cost. My impression is that he doesn't have a very good handle on this and that's very troubling to me."

Northcutt noted while SWT is the 74th largest university in the country based on enrollment, it is not the largest in terms of assets or endowments.

# Just call him Trapper

Travis "Trapper" Pressler strives for speed in preparation for the Illinois State Invitational

TODD MERCHANT  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Who is Travis Pressler?

If you go to Germantown, Tenn., not many people would know the answer. In Carbondale, even fewer people know.

That's because, ever since he was about three weeks old, Travis has been known as Trapper Pressler.

Nobody seems to know what was the impetus for the sudden name change.

"My dad decided to start calling me Trapper, and it stuck ever since," Pressler said. "I guess they weren't happy with Travis or something."

No matter what name you call him by, Pressler has established himself as an exceptional distance runner. Pressler, a junior on the Saluki cross country team, has only been running for about seven years, but in that short time, he has attained much success.

Pressler started running on his Houston High School track team during his freshman year when he was unable to make the school's soccer team.

He ran exclusively with the track team for three years when, during his junior year, his coach gave him an ultimatum.

"The coach told me that if I didn't run cross country the next year, I wasn't going to run track," Pressler said.

That little bit of motivation was all Pressler needed. During his senior year, he and his teammates had a cross country season that was nothing less than perfect. The Houston team had always been strong in its region, but that year, it outdid itself.

The team perfect-scored every league meet and eventually won the Class AAA state title, with Pressler finishing 11th in the state. The team was even ranked as high as ninth in the nation before finishing the season ranked 14th.

"My senior year was just incredible," Pressler said. "Running with that group of guys, getting that kind of recognition, it's just a great experience as a whole."

As Pressler began poring through college brochures and making his campus visits, the decision on where he'd spend the next few years came down to two schools: SIU and the University of Tennessee.

Both schools gave Pressler similar offers, and in the end, the main factor was distance.

"SIU happened to be three and a half hours away from home, compared to six hours from home," Pressler said.

During the summer after graduation, Pressler said that he wasn't taking his training seriously. When he arrived at SIU, he realized that he was not in the best shape and decided to redshirt his freshman year.

"I was so incredibly out of shape that I wasn't going to get to run many meets," Pressler said. "And the meets I ran, I was probably going to get beat so bad, it wouldn't have been worth running them."

After sitting out, he had a decent season during his official freshman year, and he thought his sophomore year would be his breakout year.

Pressler trained better than he ever had before during the summer and was in really good shape coming into the season.

Then, he ran "like crap."  
He peaked during the second race of the season, and went down-



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SIU junior cross-country runner Travis Pressler takes time to recover after running in the Saluki Invitational this past weekend. Known for both his running abilities and his long-time nickname "Trapper," Pressler and his teammates are preparing for the Illinois State Invitational in Normal, Ill. this coming weekend.

hill from there.

"It was just kind of an eye-opener for me," Pressler said. "I really learned about what I needed to do to train. I basically learned how to become a good runner."

The year was also difficult because longtime Saluki coach Bill Cornell had retired before the season, and women's running coach Don DeNoon took his place.

DeNoon's coaching philosophy created tension throughout the team, and the squad split into several factions.

"It was a really bad experience," Pressler said. "The guys team ended up having three or four little cliques. The team chemistry really wasn't there."

This season, Matt McClelland has taken over control of the team. Pressler said that he loves the new system that the coach has implemented this year and it is benefiting him greatly.

He said that McClelland is

employing what Cornell used to use, but is also implementing some other techniques that he always thought the program should have.

Meanwhile, Pressler's improvements have been noticed by the whole team. Those closest to him on the team have seen the way his attitude has changed over the years.

Senior and team captain Joe Zeibert has known Pressler for four years, since the two joined the team together.

"He's trained real good and real hard," Zeibert said. "He's made lots of improvement since freshman year I think. He's got a lot of determination and his attitude has changed a lot since freshman year. He's a lot more confident in himself, and it shows."

With such determination, Pressler is likely to reach his goals for the rest of the season, which are to just keep getting faster.

His next step in improving this season comes on Saturday when the

men's cross country team competes at the Illinois State Invitational in Normal. The meet, originally scheduled for Sept. 15, was postponed due to the terrorist attacks four days prior.

Pressler's goals for after graduation are to join an elite training group for a few years and see where it takes him.

As far as the Olympics are concerned, that is always in the back of his mind.

"Every runner's goal is to, one day, be the best," Pressler said. "I feel if that's not one of your main goals, then you probably shouldn't be out here."

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## GOING THE DISTANCE

The men's cross country team travels to Normal for the Illinois State Invitational on Oct. 13.

## Illinois way of Indiana offense

LARRY HAWLEY  
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CHAMPAIGN (U-WIRE)  
- As if defenses didn't have enough to worry about against Indiana.

With senior tailback Levron Williams playing the best football of his career, defensive coordinators have more problems than ever against the Hoosiers. Especially after he scored six touchdowns, rushed for 280 yards, and averaged more than 10 yards a carry on the road against Wisconsin.

"I don't know if I have ever seen something like that," said Indiana head coach Cam Cameron of Williams' performance against Wisconsin.

Oh yeah, there's that quarterback, Antwan Randle El to worry about, too.

"If (the Heisman) goes to the best player in college football, then I would vote for (Randle El)," said Illinois head coach Ron Turner. "He's the best player in the country in my opinion."

For four years, these two players have helped Indiana consistently produce a solid offense, even if the win-loss record hasn't shown it. The two showed all their talents in a 63-32 romp over Wisconsin in Madison.

"To do that against a team the quality of Wisconsin is amazing," Turner said. "They did whatever they

wanted to."

Nearly all of the problems start with Randle El, who can do anything on the offensive side of the ball except play the line. His unmatched quickness on the field helps him to weave through the pocket and opposing defenses with ease.

"It's going to take more than one man to stop him," Illinois senior free safety Muhammad Abdullah said. "We will have to play well fundamentally."

Randle El has rushed for 278 yards with an average of 5.5 yards per carry and two touchdowns. He also has hit 61 percent of his passes for 527 yards and three touchdowns.

Against Wisconsin, he rushed for 102 yards while passing for 182 yards in leading the Hoosiers to the surprise romp.

"He's so elusive," said Illinois strong side linebacker Ty Myers. "It's like chasing a rabbit."

Randle El has gained 1,031 yards in his three meetings with Illinois, along with nine total touchdowns (eight rushing, one passing). The Illini saw Randle El's competitiveness come out in the 1999 game in Bloomington.

When the Hoosiers were down 28-7 in the third quarter, Randle El single-handedly led them back to a 34-31 overtime win, gaining 422 total yards in the process.

"He's a great competitor, that's the thing that impresses me the most about him," Turner said. "On every play, you never know what is going to happen."

But it was Williams who was wide open and caught the game-winning overtime touchdown in that 1999 game. Williams, like Randle El, has had his success against the Illini, rushing for 161 yards in last year's meeting with the Illini.

"He's always been a good player," Turner said. "He has always played well against us."

Last Saturday, however, Williams broke free from the shadow by rushing for 280 yards and six touchdowns in the win over Wisconsin. It gave him 426 yards of rushing on the season along with a 7.9 yards per carry average and eight touchdowns, in what has been his best season so far.

"He's a whole lot tougher than last season," Myers said. "He runs a lot harder."

"Not a lot of people give him credit for how good he is," Abdullah said. "He's big, he's fast, he's physical, and he's another challenge this week."

Illinois' defense is better suited to the option attack this year. By attacking the line instead of waiting for the play to come, the Illini will be meeting Randle El more at the line of scrimmage than in past years.

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Kelly Harman, a sophomore starter from Quincy, stretches in Davies Gymnasium prior to Thursday's practice. Harman is one of Saluki's star hitters with 52 kills from four past matches.

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## Killing them

# Softly

### Kelly Harman steps up her play for Saluki volleyball team

CLINT HARTING  
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With monstrous spikes and 242 kills so far this season, junior Kristie Kemner has been a visible offensive threat for the Salukis.

However, it is Kemner's old high school teammate known at Quincy Notre Dame High School as "Killer Kelly" that has provided the spark for the SIU volleyball team of late.

Sophomore outside hitter Kelly Harman, who stands 5-foot-10-inches tall, has fully taken advantage of the opportunity to start for the Salukis that came four matches ago against Murray State.

The Quincy native has recorded 52 kills in the last four matches, eight more than she recorded all of last season.

Harman is providing much of the firepower for the Salukis, who try for their third Missouri Valley Conference win Saturday against the University of Evansville at Davies Gymnasium.

Harman's high school coach, Rhonda Jensen, refers to Harman as a quiet leader and is hardly surprised at her fast start.

After all, it was Harman who built a reputation at Quincy Notre Dame as being the big hammer on the left side of the front line, while Kemner, known back then more for her passing, occupied the right side.

"Kelly was a very consistent hitter for

us and she really hit the ball hard," Jensen said.

Saluki head coach Sonya Locke is also not surprised at Harman's offensive production or her consistency.

"We needed some consistency, and she is actually providing more than a little bit of consistency," Locke said. "Right now, she is doing a great job, and I'm not surprised."

While Harman and Kemner both joined the SIU volleyball team at the same time, it was Kemner who got off to a fast start, recording 321 kills her freshman season, an SIU record, while Harman was red-shirted.

Harman received little playing time the next season, recording 44 kills and a .117 hitting percentage.

Jensen is surprised that Harman has not been utilized sooner.

"She is such an efficient hitter," Jensen said. "When you give Kelly the opportunity, she is showing you what she can do."

The soft-spoken Harman has always known of her ability to rack up kills. She said it was just a matter of having an opportunity to showcase her skills.

"Last year when I would get in, it would be for maybe a play or two," Harman said. "It was kind of hard to get in your rhythm."

Harman has found her rhythm this

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# Salukis aim to cool off sizzling Panthers

SIU goes for second straight win with difficult assignment at UNI

JAY SCHWAB  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Schedules can be cruel.

The SIU football team finally broke through last week for an uplifting victory, and the Salukis are hungry to build on the titillation generated by their victory over Illinois State.

But this Saturday, the Salukis are dispatched to Cedar Falls, Iowa, where they will encounter the Gateway Conference's hottest team in Northern Iowa for a 4:05 p.m. kickoff at the UNI-Dome.

Meeting arguably the best team in the conference is not an ideal date for an improving team looking to establish some confidence, but SIU head coach Jerry Kill said his team can win on Saturday — provided it musters a spectacular effort.

"To go play them at their place, we can't turn over the ball zero times, we've got to play good defense and not give up the big play," Kill said. "If we do those things, we'll win. But it is that easy to do against a good football team? It is not."

Northern Iowa (4-1, 2-0) is notoriously

difficult to beat at the UNI-Dome, and the fact that Saturday's game is Homecoming for the Panthers makes the game all the more forbidding. The Salukis have blared music during portions of practice this week in preparation for what will be an unfriendly atmosphere in the dome, but Kill knows the Panthers will be going for blood from the outset on Saturday.

"If we can survive the first quarter and the rush, we'll be OK," Kill said. "But if we don't survive the rush, we'll be in trouble."

Kill thinks Northern Iowa is playing the best football out of anyone in the Gateway right now. Freshman Panther quarterback Tom Petrie is already making a name for himself, but the real strength of UNI's offense is its ground attack. Northern Iowa has two quality running backs in Adam Bengel and Richard Carter, and a splendid offensive line makes both of their jobs easier.

"Their quarterback is really playing well for them and their offensive line is the best offensive line we've faced up to this point and time," Kill said. "Defensively, they're just solid. They've got good, strong kids who just do what they're supposed to."

Like SIU, Northern Iowa is playing under a first-year coach in former Panther star Mark Farley. Although Farley is encouraged with his team's early achievements — which include a 42-39 win over Division I-A Ball State — he said he's still looking for his squad to make improvement in all facets of play.

"We're pleased and fortunate to be where we're at with our record, but we have things we need to get a lot better at because there are a lot of great teams in the Gateway," Farley said.

For the Salukis, Kevin Kobe is expected to make his second consecutive start at quarterback. Nine of Kobe's 13 completions last week were to Mark Shasteen, and he'll be trying to spread the ball around a little more this week.

"Kobe should be a little more in-tuned with all of us this week," freshman wide receiver Justin George said.

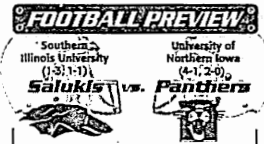
Another storyline to watch Saturday will be to see whether SIU (1-3, 1-1) can improve its fourth quarter performance. Even though Kill has made conditioning and play late in the game a focus since he arrived in Carbondale, the Salukis have been outscored 38-5 by opponents in the fourth quarter so far this year.

But in the Salukis, Farley sees a worthy opponent that has made major strides since the season began.

"I see improvement from them every week, both offensively and defensively," Farley said. "They're a dangerous football team."

They'll need to be, because the next stop on the schedule is a doozy.

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#### The Word on the Salukis:

SIU is feeling good about itself after picking up the first win under Jerry Kill last week against Illinois State. The defense led the way against ISU, an outstanding effort by East Scott and Bryan Arrzbald along with an impressive pass rush paid big dividends. The Saluki offense remains sporadic, though quarterback Kevin Kobe should start to feel more comfortable in his second start. Wide receiver Mark Shasteen was a force last week, but he'll need help if Kobe and the rest of the offense is to keep the Salukis in the game.

#### The Word on the Panthers:

UNI is a confident and capable football team, but is only loss on the season coming at Iowa State. The Panthers are getting sizable play from freshman quarterback Tom Petrie and have a strong ground tandem in running backs Adam Bengel and Richard Carter. Linebacker Adam Vogt is a tackle machine for the UNI defense, which held Southwest Missouri State to just a field goal in last week's 27-3 UNI win. The Panthers won't be looking past SIU after the Salukis surprised UNI with a 34-14 win last year in Carbondale.

#### Garnesday Tidbits:

UNI has experienced 12 straight seasons with seven wins or more. Last year Panthers head coach Mark Farley was a star linebacker at UNI in the mid-1990s. Saluki running back Tom Kazubos needs only 23 yards to pass Burnel Quinn for second place on SAU's all-time rushing list.

#### Excitement Lines:

The Salukis will need to play close to a mistake-free game and improve their red zone production to compete against one of the best teams in all of IAA football.