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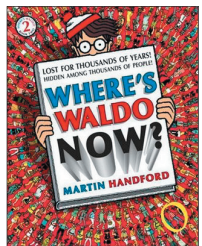
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Power Vote members from left Emily White, a junior studying zoology, David Sineni, a senior studying political science, and SIUC alumna Ashley Cline of Marion make their way toward a position on Skinker Boulevard to see Sen. Joe Biden, Democratic vice presidential nominee, as he arrived Thursday for the Vice Presidential Debate at Washington University in St. Louis.

JASON JOHNSON ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

For the full story, plus a soundslide of images and audio from the event, visit siuDE.com.

For more about the debate, SEE PAGE 4. For an SIUC professor's analysis of the candidates' performances, check out our blogs at siuDE.com.

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Weihe Wong, left, a graduate student under John Howie, right was his biggest admirer. PROVIDED PHOTO

Former SIUC professor fought his whole life

Jeff Engelhardt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

John Howie was in the fight of his life. Howie was an aspiring preacher gunning for the Mississippi Golden Gloves championship. A win could have made his dreams of going professional come true. That win never came for Howie, but he

did not get knocked out. He kept standing up. That is when he stopped fighting with his fists and started fighting with his words, said his son, Stephen Howie. Stephen Howie recounted stories of his late father's fight for civil rights during the 1950s Thursday. John Howie, a former philosophy professor of 31 years at SIUC, died Monday in Carbondale at 78 years old, but his son Stephen Howie and those close to him agreed that the tales of his courage would live on.

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Absentee deadline approaches

Early voting available Oct. 14 to Oct. 30



Christian Holt
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Voters worried about making their voices heard while away from where they are registered on Election Day can set their fears aside.

Absentee ballots can offer solutions for students, people in the military, travelers and many other groups of people who cannot make it to a poll-

ing place in their precinct on Election Day or in the days set aside for early voters.

If a person does need to vote absentee, he or she must take the appropriate steps to do so.

Jackson County Clerk Larry Reinhardt said a person must first request an application to vote absentee. He said this application is very similar to the one for voter registration.

Reinhardt said a recent court

ruling to delay the mailing of Cook County ballots would not deter the process longer than a few days. A Cook County circuit court judge ordered the delay Wednesday because of the ballot's wording about whether Illinois should hold a state constitutional convention.

After voters fill out their absentee ballots, they must mail them back.

Reinhardt said in Illinois, absentee ballots cannot be mailed to the voter after Oct. 30, and the return ballot must be postmarked on or before Nov. 3.

"It does have to be postmarked by midnight the day before the election, but a jurisdiction can accept it up to 14 days after the election," he said.

However, he encouraged voters to vote as soon as possible and in person if possible.

"We've actually already started absentee voting, and we've got a couple hundred in the mail already, and we've had 10 or 15 people come in here and vote absentee already," he said.

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— Erica Adams
senior from Belleville studying fashion merchandise

McDaniel announces run for City Council re-election

City Council member Corene McDaniel announced Thursday she would be running for re-election next spring. McDaniel is one of three City Council members

whose seats will be up for election in April. Councilman Chris Wissman announced he would be running for re-election late last month, while Councilman Joel Fritzler has yet

to announce whether he would campaign to keep his council seat.

Liquor Advisory board approves beer garden

In a unanimous vote, the Liquor Advisory Board took less than 20 minutes to discuss and approve owner Dan Terry's proposal for the addition of a beer garden to Club Traz, located at 213 E. Main St. The board had only a few concerns including the need for an emergency exit, the volume of any music played outdoors and the size of the beer

garden. Terry said the beer garden would not have outside music and the it's size would not require an emergency exit, according to city ordinances. Terry said the reason for proposing the beer garden was to provide a space for smokers who stand outside of both the front and back entrances. The fully enclosed garden would be approximately 15 feet 6 inches long and 57 feet

wide and would house a small service bar. The addition would require the existing concrete slab to be refinished, Terry said. Final approval for the beer garden is pending the Oct. 21 meeting of the Liquor Control Commission. If the plan is approved, construction would likely be completed within two or three months, Terry said.

Calendar

Habitat for Humanity Alternative Spring Break Informational Meeting

- 9:15 p.m. Sunday at the Newman Catholic Student Center
- Information will be presented for students interested in participating in a service during spring break through Habitat for Humanity
- Cost and location of trip to be determined based on number of interested students

Meeting

- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Recreation Center, Alumni Lounge
- Meeting for old and new members, free club T-shirt and other giveaways

The calendar is a free service for community groups.

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SIU Amateur Radio Club Meeting

- 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Engineering Building, room A131
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Banned Books Week brings enlightenment, appreciation

Jennifer Butcher
DAILY EGYPTIAN

William Shakespeare. Harper Lee. Mark Twain.

These authors are a few of those whose works have been banned from American library shelves and required school reading lists. But students, faculty and staff celebrated the once-forbidden works during a reading at Longbranch Coffee House Thursday, commemorating the 27th anniversary of national Banned Books Week.

Readers were mostly SIUC professors, and books read ranged from "To Kill a Mockingbird" by Harper Lee, to "Bigfoot! The True Story of Apes in America" by Loren Coleman.

Melissa Hubbard, the rare book librarian on campus, organized the event and read a passage from "Ulysses" by James Joyce.

Pam Hackbart-Dean, director of special collections, said this is a great event to bring to the community to remind us of

some of the freedoms for which Americans have fought and continue to fight.

Hackbart-Dean read "Daddy's Roommate" by Michael Willhoite, but said her favorite banned book is the 1955 Girl Scout manual, which was banned for mentioning internationalism.

Julie Arendt, assistant professor of library affairs, read "And Tango Makes Three," which was the most challenged book in 2006 according to the American Library Association.

The children's book tells the story of two male penguins that raise a baby chick, and despite the criticism, it has won numerous literary awards for storytelling and illustration.

"I think some people are upset about there being so many books available that children might see or might find objectionable, when no one is really forcing them to read," Arendt said. "And it's frustrating that they would make those decisions for someone else."



Judy Simpson led a brief demonstration outside Longbranch Coffee House before a banned book reading Thursday afternoon. The event marked the 27th anniversary Banned Book Week and saw university professors and librarians, among others, read to a packed house. **BRANDON CHAPPLE** DAILY EGYPTIAN

Morris Library holds a large collection of banned books in the Ralph E. McCoy Collection of the Freedom of the Press. McCoy was a previous director of the university libraries during the 1950s, 1960s and 1970s, and a scholar of First Amendment issues, Hubbard said.

SIUC has continued to develop the collection, Hubbard said, and any time a book is banned in the United States or challenged in any way, SIUC buys a copy so all the books that have been banned are in one place for people to come and study them.

The collection includes several hundred banned books, and has more than a thousand books total, which encompasses books about the freedom of the press and censorship as well as books that have actually been censored, Hubbard said.

"I believe that adults have the right to read what they choose, and that every parent has the right to choose for their own children," Hubbard said.

Books were originally banned under the Comstock Act. The law, which was passed by congress in 1873, prohibited the trade and circulation of obscene literature.

Hubbard said books are rarely banned under this law now because the Supreme Court has set the bar very high for what is considered obscene.

"More often now, books are banned on the local level, because they were removed from the shelves of a library because someone objects to them being there, or they are products removed from a required read-

ing list for schools," Hubbard said.

Books slowly became unbanned when they started to be challenged in court, Hubbard said. The dispute eventually made it to the Supreme Court, and they would have to make a decision on whether or not the book was considered obscene.

"It's good to read and know what others are thinking because not everyone thinks the same way," Hackbart-Dean said. "By reading books, it opens your world up to different opinions. Even if it is not what you agree with, it's good to know where the other side is coming from."



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NEWS ANALYSIS

VP candidates spar over energy, economy

William H. Freivogel
SAINT LOUIS BEACON

Sarah Barracuda showed up for the vice presidential debate in St. Louis Thursday night. Gov. Sarah Palin looked straight into the camera to appeal directly to "Joe Sixpack," promising to put the "government back on the side of the people and to stop the greed on Wall Street."

Not until the last half hour of the 90-minute debate did Sen. Joe Biden seem to find his voice and effectively argue it was Sen. Barack Obama who would help Americans pay the mortgage, send their children to college and pay for health care. Playing off Palin's frequent mention of Sen. John McCain as a maverick, Biden said, "McCain is no maverick when it comes to things that affect Americans' lives ... He's not a maverick when it comes to providing health insurance for our people. John McCain has not supported tax cuts to pay college tuition."

Palin and Biden both wore black suits and American flag lapels. Palin's flag was bigger. The two shook hands before the debate. Biden opened his answer to the first question saying it was good to "meet" her, driving home her newness on the political stage.

Then Biden ran into a whirlwind. Palin was back to the confident, plainspoken candidate who appealed to many Americans after Sen. John McCain chose her as her running mate. Through much of the first part of the debate, Biden spoke largely in the kind of policy language used in Washington, while Palin spoke in more down-to-earth terms. She touted her "connection with the heartland of America." At one point she said she would bring "a little bit of Main Street ... to Washington D.C."

Palin constantly brought the debate back to energy policy, which the McCain-Palin campaign considers a strong suit. "I may not answer the questions the way you or the moderator wants," she said, "but I'm going to talk straight to the American people."

Palin blamed Obama for giving oil companies big tax breaks by supporting the 2005 Energy Bill. She said she had taken on the oil companies in Alaska. "You know what I had



Franzi Contreras, 23, a John A. Logan College student with Power Vote, a national group that advocates clean energy and green jobs, makes her way through St. Louis Police on Skinker Boulevard outside the vice presidential debate at Washington University Thursday.
JASON JOHNSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN

to do in Alaska, I had to take on those big oil companies ... break the monopoly up there. Those huge tax breaks aren't going to those huge corporations. It was Barack Obama who voted for those tax breaks that he had to undo in my home state."

One of Biden's strongest moments was when he recalled that McCain had said a few weeks ago that the American economy was essentially healthy, while reversing himself two hours later. That shows how "out-of-touch" McCain is with the lives of real Americans, Biden said.

But Palin managed to turn that around. When McCain said the economy was healthy, she said, "He was talking to and about the American workforce and the American workforce is the best in the world." She added a wink for the TV audience, conveying the message that she was talking straight.

On his strongest suit of foreign policy, Biden fell into another trap. He explained why he had authorized the war in Iraq before opposing it. The language was reminiscent of Sen. John Kerry's disastrous statement that he had voted for the war before he voted against it.

Palin clearly was ready. "It's so obvious I'm a Washington outsider," she said. "You say you were for the war and then you were against the war."

With 20 minutes left in the debate, Biden, almost out of frustration, said that people in his community whom he met in Home Depot and in his old hometown in Scranton, Pa., know that they aren't better than they were eight years ago. "The people in my neighborhood get it," he said.

Just as Biden's remark was reminiscent of a Ronald Reagan debate line, Palin responded

with another chestnut from Reagan debate lore, saying, "Joe, there you go again, pointing backwards to the Bush administration. Let's look forward." She made the point several times. "Enough is enough," she said, accusing Obama and Biden of "always looking back and playing the blame game." She acknowledged that there "have been huge blunders" during the Bush administration, but said Americans want a ticket that would move forward, not look backward.

Palin continued the Reagan rhetoric touting "American exceptionalism" and calling America the "shining city on the hill."

Biden concluded the debate saying, "No one can deny that for the last eight years we have dug into a very big hole on our economy and credibility." He said Obama would restore the "dignity and respect" that Americans expect as part of the American dream.

Suicide attackers strike Shiite mosques, 24 killed

Robert H. Reid
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BAGHDAD — Suicide bombers struck two Shiite mosques in Baghdad on Thursday, killing at least 24 people and wounding dozens during celebrations marking the end of the Islamic holy month of Ramadan.

To the north, suspected Shiite militiamen gunned down six members of a Sunni family, including women and children, police reported.

Those attacks occurred four days after a series of explosions killed 32 people and wounded nearly 100 in Shiite areas of Baghdad, raising fears that al-Qaida in Iraq is trying to provoke Sunni-Shiite reprisal killings now that the last of the American "surge" troops have left the country.

In the deadliest attack, a suicide car bomber detonated his explosives about 20 yards from a mosque in Zafaraniyah in south-

eastern Baghdad. The blast killed 14 people, including three Iraqi soldiers, and wounded 28, police said.

The death toll would likely have been higher, but Iraqi soldiers prevented the attacker from driving closer to the mosque, police said.

"Pools of blood and the smell of burned flesh were everywhere and I saw a man of about 70 bleeding and lying on the ground," said Ammar Hashim, 25, whose brother was also wounded by broken glass in his shop.

In the other attack in the capital, a suicide bomber who appeared to be in his late teens detonated his explosive belt as worshippers were leaving the Rasoul mosque in the eastern New Baghdad district.

Ten people died and 24 were wounded, police and officials at al-Kindi and Ibn al-Nasif hospitals said. The dead included a guard who blocked the attacker from entering the mosque, police said.

More 'no' votes switch for pending bailout bill

Julie Hirschfeld Davis
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Desperate to avoid another market-crushing defeat, House leaders won key converts Thursday to the \$700 billion financial industry bailout on the eve of a make-or-break second vote.

President Bush and congressional leaders lobbied furiously for the dozen or so supporters they'd need to reverse Monday's stunning setback and approve a massive rescue plan designed to stave off national economic disaster.

Anything but reassured, investors sent the Dow Jones industrials plunging another 348 points, suggesting Wall Street is expecting tougher economic times even if the measure is rushed into law. The Federal Reserve reported record emergency lending to banks and investment firms, fresh evidence of the credit troubles squeezing the country.

"A lot of people are watching," Bush pointed out — as if lawmakers needed reminding — and he argued from the White House that the huge rescue measure was the best chance to calm unnerved financial markets and ease the credit crunch. He was calling dozens of lawmakers, a spokesman said.

Democratic and Republican leaders worked over wayward colleagues wherever they could find them.

Rep. Steny Hoyer, the second-ranking House Democrat, said there was a "good prospect" of approving the measure but stopped short of predicting passage — or even promising a vote. Nonetheless, the vote was expected on Friday. "I'm going to be pretty confident that we have sufficient votes to pass this before we put it on the floor," Hoyer said.

The top Republican vote-counter, Rep. Roy Blunt of Missouri, did predict the measure would be approved.

UNITED STATES

Judge denies mistrial bid in Stevens case

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal judge rejected a vigorous defense bid Thursday for a mistrial in the corruption case against Sen. Ted Stevens despite finding that prosecutors broke rules requiring them to turn over evidence favorable to the veteran Alaska lawmaker.

After a roller-coaster day of discord, District Judge Emmet G. Sullivan told lawyers that ending the trial after several days of testimony would be too drastic.

SOMALIA

Somali pirates stick to \$20 million ransom demand

MOGADISHU (AP) — A Somali pirate spokesman says his group will not release a hijacked Ukrainian cargo ship loaded with arms for less than \$20 million.

Sugule Ali told The Associated Press on Thursday the pirates would "never" reduce the ransom of the Ukrainian freighter loaded with 33 Soviet-designed tanks and other weapons. The MV Faina was seized Sept. 25 and is now anchored off the coast of central Somalia.

ENGLAND

U.S. to build new, more secure embassy in London

LONDON (AP) — The United States says it plans to sell its landmark London embassy and build a more secure facility on industrial land south of the river Thames.

The State Department says the existing Embassy building will be put up for sale "almost immediately." The move requires approval from Congress and local planning authorities and Tuttle said relocation is probably five years away.

UNITED STATES

Doctor's rethink sale of over the counters

WASHINGTON (AP) — A top government health official Thursday rejected pediatricians' calls for an immediate ban on over-the-counter cough and cold medicines for young children, saying it might cause unintended harm.

But Food and Drug Administration officials at a public hearing also said they were uncomfortable with the lack of solid scientific data to support continued use of OTC remedies with youngsters, particularly from ages 2 to 6.

SIU gets the blues

B.B. King and Joe Bonamassa to perform Saturday night

Luke McCormick
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Saturday night, balls will stop bouncing, nets will stop swishing and shoes will cease squeaking. Instead, SIU Arena will be filled with the sounds of blues great B.B. King.

King is stopping in Carbondale stop as part of his current U.S. tour. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. Saturday.

King, 83, has won 15 Grammy Awards, including a Lifetime Achievement Award in 1987 and a Grammy Hall of Fame Award, which he was awarded for his song "The Thrill Is Gone."

Bryan Rives, director of Southern Lights Entertainment, said he and his group were excited last year when they began looking for nationally known artists and King was available.

Southern Lights Entertainment has been seeking larger acts to add Carbondale as a stop on their tours.

"During college, students are going to experience cultural awareness, and by bringing in King, we can help them understand that (music and blues) part of culture," he said.

"We want to give students a great life experience while they are here," Rives said.

Joe Bonamassa is the opening act for King, but this tour isn't his first with the blues legend.

Bonamassa first played with King when he was 12 years old and has played roughly 10 shows a year with him since then, he said.

"He has always been a mentor and an inspiration," Bonamassa said. "I really enjoy the conversations we have and having the honor to pick his brain."

Bonamassa said his live show is not an exact science. Most of the set lists are material from the records, but a few obscure covers no one remembers will get thrown in also. It is great to

take old songs and update them, he said.

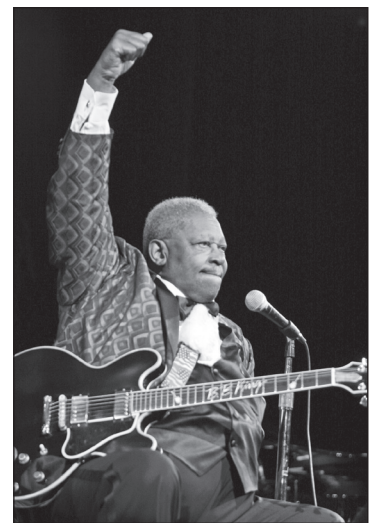
Although Bonamassa entered the blues scene at an early age, things are definitely starting to peak for him right now.

"I never thought I'd be a 20-year overnight success, but here I am talking to you right now," he said.

Rives said tickets are still available at the \$20 and \$30 prices, but attendees should not wait until right before the show to get their tickets.

"We're teetering on a sellout," he said.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at Shryock Auditorium



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or SIU Arena. More information about the show can be found at <http://www.southernlightsentertainment.com/bbking.php>.

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Get out with Ord

For these athletes, there is no 'try' in triathlon — only do

Audra Ord
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Editor's note: This is the seventh story in a weekly series featuring outdoor adventure opportunities through SIUC and in the southern Illinois region.

Mike Walker values his two-wheeled, pedal-powered bicycle more than his four-wheeled, gas-powered vehicle — and he has probably put more miles on his bike than most students put on their cars.

Walker, a junior from Pekin studying architecture and vice president of the triathlon club, began competing in triathlons when he was in high school. He's competed in nearly a dozen triathlons, including team competitions and some biathlons.

"In order to do a triathlon, it does take a lot of commitment physically, financially and mentally. I've got my bike insured for more than my car ... and it's not like my car's a hunk of junk," Walker said.

Walker said he enjoys triathlons

because of the positive atmosphere of the competitions and the teamwork involved in the sport. He said that although triathlons are an individual sport in which you're competing against yourself and your own previous times, it's also a group effort.

Cay Gerlock, the triathlon club staff adviser, said training and competing in triathlons is a great way to meet people who share common interests.

"You're around a lot of other people who enjoy the same thing as you ... and you can socialize as you're doing it," Gerlock said.

Gerlock has been competing in triathlons since 1996 and has competed in indoor and outdoor competitions. She said she prefers the outdoor competitions, which involve open-water swimming, mountain biking and trail running.

She said there are also triathlons that involve canoeing or kayaking instead of swimming. Distances range from sprint distances (0.47-

mile swim, 12.4-mile bike ride, 3.1-mile run) to long-distance or Iron Man distance (2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride, 26.2-mile run) triathlons.

Two triathlons are held on campus each year: the Rec Your Body indoor triathlon, which is held in the Recreation Center around February, and the Doc Spackman Memorial Triathlon, which is in

April.



The indoor triathlon in the Recreation Center is hosted by the triathlon club and involves a 10-minute swim in the pool, 20 minutes on a stationary bike and a 15-minute run around the track. The winner is determined by the amount of distance the competitors accumulate during the allowed time; whoever completes the longest distance is the winner.

Gerlock said the indoor triathlon

is a great triathlon for first-time competitors.

"It's a good one-size-fits-all triathlon. We've had 8-year-olds do it and we've had 83-year-olds do it in the last few years," Gerlock said.

The annual Doc Spackman Memorial Triathlon involves a 400-yard swim in Campus Lake, a 5-mile bike ride and a 2-mile run on the course around Campus Lake.

Justin Zurlinden, a sophomore from Caitlin studying architecture, competed in the 2008 Doc Spackman triathlon. It was his first triathlon.

He said he began training in November for the competition, starting with short distances and workouts and working his way up to the full distances. His goal was to build up distance while lowering his time.

Zurlinden said the swimming was the hardest aspect to train for and compete in.

"Putting your head in Campus

Lake is scary. If there's not a lot of fish that can survive in the lake, I don't think I should be able to, either," Zurlinden said.

Yet although Zurlinden's Campus Lake swim wasn't the most pleasant thing he's ever done, he's looking forward to competing in the triathlon again next year, and he encourages other students to try it, too.

"It's a really good thing to do, even if you just do it once. It's one of those 'bucket list' kind of things ... It's just one of those things that everyone should try once in their life," Zurlinden said.

Anyone looking for more information on area triathlons or the triathlon club is encouraged to attend one of the club meetings, which are held at 7 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of each month on the observation deck above the pool in the Recreation Center.

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Learn to understand your insurance



LYDIA BARGIELSKI ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

Health insurance is complex, complicated and confusing.

It's too easy to shirk off reading the university's 56-page policy, assuming that, if a time comes when you need it, it will take care of you.

But insurance policies stipulate things — like where you can receive treatment — and should be understood before you find yourself sick and confused.

It's important that students understand their health insurance policies before they find themselves in a situation where they need to use it. For a lot of us, this is the

first time we've dealt with insurance on our own.

Jessica Cantrell, a senior from Galatia studying French and Spanish who has been in a coma since a motorcycle accident Aug. 23, has brought the student insurance policy into the university's spotlight. Cantrell's parents chose to withdraw her from the university, losing the insurance with her student status. The university is helping the family find ways to pay for her skyrocketing medical bills, but so far the process has been slow.

The university is starting to review the policy to find

a way to prevent situations like Cantrell's — in which a student is gravely injured, cannot attend class and faces the prospect of no help with bills from an outside source.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial board sat down with Jake Baggott, the associate director of the Student Health Center, and insurance administrator Jim Hunsaker to clear up some misconceptions we had about the student health insurance policy. Eighty percent of the student body uses this insurance, and we can only imagine the confusion some students might feel about the policy.

Some things you need to know:

- Student health insurance is available to any student paying for at least one fee-paying credit hour. If you withdraw from the university, you will be refunded at least part of your tuition and fees, and you will be removed from the insurance. The only way your insurance policy will be voided is if you withdraw and receive at least a partial refund for everything else you have paid to the university.

It works this way to prevent students from enrolling in the university, withdrawing and getting a refund but taking advantage of the insurance anyway.

- Whether the university's insurance is used, any student can get cheap health care at the Student Health Center. That includes physical therapy, counseling, general checkups, emergency dental and gynecological care. Those appointments cost as little as \$6 and can be charged to your bursar bill.

- The insurance policy does not cover regular dental or vision care because it would increase the cost of student insurance so much it would no longer be affordable for students.

- Student insurance kicks in 72 hours before the first day of class. Move-in weekend is covered. A "pre-existing condition" is one you have been diagnosed with, received treatment for, or a prudent person would have sought treatment for, within the six months before your first semester.

- Pre-existing conditions, such as diabetes, may also be covered by the university policy, but you must stay enrolled for at least 12 months to receive coverage.

- Sixty days of coverage are available for people who withdraw from the university after attending for at least one semester prior to leaving the university. This coverage is meant to bridge a gap between SIUC coverage and whatever kind of coverage you switch to.

- The university has a deal with Health Link. If a student uses a medical institution associated with Health Link anywhere in the country, they will receive a discounted rate because of this deal. A list of qualifying institutions is available on Health Link's Web site, or your doctor can refer you to one in the area.

- Six people work in the university insurance office to process claims for roughly 16,000 students who are covered by the insurance. The three insurance administrators who process claims are mothers themselves; they have no incentive to deny you, and gain absolutely nothing if they do.

SIUC's insurance is not-for-profit, and the office spends 84 percent of what the students pay in on claims — which amounted to around \$5 million in claims last year. The other 16 percent is spent on administration of the policy — in other words, it goes to the salaries of the people who work in the insurance office.

- If anything about the policy confuses you, go to the insurance office. It's located upstairs in the Student Health Center. They will sit down and explain the policy if you need them to. And if the insurance personnel explain the policy to you, help you find a way for the policy to cover your claim or just do their routine job of making sure your care gets paid for, thank them. Everyone likes a little bit of gratitude every now and then.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“My friend Joe Biden has a tendency to talk forever and sometimes say stuff that’s kind of stupid.”

Claire McCaskill
Missouri Senator and Obama supporter
on expectations for Thursday’s vice-presidential debate.

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JUST FOR THE HEALTH OF IT

Every ‘body’ is perfect

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Would it surprise you to know that a significant number of college students struggle with poor body image? Probably not. What may be startling, however, is how far-reaching this condition has become. It was once associated mostly with middle-class Caucasian women. However, poor body image affects all ethnic groups, both sexes and every economic status. Roughly 80 percent of females and 50 percent of males report being dissatisfied with their appearances. There is a tremendous amount of value in this culture placed on the external — such as wealth, cars, money, clothing, “bling,” looks and, of course, having the “perfect” body. A common belief is that obtaining these things will lead to what we are all truly looking for: happiness, with a side order of positive self-worth.

The advertising world has a financial interest in perpetuating the idea that “you will never be good enough, so keep buying; more is better.” In fact, by bombarding us with messages and images that our bodies are imperfect, the weight control industry makes over more than \$40 billion per year. Yet, the truth is that the more money we spend on weight loss products, the more weight we actually gain! And so the cycle continues.

Many changes occur in college, and some are stressful and confusing. Numerous students find themselves leaving family and friends, and taking on more responsibilities. Other challenges — such as having a difficult roommate, keeping one’s own schedule, girlfriend or boyfriend issues — can leave a student feeling out of control. One way to distract from these pressures is to buy into the concept of the perfect body and spend lots of time, money and focus on achieving this idealized body. People sometimes think, “If only I can control this part of my life, things will be better.” The unfortunate reality is that despite these exhausting efforts, the results often don’t lead to long-lasting emotional benefits.

Additionally, there are many medical complications associated with eating disorders. These complications include, but are not limited to: brain shrinkage, infertility and osteoporosis. Thousands of people die each year as the result of complications from eating disorders. Often, the psychological aspects of eating disorders are devastating to students. Many college students spend their academic lives counting calories, hating their bodies and isolating themselves. They lose so much more than just weight: grades may suffer, friendships end and self-worth declines. Denial is a part of disordered eating. However, it is important for the issue to be addressed.

Despite the overwhelming pressure to be dissatisfied with one’s body, there are many college students who ARE content with how they look. Rather than concentrate on their perceived flaws, these students make the conscious choice to be content, to appreciate the wonders of their bodies, and to be free. And just think of how much life you can live with all that free time!

To learn how to obtain a more positive body image, please call the Wellness Center at 536-4441 to make a confidential appointment with a counselor.

*Gill is nutrition coordinator at the
Student Health Center Wellness Center.*

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Disappointment in graduation time

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing to express my disappointment in the scheduled time the law school graduation this spring. Having the graduation on a Thursday at 4:30 p.m. is a hassle to my family as well as for the families of many other students. My parents do not live very far away, but they do work, and taking at least a half-day off of work is inconvenient at best. Some members of my family (siblings, in-laws) live and work in St. Louis, so taking a day off work to drive to Carbondale to turn around and get home late in the evening to go to work the next day is a lot for me to ask of them, yet they still support me and would like to attend to see me receive such an important honor.

Additionally, in May my husband will be in the St. Louis area, and he may not even make it down for the graduation at all. Based on the comments I have read online posted for the DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial on this topic, at least a few people believe that law students are fighting this graduation time because we simply want an excuse to party. Even more hurtful, people believe we should “get over ourselves” because we are

simply graduating from SIU Law (and I guess, by implication, not some “more important” law school) and because JD degrees are a “dime a dozen.” I can’t believe people could be so insensitive to the fact we have spent the past three years working hard for a doctorate degree, with our families sacrificing along with us every step of the way. Many of us could not have made it to graduation without the emotional and financial support of our spouses and immediate families. They deserve to see us graduate if they want to and maybe even go out to dinner with us afterward without having to worry about the work they’re missing or when they have to get back home to go to work the next day. I am only one person out of a class of more than 100, and my story is not unique. I sincerely hope the administration will take this into consideration and be more sympathetic to us instead of simply insisting the ceremony not be moved.

Diane Klocke

third-year law student

SIUC graduation

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing this letter about the graduation situation that many SIUC students, including myself, now face. I realize that there are numerous opinions surrounding this issue, but I wanted to take a minute to address how this situation affects me personally. Spring graduations were moved to accommodate construction on campus, which is a situation beyond my control, but I do know how graduation affects my family, my friends and me. I am a third year law school student who has spent the last three years working to obtain the JD beside my name. This ceremony represents the culmination of my education which some of my loved ones may not be able to witness. The law school graduation has been moved from the usual Saturday at 4 p.m. time slot to Thursday at 4:30 p.m. This poses a problem for my family and friends who

not only have to drive to Carbondale but leave work early as well. For example, my sister is an undergraduate student in Cincinnati, Ohio, whose finals do not officially end until Friday afternoon. To make my graduation, she has to be done a full day early in order to drive the six hours to Carbondale. My brother will also have to arrange his finals scheduled on that day to make the ceremony. Not to mention, my parents have to rearrange their work schedules to attend graduation. It is upsetting to me that after all the hard work, my family may miss out on this important milestone in my life. I realize that some events and circumstances are beyond my control, but I do not want the sacrifice that nearly every family will have to make to go unnoticed, either.

Natalie Treece

third-year law student

DPS as bad as students?

DEAR EDITOR:

Yesterday I had a very disturbing run-in with Department of Public Safety. With all the problems with students being hit on campus, one would assume that the DPS officers, of all people, would do their best to make sure this doesn’t happen. Well, that was NOT the case yesterday. I was walking out of my class in Pulliam Hall and crossing the street to the parking lot. I looked both ways, and since there isn’t a crosswalk there, I continued to walk to my car, cautiously. Coming around the corner was a DPS car, but I had plenty of time to go to my car, if he was going the appropriate speed. The officer continued to speed up. As I had reached the corner where the parking lot met with

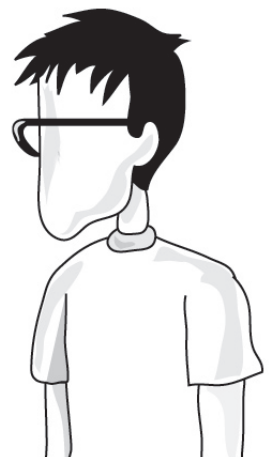
the road, the DPS car was less than an inch away from my leg! I could honestly feel the bumper graze the edge of my jeans. Then, to top it off, the officer had the nerve to blow his air horn at me, like I was in the wrong! He was the one who was obviously going too fast and couldn’t even slow down for a student going to the parking lot when there isn’t a crosswalk! I can’t imagine how a “responsible” officer could even begin to do this to a student! DPS is supposed to set an example for how students are supposed to be. With acts like this, DPS is going to lose all credibility among students.

Shea Hagston

junior studying advertising

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"He believed in fairness in everything and was a man with strong principles," Stephen Howie said. "At that time in South Carolina, it was very brave for a white man to fight for integration."

John Howie's tale of courage began when he moved from Mississippi to Bluffton, S.C., in 1954 after he hung up his gloves and picked up his Bible. At the time, Bluffton was divided by the color line and civil rights was just an idea.

That was until John Howie brought his fighting spirit to the pulpit as the preacher of a Methodist church, Stephen Howie said.

Stephen Howie recalled a story from his book that he wrote about his father, "The Bluffton Charge: One Preacher's Fight for Civil Rights," as a defining moment in his father's life.

He said John Howie protested a political convention, rallying for civil rights, and stood up for the cause with two of his friends amid jeers and threats.

After his all-white congregation heard of his relationships with black people, they put him on what Stephen Howie described as a trial. The congregation questioned him about being a member of the NAACP and wanted to know his motivations.

"People were being killed back then for standing up for civil rights, so that congregation could have turned on him right then," Stephen Howie said.

ABSENTEE

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Reinhardt said there is also an early voting option available for people who will be in the county in which they are registered. Early voting is available from Oct. 14 until Oct. 30.

He said no one should have trouble casting an absentee ballot because

of the amount of time these ballots are available.

"Absentee voting starts 40 days before the election, so there's a pretty wide span in there," he said.

According to the Illinois State Board of Elections' Web site, absentee voters have the same voting requirements as voters who vote in person on Election Day.

Stephen Howie said the incident disillusioned his father about organized religion, so he and his family signed a letter stating they were leaving the Methodist church.

After Howie's family left the church, he moved to Boston in 1957 where he earned his degree in philosophy at Boston University from Harold DeWolf, the instructor for Martin Luther King Jr.

The will to fight for equality continued in his career in higher education, Stephen Howie said.

When John Howie was lecturer at Randolph-Macon University in Virginia, he challenged the college's application process after discovering they required photographs.

"He found out that if you were turning in an application and you were black, you probably weren't making it in," Stephen Howie said.

His challenge to the university led to him being released the next academic year.

Once John Howie arrived at SIUC, his son said he found a place he loved. But that did not stop him from fighting for his principles.

David Clarke, a former philosophy professor who came to SIUC with John Howie in 1966, said John Howie played an active role in the Vietnam War protests on campus.

"He had a very strong sense of social justice that inclined him to be against the Vietnamese Center on campus," Clarke said. "The center promoted the war, and he opposed the war."

John Howie spent 31 years at SIUC where his son said he made great connections with the students. Stephen Howie said he remembers the shaggy-haired graduate students of the '70s who would come to the house to play pool, talk with his father about social issues and seek advice.

Stephen Howie said that connection remained late into his father's career, as he got to witness first-hand the special bond he had with students when he taught at SIUC alongside his father.

"I was hired at SIU to lecture in English, and my fondest memories were being able to walk the hallways with him," Stephen Howie said. "It was clear the students adored him."

At the end of his career, John Howie reconnected with the Bluffton community by giving a sermon at his old Methodist church. Stephen Howie said religion played an important role in his father's life, and his biggest disappointment was the failure of the church to move on social issues.

John Howie continued to fight late in his life in the field of bioethics and for a person's right to die, Stephen Howie said.

Just like 60 years ago when John Howie stayed standing in the middle of the boxing ring, Stephen Howie said his father never got knocked out.

"His fight for moral justice carried through for his whole life," Stephen Howie said. "He always stood up and never backed down for anything, no matter what."

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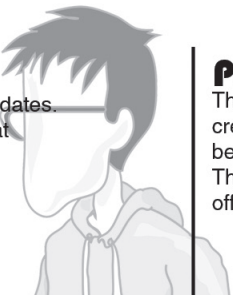
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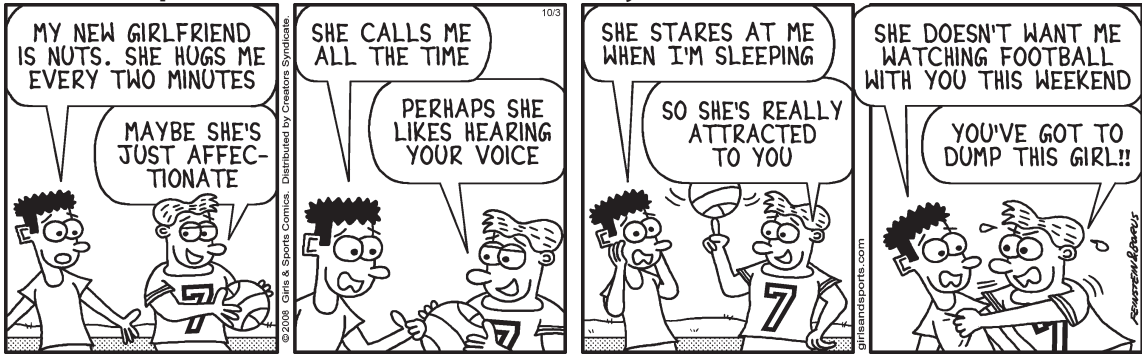
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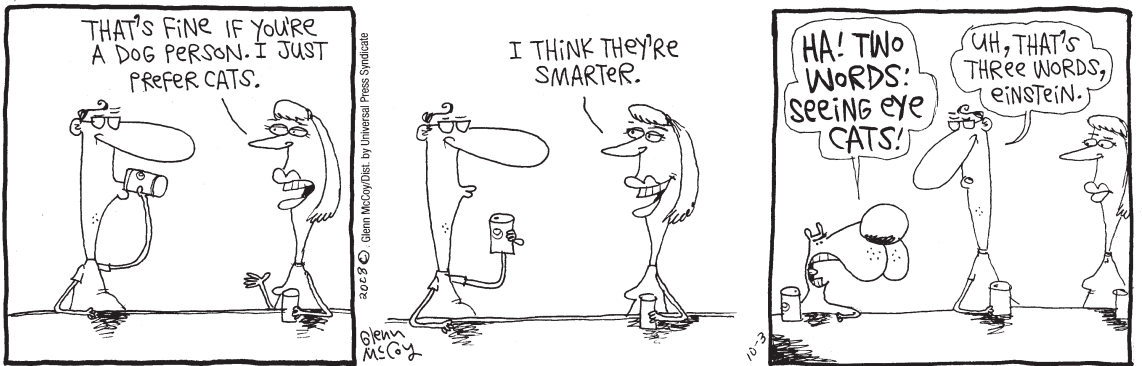
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16 Discharge
17 Above, in poesy
18 Two-rope jumping
20 Chinese vine
22 1940's computer
23 Goods tax
27 Vegas opening?
30 Works on the road
31 Spinning
34 Bear greeting?
37 Yemeni seaport
39 Drum type
40 Manhattan
Project's oralloy
44 Writer Calvino
45 Color similar to old ivory
46 Corp. big shot
47 Right-angle degrees
49 Evaluate, as ore
52 Brit's omega

DOWN
1 Out of cash
2 For two, in Tours
3 First letter sound in code?
4 One Gorgon
5 Chapel vow
6 Sun Devils' sch.
7 Unruly crowd
8 Mooring basin

Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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By Linda C. Black

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7 — Resolve domestic issues, physical and mental. A family meeting will put all sorts of odds and ends to rest. It's also easier now to fix things that are broken and throw away useless stuff you still have hanging around.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is an 8 — It's easier to get information now, through your investigations. You'd rather just ask somebody who knows, and that's certainly an option. Go ahead and do the reading on your own, too. You'll be amazed at what you discover.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is an 8 — You could get a very nice bonus or tip of the financial kind. Or maybe you'll find \$20 in an old shirt pocket. Looks like you're in for a nice surprise involving money.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is an 8 — OK, now you can move boldly forward. Hopefully, you have a plan. But even if you don't, your chances of success are better now. Proceed with confidence.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 6 — You get some of your best information from behind the scenes. Start asking your better informants leading questions. You'll get more gossip than you know what to do with.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — Many job-related difficulties clear up pretty soon. You and your friends continue to talk about the way you want things to turn out. You keep generating more enthusiasm. It's working, so keep at it.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 8 — They want you to take on more responsibility, but they don't want to pay you any more than you're already making. Is this a good deal? Maybe so, but don't go into it unaware.

Today's Birthday — You're an avid reader, most likely. Conditions are excellent this year for mystery novels, self-analysis and religious inspiration. After you've read enough, don't be surprised if you want to try your hand at writing. Share your story.

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

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is an 8 — Travel now is complicated, but should turn out quite well. Allow extra time to reach your destination, just in case. And hide a few extra bucks in your shoe, unless you're flying.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 6 — There's so much work, you wonder how you'll ever get it all done. Do what you can. Pay off a few bills. Take it one step at a time. You can relax later.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is an 8 — Your partner and-or mate is the one who'll come up with the next good idea. Don't argue so much that you miss it. Be watching for it instead. And give credit where credit's due.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — A private conversation helps you reorganize priorities. Get back to work on a different project. Something else is more urgent now.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 8 — Your luck's much better now. Put your plans into action. There'll be a couple of minor setbacks, but everything turns out well. Full speed ahead!

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Solution to yesterday's puzzle

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

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JUMBLE
THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

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

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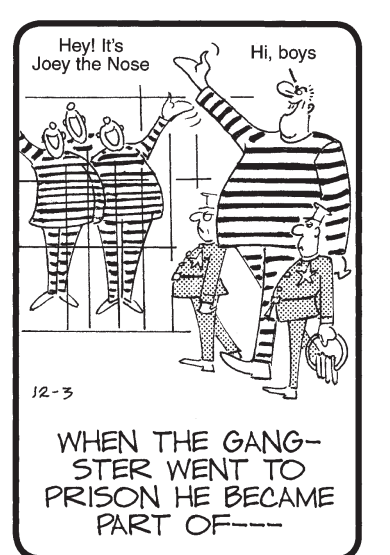
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

Ans: [] [] [] [] " [] [] " [] [] [] [] [] [] [] []

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's | Jumbles: HONEY CAKED FAIRLY PIRACY
Answer: A nice welcome — "CORDIAL"



Saluki Insider

The New York Mets recently extended the contract of general manager Omar Minaya and are considering doing the same for manager Jerry Manuel. The Mets missed the playoffs for the second straight season. Does either deserve an extension?



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While both might not deserve an extension, I think there is no better alternative available for the Mets. Minaya has gotten quality players on the team the last few seasons, and the Mets have been good. The only problem is that they have choked the last two seasons. And while this year's Mets may not have collapsed as bad as last season's, I think the two should get a few more chances.

After two classic collapses, the Mets clearly need a new look. They need a big game manager and a general manager who puts all the pieces together, not just some of them. The Mets' biggest challenge isn't filling front office positions, it's filling out a bullpen that provides relief instead of igniting rallies.

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Minaya deserves it; Manuel doesn't. Minaya has put a great team together. It's a team that's capable of being one of the best in baseball. What they need is a manager who will light a fire under them. If the Mets had a manager who inspires them to play, someone like a Lou Pinella, they would dominate baseball.

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BISON

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But Lennon said stopping the Bison's rush could be harder than any other team the Salukis have faced this season.

"If you can stop the run with them, then you have had a really good day because they are a run first offense," Lennon said.

But while Lennon would ideally like to eliminate the Bison's rushing attack, he would also like to see the

Salukis' ground game explode.

"We have to have a run game," he said. "I'm not worried about whether or not this is the toughest test for the run game; we need to have the running game. In order to be successful in that environment, you have to have a run game."

Warner, who has provided a bulk of SIU's scoring this season, is expected to get at least 30 carries against the Bison.

Warner could exploit an NDSU defense that, despite being one of the

best against the pass, is less than stellar against the rush.

While NDSU boasts the second-best passing defense in the nation, the Bison have allowed 193.8 rushing yards per game and have allowed most of their opponents to score on the ground.

"The stats are something that you see and it is something that catches your eye," Warner said. "But you just have to play within yourself and we will see how we do this weekend."

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of 18,883 fans, the second largest crowd for the Grizzlies that season. Because of the crowd noise, the Salukis struggled to find their rhythm offensively and were only able to score on a Craig Coffin 27-yard field goal in the fourth quarter.

Despite having experience in a noisy environment, Lockwood said crowd noise still could have an effect on the game.

"It can be somewhat challeng-

ing, but as long as everyone gets the calls and focuses on the ball, it's not too bad," Lockwood said. "It can pose its difficulties, but as long as you prepare for it, it won't be that bad."

Lockwood said if the offense could get off to a strong start, it could neutralize the crowd effect, benefitting the team.

Sophomore quarterback Chris Dieker, who makes his second career road start Saturday, might have the most difficulty in handling the crowd noise.

Dieker and the offensive line

have been working on perfecting a silent count and a set of signals to help ease any problems the crowd might give the SIU offense.

Even though Dieker said he has never played in front of the kind of crowd that is expected to fill the Fargodome, he said he would not let it affect the team's play on the field.

"We just have to stay focused and do what we've done in practice all week with our silent counts," Dieker said. "We can't let the crowd dictate what we do. We have to go out and play our game."

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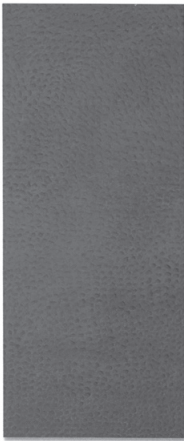

McArthur Binion

Professor of Art, Columbia College Chicago, Illinois

Lecture: Monday, October 6, 2008 7:00 p.m. University Museum Auditorium

McArthur's art is both simple and complex. At first glance the subtle simplicity is recognized, but as the viewer takes a closer look an esoteric intellect emerges. For example, his use of crayon as his medium is fascinating because it is such a simple medium but the outcome is so complex. The cerebral quality of his work allows the viewer to observe from various vantage points. McArthur Binion is an artist, a thinker, and a teacher. His contributions to the art world go beyond the physical elements of his work. He not only reaches students and art enthusiasts alike, but to the greater community at large.

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FOOTBALL

Bison pose major test for Salukis

Lennon: It's going to be a challenge

Brian Feldt
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If there is any merit to the phrase 'awaken a sleeping giant,' the SIU football team could be in for a rough weekend.

The Salukis will face North Dakota State Saturday in Fargo, N.D., where a team that has lost its last two games but still boasts the ninth and 10th best offense and defense in the nation respectively will undoubtedly be looking to regain its post as one of the best teams in the Football Championship Subdivision.

"They haven't had too many weeks where they have lost two games in a row," SIU coach Dale Lennon said. "So I know this isn't sitting very well with them, and I know they have had some very spirited practices so they will be coming out with a point to prove."

Lennon and company will take a two-hour flight to Fargo today, and the first-year head coach will certainly have a number of match-up concerns to chew on besides his in-flight meal.

Aside from worrying about one of the best offenses and defenses in the nation, the Salukis (2-1) will also have to find a way to contain NDSU's top two offensive threats in Payton Award candidate Tyler Roehl and wide receiver Kole Heckendorf, all the while dealing with the vociferous atmosphere found in the Fargodome.

"It is going to be a challenge," Lennon said. "It will force us to play at an extremely high level. Otherwise, we won't be successful."

The Salukis enter the game fresh off a dramatic last-second win against FCS powerhouse Northern

Iowa and will look to carry that momentum into a game that could be an even bigger challenge.

The Bison (2-2) have won 14 consecutive games in the Fargodome, the third longest in all of Division I football, and have outscored their opponents 91-20 in front of their home crowd this season.

The Salukis have practiced with a variety of music and sounds during their practices this week in efforts to ease the transition to the raucous Fargodome. SIU has also practiced a silent snap count to help offset the NDSU crowd.

But SIU running back Larry Warner said there isn't much a PA system can do.

"You can have the sounds here but when you get there it is a totally different feeling," he said. "So when we get in that situation we will just have to be focused and we are going to have to be consistent on offense."

The Salukis, though, will have much more to worry about than the crowd.

The Bison feature the most explosive offense in the Missouri Valley Football Conference.

Senior wide receiver Heckendorf caught a career high nine passes for 111 yards against Youngstown in the Bison's last game and has 104.2 receiving yards per game.

Meanwhile, Roehl represents one of the best offensive weapons in the nation and has scored three times on 282 rushing yards this season.

"He is just a power back who really doesn't juke much and gets it and just runs downhill," said junior linebacker Brandin Jordan. "We just need to concentrate on wrapping him up and taking him down."

Lennon said, as usual, the SIU game plan will look to stop the run and force the Bison to move the ball via the pass.

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Senior running back Larry Warner returns a punt during the Saluki's 27-24 win over UNI last Saturday at McAndrew Stadium. The Salukis travel Saturday to Fargo, N.D., to take on North Dakota State.
BRANDON CHAPPLE
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North Dakota State, dome could cause problems

Luis C. Medina
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For SIU to earn its second Missouri Valley Football Conference win, it will need to overcome a proud powerhouse and a loud fan base.

The Salukis travel to Fargo, N.D., Saturday in search of their third victory of the season against one of the Valley's newest members, No. 6 North Dakota State.

Not only will No. 13 SIU (2-1, 1-0 MVC) have to overcome its second nationally ranked opponent in as many weeks, it will have to do it away from the friendly confines of McAndrew Stadium.

The Salukis will make their trip to the Fargodome, where the Bison have the support of what is expected to be a capacity crowd.

SIU head coach Dale Lennon, who coached against North Dakota State (2-2, 0-1) when he was the head coach of the University of North Dakota, said it was important for the team to keep its focus on the game and not on the crowd.

"It's very noisy to the point you're not going to hear the person next to you, but it's actually kind of exciting and fun to be a part of," Lennon said. "But the key is to keep focus on what the task at hand is and not get caught up in the atmosphere."

In an attempt to combat the potential problems some Salukis might have against a raucous crowd, the team practiced silent counts with blaring speakers during practices this week.

Even though there is no method to recreate the exact atmosphere SIU

will experience, Lennon said the use of the loud speakers could help the team focus on the concepts of the silent count and communication without using a lot of words amidst a distraction.

Senior offensive guard Aaron Lockwood should be accustomed to that type of communication.

Lockwood is no stranger to adverse environments, having played in Northern Iowa's UNI Dome last season and at the University of Montana's Washington-

Grizzly's Stadium two seasons ago. Montana defeated SIU 20-3 in the 2006 Football Championship Subdivision Quarterfinals in front

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VOLLEYBALL

Salukis travel the Valley road

Look to improve conference record

Stile T. Smith
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The SIU volleyball team will go from last to first this weekend as the Salukis travel to Missouri Valley Conference bottom-feeder Bradley Friday before heading to MVC stalwart Northern Iowa Saturday.

SIU coach Brenda Winkeler said the weekend road trip will be pivotal for any hopes of a conference tournament this season as the team has already lost two conference games.

"When you go into conference, every match is important," Winkeler said. "These are no different. It's two very important matches, so we have to take care of business."

Northern Iowa comes into the game as two-time defending MVC champions and appear poised for a three-peat.

Junior middle blocker Chandra Roberson said SIU would have to

play its best to beat UNI — a feat the volleyball team hasn't accomplished since 1993.

"We're all going to have to play our best and beyond," Roberson said. "Northern Iowa's pretty big and tall, so we're going to have to play well."

The Panthers (14-2, 4-0 MVC) enter the game coming off their second loss of the season Sept. 30 to Saint Louis University, which snapped a seven-match winning streak.

Offensively, junior outside hitter Shannon Aschoff and senior outside hitter Amy Sampson lead the Panthers. The duo has averaged 3.66 and 3.34 kills per set, respectively.

UNI sophomore defensive specialist Ellie Blankenship, meanwhile, has been one of the best defensive players in the league and has averaged 5.49 digs per set this season, which leads the

conference.

But before the Salukis can have any hope of beating the conference powerhouse, it must first deal with Bradley, losers of its last three matches and eight of its last nine.

The Braves (4-12, 0-4 MVC) are led by junior outside hitter Amy Reichel and senior setter Sam Black. Reichel has averaged 2.69 kills per set while Black is eighth in the conference with 8.35 assists per set. Roberson said she

expects to beat Bradley but doesn't want to look past them.

"Bradley's a team we've beat in the past," Roberson said. "It doesn't mean we're going to beat them again. We need to work really hard and do the things we need to do. We need to stay consistent."

But despite playing at home, the Braves will be missing their home



Jasmine Conner, a sophomore from Flossmoor, drives the ball over the net after Brooklyn Robbins, a senior from Lincoln, sets it up.
JOE REHANA
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court advantage since their arena, The Fieldhouse, was demolished earlier this year. Bradley must now play its games at Illinois Central College in downtown Peoria.

Senior right side hitter Kristie Berwanger said no matter where the two teams meet, she expects the

Salukis to execute a good game.

"You always have to expect two wins," Berwanger said. "We'll work our butts off and, hopefully, we'll come through."

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