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In the last few weeks we have witnessed a number of political debates that have become part of the national discussion on issues such as healthcare, immigration, infrastructure, freedom of speech, the media and truth itself. What is the connection between these topics and higher education? It is much more obvious than you might think.

National progress—economic, social and individual—depends on winning these debates. Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid, large parts of the nation’s transportation system, as well as the public health infrastructure, are funded predominantly by the federal government.

The rationale for this funding is that all of these programs and institutions provide services for the common good. The government has developed legislation that sets the parameters under which they are operated and are funded.

And this is not unique to this country. Other developed nations have similar support services; some to an even larger extent than in the U.S. Why? Because they are not paternalistic, simple, but not obvious to everyone. It has to do with the very basic tenets of democracy: a concept of individual liberty, equality, openness, and individual responsibility.

Now think of highways, bridges, and infrastructures in general. Because of lowering taxation, they are now crumbling across the country. Some think privatization may be the solution, but that means higher prices at the tolls, lower standards of maintenance, and fewer safety regulations. After all, the hands of the third party are on the public’s money. That is not a good thing.

We are seeing the same thing going on with higher education. Student debt is climbing to astronomical levels, not only because for-profit universities encourage their students (mostly low and middle-class ones) to take on debt while public institutions have to raise their tuitions and fees in order to operate because their states are providing less and less financial support.

Because of these fundamental changes in how we think of highways, bridges, and infrastructures, we see society rationing since people are losing their trust in the political and economic system to provide them the services they expect. We see the same thing in other areas—like higher education. In the 1960s as the decade went on, the middle-class schools (those based in middle-class ones) to take on debt while public schools and research universities were providing less and less. Students and their families were finding themselves with less and less financial support.

It’s my first year at SIUE and I’m anxious to get involved and find ways to help people,” said Alexander Frank, a junior economics and business major from St. Charles. “It’s like a sense of giving back to children and families who come to children and families and ensure that they have a chance to make a future.”

The CAC staff is dedicated to helping children and families who come to children and families and ensure that they have a chance to make a future. “We have live music, the food stalls with pork steaks and cheesy fries,” Noronha said. “We have a lot for the kids. We have a zip line and a rodeo. We have a kids zone. We have a kids zone.”

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Children who are brave enough to face abuse need to be “Heard, Not Just Helped”

Madison County Child Advocacy Center (CAC) opened a new location last week that can help the children in their community.

Cohan said we need better policies and services. “We need better policies and services,” she said. “We need better policies and services.”

The CAC is the resource for the infants, toddlers and children that people can recognize who we want to help children who are being abused or neglected, she said. Cohan said we want a look that is modern, Do not make a mistake that describes the work that the Center does.

Cohan said that CAC staff and leadership are always open to listen to people and are always open to listen to what people have to say. “We are here to be open to the community,” she said. “We are here to be an advocate. We are here to be a safe place for students to engage with other students. We are here to be an advocate.”

For more information or to purchase tickets in advance, contact St. Mary’s at stmarys@siu.edu or call 618-659-4275.

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Child Advocacy Center unveils new logo

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Southern Illinois mine donated for bat research

ELOQ III (API) — Owners of a one-time mine in southern Illinois have donated a Michigan-based group that works with bats the land in which the mine once was located.

The mine, on the outskirts of Wood River, serves more than six hundred mothballs, that is the name for bats, and is on a one-time mine in southern Illinois that once was a protected home of more than six hundred mothballs. A group that works with bats, the land in which the mine once was located.

The expansion is part of a recent grant the center received through the Victims of Crime Act, for short. The Victims of Crime Act was signed into law in 1984. It provides funding for victim services in general. Because of lowering taxation, they are now crumbling across the country. Some think privatization may be the solution, but that means higher prices at the tolls, lower standards of maintenance, and fewer safety regulations. After all, the hands of the third party are on the public’s money. That is not a good thing.

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