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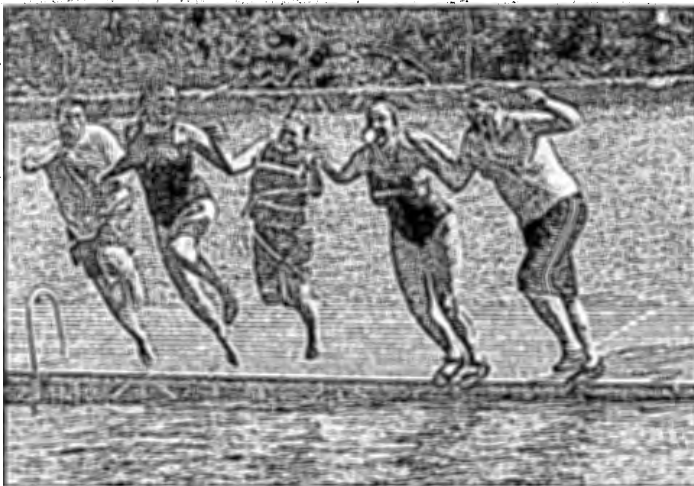
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ALEX HANLUND - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Camp Little Giant Counselors Katie Stoner, second from right, and Jessica Conyers, second from left, take a jump with some of the children attending the camp on Monday afternoon. The campers, who have special needs, have time to recreate on the waterfront at Crab Orchard Lake before dinner. See related story page 4.

Landlord challenges Carbondale's Main Street ordinance

Brett Nauman
Daily Egyptian

One of Carbondale's largest property owners has filed a complaint in Jackson County Circuit Court requesting that an ordinance the city uses to fund the local Main Street program be stricken down and declared invalid.

The city charges downtown property owners a property tax surcharge to collect about \$40,000 that is distributed to the Main Street program each year. Henry Fisher, owner of Home Rentals and landlord to hundreds of SIUC students, alleges in a civil lawsuit that the city acted "contrary to Illinois law" when it voted to disregard the petitions he submitted last December in protest of the ordinance.

The Carbondale City Council voted unanimously Dec. 18 to extend the property tax surcharge used to fund the Main Street program for an additional five years. The surcharge was first adopted in 1996 when Carbondale established its Main Street program.

In order to successfully protest the Main Street ordinance, Fisher needed to gather signatures from at least 51 percent of the registered voters living in the downtown area and the same percentage of those who own property, City Attorney Paige Reed said.

Reed said she understands why Fisher is arguing that the council acted "contrary to Illinois law," she just doesn't think it's much of an argument.

Fisher submitted 45 signatures to the council, but according to the Jackson County Treasurer's office, 255 registered voters reside in the downtown area. Reed said when Fisher failed to provide the council with 51 percent of the registered voters' signatures his protest of the ordinance was excluded from the council's consideration.

Repeated attempts made by the Daily Egyptian to contact Henry Fisher at Home Rentals Monday were unsuccessful.

The Jackson County Circuit Court will decide whether Fisher had the amount of signatures necessary to meet the requirements to allow official protest of the ordinance. Illinois law prohibits the council from passing ordinances such as the Main Street ordinance if 51 percent of registered voters and property owners disagree with them.

The court is currently waiting for a response to Fisher's allegations from the city before any hearing will be scheduled. Reed said the city will deny the allegations made by Fisher and his attorney, Scott P. Hendricks of Hendricks & Hagan in Carbondale, and will defend the ordinance and the city's right to collect taxes.

Reed said Fisher had 60 days to gather the necessary signatures after the Dec. 18 meeting but failed to do so. That avenue expired for Fisher long ago, and filing a civil lawsuit on June 12 against the city was one of the only appeal outlets available to him. Along with Fisher, "taxpayers similarly situated" are listed as plaintiffs in the case.

Reed said if Fisher's lawsuit is dismissed, he can still put up a fight to avoid paying the tax. He would need to find an area in Carbondale that he can prove does not benefit from the positives of the Main Street program. If he could then gather signatures of 51 percent of the registered voters and property owners in that area he might avoid the tax. The only catch is the area has to be worth less than 1.5 percent of the entire downtown area's Equal Assessed Valuation.

Reed said the city isn't too concerned about Fisher's lawsuit, because the argument it's trying to make is one she can easily refute.

"I believe we have a clear defense in this, and I believe our ordinance will be held valid," she said.

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SIUC Head Start receives federal grant

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

With three children and seven grandchildren, Congressman Jerry Costello knows how important youth education is.

That's why he helped SIUC receive a \$1.25 million grant for the Head Start Agency.

"It gives children a leg-up, so to speak, in the education process," Costello said. "They begin the learning process at a very early age in an organized fashion with the other children."

The donation was announced Monday and is a continuation grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Handicapped Training and Technical Assistance Program. The federal agency, which is locally operated by SIUC, provides educational

opportunities for children of low-income families.

Costello's chief of staff, David Gillies, said the congressman's office has worked with the government this year and in the past to make sure the grant continues to be passed.

"Our involvement is in getting the money and making sure that Head Start remains a priority for the federal government," Gillies said.

The Head Start Agency, in its 31st year of operation, caters to Jackson and Williamson counties, with locations in Carbondale, Marion, Murphysboro and Johnston City.

The grant will pay for youth education, handicapped training and coaching the program's workers in the care of children with disabilities.

The money is given based on a

formula that dictates the percentage of handicapped students in a given area. The total has increased in Carbondale in past years. Last year, it was only \$741,777, but this year it has risen to \$1.25 million.

Costello said he feels a personal connection to the Head Start program, and not only because he has children and knows how important it is to receive the best education possible.

"I have seen and visited with parents who have children in the Head Start program," he said. "There are many of these families who are struggling economically and could not afford to enroll their children in programs similar to Head Start."

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Teachers gain insight into their fields during post-Sept. 11 institute

Institute expands political and cultural resources for all classrooms

Samantha Edmondson
Daily Egyptian

The children at General John A. Logan Elementary School had grown accustomed to the thundering sound of planes landing at the Southern Illinois Airport.

But after the Sept. 11 attacks and commemorative assemblies, prayers and discussions of the event, Julie Wittenborn-Sikowski saw a different effect the planes had on her classroom.

Several months after the attacks, Wittenborn-Sikowski had finished hushing her pupils during a lesson at the same moment that a plane came in to land.

"I saw panic on their faces," Wittenborn-Sikowski said. "They said, 'Miss Sikowski, there is a plane

going over head,' and I said, 'Yeah there is an airport over there,' and they said, 'Oh, well are we going to be ok?'"

"I stopped right there and asked them if those little airplanes going over bothered them, and the whole class in unison said, 'Yes!'"

Teachers have conducted fundraisers to help out firefighters, assemblies, prayers and even discussed the event, but nothing prepared them for the questions the children asked and the fears they were struggling with.

Wittenborn-Sikowski and about 35 K-12 and college teachers around the state are participating in the week-long institute, "Teaching in a Post Sept. 11 world," to hear from politicians, New York teachers and each other to better prepare their classrooms for future catastrophes.

Randy Dunn, department chair for Educational Administration and Higher Education, has helped work out the fine details of the institute, but he said the idea originated from discussions between former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon and College of Education and Human Services Dean Keith

Hillkirk.

"We decided the best thing to do was to bring together some teachers and conduct a conference in looking at how Sept. 11 has impacted teaching and what it means on how schools should respond to this," Dunn said.

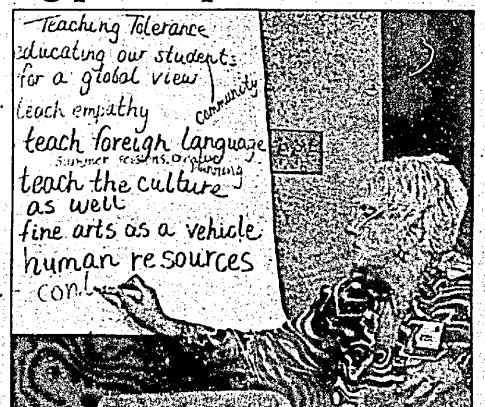
The teachers, who can also use the institute for two class credit hours, will delve into more specific sessions today at the Student Center with a general theme of understanding all cultures.

SIUC history professor Dale Bengtson, political science professor Ed Schatz and geography professor Raja Sengupta will lead a panel discussion on how Sept. 11 has affected politics, Islam in America and geography and economics.

Teachers will learn more about government, civil liberties and the classroom direct from state senators, representatives and other teachers Wednesday.

Shelly Gimenez, associate vice president for academic affairs at Pace University in New York City, will

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WILLIAM A. RICE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Pam Lindsey adds another idea to a list Monday during a brainstorming session about how to handle teaching in America after Sept. 11. Teachers from state elementary schools worked on this list and shared stories about the tragic day during the institute.

Police violence allegedly shown on amateur video

LOS ANGELES — An amateur video shows Inglewood police officers punching a teenager and slamming his head against the hood of a patrol car, and the department said it will investigate.

The probe was announced Sunday after the tape, taken a day earlier from a nearby motel, was turned over to police and local media.

The fight erupted after two Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies stopped a car for a routine traffic check in Inglewood, a Los Angeles suburb, and were joined by three local officers, said sheriff's Deputy Bill Spear.

The deputies and police "became involved in an altercation" with a 16-year-old passenger in the car, Spear said. The video shows an officer lifting a handcuffed teen from behind, then driving the side of the youth's face into the hood of the patrol car. Another officer later punched the suspect once in the face.

"I don't think that he was resisting. I mean, there were five cops," Mitch Crooks, the Sacramento man who made the tape, told KNBC-TV. The guy picked him up like he was a doll and slammed him on the car, and he wasn't resisting at that point. They already had him in custody."

NATIONAL NEWS

Floodwaters force more evacuations in south Texas

NEW BRAUNFELS, Texas — From the air Sunday, Gov. Rick Perry saw firsthand the devastation days of torrential rain have brought to central and southern Texas: houses surrounded by a sea of rolling, muddy water, uprooted trees and overturned vehicles.

And the bad news just kept coming. Floodwater that devastated the San Antonio area spilled into even more houses Sunday as it flowed toward the Gulf of Mexico.

"The devastation is extensive," the governor said after his helicopter tour. "Obviously when the water goes down we're going to see the impact on residential property is going to be substantial."

About 160 miles to the north, residents of Brownwood frantically piled sandbags around homes and businesses as water rushed through downtown. Lake Brownwood was 7.65 feet above its spillway Sunday and was expected to crest overnight a foot or more higher.

The flooding has been blamed for eight deaths and tens of millions of dollars in property damage. In some places, the rivers have crested as high as 28 feet above flood stage.

Perry said he would seek federal aid for 17 counties. President Bush has already declared 13 Texas counties federal disaster areas.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iraqi newspaper attacks U.N.

BAGHDAD, Iraq — An Iraqi newspaper has accused the United Nations of an "inability to perform a better role," and being an instrument of Washington.

The semi-official daily Babel, owned by President Saddam Hussein's eldest son Uday, said a lack of progress at talks between the U.N. and Iraq last week in Vienna was no surprise, but that Iraq was upset by the U.N.'s role. The editorial on Monday said the "irresponsible" U.N. was constantly seeking to "push things in the direction of the American administration's desires."

It added: "What always grieves us is the U.N.'s obvious inability and incapability to fulfill a better role, as it has become a victim of the U.S. administration's domination." The paper said the U.N. building was all that was left of the U.N. since "its performance and duties have become history," and it had become the "Non-United Nations."

The editorial said Secretary General Kofi Annan was "pushing things toward one direction and issue, which is the inspection teams, while ignoring other related matters such as the questions which require answers."

Iraq put forward a list of 19 questions to the Security Council, through Annan, before the Vienna talks.

Among them were questions regarding U.S. threats of military action against Iraq, the lifting of the sanctions imposed on Iraq in 1990 after it invaded Kuwait and the no-fly zones patrolled by U.S. and British planes, which regularly clash with Iraqi anti-aircraft artillery.

The Security Council did not respond. The newspaper also said that Annan's approach was "getting away from presenting important and serious issues." The editorial said Iraq had fulfilled its obligations to the Security Council.

South Africa, Libya vie for leadership in African Union

DURBAN, South Africa — Muammar Qadhafi arrived for the birth of the African Union in an ostentatious flourish with a planeload of luxury armored vehicles and his own elaborate security detail.

But the Libyan leader, who has never hidden his desire to lead Africa, was quickly put in his place by his South African hosts, who said they will be responsible for his security, not his content of bodyguards.

There was yet another victory for South African President Thabo Mbeki in his struggle with Qadhafi over who will lead the world's poorest continent in the beginning of the 21st Century.

Qadhafi fancies himself the father of the African Union, the new continental body that will replace the 39-year-old Organization for African Unity at a summit of African leaders starting Monday.

But it is Mbeki who has spearheaded efforts to ensure the new organization promotes democracy and good governance and works to bring Africa out of poverty.

"At crux is two competing views for the continent," said political analyst Chris Landsberg. "When it comes to Africa, not only does Mbeki have a clear vision of where to take the continent, but it is one of substance, of governance and responsibility."

Qadhafi, cast out as a player in the Middle East, simply is looking to make his mark in Africa, analysts and some African officials say.

"He (Qadhafi) was so desperate to restore his image and find a new role, he latched onto the idea of Africa," said Landsberg, co-director of the Center for Africa's International Relations at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. "Clearly no democratic figure, he subscribes to open checkbook diplomacy."

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TODAY'S CALENDAR

No events submitted today

POLICE REPORTS

- University**
- A Dell Optiplex G5110 CPU Pentium III processor was reported stolen at 6:50 a.m. Wednesday from 1025 Fanner Hall. Police said there was no forced entry.
 - A Sprint cell phone, bracelet and wallet were reported stolen between 5:15 and 6:20 p.m. Wednesday from a vehicle parked in Lot 94. Police said there was no forced entry and they have no suspects.

Carbondale

- A dual cassette player, CD player, electronic drum machine, microphone and a JVC CD changer were reported stolen between 9:45 a.m. and 6:20 p.m. Wednesday from an apartment on the 400 block of East Hester Street. Police said they have no suspects.
- A 1995 maroon Buick Regal was reported stolen between midnight and 12:03 a.m. Monday at Pick's Liquors, 700 E. Grand Ave. #10. Police said the owner left the doors unlocked, windows down and the car running and went into the store for a few minutes. Police said they have no suspects.

CORRECTIONS

In Friday's entertainment calendar Spare Parts should have been listed as played at Hangar 9 on July 5. The Daily Egyptian regrets the error.

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NEWS BRIEFS

FOURTH OF JULY WEEKEND

Boy stuck in hit and run

A 7-year-old boy suffered head trauma as well as injuries to his left arm and knee after being struck by a minivan at 11:04 p.m. Sunday on the 400 block of East Chestnut Street.

Bruce E. Barron, 34, of San Diego, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, leaving the scene of a personal injury accident, failure to render aid and driving an uninsured motor vehicle.

Police said Barron fled the scene after hitting the boy with a Mercury Villager. Police later found Barron at trailer 445 in the Crossings mobile home park at 1400 N. Illinois Ave. He was arrested and taken to the Memorial Hospital of Carbondale to have blood drawn to determine if he was under the influence of an illegal substance. He was then taken to the Jackson County Jail.

The boy and his family were visiting from Texas.

Six men arrested in brawl

Six men were arrested at 1:58 a.m. Thursday in the parking lot of Pinch Penny Liquors, 700 E. Grand Ave., and charged with fighting by agreement.

Three police officers stationed around the Strip at bar closing time responded to a report of a fight. Police said the officers used pepper spray to break up the brawl when the participants did not respond to verbal commands to stop.

The fight started when one of the men pushed on a car, police said. The driver and passengers got out of the car and confronted an unknown number of men.

Brodie T. Morris, 20, of Energy; Jared L. Charlet, 22, of Herrin; Joseph M. Abbott, 25, of Murphysboro; Justin D. Grovits, 24, of Benton; Aaron C. Vance, 25, of Cape Girardeau; and Brice W. Schafer, 22, of Carbondale, were arrested and charged with fighting by agreement.

Police said that while six were arrested it is possible others were involved.

Man attacked with knife

Police responded to a report of a fight at the Knight's Inn at 2400 W. Main St. at 3:30 p.m. Saturday. When they arrived they found a Carbondale man with knife wounds on his forearm and chest.

The man told police that Timothy Patzka, 32, of Aurora, had come to his room and attacked him with a fixed-blade hunting knife when he came outside. He said Patzka left the scene before the police arrived in a dark blue Dodge pickup truck with temporary license plates.

The man told police that Patzka had a child with a woman that the man had at one time been involved with and was upset about something the man had told the Department of Child and Family Services.

Police said they have not yet located Patzka.

Man arrested for DUI, resisting arrest

A Carbondale man was arrested at 2 a.m. Sunday on the 300 block of North Washington Street and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and resisting arrest.

Charles W. Hughes, 36, was driving on Washington Street when he struck a car backing out of a driveway. Hughes refused to comply with a field sobriety test after police arrived, but police said his behavior was indicative of intoxication, and they arrested and handcuffed him.

Police said a crowd had gathered and were yelling at Hughes, who became irate, started yelling and refused to get in the police car. Police said they had to use pepper spray to subdue him.

The driver of the other vehicle was cited for improper backing.

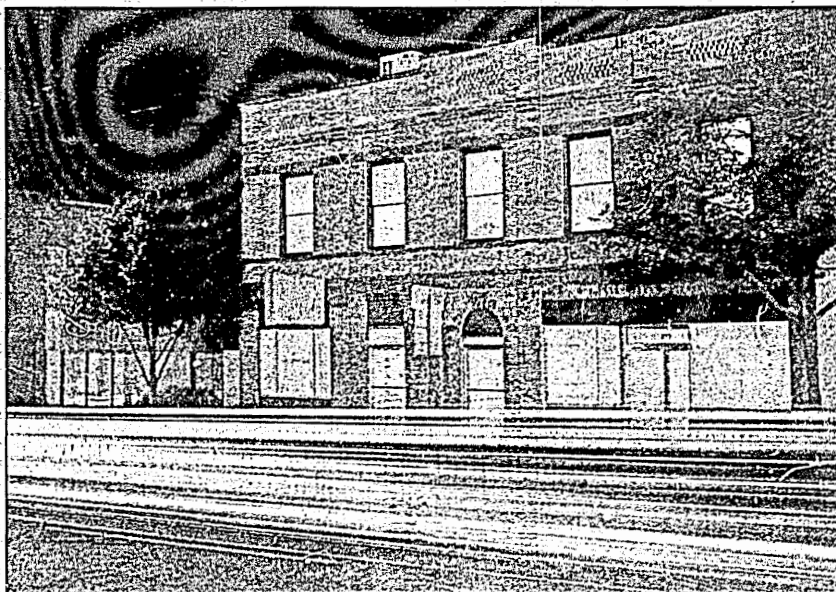
Man attacked by unknown assailant

A Carbondale man reported to police that an unknown man had attacked him at 2:40 a.m. Friday in the 500 block of North Springer Street.

The man told police that he saw a man who appeared to be very drunk walking down the street and called out "you're drunk; be careful." The drunken man then ran toward him and grabbed him before he was able to get into his mother's car and smashed his head into a car window, breaking the window. The drunk man then ran off.

The man was treated for minor injuries at the Memorial Hospital of Carbondale and released.

Police said the drunk man was described as a white man, 6 feet 3 inches tall, 230 pounds, brown hair in a ponytail, wearing blue jeans and a black T-shirt.



Traffic flies by Gallery HQ on West Main Street late Saturday evening. The galleries were covered with blue fabric and backed with fluorescent light in a building-sized sculpture visible from the street.

Main Street building gets the blues**Student's latest work of art turns windows blue**

Codell Rodriguez
Daily Egyptian

For people driving down West Main Street Saturday night, the only lights right after South Illinois Avenue were their headlights and a strange, blue glow coming from 211 W. Main St.

Michael John Hofer, a graduate student in art, stared straight ahead from across the street at his art gallery watching as people tried to enter, only to find the door locked.

The catch to the art gallery was that the gallery was the art.

Hofer covered the windows of the building with blue fabric and set up fluorescent lights behind them. He also convinced the city to shut down the streetlights on the block and

most of the businesses to turn off their lights.

"It's amazing that they were so cooperative," Hofer said.

Hofer said the idea of the piece was basically to get people to stop and look.

"I just transformed the entire building so there's this voyeuristic quality," Hofer said.

More than 20 people stopped to take on the role of the voyeur, some of them sitting in the lawn of the First United Methodist Church with food and drinks to accompany their study of the blue building. One of those viewers was Rick Smith, art professor at SIUC.

"It challenges the mind," Smith said. "When I first came up, I wanted to go inside."

Hofer said the desire to go inside was part of the point of the gallery. He said the people walking in front of the windows at night, produced a silhouette image.

He said that while the piece is meant to be seen at night, it holds beauty in the day as well. He said the transition from night to day is especially mesmerizing.

"It's gorgeous the entire time," Hofer said.

"Then, all of a sudden, it fades out."

Hofer's fiancée, Dana Nauseda, a senior in ceramics from Chicago, said she was pleased with the art and liked it better than his last piece. His last work of art was a bridge in Kansas City, Kan., that was set up similar to the building in Carbondale, except it was decorated with yellow fabric.

While she liked it more than his last piece, she didn't completely agree with how he orchestrated it.

"I thought people should be able to go inside," Nauseda said.

Nauseda will be working with Hofer on his next piece during the first week of August. The next artistic endeavor will take place at the same building on West Main.

But the blue glow from this piece had enough people entranced to not think about the next one. Smith said he found the building to be hypnotic.

"Now I find myself staring at it like it's a TV screen," Smith said. "It's quite disturbing."

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Student dies in dorm room

Brett Nauman
Daily Egyptian

An SIUC student was found dead Sunday in his Abbott Hall dorm room, leaving police without the cause of his death pending a coroner's autopsy.

SIUC Police Lt. Todd Sigler said that "there's no reason to believe a crime had occurred" in the death of 23-year-old senior Pieter Badenhorst. His body was discovered after his parents, concerned when he did not show up at their Winnetka home during the Fourth of July weekend, phoned police.

As of press time Monday, police would not release the cause of Badenhorst's death, and were unwilling to speculate on it without results from an autopsy performed by Jackson County Deputy Coroner Harold Anderson.

Rod Sievers, associate director of University Public Affairs, said the autopsy was scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Monday. Badenhorst was majoring in plant biology at the time of his death.

A neighbor who lives on the third floor of Abbot Hall said that others had heard an alarm clock going off in Badenhorst's room in the days before he was found, but that they had only thought he forgot to turn it off before leaving town.

Club offers support to newcomers**Women age 25 to 45 and new to area invited**

Lena Morsch
Daily Egyptian

Being relocated to Southern Illinois was quite a culture shock for Beth Mansfield Griswold. Three years ago, the Pennsylvania native arrived in Carbondale after her husband accepted a teaching position at SIUC with no one to help her adjust to her new surroundings. Griswold was shocked to learn that Carbondale did not have a newcomer's club.

"I had lived in Ohio prior to moving to Southern Illinois and enjoyed it very much. I thought a college community would already have a program such as this," Griswold said.

Griswold enlisted the help another area newcomer, Lena Salazar, and formed the club last summer.

"Our first meeting was at Giant City Lodge and we had six members," Salazar said.

The two women had hopes to provide a group for women, such as non-traditional students, to meet and get to know the area together while forming friendships.

The group meets once a month on

Saturdays for activities such as dining out, visiting local wineries and going to a day spa. Since the initial meeting the group has grown to more than 20 members.

"Our members are a very diverse group of people. There are single and married women, some with children, some without," Griswold said.

The club does not charge dues, and there is no obligation for anyone who wants to come to a meeting to see if it is right for her.

"It is very free-flowing and laid-back. I would encourage anyone to contact me who is interested. This doesn't obligate anyone in anyway," Griswold said.

The group expects to have several new members after the fall semester begins. Griswold said the only requirements are that the women are age 25 to 45 and have moved to the area in the past five years.

Salazar said she is glad to be a member, and has enjoyed her experience.

"It has been very helpful to meet other women from other parts of the country who are newcomers to the area like myself," Salazar said.

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LITTLE GIANT

Big Impact

Local camp has big effect on special needs children

STORY BY JESSICA YORAMA • PHOTOS BY ALEX HAGLUND

Evan, a counselor at Camp Little Giant, cups his hands around the shell of a nymph, a light-brown insect that sheds its outer layer, while campers crowd around to see what is so interesting.

"It's only the skin," 11-year-old Cody says, hoping to comfort a frightened camper that has backed against a tree. "It can't hurt you."

It hasn't been 24 hours, but already many of the campers of Camp Little Giant seem at home in the wilderness.

Throughout the next two weeks, the children will become more in-tune with the Touch of Nature site and nature as a whole at Camp Little Giant, a series of camps for those with disabilities.

According to director Randy Osborn, a 1986 graduate of SIUC, the camp is for people with subtle to profound disabilities who would not be able to attend a regular camp.

Charles Campbell, a first-time camper, is one of these individuals. As a counselor gathers the campers to head to the waterside, Charles is chatting with another camper about the events so far that day.

"I went on a trail twice today," Campbell says as he prepares to follow the group to the waterside. "That was really fun."

Despite only having been at the camp for a matter of hours, Charles has already made friends with another camper who shares some of his interests.

"If I'm not fishing or hiking, I'm sleeping," the boy says.

"We too," Charles agrees. "We play games, do arts and crafts and basically everything you would associate with the typical camp experience," Osborn said. "We just move at a slower pace some times. We also try to emphasize success and self-esteem more."

Since 1952, Camp Little Giant has provided a setting for children such as Charles and his new friend to form bonds. Next year, the camp will celebrate its 50th anniversary.

In honor of the anniversary, local filmmakers David and Rebecca Floeter have ventured to Camp Little Giant to

watch the start of the unions form as campers engage in activities such as hiking, swimming, fishing and horseback riding. The two have already begun filming interviews with those involved with the camp since its inception and plan to release a documentary for a national audience.

Despite the fact that all 15 campers in this session are under 21, employees want to emphasize that this is not an experience limited to children. The first two sessions are primarily for adults.

Whether the camp is catering to children or adults, according to activity coordinator Cordy Love, a graduate student in workforce education, there is a genuine sense of belonging established at the camp.

"People who don't know the campers may stare or look at them funny," Love said. "But there's a feeling here that's like a fraternity or community."

The sense of belonging and friendship that all counselors agree is acquired at Camp Little Giant is not the only thing obtained in the two-week session. In fact, counselors say they receive as much from the experience as the children do.

"You can't put a price on an experience like this," says Kristine Henderson, a counselor from Niles. "It's amazing how many different ways you learn to communicate and how intimately you get to know the campers."

Counselors at Camp Little Giant are hardly limited to those with or pursuing a degree in special education. According to Osborn, the only requirement for counselors is an interest in the program.

"All we ask is that you have the energy and enthusiasm," Osborn said. "We'll teach you the rest."

Although the experience is occasionally overwhelming, counselors such as Love say it is not one that a person will regret.

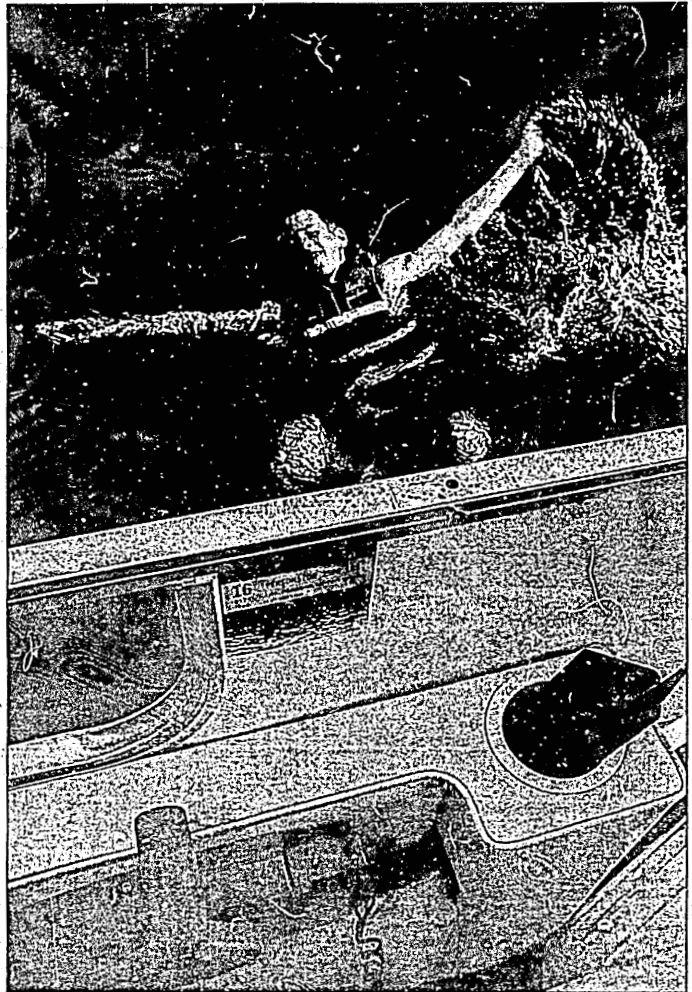
"There's something special about the feeling you get when these parents entrust you with their children," Love said. "It's difficult, but in the end, you realize it's all worthwhile."

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◀ Asst. Director Amanda Young helps Morgan Knowles get some frosting after lunch on Monday.

▼ Little Giant camper Dustin Friedrich takes a dip in Crab Orchard Lake after a pontoon boat ride Monday. Friedrich was at the camp during this week's session for children with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders.



Camp Little Giant counselor Jon Grelde applies sun block to camper Tyler Knowles' legs before a swim session on Monday afternoon. Knowles' sister Morgan waits to get her share of sun block, while counselor Jorja Jankowski gets ready to head down to the lake with them.



Camp Little Giant nature specialist Evan Coulson shows Danielle Bailey a stick bug during a nature hike on Sunday afternoon. The nature hike was part of the first day's activities, and most of the campers had arrived just before the hike started.

COLUMNIST



Tales from Oz

BY DAVID OSBORNE
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Punishment or protection?

I picked my dog up from the vet this morning. Nemesis had spent the weekend there while I attended a family reunion in Kentucky. My older dog, Mikki, was allowed to go with us due to her age and the fact that she's very calm, good with kids — that kind of thing. Nemesis is sometimes known here as "the hell hound." She's a good dog, but very exuberant in her affections. With a pack of small kids attending the reunion, we felt it best not to lead her into temptation and have one of my young nephews become a chew toy.

I figured she would be excited to see me, and warned the staff at the animal hospital she'd probably piddle on the floor. They assured me they were used to it. I'm glad they were; this was Nemesis' first time being boarded, and I was not prepared for her reaction.

They brought her around the corner, and as soon as she saw me she dropped flat on the floor in a attitude of total submission.

I think she thought she was left at the vet as a supreme act of punishment. I'm dreading the next time I have to take her to the vet for a check up. How can I convince her she's not being punished in this building, that the visits are necessary for her protection and the protection of those around her?

The Illinois Supreme Court is set to wrestle with a matter some see as punishment, some see as protection. Currently, Illinois publishes the names, pictures, addresses and criminal histories of adult sex offenders on the Illinois State Police website. Anyone with Internet access can easily see who in the community is a registered sex offender and where they live.

Juveniles who are registered as sex offenders do not have their information published. It is provided to local police, but the information is shielded from the public. All that could change.

The case involves a 12-year-old boy in Kane County who sexually assaulted two 7-year-old boys. The Supreme Court's decision will determine whether that child, as well as other young offenders, should register publicly or continue to have the registration closed.

Juvenile crimes are typically kept confidential, allowing youthful offenders to be rehabilitated and avoid being branded as criminals. Some say the public release of juvenile sex offenders would violate the spirit of the juvenile court system and award a heavy, adult punishment to a child.

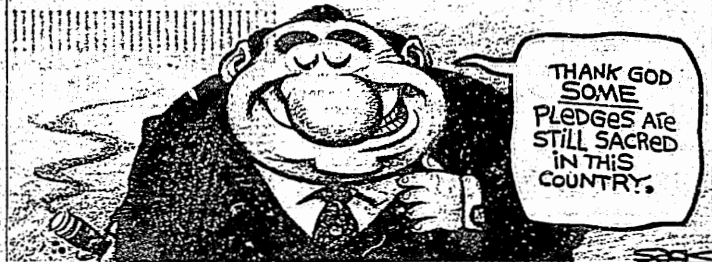
That may be, and I have some strong misgivings about the idea that a 12-year-old boy should join the adult community of publicly accessible sex-offender records. It does seem unnecessarily harsh.

I was living in a childless household a mere two years ago, and gave little thought to such things. Then I was handed the responsibility for two little people, and my thinking began to change. Previously, the Illinois sex-offender database was little more than a curiosity to me. With young children to look after and protect, I developed a keen interest in who was living in my neighborhood, and I carefully checked names and addresses of the registry, particularly noting those close to my house and the children's school. It was and still is a tool I use in my effort to keep my kids safe.

I don't know if there are any juvenile sex offenders in Carbondale, but before my kids get a new baby sitter or come home with a new friend, I think I'd like to know. To many it may seem like punishment to include juveniles in the public database, but as a father, I see it as protection.

David's views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

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OUR WORD

"Under God" debate spurs identity crisis

The 9th Circuit Court ruling that reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in public schools because of the phrase "under God" has much of our nation debating "What does it mean to be an American?"

Oh great — an identity crisis.

As if the upcoming election year isn't enough to keep our benevolent leaders and talking-head television personalities from inviting themselves into our living room with messages of patriotism and honor.

Well, no amount of flag waving, red-white-and-blue wearing, patriotic song-and-dancing will make you any more American than Michael Newdow, the father of a second grader who challenged the constitutionality of the words "under God" in the Pledge and its required recitation in public schools.

The First Amendment, which makes a clear separation of church and state, is not so much to protect the church from the state, but rather the state from the church. It is in the halls of Congress that we shall find the American sanctuary, meant to protect the people through the laws that bind us.

It's those punks on the other end of the line threatening the Newdow family, especially the little girl who instantly became victim of self-proclaimed judges of un-American activities, who should be questioning what it means to be a citizen. (Does the name Joseph McCarthy ring a bell?)

And what about our leaders on Capitol Hill? Don't they have anything better to do than recite the Pledge the day after the ruling, putting a special emphasis on the words "under God." It was a little over-

board when later in the day Congress overwhelmingly passed a resolution condemning the ruling to sooth their bruised egos.

(Aren't we fighting a War on Terrorism?)

Then there is President Bush. He called the ruling "out of step with the traditions and history of America." Surely, Mr. President, you can come up with a better defense. Slavery is also an unforgettable part of our nation's history, and it wasn't until 1920 that women could vote.

Of course Illinois also would throw up its hands when the patriotic wave rolled around. Only days after the ruling, Gov. George Ryan signed legislation extending the required recitation of the Pledge in grade schools to high schools as well.

It was an act of Congress in 1954 that inserted the words "under God" into the Pledge and, according to the court, when President Eisenhower signed the legislation he declared: "Millions of our school-children will daily proclaim in every city and town, every village and rural school-house, the dedication of our nation and our people to the Almighty."

America is a country made from people of all types of religious stripes and those with no religious stripe at all. The phrase "under God" serves no place in our public schools or in the Pledge to our country.

If Congress won't take out the phrase "under God," taking the Pledge from the daily classroom ritual will not threaten our children's sense of patriotism.

Have you ever listened to a crowd of hyper grade school children reciting the Pledge before morning recess? If you have not, or the years have erased the memory

of your own grammar school days, perhaps this will serve as a reminder of that glorified sound of patriotism.

It goes something like this: I pledge the allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands (collective gasp for air); one nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

Memorization at best. If you ask the students or even the parents who so strongly condemn the courts decision what the Republic stands for, could they answer? Do they know what it means to have justice for all?

Nothing in the mumbling of the Pledge teaches children to be American. It doesn't teach them to question government policy and laws, to express their views, no matter how unpopular and learn to understand those who do not share their beliefs, even if that means they leave the room when the rest of the class says the Pledge.

It's a shame that we have reduced the teaching of democracy or what it means to be American to the day-to-day drudgery of the Pledge. Too bad we have replaced the teaching of American values — diversity, equality, critical thinking and acceptance — to No. 2 pencils and institutionalized bubble sheets.

Without democratic knowledge, the Pledge is feckless chatter, with or without the "under God" phrase. Most of us who gathered before the flag, hand over heart, every day of grammar school, still don't perform our most basic of civic duties: voting.

Let's get over our identity crisis and get to the heart of what it means to be an American.

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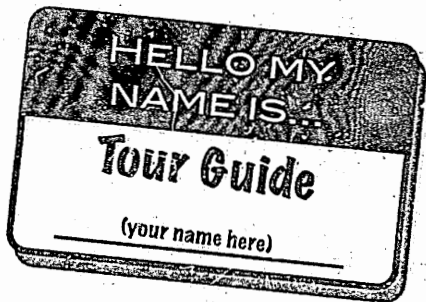
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Community members exchange dialogue on Fourth Locals gather to discuss terrorism at open forum

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

Local concerns and opinions regarding terrorism may not change the government's course of action in the United States or abroad. But 30 Carbondale residents at Thursday's "Forum on the Fourth" were content to simply share their thoughts and concerns with other community members.

The citizen forum, which took place at the Newman Center, 715 S. Washington St., was set up in an effort to help people take an active role in political and social issues that affect them.

Those who managed to get out of bed early on their day off seemed a little dreary-eyed at 9 a.m., but conversation quickly picked up after the free, hot breakfast was served.

"I'm pleased with the amount of support we received," said Frank Schnert, one of the forum's founders and a moderator. "I think it's going to

catch on, and we should have more support at future forums."

The "Forum on the Fourth" was one of about 25 similar National Issue Forums throughout the nation that took place on Independence Day, and is one of nearly 5,000 that take place throughout the year.

Schnert said that comments gathered at the forum will be sent to Congress and state policy makers in an effort to spread the idea of communities participating in such town meetings.

Terrorism was the topic of choice at Thursday's meeting, with homeland security and the attacks on the Pentagon and World Trade Center being at the top of the list.

The attendees were divided into three groups where they could discuss various terrorism issues before all coming together in one group discussion.

Alden Han, 66, came to the forum to see what his fellow Carbondale residents had to say about the major issues in the news.

"I just wanted to get out here and defend my opinions, but I found myself really getting into what some of the younger people had to say,"

Schnert said. The ages ranged from people in their 40s to some who were older than 70. Only one SIUC student attended the forum, and Schnert said he was especially interested in what she had to say.

"She sat there for most of the session and didn't say much before the end," he said. "Then she got up there and said how much her mind was opened by what everyone had to say."

Schnert said one of his goals is to have future meetings. One may take place just before or after Sept. 11, but in any of them, Schnert said he wants more students to be involved.

"They bring different opinions to the table and offer different perspectives on the issues," he said. "If we could get more involved, it would add a little variety to the discussion."

Thursday's forum and breakfast was free because of sponsors such as the Kettering Foundation and the Carbondale Education Association Inc. Schnert said if support continues to grow then donations should be sufficient enough to keep the forums free to everyone.

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deliver Wednesday's keynote address: discussing the academic programs her students had in the World Trade Center, the tragedy first-hand and the aftermath.

Following her speech, state Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, state Sen. David Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, and attorney Ed Yohnka, Illinois director of communications for the American Civil Liberties Union, will hold a panel discussion offering a political perspective on Sept. 11 teaching and offering resources for professors to use in the future.

State Sen. Lisa Madigan, D-Chicago, will conclude Wednesday's multi-disciplinary discussions talking with teachers about civil liberties and other related issues to Sept. 11.

Different directors and staff from the American Red Cross and Illinois Emergency Management Agency among others will open discussion to the participants about mental, physi-

cal and emotional health precautions and procedures to help students and staff cope with the attacks.

Glenn Poshard, vice chancellor for administration, will conclude the institute with a keynote address about how teachers can use the information they learned at the institute and their personal experiences toward better preparing students and faculty in a post-Sept. 11 world.

Dunn said SIUC has been unique among other public schools in establishing an institute discussing teaching techniques and effects involving Sept. 11.

"I know I have seen other types of announcements for similar types of conferences, but they have been places like Harvard or Columbia," Dunn said. "I do not know of any state institutions around that are doing anything like this."

"We have got teachers coming from as far north as Chicago and as far south as Shawneetown, so it is a real good mix."

Each afternoon, the high school and college professors meet and the middle school and elementary teachers gather for open discussions with SIUC facilitators.

Betty Abney, a fourth-grade teacher from Jonesboro, shared her reaction and actions on Sept. 11 with about 15 other elementary school teachers during their afternoon talk.

Her students watched the news in the kindergarten classroom next door while she tried to contact her daughter who was eight blocks away from the World Trade Center as the attacks happened in New York.

But after finding out her daughter was all right, Abney decided the best way to explain the circumstances to her class was to use her daughter as a resource.

Each night, Abney's daughter would walk the streets of New York

and around the attack scene while she described the scene to her mother by cell phone. The next day, Abney would explain the situation to her students. She said this allowed them to learn from someone they could connect to and at their level.

Former Sen. Paul Simon agrees with these types of resources and teaching techniques. He said during his keynote address Monday that insensitivity and selfishness are barriers between the United States and foreign relations. Simon noted that other countries catch on to these perceptions.

"They look at us as the rich kid on the block," Simon said.

Abney agreed with Simon's references to America's image. She said Americans are selfish and tend to think about their issues and concerns before other cultures.

But she said Simon made a good point about allowing children from different cultures to help each other. He explained a foreign language program was established to allow Arab and Jewish students to learn the other cultures' languages. In doing this, the students showed higher respect and tolerance of the other group.

Abney said she hopes teaching techniques and resources such as these can be utilized during and after the institute. She hopes the class will have a better understanding of Sept. 11 — as did the teachers.

"Children are really good at understanding when you bring it out of them," Abney said. "But that is what our job has to be. As teachers, we are going to be the first ones that will address these issues with the them."

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The programs for the activities of the week sit on a table as participants concentrate on a speaker Monday afternoon. "Teaching in a post-Sept. 11 world" lets teachers collaborate on a variety of topics such as civil liberties, politics, culture and handling future crises for teachers.

Chemical spill closes U. Illinois classroom

By Jerry Galvin
Daily Illini (U. Illinois)

CHAMPAIGN (U-WIRE) — Firefighters carry a canister of sodium bicarbonate into Morrill Lab on Friday morning to neutralize a propionic acid spill that occurred at the lab a little before 9:50 a.m.

A University of Illinois student went to the hospital and two other women were treated on the scene after a propionic acid spill occurred on the sixth floor of Morrill Hall on Friday morning.

Urbana Fire Prevention Officer Steve Mitchell said none of the injuries were serious.

The entire building was evacuated for slightly more than an hour.

Samantha Oleksy, senior in LAS, said she set down a bottle with propionic acid in it, which then broke. She thinks the bottle had a hairline crack in it. She drove herself to the hospital and was treated for a minor burn on her foot, she said.

Firefighters neutralized the acid in the building with sodium bicarbonate as crowds of evacuated people stood outside. Some continued their work

and studies outside, while others read newspapers.

Two women had their eyes washed out across the street from Morrill Lab on Friday morning after the acid spill.

The acid has an odor like rotting garbage and typically causes shortness of breath and difficulty breathing, Mitchell said.

At around 11:10 a.m., all floors except the fifth and sixth floor were open, and around noon all floors of Morrill Lab were reopened, Urbana Fire Department Division Chief Michael Dilley said.

Students start business by using their professor's funds

Tamara El-Khoury Knight Ridder/Tribune

WASHINGTON — Diana Dodson and her other classmates at Mount St. Mary's College have \$50,000 and five weeks to start a business. But Dodson, isn't dealing with Monopoly money, she is working with \$50,000 in cash coming straight out of her professor's bank account.

Before her class even started in May, Dodson, 41, of Middletown, Md., had two weeks of homework to do for her accelerated entrepreneurship class and a press conference to attend. She had enrolled in the course at Mount St. Mary's in Emmitsburg, Md., to learn how to write a business plan so that she could expand the bookkeeping service she had already started out of her home.

Hearing that her professor, John Laughlin, was going to write a check to one of his students to start a business, Dodson thought the money was going to be given as a prize to the student who had written the best plan at the end of the course. At the press conference, however, she learned that her classmates were going to be her teammates as well.

"I realized it's not just my experience and my know-how...it's pulling from all our resources and knowledge," Dodson said.

Laughlin, an entrepreneur and adjunct professor at Mount St. Mary's, is giving his students

firsthand experience on starting a business. His investments include ownership in real estate companies, an indoor sports complex and a technical institute.

For the next 10 years, Laughlin is donating a total of \$1 million to his classes to start companies.

Laughlin's plan to dig into his own bank account to fund his students' businesses has only been in effect since May. For the previous three years, he taught his three-credit entrepreneurship course and gave students a hypothetical situation for creating a business.

By asking students to come up with a business plan that would never get tested, Laughlin said that his students didn't take their task seriously enough.

"It seemed like a simple solution to that is to fund the business," he said.

The plan to fund a business is more feasible with Laughlin's students, most of whom are in their late 20s and early 30s and already in the professional workplace. The course meets once a week for five weeks.

"It's been an incredible experience," said Matthew Strong, 29, of Union Bridge, Md. "It's more a progression of an entrepreneurial thought process...it gives you a lot of different perspectives."

Laughlin's 12 students came to their first class with ideas for several companies they could start, and after narrowing their choices down to three service-oriented businesses, his students unanimously voted in favor of a

company that helps nonprofit organizations develop.

The class separated into three groups: marketing, operations and finance. On the last day of class, students presented Laughlin with a final business proposal. The tentative name for the company is Evergreen Management.

"We just started saying that we're going to 'ever be green.' Someone brought it up and said the name...we just kept going. Everyone assumed that would be the name," Dodson said.

At the end of the course, it is up to each individual to decide whether or not he wants to participate in the start of the new business. According to Laughlin, almost all of his students have expressed interest in being involved with the business but he does predict some to dropout.

Laughlin also said that he expects his students will need his help for the first year of the company and that he expects the businesses to succeed. All profits from Evergreen Management will go back into the establishment.

"It's going to take effort and time and not a whole lot of rewards in the beginning," said Scott Runkles, 31, of Jefferson, Md., who will help start the new company while continuing his job at Freddie Mac, a home mortgage firm. "I've got two kids at home and my wife is going to play a key role with this. If she supports it, I'm going to continue it for as long as I can."

'Frankenfish' horrifies Maryland anglers, environmentalists

David Goldstein Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON — Talk about your environmental disaster:

Sure, oil spills, acid rain and clouds of toxic chemicals gone astray are cause for concern.

But how about a 26-inch fish that can rip through a pond's aquatic life like it's the breakfast bar at Shoney's?

And when it empties the buffet at one pond, it just walks — yes, walks — across land to the next one.

"Frankenfish," as the hungry not-so-little monster has been dubbed, is on the loose in eastern Maryland, and local fishing and environmental authorities are in a mild state of panic.

"Ecologically, it's a significant threat," said Tom Muir, a biologist with the U.S. Geological Survey. "If they got introduced, they'd be a very aggressive predator."

Simply stated, this is a fish with a serious set of choppers and little impulse control.

"This fish especially loves tadpoles and frogs," said John Galvez, a biologist with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service who heads a team trying to catch the critter. "And minnows and sunfish and bluegills — just about anything unfortunate enough to swim by."

Known officially as a northern snakehead, authorities have been scouring a 10-acre pond between Washington and Baltimore since an unsuspecting angler caught one about a week ago. It was the second snakehead caught since April.

The first angler hooked a snakehead that he described as "big as a golf bag" and "like something from the X-Files." Although he lost it because his tackle was too light, he did get photographs. Biologists concluded that fish was not the 19-inch angler caught in June.

The public and media descended on the

pond in Crofton, Md., near a suburban shopping center. Everyone wants to catch the strange, torpedo-shaped creature from south China. They have tried doughnuts, hot dogs and goldfish.

The scientists settled on cat food and by the weekend had set several traps. They also tried electroshock equipment and sand-bagged a channel that leads to the nearby Little Patuxent River.

Not only does the river beckon with a much more diverse menu, the snakehead could spread out and be much harder to catch.

Still, said Galvez, "This is a fish that can just as easily walk the 75 yards from this pond to the river."

Not only can it walk on its extended fins, it can live out of water for three days.

Muir said that the snakehead is not any kind of "missing link," like those drawings of the evolutionary cycle that show creatures climbing out of the sea and eventually walking upright. It's just an animal that's learned how to adapt when one habitat dries up and it needs another, he said. Even by walking.

"Frankenfish" is one of 28 species of snakehead, mostly from Asia. Authorities at first speculated that it had come from one of the Asian markets in the region, where it is a delicacy. But Galvez said that a local pet store went bankrupt a year or two ago, and the owner might have dumped the fish into the pond.

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Phoenix, Ariz., and Elizabeth McGowan from Fort Worth, Texas. A transfer from the University of Minnesota, Suzanne Souders, hails from Belleville and specializes in the freestyle, backstroke and the individual medley. Goetz continues to be active recruiting talented women for the team.

"Some of the recruits are going to come in and be right on top of their events. They'll be some of the top two or three," Goetz said. "Other girls are good depth kids, but they have potential to be big contributors at the end."

Belache said the new recruits would be able to make significant contributions to the team.

"I think they're going to be very good," Belache said. "We are bringing in very strong girls."

Although Goetz has confidence in his new recruits, he admits the team has many challenges ahead of them.

"Other teams have a lot of juniors or seniors, so they're at the peak of their careers and we have all of these young people," Goetz said. "So they'll have to step it up a bit to compete with these swimmers with a little more experience."

Belache said she would encourage the new freshmen to work through the challenges they face.

"I will always try to help the new girls keep going and never give up," Belache said.

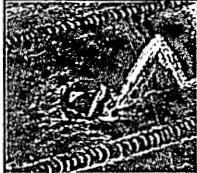
According to Goetz, the new season will start the week after school begins for the Fall 2003

semester, but the first meet is not scheduled until late September. The season finishes at the end of February.

This year, the women's swim team will be facing powerhouses such as Northwestern, Illinois, Michigan State and Missouri. They will also be shooting for their sixth consecutive Missouri Valley Conference title.

"We'd love to win conference again, and this is the year the girls are really going to have to be at their best," Goetz said. "It's a very young team, and we're going to need some people to step up and be leaders. I know we have the people to do it."

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Women's Swimming Recruits for the 2002 - 2003 Season

Name	Hometown	Last School	Event
Briley Bergen	Jacksonville, Fla.	Bolles Prep School	freestyle
Elizabeth McGowan	Fort Worth, Texas	Nolan Catholic H.S.	freestyle / backstroke
Kelsey Kinsella	Gridley, Ill.	University H.S.	freestyle
Megan Simms	Phoenix, Ariz.	Shadow Mountain H.S.	freestyle / backstroke
Melissa Hanson	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Forest Hills Northern H.S.	diving
Suzanne Souders	Belleville, Ill.	Belleville West H.S. / University of Minnesota	freestyle / backstroke / individual medley

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Man surrenders for shooting at Hudson's home

A man surrendered to police Thursday for the shooting death of Carick Reid, 20, during a robbery at the home of Orlando Magic and former SIU star guard Troy Hudson.

Kenthaddeus Taylor, 25, was charged with second-degree murder and attempted home invasion after he told investigators he was involved in the shooting death of Reid back on June 30, according to Lt. Gary Calhoun, a spokesman for the Maillard police in a suburb of Orlando.

Taylor was booked into the Orange County Jail Thursday and held without bond.

Investigators had been searching for Taylor since he was released from Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach, Fla., after being treated for gunshot wounds to a hand and hip. Taylor claimed to have been shot during a carjacking, but his details of the attack were vague prompting hospital officials to call Maillard investigators.

Police said Taylor and another armed man pulled up to Hudson's home in a stolen Jeep Cherokee on June 30 and burst into the driveway where Taylor and a second attacker chased Cleveland Fields, 22, Reid, and a 15-year-old neighbor into the house demanding money.

Reid was shot four times and the teenager was pistol-whipped while Fields escaped unharmed.

Authorities are still looking for the other suspect and Taylor has not told police who was with him or if he had any connections to Hudson.

Calhoun said Taylor believed there was going to be drugs available at the house, but police found no evidence of drugs or previous drug activity.

The shooting was the second robbery in three days at Hudson's home as two gunmen burst into the home and stole cash and jewelry on June 28. No one was injured in that robbery.

Hudson was not home at the time of the first robbery and had been staying at a different location since then.

SIU adds Pietz to Athletic Department

The SIU Athletic Department announced last week that Bradley Pietz has been hired as the new ticket manager and assistant director of marketing.

Pietz, who comes from Bossier City, La., spent the last year and a half as the Box Office Supervisor for SMG at the Centurytel Center. He supervised both full- and part-time employees, handled daily deposits and reconciliation of all monies through the box office and took care of employee pay roll among other duties.

Pietz is no stranger to college athletics having worked at Louisiana Tech (1994-95), Southern Mississippi (1996-98), Texas Tech (1996-98) and North Texas (1998-2000). He also worked at the USAF Junior National Championship, NCAA Baseball Regional, Conference USA Baseball Tournament, the Nokia Sugar Bowl and held posts with the Lubbock Crickets and Shreveport Pirates.

DAILING

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vessel of racing hormones that plague them through the rest of their lives.

Boy's simple days of sports in the sun become what feels like an eternity of confusion and hearsay. And although boys don't necessarily play baseball anymore, baseball lingo is still used, but not the way parents think.

Sadly, the innocent game of baseball has become a way for boys to "discreetly" talk about sex.

Yep, the secret is out.

Baseball lingo has been made into a perverse language that allows boys to talk about sex.

I'm sure parents have started to wonder why their son is continuously being called a "player" when he stopped playing sports years ago.

Well parents, he isn't involved in baseball anymore.

He's discovered a new favorite pastime.

And a child being a "player" in this new pastime is every parent's worst nightmare.

Running the bases in baseball is different than "making it to bases," in sex lingo.

Making it to first base used to mean hitting a ground ball to right field.

Now it can mean how much a boy has seen under a girl's shirt.

Making it to second base at one time meant a solid hit to center field.

Now it can mean kissing with tongue and maybe more depending on who is using the language.

Getting to third base can be a deep hit to left field or making out and a little more, again, depending on who is using the lingo.

A home run means the ball is hit out of the park, fireworks explode, but, well, homerun in sex lingo also

involves fireworks, but a different kind.

I'm sure when dads were telling their sons how important it was to score in sports, they never intended "scoring" to mean anything else.

So what was once an innocent sport that dads and sons could share over a hot dog and soda is now a way to tell kids about sex long before the child and parents are ready to dive in to the topic.

And parents can only blame themselves.

You took them to that major league baseball game.

You turned the game on after dinner.

You encouraged your son to read the scores in the paper.

What may have seemed innocent at one time has become a way to fit in with the crowd in an oversexed society.

So I've decided to make a plea on behalf of my 14-year-old sister,

other young girls and the young boys of the world and anyone else who isn't interested in the sport of baseball.

Be careful when teaching your son the rules of baseball.

Players, running bases and scoring have taken on a whole new meaning that could keep parents of both young men and women up at night.

Baseball is no longer what it once was.

I used to go to baseball games and fill with pride and excitement when "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" blares over the loud speaker.

Now, I look around at all the boys and their dads at the game together and shake my head.

Sure, it is all fun and games now, but a time will come when parents will be brought to tears when they remember the day they told their son about baseball.

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The Cape Cod Baseball League has showcased some of the best talent in baseball since 1885. This pays a great compliment to two of SIU's own, pitching coach Ty Neal and outfielder Sal Frisella.

Neal and Frisella traveled to Cape Cod in the beginning of June and will play an average six games a week until the beginning of August.

The two were welcomed by host families they will stay with throughout the summer.

Barbara Elsworth has been hosting players and coaches since 1978. Neal is staying with her this summer.

Elsworth said SIU baseball head coach Dan Callahan sends the right players and coaches to the league.

"Coach Callahan is earning respect in this league for his judgment," Elsworth said.

Elsworth hosted Callahan in 1987-88 when he coached in Cape Cod.

"It was a thrill to coach in the league," Callahan said. "I am excited for our guys. It is a great experience and prelude to professional baseball."

Neal is a graduate of Miami University of Ohio where he was a pitcher for the Redhawks. He is entering his third year here at SIU as an assistant coach. Neal is the pitching coach for the Yarmouth-Dennis Red Sox, currently in third place in their division.

Six players that competed in the College World Series are on Neal's team.

"Day in and day out you see the No. 1 pitchers and hitters from teams across the nation," Neal said. "It is a great experience and exposure."

Frisella, a senior on the Salukis, led the Cape Cod League in hitting the first two weeks of play. He is on the Falmouth Commodores.

"The league is known for the pitching you face," Frisella said. "These pitchers don't make mistakes."



SIU senior outfielder Sal Frisella prepares for an at-bat earlier this past season. Frisella, along with SIU pitching coach Ty Neal, is taking part in the Cape Cod Baseball League. The prestigious league is one of the top amateur summer leagues and features the best college players from throughout the nation.

The host family he stays with is made up of a mother and her two sons.

Frisella said he has never been a big brother, but he takes on that role with the two boys.

Playing in the league is exciting for Frisella, who describes the old high school fields they play on as nostalgic.

"Cape is a pinnacle you want to reach," Frisella said.

One out of six current professional baseball players have played in the Cape Cod league on one of the 10 franchise teams, according to CCBL statistics.

In 2001, 184 former Cape

Leaguers played in the Major Leagues. Among those players were stars such as Frank Thomas, Jeff Bagwell, Craig Biggio, Tino Martinez, Mo Vaughn, Todd Helton and Nomar Garciaparra.

The Cape League had 30 players from 2000-01 in the top 50 of Baseball America's College Prospects. The league is considered the premiere summer league in the nation with plenty of fans and scouts watching the games.

"The competition doesn't get better," Callahan said.

The Cape League experienced national attention with the Warner Bros. film "Summer Catch" which

starred Freddie Prinz Jr. swinging the bat as a Cape Leaguer who falls in love with a local girl.

The league is a great opportunity for aspiring baseball players to gain the competitive experience needed to reach the next level.

Cape Cod has a long tradition of summer league baseball by the beach and will likely continue to host some of the best players across the nation year after year.

"If you enjoy the game of baseball and the sound of wood, this is the best place to be," Neal said.

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Baseball lingo is not as innocent as it seems

The fascination many people have with baseball has fascinated me since my days of grade school gym class and my lunch hours of dodge ball.

When I was young, my free time was spent wearing a glittery pink tutu and practicing my ballet jumps in front of a mirror.

The neighborhood boys would spend hours pulling together teams and setting up daylong tournaments of soccer, basketball and baseball.

Ah, baseball.

America's favorite pastime.

Every little boy wakes up one morning and announces to his parents that he is going to be a baseball player when he grows up. His parents ooh and aah over his dream, and Dad grabs the old glove from the attic.

Dad and son then spend countless hours everyday tossing the ball around in the scorching sun, bringing junior closer and closer to his dream.

One special day, Dad takes his son into the city to a real live baseball game, and they create memories that they will laugh about for 30 years.

They start to watch their favorite team together and discuss important issues like ERAs and batting averages.

Dad teaches son what all the baseball lingo means and how the game is played.

An irreversible bond between father and son has been created that will withstand the test of childhood, adolescence and adulthood.

But sadly, son eventually turns Dad's teachings into something that it was never meant to represent.

When boys turn 12 and 13, changes occur and they become a

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Women Water Dawgs restocking for another title run

Goelz has high hopes
for new recruiting class

Maureen Johnson
Daily Egyptian

As a sophomore on the SIU women's swim team, Karina Belache has been a butterflyer, but now she's ready to become a leader.

"Since I'm 22, I act like a mother to the girls," said the Brazilian native. "They even call me Grandma."

Belache is prepared to take on a leadership role, particularly with the departure of nine seniors from the team.

Jeff Goelz, head coach of the SIU women's swimming and diving team, said leadership was one of the many contributions made by the seniors who helped strengthen the team.

"Each one of them had been with the program during the lean years where we were in the rebuilding stage," Goelz said.

Seniors included Courtney Corder, Breanne Hay, Carly Hemphill, Cary Kinnaman, Jenna Meckler, Dana Morrell, Adrienne Neal, Brooke Radostis and Mary Tralov.

"They were the kids who came and worked hard to get us back on the map," Goelz said. "When we sign bigger, higher quality athletes, a lot of their hard work is the reason we're better. They not only did a good job in the pool

and in the classroom, they also did a great job recruiting the next generation."

Belache said the departing seniors were very strong swimmers, but they also contributed a sense of solidarity among team members.

"We were very close, very friendly," Belache said, "and we're going to miss them a lot."

Goelz praised his senior swimmers' ability to combine their talents for the benefit of the team.

"Some of the girls were really good in the pool, and others were good in the classroom," Goelz said. "Other girls were social; they were the social directors. They had known each other for four years. They had worked together

and had done some great things together."

Although the Salukis have lost nine seniors, Goelz sees promise in his new recruits.

"Some of the kids that you get are already established as pretty good athletes and pretty good students, and other ones have potential," Goelz said. "They're all exciting because it's the first step out of their club program, and it's a step up into the college ranks."

Newly recruited freestylers for the 2002-03 season include Briley Bergen from Jacksonville, Fla., and Keley Kinsella from Gridley. Recruits specializing in both freestyle and backstroke are Megan Simms from

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