Governor to speak in Carbondale tonight

Ryan will take comments, answer questions from public

KATE MccCANN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Gov. George Ryan and several cabinet members will launch a massive publicity campaign beginning in Carbondale tonight in an attempt to return to the political centerfold. Ryan gained after a federal re-election campaign during his eight-year reign as secretary of state.

The public forum, which will be from 7 to 8 p.m. at Carbondale City Hall, encourages a "round table" discussion between the governor and the public's office.

Carbondale is the first of many towns, cities and suburbs that Ryan will visit as a direct response to the Operation Safe Road probe, an investigation that focuses on the illegal activities that occurred while Ryan served as secretary of state.

The campaigns, which Ryan said were necessary "because of media coverage, will go a long way to help him get to the centerfold of the political centerfold."

This return to the political centerfold is a great opportunity for Ryan to evaluate the feasibility of generating adequate voter support to support a re-election campaign.

However, Carbondale City Manager Jeff Doherty views Ryan's visit as a positive attempt to "bring big government to a local level."

"Any time the governor comes to town and a citizen is presented with the opportunity to speak with him, it's important," Doherty said.

Ryan can also expect to receive positive feedback from supporters of the death penalty moratorium Tuesday night.

Elsewhere, the 61st annual Sportsmanship Campaign for a Moratorium on the Death Penalty, said she and her supporters will be in attendance to express their appreciation to Ryan for putting the moratorium into effect.

"We will voice our thanks to him for having the courage to do this."" Speciale said.

The federal probe of the licensing forces for-bride scandal began in early January 1999, when current Secretary of State Ryan took office. Thus far, the probe has spawned 31 indictments and 25 convictions, including 13 charges of state embezzlement. Ryan denies any wrongdoing but takes responsible for the actions of those below him in the hierarchy.


The downtown publicity campaign is expected to include a stop at Herrin Elementary school today, after which he will gradually move north through the state to Rockford on Thursday.

Visit to Chicago and the suburbs is tentatively scheduled for the following week.

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Bill Archer was the winner of the Class II (paddle boat) competition at the 27th annual Great Cardboard Boat Regatta Saturday at Campus Lake. Archer is the son of Richard Archer, the former SIUC professor who founded the annual event and who came back to preside over the race Saturday.

Bill Archer

Great Cardboard Boat Regatta

Campus Lake Boat Dock was the location of a giant mouse chasing a giant piece of cheese, a large boat carrying a phantom as well as many other strange sights Saturday.

While this may sound like a scene from the "Twilight Zone" or possibly a Salvador Dali painting, it was simply the 27th annual Great Cardboard Boat Regatta. The event began at noon with Richard Archer, the Regatta's creator, shouting, "Ladies and gentlemen, man your oars."

A wide variety of cardboard boats included the mouse and cheese, the phantom, and even a man who walked on water while in attendance. It was hosted by Archer, who provided colorful commentary all along the way.

The race consisted of three classes of boats. The first included the boats that are driven by oars and can be seenhrowing the oars. The second class of boats differs from the first in that they are propelled mechanically.

The third and final class of boats have the restriction of being built of the day of the race and are also driven with oars.

Many of the competitors found sponsorships to help provide them with funding to build their boats. Hundreds of people watched the races as the competitors rounded the course by attaching small cameris to their feet. Despite a valuableness, he eventually tipped over, earning laughter and cheers of admiration from the crowd.

While many associate sinking with failure, a good deal of competitors did not find shame in it. Tom DeScht's boat actually finished the race while others, like Eyemont Cruisers, did not. In fact, their plan to not even attempt to sink a boat was turned on the piece ship in the movie, "The Goonies." DeScht said he would not feel bad if the boat sank.

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TODAY

- 2000 Illinois Women's Symposium on Depression, May 20, 8:30 a.m., Sky Auditorium in Chicago, pre-registration is $30 and after registration is 500, 773-276-3126.

- Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and the Illinois Department of Transportation will be offering free motorcycle rider courses, May 1 through May 5, 9 to 9 p.m., 1-800-627-9589.

- Alpha Phi Omega meeting, 6 p.m., Davis Room Student Center, Mike 5-7557.

- SPCF meeting to recruit and inform hard working volunteers, every Mon., 6:30 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, Mike 336-3333.

- SIUC Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson, every Mon., 7 to 8 p.m., Davies Gym small gym second floor, $15 student membership, Ryan 351-8853.

- Outdoor Adventure Club meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Video Lounge Student Center, Chris 354-7253.

- American Advertising Federation meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Communication Building Room 2244, Carrie 554-1400.

- Kendlo Club Japanese fencing meeting, every Mon. and Thurs., 8 to 12 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.

- Yoga Sports Club exercises and meeting, every Mon., 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., Recreation Center Assembly Room, Carrie 457-8378.

UPCOMING

- Baptist College Ministry Center is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Student Center Student Center, Chelsea 5-7553.

- Japanese Table, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, bring your lunch, Davis 536-8380.

- SPCF films meeting to select films for student entertainment, every Tues., 5 p.m., basement of Student Center, Amanda 333-1391.

- Ballroom Dance Club meeting, KCPS lessons and practice session, every Tues., 6 to 9:30 p.m., Davies Gym, second floor small gym, $15 student membership, Brian 351-8853.

- The Saluki Suzuki Strings concert, May 2, 7 p.m., St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, admission is free, Fania 684-5402.

- Blacks in Communication Alliance meeting, every Tues., 6 to 8 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Erika 536-0790.

- Chi Alpha Campus Ministries bible study about the gospel of Jesus, every Tues., 8:30 to 9:15 p.m., Schneider Hall directors room, Kudma 529-1088.

- Apostolic life Campus Ministry prayer meeting, every Wed., 6 to 7:30, Sangamon Room Student Center, "The 529-B".

- Black Affairs Council elections, May 5, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Video Lounge Student Center, Chris 354-7253.

- Saluki Rainbow Network meeting, May 5, 5:15 p.m., Contress/Tay, Mary 549-0840.

- AnimeKai presents Japanese animation films with English subtitles, every Wed., 6 to 9 p.m., Fearer 1125 Language Media Center, Jason 529-6365.

- Pi Sigma Epsilon meeting, every Wed., 6 p.m., Ohio Room Student Center, Amanda 333-8923.

- Egyptian Club meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 027, Amy 549-0840.

- SIU Cycling Club meeting, every Wed., 6:30 p.m., Quincy.

- Chi alpha Campus Ministries African-American bible study, every Thurs., 7 p.m., Ohio River Ram student Center, Keiran 549-8546.

- Little Egypt Groto caving club meeting with presentation on bats by Tim Carter, May 5, 7 p.m., Longbranch Coffee House, Geoff 457-1127.

- Student Programming Council marketing committee meeting, every Thurs., 5 p.m., Altrock Room B Student Center, Anisa 536-3974.

- College of Liberal Arts Student Learning Assistance, new through May 11, Mon. and Thurs. 9 to 4 p.m., Wed. 1 to 9 p.m., Fearer 1229, Mary 353-2466.

- SIUC Kendlo Club meeting, every Thurs., 6 to 9 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.

- SIUC Swing Club for dancers of all levels, every Thurs., 8 to 10 p.m., Small Gym second floor Davies Gym, $15 students $20 non-students, Keni 536-7672.

- Student sailing Club meeting, every Thurs., 8 to 9 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room contact Shirley 529-0993.

- SIUC Concert Choir Spring Choral Concert, May 4, 8 p.m., Shoey Auditorium, admission $3 general and $2 students, John 453-5153.

- French Club meeting, May 5, 5 to 7 p.m., Bobby's, Courtnay 457-8487.

- Russian Table meeting, every Fri., 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Cafe Melange, 453-5410.

- Carbondale Eels Club Pancake Days, May 6, 7 a.m. to 11 a.m., May 6, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Town Square in Carbondale, adults $3.30 and children under 12 $2.50, Larry 684-0156.

THIS DAY IN 1967:

- An armored truck in Great Britain was hijacked and robbed of $1.1 million worth of gold bars. This was Britain's biggest robbery since the Great Train Robbery in 1963 which the loot totaled $7.2 million.

- Several students and Carbondale residents claimed to see strange objects in the sky that they thought were UFO's.

- The SIU men's tennis team broke Notre Dame's 28-game winning streak with a 6-3 victory.

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Teaching good sportsmanship

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Headstart Olympics fun for both parents and children

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Unethical businessman, or effective capitalist?

TERRY L. DEAN

"All Bill Gates did was build Microsoft into one of the most powerful and influential companies the world has ever seen, while limiting his competition merely able to stay in the computer software game. And for that the government has a problem? So all a company has to do is scream monopoly and the government will come in and rescue you?" 

That's like saying the government stepping in after NBC in the 1980s when it was the No. 1 network, and after AT&T in the early 1980s after it split from the Bell system, and in the telecom wars of the 1990s when the federal government went after a host of telecom companies. There should be competition in the free market, but let the market determine the nature of the game, as it always has.

It would be different if the company were spreading its expertise and knowledge to create a better world. But Gates didn't create Microsoft in a monopoly, he just capitalized on the use of his revolutionary software. was not a monopolizing strategy when Gates, along with Microsoft co-founder and current rival Paul Allen, licensed the MS-DOS operating system to other computer manufacturers, virtually making all other systems obsolete. I guess when you put it that way, that's okay. Nevertheless, you could still be punished for being ahead of everybody else. If the rest of the pack can't keep up with the smartest kid in class, that means you punish the smart kid? Usually the smart kids skip to a higher level, everybody else stays behind. It looks like Gates' classmates have had enough of the teacher's pet.

DEAR EDITOR:

I recently read an April 19 Daily Egyptian story about the Kinnick Stadium and its impact on the University. I agree with the writer's assertions. Our football stadium was a gift from the government, a gift that has changed our lives forever.

Debra Simpson
Family member

DEAR READERS:

I think since so many other rules are being thrown out, you can't say let's just follow this rule. They can't pick and choose what rules they're going to follow. I hope that we can move on from the Senate.

LAWRENCE ESPLIN

The present Senate doesn't know what the 19th-century Senate was about, and I'm not sure the US President does either. So what's going to happen to our democracy?

You're helping people, but you also get a sense of adventure. [Anon]
RAPE

include those who rape for power, anger or sadism.

Kelly Celing, executive director of the Women's Center in Carbondale, said the rapists who use these drugs on their victims are definitely doing it for power.

"This is one way of making sure the victim can't fight back," Celing said. 'It is a very power-based.'

The story is not all bad, however.

Sgt. Paul Echols of the Carbondale Police Department said out of the 28 sexual assaults reported in 1999, only one was confirmed as drug-induced.

"The majority were acquaintance situations and only one was confirmed as a GHB case," Echols said. "We can't say it wouldn't have been used in these cases, and we can't say it wasn't. None of the victims tested positive for drugs."

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Rape drugs include Ketamine, or Special K, Phencyclidine, commonly known as PCP, GHB, or gamma hydroxybutyric acid, Ecstasy, or MDMA, and Ketamin, or Special K, has a bitter taste. It can cause hallucinations and a profound amnesia. It can be dissolved in liquid. In addition to being used to sedate women, "rookies" are often used to enhance a high or to come down from other drugs.

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the uncertainty of top administration was taken out of the equation," Pommier said. "Ethis M. Vindahl, chair of the committee and dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, used a telephone survey of the members of the committee to give a recommendation to Jackson, Pommier said. "Vindahl is out of town and could not be reached for comment." Pommier said she recommended that the search should continue. "I felt I had viable candidates," she said.

Despite her recommendation, Pommier's words behind Jackson's decision. "I'm sure he's exciting to the resolutions passed by the Faculty Senate and the Graduate Council," Pommier said.

Although she understands the reasoning on both sides of the issue, she said she is concerned with the consequences of the decision. "I can't be terribly sure that when the search massive we will have such good candidates," Pommier said.

Randy Hughes, executive member of the Faculty Senate, does not share Pommier's concern and said Jackson's decision was smart because better candidates could be found after a permanent chancellor is installed. 

"As someone who has seen the candidates speak and seen something of them before, I think the decision is a good idea to improve the pool of candidates," Hughes said.

Faculty Senator Mary Lamb, who earlier in the week said she hoped Jackson "will not express in deliberate contempt for the faculty voice by announcing a new president," expressed her approval of Jackson's decision late Friday.

"I am so pleased that Chancellor Jackson is listening to the other elected faculty bodies in making a determination," Lamb said.

Not every constituency group was in support of the termination of the search.

Paulette Curkin, president of the Administrative and Professional Staff Council said earlier in the week that the council thought the search was being conducted appropriately and should not be terminated. Curkin could not be reached for comment after Jackson's announcement was made.

I'M KING OF THE WORLD: Jesse Davis gets airborne leaping off the Titanic, a huge inflated rubber slide, Sunday afternoon at Spring Thing 2000. Davis, a junior in mechanical engineering from Evanston, enjoyed the gathering. "It's a typical college day," Davis said. "Nice afternoon chillin' out."

REGATTA (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

people who were also fulfilling the role by housing others at the motel.

The other award winners were the crew of "The Green Mile," for team spirit, the "Purple Wolf-Do A Armadillo" boat for vogue and the "Sig Pi Destroyer" for pride of the Regatta. At the end of the day, the awards were handed out and new champions were crowned. The winner of the Class Three boat race was Frank Rundle. He attributed his victory to a lot of luck. However, Rundle has had practice by competing in the regatta for about four years. This was the first year that his son, who is now attending a different university, was able to compete against him.

The winner of the Class Two boat race was Bill Archer, Undergraduate Student Government president elect, who blew away the competition with his pedal powered canoe. Archer also won in 1994 when he was still in high school.

The winners of the Class One boat race were Scott Heinle and John Knapp. The two members of the Industrial Design Society of America won the race with their boat, the "U.S.S. Biscuits and Gravy," which was sponsored by Mary Lou's Grill.

Despite the number of boats that did not finish fast enough or not at all, drivers like Jim Jones still found fulfillment in the day. "I just want to have fun," Jones said.

BLACKSTONE (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3)

teach at SIUC.

She places great value on individual students and respect for the process," Kincaid said. "She told me, 'We're not here to train actors, we're here to train human beings. That meant a lot to me.'

Despite his reverence for Blackstone's management methods, however, Kincaid said Vann is a capable replacement. "I have a huge regard and respect for Mark, and I think he'll be an exciting and dynamic new leader for the department," Kincaid said. "Sarah put us on a very good track, but Mark is the perfect person to lead us into new directions."

Looking back on her years in Carbondale, Blackstone said she is proud of many of her contributions to the Theater Department. Those include fostering Internet access, theater repairs and, just recently, achieving a 10 accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Theater.

"I had a fabulous experience at SIUC," Blackstone said. "I struggled with many big problems, but I've always had my opinion heard."

I'M KING OF THE WORLD: Jesse Davis gets airborne leaping off the Titanic, a huge inflated rubber slide, Sunday afternoon at Spring Thing 2000. Davis, a junior in mechanical engineering from Evanston, enjoyed the gathering. "It's a typical college day," Davis said. "Nice afternoon chillin' out."

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Six seniors in the Clothing and Textiles Program showcased style at fashion show

Jazzy music played and the spotlight beamed on center stage as Leah Nolden’s “Miami-South Beach 2000” models took their walk down the runway.

Nolden, a senior in clothing and textiles from St. Louis, along with five other seniors with an apparel design specialization, presented her showcase of garments Saturday evening at the 2000 Clothing and Textiles Program’s student fashion show.

“It’s a finale to our college career, but a beginning to our lives,” Nolden said about the show.

The fashion show is an annual event to give students a taste of what their future jobs will entail, said Janice King, a lecturer in clothing and textiles.

“It’s to simulate a real world experience,” King said. “As they go out as fashion designers, they’ll have to do this.”

The number of students graduating with a specialization in apparel design has grown exceedingly, King said.

She attributes this to the fact that SIUC is the only public university in Illinois to offer a degree in clothing and textiles with an apparel design specialization.

The students began working on their garment collections at the beginning of the semester.

The ideas for the garments came from different inspirations for each of the students.

It started as an idea, King said, and from there, they made patterns, chose fabrics, sewed the garments and found models.

The models for the show were SIUC students and friends of the designers. The clothing and textile students are required to find their own models just as real designers do, King said.

The collections showcased included evening wear, bridal wear, menswear, after-hours club wear, romantic dresses and even evening gowns for women with physical limitations.

The fashion show was the grand finale for the six seniors of the program.

Kellee Sandusky, a senior in the program from Ottawa, explained that Saturday night was what they had been building up to all semester.

“A lot of people look forward to graduations more,” Sandusky said, “but for us, we look forward to success.”

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AUSTIN, Texas — To the folks online, Kelly was Texas A&M pre-law student Kelly McCammon, a 21-year-old psychology major from Lufkin, who was dead April 19 on a ranch about 20 miles outside of Austin.

"Following his usual, Lockwood gave a false confession," the sheriff told a news conference Thursday, about eight hours after Lockwood's arrest.

The person told the roommate not to be surprised to find "Kelly's" younger brother in their dorm room, and the next day the roommate moved into a house in town.

He told police he then assumed that person was "Kelly" and called his younger brother to take over the account.

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**Wichita State's posh new stadium is a shocker**

David Boyle
Knights-Rider体育

WICHITA, Kan.— After watching a Wichita State baseball game last season, Jim Smith descended three floors in an elevator and stepped into Blesseee Plaza. As he walked through The Ring of Honor, a circular pillar that lists all the former Wichita State players who have played in the major leagues and all of its All-American and scholastic All-Americans, Roach said, "Look.

He knew words couldn't possibly do justice to the newly renovated $17 million Eck Stadium — Home of Tyler Field.

All you have to do is look at it," Roach said.

There are nearly the same words used by Wichita State senior Pat Magnus.

"I don't know what to say," said Magnus, a graduate of Shawnee Mission South. "Just look at it."

Magnus made his observation from inside the baseball stadium on the new, spacy, artificial-turf infield. Roach made his declaration while leaving the stadium.

The bottom line: No matter who, if you are in the stadium — whether it's in one of the 18 skyboxes, the All-American Club on level four at the Coleman Hall Pavilion, complete with barbecue grills just beyond the outfield wall — you'll be impressed. The newly refurbished stadium is a monument to coach Gene Stephenson's dream.

The humble beginnings of when Stephenson restored Wichita State's baseball program in 1978 have become folklore. When he arrived, the Shockers didn't have a field, didn't even have a practice field.

They worked out on the same field used by the marching band. When they were good at high school, they were usually kicked off when the high school team needed the field.

But after a dream, Over the next two decades, his dream blossomed with one phase after another. The new stadium is phase four of Stephenson's vision.

"I wanted a stadium that was so large for the sport," said Stephenson. "I wanted a stadium that was so large that when we played together, we could see the players."

Wichita State baseball is a huge source of pride in Wichita. I think we have the finest facility in all of college baseball.

DAVE ROACH
Wichita State baseball
PROVIDENCE COLLEGE FINDS ADDITIONAL TALENT

By Kevin McNamara
Rhode Island Times

PROVIDENCE - The Providence men's basketball team may be in a state of championship mode, but that's apparently not hurting the program's recruiting efforts.

Finding the results of appeals now before school officials, Coach Tim Welsh could feel himself with a shot at four returning players off of last year's roster. That's why signing was an absolute necessity for a team that can help next year's team is more important.

So far, that red, the Friars have reportedly received a signed letter-of-intent from Matt Lebron.

A native of Shrewsbury, Mass., Lebron is a 6-foot-4 forward known for his skillful shooting from beyond the three-point line and was a two-time All-State selection in the season and was close to committing to PC at that time. He held off, however, and other schools began making inquiries. Miami, Tulsa and UCLA were all mentioned as scouting Lebron at one time.

An assistant on the UCLA staff traveling to Providence last week, to scout Lebron in person and the Bruins offered him a scholarship. However, Lebron is a Chicago native who spent two years at Fresno State. After sitting out his freshman year, He brings back scholarship eligibility last year in a season of eligibility by averaging 5 points and 3 rebounds in 13 minutes per game.

He did not get along with coach Jerry Tarkanian and chose to transfer to Providence.

A result of Lebron's status is that Providence is a fun team in Providence. He sent Derek Brown to PC in 1985 after two great years in Los Angeles City College. Brown's number is retired at the school.

PC also is expecting a visit this weekend from Junior McNicholas, a 6-foot-4 swingman from New York City, who is also considered a contender.

PC did not possess the letter-of-intent signed by both Lebron and Donnell Allic, a guard who signed last week. Welsh could not comment on either player but sources close to both players confirmed they did send their letters to Providence.

Guard Iwaku Kabba also signed with PC in the last week. Former Marist standout signed with the Friars.

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Saluki swimming and diving teams earn scholar-athlete honors
Several members of the SIU men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams earned Missouri Valley Conference scholar-athlete honors. The Salukis moved up, most selections out of all the teams in the MVC.

To be eligible for scholarship-athlete honors, the student-athletes must have completed at least one year in their respective sport and have met one of the following criteria: a 3.0 cumulative GPA and All-Conference selection, a 3.3 cumulative GPA and a top-16 finish in an individual event at the championship, or a 2.8 cumulative GPA and participation in the MVC championship.

Ten members of the women’s team earned the honor. They are Kay Kottow (3.85), Mary Tedrow (3.78), Lee Fry (3.70), Cary Hemphill (3.70), Nhi Iuchikida (3.52), Brooke Redden (3.59), Dani Morrow (3.40), Dani Moros (3.36), Melani Williams (3.17) and Courtney Corder (3.13).

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Jennifer Monaco and Aaron Shunk lead track teams in Drake Relays
Both the SIU men’s and women’s track and field teams competed at the Drake Relays, an unscored meet, in Des Moines, Iowa, Thursday through Sunday.

For the women, senior Jenny Monaco (35.48-4.1) was the top Salukis, placed sixth in the 10,000-meter run. She now owns the fourth fastest time in the Missouri Valley Conference this year.

Freshman Rima Tzavoulas placed ninth in the triple jump (19-10 1/2) and 21st in the long jump (5’-0 3/4). Junior Hills Kithala placed 16th in the triple jump, and junior Carin Nelson finished 24th in both the discus (128’-11) and the hammer throw (156’-4).

The sprint medley relay team, which consists of junior Desher Cooks, junior Yolanda Mark, sophomore Marian Appiah-Kubi and junior Hechy Cox, placed 22nd in a time of 4:02.24.

On the men’s side, senior Zena Shuk was the top Saluki, finishing 61-11 with six other athletes in the high jump for a second-place finish.

Senior Brad Beach (22-8) and placed ninth in the long jump, freshman interim head coach Matt McEpperd said.

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