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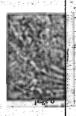
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leads packers into the Shawnee National Forest.



Southern Illinois University at Carbondale

October 1, 1998

Pacemaker:

DAILY EGYPTIAN recognized as finalist in AP collegiate award.

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SIUC ranks high in minority graduates.

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Homecoming requirements altered

HAIL TO THE QUEEN:

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USG executive leads push for change after elimination from contest last year.

KAREN BLATTER STUDENT AFFAIRS EDITOR

Student Programming Council reluctantly anged the application process for mecoming King and Queen Wednesday.

.Undergraduate Student Government requested that SPC eliminate the interview portion of the application process for Homecoming King and Queen and change the election process to only a popular voto

USG City Affairs Commissioner Connie Howard has worked on changing the applica-tion process since last year's Homecoming. She said the change will increase student involvement with Homecoming.

Howard has seen the application process firsthand, since she ran for Homecoming was eliminated in the interview portion of the application process, but she said that she had wanted to change the process even before the process eve

application process, but she said that she had wanted to change the process even before she made the decision to get involved last year.

"As soon as I realized what the process was like, I was complaining," Howard said. "I would have done something regardless of whether I was on USG."

Carrie Schwarz, director of traditions for

before USG could vote on it.

"We changed it to eliminate all the prob lems right now," she said. "They are bringing it to the USG floor (Wednesday) when the

adline for applications is Friday."
USG was to bring the resolution to a vote Wednesday night, but scrapped the resolution upon finding that SPC had already changed its

The last day for turning in applications for Homecoming Court is Friday. Interviews were set up for Monday, but they, now, have been canceled because of this resolution. Howard said she had not heard that the

plication process remained unchanged until

w weeks ago.
"I did not find out it was not changed until

Howard said. 'I gave them opportunity after opportunity to change it."

opportunity to change it.

In past years, all applicants for King and Queen were interviewed by a panel of judges from USG, Graduate and Professional

Student Council, Student Development staff, and faculty and non-affiliated students. Applicants were judged on academic hon-ors and achievements, campus and community involvement, internship and work experi-ence while attending SIUC, grade point aver-

age, poise and professional appearance.

From the interview process, five male candidates for King and five female candidates

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GPSC halts SPC fall event funding

CHECK: Low event attendance of SPC fall events prompts... GPSC decision.

JACOB LIVENGOOD DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Student Programming Council funding has been delayed by the Graduate and Professional Student Council after a vote taken Tuesday night requires SPC to go through the same procedures as every other RSO to acquire funding.

Last year, GPSC gave SPC nding at the beginning of the academic year to provide for the group's various activities, such as SPC Films in the Student Center and other comedy and lecture-type shows at SIUC.

RSOs are to have their fund-ing forms to GPSC by Oct. 11, and the council will begin the

The change stemmed from GPSC concern about how SPC was using its funding. Ed Ford, vice president for Graduate Affairs, said SPC does not offer graduate students the kind of programming they would like.

This council was convinced that SPC could somewhat better programming for us," Ford said. "We want to have direct input. If we tost money to them at the beginning of the year, we do not have any accountability."

Ford cited two SPC events

this year that did not have great attendance: "Help me Harlan," an advice session for students by the syndicated columnist; and a career seminar.

He said SPC expected 400 people for both events, but the advice show brought 10 students and the career seminar

only 30.
SPC Executive Director Andrew Daly said most of SPC's events are geared toward

more input from graduate stuts is needed. We only have two graduate

students as committee chairs,"
Daly said: "We want people to let us know what they want. We do not want to exclude any

body."
Daly said, although the bay said, authough the attendance at the two events was poor, the positives were not mentioned with SPC.

"Every other event has been successful," Daly said.

He cited events like the SPC.

He cited events like the SPC Films, the recent Comedy Jam and Springthing as particularly successful.

'Those two events have been

our only weakness," he said.

The decision to change funding concerns Daly because SPC already planned for those

"We have spent money on their constituents from day one," Daly said after Tuesday night's meeting. "Their constituents do meeting. "Their constitutione to SPC events...

"All of the events are subsidized, and we can give students a lower rate because we receive funding from both GPSC and Undergraduate Student Government, If we don't have

Government. I we don't have funding from them; are we suppose to charge graduates more?"

GPSC President Michael-Speck said funding for SPC was held because SPC did not have an executive director over the summer and interpersonal con-flicts with Student Development have occurred.

Even though the \$10,000 in funding for SPC was held, Speck said the GPSC could release the money at any point to SPC because the SPC budget

SPC because the SPC budget already planned for the money. GPSC would provide SPC with \$11,509.10, or 8.25 per-cent of its fiscal year 1999 bud-get. USG allocated \$128,000, or 91.75 percent to SPC for the fiscal year 1999 budget.



Ronald Osman, SIU School of Law alumnus, recently danated \$100,000 to the region's needy students.

Medicare lawsuit results in \$100,000 scholarship fund

invests cash to aid in . practical law training.

KATIE KLEMAIER + DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

An SIU Law School grad gave a \$100,000 scholarship fund to the law school after he won a case that every lawyer dreams of inning.

Ronald E.

Osman received his degree from the SIU School of Law in 1979, is donating the money he won from a \$140 million Medicare fraud settlement to underwrite scholarships

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DONATION: Alumnus for the region's needy students, especially those from Union and invests cash to aid in Williamson counties.

Osman said he decided to donate the money because of the changes that Tom Guernsey, law school dean, is making to help the law school curriculum become ore practical:
"I think [the law school] has

es I would have liked to have

alf bear car the exception

Osman thinks he received the best legal education available at the time, but his complaint was the manner in which the whole system trained lawyers. He did not think he was being trained to be a

rnactical lawyer.

The case that brought Osman all this fame was against Health Care Service Corp., also known as Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Illinois, on July 15. The case came about when Evelyn M. Knoob, a Blue Cross supervisor under pressure to shred documents, came to Osman's law firm to file a

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Southern Himois forecast

TODAY:

High: 66 Low: 55

Low: 45

FRIDAY:

Mostly cloudy. High: 65

Partly cloudy.

Police Blotter

UNIVERSITY

- An anonymous caller phoned an office from the Technology Building D Tuesday reporting a boml. in the building. The building was searched, but no bomb was discovered: The incident is still under inves-toring the properties.
- An SIUC employee reported a laptop computer and computer soft-ware were staten from Fanier Hall sometime between Sept. 23 and Tuesday. The value of the items is estimated at \$2,430. There are no sus-poets in the incident.
- Keshio B. Reynor, 22, of Carbondale was issued chatiens et 11:33 pm. Tuesday for operating a motor valide without insurance and with an expired registration. Reynor was stopped in Let 10 north et McAndrew Stadium and released on a recognization bond. A passenger in the art Kinbesh A. Reynor, 22, of Carbondale was arrested on two outstanding Jackson County warrants for failure to appear in court on previous traffic charges and retail that charges. Kinbesh A. Bernor described to post bond and token to Jackson County Juli.

Corrections

Wednesday's DAILY EGYPTIAN, In "Karnival back on campus" should have stated that the Jesse White Tumblers was formed for inner-city disadvantaged youth from Chicago who could join the group regardless

The article "An end to Monday night Salukis," should have stated that John Shea

Saukis, should nave stated that John Sawill be doing SIUC girls basketball play-by-play on WQRL-FM 106.3.

The MLB Playoffs score on Sports Page was mistakenly identified. The correct score should have been Red Sox 11, Indians 3.

The Sept. 28 article about the "Whad Ya

Know?" radio program should have stated WSIU-FM worked for nearly five years to tract the program to Carbondale.

The Daily Egyptian : grets these errors.

TODAY

- , SPC Homecorning Commit applications for long and que fections are now available, resent Oct. 2, Student regramming Office Student enter, Carrie 536-3393.
- Women's Services group screenings beginning now for assertiveness and self-esteen assertiveness and self-esteem groups, bi-radad support groups, women's career group, goy and biseaucl men's group, women's body image group, seaucl assault support group and women loving women group, call Women's Services. 453-3655.
- MPS, ENB, ENM, SHPE, College of Education Hispanic Leadership Conference, Sheraton Chizago Hotel and Towers, Julie 453-5714.
- Women's Studies open house, 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., 1008 Choutauqua, Deb 453-5141 or 453-7607.
- SPC Concerts Committee interest meeting, every Thurs., 4:30 p.m., Soline Room Student Center, Brian 536-3393.
- Hillel student committee meeting, 5 p.m., Thebes Room Student Center, Wendy 529-
- Aviation Management
 Society meeting to meet guest, speakers, take trips, and be a member of the organization that will help your carrier takeoff. every Thurs., 5 p.m., CASA Room 9D. Dove 351-6508.

CALENDAR POLICY: The deadline for

- ing, 5 p.m., Parkinson 110, Ryan 529-8136.
- BUPS meeting, 5 p.m. Corinth Room, Comeron n 453
- Model UN informational and organizational meting, 5 p.m., Troy Room Student Center, Scott 457-2837.
- Black Affairs Council public relations committee meeting, overy Thurs., 5 p.m., Black Affairs Council office Student Center, Aisha 453-6264.
- AnimeKai will be showing
 Japonese onimated films with
 English subtiles, every Thurs, 6
 p.m. to 8 p.m., Faner 1125
 New Media Center, Bill 536-
- College of Business and College of Engr. INROADS Internship presentation, 6 p.m. Ballroom G Student Center, Michael 453-7498.
- Vanity Fashion Fair Models commentator tryouts, 7 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Becky 529-1479.
- Civil Air Patrol Unit 11061 meeting, every Thurs., 7 p.m. Marion Airport, Aaron 942-
- Seventh Doy Adventist
 Student Association introduct
 Prophecy study, 7 p.m. to
 8:30 p.m., Soline Room in t Center, Loura 549
- Ananda Marga Yoga Societ beginner's Yoga postures, bod

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niques, and other reloxation, methods, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., Student Center Sangamon, Aaron 529-4374,

- St., Sam 457-2898.
- Collegiate Sailing Club meet ing, every Thurs. 8 p.m. Student Center Activity room D, Shelley 529-0993.
- College Democrats generating to help elect the Democratic ticket, 8 p.m., Democratic ticket, 8 p.m., Student Center International Lounge, Willis 536-7191.
- Soluki Fencing Club begin-weekly meeting, ners welcome weekly meeting every Thurs., 8 p.m. to 10 p. Student Recreation Center Dance Sizdio, \$15 per semeste 1st night free, Mike 457-4059.

UPCOMING

- Society Golf Tournament ne directing participants and serving food, Oct. 2, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Franklin County Club, Tommie 985-2181.
- Multicultural Programs and Services "Festival of the Arts", Oct. 2, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 8 p.m., Student Center, Shown 453-5714.
- German Club German table,
 Oct. 2, 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.,
 Booby's, Anne 549-1754.



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Problems hinder program's start

ADVANTAGE: Scheduling program matches students' academic pursuits with housing arrangements. DAVID FERRARA DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

An SIUC pilot program that would place freshmen enrolled in the same classes on the same dorm floor is having trouble getting off

the ground.
The SIUC Core Curriculum's block scheduling program had trouble coordinating stu-dents with classes and housing in this inau-

gural year.

Although students are in the same classes together, they are still spread throughout the campus in different residence halls. New coordinators had problems communicating and getting things started. But that did not bother students involved

in the program such as Josh Pickering, an undecided freshman from Marshall.

"I enjoy (the program)," Pickering said. "I haven't found anything I don't like about it." Block scheduling was not something Pickering originally planned to do. Pickering told his adviser he wanted early morning classes, and she encouraged him to look into the engage.

More people should do this because it is nice to have more people in my classes that I know," he said.

The Block Advantage is the latest SIUC Core Curriculum program that places two blocks of 22 fall semester freshmen enrolled in classes together. Incoming freshmen can learn about the program from different

sources.

Ann-Janine Morey, Director of University
Core Curriculum, said the housing part of the
program should be fixed by next year, but the plans are not definite.
"That takes a lot more coordination

because students have to pay for their housing by a certain point," Morey said.

Morey also said SIUC loses almost one-third of freshmen before they become sopho-mores. Morey said she hopes the program will

help students commit to the University.
The program was originally designed to be opened to all first-semester freshmen with majors, but it ended up including a majority of undecided students, Morey said.

"The schedule we created for the pilot

really fit best for the students who are truly still in the deciding mode," Morey said.

Morey said research shows that most stu-dents who make friends during their freshn year return to boost retention numbers.

ships and have a learning community, they are more likely to stay where they are and be happy with their situation," Morey said.

Students are invited to have dinner with

structors in the dining halls to question the instructors about courses. Morey said that when students eat-dinner with instructors hev get an advantage.

they get an advantage.
When that happens, there is more of an investment on both sides in terms of doing well — you just feel like you're more plugged in," Morey said. "And it's a good way of improving your academic success."

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Women's Saudies open house at 4 p.m. today

SIUC Women's Studies is sponsoring an open house today from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at 1006 Chautauqua St.

The open house will allow people to meet the Women's Studies staff, look at books in the library and have a better understanding of what services are available to SIUC faculty, students, staff and community members.

Refreshments will be served but guests are welcome to bring their own dish, drinks or desert.

For more information contact

Women's Services at 453-5141 or 453ing panggangang aya pangganggang panggang ang ana ana ang ana

Aerosmith tickets on sale today at Arena box office

Wristbands for the Aerosmith/Seven Mary Three concert at the SIUC Arena, Dec. 5 at 8 p.m., will be distributed from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. today and Friday at the Arena South Lobby Box Office.

The wristband/line lottery system will allow those participants to purchase no more than 10 tickets Saturday at a designated time provided with the wristband. Tickets will be available at the STUC Arena South Lobby Box Office, Student

Center, Disc Jockey Records of Carbondale and Mt. Vernon, Skaggs Electric of Harrisburg and the VF Factory Outlet Mall in West Frankfort. For information, call 453-5341.

- Nation

NEW YORK

Fireworks mistaken for candles injure five

Five people were injured in a New York apartment Tuesday evening when a votive candle they lit in memory of a dead relative turned out to be a stick of explosive.

A law enforcement source said the family had purchased the explosive along with three candles at a flea market in Brooklyn last year.

a It was the second incident this year in which people were injured after pur-chasing candles that turned out to be high-powered fireworks, the source

In the Tuesday incident, Friza Borokhova, 74, Vcya Borokhova, 44, Sophia Shomekova, 23, and two children, a 4-year-old girl and 2-year-old boy, were treated at a local hospital for minor injuries, said Officer Olga fercado, a police spokeswoman

Authorities said the family of Uzbek Jews was preparing to observe Yom Kippur when the explosion occurred.

SAN FRANCISCO

Oil spill poses threat to seabirds' breeding ground

An oil spill of unknown origin appeared Wednesday to be breaking up off the San Mateo Coast, but still posed a threat to a key breeding ground for seabirds and the shore near Half Moon

Bay, a Coast Guard spokesman said.

The spill was first detected in the shipping lanes 10 miles west of the Golden Gate Bridge on Sunday afternoon, but by Wednesday afternoon had-drifted south, as close as two miles from the Half Moon Bay shore. Two CoastGuard ships were scooping up clumps and balls of tar from the water. Volunteers scouring the coast from

Ano Nuevo to San Francisco found about 30 live, oiled birds and two dozen dead birds, Coast Guard Petry Officer Paul Rhynard said.

from Daily Egyptlan News Services

Taking the plunge We get more and more peo-**NEW HEIGHTS:** Skydiving club looks

for new recruits.

ANTHONY ZOUBEK DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

While Jacob Jaworski's favorite hobby is jumping out of flying planes, he hates the song: "Free Fallin" by Tom Petty.
"I'm net a big fan of Van Halen's Jump' either." Jaworski said, "even though I have 436 airplane jumps under my belt."
Jaworski, a junior in business management from Vandalia, has been skydiving since his senior

been skydiving since his senior year in high school. As the president of the SIU Skydivers, a Registered Student Organ-iztion, Jaworski seeks out new members who want to learn how to sky-

"I want to bring new people into my world," he said. "I want them to have an adrenaline rush that gets them away from the stress of homework, exams and research papers. I want them to skydive and have fun."

The SIU Skydivers have been

on campus since the late 1960s. Its membership fluctuates from 20 to 60 members each year, although this year's numbers are increasing, Jaworski said.

ple who come to our meetings because they've heard how uniquely relaxing skydiving is," he explained. "It charges the muscles, yet it loosens the soul. Because of that, it's more popular

The club meets at 6 p.m. every other Tuesday on the sec-ond floor of the Student Center. To join, there is a \$10 membership fee, which covers one year of discount rates at Archway Skydiving Center in Vandalia. With a membership, Archway charges \$110 for a first jump and \$30 each additional jump. The club's next meeting will

be Oct. 7.:

There are no insurance fees. Bodily injuries, if sustained, can only be covered by the diver's personal insurance. The airport's insurance covers any collateral

"Injuries shouldn't be worried about by new divers, because they're pretty much limited to scratches,"Jaworski said. "(Injuries) are rare because of safety regulations and the new technology involved with jump-ing. Also, the club initiates its own strict safety training before

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SIUC ranks high in minority graduates

SUCCESS: Degrees result of more aggressive recruitment, conducive learning environment.

THORRIE T. RAINEY DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC ranks tenth among 50 predominant-ly white universities as one of the nation's major producers of African-American undergraduate degree holders, according to a national survey released last month by the U.S. Department of Education.

In the 1995-96 academic year, African-American undergraduates earned a total of 446 degrees at SIUC. Walker Allen, director of Admissions and

Records, said he understands why SIUC is successful in assisting African-Americans in

Allen credits the diligent work recruiters put forth to attract more minorities to SIUC. He said the University works hard to bring in

mere minorities. for degrees in education from SIUC.

"It think there was a great effort on their. For many students, recruitment is one of people that try to make the University a welcoming environment." Allen said. "The minority students on campus while helping recruitgrs work yery, hard to terruit minorit. those students can degrees.

ties. They help to create a comfortable and

diverse student population."
Last year the report ranked SIUC 12th on the list with 392 African-Americans earning the list with 392 African-Americans earning bachelor's degrees during the 1993-94 academic year.

The only other historically white university in Illinois to award more degrees to African-Americans was Chicago State University, which ranks first with 665 degrees during the 1995-96 academic year.

The report also states that SIUC is third

among all universities, both white and black, for producing African-American heathelf degree holders in engineering and related technical careers in 1995-96.

SIUC ranked eighth in training Hispanic engineers with 19 Hispanic students completing hachelor's degrees in engineering and related technical careers during the

and related technical careers during the 1995-96 shool year.
SIUC also is second among all colleges and universities for producing African-American teachers. In the 1995-96 academic year, 145 African-Americans earned bacher degrees in education from SIUC.

For many students, recruitment is one of the key forcer in increasing the surbers of

Luicana Cooper, an African-American Lucana Cooper, an Aincan-American student, remembers when recruiters came to her high school to encourage students to attend SIUC.

"They made SIUC seem very comfort-able and similar to home," Cooper, a junior in early childhood education from University

Some minority students have various rea-sons why they chose SIUC to continue their

Andrew Lanum's family tradition, environment and economic reasons directed his decision to enroll at SIUC.

"Both of my parents went to school here,"
Lanum, a senior in health education from
Hazelcrest, said. "They always said it was a
good school. Plus it was cheaper than attending U of L ""
"I visited the campus frequently before I

enrolled here and thought that I would be comfortable here."

Cooper said with the instruction and

Cooper said with the instruction and hands-on experience, she is receiving at SIUC as a minority student, she will be prepared for her career after she receives her degree.

degree. The classes are informative and the teachers are always available to listen which makes me feel comfortable here. Cooper said.

DAILY ESYPTIAN

William Harfield, Editor-in-Chief

The Daily Egyptian, the student-run newspaper of SIUC; is committed to being a trusted source of news, information, commentary and public discourse, while helting readers understand the issues affecting their lives.

Paul Techo

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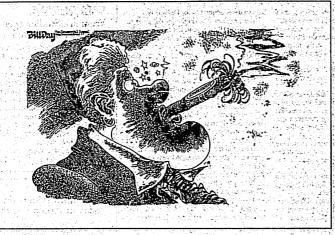
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Paul is a senior in psychology. Vanishing Ponit appears every Thursday. Paul's opin-ion does not necessari-ly reflect that of the Daily Egyptian

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Our Word

Funding needed to make bill effective

Administrators at SILIC should take note of a growing national trend in campus crime reporting to open more student judicial records for public inspection.

On Tuesday, the U.S. Senate passed the Higher Education Bill of 1998 after the U.S. House of Representatives stamped its approval on the bill a day earlier. The bill was expected to reach President Clinton's desk as early as Wednesday for his approval.

If approved by Clinton, the Higher Education. Bill will change current statutes on definitions and disclosure of campus crime statistics, require. schools to maintain a public police log of all reported crimes and amend the Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act, which schools use to decline the release of information

about student judicial hearings.

If the Higher Education Bill is signed by Clinton, schools will be able to release information regarding alcohol- and drug-related viola-tions to parents, and FERPA will no longer prohibit the disclosure of final results of disciplinary proceedings involving crimes of violence or non-forceable sex offenses.

Under the version of FERPA currently in place; schools are not permitted to release that information without the student's consent

The Daily Egyptian believes SIUC and higher education institutions throughout the nation should make as much information available as possible. The Higher Education Bill of 1998 is a and it is chipping away at FERPA

but there is still ample legislation to protect the covert justice being practiced on some campuses

Without total disclosure of all the crimes and violations being committed on campus, the Daily Egyptian cannot practice its principle journalistic action as a watchdog. Currently, this campus like many others across the nation-does not have a sufficient forum for public examination of crimes and violations to hold the campus judicial system in check. .

The Daily Egyptian is not suggesting that the University is hiding crimes and violations intentionally, but it is saying there are too many loop-holes and hiding places for these records under FERPA. Hidden reports can contribute to a distorted perception of what is actually happening on campus.

on campus.

Student Judicial Affairs Coordinator Terry
Huffman told the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board
earlier this fall that he is not opposed to making
more reports available for inspection provided
that they not compromise the confidentiality of
student offenders. He further said that he has seen positive results at other campuses that have made

Huffman told the Daily Egyptian that his office does not possess the resources to make those reports available. With that in mind, the Daily Egyptian asks that SIUC's administrators and the Board of Trustees provide Student Judicial Affairs with the necessary resources and manpower to make more information available.

Please take me on an ego trip

I'm really tired of listening and reading about Clinton and Lewinsky. I addressed that in my first column. I will stand by my promise and I will not disss that again.

So should I turn this into a life/advice column? No. Do I really need to get things off my chest? Yes, that is why I got

Somebody said to me the other day that I was too competitive, even with myself. Maybe I am, but this all leads back to one's ego.

Some people may say that it is easy to not have an ego and to be laid back and just not care about anything in the world. In other words, let the world come to you. But the problem is the world today does not allow us to do this. An ego is needed

Having a healthy ego is both a bless-ing and a curse. A blessing in that it keeps one perfectly in tune with what one believes is reality. It also breeds confidence (sometimes false, but confidence nonetheless) and a much-needed competi-

internative in today's world.

It is a curse in that it brings in defense mechanisms from hell to things that we do not like. It also sometimes turns us into people who are hateful or who come off as hateful even to ourselves. Our too-healthy ego gives us too much belief in ourselves, and it let's us take on the world when we can't even comprehend Carbondale.

To say that a healthy ego is not needed in the world would be – in academics, sports, a lie. There is competition everywhere — in academic life and love (but I guess if the love is real then it can ignore competition). To get through all these, one occasionally needs a shell and

any kind of confidence. If we want to get where we want to go in life and get all those things we feel we deserve, we will need a healthy ego.

But then our ego can make us hateful and confused, and it can make us lose all the care and com passion we have for our fellow numan beings, The defense

mechanisms are sometimes necessary to get us through the toughest times, but the danger about them is when they become permanent. And from personal experience, temporary defense mechanisms can become permanent very quickly.

So, is there a healthy balance? I would like to believe there is but I personally cannot attest to it. Instead, I adjust my degree of ego to situations whenever I can. Right now, minor defense mechanisms are back in effect as I am trying hard to both move forward and maintain

Personalized psychobabble? Maybe, but I'm sure all of you can relate to what I'm saying. The trick is knowing when to check your ego and when to let it flow.

You want your ego to help you in life. But although it is sometimes hard, try not to hurt anyone with it.

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Reader wants Strom to stop negative campaigning Dear Editor, I find it very interesting that Don Strom and

his campaign continue to launch negative attacks on State Representative Mike Bost without checking their facts. Lenora Leffler ("Reader urges Bost to face his record," Sep. 18, 1998, the Egyptian) claimed that Mike oppdsed property: tax relief. The legislation that she cites also con-tained the single largest tax increase in Illinois history. I appliad Mike Bost for standing up for working families and opposing a \$1.5 billion tax

Increase.

Mike Bost sponsored HB 3615 that provided more than 51 billion in property tax relief for senior citizens and working families. Mike voted for property tax relief on eight separate occasions yet Mike Madigan, the Chicago political boss and cash cow for Don Strom, and every Democrat voted against the bill.

I would suggest that Don Strom and his cronies check their facts before writing false and misleadine letters. Stop the negative campaigning

cromes check their facts before writing faite and misleading letters. Stop the negative campaigning Don. Stand on your own two feet instead of neting as the puppet of Mike Madigan and the Chicago political machine.

Quinn Edwards, Dongola resident

Their Word

The release of tape is a good choice

Kenneth Starr's grand jury was released Monday, prompting many people to claim it was simply an attempt to humiliate the president. And while we might have been

And white we might have ocen sickened by what we saw, the release of the tape was the right choice. If the Congress is planning to overtum the election by impeaching the president, the American people have the right to see any evidence ngainst him.

The news media, which was expecting another fragmental would be received in the control of the contro

The news media, which was expecting another frenzy that would boast its profits, were

Top Republicans, who had hoped to gain politically from yet another political charade, were disappointed the public did not rise up in a moralistic frenzy against Clinton. The party of "family-values" has hypocritically wallowed in every steamy detail of this affair.

The new development in the saga

for the past few months landed with a

tor the past rew minds fanced with a resounding thad.

Americans were further sickened by more examples of Clinton's con-duct and the political posturing in the beliway. But beyond that, students, like other Americans, didn't seem to

Most Americans don't believe he should be impeached. They feel he is a flawed leader, but not one who can govern no longer, according to the

Americans have seen the evider Americans have seen the evidence and passed judgement one way or the other toward the president. They are trying to get over the whole matter and get on with their lives.

Students have better things to do than watch William Jefferson Clinton

tell a grand jury of his affairs with an intern who was less than half his age at the time.

pundits and politicians drolling over every detail-who treat the issue as if it were a matter of life and death. Students realize other things are more important, such as Political Science. 150.

Thoough it is extremely unusual for grand jury testimony to be released to the general public, this is a special sit-uation. Impeachment is a political charge, and congressmenwon't vote to impeach Clinton unless thier contuents tell them to do so

Unless evidence comes out that clearly points to high crimes and misdemeanors, students should continue hanging out at the bars and studying in the library. This tape is just publicity, nothing more.

This editorial appeared on Thursday, Sept. 24,1998, in the Daily Illini.

University addresses new budget requests during recent meeting. SADA REAN

Illinois Board of Higher Education Executive Director Keith Sanders praised SIUC's planning efforts in the annual Big Picture

efforts in the annual Big Picture Meeting Wednesday.

"Looking over this report, I see there is no fluff here," Sanders said.

"This is a very thoughtful budget request. It is clear that you know where you need to go."

SULC administrators and constituency heads met with IBHE leaders to discuss budget requests and SIUC priorities in regard to the

workman's compensation claim for

million and brought Osman fame nationwide. The Wall Street Journal

called it the largest settlement ever

Osman graduated from the University of Illinois with a bache-

lor's in agribusiness in 1964. After

a stint with Monsanto and service

government

The case was settled for \$140

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mental stress.

imposed on a Medicare contractor.

Citizens' Agenda consists of eight strategic goals proposed to engage a broad range of citizen involvement in discussions to carry higher education into the next cen-

ury. Chancellor Jo Ann Argersinger said that SIU's five priorities close-ly match the eight goals of the Citizens' Agenda.

The five SIU priorities are:

 Improving teaching and learning and strengthening all levels of education, and bridging school-towork by ricreasing work-based education appenences.

· Enhancing student success by implementing an effective, targeted recruitment and retention strategy and eliminating obstacles to degree

Osman stumbled into the law profession in 1974 when his father died and he and his family had an estate tax bill of about \$75,000 —

more than Osman believed was

possible. The family hired a lawyer, but Osman handled much of the

negotiations. He managed to bring the bill tax down to about \$13,000.

The lawyer told him he should go to law school after observing his

negotiation skills. He attended SIU Law School and graduated in 1979. Growing up, Osman worked

Growing up, Osman worked with his father, a Dongola business-

Closer correlation between

• Enhancing collaborative efforts to strengthen international proams, rural health and econ

development.

Building public and private sector partners ips that address the tate's needs.

Sanders laid out the plan for setting measurable goals in higher education at the July 7 meeting. The IBHE voted to embrace the eight strategic goals outlined by Sanders

at the meeting.

The IBHE's action set in motion a series of surveys and other mechanisms to measure and determine the most pressing needs of students and employers. Surveys will be conducted of graduating seniors, employers, the general public and opinion leaders.

"Nobody pays the price they were asked. It was always a negoti-

ation, and I grew up with that,"

But he warns others against thinking life is going to be easy

after becoming an attorney because of the stressful nature of the job.

He said after that the lawsuit set-

the wholesale market.

tlement business boomed.



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or the stressful nature of the job. Instead, three principles are Osman's keys to success. "Work hard, treat people how you want to be treated and know right from wrong and do it," Osman said, "I don't think it's any different from law school than anything man and farmer, in the wholesale produce market. He said he grew in the Marine Corps, Osman received a unique start in law eduup watching his father negotiate in DVERT SEINETHEDAUG/EG/

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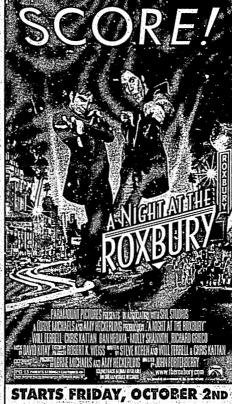
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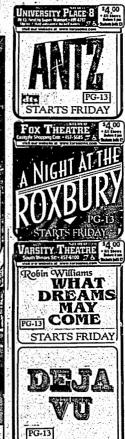
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Burke Speaker (left), a sophomore in journal Brandon Ramirez, a senior in forestry from Sterling, work together to make some oatmeal camping style.

and gum is always good when you're backpacking," he said. The next stop where we had to rest and to filter more water was at the Devil's Backbone We were told we could swim in the water to cool off as long as we wear our shoes in case of broken glass.

sed into the water and its cold hit my body abruptly caus-ing my to shriek. My voice eche I throughout the woods as the rest of the campers

laughed:
After we refreshed ourselves with the cooling water and everyone drank filtered water, we hiked to the place where we would set up camp.

As the light grew dim, owls and other night animals began

to appear in voice and presence as the cracking of sticks around us became more evident.

After being well-fed and rested, the water supply had become extremely low. We had to find water to escape dehydra

With little light to go by, we walked along the steep incline of the stone wall to reach the remaining pools of water. Since the water was dingy, we added iodine to kill any bacteria that

may be left after the filtration. We picked a spot on the sur face of the stone and sprawled. out in a position comfortable enough to study the stars.

As the night got darker and the stars got brighter, bats decided to invade the territory. They swept down upon their intruders, bringing us a little excitement to the peaceful

Most of us woke up groggy and stiff in the morning fron the sleeping on the ground. My tent mate and I had slept on an incline. With fall approaching there were a lot of leaves, acoms and sticks on the ground, making the mats under neath the sleeping bags rise in places in hard bumps.

Happy to see the morning, we gathered everything together and hiked back to the van.

On the way home, we stopped at a water pump. Everyone jumped out of the van. A trip leader began to pump the fountain, rushing clean water through the nozzle.
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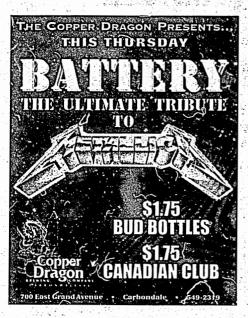


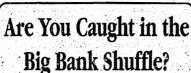
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The newspaper is a nominee for the Associated Collegiate Press Newspaper Pacemaker award in the category of four-year college daily newspapers for its general excel-lence in the fall of 1997 and spring of 1998. The nomination is the

wspaper's first for the award. Other finalists in the four-year daily category include student newspapers from the University of Arizona, Stanford University, Indiana University, Ball State

University, the University of Kentucky, Michigan State University, the University of North Carolina in Chapel Hill, the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Texas

The Associated Collegiate Press is a nonprofit education membership association and a division of the National Scholastic Press Association. The ACP has had college members since its inception in 1921 and is the largest and oldest membership organization for col-lege student media in the United

The ACP provides three cate gories of competition in its Pacemaker competition — fouryear dailies, four-year non-dailies and two-year publications. No other Illinois schools were named finalists in the four-year daily cate-

gory. Recent winners of the four-year daily award who are finalists this

year ere Indiana in 1996 and 1997, Pennsylvania in 1997, Ball State in North Carolina in 1996, Michigan State in Gus Bode

State in 1994 and 1995 and

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10 in its four-year non-daily category and four or five in its two-year publica-tions category. The winners will be named at the ACP National Convention in front of more than 2,000 college journalists Nov. 5-8 in Kansas City, Mo.

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mps. The club competes in various competitions throughout the year.

Teams of four divers are assembled. Judges for the competitions choose various diving formations at rave dom. The team needs to make these formations in order, and as many times as they can, in free fall. The team that does the most formations

before reaching the ground wins. According to Jaworski, there are no competitions scheduled yet, but there will be in the coming months.

Dan Koch, a junior in aviation maintenance from McHenry, has been a member of the SIU Skydivers for two and a half years. With 175 jumps to his record, Koch said that ever since his first jump, he was hooked for life.

With each new jump comes a deeper addiction to adrenaline," Koch said, "Diving is a great sport,

a great challenge, a great rush, and a great way to make friends. Skydivers make special bonds with other skydivers because the time they have to get to know each other is limited to their suspension in mid-

Koch said that the feeling of jumping defies haps it should. defies explanation, as per-

"No words can describe the sen-sation of suspended animation — if there were words, then I suppose diving wouldn't be any fun."

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HOLLYWOOD - If the adage is true that the ultimate Hollywood art form is the deal, then the maneu-vering to get "Spider-Man" to the big screen will never hang in the Louvre.

As the biggest superhero charac ter left unfilmed since the blockbuster "Batman" made the genre popular again, "Spider-Man" has been widely touted as moviedom's hottest property. Industry buzz says a movie featuring the web-spin-ning, wall-climbing crime fighter who has been a comic book mainstay for more than 35 years would be the event movie of the year for the studio that owns the rights.

If only anyone could figure out which studio that is.

The seven-year battle over the feature film rights to the Marvel Comics character has become Hollywood's costliest and most oluted legal spectacle. There are five lawsuits pending before Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Valerie Baker, with as many as 18 separate



Marvel's bankruptcy cleared the California cases for ial, which

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But that still leaves Baker confronted with a tangled mess.



Debate rages on whether comic book should hit the 'big screen'

"Spider-Man could be a movie or it could be litigation," said Howard Weg, an attorney who represents the liquidating trust of Carolco Pictures, which claims to have acquired the movie rights in 1980 but wast before the control of the 1989 but went bankrupt in 1995. "All the entities involved have elected not to make a movie, but lit-

But this is more than a story of dueling lawyers. The multimillion-dollar litigation parade provides a unique snapshot of recent Hollywood history. Along the way, "Spider-Man" has become the Hope diamond of the movie business, cursing many of those who have laid claim to it. Three studios that at one point or another claimed an interest in the movie rights have gone bankrupt waiting for a resolutoo has Marvel tion: so ertainment Group, the comic book publisher that owns the charthe leading complainant today, the ailing studio MGM, would have the financial wherewithal to finance the "Spider-Man" movie if it wins the

The case traces the rise and fall of three independent film studios that briefly dominated Hollywood deal-making until their shallow finances brought them down and unfolds against the backdrop of the industry's blockbuster mentality and its preoccupation with big names, such as superstar director James Cameron, whose association with the "Spider-Man" project helped drive it from a modest \$15 million undertaking in 1985 to the predicted \$200 million extravaganza it would be if made today.

And it shows to what length filmmakers will go: The whole brouhaha started when independent filmmaker Menahem Golan, who

purchased the first five-year movie option on "Spider-Man" 13 years ago, filed a lawsuit to ensure that he would be listed as producer of any "Spider-Man" film, even if he never again lifts a finger to bring it to the screen.

The intensity of battle also illus-

trates how desperate studios are to develop, "event movies" — price-less properties that can be exploited repeatedly over a decade or longer for sequels and spinoffs.

The potential return of such a franchise is so great that four major studios remain in the fight for "Spider-Man." One is MGM, which claims to have bought up all the "Spider-Man" feature film rights once held by the defunct independent studios - Cannon Films and 21st Century Film (both operated by the irrepressible Golan) and Carolco Pictures.

Viacom Entertainment and Sony

Pictures, meanwhile, say they own television and home video rights, respectively, to any "Spider-Man" ure film.

Waiting in the wings, finally, is 20th Century Fox, which is not part of the litigation but holds the most intriguing card of all - an exclusive contract with "Titanic" director Cameron, who in 1991 was paid \$3 million by Carolco for a "Spider-Man" film treatment that sources say is brilliant.

These claims are all at issue because Marvel, which is just emerging from its own bankruptcy, contends that the movie options sold three times over the last 13 years have all expired. Therefore, it claims, it has the exclusive right to sell them again.

Like its hero, Peter Parker who struggles to balance super powers bestowed by a radioactive spider's bite with the worldly concerns of any average teen-ager, "Spider-Man" as a comic book concept at first got no respect.

The creator was Stan Lee, Today vigorous 75-year-old who still holds the title of chairman at Marvel Comics and remains the enterprise's creative soul, Lee by 1962 had provided Marvel with some of its quirkiest and most enduring characters, including the Fantastic Four and the Hulk superheroes whose appeal lay in having to balance amazing powers with the pressures of sibling rivalry, job worries and physical repulsive-

"When I told my publisher my idea for Spider-Man," Lee said in his memorabilia-filled Los Angeles office, "he said: 'Here I draw the line. People hate spiders. Teen-agers can only be sidekicks; not superheroes.

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for Oueen were elected onto the Homecoming Court, and the stu-dent body altimately elected the King and Queen.

Under the new policy, candidates will only have to attain a 2.5 grade point average, have sopho-more standing with a minimum of academic and disciplinary standing with the University.

The student body will elect the

next King and Queen out of all of potential candidates submitting

applications. Students will learn about the candidates from their pictures and short essays displayed at the polls.

According to SPC, more than 35 applications have been picked up by students who want to be elected to the Homecoming Court. Howard said last year was the

first year that Homecoming Court was full — with five males and live females — in a number of years. The more students who are involved with the process, she said, will show greater student st overall. "Last year the committee total-

ly discouraged people from getting involved," Howard said. "What

would you rather see, 20 people interested in being a Homecomi candidate or five?" Schwarz said that last vear

more people became involved in the elections for Homecoming Court because of the interview process rather then the decision being totally on the student body.

"There were more applicants then usual last year," Schwarz said. "People felt more confident running because of the interview process. They felt they had more of a chance going through an inter-view process because they could expand on their accomplishment er than relying on a popular

According the Schwarz, the interview process was an impor-tant part of electing Homecoming

King and Queen.
Schwarz said that the interview sion for the student voters a increased the quality of the Homecoming Court.

"The interview process sifted through the applicants," she said. "Those who made it through had qualities the judges thought e a good representation of SIU as

King and Queen."
Howard said she hopes the decision will be long-term and that the process will not revert to conducting interviews.

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"You feel good when you know you have made a change for the long run," she said."

We still plan on voting for the resolution with the USG Senate to

help give our support on the situa-

Schwarz said the change in the King and Queen election process will hurt the quality of the court. "The SIU Homecoming King and Queen should be an ideal rep-

resentation of the student body at large," she said.

"Turning the election into a high school popularity contest may fail to recognize the students who put time and effort into campus."

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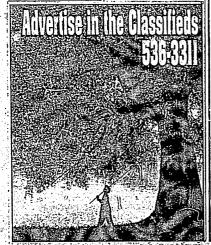
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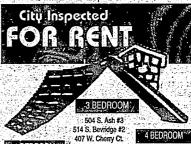
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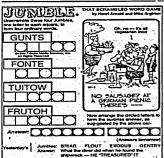
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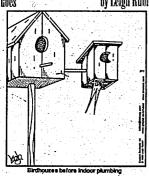
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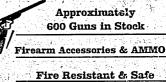
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Louis. The Blue have turned into Expos of the NHL. Okay, so you

admit you're a Blues fan. Well,

that's the first step to noticing that you

After an impressive '77-'98 season, the team dressed in Blue decided that its all-time leading scorer, Brett Hull, was no longer needed. needed

So be it. Hull was not the most important character on the Blues' bench last season. But he was Brett Hull.

You say you can live without Hull.
Well, what about Steve Duchesne (Kings)
or Darren Turcotte (Predators)? Both
played key roles in the Blues' season last

year, Both are gone.

The Blues' won't be a last-place team, only because the league placed Nashville in the same division. The NHL placement committee must have known of the Blues' problems

Why all the disrespecting of an organi-zation, you might ask? St. Louis once did, have such talent as Brendan Shanahan, Wayne Gretzky (so be it, he didn't do too much for the team) and one of the best goaltenders in the league in Curtis

I'm a Blackhawk fan. I say all this in e spirit of competitio

I'm a little upset Hull didn't come to Chicago. Why wouldn't I be? He is an awesome player. He would have fit in well with the Hawks' dismal offense of

last season.

So again, calling all Blues fans!
Calling all Blues fans!
Have fun with your new key addition.
Mr. Scott Young — all 33 points of him.
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Duchesne or Turcotte? You do deserve to

And if you are from St. Louis, there is something like a 12-step program to help overcome your affliction.

Last season, the Blues led the league in scoring with such players as Hull, Geoff Courtnall, Pavol Demitra, Pierre Turgeon and Jim Campbell, I guess it was a miracle season, huh St. Louis?

In Duchesne, the Blues lost one of the 7.77 A.

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Smoltz, Braves take Game 1 over Cubs

ATLANTIA—The low point, the time when John Smoltz thought his career might be over, was in June, when he was trying to rehabilitate his surgically repaired right elbow with the Macon Braves. Class-A ball. Square One.

"I couldn't win a game in the minor leagues this year," Smoltz said. "I really wondered if J. wanted to continue and how many years I had left to play It was frustrating going on the disabled list, and it created a lot of self-doubt. What's the future going to hold?

"Smoltz got his answer Wednesday at Turner Field. It timus out that Smoltz, future looks is lot like his past, especially when it comes to possesson dominance. Smoltz kept Sammy.

Smoltz, surpassing the previous best of 10 by the Manices.
Whitey Ford and the Oakland Athletics: Dave Stewart;
"Today, I didn't have my best stuff," Smoltz said." If not away with some pitches, and the defense was containing.

This game meant a lot to me and Dr. Chandler. The Good Lord has blessed me."

In 7 2/3 innings, Smoltz gave up only five hits and one run on Tyler Houston's solo homer on the first pitch of the eighth inning. He struck out five and walked none

inning. He struck out five and walked none.

Soss singled in the first and doubled in the seventh, but the
Cubs other power hitters, Mark Grace, Henry Rochguez and
Gary Gaetti, went hitless against Smoltz, John Rocker and
closer Kerry Ligtenberg.

"Thave the utmost respect for Mark Grace," Smoltz said.

"He hit a mythybole gave from Mark Grace," Smoltz said.

"Thave the utmost respect for Mark Grace," Smoltz sa:
"He hit me my whole career from Single-A, Triple-A, yi
name it. Say, what you want about Sammy, but Mark Gra
was the big guy in my mind that I needed to get out.
"Sammy got his hits. I just wanted to keep him in the par
The big, out for me was Mark with a man on second a
nobody out in a 3-0 game."

In the seventh, Grace followed, Soas seadoff double in
the left field comes with a flyout to center Rodginger the

In the seventi, Grace followed Soas's leadoff double into the left-field comer with a flyout to center. Rodriguez theistruck out swinging, and Gaett grounded out to end the inning, with the Braves leading, 3-0 on Michael Tucker's two run homer in the second and a sacrifice fly by Andruw Jones in the sixth off Cubs starter Mark Clark—Klesko put away the game in the seventh when he roped at 3-and-2 fastball from reflever Matt Karchner into the rightfield seats, with the bases loaded.

Despite posting a 17-3 regular season record, Smoltz described this season as a mental and physical struggle. He began the season on the disabled list but went 4-1 when he came back in Arril. Still: his status was uncertain from one

came back in April, Still; his status was uncertain from one start to the next.

"I probably shouldn't have Tyrocably smouldn't have gone out there; Smott sain, wanted to be up to the task, but deep down I didn't think I was going to be, and it showed up real quickly. When I came off the field, I knew I had to go back on the disabled list, and I didn't know about the immediate future.

That start lasted two innings in which Smoltz gave up six

hits and two runs.

Recalling that game, the Cubs' Grace said, "I was the last batter he faced." I hit a double down the line. He hart his arm, two pitches before the double, but he was trying to tough it out."

Whatever Smoltz did, it's working. Since returning on June 20, he is 14-2. 'It has been a fantastic year, the best season I've ever had,' Smoltz said. 'It far and away blows away my

Cy Young year (in 1996).

"While Smottz wasn't particularly impressed with his stuff in Game 1, the Cubs were As Grace said." He stuck it to us today.

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Baseball loses one of all-time greats

LOS ANGELES TIMES

Former Kansas City Royal relief pitcher Dan Quisenberry, a three-time all-star, died after a nine-month battle against brain cancer Wednesday morning, Quisenberry ranks 13th on baseball's all-time ave list. He was 45.

Quisenberry, who had checked

into a hospital last week, returned to his home in Leawood, Kan., Friday to be with his family.

"It's a sad day, but I just talked to his mom, who was there, and she said he went peacefully," said long-time friend Rich Fielder, who attended Costa Mesa (Calif.) High, Orange Coast College and La Verne College ith Quisenberry. "We lost

Last December, Quisenberry cut short a vacation in Colorado because of headaches, dizzy spells and blurred vision.

He had fallen and bumped his head while snowboarding and thought he might be suffering from a concussion, but a CT revealed a tumor.

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power players in the league. Thankfully, for the

people of St. Louis, Al Mac Innis is suit used.

Chicago, on the other hand, only improved. They
added Mark Janssens, Mark Fitzpatrick, Chicagoan
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added Mark Janssens, Mark Fitzpatrick, Chicagoan Eddie Olczyk and crafty veteran Paul Coffey.
Clicago also signed one-time All-Star Doug Gilmour from New Jersey.
I can't complain — especially being a fan of a team better known for getting rid of their key players But can we say that we're getting a little better? Hawks general manager Bob Murray and newlysigned coach Dirk Grahr m finally decided to make a push for the Western Conference title.

The Hawks of last season couldn't score a goal if a Mark McGwire fan was in the net. Now, the Hawks have one of the most potent rosters in the division ongside Detroit.

Eric Daze's three-year contract extension gives the Hawks a formidable lineup. He compliments Alexi Zhamnov, Chris Chelios, Tony Amonte, Ethan Moreau and Jeff Hackett. Even '97 first-round pick Don Cleary

has five preseason goals in five games.

The Hawks, however, did lose Gary Suter, Sergei
Krivekrasov and Chris Terreri. Those losses are over looked because of the Cubish-type signings in the off-

So far, the Hawks are 2-3 in exhibition play. They are one game behind the Blues, only because of a los Monday night to the "Men who will be Blue by the erd of the season."

If St. Louis fans do decide that I'm only blowing smoke, that's fine. The Blackhawks may not have given anyone a reason to brag last year, but I think it might be time for us Chicago fans to take out our jer-

son should be something special. With the Cubs riding an amazing high, Sammy hit-ting 66 home runs, the Bulls winning their sixth cham-pionship and the White Sox finishing only two games below 500, it's a miracle the city of Chicago in still in

Forget the Bears. Between the Bears and the lambs

(Rams), I don't know who's worse.

St. Louisans can live off of McGwire's glory. Expect a long, harsh winter if you're following the Blues and lambs.

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stayed at 3-2 in the Ohio Valley Conference. Seniors Marlo Moreland, Laura Pier and Lindsay Resmer led the way for the Salukis with 10 kills each. Pier also recorded six blocks, while senior Monique Galvin added five.
"We got beat," SIUC coach Sonya Locke said. "We

got beat by a good team. Their setter did a very nice job of running their offense, and we didn't defend it."

SEMO jumped out to a 11-2 lead in the first game before the Salukis ralled back within 14-11 behind three ills each from Moreland and Pier. The Otahkians comeback short to claim a 15-11 victory.

In game two, the Otahkians controlled the g early with 8-3 and 12-5 leads before finishing 15-5. Behind 0-3 in game three, the Salukis' first point gav Barr the school record for career assists on a kill by

Nesmer.

SIUC got as close as 9-5, but that was it as the Otahkians finished scoring six of the final eight points for the 15-7 final. Along with Barr's 25 assists for the night, she led the team with 13 digs.

The Salukis do get a chance to get even, as SEMO is a participant in the Oct. 17 Saluki Invitational in Corbonchies.

"We're just glad that we get another chance at them," Resmer said, "because we really didn't like how we played (Tuesday). We want to redeem ourselves because it was pretty bad."

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Hockey:

Without n.a., star players, this could be a long season for St. Louis.

No. priority

SEARCHING: Tennis coach still seeks the team's top seed player.

MIKE BIORKLUND DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Evidently "the challenge matches" in practices are causing another type of challenge on the Saluki tennis courts. SIUC tennis coach Brad Iftner is finding it to be a difficult task of decid-

ing who is the No. 1 player for this weekend's Saluki Invitational in

Challenge matches pit players against one another in an attempt to determine the higher-seeded player, but

it hasn't been that easy. Right now, the three contenders for the top slot are sophomore Kenny Hutz, senior Jack

Gustavo

Goncalves. "I can juggle

them at on and three," Iftner said. "We won't

switch

lose anything if I

around. The top

three guys are pretty competitive,

anyone can beat the other guy on

UPCOMING Oxler and sopho-

 SIUC play host to the Salukis Invitational Friday at 11 a.m. at the

Tennis Courts. Matches will begin at noon Saturday.

any given chance."

After the Salukis' dominance in the Tennessee-Martin Fall Shootout two weeks ago, SIUC is looking for a

weeks ago, SIOC is looking for a repeat performance.

In Martin, a very young Salukis team (Oxler is the only senior) dominated the singles competition by winning all 10 matches against UTM and the Integrity of Engagette.

the University of Evansville.

Despite the inexperience, the team showed it won't be difficult to improve on last season's 10-15 record.

"The main goal for these tournaments are to prepare for the [MVP team] championships." Goncalves

Iftner said team unity among the new faces has been one of the biggest

"Certainly a winning season is in our expectations," Iftner said, "Cur goal in the spring is to be in the top four, whereas last season we strived to

be in the top six.
"With all of these new faces we could have had a lot of conflicts, but it seems like they are getting along as a

Despite all of the hype, Iftner knows that having a young team also means having to deal with typical first-year

On the positive they seem to be a really close knit group socially outside of practice, and that's been a big plus," Iftner said. "But at the same time we're so young that I am kind of concerned about our discipline in the matches."
Western Illinois, Western Kentuck

Austin Peay State University and UTM make up the competitive field.

Iftner believes APSU and UTM are the two teams to watch out for, as the Salukis are in unfamiliar territory in their lone home meet of the fall season.

"It's kind of a bizarre tournament,"
Iftner said, "because we got all the other schools that are from the Ohio Valley Conference.

stern Kentucky is the only team we'll face in the upcoming spring sea-son, and the only school I'll be able to scout for the spring season.



The Salukis have been practicing in preparation for Friday's game against Bradley University at Davies Gym Friday evening.

Losing one for the record

BITTERSWEET: Debbie Barr takes over all-time Saluki assist leader, team falls to Southeast Missouri State Friday night.

PAUL WLEKLINSKI DAILY ECYPTIAN REPORTER

Junior setter Debbie Barr was supposed to shatter the school record for carser assists. Tuesday night.

Thesday night.

She did not shatter it, but she did pass Lisa
Cummins' 13-year-old school record of 3,244
career assists. Barr needed only 18 assists against
regional rival Southeast Missouri State

University.

Barr became the alltime career assist leader at SETTO KILLS SIUC after dishing 25
assists giving her a total of • The Salukis 3,257 career assists as the Salukis fell 15-11, 15-5. 15-7 to the Otahkians.
In their last five meet-

ings, the two teams had needed five matches to decide the winner. Both teams were expecting nothing different entering Tuesday meeting.

the University of Northern lower visits Davies
Gymnasium at 7 But the match was not to repeat recent history. The Otahkians ended a p.m... two-match losing skid, defeating the Salukis in

one hour and game match. and 19 minutes in an unexpected three-

game match.
"I guess, I was just sad that it had to come
when it did against SEMO and the way we
played," Barr said. "I wish we would have won.
I wish we would have played better.
"My dad flew in to SEMO from Indiana. It
was nice, but it's too bad it was like that."
The Schief of the General was received.

The Salukis fell to 6-6 overall and remain 3-2 in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Otahkians improved to 7-7 on the season and

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return home for MVC action

Friday as they face Bradley University at 7

· On Sciurday,

p.m..

Sweet taste of first success

VICTORY: SIU Rugby Football Club wins its first game over University of Illinois after a two-year drought.

ROB ALLIN DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Success comes only after hard work.
SIU Men's Rugby Football Club president
Chris Long and captain Andy McPeak have put
in four years of effort, and now they are reaping

A 24-10 victory last weekend at the University of Illinois marked the first SIU rugby victory over the Fighting Illini in two years.

More importantly, it was a measuring stick of just how far the team's leaders have brought

Long and McPeak, both fifth-year seniors, have witnessed the metamorphosis of their rugby team from a national power to a rebuild-ing squad — and now to a team knocking on the

door of prominence once again this year.

(This year) we're returning a lot of veterans after we went through a rebuilding stage the last

couple of years," Long said. "We've got a good core of older guys, and that's a real help." Long, McPeak, and senior twins Mare and Drew Bechler have been playing together for three years now. Mare has been named a Collegiate All-American. Long and McPeak have been together since the fall of 1994, when Long says they had "one of the most dominat-

The SIU Men's Rugby Football Club won its last Illinois division title in 1995. Then, the club lost a great deal of members, including its coach, Kieffer Norris, who proved to be diffi-cult to replace. However, Norris, an SIUC graduate, returned to the team this seaso

"The last couple years (Long and I) couldn't implement our own ideas into what the team did every game," McPeak said.

Still, the veteran teammates moved on, gai

ing valuable experience despite a smaller amount of succes

According to McPeak, Norris is willing to give his captain a lot more input than the previ-

A new coach wasn't the only impro this season. Two first-year players, junior Brian Langon and freshman Dan Wittenstrom, have

"To have a couple new guys come out, and right away start playing on A side (first-string) is real surprising, and they're really helping our team," McPeak said.

The club owns a 2-0 record. Its biggest vic-tory so far, was the upset at the U of L which

Long attributed to gritty play.

"I think our experience and intensity really hit them (the U of I) from the first going," he said. "We mentally and physically blew them

Next, the club will finish off it's schedule in Next, the club will finish off it's schedule in the Illinois division, which includes the U of I, Illinois State University, Western Illinois University, and two-time defending champs, Eastern Illinois University, The club will then begin national competition, starting with the Midwest Quarterfinal on Oct. 31.

Needless to say, the home contest against EIU on Oct. 10 is the game circled on Long's calendar.

"If we keep playing with intensity and keep-ing the other team on their half of the field, we have a good chance at beating Eastern," he said.
"We also have great potential to get through a
(Midwest) Quarterfinal."