Official says pension will run dry by 2020

By Jeremy Finley
Politics Writer

Most people cannot continue to write checks and cover the checks with money from a savings account while putting less money in savings.

But this is what the state is attempting to do through its early retirement plan, said Dennis Spice, executive director of the State University Retirement System.

The early retirement plan passed by the General Assembly two weeks ago provides a quick fix for budget problems, but because the state is not putting enough money in, the retirement pension fund will be bankrupt by the year 2020, Spice said.

Underfunding the pension could become as much a crisis of the next century as the health care crisis is today, he said.

Spice said the state has failed to keep its promises on funding the pension, and a lawsuit was filed last year by his department against the state.

Gary McKee, spokesman for Gov. Jim Edgar, said more information and clarification about the issue is needed before a comment can be made.

The funding problem stems from an action by Gov. Jim Thompson, he said. In 1982, Thompson reduced funding to 60 percent of what the state previously was putting and promised to pay back the other 40 percent with interest later.

Since 1982, the payout has never returned to 100-percent funding, Spice said.

“We thought that was a bad idea when (the 60 percent cut) was introduced,” he said. “The 100 percent was good, but it never kept us ahead. But since (1982), it’s been a downhill payout.”

Independent status altered for students

By Michael T. Kuciaik
Administration Writer

A change in the definition of an independent student by the federal government could have a significant effect on financial aid sought by some students, a University official said.

Pamela Britton, financial aid director, said the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act takes away the conditional independent status, making it harder to claim independence and get financial aid.

“This affects all of the federal financial aid programs,” she said.

“I think a lot of students are going to be surprised.”

Dianna King, financial aid coordinator, said before, students whose parents had not claimed them as dependents in two years could file for independent status.

“If a student has not been claimed for two years, and has had income for the past two years, the student can file to be an independent,” King said.

Without the conditional status, King said, students can only claim themselves as independents if they are:

- 24 years old or older
- a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces
- a graduate or professional student
- married

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Rule mix-up delays aid to veterans

By Jeffrey Wheeler
Special Assignment Writer

Dave Johnson, a senior in political science and a U.S. veteran, still has not received his financial aid this semester, forcing him to seek temporary housing at the Good Samaritan House, a local homeless shelter.

Johnson is one of many veterans having their financial aid delayed because of computer problems mixing up a new rule on selective service status. 

“I have no books, no supplies, and no home,” Johnson said. “I am a senior, and this is slowing me down.”

A waiver kept Johnson’s classes from being cancelled but the situation is not a good one. Johnson did not have to register with selective service because he is a veteran at least 26 years old, but the computer threw out his name anyway.

The new rule requires

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Gus Bode

Gus says looks like these computers are being too selective over at selective service.

No streaks

Joseph Harrouff of Murphysboro washes a business’ windows on Main Street in Carbondale. Harrouff, who has been employed by R.J. Janitorial for nine years was cleaning windows Tuesday afternoon.

Author praises efforts of ‘dreamer’

By Thomas Gibson
Mirrors Writer

Charles Johnson has a dream of writing a book that will help make Martin Luther King Jr. as popular among young adults as Malcolm X is today.

Johnson talked about his upcoming novel, ‘Dreamer,’ which will dramatize the life of King, before a capacity crowd Monday night in the Student Center Auditorium.

Johnson, an SIUC journalism and philosophy alumnus, was the keynote speaker for Black History Month.

Johnson said he feels the novel will be important because of an increased awareness of racism in the ‘90s.

“Malcolm X was the most famous of the two civil rights leaders in the ’60s,” he said. “King will be as popular once the public mind about King. He found out King was more radical than what was portrayed in mainstream books.

‘Being from the north, I was militant. I listened to nationalists, such as Malcolm X and Stokely Carmichael,’ he said.

Johnson said he looks at files and talked to many personal friends of King to research the novel. Johnson said his novel will humanize King to where everyone can understand him and his work.

Johnson continually praised King’s work. He called King the nation’s preacher.

“You can’t find a city where his name is not present as a street or school,” Johnson said.

Johnson said he was a child of the black nationalist movement, and some of his articles and political cartoons when he worked at the Daily Egyptian were pulled because they were too radical.
Salukis batter Bradley, 77-42

By Karyn Viventio
Sports Writer

It’s showtime! A show of Saluki offense that Bradley was forced to sit back and watch as SIUC cruised the Hill 77-42 Monday night at the SIU Arena.
A determined Saluki defense grabbed the ball on the turnover, blocked 11 shots and held the Braves to 15 points in the second half.
Saluki head coach Rick Herron said his players did a great job in turning things around after their loss to Southwest Missouri State last weekend.
"I think our players made up their mind after that last loss," he said. "They came out strong in both halves and played great defensively."
After going ahead 41-27 at halftime, the Salukis came out strong in the second half, going on a 17-4 run and by way of an assist from Arafat Amaya who banked 11 quick points to set SIUC on an easy.
BU head coach Jim Molinari said there are two things you can not let SIUC accomplish in a ballgame.
"You cannot give them second chance shots, and you cannot turn it over against them, because they run, the floor so well," he said. "We could not handle their pressure on defense."-
The Salukis put the Braves away on a fast break that led to an ESPN highlight dunk by sophomore forward Marcus Timmons after being fed a sweet lob pass from sophomore guard Paul Lusk. The dunk gave SIUC its biggest lead of the game, 60-32, with 11:46 left to play.
Amaya led the Salukis with 21 points and 10 rebounds, followed by junior center Marcelo da Silva (12 points) and senior guard Tyrone Bell (11 points).
Fremath forward Chris Carr put in a strong performance off the bench with six points and four rebounds in 13 minutes.
Players' Chart
White and Patrick McCallo led AllU's efforts, scoring 10 points each.
A Vikings' pass from BU was broken by Deon Jackson who only played 19 minutes and put in five points. In his last meeting against SIUC, Jackson scored a career-high 31 points.
"I'm not picking favorites, but it will be nice to see that group of kids be able to finish strong," he said. "They can do it with our key—pellnness and chemistry."

Saluki tennis strong in tournament

By Dan Lieny
Sports Writer

The Saluki men's tennis team showed positive signs over the weekend by taking an unofficial title at the Missouri Valley Conference Individual Tennis Championship at Drake University.
The word unofficial is the key, as there are no team points awarded at the event. Best estimates indicate Drake as the winner with 89 points. Tulsa won with 47 and SIUC finished third with 43 points.
SIUC coach Dick Lever was recently placed with the coaching of the top Saluki players for the long Christmas break and short prep run.
We played really well under the circumstances," Lever said. We do it with three days of full practice before the next.

SIUC committee prepares for equity between men's, women's athletics

By John Rezaaraka
Special Assignment Writer

An SIUC committee on sex equity in athletics recommended Monday that funding for men's and women's sports be proportional to the number of male and female participants in intercollegiate athletics at the University.
The Intercollegiate Athletic Sex Equity Committee developed the plan to help the athletic department comply with Title IX guidelines for intercollegiate athletic programs.
Title IX Intercollegiate Athletic

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BY Karyn Viventio

Sports Writer

Call it the one that got away. Entering Monday night's contest against the Drake Bulldogs, the SIUC women's basketball team needed a victory to keep its chances for finishing first in the Missouri Valley Conference alive.
Those chances were dealt a blow with a 61-56 loss in Des Moines. SIUC coach Cindy Scott said this game was a must-win.
"This is the game we had to win," Scott said. "We hurt ourselves badly.
The Bulldogs, down by six points at halftime, used a 9-2 run to start the second half, while the Salukis took more than four minutes to score.
By the end of the game, the Bulldogs were 12-6 overall and 6-2 in the Valley, were paced by sophomore Julie Ritters and Kristi Kleine. Both finished with 14 points. Junior Kristen Lynch chipped in 12 points and grabbed nine boards.
"The Salukis, who had a dismal .297 field goal percentage in the second half, failed to connect on key shots late in the game."
Coach Scott said the loss was a result of poor thinking and shooting.
"We didn't play intelligently," she said. "And, we weren't able to knock down the shots."

**Slower Rocky Ransom was one player who failed to knock down some shots. She missed two critical layups, both which resulted in Bulldog baskets.**
However, the Salukis, down by seven and seemingly out of the game with 3:49 remaining, went on a 7-0 run to tie the game at 56. But, the Bulldogs stifled the SIUC offense for the remainder of the game and scored the last five points to round out the scoring.
Senior Anita Scott continued to shine for the Salukis as she scored 21 points, pulled down 6 rebounds and had three assists and two steals.
Senior Tiffany Bolden finished with 12 points and seven boards.
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NEWSWRAP

LEAKING OIL TRANSFERRED TO DANISH SHIP
Another Danish super oil tanker arrived at the scene of the ill-fated Maudy Navigator to carry out a ship-to-ship transfer of a remaining 2
million barrels of crude still leaking into the Bay of Bengal and the Arabian Sea. The Maardy Navigator was involved in a collision with
the 96,000-ton Japanese tanker Sanku Honour on Jan. 22 near the entrance to the Straits of Malacca.

ISRAEL ALLOWING PALESTINIANS TO RETURN
Israel announced it is partially revoking its deportation of 400 Palestinians and will allow about 100 of the refugees to return.

Prime Minister Rabin said the decision had been made under an agreement with the United States. It was up to the Israeli government to decide which
Palestinians would be allowed to return, he said. Israel will permit supplies to reach the about 300 Palestinians remaining in southern Lebanon.

BRAZIL GOING BY TWO DIFFERENT CLOCKS

What time is it? If you are in Rio de Janeiro, there may be some doubt.

The Brazilian city was thrown into confusion Monday when Mayor Arnon Ribeir
Maier ordered the city to continue using summer time even though the rest of
Brazil, including Rio's suburbs, switched to winter time Sunday. Six
million people in the suburbs would be an hour ahead of their six million
neighbors in Rio's center. The main station also is feeling the effect.
Train runs on national time but station clocks are on local time.

NATION

SUPERBOWL XXVII IS THE MOST-WATCHED

Despite its customary rout, Super Bowl XXVII Sunday earned NBC the
game's highest overnight ratings since 1987 and figures to finish as at
least the third most-watched ever when final national figures are released
today. The network's telecast of the Dallas Cowboys 52-17 victory over
the Buffalo Bills at the Rose Bowl averaged 43.9 rating and 65 percent
of the audience in the 25 markets in which the A.C. Nielsen Co.
liaed ratings data Monday. An NBC Research estimate expects the average
audience to be in excess of 120 million viewers.

STATES MAY REFORM HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

A state meeting with the governors from each state met Thursday and Friday two hours at the White House, President Clinton ordered his administration to dismantle bureaucratic obstacles that keep states from getting a decision on whether they can redesign their Medicaid programs. Clinton stressed the need for states to join the federal government in preventive health programs, such as childhood vaccinations. If Clinton's order works as intended, a half-dozen states could launch their own health-cash-reform programs as early as this year.

STATE

CANCELED CATALOG HURTS POSTAL SERVICE

The best-known discount mail catalog might have been a love for the
store, but the U.S. Postal Service stands to lose $100 million in business when the book goes out of print. The demise of Sears' $3.3 billion annual catalog division has the United Parcel Service and other delivery companies growing over their calculations. The Postal Service, which faces a loss of $50 million to $100 million in annual revenue for delivering the catalogs and merchandise ordered from them, tried to remain optimistic.

—From Daily Egyptian wire services

Corrections/Clarifications

In the Feb. 1 Daily Egyptian in the Graduate Council story, the lead should have read: The Graduate Council supported eliminating the master of arts degree in plant biology and zoology and the masters of science degree in statistics, as part of a continuing process of streamlining University programs. Also in the story: Gary Austin, director of the Rehabilitation Institute, said "the upcoming faculty of Rehabilitation Institute meetings will include discussion about merging the two graduate degree programs.

Accuracy Desk

If readers spot an error in a news article, they can contact the Daily Egyptian Accuracy Desk at 536-3311, extension 233 or 228.
Chinese students host lunar new year festival

Candace Semotlakski
International Writer

Chinese students from several countries overcame cultural differences and joined together to celebrate Chinese Lunar New Year, the year of the rooster. "It is hard for all of the student organizations from so many different countries to work together," said Louie Looouso, one of the master of ceremonies.

The annual celebration brought a crowd of about 200 together. The event, was hosted by the Chinese Student Association, Singapore Student Association and the Malaysian-Chinese Student Association.

A Chinese tradition, nearly 5,000 years old, was used to start the evening. The drum pounded, a colorful dragon entered the dining area in efforts to drive away a monster which is said to eat children.

"It is a tradition which dates back to the beginning of Chinese history," said Louie Ping, a senior in cinematography from California. "The dragon is said to be the only way to drive away the monster."

Breeda Lee and Looouso, both MBA students, acted as masters of ceremonies. Lee said the year of the rooster is a year full of joy, high spirits and great achievements.

Members of the various student associations performed Chinese chamber music, sung songs and participated in a skit during the evening.

Jay Frasier, magician, selected members of the audience to participate.

By Shawna Donovan
General Assignment Writer

Two SIU law school students decided to open a practice together after they graduated because they wanted to help people out through law.

"I want to make a change. I want to do something for the people," said Douglas Hall. "Law is a very interesting line of work."

Hall and Kurt Harris, 1992 graduates of the SIUC School of Law, are working to help Perry County install its 911 emergency telephone system board. As consultants for the county’s emergency telephone system board, they will help with lawsuits and disputes that involve the 911 system and give basic legal advice.

Perry County is located north of Jackson County.

While in law school, Harris and Hall were student workers at the SIUC Legal Clinic. They worked with cases involving the elderly in Southern Illinois.

Harris said the law clinic was a great experience for both of them.

"I think that was one of the best experiences a law student could get. People would walk through the door, and we were right there to help," Harris said.

They also were partners on the most court team that participated in a national products liability competition. They decided then they should become partners.

We just worked very well together in law school. We carried over to a partnership," Haile said.

The two attorneys were sworn in Nov. 5 and Nov. 6, and they started their law firm together.

"I would like to help people (Harris) with his political career," he said. "Behind each politician, there is a strong force behind the scenes."

The 911 system they are working on has been enhanced by technology that includes Computer Assistance Dispatch, a feature that helps the police locate the emergency phone call in bad weather, and instant locator even if the emergency caller does not talk.

Eventually, the system will give a computer grasp-out to the police by text message.
mandatory checks will protect renters

SIUC STUDENTS usually have a lot on their minds; the milieu of topics range from making good grades, fitting in with the social group and adjusting to a new community.

Near midterm and finals, even those who are normally unruffled know what it is like to be on a roller coaster of worries that seems to have no end.

However, the 14,305 students that reside in Carbondale should not have to worry about homes in poor condition or those that have inadequate safety standards.

Violations such as the absence of screens on windows, window locks and deadbolts are increasingly common. Also, faulty wiring can lead to electrocution or fire in a dwelling.

The Graduate and Professional Student Council has taken prudent action to curb these problems. It has proposed a licensing system for landlords that requires mandatory rental property inspections on a regular basis.

Since 1984, CARBONDALE landlords have operated under a voluntary compliance code, which allows the Carbondale landlord or the tenant to decide when or if housing inspections are done.

But Susan Hall, president of GPSC, says many landlords have not had their houses inspected since the ordinance was adopted. Potential safety hazards can go unrecognized, and costs that could be prevented are not.

"It is like a car. If your brakes get bad and you get them fixed, it is fairly cheap. But if you let the problem go until you have to replace the brake pads, the shoes and possibly other parts," Hall explains.

ONE CASE IN POINT is the lawsuit against landlord Henry Fisher and a group of fraternity students who rented from him. A regular housing inspection may have solved much of the problem, regardless of which party was right.

Fisher is suing the students for $9,300 in damages. The students are charging Fisher with negligence because he allegedly failed to install smoke detectors and because at times, Fisher let students tear up the property.

By adopting regular inspection codes, Fisher and the students would have been protected.

Complaints of landlord negligence, as well as complaints from landlords that students tear up properties, would be reduced, Hall said.

"If students had a nice place that was well-maintained, most would feel a greater responsibility to take care of it and act accordingly," she said.

In addition, physical improvements in rental properties will increase the likelihood that others will want to maintain their properties well.

Property values will stabilize or increase because rental properties will be maintained, according to a 1983 book called "Rental Housing in the 1980's" by Anthony Downs.

Opponents who cite increased rents as an outcome are most likely not on target. Local regulations are not a major factor in the determination of rent prices, according to a 1987 journal, Social Problems. Rather, the income of the community is what determines rent rates.

Because rental property in Carbondale makes up about 71 percent of the city's occupied dwellings, keeping it safe should be a top priority for the community.

A vast majority of Carbondale's residences are SIUC students. Regular rental inspections would benefit not only the students, but the renters and the community as a whole.

By James D. Quisenbery
Director of Information Programs and Services

More than six weeks have passed since the tragic fire in the Pyramid apartment complex area in Carbondale.

I want to compliment the coverage which the Daily Egyptian provided and their detailed attention to the many aspects of that disaster.

I especially appreciated Gus Bode's representation of the flags at half mast in the Dec. 7 edition and the "Victims Remembered" section of the Dec. 8 issue. Your reporters did a job of introducing all of us to those who were killed in the fire, and those contributing to the effort which helps us remember them.

It is important that the University's emergency response team, coordinated by Vice President Harvey Weis, met the credit it deserves in responding so quickly to this serious issue which caused a disaster suddenly present.

Most of all, I want to thank the staff members of the International Programs and Services office who remained in a completely unselfish manner when the emergency occurred and in the days which followed. Worth of special mention is Carla Coppi, my assistant director, who joined Vice President Welch, members of his staff, and myself, at The Pyramids early that Sunday morning.

Special thanks also go to Diane Wissinger, who from that early hour, stood by our office telephone to provide needed information concerning the international students in the fire.

The entire staff of the International Students and Scholars Division made themselves available for duty that Sunday morning and throughout the day, answered phone calls, and provided information for friends, for officials at the University and of foreign governments, and for the news media from around the world who were calling about the situation.

Ms. Coppi and I were on hand in the Emergency Room of the hospital to assist as needed and were on duty until about 10 p.m. Sunday.

Contrary to some currently circulating misinformation, hospital personnel did not permit general visits to the more severely injured students...

As the designated "hotline" for information concerning the conditions of those injured, resources available to those displaced, insurance and other financial questions, and other information needed by authorized, the IES office kept four to six phone lines busy constantly during the week following the fire.

Ms. Wissinger and Ms. Coppi not only maintained contact with the hospitals where injured students were taken, but also visited those whose condition permitted.

Contrary to some currently circulating misinformation, hospital personnel did permit general visits to the more severely injured students, and in some cases, those told us they were not yet ready for visitors.

It should also be noted that this office and other University offices have remained ready to respond to any requests for assistance from those injured or displaced by that fire.

Any problems with the University's response could be due to the fact that the need has not been made known to the appropriate office.

All of us have learned important lessons from this experience. It is important that we make practical use of these lessons. We should work for the future good of our students and in honor of those who died in the fire. The response of the individuals in this office was, in my view, certainly commendable and it is important to me that the good work which was accomplished in response to this tragedy not be minimized by rumor and innuendo.

The efficiency of the emergency units of the Carbondale Fire and Police Departments and the assistance fostered by Chief Donald Strom, Chief Clifford Manis, and City Manager Jeff Dorety, among the several agencies involved, including SIUC, has been commendable and has enhanced the community's rapid and magnanimous response to this situation.

The various contributions of clothing, household items, living quarters, and money from this community and from concerned individuals around the country have helped demonstrate a deep concern for fellow humans and especially for our international students.

I want to recognize the appropriate and selfless response of the International Student Council to the needs of those disadvantaged by the fire. Their thorough and careful attention to problems generated by this tragedy, at a time in the semester when all international students were wanting to focus only on their studies, represented a remarkable display of caring and thoughtfulness which I applaud.

It was most fitting that the memorial service was held on the memorial service was held on the University campus on Sunday, Dec. 11th, which was the day before the first day of classes.

No service could have been better done or more beneficial to those of us who attended.

The final chapter of this experience is still being written, but it is appropriate for us to express gratitude to those many people in our community whose main thought was not for self, but to help others.
Calendr

PHILIPSTOWN COLLEGIUM will present "The Matchstick Man," a Play of Speech Communication at 4 p.m. Feb. 10 in Field House.

SPC TRAVEL and Recreation SSI Student Center will have its Annual Monopoly Tournament from 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Feb. 10 in Ballroom D of the Student Center.

PROSPECTIVE SALES Customers will have an open house with sales manager, Robert Johnson, at 6:30 p.m. Feb. 10 in open house in the Illinois Room of the Student Center. For more information call Elizabeth 173-3524.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT Association will have a new member meeting at 6 p.m. at the Indiana Village Apartments. All majors welcome to attend. For more information call Kyoko at 173-6434.

SAUKI ADVERTISING Agency will have a new member meeting at 7 p.m. in the Communications Building, Room 127. For more information call Dave at 536-3361.

MEGA-LIFE will be discussing "The Fall of Man" at 7 p.m. in the Student Center Auditorium. For more information call Phil at 173-2208.

THE AMERICAN MARKETING Association will meet tonight the operations department at 5 p.m. and the public relations department at 7 p.m. in the AMA office of the Student Center. For more information call Mike at 173-3524.

SUPPORT GROUP for families and friends of the mentally ill will meet at 7 tonight at Our Savior Lutheran Church. For more information call Mary at 549-4363.

PROFESSORS' CAFE will meet at 12:45 p.m. today in Rohm Hall, Room 13. For more information call Prof. Tom at 549-4279.

WOMEN'S SERVICES will have support group for women who have been sexually assaulted from 3 to 6:30 p.m. every Monday starting Feb. 13 in Rohm Hall. For more information call Karen at 455-3656.

CALENDAR POLICY - The deadline for Calendar items is Monday at noon. Only items meeting all of the above guidelines will be considered for publication. Items should be typewritten and must include time, date, place, nature of the event and the name of the person submitting the item. Include address or phone number should be provided. Items should be sent to the Daily Egyptian, Communications Building, Room 127; or by phone, 536-3361.

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verification of selective service status and is delaying financial aid to students such as Johnson and others who do not know to take care of the problem.

Students applying for financial aid should be especially vigilant when filling out the forms. Those dealing with their selective service status, said Diana King, financial aid counselor.

Under a federal rule changed last fall, every application now is checked against the lists held by that agency. Failure to do this can result in a serious delay in any financial aid award, Kiss said.

Registration with selective service is now required for able-bodied males who hoped to acquire government-supported funding.

However, until last fall the system relied on the honesty of the applicant.

King said this is not a problem for most, but a substantial number of males have failed to register.

A bigger problem involves veterans of the military who are 35 or older.

Monopoly tournament to test students' skills

By Chris Kennedy

Boardwalk, Park Place and the least prestigious B.O. Railroad will all be up for grabs in massive real estate dealings at the Student Center today.

These fictional real-estate holdings are, of course, spaces on the board in the game of Monopoly.

The Student Programming Council's Travel and Recreation Committee will have its Second Annual Monopoly Tournament in Ballroom D of the Student Center.

"It's not your traditional Monopoly Tournament," said Carol Steinke, director of Monopoly game tournaments for Parker Accounting.

Steinke said she feels the length of the game is the main turnoff for most people and keeps many people away from the tournament.

"The preliminary rounds are all timed events," she said.

"The games won't stop at the preliminary rounds and hours and won't get until the wee hours of the morning," Steinke said.

She said she hopes that the time limit helps bring people out who were previously intimidated by the Monopoly tournament.

Participants in the tournament will compete for prizes from local businesses and Parker Brothers in addition to competing for an opportunity to advance to the next level of play.

The tournaments progress through several stages including local, regional, national and eventually the World Monopoly Tournament.

"It's possible for someone to go from winning the local tournament all the way to competing at the world championship," Steinke said.

The Monopoly Tournament has 24 Monopoly boards to fill with 65 participants already signed up and a maximum capacity of 65 players.

"We still have room and Tuesday we will take sign-ups until we're full," said Don Castle, adviser to the Student Programming Council's Travel and Recreation Committee.

The tournament will be from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Student Center and is open to the public.

Admission is free. Additional sign-ups will be Tuesday, and more information can be obtained at 536-3363.

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Last year, $136 million was needed from the state to meet the funding requirements, Spice said. Instead, the state gave only $89 million.

"This year, $194 million is needed," he said. "I'm expecting the same $10 million this year."

Spice said between 1980 and 1989, if the state is negligent in the regular funding plus interest, it could have paid off the debt.

Spice said in 1989, a Senate bill was passed recognizing the serious underfunding of pension plans. The bill was intended to pay off the fund over the next 40 years.

Spice said he has yet to see any of this money.

"Now it is 1993, and I have yet to see $10 million out of $194 million," he said. The department is waiting for the General Assembly to set a court date.

"The state is basically breaking the law that they created," he said.

Spice said the lack of funding may not affect those taking part in the 5-plus-5 retirement plan and the $194 million state plan, but the bill saving eventually could fall on the shoulders of today's students.

"If I can't pay those costs, I have to transfer my checks to the state comptroller of Illinois. The comptroller has to make good on these checks," Spice said.

"The comptroller has to pay this, and he or she will have to get more out of the general revenue fund. If there is no funds in the general revenue fund, then they might well raise the tax or pay for the cost."

Under the Illinois Constitution, everyone is guaranteed their pension. The problem is for more people, he said. Because of the pension disability, the chairman believes the taxpayers of the state, the students now in college, will face increased taxes to pay for the pension plan.

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- a ward of the court or an orphan
- a ward of a legal dependent, like children
- we sent letters to those who are, asked, or appealed for conditional or independent status, telling them about the charge," King said.

Kings said she said about 1,000 letters were sent out. Independent students are more likely to receive federal grant money, because only the student's income is considered for how much money is needed.

Dependent students list both their income and their parent's income in the consideration, King said.

A typical middle class student does not have as much chance for financial aid as if they were independent, he said.

King said it was not possible to give specific amounts of money though it was on the line on way or the other.

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Daily Egyptian gets honor rating

The Daily Egyptian recently was awarded the honor rating of All-American honored by the Inter-Fraternity Council. This is the first time the Daily Egyptian has been awarded this honor. The Daily Egyptian, according to Tom Rolnick, executive director of the IFC, said that this award is given in recognition of the newspaper's outstanding work in the areas of news, editorials, and page design.

The Daily Egyptian's award is considered to be the highest honor that can be given to a newspaper. This award is based on the newspaper's ability to produce high-quality, well-written stories and to provide a fair and balanced view of the news. The Daily Egyptian has worked hard to achieve this level of excellence, and the award is a testament to the dedication of its staff.

Spring rush recruitment less formal

By Jonathan Smith
General Assignment Writer

The spring rush for the Inter-Fraternity Council at SIUC this semester will be a bit different than the fall. Rush is a term used by fraternities to describe the recruitment of prospective members. The difference between this spring's rush and last fall's is that things are going to be a little more relaxed, said IFC President Mark Kao.

"Members have the opportunity to come out and talk to prospective members on an informal basis," Kao said. "They can expect to meet representatives from all SIUC fraternities and receive answers to their questions."

Rush has the chance to talk with the fraternities at the Student Center anytime between the hours of 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. today when they will be introduced to the different chapters, said Joe Sickles, Rush chairman for IFC.

"The nuhsers get to see the houses they want, when they want, and for how long they want," Sickles said. "The transitions is because the old method might have scared a lot of guys away."

Rush has been successful in the past, however, a change was made to ensure maximum recruitment for the fraternities. In the past, fraternities had to fight the image as all-cut parties. Harriet Wilson Barlow, associate director of student development, said the new informal format will take away from the uncomfortable stigma of rush.

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**International Festival celebrates cultures**

By Candice Samoilonski

Next week, the University will celebrate cultures from around the world with the third annual International Festival this year.

The festival will be held Feb. 8 through Feb. 13, will include many different areas of interest to all students interested in international cultures or just having fun.

Princeton can look forward to seeing most of same countries represented this year that were present in the past, but the week's agenda will be quite different.

Emmanuel Dialymas, representative of the Hellenic Students' Association, said the recent fire at the Pyramids apartment complex has spotlighted the international population.

"I believe the festival will be a lot bigger this year as far as attendance goes," he said. "I believe more people will be interested this year because a lot more people will want to attend this year." Dialymas said that the proceeds from both the auction and cultural shows will go to the victims of the fire.

The International Student Council has planned an auction as one of the highlights of this year's International Festival.

The country will donate items from their exhibits for the auction. Patrons will then have the opportunity to bid on items they like, all proceeds will go to aid the fire victims.

"I am sure what we will donate but I know our group plans to help out as much as possible," said Fadi Al-Jifry of the Indonesian Student Association.

Ansyid said he does not believe the fire will have any impact on the festival turnout.

Continuing a festival tradition, each group will participate in the cultural and fashion shows, as well as the exhibits.

But many of the groups will get to participate for the first time in short or short dances and presentations, which will take place throughout the week.

The groups hope these will increase awareness and attendance by allowing people to see what shows to have.

"I believe when people see that there is a variety of things to offer they will be more likely to come," said Erick Enriquez, representative of the Filipinos Student Association.

In the past a lunch buffet has been available on the final day of the festival.

This year the International Student Council said they will not have the dinner at all instead.

Several dishes from each country will be available at different times at the Greek and Hellenic Student Association will be working together and plans to offer food as an international buffet. Patrons for the main dishes and baklava as dessert. The fashion and cultural shows will offer a wide variety of dances and costumes from various countries.

Nurulhasikn Mohd, of the Malaysian Student Association, said her country is very multicultural and her group will try to represent each race during their presentations.

"During the fashion show we will have people from India, the Semfj from the Chinese, the Scandinavians from Sabah and the karnung from Baja," she said. "Our cultural show will have one scene each of the two great warfronts from our history, Hang Tuah and Hang Jebat."

Dialymas said that the Malaysian Student Association, the Greek and Hellenic associations will be representing numerous geographic groups during the festival.

Dialymas said dances such as the Macedonian style, the Isanakdo from the Aegian Islands, the Tonga from Tonga and Althea Soyat from Cyprus will all be performed.

Enriquez said that the men from his group plan to wear traditional Mexican costumes for the events and to represent a sense of unity.

Most groups will have traditional music and dance performances and a other authentic crafts available at the exhibits.

The cultural and fashion shows is shown and the buffet will be set.

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**Children's Storybook illustrates world scope**

By Candice Samoilonski

A book of fairy tales to be displayed at the upcoming International Festival will give children a chance at another world and a chance to imagine.

The book, "Rainbow Children's Stories from Around the World," includes short stories and illustrations from nine countries and includes the names of each country's flag, festivals and geographic location.

"It is a nice way for kids to know about international culture and the folk tales from other countries," said Kenneth Abrahams, one of the authors. "It is something new and different that opens their minds to new horizons.

The book, a publication of SLIC International Telephone and Television, will be offered at a special price on Feb. 11 at an exhibition booth.

Many of the authors will be at the book.

Mr. Ahmet, who created and edited the book, said the work was an addition to an ongoing competition among international authors.

The book anthology, "Rainbow," takes place in the United States. When first published, the book was mailed out to all Southern Illinois university and pre-school.

Ahmet said she hoped through using "Rainbows," students will learn more about other cultures.

Included in the book are stories and illustrations which allow children and students to offer suggestions on how the book should be continued.

"The book L is in its 3rd edition," said Ahmet.

"We followed the advice of some people and put the 'Pig's in color. The book is a good way for children to learn about a country, where it is located, its flag looks like and a fairy tale from its history."

One unique aspect of the book is the ISBN, which included at the end of each story.

Many of the stories contain foreign words that do not have an exact English translation.

Ahmet said this allows children to learn both sets of meanings.


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plan. SEC assumed the task of developing the Title IX Compliance Plan because the administration failed to submit a plan by July, 1992.

"We met several times last year and gave our recommendations to the athletic department administration," Bandy said. "The administration voted unanimously to accept the recommendations, but none of them were implemented."

The SEC plan focuses on a standard set by the Office of Civil Rights to measure Title IX compliance that states the male-to-female student-athlete ratio should match the male-to-female undergraduate student body ratio.

SIUC's male-to-female undergraduate student body ratio was 55.1% to 44.9% for the 1991-1992 school year, according to the plan. However, the male-to-female student-athlete ratio was 65.6% to 34.4.

While the proportion of minority waivers was 60.1 percent for males and 59.9 percent for females in 1991-92, the proportion of scholarship funding was 63.9 percent to 36.1 percent.

Men received 56.5 percent of the operational budgets and 67 percent of recruitment dollars in 1991-92 compared to 33.5 percent and 33 percent for women.

The Title IX Committee must be given an opportunity to look at the plan in detail before the recommendations are submitted," Woodruff said. "On March 5, we will go over all of the recommendations."

If the University approves the compliance plan, other universities could probably look at it as a model of how it was done in the past and how it will be done in the future, Woodruff said.

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S. A. C. library to team for funds, information fair

BY DALE LEHTY
Sports Writer

Students who go to the Recreation Center Tuesday and Wednesday will have the opportunity to bulk up on knowledge in a new addition to their favorite form of exercise.

Monday Library and the Recreation Center are teaming up to sponsor a fun and educational information fair to show the students all that the library has to offer.

The information fair will have computer demos, prizes, contests and free pizzas and Pepsi.

There are no set rules on what will be done with the money that will be raised, but tentative plans suggest the library will purchase some sort of multi-media information system.

The information fair will be set up by the climbing wall and runs Tuesday and Wednesday from 4 to 9 p.m.