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Court orders SIUC to release list

HIGH COURT: Local landlord wins access to University's list of potential students after Illinois Supreme Court ruling.

JULIE RENDLEMAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

In a unanimous decision Thursday, the Illinois Supreme Court ordered SIUC to release the names and addresses of potential students to a local landlord because the University has made them available to local media and campus ministries.

According to court documents, the University has claimed the names of potential students are private. However, the court noted that the names and addresses are made available to a local newspaper, campus ministries

and other groups. It concluded they should not be withheld from Stan Lieber, an SIUC geography professor and owner of Stevenson Arms, 600 W. Mill St.

The Illinois Supreme Court decision stated, "The only reason the University has treated Lieber differently is that he is in direct competition with the University for what seems to be a dwindling housing market."

Lieber filed the lawsuit May 18, 1993, under the Freedom of Information Act, asking SIUC for the names and addresses of potential students who inquired about University Housing.

Lieber lost his original FOIA request in 1995, in Jackson County. However, in 1996, an appellate court ruled in favor of Lieber. The lawsuit was appealed to the Illinois Supreme Court Jan. 15, 1997, because SIUC appealed the appellate court ruling. The court had one year to rule on the request. It agreed with the

appellate court by a 7-0 ruling in favor of Lieber.

"I am glad there is justice in Illinois," Lieber said. "I am pleased that the arrogance of this University cannot be used to manipulate students and their parents who have a right to decide where they want to live."

Lieber said the court's ruling allows him to file for the names and addresses of the potential students, and within seven days, the University must provide the information.

Lieber filed the FOIA request for the potential students' names because in 1992, SIUC officials notified Lieber that the University would stop mailing brochures of Stevenson Arms with University brochures to potential students. Lieber wanted to obtain the names to mail them out himself.

Lieber said SIUC had mailed out brochures of Stevenson Arms, a University-accepted living facility for all students, since

1966, for a fee.

The University has 21 days to file for a rehearing in front of the Illinois Supreme Court.

Shari Rhode, SIUC chief trial attorney, said the University has not decided if it will file to request a rehearing.

"This is not a loss for enrolled students

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Gus Bode



Gus says: I wonder if I can use the FOIA to get answers for my finals?

Poets express feelings on sexual assault

SOCIAL ACTION: One student says more men should attend events, speak out against assault.

LA'KEISHA R. GRAY
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Gregory Wendt thought his evening would be spent supporting his friend at a women's poetry reading. Little did he know he would be educated and reminded about sexual assault against women.

"Actually, I came to hear the poetry," said Wendt, a graduate student in

no means no Sexual Assault Awareness

telecommunications from New York. "I didn't know this (sexual assault) was the issue. On one level, I'm sadly reminded this is such a big problem for very young women and girls. So it saddens me that this is so prevalent."

As a part of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, SIUC Women's Services presented Poetry Night Wednesday evening to a crowd of about 30 people.

The public was invited to Melange Cafe, 607 S. Illinois Ave., and share or enjoy poetry relating to the empowerment of women.

Leena Batra, campus safety representative at the Women's Center, said because poetry attracts a large and diverse audience, the event was a new and different way to enthrall the public while raising awareness about sexual assault.

"I think through this medium, it draws more people," she said. "People enjoy sharing their work and they enjoy the process of writing their own. Poetry is



KORVETA SPENCER/Daily Egyptian

POETIC EXPRESSION: Melinda Yeomans, a Carbondale resident, reads some of her original poetry during Women's Services Poetry Night in observance of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Wednesday at Melange Cafe, 607 S. Illinois Ave.

entertaining and it educates more than just giving a lecture.

"I was so pleased to see the turnout. I feel we are getting across that this is a serious issue. The community can get together and it can be a group effort. It's possible to take social action, and not just say, 'Oh, what can I do about it?' Everyone can do something."

With that train of thought, Women's

Services sponsored an essay contest. "What can Carbondale men do to organize a group of men to join the fight against sexual assault?"

The essays were judged on whether or not a specific plan of action was outlined. There were a number of essays submitted,

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Councils support increase

RESERVATIONS: GPSC member 'grudgingly admits' graduate tuition should rise, affordability concerns him.

WILLIAM HATFIELD
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Both the Graduate Council and the Graduate and Professional Student Council support a document that recommends a tuition increase as one way to finance SIU's graduate education.

The document, "Graduate School Tuition and Tuition Waivers," was created by the SIUC Graduate School Tuition Waiver Committee. It recommends that graduate tuition be separated from undergraduate tuition.

The proposal recommends increasing graduate tuition gradually during the next five years until tuition covers 25 percent of its cost. Tuition now represents 18 percent of graduate education's cost.

"Graduate tuition does not reflect the cost of graduate costs to any extent," Jack McKillip, Graduate School associate dean, said. "The tie between undergraduate and graduate tuition has hurt and held back graduate education."

The average cost for educating an SIUC graduate enrolled in at least 12 credit hours for the 1997-1998 academic year is \$11,822. However, graduate tuition is \$2,160 for 12 credit hours.

The SIUC Board of Trustees is scheduled to vote on the proposed increase in June.

The document was prepared in April in response to an Illinois Board of Higher Education mandate that all state universities

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Southern Illinois Forecast

TODAY:
Scattered thunderstorms.
High: 76
Low: 56

WEDNESDAY:
Showers.
High: 60
Low: 55


Corrections

In Tuesday's article "Adoption plan to restore woods," the following individuals were omitted from a list of supporters: Jim and Kathy Fralish, who donated \$4,000 for the purchase of ball stock trees; Robert Reid and Ken Diesburg, who both have adopted patches; the Check Cashing Service in the Student Center; employees from Dr. David Lightfoot's Laboratory in the Plant and Soil Science Department; Sigma Xi; and the Forestry Honorary Society.

The DE regrets the omission.

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TODAY

- Office of Economic and Regional Development presents "Bukovich Retrospective," a show featuring the drawings of Dr. Paul Bukovich II, May 2 through June 30, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday - Thursday and until 5 p.m. on Friday. Small Business Incubator, free to public. Contact Marianne at 453-5047.

- Library Affairs, "SilverPlatter Databases" Seminar, May 2, 9 to 10 a.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.

- The Southwestern Company: Summer Work Meetings, May 2, noon and 3 p.m., Pulliam 310. Contact Chris at 549-6450.

- Disabled Student Recreation - Let's go swimming at the Pulliam Pool, every Friday, 3 to 5 p.m. Contact Melissa at 453-1265.

- Russian Table, Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m., China House (701 S. Illinois Ave.) Contact Sarah at 453-5029.

- French Table, May 2, 4 p.m., Pogliola's. Contact Errol at 536-1433.

- Pan-Hellenic Council Greek Unity Day - SIU Greek Unity March, May 2, 4:30 p.m., Student Center. Contact Malik at 529-1504.

- Pan-Hellenic Council Chat and Chew - "Greek to Know You Picnic," May 2, 5 p.m., Campus Lake Boat Dock. Contact Carl at 529-1504.

- German Table - "Stammlich", May 2, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Booby's. Contact Anne at 549-1754.

- Nigerian Student Association general meeting, May 2, 6 p.m., Student Center Mississippi Room. Contact Charles at 453-7611.

- Japanese Table, every Friday, 6 to 8 p.m., Malange Cafe. Contact Sumiko at 457-8650.

- Pan-Hellenic Council Mass Naphyia Chant Contest, all Greek Noct '96, '97, May 2, 11 p.m., Jova

Coffee House. Contact Malik at 529-1504.

UPCOMING

- Carbondale Lions Club Pancake Days, May 3 and 4, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., Town Square, adults \$3.50, children \$2.50. Contact David at 684-4835.

- Saluki Volunteer Corps - Habitat for Humanity, every Saturday, Student Development Office (3rd floor of Student Center), 453-5714.

- School of Social Work and Saluki Women's Tennis: Mystery Doubles Fundraiser, May 3, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. (Chris, lunch, and Mystery Doubles), SIU Tennis Courts, \$25 to \$50. Contact Laura at 453-3148 or 453-243.

- SIUC Women's Club May Business Brunch with guest speaker Jeanne Simon, May 3, 10 a.m. to noon, Grant City Lodge, \$7 per person. Contact Pat at 457-6547.

- Middle Eastern Dance Enthusiasts Workshop, May 3, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Student Center Ballroom B, free. Call 453-5012 for information.

- SIU Cycling Club: Group mountain bike ride, all abilities welcome, every Saturday, 11:30 a.m., meet at campus beach. Contact Mike at 457-1187.

- Windsurfing Club Demonstration - basic lesson (weather permitting), bring shoes to walk in water, May 3, 1 p.m., Evergreen Lake Boat Ramp. Contact Art at 985-4981, arair@siu.edu or see www.siu.edu/windsurf.

- WSIU-TV - "Rough Cuts," program showcasing independent film/video makers, Sundays, 10 p.m. Contact Dustin at 351-1394.

- Saluki Volunteer Corps: Disabled Student Recreation Horseback Riding, Mondays, 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., Lechevall Boskydell Stable, transportation provided. Contact Kathy at 453-1267.

- Civil Airpatrol Meeting, every Monday, 7 p.m., Marion Airport.

Contact Wayman at 684-6838.

- Library Affairs, "Introduction to Asynchronous Learning" Seminar, May 6, 9 to 10 a.m., Morris Library Room 15. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.

- Saluki Volunteer Corps: Swim and Gym, volunteers needed to assist children and instructor with games, May 6 to 29, 10:30 to 11 a.m., LIFE Community Center. Contact Sara at 549-4222.

- Southern Baptist Student Ministries - Free luncheon for international students, every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 825 W. Mill St. Contact Loreta at 457-2898.

- Center for English as a Second Language/Linguistics End-of-Term Exhibit, Student writing, projects, and presentations, May 6, 1 to 3 p.m., Student Center Ballroom B. Contact Lynne Davis at 453-6537.

- Library Affairs, "Introduction to Constructing Home Pages (HTML)" Seminar, May 7, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.

- Library Affairs, "Introduction to Asynchronous Learning" Seminar, May 8, 2 to 3 p.m., Morris Library Room 15. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.

- Library Affairs, "Introduction to Constructing Home Pages (HTML)" Seminar, May 9, 8 to 10 a.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.

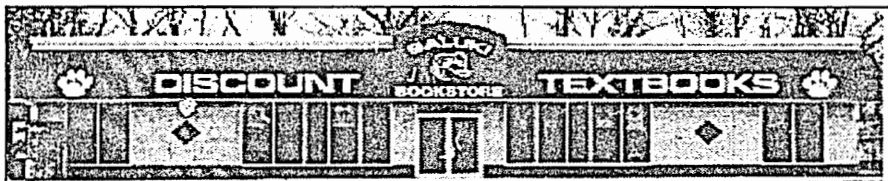
- SIUC Circle K and Carbondale Noon Kwanzaa Steak Dinner, May 9 and 10, 11 a.m. to 8 p.m., Newman Center, \$5. Contact Donna at 549-9695 or Anna at 684-6248.

- Southern Illinois Collegiate Sailing Club: Sailboat Training Camp, May 10 and 11, Crab Orchard Lake. Contact Myron at 351-0007 for details.

- Library Affairs, "Introduction to WWW using Netscape (IBM)" Seminar, May 12, 2 to 3 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.



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Striving for perfection

OUTSMARTING EINSTEIN:
Psychiatrist gives advice to reduce stress levels.

MIKAL J. HARRIS
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The fear of failing final exams is a common dread at the end of the school year, but that anxiety is far from Joy Dickerson's thoughts.

"I just got 'A's' on two of my early finals, and I'm going to get 'A's' on all of them," she said. "If I get all 'A's' on my finals, hopefully I'll have all 'A's' on my grade report."

Dickerson, a sophomore in accounting from Peoria, is trying to achieve a state of academic perfection that, during finals week, makes many students lose social lives and gain caffeine addictions.

But a recent article in the Chicago Tribune warns about the downside of striving to be perfect.

The article, "When Being Good Is Bad For You," gives some advice that students who will try to outsmart Einstein next week should keep in mind.

Sidney R. Blatt, a researcher and professor of psychiatry at the Yale University School of Medicine, is quoted in the article as saying that striving for perfection is definitely not the latest health kick.

"Give your best effort and feel good about it," he said. "If you can accept that, there will be a lot less stress in your life."

And Jewel Gilmore, a junior in accounting from Chicago, said she will use Blatt's advice as her personal mantra to get through finals week.

De-emphasizing the stress that finals week brings many students is Gilmore's key to sidestepping any end-of-semester panic attacks.

"I try to think of my final exams as any other typical exams," she said. "I don't even study on the days of my finals."

"If I don't know the material by the night before a final, after studying it all year, I'm going to get what I earn. I'm not trying to stress myself out to get all 'A's'."

Another expert quoted in the article pointed out the difference between achievement and perfection for those students who may need help in deciding which of those high roads to take as they cram for exams.

"Achievement is about a pursuit of excellence," said J. Clay Lafferty, director of the Human Synergistics International management consulting firm in Plymouth, Mich. "That is a lofty goal, but it's realistic; a person can get there. Perfection is the impossible dream."

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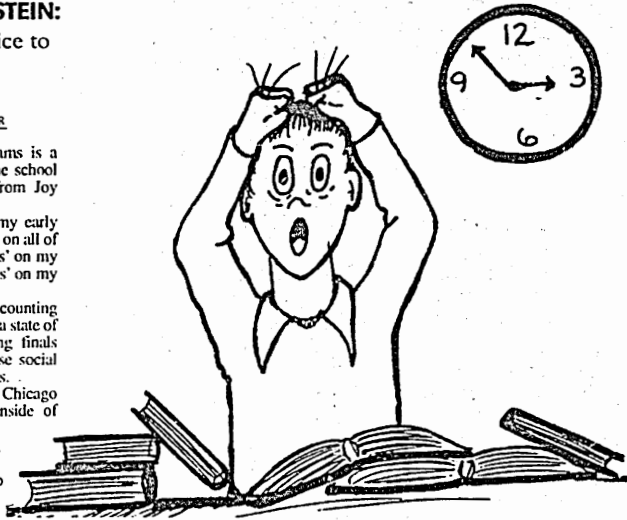


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University to provide stress relief for students

UNDER PRESSURE:
Head and neck massages offered Monday and Tuesday of finals week.

TAMEKA L. HICKS
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

After he receives a head and neck massage in Grinnell Hall next week, Brian Samuels says studying for the Finance 330 final exam will not be as stressful.

Grinnell, Lentz and Trueblood halls are providing the massages Monday and Tuesday for on-campus residents who want to relax and take a break from final-exam cramming.

Free fruit, cookies, coffee and juices, along with free head and neck massages, will be provided by Residence Hall Dining and the Housing Programming Office from 9 to 11 p.m. on a first-come-first-served basis.

Samuels, a junior in business management from Cincinnati, Ohio, has attended the study break every year and said it is nice to know that there is concern for his study habits.

"It's a stress reliever," Samuels said. "It gives me time to recuperate between

study sessions."

Paulette Curkin, coordinator of Housing Programming, said that three years ago, officials decided to provide a program for on-campus students during finals week.

Providing free food and five-minute head and neck massages is one of the best ways to relieve stress.

"We recognized that students are under a lot of stress during finals week," Curkin said.

"So we tried to provide programs that will help them, like study breaks."

Before entering any of the three cafeterias to fill up at the self-serve food stations, students must present student identification, but the snacks will not be counted on the students' meal plans.

While some students stand in line for cappuccino and Danishes, Jeremy Griggs, a resident of Bailey Hall in Thompson Point, said he will watch the professional massage therapist at work in Lentz Dining Hall before considering having one.

"I don't know about the massage," Griggs, a sophomore in journalism from Alton, said. "I never had a head and neck massage. I would consider it, but I have

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Latinos create fraternity, sorority

GOALS: Group focusing on serving community, eliminating stereotypes.

TRAVIS AKIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Gabriel Cerda says creating a Latino fraternity and sorority at SIUC has been a long and tiring process.

But with their newly-acquired Registered Student Organization statuses, both organizations are working to eliminate Latino stereotypes.

"We're here to do a job," he said. "We want to promote Hispanics in a positive way."

The Sigma Lambda Beta fraternity and the Sigma Lambda Gamma sorority received

their RSO statuses in early April, and both now are part of the Pan-Hellenic Council. Latino students have been trying to organize a fraternity and a sorority at SIUC for the past year.

Having RSO status means both groups can get funding for projects, and as members of the Pan-Hellenic Council, both organizations are official members of the Greek system at SIUC.

Sigma Lambda Beta has seven members and five associate members, and Sigma Lambda Gamma has six members and six associate members. Associate members are going through the process to become active members.

The primary focus of both organizations is serving the community, and the opportunity to do that is something Ralph Cortes, a junior in foreign language and international trade from

Chicago, said is the strongest aspect of Sigma Lambda Beta.

"We have done eight community service (projects)," he said. "It is one of our principles, and we want to live by our principles."

That commitment is what has driven the fraternity to donate more than 200 hours building houses for Habitat for Humanity.

The fraternity also has collected boxes of food for the Carbondale Fire Department's "Blazes with Generosity Food Drive," and regularly help the elderly with tasks such as yard work.

But helping the community is not the only focus of the two organizations. Julie Flores, a first-year graduate student in workforce education from Norridge, said the two groups

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CARBONDALE

CMCMA senator receives service award from USG

The Undergraduate Student Government renamed its Outstanding Senator award to the Jemal Powell Award after its final meeting Wednesday night.

Powell represented the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts as a USG senator for three years. He is graduating in May.

USG also voted to oppose the Select 2000 program, which would ban alcohol at SIUC campus fraternities' charter houses, by the year 2000. USG senators said it compromises students' rights.

USG also voted to expand the Saluki Express mass transit service to include the Carbondale Clinic as part of the bus service's intercession route.

Nation

HOLLYWOOD

ABC's Ellen ratings double for coming out episode

"Ellen" came out of the closet and packed more of America into the living room, as Wednesday's one-hour episode rode a staggering publicity wave to a national audience of more than 36 million people.

Those results exceeded even the most optimistic estimates as to the program's performance, besting viewing levels for television's most-watched program, "Seinfeld," which is seen by 30.6 million viewers in an average week.

Viewing better than doubled the average "Ellen" audience this season (13.7 million), delivering the show's highest rating ever and the biggest for any ABC entertainment program in more than three years.

The real test will be what percentage of that audience returns for the season's two remaining telecasts, in which the character deals with breaking the news to her parents and then to her boss.

WASHINGTON

Bugs replaces Mickey in cartoon stamp war

Where's Mickey? That's the question that a lot of people have been asking since the U.S. Postal Service announced that Bugs Bunny — not Mickey Mouse — would be the first Hollywood cartoon character to be honored on a postage stamp.

With the release of the Bugs stamp on May 22, it's an issue that is certain to be debated more frequently as Warner Bros. Studio and its "wascally wabbit" bask in what is certain to be a torrent of favorable publicity.

World

MOSCOW

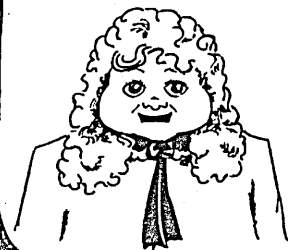
NATO-Russia charter making little progress

U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright spent more than three hours Thursday discussing a proposed NATO-Russia charter with Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov, but little progress was reported. U.S. officials said it is an "open question" whether the negotiations can be wrapped up in time for a signing ceremony tentatively scheduled for the end of this month.

The charter is the centerpiece of Western efforts to alleviate Russian fears about the U.S.-led alliance's plans to expand to the former borders of the Soviet Union.

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Our Word

Prep session

University's teaching assistants need more and better training

REQUIRING ALL NEW SIUC TEACHING assistants to attend mandatory training sessions as part of their contracts would benefit the assistants and the undergraduates they teach.

Each semester, thousands of undergraduates are taught by many new teaching assistants that have had either limited amounts of training or no training at all. In some cases, teaching assistants are expected to teach a course from only a textbook and a syllabus without any additional training.

THE UNDERLYING PROBLEM FOR THESE new teaching assistants is the inconsistency of training programs across the campus. Some departments have their own training sessions for their teaching assistants, which include a mandatory sexual harassment and disability session.

For example, the English Department requires that each new teaching assistant attend a rigorous two-week session and a 500-level, three-credit hour teaching class.

Those new English teaching assistants learn how to become effective teachers, plus they have mentors who supervise their performance in the classroom.

IF A DEPARTMENT DOES NOT HAVE A training program, its new teaching assistants are required to attend the uniform Graduate School training session, which only lasts a few days.

But some new teaching assistants only attend a mandatory sexual harassment and disability session, which is required by state law.

This inconsistency in training affects the new teaching assistants, who did not get enough training to become effective instructors, and the undergraduates — especially in the core curriculum classes — that are taught by under-trained assistants.

EACH SEMESTER, MORE THAN 3,000 undergraduates are taught in the 60 sections of core curriculum speech classes. One way of ensuring that all teaching assistants in speech communication take advantage of the department's intensive training program would be for the University to step in and take core class sections away from those instructors who choose not to attend all of the training sessions.

THE UNIVERSITY SHOULD ENFORCE AND create stricter guidelines for training session attendance and instruction for new teaching assistants by making the session part of the assistants' contracts.

The University also should have a longer, more intensive training program for new teaching assistants whose departments do not offer such programs.

Better training would help many assistants with grading papers, making up tests and dealing with students.

TEACHING ASSISTANTS INTERACT WITH undergraduates more than professors and administrators do. They are the first instructors many undergraduates have when they arrive on this campus.

With the extra training, assistants might teach a little better, and undergraduates may have a more positive experience in their core classes and would want to stay at SIUC.

It is common sense to enforce and expand training sessions for teaching assistants.

"Our Word" represents a consensus of the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board.



Corinne Mannino

Columnist Royko leaves legacy of humor, insight

I, like Josh Robison (Cancel My Subscription), am also from what is gloriously called "South of Chicago." Unfortunately, that does not mean that I am any less struck by the death of Chicago's very own literary genius, Mike Royko.

When Royko died Tuesday, a part of Chicago died with him. He was just as much a part of Chicago as Billy Goat, the Sears Tower, the array of museums, and the Bulls. He always seemed to be able to comment on things that were not necessarily common knowledge, and you just had to wonder how he knew so much.

If he did not understand the way that something worked, you would have never known it. He had a smoothness and coolness about his writing that made you think that he just knew it all. Who would have thought that one man could represent Chicago so thoroughly, yet get so tortured for it?

Royko took hell on earth for voicing his ideas and opinions. Then he took that hell and made it humorous. He made you laugh at yourself and at others.

His creative insight made you see things from an angle that you never would have

thought of, and whether you agreed with him or not, you had to admit he had a point.

Royko was blunt and to the point. With him, there was no beating around the bush or sugar-coating. He called it like he saw it, and was not afraid to speak his mind.

He did not worry about political correctness or what was socially acceptable.

Royko took the job as a columnist and defined it. He was Chicago, and he was journalism. He was the stuff movies are made of — a character who charmed his way into your affections. Royko was it.

He was the character you could find eavesdropping outside a police office to get information. He was that one character who you always watch with admiration.

He was a real-life Clark Kent, Lois Lane, and Jimmy Olsen, all in one — yet was nothing short of Superman.

Anyone would have big shoes to fill if they tried to take Royko's place, but I would prefer if it they didn't. Those shoes need to be bronzed and on display so that every journalist, every Chicagoan, every man, woman, and child, can remember this legend.

Politically Erect

Corinne is a freshman in journalism and administration of justice. Politically Erect appears every Friday. Corinne's opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the Daily Egyptian. Corinne can be reached at opinion@siu.edu

Mailbox

Witchcraft legitimate religion

Dear Editor:

Lynn Mowry speaks again. Every time she does, I just shake my head in disbelief over the amount of ignorance and blindness one person can have.

Mowry has taken it as her duty to condemn any belief that does not fit into her narrow definition of religion, especially paganism. Her letter in the Daily Egyptian on April 22 takes on the "evils" of witchcraft. Well, as a witch I am here to defend not only witchcraft as a religion, but the victim of Mrs. Mowry's hate this time, Maggie Jihan (Guest Column April 5).

Mrs. Mowry tells us that the Bible and God "have no part in witchcraft."

Witches tend to have very little to do with Christian beliefs, so I guess the feeling is mutual. Although if one does some research on the origins of most of the Christian holidays, one finds that they all have their roots in ancient pagan practices and rituals. And that paganism predates Christianity by many, many years. So it would seem that Christianity has more to do with witchcraft and paganism than many would like to admit!

Mowry also tells us that witchcraft is "a work of the flesh or lower nature and is no way a part of the spiritual or supernatural realm."

Witchcraft IS a spiritual path. It is religion with belief in deities and higher powers. It is also the fastest-growing religion in the free world. This has a lot to do with the reclaiming of our responsibility to the Earth which sustains us in every way.

Witches also do not shy away from the pleasures of the flesh. Sexuality is seen as natural and necessary not only for health but to keep the species, any species, alive. Sex is not seen as evil, and witches are not evil. This is a common misconception held by many that I and many others are trying to change by education.

Mowry, there is "good witchcraft." I consider myself a witch and a "good person." I know Maggie Jihan also is a good person and maybe even a healer. I pity your inability to see past your beliefs and allow others the right to practice their chosen ways.

Tara Nelson
Senior, zoology

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'Adopt-a-Patch' program successful in local woods

Dear Editor:

We, the members of the Thompson Woods Management Committee, would like to thank all of the Adopt-a-Patch groups and all of the other volunteers for their efforts in removing exotics, planting more than 1,200 seedlings and more than 74 ball stock trees in Thompson Woods this spring.

We also would like to thank Jim and Kathy Fralish for their donation of \$4,000, which was used to purchase the trees that were planted.

Gratitude is expressed to the Physical Plant employees who helped disperse the ball stock prior to planting.

Without this volunteer effort, restoration of the woods would be difficult to achieve.

The committee hopes that this spirit of volunteerism will continue throughout the year and into the future so that in 20 or 30 years, Thompson Woods will be a beautiful example of an upland oak-hickory forest for the campus to enjoy and from which to learn.

We plan to continue planting seedlings and trees to encourage exotic removal for the next few years.

There are still portions of the woods that can be claimed for Adopt-a-Patch management should any group be interested. Interested groups should call 453-3236.

Philip Robertson,
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Cycling renewable alternative to driving cars around town

Dear Editor:

Area environmentalists, bicycle enthusiasts, and concerned citizens gathered and took the streets en masse as a celebration of the most energy-efficient mode of transportation ever invented, which is non-polluting, healthy and fun. Tuesday, April 22 was Earth Day and International "Critical Mass" Day.

City streets in more than 60 cities worldwide were occupied by hundreds, if not thousands, of bicyclists showing support for this movement.

Critical Mass seeks to liberate cities from autocracy: rule by the car.

The goals of the gatherings are to try to transform Carbondale into a sustainable community, with bike lanes, car-free zones, better mass transit and clean air for all.

One thing: Critical Mass is not a gun-ho anti-car crusade. Many are opposed to the present level of motor transport and the adverse effects of our car-dependent society.

The aim is to highlight its shortcomings and show people an alternative.

Bicyclists face the same general problems everywhere: dan-

gerous cycling conditions due to a lack of bike lanes, inadequate facilities for bicycles and the arrogance and recklessness of

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motorists.

Add to this the number of people opposed to our fossil-fuel dependency and the ecological havoc caused by automobile overuse, and the isolationism and helplessness felt by our car/cash economy and there is a great potential for these "organized coincidences" that raise awareness and contribute in improving conditions for our cities and envi-

ronment.

Obviously, a desirable means of transport would be something efficient, non-polluting, simple to manufacture and repair, energy-conserving, cheap, and harmless.

Given that 60 percent of all car journeys are less than four miles, cycling is an alternative for most people which should be encouraged.

Noise, stress, pollution, driver aggro, oil spills, habitat destruction, urban sprawl, road kills and oil wars that are a direct consequence of our society's dependence on motor vehicles affect all of us.

Can a larger vision of social transformation get articulated through this kind of expanded public space?

Are bikes really subversive? I would like to see spontaneous masses showing up every month as a show of mutual solidarity and support for these issues or any issues that anyone feels to be important.

So the next time a Critical Mass occurs, grab your bike, skates, feet or even your horse and join the celebration!

Travis Clark
Junior, zoology

Highly sensitive fire alarm system causes problems in SIUC dormitory

Dear Editor:

True to its reputation as a party school, this University's housing department decided to add a giant disco ball to the campus last summer.

If you have not seen it yet, just walk down to Mae Smith Hall any night at about 3 a.m.; it's the dorm next to all those fire trucks. If you have not noticed, I'm talking about all of the fire drills that Mae Smith residents have had to endure this, past year. Last year, I would sit in my upper-level dorm room and silently mock the residents of Neely Hall as their overly-sensitive fire alarm system would force them out to the streets several times each week.

Now I am the one being mocked, as I stand for what seems to be an eternity outside in the cold, to be let back into my building. University Housing decided to put this new system in Mae Smith over the summer. It is not only more sensitive than the old system, but it also provides the campus with a slightly amusing light show from its dozens of strobe lights.

On paper, I'm sure this was a great idea, for this system delivers the quickest possible warning to the hall residents. Instead, it has put the

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hall at a great risk if a real, threatening fire ever were to break out.

Because we have had so many fire drills, most residents have become conditioned to take their time as they evacuate the building.

What's the point — we all know it is a drill anyway, right? How many

alarms have there been? I lost count at about 38, and that was a long time ago. No, I am not exaggerating.

I am writing this on the behalf of students who have decided to live in the Towers next year. Immature little deviants will continue to pull the alarm to satisfy their demonic impulses. The problem could be lessened if the alarm could be canceled once it is determined to be a false alarm.

Currently, everybody must stand outside for an hour while resident assistants check every room in the building for students.

This procedure is pointless and bureaucratic, and everybody is tired of it. I cannot see why anybody would choose to live in Mae Smith over a peaceful dorm like Schneider Hall. Wait a minute, I heard that they are getting this same system this summer.

Oh well, I am living off campus next year anyway.

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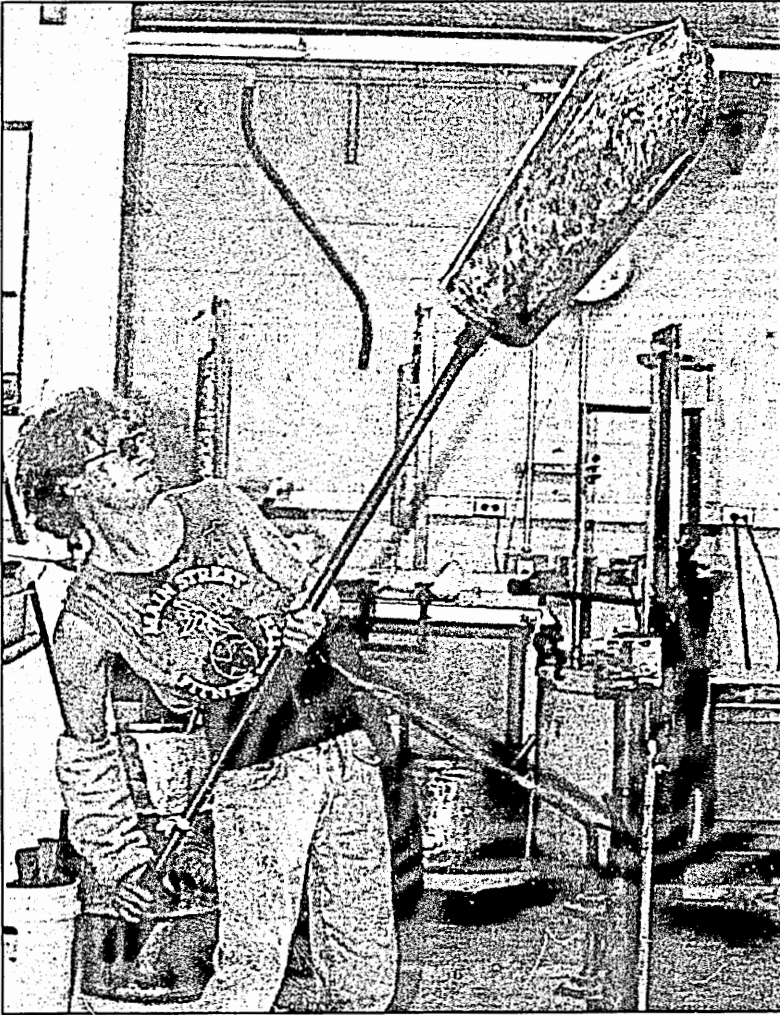
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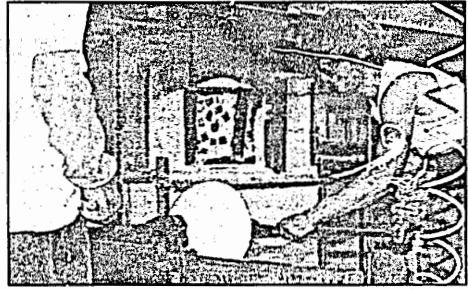
Glass Works



HEAVY DREAMS: Larry Millard, a senior in art and design from Evanston, has to support the vase from the bottom with a punting rod as he takes the large vase from the working bench to the re-heating chamber. This way the top can be heated and opened up. He works diligently to perfect the craft of making glass artwork, which will be his career.



PRESSING MATTERS: Millard applies color to the murrini by rolling it in powders of glass color in Pulliam Hall. The murrini makes designs and patterns within the glass.



GETTING ATTACHED: One of the many projects Millard and his assistant work on is a 26-inch plate. They are attaching a punting rod to the bottom of the platter so it can be opened up into a plate.



HEAT IS ON: The bottom of the vase is being torched as the mouth of the vase is being opened and shaped. Cameron Smith, adjunct instructor (right), turns the vase to keep the soft glass centered. If it is not turned, the glass will collapse and fall on the floor.



OOPS: After all his hard work and time, the vase that Millard was working on broke.



SMOKIN': Here Millard flattens the murrini by rubbing it against a wood block.

PHOTOS BY KORVETTA SPENCER

President finds Mexico's anti-drug efforts positive

LOS ANGELES TIMES

WASHINGTON—President Clinton said Thursday he considers "very encouraging" the news that Mexico is replacing its corrupt anti-narcotics unit with a force filled only with rigorously tested agents.

In a telephone interview just days before his departure to Mexico, Costa Rica and Barbados, Clinton said he expects to see additional progress on drug-control issues during his visit.

Clinton said Mexican President Ernesto "Zedillo and his team are committed to trying to work with us," adding that both countries have "a huge stake in this anti-drug effort.

"Obviously, we're trying to keep drugs from being imported into the United States," the president said, while Mexico is "trying to keep the narco-traffickers from undermining the integrity of their democracy and the long-term success and stability of their society."

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to see them (therapists) in action first."

Peggy Corley, interim assistant director of Housing for dining, said dining would have offered the study breaks during all of finals week, but in past years, the first two days received the most participation. As a place to relax and take a break, she said, the program may continue in future years.

"We've had a lot of positive feedback in previous years, and that's why we continue to do it," Corley said.

Griggs said this semester has been his most stressful one because he is taking 18 credit hours. He plans to attend the program to become stress free.

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Impossibility aside, Dickerson said she has a realistic plan for examination perfection.

"If you know that you can get an 'A,' then strive to get that 'A,'" she said.

"I'm going to focus on the material that I did not do well on this semester, and then I'm going to review the material I did well on this semester."

Like Dickerson, Jerry Cliff, a junior in electronic management from Memphis, is a student expecting nothing but the best next week.

But he is lending an empathetic ear to students, like Giltmore, who just want to make finals week a distant memory.

"I can understand why students want to get finals over with and go home after being in class all that time," he said, "but I don't think an 'A' is too much to ask for.

"If I don't get all 'A's,' I will be upset, but I'll get over it. But I won't accept anything lower than a 'B.'"

For those like Cliff who still want a taste of perfection during finals week, another student cannot resist adding his opinion to the advice from the experts.

Reggie Cosey, a junior in cinema and photography from Chicago, said he is shooting for 'A's' in each of his final exams next week.

But Cosey said he is against going to extremes to get his perfect finals week dream.

Unless students were missing in action during the school year, he warns students to avoid extremes as well.

"It's crazy to stay up late taking No-Doz and drinking coffee to get an 'A,'" he said. "People shouldn't stress themselves out.

"Unless you haven't been going to class all semester, take a break — go to the (Recreation Center), get some sleep and organize your time.

"Don't stress yourself, because I won't."

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since they are protected by federal law," she said. "This is a loss to potential students."

Rhode said she has not spoken to SIUC officials about the court's decision.

"This is a big case for public institutions," she said. "Especially, how the court interpreted the Freedom of Information Act."

Lieber said he plans to file a lawsuit in the Court of Claims for damages against the

University.

"None of the money will go in my pocket," he said. "It will go for legal fees and to create a scholarship fund for students of Stevenson Arms to lessen the financial burden inflicted by this University on students."

Lieber said the ruling is a victory for students, because now they can have the information to decide where they want to live.

"Stevenson Arms is \$500 (per year) cheaper than University housing," he said. "This University has manipulated students and parents and overcharged them millions of dollars."

Lieber has another lawsuit pending against SIUC in the 20th Judicial Court in Belleville, which was filed in November 1995.

The lawsuit alleges SIUC violated a preliminary injunction, which ordered the University not to change its freshman housing policy.

In 1995, SIUC tried to change its freshman policy to require students who were under 21 and not living with a parent or guardian to live in on-campus housing.

A court date is set for June 4, and a change-of-venue court date requested by SIUC is set for May 6.

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also are striving to help each other.

"We try to help each other with our ideas, 'Let's do this, let's do that,'" she said.

"We are not constitutionally bound, but we are there for each other."

She said her sorority wants to contribute to Latinos at SIUC by giving them an organization they can identify with and find support in when they need it.

As an associate member, John Lopez, an

undecided freshman from Chicago, said both organizations give Latinos a good representation on campus.

"We are promoting a better image of Latinos," he said.

"There are many stereotypes that we are basically farm workers and lower-class people. We are promoting and making a better image of Latinos."

He said the hard work both groups have done in serving the community, and the high caliber of academic work needed to become members of the fraternal organizations, will continue to give Latinos a good reputation at SIUC.

Olga Pereira, sophomore in microbiology from Springfield, said next fall's Sigma Lambda Gamma is one of her sorority's top priorities.

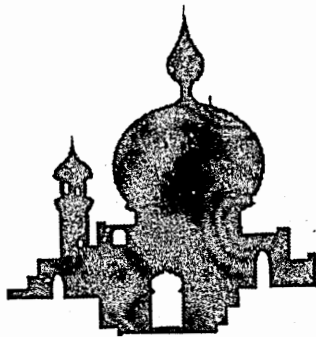
"Our main goal is education," she said.

"We plan to have displays of different aspects of Hispanics and bring an array of speakers from different Hispanic nationalities."

And Cerda said his fraternity will be hard at work next fall trying to become members of the Interfraternity Council.

"If we are not accepted, don't think we will give up," Cerda said.

"We will keep trying till we get in."



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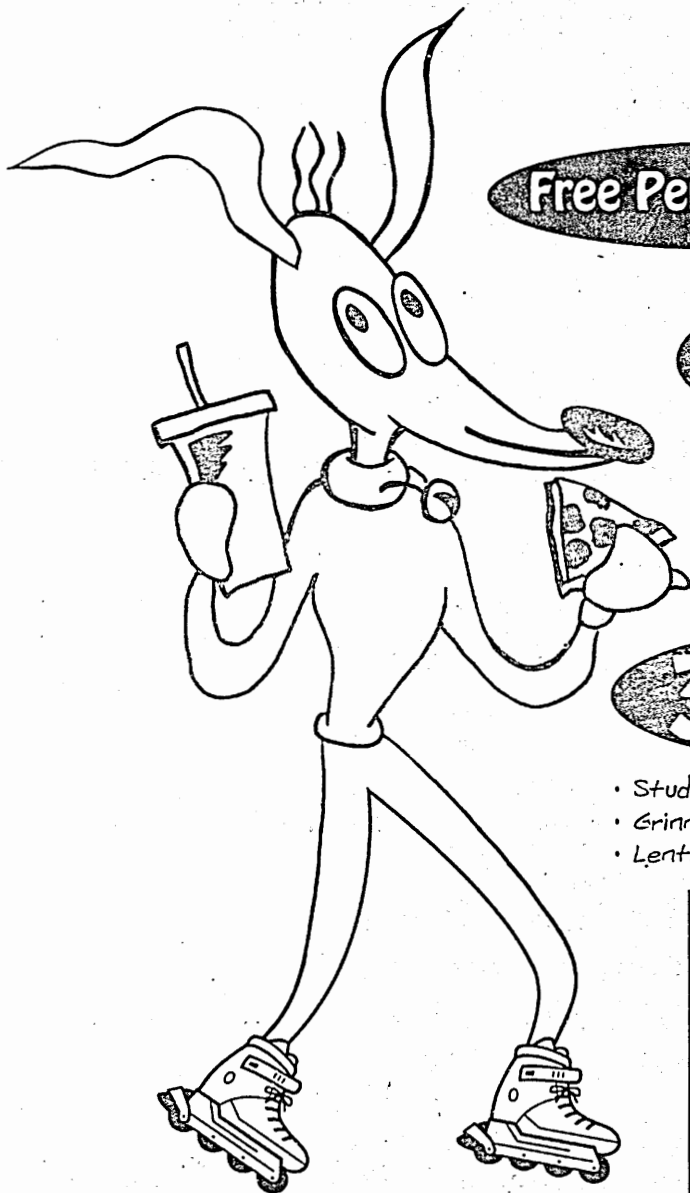
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but Batra said she would have liked to have seen more.

The winning essays were read to the audience at the event. The winning authors were Paul Hitchcock, a teaching assistant for the English department; April Knopp, a junior in social work who wrote a poem for the contest; and Sgt. Todd Stigler from the SIUC Department of Public Safety.

During the evening, poets recited poems that grasped at the conscience of audience members.

Rachel Robinson, an 18-year-old Carbondale resident, said she dedicated her poems to herself, her best friend and others who have been raped.

She read three personal poems including, "When They Think They Can Get What They Want," and "Barbie — A Depiction of the Perfect Woman."

"I was raped when I was 11, and it made me realize that a lot of people turn their heads when they hear about sexual assaults against women," Robinson said. "A woman can get mugged and never see her (assaultant's) face, but people tend to believe her opposed to a woman who could be raped for hours and see her rapist's face. People won't even believe her."

"I hope (after people leave) they have an awareness. The ones who have been there, I hope their spirits aren't broken and I hope they don't blame themselves because it's not their fault."

As audience members were moved into a somber yet celebratory mood, they clapped in appreciation and urged other poets to step up for a sojourn on the stage.

Wendt's friend, Melinda Yeomans, a Carbondale resident,

said she is aware of the pain inflicted by sexual assault, one of society's biggest problems. She shared her poems because it is a way to communicate and heal people's wounds.

"Poetry is an art that comes from the heart, and because poetry comes from the heart, it speaks to wounds of the heart," Yeomans said.

"It sheds light on what we're most afraid of, whether it be sexual assault, racism, sexism or homophobia.

Through this communication we can heal. Good poetry is where the mind and the healing

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MELINDA YEOMANS
CARBONDALE RESIDENT

meet and this kind of real communication is a force for change."

Wendt walked away from Poetry Night with a lot on his mind.

After the night ended, he said he believes more men should attend events, such as Poetry Night, and come forward to speak out against sexual assault.

"I'm disgusted that so much of society accepts and almost advocates the abuse of woman, particularly through the media," he said.

"But I'm encouraged to live in a community where there is support of activism to prevent this from happening."

Herb may cure depression

MOOD BOOSTER: Yellow-flowered herb makes transition to Amercian market.

NEWSWEEK

Karin Taylor's black moods were often accompanied by inexpressible bouts of insomnia, crying and lethargy. By last summer she'd sunk so low she didn't care if she lived or died.

But Taylor balked when her physician suggested a common antidepressant: she didn't feel comfortable taking drugs. Fortunately, she says, a friend visiting from

California suggested a natural herb called Saint Johnswort. Within three weeks, Taylor's depression had lifted: "I feel restored," says the 58-year-old Toronto accountant.

People have been ingesting Saint Johnswort, a yellow-flowered plant with the Latin name of Hypericum perforatum, for some 2,000 years. Some believe it was initially used in ancient Greece to drive away evil spirits. It's been popular for about 15 years in Europe as a natural remedy for depression. In Germany, where it's currently the leading treatment, physicians write some 3 million prescriptions a year — 25 times the number they write for Prozac.

Now, thanks to a spate of books and articles touting the herb's properties, its popularity is quickly spreading on this side of the Atlantic. American health-food stores now peddle a panoply of mood-boosting supplements.

What's the evidence for this claim? Last August, the British Medical Journal published a review of 23 controlled studies involving 1,757 depressed patients. In that analysis, researchers from the United States and Germany found that Saint Johnswort worked nearly three times better than a placebo. The herb shows "definite promise," says Dr. Cynthia Mulrow, a University of Texas internist.



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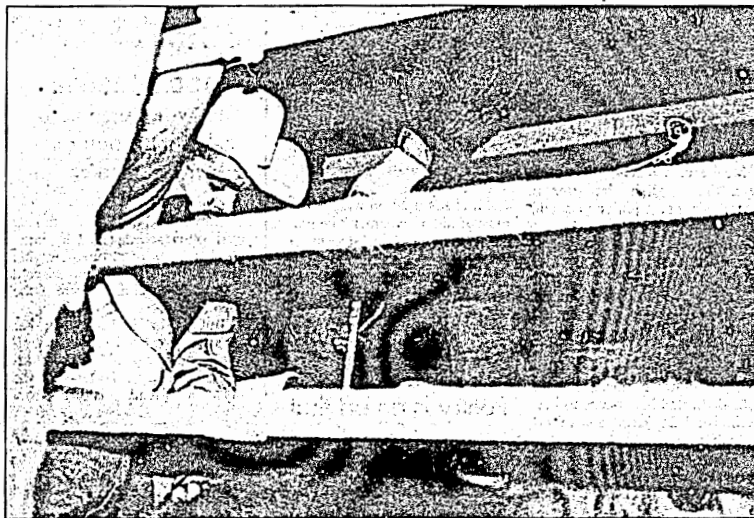
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ADRENALINE RUSH: Jeff Pearce, a junior in mortuary science from Marshall, positions himself on a bull while a fellow SIUC Rodeo Club member adjusts the bull rope.

Keeping tradition alive and kickin'

Real-life cowboys believe broken bones and bruises are all just part of the thrill

ANNETTE BARR
DE FEATURES EDITOR

As Mark Undesser nervously lowers himself onto an angry, 1,800-pound bull, the small brown feather in his cowboy hat shakes as if a gust of wind just blew into the arena.

"I still get nervous," said Undesser, a freshman in animal science from Yorkville. "It's just natural. It's just something that you need to ride. I think it helps me."

Undesser and other members of the SIUC Rodeo Club have been practicing bull and bronc riding since January in Vienna.

Brian Taylor, president of the SIUC Rodeo Club, started the club with the help of a few other members last fall.

"In October, if you would have told me we would have been practicing, and we would have had a team, I would have laughed at you," said Taylor, a junior in public relations from Cary. "But that's how far we've come."

Although this is the first rodeo team he has been on, Taylor has been riding bare-back ponies seriously for three years.

"I just do it because I really like it," Taylor said. "To be able to say, 'I just got on a wild horse and rode it,' it's great. It's a blast."

In the fall, the club will join the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association and participate in 10 to 12 rodeos sponsored by the association.

Because of the expense, Taylor said the club only will be able to send about five people to the intercollegiate rodeos. There are about 15 members in the club.

"Rodeo's all about saving money because you could spend it real quick on traveling and entry fees," he said.

"Rodeo is the only sport where you pay to play. Football players don't pay to play their sport."

And just as some young boys dream of becoming a quarterback, others dream of becoming a bull rider.

"I've always wanted to be a bull rider since I was a little kid, after going to rodeos with my parents," Undesser said.

About a year ago, Undesser was able to fulfill that dream when he climbed onto a 700-pound bull, and he has been hooked ever since.

"Bull riding is definitely addicting," he said. "After that first bull, I was hooked."

"I played football for six years, and I loved that. It



ROPIN' EM' IN: Brian Taylor, a junior in public relations from Cary, tightens a bull rope in the chute.

used to give me a big rush. I've been bungee jumping and that was a big rush. But bull riding, that's the best rush I've ever had."

Even after having a tooth broken, a leg trampled and his memory lost for two hours after his head hit the side of a bull, Undesser keeps going back for more.

"You can't really think about getting hurt or else you will," he said. "When you're out there, you don't really think about nothing. It's just reaction. It's becoming second nature to me."

However, Undesser admits there is more than the adrenaline rush that keeps him climbing back into the chute.

"I think it's just part of the Western tradition," he said. "I like trying to keep it alive, doing this. The Western tradition is really dying, and rodeo sort of keeps it alive."

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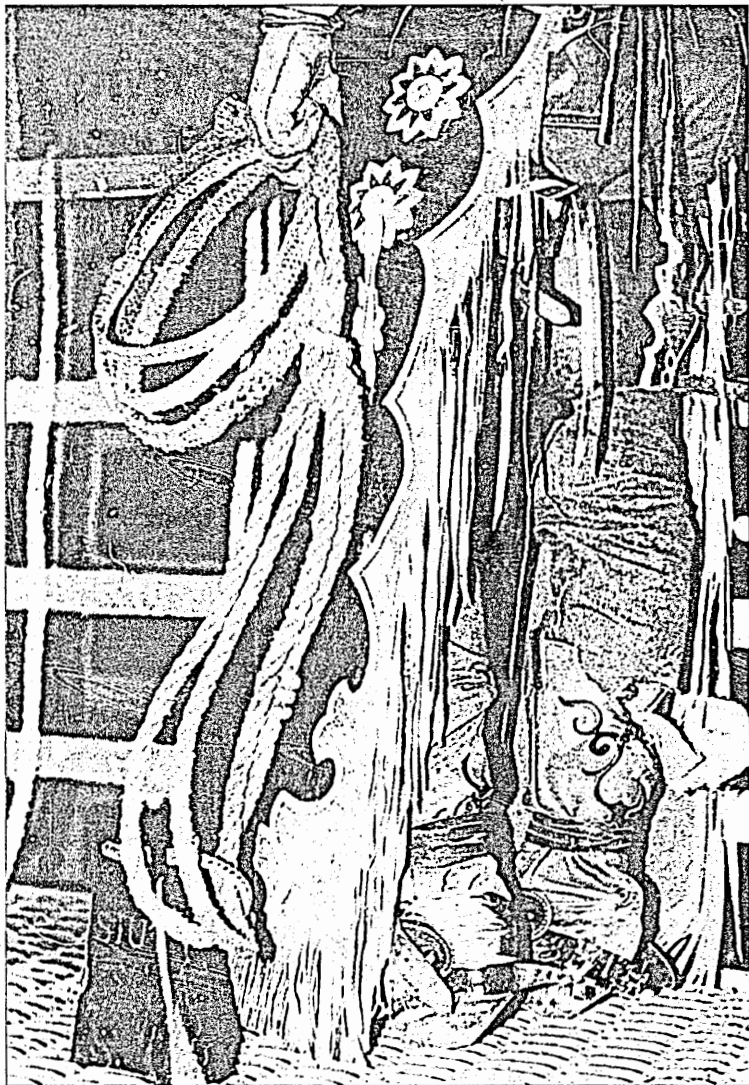
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Sexual activity in teens declines

SAFE SEX: Survey reports contraceptive use increases.

WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON—After climbing steadily for more than two decades, sexual activity among American teenagers has declined, the first drop since the federal government began tracking the information in 1970, according to a new government survey released yesterday.

Among girls aged 15 to 19, the proportion who reported having had sexual intercourse had fallen to 50 percent in 1995 from 55 percent in 1990, the last time the study was conducted. A separate federal study showed the figure for boys had dropped to 55 percent in 1995 from 60 percent in 1988.

The national studies also found that teenagers who are sexually active are more likely to use contraceptives than they were in the past, and condom use has increased most dramatically.

Those two changes — fewer teenagers having sex and better contraceptive use among those who do — explain why the birth rate among teenagers has fallen since 1991, researchers said.

"We welcome the news that the long-term increase in teenage sexual activity may finally have stopped," Health and Human Services Secretary Donna E. Shalala said in a statement.

While researchers cautioned that teenage birth rates in this country remain disturbingly high, they said the studies show young people are responding to programs urging them to delay sex and to avoid pregnancy and AIDS.

That message is a common ingredient in sex education courses, AIDS awareness programs and other community efforts aimed at reducing teenage sexual activity and births.

Many such programs offer information on contraception and safe sex, as well as teaching young people how to resist peer pressure to become sexually active.

"I think it is easier for young people to refuse to become sexually involved," said Marion Howard, co-author of a program used in the Atlanta public schools that trains and hires older teenagers to help younger students postpone sex.

"The word about HIV and AIDS has gotten out, and that's contributed" to the decline in sexual activity, she said.

"And there's been a willingness of adults to begin to acknowledge that young people are sexual human beings and they need to talk to them."

The National Center for Health Statistics, which conducted the survey, found the proportion of young women saying they had used condoms the first time they had intercourse went from 18 percent two decades ago to 54 percent in the 1990s.

Researchers have seen a trend of teenage births declining since 1991.

"Something is turning around here," said Isabel V. Sawhill, a senior fellow at the Urban Institute, "but we still have the highest teen pregnancy rate in the industrialized world."

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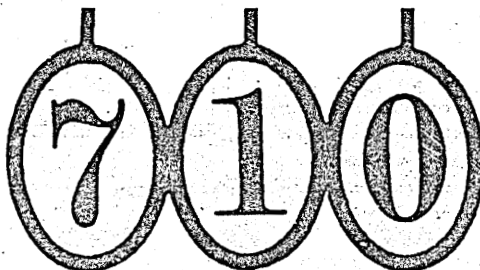
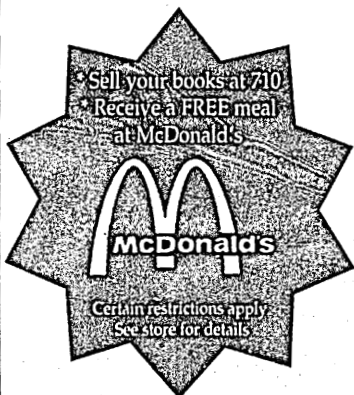
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GPSC votes down fee

OPPOSED: Group votes against \$20 athletics increase.

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The Graduate and Professional Student Council voted 18-1 in opposition of a proposed \$20 athletic fee increase that would have SIUC students paying \$196 per year by 2002.

Darrell Shoop, a GPSC member, said the fee increase could hurt new

student recruitment.

"This is an unreasonable fee increase," Shoop said. "It helps a clear minority of students rather than a majority."

The 1997 annual athletic fee for full-time students is \$106.

The SIU Board of Trustees is scheduled to vote on the proposed fee increase in June.

In other business, GPSC approved a resolution asking the Graduate School to enforce the policy that teaching assistants attend mandatory training workshops.

It also requires that the English

Proficiency Exam and other policies for teaching assistants be included in the Graduate Catalogue, which is being revised.

"The purpose is to specify this requirement with more than just the small paragraph that is currently in the catalogue," Paul LeBlanc, GPSC vice president of Graduate School Affairs, said.

"This will make graduate students more aware of what the rules and procedures are."

The GPSC also voted to support the development and renovation of the Student Health Service Facility,

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review their graduate programs and propose ways to fund them.

On Wednesday, GPSC voted to approve the document after amending it.

"The GPSC grudgingly admits that graduate tuition should be higher," Ed Ford, a GPSC member said. "However, we are concerned about the general issue of affordability."

GPSC amended the document to state that graduate tuition should not be raised until the out-of-state tuition rate is twice the rate of in-state tuition.

Now, it is three times that rate.

They also recommended in an amendment that the University should consider the overall cost of graduate education and explore a user-based fee system.

However, the GPSC's recom-

mended amendments were voted against in Thursday morning's Graduate Council meeting. However, members of the council

resulting from the tuition increase should be assigned to the departments where the students are taking classes.

David Wilson, history professor and a council member, said that statement could discourage interdisciplinary activities because departments would compete for students.

"This could lead to all types of potential abuses," Wilson said.

"It could lead to recruiting marginal students just to increase tuition dollars."

The council amended the document to state that 2/3 of the increased tuition dollars should be used to improve graduate programs.

The amended document now will be combined with the February graduate review that resulted in the elimination or merger of five doctoral programs.

The final document then will be sent to the IBHE in August.

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proposed their own amendments.

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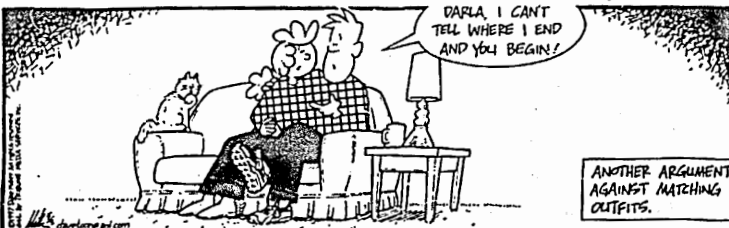
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scholarships has made it harder to recruit male athletes.

"I think the high school boys have a legitimate gripe now," he said. "For the boys in track and field, there are less scholarships available to them than there are for the females. To me, that is reverse discrimination within the sport."

Whether or not it is fair, it is Title IX compliance for the Athletic Department.

"SIUC is in full compliance with (financial assistance)," Charlotte West associate athletic director, said. "I think it is important to show when we have done the job, because in other places we haven't."

The benefits the Athletic Department must equally provide include travel and lodging, meals, tutoring and academics, athletic training and benefits for coaches.

West calls those benefits the "laundry list." The SIUC Athletic Department complies with some Title IX requirements, but not others.

The Athletic Department's biggest discrepancy within the benefits is the mode of travel, meals and lodging.

However, the Athletic Department provides equal tutoring and academics and athletic training.

"We are not there yet with mode of travel by any means," West said. "We are almost there in per diem for lodging and meals. It is an area we have concentrated on very much in the last five years."

In fiscal year 1996, each male athlete received \$22.11 per day of travel for lodging and each female athlete received \$17.93, a difference of \$4.18. Each male athlete received \$15.97 per day of travel for meals and each female athlete received \$13.94, a difference of \$2.03.

"We look across time, we don't look at any one trip, when we finish up the season," West said. "We look back and look at all our sports, take the average for meals and average for lodging, and if there is a big difference, we are not there yet."

There also is a discrepancy in the modes of travel of the men's and women's programs. Though West said the Athletic Department does not examine individual programs, a comparison of the men's basketball and women's basketball teams highlights the difference.

"The men's basketball team takes a lot of charter flights, very convenient, they come and go as they want to," West said. "They get back here for school earlier."

"The women have an occasional flight, but they are all commercial, and most of (the trips) are bus trips."

For example, earlier this semester, the women's basketball team took an 11-hour bus trip to the University of Northern Iowa. The men's basketball team took a charter flight to the same school, which one women's basketball player said should not have happened.

"I think it should all be equal," freshman Melaniece Bartley said. "We play at the same places, so however they get there, we should get there."

Despite the discrepancy in modes of travel, Bartley said there is no animosity between the two teams.

"I don't think it causes problems," Bartley said. "We don't like it, but it's obvious it is there."

"The women's team works just as hard, so whatever they get we should get, and whatever we get they should get."

West also said other Missouri Valley Conference schools, such as Drake University and Illinois State University, charter flights for both

its men's and women's basketball teams.

"The Gender Equity Committee has already given us recommendations, but it's all a matter of funding," West said.

The SIUC Gender Equity Committee recommends how the University should comply with Title IX.

Nancy Bandy, assistant athletic director, said the discrepancy in travel expenses exists because some men's sports are considered to be more important.

"The philosophy of athletics is football and men's basketball are the two primary sports," she said. "So, they put all their money into those sports. Minor sports live frugally."

West said the Athletic Department went 10 years without a fee increase. In fall 1995, the department received a \$16-per-year fee increase, and in fall 1996, it received a \$14-per-year fee increase. The athletic fee for a full-time student was \$92 per year before the 1995 school year. After a \$10-per-year fee increase goes into effect in fall 1997, the athletic fee will be \$116 per year for a full-time student.

"The only reason (for the fee increase) was to replace state salary support that was taken away," West said. "It didn't replace what they took out."

"Now we have gone 12 years with less money to work on. I don't know any other fee-supported activity on campus that can say it hasn't gone back to the students for that money."

The SIUC Board of Trustees is scheduled to vote in June on a proposal to increase the annual full-time student athletic fee 85 percent during a five-year period, from the 1997 rate of \$106 to \$196 by 2002. A portion of the money would go to pay the interest on \$1.5 million in bonds the Athletic Department sold to repair aging facilities and to build a softball clubhouse.

The Athletic Department may not have received additional funds from students for 12 years, but West said the University did receive some help from the state.

"The state of Illinois did something that was very progressive and welcome," West said. "It allowed the institutions in the state of Illinois up till the year 2000 to get an extra 1 percent in tuition waivers to be used toward gender equity."

West said SIUC received \$380,000 in 1996 to help pay for athletic tuition waivers for female athletes. Before the University received the funds, it reported the status of gender equity and its plans for the funds. Every other state school prepared a similar report.

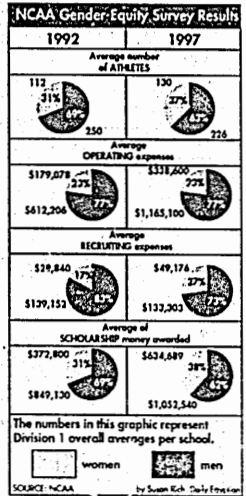
"(The tuition waivers have) benefited athletics, period, because we has this little pot before that grant that we had to divide up equitably," West said. "Everybody would have suffered tremendously because athletes got cut severely last year when the whole University cut back on their waivers."

West said the University took about \$600,000 from the Athletic Department tuition waivers. The 1995 and 1996 fee increases replaced nearly \$590,000 of the cut.

Because the state awarded money to the University for female athletes' tuition waivers, the Athletic Department was able to give more of the University's athletic tuition waivers to the men while remaining proportional, in compliance with Title IX, West said.

Another area of benefits the Athletic Department must consider is the benefits for coaches, which include salaries and courtesy cars.

"We shouldn't have huge salary discrepancies," West said. "Title IX has not done much for coaches'



salaries because there are other laws that are better. When coaches are underpaid and want to claim discrimination, then we will direct them to laws other than Title IX."

Courtesy cars are leased from area car dealers to coaches and administrators in the Athletic Department.

Until 1996, there were 12 courtesy cars for men and two for women, West said. The women now have six cars, and the men still have 12.

"That was an area of concern," West said. "We didn't want to take away cars from the men, and the people that are hired to fund-raise and try to get benefits for the program haven't been successful in getting them."

"We looked into leasing some cars just to show we are sensitive in that area, and we are trying to do better."

The Athletic Department found it could lease a car for as little as \$300 per month. The Athletic Department allowed the coaches to lease a car for \$300 per month or apply that amount to the car they were buying or driving.

The Athletic Department has done that for four people: Sonya Locke, women's volleyball coach; Julie Beck, associate basketball coach; softball coach Kay Brechtelsbauer and West.

"Those were some difficult choices since there are so many deserving people," West said. "We looked at longevity without (a car) and we looked at what all of our counterparts were doing."

West was the only female senior administrator in the Missouri Valley Conference without a courtesy car. Most female basketball and volleyball coaches in the MVC have a car.

West admits a discrepancy in coaches' benefits exists, but the athletes' concerns are more important than those of the coaches.

"Benefits to the male coaches have far exceeded the benefits to the female coaches," she said. "We have some other areas I am more concerned about because they are benefits for athletes, not benefits for coaches. (The courtesy cars were) a blatant area of non-compliance that the committee flagged."

West said if the Office of Civil Rights came to investigate the University's non-compliance, the athletes would be its main concern.

"If OCR investigated us I think it would use more of the approach of looking the athletes and the benefits for the athletes, than it would for the staff," she said. "It may list that as an area of concern and we might have to adjust ways that we would hope to address it in the future, but it would be more concerned about our disparate travel opportunities."

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on March 29. "They are one of the stronger teams in the conference," Brechtelsbauer said. "They give us all we can handle."

SIUC has not seen Bradley yet this season, but Brechtelsbauer said the Salukis cannot take any team in the Valley lightly.

"Bradley is struggling," she said. "They came in last year fighting to go to the tournament, and they came in and finished second at the tournament. They are capable."

Senior third baseman Becky Lis

said the rankings show the Salukis' hard work.

"Obviously we are excited (about the ranking)," she said. "I guess it shows we've played a tough schedule, won and got acknowledged. We are excited that we made a name for ourselves."

But Lis said the team needs to look past the rankings and focus on the Valley tournament May 8-10 in Cedar Falls, Iowa.

"We will try not to look into the ranking right now," she said. "Obviously a first-place finish in the conference is great, it helps seeding. But in the end, it's who wins the tournament. That is really what we are concerned with."

QUARLESS

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his second year, went 2-9. Having six of 11 games away from home this season doesn't help matters any.

Back on the agenda this year is Nicholls State, coupled by newcomers South Florida, which has had two years to prepare for its initial season of football, and Youngstown State, which has three national title trophies hanging in its case.

But that's a good thing. After all, little good came out of playing Central Arkansas and Winston-Salem.

When Watson packed his bags he left Quarless with few promising recruits and a roster of only 35 returning lettermen, some of whom have yet to make up their minds on whether or not they want to stick around for Quarless' initial season. Watson's departure simply added pressure to Quarless' challenge of turning things around.

No, his first season may not be pretty, but then again, naive a first-

year coach whose first season ever was. It doesn't matter to Quarless. He's not exactly treading unfamiliar waters. He witnessed the lows at Wake Forest.

Yet he witnessed the highs too, because he was patient enough to wait for them.

But best of all, Quarless wants to be at SIUC and wants to see the job through, no matter what it takes. Quarless said that has been SIUC's problem. No one wants to stay and make a commitment.

Sure, that coach at Northwestern said the same thing, right? So what makes Quarless, SIUC's fourth coach in 10 years, any different?

He simply means it. His career began here as a graduate assistant under Rey Dempsey in 1976. He was even a candidate for head coach in 1994, the year Watson took over. Quarless is thankful that SIUC gave him his start. Now Quarless wants to give something back.

That is his incentive. It's what drives him. So it's not a question of if Quarless can turn the Saluki football program around, it's a question of when.

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**Sports
Talk**

Michael DeFord
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**'Coach Q' has
exactly what
Dawgs need**

Jan Quarless is the perfect football coach for SIUC.

Question that. Debate it. Even laugh at it. After all, Quarless' only test thus far has been four weeks of spring drills, which concluded April 19.

Doesn't matter. Quarless is it. Just do the math.

Quarless has been in the football business for 21 years; he's got the experience. No coach will outwork him and his staff. He has more patience and enthusiasm in his pinky than the coach before him had in his entire body. Since arriving on campus back in January, Quarless and his experienced crew have lived in Lingle Hall, assembling a football team.

Quarless is a disciplinarian; the man doesn't even allow cussing on his turf. It's "Q's" way or the highway. He even has surrounded himself with a staff that knows him and strives for the same goals.

OK, so he has got the experience, the savvy, the will, the drive, the desire and the enthusiasm. Why him?

Quarless has nothing to lose and everything to gain, that's why. More like SIUC has nothing to lose in Quarless, who can only pull the program out of the depths of the Gateway and make it a formidable contender once again.

At this point the program can only go up.

Sure, Quarless has a long road ahead of him, and turning SIUC around in one season would be a hard task for any coach. A conference championship is not right around the corner. But what's important is that Quarless believes the program can get there with time.

SIUC will not go 11-0 in his initial season. They will not go 10-1. They are unlikely to go 9-2, 8-3, 7-4 or 6-5. They may not even equal Shawn Watson's career-best mark of 5-6, which he managed to do two years in a row. By the way, two of those wins were "gimmies" over Division II patsties Winston-Salem and Central Arkansas, and one was against Tennessee-Martin, who ended up 1-10 on the year.

Yep, the Salukis will be lucky to see 4-7 in Quarless' first year at the helm. But not for a lack of effort.

Several factors play into that scenario. Quarless is faced with the toughest schedule since Bob Smith took on the likes of Illinois, Central Florida, South Carolina and Arkansas State in 1990. Smith, then in

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ROAD TO THE TITLE:
Saluki second baseman Betsy Proter, a sophomore from Vienna, cocks back to throw Thursday during practice.
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SIUC softball rises in rankings

TITLE DREAMS:
The Salukis have one goal in mind: winning the championship.

DONNA COLTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The SIUC softball team has moved up in the national rankings, but right now coach Kay Brechtelsbauer is more determined win the Missouri Valley Conference Championship.

The Salukis were No. 27 in the latest USA Today/NFCA poll, jumping 38 votes.

"The ranking is a result of the games against Missouri," Brechtelsbauer said.

"We did well since then, and it shows we have a strong program. Now we have to focus on this weekend. The rankings won't get us the conference championship."

SIUC swept a doubleheader against the University of Missouri 10-1, 10-5 April 23, when the Lady Tigers were No.

7 in the nation.

The Salukis, who are 35-14 on the season and 10-4 in the MVC, will take on conference foes Bradley University (23-31, 3-7) Saturday and the University of Northern Iowa (28-24, 7-5) Sunday.

The Salukis, whose 35 wins make them the second-winningest team in school history, have played UNI twice, beating them 2-0 on March 21, and 1-0

SOFTBALL

- The doubleheader between SIUC and Bradley begins at 1 p.m. Saturday at IAW Fields.
- The battle between UNI and SIUC begins at noon Sunday at IAW Fields.

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Gender equity law ruffles feathers at SIUC

UNFAIR QUOTAS:
Coaches complain that Title IX denies male athletes fair share.

DONNA COLTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Editor's note: This is the final story in a three-part series exploring aspects of Title IX and the SIUC Athletic Department's effort to comply with the law. The previous stories can be found on the DE's Web site at <http://www.dailyegyptian.com>

The SIUC Athletic Department is required by Title

IX to provide equal benefits and financial assistance for athletes, which one SIUC coach says is unfair.

Title IX, which was passed by Congress in 1972 to ensure

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gender equity at all federally funded institutions, requires the SIUC Athletic Department to award financial assistance, as well as benefits, in proportion to the number of male and female SIUC athletes.

The scholarship dollars must be equal based on the athletic participation goal of 60 percent

male to 40 percent female, which corresponds to the overall ratio of male to female students at SIUC.

"I think it is totally wrong, with the exception of football, that every other (men's) sport has less scholarships than what the women have," said Bill Cornell, SIUC men's track and field coach. "It seems totally unfair to me that we are reversing the situation from what it has been in the past, all because of football."

According to SIUC's 1996 NCAA gender equity survey, men's athletic teams were awarded 104.69 scholarships. Of those scholarships, 57.01 went to the football program,

which left 47.68 scholarship for the six remaining men teams. The seven women's athletic teams received 63.3 scholarships, which were more evenly divided between them.

Because more than half the men's scholarships went to football, more female go track and field, basketball a swimming team member receive scholarships than the male counterparts.

In 1996, 23 men's track a field athletes received scholarships, and 33 women's track a field athletes received the Cornell said having few

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