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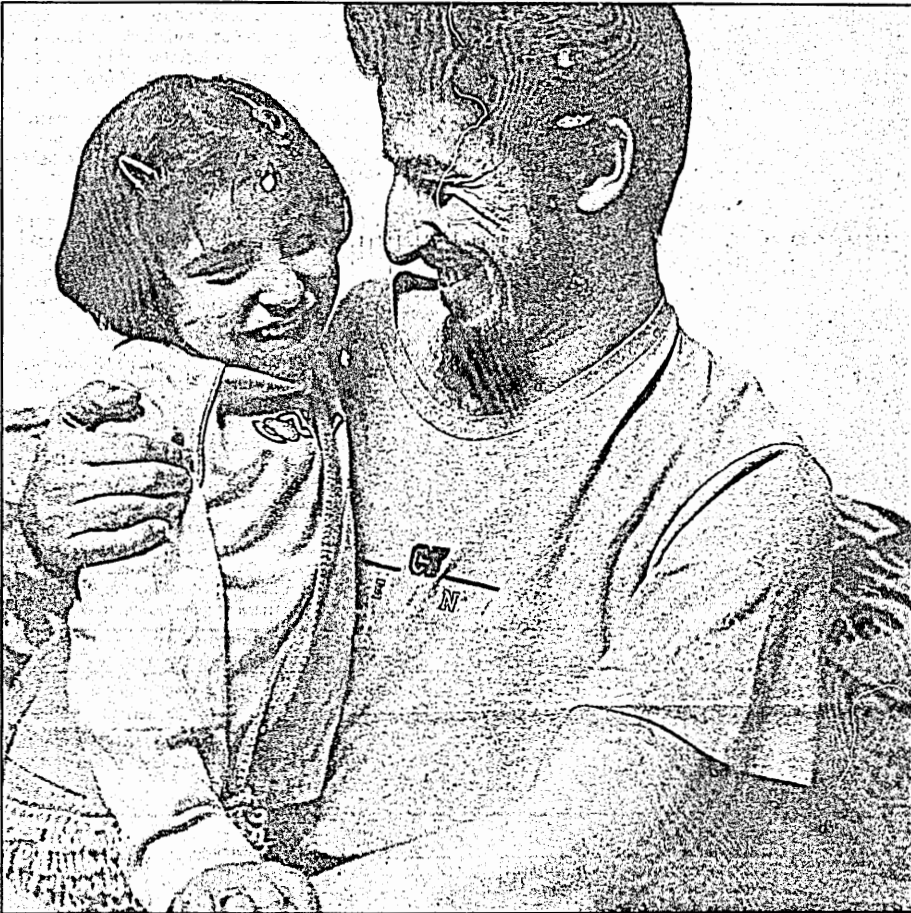
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DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Ammer Alselham embraces his 7-year-old daughter Najed in their home at Evergreen Terrace in Carbondale. Alselham traveled from his home in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, to finish his graduate degree at SIUC. In two months, Alselham will be reunited with his family in the Middle East amidst an uncertain and dangerous climate. See Currents, pages 10 & 11.

## Victim's career, life remembered after murder

Associates remember professor for wit, charm

Greg Cima  
Daily Egyptian

A Carbondale man told a friend about the murder of a retired SIUC English professor before killing himself, police said.

Police chief R.T. Finney said a friend of Steven A. Reach, 31, notified police the man told him he had killed his roommate, emeritus professor Paul J. Hurley, 71, and was suicidal. Reach was found hanging from a bridge on Chautauqua Street and Hurley was found dead in the men's home in what police are calling an apparent murder-suicide.

Police said Hurley died after being bludgeoned in the head with a hammer and stabbed with a kitchen knife. Finney said the acquaintance that called about Reach gave no reason for the murder.

Finney was unable to provide the relationship between the two men and said all that is known is they were roommates. He said there was a history of calls to the police department from Hurley's house. He said some of them were 911 calls where the caller hung up and that neither man would cooperate with officers. He said other calls were about parking and neighbor issues.

Finney said the history of calls did not indicate problems between the men. Former English Department Chair Richard

Peterson, who taught at SIU from 1969 until about two years ago, knew Hurley for at least two decades and said the professor was always charming and witty.

Peterson came to the University in 1969 and said Hurley was already a senior member of the department. He said Hurley was outgoing and well known in the department. Hurley was a director of Graduate Studies, adviser for numerous department chairs, and a person his colleagues trusted and turned to for advice, Peterson said.

He also said Hurley would often host events for people retiring, give speeches and "roast" the guest of honor. He said the professor was clever and intelligent, and was great at teasing other faculty members.

"He was a very witty fellow," Peterson said. "Sometimes the wit was a little biting, but it was always in good spirits. He was capable of making himself the butt of a joke as well as others."

Peterson said one thing that struck him about Hurley was how he came from the same area of Western Pennsylvania as Peterson, but did not fit the stereotype of a hard-nosed steel working person from that area. Peterson said he did not just have a connection with Hurley because of where they grew up, but also from Kent State University, where Peterson studied and Hurley taught.

Peterson said Hurley reminded him of how his colleagues were from around the world, but he ended up working with someone who "grew up in the same backyard."

The English Department is notorious for being filled with critics, but Hurley carried it off with an extraordinary amount of graciousness and charm, Peterson said.

"He was a delight to be around," Peterson said.

Bruce Appleby, who taught at SIUC from 1967 until 1994, said he was in the same department as Hurley, but had not seen him in about eight years. He said he remembers him as a very funny man with a great sense of humor.

"He did not put up with people acting in a dumb or foolish manner," Appleby said.

Appleby said Hurley was always polite and correct and was demanding of his students. He said the professor expected students to study and produce work, but Appleby never heard a complaint from them.

Appleby said he was not sure why Hurley retired, but believes it may have had to do with a genetic syndrome that made his hands shake uncontrollably at times.

Carolyn Donow, whose husband Herbert worked with Hurley, said she did not know the professor well, but was one of his students. She said he was an excellent teacher who was very tough.

Hurley began as an assistant professor in 1965 and retired from SIUC's English Department in 1990. He specialized in contemporary American literature, modern drama and American literature.

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## Legislators consider university budgeting changes

Illinois House passes bill for more scrutiny of university budgets

Ben Botkin  
Daily Egyptian

Springfield lawmakers are eyeing a couple of options aimed at keeping public university budgets in check and under closer watch.

One of the most recent steps includes a bill the Illinois House unanimously approved last week that calls for state funds to be appropriated by the category of expenditure rather than lump sums, which doles out one fixed amount to universities.

"We're trying to make the universities more accountable," said Rep. Kurt Granberg, D-Carlyle, the bill's sponsor. "Right now, they're given a lump sum."

Under the new bill, a separate line item would exist in appropriated budgets for items such as commodities and travel, he said.

"It helps us track how the universities are spending their money," Granberg said.

Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, said the measure would give a clearer picture of how appropriated funds are spent and provides legislators with the same information that the Illinois Board of Higher Education receives from public universities.

Although lawmakers have access to the budget figures, IBHE would work with universities to provide more details to Springfield during the budget planning process.

A different bill, which the Senate is reviewing, would require even more detailed spending. Under this bill, funding is put into four categories — administration, instruction, civil service and research — each with a breakdown of spending expenditures.

Granberg said he is working with Gov. Rod Blagojevich's office to look for the best option before the Senate votes on a bill that would change university budgeting.

Although Granberg's bill received unanimous support,

there are indications that the other piece of legislation might not be as widely popular if it goes up for a vote in the Senate.

Sen. David Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, stopped short of saying he would vote against the bill, but noted that universities are often the best judges of how to spend their appropriations.

"I'll take a serious look at it," he said. "(Universities) know more than me what their needs are. This would take a lot of decision-making from them."

State legislators used a line-item system before 1999, but moved away from that type of budgeting to give universities more freedom, he said.

"We got away from that with the idea of

"We're trying to make the universities more accountable. Right now, they're given a lump sum."

— Kurt Granberg  
Illinois House Representative

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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

**WAR UPDATE**

Current as of 10 p.m. CST, Tuesday  
•A team of U.S. military, CIA and private-contractor personnel are operating at a number of sites inside Iraq in hopes of finding evidence of weapons of mass destruction, terrorist activity and possible war crimes, according to Pentagon sources. (cnn.com)

• A U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopter was shot down in southern Iraq Wednesday, killing seven of the 11 soldiers aboard, Pentagon officials said. The helicopter was downed by small-arms fire near Karbala, the site of fierce fighting between the Army's 3rd Infantry Division and Iraqi troops, including Republican Guard forces. The other four soldiers on board the Black Hawk were wounded, officials said. (nytimes.com)

• Six lanes to Baghdad." Lt. Col. Thomas P. Smith shouted today as a column of American tanks and armored vehicles lurched slowly toward the bridge over a sharp bend in the Euphrates River. "We'll be home soon." His exuberance, as it was, was premature. Rounds of Iraqi artillery began landing with a shuddering crack and thump on the riverbank, each impact moving closer to the bridge and sending plumes of whitish smoke skyward. (nytimes.com)

• In a sweeping advance, Army and Marine forces closed to within 20 miles of Baghdad from two directions today after crippling or destroying two divisions of the Republican Guard that had blocked their drive on the capital. The Third Infantry Division battled forward today from a starting point north of Karbala, 45 miles from Baghdad, cutting through and routing disorganized Iraqi forces with

no reports of American casualties on the ground. (nytimes.com)

• One of the most important episodes today in the intensifying war in Iraq was not the American advance toward Baghdad. It was the American military's effort to stop the Iraqi Republican Guard from getting to the Iraqi capital. As American Army and Marine columns rumbled toward Baghdad, Republican Guard units began to withdraw from their defensive positions outside the capital and retreat into the city, where some Republican Guard units have already managed to redeploy. (nytimes.com)

• The State Department is releasing \$4 million for television and radio broadcasts by the Iraqi opposition, a U.S. senator said Wednesday. Sen. Sam Brownback, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said Deputy Secretary of State Richard Armitage notified him Wednesday morning that an initial \$4 million is being released. Brownback, R-Kan., and several other senators had urged the administration to clear red tape that was holding up State Department grant money. (foxnews.com)


• U.S. forces in northern Iraq received 40 nearly combat-ready vehicles Wednesday in a shipment via Turkey, despite Turkish insistence that the U.S. military cannot use its territory as a supply corridor for weapons. A convoy carried food, fuel and medicine for U.S. troops — items approved in a hard-won agreement between Washington and Ankara. It was the first significant transit of military equipment from neighboring Turkey since the war started. But the convoy also carried 40 pickup truck-style Defender 110 Land Rovers, which had poles in the open rear: carriage that apparently could serve as mounts for machine guns. (foxnews.com)



**Attack on Iraq**

**Today**

High 80  
Low 59



Partly Cloudy. Highs reaching the 80s in the mid afternoon. Winds at 8 mph.

**Five-day Forecast**

Friday	Strong Storms	72/41
Saturday	Partly Cloudy	59/42
Sunday	Thunderstorms	58/55
Monday	Rain Showers	64/44
Tuesday	Rain Showers	51/33

**Almanac**

Average high:	60
Average low:	39
Wednesday's precip:	0.00"
Wednesday's hi/low:	76/53

**CORRECTIONS**

In Tuesday's issue of the DAILY EGYPTIAN, the page 8 article, "Art competition rewards SIUC students," printed four students won the Pickett-Ziebold Trust Competition. The name of the award should have read Rickett-Ziebold.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets this error.

Readers who spot an error should contact the DAILY EGYPTIAN accuracy desk at 536-3311 ext. 253.

**CALENDAR**

**Today**

Skydiving Club membership meeting  
Student Center, Saline Room  
6 p.m.

**Friday**

Journeys: Explorations in New Works  
annual festival of new plays  
Christian H. Moe Lab Theater  
7:30 p.m.

**Upcoming Events**

Journeys: Explorations in New Works  
annual festival of new plays  
Christian H. Moe Lab Theater  
Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

Opening of Winners Exhibit  
for Rickett-Ziebold Competition  
University Museum  
8 a.m.

**POLICE REPORTS**

**University**

• Textbooks were reported stolen from a vehicle between 11 p.m. Monday and 7 a.m. Tuesday in the overnight parking lot east of University Park.

• An athletic bag, bowling shoes, football cleats, a calculator and textbooks were reported stolen at 12:41 p.m. Tuesday at University Bookstore in the Student Center. Police have no suspects.

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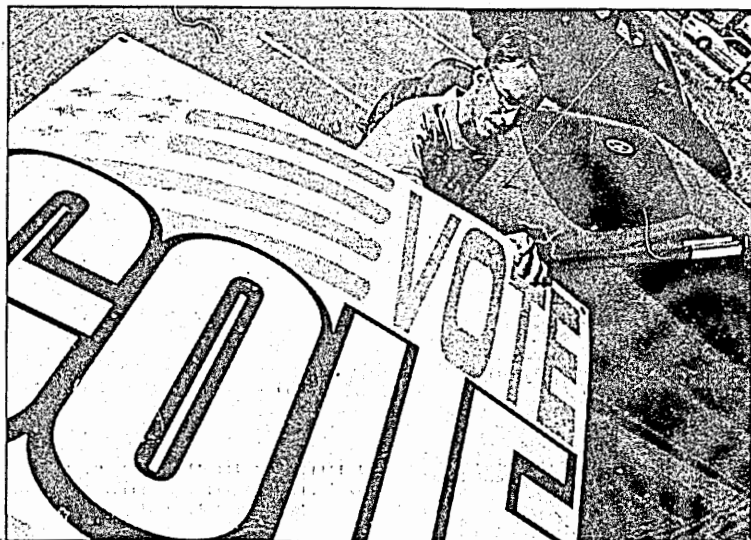
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STEVE JAHNKE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Brad Cole spends the day after his nail-biting mayoral victory collecting campaign signs and tying up loose ends. Cole will be Carbondale's first new mayor in 16 years.

## Business as usual day after victory; vote recount uncertain

Sara Hooker  
Daily Egyptian

Brad Cole's first day as mayor-elect was less dramatic than his 21-vote victory over Maggie Flanagan Tuesday evening.

He spent it tying up loose ends of the campaign and taking congratulatory phone calls.

"I have to get caught up on about 100 phone messages at home," Cole said. "The answering machine was overloaded by 9 a.m."

Cole's win, one of the closest mayoral races in Carbondale recently, will mark the first mayoral change since Mayor Neil Dillard took over 16 years ago.

It has yet to be determined whether Flanagan will contest the tally because of the closeness of the results. As of Tuesday evening, she said she was unsure if she would seek a recount. The DAILY EGYPTIAN was unable to reach her for comment Wednesday.

A recount would mean Flanagan would have the option of choosing 10 percent of the precincts to analyze for

discovery, Jackson County Clerk and Recorder Larry Reinhardt said. He said these votes would be recounted and if enough discrepancy was found, Flanagan could petition a court to seek a full recount.

Cole said he has not heard either way.

Cole's first order of business Wednesday morning was a radio interview at 7:20 a.m. Afterward and between phone calls, he drove around town and picked up campaign signs from his constituents' yards and tidied his campaign office.

As planned win or lose, Cole went to Mary Lou's for a lasagna lunch, which he said made him very happy.

While Cole's day-after celebration was seemingly unglamorous, he attributed it to a long campaign and week and respect for the current mayor. He said he has not been sworn in yet and

will respect that fact.

"I'm not going to get in Neil Dillard's way for the last 30 days," Cole said. "He's been in charge for 16 years and there's no reason to hurry him."

### Gus Bode



Gus says: Hey! Who's that guy stealing Brad Cole's signs?

He said he is working on the logistics of getting the new council together during the first week of May, and after he is sworn in, will become more active.

The new candidates and mayor will be sworn in May 6.

"I'm very appreciative of winning the election. I feel great. It's a great day," Cole said. "I know now that I need to work to bring everyone together. I'm going to wait to do that until my term begins, because I don't want to in any way disrespect the last 30 days of Neil Dillard's term."

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# Students swing Cole into office

## Student-dominated precincts show power of each vote

Jackie Keane  
Daily Egyptian

Student-dominated precincts catapulted Brad Cole into Tuesday's mayoral victory in a race that came down to only 21 votes.

In non-student precincts, City Councilwoman Maggie Flanagan led Cole by 70 votes. But in the student-dominated precincts Cole led Flanagan by 91 votes.

Cole said he was pleased with the result of his campaign efforts.

"I think it's great," Cole said, about his support from students. "We focused on the student votes just like we did any other segment of the community and they obviously felt strongly about supporting my candidacy."

Despite the important role students played in this election, student voter turnout was low, as usual.

In the student-dominated precincts, which were previously identified by Jackson County Clerk and Recorder Larry Reinhardt as 21 through 26 and 29, the total turnout was 583. This is a decrease from student-dominated precincts in the 1999 general election, which accounted for 1,212 student-votes. The decrease in voter turnout in student-dominated precincts has not been this low since 1995, when turnout was 462.

Reinhardt attributed the low turnout to lack of issues and good weather.

"There were no big issues

this time to bring students out," Reinhardt said. "Plus, it was a beautiful day and younger people wanted to be out in the sun."

In 1999, the largest turnout of student voters in the last three city elections, raising the bar age to 21, was a big issue and candidates used the issue to rally student support.

Undergraduate Student Government President Michael Jarard said that this election shows that the students are part of the community. Jarard, who served as Cole's campus campaign manager, worked to sign up 1,000 students to vote.

Jarard spent election day yelling "vote for Brad Cole" from 9 a.m. to 6:45 p.m. outside of Brush Towers. He believes that the students should have some type of influence in politics in Carbondale because they are the vast majority of the community.

"Our swinging the vote reflects the power we have and should have," Jarard said. "This shows we actually do make a

*"We focused on the student votes just like we did any other segment of the community and they obviously felt strongly about supporting my candidacy."*

— Brad Cole mayor-elect

difference."

Tim Tagaris, head resident assistant at Mac Smith said that the close election will show the importance of the city to pay attention to students and encourage students to vote because their vote matters.

"The kids came out to vote," Tagaris said.

While the student turnout may have been low, students who voted ultimately chose Carbondale's mayor for the next four years.

"Students worked hard to let the community know who we want for mayor of Carbondale," Jarard said.

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# Construction to make entrance to University more accessible

## Work to be complete by end of year

Jessica Yorama  
Daily Egyptian

The current congestion that runs from Mill Street to Lincoln Drive is part of a \$3 million dollar project performed by the Illinois Department of Transportation to make entrance into the University more accessible.

"Basically, we are realigning the entrance to campus," said civil engineer Jim Siefert. "We're moving Lincoln drive north and making it easier to get on and off campus."

While the main focus of the project is to make the area by campus less congested, those involved say it will be beneficial to the entire city.

In addition to realignment of the streets, the construction will add lanes to Grand Avenue.

It will also add dual and left lanes to many areas close to campus that are congested by street traffic.

The construction, which began on Mill Street one year ago, is now about 80 percent complete. The project aims to make entrance to the University more accessible for those traveling from the south.

Workers hope to complete the construc-

tion, which extends to the Physical Plant on campus, at the beginning of the summer. They hope to get the majority of work done during the summer when there are fewer students in town and less congestion.

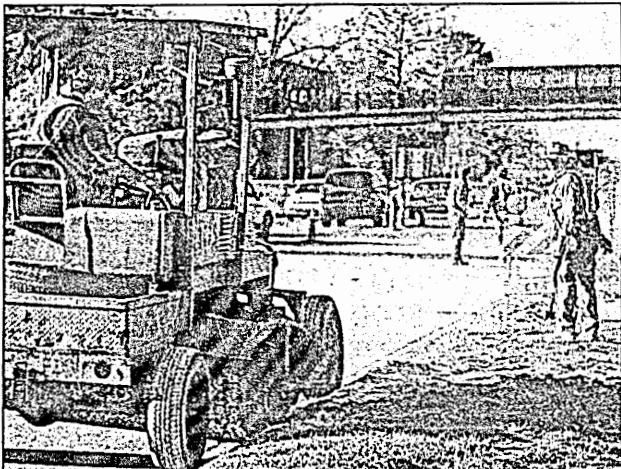
Even before construction on this area is complete, workers started on another area that will assist in improving transportation. Construction on this project, which spans the distance between the Physical Plant and Boskeydale Road began on March 17, and is expected to continue until November.

"Everything is pretty much going as planned," said Joe Lenzini, a construction engineer for district 9. "It's pretty much what we anticipated as far as congestion and things will probably get worse before they get better."

While workers said the construction has caused some congestion, Steve Ginn, an employee of the Saluki Express Bus Service, said that the work, which goes on for 10 hours each day, has caused only a slight delay.

In addition to the physical differences students and residents will see from the project, Lenzini said the construction will also add digital stoplights and help with drainage problems in the city.

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STEVE JAHNKE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Workers from E.T. Simonds Construction Company use a sweeper to clean up dirt and debris along a curb of U.S. Route 51 near the entrance to campus across from McAndrew Stadium Wednesday afternoon. Once this job is completed, the curb will be removed in order to widen the highway at that point. This is all part of an effort by the Illinois Department of Transportation to make the entrance to campus more accessible.

# Footage of hotel robbery released

Three suspects still at large

Greg Cima  
Daily Egyptian

Police released footage from a surveillance camera that recorded a robbery at gunpoint early Saturday in Carbondale.

Police are looking for three suspects in connection with an armed robbery at 2:56 a.m. at the Hampton Inn, 2175 Reed Station Parkway.

Police said one man and two women demanded cash as the man displayed a chrome revolver with a black handle. Money was taken from the cash drawer and they fled east on foot.

The first suspect is described as a white male, 5 feet 8 inches tall, about 170 pounds, with black hair and hazel eyes, wearing a black hooded jacket, gray tennis shoes and a white cotton mask.

The second suspect is described as a white female, 6 feet 5 inches tall, about 200 pounds, wearing a white and gray jacket, black pants and a black cotton mask.

The third suspect is described as a white female, 5 feet 3 inches tall, about 180 pounds, with reddish-brown hair, wearing a black jacket, black pants and a blue cotton mask.

Police said the hotel's clerk was not harmed during the robbery and the department would not release the amount stolen.

Reporter Greg Cima can be reached at gcima@dailyegyptian.com



PHOTO PROVIDED BY CARBONDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
This image was recorded during a robbery at Hampton Inn located on Reed Station Parkway in Carbondale early Saturday. Anyone with information regarding the robbery should contact the Carbondale Police Department.

# Comedian set to crack up campus

Samantha Robinson  
Daily Egyptian

Laughing is said to be good for the soul.

And Majia DiGiorgio plans to make SIUC laugh when she performs in the Student Center Ballroom D tonight.

Before DiGiorgio performs, two of SIU's own will open the show. Chidi Okonmah, a senior in speech communication, and a junior known simply as

Hannibal will warm up the crowd.

DiGiorgio began her stand-up career in 1994 and made her national television debut in 1995 on "Showtime at the Apollo," with subsequent appearances on Russell Simmon's "Def Comedy Jam," NBC's "Friday Night," and the "Keenan Ivory Wayans Show."

Her current project, RATS!, deals with love, life, artifice and theatrics through modernized Shakespearean characters.

She plays a wide variety of characters from an old-world Italian grandmother to a Puerto Rican fly-girl, and encompasses elements of acting, dancing, comedy and music that she has performed.

Some of the areas she is versed in are percussion, tap, martial arts, voice and drums, each of which she uses to further her comedy.

SPC director of comedy LaChandra Washington said

DiGiorgio is just in time for SIUC's welcome to springtime.

"She is hilarious and well-rounded, and just what the doctor ordered," Washington said.

The event, sponsored by SPC Comedy, is free and will begin at 9 p.m.

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# Diversity shown through Boxes and Walls exhibit

New interactive museum teaches life through others' eyes

Samantha Robinson  
Daily Egyptian

SIU students and University Housing are bringing a "virtual museum" to the basement of Grinnell Hall to promote diversity throughout the campus.

Beginning April 7 and running through April 10, the Boxes and Walls exhibit will be in Grinnell Hall from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. with tours beginning every half hour.

Boxes and Walls is an exhibit where people can tour student-made rooms designed to teach

diversity by addressing issues relevant in society and making people aware of others around them.

Some of the rooms displayed in the museum will focus on the current war in Iraq, homelessness and issues facing different ethnic groups.

The program began at the University of Wisconsin-Lacrosse about 10 years ago and has taken place at other universities under different titles through the years.

Thomas Harris, the assistant housing program coordinator for diversity worked with the woman who created the

interactive "diversity museum" and said it is time for SIUC to have an exhibit on diversity, even when it is not a big issue or topic of conversation.

*"When people leave the exhibit, they should be able to open their eyes to other scenarios and groups they may have misconceptions about."*

— Jay Sedory  
senior, athletic training

having a specific message.

"When people leave the exhibit, they should be able to open their

eyes to other scenarios and groups they may have misconceptions about," Sedory said.

He said it is important to have an exhibit that deals with diversity on campus and hopes it can be an annual event.

Boxes and Walls is a student-led exhibit with contributions by the Hispanic Student Council, the Vietnamese and World Society, Delta Phi Mu multicultural sorority, the Black American Studies department and several others.

This is something that will help everyone learn," Harris said. "It is a program for the students, by the students."

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### ON CAMPUS

#### USG candidates to meet tonight

An informational meeting will take place tonight at 7 in Ballroom C of the Student Center for students running for a seat on the Undergraduate Student Government.

The meeting is required and will detail what is permitted for campaigning on campus, how to file grievances and to answer any questions that the prospective senators and executives may have.

Elections will take place on campus April 14 and 15.

#### 'The Recruit' to play at Student Center

"The Recruit" will be playing at 7 p.m. April 10; at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. April 11; and at 7 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. April 12 at the Student Center Auditorium. Al Pacino and Colin Ferrell play in this Roger Birnbaum Production directed by Roger Donaldson. The film is rated PG-13. Running time is 115 minutes.

#### Guests to play with SIUC Jazz Ensembles Friday

Butch Miles and Mike Williams will perform as special guests with the SIUC Jazz Ensembles at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Shylock Auditorium. Tickets cost \$3 for the public and \$2 for students, children and senior citizens.

Tickets will be available at the door. Williams and Miles were long-time lead players with the legendary Count Basie Band. Anyone is invited to a free jazz clinic with the artists at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Shylock Auditorium. For more information, call 453-ARTS.

### CARBONDALE

#### Organization seeks volunteers to rehabilitate homes

"Rebuilding Together in Carbondale Township" is being established. This organization, in partnership with the community, rehabilitates the houses of low-income homeowners, particularly the elderly, disabled and families with children.

Administrative leaders, committee workers and skilled and unskilled volunteers are being sought to affiliate with this group. It needs the skills and labor of volunteers to repair and rehabilitate homes in Carbondale.

Anyone wishing to volunteer can contact Karen Twitty-Hartlieb at Rebuilding Together, Carbondale Township Office, 217 E. Main St. or at 457-3366.

## The Saluki Ambassador Program



The Saluki Ambassador Program is a volunteer organization that provides you with the opportunity to:

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# 400 new SARS cases in China

Michael Dorgan  
and Seth Borenstein  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BEIJING (KRT) — As China on Wednesday disclosed nearly 400 new cases of the mysterious fast-breaking respiratory illness and international health officials urged travelers to avoid southern China, U.S. doctors were trying to figure out why the disease has not hit America that hard yet.

Severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS, continues to spread in Hong Kong, China's southern Guangdong province and distant Canada, while neighboring countries have had only sporadic travel-related cases.

U.S. officials said Wednesday that a new diagnostic test, which seems to identify the virus that American officials think is responsible, is ready to be sent to state health officials for preliminary use. So far, SARS has sickened 2,236

people and killed 78. Nearly 1,200 of those cases have been in China with 708 in Hong Kong.

Although Hong Kong has been part of China since 1997, international health officials treat it as a separate entity.

Eighty-five percent of all cases and 79 percent of all deaths have been in Hong Kong and China.

According to data released Wednesday by China, 1,153 cases, including 40 deaths, have been in Guangdong, where the virus is believed to have originated.

The latest data showed 361 new cases, including nine deaths, in Guangdong in March.

The data also showed that the virus spread to the Guangxi region and to Hunan and Sichuan provinces, which together had 21 cases and three deaths.

In the United States, there have been 85 cases.

All but seven of those victims had traveled to SARS hot spots.

No one has died in the United States, and only one victim was sick enough to need a mechanical respirator, according to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta.

But China's numbers caused the World Health Organization and the U.S. State Department to issue a first-of-its-kind travel advisory about Hong Kong and Guangdong.

While Wednesday's disclosures reinforce China's standing as the epicenter of the epidemic, they also suggest a hopeful trend.

The data indicate a 48 percent drop in new SARS cases in Guangdong from February to March.

"I don't think this problem has peaked internationally, but it may have peaked in Guangdong," said Dr. Robert Breiman, leader of a WHO team in Beijing. "If true, we have a lot to learn here about what might happen elsewhere."

# Slaughtering chicken seen in bad taste

Carrie Sturrock  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BERKELEY, Calif. (KRT) — A UC Berkeley student, apparently trying to make the point that people are too removed from their food source, slaughtered a chicken in front of shocked classmates.

A campus animal rights group has called for the arrest and expulsion of the student and the suspension of the instructor who taught the undergraduate "New Genes" art class.

The UC Berkeley Department of Art Practice reprimanded the student for the event, which occurred last month, but will not seek further punishment for what it determined an inappropriate expression of art.

"He was making a point that were ... so removed from the production of food that we see it as Kentucky Fried Chicken or Twinkies, but that there are plants and animals behind it," said Loren Partridge, acting chair of the UC Berkeley Department of Art Practice, who noted the student was deeply sorry.

"It was felt by everybody to be in extremely bad taste and not the kind of thing that can be condoned in the classroom."

In a press release, the Berkeley Organization for Animal Advocacy called for the student to suffer consequences.

"The fact that this brutal slaughter occurred, especially in a classroom setting, is simply unacceptable," said senior Julie Ahern. "BOAA is demanding that the student be expelled from the university for this obviously cruel act and prosecuted for the possible violation of California Penal Code 597, which prohibits cruelty to animals."

The press release went on to say of the student who brought the chicken incident to BOAA's attention: "The undergraduate whistleblower, who wishes to remain anonymous due to fear of retaliation, stated that the chicken died a gruesome and bloody death."

The Berkeley East Bay Humane Society has also reviewed the case and decided not to pursue it, Partridge said, because the student wasn't trying to deliberately torture

an animal.

Instead, the undergraduate wanted to make the point that people are oblivious to things like slaughterhouses that deliver pre-packaged chicken to grocery stores.

University officials have not released the name of the student. Although Partridge's department and the humane society have reviewed the incident, the larger university administration plans to look into it further, said UC Berkeley spokesman Bob Sanders.

"We take any animal welfare issue very seriously."

The student had killed the chicken as part of an assignment that called for an autobiographical, artistic presentation, Partridge said.

"What this had to do with autobiography, I'm not sure."

But something useful did come of it. The instructor used the incident as a springboard to talk about what's appropriate art and what isn't.

"Art has limits," said Partridge.

## BUDGET

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giving them more flexibility," he said. "They knew more than we did."

Universities are not necessarily opposed to line-item budgeting — only the limits it may place on flexibility, said Don Sevens, IBHE spokesman.

Chancellor Walter Wendler said any bill that encourages scrutiny is welcomed, as long as legislators realize errors in university budget planning sometimes need to be fixed. For example, an administrator could easily miscalculate the year's utility costs while planning the budget, he said.

"I am very favorably disposed towards any legislation that genuinely favors accountability," Wendler said.

"We also need the flexibility to make mistakes and be accountable for our mistakes."

"My concern is that if there is too much detailed analysis, we may not be able to make a mistake."

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# Captured journalists accused of being spies

Reporters detained,  
interrogated  
by Iraqi officials

Nancy A. Youssef  
Knight Ridder Newspapers

AMMAN, Jordan (KRT) — Four journalists who had disappeared in Baghdad, Iraq, for eight days said Wednesday that Iraqi officials had interrogated them repeatedly about whether they were spies for the United States.

The journalists — Newsday reporter Matthew McAllester, 33, and photographer Moises Saman, 29, and freelance photographers Molly Bingham, 34, and Johan Spanner, 28 — described their detention in harrowing terms: They were kept in separate cells, sometimes blindfolded and within earshot of Iraqi prisoners.

But they also said they were never physically mistreated and that their

captors offered them tea after each session of grilling them over whether they were spies.

"I told them I didn't work for my government. I don't work for any government," said Bingham, of Louisville, Ky., who was in Iraq on assignment for Esquire magazine. "I wanted to know: Are they going to ask me more questions or are they going to kill me?"

The four journalists, who had been missing since March 24, appeared at the Jordanian border Tuesday night after a 300-mile drive from the Iraqi capital.

They were never offered an official explanation for their detention, though each appeared before an Iraqi judge before being let go.

Among those they thanked for helping to obtain their release was Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat. A Newsday editor, James Rupert, said Arafat had appealed to Iraq's chief of military intelligence.

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## OUR WORD

# The next step for City Council

After hours of waiting and tense moments for the candidates, the results came in.

Brad Cole was elected as the city's new mayor after 16 years with Neil Dillard at the top. Filling the four-year seats were Sheila Simon, Steven Haynes and Lance Jack. Chris Wissmann sealed a spot for the lone two-year seat. Corene Medaniel will return to her position on the City Council along with Maggie Flanagan rounding out the City Council to seven members.

There will be some new faces on the City Council for the next four years and with that comes new expectations and goals for the future of Carbondale. We hope that the new collaboration of council members will bring out more ideas for the betterment of the city and less bickering on the part of the council.

With that said, the DAILY EGYPTIAN editorial board would like to see some changes in the next four years.

**Human Relations Commission:** The City Council needs to send the current proposal back to the Task Force for revision. A new proposal needs to include a commission with subpoena power and an oversight of all municipal services as well as private businesses.

**Downtown (The Strip):** The downtown area of Carbondale has become an eyesore in recent years. Dilapidated and vacant buildings have become the norm as small businesses come and go. A new plan is needed to revitalize this area and help promote new businesses to come and stay. We ask that the City Council come up with a plan to promote new businesses to the Strip, the heart of Carbondale, and work with private owners to help them with their businesses so that they stay.

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**Housing:** Housing begins with the enforcement of city codes. That means on the landlords and tenants. We understand that it's not always the landlord's fault just as it is not always the tenant's fault. Enforcing these codes involves follow-ups on complaints and more stringent fines on repeat offenders. This will not only prevent future problems but also clean up and prolong the life of the buildings.

**The University/City relationship:** Carbondale would be nothing without the University, just as the University would be nothing without Carbondale. This relationship is vital to the area in regards to jobs and the economy of southern Illinois. It is our wish that the City Council work more closely with students to try to get them more involved in city government. If students become more interested in the city, then the chances are greater that they will stay and raise a family here.



## GUEST COLUMNIST

# The view from the other side

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It has become very confusing for me, and I would really like someone (anyone really) to explain to me what has happened to the First Amendment protection of free speech in this country. I have spent the past several hours reading story after story of people, who support the troops and the actions being taken in Iraq, being silenced because it may offend, hurt the feeling of or maybe in some other way disrupt the lives of those people who are protesting against the war.

What about the feeling of those who believe very strongly that the peace protesters are wrong? Where is their voice? When I walk down the outside of Faner this week, I see slogans written in chalk everywhere proclaiming that this war is wrong, and "Taxes = Bombs." I hear on the news that a professor at Columbia College is hoping for "a million Mogadishus" [sic] (And this is a peace protest ... so much irony there, and yet wrong on so many levels, it just turns my stomach.) But yet when someone in the Richmond, Va. city hall wanted to hang a flag up on there wall in support of the troops, they were informed that it must be taken down because it made "...a political statement in support of the war, and they [other fellow workers] were opposed to the war."

Or how about the situation at Texas A&M University where 30 war protesters standing in front of the Ross Voluntary Honor Corp carrying signs that stated "Bush is a Baby Killer" on them? While yes, this is free speech, and well within the bounds of the protesters rights (albeit in very bad form and taste), why then were the cadets chastised when they started chanting back, or even as one of the protesters

quoted as said "Some of the cadets glared (at us)." Where is their right to protest the protesters?

These events are not isolated — not even close. On an Ohio college campus (which by all accounts, should be a bastion for free thought and discussion) students wanted to drape U.S. flags outside some of the school buildings, but were told they couldn't because the flags might "hurt the feelings of anti-war folks." Yet, when you look at the windows of some of the offices in Faner, you see photocopied sheets protesting the war. Is this political correctness gone too far, or is it a blatant discrimination against those who feel just as strongly; in a pro-stance, for the conflict as those who feel against it?

Don't get me wrong, I want the protesters out there. Let them support a regime of terror and bloodshed. Those protests will be on their conscious, not mine.

Do I really want our sons and daughters, our brothers and sisters, our fathers and mothers to die? Of course not, but I do realize that sometimes, the right course of action is the hardest path to take. I served and I know what these people who are called to duty are risking. So why am I not out on the street shouting to the masses (or causing other acts of "civil disobedience") in support of my cause? Could it be because we feel that our government is taking the right course of action? Or could it just be that my voice is going to our soldiers, the ones who need to hear it the most? But when the time comes I care to make either a loud statement back or a reasoned and impassioned debate with give and take on both sides, please respect my right to do so, as I have for yours.

*Patrick is a senior in university studies. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*

## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Better not take a dog on the space shuttle, because if he sticks his head out when you're coming home his face might burn up."

Jack Handey

## WORDS OVERHEARD

"I'm glad to see that alumni like Brad Cole can achieve this kind of success — it really motivates all of us."

Gary Cangil  
junior in journalism comments on Brad Cole being elected mayor

COLUMNISTS

# Chalking it up to free speech

I'm not exactly sure who wrote the song, or for that matter the actually title of it. Nevertheless, a line from this song has always stuck out in my mind asking what war is good for. And for years my answer to this particular question has been the same answer given in the song, which is "absolutely nothing." Then I come to SIU and find that war is good for two things.

One, writing columns about it, and two, writing ones own statements about in chalk by Faner Hall. Now I try to write about human interest stories and stay away from politics. The main reason for this being that I really don't pay attention to anything political. I'd rather receive my daily dose of news from ESPN than CNN. So why now? Why do I choose this time to spill my own rants about the current situation in Iraq? Well the answer can be found on and around Faner: the abusive use of chalk writing.

Instead of writing "war bad," write something like "support our troops."

First off, let me add one thing before my inbox is cluttered with hate mail. I am not trying to be offensive in any way. I am not trying to pick at a certain group of students and tell them they are wrong. All I am trying to do is give these mighty wielders of the chalk a certain view. I hope they read this with an open mind, such as I have upon reading such comments as "Death = Freedom," "US = War Criminals," and my personal favorite, "Drop Bush Not Bombs."

I agree that going to war was the worst idea we could have done. I personally have one of my best friends overseas right now whom of which I want to come home safe. But when I see these comments and can't help but wonder,



## The Wild Kard

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what good are these going to do? I can understand such writings before the war started, but not during the war. I may not know the man personally, but I highly doubt president Bush is going to call off this war just because someone wrote "No War" by Faner Hall.

Does one actually think that Bush is going call back the troops, raise his hands in defense and say, "Sorry, my bad"? In a sense he could, but not without consequences. The main one being it would look bad for his image (as if it isn't bad enough). By pulling back the troops so early he would openly admit he was wrong and any slim chance of re-election he thought he would have would be kissed good-bye.

So why not use that chalk for something else? Instead of writing "War Bad," write something like "Support Our Troops" or "Come back safely." I know innocents have died in this war, but remember, Americans have died also. I know it's harsh to say, but I worry more about the Americans over there than the people of Iraq. If someone has a different view on this, please, e-mail me. I would really like to know how the writing on the sidewalks will stop this war.

*The Wild Kard appears every other Thursday. Brian is a junior in cinema and photography. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*

# Babies and cheating

## DADDY'S BABY

Hate is a strong word, I've got a couple of fingers and a few names that I feel you deserve but I won't expose your nut case throughout this pen and paper, instead I'll justify it as being the nature of a woman, you delivered my child here on earth brought into evil you've exposed her to this curse and the fear of her growing up to be just like you is the only thing that could be worse, I was against you getting an abortion and now you want to take me to court, imagine me fighting for the right to see my own daughter.

This is flesh of my flesh but since I refuse to do for you I guess that this is your little test but believe me revenge is better when karma plays a role in your regrets, you threatened to kill me in front of my child and you expect me to forgive you, the callus on my mirror is the reflection of what all we've been through, your father doesn't understand the two sides of the story which might explain half of the arguments that we've been into, you've got to be crazy to think that your bartending job is going to pamper our 8-month-old baby, slapping her for crying, I wouldn't even allow you to raise sheep you shouldn't be allowed to touch kids, God forbid the price she paid for your smoking during pregnancy you being negligent during her infancy has me to the point where you need visitation hours, I got a restraining order and you called me a coward, but that's cool because I also like tulips and flowers, and for once the man is going to take the place of both parents, a full time job that could be quite demanding, but I'm off the clock for this one, my baby's mother episodes are like a syndicated sitcom aired Monday through Friday with the other late-night drama reruns and to set the record straight your mother's the one who gave me all of these ideas, so don't believe everything you hear



## Poetic Justis

BY JAWAAD L. KIRKWOOD  
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because all water not good for you  
.....See you in court

## 20 questions Why Women Let Men Cheat (part 2)

Is it, the fear, is it the time, is it the space, is it the chase, is it the rubbing, is it the loving, maybe it's expected, or something you neglected or someone he respected because obviously, it's something you suspected,

but he gave you kids, he gave you years he gave you tears, you've shedded grief he apologized he confides to a priest and you think he's changed you think his pain is equal to the emotions that runs through a woman's veins

and that where you're wrong, that when he's strong, that's when you're drones, brainwashed, bamboozled, lost in the moment, maybe it's you, maybe it's the pressure or it's the trust, I thought it was esteem but I'm convinced that it's the lust that makes men cheat, but the question still remains as "why do you allow it"

*Poetic Justis appears Thursdays. JAWAAD is a graduate student in mass communications. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*

# LETTERS

## Alumnus taking shots should try it himself

DEAR EDITOR:

I admit I was first amused, then concerned, at the pointless tirade of Scott Mueller, published March 31 in the DE. Mr. Mueller, I notice you're an alumnus of SIU. I'm glad to see you're so proud of your alma mater. Perhaps, despite our budget crisis, we could persuade you to return to SIU and pursue graduate courses in journalism? I'm sure that, given your obvious passion for objective, quality journalism, you would make a fine reporter. You certainly seem to want to show the DE how it's done.

You mention also that the columnists at the DE are not mentally equipped to have opinions on issues reserved for experienced pundits. How is it that these pundits became experienced in the first place? I'm sure they fell out of the womb with all manner of journalistic knowledge already present in their neonatal brains, thanks to careful journalistic breeding programs. No longer do today's pundits actually start somewhere and gain experience! Otherwise, who knows how many would've gotten their start working for college newspapers.

Mr. Mueller, I couldn't help noticing your political preferences. Thank you for demonstrating that the government is best left to those of "significance" and "intellect," and those who exercise democracy are detrimental to the system. Free speech: what

nonsense! Heaven help us if people start stating their opinions, especially in a newspaper. Random people might start writing letters! If democracy is a problem, you could always immigrate to an alternative country such as Iraq, North Korea or Cuba. I'm sure your political perspectives would be well received in these places.

Mr. Mueller, picking up and reading the DE, like picking up and looking through a kaleidoscope, is a choice. If you have a problem with varied perspectives, put the paper down and back away slowly.

David Campbell  
*freshman, pre-med/plant and soil science*

## Voter location presents a problem for voters

DEAR EDITOR:

Last year after I registered, I didn't vote. It didn't really bother me too much because I am not really a fan of politics — actually, they bore me. However, after seeing TV commercials, ads, fliers, etc. about how "important it is to vote," I felt guilty. So lately I've been reading the papers, and all the different articles expressing the different candidates' views. I finally made my decision to vote: early Tuesday evening, and when I went, what happened? They told me I couldn't vote there. "There" was at the lower level of Lentz. I was told I must go to the other side of campus and vote in Trueblood because that's

where I lived LAST year. I was, and am, upset. I took the only free time I had (a whole 30 minutes) during the day to vote, and was told I couldn't do it there; I couldn't walk all the way to the other side of campus because I had to work in 20 minutes. I am sure if this "voting location problem" was solved, a few more people just might vote!

Lisa Scarber  
*junior, psychology*

## Stifle your dissent? What would Jefferson say?

DEAR EDITOR:

I see the rainbow coalition of POWs being subjected to who knows what in Iraq and contrast that with the race and economic class of our leadership and am sick to my stomach. Whether it is George Bush or some other, most of our leaders lack the moral standing to order other people to kill and die for "principles" they see as righteous. Being elected in an honor and privilege, but it is not a mandate to put hundreds of thousands of American lives at risk.

Many Americans are proud of this moment, and proud of "our boys" who make the sacrifice. I, too, am proud of our men and women. But I am ashamed by the misuse of their willingness to sacrifice. Irony laces the words of leaders who refer to

"our" boys as if they would ever put their sons (or daughters) at risk. All of the students who have left my classroom to go fight are black. Many of the others around campus who have left to fight come from a variety of ethnic backgrounds, but share in common the lack of opportunities that make the military the best option for economic upward mobility. Meanwhile, patriotic parents have been convinced by years of Orwellian double-speak that the only way to support their children is to cheer them on as the dutifully march into battlefield hell.

Only a thorough and systematic miseducation could produce the tragic and un-American belief that political dissent is wrong or should be muted through self-censorship. Vocal opposition is vital to a free society and of greatest importance when we face our most difficult times. Does not one read Thomas Jefferson anymore? In contrast to the misguided and misleading harangues of media pundits, Jefferson clearly and repeatedly championed the rights of, and the need for, the dissenter. He, moreover, declared informed dissent to be a responsibility of any citizen who values liberty. Who are we to side with: Thomas Jefferson or cable television? I, for one, will side with Thomas Jefferson in this instance and urge my fellow Americans to do the same. With regards to support of American soldiers on the frontline of this imperialist (oops, I mean "preventive") invasion, the best support we could give would be to bring them home.

Kevin Foster  
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# Tow away zone

story by SAMANTHA EDMONDSON

The retrievers at Larry's Towing are known to sniff out illegally parked cars, but they also assist motorists with their urgent needs 24/7



**Tow truck driver Kevin Tackett hooks an illegally parked car to one of Larry's Towing trucks March 21 at the Marshall Ridge parking lot. Kevin's been riding with Larry since he was 10 years old and has been towing with Larry for 27 years.**

JESSICA EDMONDSON  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

A golden retriever is friendly, dependable — a family dog.

But many Carbondale residents who know the "Golden Retriever" see it as a different breed. They relate it to its namesake, a retriever or a hunting dog that seeks out small game.

Patrons to the CFM Convenience Food Mart on East Walnut Street displayed this sentiment as the "Golden Retriever," a 4-year-old, golden brown tow truck, pulled into the parking lot on the night of March 21.

A man turned from filling up his car with gas to watch the "Golden Retriever" pull a blue Monte Carlo towed from the SIUC campus into the station. The truck came to a halt near "Little Retriever," the second tow truck for Larry's Towing.

The retrievers' owner, Larry Georgeff, stepped out of the vehicle, ready to switch shifts with his night workers, Hank Hamilton and Kevin Tackett.

Larry has been in the towing business for 35 years and realizes the torn feelings Carbondale residents and students have toward his company and other towing businesses in the area.

"The same ones that we tow for illegal parking call us the next week to call for a jumpstart or tow their car to the garage to be fixed — then we are alright," he said. "I don't try to run a hard-nosed operation. We try to treat people as decently as we can."

Despite the different attitudes Larry and the two retrievers receive on a daily basis, he and his workers see it as simply doing their job.

## Making the Rounds

At about 10:15 p.m., Hamilton rolled into the CFM parking lot and waited with Georgeff for the student owner to pick up his Monte Carlo. For most tow truck drivers who work for Georgeff, they have daily jobs that end in the early evening.

Hamilton is a mechanic at an auto garage next door to Larry's Towing, 820 N. Washington. It

has been two and a half years, and Hamilton said he is finally adapting to the hours.

"I'm married; my wife worries about it. She wouldn't be normal if she didn't worry about it," Hamilton said.

Tackett arrived and Georgeff's last tow for Friday was complete. Typically, Hamilton rides with Georgeff's son-in-law during the weekends, but Tackett, the weekly night tow truck driver, is filling in. Riding with Georgeff since he was 10 years old, Tackett has some accustom to cars, driving and the towing business.

After the student came to pick up his Monte Carlo and pay the tow, Georgeff handed over the truck keys and the cell phone to Hamilton and Tackett for the night. The "Golden Retriever" was ready to retire for the night and allow "Little Retriever," the typical weekend night shift truck, to assume the duties.

Before making the typical rounds, Hamilton and Tackett had to fill up the truck with diesel gasoline at the CFM. Even though the workers at Georgeff's get paid on a salary basis and not per tow, the expense for the trucks adds up.

Georgeff said his company spends \$20 per day for gas and \$50 to \$60 a day on gasoline for "Golden Retriever." But other expenses appear in the monthly bill.

"We change tires every 12,000 to 15,000 miles. At about \$150 a piece, it adds up pretty quick," Hamilton said. "Insurance is outrageous and license plates on a tow truck can be about \$250 at a starting price depending on the weight of the tow truck."

After filling up "Little Retriever" with diesel gas, Hank and Tackett hop into the truck, soda in hand, ready to make the rounds. The rounds go mainly to parking lots of apartment complexes looking for illegally parked cars. But like the perception many residents have of the retrievers hunting down cars, Georgeff explained his com-

pany is contracted to certain businesses and apartment complexes to tow illegally parked cars.

A simple call on the phone from a complex owner or resident could prompt inspection for Hamilton and Tackett, but they also noted signs are clearly marked at all locations where Larry's Towing is contracted to tow. Because Georgeff's most commonly tows illegally parked cars, making rounds fills up most of the weekend late night shift for Hank and his fellow employee.

Hamilton pulled into the lot at Garden Park Apartments, "Little Retriever" bouncing over the seams in the cement separating the city street from the lot. Tackett grabbed a large flashlight and shined it on the rear windows looking for proper stickers.

"Got a white cavalier here. Do you remember it from last night?" Hamilton said to Tackett.

"No, let me go check," Tackett replied. Tackett exited the "Little Retriever" and walked over to the white automobile and the car was OK.

"You get a good routine going and you can tell what belongs here and what doesn't," Tackett said.

He has worked for Georgeff for 27 years, but Tackett as well as Hamilton and other tow truck drivers in town, often have occurrences that are out of the ordinary.

## Strange tows and regular encounters

Tackett reclaimed his seat in the "Little Retriever" as the company cell phone rang. It came from the cab of the "Golden Retriever," Georgeff spotted an illegally parked car.

Hamilton and Tackett said often Georgeff is on his way home when he will spot someone illegally parked. He told Tackett he noticed a party on South Graham Street at a gray house. The parking lot parallel to the side yard is owned by Marshall Reed Apartments and the row

closest to the house is for visitors of tenants in the complex. However, he said he spotted five people get out of the car and go directly into the gray house.

"Illegally parked is a different world than the daytime tows," Hamilton said. "With illegally parked [cars], I don't have to worry about the money, because the car is there and we take them."

Georgeff said some of the other businesses do not get as involved in towing illegally parked cars as his company does. Leroy Walker, manager for Express Towing, said only about 20 percent of his tows are illegally parked cars.

Aside from an upset car owner kicking in the front of "Little Retriever," Tackett and Hamilton have had some different occurrences over the years and within the last couple weeks that have been some of the strangest they have seen.

"It's strange to go back to the lot and find that somebody has driven their car through the gate. It usually totals their car. This year it has happened about three times since the fall semester. This is why Larry parks an old blue family-sized car in front of the gate, so [car owners] are not likely to drive through it," Hamilton said.

Tackett said he has seen quite a few recently. A couple of weeks ago, he received a call to tow a blazer, and the guy ran out into the parking lot with no clothes on at 3 a.m.

"I got the guy who chased me naked, last night again. I didn't see him though this time," Tackett said.

"Saw more than you wanted to the first time," Hamilton said with a chuckle.

As Tackett and Hamilton arrived to the call from Georgeff in the Marshall Reed Apartment complex lot, several spectators from the house watched the tow in process, fascinated by the speedy and, to Tackett and Hamilton, simple action.

"The little red one right here goes, third one on the left hand side," Tackett said. "He told me that was the one."

"OK," Hamilton said as he backed up to the Georgeff still watched from the other side

ett got out of the truck and guided n toward the back of the vehicle. In nce, the truck could get close to the car nilton viewed his actions carefully in the onitor that displays the hydrologic lift's ve that is attached to the rear.

in a matter of about five minutes, n and Tackett are ready to take the vehi- to Georgeff's lot on Washington Street. owing the old blue car blocking the gate's , Hamilton and Tackett maneuvered the nto a lot of about 30 cars.

try to 45 days has been the longest e has left a car]," Hank said. "Not always, ly Larry will cut them a pretty good deal ey have been there that long. red car from the Marshall Reed parking ot be the last to be towed from the exact ot. At about midnight, thirty minutes milton and Tackett towed the first car, hone rang again. Georgeff said a blazer ed into the same spot.

r returning a couple of previous calls and tow, the two drove the "Little Retriever" Graham Street and inspected the situa- re enough, the blazer was in the same spot a temporary visitor sticker. But this time, er of the car was not going to let the tow so quickly.

r Tackett and Hamilton had already p the blazer, a young man leaped over the ch balcony of the house and ran to talk cket. An argument ensued regarding wh- he was parked illegally. The young man:



Larry Georgeff, owner of Larry's Towing, waits for a call in the CFM parking lot on East Walnut Street. With Larry being in business for 35 years, he owns the oldest towing truck company in Carbondale.

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**TOW**

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pointed toward a sign that was marked "Visitor's Parking," saying he was there to visit a friend in Marshall Reed who was not home and decided to see other friends at the party.

But Tackett said the tow is already in process and without a proper parking sticker he would have to tow. The young man did not like this news and decided to sit on the front of the tow truck, not allowing it to move one inch.

At this point, the police were called to the scene to help handle the dispute. Tackett and the young man were close to each other at times, in heated dispute. Four friends of the owner of the blazer trooped out of the house and stood in front of the tow truck with him. Refusing to talk about the tow and attempting to stand his ground with Tackett and the police, the young man declined to comment on the situation.

But the car owner's friend, Larry Coggins, said this is not the first time he has helped a friend stop the tow truck drivers from towing a car. Coggins, a sophomore in electrical engineering from Pekin, added the sign is not clearly marked and just says "Visitor's Parking," but gives no indication for what lot. The sign is faded in some of the lettering, but the lot is designated for Marshall Reed Apartments.

Coggins said maybe a simple solution to the problem for both car owners and towers is assigned parking.

"I think it would be a lot easier, say if somebody who has a two-bedroom apartment, each person is given an assigned parking spot. This way if somebody is parked in your spot, you know they don't belong," he said.

He stood next to two of the other friends as they watched the owner of the blazer pay the \$55 for the tow. But he insisted on filing a complaint to the manager of the complex and Georgeff. The drivers told him to do so.

**The others on the road**

His friends consoled the young owner of the blazer as Hamilton and Tackett lowered the vehicle and detached it from "Little Retriever." Voices rang out with a "good job Larry" and "you guys suck" from the gray house porch. But these mixed attitudes did not disturb Tackett and Hamilton as they finished the job and drove off, giving a small wave to the police.

Vanessa Reyes, a senior in administration of justice from Chicago, can relate to the incident that ensued with the owner of the blazer and Larry's Towing.

In Reyes' case, she said the towing company that attempted to tow her vehicle had started to tow cars along the street. They were in the process of towing Reyes' car but had not yet hitched it up to the truck.

"We had to jump on the truck so they could leave my car alone, but they still charged me \$25 not to tow it," Reyes said.

Her sentiment and perception of the tow truck drivers are not completely universal, since she recently had been towed from Express Towing and the incident was handled respectively on both sides.

By city regulation, all tow companies are suppose to charge a flat towing fee for illegally parked vehicles and a flat fee for a service charge in towing those cars, according to Walker.

In fact, in 1997, the City Council voted unanimously to regulate towing service rates for nonconsensual tows. The adopted rate included a \$20 fee to interrupt a tow in progress and \$10-per-day fee for storage of a towed vehicle and a \$55 fee for a nonconsensual towing.

After the city's capped fee contract became city ordinance in September, the fees have since been reviewed, according to City Manager Jeff Doherty.

Walker, who has been towing for 27 years and worked for Express for five years, said before this time, companies would charge different rates for towing cars with consent. But now, he and other towing companies agree the fee increase should be increased or at least reviewed.

"It was supposed to be reviewed within a few years to see if there needs to be an increase, and that would be helpful," Walker said. "With the price of gasoline, now at about \$2 per gallon, any increase would help."

Doherty said anytime the city does set fees, they should be reviewed periodically, but there has been no request to do it.

Georgeff agrees and has written a new proposal about increasing the fees and other issues dealing with his company and others in the area.

"I have the proposal in my truck right now," said Georgeff, who hoped to take the proposal to the council soon.

Undergraduate Student

Government recently approved for one of its senators to organize a towing committee to deal with issues and concerns students may have with towing companies.

Neal Young, USG vice president, said he is excited about the new city council members elected Tuesday, because of some of their positions dealing with towing fees and concerns. But Young added the fee is not the main issue, but the way the companies collect the fees.

"Yes, they need a reduction of the fee, but also they need a solid guideline about how they should be running their business," he said.

Walker said he could see all sides of the situation when it comes to fees and other concerns. He recognizes parking is a problem in Carbondale and one cannot solely blame students for illegally parked cars. He said a lot of the car owners think they pick them out specifically, but a lot of times they do not know who the owners are when they tow.

Lindsay Jennings, a junior in psychology from Herrin and employee for the SIU Police, said she has dealt with the tow truck companies in town. Mostly, to Jennings, they are simply doing the job they are contracted to do.

"They only tow people that are parking where they shouldn't be — which is fine with me, because if they are parked where they shouldn't be, then they are in a spot where I want to, and I paid to park there," she said.

**Ready to Break**

Despite the incident with the blazer, Tackett and Hamilton continued to tow more illegally parked cars, help with breakdowns and a special call for someone who locked her keys in her vehicle.

With a total of 14 tows for the night of March 21, the towing process is not over for Larry's Towing either.

Georgeff is at the office most of the day Saturday, March 22 taking calls for tows and handling customers who need to pick up their vehicles. The "Golden Retriever" may have been dormant for most of the morning, but it is there to do its job when called to duty.

"But sometimes we run into situations like the one last night [March 21], but we are willing to go at anytime," he said. "We have been a lot of service to a lot of people, and those people do appreciate us."

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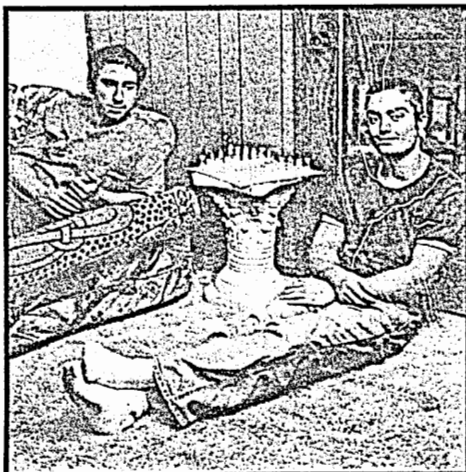
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SIU sophomore Burga Akaktan, left, and junior Selcuk Demir read international newspapers to keep informed on the war in Iraq, which shares a border with their native country Turkey.



Saud Alselham, 9, along with his older brother and two sisters, misses playing with his cousins at home in Saudi Arabia.



Born in the United Arab Emirates to Lebanese parents, Sami Moussawi has traveled so extensively during his lifetime that he has never officially settled down to live in one place.

The physical and psychological distance between their native countries in the Middle East and Carbondale has an effect on these four SIU students. So does war and instability in the region. But ultimately ...

## It's about Family

Story by MOUSTAFA AYAD • Photos by DEREK ANDERSON

**T**hey are students just like any other on the SIUC campus, with lives, homes, and families. Only they are so distanced from their homes and their lives that it has become difficult for some to cope. They are students from one of the most volatile regions in the world — the Middle East. With a war raging near many of their homes, many of their thoughts turn to the importance of family. From the countries of Turkey, United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia, students Burga Akaktan, Selcuk Demir, Sami Moussawi and Ammer Alselham are the future and the present of the international community, and these are their stories.

### A world Carbondale will never know

Two million refugees have never crossed Grand Avenue to seek solace in the confines and peace of the residence halls.

Abbott Hall has never had patriot missiles fly overhead, nor have low-flying tomahawk missiles whisked through the crevices and side-winding corners of Thompson Point.

Friends and relatives of students residing at the residence halls have never felt the threat and horror of falling victim to a stray or misguided smart bomb.

The masses of students continue to fill the bars on weekends and parties on Cherry Street as the images on the television depict bombs dropping in Baghdad. Some students continue to watch the television apathetically as if the television depicts some distant world that we cease to exist within.

Some students have answered Uncle Sam's call and are off fighting in this war. Others on the home front are staging protests against it or rallying in support of troops overseas.

But a select group of students are keeping a watchful eye on the situation for reasons that are not so much political as personal. Their families live right in the middle of warfare. Students from Turkey are worried not about the threat of bombs and guns, but for their families who someday might be threatened by the war and the aftereffects of war.

They are worried that in the United States, we are given a select view of the war. They are concerned that what Americans see on television is small snapshots of U.S. victories and triumphs. But they fear people in this country are not seeing what is the hardest for them to stomach — the loss of innocent life.

### Between two distant worlds

Selcuk Demir, a junior in management information systems, and Burga Akaktan, a sophomore in management information systems, are both from Turkey. Akaktan is from Istanbul, the biggest city in Turkey, where his cousins and aunts reside. Demir is from Izmir, a coastal city located on the western side of Turkey, where his immediate family is living.

The country lies directly north of Iraq, and as the war rages on within the country directly below their southeast border, they are being challenged to find some meaning to the conflict as well as manage their daily lives.

"There's a war going on and the whole population, nobody cares. If Turkey goes to war, you won't see people partying like nothing is going on," Demir said. "Americans are always going overseas, so civilians are never hurt. They have bases all around the world."

About 6,276 miles away from home, both Demir and Akaktan are glued to their televisions, watching the latest developments on CNN and dutifully reading local newspapers on the Internet to get a different perspective to the on-going conflict in Iraq.

"I think if you want to get the whole picture, you can't depend on one perspective," Demir said. "On CNN, they had this retired general answering questions about why we had casualties. He [the general] said we might have a couple hundred dead Americans; he acted as if it was going to be easy."

"If he lost his son, he wouldn't have said it was going to be easy."

And canvassing the Turkish newspapers, they have begun to formulate a different view of the U.S. led-coalition against Iraq. Their view encompasses not only their families' direct involvement in what potential repercussions can hold for them, but a view of a war that has casualties abound for all those who would be drawn into armed conflict.

"I want people to see the war from a Turkish view, not the

American view that shows it to make the people feel better in the United States," Akaktan said. "The real stuff is very brutal. It's like fireworks on the TV."

Akaktan has seen the atrocities of war not through his own eyes but through the picture the media in his country has painted of a war of more than just bombs and missiles, but of lives and destruction.

"They never show houses blown up and blood. You see [blown up houses and blood] in the Turkish news, dead bodies, children with arms and legs missing, and they don't know English," Akaktan said. "Their poor farmers in Iraq, they don't have power, and then one day, some foreign forces come in and take over speaking a foreign language."

Demir said he sees the news broadcast on the airwaves, the screens and the page as being nothing more than a collection of sound bytes with minuscule amounts of actual information.

"CNN would rather show Michael Jordan scoring 40 points, instead of elections in France," Demir said.

Turkey has been ravaged by the lasting effects of the Gulf War in the early 90s, effects that not only dismantled much of their economy but also drastically changed the demographics of the nation, they both said.

According to the CIA factbook, the nation has accumulated a nearly \$118.3 billion debt incurred by the first war in the region and is in a constant struggle to find its way out of the dismal place it has headed in the past 12 years.

Turkey is a country torn between its place on the map — a place conflicted by the old world ideologies of the Middle East and the western world of Europe and America. But it is also a country that has been caught in the web of international relations between the warring factions of both the Middle East and the European Union.

Both Demir and Akaktan came to the United States shortly after they finished high school. Demir said that upon his arrival to the United States, he was shocked by one thing — the sheer immensity of the cars.

"There were big cars everywhere, SUVs and trucks. I had never seen so many," he said. "I was looking around expecting everybody to be huge, but there were little women driving Tahoes."

There is not that much of a difference between the United States and Turkey, according to Demir and Akaktan. The students both went to public schools in Turkey, where they were taught by English-speaking teachers. Turkey is also a relatively free country. Demir said there have been protests of the government, but the one big difference that they both saw was the lack of political participation on behalf of the U.S. citizenry.

"In Turkey, your vote is a weapon against politicians," Demir said. "Everybody knows who's who in the Turkish news."

Akaktan, who comes from one of the most progressive cities in Turkey, has noticed that Turkey, even though viewed by some as a backward Middle Eastern country, is in reality a very forward-moving, liberal place.

"It's not different than a big American city. Whatever you do here, you can do more; and there are even gay clubs," he said.

"That is just a stereotype ... When you sit with them and talk with them, you'll find that they're open minded and respect everybody."

Ammer Alselham



Ammer Alselham is surrounded by his four children at their home in Evergreen Terrace on the south end of campus. Although his children miss their home in Saudi Arabia, Alselham knows that by finishing his graduate degree at SIU he will be able to provide a better opportunity for his wife and children.

And even though Akaktan and Demir hold such strong familial and emotional ties to their homeland, they say they see the United States as a beacon of freedom, a place where they are not troubled by the eminency of war. They have a different view of the impacts of war.

They pointed to the Gulf War, which left Turkey in a state of disarray with the Turkish lira that was attached to the dollar in terms of value being devalued to the point where the lira is virtually useless. Currently, the Turkish students must pay 1,708,213 lira for every dollar they intend on using. This extreme devaluation in the currency has left a lasting negative impression on the Turkish economy, to the point where there have been about 12 million people left without jobs and in a country of almost 67 million people.

As the economy was one part of the problem following the Gulf War, there was the dispersion of Kurdish refugees that fled Iraq during the war, as well as when they were being persecuted by Iraqi president Saddam Hussein.

school. It was the 1990s. We were small kids," Akaktan said. "There was a lot going on in Turkey, the ethnicity has completely changed."

The Kurds are a large and distinct ethnic minority in the Middle East, numbering some 25 to 30 million people. The area they have inhabited, referred to on maps for centuries as "Kurdistan," stretches over portions of Iran, Iraq, Syria and Turkey. Half of the Kurds reside in Turkey, where they comprise more than 20 percent of the Turkish population.

The Turkish population has not reacted in a negative manner to the Kurdish population in the east, but they have stationed soldiers by the southeast border, on the corner of Iraq to defend against a possible Iraqi Kurdish rebellion, Demir said.

Demir said the Kurdish population is indistinguishable among the dominant Turks in the nation.

"You cannot say who is Kurdish and who isn't. They have the same passports and I.D.s. They have Turkish backgrounds," Demir said. "The Kurds and the Turkish are friends, but after this war if the Kurdish people get independence, Kurds in Turkey

may want their own independence.

"Turkey would get drawn into a war. Turkey and the Kurds do not have a problem. Some are even relatives with the Kurds, and politically wise, they have always been together."

"But that is not the issue. They have nothing against each other. The economy is the biggest problem," Akaktan said. "There are really rich people, and very poor people. There is no middle. The East has gotten poorer and poorer. The West has gotten richer, but there are more people with less money."

As a result, there are two different Turkeys. The northern and western regions are highly developed and cosmopolitan, while the south and east are lagging behind.

However, Akaktan and Demir are not discouraged. They see a light at the end of the tunnel for both their lives and their families. Living in the United States has not been easy either for the Turkish natives; they have experienced some hardships, but nothing in magnitude

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25 Parts & Service	110 Stereo Equip	185 Yard Sales
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60 Homes	130 Cameras	220 Sublease
70 Mobile Homes	135 Books	230 Apartments
80 Real Estate	140 Sport Goods	240 Townhouses
90 Antiques	160 Pets & Supply	250 Duplexes
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**Directions**  
\* Complete all 6 steps.  
\* One letter or number per space.  
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## Dormant Life

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## The Quigmans by Buddy Hickerson

## Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. Black  
 Today's Birthday (April 3). You're quick yet deliberate this year, innovative yet practical. This can be a very successful combination, especially since you're also lucky. And, of course, the better prepared you are, the luckier you'll get.  
 To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 6 the most challenging.  
**Aries (March 21-April 19)** - Today is an 8 - You should be a wealthy person - you'd do so much good with the money. Allow abundance into your life by being extra generous.  
**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** - Today is a 6 - You're becoming more decisive, though you still have considerations. You hate rushing into things, and that's good. You're becoming more certain. Keep asking questions.  
**Gemini (May 21-June 21)** - Today is a 7 - Resist the urge to be impetuous. Take time to contemplate recent developments. Watch what people do, rather than just listening to what they say.  
**Cancer (June 22-July 22)** - Today is a 6 - Just when you thought you couldn't bear the pressure, it starts to ease. Friends are coming to your rescue. You're not alone.  
**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** - Today is an 8 - New contacts you've made and data you've received can help advance your career. Don't brag, but do let the news get out to someone who'll be impressed.  
**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** - Today is a 7 - You've been through a few tough days. Line up a celebration. Tonight and tomorrow look good for love, and Saturday ain't bad either.  
**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** - Today is a 7 - Don't let your partner spend all the money without your input. Stay involved; or you'll end up paying for something you don't even like.  
**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** - Today is a 6 - A gentle, quiet person can teach you some valuable skills. Follow orders from a brassy type, but settle down later with one who's good at not talking.  
**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** - Today is an 8 - You've had time to do some serious bonding. Now, get back to work. Show that your love is true by building something solid together.  
**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** - Today is a 6 - You may feel as if you've been trying to convince people who already had their minds made up. Relax tonight with someone who understands you without a word being said.  
**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** - Today is a 7 - Try out a new idea in the privacy of your own home. Something that you've been thinking about could greatly improve your level of comfort. Get the best.  
**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** - Today is a 7 - Although you might be able to get by on your good looks, it really isn't necessary. You're smart, too. Prove it by taking on a challenging assignment.

### JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

IXAMM  
 YAFLE  
 LIFLLE  
 FLABEL

Answer:     IN A

Yesterday's Jumbles: AMITY HANDY BECAME DOUBLE  
 Answer: What the hairdresser did when the rack of dresses went on sale - "COMBED" THEM



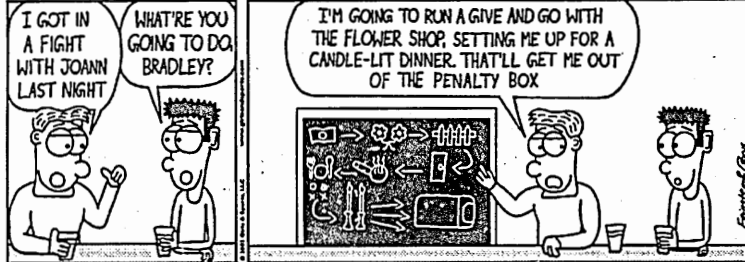
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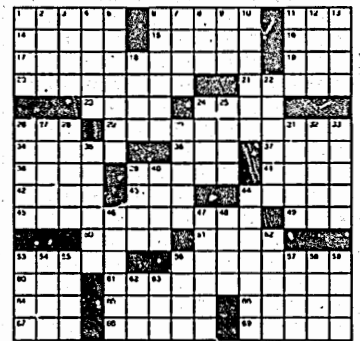
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Crossword

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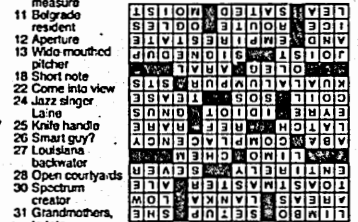
- 1 Dooop under a pole
- 6 Preliminary work
- 11 Loves You!
- 14 Balthicks
- 15 Sri
- 16 Blue
- 17 After-dinner speaker
- 19 Put a choice
- 20 Completely
- 21 Cut off
- 23 Oscar-night wheels
- 24 H.S. course
- 26 Lawyer's org.
- 29 Self-satisfaction
- 32 Catio bouncer
- 36 Ump's cohort
- 37 Roast beef order
- 38 Bronte governess
- 39 Bonehead
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- 43 Call for help
- 44 T-b
- 45 Malaysia's capital



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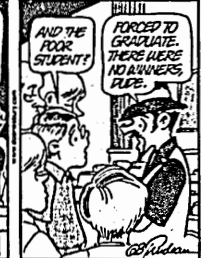
DOWN

- 1 Not on time
- 2 Pressing need?
- 3 Carnivore meal
- 4 Pesto herb
- 5 Bird that lays a 3-h egg
- 6 Downhill sled race
- 7 "Take it..." (Eagles hit)
- 8 Blasting stuff
- 9 Island guitar

- 10 Astronomical measure
- 11 Bolgrade resident
- 12 Aperture
- 13 Wide-mouthed pitcher
- 18 Short note
- 22 Come into view
- 24 Jazz singer
- 25 Late hand!
- 26 Smart guy?
- 27 Louisiana backwater
- 28 Open courtyard
- 30 Spectrum creator
- 31 Grandmothers, toots
- 32 Pie part
- 33 Toadies' repiles
- 35 Orchestral strings
- 39 of Wight
- 40 Magician
- 41 Henning
- 44 Window over a door
- 46 Modifies
- 47 Matched up
- 48 Encourage
- 52 Release
- 53 Hoosweg
- 54 As soon as
- 55 Suggestion
- 56 Plat division
- 57 Spanish painter
- 58 Western tribe
- 59 Irritating one
- 62 Extinct bird
- 63 Place

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Doonesbury



by Garry Trudeau

Non Sequitur



by Wiley Miller

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Woe Is Me! 4.3.2003

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who(appearance jeremy=crap) new appearance=appearance jeremy appearance jeremy=muscular; delete jeremy old



Helen, Sweetheart of the Internet

by Peter Zale



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Running Time: 141 minutes  
Director: Steven Spielberg  
Starring: Leonardo DiCaprio, Tom Hanks, Natalie Baye, and Christopher Walken

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VIEW FROM THE TOP (PG-13)  
Ends Tonight 4:15 7:15 9:30

**VARSITY ARTS**  
TALK TO HER (R) Ends Tonight 4:00 6:45

STARTS FRIDAY!  
PHONE BOOTH (R) DIGITAL  
A MAN APART (R)

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HEAD OF STATE (PG-13) DIGITAL  
4:45 7:15 9:40

DREAMCATCHER (R) DIGITAL  
4:00 5:00 7:00 8:00 10:00

BRINGING DOWN THE HOUSE (PG-13)  
5:10 7:45 10:10

THE CORE (PG-13) DIGITAL  
3:45 6:45 9:50

CHICAGO (PG-13) 4:30 7:25 10:05  
PIGLETS BIG MOVIE (G) 5:20 7:30  
OLD SCHOOL (R) 9:15 ONLY  
THE HUNTED (R) 5:00 7:35 9:55

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to that of complete prejudice and outrage.

"They do not treat us differently," Akaktan said. "They are trying to learn stuff. It's easier being here in Carbondale, a student town, than being in a big city," Akaktan said.

But since their country is so close to other Middle Eastern nations and Islamic countries, many in the American community are mistakenly singling them out as Arabs unwilling to change with the western ways of the United States and progressive nations.

Turkey is a nation with about a 99.4 percent Muslim population, so many students have mistakenly referred to Turkey as a country related with Islamic fundamentalism and Muslim ideals of those countries that are shown as Muslim in the media.

"They have some views against Muslims. Somebody stood up in my class to talk about Islam, but they talk without knowing about Islam," Akaktan said. "You have to learn about it. You have to read all the books like the Bible, the Koran. We all have the same God."

Demir said that people in the United States tend to have a view of Muslims in the world and to let those translate into a generalized view of all of those from the region would be wrong and a travesty.

"An American guy has more prejudice against a beard and a traditional Arab costume, than a blond Arab with blue eyes who looks Jesus, but they're both the same," Demir said.

Akaktan agreed and has even witnessed American stereotyping that has left many in the United States obscured by their views.

## Fluent in the world

Sami Moussawi has never had a home.

Born in the United Arab Emirates to Lebanese parents, Moussawi has become a global citizen. With his parents living in Hungary, and his uncles in Lebanon, his life extends over more than countries boundaries. Spending six years of his life in the United Arab Emirates and nine in Bulgaria as well as multiple visits to other countries, Sami has become fluent in the world.

Last year, when he so badly wanted to visit Lebanon to see his sister get married, International Student Programs and Services advised him not to, for fear that it may arouse suspicions with Immigration and Naturalization Services.

"That really bothers me, the fact that I'm supposed to be in the most democratic country, yet I can't go see my own relatives back home," he said. "I mean you're really not free."

Ever since the beginning of the war in Iraq, his family has been worried, with his mother pleading for him to be safe and watch what he says to his sister in Washington, D.C., who is frightened because of rumors she heard of the INS supposedly rounding-up Arabs for detainment.

"Whatever you say will be analyzed under a microscope so you tend not to talk about anything at all," said Moussawi, explaining how phone conversations and talks with friends go. "You just stay quiet, and then again you are living in a free society. But, how free is it?"

While his father traveled from country to country due to the obligations of his position as the Lebanese diplomat to Hungary, Moussawi became an expert observer of both the western and eastern hemispheres.

"It allows me to criticize my own people because it allows me to see what they can't see,"

he said. "Basically, I have a clearer idea of how the western world thinks."

Moussawi uses his global points of view to shape his opinions and beliefs to his advantage. But things have changed for Moussawi, who intends on finishing graduate school in May. His parents have become weary and even refused to travel to see their son graduate because they do not want to be unfairly criminalized in the airport.

"Being searched and tapped on your body is a big insult to a lot of people in the world; it is a real violation of peoples dignity," Moussawi said.

His mother has agreed to come, but his father is still adamant about not coming because of the airport procedures he must go through to see his son.

The war in Iraq has complicated things more for Moussawi, leaving him with a feeling of uselessness; he is concerned and even perturbed.

"My opinion is not really going to count. First of all I am an international student. That means my opinion really doesn't count at all to anything that happens in the world. Second of all I'm an Arab," he said. "No matter what I do, as long as my leaders, leaders of my country and my society do not have a say in world politics, it's really not going to change anything whether I'm for or against the war."

Those feelings have distanced him from both the society he lives in and the society he comes from, adding to the complex feelings he harbors as a student with an Arab background.

"It's really sad, to have Arab students, who as the future of the Arab world, to think this way," he said. "And this is a very common thing that happens all around Arab world."

He said he does not, however, believe that Saddam and his regime are the ideal government for the people of Iraq. Instead, he believes a diplomatic solution should have been pushed first before the horns of war were trumpeted.

"A lot of people say this regime has to go, and America is the only country that will do it; that's true," Moussawi said. "I think there's no one in the Arab world that dislikes Saddam more than the Arab people."

"But, I think that the way the war is going about, there is no plan for after the military strike, and that scares people," he said. "If you look at it from an Arab point of view, what's the difference, between an Arab dictator and a foreign dictator, in the sense that they're planning on having a military regime — at least a temporary military regime."

The war's effect on the region and its stabilization is what worries Moussawi.

"The fact that they're going to have an American military ruling that country for a small period of time — that's what irritates people. The fact that it is going to be foreigner — that's what most people are opposed to," he said. "They are not opposed to Saddam's going. That's not the point. The point is, what's after Saddam?"

Moussawi first came to the United States in 1999 to visit his girlfriend, escaping from his mandatory military service. In Arab nations, when a boy turns 18 he is eligible for military conscription. He was worried about going home, and then his girlfriend told him to apply for graduate school to escape his military service.

Before he came to the United States he was living in London, the United Arab Emirates, and before that he had stayed in Belgium, France, Holland, Greece and Turkey. All of those countries have contributed to his view of the world he lives in.

While in Hungary, Moussawi enjoyed a relatively different lifestyle, a life of a diplomacy,

where he was afforded diplomatic immunities that exempt him from some of the laws of the country.

"Going back to Hungary and having diplomatic immunity is kind of like living in a magical world," he said.

"A lot of Arab people do not see the Americans coming to liberate Iraq as really liberating it," Moussawi said. "That's a serious problem, so as far as my parents are concerned and my family, and especially this last case of the firing of the journalist, they were always telling me that America is not a democratic nation, that whatever the people in power want is going to happen."

Moussawi never fed into the frame of mind that the United States was not a practicing democracy. But when American journalist Peter Arnett was fired from his position at both NBC and National Geographic after he told Iraqi television that the initial phase of the operation in Iraq had essentially failed because the U.S. military planners were not foreseeing a serious battle, Moussawi questioned just how democratic America really was.

"I believe that the American public is not getting the full picture [from the media]. The case of Arab reporting, is also the other extreme," Moussawi said. "But is still a little more fair because there are different Arab countries competing for the same audience; they are forced to show different points of view to the same public."

In Lebanon, there are four channels that cover topics from different points of view: the Christian channel, the state channel, the Muslim channel and a fourth channel that provides an eclectic point of view in its coverage.

"They have different points of view and you can sit there as a viewer and analyze and really have the full picture," he said, "and that is something I don't see on TV [here]."

Reporters are now embedded with U.S. soldiers, giving them a closer look into military operations and a front line view to the war. Moussawi sees this type of behavior of a counter-intuitive nature to journalistic expression, with journalists being limited to what information battalion leaders can give them and reporters bonding with servicemen, adding to a bias in their reporting.

Moussawi said that the events of Sept. 11, 2001 have scared many people across the globe. Not only was the day an American atrocity, but a global atrocity and the events that followed it are extremely sobering, he said.

"What happened on Sept. 11th is the worst thing that can ever happen, especially to the Arab community," Moussawi said. "The reason people come to this country is because they see hope here they see there is hope for a better future, hope for freedom."

## The family man

Ammer Alselham used to be a professional soccer player for the Saudi Arabian junior league national team, The Nisr Club.

The "Victory Club", as they were called, won two finals, and in the short career Alselham played for them, he scored more than 50 goals.

Twice, Alselham even got to shake the hand of King Fahd bin Abd al-Aziz, an honor for any member of the Middle Eastern nation.

But his dream couldn't last forever. Now, as he walks the Carbondale campus for his graduate classes, nobody recognizes him, but that doesn't bother him. He has a family of five that cherishes his every movement.

His youngest, one-and-a-half-year-old



Madawi just mastered the art of walking.

Her adventurous nature and extensive use of the word "Hi" makes her even more irresistible to hold. Alselham easily gives in to her smiling face.

While it is easy for Alselham to hold his daughter in his hands at whim, his mother on the other hand, half a world away in Saudi Arabia, cannot see her children and grandchildren. Her son is in the United States trying to further his education, so he can return back home and provide his family with the best life possible.

"Every three days my mother asks me, 'when are you coming?' Alselham said with a grin on his face. "I tell her the same answer, two months, but subtract three days from that. She just wants to hear your voice. She wants to ask about your children, and about your wife, and you know in Islam you must respect your parents."

His mother is not the only member of his family who misses Saudi Arabia. His children, Abdulwahab, 12, Najed, 7, Saud, 9 and Madawi all miss home.

Home means more than just family for Ammer. As the saying goes, the only way to reach a man is through his stomach, and while Alselham doesn't miss the food because his wife is an excellent cook, there are some foods he can't have in Carbondale.

"There are some foods we just cannot do at home," he said. "We have to get it from the restaurant, but there are no restaurants here."

Almost every two days he is inundated with phone calls from various friends from back home telling him of updates and bringing him up to speed on the happenings at home.

"I miss the society. I have a lot of friends there. I really miss my friends," Alselham said. "I have a really strong relationship with them, and they miss me a lot and I miss them a lot as well."

In two months, Ammer Alselham will be going home with a degree from SIU and ready to work and get back to life as he remembers it.

Alselham said that contrary to popular belief, Saudi Arabia is not a strict country intent on imposing its beliefs on people.

"That is just a stereotype. They are an open minded religious people," he said. "When you sit with them and talk with them, you'll find that they're open-minded and respect everybody."

The culture is taken from Islam. The word Islam is derived from the Arabic word or greeting Salaam, which means peace. The culture hence is an application of their religion. Alselham said he even had a teacher who lived in Saudi Arabia who had only praise for the people and the country.

"My teacher told me, 'I liked it and I would like to spend more time there,'" he said.

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**Salukis making run at record books**

Jens Deju  
Daily Egyptian

A trio of SIU softball players are seeking to have their names atop the school single-season and career marks.

Sophomore outfielder Katie Jordan and freshman infielder Katie Louis are both on the verge of leaving the previous home run records in the dust.

SIU's single-season home run mark is 10 set by Marta Vieufhaus back in 1999. Jordan currently sits tied for second place all-time with eight, and Louis is in seventh place with seven. Both players have close to 20 games remaining this season to reach the milestone. Sophomore Kelly Creek is also in the running with five home runs.

The career record for home runs is 24 set by Erin Stremsterfer who suited up for SIU from 1998-2001. Jordan currently sits tied for fifth place with 13 career home runs.

Pitcher Amy Harre, just a sophomore, is ranked in the top 10 all-time in the career record books in several categories.

Her current career ERA of 0.88 is well ahead of second place Angie Mick, who posted a mark of 1.05 from 1990-93.

She also sits in fifth place with 17 shutouts, sixth with 257 strikeouts, seventh in wins with 30 and appearances with 57, ninth

in complete games with 29 and innings pitched with 287.2.

**Pitching once again dominating**

The SIU pitching staff of Harre and seniors Renee Mueller and Katie Kloess is once again dominating opponents.

Harre and Mueller have identical 0.86 ERAs and limit hitters to a .190 batting average. Harre has a mark of 12-4 with three saves and Mueller sits at 7-1 with one save. The duo has also combined to strike out 111 hitters in 163 innings pitched.

Kloess has seen limited action but sits at 2-0 with a 2.43 ERA in 23 innings pitched.

As a staff, the Salukis did not allow a home run for their first 24 games of the season until Creighton-hit two in the Bluejays' 3-2 victory on Sunday.

SIU has led the Missouri Valley Conference in the ERA standings for six straight seasons and through its first 25 games was sitting in first place again with a team ERA of 1.06. Evansville sits in second with an ERA of 1.70.

**Creek saving the day**

In the past week Creek has hit two game-winning home runs.

She had three-run home runs in both a 5-1 victory over Southeast Missouri State and another three-

run shot in a 4-2 win over MVC rival Creighton.

For the season Creek has knocked in a team-high 20 runs.

**Road warriors return home**

When the Salukis face Drake in the first of a three-game series this weekend at Charlotte West Stadium, it will mark just the fourth game the team has played in Carbondale all season long.

SIU has had seven home games postponed or cancelled due to poor weather and therefore has played 23 of their 26 games on the road.

The Salukis are 2-1 at their new stadium thus far and 19-4 away from it.

**SIU still receiving recognition in national polls**

The Salukis are still receiving national recognition and are receiving votes in two top 25 polls.

SIU tallied six votes in the USA Today/National Fastpitch Coaches Association, which was good enough for No. 31.

The team is also ranked No. 31 in the ESPN.com/USA Softball poll with five votes.

The Salukis win-loss record sits at 21-5 with a 7-2 mark in MVC play.

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**FRITSCHÉ**

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Fritsche was introduced to the game by her father when she was nine years old, beginning a lifelong love of the game and helping her make a name for herself.

"I heard about Tiffany probably when she was in eighth grade," Daugherty said. "People around here would say you need to get that little Fritsche girl from Willisville. You need to make sure you recruit her. I had been watching her from the time she was probably in eighth grade."

Her personality has allowed her to succeed at a game that requires patience and a calm demeanor.

"She's about the most even-keeled person that I know. She's positive and always in a good mood," Daugherty said. "That carries over to her golf, too, because in golf you can't get too

upset about a bad shot. There's so many things in golf you don't have control over."

Her development was also facilitated by her work ethic, which started when she was a youngster and kept a log of her practices.

"There's not a day that I don't practice, even in the summer," Fritsche said. "People think that you can just pick up the golf club and just swing it and hit it good. But it takes a lot of work. It takes a lot of hitting balls, and a lot of short game work, too."

Though she has a passion for the game, deciding to redshirt wasn't too difficult, as she knew the positives would greatly outweigh the negatives.

"We have to qualify to go to each match, and I didn't qualify in the fall to go to any," Fritsche said. "In the spring I qualified for one and she asked me if I wanted to play in it or

if I just wanted to redshirt. I felt that the experience that I got being a red-shirt, I felt like it would better me in the future. I practiced a lot, and it just got me into the groove of college."

"It was hard on me. Like in any sport, if you're going to be practicing, you still want to go out, and you want to compete with the team. It was kind of hard on me, but I just told myself it's gonna help me in the long run. I'm gonna have that extra year and it's gonna help me."

And with that hunger for success, a strong future is ahead of her.

"I'm sure by the time she's through at SIU, she'll be one of the top players to come through there," Glidewell said. "She's that good. I'm sure by the time she's done there, she'll have left a good mark"

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**BRENNER**

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• The West, with its throwback appeal, makes you want to pull your pants up to your chest and yell at anyone with long hair.

• Amy Harre could pierce a tank with her fastball.

• The Salukis defeated No. 6 Nebraska at Nebraska this week. Not even the men's basketball team has beaten a team that highly ranked on the road — ever.

• Night games. Abz. Martin has no lights, and though baseball should be

played during the day, it is much easier to get to a weekday game at 6 p.m. than 2 p.m. Also, no games at The West will ever be called on account of darkness — a problem that was solved by the invention of the light bulb in 1888 but still plagues Saluki baseball.

• The cost of admission to the West is not overwhelming, and you don't necessarily have to pay. Though students are free, non-students can usually wander in without paying the cover. On opening weekend, I walked in and out of the stadium about five times without showing my press pass or student ID, and no one asked me a single question.

**Bottom line**

It really is a toss-up. Kowalczyk encouraged students to go back and forth between both, though it will be made difficult by the great distance between the two parks, especially for those without cars.

My advice is to flip a coin, play rock-paper-scissors or consult a Ouija board. I will be at Abe Martin, but it is my job to be there. But for those of you with freedom of choice, good luck. You're going to need it.

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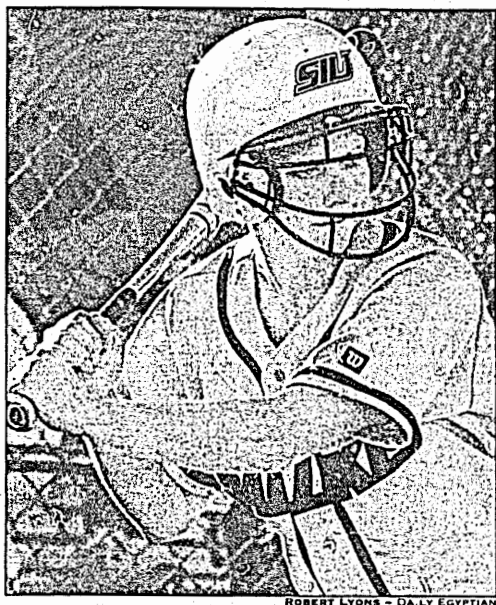
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## Maria Damico

### You had me at hello

Zack Creglow  
Daily Egyptian

*Maria Damico is a sophomore on the SIU softball team. She is renowned for her cannon-like arm and speed in the outfield. So far into the 23 games the Salukis have played, Damico has committed just one error. She hit the sacrifice that brought home the winning run against No. 6 Nebraska. She recently spoke with Zack Creglow of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.*

**Daily Egyptian:** So you say you are a family person. What would be your favorite holiday?

**Maria Damico:** It would be the Fourth of July. It is in the summertime and ... I really don't know. It is just fun. We are in a parade and it is just a fun time.

**DE:** What is your hometown, Gray Summit, Mo., like?

**MD:** It is small. I actually know how many people live there. I actually went to Pacific High School. My town didn't even have a high school.

**DE:** Were you miss popular there?

**MD:** I wouldn't say that. Everybody knew who I was, but I don't know if that was a good thing or a bad thing.

**DE:** Why do you say that?

**MD:** Oh, I don't know if the reasons they knew me for were good or bad. I would hope they'd be good.

**DE:** Where there some nasty rumors swirling about Maria?

**MD:** I don't think so. Not that I know of, but you never know in high school.

**DE:** What are you planning to go into after college?

**MD:** I actually want to go to law school. I want to be a sports agent.

**DE:** That is my dream too, but I don't have the striking looks to pull that off.

**MD:** Oh sure (sarcastic, she knows what's up).

**DE:** Okay, I am getting off track, when did you start playing softball?

**MD:** I started playing softball when I was 12.

**DE:** Jens [Deju] wants me to bring up your cannon arm.

**MD:** My cannon arm. I guess I have always had that. As far as one of my favorite plays, I love it when a third base coach waves a player in and the ball is hit to me. I am excited to throw because I know they are going to be out. I can count on my catcher.

**DE:** Did you happen to pitch in high school at all?

**MD:** No, I played shortstop in high school.

**DE:** How much different is that than outfield?

**MD:** It is a lot different. The reaction time at shortstop is so much faster. And, obviously, you get a lot more hit to you. Shortstop is a lot closer, so it is a different angle.

**DE:** What has been your highlight at SIU?

**MD:** I would say beating Nebraska on Monday. That was pretty big. It felt important and big-league. It was extremely competitive. It was probably one of the best games I've ever played in. Time-wise, it went fast. All of a sudden it was like the sixth inning, and I was like, "Holy Cow!"

**DE:** When did you have that game in the bag?

**MD:** We never really had it in the

bag until it was over. It was 2-0 in the seventh inning and we almost lost it. We kind of thought we had it after we got that second run, the insurance run, but after that it got kind of iffy.

**DE:** You mentioned becoming a sports agent, are you going to be Scott Boras or a Jerry McGuire?

**MD:** Jerry McGuire.

**DE:** So you want to be poor and independent with one client?

**MD:** I guess I want the Jerry McGuire ending.

**DE:** But with you getting a guy at the end instead of a girl?

**MD:** Yeah. Yeah.

**DE:** Where are planning to go to law school at?

**MD:** Wash U. Washington University in St. Louis. I am hoping, but I don't know for sure yet.

**DE:** Isn't that known as Budweiser U?

**MD:** I have never heard that, but I wouldn't doubt it with it being where it is at.

**DE:** It is starting to smell a little funny in here. You go to SIU and then you want to go to Bud U?

**MD:** I know, I know. My parents probably would not care, though.

**DE:** What do softball players do for fun?

**MD:** We are really close as a team. If we go anywhere, there is usually five or six of us. I mean we do things individually, but the majority of time we are together.

**DE:** You are kind of a dirty guild then, aren't you?

**MD:** Yeah, we are.

**DE:** You guys go out to the usual places?

**MD:** Yeah, we can be found just about anywhere. Now, we can't go out

because we are midseason.

**DE:** You are just drinking water now?

**MD:** Yeah, just water.

**DE:** The team never seems to shut up during the games, does coach Kerri Blylock insist upon that?

**MD:** She does not make us do that. It makes stay up and stay pumped and as long as we do that, we are focused. It is something we all do because it helps. It can also cause the other team to get annoyed and get them down.

**DE:** Anyone get angry at you guys for that after the games?

**MD:** I don't know. Not at me specifically. There are teams we have played that aren't fans of ours.

**DE:** Do they spit on their hands after the game when your teams shake hands?

**MD:** Not that I know of. I swear I have never done that. I never been on that team that felt it needed a sense of revenge.

**DE:** What other things do you like that people wouldn't know about?

**MD:** What do I like ...? I like dancing, I loved pole vaulting — I did that in high school, I like going out, and I like boys (shyly).

**DE:** How long have you liked boys now?

**MD:** When I was too little (laughs). Just kidding. I honestly don't remember. I have always been a flirt. I don't know if that is something you want to put in there.

**DE:** I've noticed that about you, and I am a sports journalist and that is sad. This is how it seems. You go to SIU, you plan to go to Bud U, and pick SIU first, which has like a 3-to-1 male-to-female ratio. Is that Maria Damico in a nutshell?

**MD:** Pretty much, that is me.

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# The Cubs-Cardinals Covenant



With a brutal war taking place in Iraq, the Daily Egyptian has embraced the spirit of peace and has decided to end an age-old civil war — Cubs versus Cardinals. The following is a cease-fire between Cub fans and Cardinal fans agreed upon by two representatives of the respective factions — Michael Brenner (Cubs, Egyptian sports editor) and Steve Jabnke (Cardinals, Egyptian photographer).

Though the following does not express the feelings of the entire southern Illinois baseball-watching constituency, Brenner and Jabnke hope that in the interest of peace on earth, goodwill toward men and the curbing of intra-NL Central violence, all terms will be honored by anyone representing the St. Louis Cardinals or Chicago Cubs when fans from the two groups are in mixed company.

*This is the Cubs-Cardinals Covenant:*

**Section 1** — Chicago's superior populous and fan base vs. St. Louis as the world's friendliest big city — Debates regarding which city and which fans are better.

**Cub concessions**

**Article 1** — Cubs fans agree to stop proclaiming Chicago as a superior city because of its larger population and recognize St. Louis as a legitimate metropolis.

**Article 2** — Chicago fans are not allowed to refer to St. Louis as "our little brother," especially because that title belongs to Milwaukee, and Cub fans must refrain from constantly making light of St. Louis' metro-area population being nearly one-quarter of Chicago's.

**Article 3** — Chicagoans recognize the existence of life below I-80.

**Sub-article A** — The words "Chicago is bigger than St. Louis" are never to be said near a Cardinals fan during a baseball game.

**Cardinal concessions**

**Article 4** — Cardinal fans are not allowed to refer to Chicago as an urban nightmare, or a cesspool of racism and corruption.

References to the 1968 Democratic convention and Al Capone cannot be used without also referring to Enrico Fermi.

**Article 5** — St. Louis fans agree to stop calling Cub fans losers and must at least pretend to respect Cub fans for their loyalty to the Chicago National League ball club.

**Article 6** — St. Louis residents concede that St. Louis is not a flawless community.

**Section 2** — Busch Stadium, Wrigley Field and Ballpark Etiquette

**Cub concessions**

**Article 7** — The following Busch Stadium items are sacred religious relics and are not to be touched by non-believers: 1. The statues of Stan Musial and Bob Gibson. 2. Anything in the stadium referring to any retired numbers.

**Cardinal concessions**

**Article 8** — The following Wrigley Field items are sacred religious relics and are not to be touched by any infidels: 1. The Ivy. 2. The Harry Caray statue.

**Sub-section A** — Cardinal fans may sit in the bleachers, but agree to do so at their own risk.

**Section 3** — Darryl Kile  
Cub Concessions

## COMMENTARY



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Kile" are off limits, just as Cardinals fans are not allowed to say that a hitter is "as stiff as Harry Caray."

**Cardinal concessions**

**Article 11** — Cardinal fans concede that Darryl Kile does not belong in the Hall of Fame.

**Article 12** — St. Louis fans also agree to never mention Lou Brock to a Cubs fan.

**Additional provisions** — The sunset etiquette and sliding alcohol scale

**Article 13** — Section 3 is null and void on April 3, 2013, but based on volume of consumed alcohol, Cub fans may tell Darryl Kile jokes. A Cub fan may take four months off the 2013 expiration date for every alcoholic beverage consumed, but may not mention Kile until at least April 3, 2008 no matter how inebriated.

**Section 4** — Ownership and loyalty to Harry Christopher Carabina (Harry Caray)

**Mutual Caray Concessions**

**Article 14** — Harry Caray will be known as the Cardinals' broadcaster to any fan born before Feb. 18, 1967. Any Cardinal fan born on or after

that is a member of the Jack Buck generation.

**Article 15** — Harry Caray will be known as the Cubs' broadcaster to any person born on or after Feb. 18, 1967. Any person born before that date is a member of the Jack Brickhouse generation.

**Section 5** — Miscellaneous agreements

**Article 16** — Cub and Cardinal fans are not required to root for each other in the playoffs. For the fan whose team is not in, wishing ill will upon his/her rival may be the only reason to watch baseball in October.

**Article 17** — Cub and Cardinal fans agree the rivalry between their two teams is the best in the country, and anyone arguing Yankees/Red Sox or Giants/Dodgers can go to hell.

**Article 18** — It is also agreed that the Cardinals shall never play home games in Illinois. The Cardinals belong on the West side of the Mississippi River. St. Louis fans do not want to play in Illinois, and Cub fans do not want them there.

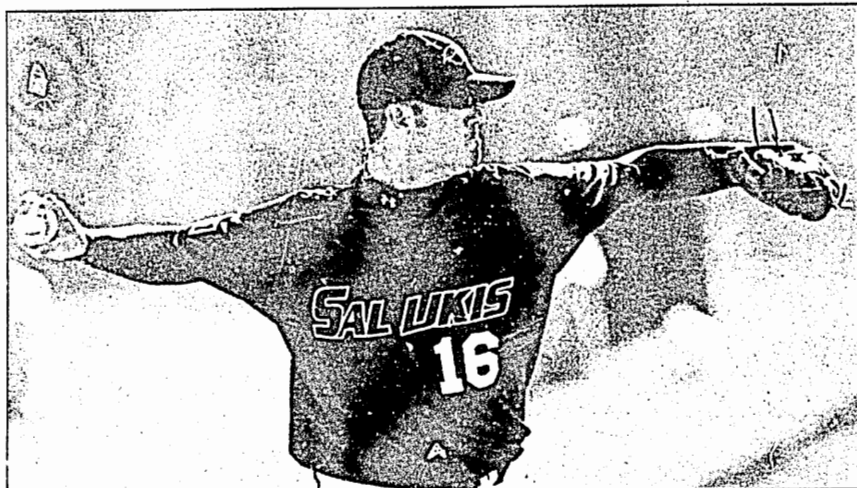
**Article 19** — All parts of the treaty shall be ratified April 4, 2002, and will be deemed irrelevant if the two teams ever meet in the playoffs.

**Article 20** — In faith whereof, the above-named Plenipotentiaries have signed the present treaty.

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**Article 21** — Let the games begin — in peace.

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SIU sophomore pitcher Ryan Welch goes through his wind-up to deliver a pitch against a SEMO batter early in Wednesday's game. Welch was pulled in the third inning after giving up six runs.

ROBERT LYONS  
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## Welch's struggles continue in Saluki loss

Barnett's ninth  
 inning homer not  
 enough for SIU

Christopher Morrival  
 Daily Egyptian

Sophomore starting pitcher Ryan Welch cannot seem to catch a break. Welch (0-3) continued to struggle Wednesday, giving up six earned runs in only 3.2 innings to Southeast Missouri State in the Salukis' 7-5 loss.

"Ryan Welch right now, unfortunately, doesn't look like he belongs out there," SIU head coach Dan Callahan said with an air of heavy disappointment. "We're trying to give him every opportunity we can to get him straight away again. We haven't figured it out or he hasn't figured it out. I feel badly

for him, but it's a situation where after a while, you just run out of opportunities."

The Saluki offense, though potent for the first time in three games, was not able to come back from Welch's struggles.

Welch's catcher, senior Toby Barnett, said he thought the starter's confidence might be down. Welch was also disappointed with his outing and said he had slight control problems.

"I felt good," Welch said. "I had a little trouble with my fastball inside and out. When I made a bad pitch, they were able to hit it or foul it off and they battled. Stuff dropped for them."

Not everything went bad for the Salukis. The Diamond Dawgs' bullpen continued to throw quality innings.

Welch was relieved by freshman Adam Snyder, who pitched 2.1 innings, allowing only one hit. Junior Marshall Tucker threw for one inning

allowing only one hit with no runs and freshman Tyler Norrick pitched an inning allowing one run on one hit with a walk. Sophomore Bryan Rueger finished out the ninth for the Dawgs allowing only a hit.

"Unfortunately, today our starting pitching just didn't give us much of a chance," Callahan said. "If you do that, you just put too much pressure on your offense and right now, we don't have the mindset right now that we can just score at will."

The Salukis scored two runs in the bottom of the first, but SEMO came back with three in the second. Southeast also scored three in the fourth and once in the ninth. The Dawgs were only able to get single runs in the fourth, seventh and ninth.

They had nine hits for the game. One positive for the offense was the ninth-inning at-bat by Barnett.

With two outs and the Saluki cause all but lost, Barnett fouled off several pitches from Southeast pitcher

James Beever. Finally, with the sun nearly set, Barnett straightened one out and drove it over the left field wall. It was his second hit of the game — the first having extended his hitting streak to 13 games.

"That was a great at-bat," Callahan said. "I saw him foul-off about four pitches and take good swings at every one and then he hits a home run. That was as good an at-bat as I've seen. We need more at-bats like that. We need guys to go down fighting and he was battling the whole time."

The loss extended the Salukis losing streak to three games going into a four-game set against Missouri Valley Conference rivals Illinois State. The Redbirds will be in Carbondale for a game Friday at 2 p.m., followed by a doubleheader Saturday and a single game Sunday.

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## COMMENTARY



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## A dilemma

New vs. old. Soft vs. hard. Boys vs. girls.

This weekend on the campus of SIU, the decision is yours.

Before your mind dives further into the gutter and visions of orgies dance in your head, let me throw out a few more match-ups.

Charlotte West vs. Abe Martin. Softball vs. Baseball.

Amy Harre vs. Jake Alley.

For only the second time this season, fans will make their allegiances clear to either baseball or softball. Both will be playing at the same time, so there is no room for neutrality.

Three weeks ago, the school seemed to choose softball, but that weekend could be misleading. Nearly every softball player had family members at The West and some came simply for the novelty of the new stadium, not to mention school was not in session, leading to very few drunk students on the hill at Abe Martin.

This is it. One weekend for the distinction of summer roundball supremacy.

Softball is never going to play night games because of the scheduling difficulties that would come with it, so baseball and softball will forever play conflicting schedules.

Starting Friday, fans will cast their vote for one sport or the other through their attendance, and, of course, no election would be complete without an election guide.

### The case for baseball

- It's baseball, and it is April. That should be enough.

- Though not state of the art, Abe Martin is twice the size of The West. Softball fields are the size of little league fields.

- Even if you don't like baseball, alcohol is still permitted on the hill. Inside contacts tell me there will be at least one keg there this weekend. Softball can't boast this and according to SIU Athletic Director Paul Kowalczyk, probably never will.

- We'll cross that bridge when we get to it," Kowalczyk said. "But we're certainly not going to encourage or condone drinking."

- The hill beyond the outfield at The West is being seeded and students are allowed to sit there, but the likelihood of kegs between the field and the towers is slim to none.

- The Carbondale baseball Salukis are off to one of their best starts and are tied for second place in the Missouri Valley Conference.

- Abe Martin is free. You can meander into the stadium at anytime, unhindered by security personnel. Of course, students get into The West for free, but non-students have to pay at least the price of an extra value meal at McDonald's.

### The case for softball

- The yellow ball. It has no function, but for whatever reason, I can't take my eyes off it. It's a lot like Fox News.

## A passion for the game

Freshman Saluki golfer Tiffany Fritsche is an up-and-comer in the MVC due mostly to her hard work

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Tiffany Fritsche even practices in the snow.

"I just practiced like it was sand," said Fritsche, a freshman on the SIU women's golf team. "People thought I was crazy, but I went out in my yard and I hit some balls. It was hard to find them, but I did."

She hit 500-600 balls a day, then played 18 holes of golf when she missed SIU's recent trip to Florida after poor weather didn't allow her to qualify.

The lifelong Willisville resident found her home at SIU and after red-shirting last season, has assumed a role as one of her team's best. Fritsche was tied for sixth after day one of the Saluki Invitational Sunday.

After a stellar prep career at Trico High School, in which she advanced to the state tournament all four years and finished seventh in her senior campaign, Fritsche's subsequent decision to attend SIU was not a difficult one.

(Head coach) Diane (Daugherty)

offered me a recruit visit, and I just loved her," Fritsche said. "They took me out to Italian Village, and it just seemed like home to me, a big old family. It just felt really homey to me."

Her decision also had something to do with two golfers who were already on the team, current sophomore Saluki twins Sara and Stefanie Pate.

"We met at our first tournament in Anna, and I was probably 10 years old," Fritsche said. "Then we became real good golfing buddies and we'd go out and we'd play tournaments together. They'd come to my house and spend the night, so we were really close all the way through."

"We always thought it would be neat to be on the same team. When they went to SIU and I went on my recruiting visit, I knew I had a chance to be on their team, finally."

While the Pates, Carbondale Community High School products, joined their girls golf team in high school, Fritsche did not have a team to join.

Trico High School in northwest

Jackson County had a boys golf squad, but didn't have one for girls. Fritsche competed with the boys in her first tournament of her high school career, finishing as the third-best on her team.

Four players were required to compete in a match, so Fritsche became a girls golf recruiter.

"We were just trying to get girls to come out and play from Trico that really never even played golf before," Fritsche said. "We were just trying to get them to play so we could have a girls golf team."

She was successful in this task, and along the way, introduced some girls to golf that are still playing today.

Fritsche's high school coaches were well aware of her savvy before this, though.

"Everybody knew she was gonna be pretty good by the time she got in high school," Trico assistant golf coach Gary Glidewell said. "She just had a nice swing and knew what she was doing on the course."



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SIU freshman golfer Tiffany Fritsche waits for her turn to tee off Sunday during the Saluki Invitational. Fritsche's dedication to the game, and willingness to practice everyday has earned her a role as one of the best golfers on the team.

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