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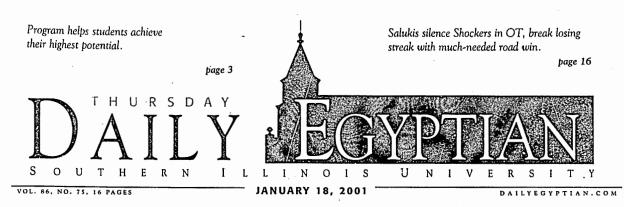
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# Cloudy fate awaits hemp bill

Gov. Ryan "inclined to veto," spokesman says

ANNE MARIE TAVELLA Daily Egyptian

The future of a bill allowing SIUC and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to research industrial hemp as an alternative crop for Illinois farms may soon be stalled by a veto from Gov. George Ryan. The bill passed the Illinois House of

Representatives 67-47 on Jan. 9. It was originally introduced in November, but did not gain suffi-cient votes. The Industrial Hemp Act passed through the Senate 49-9 last spring. Although the act has survived the I-gislative

hurdles, the probability that Ryan will sign the bill

is not high. "The governor said he's inclined to veto it," said Nick Palazzolo, spokesman for the governor. However, the governor will not make a final decision until he has met with interested parties,

Palazzolo said. Rep. Ronald Lawfer, R-Stockton, said if the bill is signed the next step is obtaining funding. Lawfer, who co-sponsored the bill, suid the cost has been estimated at \$400,000 per university.

He hopes to obtain the majority of the fund-ing through the state, although additional fund-

ing may have to be sought elsewhere. Lawfer said. Lawfer said he plans to speak with the Dean of the College of Agriculture as soon as possible about funding and other issues involving hemp research.

The majority of the cost of the research stems m federal regulations requiring security, fro including fencing and surveillance.

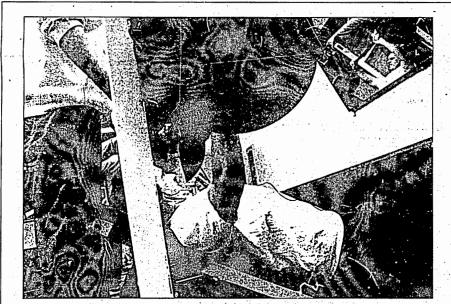
The security is required because hemp, as a cousin of marijuana, is defined as cannabis in Illinois. Both hemp and marijuana are members of the cannabis sativa family, which is illegal to grow or produce.

However, while marijuana contains about 20 rowever, while manualia contains about 20 percent of THC, the psychoactive part of the iemp plant contains about 1 percent THC. Industrial hemp fibers can be used for cloth,

According to the North American Industrial Hemp Council, hemp can yield three to eight dry tons of fiber per acre, four times what an average forest can produce.

Lawfer said much. of the opposition to the bill stems from the confusion between maniuana and hemp. He said the bill has been taken "out of con-

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JESSICA KOLE - DARY ECYPTIAN

Weight Watcher: Jason Kelly, an undecided freshman from Walnut, tests his strength limits with the help of a friend on the incline bench press Tuesday at the Recreation Center.

# Revamped conduct code in limbo

New language in Student Conduct Code may not be approved until Summer '01

> CHRISTIAN HALE DAILY EGYPTIAN

Proposed changes to the Student Conduct Code fell through the cracks last fall because of procedural fumbling, failing to be approved in January and stalling approval possibly until summer.

Changes within the new language are the elimination of the fact-finding hearing and the possibility of appeal to the SIU Board of Trustees, as well as extending jurisdiction to any situation involving a student infringe-ment that could potentially harm SIUE ment that could potentially harm SIU's

image. Undergraduate, Student Trustee Ben Syfert said the Student Conduct Code review committee will reconvene as early as the first week of February. Jean Paratore, associate vice chancellor for Student Affairs, will be spear-

With the way they change the code this time, there is some BOT policy language that

would have to be changed in order to accom-modate the new code," Syfert said. "That will take a BOT action to do that.

With the addition of the chancellor's review committee being placed after the first level of appeal, appealing to the board would be eliminated, Syfert said.

The decision concerning whether the board should change its policy to accommodate the new language, or vice-versa, will be discussed by the reconvened Student Conduct Code review committee, he said.

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# Murder pretrial burdened with delays

Motions presented at Forcum pretrial could push trial date back weeks

#### DAVID OSBORNE DAILY EGYPTIAN

MURPHYSBORO --- A former SIUC senior accused of first degree murder moved closer to his trial Wednesday morning mavi

At the pretrial for Donald E. Forcum, accused of slaving Renee DiCicco last June, Judge E. Dan Kimmel heard arguments for two new defense motions.

One of those motions is a request to have items removed from Forcums apartment last June examined by forensic scientists. One item in particular is a boot, which was found to have blood belonging to one of the victims on the lace

Patricia Gross of the public defender's office urgued it was essential to Forcum's defense that

she have the opportuni-ty to consult with an expert on these items. "I cannot do this

myself — I can't just go to the Jackson County Jail and view these items," Gross said. State's Attorney

Mike Wepsiec coun-tered by saying the motion was misnamed. He contended that

Forcum

because the defense had known of these items since June 28, the motion was little more than a request for a continuance

orther delay the start of the trial. "I would suggest that counsel being an expe-rienced and crafty individual, she should have known there was a need for independent DNA testing," Wepsiec said. Wepsiec said the move reflected bad faith on

the part of the defendant. "I think what the defendant is doing here is

trying to delay this case more and more, hoping the prosecution will get tired, witnesses will die, or we'll just forget about Donald Forcum," Wepsiec said. Gross bridled at the comments, saying her

courtroom strategies were hers and the defen-dants to determine — not the state's attorney's.

"I take great offense at Mr. Wepsiec's sugges-tion that I'm just trying to delay the case," Gross said

Wepsiec countered that he was not accusing Gross of bad faith, rather he was accusing the defendant of bad faith.

In the second motion, the defense asked for a bifurcated hearing, wanting the jury to consid-er the question of guilt or innocence first, and have a separate hearing to decide if the crime fit the "description of exceptionally brutal and

Under Illinois law, Forcum faces 20 to 40



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He said the bill has been taken "out of context."

"This bill does not legalize marijuana, it does not even legalize industrial hemp,' said Lawfer.

In addition to funding, Lawfer also plans to address the concerns of the state police, who have raised possible problems with law enforcement differentiating hemp from marijuana.

Lawfer said the concerns are valid, but premature because this bill does not legalize hemp, but calls for a highly controlled research environment.

Capt. Dave Sanders, spokesman for the Illinois State Police, said the police are looking at the larger picture this bill presents.

If the research shows that hemp is a viable crop for Illinois, and hemp is legalized, there may be ramifications for . law enforcement and forensic labs, Sanders said.

"All hemp has some levels of THC. Detection would be difficult,' Sanders said.

The State Police's concerns influenced Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, who opposes the bill.

Bost said the possible problems with hemp identification and funding convinced him to vote against the bill.

"Our [Agriculture] Department at SIU was concerned about the bill," said

Bost. When the bill failed to pass in November, Tony Young, associate dean for research of the College of Agriculture,

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REP. RONALD LAWFER R-Stockton

bill.

research, but would have to obtain external funding. Rep. Dan Reitz, D-Steeleville, was the only area representative to vote in favor of the bill. Reitz said

told the Daily Egyptian

SIUC was willing to do the

his participation in discussions with the agriculture committee persuaded him to support the "I didn't see any reason not to vote for

it," Reitz said. "I really believe there is a difference between industrial hemp and marijuana."

Reitz said he was urged to support the bill by a farm bureau in his area. Since the bill has passed, he said he has only received feedback from those who supported the bill

"I haven't had any negative comments." Reitz said.

CALENDAR

TODAY Southern Sustainability Meeting noon Interfaith Center Sailing Club Meeting 8 p.m. Student Center Activity Room A FRIDAY International Friends Club Coffee Hour 3-4:30 p.m. Interfaith Center SATURDAY Men's Basketball vs. Indiana State 7:05 p.m. SIU Arena. SUNDAY Bridal Extravaganza

noon - 4 p.m. Student Center Ballrooms Ballrooms Only public events affiliat-ed with SIU are printed in the Daily Egyptian Calendar. The editors reserve the right not to print any submitted item. RSO and departmental events will be printed in the Daily Egyptian Online Calendar at www.daiye-gyptian.com.

Calendar item deadline is two publication days before the event. The item must include time, date, place, admission and sponsor of the event and the name and phone of the person sub-mitting the item. Items should be delivered to Communications Building, Room 1247, or faxed to 435-8244. No calendar information will be taken over the phone. Calendar item deadline is

WEATHER THURSDAY: Wintry mix High: 38 Low: 29 FRIDAY: Wintry mix High: 36 Low: 25 Scattered snow High: 34 Low: 22 POLICE BLOTTER

#### UNIVERSITY

On Jan. 16 a burglary was reported in Kellog Hall. A gold necklace valued at \$500 was taken. There was no sign of forced entry and police have no suspects.

#### CAREONDALE

On Jan. 17 a robbery was reported at PK's, 308 S. Illinois Ave. The victim reported that the suspect reached into his coat pocket, taking his wallet. The victim chased the sus-pect for a few blocks. The wallet contained an undisclosed amount of cash, receit cards and identification papers. Police continue to investigate the incident.

Between Dec. 17 and Jan. 15 a burglary occurred in the 600 block of W College 51. The three vicins who live together reported cash, stereo equipment and clothing miss-ing. The loss is valued at 3760. Evidence was collected, but police have no suspects.

#### CORRECTIONS

Readers who spot an error in a news article should contact the Daw Egyptan Accuracy Desk at 536-3311, extension 228 or 229.

DAILY CONTANT

• The men's basketball team was still reel-ing from Christmas break losses to Iowa, Missouri and Illinois State.

Carbondale Police were investigating arson-spawned fires at The Pyramids apartment complex.

David Letterman announced his late-night move from to CBS.

SIUC women's basketball coach Cindy Scott achieved her 300th career win with a 73-64 victory over Illinois State.

Associate professor David Gilmore of the Cinema and Photography Department resigned as chairman. Associate professor Gary Kolb took over as acting chairman.

THIS DAY IN 1993:

attacks in Iraq.

The United States launched missile



# Welcome to the Student Center: you've got mail

Computer terminals, e-mail stations to be installed for student use

News

#### EMILY OSTENDORP DAILY EGYPTIAN

Danni Guo sometimes finds it difficult to travel with the speed of information, especially on the way to class.

To help students like Guo, a graduate student in accounting from Beijing, China, three new Dell computers will soon make their homes on the first floor of the Student Center.

A committee was created in spring 2000 to

help determine particular needs and to generate ideas to utilize \$2 per credit hour student tuition surcharge fees. The Technology Fund Committee was able to finance projects totaling \$830,000.

The Board of Trustees intended these student fee-generated dollars to be used to upgrade public access computers, replace technology equipment, purchase additional software for labs, expand student help desks and increase dial-up access for off-campus students.

To provide students with e-mail only sta-tions, the Student Center applied for \$6,240 in technology funds and received \$6,121. Three computers, a hub, ethernet installation and cabinets were paid for with this funding. Doug Daggett, the associate director of the

Student Center, has been working with this

project since its onset last 66. spring. He anticipates the new e-mail station will help more students feel at home at the ent Center.

"We look at these things as services to bring people to the building," Daggett said. The computers ordered Dec. 15 and were are

expected to arrive soon. When they do, Ron Dunkel, Craft Shop coordinator, and his assistants will build custom-made cabinets for the computers. The terminals will

then be installed by the Information Station on the first floor. The models will have a disk drive so that

students can save their electronic messages to disk. The program application will be Eudora

and will be limited to e-mail access only.

Students like Gabriel Eskew, a junior in English and anthro-pology from Springfield, are optimistic at the convenience these new e-mail stations will bring. Eskew currently checks his e-mail at the stations in the lab in Faner Hall.

"All my classes are in Faner, and it's really convenient to stop in, check my e-mail and see what's going on," said Eskew. This same convenience will be valued by students on the run who have only minimal

time between classes to check their e-mail. "I always hang out in the Student Center," said Guo, "and sometimes in the afternoon the

lab in Faner is crowded, so you have to wait."

# Workers relish challenge of SIUC Achieve Program



Diann Gordon, developmental skills training specialist for the SIUC Achieve Program, assists Carol Kerklo, a sophomore in cinema&photography, with her paper in the Achieve computer lab.

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Sally DeDecker may not have become the assistant program coordinator of SIUC's Achieve Program if her son had not devel-

oped a learning disability. When DeDecker discovered her son's condition, she changed her major to special education to gain a better understanding of learning disabilities. DeDecker began as a tutor for the Achieve Program in 1978, shortly after it started.

The Achieve Program offers a a ne Active Program offers a variety of services to students with special learning needs. Tutors, note takers, test proctoring, books on tape, remediation, and developmental writing are made available to students by the Achieve Program.

ing for the program. Now the assistant program coordinator, DeDecker is very much involved

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If you have a problem, you always have someone to talk to. Just like a friend.

CAROL KERKLO

assistance they need from the program. Some students stay one year, and some stay four years. The amount of help students require is dependent on the degree program and the severity of the learning disability.

The program also tries to hold job openings for its members in order to prepare them for work in the real world. Carol Kerklo is a member of the Achieve Program nd also a student employee. Kerklo enjoys the program because of obvious benefits.

#### ACHIEVE INFO

• FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE ACHIEVE PROGRAM, VISIT WWW.SIU.EDU/OFFICES/CLINICAL

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# **Resolution passed, discount on** weed lien granted by city council

#### Debts reduced until March

#### MARK LAMBIRD DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Carbondale City Council passed a resolution Tuesday that will give a 50-percent discount to all outstanding weed liens until March 30.

The council approved a motion to reduce the amount of the liens, which are fines instilled by the city for mowing properties that have grass and weeds taller than 6 inches, in hopes of receiving the delinquent payments. After the March date the lien amount would be set at the original amount if not paid. The price for how much the

city charges to mow the grass is dependent on the size of the property. The city gives notification to the owners before mowing, so owners have a chance to remedy the situation.

During the meeting several suggestions from council members were presented.

Councilwoman Maggie Flanagan said the city should resolve the matter and move on as quickly as possible. Her planned called for all liens that were outstanding from one to five years be discounted 50 percent. The plan also called for all liens than five years be discounted by 90 percent.

Councilman Larry Briggs called for all liens that were greater than 8-year-old to be cleared and the newer liens actively pursued. Councilmen Brad Cole and

Mike Neill both voiced concerns about unequal treatment of home and business owners. "This ordinance should be

applied evenly and uniformly, said Cole.

The council passed the resolution with a 4 to 1 vote, with Flanagan voting no.

City Attorney Paige Reed is preparing notices to be sent to property owners who have liens against their properties. "This is a one-time offer," said

If payment is not received by

If payment is not received by March 30, foreclosure proceedings will begin, said Reed. The foreclo-sure will only occur on properties with liens greater than \$250. City Manager Jeff Doherty

will b e handling property owner who feel they cannot pay the entire amount of the lien.

"A payment schedule will be made available based on the amount of the lien on an individ-ual property," Doherty said. Liens that are less than \$1,000

will be paid during a one-year period. Liens in excess of \$1,000 will be paid during the period of two to three years.

Gus Bode



Gus says: Ryan won't sign the hemp bill but Carbondale is still making money off grass.

#### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### CARBONDALE

#### Spring break starts early at Sidetracks

Sidetracks Bar and Grill, 101 W. College St., will start spring break a little early this year as part of the 2001 Daytona Beach Spring Break College Tour promoted by the Creative Management Group.

Sidetracks will attempt to get rid of the winter blues, creating a festive Daytona Beach-like spring break party Thursday night. The party will include music spring-break freebies and interactive party games.

As one of 20 colleges on the tour, one lucky SIUC student will win a spring break 2001 trip to Daytona Beach - complete with accommodations for up to four people, four VIP Gold Cards for frontof the line club access and a special spring break

VIP prize pack from Maui Nix Surf Shop. For more information on spring break 2001 in Daytona Beach and to see photos of SIUC students partying at Sidetracks visit avtonabeach.com.

#### New hours for **Student Affairs offices**

The Office of Student Affairs has altered its hours this semester to accommodate the needs of students and faculty. Offices will now be open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Friday.

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DOUG DAGGETT

associate director of the

Student Center

# Our Word Gov. Ryan should weigh fact over stereotype

VOICES



ov. George Ryan currently holds a bill that could provide research opportunities for two state universities, ultimately jump-start Illinois' farm econ-omy, reduce world deforestation and pesticide use and provide products ranging from nutrient-rich foods to sweaters.

But Ryan's office said he will probably veto this bill, after it passed the Illinois Senate 49-9 in the spring, and the Illinois House 67-47 this month. Why would he veto a bill that would provide so many wonderful possibilities for Illinois? Because it's hemp, a member of the cannabis sativa family — and illegal.

The opponents of this bill, namely the Illinois State Police and the Drug Enforcement Agency, know that this bill does not make hemp legal. It simply makes it legal for the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and SIUC to become research foolibies for any the company of the University of facilities for possible uses of hemp. But they are scared this is just another step toward a lax stance on illegal drugs

They are ignoring that Illinois farmers desperate for an alter-native crop were the strongest lobbyists for this legislation, not advocates for the legalization of marijuana. They are ignoring that the North American Industrial Hemp Council doesn't accept pro-marijuana members. And they ignore the strong interest that paper industries are showing in the development of another fiber. As the world's forests are rapidly depleted, hemp would provide a valuable alternative paper fiber, wouldn't require pesticides, and has a productivity four times that of tree

There is a growing market for hemp products as well. In 1993, hemp worldwide sales were \$5 million, in 1995 sales had grown to \$75 million. A firm that tracks the industry estimates sales of \$600 million by 2001. More industry and jobs would move into Illinois, because processing plants are needed near fields. Why should the United States import a product with growing demand when Illinois farmers are eager for the chance to grow it themselves?

But opponents say the hemp bill undercuts our nation's drug stance, and could be a stepping stone to the legalization of marijuana. This rationale is merely choosing an old stereotype over reality. Hemp is nothing but a cousin to marijuana, and a person wanting to get high from hemp would have to smoke football fields of it in a very short time. There would be no "buzz," just a headache. The psychoactive part of marijuana, THC, makes up about 4 to 7 percent of marijuana. THC levels in hemp? A minuscule 0.1 to 0.4 percent, not near enough to have any kind of effect. But the stereotype is enough to block legislation similar to the Illinois' hemp bill throughout the United States. Some claim the legalization of hemp will allow pro-mari-

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juana farmers to grow marijuana in the middle of fields of hemp, disguising it from law enforcement. But the plants grow differently, and hemp advocates say investigators should be able to easily tell them apart. Moreover, Britain, France, Germany, Canada and the Ukraine (all hemp-growing nations) report no police complaints about marijuana.

SIUC has much to gain from the bill as well. U of I has excitedly expressed interest in hemp research, and SIUC's Agriculture Department cautiously said that hemp has potential. But SIUC has expressed concern about the cost, which could reach hundreds of thousands of dollars. Federal guidelines are incredibly strict, and would require fencing and surveillance cameras. But the cost shouldn't stop SIUC - this is a perfect opportunity for the University to remain on the cutting edge of research. It is likely that if the bill is signed, more legislation providing funding will be produced.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN does not support the legalization of marijuana. But we do support the research of a completely different crop — a crop that has myriad possibilities for the future, if only some could get past the stereotype and look at the facts. We urge Ryan to do just that and sign Senate Bill 1397.



Thursday, January 18, 2001

#### Former teacher rebuts speech communication chairman's story

Dear Editor.

I am writing in response to the DAILY EGYITIAN article on Dec. 4, regarding the public relations curriculum in the Department of Speech Communication. I know my letter will not change anything in the PR program at SUC. But because 1 was part of the PR facu-ty who proposed the curriculum that appeared in the 2000 catalog and there was some inac-curate information given by the department chair, I feel compelled to write to set the record straight. straight.

Between 1997 and 1998, the public relations faculty proposed a new curriculum that added one advanced PR writing course and an added one advanced PR writing course and an option for students to minior in journalism, marketing, business or they can develop a cog-nate area of their choice. We had gone through several revisions, mostly because other speech communication faculty feared students would communication factury fearles students would take more courses outside the department and would not get adequate speech communication education. Before it was approved, it took sev-eral meetings at the Undergraduate Committee and the department's faculty meet-tion during the under semile involution.

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ings that those who weren't really involved might not be able to follow or remember what happened. The inaccurse given by the chair in the story was that in order to add a new course, we had to drog another course. The fact is the PR faulty NEVER dropped SPCM 382. Research methods in Public Communication, from the proposed vurnclum. The introductory PR writing class, SPCM 384 was to replace SPCM 381; and SPCM 385 was to be a new course with an emphasis on electronic and Internet writing and produc-tion. We moved SPCM 280: Business and Professional Comm from the required courses in PR specialization. In sum, we NEVER dropped a course to add a new one. It's amazing how one rationalized something that never happened. We would never drop a course in research methods, an area essential to PR practitioners. So why didn't the 2000 catalog include the research methods class? Good question! The copy of the curriculum the faculty approved has the course listed, but the PR faculty never got the page proof of the catalog. Oxionsly never bit was and the more who was

got the page proof of the catalog. Obviously this was an error and I don't know who was

his was an error and I don't know who was responsible. The Speech Communication chair was cor-riect when he said the new curriculum was never inplemented. Since the four PR faculty members (three of whom received SIUC's Outstanding Teaching Avaral) who proposed the curriculum have left the department and the University, that curriculum is dead issue. In fact, in the fall of 1999 the department voted to change the PR program to rhetorical PR A promised report defining this new program has not yet been issued by the department. That is something to which the College of Liberal Arts and PR students should pay attention.

attention.

Daradirek Ekachai or, Marguette Uni SIUC's 2000 Outstanding Teacher

SuperPriddy bound for X-Men infamy

As a fresh new millennium begins. I've been thinking about the future a lot. Hollywood has narketed the crap out of man's evolution and the dawn of a new humanity. Recent releases like X-Men and Unbreakable seem to restore to life America's 20th century fascination with superhuman powers.

And so, as I searched for a self-improvement And so, as I searched for a self-improvement resolution this January, it was not long before the idea hit me I should become a super hero. A bit of an unconventional career goal for a 19-year-old girl I admit, but what an opportunity to pro-tect the world and be forever immortalized in such company as the JLA and Super Friends. First off, I thought to myself, I needed some cool powers. Let's see when I got my first sum-mer job at a Tropical Sno, I discovered my'

inter job at a riopical site, reasoverse my uncanny ability to stare at a sucky countertop and actually make an ant appear. Also, I have the mystical power to car a 5 oz. candy bar and gain 2 lbs. Maybe not of the same caliber as leaping a all building in a single bound, but there's no room for copycats in this biz — just look at the Exo Squad.

Exo Squaa. OK, now that I had some real powers, I needed an identity. Who am I? They say clothes make the man. Maybe I just needed a really awe-some costume. Thinking back to syndicate reruns

of decades past, I tried to piece together the ideal Super female. I needed kind of a Linda Cartermeets-Murphy Brown identity for 2001. Something chic and flashy, but sophisticated enough to fulfill that femining

mystique image. And enough attitude to make the villains think twice before messing with me.

feat possible for the pioneer super women befor me. And I've already got that mild-mannered

ascovered this, I would be doomed to an unsuc-cessful career sidetracked by tasty diversions as evil doers took over the world. In much the same sense that Kryptonite and Limburger cheese him-dered the likes of Superman and Mighty Mouse,

Not Just Another Priddy Face

> GRACE PRIDDY know, like Spaceghost and the Tick. It's OK when those guys Not Just Another Priddy Face appears get beaten, because they never let it get them down. They still weekly. Grace is a junior in architectura studies. Her opinion does not necessarily get the action figures and theme music whenever they reflect that of the

Inclustice when every disc, when every disc, that of the cutter a room, but violuout the FORTING pressure. Yes, that is definitely the best career path for this super hero. And sint there always a handy sidekick to do all the work anyway? So what am I worried.

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Maybe I could just be more

of a comedic super hero. You

my only love.

This new me will be a piece of cake. All right, America, welcome to the 21st century. Charles America, veicome to the 21st century. Charles Xavier was right. Every forw million years, evolu-tion takes a giant leap forward. And thanks to the folks at DC and Marvel, we know just how to handle this situation. Super Heroes of the world unite! We are not alone, and soon the world will know and love us. In the meantime, I hope the good people at Frito-Lay can help me find an antidote for their viciously addictive tortilla chips before I outgrow my sequin jumpsuit.

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newspaper thing down. New comes the problem. Every super hero has a weakness. How would I hide my insatiable craving for Tostitos from the bad guys? I confess, they are my spinach. But if even one arch villain discovered this, I would be doomed to an unsuc-out of the state distribution in the truth dimension are

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DAILY RESERVE

### Resolutions easier to keep, with help

#### Wellness Center offers tips for improving diet

SARAH ROBERTS

It is not hard to make resolutions on New Year's Eve. There is a sense of renewal, rebirth and the guilty feeling of eating one's own weight in chocolate during the holidays. But by the middle of January, classes have started, work is piling up, and the resolve has crumbled.

Students feeling the pressure of the new semester can take advantage of campus nutritional programs and make simple changes in their diets to help alleviate the stress.

Registered dietitian Lynn Gill maintains a nutrition-and-fitness program at the Wellness Center that offers free dietary analysis. Students can then receive exercise and dietary recommendations tailored to suit their specific goals and needs. Gill estimated that the program serves more than 300 students each semester, mostly those who want to revitalize stagnant daily routines.

"Students really see a decrease in activity when they come to college," Gill said. "Some of them come here [vo the Wellness Center] because they want to gain muscle or lower c'holesterol, but the majority are looking to lose weight." When conducting an analysis, Gill looks at specific behaviors that on influence a correctific behaviors that

When conducting an analysis, Gill looks at specific behaviors that can influence a person's diet, such as meal timing, rate of consumption, and meal setting.

"College students lack variety in their diets," Gill said. "They tend to eat a lot of fast foods and convenience foods, particularly late at night."

Stacia Creek, a freshman in history from Johnston City, didn't make a New Year's resolution to improve her diet, but still attempts to eat healthier.

in the orat healther. "I try to exercise and put some variety in my diet, but I usually get too busy with school and work to pay much attention to it," Creek said.

Gill suggested that students who desire to revamp their eating habits begin with simple changes. Attention to portion sizes and eating at regular times in a relaxed setting can lead to better dietary practices.

tices. "When people rush around and eat in the car or in front of the television, they sometimes aren't really conscious of what they are eating," Gill said. "They should just pay attention to their bodies."

### Carbondale Banks have new competition

### City's banking options expand

MARK LAMBIRD

When South Pointe Bank opened for business in Carbondale Dec. 26 it became the eighth bank in the city.

As the city has grown, so has the demand for banks to serve the citizens of Carbondale. The trend is for the larger banks such as Old National and Union Planters to continue to come to the area.

Carbondale has one locallyowned bank. The Bank of Carbondale is the only financial institution that was founded in Carbondale. Bank of Carbondale Marketing Director Pat Meredith believes the long history of her bank is its biggest draw.

"We have been here since 1919. We know our customers best and can provide what they want." said Meredith.

South Pointe is a relatively new bank in Southern Illinois. In 1995, the bank officially opened for business in a converted dress shop in Marion.

In the past five years, South Pointe has grown to include banks in Mt. Vernon, Johnston City, and Benton. The Carbondale location has now become the center of operations for South Pointe. CEO of OLLE MUSCRAVE CEO, South Puinte Bank

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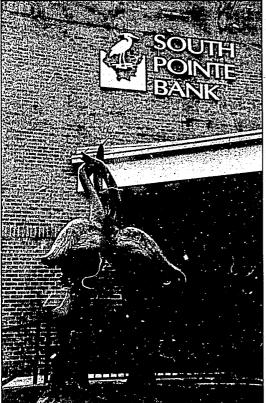
bedrock of southern Illinois.

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South Pointe, Olie Musgrave, currently has offices in both Carbondale and Marion. "We were in need of more space," said Musgrave. South Pointe is one of the few south Pointe is one of the few

regionally-owned and operated banks in the Carbondale area.

"Our roots run deep in the bedrock of Southern Illinois," said Musgrave.



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South Pointe Bank, 925 West Main, opened its doors for business December 28, 2000. This branch, owned by Olie Musgrave, is the headquarters for the four other locations.

Musgrave. This is the main principle the bank hopes will bring business. Currently only Banterra, Bank of Carbondale and 1st Bank of Murphysboro are regionally owne. Banterra Bank is a

Southern Illinois-based banking institution, headquartered in Eldorado. Mickie Martin, assistant banking center manager, said customer service is the top priority with Banterra.

South Pointe's policies are much the same as other banks in the area. They cfier services such as free checking and ATM service. Like many other banks in the Carbondale area they will have online banking within the next year. South Pointe is currently

South Pointe is currently slowing down the aggressiveness it has shown in the past five years. There is, however, the possibility of future expansion.

"The big markets in this area are Paducah, Ky, Cape Girardeau, Mo., and the suburbs in the metro east area of St Louis," Musgrave said.

"Spreading out the area the bank covers allows us to cut down the risk of economic hardships in one location, disrupting the banks operations in other areas," Musgrave said.

Musgrave believed that the economic slow down forecast by many economists will have much of an effect on the local economy.

"The University is not affected as much by an economic slow down and that is the driving force belund the Carbondale economy," said Musgrave.



DAILY CONTENN

### Computer lab gets more hi-tech equipment

#### ANDREA PARKER DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Computer Science Department thought 400 students needed more expert experience — building the Hands-On Lab was part of the solution.

The department's former traditional computer lab with 20 workstations and per-sonal computers, which was used by middle and upper-level undergraduates, has evolved into four miniature labs. A graphics lab, a video-on-demand (VOD) lab, a Linux cluster parallel computing lab and a distributed computing lab will be provided for students involved in specified projects. All labs will be used primarily for research, but computers and work-tations will still be available for students who still used as the available for students who still and an exher bar and work as the still be available for students who still and an exher bar and work as the still be available for students who still and an exher bar and an exher state of the still be available for students who still and an exher bar and an exher bar and an exher state of the still be available for students who still and an exher bar and an exher bar and an exher state of the state of the

need to do schoolwork or other projects. Compute: science chairman William

Wright said the \$20,000 transformation of the lab was a departmental vision seen

about two years ago to give students state-of-the-art equipment, software and facili-ties. The four labs will remain in room 2133 in Faner Hall, which will be open from 8 n. to 4:30 p.m. The lebs should be complete by the end

Students will enjoy using these labs to improve their education," Wright said. The graphics lab will contain four com-ternal reality hardware, graphics

tablets, a digital camcorder, image process-ing software and a nonlinear video editing system. The lab will be used for instruction on graphics and other computer experiment

The VOD lab will contain several computers connected into a network using a high-speed network switch and router. outer science students are developing the server, which will permit sustomers at home, at any time, to order an movie transmitted from the lab. order and watch a

Wright and Chih-Fang Wang, a computer science assistant professor, are in charge of the VOD lab and are excited the students will be heavily involved in developing the equipment needed to store the movies.

"This is not only good for the depart-ment, but it can benefit the University because we can store movies where anyone who subscribes can view," Wang said.

Wang said four students are involved in the VOD lab research and are searching for glitches in the movies and work with clientele, the software and server

The Linux cluster lab will consist of five 800 MHz Pentium III computers and highspeed switch. It will be used for running CPU-intensive simulations and models used for research in artificial intelligence

The distributed computing lab will also consist of five computers. It will be used for

class instruction and experimentation.

### High court rejects U. Pittsburgh newspaper appeal

#### DAVE HARTMAN

THE PITT NEWS (U. PITTSBURGH)

(U-WIRE) PITTSBURGH - Tuesday, the U.S. Supreme court denied a petition filed by The Pitt News. The case, which focuses on the constitutionality of a law enacted by the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, will return to District Court in the coming months.

The Pennsylvania law at the heart of the case is Act 199, a 1996 statute that prohibits any school-related publications from printing "all alcoholic beverage and malt beverage printing advertising."

The prohibition effectively illegitimizes alcoholic advertising through school-affiliat-ed mediums including ratio or television broadcasts, newspapers, periodicals, outdoor advertising booklets, fliers or "any other printed or graphic matter." Vic Walczak, the executive director of the Pittsburgh American Civil Liberties Union,

The Pitt News' lead counsel in the case. Walczak said he was disappointed, but not surprised by the high court's refusal to hear the case

The Pitt News' petition maintains that by dictating acceptable advertisement content, the con onwealth of Pennsylvania is effec tively limiting free speech, a constitutional guarantee outlined in the First Amendment. guarantee outlined in the First Amendment. The paper and the ACLU assert that pro-hibiting alcohol advertising minimizes potential profits, thereby preventing the paper from keeping up with competitors.

from keeping up with competitors. According to Wal-zak, the length of each issue of The Pitt News, as well as the paper's

ability to purchase new equipment to remain competitive are both affected by the law. The original petition, heard before U.S. District Court Judge William Standish, was denied in April 2000 when Standish deemed here when were courted and the start First that the paper could not assert First Amendment rights for a third party.

The case was again denied in June 2000 when the Third Circuit Court of Appeals ruled that while The Pitt News does have

Because the Third Circuit Court, above the District Court, ruled that the paper above the District Court, ruled that the paper does have the right to assert First 'Amendment rights in the case, Walczak now plans to return to the District Court where he will present evidence to substantiate the paper's claim.

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DIANN GORDON SIUC Achieve Prograu developmental skills training specialist

1987. Gortion uncess the computer lab and guides students as they develop better writing skills. "How working with the learning disabled. It's a won-derfully challenging, creative and satisfying job, "Gordon

The Achieve Program strives to empower students to live their lives without as much assist

"Everybody cares about the students here. It's very much like family," Gordon said.

Developmental Skills Specialist Roger Pugh is in charge of all aspects of tutoring for the program. Pugh has been involved with the program since 1988 when he began tutoring. He completed his graduate work and then returned to SIUC to work with the Achieve

Pugh hires and trains all tutors who come to work for the program. He also matches tutors to students and then supervises the first few weeks to make sure the stu-dents needs are being met. The primary objective of Pugh's job is to make sure that students in the program receive sufficient support to allow them to progress through the University. "When students use this service and succeed, it's real-

ly great to see them move through their degree proum," Pugh said. g

Graduate students also participate in the Achieve Program. Twelve graduate students are hired each seme are to work with students in the program. Most of

the students are pursuing degrees in human service fields, such as workforce education and special education. David Hinton, a graduate student in special educa-tion, meets with students once a week to ensure that the gram is going well for them. "I feel good about working here," Hinton said. Hinton added that he enjoys seeing students move

through their degree programs and succeed because of the Achieve Program.

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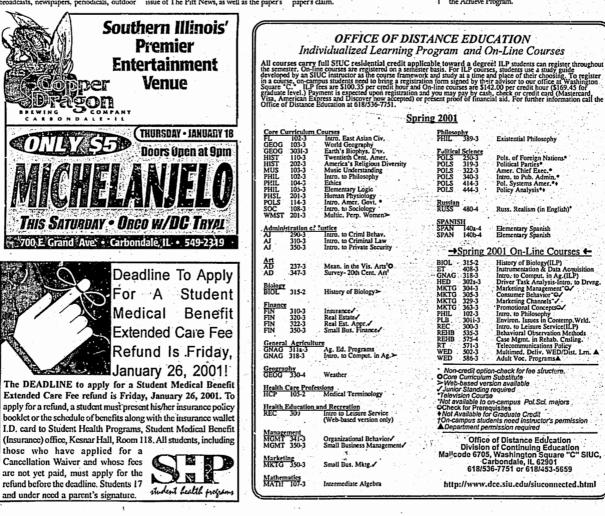
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# **Community** grant enables students to help local schools

ANDREA PARKER DAILY EGYPTIAN

For three months, an SIUC computer science student has been on the computer doing professional work to aid a local elementary school, but is not receiving professional pay. Chris Toberts has been working on

a project to improve computer man-agement systems for the Giant City Elementary School Library, where students will soon be able to search and check out books with ease.

Roberts, a junior in computer sci-nce from Argenta, was chosen for the ence from Argena, was chosen for the job by Assistant Computer Science Professor Namdar Mogharreban because of his experience and because "he showed promise." He spent his four weeks of spring break trying to make sure the project would be done or because on time.

"This was the most time-consu ing project I have ever done, but I like what I do and I enjoy seeing the fin-ished outcome when I'm done," Roberts said.

The school's library has been in desperate need of better databases for data collection for nearly five years, but funds. did not have enough funds. Mogharreban thought it would be beneficial to intervene and enhance the systems. When completed, stu-dents will be able to scan books at the library counter and even check them out by themselves with the click of a

Mogharreban received a \$1,500

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Community Engagement Grant from the Illinois Campus Compact for Community Service in November, with the stipulation that he would assist a non-profit community organi-zation. The school fit the category. The computer science department donated a \$1,000 along with Giant City School, who offered \$500.

Had Mogharreban not received the grant, he said it would have cost the chool much more money to update the databases.

Giant City School principal Keith Oates is grateful that the school's 40 computers in the library will be reconstructed.

"It's an easier way for students and the librarian to search for card catalogs and to get a hold of a better selection of books," Oates said.

The project is scheduled to be finished by the end of the semester and the students will be able to use the new system by August. Although Roberts is not receiving professional pay for his time, he will

receive a monetary compensation

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Paratore said the chancellor's review committee is the most significant addition to the new language. This board would report to the chancellor's office following the review of each case.

"They've also elimited the fact-finding confer-ences that are held before the formal hearings in order to streamline the process and make it go faster," Paratore said.

With the addition of the chancellor's review con mittee after the first level of appeal, the appeal at the board's level was inadvertently eliminated. The board policy clearly states that students can appeal to the board.

Paratore said it will take a change in board policy before the new language could be approved. She said the initial thought was that the new language could

the initial thought was that the lever laguage could be implemented during the fall, but conflicts in pro-cedure and language caused its approval to stall. Reasons behind the stall additionally involve time constraints. Following the departure of former SIU interim President Horton and related interim and/or investigated to the presence and and the transitional difficulties, the proper paperwork was not forwarded to the SIU General Counsel, who would present the resolution for the new language to the board.

Thus, the resolution containing the new language could not be printed the required two times in the Daily Egyptian, a necessary requirement before approval. Before that could happen, the semester approv. ended.

"That fell through the cracks and wasn't done," Paratore said.

The jurisdiction language changes are the prime motivator for Undergraduate Student Government mandating USG President Bill Archer to call for the reconvening of the Student Conduct Code review committee.

"USG asked for the reconvening so we could discuss the problems with jurisdiction, but not anything else," Archer said.

Paratore said her understanding is students who called for convening of the Student Conduct Ode review committee originally intended to decrease jurisdiction power within the code. "When the committee, in their discussions,

reviewed it, they went the other way," Paratore said. 'It was their recommendation and that's the way it

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to SIU, all the way up to the federal government. It's going to be one of those same political battles right here at home.

BEN SYFERT

came from the committee." During the fall, Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, interim Chancellor John Jackson and Horton accepted the recommendations from the committee.

"I don't think we should have the ability to necessarily go after students no matter where they are," Paratore said. "The point we need to be concerned about is the behavior in the city from the city's standpoint, as well as the University's, and the image that this would portray beyond this institution." But Archer related fears of fellow USG members

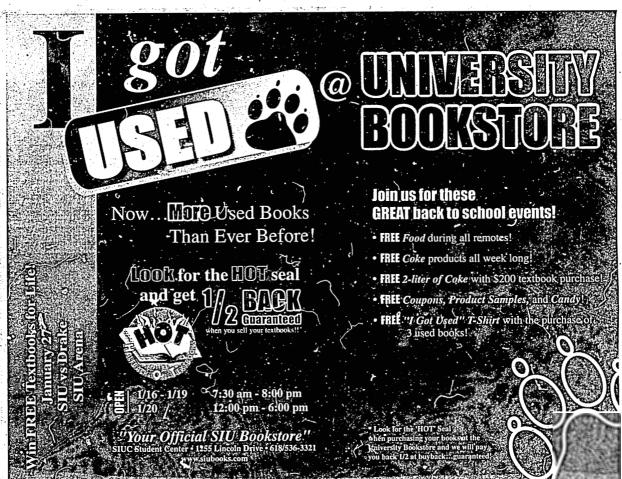
But Archer related tears of relative Soc members that the jurisdiction language is too exensive. "I would even go so far to say that Carbondale is part of campus, so the Strip is part of the University as far as jurisdiction is concerned," Archer said. "But let's say I'm on the Springer show in Chicago and get in a fight with someone over Ms. Jane Doe, we shouldn't be suspended here from school for it."

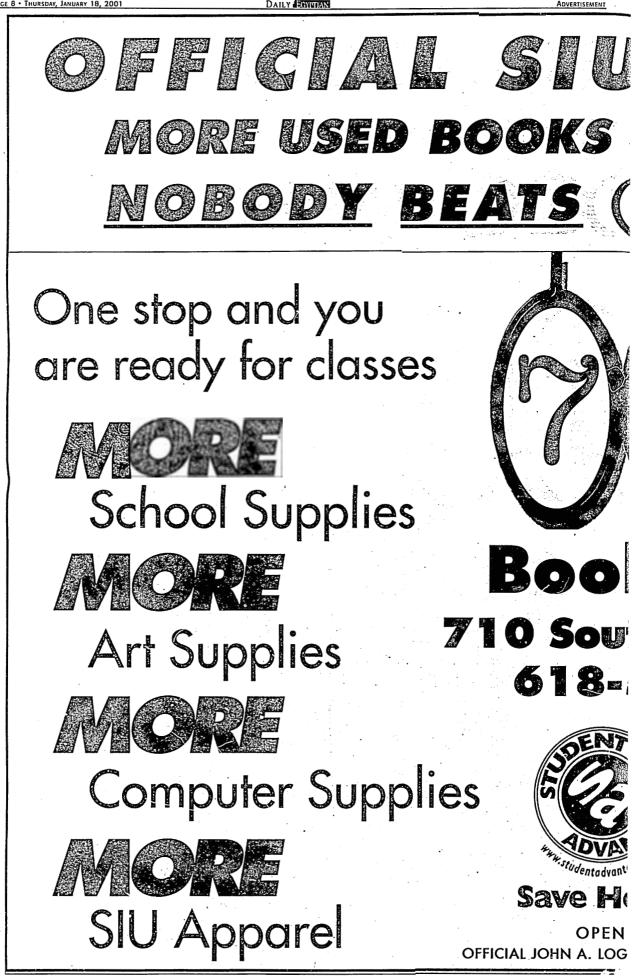
Paratore said with nearly 5,000 students living on campus and the rest living off campus, there is some concern about possible behavior happening off cam-pus that is not only bad for SUU's image, but unsafe and unhealthy for other students and others in the community. "We need to be concerned about that," Paratore

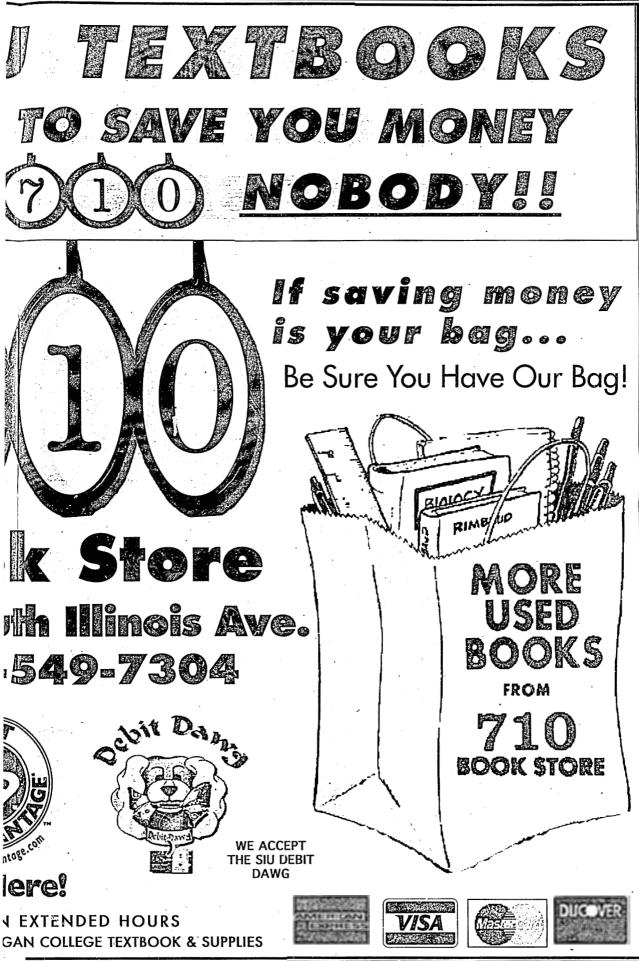
said. "I think everyone should be concerned about that,"

Syfert said his hope is that the Student Conduct Code review committee will take into account the different thoughts and ideas across the campus and student body. He said he hopes members of student government will take those suggestions and form some kind of consensus that he can agree with.

"There's a lot of politics involved in policy discus-sions, from the Student Conduct Code to SIU, all the way up to the federal government," Syfert said. "It's going to be one of those same political battles right here at home."







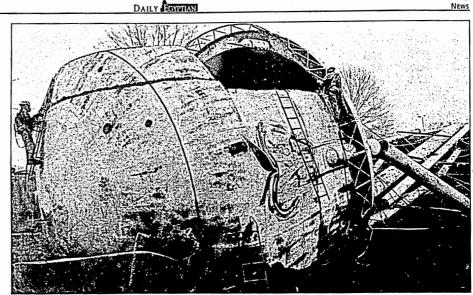
IT ALL FELL DOWN: Members of SteelSmith corporation continued to dissect the water tower in Murphysboro Wednesday. The water tower, erected in the late 1950s, came crashing down (right) Tuesday afternoon.

Russell Hutcherson, a Murphysboro resident who has lived across the street from the tower for more than 30 years, said, "It was exciting to watch it fall down. I was around here when they put it up and I'm still here while it is coming down

Hutcherson and the SteelSmith workers both agreed the unexpected out-come was the amount of flying mud splattering nearby homes and cars (bot-tom right.) The mud traveled up to 100 yards from the point of impact and many residents wondered who would clean up the mess.

the mess. With weather permitting, the tower clean up should be finished within the next three to four days, SteelSmith worker Skip Bickerman sid. The structure had to be taken apart

piece by piece by the three-man crew from northeast Missouri. Dan Eckert (bottom left) welds through the tower and the pieces of the structure came rat-tling down the hollow core of the fallen tower, echoing to the many neighbors that the job isn't over yet.



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Vroom: Dr. Ernie Alix, emeri tus professor of sociology, pedals his . recombent cycle down Evergreen Drive Wednesday. Alix chose a recombent because it takes pressure off the neck and shoulders.

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years if convicted. If the crime is found to be exceptionally brutal and heinous, that sentence could be extended to

100 years. Gross expressed concern that if the jury was allowed to consider both issues at the same time, the state could introduce evidence that could be especially prejudicial or inflammatory, such as photographs. "Some of those items are not nec-

essary for the primary case," Gross said

Gross compared this case to a death penalty case, where the question of guilt or innocence is settled separate

from the sentencing. Wepsiec called this analogy "flawed," saying that this case was by

nature brutal and heinous, and all the evidence presented in the primary case would necessarily answer that question. In a death penalty case, all manner of evidence is presented during the sentencing phase, including evidence unrelated to the particular crime.

"In a death penalty ase, the jury considers prior convictions, prior acts, whether or not he was a good Boy Scout," Wepsiec said. Only the acts committed in this

crime could be used to determine the question of brutality.

Kimmel expressed concern that the motion to examine the evidence would delay the trial further, but said both motions deserved careful consideration. His decision on these motions are expected is expected later this week. If the motions are denied, jury selection would begin Jan. 29, with the first witness called on Feb. 1.



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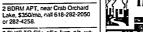
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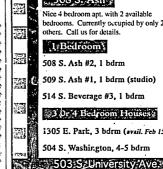
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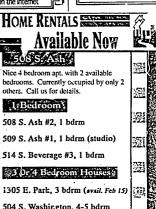
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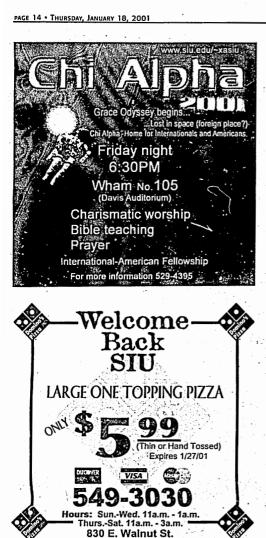




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# Former TCU coaches accused of racial discrimination, harassment

#### VICTOR DRABICKY DAILY SHIFF

FORT WORTH, Texas (U-WIRE) - Despite head coach Dennis Franchione's departure from TCU more than six weeks ago, the impact of his tenure is more evident than ever

Two weeks before Franchione and part of his coach-ing staff left for Alabama, he and ex-TCU linebackers coach Mark Parks were formally accused of racial dis-crimination and harassment by two TCU football play-

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Both coaches deny the allegations. According to the Houston Chronicle, juniors Adrian and Allen Lewis filed the complaint with the US. Department of Education claiming the coaches used racial slurs and stereotypical comments. The Lewises refused to comment Tuesday under

advice from their counsel.

According to the Associated Press, the Lewis' com-plaint describes three years of mistreatment and racist comments by Parks, including his alleged comments: "I am glad we finally have some white players on the team instead of the team being all black," and "All you people care about is chasing (women), fine clothes, fancy cars

and good times." Parks denied the accusations and would not comment further on the matter.

The Lewis' complaint was received by the U.S. Department of Education's Office of Civil Rights on Nov. 15.

The complaint states Franchione suspended Adrian from the team following a halftime incident during the

team's season opener at Nevada, in which Adrian "made eye contact with a white woman when she gave him a high-five." TCU has no record of the suspension but did

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conduct an internal investigation into the matter. The investigation found no evidence of racism but did find instances of "inappropriate language." TCU investigation officials could not be reached for

comment

In a statement released through the University of Alabama, Franchione said, "the investigations have uncovered no evidence of harassment or discrimination of any sort, and I am confident this situation will be resolved soon.

"I have coached 28 years with a mission of developing people first and players second," Franchione said. "In that spint, I could not live with myself if I mistreated a person due to race or for any other reason. I do not understand how the two players at TCU came to feel as they did, and I feel badly that they believe they have been mistreated." In a statement released by TCU, Athletics Director

Eric Hyman agreed with Franchione. TCU will cooperate fully with the (investigation)

and will take whatever steps necessary to ensure that our football program continues to respect every human being." Hyman said. "Until the Department of Education's review is complete, three will be no further comment from me or other university officials."

Both Adrian and Allen reported to practice Monday. Adrian began last season as a second-string line-backer, but he played mostly on special teams. Allen, a third-string fullback, tore an anterior cruciate ligament in the third game of the season, and he missed the rest of the season.

### Gruden bucks Ohio State rumors

STEVE CORKRAN KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

Oakland Raiders coach Jon Gruden on Tuesday night dismissed widespread reports that he is a candi-date for the coaching vacancy at Ohio State as "crazy speculation" and "wid rumors." A report first surfaced online Tuesday morning and

to report inst surfaced online I uesday morning and took on a life of its own by midday, saying that Gruden was on a plane, headed to Columbus, Ohio, to inter-view with athleties director Andy Geiger. Several other publications and news services jumped on the story and fueled the speculation.

"Im happy to be where I am," Gruden said when reached at home Tuesday night. "That's in Oakland, where I was (Monday) and where I was today. We've got some things we're trying to accomplish in Oakland, and that's what I'm concentrating on right now." Gruden announced Monday that the Raiders exer

Gruden an operatory of the time reacted sectors cised the two-year option on the three year contract he signed in 1998. The original report linking Gruden to Ohio State said the university was prepared to offer Gruden a 10-year contract.Gruden, 37, is from Sandusky, Ohio, and played football at the University

of Dayton. That doesn't mean he's interested in the Ohio State job, he said.

"There's a lot of crazy speculation and wild rumors flying around out there," Gruden said. "I got into the offic today and there were hundreds of messages.

Gruden said Geiger may have contacted his agent, Bob LaMonte, but he was unaware of any contact regarding him as a candidate. He said he has not heard from anyone associated with Ohio State, nor has he contacted anyone from that university. Reports cited Gruden as the top candidate for the Ohio State job that opened up when John Cooper

Ohio State job that opened up when John Cooper was fired earlier this month. LaMonte said Tuesday that Ohio State had not contacted him and that if there were any interest, "I would think I would know about it." Gruden said he' spent Tuesday meeting with players such as quarterback Rich Gannon, wide receiver Tim Brown and some of his coaches. After that, he spent some time preparing for Sunday's Pro Bowl and then went home to be with his wife, Cindy, and three sons.

A source close to the coaching search at Ohio State, responding to speculation regarding Gruden, said, "All of this stuff is silly."



# Salukis take two for the road

Women's hoopsters head out for two road games this weekend

> JAVIER SERNA DAILY EGYPTIAN

After three-straight home losses against formidable opponents, the SIU women's basketball team has an aura of urgency surrounding it as it hits the road for two road games against conference foes.

The trip starts at Creighton University at 7:05 tonight and then on to Drake University for a 2:05 p.m. Saturday matchup. The Salukis (4-11,1-4) sit in sev-

enth place in the Missouri Valley Conference standings, and while there are just less than two months of play left in the regular season, falling behind any further will mar any postson hopes.

Reserve forward Danielle Law is well aware of the importance of this road tour across the Great Plains.

"We need to put it together," Lawary said. "We're approaching it like we need to play hard to win, and if we're not going to do that and cut down on the picks, then we won't win.

In tonight's game, the Salukis face team in Creighton that has won three straight games. The Bluejays (9-5, 3-2) lost starter Taya Allen a couple of weeks back, which has allowed head coach Connie You to meddle - something that has with her lineup. worked to her favor thus far. "The injury forced us to go to a

smaller lineup, and it's been pretty effective for us on offense," Yon said. Notably, Creighton's Krissie Spanheimer, a senior guard, has been

lighting it up from downtown. Spanheimer is 42.9 percent from three-point land — third in the conferer

Will the Bluejays — who have wins over Southern California, Tulsa, Nebraska, Northwestern and Kansas

Neuraska, ivorthwesteni and Kansas
 look past the Salukis?
 "Were not good enough to look past anybody right now," Yori said.
 "They're better than their record indicate They're better than their record

indicates. They're starting to put some things together, they just haven't been able to come out with a win." From Omaha, Neb., the Saluki

bus will head back east to Des bus will head back east to Des Moines, lowa, for Saturday's contest at Drake. The Bulldogs (9-4, 4-1) have lost a handful of players, includ-ing freshman Mandy Kappel, who underwent brain surgery for a brain tumor, and Martha Chaput, who was diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease. Drake has found a way to rally arund its ailing termmates, and our-

around its ailing teammates, and currently sits in second place in the conference. While conceding that her team lacks depth right now, head coach Lisa Stone sees her squad's

strength.. "We're going a lot on emotion, a lot on courage with this team," Stone said. 'Tm happy that we're playing at home this weekend because Southern is a dangerous basketball team.

# NIU fighting for MAC position in tight conference

#### JOE LACOAN NORTHERN STAR (NORHTERN ILLINDIS U.)

(U-WIRE) DEKALB, Ill. - Not often does a g team like the Northern Illinois women's basket ball squad find itself battling for a top spot in the Mid-American Conference. But that's where the Huskies stood at Ball State on

sturday afternoon in front of a crowd of 1,427. BU entered the game at 3-0 in the MAC and NIU came in at 2-0 in the MAC West after defeating Marshall 66-56 in its MAC opener on Jan. 6, then Eastern Michigan on the road, 68-56.

The Hukies (6-10, 2-1) showed early promise, grabbing a 10-6 lead. However, Ball State halted NIU, going on an 11-0 run. The Cardinals drew 19 NIU fouls that translated to 29 free throws, and a 78-54 BSU win.

"We were beating them in every statistical catego-ry," NIU coach Carol Hammerle said. "Except the big one, free throws. We rebounded well, and shot decent-

ble, itee unows, we rebounded well, and snot decenter much ... it makes it tough to compete." The Huskies outrebounded Ball State, and attempted more field goals, but turned the ball over 24 times to 17 for the Cardinals.

"We know we can win," freshman guard Lindsay Secrest said. "We knew it's not just going to come to us. We have to put a lot of work on doing the little things right." D-ING IT UP

Struggling to learn Hammerle's defensive system plagued the young Huskies early in the season, and NIU lost nine of its first 11 games.

The Huskies gave up an average of 67.5 points con-test during those games. They went on to win four straight games, during which they allowed just 53.5 points a game. NIU ranks third in the MAC, allowing

64.6 ppg. NEW STARTING FIVE

After the Huskies' 62-50 home loss to Santa Clara on Dec. 18, Hammerle shuffled the starting lineup for NIU's road matchup with Evansville. She removed NIU's road matchup with Evansville. She removed freshman guard Monique Davis, who had been strug-gling, and replaced her with sophomore Kristan Knake as the starting point guard. Sophomore Kim Boeding moved to shooting guard, while Secrest, who had been the Huskies' sixth man moved to small forward. Although the Huskies dropped a tough 65-60 loss to Evansville, NIU went on to vin its next four games with the lineare

with the lineup. However, Hammerle said that the new lineup has-

n't been set in stone, and the door remains open for other players to earn starting roles. SECREST'S STAR RISING

Freshman swingman Secrest, after starting the sea-son slow, has developed into a force at both ends of the court. She leads the team in steals, averaging 2.4 a contest, and ranks second on the team in scoring at 10.4

points per game. Secrest tied her season high of 26 points in the win over Marshall to go along with nine rebounds and a game-high six steals. Her five threes in the contest gave her 27 for the season which broke Knake's fresh-man record of 25 threes set lest year.

'STIQUE'S BACK

Junior forward Mystique Adams, who sat out the Huskies' first 11 games because of swelling in her knee, returned to action during the Huskies' 65-60 loss to Evansville. Against Marshall, the 6-foot-1 Adams had six points, two blocks and two rebounds in 16 minute

S.W.A.T. TEAM

The Huskies lead the MAC in blocked shots with 60 stuffs in 16 games for an average of 3.8 per contest. Senior center Mickey Johnson leads the team with 20 blocks.

### Boise State wrestler has leg amputated after December car accident

### SALÚKI SPORTS

#### **DeNoon Featured Guest at Weekly Luncheon**

The Saluki Booster Club will conduct its weekly luncheon today at noon at Mugsy McGuire's, 1620 W. Main St. This week's featured guest is Saluki women's track and field head coach Don DeNoon. There will also be a few

athletes attack in hea near bolic actions are open to the public and are on the first and third Thursday of every month during the season.

#### "Ohio State nabs former Youngstown coach"

Jim Tressel, former football head coach and athletic director at Youngstown State, was tabbed Ohio State's new football coach Wednesday.

Tressel, who is expected to be named the new Buckeye boss today, won four national championships in his career with the Penguins. The 48-year-old Tressel spent 15 years as Youngstown State's coach, and previously was an assistant at Ohio State. His career record with the Penguins was 135-57-2, and Youngstown State was a personial Gateway

Tressel was reportedly set to sign a multiyear contract with Ohio State paying him around \$1 million a year. He replaces John Cooper, who was dismissed following Ohio State's loss to South Carolina in the Outback Bowl.

MAX CORBET THE ARBITER

BOISE, Idaho (U-WIRE) - Luke Crockett, a member of the Boise State wrestling team, is in fair condition at a Portland, Ore., hospital after being seriously injured in an accident on Dec. 22.

A freshman and Boise State's starting wrestler at 165 pounds, Crockett is at Legacy Emanuel Hospital in Portland, after having his right leg amputated below the kace on Jan. 2, 2001 as a result of an open leg frac-ture with vascular complications. Luke was initially treated for ascending aorta rupture, which has been surgically repaired, multiple facial lacerations, a left leg

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fracture as well as the right leg fracture. He is expected to go home within a week.

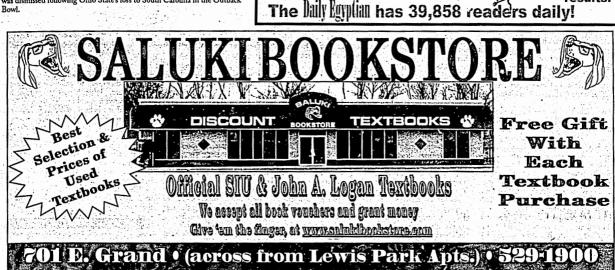
Crockett was hit by a car north of Battle Ground, Wash., late on Dec. 22. Prior to the accident, Crockett had posted an indi-

vidual record of 9-6 this wrestling season. He redshirt-ed last season (1999-2000) at Boise State following an outstanding prep career at Battle Ground High, School. As a senior he was undefeated with a 40-0 record and won his second consecutive Washington State championship.

Crockett and his family wish to extend their thanks to the Boise community for the tremendous outpour-ing of support given to Luke since being admitted to the hospital early Dec. 23.

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# Working overtime pays off for Dawgs

SIU uses team effort to overcome road woes, Shockers in overtime

#### ANDY EGENES DAILY EGYPTIAN

This time around, the SIU men's basketball team didn't snap under pressure.

After dropping two straight con-ference games at home, SIU battled to steal an overtime

defeating Cast win. Wichita State University 80-72 at Levitt Arena Wednesday night. With 3:00 left

in overtime, SIU junior point guard Brandon Mells scored off a pene-tration dribble play tration dribble play while Joshua Cross helped swing the momentum to the Salukis with a

dunk converted off a steal. After struggling during regula-

The Shockers got a lay up to cut the SIU lead to 73-68 before official J.D. Collins called a technical foul on Shocker coach Mark Turgeon. After emotions were intensified,

from the referees.

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tion, SIU's Kent Williams scored 13

points in overtime, converting on a parade of free throws. The Salukis

8-8, 2-3) also got some help in OT

Salukis to seal the KENT WILLIAMS victory. In overtime,

we played with some heart and I think we finally came together as a unit," Williams said on the postgame radio show. "Some different guys were strug-gling, but we stayed together. "Nobody is going to win it by themselves, you got to win it as a

team SIU shot a mere 23 percent from

the field in the first half but only trailed 33-28 at halftime. SIU started the second half going scoreless for four minutes before Cross hammered home a dunk to begin a 9-0 Saluki

SIU would be tested during the

SIU would be tested ouring use final minutes of regulation. Sylvester Willis gave SIU two significant buckets on back-to-back possessions giving SIU a 55-54 lead when the Salukis were scrapping for second and third scoring opportuni-ties with a little more than two min-

utes remaining in regulation. SIU head coach Bruce Weber decided to shake up his starting line-up, giving Willis the starting nod, while Jermaine Dearman responded by providing a strong performance off the bench, scoring 16 points before fouling out late in the second half.

The Salukis, who picked up their first road win of the season against a Division I opponent, did a lot of soul-searching this week on the heels of disappointing

of disappointing showing at home in losses to Bradley and .66 ... Illinois State.

"I talked a lot about accepting yourself and what you are," Weber happy and I guess we can smile for a couple said on the postgame radio show. "I think we found some identity and I think Jermaine,

for this instance,

for this instance, bought into [the sys-tem] a little bit. I hope this is the start of something good." SUU's Abel Schrader scored with

1:31 left in regulation to make the score 57-54 Salukis. But Wichita State's Duke Tshomba answered with a 3-pointer to tie the score at 57-57.

Then with seven seconds remaining in regulation, Schrader was whis-tled for a traveling violation. The Shockers, though, could not convert on a last second shot that sent the game to overtime.

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For the Salukis, Williams scored 13 of his game-high 22 points in the extra ses-

sion. With the loss, Wichita State drops to 7-8 overall and 2-4 in

the Valley. Weber thought this could be the game where the team came

together, though SIU will be in for a tough test Saturday at home against Indiana State.

'It's just a good team victory Weber said. "I'm just so happy and I guess we can smile for a couple days."

# HER Town:

Marion product Courtney Corder enjoys successful swimming career close to home

#### STORY BY JENS DEJU

When it comes time to choose r college, most students decide to leave home in search of other opportunities. SIU junior swimmer Courtne Corder decid-

ed that she didn't have to leave to find the best place for her, it was right in her own backyard. "I just really liked the atmosphere here,"

said the Marion native about her decision to attend SIU. "I didn't want to go too far away from my parents, but far enough so that they would stay out of my hair." Courtney's parents, Jackie and Brian Corder, are both SIU graduates, and while

her mother denies influencing her decision, her father admits there was nudging to a certain extent

"They didn't want me to go very far away," Courtney said. "I'm an only child, so when it was time for me to go they were both like, 'Oh God, you're leaving us.' So they were glad that I stayed close.' Her parents were not Courtney's only connection to SIU. She joined the Saluk

Swim Club when she was just 8 years old and still owns 13 club records. That pace hasn't slipped any, as she was the Missouri

hasn't supped any, as she was the Missouri Valley Conference champion in the 200-yard individual medley in 1999 and a first team all-MVC in the 200 IM last year. "I think she's a rare case," said Saluki 'Swim Club coach Bill Price, who has known Courtney since she was 10 years old. "Most club swimmers don't have a universi-in the heart true of the heart te mo ty in their hometown so they have to go. Some of them like to go as far away from

"Courtney's parents both came here so there was somewhat of a tra-dition at SIU, and I think the coach recruited her heavi-

home as they can.

ly so she had a good interest in coming here. Jackie still

remembers when her daughter started swimming.

swimming team with local roots.

Courtney had spent the night at a friend's house and the following day the two went to a swim practice, and after that day she hasn't stopped since. She fell in lov with the sport and when she got home she told her parents she had to join the team.

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Brian said he can't explain the joy he has received from being able to watch his daughter swim all these years. "Until you're a parent, you just can't imagine the pure excitement you get ... it's like your heart stops," Brian said. Courtney realizes that not everyone's parents can attend meets and appreciates that fact, citing how most of her teammates are not from the area, some not even from the United States. the United States.

the United States. "It's great support," Courtney said. "A lot of kids are halfway across the country and they never get to see their parents, but I have mine cheering for me. I think it's also

incentive to try my best even though I'm here and I'm swimming for my team." Being from the area has not only helped

Courtney adjust, she has been able to help her teammates get accustomed to the

Southern Illinois region. "It's nice to have her around because she knows where she is, she makes everything comfortable," said teammate and roommate Brooke Radostits.

And although she grew up in the area, there were still a few things she had to get accustomed to.

"I didn't know anything about dorms or being totally away from home," Courtney said. "But it did help just knowing the area and knowing the people. I didn't have a brand new coach so that also helped."

Dand new coach so that also neiped. One of the coaches at SIU, men's head coach Rick Walker, has known Courtney since she was 8 years old and was her sum-mer league coach growing up. "Very few times do you get to see a

young athlete grow up and perform at every level on their way to college swimming," Walker said. "What a pure joy it is to be able to watch her and be able to say, just a little bit, that I helped guide her in her way. That is one of the biggest rewards a coach can have, and to be able to watch her do that here are mise the little. that has been a major thrill."

DAILY, EGYPTIAN

Brian said the discipline Courtney has shown balancing both being an excellent swimmer, as well as an excellent student — she was a First Team MVC Scholar Athlete

"She's my hero basically," Brian said. "I don't know how she does it. I don't have that kind of discipline."

#### WESTERN KENTUCKY

THE SIU MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SWIMMING AND DIVING TEAM WELCOMES WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY TO THE STUDENT, RECREA CENTER SATURDAY FOR A DUAL MEET. STARTING TIME IS 1 P.M.



Courtney Corder, a junior in biology, rests at the edge of the pool Monday afternoon. Corder is the only member of the women's

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