Senate race too close to predict

By Dylan Fenley and Chris Miller
Daily Egyptian Reporters

Candidates for the 58th Illinois Senate District remained quietly optimistic late Tuesday as early returns showed them running almost even.

With 86 percent of the precincts reporting, state Sen. David Leechreifeid, R-Oakville, led Democratic challenger Barbara Brown 51 percent to 49 percent at press time.

However, most of those precincts not yet in were in the four southern counties of the district where Brown’s support tends to be strongest.

“Most of the precincts that have not reported are in the south, so it doesn’t look good,” Luechtefeld said.

Brown said the campaign had been key to neutralizing the volume of money funneled into the district.

“The campaign has been one in which a great deal of money has been spent,” she said.

Brown campaigned for a campaign to limit the amount of campaign funding.

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Dole fails to make impact; Clinton wins

Los Angeles Times

Bob Dole’s failure to present voters with a “compelling” argument for re-election, a key reason for Clinton’s victory in the third debate Tuesday, an SIUC official said.

As of press time Tuesday, Clinton had declared victory over Dole, with 59 percent of the vote in his 15th District Illinois House seat. The president needed a total of 210 votes to win the election.

Dole never made a compelling case against Clinton.

The Dole campaign compiled results of national election winners.

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Bost retains District seat

By Shawnna Donovan
Daily Egyptian Reporters

State Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, studies the poll reports as results are tabulated at his campaign headquarters in the Elks Lodge in Murphysboro Tuesday night.

Bost, who just completed his freshman year as a legislator, defeated Rendleman, a Carbondale resident, 14,222 votes to 13,437, with 84 of 103 precincts reporting Tuesday night.

Throughout the night, both candidates watched as the numbers slowly came in from Union, Jackson and Perry counties.

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Out of 15 precincts in Union County, Rendleman only carried two at 10:41 p.m.

Bost said the numbers were almost identical to 1994 when he beat incumbent state Rep. Gerald Hawkins, D-DeQuoin.

However, this time Bost was the incumbent and Rendleman was the aggressor.

“I feel different,” Bost said. “But I was the incumbent, and I was the one for the debates.”

Bost said he knew the election campaign would be heated.

“I had a record to defend, and I knew that it was going to be under attack,” he said.

But the Rendleman-Nads were “staged,” Bost said.

Both Rendleman and Bost have received

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Gus Bode

Dole says: Dole may have lost the election, but he can always take the Strip.
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Durbin beats Salvi for Simon's former Senate seat

By Jennifer Camden
Daily Egyptian Reporter

U.S. Rep. Richard Durbin, D-Ill., declared an early victory Tuesday night against Republican contender Al Salvi in the U.S. Senate race as numbers still were coming in.

With 88 percent of the precincts reporting, Durbin led Salvi by a margin of 57 percent to 40 percent.

At press time, officials were not available for comment.

Durbin, a seven-term Democratic congressman from Springfield, will fill the Senate seat being vacated by Sen. Paul Simon, D-Makanda, who is retiring to teach at SIUC.

Salvi, a former Republican state representative from Wauconda and a trial lawyer, sought the conservative vote during what many political analysts called a campaign of extremes.

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Durbin pledges to preserve Social Security and Medicare and support abortion rights and gun control. John Jackson, SIUC College of Law dean and professor, said Durbin presented a better campaign and a better image.

"He was more of a mainstream politician than Salvi was," Jackson said.

David Derge, SIUC political science professor, also said Clinton's constituents may have boosted Durbin.

"Surely Durbin had the advantage of being an incumbent — but not a statewide incumbent but an office-holding incumbent. That gave him the lead in name recognition and PAC (political action committee) contributions," Derge said.
Racist religion has right to be R.S.O. if membership open

THE IDEA OF RELIGION IS NO STRANGER to controversy, but the World Church of the Creator could be used as a mascot for what controversy is. The Rev. Matt Hale, an SIUC law student, has begun to promote this religion locally.

What makes this different from some of the other local religions, however, is that it calls for the preservation and protection of the white race, and one of the main ideas is that there should be no mixing of races in nature. What is interesting about this is that Hale has expressed some thought about making this religion a legitimate student organization on campus.

IT NEEDS TO BE STATED THAT THIS GROUP should not be permitted to be a student organization. To even be considered a student organization a group must open its doors to everyone, regardless of race or gender. So the hypothetical question that arises is if Hale did open the doors to everyone, should it be allowed as an R.S.O. The answer to that question is yes.

AN R.S.O. RECEIVES STUDENT FUNDS, and because of that, no student should be denied admission from that. To exclude one student over another goes against the purpose of a student organization. People may not agree with the idea behind the group, but that is all the more reason to open it to everyone. Hale has said that this organization opposes any type of violence. If this is true, then this group has to be considered for membership just like any other organization.

The Black Think Tank is a current R.S.O. on campus. The reason it was created was to help raise awareness of African Americans regarding current problems. The Black Think Tank is open to all students, but the majority of its members are African American.

ENOC MUHAMMAD, THE FOUNDER OF THE Black Think Tank, has not been a stranger when it comes to controversy. Many people view him as a racist because of the Muslim views he holds in accordance with Louis Farrakahn. Farrakahn, who once referred to Judaism as a cancer by the city and University were wrong in their decision and the repercussions got out of hand and were curtailed. What is most upsetting about this is the effect it has on SIUC alumni. When news of this crop reaches the media in Chicago, St. Louis and across the country, employers will take note, and we all will suffer.

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Brid Colle
SIUC alumus

Comparing police to Nazis idiocic

For the last week, I have read numerous articles and letters in the Daily Egyptian regarding activities that took place in the name of Halloween on the Strip in downtown Carbondale.

These articles and letters have stressed the group of what was done by the city and University to supposedly oppress the student body at SIUC. My threshold for tolerance was reached, however, when a student's letter compared Carbondale Police Chief Don Stroman to Nazi Gestapo leader Heinrich Himmler. To make this personal comparison, and the insinuation that what happened here is similar to the Holocaust, makes me ill.

The author of the letter I referred to should be ashamed of himself and the actions of his peers. Personally, I have never understood the desire to stand in the middle of a U.S. highway. Is this common practice in other countries?

The other statement that the city and University were wrong in taking away Springfest and Halloween is just as ridiculous as the previous. The fact is that the students gave both away. They did so by acting on the instincts of their eating ears rather than their developing minds.

And how would that young author hope we actually went on to those, Springfest and Halloween celebrations? He is just a junior, I assume in his third year of school, and probably couldn't even legally drive when those elections got out of hand and were curtailed.

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"It's easier to fight for one's principles than to live up to them."

—Alfred Adler

"Ambitious men, if they find the way open for their rising and continuously get forward, they are rather busy than serious; but if they be checked in their designs, they become secretly discontented, and look upon men and matters with an evil eye, and are best pleased when things go backward."

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"If you can't run your life, somebody else will."

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"Behind every great fortune there is a crime."

—Balzac

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Letter to the Editor

Op/Ed

Let parents babysit

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Come on, people — you are supposed to be adults! Think of others before you and not yourselves! If you are going to prove a point, then do it in a "constructive" rather than a "destructive" way! As for the University — I believe that if you are here, going to school, then you need to focus on what you came here for: to obtain an education. If you want to party violently, then go home!

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As for the police: You do not know how an adenoidal pump can do to the human body, as I have been in emergency, medicine for the past 12 years. In some of these cases resulting in death of a police officer who dealt with someone as I do. Stop the violence before it is too late and it is someone you know or who gets hurt!

Janet Wheat senior, architecture SIUC parent

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I'm responding to Raphael McCoy's letter in Tuesday's Daily Egyptian.

I'm glad to hear you are providing me with an Election Day chuckle.

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I personally would like to thank McCoy for not giving in and catering to the mainstream on this latest album.

If you think Blowfish deserves more respect, watch MTV for about an hour. You will probably see your boys a number of times. You are right in stating that every lyricist does not need to know the words to "Walk This Way." However, if a band is aiming to attempt to cover another band's work, don't you think they should at least know the words to the song?

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seemed to focus on character issues, including the ubiquitous Whitewater scandal and questions about the ethics of Clinton's campaign finance tactics. However, those issues did little to hurt a president who has twice won re-election with an efficient, heavily funded campaign that showed off all his advantages, and who has regained the political center a full year before election day.

Blessed with a growing economy and manageable world scene, Clinton overcame a bitter repudiation in the midterm elections and displaced his GOP rivals in the 1995 budget battle as the public's preferred steward of middle-class interests.

From that turning point, Clinton relentlessly proclaimed his moderate values from the high road of the bully pulpit, while simultaneously waging a war of hard-knock TV ads to warn of the GOP's "extreme" intentions. These campaigns together won Clinton an edge with voters on both traditional Democratic issues, such as Medicare and school aid, and on long-time Republican ones, such as crime, welfare and immigration.

Because the differences between Clinton and Dole were blurred by both candidates' efforts to appeal to moderates, voters lacked a clear reason to reject the incumbent.

When presidential campaigns and how they are won are two separate issues, however, Derge said. "I suspect that probably Clinton is much further to the left than he looked and that Dole is further to the right than he looked," Derge said. "(Former President Richard) Nixon had very good advice that you run as a centrist but you govern as a constantervative.

On Tuesday, it all added up to another chapter in a political history rivaled only by few for its dizzying succession of triumphs and disasters.

In four years, Clinton unseated an incumbent president, suffered the worst midterm drubbing in decades, and now returned with a victory that made him the first Democrat to win re-election since Franklin D. Roosevelt.

"This is an amazing story: No one's ridden the roller coaster like Bill Clinton," said Bill Kristol, a leading GOP strategist and former chief of staff to Vice President Dan Quayle.

"Clinton's most brilliant stroke of the campaign, analysts say, may be one he took two years ago, in his decision to largely drop from public view after the midterm elections, to give the public a close look at the GOP congressional team that now controlled the agenda.

But the polls show that Dole already lost his brief lead in one-on-one polls against Clinton by the mid-1995, when Democrats began portraying the budget fight as an important contest to stop the GOP from cutting $2.7 billion from future Medicare spending to finance a tax cut for the rich.

"I'm proud of the campaign my supporters have run," Barbara Brown, Democratic candidate.

Brown has been a political science lecturer at SIUE since 1993. She has earned a bachelor's degree, a master's degree and a Ph.D. in political science from the University.

Although Luechtfeld was the incumbent in this election, this is actually the first election he has run in. Luechtfeld was selected by the seven Republican county chairmen of the 15th District to fill the seat left vacant by state Sen. Ralph Dunn, R-DuQuoin, who retired last year.

Luechtfeld has no political experience before his selection to the state Legislature, although he taught history and politics for 32 years at Okwahville High School.

Luechtfeld earned a degree in political science from St. Louis University and a master's degree at SIUE.
First-time voter Anthony Rickerd, a junior in mechanical engineering from Altamont, gets instructions on how to use his voting ballot from John Patrick Sheehan, a sophomore bio student from Carbondale, Tuesday afternoon in Lentz Hall.

**CAMPAIGN '96**

SIUC's first-time voters send message to student population

By Travis Akin
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Dominique Holmes cast her vote for the first time Tuesday because she said there are issues that are important to her as a student.

Holmes, a freshman in pre-med from Chicago, said as a college student, she is finally at an age when she can do something about her interest in politics.

"I have always paid attention to what is going on," Holmes said. "Now that I am of age, I decided it was time to take a stand."

As voters went to the polls Tuesday, many who voted were participating in the election process for the first time. While they may have differed on the issues, they agreed voting was something students should do.

Holmes said she voted to send a message that students need candidates who can understand the concerns of younger voters on issues like financial aid.

"The Democrats cater more to younger voters while the Republicans seem more for older people," Holmes said. "The Democrats won more financial aid."

She added she was impressed with both candidates and their platforms.

"The issues are interesting," she said. "I feel that candidates are more active this year." (See page 3)

BARS

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The bars on the Strip do not cater to blacks, others think it is the students' decision of whether or not they want to go to the bars.

Tod Jenkins, a senior in administration of justice from Maywood, said bars have to cater to the majority of the people who come in. "It looks like it's stereotyped because the bars don't play R and B (Rhythm and Blues) and hip hop," he said. "But if you only have 15 or 20 blacks out of a crowd of 200, they are going to play what the majority wants to hear." Jenkins said if more black people went into the bars, the managers would play a variety of music.

While some students think the number of black students coming "into the bars would affect the music, others disagree.

Zac Neblett, a senior in administration of justice from Carbondale, said the number of black people who go into bars do not make the managers change the music.

"If a lot of black people gathered up and went to the bar, they wouldn't change the music," she said. "They would call the police."

Though some students think the bars cater to the majority of people, other students disagree. "Consequently, we took the band off," she said. "We don't even have local police who can come there if there is a disturbance because it is so far out."

Neblett said African Americans are not welcomed into the bars on the Strip because they are seen as being disruptive.

"Bar owners say that black people are disruptive, but the students bringing the Halloween weekend were mostly white," she said. "What happened on the Strip was even on CNN, and the bars are still open. When black people are disruptive a couple of times, their privileges are taken away."

Richard Simpson, co-owner of The Hangar 9, 215 S. Illinois Ave., said although his bar brings in some hip-hop music and said some black people to the bars, African American turnout still is low.

"We have put in bands we thought would appeal to African Americans, and we didn't get a very good response," he said. "Consequently, we took the bar out." (See page 4)

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The Strip has been going through many changes since the bar entry-age was raised, but the new age limit will affect more people than just underage bar goers.

The bar-entry age was raised to 21 July 1, and since that time local merchants are concerned about how their businesses will fare.

Cindy Alexander, owner of Mischiefs, 611 S. Illinois Ave., which is a gift and novelties store, said there has been a decline in store traffic.

"When the city went 21 (bar entry age), people figured there were nothing but bars down here," she said. "The more the city takes away from the students, the less students want to spend money in this town."

There used to be a time when The Strip was a place families could go to get a slice of pizza and ice cream for dessert. Before PK's was a bar it was a Pizza King, before Sam's, was Wazo's and before that Chicago-style hot dogs. The Strip has changed and so have the people who frequent it.

Doug Diggle, co-owner of Old Town Liquors and one time President of USG while attending SIUC, has seen it all change over the years and said in so many words, The Strip is dead. Old Town Liquors opened its doors in 1976 and has been on The Strip ever since.

"Did you see last weeks cover of "Nightlife" (a local weekly magazine), that pretty much hits the nail on the head," Diggle said. "This place is turning into a ghost town."

Doug Dugle's:
The days of celebrating a Homecoming weekend must pick up for local merchants. This photo was taken at 8:30 p.m. on Times when passer-by would stop in for a hair cut or browse around a novelty store are almost over. Things on The Strip have changed from a pleasant atmosphere to unwind for students into a battle zone, fighting for their right to party.

"The economic development has gone down on the strip," Alexander said. "It's obvious. We try to help out the appearance of the strip by cleaning up a bit, but that's just not enough to bring people back down town."

The number of buildings in the Strip area has not changed but ownerships have. The diehards like 710 Bookstore, Ruthies and Old Town most likely will live through the drought. But with the bar entry age gone up and the number of bars gone down, local merchants may run into trouble staying alive.

Mischiefs, which has been in business for just over a year may have difficulty staying above water due to the lack of foot traffic on the strip.

"Last year's sales are down tremendously due to the bar entry age," Alexander said. "Not to mention the school hiring individual vendors inside the Student Center doesn't help me either."
When... me wonder for better or worse

Jason Rao, a senior in radio television, suggested a block party with beer vendors on each corner selling alcohol in plastic cups. In order to eliminate the use of bottles and cans.

"If the city and SPC could work together we could maybe get The Strip on its feet again," Rao said. Imagine how much money people would spend on food and entertainment.

Diggle isn't sure that is the answer. He feels the emphasis the city has put toward chasing people out of town for Halloween has carried over to chasing people away from downtown in general.

"We need to find something that will bring people downtown again," Diggle said. "It's a nasty downward spiral, and it's a shame."

Rao said he would spend more time downtown if his friends who are underage were allowed inside the bars.

"I would be down there everyday probably," Rao said. There is nothing like a nice cold one after a hard day's studying."

Diggle said whether people like it or not the students and the University are the clientele of The Strip.

"I'm hoping that the predictions of the student population will go up are true," Diggle said. "But my gut feeling is that they will be down."

Before Tomlanovich bought LaRomas it was called Godmother's pizza. That was back in the days when more people were going downtown. Jimmy John's and Labamba was a Chinese restaurant close to fifteen years ago.

"The main attraction of The Strip were the different foods and spirits around town," Diggle said. "Now you don't see that because of the decline in activity on the avenue."

Jason Wallerstedt, a senior in biology from Calumet City, said he still frequents The Strip but not as much as he used to when he was a freshman.

"When the bars were 18, my friends and I would go to Frankies or The (American) Tap, because that's were all of the girls were," he said. "Now I'll go up there to get something to eat. Unless I have it delivered."

Diggle said there are fewer people out there and a lack of interest in drinking themselves silly.

"It's not anything that the students or businesses have created," he said. "You have to look at who makes the rules."

Some students feel the city should use The Strip to their advantage and make some money from the celebrations that are coming to an end.

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SIUC letter writer receives harassing mail

By Brett Wilkerson
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Eric Wilkinson was in his room in Ambassador Hall looking over his e-mail Wednesday when he said he read a message from his parents that led him to believe someone from SIUC is stalking him.

"I was in my room and I read a message that an unidentified person had mailed a copy of Wilkinson's letter to the editor published in the Daily Egyptian Oct. 29 and a handwritten letter," Wilkinson said.

Wilkinson's letter to the editor expressed his views on the Halloween riot and was featured in the Oct. 30 edition. "It got what it deserved," he said.

"My parents e-mailed me and said that they had gotten this letter that wasn't signed and had no return address," he said. "They (person who sent the letter to his parents) cut out the entire letter (letter to the editor) and sent it to SIUC."

"It was very disjointed, and it insulted me. And then it insulted my parents," he said. "It said, "You have raised a mean, silly child.""

Eric Wilkinson, Sophomore, cinema and photography

Wilkerson said the handwritten letter his parents received was derogatory and was written in a manner that was hard to understand. "It was very disjointed, and it insulted me. And then it insulted my parents," he said.

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"Stacex's Legal Assistance Office Director Elizabeth Streeter said unless Wilkinson requested his personal information be kept confidential when he registered with the University, his parents' address would be public information. "It would depend on whether he ever signed a no-disclosure form," she said.

However, Streeter said even if the student obtained his parents' address, it legally doesn't have to be kept confidential, "It just depends on whether or not he requested his personal information not be given to the University," she said.

Streeter said even if the sender may have obtained it from the University directory, she believes that whoever sent it to his parents was wrong to do so.

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"I feel that if anyone has any issues with me, they should take it up with me personally," he said. "It was a cowardly thing to do — sending it to a third party who isn't even involved."

Judging from the content of the letter, Wilkinson said there is no evidence the individual who sent it knew him or his parents.

But campus police officials also recommended that Wilkinson's parents seek legal advice.

Wilkinson said nothing like this has ever happened to him before. Wilkinson said even though his parents' address is public information, it was never a concern that anyone can get the information.

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"We were rather upset that this had happened — that is (the handwritten letter) was addressed "To the parents of Eric Wilkinson" and was not signed," he said.

"And it bothered me that whoever sent this letter had access to that information," Wilkinson said.

Ralph Wilkinson, father, Ralph Wilkinson, said he and his wife were bothered by this incident mostly because of the anonymity of the sender and because someone was able to get his home address.

"I don't know who made it or where it was sent to access that information," Ralph Wilkinson said. "And it bothered me that whoever sent this letter had access to that information," Ralph Wilkinson said.

Mystery feeder becomes folk hero after arrest

The Washington Post

CINCINNATI—They're selling T-shirts with the mystery folk hero's name on them, they're singing songs about him, they're playing his music, and they're raising money in his honor.

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Fake sports autographs abound

**News Cay**
If you’re into autographs, your collection just took a big hit. A recent story in The Washington Post charges that 70 percent of all autographed sports memorabilia is fraudulent, quoting Chicago FBI agent Bob Raybin, who called it a conservative estimate. “Some indications are that it may be higher than that,” Long said. “Our policy is this: If you don’t personally see it getting signed, beware, because more than likely, it’s phony.”

While the advice is worth paying heed to, the are plenty of fans who may be greatly overstated. “A high percentage of ultra, ultra big names are phony; there is truth to that,” said autograph expert John Raybin, who hosts the nationally syndicated Sports Collectors radio show. “But to say 70 percent? Maybe of the top-10 signatures, 40-60 percent may be fraudulent. But who would take the time or effort to forge a George ‘Stock’ Theodore signature, or a Bob Apodaca?”

There is no question that faking a signature of a superstar is easier than robbing a bank. Because of that, for names like Michael Jordan, Mickey Mantle, Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams and Dan Marino and anyone else who suddenly becomes hot, the 70-percent bogus create may be conservative. “Without question, the most money in collectibles is in autographs,” said Doug Kale, editor of Sports Card Trader. “Who would have thought that autographs and memorabilia — and not cards — would be moving the industry,” Raybin agreed.

The trading-card makers have received this news, and many are using certified hand-signed cards to drive sales. “That’s the safe way to collect autographs,” Raybin said.

Another is to purchase items from licensed, authenticated outlets such as Upper Deck Authentically or Scoreboard, both of whom have contracts with the top supervisors in sports.

But, as Long suggests, the best way to be sure is to see it autographed in person.

Autograph shows, once the scourge of the hobby (Joe Camel wants how much for his autograph?), are now safe havens for collectors who want to be sure that they’re getting DiMaggio’s real John Hancock. And there’s still the old ballpark.

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Golfers finish final invitational in last round

The Saluki men’s and women’s rugby teams both rolled to victories Saturday. The women’s squad nippered Vanderbilt University 13-5 at Vanderbilt, while the men’s squad hammered the University of Southern Indiana 45-0 at Evansville.

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