SIU-sponsored
Halloween party
considered

City, University administration begins planning for riot-free Halloween 2002

Molly Parker
Daily Egyptian

University-sponsored events for Halloween 2002 are being considered by administration and student groups so protect students on the Strip before the University will not close for the Halloween season for the first time since 1993.

Jed Linden, chief of staff for the Undergraduate Student Government, said USG is considering putting aside money for student organizations that would host a positive event during the Halloween season. The USG Senate was asked to support a similar event last year, but it was vetoed by then President Michael Perry because it did not have administrative support.

"I think it's fine if student government wants to do something, and we'll try to support as much as we can," said Wenler, who believes that Halloween is just another night if the bars and the decision to squash fall break in October 2001, just months after beginning.

The elimination of a fall break allows the bars to remain open, which will span from Nov. 23 to Dec. 1.

Although the USG currently has $100,000 in funding available and will consider putting aside a portion for student groups, it was vetoed by the Interstate Council.

"We will be prepared for either good or bad, but we are praying that we will be able to utilize government steps to in a major way and send out a different message about this issue," said Peters. "They just trying to do what's best for student." Lieder and Peters also contend the University did not follow their own procedures or those outlined by Illinois statutes in making the change.

According to Peters, the University should have conducted a hearing of public forum to discuss this decision with those affected by it.

"It was considered in May and June, and by mid-September, but USG could not discuss it," Lieder said.

"Now, the bars 10 be open for the Halloween season for the first time since 1995.

The undergraduate assistant will have a final discussion of the student government's plans.

Assistant process nearly complete

Samantha Edmondson
Daily Egyptian

The undergraduate assistant process is about 75 percent complete, but it will still take an unidentified amount of time before students can apply for the positions.

Daniel Mann, director of the Fraternal Aid Office, said the committee was unable to approve the assistantships scheduled for the current fall. He said he expects the student government will be unable to continue with the process.

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Shanne Miller, a sophomore in social work from Latan, does not mind waiting a couple weeks to apply for undergraduates to apply for assistantships if the delay would be reasonable.

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Spain moves to outlaw Basque party

RAIPEL, Spain - Spain's parliament has voted to seek a total ban on the Basque armed group ETA and its links to armed separatist group Euskal Herriko Erretxoa. The vote was backed as the sides reach an agreement on it, a government source said. "Batasuna is the first line of defense in preventing terrorism from entering Spain," the source said. "Customs should be inspecting more cargo since Sept. 11, not less."

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MIT assigns all freshmen to on-campus housing

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. - The Massachusetts Institute of Technology is assigning all freshmen to on-campus housing for the first time in its history.

The move comes five years after a freshman dorm destroyed at a boiling point. Since Scott Krueger's 1997 death, MIT parents have called for more housing. Krueger joined the Gamma Delta to obtain housing, his parents said. After a fire erupted which the dorm had a three-day delay, MIT later reached a settlement, agreeing to pay the family $4.5 million and establish a $1.5 million scholarship fund in Krueger's memory.

"Scott Krueger's life was cut short by a wake-up call," said Larry Benedict, dean of student life. "Fraternities will feel the effects of the new housing model in the future. We are focused on operating under provisions that include one that requires an agreement of supervision.

About one third of last year's 4,200 undergraduates head off campus.

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Monday's hi/low: 88/67

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Average high: 87
Average low: 62
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Illinois law mandates all high school juniors take ACT

Kirstina Hurdmore

Good News: If you are a junior in high school in Illinois, the state will pay the $25 fee for you to take the ACT.

Bad News: If you are a junior in high school in Illinois, you have no choice but to take the ACT.

The graduating class of 2002 was the first in which Illinois law required all students to take the ACT.

And it showed. Illinois ACT scores last year, bringing the state to the national average with Dearborn County.

One of every three Illinois students scored a 17 or lower on an exam of college-entrance exams.

Typically, only college-bound students take the ACT exam, but last year, Illinois became the first state to mandate the exam for all high school juniors.

The new requirement added the ACT to the state's Prairie State Achievement Exam, creating a seven-hour, one-day exam. The students were given the exam free of charge.

About 127,000 Illinois high schoolers took the exam, sharply above the 89,000 students who took the exam the year before.

The majority of the new test takers were not enrolled in college preparatory classes, according to ACT officials.

With the increase of students to the ACT taking population, the state's overall composite score dropped from 21.6 to 20.2.

The national composite is 20.8 from 21.0 the year before.

Nearly 25 percent struggled to perform one-step arithmetic problems, understanding basic scientific terms and draw conclusions about the main idea of a given paragraph, the test company reported.

In Chicago's public schools, the exam composite score declined to 16.9 this year, from last year's score of 17.7, leaving a difference of over 5 points between Chicago and Carbondale public schools.

"We have a majority in Carbondale of doing very well on these tests," said Steven Sabcen, Carbondale High School District 165 Superintendent, "We scored very well and I am very comfortable testing all our kids."

Carbondale High School composite ACT scores dropped to an average of 22.2, only slightly from the year before when the score was 22.8.

Both scores were above the state and the National Average.

"In the beginning testing all the students brings down the average scores, but over the next few years it actually raises the bar of expectation for education," he said.

Even though Sabcen is comfortable giving the tests, he admits that not all his students are so happy about it.

There is some apprehension coming from the students," he said. "And honestly, if I'm the kid, I don't think you should have to take it. My students would rather not take the ACT or any other test.

And the students may not be the only ones who aren't thrilled about taking the test. Some teachers, also disagree with the testing mandates."

According to Sabcen, some teachers in his district and across the state are frustrated with the time involved in preparing for the state's testing policy.

The constant opinion is that they don't like to lose, having too much testing going on, some said. They believe they are taking away the students' ability to make decisions about their safety.

The need for them includes creating a counter part, the SAT, under question recently among other things the U.S. Department of Education.

"We are doing a 1200 score in the ACT," Sabcen said, "They may not appreciate those questions, but they do understand the need for them."

Sex offenders will need to notify University of crimes

Greg Cima

University will make information available to public

Greg Cima

Convicted sex offenders who work for or attend Southern Illinois University will have to notify the University and SIUC police of their convictions beginning Oct. 28. The new requirement is part of the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000, a federal law enacted Oct. 28, 2000. It expands on current requirements for sex offenders to notify the local police.

"The University community and surrounding community have an interest in knowing if a student or faculty member who is convicted of sex crimes will be living or working where they will," said LL. Todd Sigler, chief of the SIUC Police. "We believe the community has an interest in knowing of such convictions as well."

The University will notify the public of such convictions as well.

"Information is our lifeblood," Sigler said.

Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, said that while he is in favor of "whatever we can do to make the campus more safer," there is the issue of student rights and privacy.

Dietz said if a person is jailed and released, that individual is paid a debt to society. He said sex crimes have been singled out as so heinous that the individual is not able to let people know who they are and where they live.

Carbondale and SIUC police say registration of sex offenders is a service that has been helpful to the community.

Carbondale Police Officer Dan Reed said the registration of sex offenders is an "excellent idea" because of how it helps public awareness.

The requirement does not change an individual sex offender list before moving into an area.

"If it family has young children who are planning on moving to an area, you might want to check the list," Reed said.

"If you find out you have a sexual predator living next door, you might want to reconsider moving in," Reed said.

"Those people who are going to be considered before on charges of sexual conduct and enacted sexual assault of a 7-year-old," Reed said.

Registration with local police is already required and offenders' information is available to the public. A person in Carbondale can find out what sex offenders live near them from Carbondale police or visiting the Illinois State Police website. The website provides the name, address, date of birth, height, race, sex, and recent picture of sex offenders.

Sex offenders' information will be available to the public through SIUC police and the University when the law goes into effect.

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Prizes, sales part of bookstore's grand opening

Revamped store pleases students, Administrators

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

If there's anyone who realizes how much the University Bookstore was in need of a makeover, it's Jack Miller, a 20-year employee. The Student Center store.

Zelton was excited to be a part of the change, as even as the spent 40,000 gift cards make more than 250,000 animals for employees and customers at the store's grand-opening celebration that will take place all this week.

Giraffes, bees and a deserted spider were all Zelton's favorite. The grand opening was the most popular choice of students as they checked out the store's new look and did some shopping.

"It's been a long time coming, and they did a beautiful job," Zelton said. "It really brightened us up a lot."

The University Bookstore has been open all summer and ended its book mode during the past week, but to celebrate in $600,000 in renovations, store manager Chris Croson said a week should be just right to celebrate the grand opening.

"We want students to know that the store is here," Croson said. "It's a lot more shopable and everything's easier to find.

The grand opening was washed back to avoid the heat and the first week of school when students are rushing around trying to find classes, buy books and not get lost in the shuffle.

Monday's ribbon-cutting ceremony was attended by students and Administration into the store for free cake, dash it away and the chance to win a new 14-inch television/PC/monitor combo.

Croson said he was happy to see both new and past employees come to celebrate the store's grand opening. Front-end managers and long-time workers were among those who showed up to see how much the store has changed since they worked there years ago.

The store's week-long agenda includes drawings for different prizes each day. T-shirts and small SIU basketballs are among the runner-up prizes, while a different grand prize will be given away each day. A digital camera, a $300 gift certificate, a mountain bike and a DVD player are the remaining prizes for the rest of the week.

Each day also has a theme associated with it Tuesday: "Movie Day." With different flicks being played throughout the store and 20 percent discounts on all DVDs.

Wednesday is "Literature Day," and customers can get discounts on great books and bestsellers. "Saluki Spirit Day" will prepare students for the next SIU football game Thursday evening with discounts on Saluki clothing and gifts. With Friday being "Music Day," the special will be 20 percent off CDs, and a free concert featuring	

Tien will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday. Croson said the band is a mix between alternative and rock.

Kasey M. Harmsworth, a junior in business administration from Chicago, visited University Bookstore to get his books again this semester and was pleased with the new change.

After semester of wandering through the dark and crowded University Bookstore of old, she found the new look refreshing.

"I'm still butting out because I need my books. Thumbs up!" Harmsworth said. "This new look is a bit more organized, brighter and it's easier to find things."
At ground zero, churches do the heavy lifting – of spirits

Sanctuaries help New Yorkers cope with terrorist attacks

David Jackson
The Dallas Morning News

NEW YORK (AP) — When the World Trade Center collapsed to the earth, the Twin Towers destroyed buildings fell, towers crumbled, and a city seemed to be swallowed— and-almost swallowed and church pipe organs

The musical pipes in historic churches that ring ground zero were damaged, some shattered with chunks of concrete, dust, burnt paper, glass and steel and stone, and horribly, inhuman.

"The pipe organ has no voice," said William Leslie, a member of Trinity Church, a neo-Gothic institution at Wall Street and Broadway. "Wire electrically sent music to a place that was used to great music," he said. "But terrorism stripped even the musical essence of the music.

The churches of ground zero, among the city's oldest and most historic, have been instrumental in helping New Yorkers cope with the multitude of terrorism.

Whether feeling rescue workers or offering trauma counseling, these spiritual places have found new ways to play traditional roles.

"I absolutely think they have been the backbone of the city," said Roberta Frankel, a resident of the Lower East Side. "Don't think people realize what they did." Audrey Ayscough, a resident of the Lower East Side, said she attended an afternoon Mass at St. Peter's Catholic Church.

The churches suffered varying degrees of damage on Sept. 11, when two hijacked planes hit buildings located in the Twin Towers. St. Peter's had a hole in its roof from the landing of one of the jets. Trinity Church was closed for seven weeks because of structural issues.

One church paid the ultimate price: St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, a 15-foot-high tower in the shadow of the massive towers, collapsed that day. The church is the last place of international pilgrimage," said Bishop Savvas of Timio, one of the archbishops. "It will be witness to our faith in the power of good to overcome the forces of evil.

The other 96 buildings suffered some injury; some remained shuttered in black granite and could face the working ball. One question, however, was ravaged, St. Paul's Chapel, the oldest building of them all, right across the street from where the Trade Center's north tower once stood.

Trinity Church, which closed for seven weeks after the Sept. 11 attacks because of structural problems, "has been like a beacon," one member said.

Opened in 1766, the sanctuary where George Washington prayed after being sworn in as the nation's first president, St. Paul's took the use of its pipe organ, but it suffered many rebuilding efforts and a broken stained-glass window.

"One of the sisters working here said God put his hand over the church," said Joan Quilter, a native of England who moved to the neighborhood as a World War II bride. "They wanted to be of service."

The churches suffered trying times from the disaster. Soon, ordinary church pipes were used to play traditional roles. The music in historic churches that ring ground zero went on to play traditional roles.

"It will be a place of intentional tragedy," said the Rev. Samuel Johnson, vicar of Trinity Church. "People from Texas, from Kansas, from Europe, from California – from all over the world – came to work on St. Paul's.

They continued working at the neighborhood to reopen in memory of the high-rise investment houses destroyed and street vendors began selling Sept. 11 memorabilia.

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Students anxiously awaiting assistantships

As students, faculty and administrators settle in to daily routines and become accustomed again to classes, work and paying the bills, one group of students hoping to land assistantships are still hanging, waiting to hear how their semester will go.

Chancellor Walter Wendler's new undergraduate assistantship program is a win-win situation for the University. Students will make more money and benefit by doing work in positions related to their major. In turn, the University will receive quality work at a cost much less than if they were to hire someone to fill the position.

Assistantships also offer students who have been unable to obtain an internship similar experience and something to put on their resumes.

An assistantship could mean up to $800 a month for undergrads filling the 20-hour a week position.

The 15-hour position brings in $600 and the 10-hour position $400. This means students with assistantships will be making $10 per hour compared to the $6.50 other campus jobs offered.

With any new program, there's bound to be some kinks.

As promised, Chancellor Wendler made good on his word that students would see funds generated from the $8.5 million generated from the tuition hike. He allotted $750,000 for the assistantships, funding enough for 100 positions.

Departments then applied for the positions, and an eight-member committee consisting of clean, administrators, USB and GPSC presidents were to left to distribute the positions based on need by before the first day of classes.

The committee was then to begin weeding through student applications. The original start date for students is slated for early September.

But the committee was unexpectedly flooded by departmental requests, bombarded with 479 applications for the 100 openings, making the decision process more calculated and challenging.

The process is already backed up a week and a half, and September is looming larger in our path.

Decisions that were to be made before school began are still in question.

And students who hoped to receive an assistantship are growing hungry; their lights are flickering, and Medefanoom has long since shut off HBO and Showtime.

We give much appreciation to the committee for carefully studying and reviewing each assistantship request.

But it all boils down to the most basic of principles: Students need to know if they have a job or not. Many have held off on applying around town or for other campus jobs out of respect for any potential employers they would short if they unexpectedly quit a few weeks into the job to take an assistantship.

Bills are piling up, rent is due in less than a week, and Ramen noodles are starting to look like a delicacy.

We do not want to rush the process and risk sifting any department of a much-needed assistantship, but we do strongly encourage the committee to make their decisions in a timely manner, with the many jobless students in mind.

"As long as people will accept crap, it will be financially profitable to dispense it."

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WORDS OVERHEARD

"I've tried everything, and nothing gets my adrenaline going like [painful]."

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

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GUEST COLUMNIST

Ozone isn't just from cars

Angela Ledford
Knight Ridder/Tribune

"The rash of ozone alerts in major cities this summer drive home the realization: Out air pollution directly affects enormous numbers of us every day, especially children and the elderly. Typically, on ozone red days, we're told to drive less, not use gasoline-powered lawn mowers, and stay out indoors. But cars aren't the only source of the problem, and in fact perhaps not even the most easily addressed. Congress can help where it returns, if it doesn't ignore the issue once the ozone subsides.

Although it varies by region of the country, power plants — particularly the oldest and dirtiest — contribute significantly to all forms of air pollution. Virtually, about one-quarter of all ozone smog is generated by power plants. For nitrogen oxides, one of the two main precursors of ozone, cars and light trucks account for about 33 percent of the total, while electric utilities contribute 25 percent. Of that 25 percent, nine-tenths of it comes from coal-fired power plants.

Ozone smog, as most people know, isn't good for them. A recent study estimated that ozone pollution triggers more than 6 million asthma attacks each year. Children, who make up 25 percent of the population but comprise 40 percent of the asthmatics cases, are especially at risk during the summer since they breathe 50 percent more air per pound of body weight than adults.

Ozone, by itself, is invisible. As smog creates a foggy smog along the horizon, but the rest of that gree haze we see is from particulate matter, chiefly sulfur dioxide, which also serves as the main culprit for acid rain. And fully two-thirds of sulfur dioxide emissions come from power plants, again nine-tenths of it from those that burn coal.

The haze we see is the haze we breathe. Not only does it obscure everything from sunsets to national parks, but it also lodges deep within our lungs, interfering with breathing. For healthy adults it may, like ozone smog, cause discomfort. For those who already have breathing problems, or whose lungs are either among the youngest or oldest, the results can be fatal.

The first particles of haze can be inhaled more deeply into the lungs than larger particles, causing serious damage. Health concerns associated with fine particulate exposure range from difficulty breathing, to lung tissue damage, to respiratory disease and premature death. Fine particles from power plants alone have been linked to more than 30,000 American deaths each year.

The danger, from a policy perspective, is that we think we have more control over cars, because individually we make decisions every day about driving. But time and again, we've seen that as a society, driving behavior is much harder to shape. It may do no good to say, "Why can't we all drive less?" than to say to everyone at generator, "Why can't we all get along?"

On the other hand, we can do much more about cleaning up power plants than many realize. The oldest, dirtiest, coal-fired power plants were supposed to have gone the way of the dinosaurs years ago. The only reason they were given a free pass under the 1970 Clean Air Act, exempting them from most pollution control, was that utilities argued such plants would soon wear out. Before Congress adjourned for the summer, the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee passed a bill sponsored by Sen. James Jeffords, I-Vt., the Clean Power Act. It would reduce not only smog and haze, but also, for the first time, mandate cuts in toxic mercury emissions and sulfur dioxide — the primary global warming pollutants — from power plants. Perhaps most important, it would set a date certain for the oldest, most egregiously polluting power plants to finally clean up. The next step, when Congress returns, will be consideration by the full Senate.

Let's hope that at heat diminishes, as the code red days cease, as in the park vistas grow more visible, that Congress doesn't forget the bad air days of summer are like. For many people, life and health may depend upon it.

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The Power of Words

By MARGARET JAYOELA SIMPLIFIED AMERICAN

I want anyone intelligent enough to listen to what I have to say to help me spread my gospel, that they may understand the Christian message that we should accept. If they do not accept it, they will not be saved.

I understand that when a person has been taught something from the time that they were born, it is hard for them to accept any particular something.

The only thing that is harder than learning is the only thing that is harder than learning a new language. It is difficult to understand those who do not accept it, they will not be saved.

If you see your god or any other god, you see a god, you see a human being. It is difficult to understand those who do not accept it, they will not be saved.

If you refuse the rules imposed on you, you see a human being. It is difficult to understand those who do not accept it, they will not be saved.

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Koran lawsuit raises debate in classes

Religion courses nationwide check to separate scholarship from promoting faith

Ben Fischer
Daily Kent Stater (Kent State U.)

KENT, Ohio (U-WIRE) — A discussion forum for new freshmen at the University of North Carolina went ahead as planned Aug. 19, despite a lawsuit against the university trying to stop the class.

The issue was the assigned reading — a book analyzing the Koran, the Islamic holy text. An evangelical Christian organization sued UNC in May, arguing the assignment use the Koran. Professor said while do it with Islam, you have to do it Modern scholarship, separated

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it’s popular among students,” Metz-Wiseman said. “It’s like it allows people out there using it.”

According to the website, an e-textbook can take anywhere from 15 minutes to two hours to download, depending on the amount of the source the student needs to read.

For some courses, students may only need to purchase separate chapters, which allows them to save time and money. However, Metz-Wiseman noted virtual texts don't always benefit the student.

“Sometimes there’s a value lost because you have no tangible book from the Internet,” Metz-Wiseman said.

Digital textbooks that do not include interactive features and only deliver the text to students are formatted for handheld PCs.

Michael Urbansky, assistant professor of kinesiology, said that e-textbooks are not a good tool for students because there is no change.

It will be interesting to see how the pricing structures change,” Urbansky said. “I would say it will be another few years.”
College endowments in Philadelphia area suffer big losses

James M. O'Neill  Knight Ridder Newspapers

PHILADELPHIA (KRT) — The shell-shocked stock market has swept through the region's $34 billion of endowment money off the books of colleges in the Philadelphia area in the last 18 months, reducing the wealth more than usual and tripped budget plans.

And with the stock market still in the doldrums, colleges expect more downturns.

The 23 area colleges with figures in hand, only saw their endowments rise during the fiscal year that just ended in June.

"The next couple of years are going to be tough ones for us," said Ivy Borstein, treasurer at Bryn Mawr College, where the endowment dropped by $15 million and tuition, room and board are going up by $3,600 to compensate for it.

Swarthmore College took one of the largest hits, seeing its mighty endowment drop from $3.4 billion in 1998 to $2 billion this year to $379 million. That follows a $14 million decline the previous year.

For instance, at Haverford College, Pa., lost $15 million in endowment value to $25 million, Haverford College in Havertown, Pa., and Franklin and Marshall College in Lancaster, Pa., each lost $10 million.

On the other hand, some colleges that endured criticism for investment losses in the last couple of years managed to rebound in the current year, including Swarthmore, which topped $345 million.

"There are three factors that went into the rebound," said President Constantine Papadakis of Swarthmore, "the stock market recovering, the interest rates falling, and the tuition fees increasing 11 percent.

Over the past three years, the net income from the endowment at Swarthmore has been $17 million. That's sufficient to cover expenses without collecting another $17 million from tuition, said Swarthmore's treasurer Suzanne Welsh, even though Swarthmore uses only $15 million on endowment spending. The remaining $2 million is put into a rainy day fund, and it's raining.

"We are F.D.I.C.-insured," said Papadakis. "I'm a happy camper," said Ronald S. Jay, a senior vice president at Commerbank, which manages the University of Pennsylvania's endowment, which is $6.3 billion in 1998. It increased by $3 million to $6.3 billion in 1999. It had grown by $56 million by 2000. By last June, it had fallen by $56 million.

Until now, colleges haven't suffered two consecutive years of endowment losses since 1976, after the oil price hikes in the late 1970s that they remain well ahead of where they stood two years ago, when surging oil prices and U.S.-Iranian strife saw Swarthmore hit with $345 million.

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Porno video features Arizona State U. student government vice president

Rachel Schlick
Arizona Daily Wildcat
(U. Arizona)

TUCSON, Ariz. (U-WIRE) -- Arizona State University president Michael Crow said Thursday that disciplinary action would be taken against ASU fraternity members -- including the executive vice president of the student government at the Tempe University -- for performing sexual acts with porn stars and a sexual scavenger hunt.

Members of the UA community said a similar event couldn't happen here. The September production of "Shane's World #29: Frat Row Scavenger Hunt" featured ASU fraternity members including a shower scene with Brian Buck, Sigma Nu member, and executive vice president of the Associated Students of ASU -- performing sexual acts with porn stars.

The ASU student body president and vice president said they didn't see the production of the video as a big deal, and it would most likely not affect the leadership positions.

Members of Theta Chi, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Kappa Sigma and Sigma Nu were all involved in the film, featuring a "sexual scavenger hunt" by the film crew. Sex toys and other objects were used as the hunt moved from bedroom to living room, from limousine to poolside, as were public campus lawns, said the front of a residence hall.

Two women were in each of the two teams that performed sexual acts with the fraternity members. The teams earned points in the scavenger hunt via sexual acts, and the team with the most points won the hunt. There was no sexual intercourse.

The video was brought to the attention of ASU administrators in early July. Administrators said the sexual acts violated the code of conduct.

ASU President Michael Crow had consulted with the Arizona Attorney General's Office and the campus police department regarding the appropriate disciplinary action.

"UA student body president Doug Harst commended, "Students at the UA should know that this type of thing will not be tolerated at our institution."

UA fraternity officials have also distanced themselves from the event.

"The sad fact is that it was a few people who couldn't control themselves," Josh Surridge, Public Relations representative for UA Interfraternity Council. "We definitely have confidence in our fraternity here not to pull a stunt like this."

Harst said leadership at ASU was very different from that of the UA student government and added the possibility of a similar event here is not likely.

"We hold our leadership to a higher degree," Harst said. "As leaders you have to maintain a professional image."

Andy Quinn, a UA pre-business sophomore, said he thought most guys would say yes to an opportunity to be in a porn video, but said it jeopardized their organization's reputation.

"It's a farce inappropriate," said Quinn, member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity. "I would feel weird if it was going on at our house."

Quinn said if "it's as serious as this" occurred at UA, participants would be immediately referred to the dean of students. In addition, the fraternities involved would be reprimanded by the Greek judicial Board and by the individual national organizations.

James McGovern, a French and computer engineering junior, said pornography makes life more interesting and would not affect a leadership role.

He referred to Italy, where an ex-porn star is a member of parliament.

"As long as people don't get hurt it's OK," McGovern said.

The University of Arizona Code of Conduct prohibits public sexual indecency and indecent exposure but is not specific enough to include anything related to the production of pornographic videos.

According to the Code of Conduct, however, the board may take "necessary and appropriate action to protect the safety and well-being of the university."

Punishments ranged from a warning to expulsion.

Alain Hernandez, associate dean of students, said he was not aware of past similar events couldn't and shouldn't happen here. As leaden we have to prove consistent what the dean of students would do if it were to occur now at UA.

"I know of no policy related to that," Hernandez said.

Harst expressed concern that the conduct of ASU leaders would harm the reputation of the student government, and that campuses are linked by the Associated Students of Arizona, a student lobbyist group, and ASU's government lobby the State Legislature for more funding of higher education.

Harst said: "As leaders we have to prove consistently that our opinions are credible," Harst said.

We will have to work cooperatively [with the leaders of ASU] to try to revitalize the professionalism."
continue. She said she could set undergraduate students quitting their current jobs if they had the chance to acquire an "apprenticeship."

"They have no benefits," Miller said. "Most people wouldn't want to find a job that is related to their studies."

Anthony Barbaggio, a senior in plant biology from St. Louis, said he does not want to go to Carbondale and would like to find a job a school.

"It's a nice place in the daytime, but it's a good idea and program to offer," Barbaggio said.

Larry Dierks, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, said he would make sure positions are spread across campus when the recommendation comes to the office.

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Calif. cigarette tax may raise

Alvin Shen (The California Aggie (U. California-Davis))

DAVIS, Calif. (U-WIRE) — A new tax proposal presented in the state Assembly, while alleviating the state's budget problems, may also create complications for California smokers.

Assembly Speaker Bob H. Wesson, Jr., D-Los Angeles, first presented the new cigarette tax increase in Aug. 6 as a mechanism to end the budget gridlock.

"My proposal is a win-win for Republicans, for Democrats, and for all Californians," Wesson stated in a press release.

"People don't quit smoking—which is good for everyone—or their habits help balance our budget."

The bill proposes to raise the price of cigarettes by $0.23 to $3 in taxes per pack. According to a press release from Wesson's office, an estimated $1.7 billion could be generated by the new tax increase.

Daniel Robovsky, an Assembly Budget Committee consultant under state Rep. Jenny O'Pepa, D-Long Beach, said that the money brought in by the new cigarette tax would go directly into the state's General Fund, which provides state appropriations for public education, healthcare and corrections.

According to Assembly Speaker Wesson, "this is the only tax (that will save) lives" and create increased revenue for the state, but cigarette tax opponents of the tobacco tax are not opposed to its intent but believe that revenue should not go toward balancing the state budget.

"We should at least use the money to fund preventive and counter-prevention programs to counter them promoted by tobacco companies," Davis High School's registered nurse Karen Hawkins said.

"It certainly is a deterrent," Hawkins continued.

"Tobacco smokers are affected by the price increase. Most kids don't have unlimited funds, if they try to smoke, they smoke less at prices for cigarettes," she said.

If Wesson's proposal is included in the state budget, California will be joining a long list of other states that have substantially increased tobacco taxes as a way of closing budget gaps.

According to a press release from Wesson's office, 20 states have increased tobacco taxes in 2002. Louisiana, for example, increased its cigarette tax by 200 percent.

If California's Assembly passes the tax increase, cigarette prices could jump 245 percent in constant talks with the American side, but "We have to make a new spacesuit for him, because we need to make a special chair that fits his dimensions," Kricidenko said.

Russian Sopo!z crew producing a series, a documentary or a feature film about the space station, but an agency spokesman said Monday that the Bass group of backers, which includes MTV and Radio Shack, missed Friday's deadline to pay $20 million for the trip.

"We realize Lance Bass might not find enough money to go," said Konstantin Kricidenko, a spokesman for the cash-strapped Russian Aviation and Space agency. "We are in constant talks with the American side, but our patience isn't limitless. Except for their promises, we've received nothing from them. Nothing at all.

This mission does not depend on all on Lance Bass. We are preparing a special cargo container that would be used to send the spacecraft in case the singer bails out of the trip. The container and its goods will weigh the same as Bass, reflecting the tight weight restriction aboard the spacecraft.

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The cell phone factor

Cell phone choice depends on mainly use, expert says

Jerry Lynott
Knight Ridder Newspapers

(KRT) — A student is starting back to college with a cell phone, which plan to use will require some study on their part. What carrier should you sign up with? What is the coverage? What is the service plan? It's good for budgeting purposes. The airtime is programmed into the phone and operates on the same principle as buying a phone card with a designated block of time.

Students who buy their own phones and pay their own bills will be required to undergo a credit check by the service provider. You might find it best to use a plan of phone in the first place, said Keiter. With right plan, having a cell phone at school "could hal­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­…
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By Linda C. Black

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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7 - You're impatient, but don't be impulsive. Doing things right is the first step in importance. Don't force somebody to remember you.

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Gemini (May 21-June 21): Today is a 7 - You've been stuck in the details for several weeks. You're about to enter a more creative phase. Use the skills you've learned, and use them unhesitantly.

Cancer (June 22-July 22): Today is an 8 - You're not that's required, anyone who owes you money. The money you owe will soon be paid. Keep from going too fast and getting into trouble.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Today is an 8 - You're out in a playful mood, but you need to be careful. Better find a way to pass your energy. If you can earn money for tips.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Today is a 5 - When you're not up to working hard, you have to work smart. Luckily this is not a problem. Show them.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Today is a 7 - Let the others carry the load for a while. You can be the brains behind the organization. Keep from going too fast and getting into trouble.

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Koutsos on Payton Watch

SIU running back vying for Division I-AA's version of the Heisman

Jens Deju
Daily Egyptian

Throughout the preseason Southern Illinois University running back Tom Koutsos has received award after award. He was named to the preseason All-Conference first team.

Now the 5-foot-11, 220-pound senior from O'Fallon has been named to the watch list for the White Payton Award, which honors Division I-AA's top player.

Despite all the recognition, Koutsos isn't letting it go to his head.

"I just want to go out and prove people wrong," Koutsos said.

Koutsos is the SIU career leader in rushing yards (3,531), rushing attempts (764), player of the Eddie Robinson Award for the last two seasons and his team's top rusher.

"If I can catch the ball, he's our man," coach Ron Petrucci said.

Koutsos is second in career touchdowns (32) and 100-yard rushing games (17). He's currently 701 yards shy of Philadelphia Eagles in the NFL Draft, in 1999. Last season's winner was Villanova running back Michael Green.

"There really isn't any extra pressure," Koutsos said before the awards ceremony in Chattanooga, Tenn.

"It's just as hard to lose your respect for the top football player in the country."

Also awarded on that day will be the Buck Buchanan Award for the top defensive player, the Eddie Robinson Award for the top coach and the Sports Network Cup for the top I-AA mid-major program.

The Sports Network, which is the most widely recognized information service for Division I-AA football, will provide updates on the

Kemner said.

For correctness, the jump serve is an effective weapon and the type of serve most likely to produce an ace. It's done incorrectly, it's like serving a Nerf ball across the net.

"A jump serve is one of the easiest things to do if you hit it right," Kemner said. "But if you hit it too hard, it's a soft serve."

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Follett set for return to court

Junior setter returns to starting role after two years on the sidelines

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

Average setters are not tall. They are not powerful. They are not the sort of players who win blocking contests. But Bevin Follett is not an ordinary setter.

Follett was heavily recruited out of high school because of her unorthodox playing style. Follett, who played for Chillicothe during her senior season, is a 5-foot-11-inch setter with a 9-foot-1-inch frame. Because of her height, Follett, unlike most setters, was a blocked setter — and it nearly killed her career.

During the tide the match of the 2000 Saluki/Best Buy team for a 3-0 victory over Evansville, Follett broke her right ankle on the set. She still has an ankle brace on her left leg from the accident.

"I was going to quit college, totally," Follett said. "I thought originally diagnosed as a sprained ankle, it was much worse. It took a while before Follett had this ankle brace fitted. She spent the rest of the season on the bench, watching helplessly as her team finished last in the conference.

But after two seasons in Corridor all summer with senior Kristie Kemper, Lindsey Schulte, Quinn Augustine and Britten Follett, the group, which hasn't played a full season together since 1999, hopes the extra practice time will further Follett's style. Follett's style.

"The injury set us back so the week where we're not going to have two blockers. She's going to set the ball in the best possible place for us to get a kill," Follett said. "I think we all understand that and it's almost like we know you're going to happen," Follett said.

Although her setting seems fine, Follett is still battling to regain mobility in her left leg.

Follett jokingly said her leg was about an inch wide after the injury, which may not be much of an exaggeration.

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The Jump Serve

Volleyball’s version of the home run swing

**STORY BY MICHAEL BRENNER**

A jump serve is intimidating. It looks cool and can literally knock an opponent on the ground. But it can also make you look like an idiot and hurt your team if it has not been practiced and perfected.

"You have to do it over and over," said Kristie Kemner, the most notable jump server on the SIU volleyball team. "Timing is the biggest thing, and the only way you can get your timing is to keep practicing and testing it out." The exact mechanics of a jump serve depend on the person doing it, but there are a few basic steps to a successful jump serve.

First off, make sure there is enough distance between yourself and the baseline to take three steps. A jump serve is unlikely if you step onto the court before hitting the ball.

Toss the ball about five feet in front of you and 12 feet above you. Height and distance vary, but the toss should be the most heavily practiced element of any jump serve. According to SIU volleyball head coach Sonya Locke, a good toss is the linchpin of any decent serve.

If there is one position where the SIU football team is loaded, it is at running back. Senior Tom Koutsos is the SIU career rushing-yards record holder and is currently on the Gateway Conference’s all-time mark. Transfer Muhammad Abdulqadir once ran for 1,281 yards in a single game. Braxton Robinson averaged a team high, 5.9 yards per carry in a back-up role as a sophomore last season.

All of this sums up to a hard time for opposing defenses.

"We feel like we’ve got some depth at running back," said SIU head coach Jerry Kill, "so we’re okay with a rule like that.

Koutsos is the undisputed star of the team and has already been named to the preseason All-Gateway Conference first team, according to SIU football team coach Randy Williams.

American team and is one of 16 players to watch for the Walter Payton Award as the top player in Division I/AA.

Last season, Koutsos rushed for 1,223 yards and nine touchdowns on 273 attempts. This was the third straight season he had topped the 1,000-yard plateau. Koutsos, who holds SIU career records for rushing yards (3,531), attempts (764) and rushing touchdowns (23), enters the season just 701 yards shy of owning the Gateway’s career rushing record, which was set by Willie High of Eastern Illinois in 1992.

While Koutsos admits he craves the record, he said he’s not going to dwell on it too much because it would take away from his concentration.

"I’m going to get that," Koutsos said.

"Not only is that proving that you’re the man, not only on your team, but you’re the man in your conference." But it can also make you look like an idiot and hurt your team if it has not been practiced and perfected.

Senior Tom Koutsos is one of 16 players on the watch list for the Walter Payton Award.

"You get used to it," Brachcar said.

"Coach Kill has been a good toss is the linchpin of any decent serve.

Despite being slowed by injuries, Abdulqadir has already made an impression on his teammates.

"Muhammad’s a great back," Brachcar said. "He’s going to help be able to help the future, outside, whatever they need him to do.

"Coach Kill has got a lot of weapons in the backfield he can use..."