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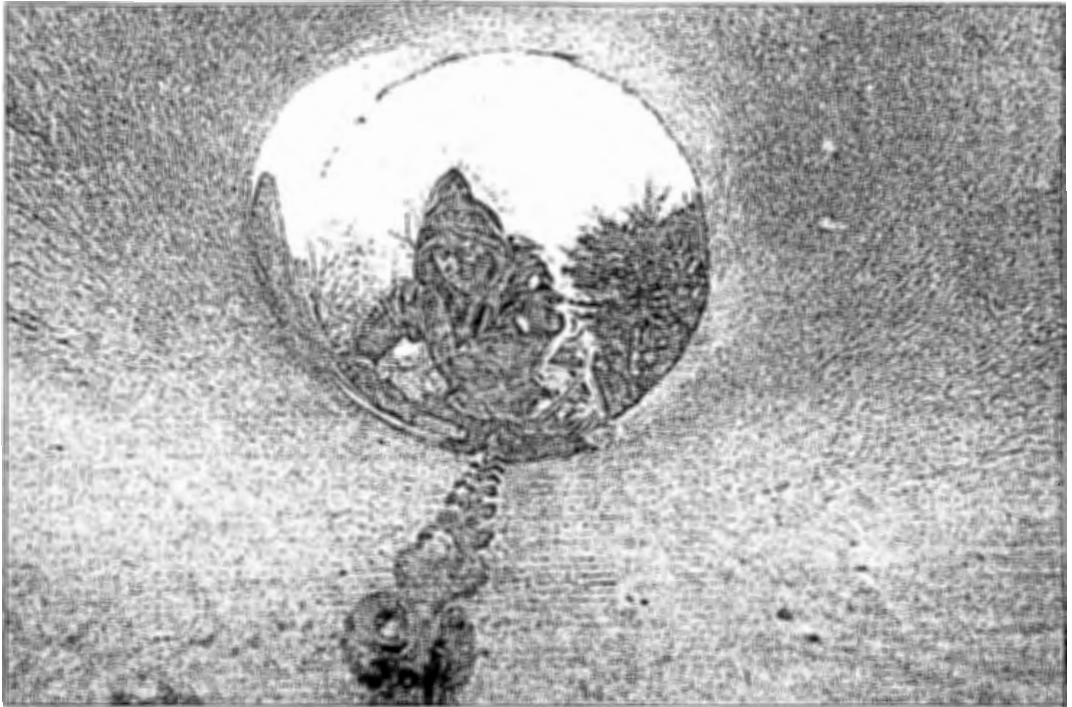
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FORECAST

TODAY Cloudy High: 38 Low: 22

TOMORROW Snow High: 39 Low: 32

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DEVIN MILLER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Don Simpson of Mid America Services secures an old drainage pipe to a flatbed trailer Thursday afternoon near the current construction of the Mill Street underpass in downtown Carbondale.

Mill Street underpass running on schedule

Work to begin on underpass structure soon

KAREN BLATTER GOVERNMENT EDITOR

The Mill Street underpass project will continue construction with the excavation of the underpass in the next few weeks, according to an Illinois Department of Transportation official.

Travis Emyr, resident engineer with IDOT, said the project is right on time and the good weather has helped to keep the project on schedule.

"Things are going well," he said. "There are no major problems. The weather has been a major factor and we are trying to get a lot done."

The \$8 million project, sched-

uled to be completed by summer 2001, is running on budget. The project started in June as a way to gain passage under the railroad tracks and relieve congestion when a train passes through.

Carbondale City Engineer Larry Miles said he is pleased with the progress that is being made on the project.

"Traffic is still moving and it's going pretty good," he said.

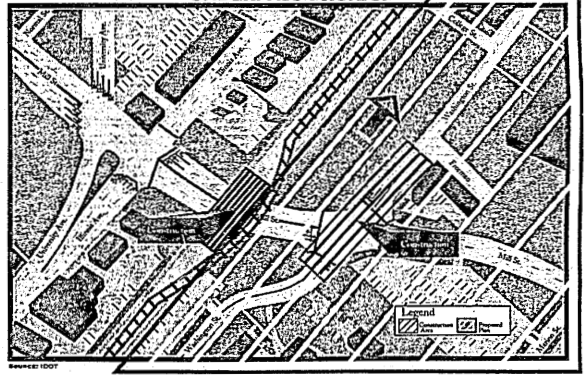
The Illinois FIRST program is providing some funding, along with other local groups.

Washington Street from Freeman Street to about Washington Square will be closed until Friday, while work on the sewer system is being completed.

The project is ending phase two and moving into phase three of the seven phase plan. Most of the construction

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MILL STREET UNDERPASS PROJECT



KRISTINE DONOVAN - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Greek Millennium Initiative now official

Gus Bode



Gus says: Back to the good old days.

Program attempts to improve greek life, replacing Select 2000

JENNIFER WIG DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The SIUC Inter-Greek Council president introduced the newly approved Greek Millennium Initiative to the rest of the greek system Thursday — an effort to create a new foundation for greek life at SIUC.

The initiative, proposed last October by students, revises four of nine points in the Select 2000 policy: alcohol use, academics, community service and campus involvement.

The Select 2000 policy was adopted in 1997

and fully implemented in 1998, but greeks contended the program was implemented without their input.

In addition to a required increase in community service hours and a 2.25 grade point average, 21-year-old fraternity members are now allowed to have alcohol in their rooms. Fraternities are also allowed to have three regulated alcoholic social events each year, and sororities will remain dry because of national policy.

Interim Chancellor John Jackson informed Inter-Greek Council President Brienne Cichella of the initiative's approval Friday.

"This is a very broad provision for academic and social life and for public service and for making grades as a chapter," Jackson said. "It puts a great deal of responsibility on students and on the greek system to create an educational program and set up a procedure for the parties."

Jackson said he expects chapters to abide by

the initiative's alcohol policies, which include providing sober monitors and drivers at parties. The initiative stresses education, requiring greeks to participate in Training for Intervention Procedures by Servers of Alcohol (TIPS) and other instructional sessions.

"Other institutions have had problems with alcohol, and we're no different," Jackson said. "We're certainly no worse, and I think we're better than most. The greek organizations have been acting responsible, and I think they will continue to do so."

The initiative, which is described as the "lifeblood of the greek system," is aimed in part to increase greek numbers and morale. The percentage of greeks on the SIUC campus has declined from 8 percent to 3 percent during the last 2 1/2 years.

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CALENDAR

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TODAY

• National Junior Regional Wheelchair Basketball Tournament needs assistance in court side or the hospitality room, Jan. 21 through 23, 8 a.m., Student Recreation Center, Kathy 453-1267.

• SIU Choirs Choral Auditions, Altgeld Hall Room 115, John 549-1756.

• Library Affairs Intermediate Web Page Construction, 2 to 4 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.

• Spanish Table meeting, every Fri., 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange, 453-5425.

• Saluki Volunteer Corps training for the network will be discussed at the social work student alliance meeting, 4 p.m.; Quigley Room 7E, Vicky 351-1559.

• Japanese Table, every Fri., 6 to 8 p.m., Melange Cafe, Janet 453-5429.

• Christians Unlimited meeting with guest speaker Pat Grom, 7 p.m., Student Center Mississippi Room, Don 457-7501.

• Science Fiction and Fantasy Society the week feature is "Willow", 7 p.m., Student Center Video Lounge, Marie 529-7474.

• Intersivarsity Christian Fellowship meeting, 7 p.m., Agriculture Building Room 209, Patrick 549-4284.

UPCOMING

• Habitat for Humanity needs assistance in building, painting and refurbishing houses, Jan. 22, 8 a.m., meet in front of Student Center, Bridget or John 529-3311.

• Illinois Ozarks Craft Guild juried exhibition, participants may bring work, Jan. 22, 9 a.m. to noon, John A. Logan College Museum and Art Galleries west entrance, Adrienne 457-7676 extension

8522.

• Respect Life 2000 Rally, Jan. 22, 10 a.m., Knights of Columbus Hall in Marion.

• River Region Evening Edition open house, Jan. 22, 3 to 5 p.m., Communications Building Room 1015, Rich 453-5282.

• Shawnee Audubon Society lecture by Jody Shimp on rare plants and special features of Illinois natural areas, Jan. 24, 7 p.m., Carbondale Civic Center, Karen 457-6367.

• Universal Spirituality pagan spirituality discussion group, Jan. 24, 7 p.m., Longbranch Coffee Shop back room, Tara 529-5029.

• Ballroom Dance Club meeting, dance lessons and practice session, Jan. 24, 7 p.m., Davies Gym second floor small gym, \$15 student members, Bryan 351-8855.

• Illinois Native Plant Society seminar on loss of prairie and native plants, Jan. 24, 7 p.m.; Life Science II Room 450, Greg 453-3231.

• Library Affairs Power Point, 10 to 11:15 p.m., Finding Full Text Articles, 3 to 4 p.m., Jan. 25, Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.

• Red Cross Blood Drive assist in blood drive activities or donate blood, Jan. 25 and 26, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., Student Center Missouri Room, 453-5714.

• Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Mill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2898.

• Japanese Table, every Tues., noon to 1 p.m., Student Center Cambria Room, bring your lunch, Dawn 536-8380.

• OMSE meeting, Jan. 25, 5 p.m., Wham 219, Michael 351-8044.

• Voices of Inspiration first rehearsal for returning choir, Jan. 25, 6 p.m., Agriculture Building Auditorium, Jerome 453-7237.

• Saluki Volunteer needs volunteers assisting children with age appropriate

activities while parents are in parent/teacher meetings, Jan. 25, 7 p.m., Unity Point School, Maryon 453-4341.

• The Southern Illinois Repertory Dance Theater auditions for new members, Jan. 25, 7 p.m., Furr Auditorium Pulliam 42, Donna 453-3123.

• Library Affairs Intermediate Web Page Construction, 2 to 4 p.m., Introduction to Constructing Web Pages, 4 to 6 p.m., Jan. 26, Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.

• Black Undergraduate Psychology Society meeting, Jan. 26, 5 p.m., Activity Room D, Shauna 351-1944.

• AnimeKai is showing Japanese animated films with English subtitles, Jan. 26, 6 to 8 p.m., Faner 1125, Jason 536-6365.

• Zoology Club meeting, Jan. 26, 6 p.m., Life Science II Room 367, Suma 549-0239.

• Instructional Programs Tai Chi free sampler, Jan. 26, 6 to 7 p.m., SRC Dance Studio, Michelle 453-1263.

• River Region Evening Edition television news orientation meeting, Jan. 26, 7 p.m., Communications Studio B, Rich 453-5282.

• The Southern Illinois Repertory Dance Theater auditions for new members, Jan. 26, 3 p.m., Furr Auditorium Pulliam 42, Donna 453-3123.

• SIU Sailing Club meeting, every Thurs., 8 p.m., Student Center Kaskaskia/Missouri Room contact Shelley 529-0993.

• Library Affairs Finding Full Text Articles, 9 to 10 a.m., Finding Scholarly Articles, 10 to 11 a.m., Email using Eudora, 2 to 3:15 p.m., Jan. 27, Morris Library Room 103D, 453-2818.

• SIUC Kendo Club meeting, every Thurs., 6 to 9 p.m., Davies Gym, Todd 353-4002.

POLICE BLOTTER

UNIVERSITY

• A 26-year-old Carbondale man told University police someone stole his \$30 coat while he was using the weight room at the Recreation Center Wednesday morning. Police have no suspects in this incident.

• An SIUC student from Carbondale told University police Wednesday someone stole \$300 from an on-campus location. There are no suspects in this incident.

• John Cross, 21, of Carbondale was arrested and charged with public possession of open alcohol near Lawson Hall at 3:15 a.m. Thursday. University police released Cross on a notice to appear in Carbondale city court.

• University police found a damaged bus stop shelter near the corner of Washington and Park streets at 1:48 a.m. Thursday. A large Plexiglas window pane was broken out in the incident in which there are no suspects. A damage estimate was unavailable.

POLICE BLOTTER

THIS DAY IN 1990

• More than 120 area pro-life activists participated in a march to protect "Sanctity of Life" in a rally organized by the Christian Action Committee. The event, the sixth of its kind, commemorated the 17th anniversary of the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision of Roe vs. Wade, that made abortion legal.

• After two and a half years of renovation, Pulliam Hall was almost ready to reopen. The building, originally constructed in 1951, was scheduled for completion in the next six to eight weeks, but lacked funding to pay for the remainder of the project.

CORRECTIONS

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Associate athletic director brings experience

Alumna Cynthia K. Jones to focus on recruitment program

BRUNN SCOTT
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

New Associate Athletic Director Cynthia K. Jones, SIUC alumna, brings 10 years of NCAA compliance and infraction matters experience to her position.

Jones, a senior counsel with the Bond, Schoeneck and King, LLP law firm, devoted the 10 years to national law practice in athletics.

Compliance involves following rules and regulations established by the NCAA or other athletic associations, and infractions refer to violations of those rules.

Jones, who prefers to be called by her middle name Kathy, is now focusing on familiarizing herself with the SIU Athletic Department and its employees. Harold Bardo, interim athletics director, and Jones are still discussing Jones' job responsibilities.

sibilities.

Jones and Bardo may continue to work side-by-side if Bardo is named permanent athletic director. Bardo applied for the job Friday, and the permanent athletic director should be named by the end of the semester.

"I applied at the last minute," Bardo said.

Jones also plans to pinpoint problems in the athletic budget and recruiting.

Bardo, who compliments Jones' dedication to NCAA compliance, said Jones is well matched for the job because of her experience.

"Her experience [at the University of Minnesota as an academic counselor to athletes] is very useful for us, and she is eminently qualified for this position," Bardo said.

But Jones said she wants to get directly involved with the teams when the right time comes by interacting with the coaching staff.

"I am very excited about working with the coaches and student athletes," Jones said.

Jones fills the year-and-a-half void left by

Charlotte West, who resigned from the associate director's position in July 1998. West is known as a pioneer in advancing women's athletics.

Jones, having big shoes to fill, values winning and said she plans to improve recruitment programs to help make SIUC prosperous. Jones said having sufficient funds and aids for recruiting would bring higher caliber athletes to the University.

"Recruiting is critical for the University and it gives it more vulnerability," Jones said. "And winning is the bottom line for success."

Aside from an impressive experience record in NCAA athletics, an aid to Jones' winning campaign as associate director could be her love for the University.

Jones, who earned her master's degree in 1977, was involved, in Graduate and Professional Student Government and the Residence Hall Association for Steagall Hall.

"It seems like you either never leave or always come back to Carbondale," Jones said.

Impending lawsuit surrounds Shawnee roads

Pope County plans to sue Forest Service over use of trails

JASON COKER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

In the 1930s, the United States Forest Service took control of old Pope County roads within the Shawnee National Forest that were not in service. But today, in a developing legal battle, Pope County residents are demanding the roads back.

Pope County attorney Evan Owens recently filed a notice with an intent to sue the Forest Service for control of these roads in various parts of the Shawnee, including Bell Smith Springs and Burke's Branch. The notice states that Pope County never officially relinquished control of the roads to the government. The Forest Service has about three months left to respond to the notice, which was filed Dec. 8.

The dispute centers around the ban on all-terrain vehicles in Illinois' only national forest. Currently, ATVs are not allowed in the forest unless someone has a handicap permit.

Dick Manders, proprietor of Bear Branch Campground in Pope County and ATV owner, said the roads belong to the county, and the coun-

ty's residents should be able to do what they want with the roads.

"All of us should be able to use part of the forest," Manders said.

The impending lawsuit has produced more resentment in the already shaky relationship between environmentalists and other special interest groups.

Environmental activist Mark Donham, of Brookport, says ATVs would ruin the landscapes that draw tourists to Shawnee National Forest in the first place. He says allowing ATV usage would harm protected wilderness.

"People want a forest not riddled with scars," Donham said. "People come here for peace and quiet to get away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life."

But Donham may have nothing to fear, as some speculate Pope County has no chance of winning the suit, if it is filed. Illinois Attorney General Jim Ryan said a few years ago that a lawsuit trying to assume control over any part of Shawnee National Forest is not winnable.

Liam Coonan, the Forest Service's attorney, could not be reached for comment.

The Pope County Board of Commissioners said that allowing ATVs in the Shawnee would promote tourism by increasing public access to the

forest. Their belief is that if the county assumed control over certain roads and allowed ATVs, tourism would increase.

Shawnee has nine bigger sections called Wilderness Areas plus hundreds of smaller sections. And according to environmental activist Sam Stearns, these divisions mean the forest is already easily accessible by motor vehicles.

"The ownership of the land is like a checkerboard," he said.

Stearns highlighted an example of accessing the forest during a visit on Wednesday to the Burden Falls Wilderness Area.

"This is a roaring waterfall surrounded by a rocky canyon that is only 50 yards from a parking lot," Stearns said. "It is not difficult to walk up these paths."

But another major dispute in the ATV tug of war contest concerns the erosion of top soil ATVs cause and the lack of law enforcement in Shawnee.

Forest Service spokeswoman Becky Banker said there are only three law officers to cover the 280,000 acres that comprise the Shawnee. Already damage has spread throughout the forest because of illegal ATV use in certain areas.

The Shawnee National Forest is a collection of forests surrounded by local towns and ranches. Some of these areas range from as little as 40 acres to as many as a few thousand acres in size.

NEWS IN BRIEF

USG meets Sunday at Student Center

The Undergraduate Student Government will have its first meeting for the spring semester at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in Student Center Ballroom B.

Items on the agenda include the election of three Internal Affairs Committee members.

For more information contact the USG office at 536-3381.

University releases preliminary figures

Preliminary registration numbers released by the University indicate a decline in enrollment this semester. The figures were compiled from changes between the spring 1999 and spring 2000 semesters and were released last fall. Professional schools were not included in these numbers.

The number of graduate students decreased by 122, and the number of undergraduate students registered fell by 227 — a 2-percent decline. The figures also showed a 44-percent drop in the number of transfer students.

The colleges of Education and Engineering suffered a 2-percent decrease in student enrollment from the previous year, while the College of Science experienced a 5-percent decrease during the same period. The enrollment in the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts increased by 11-percent. The College of Liberal Arts saw student registration increase by 24 students.

Walker Allen, director of Admissions and Records, had no comment concerning preliminary numbers, and said Spring 2000 enrollment figures will be released within the next couple of weeks.



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Friday
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To contact entertainment reporter Travis Morse for story ideas or related information, call the Daily Egyptian at 536-3311 or e-mail at editor@siu.edu



MINGOOK PARK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

June-Hak Lee, a junior in cinema from South Korea, is looking at The Rhodes's untitled glass and steel artwork at the University Museum Thursday afternoon.

Faculty shows off artistic talent

University puts faculty artwork on display

TRAVIS MORSE
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

For more than 20 years, the University Museum has displayed the art of various faculty members in the Combined Faculty Exhibit.

This year's exhibit, which runs between Jan. 18 and March 10, includes work by faculty members from the School of Art and Design, Cinema and Photography, Theater and Applied Arts/Interior Design.

John Whitlock, director of the exhibit, said it offers students a significant opportunity to observe their faculty's talent.

"Students enrolled in the University need to be aware of the diversity of talent on this campus," Whitlock said. "In this case, the faculty."

For Jerry Monteith, associate professor in the School of Art and Design, it is very important for students to see their professors as more than just teachers.

"It's a chance for students to see what faculty members are doing in their own research and

work," Monteith said. "Maybe some students don't see their teachers as artists, and it's important they do."

Whitlock said the exhibit is also worthwhile because of the variety of art forms it offers the audience.

"The exhibit represents a variety of media in arts and design," Whitlock said. "It's a unique exhibit, and a good number of the works are outstanding."

Robert DeHoet, museum educational coordinator, said the purpose of the exhibit is straightforward.

"We want to give the public access to artwork by the faculty in a variety of different media from two-dimensional to three-dimensional," DeHoet said. "The exhibit's real strong point is you get to see the combined talent of so many artists."

About 30 different works from faculty members are on display at the exhibit. Monteith contributed an abstract mixed media piece titled, "Tongues of Vipers."

He describes it as a combination of several

SEE TALENT, PAGE 5

Ripley a true psychological thriller

Rating: ★★★★★

TRAVIS MORSE
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Famed director Alfred Hitchcock once described the suspense film as being almost completely opposite of the mystery film. If there is a bomb under someone's bed, Hitchcock said, there is no reason to hide that fact from the audience. Show the bomb from the start and let the audience sweat it out.

It is this spirit that runs through "The Talented Mr. Ripley," director Anthony Mingella's subtle, artful adaptation of Patricia Highsmith's classic novel.

From the moment Tom Ripley (Matt Damon) was introduced, it was evident he would attempt to assume the identity of the charming, yet pompous, millionaire's son, Dickie Greenleaf (Jude Law). The enjoyment of the movie is watching Ripley attempt to get away with this daring feat without arousing suspicions from those around him.

The film starts with a chance meeting between Ripley and Herbert Greenleaf, Dickie's father, in New York City. Ripley is playing the piano at a dinner party and has borrowed a Harvard jacket from a friend. After striking up a friendly conversation with Herbert, Ripley claims to know Dickie from Harvard, and soon afterward the concerned father sends Ripley to Italy to convince his estranged son to return.

When Ripley meets the enigmatic Dickie Greenleaf, he becomes entranced with the flamboyant man's lifestyle — and really, who wouldn't be? Dickie lives off of his father's allowance and divides his time between cheating on his beautiful girlfriend (Gwyneth Paltrow) and enjoying the numerous jazz clubs in Italy circa 1958.

Soon, Ripley is obsessed with becoming Greenleaf, and the movie becomes a mesmerizing cat and mouse game as Ripley bounces around Italy trying to convince everyone of his new identity.

Ripley, with his sociopathic and homosexual tendencies, is a complex character. Damon gives a wonderfully graceful and magnetic performance and succeeds in shedding his nice guy, boy-next-door persona to play this dangerously psychotic character. We saw evidence of this in his performance as a wrathful angel in Kevin Smith's hilarious "Dogma," but here the transformation is more complete.

The transformation is successful because Mingella's witty script does not soften the character's sharp edges. He gives Damon some great, insightful dialogue helping the actor better define his character. Near the end of the film, Ripley exclaims, "It's better to be a fake somebody than a real nobody." It is at this point a connection to this character is made despite his horrific actions. Mingella and Damon expose this character's emotions so thoroughly that we can not help but identify with him. This is the true definition of character development.

Mingella has bounced back quite a bit from his romantic, but slow-paced breakthrough film, "The English Patient," to fashion a riveting suspense thriller. A director like Brian DePalma could have really catapulted this film into the realm of movie-masterpiece, but Mingella deserves a lot of credit for bringing that old Hitchcock feeling back into movies. Indeed, that is a feeling that will always be missed.

WEEKEND EVENTS

FRIDAY, JAN. 21:

- Carbondale:
- Open mic night at 10 p.m. at Longbranch coffee house.
- Live DJ show every Friday and Saturday at Sixx with no cover charge.
- A punk rock showcase ignites at Boo Jr.'s with three local bands: That Guy, Safety First and The Holidays. That Guy takes the stage at 9 p.m. Admission is \$2.
- The Schwag, a Grateful Dead cover band, will play Hangar 9 at 10 p.m. Admission is \$4.
- Something to Mow takes the stage at PK's at 9:30 p.m. There is no cover charge. The band will also be playing Saturday at 9:30 p.m.
- From January 18 to March 10, the University Museum is displaying a Combined Faculty Exhibition. Times for the exhibit are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. The museum is free and open to the public.
- The Playroom, an exhibition judged and organized by students enrolled in Art 447 will be on display at the University Museum from Jan. 18 to March 10. The museum is free and open to the public.
- An exhibit of Martin Desht's photography will be on display in the University Museum from Jan. 18 to Feb. 29. Times for the exhibit are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. The museum is free and open to the public.
- Emily, the piano player, will be at Mugsy McGuire's from 6 to 11 p.m. There is no cover charge.
- Loose Gravel, a five-piece swing/blues band, plays the

Melange Coffeehouse from 8 to 10:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.

St. Louis:
• At 8 p.m., 1964 A Tribute to the Beatles takes place at the Westport Playhouse in St. Louis. Tickets are \$17.50. The event will be repeated Saturday at the same time.

• The Wise Monkey Orchestra take the stage at The Firehouse. The show starts at 10 p.m. and tickets are \$6. There is a \$2 surcharge for those under 21.

• Counting Crows, a successful folk/rock band touring in support of their new album "This Desert Life," is playing at the American Theatre. Ticket prices range from \$25 to \$27.50.

Chicago:
• Albita, a band in the ethnic/foreign genre, takes the stage at the Chicago House of Blues at 7:30 p.m. The ticket price is \$20.

SATURDAY, JAN. 22:

- Carbondale:
- Susan Byrd will be the featured flute player at the graduate recital at the Old Baptist Foundation Recital Hall at 3 p.m. Admission is free.
- Back Room at the Branch is featuring Ben Weaver and Paul Dandy from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at the Longbranch Coffee House. Weaver and Randy are touring the States to promote their new CDs. Their styles combine the simple

life with vintage vaudeville. There is a \$5 admission price.

• Jackson Junction will play at Fred's Dances, Barnes and Noble at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$5.25 for adults and half price for ages 6 to 12.

• Saturday Morning Storytime takes place at Barnes and Noble at 10:30 a.m. This week the group is reading "Don't Make Me Laugh" by James Stevenson. The event is free and open to the public.

• There is a stained glass demonstration at Barnes and Noble at 1:30 p.m. Kent Daudeman, from the Egyptian Glass and Gallery, will be displaying his art. The event is free and open to the public.

• The Bottletones will play at Hangar 9 at 9 p.m. Admission is \$4.

• The Slappin' Henry Blues band is playing at Boo Jr.'s at 9 p.m. Admission is \$2.

• Caravan, a five-piece jazz group, takes the stage at Melange Coffeehouse at 8 p.m. There is no cover charge.

Chicago:
• Johnny Winter, a Texas-born blues guitarist, takes center stage at the Chicago House of Blues at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$25.

Compiled by Travis Morse

Jazz pianist, blues master Gene Harris, 66, dies

MYRNA OLIVER
LOS ANGELES TIMES

Gene Harris, a Grammy-nominated jazz pianist who organized and led the group the Three Sounds, has died. Harris died Sunday in Boise, Idaho, at the age of 66. The cause of death was kidney failure brought on by diabetes.

A native of Benton Harbor, Mich., Harris taught himself to play boogie-woogie piano as a child after listening to the recordings of Pete Johnson and Albert Ammons.

In 1956, Harris formed the Three Sounds, which toured Michigan and then moved to New York, where the blues-style

group began recording and refined its repertory to include show tunes and standards. The group's blend of soul-styled melodies and groove-oriented rhythms had a powerful effect upon the emergence of soul jazz in the late 1950s, and eventually affected the funk and fusion of the 1970s and '80s. But Harris never abandoned his mainstream jazz skills, and even in his most overtly commercial outings one can hear tinges of bebop phrasing and blues-based harmonies.

The pianist's 1985 recording "Gene Harris Trio Plus One," earned him the French equivalent of the Grammy. Boise State University inaugurated the Gene Harris Jazz Festival in his honor in 1998.

MILL STREET

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in the next few months will not interrupt traffic.

The third phase deals mostly with building the physical structure of the underpass and the completion of storm sewers.

Most of the construction will take place on the east side of the tracks, with the completion of storm sewers and the physical underpass.

"The bridge isn't going to bother anybody," Emry

said.

There will also be work done on the Amtrak platform. The platform needs to be raised, but will only cause congestion to pedestrian traffic in that area and will be minor.

There will be more work in the future on Illinois Avenue to expand the lanes and create turn lanes. Construction should begin in April or May.

Work still needs to be completed on College Street after the tracks are raised about 12 more inches to accommodate the higher grade caused by the underpass. Presently, College Street from Illinois Avenue to Washington Street only has a temporary surface.

GREEK

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Cichella sees the new program as a building block for fraternity and sorority life.

"We all believed in what we

were fighting for, and we hoped the University would work along with us," Cichella said. "We believe this is the perfect program for our campus."

Matt Arnold, Interfraternity Council president, said greeks must be held accountable for their

actions, and this program hinges on the enforcement of the rules.

"I think we have a lot to prove," said Arnold. "If we can achieve this program, we can achieve anything we want and still have a good time doing it responsibly."

TALENT

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different artistic elements.

"There are many abstract elements in the piece including rope, dyed wood, paint... and even Hebrew text," Monteith said. "This whole exhibit lets the community see contemporary art that they wouldn't otherwise be exposed to."

The medium of photography is well represented at the exhibit as well. Jan Roddy, an associate professor in

the Department of Cinema and Photography, contributed an image and text piece called, "In the Bones."

The project features a documentary-like digital photograph that deals with Roddy's roots in the Missouri Ozarks.

"It's inherently photographic, but photographic is a malleable term," Roddy said. "I used a digital darkroom and the print was printed off a desktop computer."

Viewing hours for the Combined Faculty Exhibition are: Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.



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JUSTIN JONES - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Kendra Boyd (right) an undecided freshman from St. Louis, compares text book prices with Jenise Green, also an undecided freshman from St. Louis, Thursday afternoon at the University Bookstore.

Bookstore fate delayed

Decision on leasing postponed

TERRY L. DEAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The fate of the University Bookstore has been delayed while a committee assembled to look into its privatization continues to be reviewed, Student Center officials said.

A decision on leasing the University Bookstore to outside companies was set for January. Student Center management considered leasing the bookstore to an independent contractor in September because of the declining revenue caused by rival bookstores.

The Student Center estimates that a private contractor will generate more than 10 percent of sales rather than the current 4 percent made from last year's sales.

Greg Tatham, director of the Student Center, said the decision was delayed in order to give the committee, composed of students, faculty, staff and administrators, time to review potential contractors.

Tatham said a private contractor will not affect services, and the University will be in a more favorable position financially. He said the future of the bookstore ultimately rests with the chancellor.

"As far as a final decision, it's still in the hands of the chancellor at this point," he said. "The chancellor has asked for more time to contact companies to review the matter, and I'm not in any position to rush him on that."

Interim Chancellor John Jackson said proposals from three companies are being considered. A final decision will be reached in a couple of weeks.

"We're having to do some additional work in gathering information on what effect this will have on our students," Jackson said.

Jackson said he is aware of the concerns toward private leasing and will take them under consideration.

"We're concerned about our current employees who work in the bookstore, and we're concerned about how this will affect them," Jackson said. "This is an important decision that has to be made and we're not going to rush it."

Close to 20 student jobs may be lost to leasing corporation employees, according to bookstore officials. In addition, money generated from the bookstore helps to pay for student study lounges and other Student Center facilities.

Mark Palmore, senior director of Campus Relations for Connect 2 One, an independent organization that advises colleges on bookstore matters, said income may decrease in the hands of a private contractor.

"If the universities lose control of their institutions, that's money being taken away from the students," he said. Palmore also said it is a myth to think book prices will not be affected by a move to privatization.

"Staying independent helps determine the level of revenue and services that is needed to better produce for the students," he said. "The University will get income if they go toward privatization, but the people who will suffer the most is the students."

Tatham said management is considering the potential of increased book prices. He said those fears have little merit at this stage.

"People who make those comments don't have all the facts," he said.

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It's a very wide web: 1 billion pages' worth

ASHLEY DUNN
LOS ANGELES TIMES

A new survey of the World Wide Web has turned up at least 1 billion unique Web pages, underscoring the startling growth of the Internet during the last few years. The survey, conducted by search engine company Inktomi Corp. and the NEC Research Institute, provides one of the most accurate pictures yet of the size of the Web.

A rough estimate by the NEC Research Institute in August had placed the number of unique Web pages at about 800 million.

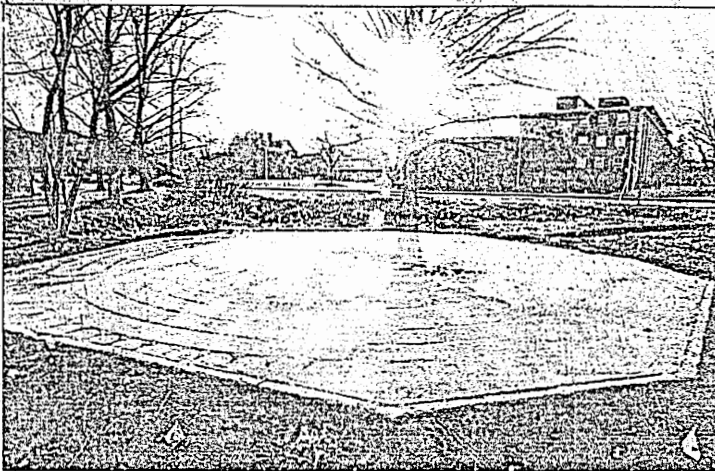
Foster City, Calif.-based Inktomi embarked on the survey four months ago to bolster its own search index of 110 million English-language Web pages.

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TED SCHURTER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

The second phase of construction is expected to be completed by 2002 on the labyrinth located adjacent to the Interfaith Center, 913 S. Illinois Ave. Benches, lighting, landscaping and a waterfall will be installed at a projected cost of \$35,000.

Labyrinth project on the right path

Project coordinators say their work is helping to bring the Carbondale community together

GEOFFREY RITTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Annette Vaillancourt witnessed a moving display of spirituality and togetherness at the christening of the first phase of a new labyrinth in Carbondale New Year's Eve.

Vaillancourt said she and her fellow organizers think the recently completed phase of the project was a success and helped to unite the University and the city.

"People describe it as 'magical,'" said Vaillancourt, executive committee treasurer for Carbondale Labyrinth 2000, of the \$41,000 project located adjacent to the Interfaith Center, 913 S. Illinois Ave. "People are generally really excited about it and really interested in it."

Vaillancourt said the first phase of the project, which included cleaning the area and painting the twisting path on the concrete slab that serves as the labyrinth, cost less than its anticipated \$6,000. The labyrinth was ready for the global New Year's Eve gathering consisting of a ceremony of music, dancing and spirituality that culminated with a walk of the labyrinth at midnight.

The second phase of the project, which is estimated to cost \$35,000 for a 2002 completion date, includes installing a waterfall on the grounds and adding benches, lighting and landscaping.

Robert Swenson, a local architect and SIUC faculty member who designed the labyrinth and the surrounding park-like area based on ideas from the Carbondale Labyrinth 2000 team, said meeting the deadline within the budget will not be a problem. He said he hopes to see the waterfall and landscaping completed by this summer.

Swenson added that all of the physical labor required for the project is being done by volunteers from the University and area residents.

"The volunteer level here is incredible," he said. "It's been a real positive experience."

The idea to build a labyrinth in Carbondale was first hatched in October 1998 by a small committee, which included Vaillancourt. Quickly garnering local support, the project attracted cash donations from more than 60 Carbondale residents and businesses, as well as donated goods and services. To date, the project has received more than \$10,000 in donations. Vaillancourt said the organizers even received an anonymous donation of \$4,000.

The labyrinth, a long standing symbol of spirituality and meditation, is recognized throughout the world and by numerous religions. By slowly following the winding pathways that eventually lead to the center, the labyrinth-goer's goal is one of self-realization and contemplation.

Research is currently being done to determine possible uses for labyrinths in the medical world for treating head injuries and other related problems, Vaillancourt said.

SIUC interim Chancellor John Jackson, who has made contributions to the project, said it is very good for bridging relations between Carbondale and the University.

"I've certainly tried to support it," he said. "It's a good example of University and city cooperation."

Jackson also said the labyrinth's location, near the busy intersection of South Illinois and Grand Avenues and on the very edge of the University, helps to physically provide a good transition between SIUC and the city.

Vaillancourt thinks the reason the committee has so successful is because the labyrinth has such a wide appeal to everyone, from busy professionals seeking to relieve stress to students searching for a moment of silence before taking an exam.

"Something about following that singular path serves as a metaphor for life," she said. "Life has twists and turns and we meet different people on the path, but we all end up in the same place."



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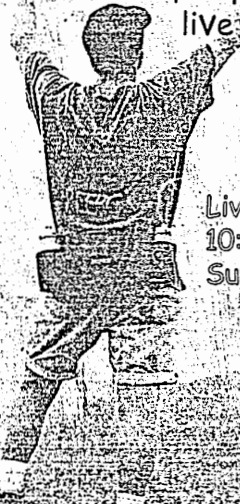
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New surgical suite to solve overcrowding problem

Hospital to complete several projects in the next few years

KATE MCCANN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

An ongoing \$9 million construction project to expand the surgery suite in Memorial Hospital of Carbondale is anticipated to be completed at the beginning of April, according to hospital administrator George Maroney.

The new facility at Memorial Hospital of Carbondale, 405 W. Jackson St., will replace six existing operating rooms built in the late 1960s.

The current setting is so inadequate and antiquated that it had to be replaced, Maroney said. The type of equipment we're using in surgery today is much more sophisticated and needs more space.

Overcrowding and limited space is the primary reason for the addition, which will more than double the space in the present operating wing.

The major reason we did this project is because it was just too crowded," Maroney said. "We probably have 50 surgeons on staff now, compared to the maybe six we had when those first operating rooms were built. That gives you an example of what the locker rooms are like every morning."

The new operating rooms are being built adjacent to the surgical outpatient processing wing on the first floor, where there is added space for future construction of more operating rooms.

The layout of the new operating rooms is such that we'll be able to expand very easily in the coming years," Maroney said.

In addition to expanding the surgery center, the hospital plans to propose a project to the state to add more birthing rooms on the second floor of the hospital and to upgrade the neonatal intensive care unit.

"Right now we're delivering about 2,100 babies a year," Maroney said. "We anticipate the number of deliveries to increase to 2,400 or 2,500 a year."

The hospital also proposes to build

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a medical intensive care unit where the current operating rooms are and to replace the existing Intensive Care Unit with a surgical ICU.

The final completion of this construction project will result in 11 surgical ICU beds and six medical ICU beds to accommodate the influx of patients from the Open Heart Program scheduled to start this fall.

Maroney said the \$15-\$16 million project should start next summer and take almost two years to complete.

The third construction project ongoing at the hospital will expand the 300-car parking garage to a 900 car parking garage.

"This will effect the University because we will no longer have to shuttle our employees from University parking to the hospital parking," Maroney said.

"Basically, when you finish this project, this is a brand new hospital built in pieces."

Tech support answer the calls of the wired

MICHAEL STROH
THE BALTIMORE SUN

Did you hear the one about the stressed-out fellow who rang tech support looking for the "any" key because his computer ordered him to "Hit any key"? How about the seamstress who set up her new PC with the mouse under the desk because she thought it was a foot pedal? Or the caffeine addict who called to complain that his cup-holder was broken. You know, the one that slides out of your computer...

If these sound like urban legends of the Digital Age, spend an evening with James Copeland, an 18-year-old tech support staffer at Absolute Quality Inc. in Hunt Valley, Md. Copeland and his colleagues handle distress calls for cus-

tomers of popular software publishers such as Hasbro Interactive, Lego and Scholastic. They've heard it all: Parents swearing a blue streak, panting phone sex operators, blubbering babies and blubbering adults.

In the world of high technology, where software wizards and engineers grab the glory, tech support staffers take the blame for the software bugs and design goofos that drive users crazy.

On a typical day, Copeland and his colleagues field up to 500 calls from a warren of cubicles papered with posters of pro wrestlers and Sports Illustrated swimsuit models, as well as thank-you notes from grateful callers they've rescued from the brink of disaster.

"If you can't pinpoint a problem, it's

frustrating," he says. In tough cases like these, Absolute Quality troubleshooters sometimes build a computer to match the one a caller has on his desktop—a silicon petri dish to experiment with possible fixes.

To that end, they maintain an inventory of computers that ranges from the latest Apple G4 to decades-old museum pieces, as well as a storeroom stocked with most of the audio and video circuit boards on the market today.

Occasionally, troubleshooters encounter problems they can't solve. That's when they call Joe Alberti, a 20-year-old wizard with a shaggy beard and ponytail. He is so good he gets his own office. "He's our last line of defense," says tech support manager Randy Denmyer.

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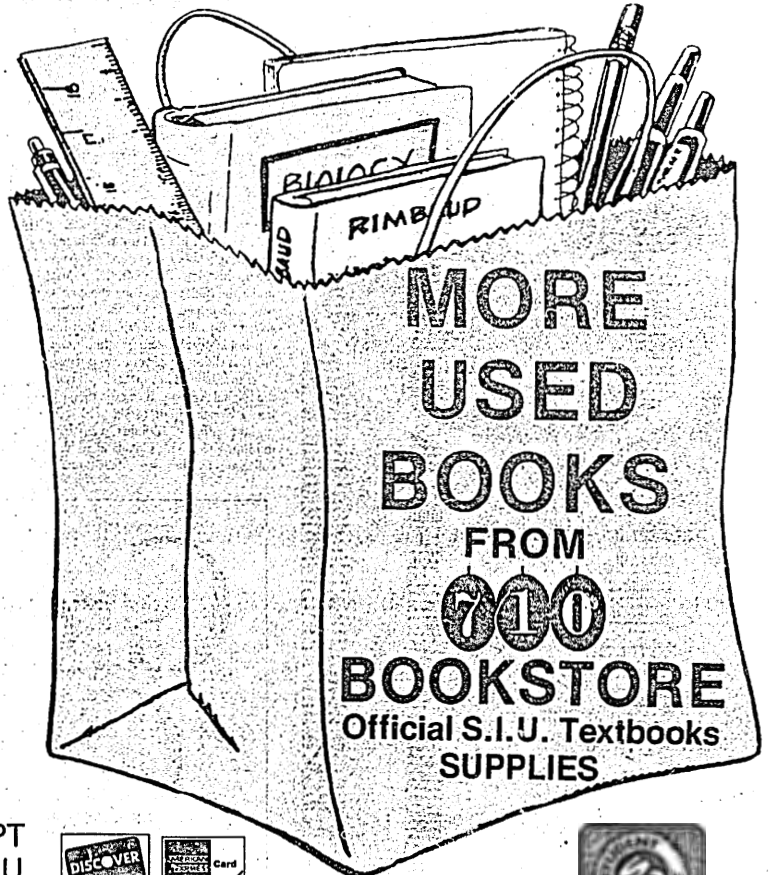
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Ethernet is changing dorm life

GREG MILLER
LOS ANGELES TIMES

The proposed merger of America Online and Time Warner anticipates an age when high-speed Internet access is everything, a conduit for almost all of the entertainment, communications and information that people consume.

It is an era so distant to most Americans that they can hardly envision it. And yet it already exists. In fact, it is the only world that today's college students know.

Colleges across the country have spent hundreds of millions of dollars in recent years wiring dormitories for high-speed Internet access. The projects have been undertaken in the name of ushering the academic world into the Information Age. / But in reality, colleges have done far more: They have created a cohort of consumers utterly addicted to the kinds of services and data delivery speeds that more and more companies have bet their future on providing.

Indeed, today's students scoff at the ordinary Internet access most Americans know. They crave speed to such an extent that they base their housing decisions on it, restructure their meager student budgets to afford it, and refuse to attend any college that doesn't offer it.

College administrators acknowledge that academic pursuits account for just a fraction of the activity on their campus networks. The bulk of the traffic is made up of millions of packets of data containing music files, instant messages, toll-free phone calls, e-commerce orders, online games,

bootleg movies and just about anything that can be broken down into bits.

Ivy League schools were among the first to wire up dorms in the early 1990s. But the trend has spread to almost every four-year campus in the country in recent years. UCLA began offering high-speed access to all 6,500 on-campus residents in 1995. Jupiter Communications estimates that there are 2 million households with high-speed Internet connections now, but 7 million college students who have high-speed access either in the dorms or elsewhere on campus.

Colleges that don't offer high-speed Internet access are feeling increasing pressure to catch up. Ohio State University, for instance, embarked on a crash course to install 10,000 high-speed Internet connections throughout its 49 dorm buildings last summer, largely because it feared losing students to better-equipped rivals.

"When admissions people go out and talk to students these days, the students always ask, 'Do you have a (high-speed) network?'" said Valerie Shafer, director of information systems and services at Ohio State. The changes have transformed academic life and made off-campus housing much less attractive.

Demand for dorm rooms has surged. At USC, for instance, 800 more students applied to stay on-campus this year than last year. UCLA, Boston College and dozens of other schools report similar statistics.

"The No. 1 reason," said Tim Michael, director of housing services, "is their Internet connection." Only

a few colleges can offer students space in the dorms beyond their first two years. At USC, for instance, many juniors and seniors live in university-owned buildings just off-campus, some of which have not yet been wired.

Wiring dorm rooms has been costly for universities. UCLA alone has spent about \$7 million. Most projects are paid for by students in the form of additional fees spread out over a number of years. It usually amounts to about \$100 per year for students.

"It's a necessity at a higher institution of education in this day and age," said Jim Craig, assistant vice chancellor of campus life at UC Irvine. "It's part of the fabric of learning."

At Carnegie-Mellon last October, administrators performed a random search of the files 250 students had stored on the campus network. The administrators found that 71 students were storing illegal MP3 files, movies or copyrighted games and revoked their Internet access after the search.

The most widespread problem, however, is the exploding popularity of MP3 files and bootleg movies. Just possessing such files is often a violation of copyright laws, but it is hard to find a student who expresses much concern about that.

Many experts believe that AOL's main reason for buying Time Warner was to gain control of Time Warner's large cable television infrastructure, which is gradually being converted into a system capable of delivering high-speed Internet service to the 13 million households it reaches. Today's college students will fuel that demand.

College plagiarists are caught in the web

JEFF GOTTLIEB
LOS ANGELES TIMES

Paul Chwelos teaches information systems at the University of California, Irvine, Graduate School of Management, so he knows better than most the power of the Internet. And not just the way it is affecting business, but also the way it affects his students. "It certainly gives them the ability to do better research, but it makes it easier to cheat," he said. "I think it's naive to think the Internet has given such access to information and that it doesn't increase cheating as well."

So this month Chwelos joined a growing number of professors who are using the Internet to fight back. He ran his business administration master's students' term papers through a Web site that scans millions of Internet pages and a backlog of college papers to test for plagiarism. Someday, Web sites such as <http://www.plagiarism.org>, the one Chwelos used, could be as much a fact of college life as cramped dorm rooms.

The Web's great threat to academic integrity is that it makes plagiarism easy. By going online, students can point and click their way through technical journals, corporate white papers and work that students throughout the world have posted on the Web, seamlessly cutting and pasting what they need into a term paper, if not copying the entire piece.

Term paper mills also become easier to use. Students no longer have to wade through a catalog to order the paper and wait until it comes in the mail, or even walk into a shop. Term paper companies on the Web give away their work, relying on advertising for their profits. A student goes to a site such as <http://www.schoolsucks.com>, down-

loads the paper, and, instead of a dizzying two nights of writing on no sleep, it's party time.

No one is sure how much plagiarizing goes on, but professors and administrators say it is on the rise, and they blame it on the Internet. At the University of California at Berkeley, reported cases of academic dishonesty have increased 112 percent since 1995, and about 35 percent of them have been linked to plagiarism, said Doug Zuidema, the assistant director of the Berkeley student conduct office.

A UC Berkeley neurobiology professor told his 320 students in advance that he would submit their papers to plagiarism.org. He still found that 45 of them had submitted work that was not original. "That is so bare-bones egotistical to think it wouldn't be caught," said Zuidema. Although it is not alone, plagiarism.org has received the most interest in the academic world as an anti-cheating device. The company is the brainchild of John Barrie, a doctoral student in biophysics at Berkeley.

About five years ago, when the World Wide Web was just starting to streak from computer geekdom to everyday utility, Barrie set up Web sites for the classes in which he was a teaching assistant. Besides posting notes and interactive assignments, he placed the students' papers on the Web.

If plagiarism.org continues to pan out at UC Berkeley, the school hopes to sign a contract making it available to every professor on campus and even to students. Zuidema sees it "as an advanced form of spell-check. We'd like to see it used as a tool that allows students to check their own work and works as a strong preventive measure, so students who are thinking of taking the easy way out... know they can be caught."

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JAMES T. MADORE
NEWSDAY

NEW YORK—Some traditional retailers, stung by customers' quick embrace of online shopping during the holiday season, plan this year to bolster their flailing Web sites by purchasing those of competitors or poaching technology staffers.

Integrating e-commerce with existing stores, mail-order catalogs and mall kiosks is the mantra of many retail executives attending the National Retail Federation's annual convention, which opened this week in Manhattan.

The anticipated wave of buyouts between virtual stores and those made of bricks and mortar also comes in a year when moderate sales growth is expected. Rosalind Wells, a New York City-based economist who does forecasting for the retail federation, said consumer spending will slow in response to predicted interest rate increase by the Federal Reserve Bank.

Cooperstein, the Forrester analyst, said Christmas '99 demonstrated that well-known merchants such as J.C. Penney, Service Merchandise, Land's End and Toys "R" Us can draw crowds in cyberspace despite well-publicized delivery problems and site crashes.

Peter Neupert, chief executive of Drugstore.com, predicted that some online stores will buy their brick-and-mortar rivals or at least form strategic alliances, such as his company's deal with the Rite-Aid chain to fulfill prescription orders. Still, many chains remain unconvinced that the Web is capable of generating significant receipts—even by 2010.

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Sit-in ends with Bush agreeing to hearings on Affirmative Action

LINDA KLEINDIENST AND MARK HOLLIS
KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

TALLAHASSEE — Gov. Jeb Bush agreed to slow down his push to end affirmative action in state university admissions on Wednesday after a sit-in by two black legislators grew into a demonstration by more than 100 legislators, civil rights activists and students who sang and chanted outside Bush's office for most of the day.

A tearful Rep. Tony Hill and Sen. Kendrick Meek, who had camped out in Lt. Gov. Frank Brogan's office for 24 hours, declared triumph in the late afternoon after Bush conceded to several requests from the 20-member legislative black caucus.

The sit-in began Tuesday afternoon when Bush refused to meet with Meek and Hill. The two legislators then refused to leave Brogan's office, which is in the governor's suite. Their victory came after a day of noisy demonstrations around the Capitol, an overnight lockdown of the governor's office, the physical ejection of nine reporters from the governor's office and a demonstration against the governor's plan by about 150 people at Florida International University in southern Miami-Dade County.

Black legislators were unhappy that Bush never made an attempt to

talk with them about his "One Florida" plan, which ends minority preferences in education and state contracting.

Bush repeatedly voiced disapproval of the sit-in. The final agreement, allowing Bush and the protesting legislators to save face, came together only after several hours of negotiations involving key black state lawmakers, House Speaker John Thrasher, R-Orange Park, and Senate President Toni Jennings, R-Orlando. "In the end, we've agreed to disagree. I just hope that the hard work we put into this will eliminate some concerns and we can build upon it," Bush said.

The Tallahassee demonstration sparked a protest Wednesday afternoon at FIU by more than 150 people. Waving orange flags and posters that read "Jobs with Justice," the demonstrators chanted: "Shame on Bush, shame on Bush," and "What do we want? Justice. When do we want it? Now." FIU officials said the demonstrators did not cause any problems or disrupt classes.

In Tallahassee, a protest outside Bush's office drew support from fellow Democratic legislators, nationally known civil rights activists, South Florida NAACP leaders and scores of students from FAMU, the state's only mostly black public college, and Florida State University.

Hill and Meek met with Brogan on Tuesday afternoon in the governor's suite. That's when the two legislators made an impromptu decision to just stay. With them were nine newspaper reporters and Barbara DeVane, a Tallahassee activist for the National Organization for Women.

In the overnight hours, Meek and Hill dozed but slept little. At one point, Hill proclaimed, "We're going to stay until hell freezes over." Later, he said, "This is an abomination for all those people who have fought on behalf of affirmative action. We're making a stand and hope other people are making a stand."

At noon Wednesday, the reporters and DeVane were told to leave. Reporters, including one from the Sun-Sentinel, were helped up from their seats by security agents and led, single file, out of the Capitol building.

About an hour later, Bush met privately in the lieutenant governor's office with Hill and Meek while reporters watched outside an office window. Bush left, then returned and talked with the legislators again.

Elsewhere in the Capitol, the legislative black caucus gave Republican legislative leaders a list of requests that they said could end the standoff. After more deliberations, Bush agreed. At 4:35 p.m., almost 24 hours after the sit-in began, it was over.

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Russians face house-to-house battle for Grozny

DANIEL WILLIAMS
WASHINGTON POST

NAZRAN, Russia — Russia unleashed massive air and artillery strikes on besieged Grozny again Thursday but refugees who escaped the bombardment said much of the battle for the capital has come down to house-to-house sniping between Russian soldiers and Chechen guerrilla defenders.

The close combat claimed its highest-ranking victim, Russian Maj. Gen Mikhail Malofeyev, deputy commander of Russia's North Caucasus army, which has been spearheading the war.

The Chechens said they captured Malofeyev, but Russian officials said he was missing and was either wounded or shot dead in battle. He was touring a northwest Grozny district the Russians claim is under their control.

Television reports said Malofeyev was visiting soldiers whom he urged to stand up, instead of lying prone to hide from snipers. There, reports said he himself was shot in the back and head while delivering the lecture. The incident appears to confirm reports that, despite the Russian onslaught, rebels continue to raid rear areas.

Russian soldiers said that downtown Grozny is adorned with graffiti that says, "Welcome to hell, Part II," an apparent reference to the 1994-1996 Chechen war, when rebels drove Russian forces from the capital.

The Russian advance seemed uneven. Refugees said that Moscow's forces had occupied a major bridge over the Sunzha River, but had yet to conquer Minutka Square, a major intersection and declared Russian objective. In the western Kirov neighborhood, the assault was slow because streets were laced with mines.

Menacing helicopter gun ships, flying in pairs, rocketed the city while jets flew above low gray clouds and punished Grozny with deafening, heavy bombing. The Russians said jets and helicopters flew 200 sorties over Chechnya Thursday.

Tanks, artillery and mortars blasted neighborhoods throughout the city and mobile anti-aircraft guns peppered apartment buildings from close range. Armored vehicles with combat-ready troops roared into outlying Grozny neighborhoods. The defense of Grozny, along with guerrilla resistance in southern mountains, stands in the way of a Russian declaration of victory in the four-month-old war. Officials have indicated that once the capital falls and rebels are isolated in the deep south, the main goals will be accomplished.

The newspaper Nezavisimaya Gazeta predicted that the war will be declared over in time for the March 26 presidential election. Acting President Vladimir Put in, the leading candidate, is the prime promoter of the war. The conflict, framed as a crusade against terrorists whose bombs killed nearly 300 people in Moscow and elsewhere, has made him Russia's most popular politician.

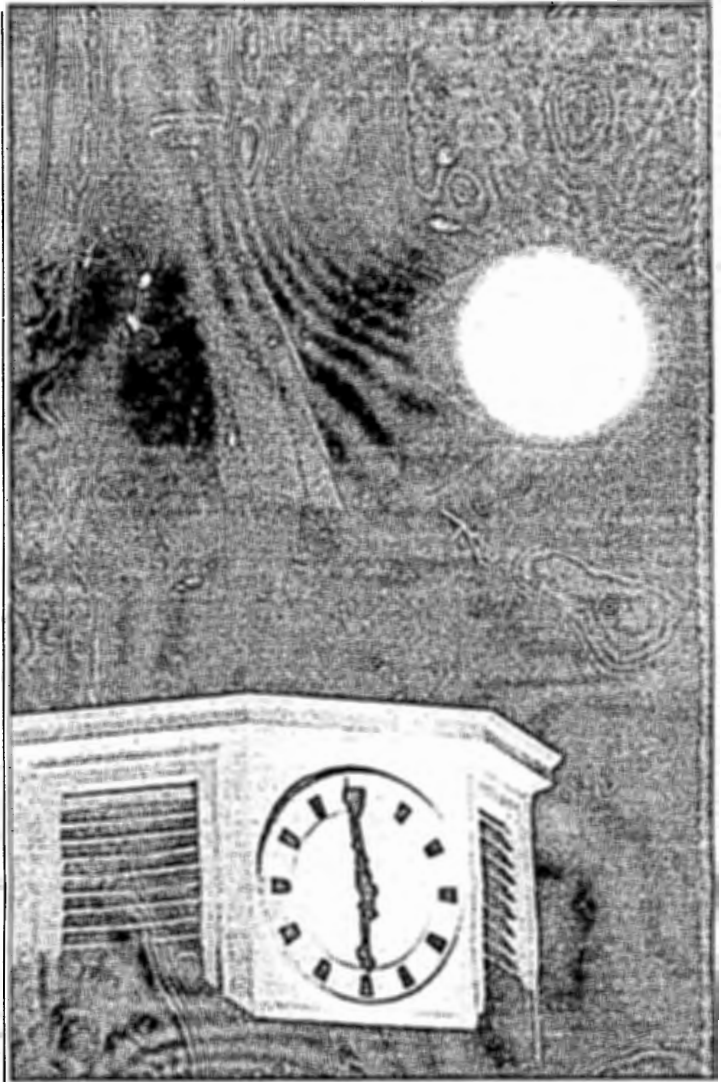
Tentatively in March, Moscow will announce the completion of the anti-terrorist operation. Otherwise, the whole election campaign would lose its logic," the newspaper said.

The battle for Grozny is taking shape in a way that a month ago Russian generals pledged to avoid. Originally, the Russians planned to bombard the city with enough long-range firepower to force the rebels out before launching a full-fledged assault. Instead, Russian motorized infantry is having to move slowly into ever more heavily defended neighborhoods.

A Russian officer told the NTV television network that the rebels "are extremely well prepared. In our advance we have had to cross three lines of defense. As we get closer to the center, the defenses get stronger and stronger."

At a hospital in the Russian city of Perm, newly wounded troops described hellish ambushes in Grozny.

A Russian sniper named Mikhail said that his unit of 70 soldiers had suffered dead and wounded totaling 25. The Interfax news agency said that 23 Russians died in the day's fighting, an exceptionally high number.



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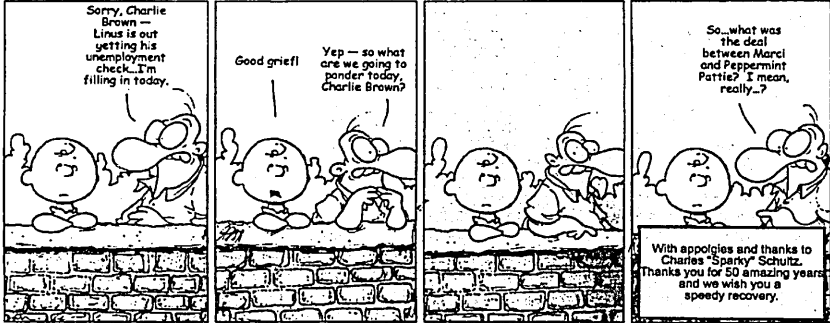
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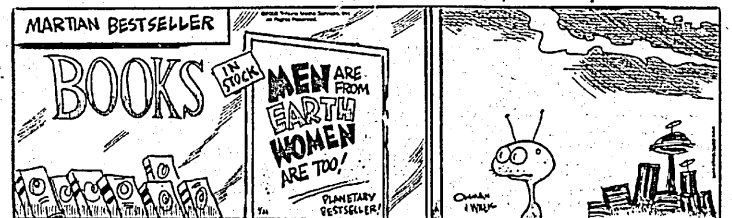
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Reaching new heights

Pole vaulters look to improve career-bests as 2000 season progresses

CHRISTINE BOLIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

With the SIU men's track and field team traveling to the University of Illinois this weekend for the Illinois Open, pole vaulter Dan Stone cannot help but wonder what could have been had he chose Illinois over SIU.

After receiving the run-around from the Illinois coaching staff in the summer of 1998, Stone canceled any plans to attend school there. In turn, he gave SIU men's track and field head coach Bill Cornell a call.

"When I tried to recruit myself [at Illinois], [the coaches] made it sound like it was a privilege for me to be with them," Stone said. "SIU was not like that. [That's why] I have a rivalry with the U of I."

"I'll always wonder about the U of I, but I don't regret coming to SIU. I love competing as a Saluki."

In the fall of 1998, Stone, a junior in industrial design from Marshall, transferred from Eastern Illinois University. He came to SIU where he met fellow pole vaulter, Du Quoin-native Chad Harris.

As a freshman last season, Harris posted a season-best height of 16'1. Stone recorded his personal-best (16'4) as at the Missouri Valley Conference Outdoor Championships at McAndrew Stadium, finishing second overall.

In their second year as teammates, Stone and

FACTOID
THE SIU MEN'S TRACK AND FIELD TEAM TRAVELS TO CHAMPAIGN FOR THE ILLINOIS OPEN SATURDAY.

Harris find themselves constantly challenging themselves — and one another — to be the No. 1 pole vaulter for the Salukis.

"Both Harris and Stone are very competitive," Cornell said. "Not only in the meets, but with each other. They both just want to do well."

This season, both Harris and Stone have already showed promising efforts. In Saturday's Saluki Booster Club Invitational, Harris scored a first-place finish with a height of 17'1, followed by Stone's second-place mark of 14'11.

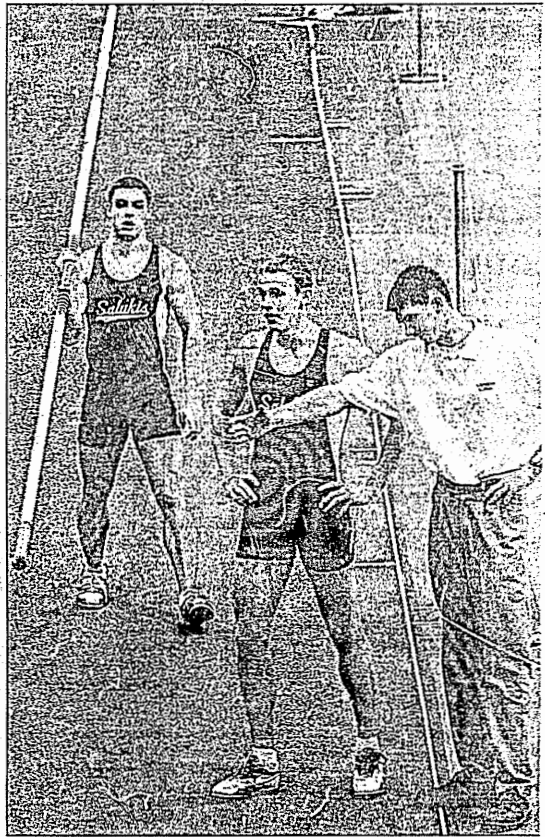
"[My height] wasn't bad for the first meet of the year. It's still early in the season," Stone said. "I am looking to improve this season, and qualify for nationals."

Harris, too, has the NCAA Championships on his mind. He said his goal is 17'3, a height that would give him an opportunity to qualify for nationals.

"I am looking to improve this year on my technique more than anything else," Harris said. "I am already pretty fast and strong, but there is just a few things I have to tie together to achieve all my goals. I think I am going in the right direction."

Assistant coach Cameron Wright, who works specifically with the jumpers and pole vaulters, thinks Harris and Stone will make a significant impact on Saluki track and field in both the indoor and outdoor seasons.

"Before Chad and Dan, we didn't have much success in pole vaulting," Wright said. "They are two extremely hard workers who are very driven to be successful. I am looking for both of them to have a lot of success this year."



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Chad Harris and Dan Stone listen to advice from assistant coach Cameron Wright during last Saturday's track meet. Harris and Stone placed first and second in men's pole week.

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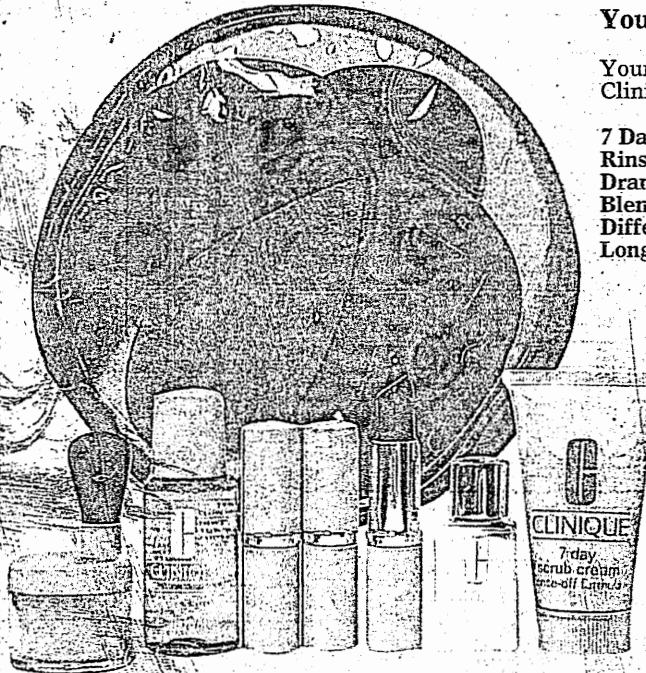
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Should we panic? I say no

The best thing about the past is that some things can be left there — in the past.

The SIU men's basketball team's '91-96 loss Wednesday night at Indiana State University is a perfect example.

I'm sure Saluki head coach Bruce Weber told that to his ball club shortly after the final buzzer rang. Unfortunately, there are going to be games like that.



Corey Cusick
Daily Egyptian

Nobody likes to lose, but if the Salukis sit and contemplate what went wrong in Terre Haute, the Bradley Braves will come to town and embarrass them on their home court.

But don't expect that to happen.

"We will come back," Weber said. "I said (following the game) you've got to leave it behind you. Get dressed, get on the bus, let's eat some food, go home."

Part of the mystique of the Missouri Valley Conference is that any team, from top to the bottom, can beat any other team on any given night.

Look at what the Salukis did to the University of Evansville Dec. 8 in Carbondale. After receiving an 82-51 thumping, the Aces went on to win 10 of their next 11, including winning five out of six Valley games.

Last season the Purple Aces were blown out three times, once by the Salukis in Carbondale and even worse by Bradley and Saint Louis University. Both teams defeat-

ed the Aces by 30 points or more.

But, Evansville went on to win the MVC regular season title and received a bid to the NCAA Tournament.

There are many Bradley fans that are a little uneasy with their shaky 8-9 start. They suffered a six-game losing streak at the end of December. However, if you glance at the Valley standings, the preseason favorite Braves are sitting pretty at 4-2. Bradley is only one game out of first.

So don't panic. The Salukis are OK. In fact, expect senior co-captains Rieky Colburn, Chris Thunell and Derrick Tilmon to be hostile and hungry Saturday night.

I'm sure they remember the three tough losses they sustained against Bradley last season. The last one, in the first round of the MVC tournament, possibly cost the Salukis a National Invitational Tournament bid.

Those are the kind of "past" losses that are hard to forget about. The ones where the bus ride home is eerily quiet.

A win for the Salukis (9-8, 3-3) Saturday night would put them right back in the hunt. After three tough road games, the Salukis now have a two-game homestand, with a date with Drake University looming Wednesday night that could move SIU into the upper-echelon of the Valley standings.

But before jumping too far ahead, the No. 1 priority is Bradley. Last season Bradley guard Rob Dye sliced and diced the Salukis in all three games, averaging 23 points per contest. He was the only Valley player that got the best of SIU's defensive stopper, Monte Jenkins.

It will take a solid team defensive effort to contain Dye and company. But the Salukis are not one to shy away from floor burns and all-out hustle.

REVENGE

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as well as a scoring threat from the perimeter. Bradley also boasts ball-hawking senior guard Eric Roberson and talented newcomer David Selby.

Sophomore guard Brandon Mells will be one of the Salukis in charge of keeping Dye from taking over the game. Mells said he is more concerned with SIU's defense and hustle than its cold shooting.

"The shootings going to come as long as we keep shooting," Mells said. "But we've got to bring the effort every day."

No doubt about it, the Salukis' effort did not seem to

be there Wednesday night. Williams said the Salukis are still a confident bunch, but must do a better job avoiding intensity lapses to compensate for limited athleticism.

"I don't think our confidence is really busted," Williams said, "we just need to have the right mindset coming into each game. When we scrap, when we dive on the floor, when we play hard like a blue-collar team, we usually win those games."

SIU beat Indiana State by one point in both games last season, and Williams would like to think SIU will exact revenge on Bradley Saturday in similar fashion to what the Indiana State did to SIU.

"Maybe we'll show a little revenge," Williams said. "We have plenty of reason to be fired up for this game."

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Jordan means business

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WASHINGTON — Wizards players, coaches and agents, start running for cover. The Babe Ruth of basketball is now a ruthless executive.

Michael Jordan loved being in control as a player, and judging from his willingness to flex his new management muscles, he might love it even more as an owner.

His Bossness, now the Wizards' president of basketball operations, talked Wednesday about getting better productivity from employees who feared that their necks might "get chopped off."

He twice mentioned the high salaries of players, refused to endorse Wizards coach Gar Heard and attempted to dismiss speculation that his agent, David Falk, would be intimately involved in the Wizards' decision-making. Oh, and guess who's coming to practice?

None other than ESPN's Athlete of the Century.

"The best evaluation of a basketball player I can ever give anyone is to look in his eyes and see how scared he may be," Jordan said.

Take that, Wizards.

"I don't know if Gar may like that or not, but I'm his boss, so I can do that," Jordan added.

Take that, coach.

Jordan might not succeed in reviving one of the NBA's sorriest franchises, but just as in his failed minor-league baseball career, he'll go down swinging, and a fascinated public will follow his every move.

Minority owner Ted Leonsis said the Wizards would now become "America's basketball team." Washington Mayor Anthony Williams said Jordan the executive would serve as a role model for D.C. youth.

As always, Jordan seemed eager for every challenge, shrugging off the fact that "people can't seem to separate between me the player and me putting players in the uniform."

How can they?

Jordan, 36, is in only his second season of retirement, and if NBC televised his practices with the Wizards, the network would draw higher television ratings than it does for many NBA games.

Heard, naturally, endorsed the idea of Jordan practicing with the team, the way Norm Turner endorsed Daniel Snyder meeting with players, the way Ray Miller endorsed Peter Angelos ordering veal scallopini at Boccaccio's. "That's going to make them compete even harder," Heard said. "If you don't, that might be the quickest ticket out of here."

Good answer, Gar! Good answer!

NBA rules prohibit owners from hiring themselves as players, so forget about Jordan ever wearing No. 23 for the

Wizards, not that he would want to subject himself to such torture.

He also will be a minority investor in the Washington Capitals, and those poor hockey players are now shaking with fear, wondering if MJ can skate.

Actually, Jordan said he will steer clear of both the Capitals and WNBA's Washington Mystics, explaining, "I've got to deal with men's basketball — that's enough right now."

Men's basketball. Wizards basketball. Losing basketball. Jordan immediately labeled the team "underachieving," then promised to trade his "imprints and footprints" all over the organization, guaranteeing job security for only General Manager Wes Unseld.

Of course, there's little that Jordan can do to shake up the Wizards' roster, with salary-cap restrictions making it virtually impossible to trade Juwan Howard, Rod Strickland and Mitch Richmond.

Heard?

"There's a lot of speculation. Right now it is just speculation," Jordan said, giving his first vote of no-confidence with the same cold-blooded ease that he once drained game-winning three-pointers.

"My job is to come in and evaluate everything involved in this organization. If everyone is looking over their heads and making sure their necks don't get chopped off, that's good. That means you go out there and do your job.

"If any of the players are worried about being traded, go out there and do your job and you don't have to worry about it. If Gar is worried about what's going to happen behind him, Gar's going to go out and do his job. That's all we ever ask. I'm not saying I'm going to fire Gar Heard. I'm going to evaluate everybody."

Translation: Heard is in trouble.

Which brings us to Falk.

Falk represents Howard and Strickland, both of whom reportedly are unhappy with Heard.

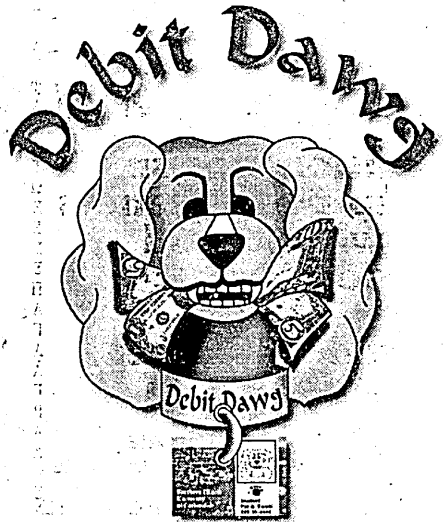
Would the agent propose that one of his clients fire a man disliked by two of his other clients?

He was standing behind a curtain Wednesday like the Wizard of Oz, for crying out loud!

"Let's straighten the arrow a little bit," Jordan said. "David works for me instead of me working for David. He's been my adviser for 15 years. I've always respected him. He's always given me advice when I've asked. But when a decision has been made, it has always been my decision.

Jordan stressed patience, knowing he can't reconstruct the Wizards immediately. Still, can anyone imagine him spending three years idling? Leonsis said that he was "overwhelmed by (Jordan's) directness" in their negotiating sessions. The rest of the organization will be even more overwhelmed.

His Bossness learned from Jerry Reinsdorf, didn't he? Everyone run for cover.



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