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# Hale's goals unfazed by violent weekend

DAVID FERRARA  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

Despite recent malevolent actions against racial and religious minorities by a member of his white supremacist church, Rev. Matthew Hale still adamantly believes he will become an attorney.

Hale, who graduated from the SIU School of Law in 1998, recently was rejected by a fitness panel to practice law in Illinois.

But Hale, a devoted and outspoken white supremacist, said he wants to push his case through to the Supreme Court.

Benjamin Smith, a member of the World

Church of the Creator, tore through parts of Indiana and Illinois this past weekend shooting at 20 minorities. He left 26-year-old Korean SIUC graduate Won-Joon Yoon and former Northwestern University basketball coach and African-American man Ricky Byrdson dead in his wake before ending his own life.

Hale now says the facts that Smith was arrested for distributing white supremacist literature last year in Bloomington, Ind., and that Hale was denied a law license may have provoked Smith on the rampage.

Hale contends his church does not condone violence, but he believes there may have

been no way to prevent the killings.

"We're no more responsible for this than the Pope is for the bombing of abortion clinics," Hale said.

"I do think he was angry over the treatment he had. It's the explanation that makes the most sense. Things like this are inevitable.

"If what motivated him was my law license decision, nothing could have prevented it."

But Hale was only concerned with Smith's death. Because Smith was a white man, in Hale's eyes, it was the only death worth acknowledging.

"Yes, in that sense, the only loss is Ben

Smith," Hale said.

As Smith fled from Salem police Sunday night into Ina, a town 50 miles north of Carbondale, he crashed a stolen van and shot himself numerous times, police said.

Hale estimated there are 12 of his affiliates still in the SIUC area.

But he would not comment on the number of people nationally associated with his church, because he said he has been accused of inflating the numbers.

To Hale, the SIUC statistics are

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# Council approves land rezoning

ANNA BETH TRAYNOR  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The Carbondale City Council Tuesday night rezoned a parcel of land south of the University, paving the way for construction of a 700-plus unit apartment complex, despite opposition by local landlords and some residents.

The council's decision was based on a recommendation made by the city's planning commission to rezone the land at 2170 S. Illinois Ave.

Atlanta-based Place Collegiate Properties plans to build Saluki Place, a student-oriented apartment complex that will consist of 17 apartment buildings, 203 apartments, that will be built in two phases.

Last week, Mike Wadiak, a local property manager, filed a petition with the city that would require four votes for the rezoning, despite the fact the company had met all requirements for submittals and applications.

Councilman Larry Briggs voiced concern about the lack of participation by SIU, and was the only council member to vote against the rezoning.

Briggs's main concern was with SIU's sagging enrollment, and he said he doesn't know if students can afford the prices of the apartments.

"A majority of that money will leave town," Briggs said. "That hurts more than anything."

Briggs also is concerned that landlords will lower rent to fill vacancies.

"I wish them all the luck," Briggs said. "I still congratulate them. It will be a tough sell, in my opinion."

Presentations were made by various representatives from the Place Collegiate Properties and George Arnold, the trustee for the land trust.

George Arnold, trustee for the Ed and Bessie Arnold Trust, told the council he did not see how the city could pass up construction of the apartment complex in Carbondale.

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PAR FOR TWO: Janice Mayo (right), an SIUC civil service employee from Carterville, and Megan Blackwell, from Murphysboro, play miniature golf at the Carbondale Fun Park next to Kart World, 700 N. Reed Station Rd., Wednesday.

# It's back to business for the BOT

RHONDA SCIARRA  
STUDENT AFFAIRS EDITOR

Southern Illinois University's Board of Trustees is expected to carry on with business as usual today despite the presence of organizations dedicated to the removal of SIU President Ted Sanders and restructuring of the board.

Jane Adams, coordinator of SIU Help Overcome the Present Emergency, said H.O.P.E. will be represented by a group of people in attendance at the meeting on the Edwardsville campus.

"We have contacted a number of individuals to let them know about the board meeting," Adams said. "We plan to attend the board meeting and see what the board does, simply to be a presence there."

H.O.P.E. contends the board's actions have

slighted the best interests of the Carbondale campus, including the removal of Jo Ann Argersinger as chancellor a month ago.

"We simply think the board needs to be aware that they have isolated themselves from students, faculty and staff on this campus," she said. "They really need to be aware that we are intensely interested in the fate of this University."

Today's meeting comes one month after the postponement of the board's June meeting, giving interim Chancellor John Jackson a chance to adjust to his new position after replacing Argersinger.

The annual operating and capital budgets, and related plans for the Fiscal Year 2000 are expected to be approved today along with salary increases, construction projects and an SIUC Student Center fee increase.

According to Jack Dyer, administrative

assistant to President Ted Sanders, the budget spans \$529 million of costs for the operation of the University system. The Carbondale campus utilizes \$298 million of that budget.

Under a salary increase plan, the University will distribute an increase of up to five percent to faculty, administrative and professional staff, and civil service employees not represented by a bargaining agent.

According to T.J. Rutherford, associate director of the Student Center, the \$3 fee increase, expected to be approved by the board, will be used for improvements including escalator repair, carpet improvements and fan system repair in the Student Center. He said the biggest project prompting the

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**Southern Illinois Forecast**

**TODAY:**  
Sunny  
High: 95  
Low: 69

**FRIDAY:**  
Partly cloudy  
High: 98  
Low: 76

**SATURDAY:**  
Partly cloudy  
High: 88  
Low: 64

**SUNDAY:**  
Partly cloudy  
High: 85  
Low: 65



Gus says:  
It's not the heat,  
it's the humidity?  
No, I think it's  
the heat and  
humidity.

**Corrections**

In Thursday's issue, the culine for the photo "Produce Peddlers" should have read, "Harry Riddle from West Frankfort and Deno Fiachino from Wheaton, graduate students in plant and soil science, talk about their vegetable stall in front of the Agriculture Building Wednesday. The vegetables were produced ready-to-eat on SIUC farm, where pesticides are used and the vegetables are washed before being sold."

**Calendar**

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**TODAY**

- Southern Illinois Urban Fishing Program is offering free fishing clinics, June 7 to July 30, two clinics each day--Mon. thru Fri., 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:30 p.m. All fishing rods, reels, bait and equipment provided. Clinics for kids, parents, seniors and other interested groups. For reservations and information call 618-453-6091.
- Library Affairs Instructional Applications of the Web (Asynchronous Learning), 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Library Affairs Digital Imaging for the Web, 11 a.m. to 12 p.m., Morris Library Room 19, 453-2818.
- University Museum presents "Music in the Garden" featuring Loose Gravel, July 8, noon to 1 p.m., University Museum Sculpture Garden, North End of Fanner Hall. In case of rain, the event will be held inside the University Museum. Free admission. Contact Lori 453-5388.
- Library Affairs New Illnet On-line, July 8, 1 to 2 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- International Students and Scholars wish to notify international students that the application deadline for the Student to Student Grant and the Auerbach Memorial Scholarship has been extended through Friday, July 9. Contact Carla Copp at International students and Scholars, 453-5774.
- Museum presents the metal

**UPCOMING**

- SIUC and IDOT will be offering free motorcycle rider courses, July 9, 6 to 9:30 p.m., July 10 to 11, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., July 12 to 16, 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., July 23, 6 to 9:30 p.m., July 24 to 25, 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., www.siu.edu/~cycle/ or 1-800-642-9589.
- Library Affairs Introduction to Constructing Webpages (HTML), July 9, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- "The Foreigner"--A Side Splitting Comedy, July 9, 10, 8:00 p.m., July 11, 2:00 p.m., children & students \$6, seniors \$10, adults \$12, McLeod Theater, Communications Bldg. Call the box office at 453-3001.
- Library Affairs PowerPoint, July 12, 1 to 2:15 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Library Affairs Introduction to the WWW using Netscape, July 12, 3 to 4 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Library Affairs Introduction to Constructing Web Pages (HTML), July 13, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Women's Services presents Project Mask; if you are a survivor of sexual assault or abuse, child sexual abuse, domestic violence or marital rape, Women's Services encourages you to participate in a series of mask-making workshops. Each afternoon is limited to six participants and pre-registration is required, every Tues., 1 to 3:30 p.m., Woody Hall, Room A-302. Call Women's Services at 453-3655.
- Library Affairs ProQuest Direct, July 13, 2 to 3 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Library Affairs Introduction to Constructing Web Pages (HTML), July 14, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Morris Library 103D, 453-1818.
- Library Affairs New Illnet On-line, July 14, 2 to 3 p.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.
- Sailing Club meeting, every Wed., 8 p.m., Student Center Illinois Room. Contact Shelley 529-0993.
- Library Affairs E-mail using Eudora, July 15, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library 103D, 453-2818.

**Almanac**

**THIS WEEK IN 1982:**

- President Reagan announced he planned to dispatch up to 1,000 U.S. combat troops to west Beirut for perhaps 30 days to evacuate Palestine Liberation Organization guerrillas. The U.S. offer to help defuse the crisis in the Israeli-PLO conflict came as the fifth cease-fire in the past month was blown apart by gunfire.
- Some Iranian students at SIUC believed they had been marked for reprisal by the Khomeini government they opposed. They believed it was because of their anti-Khomeini activity here that their families could no longer send them money. According to some of the affected students, information about the political activities of the anti-Khomeini Iranian students at SIUC had been, and was continuing to be, given to the Iranian government. They alleged the spying was being done by pro-Khomeini students, who sent the information to the Iranian Interest Office in Washington, D.C.
- Movies playing in Carbondale were "Blade Runner," "Annie," "Bambi" and "E.T."

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 6:45 7:15 9:00 9:30  
**Entrapment (PG13)**  
 2:45 5:00 7:15 9:30

**Varsity 457-6400 7/7**

**South Park (R)**  
 4:30 7:10 9:10 Sat/Mon/Mat 2:00

**Notting Hill (R)** No 6:40 show on Monday  
 4:00 6:40 9:20 Sat/Mon/Mar 1:00

**General's Daughter (R)**  
 4:10 6:50 9:30 Sat/Mon/Mat 1:30

**University 457-6157 7/6**

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 SHOWING ON TWO SCREENS DIGITAL  
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 6:50 7:20 9:20 9:50

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**Austin Powers (PG13)**  
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# College of Engineering dean named

**KARE LAMONER**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

University officials named George M. Swisher, former dean of engineering at Tennessee Technical University (TTU), dean of the SIUC College of Engineering this week.

Swisher, who will replace acting dean Sedat Sami, will begin his new position in early August. The appointment is subject to

board approval. Swisher said he would like to see the college's reputation improved as soon as possible when the board meets.

"I look forward to working with him," said Jack Parker, dean of the College of Science and a member of the College of Engineering dean search committee.

"He was terrific in the inter-

view process. He's knowledgeable; he's dynamic."

Swisher said he is very impressed with SIUC because of the new engineering building, the size of the University, the accreditation reports — which indicate how solid the programs are and how positive the reputation of the college is — and the students' performance.

Being an experienced dean, Swisher said he will work effec-

tively at the standard administrative issues college leaders face. Such issues he said include fund raising, interactions with industries throughout the state and accreditation.

Swisher entered TTU in 1973 as an associate professor of mechanical engineering, with a specialty in vibrations and

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## Southern Illinois

### CARBONDALE

#### Rabid bat found near Midland Hills

Tests have confirmed that a bat found off Route 51 near Midland Hills July 5 was rabid, according to Lloyd Nelson of the Jackson County Animal Control.

Nelson said three domestic animals were exposed to the infected bat, and the animals will be destroyed. No humans were exposed to the bat.

"We are not trying to create hysteria," Nelson said. "We are just trying to advise people this type of situation does occur."

Nelson said owners of domestic animals should vaccinate their animals each year to guard against rabies.

"If you see such an animal behaving oddly, isolate yourself and pets from that animal," Nelson said. "Contain the animal if possible, and contact your local animal control."

— Rhonda Sciara

## Nation

### ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

#### New class of drugs attacks influenza, researchers say

A new class of drugs seems to be the first prevention strategy to work against any strain of influenza affecting humans, researchers said Tuesday.

Dr. Arnold Monto, an epidemiologist at the University of Michigan's School of Public Health in Ann Arbor, Mich., said a new drug called Zanamivir has the potential to be effective "against any new flu that comes along."

Zanamivir is the first drug to surface in a new class of drugs that inhibits an important cell surface protein, called neuraminidase, which allows influenza viruses to move among cells.

Stopping this process, researchers said, keeps the virus contained to the infected cell, and either prevents the onset of symptoms or reduces the severity of the infection.

Monto's team tested the drug for a month on 1,107 healthy volunteers at the start of the influenza season in January 1997.

At the end of the study, reported in this week's *Journal of the American Medical Association*, Zanamivir was 67 percent effective at preventing laboratory-confirmed influenza, and 84 percent effective against influenza accompanied by fever.

Each year, influenza is responsible for 20,000 deaths in the United States, even though vaccines are routinely available. But the vaccines — made from viruses that have been crippled in the laboratory — have to be newly designed at the beginning of each flu season against what doctors think will be the circulating strains, based on research, early hints from the field and history.

Because of this, scientists have been pursuing broader methods to prevent influenza.

In the Zanamivir study, developed by Glaxo Wellcome in North Carolina, Monto and his colleagues found that the duration of symptoms was shortened and the severity was reduced for both type A and type B strains of influenza, which infect the body through different immune system pathways.

Two anti-viruses already approved for use by the FDA — amantadine and rimantadine — work only against type A influenza.

Glaxo Wellcome, which makes the drug, is seeking Food and Drug Administration approval for use of Zanamivir as a treatment, and is planning to expand its request to use of the drug as a preventive, based on the study.

It's unclear when a final decision will be made on the requests.

— from Daily Egyptian News Services



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**LUNCH BREAK:** Eighteen-month-old Jessica Donvilo, watches her nanny, Donna Warner, prepare a hot dog for her during the Brown Bag Concert featuring Southern Swing Wednesday in the downtown pavilion. The Brown Bag Concerts take place every Wednesday from noon to 1 p.m.

## Representative wants TEC out of Carbondale

**DAN CRAFT**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Questions regarding the location of SIUC's Transportation Education Center have left College of Applied Sciences and Arts planners in the dark about the status of current plans for the facility.

Rep. Larry Woolard, D-Carterville, asked whether building the TEC at the Williamson County Airport rather than at Southern Illinois Airport, as currently planned, is a better alternative.

Once constructed, the TEC will contain SIUC's automotive, aviation flight and management and aviation maintenance programs in a single facility. Currently, the automotive program is located in Carterville, while the aviation programs operate out of Southern Illinois Airport in Carbondale.

Woolard said he has spoken with SIUC administrators and Board of Trustees representatives about the TEC. He hopes to meet with other area legislators and SIUC representatives in the near future regarding the issue.

David NewMyer, chairman of the aviation management and flight program, said he heard secondhand accounts of Woolard's idea, but said he has not been contacted by Woolard or administrators regarding the issue.

"[Woolard] is doing the natural thing, trying to protect jobs from leaving his district," NewMyer said. "We hope to see a lot of good things come out of this project, and Woolard wants to see those things benefit his district, which I respect."

Jack Greer, acting chair for the automotive technology department, had not been contacted about the new proposal either, and had not heard of an option that would place the TEC in Carterville.

Woolard said he is not concerned with keeping jobs in his district, but with seeing the

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# Let's Du a little dance

Dikki Du and the Zydeco Crew set to perform its unique style of music

**SARA BEAN**  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Pulling the sun below the gazebo of Turley Park, the Southwestern Louisiana gig Dikki Du and the Zydeco Crew will bring the energetic, danceable beat of Zydeco music to Carbondale at 7 tonight.

### Gus Bode



Gus says: This washboard sticks out farther than my Dikki Du

Zydeco, which originated in the Creole culture of southwestern Louisiana, is a combination of vibrant and sensual sounds which stand out among the homogenized music of today.

The fourth act in the Summer Sunset Concert Series, Dikki Du and the Zydeco Crew incorporates its sound into the new strong wave of zyde-

**Summer Weather**

Sunny  
High: 95  
Low: 69

co sounds. Dikki Du (Troy Carrier) began the tradition of music with an extension of his family's deep roots in zydeco history.

Du's father, Roy Carrier, plays accordion for Roy Carrier and the Night Rockers. The elder Carrier also owns the Offshore Lounge in Lawtell, La., where Dikki Du and the Zydeco Crew gathers about three times a week to perfect its musical styling.

Born in Church Point, La., in 1969, Du discovered his love for zydeco at age 9, when he gathered with his brother, Chubby, his sister, Elaine, and his father, Roy, to play zydeco

music in a family affair. His father played the accordion, while Du and Chubby joined in on washboard and drums.

When the Carrier family moved to Lawtell, Du would accompany his father on the washboard at local gigs in the Offshore Lounge. A few years later, Du joined forces with C.J. Chenier, son of zydeco icon Clifton Chenier.

Rob Stokes, an SIUC alumnus and local musician, said those who have performed with Du and his family are the most respectable within the Zydeco history of music.

"Clifton Chenier was the greatest proponent of Zydeco music," Stokes said. "The most common instruments they use are a triangle, washboard and the accordion."

When Chubby started the family band, Du extended his talents by playing drums, with

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# SOOP

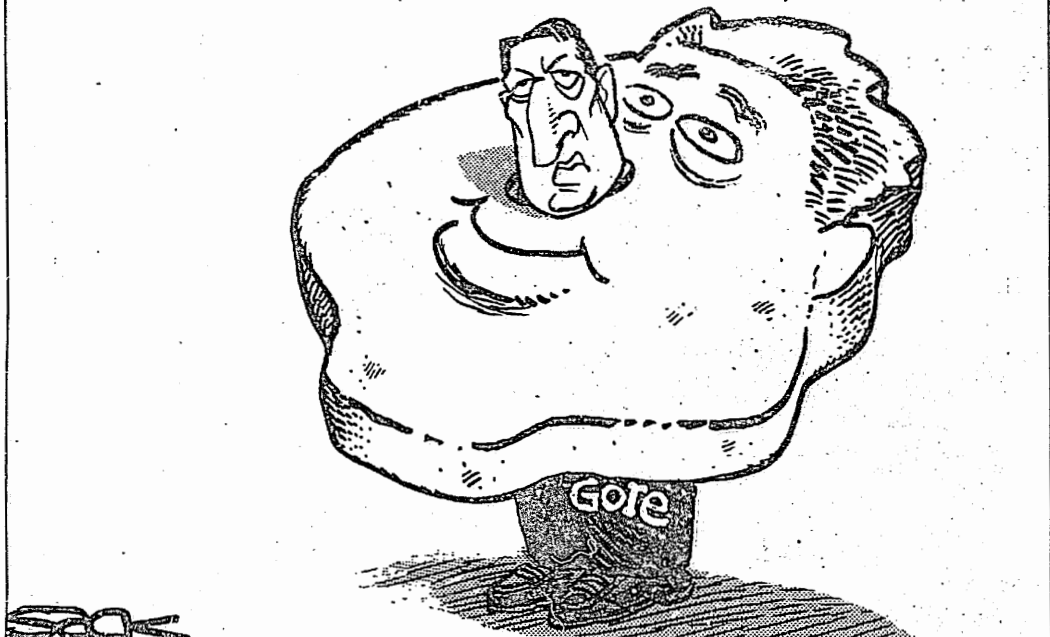
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# MILLSTONE



## Remember to take a gander at the scenery

Fort Collins, Colo.  
Day: 29  
Miles Traveled: 3,947

There are moments in each of our lives that are so strong they leave memories so deeply imprinted we know that one slice of time will never desert us.

They leaves such a deep chasm in our mind we will remember those few seconds even when we're 92 years old, dying from Alzheimer's. These moments seem to happen frequently on the road, which is part of the addicting allure of travel.

We were on the road, driving north from Boulder to Fort Collins at sundown when Broke spoke up from the back seat.

"Drive slow, Kennedy."

I turned around and watched Broke climb halfway out of the back window with his camera in hand. It's hard to drive slow when you're on a busy interstate with a speed limit of 75. I was about to growl at Broke and tell him to get back in the truck when I caught a glance of what he was taking a picture of.

"Chris," Matt instructed, "don't look. Watch the road."

### Flatulence in Littany

Chris Kennedy



Flatulence in Littany appears Thursdays. Chris is a senior in creative writing. His opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

A massive, dark storm had passed over and the low clouds stretched along the eastern horizon. To the west, the Front Range of the Rockies, covered in snow, was silhouetted by the setting sun.

As the sun dipped below the 14,000 foot peaks, a magma-like, maroon light reflected off the clouds over the Rockies and the clouds hanging over the plains to the east, giving the impression of the sun setting on both horizons.

"Christ," I muttered. The sight was unbelievable.

"Christ, man," Matt said, threatening to beat me about the head. "Watch the road."

The road, and the numerous cars upon it, could not keep my attention. Finally, Matt took the wheel so I could take a gander at the scenery, which was ironic because we decided Matt would not be allowed to drive through points of interest any longer after he nearly drove us off the road admiring breath-taking scenery near Los Alamos, N.M.

Broke had not traveled much out of the state of Illinois before this trip, and I smiled as I said to him, "You don't see sunsets like that in Illinois."

The last week had been filled with moments like that. We had left Durango and headed north through the mountains, past Denver and up into the Neota Wilderness, which rises high into the northern Colorado Front Range.

We had camped on a small outcropping of land surrounded by a large mountain lake where we could watch the sun set over the surrounding mountains every night.

After three days, we drove back south into Boulder where we rested at a friend's house. We played volleyball, went out for the evening and tubed Boulder Creek.

Tubing Boulder Creek was an experience. Broke wasn't too excited about going because he couldn't swim well, but we assured him the water wasn't more than waist deep and calm.

We were right about the "waist deep" part. The river was raging with Class Three rapids. By the time our bodies had been thrown about the river for 20 minutes, we were all bleeding from multiple places. Broke was wounded the worst after he went head-first through a rapid and bounced his head off a rock, busting his lip open and slicing his knee.

I was smiling about that when I heard Brian Adams' "Summer of '69" come on the radio. It was the perfect song to complete the zeitgeist. As Adams sang, "Man we were killing time, we were young and restless and needed to unwind. . . those were the best days of my life." Matt looked over towards me.

"What?" he said. "The summer of '99?"

"Yeah," I replied. "Hey, do you ever have one of those moments. . ."

"Yeah," Matt said. "Is this one of them?"

### Do you have something to say?

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## Mailbox

### Trustee laptops are unjustified expenditures

Dear Editor,

Before I read the text of the article by Marilyn Vise (Belleville News-Democrat, July 4) about SIU President Ted Sanders' providing computer systems at University expense for himself and the members of the Board of Trustees, I was ready to give Mr. Sanders one-and-one-half thumbs down. Now it's two thumbs down — and only because I do not have more thumbs.

It's good to know where Mr. Sanders' priorities lie. I am one of those faculty members mentioned in the Vise article who do not have an office computer or a modem and cannot access the Internet or e-mail from campus. I am hampered in my teaching and my

research by these defects.

And I can assure both Mr. Sanders and Mr. Jack Dyer that if the University will buy me a system comparable to the system given to the members of the board, I will use it every bit as much as they do. Perhaps more — and even perhaps become a better researcher and a better teacher into the bargain.

Incidentally, the board members may receive "zero" salary here at Southern Illinois University, as Mr. Dyer claims. But some of the faculty don't receive a whole lot more.

What Mr. Sanders shelled out just to provide laptops for board members would pay my salary at SIUC for two full years.

Warren L. Meinhardt  
associate professor, Department of Foreign Languages

### Reader expresses dismay for minority slaying

Dear Editor,

I was really shocked that one of my best friends was killed.

Since I came back to my country already, Japan, I heard about this news from a friend of mine.

I had known Won-Joon Yoon for more than three years. My study at SIU started with him in the same major, aviation management.

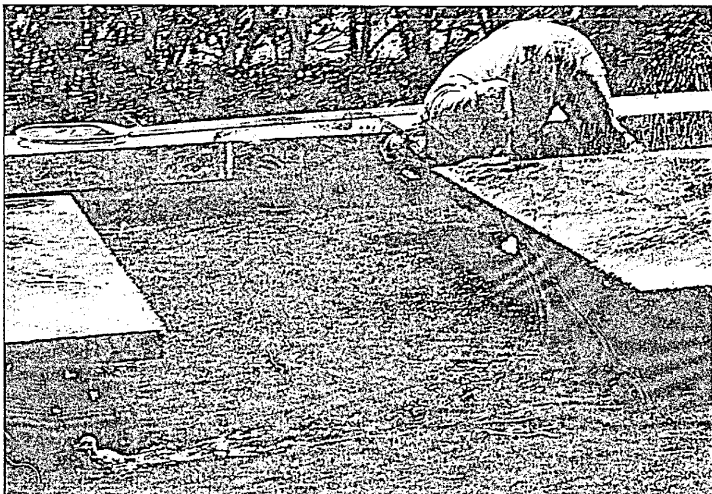
As Yuya Ando was saying, Yoon was an unbelievably nice person. I can not understand why he had to be killed for nothing, just because he was minority.

I had known that there is racism in even Carbondale, but I believe that those people need more moral and education. Also, the environment they were raised in by parents was absolutely wrong.

I will never forgive the guy, Smith, and other people who have the same stupid idea.

Aiko Takahashi  
alumnus, aviation management '98

Did we, minority, do something bad to white people? Why did Smith have to kill him? If it were an accident or something, I could have accepted the death of my best friend, but there was no reason.



CAROL McDaniel/Daily Egyptian

**HOLY QUACKERS:** A baby duckling makes its escape as Sue Haug, a campus grounds crew worker, searches for it in a fountain in front of Morris Library. Sue and others spent part of Wednesday afternoon corralling a group of ducklings that had been separated from their mother. The four strays were safely reunited with their mother in a nearby pond.

## Ducklings leave workers daffy

### SHENANIGANS:

Rescue involves wacky 20-minute chase.

DAAPHNE REITER  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

In a dramatic rescue Wednesday, three SIUC grounds workers returned four babies to their panicked mother in front of Morris Library.

The babies, tiny brown ducklings, had become entrapped in the fountain in front of the library, while two others remained in the pond across the walkway.

As the mother duck hid in nearby bushes and called out to her ducklings, Sue Haug and Paula Ohlau rolled up their blue jeans and tried to corner the frightened newborns with a net.

Ben Shepherd, a professor in the department of zoology, said he had

noticed the ducklings were separated from their mother and alerted the Physical Grounds Office early Wednesday afternoon.

"I thought it was cruel," Shepherd said. "They deserved more."

After the first three were caught and returned to their siblings in the pond, the chase intensified. The remaining duckling wiggled, hid and even seemed to run on the water in order to elude the women.

"There!" Ohlau called out more than once. "I got him! Wait, not quite — is that him over there?"

"He's smart," Haug said as she crept up on the animal.

Harlyn Beckman stood a few feet away taking the babies as they were retrieved from the water and calling out help to Haug and Ohlau.

After a 20-minute chase, the last culprit was caught, and the family was reunited.

Shepherd said if there ever was a time for duckling shenanigans, it is

now, since ducks are seasonal breeders.

"They come out of the shell running," he said. "You could say they are precocious developers."

Shepherd said the ducks were mallards, one of many species that make their home on campus. Although he called it "kind-hearted," Shepherd said students should resist feeding the duck population.

"They should stay their distance and admire them," he said. "Let's just enjoy them."

Beckman, who has dealt with similar problems in the past, said the ducks will not stay at the pond for long.

"The mother knows where the lake is," he said. "She'll head to Thompson Woods."

Haug's face read relief as the last wily duckling paddled back to his mother.

"They're all together," she said. "I'm glad they're safe."

### HALE

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disappointing.

"We're not seeing a lot of distribution of literature down there; that certainly needs to change," Hale said.

Amid the tragedy surrounding Smith, Hale and his church have been highly publicized. Hale has appeared on CNN and on the Today Show along with being a source to the Associated Press. Hale left his residence in East Peoria, where he lives with his parents, to speak out in favor of Smith, not to publicize his church, he said.

"I'm going on these shows because I think somebody has to speak good things about Ben," Hale said. "You'd enjoy being around him. He was a very good guy."

He contends his parents are supportive of his strong beliefs.

"They're proud of that, in the sense that I believe in something," he said. But Hale could not say whether he thinks his parents are proud of his actions.

Hale said he was not sure whether affiliate numbers to his organization have increased or decreased because of the publicity.

Hale constantly defends his church, and is not ashamed of his hatred.

"Hating other people — what's wrong with that?" Hale asked. "White people are the people who

matter to us. The others are irrelevant."

Hale sees separation as a key to the end of hatred.

"We intend to separate through the popular will of the people," Hale said. "We hope for a large land mass we can call our own. It's just inevitable, white people have to have a land of our own."

"Hopefully, some people realize we're not monsters. We're not villains. We simply want to represent our own people."

Hale said he started to question equal rights when he was a child. Although he admits he never affiliated with many minorities he said he learned his hatred from history books.

"I knew of blacks, it's true," Hale said. "I didn't associate with them. I think integration causes the racial problems."

Hale was 21 when he decided to practice law and intends on practicing constitutional law if he is allowed.

"I believe I'll win. The law's certainly on my side," Hale said.

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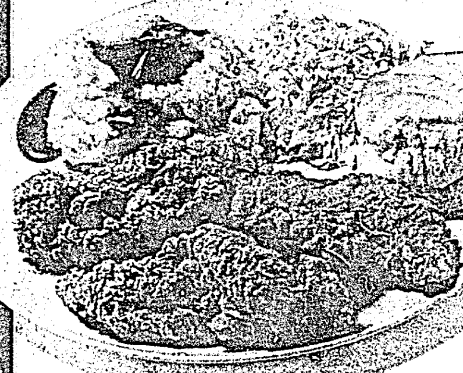
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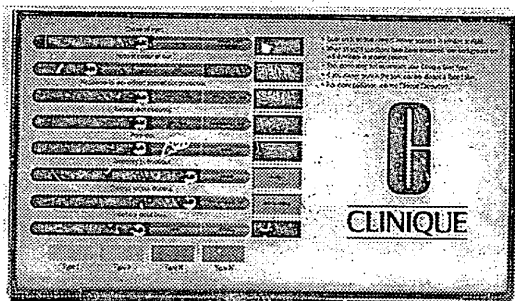
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# Hard times for software

Pirating software catalyzed by lack of money, student reveals.

CHRIS KRAMER  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

An SIU student sails to a popular place on the outer rim of the Internet, and he ends his journey with a click.

After waiting 20 minutes, files transfer and another program has been pirated, which he can use to both educate and incriminate himself.

"Now I don't need to go back to the computer lab," said the student who, to maintain his anonymity, would like to be known as Maxwell Powers. "I hate spending all my time in that cold, uncomfortable and robotic environment."

According to Powers, illegal software sites (known as warez sites) harbor many commercial programs that are shared in a commune based on trading one program for another.

Powers said students do not copy illegal software merely to break the law and make quick cash by selling them. He said they copy software because students do not have money to purchase expensive graphics and publishing programs.

"Warez sites are all about trading," he said. "It's like a culture. People network and get to use all the latest games and applications for free — not for (a) fee."

SIUC and other universities with adequate computers and access to the Web can supply potential thieves with the means to pirate software.

Randy Greer, the local access network administrator for SIU's Computer Learning Centers, said downloading programs to backup storage devices such as portable zip, jazz, and tape backup drives is possible.

According to Greer, the SIUC Computer

Learning Centers use a program called Lab Expert. It allows network administrators to prevent anyone without access to copy software licensed by SIUC.

"If somebody had the means to do it, they can download the software," Greer said. "You can find just about anything on the Internet."

Leticia Bullard, the lab manager for SIU's Computer Learning Centers, said neither she nor other employees of the labs will aid or condone the piracy of computer software.

"I would tell a student that I can't help them download illegal software," Bullard said. "I'd tell them that it's illegal, and if I caught them, I would report them to the authorities."

While authorities in the software industry try to crack down on this ever-expanding problem, more people pirate software through cable modems, ethernet connections and dial-up networks everyday.

Heather MacDonald, an anti-piracy administrator for the Corel Corporation, said software firms belonging to the Business Software Alliance are working together to decrease the frequency of software piracy.

"You can never know exactly how much pirated software is out there," MacDonald said. "All of the BSA members are fighting this as a whole."

The BSA concentrates on reducing piracy

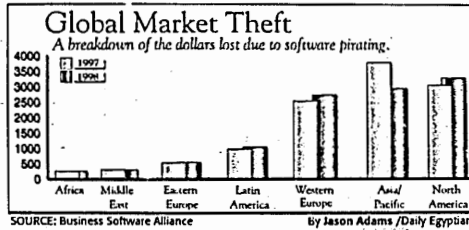
to the lowest level possible. Its members include Adobe Systems, Apple, Corel, IBM and many other large firms in the computer industry.

According to the BSA's website, piracy costs software companies \$2.9 billion in the United States in 1998. "Software piracy not only takes away from companies' profit," MacDonald said. "It takes away from the author's livelihood."

In the United States, if someone is caught with pirated software, they may be liable under both civil and criminal law. Authors of pirated software can seek civil damages in the amount of \$100,000 per program. Additionally, criminal penalties for copyright infringement include fines up to \$250,000 and up to five years in prison.

Like Powers, many students and avid computer users with low budgets are making the decision to obtain illegal software for both educational and financial reasons, even though they are aware of copyright laws.

"Programs like Corel, Photoshop and Quark push prices so high you can't afford them — not even the educational versions," Powers said. "When you're a student, sometimes you have to improvise. When it comes to software, you've gotta get it any which way you can."



## Decking the out downtown

**NEW EDITION:**  
Student added to Main Street Program.

DANIELLE TYLER  
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The Carbondale Main Street program added a new member to its staff two weeks ago when Jill Bratland, a 1999 graduate of SIUC in speech communication, took over the position as manager of the program.

Though Bratland still is learning the ropes, she remains calm and hopeful about her new job.

"I believe [Main Street] a strong program," Bratland said. "It's a very good thing for Carbondale."

Carbondale Main Street, responsible for events such as the Brown Bag concerts, First Cellular's Main Street Pig Out and the Movies on Main is, most importantly, a program meant to beautify and live up Carbondale's downtown.

Initiated in 1995, the program is designed to organize and manage the downtown area, improving its appearance, promoting and bringing more peo-

ple downtown, and restructuring Carbondale's economy by strengthening downtown's economic base.

Sally Carter, owner of the Hangar 9, 511 S. Illinois Ave., was program's former interim manager after the resignation of Joel Fritzier in February.

Carter said the staff is happy with Bratland, and they welcome her to continue the tasks of the program.

Bratland said she hopes to see more of the empty buildings in the downtown area filled, particularly the old WTAO building at 207 W. Main St.

She also said Main Street has added a new reference center to aid businesses in any renovations they might want to make to their buildings. It includes suggestions and options for awnings and signs.

"We also offer grants to cut the costs of these renovations," she said. "This is all to keep our downtown beautiful."

When asked what she has enjoyed the most so far, she talks of the people she has met.

"I like getting to know the mix of people in this area," she said.

## I wish I had a brain: future robots just might

ROBERT COOKE  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

Forget Deep Blue, the chess champion: In the biggest test yet of how smart a computer can be, a \$150 million NASA spacecraft will skim past a hurtling asteroid later this month in the

closest-ever space rendezvous, and an artificial intelligence program will be at the controls.

Without guidance from human technicians on Earth, the "smart system" aboard the Deep Space I will make the moment-by-moment decisions. It will pilot the ion-thruster engine, navigate by comparing star charts with the positions of real stars, and monitor all of the spacecraft's systems to make sure everything's running OK.

And its human engineers will try not to think about the time the "smart" computer forgot to shut down the engine for several hours. At least the system recognized its mistake — a key element of a computer's ability to understand its environment.

After more than four decades of diligent research and great expectations, scientists are still struggling with ways to make computers work less like souped-up calculators and more like

people — ways to make them think.

Even now, "if I could build a system that knows as much as my dog, that would be incredible," said Howard Shrobe, associate director of the Artificial Intelligence Laboratory at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

But that may yet change.

Research into the science called artificial intelligence, or A-I, is accelerating anew — at MIT, they say it's reaching "a moment of critical mass." New ideas, combined with massive gains in computing power, are prying open a whole new era.

*"We're still struggling to come up with a fundamental understanding of what intelligence is."*

— ERIC GRIMSON  
MIT SPECIALIST

"We're seeing artificial intelligence emerge from a period called A-I winter," said Bill Svartout, director of the Information Sciences Institute at the University of Southern California.

Researchers are trying to train computers like dolphins or other animals, looking for methods of positive reinforcement — the digital equivalent of a pat on the nose.

Some of the efforts seem eerie: At MIT, Cynthia Breazeal is nurturing a computerized head she named Kismet that looks vaguely like a furlless Furby and acts like a needy infant. She programmed Kismet with needs that require satisfaction, somewhat like a Tamagotchi electronic pet, and gave it facial features that denote happiness or sadness. Its eyelids and ears can droop, and it seems to perk up when something seems interesting.

## Fake IDs look more real than ever

LEIF STRICKLAND  
KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

DALLAS — Joseph smiled at the bartender, asked for a beer and, when he heard the familiar request for an ID, pulled his Connecticut driver's license from his wallet.

The 20-year-old had breezed through the drill dozens of times, but on this Friday night, it seemed to be taking too long. Then the bartender pulled a book from behind the counter and flipped to a picture of a Connecticut ID.

"That freaked me out," said Joseph, who attends a university in the Northeast and is working in Fort Worth, Texas, this summer. "I thought he was going to realize it was a fake and would throw me out."

But a few minutes later, Joseph, who spoke on condition that his last name not be used, was sipping a beer. His nearly flawless ID, which he had designed on a computer and pasted together in about 30 minutes, had yet again passed the test.

Young people have used forged licenses as long as laws have prevented them from drinking. But what separates students such as Joseph from the generations of varsity counterfeiters before them is the deftness of their felonious work. Using computer technology widely available at universities, they're able to make fake IDs so advanced that even veteran officers are duped.

"I don't know where they're getting them, but the quality is just amazing."

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increase is the massive renovation of the Center's fire alarm system.

Structural improvements to SIUC in discussion include air conditioning renovations in Faner Hall and piping replacements in Anthony Hall.

Dyer said the presence of H.O.P.E. is not expected to interrupt any of today's business or bring up any irrelevant issues.

"I am sure they will be here to demonstrate — that is expected," he said.

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# IMF's proposed gold sale runs into opposition

JONATHAN PETERSON  
LOS ANGELES TIMES

In a world of haves and have-nots, the question seemed reasonable: Why shouldn't a rich international organization sell some of its gold and use the proceeds to ease the debts of needy countries?

To the International Monetary Fund, which sits on a gigantic hoard of the precious metal, it seemed like a fine idea.

Yet the plan, which is key to a broader debt-relief effort announced last month by the world's richest nations, has come under sharp assault in Congress, from the gold industry and from at least one of the have-not countries it is intended to help.

"It ain't gonna happen," declared Sen. Richard H. Bryan, D-Nev., summing up a sentiment that has been gaining support in both houses of Congress.

The outcry over the IMF proposal to unload as much as 10 million ounces of gold

worth roughly \$2.6 billion — about 10 percent of its stash — has erupted as the latest expression of hostility to an institution whose approach to bailing-out faltering national economies often raises the hackles of conservatives in Congress.

Critics are demanding that any proceeds be returned to taxpayers, who helped buy the gold in the first place as part of the original backing for the IMF's lending activities. The United States is the IMF's biggest contributor, and no gold sale could go through without Congress' blessing.

"Relieving poor country debt is actually a good idea, but elected officials should make the decision, not the international bureaucrats who run the IMF," House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas, said in a letter to colleagues. But the IMF isn't the only issue. The flap has grown for reasons that also have to do with gold's role in a changing world.

Once upon a time, gold towered over mere

cash as a symbol of everlasting value. Even after the metal was stripped of its status as an anchor to the world's currencies in 1971, nations coveted it as the ultimate insurance against inflation. The proposed IMF sale is just the latest development to erode gold's mystique and its price. Britain on Tuesday sold 25 metric tons of gold, the first stage of a gold sale that could net it more than \$3 billion over several years. Switzerland recently changed its constitution to allow huge future sales. Argentina, Australia, Canada, the Netherlands and Belgium have unloaded substantial portions of their national gold reserves in recent years. At the start of the 1980s, when America endured double-digit inflation rates and equally high interest rates, an ounce of gold commanded more than \$800. By the end of the day Tuesday,

Even in the foreign financial panics of 1997 and '98, overseas speculators fled not to gold but to the safety of the U.S. stock market

and the dollar.

"Its role as a monetary asset has been vastly diminished," said William B. O'Neill, director of commodity research at the Merrill Lynch investment firm in New York.

Some observers with a conspiratorial bent believe the world's central banks have schemed to keep gold's price down to a level that vindicates the banks' own policies against inflation.

A more mainstream view is that Wall Street's emphasis on large and speedy returns on investment has influenced the central banks, where a younger generation of officials may look with frustration on vast gold holdings that merely seem to gather dust in vaults.

"You've got MBAs running central banks. They take a look at the gold sitting in the vault and they say, 'Gee, this gold isn't doing anything,'" said John C. Doody, editor of the Gold Stock Analyst, an investment newsletter in Nantucket, Mass.

## DANCE

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cousin Kevin Carrier on the washboard. Their performances stretched out through the 1980s, taking them and the sounds of zydeco across the United States and abroad.

In the early 1990s, Du returned to his home in Louisiana where he enhanced his musical ambitions and learned the funky sounds of the accordion. Taking lessons from Roy and Chubby, Du soon learned the triple note accordion, and embarked on a journey of his own, with the introduction of Dikki Du and the Zydeco Crew.

Because the sound of zydeco

originated from Louisiana, many people assume that zydeco music is the same as Cajun music. Though there are some similarities between zydeco and Cajun, they are different styles of music. The difference comes from the instruments involved and the musical influences.

Stokes said the sounds of zydeco have influenced the lives of many with its cultural heritage.

"Creole started to commiserate with the French-Acadian who had made the exodus from Canada to Louisiana," he said. "Zydeco is sort of a blues based variation of Cajun music. Cajun is actually short for French-Acadian."

Cajun sounds and marks have

different instruments and more closely resemble bluegrass. Cajun players typically use a steel and acoustic guitar for the base of their soul, and almost all the songs are in French.

Zydeco bands turn away from the strings and hit the keys on the keyboard accordion. The strumming and banging of a washboard is also a staple of any zydeco act.

As unique as the sound is the history of the music.

"A Western African dialect known as Krio, became known as Creole, when slaves made their way to Louisiana" Stokes said.

"As I understand it, people who spoke the Creole dialect, Seminole-Indians and French-Acadian blend-

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ed their music. The music was combined over the years to form Zydeco."

In the 1950s and 1960s, Zydeco music was dismissed as "old folk's music" and was all but forgotten, but in the 1980s and 1990s, a novae resurrection of Zydeco began.

By Jason Adams /Daily Egyptian

The revival of Zydeco was deeply mixed with a passionate pride in the black Creole heritage of the region.

Zydeco has its roots in the cultural setting of the "crawfish circuit" of bars and clubs of southwestern Louisiana.

## LOCATION

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facility located in the best possible location.

"What I'm interested in is making sure we explore all the available options," Woolard said. "We need to make the best decision for

all people and parties concerned.

"I've always approached things with the attitude that anything good for the Southern Illinois region is good for my district, so the facility just needs to be built in the best possible location."

Woolard said the best possible location for the TEC is at the Williamson County Airport — located on Rte. 13, 11 miles east of

Carbondale — where the center would enjoy public exposure, benefiting both the airport and the SIU programs located in the facility.

NewMyer said, however, that Southern Illinois Airport was chosen over other alternatives, including Williamson County Airport, for numerous reasons. Primarily, the TEC will incorporate several existing facilities at the airport, which

helps keep building costs down. Switching locations would require duplication of those facilities with corresponding cost increases, he said.

Construction of the TEC is estimated at \$34 million, with 90 percent of those funds coming from the state. The remaining \$3.4 million must be raised through private donations, and the Southern Illinois

Airport Authority Board has already pledged about \$2 million to the project.

Robert Duncan, chairman of the Williamson County Airport Board, had not heard of Woolard's proposal but said he would welcome the TEC.

"I haven't been contacted in the past, but we'd be proud to have it at our airport," Duncan said.

## DEAN

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control systems, which spans a few departments.

In 1979, he was promoted to a full professorship and also associate dean of engineering; the latter position he served until '88.

Swisher served as dean of engineering at TTU from 1989 to 1997, stepping down from the administrative post to teach.

As dean at TTU, Swisher led the college through three accreditations, a critical process for the reputation of the college.

He also increased the engineering endowment fund — a type of

savings account for the college where the interest is used for programs — from \$200,000 when he took office to \$2 million when he left.

In addition, under Swisher's administration, the amount of annual donations — either in cash or actual equipment that is donated to the college — increased 10-fold to

\$1.2 million.

Sami said Swisher was extremely successful in navigating the college of engineering at TTU through a difficult financial situation.

He said Swisher was instrumental in elevating morale in those turbulent financial times.

Swisher said he and his wife, Linda, are only now initiating the

moving process from Tennessee to Southern Illinois.

Sami said he is excited about Swisher's arrival and is very pleased he was appointed dean.

"He's a scholar, not just an administrator. It's a complete package we are getting," Sami said. "He knows what research is and what quality teaching is."

## REZONING

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"The planning is comprehensive," Arnold said. "It was a deliberate decision over many months. This, in my opinion, is not crude urban sprawl. It's the right thing to do."

Stan Lieber, a geography profes-

or at SIU and local property owner, said he knows the reality of the University.

"This is bad economic business for Carbondale," said Lieber. "The pie of enrollment is not growing significantly."

"What this really boils down to is a special zoning favor."

Local landlord Barrett Rochman argued the issue was not just about

land, it was about having new competition brought in.

"I'm offended by this fraternity of landlords," Rochman said.

Mayor Neil Dillard said that if the city is going to move forward with development, it needed to rezone the property in question.

"I see this as a good project," Dillard said. "Competition will be increased. This is the right way to

go with this property."

As council members began to vote for the passing of the ordinance, several disgruntled landlords walked angrily out of the room.

Once constructed, the apartments in Saluki Place will feature privacy and safety perks including a private full bathroom off every bedroom. Private keys, panic alarm buttons and fire safety equipment are

other attractions offered, along with a clubhouse and other recreation facilities.

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# Big Mac wants All-Star roster extended

DAVID WILHELM  
KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

When it comes to the All-Star Game, St. Louis Cardinals first baseman Mark McGwire wishes the wealth would be spread among his counterparts.

McGwire, announced Tuesday as a starter for the National League in the All-Star Game next Tuesday at Fenway Park in Boston, would like rosters to expand from 30 to 35 players.

"This is where major-league baseball cuts itself short," McGwire said. "You keep the roster where it's at and you're going to cut players off - which I think is wrong."

"If you expand the rosters to 35 players, it doesn't matter if they play. Just to have the All-Star label next to them means a lot to them. I think major-league baseball should do that."

McGwire compiled 1,669,066 votes, easily outdistancing Jeff Bagwell of Houston (837,117) for the starting spot. McGwire will make his seventh All-Star start and his 11th

appearance - although he didn't play in the game in 1991 or 1995.

"Everybody sees a lot of the same players year in and year after," McGwire said. "It would be neat to have some guys come in as replacements, where they can have a couple of at-bats. That way, you can bring in some fresh faces that deserve to be there that would be at home watching it on TV."

McGwire - batting .263 with 26 homers and 68 RBIs entering Tuesday - also would like to see the All-Star break expand from three days to four.

"The season is too long, and it's such a rush in three days - especially when we have to come all the way from the West Coast (San Francisco) and fly clear across the country that night," McGwire said. "The home-run hitting contest is at 8 o'clock at night (Monday) and you play the game at 8 o'clock the next night and then you're back home and play again."

McGwire plans on participating in the home run-hitting contest "if my eyes are open." He said he will resist the urge to take

his batting practice pitcher, Dave McKay, to Boston.

"I'm not going to do that to Dave," McGwire said. "It's a great time of the year to have off. The coaches work harder than we do as players. He's going to be home in Arizona with his wife enjoying time. I think it would be more pressure on him to know I brought my own BP pitcher, because then if it didn't work out, I'll just take my chances."

McGwire is 4-for-18 (.222) with no home runs and two RBIs in the All-Star Game. "I'm just going to have fun and enjoy it," McGwire said. "I've never really had a good All-Star Game, so I try to have a good home-run contest."

Fenway Park's cozy confines would seem perfect for McGwire's home-run swing.

"I have a tape that a friend of mine sent me a couple of three years ago from a Saturday afternoon at Fenway from 1992, 1993 or 1994 when he hit three (in one game), and each one was a little farther than the other one," Cardinals manager Tony La Russa said. "He fits Fenway Park real well."

"I've never sat back and analyzed a park," he said. It's obviously a historical park and I understand they're going to make a new one pretty soon. It's just like history. History is meant to be broken, and records are meant to be broken, too."

"In my rookie year, I was asked to be in after having a surprising first half in '87," he said. "It's always thrilling. Everybody, all you guys when you were kids during the summer, you would race home and watch the All-Star Game. It's a spectacle that everybody loves."

"It's a really individual thing," La Russa said. "I think the better pros, the better professionals, understand what an honor it is to participate in the All-Star Game. It's a terrific event and they enjoy rubbing elbows with their peers."

"I think some other guys just haven't caught that clue yet. They talk about the break and talk about the rest, but they're starting to take their gifts for granted and the responsibility they have to the game."

# Cubs on backward roll midway through season

PAUL SULLIVAN  
KNIGHT-RIDDER NEWSPAPERS

The Cubs' season reaches the halfway point Wednesday and they have been on a roll - backward. In the last 17 days they have lost seven games by Little League scores: 11-4, 11-5, 10-1, 17-6, 19-12, 14-1 and 21-8.

The suspects have been well-noted through the first half. Steve Trachsel and the pitching staff are giving up runs at a club-record pace, Jose Hernandez is striking out at a team-record pace, Gary Gaetti still is hitting less than .200, Benito Santiago is a double-play magnet and the bullpen is blowing savas with mind-numbing regularity.

And guess what? Cubs attendance also is on a record pace.

General Manager Ed Lynch says he'll use the next three weeks to evaluate the team and see whether it's time to start dumping players in a midsummer purge - as he did in 1997 - or add players who might help them get back into the playoff picture.

Lynch maintains this team can contend,

despite its recent problems.

"I felt that way three weeks ago after the trip (to Cleveland and Arizona) and I still think so."

For the Cubs to snap out of it, their four starters - Jun Lieber, Kevin Tapani, Trachsel and Terry Mulholland - must consistently keep them in ballgames until the seventh inning. From the bullpen, a rejuvenated Matt Karchner, an improved Rick Aguilera and a healthy Terry Adams must finish games cleanly. If this happens, the Cubs' offense should be strong enough to pull off a prolonged period of winning baseball.

It's easy now to forget the Cubs were 27-17 from May 14 to June 9 and their starters ranked second in National League ERA until the first week of June. Since then the club has slogged through a 5-18 stretch. Which stretch is more indicative of reality?

Here's a scary thought: The 5-18 stretch was even more horrifying than the 0-14 start of the 1997 season.

"We were in almost all of those games (during 0-14)," manager Jim Riggleman said. "You never had the feeling you were never in

it. The games (during 5-18) were so lopsided. ... When you're down 10-1 in the fourth, you don't feel competitive."

Still, the fact that San Diego recently ripped off 14 straight victories could be cause for optimism.

"It's possible," Riggleman said. "But San Diego did it with pitching. All through that streak, they dominated by great pitching."

The Cubs don't have great pitching, but they do have veteran pitchers who know what it's like to succeed on a regular basis, including Lieber, Tapani, Trachsel, Mulholland, Aguilera, Karchner and, when he returns in August, Rod Beck. Though they have dug themselves a last-place hole, the club is only eight games from first place.

Thus the period before and after the All-Star Game on Tuesday in Boston is do or die for this team, the bulk of which was around for the playoff season of '98. If Lynch decides to pull the plug July 31, he doesn't have much of trade value because of age, salaries and subpar seasons. Because the farm system has been depleted, Lynch may be forced to stick with the veterans this season.


To make the second half a more enjoyable experience for all concerned, here are some top signs for Cubs players, management and owners to heed.

-Stop talking about throwing inside and start throwing inside. Hit a batter. Start a brawl. Does the pitching staff have any fire left in it?

-Stop thinking about 2000. With so many players about to become free agents - including Trachsel, Gaetti, Mark Grace, Mickey Morandini, Jose Hernandez, Glenallen Hill and Jeff Blauser - it's hard not to think about whether these are your last few months in a Cubs uniform. Players need to concentrate on earning this season's salary rather than thinking about their next contract.

-Stop worrying about fans booing. Riggleman said his "faith in mankind" had come into question after Cubs fans booed Trachsel for another bad outing, adding he wished they had booed him instead. But booing is the only realistic way for fans to show displeasure for a product that doesn't come close to meeting expectations. After all, ticket prices were raised as well as expectations.

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# All-Star popularity contest

Although some of baseball's athletes may not know how to fight their way out of a media paper bag these days, the fans still are aware of what's good for them.

In selecting the players for the last All-Star game of the century, fans weeded out the selfish and pretentious and extracted the prime players of the era.

Baseball broke the American sports mold of the 20th century and endured the extreme highs and tragic lows of the nation, piercing its way through the end of the millennium where the sport has been taken to new levels of power.

It's only fitting that baseball departs for the millennium with a conglomeration of its finest in the sport's last great game of the century.

This year's Major League Baseball All-Star game will prove to be a collection of future hall-of-famers at one of the game's few remaining classic ballparks, Fenway Park, home of the Boston Red Sox.

Starting lineups for the All-Star game are chosen by the fans. The fans have recognized the commitment and perseverance displayed by veteran sluggers and fielders who are dedicated to the game and not themselves, a quality fans covet and only the great managers have the opportunity to coach.

The 1999 starting lineup consists of the few remnants of players left in the game who have tried to keep baseball on its feet and two who put the game back in America's heart last summer with a record-smashing tour of the country.

And this year, the fans also have left out those who don't deserve to be there — specifically, Juan Gonzalez. He wasn't voted to be a starter at the All-Star game, and he said he didn't want to be picked as a reserve by American League coach Joe Torre because voting for the game is a popularity contest. Well, of course it is. And that's why only the classy, charming and charismatic men left in the sport like Sammy Sosa, Mark McGwire, Cal Ripken, Nomar Garciaparra and Ken Griffey Jr. are penciled in the starting lineup.

My advice for Gonzalez: Go to the game, but watch from a fan's view. Take notes on Sosa, Ripken and the rest of the men of summer. Study those notes in the off-season, and maybe next year you'll make the cut.

Of course, there must be exceptions to Tuesday night's cloying diamond dream. The absence of baseball's current greatest hitter, just 18 hits shy of 3,000, Tony Gwynn, was forced out of the Padres' lineup in May.

Although he was voted upon in this "popularity contest," Gwynn will have to sit this game out. Fenway Park is the only major league park in which he has not registered an at bat. But he'll surely end up in Cooperstown along with most of the other voted starters for Tuesday's cross-league dual.

Another detriment to the last great baseball game of the century is that not one New York Yankee player will be among the starters. Granted, the starters are deserving of their nominations, but the Yankees represent one of the great sports dynasties of the century. And another baseball dynasty, the Atlanta Braves, also will not be represented in the starting lineup. Perhaps teams are transcending the level of the 20th-century game.

And maybe the new millennium will bring new fortune to teams like the Cubs and the Tigers.

OK, it's far-fetched reverie, but a fan can dream, can't he?

# Hawkins to coach at Baton County

Geoff Trudeau  
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Shane Hawkins, former SIUC basketball standout and student graduate assistant coach, has decided to extend his involvement in the game at another level.

Hawkins, originally from Pinckneyville, will join the coaching staff of Barton County Junior College in Great Bend, Kan. The all-time career leader in three-point field goals for SIUC and the Missouri Valley Conference will begin work with the squad at the start of the 1999 Junior College pre-season in August.

The situation could not be more suitable for Hawkins, who

has always aspired to someday coach an NCAA Division I team to a national championship when his playing days were over.

"For someone my age to stay in the college game and to get involved with a school that has such a rich tradition of winning is a real thrill," Hawkins said.

Starting out with Barton County Junior College should give Hawkins the coaching success he is yearning for. Last season, Barton finished second in the National Junior College Championships.

Saluki men's head basketball coach Bruce Weber thinks this is the right move for the guy he calls "Hawk."

"This is a good opportunity for Shane to get his feet wet,"

Weber said. "Barton is a good 'in' for him."

But with all the storybook-type success he is encountering, Hawkins is still level-headed and maintains realistic views.

"With this kind of business, you're always looking for the next move up," Hawkins said. "You never know when the next, better opportunity will come along."

In the meantime, Hawkins continues his work at several basketball camps as an instructor in the Southern Illinois region. Always the sagacious player, Hawkins' experiences on the basketball court have paved the way for his hoops knowledge.

"Shane was always a heady player," Weber said. "...and

when he crossed over to coaching the game, he brought that heady play with him."

Hawkins believes his time spent with former 13-year SIUC head basketball coach Rich Herrin influenced him tremendously.

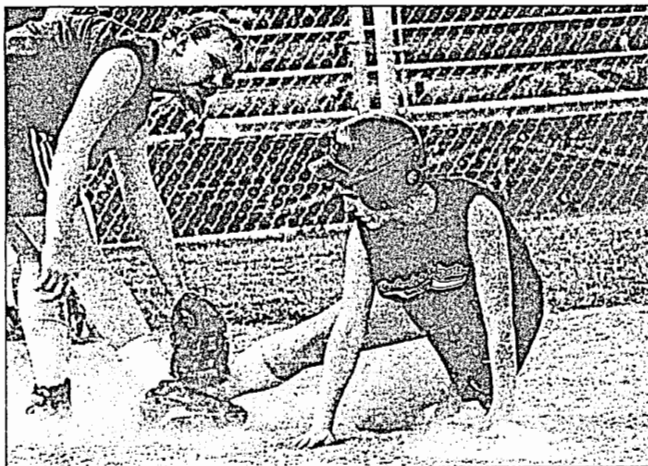
"The chance to play for Herrin was great," Hawkins said. "He has been a winner all his life, and to play for him was an honor."

Weber also has influenced Hawkins in only one season.

"For a guy to come in, and in his first year, build the type of program as solid as he did was really impressive," Hawkins said. "I hope to be able to accomplish something like that if given the opportunity."



DAVID FERRARA  
REPORTER



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(From left) Kendra Higgerson, pitcher for Carbondale Veneer, protects home plate from Natalie Patterson of the McDonald's team at the final softball game of the Carbondale Junior Sport Regular Season Tuesday.

MAGGIE YU/  
Daily Egyptian

# Memory of loss motivates U.S. soccer squad

Amy Shipley  
Washington Post

Even four years after the fact, U.S. goalkeeper Briana Scurry can get worked up as if the defeat occurred yesterday. Mention the U.S. women's national team's experience in the last Women's World Cup in 1995, and Scurry gets enraged all over again.

Scurry vividly recalls the scene after Norway defeated the U.S. team in the semifinals of the 1995 tournament, preventing the United States from winning its second straight Women's World Cup title.

When the final whistle blew in 1995, U.S. players collapsed where they stood. Norwegian players gathered and, in a strange celebration, latched onto each other's ankles and did a crab-like dance all over the field.

"That," Scurry said at the team's training site at Pomona College, "had a huge impact on me. I was literally mortified. I was appalled. I felt disrespected. I won't forget that when Saturday comes."

Had that defeat not occurred, the United States might have been seeking its third champi-

onship Saturday when it meets China at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena for the 1999 Women's World Cup final.

Instead, Norway went on to win the title. And, four years later, the U.S. players are trying to bring the Cup back home.

"We all suffered that day, and we all made vows that day, and every day, including now, we still have that loss in us," U.S. coach Tony DiCiccio said. "There are two things that I don't want this team to forget: how we felt in 1995, and how we felt in 1996."

In 1996, the U.S. team redeemed itself by winning the first Olympic gold medal awarded in women's soccer with a 2-1 defeat of China in front of more than 76,000 fans in Athens, Ga. Players say the pain they felt in 1995 pushed them to their Olympic success. And, they say, it propels them to this day.

"That was one of the lowest points of my career," U.S. midfielder Julie Foudy said. "The most memorable moment was sitting on the field after that loss. I had an epiphany as an athlete. Something needed to change."

Said defender Carla Overbeck: "It's a terrible feeling

"I was literally mortified. I was appalled. I felt disrespected. I won't forget that when Saturday comes."

— BRIANNA SCURRY  
U.S. GOALKEEPER

when you lose. After we had been at our own little places on the field, we came together as a group and vowed that we never wanted to feel this way again, that we would never let this happen again."

For the United States to prevent a recurrence this Saturday, it will have to defeat what has been the most impressive team in the tournament.

The Chinese crushed Norway, the defending champs, by a 5-0 margin in their semifinal Sunday.

The United States, meanwhile, struggled to defeat Brazil in its semifinal. The 2-0 victory was secured with a late penalty kick.

China also defeated the United States twice in three meetings this year.

The Chinese feature one of the world's best goalkeepers, Gao Hong, and one of the world's best forwards, Sun Wen, and — according to Wen — a more confident and unified team than ever.

Perhaps the biggest indication that DiCiccio fears the explosive, technically sound Chinese came in attempts this week to heap pressure into their corner.

"The Chinese are the favorite," DiCiccio said. "They are definitely the favorite. They've beaten us two out of three times. ... They've beaten the world champion."

They destroyed the world champion. For them not to win, that would be a terrible thing in China."

A loss would be agonizing for the U.S. team. Yet, for the first time since the Cup began June 19, the tournament's welfare doesn't depend on a U.S. victory.

Its success was ensured when the United States advanced to the final, turning this week into an thrilling countdown to Saturday.