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Family and friends gather for memorial of fatal stabbing victim

David Lopez
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Adam Faulkner stood in the blaring afternoon sun. He gazed into a photo album filled with pictures of Ryan Livingston and couldn’t help but to rekindle fond memories of an old friend.

Friends and family planted “Remember Ryan” signs along Main Street at the City of Carbondale Pavilion Saturday, which marked the one-year anniversary of Livingston’s murder. The 22-year-old former John A. Logan student was killed last summer after a Sunset Concert in an attempt to rob.

While those in attendance still felt the void left by Livingston’s death, many were more interested in celebrating his life than mourning it.

“He was the only guy who showed up to my 21st birthday party,” Faulkner said.

Though police have investigated several leads, no arrests have been made. Meanwhile, Livingston’s family and Carbondale Crime Stoppers are offering a $6,000 reward in hopes of motivating anyone with any information to come forward.

Ryan’s father, Richard Livingston, said he remembers his son’s uniqueness, kindness and his highly pro-social instinct toward his friends.

“I thought he was everybody’s mom or dad,” he said. Stephanie Oldani, a friend of Ryan Livingston’s from Carbondale, spent the afternoon with the family. She said the memorial was meant to keep Ryan fresh in people’s minds and remind them to be careful.

“We just don’t want his name to go away,” Oldani said. “We want people to know this type of thing does happen in a small town.”

Some local residents have already taken precautions to avoid another similar incident.

Since February, Bob Luebbers has been Neighborhood Watch Block captain for the three-block area between St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church and First Presbyterian Church. Luebbers said since the neighborhood watch group has been intact, he has seen less crime and some street improvements such as repaired streetlamps.

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Liquor license control on deck

Mayor Cole could gain sole authority over liquor licenses

Joe Crawford
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The City Council will vote tonight whether to give sole control of liquor licensing to the mayor, a proposal that has recently stirred controversy.

Carbondale Mayor Brad Cole, who proposed the plan, said giving the mayor local liquor-related authority would streamline the process of applying for liquor licenses and enforcing the liquor code. He said the change would also bring the city into accordance with state law.

Currently, the Council serves as the Liquor Control Commission, which issues licenses and has authority regarding enforcement of the city’s liquor code.

Cole said his proposal would eliminate a part of the liquor licensing process that other cities in the state don’t require – the approval of the City Council.

“It’s confusing for anyone that has licenses in multiple cities,” he said. “We’re the only one that does this way.”

The proposal could also provide the mayor with a $9,000 per year pay raise. Due to a state law that keeps elected officials from giving themselves raises mid-term, the pay increase would not take effect until the next mayoral term begins in 2011.

Councilman Joel Feitlir said he believes removing the responsibility from the Council would reduce government transparency and accountability.

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Appealing punishments, such as a liquor license suspension or revocation, could also be more difficult than it is now, Feitlir said.

Rather than appealing the decision to the City Council — acting as the Local Liquor Control Commission — the decision would be appealed to the state’s commission, which could involve traveling outside of Carbondale for the license.

Councilwoman Corene McDaniel said she has not decided how she will vote on the issue yet, but said businesses should not have to wait months to get a liquor license, as they might do now.

“I would be in favor of expediting the process,” she said.

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High school students study TV techniques at SIUC camp

Brandy Oxford
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Although she booked the dorm’s shower room on her first night at SIUC’s TV news summer camp, Kyra Johnson still plans to attend SIUC.

In response to SIU President Glenn Poshard’s push to increase enrollment, SIUC’s radio-television department invited 10 students from East St. Louis High School to attend a week-long camp.

The project ended Friday in a student news broadcast.

“I learned the editing process,” said Johnson, a senior at East St. Louis. “It looked easy, but it wasn’t.

We had good teachers though.”

The department provided meal cards for breakfast and lunch and had a dinner arranged for the students each night they attended camp.

Although the camp was funded by the department, most of the work was volunteers.

“You have to invest money to make money,” department chair John Hochheimer said. “This camp shows the rich possibilities that people of good will can reach together. It goes beyond Poshard’s direct change, but it’s implicit in what he’s trying to accomplish.”

Hochheimer said students were bright and articulate with unlimited potential.

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Lights, camera, learn

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The film follows Jennifer Tree (the blonde and beautiful Elisha Cuthbert), a successful but lonely model whose only friend, a fellow prisoner (Daniel Gillies) in an adjacent cell. The filmmakers rest on the wide-eyed Evanna Lynch. As an outcast among the children of Hogwarts, Lynch shows Luna Lovegood as a lovable, quirky weirdo who children might not actually mind being friends with.

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E. Michigan University administration ousted

President, two others lose jobs after accusations of cover-up of rape and murder

Jeff Karoub

The Associated Press

YSIPLANTI, Mich. — Three E. Michigan University administrators, including the president, have been forced out, months after a local television station reported on a cover-up of the rape and slaying of a student by publicly running out for food.

President John Fallon was fired, and four other professors — Soltoski, Jim Vick and Public Safety Director Cindy Hall — lost their jobs at the 23,500-student public university, the state’s largest, in terms of electric output. action during Monday’s scheduled board meeting that would have 

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Livingston’s family stayed at the memorial until the late evening, talking to supporters and waving at honking motorists.

Despite the outreach from the community, though, Ryan’s mother Denise Livingston said her feelings toward Carbondale have changed since the murder.

“It’s made me less truthful of being here,” she said. “There’s some days I have a hard time coming here, I have a hard time passing by where he was killed.”

The Liveston’s are considering moving away from the area, citing several reasons including Ryan’s death.

Ryan is buried at the Hillcrest Cemetery in Carterville. He is survived by his two-year-old daughter named Hannah.

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**CAMERA**

“They were enthusiastic about their future and worked wonder-fully together. Those are the future leaders of their community. It’s good that we were able to support and teach them.”

East St. Louis High School was chosen because SIEC had worked with it in the past, Jason Hart said. Hart, coordinator of new student orientation and recruitment, said he would like to incorporate additional high schools and departments to increase the camp’s size in the future.

“Each department has to get involved in new and innovative recruitment strategies to show potential students what SIU has to offer,” Hochheimer said.

Although the students wrote the stories, radio-TV instructor Eileen Waldon contacted their interviewees so they would not have to wait for sources to return phone calls.

Students will return home with DVDs to show their families the skills they acquired during their time at camp.

“Realistically, we spend years teaching this stuff to college students, so there was a lot to learn in a week,” radio-TV lecturer Joey Helleny said. “They exceeded our expectations. It was good as an instructor for me to take a pulse of what the next wave of students is like.”

Students used WSIU facilities and equipment for their production and turned to student volunteers and recent graduates for guidance.

“The success of this camp was clearly a reflection of the hard work and dedication of the students,” Hochheimer said. “For this one week, everyone came together in an envelopment of support, respect and caring. We’ll be well served to follow up and invest in events like this.”

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McDaniel said she had not heard complaints from businesses about the process.

Cole said he is not sure why Carbondale first instituted a process different from other cities, although he said it might have to do with suspicions that a previous mayor would favor particular bars or restaurants.

“That was 30 or 40 years ago — before my time,” he said.

As it stands now, the process of issuing licenses and enforcing the liquor code can be burdensome for the applicants and licensees, he said.

Cole said he recently encountered a situation in which a business had not yet been re-issued a license because an “Exit” light was burned out when it was inspected. Cole said he visited the business to ensure that the light was fixed and gave the business permission to serve liquor until the city could send an inspector.

“The technically, I didn’t have the authority to do that because the Liquor Commission said all outstanding items must be in before the license is issued,” he said. "Well that’s just silliness. “That’s how this bureaucracy over-whelms the process.”

Fittler said he believes the system has worked well for the city in the past and he sees no need to change it. Doing liquor-related business at Council meetings keeps the public aware of what is happening, he said.

“Let’s not brook, so why fix it?” Fittler said.

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**Ryan Livingston’s mother, Denise, center, talks to Bob Luebbers and Sandy Litecky at the ‘Remember Ryan’ memorial service Saturday.**
PHOTO COLUMN

Cahokia Mounds

Photo column by Jessica Griffin – DAILY EGYPTIAN

We take pride in the title of Little Egypt in southern Illinois. We live in a fertile river delta. We have cities named Cairo, Thebes and Dongola, we cheer for the Salukis and it definitely gets hot here in the summertime.

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The economic center of a trade network that includes decreasing the size of the liquor commission which would removes fiscal officer. If anything, changing the system will make the appeals process hard, if not impossible, to compare to other communities. Rather than lowering our standards, other communities should seek to obtain the higher standards that Carbondale has set.

By the time the Europeans arrived, the original builders of the Cahokia mounds were gone, and the site was named after the contemporary Indian residents.

As I climbed the long stairway up to the top of Monk’s Mound, under the blaring summer sun, I appreciated the dedication and engineering of the Mississippian Indians. This advanced and sophisticated civilization created a monument that would last for thousands of years, comparable to any other great accomplishment.

The greatest tragedy is that this amazing archaeological site remains largely unknown to the majority of Americans, including those who live so close. They should be happy to add it to their list of reasons why southern Illinois deserves its title of Little Egypt.

Change to liquor control commission system removes accountability

Dear Editor,

The mayor has proposed changes to the structure of the Carbondale Liquor Commission which would include decreasing the size of the commission from the seven City Council members to one person — the mayor. I don’t think that decreasing my responsibilities would best serve the community.

Lowering the city’s standards because one or two people may be inconvenience is not a reason to decrease the level of accountability and open governance that currently exists. If anything, changing the system will make the appeals process extremely inconvenient since appeals will then have to be made to the state of Illinois rather than to the existing local commission. Carbondale is a unique Illinois community that is hard, if not impossible, to compare to other communities. Rather than lowering our standards, other communities should seek to obtain the higher standards that Carbondale has set.

Joel Fritzler, Councilman Carbondale City Council

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Today’s Birthday: Learn how to do something you like this year very well. Keep your studies from interfering with your regular job. That’s the hard part. To get the advantages, check the day’s rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 6 — You’ve found another job to keep you busy and aroused. It won’t pay much for a while, however. Don’t go shopping yet.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Be very careful financially. You’re feeling like you can afford to gamble or win, and that is not the case.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 7 — Your wealth could cause some problems, and you’re not that much like it at all. Fix up your place in case you want to entertain company soon.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 7 — A new passion interferes with your work, and that causes problems. Do what you promised first and you can do what you want to later.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is an 8 — Recycling can make the difference between profit and loss. Do that, instead of wasting your spare change on lottery tickets.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — People are starting to ask you opinion on important subjects. This is good, because you’re smart. You’ll help them solve the problems.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 6 — Your work is even more complicated than usual, so take care. Misplacing a decimal point could turn out to be an expensive mistake.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is a 6 — You’re in the wood to cut, and well you should. Don’t get too flambaynt, though. You could spend so much it hurts.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 7 — You don’t want to be in charge of the entire project. It could be a good idea if you did, since you know how everything works. Hold off on your final decisions.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 6 — This is not a very good time for travel but romance is favored. If your sweetheart is far away, phone calls and love letters work.

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Sudoku: Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit www.sudoku.org.uk.

Solution to Thursday’s puzzle:

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Jacob Alvis, a junior at Mt. Vernon High School, plays quarterback and linebacker for his high school team. This was his second time at the group development camp, which allows the SIU football coaching staff to help students increase their skills.

**CAMP**

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"Not only can we help our football program, but we can help our student enrollment."

At the end of camp, Kill gave advice to a group of wide-eyed players. He told them the most important factor they need to know if they want to take any sport seriously.

"You need to live in the weight room," Kill said. "There’s nothing more important than your health."

Many of the players said they were serious about playing college football.

Jerry Rich, a senior lineman from Mount Vernon, said one day such a great group served as a learning opportunity.

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**FALKER**

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The tryouts were held at Haverford College from July 12-14. Other schools represented at the tryouts were strong BCS schools such as Georgetown, Vanderbilt, North Carolina and Michigan State.

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**B ECKHAM**

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Galaxy general manager Alexi Lalas, who signed Beckham to a $250 million contract, said Beckham has already paid for himself by leading to 13,000 new season-ticket holders and selling out the Home Depot Center’s luxury suites.

It won’t be long until we see celebrities coming out to watch the English bloke. Maybe Jack Nicholson can bring his cooler-than-everything charisma to the Home Depot Center while the Lakers are in the off-season.

Beckham has already saved the Galaxy franchise without stepping foot on a MLS field. Imagine what the guy can do once he puts his cleats on.

Saturday, which will be Beckham’s first game in an American uniform, will be the beginning of a new era in soccer. The Galaxy will play Chelsea, an English Premier League team, and already the buzz is Super Bowl-esque.

ESPN has announced it plans to play the game with multiple camera views, including a Beckham camera that will focus on the English star.

And it begins. Soccer enthusiasts in America find themselves at the dawn of a new era. The Beckham era.

"Will it bring soccer to the American forefront? Only time will tell. But Beckham is the right guy for the assignment."

**CHICAGO**

(AP) — Two people hit balls over the Wrigley Field fence, and neither was Barry Bonds. The slugger is just what the team lost another tough one.

Giancarlo Stanton lined a go-ahead two-run double off the wall in left field with two outs in the eighth inning, helping the Chicago Cubs rally for a 3-2 victory over the slumping San Francisco Giants on Monday night.

Rich Hill (6-6) won for the first time in more than a month, getting just enough offense in eight innings. Bow Howroy finished for his sixth save in 10 chances.

Koyie Hill hit a solo home run in the third for the Cubs, who won their fourth straight since the All-Star break and 18th in 20 overall to move a season-best five games over .500. Chicago sent San Francisco to its fifth consecutive defeat and fourth in a row to start the second half on a day Bonds was a late scratch from the lineup to rest his sore legs.

After Ramirez’s double off Randy Messenger cleared the bases, fans began throwing garbage over the outfield fences from several directions in a strong response to their team taking the lead. The ground crews scurried out to clean up the mess.

The rally began on back-to-back two-out singles by Ryan Theriot and Derrek Lee off Los Angeles starter Kevin Correa (1-5). The bullpen blowout continued, spoiling a strong outing by rookie right-hander Tim Lincecum, who struck out eight in 6 1-3 innings. Lincecum was coming off his first two-start winning streak after beating Arizona and St. Louis before the All-Star break. After All-Star sorrier’s leadoff single in the first, the lone hit Lincecum allowed was Koyie Hill’s homer to start the third.

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He might just take Tuesday off, too.

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Bonds — available to pinch hit, if necessary — had a season-worst .065 batting average before the game.

The Cubs also agreed to pay $1.5 million of the $2.47 million that was owed Bonds as part of a settlement that ended his contract dispute.

Hamlin stands up for his teammates, hating the man who fought for the open-field rating. It was the first time the USO participated in the tournament.

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Chad Copping

Kicker Craig Coziale made the winning field goal for the U.S. in the World Championships of American Football on Sunday. The U.S. beat Japan 23-20 in double overtime.

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SPORT BRIEFS

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Falker misses the cut

Eugene Clark  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Randall Falker found himself to be one of the 30 best college basketball players in America. However, his name wasn't called as one of the top 14.

Falker, a senior forward on the SIU men's basketball team, was one of 30 NCAA athletes chosen to tryout for the Pan American Games, but was not included in the list of 14 released Saturday.

Two of the remaining 14 players will be cut Wednesday, which will set the final 12-man roster for the games that take place in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil, from July 25-29.

Falker was the only candidate chosen from a Missouri Valley Conference school.

He said the competition was quite intense among some of the most outstanding college athletes in the region.

"It was insane," Falker said. "It was tough, physical and there were a lot of great players and everybody played really hard. Blowing the competition away with strong defensive skills was part of Falker's game plan to hold a spot on the team. Unfortunately, other necessary skills may have been more important.

"I don't think I best suited what they were looking for in a power forward," Falker said.

The Pan Am games are traditionally a chance for countries' greatest athletes to compete in sporting events. The games take place every four years and are structured so they fall the year before the Olympics.

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SIU trains the future

Saluki football camp teaches highschoolers the basics

Alejandro Gonzalez  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tyson Serles is one of many high school football players who dreams of getting a scholarship to play college ball.

Serles, a 17-year-old senior from West Frankfort, said he would join the U.S. Army if he doesn’t get a college football scholarship.

It’s football or nothing.

Serles was one of dozens of players who attended the SIU Saluki Football Group Development Camp over the weekend. The camp included teams from all over Illinois, Missouri and Kansas. Thirty-three teams and more than 800 players took part in the annual event.

Serles said the camp improved the way he reads the quarterback’s eyes before a pass. “I started out rusty but I improved quite a bit,” he said with a stern look on his freckled face.

Treasury Badger, a senior from Mount Vernon High School, lit up the field with precise throws and agile runs toward the end zone. The 5-foot-11-inch, all-purpose player said SIU is one school he is considering to play for.

While some players use the camps to get noticed, quarterback coach Patrick Poore said the camps are a way to inspire kids’ love of the game.

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Patrick Poore  
Quarterback coach

"If you can help one kid get better, it's worth it," he said. "If one kid gets better and helps his team get better, then everything is positive."

SIU head coach Jerry Kill said camps help with recruiting because players will want to play for SIU.

"I don't know how many college football players there are, but there’s 800 students that maybe have never come to southern Illinois before," Kill said.

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The great American soccer hero

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David Beckham's checklist upon arriving to America:

1. Find housing for me and my hot wife, Victoria.  
2. Find my kids a school.  
3. Single-handedly familiarize the United States with football, or soccer as they refer to it, in progress.

For those sports fans living under a rock — or believe the preposterous notion that soccer is unimportant — Beckham, who is far and beyond the biggest soccer star on the planet, was officially introduced as the Los Angeles Galaxy's newest player this weekend.

That's right. The LeBotton James of the futbol world will be logging minutes as an American soccer player come July 21.

Beckham will not only bring his tasty Spice Girl wife (Victoria Beckham) and his pretty boy looks, but also the expectation of reinvigorating the game of soccer in America.

The task seems daunting but if anyone can pull the miracle off it appears to be Beckham. He has enthusiastically said he wants to bring the game of soccer to the forefront of America, and has the skill and notoriety to do it.

And why shouldn’t we believe in him?

The former England soccer star has only been in the States a handful of days and is already generating an L.A. media frenzy that could take on Lindsay Lohan and Paris Hilton combined.

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