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New Highway 51 cripples businesses

Coalition formed to combat loss of traffic

Katie Davis
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Dir. Salam, 2271 S. Illinois Ave., opened two years ago as one of the few Middle Eastern and Mediterranean restaurants in Southern Illinois. According to Terry Hickey, one of four members of the business, Salam quickly won area residents for its different taste and polite service. "It's not spicy Indian food, like some people think," she said. "It's a different combination of meats and vegetables prepared in a different way - and it really, really good." December, Dar Salam saw a dramatic decrease in its busines as construction on Highway 51 South started ushering customers away from the road. As the Department of Transportation, had - began seriously. Highway 51 just north of the restaurant, diverting the main traffic away, and plaguing the restaurant more difficult to reach. Seven businesses, comprising the South 51 Business District, have joined forces to combat drooping sales caused by the Varsity's departure. 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**National News**

**Iowa officials warn of West Nile threat**

IOWA CITY, Iowa - Cedar Rapids, Iowa, resident Bill Brooks was walking every morning, unaware of and unprotected from the virus that would eventually change his life.

In October 2002, after he began experiencing flu symptoms, Brooks, 53, woke up unable to move; he remained paralyzed for the next three weeks. He was diagnosed with West Nile virus and spent a month in the hospital.

"I used to go out walking for about an hour every morning," he said, adding that the new needs run to basics. "It was something I could do; I don't know about everything else. It was something I could manage." But he now has a fear; he is not sure if the virus will return.

Brooks was one of 544 Iowa residents to contract West Nile last year, which is caused by the bite of a contaminated mosquito. The disease infects the brain and the spinal cord. According to the number of mosquitoes this year may create, more cases, more serious, more deaths.

Although human blood samples have tested positive this year in the state, three bird blood samples have been confirmed to have the virus in the past two weeks.

"The death of one sample came a month earlier than it did last summer," she said. "This could mean that we will be finding positive human samples earlier this year too."

**Student loan interest rates drop to all-time low**

BATON ROUGE, La. - To relieve financial burdens on college students, the U.S. Department of Education recently reduced interest rates on some student loans.

Interest loans taken out since 1998 dropped from 6.8 percent to 6.3 percent, according to a Department of Education press release. The reduction will bring the student loan interest rate to an all-time low. The rate for students still in college will be even lower at 5.82 percent.

Although low interest rates may make the difference for many students considering whether to pursue postsecondary education, said Department of Education Secretary Rod Paige in a written statement.

North Brower, an education graduate assistant, said she took a loan out for herself and her husband to go back to school this fall.

"It was all of us having the loans to graduate school that were going to pay for our degrees," she said. "It is going to be an increase in the interest rates will be low for those loans so we will not paying them back for the rest of our lives."

Students who borrowed $10,000 in loans under a 10-year standard repayment plan will save $250 in interest over the life of the loan because of the new reduction, according to the press release.

**International News**

**Success in Mideast depends on diplomacy among four powerful men**

WASHINGTON - The current effort to bring peace to the Middle East hinges in large part on the personalities and ambitions of four men.

The quartet among the four, President George W. Bush, Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon, Palestinian Authority President Yasser Arafat and former Russian President Boris Yeltsin, is the same as that of the last effort to end conflict 10 years ago.

But Bush, with his unexpected decision to plunge into the seemingly endless conflict, has a chance for success that Yeltsin did not. And he is past 75, the age when Yeltsin was finally able to get into the White House.

The U.S. president, as its offshore, has put his trust in the intelligence of President Bush and his idea of having a strong, stable Iraq.

"If you're going to have a strong state, you can have the outcome is going to be a strong state, but you can't have the outcome the way it's going to be," he said. "And we're not going to have a strong state that's going to be an outcome the way we want it to be."
High school students fly high

SIU Airport sponsors summer camp

Nicole Sack
Daily Egyptian

Jackie’s located at the Southern Illinois Airport, a group of high school students and flight instructors wait for General Council members Maggie Flanagan and Sheila Simon to present at the City Council Chamber.

The council is in favor of an upgrade of the Southern Illinois Wastewater Treatment Plant: River City Construction.

Lorrie Reza, the associate chief flight instructor, stands in a hangar preparing for the flight camp at the Southern Illinois Airport.

Jason Layman, a flight instructor at the Southern Illinois Airport, walks Zach Maras, a junior in high school from Wilmette, through the pre-flight inspection before they go up in the air. Maras is one of the high school students enrolled in the Summer Wings Aviation Camp that is offered by the Department of Agriculture.

Jason McBride, a Carbondale High School senior whose father began flying occasionally last year, came to the camp to gain more knowledge about planes and aviation.

McBride, 17, wants to learn flight basics, not because he wants to pursue aviation as a career, but rather as a hobby. He plans to study business when he goes to college.

McBride said he thinks the camp is similar to other summer camps, with one exception.

"It’s not the same as any other camp," McBride said. "Except you get to fly.

The camp is limited to eight students.

There are two seminars of the camp, June 14-20 and June 22-27.

More information about the Summer Wings Aviation Camp for High School Students can be found at http://dailyegyptian.com.

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Measukes continue in residence halls

Jessica Yorosa
Daily Egyptian

On the outside, the brick buildings of Thompson Point look the same.

The bricks are still slightly worn, and the large red door is the same color it has been for years.

The only difference on the outside, in fact, seems to be the large black parking lot behind it. In front of these residence halls, bricks that contain the multi-colored woods that once creep through the walls of the buildings, as well as the stones that form the bases of trees that are currently being installed.

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Today's hip-hop consists of nothing but originality as a culture doesn't have any foundation or history. Old school hip-hop was and is our foundation is culture, but now it is nothing more than a manufactured product. It is a broken record and is nothing more than a symbol of the dollar sign, and the mainstream hip-hop is as redundant as a broken record. The content of popular hip-hop is regressive to society, as Georgia high school students are being force-fed what is considered as original, old school hip-hop. The University of Georgia used to have a minority enrollment that was 5% to 10%, but now it is seen that nearly 50% of the minority enrollment is due to the admissions policy. The 11th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals overturned it in August 2001, and Georgia has since seen its black enrollment tumble to 5.5 percent. The population of Georgia is 29 percent black. The low ratio of minority students is now contributing to a vicious cycle, as Georgia high schools have fewer facilities than to schools with more evenly distributed demographics where they can grow. And without a solid sense of self, hip-hop's identity is, in turn, becomes lost.

Rap is a philosophic music. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the Daily Egyptian.

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concern about the state of hip-hop and its influence on society. It seems that the mainstream hip-hop is not reflecting the true values of our culture. The content of popular hip-hop is regressive to society, and it is a broken record and is nothing more than a symbol of the dollar sign.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

By George Ploss

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Their Word

Admissions policies need to promote diversity

Staff Editorial

Iowa State Daily (Iowa State U.)

AMES, Iowa (U-WIRE) — One of the reasons the controversy about the University of Michigan's use of race in its admissions policy has advanced all the way to the Supreme Court is the tremendous diversity (no pun intended) of opinion about the consequences of overturning Michigan's policy. No one agrees that it will be impossible for public universities like Michigan to attract minorities to enroll without the much-publicized admissions bonus. Others say it will not affect minority enrollment. And others say the bonus is unfair regardless of what removing it might cause.

College throws out affirmative action for an even fairer system... Kite Fighting!

You're no match for my kitten and you're going to get there!!

Who ever wins gets into college!!

Tod Menchant

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License required for tongue-splitting surgery

Laura Jastram
Daily Egyptian

CHAMPAIGN, U.-I.D.-Rep. David Miller said he never considered getting their tongues split to appease "this fad that some Illinois General Assembly recently passed legislation to see if that tongue-splitting thing is a thing that has been happening here, does not become a common practice.

Although split tongues, forked tongues and tongue-tongue extensions that refer to tongue splitting—art not naturally common, born house of the state required medical license, according to the bill drafting the practice of this "curly modification" to licensed medical professionals.

Cynthia Miller, who has practiced dentistry for over 30 years, said the tongue-splitting practice does not come from common practice because of the difficulty in controlling the procedure might entail.

Shannon Larran, who says an informationist on oral body modification, said he feels tongue splitting has already onset and said that it is only getting more attention in the practice.

Larran had his tongue split in 1997 by a surgeon. He said a lot of phones have been made so no one has to perform the surgery.

Larran's tongue was split by an ageless laser, which is one of the devices that we commonly used to split tongues.

The use is a method of splitting where a type of thermal is used to cut through the tongue over a period of time, according to a patented bill. The use of a scalpel is another method where the tongue is cut into smaller pieces of the tongue is branded in half. The use of a laser for tongue splitting is far safer, and can cut the tongue with less blood loss than other methods.

Larran said he thought this bill was less about keeping people out, and more likely intended to block a practice Miller finds personally objectionable. According to Larran, the medical community has always been against tongue splitting.

According to Larran, a laser is also found to be a licensed medical professional, but it is the biggest risk. Damage to the tongue and glands within the tongue are also possible along with shattering and scar.
Next Harry Potter hits shelves Saturday

Fans anticipate fifth book in series

Katie Davis
Daily Egyptian

Harry Potter fans have less than 48 hours remaining before they can glimpse another magical year at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and Wizardry. J.K. Rowling’s fifth novel, “Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix,” will be released Saturday in bookstores around the world.

Jane Modgilin, manager of Barnes and Noble Bookstore, 1200 E. Main St., said the store will remain open until 1 a.m. Saturday morning and will begin selling “Order of the Phoenix” at the stroke of midnight.

“We have the opportunity to stay open, where people who pre-ordered the book can pick it up, or they can be the first to purchase it,” she said.

Modgilin said the bookstore has already sold a large number of copies of the fifth Potter novel, but extra copies will be on hand for those who did not preorder the book.

She said the store also has measures in place to ensure that Barnes and Noble meet the demand of the public.

“We have an ample quantity, but you must be patient,” she said.

“If we sell out, come back in a few hours. Everyone is assured a copy, but you must be patient.”

Robin Brown, manager of Waldenbooks in the University Mall in Carbondale, said the store has also already sold a substantial number of books, so much so that they’ve stopped reserving copies.

“It was originally slated to be released last June, and then November, so we just continued to take reservations,” she said.

“People have had ample time to reserve their copy, and we continue to get people in today, but it’s a little too late to reserve a copy,” Brown said.

Waldenbooks will open its doors at 7 a.m. Saturday, three hours earlier than normal. Brown said the store will also give away door prizes and lightning-priced forehead tattoos and cookies.

There will also be numerous games on hand, including “guess how many Bertie Bott’s Beans are in the jar.” Waldenbooks is also working with the Science Center, a not-for-profit center in the University Mall.

The Science Center will have a wizard table complete with potions, and is helping play host to a book fair.

Customers can pick up Waldenbooks coupons at the Science Center, and 20 percent of all of Waldenbooks’ sales Saturday will be donated to the Science Center.

Barnes and Noble will also have a variety of activities available as customers wait to purchase their copy of “Order of the Phoenix,” including coloring contests and door prizes.

“Parents don’t mind spending money on books,” Modgilin said. “It’s a good thing when kids read.”


Representatives from Wal-Mart, 710 Booksale and University Bookstore said their businesses would be selling the book, though no special events were planned.

Modgilin said she’s repeating long lines, similar to those when “Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire” was released, but it’s hard to tell, because many local establishments intend to sell the fifth installment.

“Plus, you don’t know how many parents are going to let their kids stay up later,” she said.

“But between the number of businesses selling the book, everyone who wants one will get a copy, though it may take some time.”

Brown said she, too, is expecting a crowd, and is hoping to recognize some return buyers for the series that she says spans ages all.

“The last book that came out, we had a little old lady in a nursing home, who had her family bring her in — she wouldn’t let her family get it for her, she wanted to come to the store and she wanted to be one of the first ones here for it,” Brown said.

“She was 93, and I hope to see her again this year.”

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HIGHWAY

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Chuck Hedges, current owner of Family Tree Garden and Gift Center, 2331 S. Illinois Ave., which has been open for 20 years, said sales have dropped about 10 percent from the previous year, which isn’t at all bad as he had expected.

Hedges said Family Tree depends heavily on traffic to businesses. He estimates that 50 percent of his customers are people who stop on their way down the road.

“A lot of people may saw the place while their kids were in school, and try to come back and can’t find it,” he said.

“Two or three customers a day say they had trouble finding it.”

Hedges said that, on average, Family Tree is visited by between 40 and 50 customers on weekdays, 60 to 70 on weekends, or about 400 per week. Ten percent less business means 40 less customers each week, and that adds up.

“It’s confusing to get here,” he said.

“People have to get off at the stop sign through the parking lot, or drive by and come back by Union Point School. The business district has been doing a lot of in-house advertising, and the establishments are pooling resources to purchase a directional sign on the main highway.

“This group is also developing an advertisement for cable television.”

Turner said the construction was good in that it brought the businesses together, forming a little community in southern Carbondale.

“It’s really made us all a family,” she said.

Turner said her business has picked up, now that work is nearly completed on Highway 51, and access to her business is somewhat easier, but business was slow when construction blocked off parts of the road.

“We’re regulars weren’t coming in,’’ she said.

“It was a hassle to get here from the road constructions, so there was also a drop in new sign-ups.

“It’s not like retail, where people pull in our store.”

Butch Dunn, owner of Packlitc Coolers Geat, oped out of the coalition and intends to make his business a different location that will bring more traffic by the store by spring 2004.

Dunn said that Packlitc, which specializes in camping supplies, saw a 100 percent growth last year, and he hopes to maintain that business of last year, let alone grow, the move is necessary.

“If the highway hadn’t been remodeled, we would have stayed — we were happy where we were,” he said. “But now we’re ready for a bigger building, and I guess it’s a good thing. It was a kick to the butt that made us do what we needed to do.”

But the other businesses intend to stay.

Hickey said Dar Salaam will remain open and that she, and the other owners, are dedicating time and energy to making the store a go-to place.

“They have already opened a catering branch to the restaurant, and will soon begin ice cream delivery.”

“Dar Salaam is an oasis in Southern Illinois,” she said. “We have loyal customers, and we’re dedicated to serving them.”

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 Chuck Hedges, owner of Family Tree Garden and Gift Center, stands in the middle of his garden located on the old route of Highway 51, Thursday, March 9. Hedges was opening his garden for business before the construction of the new Highway 51 is completed.

SOUTH HIGHWAY 51 AREA BUSINESS DISTRICT
**Illinois prepared to fight SARS**

**Burke Wasson**

Daily Egyptian

As monkeypox has made its debut on the national spotlight and the West Nile virus continues to spread, state and local health authorities are heightening their guard against another infectious disease that provoked concern during the plague pandemic of the 19th century.

The state's health department remains under close surveillance in Illinois because the Illinois Department of Public Health is watching potential SARS cases through its disease surveillance system, the same system that is keeping track of monkeypox and the West Nile virus.

SARS, or severe acute respiratory syndrome, has been reported in 14 countries. Ten of the suspected cases and both probable cases in Illinois are in Cook County.

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**Daily Horoscope**

by Linda G. Black

Today's Birthday: June 19. Things won't go quite the way you expected this year, so you can count on that. Leave some room in your planning for surprises, and set aside a little time for fun.

To get the advantage, check the Day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

1. Aries (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 6. Sneaking suspicion turns into a nagging doubt. Should you have done something differently? Kinda, but don't dwell on it. Just think about it long enough to learn the lesson.

2. Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7. You may be tempted to give all you've got to a worthy cause. Proceed with caution and make sure they spend your money wisely.

3. Gemini (May 21-June 20) — Today is a 7. If your plans have had you buried for the past day or two, think you can sneak out from under it for lunch or dinner with a friend? Sure you can.

4. Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Today is a 6. If you go racing or hunt a collar, you could run into a brick wall — or worse.

5. Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 6. A friend's advice may be helpful, so listen carefully.

6. Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is a 7. You're obviously exah by nonverbal communication, so if you have trouble finding exactly the right words, try some other means.

7. Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — Today is a 9. Your thinking of buying may be unnecessary. Just think about how much you'll save if you make do with what you've got.

8. Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — Today is an 8. You're usually well at something you're passionate about, so if you have trouble finding exactly the right words, try some other means.

9. Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 9. You're probably on track for a better year, as the hurdles that you've had to overcome will be over. It's not a good time to say new ideas. They're not likely to work.

10. Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 6. You're feeling great, so go for it. You have a new lease on life, and it's time to make the most of it.

11. Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is an 8. An idea you're thinking of buying may be unnecessary. Just think about how much you'll save if you make do with what you've got.

12. Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 6. You're starting to get excited, but don't become impatient. You're getting close, and you can turn it into a brick wall if you don't take things slowly.
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A player must be out of the way Athlete No. 1: They still... Athlete No. 2: They outplayed us... Athlete No. 3: They outplayed us... Reporter: What can}>U say about Kent...
Drew continues to tear up competition
Anna-Jonesboro star says SIU is still in the running for her services

By Ethan Erickson
Daily Egyptian

Not long after birth, Kassie Drew got her first athletic scholarship. Soon, she will be choosing from which school to accept her first real athletic scholarship.

Drew, one of the state's best female high school basketball players, got a scholarship from Dick Versace and Bradley University when she was a baby after Versace recruited one of her father's players to Bradley.

As she enters her senior season at Anna-Jonesboro High School after averaging 30 points per game last season, she has a few more choices.

Numerous colleges are heady courting her, including SIU and head coach Lori Opp.

Drew received about 100 letters a week from colleges across the country. Her father, Jim, who coaches the boys' team at Anna-Jonesboro, estimates Drew has been contacted by about 150 schools.

She already has two siblings at SIU, brother Chuck, who played for the Salukis' basketball team, and sister Kelly.

Though SIU is still in the hunt for her services, Kassie's top choice is Missouri, where she's already taken an unofficial visit.

"It's been crazy, so many letters and so many e-mails," Drew said. "Phone calls start on June 2, so that'll be fun. It's a lot of writing and reading."

Some schools have even promised to call at midnight Saturday, the first day they're allowed to contact potential recruits.

Drew plans on making a final decision by the end of the summer so she can focus on her schoolwork.

The daughter of a longtime hillside coach, she's had a basketball handy for much of her life. "She got her first basketball when she was about 6," Drew's mother, Debra, said. "We gave her a little one, and she's been in the gym," Jim said.

"The whole family pretty much lived in the gym," Jim said. "All that time in the gym helped Kassie develop a rigorous work ethic."

She usually shoots 500 jump shots a day, followed by a handful more shots off the dribble.

That work ethic has elevated her status among high schoolers, and she will only test that mettle when she goes up against the nation's best female basketball players next month.

She's competing with the Colorado-based Amateur Athletic Union, but several of her teammates have a chance of making the team.

In July, she'll be traveling to Portland, Ore., Atlanta, Washington, D.C., and Dallas with the team.

All the practice and traveling to compete helped her make a name for herself.

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"It's been a lot of writing and reading," Drew said. "It's pretty exciting, though."
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A look at the Longbranch Coffeehouse

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Church upset over 'The Passion'

(KRT) — Actor and director Mel Gibson launches his forthcoming film about Jesus Christ will "inspire, not offend" Catholics and Jews. The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, among others, had criticized "The Passion," but recently apologized for attacking a film that is still unreleased.

Directed by Gibson, the $25 million movie is about the last 12 hours of Jesus' life and stars James Caviezel as Christ and Monica Bellucci as Mary Magdalene. The actors will speak only Latin and Aramaic and there will be no English subtitles, which would seem to put a crimp in its commercial appeal and perhaps explain why it does not yet have a distributor.

Apparently, big box office is not what Gibson's after. In a statement in the trade paper Variety, Gibson said, "My intention in lining up this...
It seems like only yesterday

By Jared Dubach

I've been writing for newspapers coming up around for quite a while to come. a concert because I had the wrong kind of press or their terms they must make it up on almost three cars now, two of which were there was always managed to get in somehow and get that much-waited for interview with figures such as the minstrel bassist Jerry Only or Ozzy Osbourne guitarist Zakk Wyile.

In recent times, I've had encounters with even bigger icons. There was the on-bus interview with Hank Williams III, and also the half-hour-long phone interview with Henry Rollins. There was even an interview between John Stalio and myself at Plaza Records. If you don't know who Henry Rollins and John Stalio are, I suggest you see music by Black Flag, Rollins Band and Dead Kennedys for further details.

I've been writing for newspapers coming up on almost three years now, two of which with Nightlife. Big interview, big names—people might consider themselves lucky to have gotten some of the interviews and stories that I have. Indeed, I am lucky. Not because of the stories, though, but because of the fact that I was able to have worked in the media circus, while some journalistic students will graduate and try to get a job in entertainment media without this prior experience.

At one thought, I thought that it was great that I came to Cumberbland to attend college. In some aspects of my life, I kind of feel that ideas have more to say and more and more I'm starting to think that if a person wants to make anything happen with their life as thesay, you have to get involved in it. It's not just saying, "I want to do this," it's doing it.

Coming to the Daily Egyptian was something that, although I had always wanted, ended up being more of a financial decision. I was supposed to be going to Cuba over spring break, but due to the fact that the trip was cancelled due to the economic crisis, I ended up having to spend the spring break in the States.

Up until last summer, I had been working fairly independently, occasionally sending my week in for approval. Now I had an actual editor to face day after day. What's more, I'm starting to think that if I had been writing print, I wouldn't even have to have the news stories were supposed to be written.

And now I'm hoping to shape your views, which I'm sorry considering I was excited to leave Chicago's UIC Pavilion after a Pantera concert because I had the worst kind of press pass and repeatedly attempted to get into the after-show meet 'n' greet with the band. Oh well, this "tangle" was sure to bring things up too much. Even though Pantera has since been put on indefinite hiatus (broken up), I'll still be around for quite a while to come.

Always wear earplugs, though. It's not as much fun once your ears start to bleed.

Let's Save Iraq

BETH DOWDORSE

Lyric of the week

Forward yesterday / Makes me wanna stay / What they said was real / Makes me wanna steal

Just Joking

Q: What's the best time for a dental appointment?
A: Tooth hurry

Best Bumpersticker

"Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine."

Funny fact

"It is against the law in Chicago to eat in a place that is on fire."

Names in the news

MICHAEL JACKSON IN FINANCIAL AND LEGAL WOE

Michael Jackson has one less worry and a few bucks less in his bank account. The King of Pop has invested $12 million in an off-off-broadway play that failed to come up against him by former financial manager Myung-Ho Lee. Terms of the agreement were not disclosed.

The settlement means that details of Jackson's finances won't go on public view in a messy civil case. Rumors have circulated for months that the singer is in dire financial trouble.

In his suit, Lee alleged that he was hired by Jackson to put the musician's finances in order, only to be ignored. He called Jackson a "ticking financial time bomb waiting to explode" who owed duties of millions of dollars in tax liens. A Jackson spokeswoman claimed that Lee swindled millions from him and destroyed financial records to cover up misdeeds.

GRANNY BUYS 250 MAIL-AWAY BOOKS

Anarchy in the U.S.?

One punk icon and now just aging d loft, England's Sex Pistols will tour North America this summer, about 21 years after Johnny "Rotten" Lydon and his mates made their U.S. debut, according to Billboard magazine.

The first of about 15 stops has been confirmed for Aug. 1 at the Jones Beach Theater in Wantagh, N.Y. Tickets for that show are on sale through Ticketmaster.

Jackson in financial and legal woe

Oprah Winfrey resurrected her powerful book club yesterday, with a new on-air book as opposed to popular top sellers. So, did the ex-suit to all cut up this summer with Homer, Jane Austen or Voltaire? Nope. Oprah's pushing American classic, "East of Eden" by John Steinbeck.

"You won't be able to turn the pages fast enough," she told viewers of her show. Oprah's past suggestions have moved tons of books and have re-written best-seller lists.

Now she is going global and serious, offering a free membership to the Book Club on Oprah.com that includes reading guides, discussion questions, weekly e-mails from herself, plus the chance to buy shirts, hats and tote bags:

Opprah's Book Club Boutique, with products benefiting Oprah's Angel Network.

THE FAMILY HAS ISSUES

WHY CAN'T THEY UNDERSTAND OUR LOVE?

When one of her students spits in her face, a teacher of troubled youth had him arrested. The kid returned with his mother and older brother, and the three of them beat her unconscious with a chair. The family has been arrested.

Lyric of the week

"Forward yesterday / Makes me wanna stay / What they said was real / Makes me wanna steal."

Stoney Temple Pilots "Creed"

June 19 - 25, 2003
Chillin’ at the Branch

By Dena Fischer

For many people in Carbondale, the Longbranch Coffeehouse serves as a retreat from the daily rigors of life.

Longbranch Café waitress Ruths Winecoff and manager Will Davis, who has worked at the coffeehouse for nine years joke with each other during work Wednesday morning.

Longbranch is a favorite place for Carbondale’s art community. The coffee business is a retreat from the daily rigors of life, and a place to hang out with friends. The coffee house is a popular spot for local artists to meet and interact with each other during work Wednesday morning.

At lunchtime, the coffeehouse is bustling with activity. The walls are adorned with art created by local artists, and the aroma of fresh-brewed coffee fills the air. The staff is always friendly and welcoming, making Longbranch a popular spot for students, local artists, and anyone looking for a quiet place to work or study.

Longbranch is also known for its delicious food, which is made from scratch using fresh, local ingredients. The menu includes a variety of sandwiches, wraps, and salads, all of which are made with the same care and attention to detail as the coffee.

In addition to its delicious food and welcoming atmosphere, Longbranch is also a hub of artistic activity. The coffeehouse经常 holds open mic nights and art shows, providing a platform for local artists to showcase their work.

Overall, Longbranch is a beloved institution in Carbondale, offering a unique blend of art, culture, and community. It’s a place where people can come together to relax, connect, and create. 
Harry returns to Hogwarts

Fifth book to be released June 21

story by Katie Davis

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix, which will be released Saturday is said to reveal nothing about the novel.

The cover for the American version of "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix" Reading children's.

A teenage boy who was lynching on his back in a freakish outside number four.

"A quote from

and the Order, of the Phoenix"

Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix was drawing to a

From: .. Harry Potter and the Order of the

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dragon. It's impossible to say exactly how Harry has spent the last four years at Hogwarts.

"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets"

In his 11th birthday, Harry Potter discover-

Although Harry escaped with only a lightning-shaped

When they can't get on the Hogwarts express. the help of Harry, Hermione and Professor

Dumbledore.

"Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire"

Harry was the first of three challenges, a challenge past a dragon.

Harry was the first of three challenges, which involved encoun-

ter his most beloved treasure (in case it was Ron) from mermaids because he wanted to ensure everyone captured by the mermaids returned safely.

Even though Harry and Ron are on good terms. Hermione and Ron 27 are not. They began quarrelling after Hermione disagreed to date Viktor Krum, a champion from another school (the one that was among Merfolk). While these challenges were exciting, they did not do it then'.

However, they were exonerated by the judges. That was it. It was determined that the person was definitely dead.

And I walked into the kitchen and got the hus-

Harry made his way through a maze, and with Cedric Diggory, the other Hogwarts.

Each contestant was required to review the two agreements to touch the trophy together, making them both winners.

They were not related to a distant house, where Pettigrew kill, Cedric and using

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Newest addition tops

Castlevania series

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The Castlevania series is one of the most revered in the history of video games. Ever game in the franchise is suitable for placement on a Greatest Games of All Time list.

When all the other games were going 3-D in the late '90s, Konami opted to maintain the classic 2-D setup, feeling that it was the best way to present the gothic world of Castlevania. In doing so, it created Symphony of the Night, easily one of PlayStation's best titles. Since then, three sequels - Seattle - have been released, all for Game Boy Advance, and all using the same game play format — you're trapped in Dracula's massive castle and you have to fight your way through the maze of obstacles.

While the first two were excellent games in their own rights (Circle of the Moon and Harmony of Dissonance), the new adventure, Aria of Sorrow, diminishes their faults and improves upon their best aspects. Circle was fairly difficult, while Harmony was very easy. Aria is the perfect blend — a game that looks and sounds great, and is neither too simple nor too hard. It's Lemminki finally noticed what gamers were missing in the Game Boy's world.

The graphics and sound are just as belli and whimsical. They're not the meat of the game. Exploring Dracula's castle and powering up with a menagerie of weapons and all kinds of Circle was four games feature an underground system of caves, a clock tower, an open-air courtyard and strength - Symphony, Aria of Sorrow, eliminates their failings and Harmonies still exist merely to entertain or spice up the presentation still feels new every time.

Many critics of this game have said that it's far too short, and it's true that it only takes about seven hours to complete the game with the best ending. But this could be viewed as another strength - Symphony, Circle and Harmony of Dissonance were all limited in size, but they gave you an expansive castle only to discover you've barely been through half the game. It's nice to be spoiled, but this time point out the Castlevania fans are expecting a second castle and a variation of the existing one. To wrap it up in such a concise way is kind of refreshing.

If you like your adventures longer, you can still try to collect all 100-plus souls, which adds immense replay value to the quest. Also, don't give up if you have the game and are stuck short of the final fickle architect every 100 years. All don't give up if you beat the game and see

Aria of Sorrow
Game Boy Advance

You cannot see where the eyes are looking. Jones said, "and that can be exciting to the eye."

That's true in film and in life, which is one reason viewers clamored for "The Matrix" sunglasses after the first movie came out in 1999. Blinde Design Projector Richard Walker custom-made the sleek glasses worn by the star, using Neo (Keanu Reeves), Trinity (Carrie-Anne Moss) and Morpheus (Laurence Fifiabrun), whose enigmatic look mirrors the real-life appearance of his "Morpheus" name while he was kicking Agent Smith's butt," Walker said.

Though Blinde, already carried in high-end stores, such as Barney's New York, Blinde did not recreate the first "Matrix" models for the public. But to win the sequel "Reloaded" and "Revolution" (due for release in 2003), Blinde designed its own official "Matrix" glasses, on his Web site, www.blinde.com, for $295 each.

On the screen, viewers will see the glasses on a movie character, and the glasses themselves are a "re lend the film," according to Walker. "They have been designed to be used by the person wearing them, to add an extra layer of depth to the characters' personalities."
Metallica's new album: St. Anger or St. Crap?

DaveDulski

Well, the first couple of records were OK. Other than that, I'm not entirely sure how Metallica could call the band's new release "St. Anger" a return to the heartlands, or for that matter, quality that either of the band's fans could ever have hoped to expect. According to Kirk Hammett, this was done to give "St. Anger" a more concentrated, group emphasis, but this album still lacks any real focus. The key fact that has to be the most noticeable is how Metallica will start a song out fast and furious, momentenously seeming interesting, and then suddenly put the listener on hold as singer James Hetfield can sing like a constipated Macho Man Randy Savage.

This measure tends to produce an effect similar to showing a dog a bone, then slamming it away just to feed it the same old dog food. I would caution rest with the old catch phrase "Where's the beef?" but then I would just come off as lame as Metallica does.

Perhaps the group has fallen so much into the stuff of legend that it can no longer produce music for its fans, preferring instead to experiment and take up studio space that could be used for good use by any other band. There's nothing wrong with experimenting with new songs. However, there is a problem when an alleged supergroup strikes the financing public along for the ride.

For my part, the band would be a lot more produced by Bob Rock. Since their union with him, the overall quality has gone severely downhill to a major label, the label reps have argued that the group has sold more No. 1 albums since they've been with him, but they've also been constantly selling albums from their back catalog, with the majority of their albums having gone multi-platinum. So why is this? Perhaps the answer to this question lies in the fact that, aside from the one or two hit radio singles they may have at the time, Metallica typically plays older tunes at concerts from its golden age. By playing both new and older songs, the band tries to identify with both nouveau and older fans. That's the nature of the beast.

By continuing this tactic, Metallica is feeding off of the general public's tendency to purchase things largely based on name recognition. More importantly Metallica has asked artist Pearl Jam to produce the band for "St. Anger." Although this is a rather wise move for the band to attempt to keep in touch with fans, Metallica typically plays older tunes at concerts from its golden age. By playing both new and older songs, the band tries to identify with both nouveau and older fans. That's the nature of the beast.

Almost everyone has some reference to driving, hell or heaven, even though Skiba denies any demonic beliefs. "I actually don't believe that there is a Satan or a hell or all that kind of stuff. But the imagery more than anything is nothing and challenging." Skiba said in a story for the band's latest album, "Good Mourning." There's simply a red flag on an orangish background. Cassy, Pearl Jam did construct art that is in traditional Metallica fashion—a red, nazi-like skeleton. This, however, has been placed on the back cover, and wraps around to the inside flap.

All of that money was spent by the record label to attract people's attention, and it's sure to give through that Metallica once, once again cool. Except people won't be able to see it. Rolling Stone gave it four stars. I give "St. Anger" minus one. Not only would I take my money back, but I think I should request financial compensation for having been duped into actually buying it.

Alkaline Trio nails its own coffin with "Good Mourning"

Dennis Fischer

Being from the Chicago area, it would be a sin if I weren't a fan of Alkaline Trio. Since I first saw them at the Varsity Bowl some five years ago, they've always been my favorite band. But I guess now you might call me a sinner.

The band's fourth album, "Good Mourning," was simply fine-tuned as just over-produced. I must agree that the sound of "Good Mourning" is extremely irritating. The tracks are in true Alkaline fashion. They are mostly about the pain, grief and loss of relationships. A typical Alkaline Trio album mirrors a perfect combination of pop-punk riffs and thrashy, symbolic lyrics.

The best part of Alkaline is the clever brand name. Alkaline Trio is not the striking wmbos Albline has dem-crcd on their previous releases. Alkaline Trio's new pop sound are ascribed to the band's recent turn towards pop-punk riffs and thrashy, symbolic lyrics. The only thing that reminded me of who I was listening to are the Derek Grant. But that just doesn't work for me. I'm not sure how about that.

According to the biography, the band is indulging in the same old pop music with a dash of the old punk. It is not just a lovey-dovey pop-punk band, but it is also a pop-punk band. It is the only thing that reminded me of who I was listening to second best vocal.

"Emma" is a little closer to the old Alkaline style with the drums driving the song. It is almost like a pop-punk band, but the lyrics still remain on the pop-punk level. It is a little slower than the other songs.

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Band eager to find home in Carbondale

story by ANDY HORONZY

Hangar 9 on the Strip. The New Orleans-based bluegrass duo has a small, but steadily growing fan base throughout the county.

Hangar being just one of 18 on the calendar for June. The hardworking group typically plays anywhere from 200 to 250 dates a year but has still managed to produce two studio albums, with their latest release being named one of Offbeat Magazine's Critics Choice Top 10 albums of 2002.

And while the break-neck tour schedule has allowed the husband and wife combination of Jeff Barker and Vida Wakeman little time to bask in the success of The Simplest Plans, it's their love for the touring lifestyle that keeps them moving from place to place. But that doesn't mean they don't enjoy the rare moments they get to spend back in the Big Easy. Wakeman creates the city's laid-back atmosphere for allowing them to maintain their sanity on long road trips.

"New Orleans really means everything to us," Wakeman said. "It's filled with happy people and killer musicians that make it a really great place to visit when we get off the road."

The city has also helped them work toward defining themselves as musicians. Along with stand-up bass player Mike Kemin, guitarists/vocalists Burke and Davis-McCarri, the band has built a loyal following of fans who have helped pave the way for you," Wakeman said.

"I think all of us have been inspired by many different musicians."

It was actually fellow musicians who inspired the group to move their act to Carbondale.

Hearing positive feedback about the town and its music scene from friends who have performed here in the past prompted the band to add Carbondale to its list of tour stops.

While Wakeman admits she is still a little unfamiliar with the city, she welcomes the opportunity to expand the group's already substantial fan base.

But she also confesses that the group has an ulterior motive to breaking musical ground in a new town.

"Porto Rico, fame, well maybe just a warm meal and some hot money," Wakeman said.

"But if some folks come out to see us, I'm sure they'll find the trip worthwhile."

The show begins at 7 p.m. Friday at the Jeff and Vida, shown above, will perform at 10 p.m. Friday at Hangar 9 on the Strip. The New Orleans-based bluegrass duo has a small, but steadily growing fan base throughout the county.

It burns (from left): Bob Dylan, Chuck Berry, Bob Shaw: Event organizer, college student, it acoustic trio that has become a small club staple across the country and globe by touring non-stop for the past four years. These factors make this Friday's performance at 10 p.m. at Hangar 9 on the Strip — Orleans-based Jeff and Vida Band, even though it's it seem as if the Louisiana city has relocated north.

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Friends should remain friends
The Single Guy

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There comes a point in every single person's dating career when they think themselves in a state of delusion. It often follows what seems to be a dating low and prospects are few and far between. You may be left to look for dating material in unusual places, much like a scavenger searching the couch cushions for change.

I recently found myself in this state of impatience over dinner with a friend. Maybe it was the Italian cuisine in the four glasses of boxed wine, but it occurred to me that I may have found a dinner date to-be-much. Across the table, delightfully licking marinara from her fingertips, was someone whom I had come to appreciate.

And suddenly, I realized I may not have been so single after all. In fact, I had been having a great relationship, uh, friendship for a while. We are after all, watched movies together, went out for drinks together, and occasionally slept together. Wow, maybe this relationship wasn't as complicated as I thought. I have been having an ideal relationship.

Another glass of wine and two pieces of garlic bread later, I realized that if there were advantages to not labeling this un-relationship as a "friendship" or a "boyfriend" or "girlfriend" or perhaps only titles for the needy, then something was wrong with me. I am cysting out not to be. After the thought of a potential partner in this friend had already been sprung, there was no turning back to protect myself from possible feelings for her. Can you really be friends first and lovers later?

All the dynamics that make a great friendship essentially make the base for a great relationship. Yes, there is some unspoken mutual understanding of the unique and precious power of finding someone who you can be yourself around. Friends are also loyal and trustworthy. Again, there are two main principles in a strong and healthy relationship.

But the evidence is still substantial toward going for this golden opportunity. You already like her personality and know her likes and dislikes. You don't find yourself jealous or bitter of any sort apart, so why hasn't a possible relationship occurred to you before?

Perhaps it is because friendships consist of the best elements of a relationship without the excuses or obligations. They provide comfort and safety from rough times. With your friends, you wouldn't have anyone to complain about your relationships to. When things go sour, friends are always there.

Friendships often have shelf lives that outlast your best and worst relationships. There had to be the initial reaction to your friend in the beginning that made you want to keep things going. You saw something with more than a couple months of romance followed by a couple months of bitterness, which are then proceeded by the break-up and loss of your CD collection. You saw a true tempest.

Boyfriends and girlfriends are the ones we lust on the mouth and cuddle with, and friends are the ones we tell about our horrible haircuts and cuddling techniques. The people we date are less permanent figures that are there to emotionally sustain us when our friends are busy.

So, I stopped having Italian food with my good friend and we have stuck to watching baseball and drinking beer.

But with your advice, I won't take it too much to heart. After all, I am the Single Guy.

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Homicide" won’t blow your mind

Early on in "Hollywood Homicide," a gruff homicide detective (Bruce Willis) and his partner (Ben Stiller) have just come across a body in a trash can. Willis, in particular, is not in the mood. He is seen talking to the body, asking it questions, and generally being unimpressed.

But as the camera pans out, we see that the body is actually a statue of a hard-boiled detective. Willis is clearly impressed, and he begins to laugh at the sight. The same thing happens when we see the bodies of other movie stars, including from left to right: Arnold Schwarzenegger, Sylvester Stallone, Bruce Willis, and Ben Stiller.

Throughout the movie, we see various other movie stars and scenes from their movies, often in a humorous way. For example, when we see a scene from "The Matrix," we hear Willis say, "This is the future!"

Overall, "Hollywood Homicide" is a fun and entertaining movie that parodies the world of Hollywood and celebrities. It is a must-see for fans of both good and bad movies.
"Super" children play in Metropolis during the Superman Festival. The Planet, Metropolis' appropriately named newspaper, sponsored a booth where children could make and color Superman capes. Lindgren says, "It's fun to come down here and mix with people who don't know very much about Superman," said Gary Lindgren of Three Oaks, Mich. This was the third pilgrimage to Metropolis for Lindgren, who came with his family.

Dressed in his favorite Superman regalia, Lindgren does his best George Reeves pose for onlookers and posed fans. "It's a fun thing. The older you get the more you want to act like a kid," Lindgren said.

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