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The issue
Faculty union votes overwhelmingly to allow the union president to file an ‘intent to strike’ notice at any time on behalf of the union.

The Effect
Administration concerned about the effects a possible strike might have on students and the University's reputation.

What's Next
If mediation continues to fail, the union president says the group will “prepare for the worst.” Mediation resumes December 5.

Threat of faculty union strike looms

Kate McCann
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The ongoing battle between the administration and faculty heated again Monday night after a landslide vote was taken to secure the union president’s right to file an intent to strike at any time.

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City Council
Proposed restrictions to shake Halloween

Geoffrey Bittes
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Local business owners, city officials and students are expected to cram into the Carbondale Civic Center tonight to decide the future of Halloween in Carbondale.

At the first Carbondale City Council meeting since rioters turned the Strip upside down on Halloween night and the preceding weekend, council members may approve a series of ordinances, similar to ones set in 1995 to 1999, aimed at containing future chaos.

Councilman Larry Briggs said he expects attendance at the meeting to be high.

“There’s going to be a lot of people wanting to put their two cents in,” Briggs said. “I expect business owners to be there. The Association of Civil Service Employees voted overwhelmingly to accept the ‘final offer’ presented by the administration and faculty flared again Monday night after the mediation process was declared a failure.

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Presidential Party Debates

Students wage presidential debate in efforts to promote the ideals of their candidate

Jason Coker
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The presidential election is upon us. In that spirit, the College Republicans and College Democrats meeted up to debate the opportunity Monday night to persuade the public to vote for their man.

Democrat Ryan Burns, Republican Karl Gilpin and Shawnee Greens Eric Kobesak represented their party’s presidential candidate and attempted to influence the public by presenting their campaign.

Democrat Burns said that Gore is the best choice for president because he has a proven record on issues such as the environment, international trade and the economy during the past eight years.

Republcian Gilpin said that Gore has a proven track record of dealing with these issues.

Burns said Gore has a lot of proposals to clean up the environment and help the economy.

Gilpin, a senior in political science, said that Chafee/Gore administration has done little to safeguard the economy during the past year.

Kobesak, a freshman in elementary education from Oak Park, said economic troubles are the fault of poor trade policies caused by the Democratic and Republican parties, which he said set as a “two-faced monster.”

He said Päder opposes the North American Free Trade Association and the

Civil Service union ratifies contract

Kate McCann
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The Association of Civil Service Employees voted overwhelmingly to accept the “final offer” presented by the administration for next year’s contract at a membership meeting Monday.

Contract acceptance eliminates the possibility of a strike, which was the only other viable union alternative.

The 2001-2002 contract includes an

Eric Kobesak, a member of Shawnee Greens, speaks on behalf of Ralph Nader during Monday night’s debate at Lawson Hall. He weighs in on behalf of Ralph Nader during Monday night’s debate at Lawson Hall, while his opponents wait to defend their candidates. Karl Gilpin, left, debated for George W. Bush and Ryan Burns, right, debated for Al Gore.

Title IX probe: U.S. Office of Civil Rights to make two-day visit to SIUC

Jeff Berke
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The U.S. Office of Civil Rights is to make a two-day visit to SIUC to investigate a Title IX probe.

Since 1995, the administration has been working with the Office of Civil Rights on the issue. The probe was initiated in 1998.

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The Dream Reborn: an effort to

Monday's article, "Faculty union to decide on funding grant to strike notice," should have read "Today's faculty union meeting could end with a vote authorizing Faculty Association President Mortaza Daneshdoost to file an intent to strike."

The Daily Egyptian regrets the error.
University bookstore renovations halted

BUSINESS BRIEF

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CARBONDALE

Annual faculty meeting

All faculty are invited to attend the Annual Fall Faculty Meeting at 3 p.m. in the Student Center Auditorium.

The event will begin with a welcome by Karen Presley, Interim Dean of the College of Liberal Arts. Three addresses will be given during the meeting: Chancellor John Jackson, "State of the University and Update on Goals," interim Provost Tony Cocco, "Southern Illinois University College of Liberal Arts and Research Margaret Western, "A Year of Growth and Change," and President James Walsh, "Challenges for the Future."
The meeting will end with a question and answer period and refreshments.

Hearing for convicted murderer denied

Labor C. Neal, who was convicted in the 1997 double murder of two Carbondale

High School students, lost his attempt for a new trial because of a claim of violation of his constitutional rights.

Neal's attorney, Paul Christenson,

claimed Neal's right to a fair trial had been violated when Judge William G. Schwartz

denied his request to move the trial outside Murphysboro in 1997. On Friday, Schwartz

denied Christenson's request for a hearing saying the issue had already been heard and
denied in Neal's appeal to the 5th District Appellate Court in Mount Vernon.

Neal was convicted in December 1997 on six counts of first-degree murder in the

August 11, 1997, slaying of Teresa Mitchell, 16, Carbondale, and

Austin Campbell, 15, Murphysboro. Neal is serving life in prison without possibility for parole at the Du Quoin Correctional Center.

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David Grisman quintet performs at Shryock

The David Grisman Quintet will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday at Shryock Auditorium, 106 S. Main St.

Tickets are $19 and reserve seats are available.

Tickets are available at the Student Center office or by phone at 453-3479.

Healthcare engineering scholarship available

Applications are available for the Southern Illinois University Healthcare Engineering Scholarship. The scholarship is for full-time students studying engineering, architecture, biomedical technology, building

operations, maintenance or other related field. Applications should be submitted by February 1.

STUCE scholarship winners will be chosen based on scholastic achievement and financial need. Preference is given to students who graduated in a sum no more than $1,080, which will cover tuition.

The application deadline is Nov. 30, and they are available by calling 549-0721 ext.

6550 or by mail: SICHE, PO Box 192, Carbondale, IL 62901.

Coat drive for Women's Center ends Nov. 17

The Chittenango-Legal Society and the Northern Illinois University Law

co-sponsor a coat drive from Nov. 6 to Nov. 17. Coats, hats, mittens and scarves
do not have to be new. They will be collected at the legal aid office in the Center Central office or by phone at 453-3479.

Museum Clearance sale

The University Museum Gift Shop will be having a clearance sale Thursday through Sunday. Select items will be priced at 50 percent to 90 percent off.

Museum Gift Shop hours are Tuesday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday 1 to 4 p.m.

For more information, call 533-3380.
City and police must walk a fine line in Halloween decision-making

The jack-o’-lanterns are now rotten on our porches and the children have eaten their candy, but, as any­ one who was on the Strip Friday night can attest, Halloween in Carbondale is not over yet.

But while the weather had thrown the temperature swings and intermittent drizzling, the Carbondale and SIU police departments made sure nobody would do violence to their candy.

As promised by Carbondale Police Chief R. T. Finney Wednesday, bar-goers were prevented from taking the Strip. From the beginning of the night, patrons were warned that eviction laws would kick in. Though police were out in force, they did not have to arrest anyone to stop the admittance of outsiders.

The Daily Egyptian sympathizes with the difficul­ ties the Halloween riots have faced upon the police. In 1996, the Carbondale Police Department was widely blamed for elevating the chaos after offi­ cers appeared on the Strip with riot gear and tear gas.

If the police had acted, they were blamed for fail­ ing to do their jobs; if they over-prepared, they were charged with inciting violence.

Although everyone seems to have a different take on what, if anything, should be done next weekend, we are just thankful no one was seriously hurt and the damage was mostly contained on the Strip.

But now it’s time to make decisions for the future.

A challenge to movie patrons: be considerate

Seeing as how I didn’t have much desire to inhale tear gas last week, I worked full-time at my job in the suburbs of Chicago. As I do in Carbondale, I work at a movie theater there.

Of the 10 or so soul-sucking, name-tagged jobs I’ve worked, I find working at a movie theater to be the easiest and the most fun.

With that said, however, movie theater­ patrons can be in a league of their own as far as redness, ignorance and lack of respect are concerned. I realize that working this kind of job does not necessarily leave itself to dealing with the best and the brightest clientele, but hopefully with this column, I will interest you, the moxie, or how better to convey yourself so that the week­ enders don’t spill in your popcorn or openly mock you the instant you’ve walked into their house.

Not that I nor anyone I’ve worked with has done this.

For #1: Don’t let your best be not to be a complete pig when you eat. That large popcorn you hit an ATM to get from your wallet, right? Having kids is not an excuse. Also, working during Halloween, I am no longer a fan of those individually wrapped candy bars. For those of you who enjoy eating theater food, it’s an easy thing to do and is part of my job, I agree with you. But the people who we in line and complain that it’s too long to clean are the same ones who use the theater as their own personal dumpster.

For #2: I understand if you don’t know what you want when you get in line for concessions. Actually, in Carbondale you don’t have a tremendous amount of options, but if you go to a 3D or IMAX show, I must add a hearty decision.

My point is, if you wait there for 10 minutes, meaning about how your movie is starting — why don’t they open more registers, why don’t they hire more workers, why can’t you just keep back there and get your own popcorn, why can’t the WORLD STOP JUST WAIT and wait while you get what you want? You had better have your order customized and have exact change in your hand when you come to my register. With that said, however, movie theater employees see every movie playing where it’s cut and spliced. Sometimes, you’re tired. So, in a way, I can’t blame you.

For #3: Speaking of common sense, if you’re leaving the theater and you feel like your movie’s merits and flaws, then I hope to God that you’re not the one driving.

If you spent 10 percent of your waking-time figuring out what you want, I could be done with you faster and you could have your life-changing movie experience, probably roving Cannon Dan in her underwear in “Charlie’s Angels.” It’s just common sense.

Finally, the Libertarian Party...
Externship program shows investment for students

Student offered a variety of experience in their chosen fields

Andrew Parker
Daily Egyptian

Edvard Burgej is proud to be the director of the SIU Alumni Association for many reasons, one being the externship program. He said that the program offers students a chance to spend a week of work becoming more acquainted in their desired fields.

The association sends students all across the country, even to Mexico. They work with companies ranging from CNN to Continental Airlines.

"We want to give students variety," Burgej said. "Some want to stay close to home, some wind to travel."

The program, which is offered to juniors and seniors in the associate degree program, gives students a chance to gain hands-on experience in the workforce. It is a once in a lifetime investment.

"I don't think they'll ever forget the externship," Burgej said. "It is a once in a lifetime investment.

"The students' responsibility plays a major role in the program," Burgej said. "They are responsible for travel expenses and housing, but the company they worked for." "$\begin{align*}
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A different kind of late night at residence halls

Architecture students find help on homework at home

It’s a race on the 10th and 11th floors of Mas-Smith to get a drafting table and work for the rest of the night. On the architectural emphasis floors, students often spend more time at work on projects than they do in class. "I’ve lost count of the all-nighters I’ve pulled this year," said Josh Smith, a sophomore in architectural studies from Canton, "but people on the floor say it helps keep us up and motivated.

Academic emphasis floors are proving themselves in University Housing. The floors have positive impacts on the grades and social interaction of the students. The emphasis floors are open to all students, but students enrolled in or thinking about the specific major are encouraged to live on the floor.

Architectural studies and engineering students were the first floors implemented in fall 1997. Schools around the country started similar programs and SUIC followed. SUIC also has emphasis floors for aviation, accounting, Air Force ROTC, art and design, education, engineering, mass communications, automotive technology, health professions and social behavioral sciences.

"The University is always looking for ways to have a supportive environment that will encourage our students to stay here," said Steve Kirk, assistant director for Residence Life. "The best is to have successful students that finish their education at SUIC."

Academic departments who are interested in an emphasis floor have to work with University Housing. A request from Housing determines the number of floors on a major’s student enrollment. The architecture emphasis floor started with only the 10th floor but as demand increased, it expanded to two floors.

A group of grade point averages of emphasis students and non-residents within majors are mixed. Some majors do better and some do not. However within the residence halls, emphasis floors have higher GPAs than non-emphasis floors.

Josh Lach, faculty advisor and professor of architectural technology, said the architecture floor has surpassed his expectations. Before becoming an architectural emphasis floor, the 10th floor was ranked last among all the floors in the last 15 years. After one year, the 10th floor was ranked first.

"Even more important to me that the academic success, it has been well students help each other," Lach said. "It’s better than I ever expected." Lach said his main intention was to give architecture and interior design students a working environment where they can form a family away from home. He wanted to eliminate the homeroom new student feel and allow them to concentrate on their work, because of the rigid Knox major.

Katie Lammott, housing program coordinator, said many emphasis floors bend more than regular floors because of the shared interests and academic hurdles. Lammott said many students on the floor go out class, eat and even choose to live together when they are undergraduates.

Students on the 10th floor said the community on the floor has helped them with their academics. Marc Maglione, a freshman in architectural studies, said if he did not live on the emphasis floor, he would not negotiate further. during the spring semester.

"Sometimes the best ideas come from people not in architecture," Lamberton said. "It gives us an outside perspective on our projects.

Lach said the sense of community on the floor allows the students to question each other and help each other with projects and problems.

"I’m on a floor with people in higher classes than I am," Lamberton said. "I’ve been through the classes and know what we are going through.

The emphasis floors bring services to students at resident assistants’ bringing seminars to the floor to aid the students in their studies and social goals. The 10th floor of Mas-Smith, equipped with drafting tables in the end lounges, a small reference library and live-in tutors.

The faculty, students and administration all agree that academic emphasis floors have a positive effect on the academic success of the students and also the social and personal lives of the students.

"It is the students that make the emphasis floors successful," Lach said. "They come together and make bonds in their first semester that might not normally form until their second or third year."

Josh Lammott, a sophomore in architecture from Auburn, takes advantage of the 10th floor of Mas Smith while doing his class project Monday night. The floor is for students studying architecture.
of Pennsylvania gene therapy suit settled out of court

The family of Jesse Gelinas settled their wrongful death lawsuit against the University of Pennsylvania and others involved with Penn's Institute for Human Gene Therapy for an undisclosed amount of money last week.

The settlement, announced on Friday, comes just six weeks after Gelinas's family filed the lawsuit and more than three years after the 18-year-old Jesse died while participating in an NIH gene therapy study, becoming the first known patient to die as a result of gene therapy.

Gelinas's death prompted the U.S. Food and Drug Administration to suspend all human experiments at the NIH due to serious safety concerns involving a NIH gene therapy method.

The settlement amount was not disclosed, but it is expected to be in the millions of dollars. The lawsuit alleged that Gelinas was not adequately informed of the risks involved in the study and that he was not given the option to withdraw from the study.

Gelinas's death was a major setback for the gene therapy field and raised questions about the safety and ethics of clinical trials.

The settlement settlement to establish a foundation in Jesse's name to fund research and education on gene therapy.

The settlement also included a pledge from the University to improve its oversight of clinical trials and to establish a committee to review all ongoing clinical trials.

The University of Pennsylvania and the biotechnology company Genzyme, which sponsored the gene therapy study, were named as defendants in the lawsuit.

The settlement is a significant victory for the Gelinas family and for the gene therapy community, which has been grappling with the safety of clinical trials.

The settlement also serves as a reminder of the importance of informed consent and the need for rigorous oversight of clinical trials.

The settlement is expected to be finalized in the next few weeks, and the foundation established in Jesse's name is expected to begin operating soon.

Stay tuned for updates as this story develops.
Electoral vote parties hit Washington

Ashley M. Hendrix
The GW Hatchet (George Washington U.)

(U-WIRE) WASHINGTON — It may not be New Year’s Eve in New York City or Mardi Gras in New Orleans, but every election season, Washington, D.C. shows the world that it knows how to party.

Regardless of the outcome, D.C. politicians will be able to attend Tuesday’s election results until the early hours of the morning in style at area bars, restaurants and even George Washington University’s Hillel House.

“The can does down your sorrows or celebrate — either one,” said Pam Finlay, whose husband is the Sign of the Whale. Finlay said she expects the popular M Street bar will be packed with election night revelers. In addition to their traditional Tuesday night specials, the bar will also feature the finest hamburgers of George W. Bush and Al Gore’s favorite burger.

Jalapeño peppers, lemon, mustard, onion and mayonnaise, Finlay said.

For Bush, it’s a Texas-style burger with monty什么原因 cheese and crinkles of bacon.

At the Red River Grill next to Union Station, owner Matt Weiss said he expects about 300 people to show up and watch Tuesday night.

“We’re having a big party,” Weiss said. The grill will be showing continuous election coverage on 10 television screens.

And, of course, there are the special Gore and Bush shows for $2.

“You’ll have to come to find out (what’s in the shotout),” Weiss said. “We’re going to make one small bet, in a big screen between the two.”

The facade of the Washington establishment, Old Ebbitt Grill, will show election coverage on its 50-inch big screen televisions, owners said.

And for students looking to celebrate — or commiserate as the case may be — closer to campus, the Program Board is sponsoring an Election Night Gala in the Hillel House.

The University expects hundreds of students to show up for the event, which begins at 7 p.m. and runs until the final election results are in, said Mike Gugano, vice president of Student and Academic Support Services.

GW College Democrats president Arnon Chayov and College Republicans president Bill Eldridge will serve jointly as masters of ceremony.

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Florida Atlantic U. may share stadium with Marlins

Karla Sweeney
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (U-Wire) -- After touring football as a key to creating a more traditional college atmosphere on campus, Florida Atlantic University President Anthony Catanese said on Thursday that Fort Lauderdale is "the most feasible place" for a new stadium on at least five sites and "the most feasible place" for a new campus, was surprised to learn the ago said he and Catanese had discussed stadium plans with WfU's Nehlen, announc~t retirement intentions after Syracuse loss

FOU GARAY
Used to dream of new stadium on campus, Florida Atlantic University football as a key to creating a more student life to have the stadium here. And no one has told us to quit investigating the possibility of a stadium on campus," Catanese said.

"I don't think it's feasible for us to raise the kind of money to own our own and no one has stepped forward in Boca," he said.

For stadium proposal in the master plan tucked up protests from environmentalists because the site nears-marked for the facility is home to burrowing owls and gopher tortoises. One other matter hasn't yet been approved and Catanese said he would consider removing the stadium from it.

"The issue in Boca with the poor little owls -- and there are maybe two of them -- was terribly premium," Catanese said. "It was a "Chicken Little" situation.

But since FAU began pitching its dream of a football team, some groups of Florida residents with the construction of new dorms and somnolence and 'nearing housing.'

"If you look at student life, one of the huge assets is the spirit sports bring to it," university architect Colangelo, the Marlins' vice president of communications. "We want a baseball-only facility." But almost since FAU began, he called such a project "a tough deal to make.

"A stadium is big money and lot of bank," Smith said. "It's intriguing that Catanese has re-started the pub 100-yard games in a season. Too many people have to fall into and the citizens aren't really interested" in helping to foot the bill.

If it's not a record, it's got to go close.

Neither the Gateway Conference nor Illinois State University has kept records for sacks in one game, but the 11 it recorded against Western Illinois Saturday were certainly among the best of the meeting. The Redbirds have 28 sacks for the ashe, 131 of which have come in the last five games.

Porgian rush
For the third-straight week Youngstown State had a player with at least 100 yards rushing in the same game. This time quarterback Ryan Helming and Western Illinois running back Charles Thrapp are among the 16 finalists. Helming is the top quarterback while Thrapp leads the league in rushing. The winner will be named Dec. 4.

"It's got to be the most feasible place," Catanese said. "It was a "Chicken Little" situation."

But since FAU began pitching its dream of a football team, some groups of Florida residents have complained about the construction of new dorms and somnolence and "nearing housing." Catanese said the stadium proposal in the master plan tucked up protests from environmentalists because the site nears-marked for the facility is home to burrowing owls and gopher tortoises.

"One other matter hasn't yet been approved and Catanese said he would consider removing the stadium from it. "The issue in Boca with the poor little owls -- and there are maybe two of them -- was terribly premium," Catanese said. "It was a "Chicken Little" situation."

I don't think it's feasible for us to raise the kind of money to own our own and no one has stepped forward in Boca," he said.

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Ten would be sharp for Tharp
Western Illinois running back Charles Thrapp rushed for 125 yards against Illinois State Saturday making him only the tenth player to top 100 yards rushing in a season.

"It's a good run, a lot of fun, it's nice everyone else -- we'll let somebody younger do it," Nehlen said.

But on the day of his announce ment, nobody that ever knew the man wanted to think about that. Nehlen told his coaching staff on Friday night and his players moments after their heartbreak ing loss to Minnesota. "They turned on each other and we're losing you need to keep supporting each other."

"I don't think what he's done was hopeless in SIU athletics."

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The U.S. Office of Civil Rights will make a two-day visit to the SIU campus next week to follow up on an complaint alleging discrimination against SIU female student-athletes with regard to athletic facilities. The Title IX complaint, which specifically focuses on issues relative to facilities for the women's basketball team, was first introduced several years ago by an SIU student.

Interim Chancellor John Jackson has said a lot of numerical information for the Civil Rights Office to reiew before the meeting. He has been critical of the University's approach to Title IX compliance.

Saluki strikers sticking together

At least they have each other for support. The SIU volleyball team suffered two more Missouri Valley Conference losses this past weekend, losing its season record losing streak to 11 matches, breaking the old record of eight that was set earlier this season.

The Salukis welcomed conference rivals Creighton University and Drake University and hoped to show signs of life after weeks of losing. However, it wasn't to be as SIU lost in four games to Creighton (3-15, 15-10, 12-15, 15-13).

The person or persons who filed the original complaint is still unknown, but Bandy believes the complaint was filed by parents of softball team members. The parents staged a protest before a home softball game last spring.

"I think the seniors were promised this obvious year-after-year and nothing's happened," Bandy said, "I think they feel that they deserve better and they do."

Jackson originally hoped to develop the softball facilities through gambling revenue. The state of Illinois banned a law that would make a small portion of the revenue from Chicago-based gambling that would be set aside for higher education athletics facilities.

But complications within the law have forced SIU to look at other options for funding softball facilities. Jackson will be presenting those funding ideas during next week's meeting.

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