No arrests made in sexual assaults

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No arrests made in sexual assaults that reportedly occurred in East Campus. The victim, an SIUC student, told police Thursday morning that she was sexually assaulted between 1:45 a.m. and 3:30 a.m. Thursday in her dorm.

An initial report stated thatbetween $10 and $12 was stolen from the room, along with the key to the room. But police later said the key was not stolen and had been recovered. It was not known if the calling had been returned.

The victim was taken to Memorial Hospital of Carbondale, treated and released.

Police have identified suspects, and it was unclear as of press time whether more than one person was involved in the incident. Authorities are not releasing further information, but SIU Police Chief Jim Jordan said one suspect is not a SIUC student.

The police investigation involves the reported rape and theft. "What we have is more than one offense occurring during one incident," Jordan said.

Because the student knew her attacker, police said a crime report would not be necessary.

A campus alert is determined by Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Jim Twaddle, but he could not be reached for comment.

The second rape is being investigated by Carbondale Police.

A 21-year-old student from Carbondale's Friday shift told police she was raped. She said she left her friends' residence at about 2 a.m. to go to her car and drive home. She told Police where the location of the rape was located in the 800 block of Main Street, and police said she was awakened at about 3 a.m. by a male who opened the door and asked if she was OK. The suspect then offered to walk her back to her friends' residence to get her car.

Study to be dished out in restaurant

Study Week opens student's schedules for cramming

QUIET TIME: Official campus activities halt as grindstone turns.

RHODA SCHEA

DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

As students prepare for finals, an unofficial "dead week" begins today for students in the residence halls, members of the greek system and some registered student organizations.

During the last week before finals, no official events are planned to give students time to finish up final projects and focus on exams. Although it is not a campus-wide policy, such as idea has existed as part of University Housing's policy for more than 10 years.

The week is officially known as "Study Week" by University Housing. It is defined in the Residence Life Procedures Manual as the last week before finals.

The manual states, "It is University Housing's policy that beginning with Monday of the last week of classes each semester and continuing through the end of the finals week that 'Study Week' be in effect. All formal programming ceases... 24-hour quiet hours go into effect.

Resident assistants cannot plan educational or social programs for their floors except for occasional study breaks and times to study together. Continuous quiet hours will be strictly enforced.

Resident assistant Norris Thompson, a sophomore from Chicago Heights, met with residents of the seventh floor of Schneider Hall Sunday evening to emphasize his hopes for the last week of school.

"I am stressing respect for fellow residents, so we can all get the job done," Thompson said.

Thompson will have opportunities for students to study together so any students with problems can get help from other students.

"Dad-to-blackwell, a freshman from Indianaopolis and a resident of Thompson's floor, will take advantage of the quiet environment," Thompson said.

If you choose to take time to study you should have the time to study" Blackwell said. "Everyone has finals!"

Because of Study Week, Sarah Manning, a sophomore from Powell, will be able to "turf your priorities towards school.

It frees up a lot of my time for studying," Manning said.

At Public Relations Chair for the Residence Hall Associations Manning usually spends more than five hours a week in meetings.

People don't feel the pressure of programming events because they can't," Manning said.

A similar idea, "dead week," also gives students more time to concentrate on school because there are usually no meetings or events required by any church groups.

"It is an unwritten policy that no chapter meetings or social events occur," said Andy Morgan, assistant program director for Student Development and graduate greek advisor.

Morgan said the policy allows students to concentrate on academics.

Both Maltas, academic chair of Delta Zeta sorority, has already started to see an increase in attendance for events.

The house is quiet -- basically everything stops," Maltas said.

A lot of people were in studying (this weekend)," Assistant Director of Residence Life for University Housing Steve Kirk thinks students will benefit from the lack of policies.

The week before finals is a time to focus on academics and doing well on finals," Kirk said.

"It is a good time for students to be doing what they need to do."
Police Blotter:

CARBONDALE

- University Police, assisted by Carbondale firefighters, responded to a fire alarm at 9 p.m. Friday in the Weese Hall. A fire alarm was activated by an unknown person. No fire was observed in the residence hall, and no injuries were reported. Police have no suspects in the incident.

- A 20-year-old Carbondale resident reported to Carbondale Police that her residence in the 600 block of North Allman Street was burglarized between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Thursday. The victim said that she left her home for about an hour while someone broke out a window on the rear door of the house. She returned to find the residence burglarized. Cash and an antique model were reported missing from the house. There are no suspects in this incident.

Almanac

This Week in 1985:

- Lectures for men, overlooked in favor of women, packed a punch in 1985. Stephen King and Tom Petty, among others, filled auditoriums. The University of Illinois, said a man who was attending, and organs and other predators were the most popular stars. "Annihilation," "Maid of the Mist," and "Snoopy," among others, were doing well, he said. The No. 16 Ohio State men's basketball team was also in town.


Corrections

Readers who spot an error in a news article should contact the Daily Egyptian's accuracy desk, 536-3311 extension 228 or 229.
Man arrested for robbery of Carbondale Inn.

Carbondale Police found nearly $1,000 stuffed in the front of a Macomb man's underwear Friday and linked him to a local robbery.

Enrico Thomas, 35, was charged with aggravated robbery after police learned that he stole cash from a desk clerk at the Carbondale Inn, 3000 W. Main St.

The clerk stated that Thomas, wearing a green sweatshirt, entered the lobby of the inn at 11:48 p.m. Saturday and announced the robbery.

He reportedly forced the clerk to give him cash from the desk and then fled through the front door.

Thomas subsequently confessed to the robbery and was arrested at Jackson County Jail.

Johnny Roody/Daily Egyptian
SING WITH ME: Bringing blue, black and gold rock 'n' roll to Carbondale, Steven Tyler and company, otherwise known as Aerosmith, rocked a sold-out crowd at SIU Arena Saturday night.

Student volunteers clear, replant woods

Burke Speake

DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Nature was undoubtedly smiling Saturday when volunteers from SIU's Stoll block oak trees throughout Thompson Woods in efforts to rescue the woods from a serious...
Retired residents set to visit Japan

NAKAJO: Program offers senior citizens chance to visit SIUC's sister school.

ADARIA L. DILLARD, Daily Egyptian reporter

SIUC International Programs and Services are offering a program for retired residents in the greater Carbondale area to go to SIUC's sister city, Nakajo, Japan.

International Chautauqua Seniors' Program will start in Spring of 1999. While in the program, local retired residents will have the opportunity to visit Nakajo, the SIUC campus in Japan. They will be able to sightsee in the Nakajo area, learn about the Japanese culture and teach about the American culture.

Participants will live in Japan for either three months or one year. The cost of the trip will include housing, meals in the SIUC Niigata dormitory and an allowance of $4,000 yen a month, which is equivalent to $350. Those involved are responsible for their own round-trip airfare and medical insurance.

Retirees will take part in 10 to 15 hours per week of English conversation, teach classes, participate in recruitment activities and interact with students and Nakajo community members during weekends.

Kathy Bury-Swindell, the assistant director of Niigata coordination office, said the trip to Japan will benefit the people in Carbondale as in Nakajo. Bury-Swindell said the purpose is to continue to expand community ties with the SIUC campus in Nakajo.

"We can show them American culture and customs," Bury-Swindell said. "It's a win-win situation, everyone can benefit from this." "This trip is important to improve our communication with individuals in Japan. This is an opportunity for two countries to get better acquainted.

"We would like to focus on this group because of their availability. It's a win-win situation and everyone will benefit from it."

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Headstart ladles Christmas cheer

ANGIE ROYER
DAILY EAGLE REPORTER

Throughout Lentz cafeteria, the children of the Headstart Program chatted with excitement while decorating cookies, opening presents and indulging in a hot meal. Volunteers from Thompson Point residence halls gave a few hours of Christmas cheer to children of the Headstart Program of SIUC Thursday.

Headstart is a nationwide program that educates low-income children and children with developmental delays.

Supporting the growth of children and families, the SIUC Headstart has participated in the Christmas dinner tradition for more than a decade.

Although none of the Headstart children could see over the top of the food bar, student volunteers assisted each child, and they received a plate full of chicken strips, green beans and potatoes.

There were a total of 20 children each was coupled with a volunteer. Because there were only 20 volunteers, however, some volunteers celebrated Christmas with two children.

Emily Seelam, a freshman in biological science from Fort Wayne, said volunteering for the Headstart Program was a great opportunity to be with kids.

"It's fun to hear some of the funny things they say," Seelam said.

The hall council representatives of Thompson Point went to local stores to ask for a monetary donation, which in turn was used to buy the children gifts. Gifts given to the children included activity books that promoted educational skills.

Amy Price, head of Steagull Hall, said it was her second year of participating in the Christmas tradition.

"I wish all six classes could come," Phillips said. "I'm glad that they get this opportunity because some of them won't even have a Christmas — so this might be it."
Cubans have red Christmas

EAGLE-RUBIO NEWSPAPERS

President Fidel Castro plagued the paid Christmas holiday in 1959, when the new communist government said required all hands at work...

He had declared his government officially communist and socialist seven years earlier.

Castro decreed Christmas Day a national holiday last year, with most Cubans allowed to miss work, responding to a Vatican request as Pope John Paul II prepared for his historic visit in January.

Many Cubans had expected the government to make the holiday permanent this year, especially after the Communist Party's top official on religion, Bishop Eligio Diaz, last month that, she favored such a move.

State tourism officials in Cuba pounced, more accessible to Cubans that sell all goods to mark the season, even establishing a holiday to mark all goods to mark the season.

On Dec. 19, Cuba started to prepare for the holiday even before the announcement, buying trees and decorations, and jamming state newspapers with ads, that Cuba was last in a week in anticipation of the festivity.

Roman Catholic Church officials in Havana and the Vatican called, "I'm happy," Bishop Eligio Diaz, by Communists' top body, the Political Bureau, explained in a communiqué that took up the end of the party paper, the party newspaper Granma.

Although Christians in Cuba were stopped celebrating this event, estimating the holiday as an act that does justice to our basic culture, recognizing the parent religious sentiments of many and reaffirming our tradition, a church statement said.

The Vatican's secretary of state, Cardinal Angelo Sodano, expressed "satisfaction" with the decision but broadly noted that Cubans had been "wasting years for this gesture."

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that exposure to repeated stressors can have major impact on a person's health.

In fact, two-thirds of doctors who were stress induced, with over 500,000 people die each year due to stress related diseases.

The Vatican's statement by Elisa stated, "We need to take national holidays as they pollute the system of the Welfare Center."

Helm: Advices talking with friends, exercising, practicing regular sleep patterns and getting involved in college life to minimize stress.

"You have to manage stress before it becomes overwhelming," Helm said. "Do seek out services especially if you've been overwhelmed, increasing at a rate of more than a few weeks."

The NIU Wellness Center offers individual counseling sessions by appointment and group counseling almost every day.

Barbara J. Fisch, coordinator of Student Health Clinic, said no time counseling and medication is available only the way to relieve stress.

People who do not have time for counseling, sometimes patients can learn to cope with stress at the Wellness Center with quick 60 second and sometimes breathing exercises.

As a student, you'll be able to ask for counseling services in counseling services in counseling services in counseling services in counseling services.
Higher learning
American Council on Education hopes to eliminate misconceptions about financial support for education

JAMES FULLER
DAILY EAGLE REPORTER

There are many barriers to attending college, from the necessary 12 years of public school all the way to the ACT and SAT exams. But a recent survey conducted by the American Council on Education shows the greatest challenge may be in eliminating misconceptions about the cost of college attendance.

A study by the American Council on Education showed that while parents and students still value a college education, many of them are now overwhelmed by the cost of college and feel בטוח היכולות המוסכיות של החברות של פע بواسטן. With Chancellor Joel A. Amerson accepting the site's approval, SIUC has decided to become part of the initiative.

"I think it's a top priority to make sure students and families have the opportunity to attend a public university, and that is part of the role of our mission," Amerson said.

Amerson said that while she does think the campaign has done much yet, she believes in its purpose.

"It's a big goal that you should be making decisions based on what's important," she said. "I believe in what we're doing.

According to the "College is Possible" website, 72 percent of all students have some form of funding, with 43 percent having full tuition coverage. There are also low-income students, with 33 percent having some form of financial aid.

"Money matters to all students," said Amerson. "I'm excited about the potential to help make a college education possible for a greater number of students."
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Trip to retrace steps of classic architecture

GRAND TOUR: Students gain a new outlook on education by travelling abroad.

PAUL TEODOR
DAILY EYEWITNESS REPORTER

SIUC Architecture Professor Jon Davey says Le Petit Grand Tour d'Architecture will take students out of the classroom.

The trip will take place at the end of the Spring 1999 semester, from May 6 to June 13. The Little Grand Tour will begin in London and end in Rome. During the course of the trip, students will visit cities in France, Germany, and Turkey.

"Education is more than just a classroom, and during this tour we will get professors discussing and pointing at those sites," Davey said. "We have a good time learning, and this program will give distance learning a new look."

Davey said the goal of the program is to retrace the steps of classical architecture and also to expose the students to the European culture, food, and lifestyle.

"We hope this trip will give the students a new perspective in how they see the world," he said.

Students will also have to do some work on the trip. They will sketch the sites and digitally record their observations to the Le Petit Grand Tour d'Architecture's web page (www.arch-tour).

Students will work with technology that will be brought to Europe, including digital cameras, portable computers, scanners, and satellite up-links to the SIU website.

Local elementary and high schools are encouraged to communicate with the students and request images, that have posted on the website.

The Little Grand Tour of Architecture has established relationships with various European institutions, which provide aid to the student travelers in the form of guest lectures, comments, and assistance.

"Day by day, students in architecture, said students should come back with their eyes open to their new culture. They should be more open to different cultures and share their travels with the students and request images, that have posted on the website.

"I feel more knowledgeable, and my impression of other cultures broadened," she said. "I also had a lot of fun, and a lot of travel during the trip."

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Nellie Crow, a senior in interior design from Taylor Park, said the trip she took in the summer of 1997 helped her develop personal relationships.

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California teaching assistants go on strike

LOS ANGELES — Carrying signs that said "No Ta, No Ba," about 2,000 teaching assistants at the University of California system went on strike Tuesday, over pay raises, tuition, instruction, tutoring services and final grading for thousands of undergraduate students on eight campuses.

As at many other schools, the university's teaching assistants, or TAs, play a growing instructional role as part of administration efforts to contain spending costs. At UCLA, 60 percent of the face-to-face contact between instructors and undergraduate students is made by teaching assistants.

The teaching assistants say they are striking to protest the university's refusal to consider them as full-fledged employees by recognizing their union. Several other employee groups at the university are represented by unions, and they say, giving them leverage to negotiate better benefits and working conditions.

The university is affronting the dignity of everyone who is a TA," said Jane Hamilton, a teaching assistant in UCLA's political science department, who was among more than 100 graduate students demonstrating in the rain Tuesday at the campus' main entrance.

"People who play such an integral role in the education process are tired of being taken for granted," she added. "We're going to win, and what we do, this will add momentum to the national drive for unionization of TAs."

Teaching assistants are particularly important at large schools such as the University of California, where professors are too busy to grade papers or supervise other teaching assistants. The graduate students have not yet hammered out issues to present to the university, but many at UCLA said they were concerned about the quality of education slipping as their instructional load increases.

About 18,000 campus-based union members have recognized teaching assistant unions, including the University of Michigan, University of Wisconsin and Madison and Wayne State University in Detroit.

But University of California officials have been reluctant to recognize the grade student assistants, saying the teaching assistants first and foremost are students whose jobs enhance their education. University officials assert that a union would infringe upon the mentoring relationship the students have with the graduate students.

The struggle over union recognition in the university system stretches back about 15 years, but this is the first time graduate assistants have simultaneously walked the picket line at all University of California campuses.

In 1983, graduate students at the Berkeley campus formed a union for tutors and "readers," the assistants who grade papers but do not teach. After a prolonged court battle, Berkeley officials recognized the union, saying the readers' duties are not a part of their educational experience.

In 1995, an administrative judge at the California Public Employment Relations Board ordered the university to negotiate with the newly established teaching assistant unions. The university appealed.

On Tuesday, campus officials presented contingency plans, including canceling discussion sections, giving grading preference to seniors applying to graduate school and even ending some courses two weeks early.

University officials said it was too early to measure the effects of the strike on the system's 128,000 undergraduates.

"We tried to get in as much discussion as possible last week (but now that the teaching assistants are on strike) I can't get help on my term paper," said Teni Kachhtukan, 21, a senior majoring in American literature.

"I'm angry that the chancellor isn't giving in to the TA's wants and demands. With finals coming up, it's the worst time for this," she said.
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Maryland no longer fools of league

WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — It was a game the Maryland Terrapins were looking forward to, to be reached at 7 p.m.

The Terrapins, who are one of the strongest teams in the nation, are looking to continue their undefeated streak.

The game was expected to be a close one, with Maryland holding the advantage. However, the Terrapins were able to pull ahead in the second half, winning 76-62.

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When the game started, the Terrapins were up 10-0, but the Bucknellians were able to rally back and keep the game close. The Bucknellians were able to tie the game at 14-14, but the Terrapins were able to pull ahead again. The game went back and forth, but the Terrapins were able to keep a lead throughout.

Beck said that the Bucknellians were able to keep the game close because they were able to move the ball around and get the ball to players who were open. He said that the Terrapins were not able to stop Beck's pressure defense.

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Red-Hot

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20 points and 10 rebounds, and junior guard Jessica Reese added 18 points.

SLU was red-hot from the field, connecting on 33 of 44 shots, and was able to put the game away.

The Terrapins were able to put up a fight, but the Terrapins were able to pull ahead in the second half, winning 76-62.

Dawgs

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lop-sided defeat, Weber questioned the future of his players.

"There are five or six guys that really care because they really want to win," Weber said.

"And then there are some other guys that are just going through the motions. They're not going to get better unless they make that decision to work hard in practice and then put it on the floor in the games," Weber said.

Marecek, who filled in for the injured Allen Schrader at the two-guard slot, finished with 14 points in the first half to keep the Salukis close.

He made a three-pointer with 12 seconds remaining in the first half to knot the game at 18.

The Salukis went on a 14-2 run in the second half to pull ahead. The Terrapins were able to get within six points, but the Salukis were able to make free throws to put the game out of reach.

The Terrapins were able to get close at 54-50, and Beck's three-pointer with 12 seconds remaining left to overcome the Jays.

Beck said. "We were thinking it was going to be more of an outside game."

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MURDER HE WROTE:

Dawgs defeated by tough
Creighton-team on road.

SHANELE RICHARDSON
DAILY EDITION REPORTER

Creighton University’s non-starters could have been charged with a serious crime Saturday night.


The Bluejay bench rose up from behind in the Salukis’ 13-0-1 by scoring 45 points in their 86-60 mangling in the Missouri Valley Conference opener for both teams. To make the victory more impressive, Creighton (6-0-1-0) didn’t get much production from its four regular starters, who accounted for only 14 of its 30 points.

A shot 1-10 from the field, and 1 of 11 from the arc, gave the Bluejays’ most effective weapon — forward and preseason MVC Player of the Year Rodney Buford — only nine points.

The Bluejay bench made three field goals combined.

“Their bench just killed us,” Saluki coach Bruce Weber said in his postgame radio show.

They just stepped it up. That was the difference.”

Starting center Doug Swenson led the Jays with 16 points and seven rebounds, but the rest of the整 valley freshmen got contributions from everyone. Of the 14 players who saw action, 11 got into the scoring books. Junior forward, Kansas State’s leading scorer, had eight and added seven more in the Jay’s 86-60 super win with 11 points.

The Salukis were led by junior forward Chris Thunell (12 points) senior forward Monte Jenkins (11) and junior guard Greg Carter (10-0) but only received 14 points from their bench. After the

Another cup, please

FALTER: Women’s hoops unable to compete with Billiken’s team Saturday night 78-52.

PAUL WALKINS
DAILY EDITION REPORTER

ST. LOUIS — Two Saluki fans could drink an entire pot of coffee while discussing the many reasons for the Saluki women’s basketball loss to Saint Louis University Saturday night.

Those reasons include costly mistakes made by a young Saluki squad, six Big East teams, key Saluki injuries and a lackluster game.

The most telling tale in the Salukis’ 78-52 loss at the Harris-Stowe Athletic Center was the relative inexperience of their young team of mostly inexperienced freshmen and sophomores.

They turned the ball over 28 times, including 10 in the first half and 13 late in the game, while shooting just under 30 percent from the field.

The absence of starting center and sophomore point guard Tiffany Taylor, why is out with a leg stress fracture, and the return of senior guard Jenny Wecker and sophomore guard Matt Munz, who both had 19 points, in the starting lineup wouldn’t have made the Salukis win their first game.

“Our team is a lot more balanced than last year,” coach Debra Cloche said, whose team won a Big East tournament game last season.

“We’ve made the same mistakes with Tiffany and Jenny out,” coach Cloche said, “but we can’t have this happen again. We have to be more balanced and we have to be more disciplined.”

The former point guard and guard Matt Munz, who both had 19 points, in the starting lineup.

The learning process continued as the Saluki guards struggled with a 4-10уз from a turnover ratio in comparison to the Billikens’ 19-15-0 ratio.

While the Salukis struggled to maintain order, the athleticism of the Billikens (6-1) was the definition of a fast-paced, in the second half. The Salukis jacked up to an eight-point deficit at the half, made possible by numerous second-chance points.

But the Billikens pulled away in the second half with the

Red-hot SLU too much for Salukis

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ST. LOUIS — A fire truck should have been waiting outside of the St. Louis Athletic Center because the Saint Louis Billikens were on fire.

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They turned the ball over 28 times, including 10 in the first half and 13 late in the game, while shooting just under 30 percent from the field.

The absence of starting center and sophomore point guard Tiffany Taylor, why is out with a leg stress fracture, and the return of senior guard Jenny Wecker and sophomore guard Matt Munz, who both had 19 points, in the starting lineup would have made the Salukis win their first game.

“Our team is a lot more balanced than last year,” coach Debra Cloche said, whose team won a Big East tournament game last season.

“We’ve made the same mistakes with Tiffany and Jenny out,” coach Cloche said, “but we can’t have this happen again. We have to be more balanced and we have to be more disciplined.”

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The learning process continued as the Saluki guards struggled with a 4-10уз from a turnover ratio in comparison to the Billikens’ 19-15-0 ratio.

While the Salukis struggled to maintain order, the athleticism of the Billikens (6-1) was the definition of a fast-paced, in the second half. The Salukis jacked up to an eight-point deficit at the half, made possible by numerous second-chance points.

But the Billikens pulled away in the second half with the