SiUC faculty respond to planned cuts

REATIONS: Eleven degrees recommended for elimination or restructuring.

WILLIAM HATFIELD
DAILY EGYPTIAN EDITOR

Funding in repair SIUC's failing power grid was included in a bill that passed the Illinois Senate Thursday, and an identical bill now has a better chance of passing the House than similar bills have had in the past, a legislator says.

Now the Senate supplemental appropriations bill will go to the House, said state Sen. David Lawless, R-Glenview, who past power grid funding measures have stalled.

Local legislators and SIUC officials have expressed concern that without repair, the aging power grid could shut down, cutting off electricity on campus.

The House bill funding the power grid repairs could pass when the General Assembly, which adjourned Thursday, reconvenes on Feb. 18, said state Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro. The House bill, now in committee, matches the Senate's version of the bill. The two must match if power grid repair money is to be approved, Bost said.

"It's looking better this time," he said. "There is more support because both parties are working on it."

If the bill passes the House, Bost said, it will go to Gov. Jim Edgar, who has said he supports power grid repairs for SIUC, for final approval.

Garrett Deakin, SIUC's legislative liaison, said the bill is moving forward because there is less partisan arguing than in the past.

"Now that we have a new General Assembly, we are hopeful that the power grid funding will pass," Deakin said. A bond bill that would have funded repairs for the power grid, said the SIUC repair project, and construction of a prison in Pinckneyville was defeated last fall because Democrats and Republicans in the House could not agree on its content.

University officials say failure of an electrical feeder now would shut down campus for a week.

Team effort:
Group raising money to hear activist speak

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Gus Bode

Gus says: Why can't we mix all the programs and make one big degree.
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University adds graduation date

CONVENIENCE: SIUC creates new Dec. 20 date to benefit students.

DAVE ARMSTRONG
DAILY EAGLE REPORTER

Students who finish graduation requirements in December no longer will have to wait until May to celebrate their achievements, thanks to a new third experimental commencement date, an SIUC administration spokesperson said.

Steve Foster, acting director of Admissions and Records, said some students want an earlier date to celebrate graduation in a more timely manner with the addition of a new date.

"This is for the convenience and benefit of the students," Foster said. "The real thrust of this is to provide a better customer service for our students.

The new commencement will be held Dec. 20. Foster said there also is a change is dates of the May commencement.

The May commencement, which normally takes place on Mother's Day, May 11, is now scheduled for May 9 and May 10. The summer commencement is slated for May 10.

The December commencement, recommended by SIUC Chancellor Don egg, will allow students the opportunity to receive recognition sooner after finishing their degrees. In the past, students who missed the August commencement would be forced to wait until May to be recognized for their achievements.

Foster said the added commencement serves the dual purpose of reducing the number of students who participate in each commencement.

"The May commencement was traditionally very large," Foster said. "We approached the problem by breaking it up into commencement.

Parking meter employee hit by vehicle

ALTERATION: Parking attendant sustains minor cut from accident.

KENDRA HELMER
DE ASSOCIATE EDITOR

An SIUC student was arrested Wednesday after allegedly hitting a parking attendant with his vehicle when he became angry about a parking citation, SIUC Police say.

Police charged Matthew Abenholtz, a junior in aviation management from Carbondale, with reckless conduct and aggravated battery following an altercation in parking lot 37 near the Technology Building at 11:50 a.m. Wednesday.

"A parking meter attendant was issuing him a parking citation, and he proceeded to back out of the parking space and almost struck a pedestrian," said Theresa Mills, SIUC Police office coordinator. "The parking attendant was standing stationary in front of his vehicle, asking him to stop, and he struck the parking attendant.

Mills said the unidentified Parking Division employee was not knocked to the ground but sustained a cut on his hand. The employee is not a

Southern Illinois

CARBONDALE

SIUC students receive verdicts about probations

Fifteen SIUC students have been recommended for suspension from the University and 23 were recommended for probation for violating the Student Conduct Code during Halloween 1996, says Sue Davis, University News Service director.

Two students have received discipline warnings, which essentially are written warnings, and three have withdrawn from the University. Eleven of the 54 students Student Judicial Affairs is tracking have had charges against them dropped.

Davis said 151 students, including those who were punished for violating the Conduct Code, are appealing their cases, Davis said.

CARBONDALE

Student Recreation Society to sponsor job fair

The Student Recreation Society is sponsoring a summer job fair from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday in Room 206 of the Student Center.

The event will be from the recreation field such as Midwest-area camps, park districts and YMCA day camps. People offered for those jobs include kitchen staff, counselors, activity programmers and lifeguards.

Students may call the Student Recreation Society at 453-1834 for more information.

CARBONDALE

USG votes against funding of litigated playing fields

A resolution to increase a student recreation fee by 54 to pay for litigated playing fields was defeated 7-19 by Undergraduate Student Government Wednesday night.

USG Vice President Dave Virgum urged the Senate to vote against the bill to fund lighted playing fields, and vote for a bill that would fund $5 million in expansion and renovation of the student health service building.

The USG bill would recommend a student fee increase of $12.50 to pay for the renovations and would not go into effect until the year 2000.

The bill to fund the health service renovations was tabled.

WALTHAM, MASS.

College Board admits error in SAT, will adjust scores

Who flunked the SAT? The College Board is admitting it made a mistake in a math problem, the organization that oversees the widely used college admissions exam, is adjusting the scores of 45,000 students upward, by as much as 30 points.

WASHINGTON

Yeltsin to attend summit meeting with Clinton

The U.S. and Russian governments met Thursday to discuss speculation that President Boris Yeltsin may not be well enough to attend a previously scheduled summit meeting with President Clinton in March to discuss Western plans to expand the NATO security alliance.

The meeting was originally planned for three of the 40 students who were located may be moved out of deference to Yeltsin's health.
Freedom is not a choice

If someone said to you that choice is freedom, what would you think that meant? I saw these words written in bright white chalk on the wall of a high school in Faneuil this week, and it got me thinking about the subject, literally. I decided, I would mean that we are free because we choose. I beg to differ with that statement. It is the common sentiment that a voluntary statement would be that freedom is choice. I am not free because I choose, but rather I choose because I am free.

No matter what you have, you have a choice. Even those in communist countries can choose, but that does not make them free. They are already free because they are able to choose, though they will have to live with consequences of exercising that freedom.

In actuality, choice is what leads to restriction and cannot be the cause of freedom. Once you make a choice, that rules out other options, so that choice has not made you free, but has confined you to that decision you had made. The freedom comes because you are able to make a decision.

I realize that the right to a choice usually is in reference to abortion, and while my full support goes to preserve life, I do have to recognize the point that pro-choices make because having a choice is understood as one of the basic freedoms granted to us as Americans. If having a choice were not so important, God would not have given us all that option.

Those who choose to have an abortion undoubtedly go through a great deal of turmoil in making that decision. I do not undervalue or envy the pain and grief they go through while determining the amount of value that they are willing to place on a life.

Unfortunately, those who view abortion as an excessive practice — used too often as a form of birth control — have a tendency to be fanatic, in expressing their unhappiness about displaying their views. Those who think it is OK to bomb abortion clinics are no better than those who persecute or have an abortion. Intentionally taking someone's life is far more serious than his or her heart from heating because you personally think what that person did was wrong is insufficient, nowhere near being an issue you try to conjure up to deter your own wishes.

A big question comes into play when determining punishment, then. Do you punish those who have or perform an abortion? What about those who massacre the people who do have or perform an abortion? And when you discipline them, do you implement the death penalty?

Those who annihilate people who choose to have an abortion need to be punished because they are breaking the Federal law as well as violating the unalienable rights established in the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution (life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness along with establishing justice, ensuring domestic tranquility, providing for the common defense and promoting the general welfare).

Personally, I believe that applies to children still in the womb as well, but since it has been decided that abortion is legal, those who perform or receive one should not and will not be legally punished. That is not to say that we need to give up the fight to make abortion illegal, because that would just be stupid. We just need to remember that God has the tendency to get the last word anyway, and he will do his part while we do ours.

Mailbox

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Responsibility Center Management one of many possible budget plans

Dear Editor: Everyone concerned by Professor Emeritus Bender's letter regarding the budget initiative at Southern Illinois University.

There appears to be a misunderstand- ing of where we are in an evolving bud- get and planning process and the direc- tion we are going.

Please allow me to clarify:

First, by analyzing SIUC's budget and planning processes has been in existence a very short time. As a result of those numerous times, all constituencies of the University, and in particular the faculty, will be involved in the process.

Second, while the committee is looking at the current structure of the Responsibility Center Management model, it is only one among many other budget models being studied in an effort to find the best fit for SIUC.

Whatever is adopted will be thoroughly analyzed, widely discussed and designed to meet the needs of SIUC.

I am the person who has been assigned the task of involving faculty to communicate to members of the University community to hear concerns, share ideas and start taking steps will ensure that SIUC will thrive in the 21st century.

Elaine Hyden is currently working on planning and budget services

Three years ago was the last round in which programs were specifically placed on a list and recommendations for elimination. The political science doctoral and master's degrees were recommended for elimination, but enough feedback and defense was received to save them, and now those programs are on the second-highest priority list.

PEOPLE WHO ARE DEFENDING THESE programs need to act, because the April deadline for the Graduate Council to make recommendations is fast approaching. Administrators will collect more data from department chairs, receive verbal and written defenses for the proposed program cuts and eventually make the final recommendations to the SIU Board of Trustees, who will make final recommendations to the Illinois Board of Higher Education in July.

The defendents need to be right there with administrators looking at costs and savings of programs and why these programs need to be maintained or modified. With all the paperwork and testimonies involved, recommendations should not be made in haste, but should be carefully justified and provided with supporting documentation.

IF TOO MANY PROGRAMS ARE CUT BACK and eliminated, it only will weaken the University's commitment to "research and creative activity" and teaching of broad areas of study. Not only with graduate students but also with undergraduate students, who are instructed by those doctoral students. It is time for people who are defending these programs to stand up and be counted if something is worth saving, it is worth defending and going to the line to protect.

"Our Word" represents the consensus of the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board.

Overheard

"It would turn a perfectly good degree into a worthless degree.

Thomas Keller, foreign languages chair, on a recommendation of eliminating minor's arts in foreign language and literature and reconstructing it into stronger programs such as linguistics, anthropology and/or English.

Those who wish to look down on us can come compete with us."

SIUC Chancellor Don Beggs, on the University's much-maligned reputation.
Dear Editor:

I see nothing wrong with Brian Elbers' assessment of the advertisements for the U.S. Armed Forces. There is nothing misleading about them. What they say in the ads about not going for college is only true if you have no college qualifications. Yes, you have to fulfill a four-year enlistment before you can re-qualify for the G.I. Bill and go to college after you get out. Yes, many people re-enlist in the Army because the G.I. Bill is too good to pass up.

People go to this service to help them get an education. If a person gets drafted, he or she gets no education. In fact, nationally and internationally, these programs provide education to our armed forces. Our soldiers have to go to school to get required credits while they are abroad. These men and women are the future leaders of our country. I think the choice is clear. Young people have been and always will be the military's most valuable assets.

"Young people have been and always will be the military's most valuable assets."

--Bret Wilcoxson

Two Cent's

Marines learn how to work

Dear Editor:

I would also like to thank Mr. Elbers for his comments. With all of the changes occurring in our Armed Forces, it is difficult to provide a complete picture of the armed forces population in Carbondale and the effects it has had on our local community.

With the decrease in the number of families and the reduction of military personnel, there has been a decrease in the local economy. While the military may not provide all of the services that were previously available, it has helped to fill the void created by the reduction in the number of families.

Although the issue of the home- less has not been addressed in this article, it is an important issue that needs to be addressed. The homeless population in Carbondale is large and increasing. It is important that the community work together to find ways to help these individuals.

Sincerely,

Helen Ebers

Senior, hotel, restaurant, travel administration

Shelter needs support to help needy

Dear Editor:

Although the story of the homeless (Jan. 20) was informative, I am writing so that readers might have a more complete picture of the homeless population in Carbondale and the efforts to help them.

The issue of homelessness may have been given the impression that the homeless population is large and growing. In fact, nationally and locally, the homeless population is decreasing. However, there are still many people who need assistance.

One of the main challenges is the availability of affordable housing. It is difficult to find adequate housing for those who are homeless. Another challenge is the need for community support.

The Illinois Army National Guard has a special mission to provide support to homeless individuals and families. They work with local organizations to help provide shelter and other necessary services.

I hope that you will continue to support these efforts and work towards finding solutions to the issue of homelessness.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Small

President, board of directors, Good Samaritan Ministries

Condiment charge swerves way to trim fat from McExpenses

While I understand that McDonald's is a multi-billion-dollar corporation, and it must be profitable, I still have a major beef with its new condiment sauce package.

Some people put mayonnaise on their French fries, while some people like lemon in their hot dogs. Well, I like my condiment sauce on my burger and fries.

For years, I have been getting three free condiments, along with my extra value meals. Now the McDonald's restaurants in Illinois (but not everywhere) have decided that I should have to pay extra for my sauces. I have been charged between 15 cents and 15 cents per sauce, and while it is not that much money, my gripe is a matter of principle.

In my mind, it is a matter of convenience. I once confronted the man on duty at McDonald's across from University Mall. I asked why they decided to begin charging for condiment sauce. He had the gall to stand there and tell me that because the price on the menu is so expensive, they can't give it away for free. He then gave me the option of a normal meal. Chicken McNuggets apparently are magically exempt from the additional charge.

My problem is that I don't think it is their business to decide what people can and can't eat. I want to appreciate the restaurant, even if I can't afford it.

I am going to go to Burger King, which allows me to have my sauces free.
Merger eliminates master’s program

PHASING OUT: IBHE review causes the elimination of Agriculture degree.

Harold G. Downs
Daily Egyptian Reporter

A master’s program was eliminated as a result of the merging of two programs in the College of Agriculture in December, a faculty member said.

“The merger is very positive,” said Robert Wolff, a professor in the Plant, Soil and General Agriculture Department and former chairman of the Agricultural Education and Mechanization Department. “We need to look at different menus and wrap to better serve our students and hopefully we can do a better job.”

In a memorandum issued Dec. 2, M. McGee, dean of the College of Agriculture, the Department of Agricultural Education and Mechanization, and the Department of Plant and Soil Science, combined the programs to form the Department of Plant, Soil and General Agriculture. The merger was based upon a recommendation by a 1994 Illinois Board of Higher Education review that the two programs join into one. The memorandum also named Donald J. Stucky chairman of the new program. Stucky was the dean of the Plant and Soil Science Department.

“I requested IBHE’s program for the Agricultural Education and Mechanization Department was eliminated, but the graduate students currently in the master’s program in Agricultural Education and Mechanization will be allowed to continue until they graduate. The master’s program in Plant and Soil Science retained intact.” Wolff said the merger was not recommended in terms of quality but quantity.

“Thanks to the merger program was much better efficient in the College of Agriculture.” Wolff said. “However, the faculty size was reduced.”

The merger affects about 150 undergraduate students from the Agricultural Education and Mechanization, who will be incorporated into the new program. Wolff said the new program will be combined with about 150 undergraduate students from the Plant and Soil Science Department under the new department.

Wolff said the department is looking into forming a master’s of science degree in agriculture that specifically covers agricultural education, agricultural information, and agricultural technologies.

By growing up in a carnival, Erica said she met diverse groups of people. “The bearded lady, and male stereotypes, and that is why she could grow a beard.” she said. “The parade only last for a little bit of time”

While traveling with the carnival, Erica said that many of childhood friends.

“With the carnival people took their doors,” she said. “People didn’t like us very much. They came and ride and have a good time, but they didn’t trust us, the workers. We call the police ‘marks,’ and we will find them to spend their money, but we barged them because they bailed us.”

Erica said some people think most carnivorous people are dumb, thieves, lazy and have no ambitions. However, she said some carnivorous workers, like her parents, chose to work in the carnival. Her mother and stepfather have been in the carnival for 16 years.

“Most of the people were circus evangelists and mousquitos, but the workers stress the importance of staying in school,” she said. “It’s obvious I got an education because I’m in college.”

Erica said it is important to her for people to realize what type of people work in carnivals. “We are human beings, not just carnival people, but a person with feelings,” she said. “People don’t see the inside where we’re close like a family. If one’s tradition, all hurt,”

Erica said although she still works the carnival during summer vacation.

“I want to live my own life,” she said. “I like going out there to the carnival to see my work and see my friends, but that was my childhood. It’s time to be grown up now.”

And while Erica’s mother wants her to be happy, Jean said the carnival is not always a break away from. “The carnival lifestyle is not for everybody,” she said. “But once you’re raised in it, then it’s in your blood.”

Daily Egyptian reporter Travis Allen contributed this story.

The Environmental Studies Program

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Democrat to submit evidence

**Burdon of Proof:**
Brown must show election votes were misconducted.

**Jason K. Freund**
**Daily Egyptian**

A state Senate committee ordered Democrat Barbara Brown Thursday to provide evidence proving that votes were misconducted in her race last fall, a Republican spokesperson says.

Sen. Kirk Dillard, R-Hinsdale and committee chairman, said Brown's lawyer has 14 days to submit evidence that questions the election results.

Brown decided to contest the Nov. 5 results of the 50th District after she lost to Sen. Dave Lucasfeld, R-O'Fallon, by 127 votes. Brown said the Illinois election code states a losing candidate who has 95 percent of the votes of the winning candidate can conduct a discovery request.

That means the candidate is allowed to examine 25 percent of the ballots in every county of the district in question, Brown said.

Brown said she requested the recount because there was a voting equipment breakdown in Perry County on Election Day, and she wants to be sure that the numbers are correct.

"Now they must present a case that the results would change, based on the discovery," said Patty Schuh, a Senate Republican spokesperson.

Dillard said the five-member committee requires a list of ballots that Brown and her lawyer allege were not counted or improperly counted. After the committee receives the particulars, Lucasfeld's lawyer will be given time to examine the report and prepare his case, Schuh said.

After Lucasfeld's lawyer examines the findings and prepares a case, the committee will then meet to decide on the action to be taken, Dillard said.

"Once there is a burden of proof, there are a number of options," Schuh said.

The Senate's options include a full recount or a dismissal of the case, Brown said.

"When we present our evidence, especially in Monroe County, I hope that they will see the need to open the boxes, and fully recount the ballots and see, once and for all, who won this thing," Brown said.

In Monroe County, Brown said she found some significant problems.

"There were hundreds of ballots that were counted on election day that were not initiated by election judges," Brown said.

Under Illinois election code, ballots that are not initiated by an election judge are not counted. In her petition to the Senate, Brown cited the incorrect ballots as one reason to challenge the election.

"When none of the requests is contested or is reviewed by the Senate," Dillard said the committee will reconvene to hear arguments from Brown and Lucasfeld within one month.

**The program is a task force of representatives of Student Affairs.**

**Senators include information on how to succeed in college.**

**Terminology Seminars take place throughout the spring semester in Grinnell Hall or the Student Center.**

**For more information, students can contact University career services, located in room 1024 in Woody Hall.**

**Retention programs aid students in need**

The Early Warning System at SIUC can identify students who are thinking of dropping out of school, but some faculty members say the program needs to be improved to retain students.

Chuck Van Rossum, coordinator of University Housing and an early warning facilitator, said the University spends money to identify failing freshmen and sophomores, but often there are not enough options available to help the students.

"The Early Warning System can identify students with potential problems," he said.

A grade of C or lower is cause for concern and sudden-dramatic changes in behavior are two of the 12 signs that indicate a student is having trouble.

Anyone connected with the University who sees students showing signs of dropping out can contact the early warning facilitators or volunteers, who include staff, faculty and graduate students.

"We're essentially training the students confidently and connect them with the right service," Van Rossum said. Although services are available to help students, finding the right service is often difficult for the students.

"We tell them what they want to help the students, but how does news get to them about our office?" Van Rossum said. "It takes an effort, and (the students) have to jump through hoops."

He said one of the biggest problems is that time management training is available for students who may have a low ACT score, but there is nothing available to the average student.

Of the 47 services listed for a student to be used, none are for time management and study skills. There are 32 services offered for other students, but the rest offer financial aid and advice for undecided majors.

Brown was a coal miner who liked to dance and party on Saturday nights. But he also was a family man. He wanted to go somewhere where he and his entire family could have fun, but didn't cost too much. (Another word that worked was free.)

There were only so many weddings. Jacob Days, Sesser Homecoming and Ava Fair are festivals to get to, none are for time management and study skills. There are 32 services offered for other students, and the rest offer financial aid and advice for undecided majors.

**Quick call to a few services that might offer aid in time management revealed even greater pros.**

The Counseling Center transferred the call three times. The University Career Center referred the call to the Wellness Center, as did the Center for Basic Skills.

The Wellness Center's solution was to make an appointment with one of its counselors who might help in that area. In this instance, such a service exists. The Saluki Success Series, a collection of informative seminars on how to be a more successful student. Four of the 28 seminars address time management and note taking.

Jean Panne, the vice chancellor of Student Affairs, said the Saluki Success Series is a rebirth of earlier seminars, and some of the staff members may not be aware of its existence.

"Most of the problem of the student is needing help not so much as to use the services," she said. "If we're going to help them, they need to be willing to meet us halfway."

"We know that first year is a very critical time," she said. "If we're going to help them, they need to be willing to meet us halfway."

"We're going to help them, but they have to want to help them, too."

"One thing Chandler Donald Beggs would do is to encourage his students," Van Rossum said. "If it is available to students who are suspended or on academic probation, go to students beyond that," she said.

Van Rossum said he is encouraging the University to recognize the need to help all students.

"It's the University that has come to realize that we have reached the bottom-line limit," Van Rossum said. "We have to bring students in, but more importantly, we must keep the students we have."
Elk may be released

RETURN: Decision date to reintroduce 15 animals into area slated for June.

STEVE DUNALE
DAILY EAGLE-REVIEWER

The shrill bugle of an elk piercing the dawn often is associated with Western states, but with public support Southern Illinois could also become elk country, an Illinois Department of Natural Resources biologist says.

"We have moved from a study phase into a public input phase, which will deal with people's feelings and concerns about the proposed elk reintroduction," said John Buhrnkempe, a biologist in the department's wildlife division.

Elk could be released either on the west side of the Shawnee National Forest, south of Carbondale, or on the east side, south of Harrisburg.

The decision whether or not to release 15 elk, to be made in June, also will be based on ecological and socio-economic criteria that will be discussed at later meetings, he said.

Buhrnkempe said a preliminary study by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources concluded an elk population in the Shawnee National Forest would attract many tourists.

Department representatives are meeting with several groups of concerned citizens to determine which of two proposed Shawnee National Forest sites for elk release would have more public support, Buhrnkempe said.

Terry Conway, a graduate student in outdoor recreation resource management from Carterville, said he favors elk reintroduction because the elk would attract tourists.

"I think a lot of people would come here and stay for a week to look out for them or see them," Conway said. "I know I would wait for a week to get a good look at an elk."

Dale Nolen, a member of the Shawnee chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, said although his organization has a neutral stance on elk reintroduction, he favors the plan.

"The last native elk was killed in 1850," Nolen said, "so it would be nice to see them here again."

Some SIUC students support elk reintroduction for different reasons.

Cathleen Tracy, a senior in social work from New Lenox and a Student Environmental Center member, said preserving the Shawnee National Forest would go hand-in-hand with maintaining an elk herd's well-being.

"If this adding elk would enhance the diversity of wildlife in the forest, but it would also give the Forest

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NAACP pushing for political speaker

ONE LAST TIME:
Group trying to raise funds before activist returns to Africa.

MIGUEL HARRIS
DAILY EAGLE-REVIEWER

Ikelewa Rasberry said her organization is racing against time to bring a political activist to campus to speak during Black History Month.

Rasberry, a junior in biological sciences and psychology from Chicago, said Kwame Touré is planning to return to his home in Guinea, Africa, sometime in early March, and this month will be the last chance for students to hear the political activist speak.

"He has private cancer," she said. "He was in the hospital before, and he early died. This is probably the last time that he'll get to come to America."

Rasberry, the acting president of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People's SIUC student chapter, said her organization is trying to raise $5,000 to bring Touré, formerly known as Steckley Curnishad, to speak during the Illinois Alumni Council's Black History Month Feb. 27-28.

"According to a book, "Reference Library of Black America," Touré popularized the phrase "Black Power" as a viable member of the Black Power movement. Although thrilling many African Americans, Touré was labeled as potentially violent by the media and legal authorities.

At a young age, Touré became chairman of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee and worked to educate and register voters in the South.

After leaving Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, Touré joined the Pan-African movement and joined the Black Panther Party upon returning to the United States. He fled to Guinea, Africa, in 1969 to escape pressure from the FBI for his involvement in the Black Panther Party.

"I remember it was the first time I became conscious of the power the black dollar had in the economy," he said. "At that time we didn't have any power, except for where we spent our dollars."

Rasberry said Touré's work for civil rights is one reason why she thinks bringing him to campus should get support from everyone, not just from African-American organizations.

"We need help from all organizations whether they're black, white, yellow or purple," she said. "This man fought for everyone."

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Rasberry said she plans on asking the Undergraduate Student Government for support, but she said even with its resources, the effort to bring Touré to campus may fall short.

Both Guthrie and Rasberry said they did not want to even imagine the scenario where they heard Rasberry said his death would equal a loss of history.

"His death would be a loss to us all," she said. "That's why it's so important that he comes back. He's like living history. I just pray our efforts aren't in vain."
Iran may have influence on Bosnia's government

**BALKAN SPY:**
U.S. official denies Iranian connection.

**LOS ANGELES TIMES**

WASHINGTON—The Clinton administration has rejected a new and troubling secret report that Bosnia's Muslim government is setting up an underground intelligence service heavily influenced by Iran, U.S. intelligence sources say.

According to U.S. sources, the report states that Hasan Cengic, fired as Bosnia's deputy defense minister less than three months ago after the United States threatened to withhold $1 million in military aid to Bosnia, has taken on an unofficial but influential intelligence role on behalf of Tehran, an old friend.

If the report is true, Cengic's powerful, unofficial intelligence role would mark a major setback in U.S. efforts to reduce or eliminate Iranian influence in Bosnia, which has remained one of the biggest strategic problems for the Clinton administration in the Balkans ever since the Dayton peace accords were signed in November 1995.

James Patricio, a U.S. special envoy overseeing the American-backed military aid program for Bosnia, said in an interview that the existence of such an entity would "be a blow. It's possible that Cengic has an official or unofficial intelligence or security role in Bosnia."

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by college."

The December commencement is still in the experimental stage, Foster said. The third commencement date will be used at least twice.

"It needs to be done at least twice," Foster said. "We will then evaluate it to see if it is cost-effective and worthwhile for students." Foster said changing the date of the May commencement was a response to student requests.

"Having it on Mother's Day took away from their plans on that day," he said. "Some colleges wanted their doctoral students to be able to participate in the undergraduate ceremonies."

This new commencement will allow them to do that.

Beggs said the problem with charging commencement dates is the possibility of conflicting with students' current schedules.

"It's dealing with ice and closing campuses," Beggs said. "It's difficult. We have to work with the students. If you just have to deal with as many people as you can." Foster said a way to allow students to make the most of the opportunity, besides more and more people are participating in commencement.

Scott Bartlett, a graduate student in philosophy from Flowery Branch, Ga., said he will take advantage of the third commencement.

"I think the third commencement is a great idea," Bartlett said. "When

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When a graduate student is working on a dissertation it is an 'iffy' thing as to when it is finished. If they miss the date, they have to wait for the whole next cycle to begin.

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Students will train to assist physicians

**MEDICINE PEOPLE:** Graduates of new program will treat common medical problems.

**DUIE RENDLEMAN**
**DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER**

A new health-care degree in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts will train students to address patients’ needs more effectively, an SIUC health care professional said.

Frederic Morgan, chairman for the Department of Health Care Professions, said the four-year physician assistant degree is designed to teach students about medical problems of all ages from children to senior citizens.

Morgan said students will sit down with a tutor to keep them on track and solve medical cases.

“A physician’s assistant is there to handle the most common problems a doctor sees like ear aches in children, so the doctor can focus his time on more advanced or difficult cases,” he said.

Morgan said about 60 to 80 percent of cases a doctor has are common and can be handled by a physician’s assistant.

Morgan said a survey was given out to people across Southern Illinois to find out the most common health problems in their age groups. These problems will be incorporated into the program.

Morgan said the program was given a Robert Wood Johnson grant and if it qualifies next year, the program will receive $4 million over four years for the degree.

Morgan said the only three physician assistant programs in Illinois are located in the Chicago area, and they do not use the same curriculum as SIUC will.

“Chicago uses the standard teaching,” he said. “They teach in a classroom setting, where we use real needs and 14 months of clinical.”

Morgan said about 1,100 applications were sent out to interested students, but only 18 students will be taken into the program this summer. Students must have GPA of 3.0 or higher, have clinical experience, junior status and have taken additional science classes.

Morgan said 18 students already have been screened for the positions and more will be screened each month until the positions are filled. Students who receive this degree can make about $40,000 if they stay in Southern Illinois.

“We want these students to stay in Southern Illinois,” he said. “There is a real need for a physician’s assistants in this area.”

One physician’s assistant in Carbondale said when she started in Southern Illinois seven years ago, there were only two physician’s assistants in Southern Illinois compared to 40 now.

Stacey Leithliter, co-program director of the physician assistant program at SIUC and also a physician at the Carbondale Memorial Hospital, said the more physician’s assistants in the area, the greater the demand will become.

“Doctors will realize having a physician’s assistant around will make their lives much easier,” she said.

Leithliter said an assistant can help the patient get out of the doctor’s office faster and help the doctor focus more on the harder medical cases.

Elaine Vielma, dean of the College of Applied Sciences and Arts, said this program is more beneficial to the people of Southern Illinois than to the College of Applied Sciences and Arts.

“This is so meaningful to Southern Illinois,” she said. “People’s health care needs will be addressed more effectively and provide doctors with more opportunities.”

**Lindegren Hall remodeled to make room for program**

**COMPLIANCE:** Enlarged restrooms and doorways bring building up to code.

**Brett Warren**
**DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER**

Workers have been making modifications on the first floor of Lindegren Hall since the end of December to accommodate handicapped individuals and to make way for a new program scheduled for this summer, a Physical Plant architect says.

“Remodeling of walls and the building of new walls are in response to the Americans with Disabilities Act and the creation of a new physician assistant program,” Rhonda Seeber, assistant associate provost, said. “The remodeling of walls and the building of new walls are in response to the Americans with Disabilities Act and the creation of a new physician assistant program.”

Rhonda Seeber, assistant associate provost, said the Americans with Disabilities Act requires buildings for the handicapped to be more accessible for their needs.

The physician assistant degree is for students who want to learn about problem-based questions in medicine. Remodeling cost about $140,000, which was allocated by the State Capital Development Board. The project calls for modifications to enlarge classrooms, bathrooms and doorways.

“These repairs are necessary in order to accommodate the program,” Greg Lowergan, Physical Plant architect, said.

Seeber said the doorways and bathrooms at Lindegren Hall are going to be bigger, enabling handicapped people to move more easily throughout the entire building.

Along with the modifications to the walls and doors, laboratories on the first floor will be converted into classrooms for students.

“Laboratories are being made into bigger classrooms to accommodate the physician assistant program,” Seeber said.

While repairs are being made, teachers have been asked to move to Life Science III. Teachers and students who use Lindegren Hall should expect the repairs to be completed by the middle of March.

Seeber said that teachers will be inconvenienced, but only for a few months.

“Some of the walls are eventually going to be knocked out while new ones are put in, so people needed to be removed,” she said.

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Married people use drugs less

JUST SAY 'I DO': Getting married can undo the effects of going away to college.

THE WASHINGTON POST

It doesn’t take a scientist to determine that many young people who leave home for college begin drinking to excess, smoking and even using illegal drugs. But a new, longer, nationwide study has found that drinkers and drug users drop sharply after marriage, while 28 percent of the married subject group reported such behavior.

Researchers from the University of Michigan found that becoming engaged, getting married and bringing children are all associated with a steep drop in use of alcohol and illicit drugs—a phenomenon the researchers called the “marriage effect.”

Forty-one percent of single subjects in the study group were using alcohol and illicit drugs weeks before the survey, while 28 percent of the married subjects reported such behavior.

Cocaine and marijuana use exhibited similar steep declines after marriage. Couples who live together without becoming engaged or marrying do not appear to clean up their lifestyles, the researchers found.

Divorce, on the other hand, was associated with a return to bad habits, while remarriages drive down drug and alcohol use once again.

The study subjects who married did not experience the marriage effect when it came to smoking. The researchers found about 18 percent of the group smoked while they were single and about 16 percent after marriage. Women, in part because of pregnancy, were more prone to quit cigarettes.

The researchers found that during pregnancy, some women quit smoking and showed “dramatic reductions in their use of alcohol and illicit drugs.” Men, however, do not tend to kick the tobacco habit.

The report released this week, “Smoking, Drinking and Drug Use in Young Adulthood: Impacts of New Freedoms and New Responsibilities,” is based on data collected by the University of Michigan’s Institute for Social Research. That survey of young people called “Monitoring the Future,” has been funded since 1975 by the National Institute on Drug Abuse and has collected information from more than 33,000 young adults between 1976 and 1994.

The Michigan researchers—Jerald Bachman, Katherine Waldworth, Patrick Fialko, Lloyd Johnston and John Schulenberg—continued to survey the Monitoring the Future subjects every two years for their book as the young people went on to college, marriage, divorce and other developments. Some of the subjects have been followed for as long as 14 years after graduation.

“IT says, ‘Why has that happened? It’s explainable entirely in terms of their living arrangements,’” researcher Bachman said. Young people who leave home tend to increase their legal and illegal drug use whether or not they go to college. “It doesn’t have to do with the Halls of Ivy, or the liberal professors,” Bachman said. “It has to do with the living arrangements.”

Marriage then brings a return to stability, Bachman said: “There’s less going to bars. Different things take place. ‘There’s someone to whom you feel a sense of responsibility.’

Married people use drugs less

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Service and the people of Southern Illinois more reasons to protect their natural areas,” Tracy said.

Conway said the impact of elk on the environment is an important issue to consider.

“Elk could affect farmers,” he said. “It is uncertain whether or not the elk will stay in the forest or move into farmers’ fields. If they move into fields, farmers won’t be happy.”

Vincent Baker, a farmer who lives near one of the proposed release sites, said deer already cause significant crop loss, and elk could cause further damage.

“I already have all the trouble in the world with deer,” he said. “I guarantee when you have an elk going through a field, it’s not going to fit between 30-inch corn rows.”

Conway said automobile collisions with elk was an issue discussed at a presentation late last month by Brent Manning, the department’s director.

Conway said it would be rare for a car to collide with an elk, because they prefer to remain in secluded areas, away from highways.
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Lewis stands tall vs. Oliver

EYES ON THE TITLE: Lennox Lewis fights for the title against the only man to ever KO him.

LAS VEGAS—Lennox Lewis weighed in at 251 pounds for Friday night’s fight against Oliver McCall at the Aladdin. Lewis, who weighed 256 pounds for his bout against George Foreman in Las Vegas, is setting up to move up to new weight divisions all the time, but Lewis has apparently moved up to a new height division. Which could confuse the 6-2, 237-pound McCall.

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Axford night in the rematch, Lewis is again the heavy favorite, this time by a 4-1 margin, and that’s understandable for several reasons.

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Tough Break:

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Ewing, who has missed three straight games with a strained left groin, decided after trying to practice Wednesday with the Knicks that he would sit out Thursday night’s game against the San Antonio Spurs and Sunday’s All-Star game in Cleveland.

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Still, for all his advantages, Lewis will enter the ring under the cloud of that punch. “You always have a mental thing after something like that,” Steward said. “The first six minutes will be really important.”

Lewis insisted that knockout occurred when he was much shorter man.
school seniors and one junior college transfer.

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early signing period would not pro-
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But even though seven recruits have signed so far, Quarless said he is pleased more with the quality of the players taken, rather than the quantity.

"Excess recruiting right now is limited," Quarless said. "Obviously, with less than 10 days of active recruiting at SIUC, our numbers are limited right now.

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The SIUC men's and women's track teams are planning to use Saturday's McDonald's Invitational as a measuring stick on where the teams stand prior to the Missouri Valley Conference championships Feb. 21.

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Ace in the Hole: SIUC's primary three-point threat returns from injury to break streak.

The Saluki women's basketball team will bid an early welcome back to freshman guard Meredith Jackson Saturday when the Salukis take on the University of Evansville in Indiana.

WATSON'S LEGACY:
Coaching upheaval criples Salukis' efforts in recruiting drive.

Michael DeFord
TRENT WITTEN

The unintended departure of former Saluki football coach Shawn Watson coupled with the transition of a new coach has added pressure to our recruiting efforts. The Redbirds signed 21 high school players Thursday. tight end out St. Augustine High School in New Orleans; Mike Cardilli, a 6-foot-4, 245-pound offensive lineman from Chicago's St. Rita High School; Chad Graefen, a 6-foot-5, 375-pound offensive lineman from Trenton's Lincoln-Way High School and Marchel Rogers, a 6-foot-2, 250-pound offensive lineman out of Aurora's Central Catholic.

SIUC's football recruiting efforts weak

Senior guard Beth Haehder has been starting in Jackson's place, and she will start Saturday, despite injuring her knees in a fall in Tuesday's game at Vanderbilt. Scott said the injury was just a bad scare.

Jackson's return to the team will be much more result of a positive recruiting effort for SIUC because the Salukis have dropped three conference games in a row, and they now are in 6th place in the conference standings.

On the eve of the first loss, Scott said thanks to SIUC's training staff, she is able to play.

"It feels a lot better, but I do have some soreness in my legs," she said. "I ran a little yesterday with Sally Parkinson (the head trainer), and the soreness is almost gone."