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University postpones layoffs

Additional budget-cutting decisions were made in effort to protect jobs

Georgiana Coffman
Daily Egyptian

Just weeks ago, budget-cut pondering had many University employees worried about being the next to be laid off.

However, Chancellor Walter Wendler said Monday that decisions have been finalized, and plans for layoffs have been placed on the backburner.

University vice chancellors and college deans have come together to find ways to avoid department layoffs. According to Wendler, most dollars to be used to preserve jobs will come from not hiring people to fill positions of retirees, not replacing non-returning staff and reducing spending on new programs proposed by colleges.

"There are 363 unfilled positions, and we are not filling most of them," Wendler said. "This is the primary way to keep jobs for those who still have them."

Another motivating factor in saving University employees from standing in the unemployment line was to avoid going into seniority disputes, also known as "bumping." According to Wendler, the University wants to preserve healthy working relationships.

"If we had decided to go into the layoff process, employees would then go into the bumping process," Wendler said. "This would create turmoil in the organization, and it is unhealthy to keep changing jobs."

Though not filling empty positions may be one source of revenue guarding employees from losing their jobs, it is still not enough, according to University Budget Director Carol Henry.

As a result, proposed new programs' spending was slashed as well. Henry said funding for programs such as the Center for Graduate Student Excellence in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts was cut from \$100,000 to \$50,000.

Other programs, such as Digital Communication Specialization in the College of Mass

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Sunset Swing



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Keagan Schlosser hangs on the back of April Bartnick as they take a break from dancing during Thursday's Sunset concert in front of Shryock Auditorium. This week's Sunset concert will feature the Guy Smiley Blues Exchange at Turley Park.

Police nab bank robber at local hotel

Suspect allegedly held up Old National substation at Schnucks

Phil Beckman
Daily Egyptian

A convicted felon and sex offender on parole was arrested at 1:35 p.m. Saturday in connection with a robbery earlier that day of the Old National Bank substation inside Schnucks Supermarket, 915 W. Main St.

Robert M. Budwitis, 42, was arrested at the Sunset Motel, 825 E. Main St., less than an hour after the robbery.

Information developed at the scene led police to identify Budwitis as the alleged

robber, Carbondale Deputy Police Chief Steve Odum said.

A man approached the clerks at the Old National Bank at 12:40 p.m. Saturday and told them he had a gun and demanded money. The clerks gave him an undisclosed amount of money before the man fled the scene.

Police said a majority of the money stolen in the robbery was recovered.

Budwitis, 518 W. Rigdon St., had been released on parole on Oct. 15, 2001, for multiple felony convictions involving an incident in Cook County.

Budwitis was arrested on Feb. 26, 1986, and received five concurrent 15-year prison sentences for convictions on charges of home invasion, residential burglary, armed robbery, aggravated criminal sexual assault

and aggravated kidnapping.

He was also arrested in 1983 and convicted of burglary and sentenced to three years in prison.

Budwitis was scheduled to be discharged from parole on Oct. 15, 2004.

Odum said that whenever a federally insured bank is robbed, it is automatically a federal case and the FBI takes charge. The FBI, Carbondale Police Department and the SIUC Police Department were involved in the investigation.

Budwitis is being held in the Jackson County Jail on state charges pending a preliminary hearing on July 30. A judge set his bond Monday at \$100,000.

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SIUC COMPARES TO NATIONAL PEERS

The Illinois Board of Higher Education requires all state colleges and universities to submit a yearly report of the progress in their departments, centers and institutions. SIUC scored lower in many areas than its peer institutions, but administration is using the figures as a motivational tool. The peer universities are Auburn, Iowa State, Kansas State, Ohio, Oklahoma State, Texas Tech, Washington State and West Virginia.

	SIUC	Peers
☆ Total number of Degrees by level		
Bachelor's	4,429	3,526
Master's	831	867
Ph.D.	119	157
☆ ACT scores of entering freshmen	22	23.67
☆ National Reputation Score	2.6	2.98
☆ Average Faculty Salary	\$51,600	\$59,963
☆ Average Alumni Donation Rate	10%	18.88%
☆ In-State Undergraduate Tuition and Fees	\$3,511	\$3,365

Source: Office of Academic Affairs.

LILLIAN TICHALSKI - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Peer universities raise the bar for SIUC

Report leads to positive changes for the University

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

In an annual report issued to the Illinois Board of Higher Education, SIUC compared itself to a dozen other institutions and came up short.

The administration is using the figures released by the Office of Academic Affairs to improve certain areas at the University in an effort to be more like SIUC's peers.

The report, which was issued for the first time this year, outlined six main goals: affordability; access and diversity; economic growth; teaching and learning; quality of learning; and productivity and accountability.

Performance goals for improving

each issue varied, but the goal for most was to increase to the level of SIUC's peers.

The 2002 fiscal year report compares SIUC to eight peer universities and four aspirational ones. The first are Auburn, Iowa State, Kansas State, Ohio, Oklahoma State, Texas Tech, Washington State and West Virginia. The latter four are Louisiana State, the University of Colorado at Boulder, the University of Kentucky and the University of Missouri-Columbia.

One goal SIUC has is to improve teaching and learning. SIUC hopes to match the peer schools and improve on areas such as the number of doctoral degrees conferred in education. SIUC handed out 24, while peer schools averaged 32 and aspirational schools were at 40.

Affordability is also a concern. SIUC's in-state graduate tuition is down from the average by about \$800, and the in-state, undergraduate tuition is about

\$200 more than peer schools.

Corey Bradford, assistant vice president for finance, said that SIUC is less expensive than fellow research institutions in Illinois such as the University of Illinois and Illinois State University, but it's not the cheapest in the state. He said Eastern Illinois and Western Illinois Universities will probably be less expensive after tuition at SIUC goes up by more than \$600 in the fall.

Among the dozens of areas looked at, even reputation found its way onto the report. SIUC's score was 2.6, while peer and aspirational institutions were at 2.98 and 3.18 respectively.

"We're using this report as a springboard to improve quality," said Chancellor Walter Wendler. "We want to compare to institutions that are better than we are. If we wanted to make ourselves look good, we'd compare ourselves to institutions that are not as

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NATIONAL NEWS

Landfill search for Trade Center remains ends

NEW YORK — Workers and victims' family members gathered Monday at a Staten Island landfill to mark the end of a grueling and emotional 10 months for the search of human remains from the collapsed World Trade Center.

"We like the best and the worst," Mayor Michael Bloomberg said, standing a few feet from a heaping mound of debris at the Fresh Kills landfill. "We are here because of the worst of humanity, the terrorists who caused so many deaths and so much pain."

"We will not forget 2,800 people who died ... to make this the best country in the world," said Bloomberg, who also praised the recovery workers for helping "to give us some closure."

The landfill became the final stop for trade center wreckage after Sept. 11 as trucks and barges delivered rubble to be sorted for remains, personal property and criminal evidence. Remains from about 1,200 victims have been identified.

The excavation of the ruins in lower Manhattan ended last month, and the last truckload of debris arrived at the landfill June 28.

During the 25-minute ceremony, Police Commissioner Raymond Kelly thanked volunteers for performing "this solemn task with dignity and honor."

"While searching the debris for objects and personal effects, they also gathered forensic evidence" critical to the investigation of the terrorist attack, he said.

Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., said the terrorists "messed with the wrong city, with the wrong state and with the wrong country."

Season's first tropical storm forms off East Coast

CAPE HATTERAS, N.C. — Tropical Storm Arthur, the first tropical storm of the 2002 Atlantic hurricane season, formed off the East Coast on Monday but posed no threat to land, meteorologists said.

The storm was moving out to sea and was primarily a threat to shipping interests, according to the National Hurricane Center in Miami.

Arthur had sustained wind of 50 mph with higher gusts, and was moving toward the at 23 mph, said hurricane center forecaster Stacy Stewart. Tropical storms have maximum sustained wind of 39 mph, and the threshold for a hurricane is 74 mph.

The storm was expected to maintain its strength for the next 24 hours with a gradual increase in speed, the hurricane center said.

At 11 a.m. ET, Monday Arthur was located about 340 miles east-northeast of Cape Hatteras, or about 725 miles southwest of Sable Island, Nova Scotia.

Euro worth more than a dollar

FRANKFURT, Germany — Amid worries over American stocks, the U.S. dollar fell below parity with the euro Monday for the first time since February 2000.

The dollar's weakness is a mixed blessing for the United States, the world's biggest economy. It means costlier European vacations and imports for Americans and increases inflationary pressure. But it eases price disadvantages for U.S. manufacturing exporters, who have complained about the strong dollar for months.

The strong euro also relieves inflationary pressure in Europe by making imported goods and energy cheaper.

WORLD NEWS

Spain and Morocco dispute isle

CEUTA, Spain — Spanish patrol boats circled the tiny, mistrouned island of Perejil Sunday as Spain considered trade sanctions to force Morocco to withdraw troops from the disputed territory off its Mediterranean coast.

Despite mounting calls from Spain and its European partners for Morocco to withdraw from the barren outcrop, Rabat insists that it set up an "observation post" on Perejil to tackle illegal migration and terrorism in the 12-mile Straits of Gibraltar separating Spain from North Africa.

Morocco deployed a surveillance team of up to a dozen soldiers and raised its flag over the uninhabited rock on Thursday. Government sources in Morocco said because of the three-day festivities for the wedding of King Mohammed, it was unlikely any official response would be forthcoming before Monday.

Spain's Secretary of State for Security Pedro Morenes told a news conference in Spain's North African enclave of Ceuta, some four miles from Perejil, that he believed Rabat's silence was a sign it was reconsidering its position.

"I think this situation will be quickly solved because I understand that Morocco is quickly re-appraising the action it has taken and is going to correct it immediately," he said.

Spain has sent a naval frigate to Ceuta and two corvettes to Melilla, a second Spanish enclave further along the coast, near the Algerian border.

Zimbabwe expels cleared reporter

HARARE, Zimbabwe — A Zimbabwe court has found a U.S.-born journalist not guilty of breaching a tough new media law. However, Andrew Meldrum was asked to leave the country shortly after the verdict, Meldrum's close friend and colleague said.

Michael Hartnack, a journalist present during Monday's ruling, said Meldrum was "accosted" by two immigration officials before he had left the courtroom.

The officials escorted Meldrum to a private room, where they informed him that his permanent residence permit had been revoked and he had 24 hours to leave Zimbabwe. They did not give him a reason.

Meldrum 50, a reporter for the independent London newspaper The Guardian, has worked in Zimbabwe since 1980. He was arrested in May under Zimbabwe's Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, passed earlier this year which made it illegal for domestic journalists to operate without government accreditation.

Meldrum and his attorneys are trying to get access to a high court judge in order to reinstate his residency permit, Hartnack said.

Reacting to the judge's ruling, Meldrum said he was "delighted."

Today	Five-day Forecast	Almanac
High 88 Low 68	Wednesday T-storms 88/71 Thursday T-storms 88/71 Friday Partly Cloudy 88/68 Saturday Partly Cloudy 90/71 Sunday Partly Cloudy 90/71	Average high: 91 Average low: 68 Monday's precip: 0.00 in. Tuesday's hi/low: 90/69

TODAY'S CALENDAR

No events submitted today

POLICE BLOTTER

University

- A 17-year-old female reported that she had been sexually assaulted at 6:30 p.m. on Friday in Abbot Hall. Police have identified a suspect and are continuing the investigation.
- John F. Ramsay, 20, of Plainfield, Brandon L. Vaughn 20, of Marion and Shalaigh M. Davin, 20, of Springfield were arrested for underage possession of alcohol between 8:16 p.m. and 8:24 p.m. Thursday at the Old Main area. All three were issued City of Carbondale pay-by-mail citations.
- A pair of diamond earrings and a gold, amethyst and diamond ring were reported stolen at 6:20 p.m. Friday at Faneer Hall. The jewelry that was stolen was valued at \$1,055. The police have no suspects at this time.

CORRECTIONS

- In Friday's story, "Nothing but Speed," Dan Mullens was misidentified. He is the manager of the I-57 Drag strip.
- In Thursday's editorial "Argersinger, lose with grace and dignity," Jo Ann Argersinger's name was misspelled.

The Daily Egyptian regrets these errors.

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BOT approves new Student Health Center

\$8 million project scheduled to be finished by FY 2005

Samantha Edmondson
Daily Egyptian

The SIU Board of Trustees approved an \$8 million plan for a new Student Health Center facility during its meeting Thursday at the SIU School of Medicine in Springfield.

Projected for completion by FY 2005, the new 4,000-square-foot, two-story building will connect to the existing Student Recreation Center on Grand Avenue.

Cheryl Presley, director of Student Health Programs, said the Illinois Board of Higher Education will likely approve the project budget and plan at its next meeting slated for Aug. 20. The University will then accept architectural designs, and the Physical Plant will begin construction approximately 18 months after a final design is selected.

Presley said Student Health Programs started to develop the new facility project about two years ago. She said that when the BOT approved the Land Use Plan, an expansive project for campus building, the new student facility was on it.

Though some of the funding had been approved, Presley said the program needed to find alternate sources of money. Without state funding, Presley said another avenue was to increase student fees.

In April, the Undergraduate Student Government passed a \$20 Student Health Center fee increase, raising the average student fee from

\$110 to \$130 per semester for next year.

Michael Jarard, USG president, said USG's fee approval indicated that is what the students wanted to receive, and they got it. "With the current condition of the one we have, it is about time we get a new one," Jarard said. "I believe it is a priority on this campus, and we can't let the health services program fall to the wayside."

Presley said the students have shown a large support for the new facility, regardless of the increased fees. She said the fee will decrease the next fiscal year by \$5, and then by 3 percent after that.

"The second stage is you have to get the student support, especially when you are fee-based," Presley said. "That is exactly what the students did; they really came together this year."

"For less than what it costs for one visit to a doctor, they will have a new facility and access to it."

Presley said the old buildings have problems a new facility would fix. Old wiring in Beimfohr Hall has prevented some central air conditioning, so most of the rooms have window units. Another problem is room availability per doctor and patient visit.

"We can only room one student at a time per doc, and they have to get dressed and leave before the new patient can be brought in," Presley said. "And we have four and five people in any one office space; it is just really inefficient."

"This program is accredited, the same way all medical facilities are, but we are practicing medicine in residence halls."

Currently, health programs for students are spread throughout campus in five different locations. Presley said it is hard to integrate all

the services together without them near each other.

As part of the new facility, existing programs will be expanded, and new equipment and services will be added to Student Health Programs. Once in operation, the facility will close the gap between medical and psychological services, as well as provide an ambulance for emergencies, holding beds for patients and a possible optometry center.

Presley said other areas that Student Health Programs would like to expand is men's health services, specialized cardiac rehabilitation and psychology services — particularly alcohol and drug services.

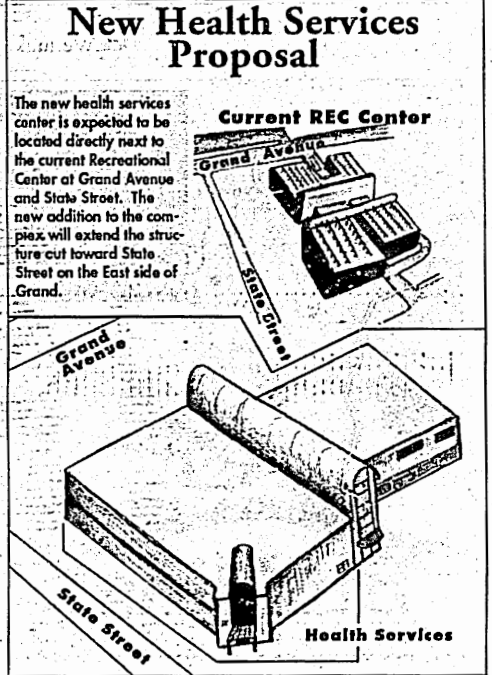
The largest asset to the new facility is the Urgent Care expansion. Dale Vorbrich, director of Urgent Care, will continue to lead the Urgent Care department. He said the majority of problems patients have when they visit Health Services is episodic diseases.

"They are infections, sore throat, bladder infections, accidents, orthopedic problems, follow-up visits," Vorbrich said. "We feel we see a lot of the same things an emergency room sees but, obviously, we are not a trauma center."

He said he hopes the expansion will provide a larger space and those added services that the current medical center cannot provide. Vorbrich also said an important asset to the new facility and Student Health Programs is the location.

"There are a lot of students who get sick their junior year who say, 'we didn't even know you were here,'" Vorbrich said. "We are going to be over in the main flow of things, near the students."

Presley said the continuity of services in the same facility will make health programs easier for the stu-



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dent as well. For example, if a patient comes in for an eating disorder, the dietician, medical doctor and psychologist will all be in the same building instead of different areas.

"It affords us the opportunity to be more efficient, because students are busy," Presley said. "Our mission

is to help the students stay in school and remove those physical or psychological barriers that would make it harder, so we need to be accessible."

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Victim dies one month after beating

Coroner will determine whether Casper's death considered murder

Brett Nauman
Daily Egyptian

An 87-year-old Carbondale woman died Thursday from medical complications that family members say appeared after she was beaten so severely during a robbery that she lost her ability to speak.

Aileen Casper was able to provide the Carbondale Police Department with a description of her attacker before her death — a white man who forced his way into her home during broad daylight on June 12, beat her and stole her wallet.

The victim's brother, Frank Yates, of Carbondale, said Casper lived at 510 S. Logan St. with her husband ever since World War II. She continued to live there even after the area transformed from a neighborhood of predominantly family housing to rental properties on Carbondale's east side.

Carbondale Deputy Police Chief Steve

Odum said police are waiting for a Coroner's Inquest to decide whether the case should be classified as a murder rather than a home invasion with great bodily harm.

The classification depends upon whether Casper died from injuries resulting from the beating — a determination that will be made by Jackson County Coroner Thomas Kupferer.

The only injuries officers observed following the incident were injuries to Casper's arm, but Yates said his sister's overall health condition deteriorated from the incident until her death Thursday at the Carbondale Nursing Home.

Odum said investigators are following up several leads that have developed since the incident, but that he "wouldn't characterize any of them as really good."

Police couldn't speak with Casper immediately after the incident because the beating rendered her unable to speak, Yates said. Odum said detectives visited her several times since June 12, and have been able to piece together a description of the attacker and how he struck.

Odum said he thinks the person who attacked Casper did so because she was elderly and not as equipped to defend herself,

though he added that's only his speculation.

The fact that the neighborhood was predominantly rental housing could have also had an effect on Casper's vulnerability to crime, Odum said. He said neighborhoods where owners have lived in their houses for many years are generally safer, because everybody has an interest in the area's safety. In the 500 block of South Logan Street where tenants move out and in everyday, that's not the case.

"You don't have neighbors that look out for each other," Odum said. "There's kind of an unknown group of people moving around in the neighborhood."

Yates returned from his sister's funeral Monday, which he characterized as large. He said Casper had many relatives on the Yates side of her family that showed up to pay their respects. Yates said that his sister lived alone in the neighborhood and took care of herself. He said his sister watched all of her friends move out of the neighborhood through the years until she was the only one left.

"She lived there for almost 60 years," Yates said. "She didn't deserve to go the way she did."

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Carbondale woman charged in prosecutor's death

Miller awaits sentencing in federal crack case

Phil Beckman
Daily Egyptian

A Carbondale woman was charged with murder Wednesday for the March 18 death of an Alexander County assistant state's attorney.

Sharonda L. Miller, 22, will face three counts of first-degree murder after being indicted by a Williamson County grand jury. Judge John Sponeri set her bail at \$1 million. Williamson County State's Attorney

Charles Gamati said he will not comment while the case is underway.

Steven L. Jett Jr., 39, was found dead March 18 in his home in Cambria from a single gunshot wound to the chest.

A few hours following the discovery of Jett's body, Miller was arrested when she was found to be in possession of Jett's car, briefcase and wallet. She was later charged with theft, although the theft charges were later dropped.

Miller has been in jail on federal drug charges while the murder investigation has been underway. Miller pleaded guilty to federal charges of knowingly and intentionally distributing crack-cocaine after being indicted

April 2 by a federal grand jury.

Miller is scheduled to be sentenced on Sept. 5 in federal court.

Miller was previously arrested in August 2000 on a Jackson County warrant for damage to property. She was also charged with two counts of resisting a peace officer after she kicked and spat at two Carbondale Police officers during her arrest.

Miller is currently being held in the Franklin County Jail pending an arraignment at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 5 at the Williamson County Courthouse.

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NEWS BRIEFS

ON CAMPUS

Pyramid sign adorns \$40 million research Park currently under construction

The entrance of the future SIUC Southern Illinois Research Park is now adorned with a new glass pyramid.

The pyramid was put into place June 26 by University Glass of Carbondale. It contains a light that will shine into the night sky.

The \$40-million park is being built adjacent to the Dunn-Richmond economic Development Center.

Once the park is complete, it will comprise about 236,000 feet among 12 buildings and provide jobs for up to 1,200 people.

The early phase of the process underway includes the grading and leveling for a pond, parking lot and the first building.

BOT approves undergraduate assistantships Thursday

The Board of Trustees approved undergraduate assistantships at its meeting Thursday at the SIU School of Medicine in Springfield. Wendler said the undergraduate assistantships will pay students \$10 per hour on average. The assistantships will be awarded based on merit in academic research within the field of the student's degree.

Also, three SIUC budget and plan projects were approved at the meeting. The \$8-million plan for a new Student Health Facility, \$1.4 million for elevator renovation in Schneider Hall and a \$375,000 University allotment for window replacements in Neely Hall all received a unanimous approving vote.

The BOT also discussed the Results Report of the University's goals and accomplishments for the last fiscal year.

REGIONAL

Pyramid Players production postponed

The Pyramid Players "Wizard of Oz" was postponed and has been moved to 7:30 p.m. on July 24 and 25 at Rend Lake College's theater.

The show was postponed because the theater to the theater are being struck by lightning. Repair to the show is being resumed this coming weekend. All tickets will be honored for the show. Anyone wanting information can call (618) 439-9196.

“We make our lives in the spaces we build.”

Jon Davy
Instructor, Kid Architecture



Building FUTURES

SIU Architecture camp still standing the test of time

STORY BY JESSICA YORAMA
PHOTOS BY LESTER MURRAY

In Quigley 119, the challenge placed before a group of middle-school-age children is this: In 30 minutes, build a bridge strong enough to hold a watermelon using only cardboard and masking tape.

There is only one question posed by the anxious 12- to 14-year-old youths in response to the seemingly difficult challenge.

“Can we start yet?”

The young children have assembled in several locations across the SIUC campus for Kid Architecture, a camp that takes place every summer at SIUC and one of the few architecture camps in the nation available to young children. The series of camps, which cater to children from fourth grade to high school, is taught by Jon Davy, an SIUC alumni and employee of the college for the past 20 years.

Participants of the camp are given the opportunity to commute or live on campus over the course of one week while devoting 10 hours of the day to architecture.

When 30 minutes have passed, Davy asks the children to bring their bridges to the front of the room.

One group carries its bridge to the front, as students nervously chatter worries that it will not hold the weight of the watermelon.

Members of another group assemble to confidently carry their bridge

together as one grins and makes train sounds along the way.

In the end, three of the four bridges held the weight of the watermelon. Davy congratulates the groups on their success as they sit quiet and attentively, until, he mentions the term “stripping down” in reference to the bridges.

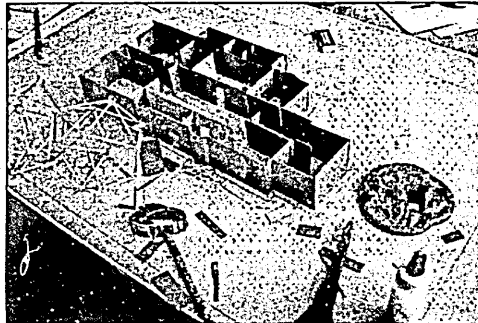
There are a few faint giggles, followed by an uproar of laughter, illustrating that although they have successfully constructed working bridges, they are still kids.

After teaching at University of Wisconsin, Davy said he returned to his alma mater where, amazed with how few architecture programs existed for younger children, he came up with the concept for Kid Architecture.

“We make our lives in the spaces we build,” Davy said. “We eat, breathe and die in them, and we don’t give children the opportunity to feel like they are a part of how they are developed.”

With that in mind, Davy applied for a grant for a program that would introduce architecture, an aspect rarely explored in most institutions for children. He was awarded a \$2,000 grant and received 35 participants in his first year of teaching, which was more than 10 years ago.

Since then, he has conducted the program for 14 years, overseeing several learning activities such as the “water-



▲ Kid Architects arrive for their tour of the unfinished Carbondale Community High School on Giant City Road. This group is a collection of middle-school students from around the country who came to SIU to learn about architecture last week.



◀ This project was started on the computer and finished as a three-dimensional design by one of the student architects.

melon challenge” and the building of various models. Davy has introduced children to architects they may have never heard of otherwise, and he has watched as four of his former participants of the program graduated from the architectural field at SIUC.

In addition to learning new things about architecture, children are also given the opportunity to see it firsthand. While he said there is “lots of great architecture on the SIUC campus,” he also introduces campers to examples in other cities such as St. Louis. On June 13, participants visited the city to view examples of architectural style in the Bellefontaine Gardens, St. Louis Cathedral and Union Station.

In the past, the program has had workshops in such areas as Springfield, Albuquerque, N.M., and the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C.

The amount of exposure Kid Architecture has provided children with has earned the program several awards including the Citation of Honor from the Council of the American Institute of Architects in 1994.

Considering the opportunities given to participants and the amount of recognition the program has received, it is no wonder that Davy has no trouble filling the program to capacity each

summer. According to him, children have ventured to the program from as far as Niger, Switzerland and Germany.

Paul Adkisson traveled to Carbondale from Atlanta so his 12-year-old son, Kevin, could participate in the program.

“Kevin’s always had a craft for this area, so I started looking at camps for him to attend,” Adkisson said. “When I finally found Kid Architecture, all my friends were impressed. They’d sent their kids away to sports-related camps and had never heard of an architecture camp. I’m still amazed at all the stuff they do.”

Kevin, who is attending the program for the first time, said the trip from Atlanta was well worth it.

“I came to the program, because I’m interested in architecture and design,” Adkisson said. “We’ve made lots of models and learned about different styles and periods of architecture.”

Fourteen-year-old Erin Yancey shares Kevin’s interest in observing a variety of styles of architecture, and says the experience has further encouraged her to look into the field.

The interest Erin and other female participants possess is particularly exciting to Davy. Although the session that is currently underway is split fairly evenly between males and females, he says this is not the way it is in the actual field of architecture.

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Jon Davy (center) and a group of the campers learn from Von Voyles (left), one of the architects from Carbondale that designed the new high school. Davy, professor in the School of Architecture at SIU, has been leading groups like this for 14 years.



Seely Kaufman, 12, of Carbondale (bottom left) works with her group on the watermelon bridge.

COLUMNIST



Raising Eyebrows

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GOP fails the color-line as lone black Republican leaves the House

U.S. Rep. J.C. Watts, a Republican from Oklahoma, announced he was retiring from the House of Representatives July 2 to spend more time with his family. His explanation does not seem credible. After all, he is a young man, and he had just recently received a celebrated position in the Republican Party. So, what happened?

Much of the media was fixated on the fact that Watts was the only African-American Republican in Congress and that his leaving was an embarrassment to the Republican Party. However, the media failed to mention the fact that there are no blacks in the Senate. Notwithstanding, there are African-Americans in the House of Representatives. Are the Democrats embarrassed about the lack of African-Americans in the Senate? Probably not. Despite the fact there are few faces of color in the Senate, African-Americans still continue to flock to the Democratic party in droves and avoid the Republican Party like an ugly date on prom night. Is it because blacks view Democrats as somewhat empathic to their problems? Is it because the Republicans have allowed the religious, ultra-conservative right to hijack the Republican Party? Is it because many in the Republican Party are opposed to affirmative action? Or could it be that many in the Republican Party appear to be so obsessed with lower taxes and the belief that any assistance to another group is deprivation for them.

Is it because it appears that the Republican Party has forgotten the plight of the poor and minorities in the United States? Is it because so many Republican candidates during political campaigns have used racial code words and racial themes to perpetrate stereotypes and instigate white fears? (i.e. Willie Horton by George H. Bush in 1988, or Ronald Reagan and the welfare queens or Jessie Helm, North Carolina's senator who played on white fears by showing a white man losing a job to an African-American due to affirmative action.)

These and many other occurrences are likely reasons why the Republican Party's talk of inclusion and diversity does not play well in the minority community. It has been speculated by Washington insiders that the true reason Watts resigned his position as congressman was that he, like so many other African-Americans, discovered that a good education and prestigious job don't preclude African-Americans from being discriminated against and ignored at the work place.

At the last Republican Party convention, the theme was diversity and inclusion. The party's slogan appeared to be, "We're not your daddy's Republican party," and Republicans were openly admitting that the party had displayed little sympathy for problems in the African-American community in the past. In light of Watt's resignation, what does this say when the lone black Republican has decided to leave the show?

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OUR WORD

SIUC not worthy of 'Animal House' rating

A recent Kaplan Publishing survey ranked SIUC sixth in the nation of schools that most resemble the movie "Animal House." Kaplan asked high school guidance counselors this question: "If two classic American movies about life on college campuses — "Revenge of the Nerds" and "Animal House" — were remade today, on which campuses would they be filmed?"

While the Massachusetts Institute of Technology stole the survey for the nerdiest school, guidance counselors suggested that the movie "Animal House" could be filmed on almost any campus in the country, according to results published on the Kaplan website. Nonetheless, SIUC's sixth-place standing is enough (especially after the story appeared in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and on Fox News) to get administrators shaking in their party-s-hool-image boots.

We hate these surveys. Each one is a subtle reminder that we are not doing enough to spread the good news about the outstanding students and programs at SIUC.

This one, however, is outright ridiculous.

On the bright side, we didn't appear on the list of campuses that most resemble "Revenge of the Nerds" like the University of Illinois (it ranked sixth).

At any rate, we humbly disagree with Kaplan's survey results. SIUC will never be as cool as the oversized drunks of the Delta House at the fictional Faber

College. It is, simply, a rating we don't deserve. Most of the students here spend their time studying for exams and working several part-time jobs to pay the bills; they break ranks and become the first in their family to graduate college; they go to basketball games and cheer on the Salukis; they spend their spare time winning national awards.

Boring, really. If SIUC ever again appears on a survey comparing it to the beer-guzzling, womanizing slunkies of the Delta House, let's at least be deserving.

That being said, we offer the following suggestions for the top 10 ways SIUC can become more like Jim Belushi and the rest of the "Animal House" gang.

1. A short clip of foreboding music should play when Chancellor Wendler walks into or out of a room, as it does for the dean of Faber College.

2. Instead of issuing citations to students who violate the city's encroachment ordinance, place them on Double Secret Probation.

3. Say goodbye to paper pushing and a campus tour — turn the SOAR program into a gigantic Toga party.

4. You think Halloween was bad? Just wait until you see the Homecoming parade.

5. Anything goes. You want to impersonate a zit-popping in the cafeteria? Okay. Feel like pouring beer on your classmates or smashing aluminum cans on your forehead? Go right ahead.

6. Send medical school cadavers to the Alumni dinner.

7. Professors should become involved in the lives of their students by "getting high" with them on weekends.

8. Lower GPA standards. Oh heck, just don't have any GPA standards. If you can down a bottle of Jack in one sitting, you're good enough for this University.

9. Require sorority houses to be equipped with 10-foot ladders so the males students can watch the women have pillow fights in their underwear.

10. Make the official school slogan: "Fat, drunk and stupid is no way to go through life," as the Faber College dean says.

SIUC fails in comparison to "Animal House." Here you'll find some of the best departments in the nation, but you won't find a gigantic bash on the street. Students at SIUC just aren't that cool — we're busy and, quite frankly, we're boring. We will never live up to the Belushi legend (even though rumor has it he may have gone to school here), but that's OK. We'll settle for housing the No. 1 Automotive Technology Department in the country and cheering on the Salukis in the Sweet 16. We'll be just fine with faculty members involved in cutting-edge research and students who come to study from more than 100 countries around the world.

Maybe they should make a movie about that, because what we will not accept is keeping it all a secret.

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MCMA master's student scores high with interactive music system

Thesis project produces musical interactions through touch

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Daily Egyptian

One stale yellow light dimly illuminated Studio A in the Communications Building as the door shut behind Bob Shapiro and his two daughters.

The light etched a long rectangle on the cement floor, leading the guests to a black-curtained room in the middle of the darkened studio.

Intrigued and curious, the three Paducah residents approached the square's entrance and gazed at a large white star-shaped figure on the floor as four television screens flickered toward the star.

Shapiro encouraged his daughters to enter. He watched as they slowly moved around the outside of the star as music began to loudly issue, ascending and descending as they danced about the room.

Anzved, Shapiro tried himself and then noticed a young man approaching the entrance with a smile on his face.

Jason Beckham reached out a hand to Shapiro introducing himself and his thesis project, "Musica Planutum," to complete his education in the Interactive Multimedia Masters Program at SIUC.

Others in the program wrote 60-page research papers and constructed large multimedia projects for their theses, but Beckham wanted to go the extra step that landed him two gallery and museum showcases on the thesis showing Friday night.

The name of the project "Musica Planutum" is Latin for Music Planet, which simply illustrates the concept behind the elements used. But Beckham first adapted his designs from an internationally known sound and

video installation artist.

David Rokeby's most well-known masterpiece, "The Very Nervous System," designed the art for his spectators to directly interact with his work.

Awarded a Petro-Canada Award for Media Arts at the Prix Ars Electronica festival in Austria for his creation, Rokeby wanted to incorporate video cameras, image processors, computers, synthesizers and a sound system to create a space in which the movements of one's body create sound and/or music.

Rokeby noted on his autobiographical website the language of the computer is simple and logical — unlike human movement.

"The computer removes the subject from his or her body; the body should be strongly engaged," Rokeby said on his website. "Because the computer's activity takes place on the tiny playing fields of integrated circuits, the encounter with the computer should take place in human-scaled physical space."

Beckham, intrigued and interested in Rokeby's design, wanted to recreate his nervous system with components he found educational and appealing.

"He started designing and developing that in 1982 and if you think about how antiquated technology was, he was really forging ahead," Beckham said. "I was fascinated by that."

Beckham said one professor in multimedia arts and a professor in liberal arts purchased the nervous system equipment for the University, but both teachers moved on to other universities and positions.

He decided after learning about the highly esteemed creator and system that he wanted to tackle to project of creating a nervous system of his own.

"Multimedia to everybody is sitting at a keyboard and clicking on buttons," Beckham said. "I wanted to break away from that and see what multimedia could be in a high-physical environment."

With the help of Mass Communication and Media Arts professors, staff and students, Beckham started to construct and plan his thesis a

year ago. He decided to incorporate his musical aspirations and background as well as a common theme that fit well with music.

The two-fold concept broke down into an interactive musical system and geometry: First, the interactive musical system contains instrumentation through synthesizers and electronic scales that sound with the trigger of sensors.

The second part of the concept, geometry, tied into the flow of music and the nervous system well. Beckham said in modern times, mathematics, especially geometry, is viewed as a cut-and-dry subject of learning formulas, solving problems and forgetting the information once completed.

But Beckham said in ancient cultures, particularly Greek civilization, geometry was a way to emulate an inherently perfect world that existed around them. Practicing geometry was a means of understanding the world in a religious sense, and the use of the subject was a means to celebrate the god who created the world.

Thus, these civilizations gave a lot of attention to mystical symbols, especially the heptagram, or seven-sided star. In Greek terms, Beckham said seven is the mystical number as well.

The heptagram incorporated the seven planets to them, the sun, moon and first five planets excluding Jupiter with Saturn in its place.

"The planetary heptagram, which I based the interface around, was a musical system designed around a metaphorical universe," Beckham said. "There are corresponding notes to each of these planets, or planetary heptagram."

As Shapiro and his daughters moved around the heptagram, seven sensors caught their movements and played each note louder with their acceleration and slower with a steady pace.

"I thought the interactive music system was a great way to explore the very nervous system and plant seed of interest in this subject," Beckham said.

When 5-year-old Joel Stuart from



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People of all ages came to orchestrate their own music in Jason Beckham's thesis project, Musica Planutum. The project was designed to recognize movements on a certain area of the seven-pointed star that was stood on by the composer.

DeSoto first entered the "Musica Planutum," the loud chords and four television screens showing planets, star systems and nebulas frightened him, and he was not for sure if he wanted to try again. But he wanted to prove to his mother he was brave.

"I was scared at first, but then I got the hang of it," Stuart said.

Shapiro's daughters, nearly 12 years apart in age, both enjoyed Beckham's thesis, and the artist thought the project would be equally as appealing to all ages showcased in his art establishment in Paducah.

Beckham had already talked with a representative of the Buckminster Fuller Museum in University Mall. But Shapiro's interest in his hard work may pay off as an exhibit at the Maiden

Alley Cinema, a non-profit arts organization that brings innovative artwork to the community.

Shapiro said that the more he dances in the space, the more control he had over the music. As a secondary aspect, he began to notice the relation to the images on the television screens with the music as he continued to move.

As he exited the "Musica Planutum," Shapiro noticed not only the physical implications of Beckham's thesis, but the art he created within his masterpiece.

"There is a spiritual feeling to it as well, a true piece of art," Shapiro said.

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School of Social Work works toward accreditation

CSWE granted three month extension

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The School of Social Work received the extension it was seeking in the accreditation process and full cooperation from faculty, staff and students.

The original deadline for submission of the self-study to the Council on Social Work Education was set for Sept. 15, but after a formal request from School of Social Work director Nizan Miah, the new deadline is Jan. 15, 2003.

The self-study, a three-volume evaluation of the school including information on faculty, staff, curriculum and other areas of the program, has to

be submitted every eight years when the school is up for reaccreditation.

Miah said that even though the deadline is in January, he is hopeful that the self-study will be completed before Christmas break.

"We are on track, and I see us getting it done early due to cooperation from students and faculty," Miah said.

The School of Social Work has six graduate students who have been collecting data, materials and documents to help keep things on schedule, and because of their efforts, two of the three volumes of the study are near completion.

After the miscommunication and misunderstandings earlier this year, Miah is trying to keep everyone in the department informed about what is going on with the situation.

At the beginning of the fall 2002 semester, he plans on holding meetings to inform students and

teachers on the progress and status of the accreditation process.

"In this process, I see clearly that the dean and other faculty will have good support for the school if they have trust in my leadership," Miah said.

Miah said that the council has confidence in him and his ability to get the job done. One of the ways he keeps his aspirations high is by receiving help from others in the department.

After the self-study is complete, a site visit by committee members of the council will take place within two months, followed by the final step of a commission review of all materials submitted in October 2003.

"We have the third highest summer enrollment within the College of Education," Miah said. "That is a good sign that students believe in our program."

Colleen Kerley, office systems specialist II in

the Office of Admissions and Records, confirmed the numbers of enrollment in the College of Education.

This summer, there are 92 students in the Social Work program, just below elementary education and workforce education and development.

Faculty and students working on the self-study declined to comment until the entire process is complete; They prefer to leave all comments to Miah.

Miah said the process is on track and headed in a direction for a positive outcome.

"Students, staff, faculty and community practitioners have been supportive, and I will continue to keep everyone aware of what is going on," Miah said.

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Basanta appointed interim dean of Law School

Jane Huh
Daily Egyptian

Kyle Perkins, SIUC interim provost and vice chancellor, announced that SIUC law professor Gene Basanta is the interim dean for the Law School for the next year.

"I feel pleased to have the confidence of my colleagues and the faculty, and I look forward to my year as interim dean," Basanta said.

Basanta's appointment will fill the vacancy left by current Dean Thomas Guernsey, who is moving Sept. 1 to Albany Law School in New York to serve as the school's president.

"A vacancy in a deanship, for any school, is always a time of stress and concern for everyone, the faculty, the students, so that's a big challenge for me," Basanta said.

In the past, Basanta has served as the Law School's associate dean for academic affairs from 1991 to 1993 and from 1995 to 1999. He received SIUC School of Law Senior Class Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Law School in 1983 and the SIUC School of Law Faculty Excellence in Service Award in 1995.

In August, a national search will be launched for a permanent dean.

Basanta, whose interim deanship goes through Aug. 31, said he is not a candidate for that position. He said he plans to continue teaching law courses while he also serves as the interim dean.

"I came into this business because, I like to teach students and do research," Basanta said. "I've been an associate dean for a couple years in the past and I'll continue to mostly teach and do research, but I'm happy to help the Law School out as interim dean."

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On-going campus construction projects slated for completion in fall

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Construction and renovation for educational buildings, residence doms, dining halls and a parking lot entrance are nearing the final stages, ready to offer an improved look and feel to the campus this fall.

On-campus residence halls Bailey, Mae Smith and Neely, Grinnell and Trueblood Dining Halls, Pulliam Hall and the parking lot entrance by the Student Center underwent various alterations during the summer.

Of the seven ongoing projects, Mae Smith's \$375,000 window-screen replacement project and Pulliam's \$177,000 addition are finished, but the remaining renovations are set for completion by fall semester.

After Pulliam Hall's addition is complete, students in industrial programs such as blacksmithing under the School of Art and Design will be able to work in a new industrial wing.

Bailey Hall, located in Thompson Point, will have a renovated roof by

the end of the month. Neely Hall's elevator rehabilitation and an upgrade for Trueblood Dining Hall are also expected to be finished this month.

The upgrades for Trueblood and Grinnell Dining Halls, which will be completed shortly after fall semester, include better lighting, new service counters and ceiling repairs.

One of the most visible changes on campus will be the \$125,320 relocation of the parking lot 10A/10B entrance. The Physical Plant, in conjunction with the Illinois Department of Transportation, will move the entrance west toward the garage as a way to smooth out the flow of traffic.

"Last week, we pulled out the curbs and put gravel, and now they're working on the lighting," said Roger Hines, the Physical Plant's construction project coordinator. "I think we'll have no problem meeting the deadline."

Other ongoing construction and renovation projects such as the softball complex, located across the Student Recreation Center, and

Altgeld Hall/Old Baptist Foundation, will continue on for the next year.

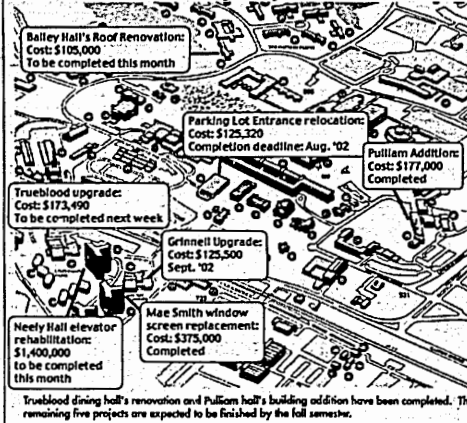
The softball complex should be finished before the softball season on March 1. In addition to a new, lighted 700-seat stadium, the \$1.5-million construction will include a press box, locker and shower rooms and offices.

Altgeld's \$10.4-million renovations, which began earlier this year, are projected for completion in August or September 2003. The building is more than 100 years old and has never had any major renovations, Hines said. Aside from the building's internal renovations, an enclosed passage will link the building to Shryock Auditorium.

A temporary ramp across from Anthony Hall and at the bottom of the U.S. Route 51 overpass will remain until the next semester begins. Hines said the ramp was constructed because structural damage of steam tunnels required extensive repair work.

About 17 more projects are in the bidding stages or early stages of construction. Some of the major projects include a 500-foot bridge across

Construction projects at SIUC



Trueblood dining hall's renovation and Pulliam hall's building addition have been completed. The remaining five projects are expected to be finished by the fall semester.

Lincoln Drive, refurbishing the 1,150-foot concrete bridge on U.S. Route 51, Lincoln Drive's relocation of the intersection at U.S. Route 51 and renovations of Morris Library.

For the time being, D.R. Huppert, superintendent of construction management, said the projects are developing at an efficient pace with no

hindering conflicts. "Things are running pretty smoothly. Things are ahead of schedule," Huppert said. "It's been a really good summer as far as a construction goes, and we've accomplished a lot."

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PEER

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strong as SIUC.

John Haller, vice president for Academic Affairs, said that peer institutions are chosen by the Illinois Board of Higher Education and a consortium of similar institutions, while aspirational peers are those that

are universally looked at as better than SIU.

"They may have a better way of doing something, so for an aspirational peer, you may want to send somebody there to see what they're doing that we're not doing," Haller said. "Then we can learn from that experience."

Haller said the IBHE is requiring that all Illinois institutions have assessment programs in place by 2004.

These evaluations assure that university programs are meeting their objectives.

"We pretty much have that taken care of," Haller said. "We're at 92 or 93 percent finished right now."

An external board of two or three reviewers from aspirational peers and other groups does the program reviews, and an internal review board also participates. It consists of faculty

and groups such as the graduate council.

"These people take a very tough look at our program and make an assessment with recommendations," Haller said of those who evaluate departments, centers and institutions.

Scott Kaiser, spokesperson for SIU President James Walker, said that SIUC is focusing on the six goals listed in the report for improvement.

Citing the report numbers, he said SIUC is below peers in certain areas, but also better in certain regards.

"In order to be a better institution, you have to strive to be like those who are above you," Kaiser said. "You have to constantly work to improve, or you're going backward."

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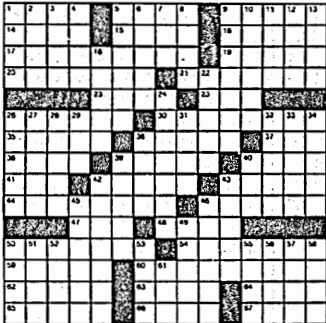
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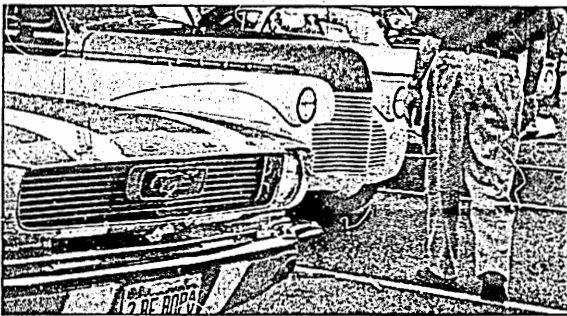
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John Bush looks down the mouth of a Dodge Charger Saturday evening as he wandered around the town square of Benton perusing the modified and classic cars. Bush did not plan on attending this year's cruise night but was fortunate enough to stumble upon it.



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

A visitor strolls past the collection of hot-rods parked around the square in Benton on Saturday night.

Summer Cruisin'

PHOTOS & TEXT BY WILLIAM A. RICE & DEREK ANDERSON

There was a traffic jam in the small town of Benton Saturday night, but we didn't mind. Something else had our attention. Next to us, a canary yellow '73 Corvette Stingray was idling at a low growl, its chrome side exhaust pipes rattling the windows of the classic roadster. Behind us was a band of cackling motorcycles that would make Mad Max proud.

Hot-rods, motorcycles and classic cars alike poured into the town for the annual Benton Cruise Night and car show. The square, surrounding the Franklin County Courthouse was full of participants and car enthusiasts from around region.

One car that caught many eyes was a white 1927 Chevrolet owned by local Tom Wilcox. "The car is one year older than me," Wilcox boasted. "And we're both still running well."

The event created an opportunity for car buffs to talk horsepower with one another while some locals chose sat in their lawn chairs and whistled at their favorite car rolling by.



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Car enthusiasts chose unique license plates to describe their unique cars and personalities, such as this plate for a 1969 Ford Mustang.

BUILDING

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"The area of fashion design is overwhelmingly female at about 81 percent," Davey said. "But architectural design itself is only about 11 percent."

Another group that Davey feels to be underrepresented in the field is the minority population.

"The first day of class, I asked the kids to name an architect, and of course they could do that," Davey said. "Then I asked them to name a black architect, and no one could. A lot of people don't know that Paul Williams, the man who built St. Jude's hospital, was black."

Jon Davey sees a definite need for more

knowledge concerning blacks in architecture and will provide more information on the subject during a lecture called "Color Blind." The lecture will take place during a first-year camp at the academy for students at high risk for academic failure.

Whether it is academically challenged or gifted children he is instructing, Davey feels it is imperative to introduce individuals to architecture at an early age.

"Architecture is a great field because you never know what you're going to do next, and when you design for someone, you have to put yourself in their shoes," Davey said. "It's a beautiful combination of art and technology."

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LAYOFF

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Communications and Media Arts and the Expansion Initiation Center for Excellence in Soybean Research, were also cut by about half of what the colleges had planned to spend to implement them.

"Every area is tightening their belts," Wendler said.

"By curtailing spending on new programs, we are simply buying time."

Although the layoffs have been postponed, there is still no guarantee that all positions will be saved.

According to Henry, the plans of cutting funds and not hiring comes nowhere near

fulfilling the entire \$15 million in cuts.

"This plan is meant only to avert layoffs," Henry said.

"This is only one of many actions needed to offset the budget cuts."

Other plans college deans came up with to cut expenses were eliminating travel and lodging plans, postponing insolation of new equipment, ceasing support office costs and not rehiring some full return staff.

"Leaving positions unfilled will inevitably cause unforeseen problems," Wendler said. "We will just have to find ways around them."

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If they didn't pay outrageous salaries in the first place, the players wouldn't be so spoiled on salaries that should be paid to people who are out there saving lives everyday, not just entertaining people by playing a sport they would play for fun anyway.

I know people who would pay to play the game of baseball in front of a huge crowd. To just one time feel the eyes of the fans upon them rooting them to victory.

In a way, I can't blame the players for fighting for money that has been

promised to them. Once someone has become accustomed to a certain way of life, it is hard to change.

All of these players at one point experienced a period in their life of climbing to where they are now.

They all started playing for different reasons, but if I had to guess, I would say they all began playing baseball because they loved to put the bat to the ball, and the feel of a leather glove on their hand.

A great friend of mine, Jon Lewis, has always made me understand that love for the game is the only thing there is when the lights go out on the field. I don't know another person who loves baseball more than Jon.

He loves everything about the game and gives back to the game by coaching baseball teams and helping young players learn to first and foremost love the game and have fun playing it.

When I met Jon in the military at Ft. Bragg, N.C., we became friends immediately, and we spent much of our free time playing baseball.

Jon wanted to play baseball so bad it oozed off of him.

I could call him up at midnight and ask him to go play and we would head up to field and flip on the lights. He would chase down balls in the outfield for hours as I hit them from home plate.

He never quit.

He was always ready for one more ball, so we usually quit when I got

too tired to hit anymore.

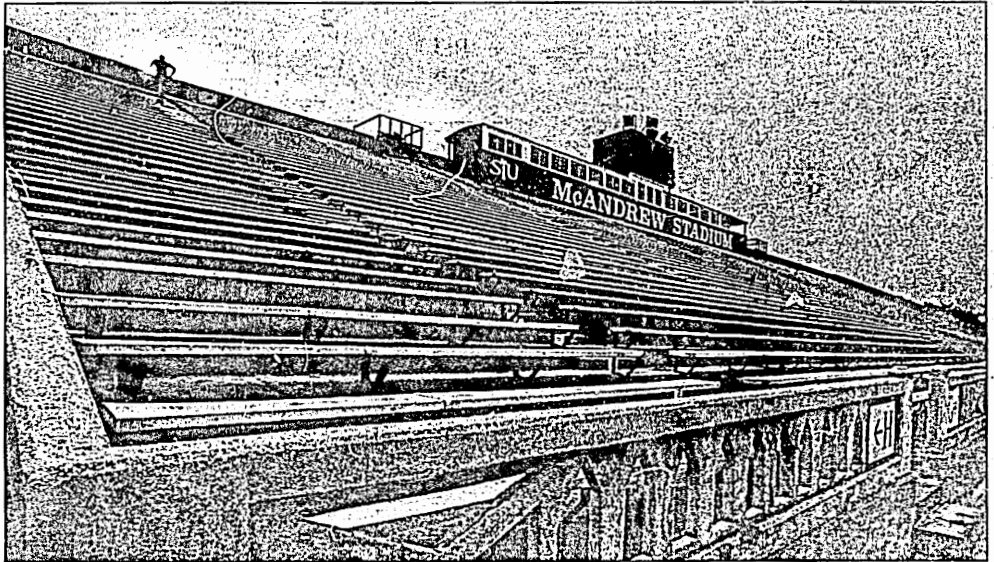
I look at Jon and wish that more professional players could have his heart, that love that revolves purely around the sport and nothing else.

Professional baseball could go on strike forever and never come back, but guys like Jon would still be out there shagging balls down at some old field on the other side of town, because they know where the love is.

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Long climb ahead
SIU football senior Brice Schafer works out Friday on the steps of McAndrew Stadium after football practice. Schafer and the rest of the Salukis are working hard to improve on last year's 1-10 mark in Jerry Kill's first season at the helm. Schafer is one of few seniors on the underclassmen-dominated Saluki squad.

DEREK ANDERSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Huff still in the game a year later

Retired SIU Sports Information director spends time working to better SIU athletics and community

Kristina Dailing
Daily Egyptian

Fred Huff doesn't stand and cheer at SIU basketball games, but he is a Saluki fan to the core. As former SIU Sports Information director, Huff spent a lifetime sitting on the sidelines on press row. And he is living proof that old habits die hard.

"A couple of people asked me, 'Why aren't you interested in the game? You're not saying anything,'" Huff said. "Well, of course I am interested in the game, but you just didn't cheer or make noise or say anything out loud in the press row."

And since his retirement from the SIU Athletic Department in July 2001, Huff has still been on the sidelines, helping SIU in his own way.

For the past year, Huff has been at his office in the Du Quoin State Bank building, working to establish a non-for-profit corporation called Saluki Publications and Public Relations.

The corporation is intended to help cover

some of the costs from a book Huff is writing about the more than 100 years of SIU sports.

"The University has been extremely nice to me and good to me for 35 years," Huff said. "I consider this to be a little bit of payback to the University."

Any revenue that the book earns will be donated to the Athletic Department for scholarship money. But Huff is not just writing the book for the University. It helps him keep in touch with sports at SIU.

"I love doing it because I am writing about people I admire and respect — athletic directors, coaches and athletes," Huff said.

Longtime friend of Huff and former SIU Hall of Fame men's track and field coach Lew Hartzog knows that Huff enjoys his retirement, but he also knows that Huff still wants to remain a part of the University.

"It took him a little longer to adjust to retirement," Hartzog said. "This book is an outlet for him and a way for him to stay connected to the University. He will do a great job because SIU is still a part of him."

Huff has also served as media coordinator for four college basketball tournaments in the past year.

He attended the Top of the World Classics in Fairbanks, Ala., and served in three tournaments in Las Vegas that were sponsored by Worldwide Basketball Inc., in one of which the SIU men's basketball team played.

He also wrote a weekly column about SIU

sports for American Publishing Company, which distributed the column to daily papers in the area.

"I enjoyed writing because it allowed me to keep fingers in the SIU sports scene," Huff said.

Huff came to SIU in 1960, when the Sports Information Department and the Athletic Department were still separate departments.

Sports Information is the organization within a collegiate athletic department responsible for producing media guides, game programs and various other information needed by the media.

After working for 11 years in the Athletic Department, Huff left and became the general manager of the Du Quoin State Fair in 1971.

In April 2002, Huff was elected by Du Quoin Mayor John Rednour to co-chair a committee to find a way to celebrate the Du Quoin State Fair's 80th anniversary.

Huff has since been writing a publication that outlines events, performers and other activities from the fair's past 80 years.

"It has been a very enjoyable project in that I have been very close to the fair having lived in Du Quoin all my life," Huff said. "I worked there when I was about 12 or 13, and then I was the general manager of the fair from 1972 to 1977."

Although Huff enjoys spending his time working on what he is interested in, he does miss working at SIU.

"I miss the association and the closeness that you have with the coaches and athletes," Huff said. "Last year was difficult, because I still know many of the athletes."

In 1987, Huff returned to SIU and became full-time sports information director.

Huff worked in the Athletic Department until July 31, 2001, when he retired as Sports Information director.

"He was an outstanding Sports Information director," Hartzog said. "His media guides were always excellent, and he did the best he could to represent all the sports at SIU."

So what is there to do for a retired Sports Information director who doesn't like to fish or hunt and who hasn't played golf in five years?

"I like spending time in Du Quoin," Huff said. "I appreciate seeing so many people and friends that are so quick to come up and say hi. If I had a goal in life, it would be to know the first name of every person in Southern Illinois that calls me by my first name."

And after a year of retirement from the Athletic Department, Huff has shown that he will remain dedicated to SIU.

"I will always be a Saluki fan because it is in my system now," Huff said.

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Huff

Hey Major League Baseball, where's the love?

Once again in the wonderful world of baseball, we find ourselves as fans preparing for another possible strike.

At this point in my life, I honestly don't care what the issues are or which side finally gets what they want. It doesn't matter because the sport of baseball is supposed to be about the fans, but the fans aren't getting anything out of this deal.

Money, of course, is the usual suspect in this controversy that involves capitalistic owners and corporations that are having trouble feeding their hungry overpriced players who forgot a long time ago what they did for a living anyway.

I love baseball. America loves baseball, so much that it adopted the sport as its national pastime.

Once upon a time in a ballpark not so far away, there were players who laced up their cleats with a pounding in their chest, an overwhelming anticipation of trotting gallantly onto an empty field to play the game they loved.

Where is the love now?

Kevin Costner had the love for the game in a few of his films.

Where is the pride and appreciation for the game, its players and the fans.

I will never forget playing little league baseball as a kid, knowing my family was watching me out there ... way out there in left field. It



Jack Piatt

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seemed so big back then.

I remember the rush of pride I felt when I slugged one past the infield and ran my heart out hoping to get to second base. All the baseball cards I collected as a kid left me daydreaming about playing in the big leagues one day.

The first time I ever set foot into a Major League Baseball stadium, my eyes had to adjust to take it in.

There I stood in the nosebleed section at Riverfront Stadium in Cincinnati, completely captivated by the whole scene.

The grass was tropical green, and the stadium was so massive I felt like an ant under the feet of the bustling world above.

The players down there were real and they loved the game, and I would never believe anything different.

Now, I don't know what I believe. I want to believe that every player in the Major Leagues would play for free if they had to, but come on ... obviously that isn't the case. They won't even take a pay cut. Playing for free is a joke.

I am not taking sides with the owners; they are the root of the problem in my eyes.