Republicans stress turnout
Gov. Jim Edgar and Secretary of State George Ryan among politicians who visited SIUC Friday

JAY SCHWARZ
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Prominent Illini Republicans gave themselves a pat on the back for their efforts the last few years and expressed voter turnout as the key to victory for the upcoming fall elections Friday evening.

Governor Jim Edgar and Republican gubernatorial hopeful Secretary of State George Ryan highlighted the evening's slate of speakers at the annual 12th Congressional District: World Trotting Derby Dinner in the Student Center ballroom.

"This election is going to be determined by the issue. The issue is not going to be determined by the candidates. It's not going to be determined by the candidates," Edgar said to the crowd of about 200 people.

"It's going to be determined by the turnout on election day. Political aspects in the state have forecasted a very low turnout for the November elections."

"Whichever party does the best job of getting their votes to the polls is going to win," Edgar stated.

Several Republican leaders addressed the group at dinner hosted by Illinois 12th Congressional District Chairman Stephen McGlynn.

Edgar and Ryan were joined by State Treasurer Judy Baar Topinka, R-Riverdale; secretary of state candidate AL Swaim, Attorney General Lee McCormick;


Ryan also went on to speak in the key to defeating his opponent, Congressman Glenn Poshard, D-

"In real estate, they stress location, location, location. The important thing is to stress turnout, turnout, turnout," Ryan said.

"This election is going to be very important as to whether we're going to continue to maintain the leadership of the White House in the year 2000," Ryan said of the Democrats.

"It is imperative that the President, the governor, and the Democrats control the state house, you can bet your bottom that they're going to do anything to prevent us from having the majority," Ryan added.

Act aims to reduce alcohol consumption

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An effort to crack down on both illegal and binge alcohol consumption on college campuses is a major plank in the Higher Education Act of 1998.

The Higher Education Act of 1998 entails a series of initiatives, amendments and repealed items from the Higher Education Act of 1965 but it is still subject to last-minute tinkering in Congress. The act is being reviewed by a conference committee between the Senate and the House of Representatives.

One section of the act deals with reducing binge drinking on college campuses.

There are six steps laid out in the initiative on alcohol:

• Appointing a task force to make recommendations for a broad range of policy and program changes;

• Providing maximum opportunities for students to live in an alcohol-free environment and have alcohol-free recreational and leisure activities;

• Enforcing a zero-tolerance policy on illegal consumption and binge drinking of alcohol by students and reducing opportunities for anyone to legally consume alcohol on campus;

• Ensuring in place of disciplinary sanctions to those who violate campus alcohol policies and referring students with alcohol or other drug-related problems to an on-campus counseling program;

• Adopting policies to limit alcoholic beverage-related sponsorship of on-campus events and advertising and promotion of alcoholic beverages on campus;

• Forming an alliance with community leaders to encourage local commercial establishments to curtail illegal student access to alcohol and adopt responsible alcohol marketing and service practices;

• SIUC administrators had a largely positive experience.

Morris Library's 24-hour study floor pushed back

SUBSTITUTE: Students can use Big Muddy Room until first floor is completed

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Picnic tries to bridge gaps

DAY OF FUN:
International Student Council sponsors event to welcome students.

THERES T. RAINY
DAILY EBSPTIAN REPORTER

The smell of hamburgers roasting on the grill and the sound of children’s laughter filled the air as the International Student Council’s Labor Day Picnic Monday afternoon at Evergreen Park. The International Student Council sponsored the welcoming picnic, inviting international students, their families and all other students to attend and meet new people. Two hundred people attended the picnic. The council provided all the food for the crowd.

Earlier, cloudy skies threatened to rain on the picnic. Fortunately the three-legged race, water balloon toss, volleyball and a game called “Dance on the Paper” gave students who couldn’t attend and meet new people an opportunity to have fun around campus.

Participants at the International Student Council Labor Day Picnic enjoy a game of “Dance on the Paper” Monday afternoon at Evergreen Park. Other festivities included volleyball and a water balloon toss.

“Dance on the paper is a game where two students dance on a piece of paper. Every time the music stops the paper is folded in half. The two students who dance on the paper without falling off win.”

Elif Fehmi-Sullivan, president of the Turkish Student Association, said he likes the idea of people all over the world sharing ideas and becoming friends.

“It’s a chance for everyone to come together and have fun.”

Wesley McQuillen, a junior in aviation management from Indianapolis, enjoyed the picnic because he was able to meet students he might not normally see around campus.

former Truman aide speaks to students about life

TRUE WISDOM: Hechler speaks to students about life through experience.

JAMES FULLER
DAILY EBSPTIAN REPORTER

Ken Hechler learned the seriousness of war and the responsibility of a public servant in a democracy firsthand more than 40 years ago.

Hechler, West Virginia’s secretary of state, shared his views on life and his experiences working under President Harry S. Truman last Thursday afternoon at the Evergreen Park.

Co-sponsored by the Political Science and History Departments, Thursday’s lecture in the Evergreen Park was the first in a series of that will be published by SIU Press.

Born in New York, Hechler taught at Columbia University and Princeton University before heading up research for Truman during his presidential term. Hechler said Robert Kennedy responded to students about life when he was the 33rd president of the United States and served from 1945 to 1953. He is most remembered for actions and accomplishments such as the Berlin Airlift, the Marshall Plan, the Truman Doctrine, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. He is just as well-remembered as being the president who authorized the dropping of the atomic bomb in World War II.

Quoting literary passages and playing extended excerpts of Amazing Grace, Hechler pointed out a lifetime of guidance in slightly more than an hour and a half. His overwhelming message was “You should not only think of yourself, but think of other people.”

Hechler said Robert F. Kennedy represents what he has tried to stand for in politics when he spoke to students at the University of California in 1968. Kennedy spoke about the great opportunity students have when they learn to make the people and the world a better place.

One of the things Hechler said he developed from working with Truman was an empathy for poor people. The very first day on the job, Truman pulled Hechler aside and told him, “The rich and the powerful people of this country have their own lawyers, their own accountants, their own lobbyists, their own pressure groups working for them full time.”

“He is the job of the president of the United States, and it’s the job of every public official to stand up and fight for those who are otherwise unrepresented.”

Hechler also spoke about Truman’s decision to drop the Atomic Bomb on Japan to facilitate the end of World War II.

“He never looked back,” Hechler said. “It was clearly a military decision.”

Hechler said after measuring the estimated 70,000,0000 casualties that would be brought by having to invade Japan, Truman was convinced that the only way the war could end and the only way that the message could be gotten through to Japan was to drop the bomb.

“All of war, according to Truman, is a crookedness,” Hechler said, “including the shooting of a single soldier. The ending of that war becomes a necessary path in ending these atrocities.”
Our Word

Peer advisement crucial in student life

According to Provost John Jackson ("SIUC increases focus on retention Sept. 3, 1997 Daily Egyptian), SIUC loses about 33 percent of all new freshmen because of withdrawal or failing grades.

Faced with this alarming statistic, the University focus is now on student retention.

The rest of the University should take a cue from the College of Mass Communication and Media Arts about how to improve SIUC's retention rates and its undergraduate experience.

The MCMA Peer Adviser Program pairs, MCMA freshmen with one of 42 upperclassmen peer advisers to ease the jump from high school to college

The Peer Adviser Program adds a personal touch and helps students become more a part of the University. Too often, students are processed through the University like a degree-producing machine.

The MCMA college organized a student orientation picnic during the first week of classes where freshmen had a chance to interact with faculty and mentors.

Faculty from the University should get more involved with students. They should look at the Peer Adviser Program as an opportunity to improve their standing with students and become more involved.

The MCMA program will not limit itself to helping students adjust in the first couple weeks. Weekly events are scheduled through the first week of October when the program will be evaluated. Peer advisers also will be expected to maintain regular contact with their students and be available to answer questions.

The program is really not that complex of an idea. It gives underclassman guidance through their first year of college life, and peer advisers can advise them about interesting and useful classes.

It is important for freshmen to get to know an upperclassman early in their college careers. The "big brother, big sister" relationship can be crucial to their success in college.

Many upperclassmen have seen everything before. They can tell freshmen the truth about classes they need to take. They can also filter through the sometimes complicated advice from parents and their own experiences to give the freshmen a jump start on the pitfalls of college life.

This program will make students' academic life easier and more enjoyable, which in turn will increase students' confidence. They will enjoy college more, and will want to remain at SIUC. Thus, retention rates will increase and that will improve SIUC's image as a serious educational institution.

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Beware of all the snakes at SIUC

Welcome back to Carbondale my friends! This is a notice of warning to all students. You may have heard that they are becoming acquainted with ES-1 & U-SEE.

These snakes have been spotted around the campus and have been spotted doing all sorts of things. Some of these snakes are here only to advise and want them about the pitfalls of college life.

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Mailbox

Dear Editor,

While it was good to see the elephant address the electronic polling, you missed one major flaw in the system. As you are in your editorial "Electronic polling needs some tweaking" Sept. 3, people with SIUC e-mail addresses are able to use the system. How about the students who have chosen to use a private e-mail service rather than the University's? These students are now all prevented from using the system. I imagine that's a large portion of students.

Sincerely,
Susan Pimentel
Alumna

Dear Editor,

A number of very serious crimes on college campuses in recent years, along with less than transparent disclosure of these incidents, have led Campus security officials. As detailed in the Daily Egyptian, the new campus crime bill may become law. Sept. 3, many provisions from a bill introduced last year to expand these disclosure requirements are being included in the Campus Crime Reporting Act (CCRA) that have been included in the new higher education bill.

As I noted in the article, the most heavily contested provisions of the new law are related to the definition of crime. As one of the major organizations calling for reform of these provisions, I believe a commitment that they afford some clarity to a complex issue is necessary. The language will be key to clarifying some serious crime.

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McQuirter is not an international student, but he agrees with them in a relaxed environment.

"This is my second year coming to the picnic," McQuirter said. "I get to meet new interna-

tional students and have fun getting to know them."

"I want the students to receive a feeling of family," Coolbaugh said. "These are the times

that we can build friendships that can last a lifetime."

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everything they can to elect [Vice-

President] Al Good president of the

Student Senate." We can't let that happen," Ryan said. "We've got to make sure

that it doesn't happen."

Ryan said some harsh words for Poindart, citing Poindart's plans for taxatio.

He wants to raise taxes by $4 for the consumers and businesses of this city," Ryan said.

Poindart's views on gun control also drew Ryan's ire. I think that Glenn Poindart is

confused about where he is coming from," Ryan said. Poindart is not taking a hard

enough stance against gun vio-

lence. We need a strong dis-

dain for Poindart's opposition to a waiting period before certain guns can be obtained.

"Now you tell me, what's wrong with a waiting period?" Ryan asked.

"If you're a law-abiding citizen, you don't have any problem with that.

My opponent said that he would support a bill to eliminate [waiting periods]."

"I don't understand that. We have to do everything we can to make sure

Glenn Poindart never has a chance to try to have his bill introduced in the Senate,"

Poindart's press secretary Dave

Stecklin. Stecklin closed that Poindart is soft on gun safety. "Glenn Poindart supports

background checks [on gun buyers]."

Stecklin added that Poindart does not take issue with the Brady gun legisla-

tion geared toward cutting down gun violence.

Ryan came under Poindart's fire

recently when it came to light that while serving as a state represen-

tative during the 1970s, Ryan twice

sought clemency for convicted mur-

derer J.B. Haiston.

Ryan shot and killed his girl-

friend in 1974, and Ryan began

pushing for clemency in 1977, just

three years before the parole sentence. Haiston reportedly aids Ryan's
campaign.

"It's shocking that Ryan tried to use the authority of his office to

get the parole of a convicted murderer out of prison before his time was

up," Poindart said.

But according to his letter he wrote in support of Haiston's clemency were

written "25 years ago and under dif-

ferent circumstances," Stecklin said.

Stecklin believes Ryan's recent efforts to toughen gun laws is an attempt to distract voters. "George Ryan is desperate for voters to ignore the fact that he tried to get a convicted murderer out of prison well before his sentence was over," Stecklin said.
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second-half drives ended after three downs, as punter John
Amirano got his number called more times than expected. The
only second-half Saluki first
down came courtesy of a punt interference
call.

And it had not been for junior
running back Edmund Caspar's
21-yard scamper at the end of the
game, the Salukis' second-half out-
put would have been even more
enthralling. We got to take a look at the whole offense," Quarterless said. "We got to look at ourselves as a team. Everybody got to look at themselves in the mirror."

The first person to look at his reflection might be junior running back Paul Davis. He struggled in his first start, carrying the ball eight times for 11 yards. Carpenter came in on relief to gain 79 yards on 14 carries.

Quartless would not say whether Carpenter would be the starter for this Saturday's game against the University of Tennessee-Martin.

"I think when you lose 41-13, you're not worried about who starts and who doesn't," Quartless said. "I'm not going to take anything away from anybody.

Davis can't be on complete full time. He was running behind an exposed line without the help of freshman Kevin Kobe.

Our guys did a poor job of protecting (Skornia) in the second half. It was just a lack of strength. The problem is we're not very strong."

Gus Bode

Gus says: If only there weren't two halves of a football game.
**SIUC CROSS COUNTRY**

Salukis place sixth in first meet of new season

The SIUC men's cross country team finished sixth out of 16 teams in its first meet of the season Saturday at the Sportex Pride Cross Country Festival in Three Rivers Park.

The Salukis were led by senior twins Josh and Jeremy McClelland, who both placed in the top 10 out of 91 runners. Josh led the way with a six-place finish and a time of 17 minutes, 49 seconds, while Jeremy crossed the finish line in tenth place (18:14.03).

Northern Illinois University won the meet with a score of 49, followed by Miami University (Ohio) and Indiana State University (99) rounding out the top three. The Salukis finished with 129 points.

Other Saluki finishers were Matt McClelland in 32nd place (27:05.78), Brian Bundren in 60th place (27:33.68), Chris Green in 13th place (25:32.61) and Eric Rushing in 43rd place (27:39.57).

The Salukis will compete next weekend, Oct. 4, at the University of Kansas Invitational.

**NFL**

Quarterbacks suffer bumps and bruises during first week

Get ready to hear about the inbox of rules to protect the quarterbacks again.

Seven quarterbacks finished with injuries in their first game of the NFL season, not counting the Miami Dolphins.

The most serious injury suffered was by the New England Patriots, who will start his fourth straight season this weekend.

As for the game's most important player, call it a question of the importance of the win.

Now, take a look at the most serious injury of the season so far. The most serious injury was suffered by the Minnesota Vikings, who were forced out of the game in the second half.

None of the quarterbacks were seriously injured, but they all had some bumps and bruises.

**NCAA FOOTBALL**

UNC quarterback undergoes surgery to repair left knee

North Carolina quarterback Oscar Smith had his left knee surgery after undergoing surgery to repair cartilage and ligament damage in his left knee.

The injury occurred when North Carolina's fourth play from scrimmage was stopped in a 13-10 season-opening loss to Ohio State.

Smith received his knee in 1995 and broke his right knee while playing for the North Carolina Tar Heels last season.

Carroll was hurt in the first game of the season.

Library's efforts to compete in the NCAA football championship game.

**SIUC spikers swept at Longhorn Invite**

**Ex-Saluki all smiles in Kentucky**

**DE-FENSE: Ex-SIUC assistant guides MSU**

**FOOTBALL**

SIUC head coach Jon Quarrick instructs the punt team in practice Monday afternoon at the practice facilities near SIU Arena. The Salukis were defeated 41-13 Saturday night against the Racers of Murray State University.

**SIUC sports swept at Longhorn Invite**

**A 'LONE' IN TEXAS: Volleyball team suffers opening weekend losses**

**PREVIEW**

* The SIUC women's volleyball team looks for its first win of the season at Bella Vista University in McRae, Ark., 7 p.m. tonight.