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Students from Neely floor 11 compete in a dodge ball game against students from Boomer III at Sportsfest, which took place at the lower level arena fields Sunday afternoon. Neely floor 11 lost the game to Boomer III.

Sportsfest provides physical competition

Students socialize, compete in annual event

Jessica Yorama
 Daily Egyptian

For many, the suspense of waiting for the word "Go" and the cue to sprint to the line and attack is a feeling they have not felt since high school or even grade school.

However, the excitement of the game of dodge ball was renewed as SIUC students stood with one foot on the line, planning their strategy for victory in the match that was seconds away.

Dodge ball was just one of the sports that, in spite of the heat, took place at Sportsfest this year.

The annual event, which offers students the opportunity to compete for T-shirts and, mainly, the feeling that victory brings, ran strong this year after a cancellation last year due to rain.

Sportsfest, a joint effort from University Housing and Intramural and Recreational Sports, took place in the Arena fields Sunday afternoon.

The event offered SIUC students the opportunity to take part in team competitions in six sports, including flag football, volleyball, softball, rug of war, home-run derby and, most recently, dodge ball.

Assistant Director of Intramural Sports Herman Williams, who recalls when the idea for Sportsfest was created 16 years ago, said the event, which he hoped would see between

800 and 1,200 participants, was beneficial to both of its sponsors.

According to Williams, the event is a two-way street. While it allows the Recreational Intramural and Sports office the opportunity to recruit and promote itself to new students, Housing is also provided with an event that gives new residents the chance to get acquainted with and form teams with others in their residence halls.

Most of the promotion for Sportsfest was done by resident assistants and geared toward freshmen not yet familiar with their neighbors.

Resident assistants passed information pertaining to the event throughout the week and encouraged individuals on their floors to form teams for the competitions.

Those who chose to participate were transported from their homes in Thompson Point, University Park and Brush Towers in shuttle busses that arrived at the three locations every 20 minutes.

"It's a fun time," said Adam Cunico, a freshman in computer and electrical engineering from McLeansboro, who helped to officiate the softball games. "You get to play sports and it's a lot better than sitting at home."

Although resident assistants such as Hanna Kelley suggested more publicity in addition to the encouragement from resident assistants and fliers, the fields contained a fair amount

Gus Bode



Gus says: Is tailgating a sport?

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Budget task force calls for restructuring

Committee recommends money-saving proposals to save University money

Katie Davis
 Daily Egyptian

While increased recycling across campus and raised admission standards for the College of Mass Communications and Media Arts may seem to have little in common, both could save the University money.

Earlier this month, the budget task force, a 19-member committee designed to make the University more efficient, released a 79-item report detailing ways to increase education while decreasing expenses.

Committee chair, Provost and Vice Chancellor John Dunn said the group spent at least 90 hours in meetings and countless hours of individual preparation over a six-month period, filing through department head and vice chancellor recommendations.

Last fall, administrators submitted 5- and 10-percent proposals for immediate and long-term spending reductions, which were given to task force members during their first meeting in January.

Chancellor Walter Wendler told the task force to use the recommendations as guidelines and not be restricted by their content.

Susan Logue of Library Affairs said the meetings were based mainly around the reports.

Because each department used its own format for the recommendations, it was difficult to see parallels between departments and eliminate repetitions with the information they were given.

"It was difficult to make comparisons because each of the units prepared the report in their own way," she said. "It was often difficult to see similarities in things they addressed."

Dunn said most of the recommendations came from the reports, and some actions had already begun to take action on the items in their 5- and 10-percent reports.

Education Dean Keith Hillkirk said that faculty and administration within the college are conversing and planning ways to combine or eliminate departments to make four schools.

"It will help us reduce administrative costs," Hillkirk said.

"Part of the budget task force reports was to move to no more than two associate deans for large colleges and one for the smaller ones. We're working to move from three to two, and eight chairs or directors to four."

Hillkirk said he is unsure how the departments would be combined to form four schools instead of eight departments because more conversation is needed before the college can move out of the preliminary phase of the plan.

The report also encourages the College of Engineering to eliminate bachelor of science degrees in electrical engineering technology and mechanical engineering technology.

Recommended Budget Changes

- Give students a \$2 Morris Library fee per credit hour
- Eliminate some associate degrees from the College of Applied Science and Arts
- Make athletics self-supported
- Eliminate bachelor of science degrees in electrical engineering technology and mechanical engineering technology
- Merge the Department of Microbiology with Medical Biochemistry
- Merge Black American Studies, Sociology and possibly Women's Studies into the Institute for the Study of Contemporary Society

It also recommends combining speech communication and theater arts and moving them to MCMA, making athletics self-supported and presenting students a \$2 Morris Library Fee per credit hour.

Although some recommendations deal with specific changes to department and college structure, Dunn admitted that a few of the recommendations are very vague.

One of the administrative actions calls for the reduction of top-level administrative positions, though it does not specify how.

Dunn said that given the complexity of the administrative structure, it wasn't possible to thumb through positions to find those that could be eliminated.

Other recommendations suggest increasing recycling, which would bring more revenue to the University, and encouraging students and faculty to take an active interest in keeping the campus clean by picking up after themselves.

"Some people may think this is a minor point," Dunn said.

"But it shows the range of thinking of the committee and shows the perspective of trying to think very broadly."

Wendler is still reviewing the 79-item budget task force report, said University Spokeswoman Sue Davis, and has not yet made moves to implement most of the recommendations.

One proposal was enacted when Glenn Poshard retired from his post as vice chancellor of Administration.

The position was eliminated and the duties divided between two executive directors who report directly to the chancellor.

Dunn said he expects Wendler to give serious thought to the report and enact those that would work toward the betterment of the SIUC campus.

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Armed suspect attempts robbery at Interantional Grocery

Suspects had knife, left one injured

Lindsey J. Mastis
 Daily Egyptian

An attempted armed robbery left a man injured at 5:59 p.m. Friday at the International Grocery, 1811 W.

Main St. Abdelalah Abdelaif was working alone at the store when two suspects approached him.

One pointed a knife at him and asked where the money was located. Abdelaif grabbed the suspect's hand and began yelling, police said.

The suspect reportedly shoved

him down, put his hand over Abdelaif's mouth and said, "Don't scream."

A second suspect, standing by the door, said something to the first suspect, and they both fled on foot, police said.

When the suspect withdrew the knife, it sliced Abdelaif's hand and caused him to need stitches. A wit-

ness told police that the suspects ran south from the store.

Lee Habibullah, manager of International Grocery, said the suspects were waiting in the store close to 30 minutes until customers left. He said the attempted robbery has not affected business but that he is more aware of people in the store.

"We usually know all the cus-

tomers, but we never seen them before," Habibullah said.

The suspects are described by police as "pudgy," Hispanic males. One was wearing a ball-cap, blue jean shorts and a white t-shirt.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Priest killed in prison

(CNN) — Convicted child sex abuser and defrocked Roman Catholic priest John Geoghan died Saturday after he was apparently strangled by a fellow inmate at a Massachusetts prison, according to local officials.

Joseph L. Druce, 37, will be charged with Geoghan's murder, Worcester District Attorney John J. Conte announced.

Druce was serving a life term at the Souza Baranowski Correction Facility in Shirley, Mass., where Geoghan was apparently strangled, according to preliminary indications. Autopsy results are still pending, Conte said.

Geoghan was assaulted around noon, then taken by ambulance to nearby Leominster Hospital, where he was pronounced dead at 1:17 p.m., according to a news release from Conte's office.

Druce is being held at the Massachusetts Correctional Institute in Shirley. His case is scheduled to appear before the Worcester Grand Jury in September.

The Corrections Department is working with the Worcester County District Attorney's office in the investigation, she said.

The Boston Archdiocese responded to news of Geoghan's death with compassion.

Crime rate lowest since 1973

WASHINGTON (AP) — Violent and property crimes dipped in 2002 to their lowest levels since records started being compiled 30 years ago and have dropped more than 50 percent in the last decade, the Justice Department reported Sunday.

The annual survey by the Bureau of Justice Statistics identified about 23 million crime victims last year, down slightly from the year before and far below the 44 million recorded when studies began in 1973.

The rate of violent crimes — rapes, robberies and assaults — was about 23 victims for every 1,000 U.S. residents 12 or older last year. That compares with 25 victims per 1,000 in 2001 and 50 in 1993.

For property crimes such as burglary and car theft, the rate was 159 crimes per 1,000 last year, down from 167 the previous year and 319 in 1993.

The study examined property and violent crimes except murder, which is measured separately by the FBI. Preliminary FBI statistics for 2002 released in June reported a 0.8 percentage point rise in the murder rate compared with 2001.

The Justice Department survey, found continuing decreases in every major property and violent crime, crossing all household income, racial and ethnic lines.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Bomb kills 3 at home of Iraqi Shiite cleric

NAJIF, Iraq (CNN) — Three people died Sunday when a bomb exploded outside the home of one of Iraq's top Shiite Muslim clerics, authorities said.

The explosion occurred at 3:15 p.m. (6:15 a.m. CDT) at the home of Shiite leader Ayatollah Mohamad Sa'eed al-Hakim in Najaf, a Shiite spiritual center about 100 miles south of Baghdad.

A spokesman for the ayatollah told CNN two guards outside the building and a worker inside the office were killed, and 10 people — mostly pedestrians — were wounded, one seriously.

The ayatollah, who has had fairly constant contact with U.S. officials since before the U.S.-led war in Iraq, was walking through a hallway when the blast went off and received minor injuries from glass shards.

The spokesman said an explosive device had detonated inside a gas canister that had been left outside an office where the ayatollah's son was working.

The home is about half a mile south of the Imam Ali Mosque, a site sacred to Shiites around the world. Ali was the son-in-law of the prophet Muhammad and the first leader of the Shiite community.

The spokesman also said that the ayatollah and his followers hold the U.S. military responsible for maintaining security in Najaf and therefore hold the Americans indirectly responsible for the attack.

Iraqi police said that Hakim apparently received a death threat last week, but did not report it to police. The spokesman confirmed the death threat, and said that the ayatollah and other leading Iraqi religious figures in Najaf had received threats telling them that they must leave Najaf or be killed.

A police officer told CNN that Sunni fundamentalists are the source of the blasts, but that information could not be confirmed. Others said the blast was meant to create friction among the various Shiite factions.

Hakim's cousin, Abdel Aziz al-Hakim, represents another cousin — Ayatollah Mohamad Baqir al-Hakim, head of the Islamic Revolution in Iraq — on the U.S. coalition-appointed Iraqi Governing Council.

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POLICE REPORTS

Campus

A 22-year-old woman reported she was sexually assaulted between 2:45 a.m. and 6 a.m. Aug. 23 in a grass field at 402 W. Mill St. The victim was walking her dog when a male suspect began asking her questions about the dog. When he asked to kiss her, she said no, and he then forced her to the ground and sexually assaulted her. The suspect is described as a white male, 21 years old, 5-foot-7 at 155 pounds last seen wearing blue jeans and a white shirt.

Michael R. J. Greene, 21, of 1102 E. College St. and Cordell P. Buckner, 24, of 1400 N. Illinois Ave. number 114 were arrested for unlawful use of a weapon at 2:49 Aug. 23. Police were called to a suspicious vehicle and found Greene and Buckner asleep in the car. The police found cannabis in the arrestees' pocket and a loaded 9-millimeter pistol on the passenger side floorboard. They were incarcerated in Jackson County jail. Buckner was wanted on two additional failures to appear warrants for a DUI in Cook County and a Jackson County reckless discharge of a firearm charge.

A residential burglary was reported between 3 a.m. Aug. 14 and 2 p.m. Aug. 18 at Neely Hall. There was no sign of forcible entry and police have no suspects. The loss is estimated at \$6,000.

Matthew James Duskey, 18, of Crele and Christopher Lee Wiley, 19, of Marissa were arrested and charged with possession of less than 30 grams of cannabis and attempted burglary to a motor vehicle at Lot 45 of the SIUC campus. Both were taken to Jackson County Jail.

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CALENDAR

Today

- Black Fire Dancers
- Dance Team Tryouts 5 p.m.
- Basement of Grinnell Cafeteria (wear practice attire)

The DAILY EGYPTIAN, the student-run newspaper of SIUC, is committed to being a trusted source of information, commentary and public discourse while helping readers understand the issues affecting their lives.



Nillofur Zcbairi of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction looks at the art on display in an exhibit called 'They Still Draw Pictures.' The exhibit features work done by children living in a country at war, with special emphasis on the Spanish Civil War.

ROBERT LYONS
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Museum exhibit shows affects of war on children

History professor worked four years to bring exhibit to University

Rachel Lindsay
Daily Egyptian

War is often thought of in terms of how it affects the country, the economy, the troops and our lives. Friday night, an art exhibit at the University Museum gave a glimpse of how war affects children.

"They Still Draw Pictures," a traveling art exhibit brought to SIUC by Michael Batinski, a professor in the Department of History, is a compilation of pictures drawn by children during wartime. More than 100 illustrations lined the walls, depicting children's recollections of their lives pre-war, their experiences during the war and their dreams of post-war. The artists' ages ranged from 8 to 15.

"Some [pictures] clearly represent memories that they will never forget," said former Sen. Paul Simon, director of the Public Policy Institute.

He and his wife, Patti, were among the

attendees at the exhibit's reception Friday, three days after the exhibit opened. It will stay open until 19.

"I think it's very moving for us to see what [the children] were thinking and feeling," Patti said.

Showing affects of war on children was one of Batinski's major motivations in bringing the exhibit to campus, he said. He began plans to bring the \$8,000 exhibit to SIUC four years ago when he first heard it was being designed.

Batinski said though it was difficult to raise the money, SIUC supported him tremendously. Various campus groups, including the Public Policy Institute, the schools of Medicine and Law, the University Press, the provost's office and the Department of History, donated a majority of the required money. The Freedom Forum, an outside group, donated the rest of the necessary funds.

While almost 70 percent of the displayed drawings originated in Spain during the Spanish Civil War in 1936, the exhibit included illustrations from all over Europe and the Middle East during the 20th century. It also included pictures by Robert Capa, a photojournalist who covered the war in Spain.

Many of the drawings showed bombings,

executions and death, and some of them showed visions of a better life.

Virginia Hoffman, a clinical psychologist who works with children who have been traumatized, said the exhibit was a wealth of insight.

"This is just so incredible," she said. "A child can't make this kind of stuff up. That kind of detail, you can't invent."

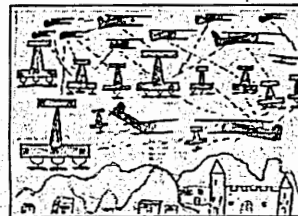
Hoffman pointed out a picture of a woman diving off a cliff to escape her executors. Upon closer inspection, three faces preceded the woman's fall down the cliff.

Hoffman said those faces could be a number of people, perhaps the woman's children or others who jumped before her. Studying drawings like those can provide a better understanding of the impact of war on children, she said.

Students will be given the chance to discuss the moral, psychological and social implications of the exhibit in a series of free lectures and panel discussions that will run during September and October.

Speakers include Joseph Brown, a professor of black American studies, and Dennis Taylor, a professor in the School of Art and Design.

"You see headlines, but you forget what



PROVIDED ART
This work, entitled Colonia Escolar Colectiva, Burriana, is one of many pieces of work by children in wartime on display at the University Museum. The exhibit, which opened Aug. 22, will be available for public viewing until the Oct. 19.

happens to the children," Batinski said. "This is an opportunity for us to listen to voices that we don't normally hear."

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Grassroots editors search for poets, writers, artists

Drew Stevens
Daily Egyptian

Calling all artists, writers and photographers who are interested in having their work published and their talent recognized.

Grassroots Undergraduate Literary Magazine gives all undergraduate students, regardless of major, the opportunity to submit their work and provides them with a creative outlet to express themselves.

John Gardner and Thomas Kinseloa first introduced Grassroots to SIUC in 1969. Gardner and Kinseloa were professors at SIUC and are now well respected authors, according to co-editor William Alonso.

"We broaden their audience and at the same time we help our audience learn of new and talented writers," Alonso said. "We try to get as many students from as many different majors involved in the magazine."

In the past, Grassroots has received many

submissions in poetry and short fiction but is looking forward to the possibility of receiving work from other areas of the literary arts.

"We're hoping that we can get submissions of screenplays and plays so we can broaden the type of creative work in the magazine," Alonso said.

Grassroots will also be including photography and artwork this year, something that was not featured in the past, according to Allison Campbell, co-editor of Grassroots.

"We've always taken photography submissions for the covers, but now we're going to actually publish inside, incorporating more of the fine arts into the magazine," Campbell said.

The funding for Grassroots comes from the fine arts fee that is paid by students as part of the student activities fee.

The fine arts fee has made it possible for Grassroots to publish an issue twice a year and to be one of the highest circulating undergraduate literary magazines in the nation.

"All students are paying this fee, whether they realize it or not. They have the option and ability to enjoy what their fee went towards producing," Campbell said.

GRASSROOTS FALL 2003 ISSUE GUIDELINES

1. Photo may be in black and white or color.
2. Photo may be digital or a print, though it will have to be scanned if it is the latter.
3. Finished size must be 4x6, though we can resize if it need be.
4. Photo should not be double exposed or too soft of a focus; we need a crisp image.
5. Photo should somehow relate to Grassroots, Southern Illinois, Literary arts, etc.
6. Limit three photo entries per person.

Drawings should not exceed 8x12. Large paintings should be photographed, observing the photo guidelines above. Both photographers and artists should submit a cover sheet containing the following information:
Name, Address, Phone Number, E-mail address and title/description of work.

Deadline for the fall issue is Friday, August 29, 2003.
Submit materials to the Department of English, FANER 2380.

FRANK SOLARES - DAILY EGYPTIAN

With help from the English department, Grassroots will present the second annual Devil's Kitchen Literary Festival, bringing 10 published authors to SIUC to share their work, knowledge and experience with students.

Scheduled for Nov. 6 to 8, the three-day festival is free and open to all students. The locations of the festival will be announced later.

"Anyone can enjoy coming to a reading," Campbell said.

"You don't have to be an English major to enjoy that."

Alonso said last year's festival was a success and attracted a pretty good audience. The first issue will be out in early November. Copies are always available in the English office and new issues are also distributed to libraries and coffee shops.

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Women Services back in business

SIUC females can take advantage of many programs

Linsey Maughan
Daily Egyptian

Student Health Programs' Women's Services has been busy over the summer, relocating from its former Woody Hall office to the second floor of Kesner Hall.

Coordinator Dollean York-Anderson said Women's Services is still providing the same programs it has always provided with the same phone numbers, e-mail and web address.

However, the recently relocated service is offering some changes with new programs, such as the Single Mother's Support Group, available for women wishing to partake in them.

Women's Services is devoted to the support, education and empowerment of women. The program helps to assist women in facing the challenges and opportunities they encounter in today's world.

All members of the University and surrounding communities who are concerned in these issues are welcome, but the emphasis is on women.

Women's Services offers workshops and programming available to any interested groups, fraternities, sororities, dormitory floors and registered student organizations.

Both York-Anderson and Campus Safety Representative Angie Heiligenthal will provide these workshops at no charge. York-Anderson will be offering a single mother's support group and a women's therapy group. Heiligenthal will provide an interpersonal violence therapy and a multicultural student support group.

With the mother's support group, the center plans to offer an opportunity for women to come discuss the joys and challenges of being a student-mother, said York-Anderson. She said the women's therapy group is just a group to discuss general issues of importance to women.

"The goal is to encourage people to think more inclusively, more broadly and to prepare them to enter a diverse workforce," York-Anderson said in regards to diversity workshops and topics such as Heiligenthal's multicultural student support group.

Among other topics addressed in workshops are sexual assault prevention, body image, gender roles in society, assertiveness, self-esteem and diversity.

Specialized program areas are also available upon request.

There are also recurring groups, which aim to meet the needs of women regarding issues of assertiveness training, self-esteem and sexual assault recovery. New groups are formed based on women's specific interests each semester.

York-Anderson said Woman's Services emphasizes usage for their programs, which are free with flexible workshop scheduling which includes evenings and weekends. Heiligenthal said any group interested in planning a workshop should contact

Women's Services two weeks ahead of time.

Another issue that York-Anderson would like to see addressed in Women's Services programs

and workshops in the future is a new rape law, which was recently introduced in Illinois, and clarifies that people have the right to discontinue sexual activity at any time, and partners who disrespect this right are committing rape.

York-Anderson hopes to shed more light on this topic, which she believes will help promote clearer communication between partners.

Women's Services also provides short-term counseling, which can deal with a wide range of issues such as relationships, dual roles, finding financial aid, sexual assault and harassment.

There is also a resource library with information on topics related to women, available through Women's Services. The library is open to anyone interested and can be helpful for research, writing, information gathering or self-help.

Additionally, Women's Services, working with other campus and community organizations, offers a campus safety program to educate and support women in issues such as sexual assault, self-defense and safety. They promote safety services sponsored by the Campus Safety Fee Board, which are Women's Night Transit and Brightway Path.

Women's Services is also available for information and referral, consultation on women's issues, women's resource files and for working with other women's agencies and groups.

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For more information and a complete list of semester events, contact Women's Services at 453-3665 or 453-4397, or visit them online at www.siu.edu/~uservice.



Receiving his winnings after a drawing, 6-year-old Zaguan Harris goes up to Unree Westley Saturday afternoon at the Back to School Bash that took place at Turley Park. The Back to School Bash is an event that passes out free school supplies, food and prizes to any community child who stops by. This is the second year that the Bash has taken place and was created by Westley himself.

JESSICA EDMOND - DAILY EGYPTIAN

150 children receive free school supplies

Second annual Back to School Bash successful at Turley

Jennifer Rios
Daily Egyptian

Westley was not sure what he loved more, helping children or music. However, he found a way to combine both his loves this weekend.

"Music is either my first or second love," said Unree Westley, a junior in recreation from Carbondale whose music group, called The Hottest Product, performed for the children and other spectators.

The performance gave the group the opportunity to practice their songs and entertain the children.

Westley created the Back to School Bash, a day of fun for children and their parents. The event included free school supplies, food, prizes, games and entertainment to any child who stopped by.

Approximately 150 children attended the Back to School Bash, which took place on Saturday at Turley Park from 12 to 8 p.m. This is the second year for the event, but this was the first year it has been held in Carbondale with last year's event taking place in Murphysboro.

Although Westley started the event on his own, he relies on help from the community to make it a success.

"Jackson Housing Authority is the biggest contributor," Westley said. "They provided the event with all of the school supplies that were handed out to the children, along with most of the other supplies needed for the event."

Derrick Greggs, the Drug Elimination, Coordinator at the Jackson Housing Authority, worked hand in hand with Westley to set up the event. Greggs said he became involved in this event because it helps kids get refocused on school. He also said it is a family day that

gave parents the chance to come to the event with their children.

Aside from the Jackson Housing Authority, many other local businesses made contributions for food and prizes.

Many volunteers also made the day a success. Brenda Hinton, a member of the community, participated in the event by making phone calls to all of the local businesses for donations. She became involved because the group that worked on putting together the Back to School Bash also plans to start basketball teams for local children and teens. She encourages her daughter to become involved with the team.

"Teens involved with athletics are less likely to become involved with drugs, alcohol, or pregnancy," Hinton said.

She also said that the individuals

working to put the event together are all positive role models who endeavor to make the community better.

As for next year, Westley plans to make the Back to School bash an annual event, but he does not plan to stop there. He intends to utilize his major to create programs for underprivileged children to participate in. In the future, Westley would like to open his own recreation facility to help to keep children off the streets and give them a positive atmosphere to come to. Westley encourages SIUC students that are interested in the event to get involved with it next year.

"Students will make the event more rounded and diverse," Westley said.

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It's a Back to School Bash! Nora Harris (right) passed out free school supplies to 13-year-old Robert Bones (far left) and 11-year-old Robert Scott at Turley Park Saturday afternoon. The Back to School Bash was celebrating its second year for the community and welcomed to any child and parent who stopped by. The Bash was created by SIU student Unree Westley.

WOMEN'S SERVICES SEPTEMBER EVENTS

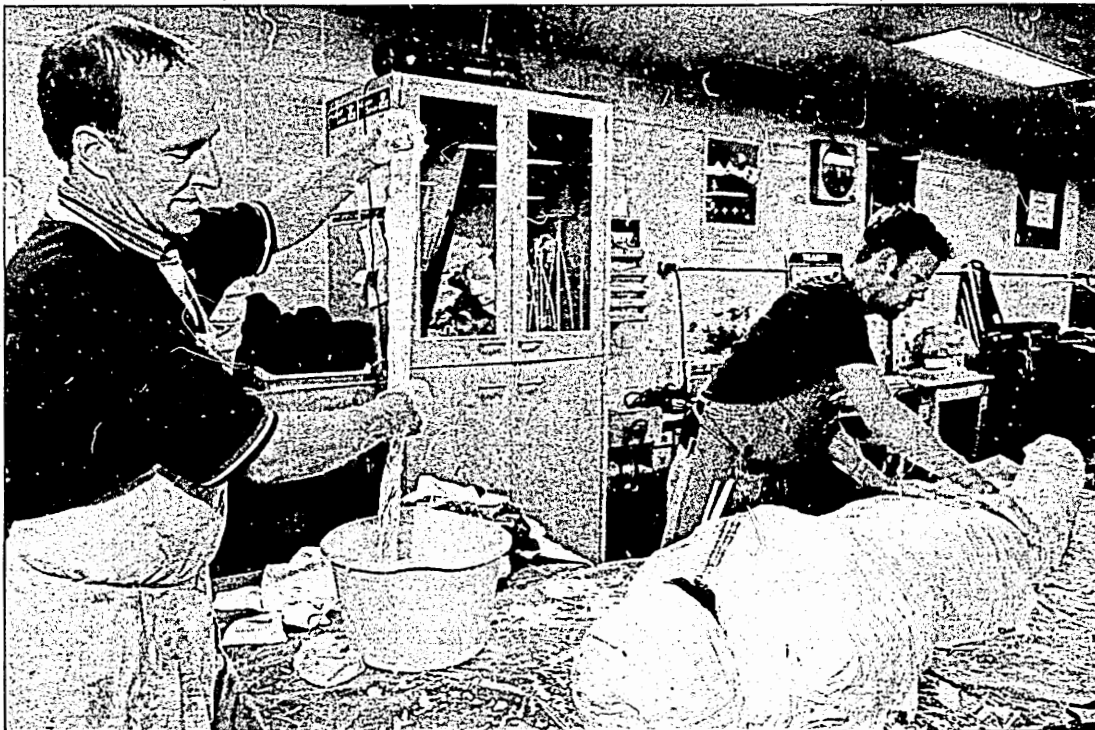
DATE	TIME	WHERE	EVENT
SEPT. 6th	9 am-12 pm	Lot 56, near Arena	Women's Auto Care Clinic
SEPT. 9th	5:30-7 pm	SC, Madinaw Room	Class Preparation Workshop
SEPT. 8th	7-8:30 pm	SC, Ohio Room	"Tough Guys" a video addressing masculinity and violence
SEPT. 22nd	5:30-7 pm	Faner 2525	Assertiveness Workshop*

*Registration Required, call 453-3655

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Buried alive



In celebration of First Thursday, Craft Shop coordinator Ron Dunkel (left) and assistant coordinator Steve Musselman (right) plaster SIU junior Charles Harrington into a mummy in the Craft Shop, located in the basement of the Student Center. The open house was to familiarize students with the Craft Shop.

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OUR WORD

Segregation is not the answer

For some, a flashback to high school brings back fond memories of senior prom, football games, learning to drive and first experiences of love.

For others, remembering high school is like experiencing torture for a second time.

But for most, high school is a combination of experiences — good and bad — that prepares them for the rest of his or her life.

A new high school opened in New York City this fall. It is staffed with qualified teachers who will teach math, science and English like any other high school in America. Only this high school is different; it caters to 100 gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and questioning youth.

At first glance, such a school may appear to be a haven for gay students from the holds of their unaccepting peers. It is a given that gay and lesbian students are far more likely to have been abused or otherwise victimized than straight students. Many probably fear violence and harassment from their peers. That constant anxiety could easily inhibit their ability to learn.

But this is also true for our increasingly overweight youth, computer geeks, math nerds and the vertically challenged.

Should we have separate schools for Mexican and Asian students because they are different? What about a separate school for black students?

Throughout history, human rights activists have worked tirelessly for equal rights and have deservingly earned them. Now, black and white students study side by side.

While some racism and reverse discrimination still exists, we have made strides at accepting our differences, learning from them and embracing them.

A gay high school is a step in the opposite direction.

Ed Villarreal, a junior in speech pathology, is openly gay. He understands the pain of verbal abuse because he has been there. Still, Villarreal said he is opposed to a segregated high school for gay students.

"At an all gay school, there might even be more pressure to fit in," he said. "Students will still face internal homophobia, just like in a 'normal' high school."

Villarreal said he felt students who attend the school will face the same problems as any student at any high school across America.

"There will still be the hierarchy of popularity," he said. "I am sure it was established with good intentions, but it is not solving anything."

We could not agree more.

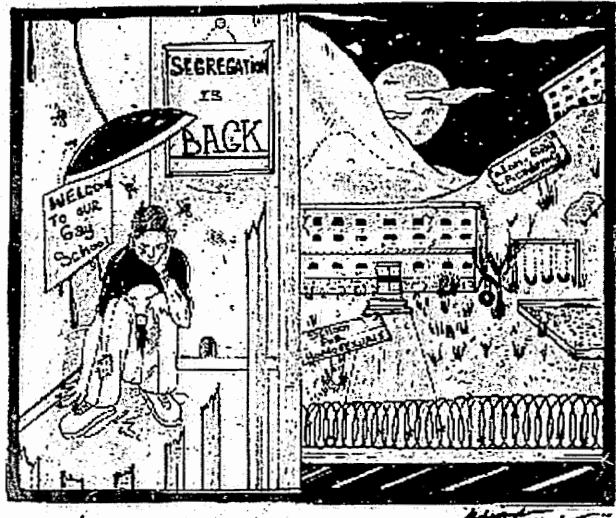
Segregating gay students from their straight counterparts may save them some hardships, but it will not prepare them for the real world — a world that is tough, harsh and many times unaccepting and unforgiving.

When these students go to college they will no longer be sheltered from discrimination. In the work place, they will be forced to work with people with different views than their own. This will be a challenge if they leave high school unprepared.

But this works both ways.

Children are forgiving. They don't know something is bad until someone teaches them it is. Therefore, if children of mixed backgrounds, races and sexual orientation grow up and are educated together, they are less likely to develop negative feelings toward each other.

We learned years ago that segregation does not solve problems. It creates them.



GUEST COLUMN

Soldiers still need your support

Kathy Williams & Amy Oxford
www.siyellowribbon.com

Is There Not Anyone Left That Still Cares...

We have not forgotten, have you? Just because the President declared the war in Iraq over May 1 does not mean the war is over for the thousands of our brave young men and women who are left over there in triple-digit temperatures, unstable, dangerous conditions and many without the basic necessities of life.

Some go months without letters or packages. Others have family members who just do not have the money to mail a package after paying for its contents.

"SI Yellow Ribbon Campaign" was started the day the war was declared in Iraq in March. It was formed totally volunteer and as a non-profit organization.

Our main objective was to encourage the public to display yellow bows and fly an American flag. Individuals were urged to wear yellow ribbon lapel pins until our soldiers came home. We started making these and selling them with all proceeds going to postage costs. There were large item drives in schools, churches, workplaces, etc., and plenty of monetary donations came in to take care of postage. Young people wrote letters and decorated cards.

A headquarters was set up to accept donations, answer calls to a phone that rang off the wall and to store items, pack boxes and ready them to mail. We keep pictures of "our" soldiers on display as well as photos from the war. A website was created to explain what we were doing and to feature "our heroes" with pictures and information to honor them. It was almost an eight to 10-hour-a-day job. We manned our headquarters Monday through Friday from 1 to 3, often staying later and also working weekends with office duties including answering the phone, keeping files, filling out custom forms and sending out letters, making fliers and putting together fundraisers. A storage room was kept with supplies where packing of boxes took place before loading them in a van to take into the post office to mail. This is often after we went all over Southern Illinois picking up the donated items from drives held. This was done by our family of three, and it was worth it because it blessed us with letters and cards of thanks that we began getting daily from very grateful soldiers who often felt the States had forgotten them.

However, when the president declared that essentially the war was over and some of the soldiers started to come home, our campaign suffered tremendously.

We were still trying to send the boxes with a larger stack of requests daily, yet our phone nearly stopped ringing, item drives ceased, cash donations dried up, and it boiled down to we still had a roomful of items that were left to mail but no postage money to do so.

We have to date sent to more than 500 servicemen and women, usually numerous boxes, cards and letters, and the number of new requests increases at an alarming rate daily. We receive some of our names from local families who gave us the name of a loved one to send to then we expanded nationally to send to soldiers from a National Organization we work through, "Operation Military Pride" who receive their names directly from the Pentagon, Commanders of Platoons or from soldiers themselves.

There seems to be a bigger need for packages now than ever before. There are still thousands and thousands of our brave men and women battling for their lives in the heat and danger. Things are more unstable than they were during the conflict, which is evident due to the high loss of life "after" the war.

Morale is low, some will be over there for a long, long time more, and others newly deployed are looking at a whole year. Some of the sad letters we receive say some units are getting only one MRE (Meals Ready to Eat issued from the government) and some limited water. Whether anyone believes this or not, our requests are desperate and real and there is a lot still very much needed. Besides those we send to from our roster of names, we also try to package and pay for postage of families locally that request our help.

Package mailing costs range from \$15 to \$25 a box. We intend to continue to do our job just as long as there are soldiers who need our help and we have the means to do so. We are open at our headquarters at 315 East Poplar St. in the old Magnolia House Tea Room Monday through Friday from 1 to 3 p.m. to accept donations or welcome anyone to just come check out our operation. Go to our website www.siyellowribbon.com and see pictures, letters, our goals and all you need to know about us. Call (618) 252-7721 to talk to us or set up an appointment if you can't come during designated times.

Please do not turn your backs on us or the service people who have not turned their backs on us in order for us to enjoy the freedoms we do enjoy. We have not forgotten, have you?

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“We cannot change anything until we accept it. Condemnation does not liberate, it oppresses.”

C.C. Jung
author

WORDS OVERHEARD

“If someone gets in an accident right now, we don't know what's going to happen. It could be very unfortunate that they don't have blood.”

Laurie Hehring
Red Cross' donor recruitment account manager for the Illinois-Missouri region

COLUMNIST

I love him, but why doesn't he love me?

My soul is torn and I weep at night when he calls me outlandish names — rat, chicken head, whore, gold-digger. In the beginning, he called me names like queen and sister, not minding when I said what was really on my mind. Now I'm a sex puppet, paraded to the world as nothing more than flesh. He doesn't allow me to address the true concerns of the world — war, teen pregnancy, gun violence, or social injustice. He tells me that people don't want to hear about the ills of the world, and that they would rather be entertained through superficial thrills.

Yet, I still love him. He doesn't like the baggy clothes I once wore representing Africa, Malcolm X and Marcus Garvey. He told me that it was a fad and that I had to get with the times. "No one was going to

I know it sounds even crazier, but I still love him

he said. So he dresses me in platinum chains, stilettoes, short shorts, and throwback dresses. He makes me hide behind the limelight by just speaking when I'm spoken to, and by being his polished trophy. I stand in utter disbelief. What happened to us?

He had so much respect for me in the beginning — physical violence was never an issue. Now, he perpetuates domestic violence to the world as if some accomplishment that should be rejoiced. I ask him if he knows how that will affect future generations who look to him for guidance.

And I still love him. I was never ashamed to bring him around my mother and white counterparts, but now when I leave home, I leave him at home, because he's so unpredictable. Monday he may speak of "flipping birds" and fully automatic pistols, and by Wednesday he's talking about the honey's booty he felt on in a

Stand up and say something ... now!

BY TIFAIR GILLESPIE
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club. On Sunday, he inspires the youth to aspire to the goals of the great leaders of today and yesterday. His actions confuse me, and, suddenly, he becomes an even greater mystery to me. How can he vary to such extremes? I don't want to love some parts of you — I want to love you completely, with no ifs, ands, and, buts. It's causing my spiritual and moral values to progress to the point of contradiction.

Now, I'm consumed with shameful infatuation for your flashy style: your diamonds, the platinum watches, the throwback jerseys. I ask myself, "What does this really hide?" The worldly possessions conceal the intelligence that you once knew, and the fact that you portend an economic status that doesn't exist.

I know it sounds even crazier, but I still love him.

Some may ask why I love someone who calls me out of my name, talks about beating me, doesn't allow me to wear the clothes I want to wear in public — one whom I can't even bring around my family and coworkers.

Why? I tell them he was once rooted in history, religion, and educating his people. Oh, but he still does. Only now it's not in public, where everyone can see, but rather behind closed doors where he speaks of truth and not deception.

That's why I love him!
I LOVE HIP HOP, BUT WHY DOESN'T HE LOVE ME?

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GUEST COLUMNIST

U.S needs U.N. in Iraq

By Mark Dominik
The Stanford Daily (Stanford U.)

STANFORD, Calif. (U-WIRE) — Tuesday's catastrophic suicide bombing of U.N. Headquarters in Iraq is a ghastly illustration that the U.S. military is not in control of the country. Claiming the lives of at least 17 civilians, including Chief U.N. Envoy Sergio Vieira de Mello, this attack sets back the effort to promote peace in the desert nation.

However tragic the event, Tuesday's blast was only the latest in a long and bloody string of attacks that have hampered American efforts to rebuild Iraq. It serves as the bloodiest — and most shocking — illustration of how the United States underestimated post-war resistance in Iraq.

Since U.S. President George W. Bush declared that major military operations in Iraq were over on May 1, there have been 312 confirmed deaths of coalition soldiers.

In the post-war backlash against U.S. occupation, Islamic militants of every variety have poured into Iraq from neighboring Iran and Saudi Arabia. These enemies are decentralized guerrilla partisans, and are thus much harder to fight using the high-tech weapons and communication devices on which the U.S. military depends so much.

The enemy we are fighting has changed; we are no longer engaged in open combat on traditional battlefields. The problem is that our tactics have not.

By not committing a sufficient number of troops to Iraq, the United States sacrificed security — and the ability to effectively deal with post-war resistance — to cost-effectiveness.

Every day it becomes clearer that the Bush administration underestimated the manpower necessary to ensure safety in post-war Iraq. By dispatching just over 160,000 soldiers to control a country with a population of 23.8 million and a landmass the size of France, the United States and its allies set the stage for victory in open battle, and defeat in guerrilla war, Vietnam-style.

Earlier this month, the international community offered to help the United States rebuild Iraq. France, Germany, Russia and India all expressed willingness to commit troops to Iraq, with the proviso that the operation be led by the United Nations.

But the Bush administration, worried that the international community might get in the way of its agenda, has once again turned a deaf ear to the rest of the world. Instead of seeking a U.N. resolution that would have paved the way for

intervention resulting in strengthened manpower in Iraq, Bush chose instead to forge ahead with a cobbled-together alliance of small countries and states dependent on U.S. foreign aid.

Four days before the attack on U.N. Headquarters, a Bush administration official, speaking on conditions of anonymity, told the International Herald Tribune that the United States did not need U.N. help in post-war Iraq.

"The administration is not willing to confront going to the Security Council and saying, 'We really need to make Iraq an international operation,'" he said. "You can make a case that it would be better to do that, but, right now, the situation in Iraq is not that dire."

If the Aug. 7 bombing of the Jordanian Embassy in Baghdad was not illustration enough that the situation in Iraq is indeed dire, then the attack on U.N. Headquarters should be. The U.S. military is not in control of the country, and the Bush administration needs to seek help from the international community — and fast.

A stronger occupation force will do much to end the immediate crisis in Iraq. But it will not end all of the problems facing the country.

The New York Times suggested Thursday that the attack on the U.N. Headquarters in Iraq indicates that terrorists in the country are pursuing a new strategy. This latest offensive aims to turn the majority of Iraqi civilians against the U.S. occupying force by demonstrating that the United States cannot maintain public safety.

The Iraqi people — whose trust in the U.S. occupation forces erodes daily — will lose what confidence they have left in their U.S. guardians unless water, power and other basic services are restored quickly.

These actions are all just short-term measures to end the crisis in Iraq. The only way to ensure long-term stability is to train Iraqis to police their own streets, to run their own power plants and to govern their own country. Only when the governing authority in the country has an Iraqi face will the average Iraqi citizen realize that attacks on the establishment are attacks on the Iraqi people.

Tuesday's suicide bombing is a bloody signal that if the United States won the war in Iraq, it has failed to win the peace. If this gruesome wake-up call is not enough to change our action plan, what target must be hit, and how many more must die, before we realize that our occupation strategy in Iraq has failed?

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LETTERS

Confessions from a non-retiree

DEAR EDITOR:

Regarding "Retirement Numbers Remain Stagnant," I feel I owe an explanation to all those whom I disappointed by returning to work this fall. Last spring, when I received Dr. Wendler's message encouraging me, as you say, "to consider the option of retirement to help alleviate budget shortfalls," I took it seriously. In the end, though, I did not retire. Now I have to live with the awful knowledge that I could have done more to prevent our retirement numbers from "remaining stagnant." I might as well come right

out and admit that my decision was selfish. I've often asked myself since then, "what if everybody chose not to retire the first chance they got? What kind of world would that leave us? And it's not a pretty picture. The number of seniors at Early Bird Dinner Specials at Shoney's would, well, go stagnant. Michael Jordan would be loitering around baseball fields and golf courses, begging pathetically for a game. Ronald Reagan would still be president, his memory even worse than that time he could not remember who told Ollie North to invade Nicaragua.

But my decision, while selfish, was carefully considered. I consulted many colleagues, and they were virtually unanimous

in their opinion that indeed I could probably do the best thing for the university by not working for it any more. They said I was just the kind of guy the university needs right now to stop contributing. I was, you might say, that rare thing: the right guy at the right time not to have a job. One colleague, with whom I've spent a lot of time on committees, even said he wished I'd had such an opportunity 10 years ago.

So why didn't I do the right thing and retire? Because I could not handle the free time. Socrates may have said that "leisure is the best of all possessions," but he was publicly executed. Thoreau thought it would "be glorious to see mankind at leisure for once,"

but he died young from a cold he caught hanging around swamps in bad weather. I can't take those kinds of chances. Besides, to be more to the point, in this day and age we define ourselves, and others define us, by the work we do and the salary we make. There's something very suspect about a slacker who packs it in early.

So I'm back, one of the 584 self-centered SIUC workers who declined to help the cause by retiring.

But at least we know that we'll always have the opportunity next year to help get those retirement numbers up where they belong.

Jim Glover

Health Education and Recreation

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SPORTSFEST

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of participants for the six events. There were also those who chose to take advantage of free watermelon, music and shade as well as informal games of Frisbee that took place while teams waited for their team to be called to take place in organized games.

There were some forfeits and no-shows. But for every person who decided not to take part in a competition, there were those who showed extreme enthusiasm for the events in spite of the heat.

Sabrina Smith, who attended Sportsfest with her sister, left the event temporarily to drop off her visiting sister, who was not as tolerant of the heat but ended up returning soon after.

Smith was convinced by her friends to return to the event and found her way to the dodge ball area, where, along with the heat, the air was filled with questions and comments about the game, which was featured in Sportsfest for the first year.

Some of the comments were questions from students uncertain of the exact rules of the games and how to get involved. However, most were from those familiar with the game and ready to play.

According to Jason Reynolds, a graduate assistant in the office of Intramural and Recreational Sports who officiated the matches, said the game had received a fair amount of participants for a new event, with between 15 and 18 teams registered and only a few forfeits.

Reynolds said that, after attending a conference for the National Intramural Recreational Sports Association, he was motivated to make dodgeball a part of

Sportsfest, intramural programs and, if all goes well, form a league by next year.

"People like to swing balls at each other," said Reynolds, who pushed to get the game added to Sportsfest. "We added it to make things fresh. Other schools are doing it, and we wanted to keep pace."

He said he did not believe the weather had affected turnout at the event too greatly. Reynolds, who had been at the fields since 8:30 a.m., said he did not personally feel it was incredibly hot outside.

The many students who spent the time in between matches sitting in the shade did not share his sentiments.

Matthew Gulli, a member of the eighth floor Neely team, spent the time before his upcoming softball game waiting in one of the few shaded areas on the 90-degree-plus day.

"I found out about it [Sportsfest] from my exceptional RA, Lindsey" said Gulli, a junior in English from Chicago. "We won our softball game, we won the volleyball game by four, and we were obliterated in dodge ball."

"It's a great way to meet people and a lot of fun though."

In spite of the annihilation by the Kellogg 2 team and the extreme heat, the team still found the time and energy to participate in a water fight with their new neighbors.

According to Andy Morgan, who coordinates events in Housing, the friendships established throughout the week, which increased through participation in the team sports offered at Sportsfest, is a goal of the event.

"We want to give people the chance to meet new students and get along better," Morgan said. "They [the students] have to live together for a whole year, it's good for them to learn to work as a team first."

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Park District encourages budget review by community

\$91,000 loan funds playground improvements

Nicole Sack
Daily Egyptian

The public has an opportunity to inspect the Carbondale Park District's proposed budget for fiscal year 2004 and develop questions and suggestions for a community meeting Sept. 8, which will solidify the budget for this fiscal year.

The proposed budget for the year (July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004) anticipates \$3,560,656 in expenditures and \$3,560,690 in projected revenues.

The Carbondale Park District must adopt a budget by Oct. 1.

Of the projected revenue, \$91,000 must come from a bank loan, according to the tentative budget.

The purpose of the loan is to make improvements on the playground equipment at Tatum Heights and Evergreen Park, according to Richard Grant, director of the Park District.

While the playground equipment is usable, it does not meet the National Playground Safety Institute safety standards, said Grant. Improvements on the park equipment were planned for last year but were deferred because of budget concerns.

Michael Heck, board treasurer, agrees that upgrading the playgrounds is necessary. However, he is skeptical about taking out a bank loan to fund the project.

Improvements need to be made so that every-

one can enjoy the parks the way they were intended," Heck said. "The question I have is whether or not it really needs to be done with a loan."

Heck's concern is that a loan would have to be paid back, plus interest. He is looking for alternatives to fund the playground improvements, such as selling some of the Park District's property.

Also on the budget agenda will be the move of the District's administrative offices from Hickory Lodge to the LIF Center.

The move is intended to consolidate offices and allow for more efficient use of staff and equipment, as well as providing better service to the customers of the District, according to Grant.

Heck strongly encourages the public to view the proposed budget and to voice questions and concerns at the public hearing of the Tentative Combined Annual Budget/Appropriations Ordinance 04-1.

The hearing will take place at the Carbondale Civic Center at 7 p.m. Sept. 8 and will be televised on City of Carbondale's government channel 16.

The Carbondale Park District was organized by referendum in 1940.

The District serves a population of 27,628 with an assessed value of \$185,462,437.

It is separate and distinct from the city, county or any other political body.

The Carbondale Park District operates Alice Wright Early Childhood Center, Hickory Ridge Family Golf Center, Kids Korner, LIFE Community Center and Hickory Lodge, Park and Golf Maintenance Headquarters.

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Locations for Review of Park District's Proposed Budget

- Park District office at Hickory lodge, 1115 W. Sycamore St.
- Carbondale Public Library, 405 W. Main St.
- LIFE Community Center, 2500 W. Sunset Drive
- Hickory Ridge Golf Course pro shop, 2727 W. Glenn Road



SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE

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Student Alumni Council

Mexican nurses may 'graduate' to U.S.

Hugh Dellios
Chicago Tribune

GUANAJUATO, Mexico (KRT) — At a time when the issue of cross-border job hunting by Mexicans is hotly debated, students at the University of Guanajuato's nursing school could soon be receiving invitations to work in the United States.

This autumn, the dean of the University of Wisconsin at Milwaukee's nursing school plans to visit the flower-bedecked, hillside campus here to start an academic exchange program. One goal could be the recruitment of Mexican nurses to help care for the booming but largely underserved Latino community in and around Milwaukee.

The idea has its roots in two years of efforts to promote cultural, educational and business ties between the states of Wisconsin and Guanajuato. The governor of Guanajuato, Juan Carlos Romero Hicks, is married to an Appleton, Wis., native and most

of their 10 children were born in the Dairy State.

But while the need for bilingual nurses grows more acute every day across the United States, the two schools are moving cautiously. They know that on the U.S. side people do not want foreigners taking local jobs, while in Mexico, people may be angered that their best nurses are being lured away.

In Guanajuato, officials also are apprehensive after being approached by other recruiters offering lots of money to attract the school's nurses to the United States, seemingly without the care and preparation that UWM is offering and requiring.

"We need to be careful with this," said Carmen Carrillo, assistant dean of Guanajuato's 250-student nursing school.

"Right now it's very scary," she said. "One guy from Texas, he was looking desperately for nurses. He was offering \$10,000 just for each name. We know there is a need for bilingual

nurses in the U.S., but with some of this, I'm not sure it's helping the U.S. or helping some (recruiters) pockets."

Sally Lundeen, the UWM nursing school dean, said she and her staff understand the sensitivities. They have set out only to discuss an exchange program that could help train Mexican nurses at a graduate level, whether they someday could come to the United States or not, while giving UWM students the opportunity to study in Mexico.

"This is not about buying Mexican nurses. This is about working toward international cooperation," said Lundeen, whose school has ties with schools in South Korea and Eastern Europe.

"This should be about meeting the global need for nurses, not just in the U.S. but around the world. We have erred on the side of saying, 'If we can't guarantee that Mexico will not be disadvantaged by this, then we will not go to that level of exchange.'"

Nevertheless, Lundeen said the

need for Spanish-speaking nurses is far more dire than the general shortage of nurses in the United States.

Across the country, only 2 percent of nurses come from Hispanic communities, while only 12 percent of nurses overall qualify as minorities, she said.

"We have a desperate shortage of people who have language skills or share the same cultural background as these communities," she said.

Discussion of recruiting nurses and teachers to fill shortages has been a central facet of talks between Guanajuato and Wisconsin officials. On visits to the U.S., Romero Hicks has met with university officials in Milwaukee and Madison, and he is set to meet again with state leaders after attending Milwaukee's Fiesta Mexicana this week.

Guanajuato is also the home state of Mexican President Vicente Fox, who briefly studied in Wisconsin as a youth and who visited the state soon after his election in 2000.

The interstate ties also have been promoted by a Guanajuato-born UWM professor named Javier Tapia, who began studying Mexican immigration to Milwaukee last year. What he found was that the number of Mexicans in Milwaukee is probably underestimated and that this contributes to a shortage of services for them.

The U.S. Census said the Hispanic population in Milwaukee more than doubled from 32,000 in 1990 to 72,000 in 2000, a leap similar in magnitude to what occurred in Chicago. Milwaukee's overall population is about 597,000.

Tapia and others say that not only is there a shortage of nurses and teachers from the Hispanic community but that there also are few young Hispanics entering those professions. They feel that bringing in Mexicans or other Latinos could not only help the community prosper and contribute in its new home but provide some role models too.

Oxygen bars present a trendy new aroma to U. Kansas nightlife

Kevin Kampwirth
University Daily Kansan

LAWRENCE, Kan. (U-WIRE) — Rum and Coke, a Budweiser and a shot of oxygen.

Get used to hearing this bar order.

Oxygen bars, the latest craze from overseas that have found a place in American pop culture over the past few years in cities such as Seattle, Los Angeles and Chicago, have now found a home in Lawrence, Kan.

"It's really new in the Midwest," said Juana Simons, owner of the oxygen bar AirO2mas. "But people really seem to be getting used to the idea."

Simons' oxygen bar is portable, which allows her to cater to private parties as well as bars and clubs. Simons has operated her oxygen bar

for about a year.

Oxygen bars, popular in Japan, Europe and Canada for almost 10 years, originally started as a way to combat the unhealthy effects of air pollution.

The air we breathe on a day-to-day basis consists of about 19 to 21 percent oxygen, whereas the air dispensed in an oxygen bar contains anywhere from 87 to 95 percent oxygen.

Based on this, frequenters of oxygen bars claim the service boosts energy levels and improves endurance and concentration. They even said it takes the edge off headaches and hangovers.

Staci Chew, employee at the Lawrence bar Eight-One-Five, 815 New Hampshire St., which offers the service on Friday and Saturday nights, said she tried it a number of

times. The bar has offered oxygen for a couple months.

"It's just nice because it wakes you up and gives a very refreshed feeling," Chew said.

An oxygen bar is based on filtration. A small generator pulls in normal air from the bar and filters for impurities. The filtered air then travels up a tube that leads to a cylinder of water. The user puts a separate tube in their nose, similar to a breathing tube seen in hospitals, which connects to the water cylinder. Concentrated oxygen is then pulled from the water and travels up the user's tube and into the nose.

The water is usually scented, or "flavored," to make the experience more enjoyable. Each flavor offers a different sensation when inhaled. For example, "Serenity" is calming and warm, "The Beach" provides a cool,

refreshing scent and "Chillin'" gives a purifying effect.

"Flavoring the oxygen just makes it easier to take," Simons said. "It also prevents drying out of the air passages."

Sessions last anywhere from five to 30 minutes. Exceeding 30 minutes is not recommended because breathing pure oxygen for an extended period of time can be toxic and cause breathing to stop.

Recreational oxygen use is generally not considered dangerous to a normal, healthy person if it is used properly and for short periods of time.

According to the American Lung Association website, inhaling oxygen at oxygen bars is not likely to be beneficial to one's health, saying "there is no evidence that oxygen at the low flow levels used in bars can

be dangerous to a normal person's health."

People with lung conditions such as emphysema are not recommended to use recreational oxygen because too much oxygen may cause them to stop breathing.

Lida Osborn, a specialist in pulmonary care, said the levels of oxygen dispensed at oxygen bars are generally safe but refused any medical benefits it may have.

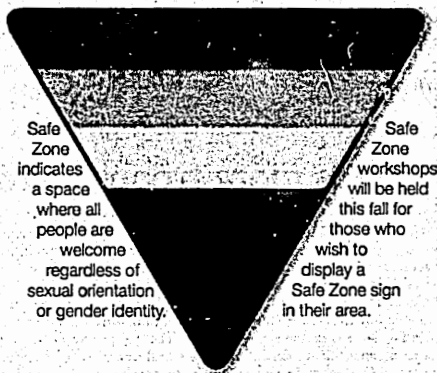
"Any apparent effect that a normal person may have is probably just a placebo effect," Osborn said.

Beneficial or not, oxygen bars continue to open up all over the country as word spreads among faithful users and as more people find out about it.

"Everyone should try it and not be scared," Chew said. "It's a great experience."

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Sunday poses latest SoBig threat

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SAN FRANCISCO (KRT) — One wave passed Friday without exacting substantial damage on the world's computers, but the next threat from SoBig was right around the corner: The virus was set to strike yet again at 3 p.m. Sunday.

As of 3:20 p.m., there were no clear indications of whether a fresh virus attack was under way or doing any damage. Representatives of security firms Symantec, Network Associates and Keynote Systems were unreachable by telephone.

Friday afternoon's expected second major wave of e-mail-borne attacks from the fast-spreading SoBig.f virus was foiled, according to network security analysts. But technology experts and computer-security analysts spent little time celebrating that apparent victory, instead hastening to note that another attempted another strike was on tap for the weekend.

Internet service providers, at the coaxing of international authorities, appeared to have found a magic bullet Friday in shutting down 20 Internet addresses that attackers planned to use as a launching pad, said Craig Schmugar, a Network Associates virus research engineer.

"Just before the attack, five of the 20 addresses were still responding, and none of them are right now," Schmugar said in a Friday interview with CBS MarketWatch. He said authorities still don't know who is behind the SoBig virus, which has sent millions of infected messages across the Internet this week.

Keynote Systems, a provider

of network performance-management and testing services, reported no unusual problems on the major Internet backbones in the U.S., the Asia-Pacific region or Europe.

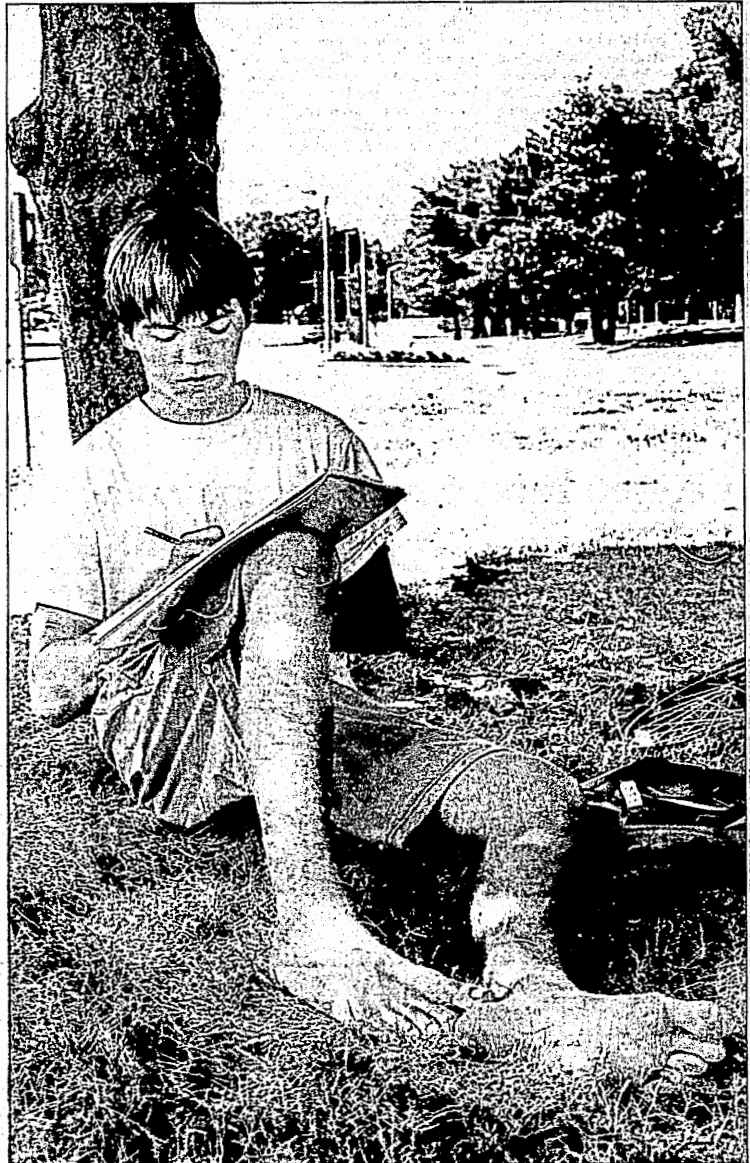
Researchers said it's possible the attack could resume if one of the Internet addresses were to be reactivated. It appears that one of the 20 addresses might have briefly come back on, said Mark Sunner, chief technology officer of MessageLabs, a New York-based e-mail security software maker, although he said he had no evidence that damage had been done.

"We're still intercepting SoBig messages," Sunner said late Friday. "But unless these machines come back online, we're pretty much over it now." He said about one in 48 e-mails sent is infected with the virus, down from one in 17 when just before Friday's attack deadline, the FBI and other authorities scrambled to turn off all the computers that were set to launch malicious software code to systems that are already infected with the SoBig virus. SoBig earlier this week became one of the fastest-spreading e-mail bugs ever.

At the time, security researchers didn't know what type of software program the attackers planned to spread.

"We don't know what the net effect will be, since we don't know what this Trojan is going to try to download — it could be any number of things," said Dan Ingevaldson, engineering manager at security software-maker Internet Security Systems (ISSX), minutes before the virus was set to spread Friday.

The tree of knowledge



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Kirk Venden, a freshman from Morton, relaxes under a tree in front of Life Science III while making a drawing for class. Venden, an architecture major, made good use of the weather to complete his assignment.

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Critics say U.S. needs more troops in Iraq

Ken Dilanian
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD (KRT) — As a bomb attack narrowly missed one of Iraq's most important Shiite clerics Sunday, U.S. officials in Baghdad fended off criticism that they don't have enough troops or money to make Iraq secure for reconstruction.

The bomb exploded in the Shiite holy city of Najaf, about 100 miles south of Baghdad, outside the house of Ayatollah Mohammed Baqer al-Hakim, a relative of a member of Iraq's U.S.-appointed governing council. It killed three of his bodyguards and injured 10 others, including some of the cleric's family members.

Meanwhile, in Baghdad, U.S. troops closed a major bridge over the Tigris River while they removed explosives that were found there, Iraqi police said. No one was hurt.

And the International Committee of the Red Cross said it was scaling back the number of its workers in Baghdad after receiving warnings that the organization might be a terror

target. The continuing instability in Iraq is encouraging critics of the Bush administration to speak out.

On Sunday, U.S. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who just returned from Iraq, warned in Washington that frustration among the population is seriously undermining the U.S.-led reconstruction effort, and he called for the Bush administration to commit thousands more troops and substantially more money.

"Time is not on our side," McCain said on the NBC program "Meet the Press." "People in 125 degree heat, with no electricity and no fuel, are going to become angry in a big hurry. ... The money has got to flow. We've got to get these oil pipelines repaired. We've got to get the water flowing."

Bush administration officials responded by reiterating their view that no additional troops are needed in Iraq, while officials with the U.S.-led coalition in Baghdad used a news briefing to highlight what they called a significant rebuilding effort that was unimpeded by recent terror attacks.

"In every one of the Iraqi governorates (provinces), there are major reconstruction projects going on," said Charles Heatley, a spokesman for the U.S.-led coalition in Baghdad, who said the value of ongoing projects is about \$1 billion.

The restoration of security and essential services is not happening fast enough to stave off deep frustration among Iraqis, said McCain, who added his voice to numerous Democrats who have been criticizing the Bush administration's post-war Iraq policy.

McCain, a Vietnam veteran who has never been afraid to differ with the president on national security matters, is the second high-profile Republican to express doubts, after Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

McCain said he feared that a disillusioned Iraqi populace could become a hospitable environment for the foreign Islamic radicals who U.S. officials say are streaming into the country.

The senator said he believed that at least another division of troops was required to enhance security in Iraq.

Alabama chief justice blurs line between church, state

Wes Smith
The Orlando Sentinel

MONTGOMERY, Ala. (KRT) — Kelly McGinley's favorite recollection of her friend "The Chief" has nothing to do with Roy Moore's defiant efforts to keep his monument of the Ten Commandments in place here last week.

Instead, the Christian radio host from Mobile offered a more personal story of a vacation trip their families shared and how the fiercely determined Moore, 56, took his eager young sons water-skiing one day, even though he was in agony with back spasms.

"The problem with this country is that we don't have enough men with backbone. The Chief has backbone," said McGinley, who spent last week in Montgomery supporting Moore.

Alabama's chief justice has been suspended with pay pending an investigation of ethics violations, and his lawyer said he has given up his efforts to keep the granite slab known as "Roy's Rock" displayed in the rotunda of the state Judicial Building.

But even Moore's many critics fear that these setbacks will only make the iron-willed jurist stronger. They noted that his legions of Bible Belt supporters have been promoting the born-again Republican as a potential candidate for governor even as state officials are trying to remove him from his current position.

"Judge Moore is a good soldier of Jesus Christ. The majority of people in Alabama support him, whichever direction the good Lord steers him next," said the Rev. Rick Dorley, pastor of the Westside Baptist Church of Tallahassee, Ala., who sat for hours in the broiling sun outside the court building last week.

The problem is that Moore is not content with being the state's chief justice or any other elected office-holder, said Richard Cohen, chief counsel of the Southern Poverty Law Center in Montgomery.

"He also wants to be chief minister, too, and that's what's wrong with him," said Cohen, who — in association with the American Civil Liberties Union and Americans United for the Separation of Church and State — filed the lawsuit to have Moore's monument removed.

Controversial jurist Roy Moore is not the sort of man about whom people have mixed feelings.

Nor does he seem capable of ambivalence or compromise himself.

Friends and foes alike say Moore, who did not respond to requests for an interview, perceives the world in pure shades of black and white.

His backers see his unwavering religious conviction as a sign of moral strength.

"He gets his boldness from the Lord," McGinley said. "He's a fighter,

and if you can direct that toward righteousness and truth, boy, you've got a jewel of a man."

Moore's detractors say his declarations that he answers to God rather than to man's laws constitute a fatal flaw for an elected chief justice responsible for enforcing secular state regulations. They say he is a "disgrace to the judicial system" and a "demagogue" who uses religion to build political power in the same way that former Alabama Gov. George Wallace used race.

The son of a jackhammer operator, Moore is a "humble country boy raised in the hollows of Etowah County in northeast Alabama," McGinley noted. "But he went to West Point, and not just average folks go to West Point."

The future state Supreme Court chief justice was born in 1947, the oldest of five children raised in poverty. He has often noted that the family's Alabama home had no indoor bathrooms.

Moore grew up a conservative Baptist. From an early age he could quote lengthy passages of Scriptures. Even today, whenever he gathers with friends, "he goes right into teaching the word of God and the Constitution," McGinley said.

"He eats, sleeps and breathes it," she said. "People listen to him for hours and hours, like moths to a flame."

Moore has been a folk hero known as "the Ten Commandments judge" to conservative Christians since he defied a lower-court order to remove his handmade wooden plaque of them from his Etowah Circuit Court room in 1995.

Moore's monument to the Ten Commandments is a statement that Christian moral principles control our nation, said the Rev. Rob Schenck of the National

Clergy Council Schenck was among those arrested Wednesday for refusing to leave the monument. Jailed for five hours, he spent most of them "in solitary confinement" because he had attempted to lead his cellmates in prayer, he said.

The man who inspires such devotion was president of his high-school student council and was voted the "prince" and most likely to succeed in his 1965 graduating class. He also was selected for Boys State and the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., where he conducted Bible classes for fellow cadets.

After West Point graduation in 1969, Moore was sent to Vietnam as a second lieutenant in the Military Police. His strict adherence to regulations there nearly brought revolt from soldiers who disdained his "Captain

recall election.

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America" demeanor. Characteristically, Moore was not deterred.

At the end of his five years of military service, Moore entered law school at the University of Alabama, graduating in 1977. He then returned home as an associate district attorney. He ran as a Democrat for Etowah County circuit judge in 1982 and lost.

His life then took an unusual turn.

He went to Texas to study under a famous kickboxer, and then he lived in Australia, fighting in kickboxing matches and working on a cattle ranch.

As a private citizen, Moore is free to follow God's law, his critics say.

But, they add, as an elected chief justice of the Alabama Supreme Court, he is sworn to follow state and federal law.

Cohen's civil-liberties group joined others in suing for the removal of Moore's Ten Commandments monument and triggered the stand-off last week that has put Moore and Alabama at the explosive core of renewed national debate on the separation of church and state.

They portray Moore as a politician lying to build a national political base among conservative Christians by riding the Ten Commandments controversy. Politics and power, not spiritual principles, are his true motivation, they say.

"He and the Christian Coalition are trying to use this issue to rally their political supporters," Cohen said.

Moore has a history of using his religious beliefs to advance his political career. He returned to the Gadsden area in 1984 to practice law and two years later lost a Democratic run for district attorney.

Shortly after that loss, he became a Republican and got more involved in party politics. In 1992, Gov. Guy Hunt appointed him to fill a vacated Circuit Court seat.

Moore first attracted widespread public attention eight years ago when the ACLU sued for the removal of the Ten Commandments plaque from his Etowah courtroom wall.

The Alabama Supreme Court ultimately dismissed the lawsuit on technical grounds and never ruled on the plaque's legality. But the publicity earned Moore a reputation across the Southeast.

Christian conservatives embraced a judge willing to speak out in favor of their beliefs and supported him when he ran for the state's chief justice position in 2000.

But those who didn't share Moore's conservative religious beliefs found his outspoken stands disturbing — particularly one he became the state's most powerful legal figure and installed his granite monument in the Montgomery courts building.

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Air Force cadets in trouble again

Tom Roeder
The Gazette

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. (KRT) — Eight Air Force Academy cadets are in hot water after police raided their hotel party and found them drinking with two high school girls.

Police went to Radisson Inn Colorado Springs North to check on the girls, 16 and 18, who left a dance Friday night at Pine Creek High School.

Officers ticketed the girls and three cadets for underage drinking before turning all of the cadets over to Air Force Academy officials.

Police and academy officials didn't identify the cadets or the girls.

Lt. Col. Perry Nouis said the incident is troubling even though no allegations other than underage

drinking have come out of the hotel room gathering.

The academy continues to struggle with a sex-assault scandal that has resulted in four investigations and the removal of the academy's top four officers this year. Female cadets alleged some sex-assault reports were ignored and some alleged attackers weren't adequately punished. In many cases, alcohol played a role.

"A lot of the story that has been covered in the past year has involved alcohol," Nouis said.

The cadets involved in Friday's hotel party were back in their dormitories Saturday and will face questioning.

Nouis said academy brass want to know who supplied alcohol to the three underage cadets and the high school girls as well as who was drinking and who rented the room.

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Anthony Ha
The Stanford Daily (Stanford U.)

STANFORD, Calif. (U-WIRE) — Hoover Fellow and former U.S. Secretary of State George P. Shultz recently joined the gubernatorial campaign of actor Arnold Schwarzenegger. Shultz, along with billionaire investor Warren Buffett, has become one of the chief advisers in Schwarzenegger's attempt to replace California Gov. Gray Davis in the upcoming Oct. 7,

recall election.

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Edwards, now an underdog, continues on the campaign trail

Jeff Zeleny
 Chicago Tribune

RICHMOND, Va. (KRT) — The most admired fresh face in the presidential race once belonged to Sen. John Edwards, who downplayed being anointed People magazine's "sexiest politician in America" while persuading Democrats that his charisma and Southern roots could win back the White House.

But the ascending candidacy of former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean, as well as a crowded field of nine contenders, has complicated the political path for Edwards. Suddenly, after spending a year convincing party leaders that he was presidential material, the North Carolina senator is fending off suggestions that his campaign has gone dormant and he is having second thoughts about the race.

"It's a fantasy. It's not true," Edwards said in an interview, exasperated by reports he might shelve his presidential ambitions and seek another term in the Senate next year. "I am 100 percent committed to this race for the presidency, and I am in it to the end."

The lifeline for Edwards may rest in Virginia and a collection of other Southern states, which, for the first time, are playing a pivotal role in the presidential nominating season. The traditional early-balling states of Iowa and New Hampshire are followed by primary elections in South Carolina, Virginia, Tennessee and Oklahoma, where Edwards hopes he can build a February firewall that would sustain his campaign until a

nominee is chosen.

So this week, between the conclusion of a six-day bus tour of Iowa and the opening day of a similar journey across New Hampshire, Edwards made a quick visit to Richmond to pursue a Plan B strategy. He hopes to gain ground on rivals who so far have edged him out of the first, second and third positions in the opening states of the 2004 presidential campaign.

"If he's going to make the argument that he's going to win, he has to show that he can take Southern states," said Jim Nachman, a Richmond lawyer who heard Edwards speak at a Capital Club breakfast reception here Wednesday. "It's not lost on me that the past three Democratic presidents were from the South."

The fact that Edwards hails from the same side of the Mason-Dixon Line as Lyndon Johnson, Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton has been one of the strongest selling points of an otherwise unlikely presidential bid for Edwards, who has yet to complete his first term in the Senate. In fact, among the Democratic candidates, only Al Sharpton has less experience in elective office.

But after raising more money than any other candidate during the first three months of the year, Edwards now has embarked on an aggressive plan to introduce — and in some cases reintroduce — himself to voters in the early states. To

regain its footing, the campaign has purchased more than \$1 million in advertisements in Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina, telling his son-of-a-millworker-makes-good tale.

The aggressive television push, coming before Labor Day when political campaigns traditionally intensify, underscores the urgent concern for Edwards. Polls routinely show him near the bottom of the field, registering only 2 percent in a New Hampshire survey this week and 5 percent in the Iowa Poll earlier this month.

While Edwards disagrees that there is an 11th-hour urgency to his campaign, he concedes that the coming months are critical if his presidential aspirations are to continue.

"My job is to make sure they touch me and see me," Edwards said last week, as Iowa corn and soybean fields passed by the windows of his campaign bus.

"Over the next three months — August, September, October, maybe into November — I need to be moving."

Few voters and Democratic activists are paying careful attention to the candidates or the campaign in this early stage of the race. But several of Edwards' admirers said privately that the momentum built by Dean, Sen. John Kerry of Massachusetts and Rep. Richard Gephardt of Missouri is troubling and may be difficult to overcome.

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University of Utah researchers study Hantavirus in deer mice

Cara Wieser
 Daily Utah Chronicle (U. Utah)

SALT LAKE CITY (U-WIRE) — Off-road driving and other recreational diversions are a common occurrence in southern Utah's wilderness. So is the spread of the hantavirus disease.

University of Utah biologist Denise Dearing's research suggests a link between the two.

Her team — comprised of University of Utah graduate and undergraduate students and other scientists — recently received a five-year grant of more \$1.8 million from the National Science Foundation to study the disease in

the deer mice of Utah's deserts.

Dearing's 2001 study found a prevalence of hantavirus in mice in central Utah. The study proposed that the disease "could be due to disturbance by humans, primarily intensive use of all-terrain vehicles at the study site."

The disease in humans can be fatal, usually occurring in the form of a lethal lung infection.

Dearing's study indicated that most people who have the disease contracted it in disturbed wilderness areas.

According to the Utah Department of Health, there have been three reported cases of hantavirus in humans in 2003.

The hantavirus is "transmitted among deer mice when they bite each other," said Dearing. "People get hantavirus from inhaling virus particles shed in mouse urine and feces."

Mice living in disturbed habitats tend to travel more-according to Dearing's study-which can contribute to the spread of the disease.

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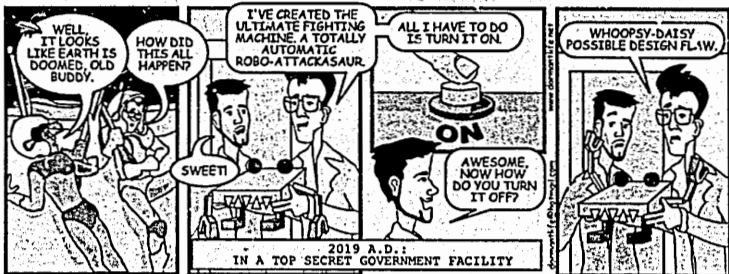
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Marcy is a 28 year old cat keeper who enjoys reading about cats and sometimes kittens. All of her sweaters are covered in cat hair. As of now, she has 56 cats. Her apartment is a feline nightmare. Her Garfield magnet collection has to be seen to be believed.

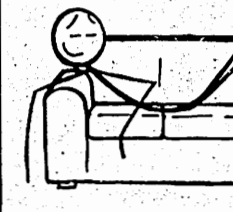
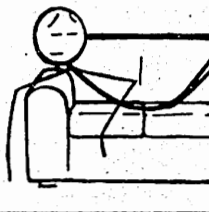
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The Quigmans

by Buddy Hickerson



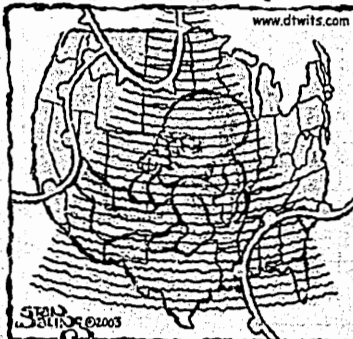
Sadly, most of Arnold's campaign money is being sucked up by lawsuits from victims of bone-crushing handshakes.

Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. Black
Today's Birthday (Aug. 25). You're under a bit of pressure this year, possibly due to your own decisions. Go ahead and make the commitment that you've contemplated for a long time. Have faith. It looks like things will turn out even better than you expected.
To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.
Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 6 - You're not in the middle of the mess, and you're in a good position to render assistance. Somebody needs it.
Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is an 8 - You can make your environment even more comfortable. Add a little bit here, take a little from there. With some tweaking, you'll achieve perfection.
Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - It's good to be enthusiastic, but don't overlook the details. If you take time to keep your area clean, you'll learn the material faster.
Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 7 - If you find yourself in the spotlight, fall back on familiar habits. Something you've relied on a thousand times will get you through once again.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 7 - It's hard to apply limitations, especially to yourself. If you can manage to do it, though, your money will go a lot further.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - It's time to make an improvement that you've been thinking about. Don't wait for somebody else to decide. You're the one who's in control.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 6 - It's a good time to make decisions after reviewing all the facts. Even trying out a brand new idea or procedure should go very well.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - There will be a test, and you could win a raise or promotion. Prove that you know what you're doing and, even better, that you love doing it.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 7 - If you can get out for a while, great! You'll enjoy the fresh air, even if you're on business. You're also on a rather short leash, but have the best time you can possibly have.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is an 8 - You're a natural negotiator, but you can do even better. Have your lowest and highest offers worked out in your mind ahead of time.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 6 - It's sometimes nice to lean back and let someone take care of you. Don't struggle to maintain control. Let it go. This time, anyway.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 7 - That assignment may be over, but another one is coming in. Your services are in demand. Don't complain; be proud you're achieving success. You may even want to raise your fee.

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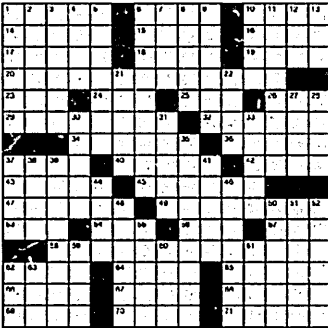
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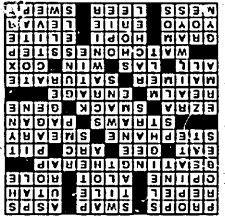
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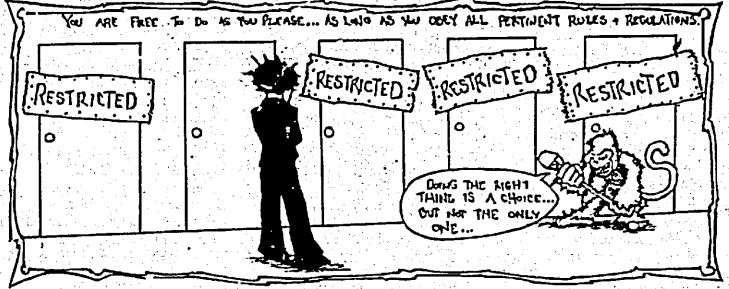
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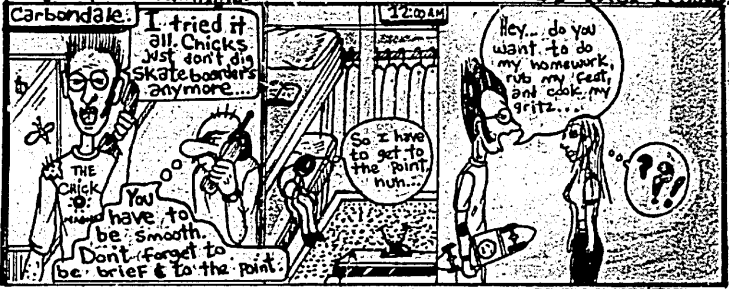
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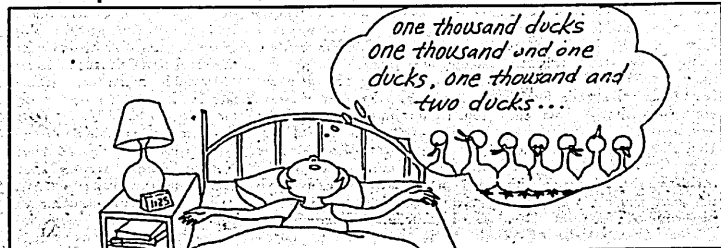
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Saluki football team goes on the defensive

Salukis hope improved depth leads to improved performance

Jens Deju
Daily Egyptian

The SIU football team enters the season fully aware it sports a dominant offense. But the question is, how good will the defense be?

Last year, SIU boasted a top-five offense in Division I-AA for a majority of the season but was nowhere near that in the defensive rankings.

In fact, it was ranked 101st.

In the Gateway Conference, the Salukis ranked dead last in scoring defense (30 points a game), pass defense (208.5 yards), run defense (197.4 yards) and total defense (405.9 yards, 50 touchdowns and 5.3 yards per play). SIU also had the worst red-zone defense, allowing opponents to score on 40 of 44 trips inside the SIU 20-yard-line, with 38 of those trips resulting in touchdowns.

Some factors in the poor numbers were youth and inexperience, as SIU had just one senior and one junior starter on the defensive side of the ball by the end of the year. In com-

parison, there were six sophomores and three freshmen holding down the fort for the Salukis.

SIU defensive coordinator Tracy Clays said a lot of players who should have redshirted were forced into action, and, as a result, the Salukis routinely had 18-year-olds going up against 23-year-olds.

As a result of this baptism by fire, when the Salukis defense reported to fall practice, Clays said they were more developed than other players their same age.

"No comparison, we're so much farther ahead," Clays said. "We're bigger, stronger, faster. I think the kids understand what we're doing a lot better."

The linebacker spot is the most solid position for the Dawgs this season. Senior Eric Egan and sophomore Royal Whitaker combined for 170 tackles last year.

While Egan entered the season as SIU's top linebacker, Whitaker began as a backup to sophomore Jeff Jones. The Salukis knew his talent, but no one anticipated the impact he would have.

"He came in and played like a veteran from the first day last year," said Egan, the lone senior starter. "Everybody was pretty much amazed."

Whitaker started the final eight games of the season after taking

over for Jones and had three double-digit tackle games, tallying 14 against Western Illinois, 17 against Southwest Missouri State and 12 against Youngstown State.

The backups to Egan and Whitaker are sophomores Thomas Laing and Phillip Doyle.

As physical specimens, Laing and Doyle are almost complete opposites. Laing measures in at 5-foot-10 and weighs 210 pounds, while Doyle is 6-foot-3 and weighs 230 pounds. Last season, Laing was tied for second on the team with two interceptions while recording 17 tackles. Doyle made seven tackles while playing primarily special teams.

After those four, the position is incredibly thin.

"That's the one position where we're going to have to avoid injuries," Clays said.

The linebacking corps already took a major hit when sophomore Max Pierre, who played in all 12 games as a true freshman, was lost for the season after tearing his anterior cruciate ligament.

A few feet in front of the linebackers, the defensive line can potentially go 10 players deep.

"That went from a position of big concern a year ago because of our youth, and all that to one that should be the strength of our defense," Clays said.

The unit returns three starters in juniors Lionel Williams (30 tackles, three sacks and two forced fumbles), Chris Sutherlin (15 tackles and two sacks) and sophomore Mark Philipp (35 tackles).

Also looking to make an impact on the line are converted linebacker Jones, Billy Beard, Linton Brown, Adam Harrison, Andrew Franklin and James Fields.

Philipp, who suffered a major knee injury in spring practice but has recovered quickly, said it is easy for him to see the main differences between the defensive front this year as opposed to last season.

"Depth," Philipp said bluntly. "We got a good second team, we're focusing more, we're more aggressive. You know, just the good stuff."

That depth will probably be the key to whether or not the Saluki defense can go from being the worst in the conference to one of the best.

Nevertheless, SIU knows it has to play better than last year.

The Salukis cannot afford to be forced into shootouts week in and week out if they plan to finally turn the corner in Coach Jerry Kill's rebuilding process.

"The old cliché, offense sells tickets, but defense wins games, it is a cliché, but it is true," Egan said. "We definitely need to shut people down. The game of football works both

DE	57	Chris Sutherlin, Jr.
	90	James Fields
DT	92	Linton Brown
	52	Jeff Jones
DT	94	Lionel Williams
	66	Justin Lowes
DE	51	Andrew Franklin
	65	Billy Beard
LB	34	Royal Whitaker
	42	Phillip Doyle
LB	35	Eric Egan
	3	Thomas Laing
CB	9	Melvin Vance
	1	Justin George
S	15	Frank Johnson
	41	Paul Wright
FS	7	Alexis Moreland
	17	Stanley Bryant
S	20	Jamarquis Jordan
	2	Cortez McBerry
CB	28	Yemi Akisanya
	33	Brad Brachear

ways. You've got to stop people and score points, not just score points."

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DEFENSIVE

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injuries during the week in practices because we really didn't have anybody else who could play."

Now the Salukis not only have enough healthy bodies to play, but their defensive backfield is also oozing with talent.

Moreland has become one of the finest defensive backs in all of Division I-AA. The two-year starter is a preseason All-American and has racked up 200 tackles in his first two seasons as a Saluki.

But there is more to the unit than Moreland.

Several other defensive backs were forced into immediate playing time last season, and while they struggled at times, it helped them mature more quickly than the bench would have.

"I think it's made us more mentally tough, and we can handle situations better," McBerry said. "When we get down in games, I think we won't panic as much."

Sophomores Yemi Akisanya, Brad Brachear, Jay Upthegrove and Paul Wright all saw significant time as freshmen and are

expected to provide the Salukis with quality play. Also looking to leave a mark is senior James Smith and last season's backup quarterback Stanley Bryant, who is now a safety.

But the biggest boost to the unit comes from a trio of junior college transfers: junior Melvin Vance and sophomores Frank Johnson and Jamarquis Jordan.

Vance, a 6-foot-11, 210-pound cornerback, Johnson, a 5-foot-11, 185-pound safety, and Jordan, a 6-foot, 200-pound safety, have all been so impressive that the trio is now listed with Moreland and Akisanya as the Salukis' starting defensive backfield on the latest depth chart.

The coaches are not the only ones impressed with the new crop of defenders. Known as a devastating hitter himself, Moreland feels Johnson is not only a harder hitter than himself but that he may be the hardest hitter in the Gateway Conference. Moreland also said Vance and Jordan both have the athletic ability to not only shut

down opposing receivers, but punish running backs as well.

Sawell said junior college transfers come in light years ahead of freshmen because they have already played at the collegiate level and have been in their new program through a spring practice, where they are able to adjust to the new system.

"If you can do those things, you're going to be a pretty good defensive player for the most part, and that's what those three guys do a nice job of. They like to play."

— Jay Sawell
SIU defensive back coach

But regardless of how much experience he has, Sawell said being a good defensive back comes down to being able to run, hit and tackle.

"If you can do those things, you're going to be a pretty good defensive player for the most part, and that's what those three guys do a nice job of," Sawell said. "They like to play."

So far in practice, the defensive backs have performed and appear to be vastly improved over last year's group.

But until they perform once the game starts, Kill said, he is not going to be sure about just how talented his group is.

"In camp we've seen great strides, but you've got to see it on Saturdays," Kill said. "There's a difference between practicing everyday than playing on Saturdays. Some guys really turn it up when the lights come on, and 'til we get up underneath the lights, I won't know."

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CLEMMONS

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said Carbondale is gonna be his new home."

Bush said he expects Clemmons to immediately contribute upon arrival at SIU, as Clemmons is already strong enough to compete at the Division I level. Bush also praised Clemmons' endurance and durability. He played all 32 minutes of most of his high school's games. Bush said he'd only seen Clemmons injured once, and that only required a few days off to heal.

The Space Pioneers, who went 12-9 last season and lost their first game in the state playoffs, utilize a motion offense similar to the one used by Painter and the Salukis. The program also produced Rodney Carney, who started as a freshman last year with John Calipari's University of Memphis program.

Clemmons can play either guard position and has even been pressed into service on the interior due to the Space Pioneers' lack of size. Clemmons chose SIU over a host of fellow Missouri Valley Conference schools, Akron and South Florida.

He'll be able to finalize his intentions by signing a national letter of intent during the fall signing period, which begins Nov. 12.

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MERCHANT

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both OVC foes last season and look to exact revenge on both squads this time around.

SEMO and Murray are still quality opponents, but SIU should have beat at least one, if not both, of them last year. The Salukis haven't swept the Indians and Racers since 1999, which was also the last time the Dawgs entered conference play undefeated. With the way head coach Jerry Kill pieced together his schedule this year, both streaks have a good chance of being snapped.

Being the only two teams that did not schedule an opponent from a BCS conference, Youngstown and SIU should have plenty of momentum heading into the

Gateway season. Only time will tell how long they'll be able to hold onto it and if they will threaten for the league title.

Now, SIU head coach Jerry Kill has his reasons for slating the teams that he did. He is still in the middle of a rebuilding process, and taking on too many teams from D-I could do more harm than good.

The Salukis played 12 games last season, including one against Division I-A Eastern Michigan. He has said that things didn't work out to where he could schedule a top team this season and in the future he will try and phase out the Division II opponents for more D-I. But that doesn't change the fact that SIU has one of the weakest schedules in the Gateway.

At the other end of the spectrum, Northern Iowa appears to have the toughest road to the playoffs. The Panthers open the season on the road at Iowa State, play host to Northern Michigan, and, following a bye week, battle two tough I-AA teams in Stephen F. Austin and Northwestern State.

In addition, UNI also has a dif-

ficult conference slate, going on the road to take on title contenders Illinois State, Western Illinois and Western Kentucky.

The rest of the league seems to have similar schedules in terms of toughness. Division I-A teams such as Illinois, Indiana, Oklahoma State, Louisiana State and Auburn are sprinkled in with Division II "powerhouses" such as Truman State, East Central, Wayne State (Neb.) and West Virginia Tech.

Indiana State probably has the second toughest schedule with 12 games on the slate for the second straight year. The Sycamores are the only Gateway team without a Division II opponent. Instead, they will face Indiana, Ball State, Florida International, Murray State and Eastern Illinois.

Defending national champion Western Kentucky decided to take it easy, squaring the early goings with NAIA squad Union (Ky.) College, West Virginia Tech of D-II

"fame" and cross-state rival Eastern Kentucky coming to Bowling Green. However, with road games at Western Illinois, Illinois State and Youngstown State, not to mention a Sept. 27 showdown at preseason top-10 Auburn, the Hilltoppers might struggle to finish with a winning record this year.

Illinois State, which will take on the Fighting Illini for the first time since 1944, has balanced out its non-conference schedule with games against Drake, Truman State, Florida Atlantic and Eastern Illinois. They only have three Gateway road games and both of the Westerns are coming to Normal.

The only thing that gave the Redbirds the edge over Western Illinois in terms of strength of schedule was the fact that ISU will play 12 games to WIU's 11. The Leathernecks open against Wayne State and Eastern Michigan before traveling down to the bayou to face LSU, followed by a cool down

against Tennessee-Martin.

Perhaps the most highly anticipated game would be Oct. 4, when WIU plays host to Western Kentucky in a rematch of last season's quarterfinal contest that ended in a brawl. The Leathernecks will be able to cruise through the end of the season with games against Indiana State and Southwest Missouri State.

Speaking of SMS, the only reason the Bears didn't get lumped into the bottom of the Gateway with SIU and Youngstown was because they actually scheduled a tough D-I school in Oklahoma State. With games against such ambiguous schools as East Central and Bacone, SMS will likely finish its non-conference slate 2-2, a perfect start for what will likely be yet another mediocre season for the Bears.

So what does this all mean? Nothing really. Everyone knows games aren't played on paper.

They're played inside of my television.

SIU volleyball shows promise during Saturday scrimmage

Season starts Friday with Best Inns Invitational

Adam Soebbing
Daily Egyptian

Saturday afternoon's scrimmage at Davies Gymnasium reinforced something that SIU volleyball head coach Sonya Locke has thought all along.

"We have a whole lot of girls who can play," Locke said. "I don't know that since I've been the head coach here that we have ever been this deep before. It's scary."

Scary indeed. With the 2003 squad dominated by freshmen, the Salukis could haunt opposing coaches for years to come. But first, the Salukis have to get a little more comfortable with each other on the court.

"These kids haven't developed their chemistry yet, not an SIU chemistry," Locke said. "The setters are thinking about things that they used to do when they were playing with their other teams and our hitters are thinking something else so everybody is not on the same page right now. But that's something that is going to come with time."

Time is something the squad doesn't have much of. With the Saluki Invitational coming up this weekend, SIU has only four practices to shore up any deficiencies that may linger, especially as far as passing and communication are concerned.

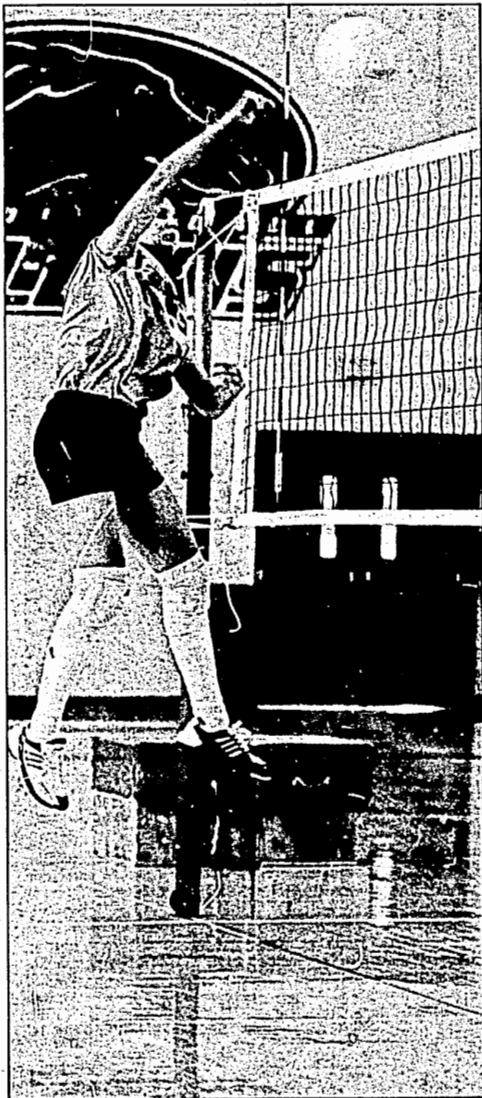
While the Salukis showed flashes of fluidity on the court, there were too many times when the timing was off between the hitters and setters, especially early on in the scrimmage. But the team settled down midway through the first game after Locke pulled all of her troops together for some words of wisdom.

"I was happy with our serving, but that also means our passing wasn't very good, so there's this bright side and there's this dark side," Locke said. "But overall I'm just encouraged. I think that's the best word to use right now."

Senior Kelly Harman, who finished the day with nine kills, thinks it is just a matter of time before the Salukis begin to click. She also believes Saturday's scrimmage will help the newcomers with more than just their chemistry.

"I think it helps them out just by knowing the atmosphere, the court, how the lighting is in [Davies] and with the bleachers pulled out and we had some fans here," Harman said. "I think that always helps out. Plus it never hurts to play with each other."

Freshman outside hitter Jene Pulliam, who was dubbed a "terminator" by Locke after the game, looked impressive with 10 booming kills. Pulliam viewed the scrimmage as a good learning experience for her and her fellow freshmen, even



AMANDA WHITLOCK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU senior outside hitter Kelly Harman spikes the ball during practice at Davies Gymnasium Aug. 18. Although the Salukis have 12 new recruits, Harman thinks it's only a matter of time before the squad forms a strong team chemistry.

admitting she was confused at times, especially in her defensive positioning.

"I was kind of running around like a lost duck," Pulliam confessed.

Still battling for the setter position, freshmen Monica Laird and Holly Marita were solid, but still have room to grow. After shaking off some first game jitters, Marita settled down to finish with 19 assists. Laird finished with a game-

high 31.

"This was the first time we had a real competitive situation and I think we really needed that," Laird said. "We weren't ready for it, but today was a good start. Things are starting to come together."

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Manning to join Kansas basketball

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University Daily Kansan
(U. Kansas)

LAWRENCE, Kan. (U-WIRE) — The University Daily Kansan has learned that the University of Kansas men's basketball team plans to announce the addition of Danny Manning to the coaching staff.

Both sides are still working on

terms, but the announcement may come as early as today, according to Media Relations Director Mitch Germann.

Manning played for the Jayhawks from 1985 to 1988 and is the team's all-time leading scorer and rebounder.

He was the consensus college player of the year during the team's championship season in 1988.

During the 1985-86 season at

Kansas, one of Manning's coaches was current Jayhawk coach Bill Self.

The 37-year-old Manning is a 15-year NBA veteran and has played for the Los Angeles Clippers, Atlanta Hawks, Phoenix Suns, Milwaukee Bucks, Utah Jazz, Dallas Mavericks and Detroit Pistons.

He also played on the 1993 and 1994 NBA All-Star teams.

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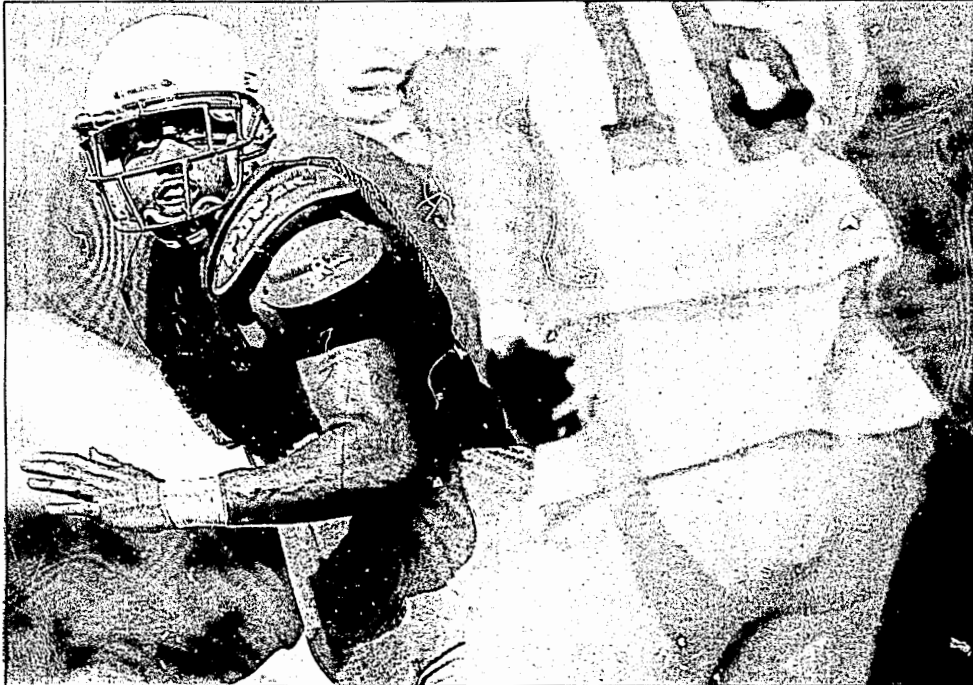
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Sophomore safety Frank Johnson keeps his eyes on senior wide receiver Courtney Abbott during practice Wednesday afternoon. Johnson is one of a trio of junior college transfers that is expected to start and add much needed depth to the Saluki defensive backfield.

Saluki DB's ready to contribute

Trio of transfers solidify secondary

Jens Deju
Daily Egyptian

Numerous times last season, when asked if there was too much pressure on his young football team, SIU head coach Jerry Kill would crack a smile

and reply with his phrase of the month.

"We're too young to understand what pressure is," Kill would say. "Heck, we just got off the bottle and the diaper."

Nowhere was the youth more evident than in the defensive backfield.

Following an early-season injury to lone senior starter Derrick Conker, the Salukis' starting backfield consisted of

sophomores Alexis Moreland, Cortez McBerry, Justin George, Chris Gadsen and true freshman Quorey Payne.

Gadsen has since left the program and Payne is now playing wide receiver, but depth at the position is better than it has been since Kill arrived in Carbondale.

SIU defensive backs coach Jay Sawvel said the new depth is simply a

matter of the coaching staff's continuing recruiting efforts to once again raise SIU out of the ashes.

"I think what you see is just a better overall mixture of players. We're deeper, still not as deep as what we would like to be," Sawvel said. "It's much better than last year. We had to have guys play that were out with

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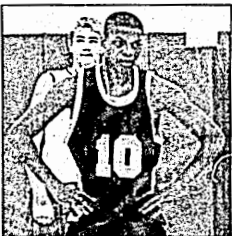


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Wesley Clemmons has verbally committed to play at SIU.

Painter taps Indiana pipeline for guard

Salukis land first 2004 recruit

Ethan Erickson
Daily Egyptian

SIU men's basketball head coach Matt Painter has landed another recruit from the Hoosier state. Wesley Clemmons, a 6-foot-2 guard from Northwest High School in Indianapolis, verbally committed to

the Salukis Saturday.

Clemmons, who averaged 13 points and six rebounds per game last season for the Space Pioneers, said he chose the Salukis partly due to the established basketball program and after seeing what fellow Indianapolis native Jermaine Dearman was able to accomplish in his four years in Carbondale, which ended just a few months ago.

Northwest head coach Victor Bush, who is well acquainted with

Painter and first-year Saluki assistant Jack Owens, was an assistant during Dearman's final two years at Warren Central High School.

"I feel like he's in good hands," Bush said. "I talked to Jermaine about Southern Illinois and Jermaine really loves Southern Illinois, so I basically told Wesley you do what's best for him. He really enjoyed it there in Carbondale, so he called me

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COMMENTARY



Objects in mirror are closer than they appear

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Beware of the Penguins

Perhaps the most hotly contested debate this preseason in the Gateway Football Conference has been about which team has the weakest schedule. It came down to a photo finish, but in the end it looks like Youngstown State just barely nosed out SIU for the title of "Team With the Smallest Cojones."

With a non-conference schedule that includes Division I-A pushover Kent State, I-AA foes Florida Atlantic and Liberty and a pair of Division II paties in Edinboro and Slippery Rock, the Penguins have said to the rest of the conference that they are in no hurry to actually take on any kind of a challenge before heading into the Gateway season.

After failing to reach the postseason the past two years, Youngstown is using every trick in the book to its advantage to make sure it isn't watching the playoffs on TV for a third straight season.

The Penguins will play seven of their 12 games at Stambaugh Stadium and only four of their games will be outside of the state of Ohio. Youngstown will play host to four Gateway games as well, bringing conference title contenders Western Illinois, Illinois State and Western Kentucky into their den.

SIU has to hit the road to take on Northern Iowa and the two Westerns, which makes its conference schedule slightly tougher than Youngstown. The Salukis' non-conference schedule resembles the Penguins, with a couple of I-AA teams and a couple of Division II peons.

Quincy and St. Joseph's book-end a non-conference slate that includes Ohio Valley Conference rivals Southeast Missouri State and Murray State. The Salukis lost a pair of tough contests against

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