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SIUC lecture notes and syllabi may be available soon on iTunes

Sarah Lohman Daily Egyptian

What Apple describes as "the campus that never sleeps" will soon take up its vigil at SIUC.

The University received approval Tuesday to start its own iTunes U — an online campus designed to distribute audio and visual recordings of speakers and lectures to students more easily.

Mike Ruiz, director of University Communications, said it's too early to know exactly how the site will work. A committee will meet today

to decide who will be responsible for which content.

Ruiz said University Communications will contribute Podcasts of campus tours to the site, but the academic part will be up to other departments.

¹He said the site would serve as a marketing tool, but that's not the point.

"The main focus with Apple is teaching and learning," Don Laur said.

Laur, a digital media systems specialist for the college of mass communication and media arts, submitted the application after attending several workshops where he and Web services leader of University Communications, Janet Douglas, learned how other colleges use it.

Laur said MCMA currently has some Podcasts for its site but he isn't sure what other colleges have for the site. He said committee members who have experience with Podcasts will help the other departments if they can.

The exact contents of the site have yet to be decided, but options are unlimited, Laur said.

He said iPods and iTunes have the capability to store information such as lecture notes and syllabi. Professors could also publish research or special lectures.

"We want to get up as much content as we

can," Ruiz said. "But it'll take some time, just like with any new form of media."

Sung Kim, a junior from Carbondale studying psychology, said he would probably not use the site for lecture notes but may get syllabi and schedules.

"I'd rather just write notes," he said. "But if you miss a class it would be good."

He said he thought a lot of his friends would use the site for notes and studying, though.

Universities such as MIT and Stanford already have iTunes U sites where students can access lectures and classes.

Both Ruiz and Laur said they aren't sure if costs would be associated with the site. Laur said the site could be used by anyone — not just students with iPods.

Anyone with Internet can access the iTunes store and the iTunes U connected to it.

"It's another opportunity, another way to get to the audience," Ruiz said. "Which, in this case, it's not just students. It's really the general public at large."

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City may help fund Saluki Way

Unexpected proposal could mean a \$1 million boost annually for 20 years

Brian Feldt Daily Egyptian

The City Council was presented with a plan Tuesday night that could make the city of Carbondale the foremost investor in Saluki Way.

Mayor Brad Cole and City Manager Jeff Doherty proposed a half-percent increase on the city's home rule sales tax, which could net a total of \$20 million of funding for Saluki Way over the next 20 years.

The Council will vote on the tax increase at its next meeting, Aug. 21.

"That was not in the works," said SIU Athletic Director Mario Moccia, who oversees Saluki Way donations from the athletic side. "We did not count on that nor was it part of the original thought. It wasn't in the plans but it certainly is a massive shot in the arm."



BOT approves Poshard's goals

Scott Mieszala Daily Egyptian

The goals for improving the University are in SIU President Glenn Poshard's hands — the next step is implementing them.

Each year Poshard presents a list of goals for the year, approved by the Board of Trustees.

The Board approved Poshard's goals for the upcoming year at last week's meeting in Springfield. The main goals are to improve enrollment, retention and Poshard's lobbying presence in Springfield and Washington.

"Those are the major goals," Poshard said.

Other goals for this year are to oversee the implementation of campus land use plans, which includes Morris Library and Saluki V strengthen the relationship between the president and chancellor's offices, continuing to improve diversity, assume a leadership role in the advocacy for higher education in Illinois and build a strong economic and educational outreach that will fulfill the needs of southern Illinois. Within each goal is a list of tasks for Poshard to accomplish. "(The goals are) a nutshell kind of thing," Poshard said. "Now all of those, of course, will be spelled out with very particular objectives and timeframes and things like that." Some of Poshard's goals for the past year were to review Southern at 150, continue to serve middle and lower income families, create an atmosphere of teamwork and positive interaction with chancellors and their staff, increase Poshard's presence in Springfield and Washington D.C., expand diversity, improve enrollment and retention, develop a greater sense of community and expanding SIU professional schools to Springfield. Poshard said he and the Board of Trustees felt they've had an excellent year in terms of accomplishing Poshard's goals.

If approved, the sales tax would be 7.75 percent starting Jan. 1, 2008. It would not affect statewide licensing products such as cars, boats, food or medicine, however.

The tax hike could generate an additional \$2.3 million in annual income. Doherty said Carbondale would then donate \$1 million per year for the next 20 years to help finance Saluki Way – the University's project to develop a new campus core with a renovation of the SIU Arena and a new football stadium as highlights of the plan.

SIU President Glen Poshard said Saluki Way would now be extremely feasible with the city's proposed commitment.

"It will absolutely make it possible to build a new stadium and renovate the SIU Arena," Poshard said. "I think it's the boost we've been waiting for. This will put us three quarters of the way there on the private side and that means that we are going to get there.

Private donors additional \$22 million needed 36% Jenny Hart ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN

"We fully intend to play football in a new stadium by 2010."

Currently, only \$38 million of the project's \$80 million budget has been accounted for through student fees.

Carbondale's donation would give SIU a total of \$58 million accounted for, leaving only \$22 million left to complete the first phase of Saluki Way.

With potentially only \$22 million left,

Moccia said he feels confident he could make the goal.

"The student component was in place and certainly we are confident we can raise the remaining money," he said. "When you want to build everything at one time there is certainly a big piece of the pie missing and this definitely fills that piece of the pie."

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NEWS BRIEFS

Mob trial jury hears star witness recount parade of murders

CHICAGO (AP) — Ski-masked gunmen stalked Richard D. Ortiz through the streets of suburban Cicero, preparing to murder him.

But when they had him cornered on July 23, 1983, they realized someone else, a man they had never seen and didn't know, was in the car with Ortiz. They asked for instructions from a mob boss watching nearby.

"Go ahead, both of them," came the instructions, star witness Nicholas Calabrese testified Wednesday at the trial of his brother, Frank Calabrese Sr., and four other men accused in a federal racketeering indictment alleging at least 18 mob murders.

For two days, jurors have listened to mob turncoat Nicholas Calabrese describe a horrific parade of ruthless murders.

In the Ortiz slaying, mob boss Angelo LaPietra, who was supervising the execution, had been so eager to get the work done that he was willing to have a complete stranger gunned down, Calabrese indicated.

"Wrong place, wrong time?" asked federal prosecutor Mitchell A. Mars.

"Yes," Calabrese said softly. He said he had some misgivings about gunning down a stranger who had done nothing to offend the mob but went ahead with the killing. "In my mind, I knew I had to do this

"In my mind, I knew I had to do this because if I didn't my brother would have flattened me," he testified. "I would have been left there."

Flatten in mob slang means kill, Nicholas Calabrese has said.

Retired Gen. Wayne Downing dies at 67

PEORIA, III. (AP) — Retired Gen. Wayne Downing, one of President Bush's key counterterrorism advisers after the Sept. 11 attacks, died Wednesday, a coroner said. He was 67.

The four-star general was admitted to Proctor Hospital in Peoria Monday, suffering from bacterial meningitis and multiple myeloma, a form of cancer, Peoria County Coroner Johnna Ingersoll said.

The West Point graduate, who grew up in Peoria, retired in 1996 after 34 years in the military, ending his career as head of all U.S. special operations forces. He commanded more than 47,000 soldiers, including the Army's Green Berets and Navy's SEALs.

Shortly after retiring, Downing led a 40-person presidential task force that investigated a 1996 attack that killed 19 Americans at Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia, making recommendations on how to better protect Americans abroad.

He was pulled from retirement again after terrorists attacked the World Trade Center and Pentagon in 2001. He was appointed by President Bush as national director and deputy national security adviser for combatting terrorism.

Downing "served this country well for many years in the military and at the White House, and even after government service continued to provide important advice and counsel,"White House spokesman Tony Snow told reporters during a press briefing Wednesday.

During Operation Desert Storm in 1991, Downing commanded a joint task force of 1,200 U.S. special forces that halted Iraq's SCUD missile attacks on Israel and eased overall missile threats in the war zone.

Downing, a military analyst for MSNBC, received the U.S. Military Academy's distinguished graduate award in 2006.

\$1 billion to fix post-9/11 radio problems

WASHINGTON $(\bar{A}P)$ — The government announced Wednesday it will distribute nearly \$1 billion to states and cities to fix communications problems that still plague police and fire departments six years after the Sept. 11 terror attacks.

The biggest state recipients are California with \$94 million, Texas with \$65 million and New York with \$61 million.

In certain states, chunks will be specifically set aside for major cities: New York City will get \$34.8 million and the Los Angeles/Long Beach area was awarded \$22.3 million. Other cities getting specific amounts were: San Francisco Bay area, \$14.5 million; Chicago, \$16.2 million; Houston, \$14.6 million; Jersey City-Newark, \$17.5 million; and Washington, \$11.9 million.

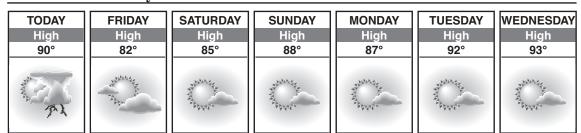
A total of \$968 million for interoperable communications grants was announced Wednesday by the heads of the departments of Homeland Security and Commerce, after a review earlier this year found that of 75 major U.S. cities, only six received a top grade in emergency communications.

Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez said the money will answer "the urgent need for firefighters, police and other first responders to be able to communicate effectively with one another."

Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff said the money should get the entire country up to a basic standard of effective emergency communication by 2009 – but only if the local authorities coordinate with each other and avoid turf fights.



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Pre-Potter party fever

Chain bookstores with a local presence, such

710 Book Store reported between 30 and 40

University Bookstore employee Barbara

as Barnes and Noble and Wal-Mart, declined to

preordered copies so far; however, the store has

Serapin said about 50 people have ordered the

book in advance. She said more and more people

are reserving their copy early because of a 40 per-

said the store had 600 preordered copies. Palm

readings, prizes and many other activities for

customers to enjoy are planned from 9 p.m. Friday

dered, 13-year-old Liz Yohe of Carbondale said

she would not be attending any of the book

late-night parties, Yohe decided to only attend

four other parties held by churches and day cares

the ending, so I'm going to wait until Saturday,

get my copy and ignore the news so can I read it

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with which she is affiliated.

for myself," she said.

Although she already has her book preor-

While many of the stores are holding "official"

"I'm just afraid that someone will shout out

until they start selling the book at 12:01 a.m.

Cassie Horn, an employee at Waldonbooks,

cent discount until 11:59 p.m. on Friday.

ordered many extras.

releases.

release information on the book's preorder rates.

Carbondale Public Library holds first of many Potter book release parties

Christian Holt Daily Egyptian

Though the final installment of the Harry Potter series won't be released until midnight Friday, many local Potter fans have already started celebrating their favorite wizard's final adventure.

Carbondale Public Library worker Anna Forslund hosted a party Wednesday evening for area teens to celebrate the much-anticipated release.

Wanting to create the most authentic experience possible, Forslund made Potter-themed treats such as butterbeer, acid pops and other treats.

Josie Pinentel, an 8-year-old Carbondale native, was very enthusiastic while she was being "sorted" by Forslund. When Forslund picked the Gryffindor sticker Pinentel nearly leapt from her chair with joy.

As the last installment is set to reach the hands of anxious readers across the globe, many book carriers and stores in Carbondale are preparing for the release by hosting parties for fans.

Josie, despite her young age, has read all of the books in just one year.

"I started reading them at the end of first grade," she said proudly. "Now I'm going to be in the third grade."

While the public library used the book's release as an opportunity to encourage people's love for reading, other area stores will use the book to cash in on the Potter phenomenon.

Parties are scheduled for 710 Book Store, Barnes and Noble, the Student Center University Bookstore and Waldonbooks in the Marion Mall.

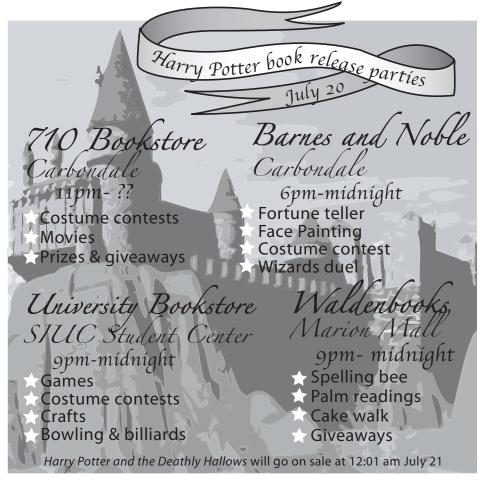
Barnes and Noble's celebration begins at 6 p.m. Friday. Gold wristbands will be handed out to people who preordered the book and blue wristbands for everyone else.

A costume contest, face painting and fortune telling are activities scheduled at Barnes and Noble.

As of Wednesday, the newest Potter book was already atop the bestseller list of barnesandnoble. com, proving the book's popularity.



Teenagers quickly try to answer questions asked by Anna Forslund, middle foreground, a graduate student in mass communications and media arts, in a game of Harry Potter trivia. Forslund ran the event for teenagers at the Carbondale Public Library on Wednesday evening in anticipation of the release of the final Harry Potter book on Saturday. DAN CELVI DAILY EGYPTIAN





<u>Pakistan</u>

16 soldiers killed in attack on convoy in Pakistan, official says MIRAN SHAH, Pakistan (AP) –

Suspected militants attacked security forces in northwest Pakistan Wednesday, killing 16 soldiers and wounding up to 21 others in two separate strikes against military convoys, officials said.

The escalating violence follows the scrapping by militant leaders of a 10-month-old peace accord with the government in the Afghan frontier region of North Waziristan.

On Tuesday, a suicide bomber blew himself before a rally in the capital supporting Pakistan's chief justice against the president, killing 15 people.

The violence comes after the army stormed a mosque held by Islamic extremists.

President Gen. Pervez Musharraf condemned Tuesday's blast as a "terrorist act," and officials said they were trying to determine responsibility. A security official said the bomber's severed head had been found.

JAPAN

Leak at nuclear plant bigger than previously announced

KASHIWAZAKI, Japan (AP) — The company that operates an earthquake-ravaged nuclear plant said Wednesday that a radioactive leak was bigger than first reported but still below danger levels, escalating the showdown over a long list of problems at the facility.

The mayor of nearby Kashiwazaki city ordered the facility to shut down until its safety could be confirmed.

Tokyo Electric Power Co. announced that a leak of radioactive water into the Sea of Japan was actually 50 percent bigger than initially announced Monday night after the deadly 6.8-magnitude quake.

A tour later given to Japan's Communist Party chief, Kazuo Shii, and a handful of reporters revealed widespread damage across its sprawling compound, including large cracks in roads, toppled concrete fences and buckled sidewalks.

CALIFORNIA

Comedian Dave Chappelle hospitalized for exhaustion

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Dave Chappelle was hospitalized over the weekend for exhaustion, his publicist said Tuesday. The 33-year-old comedian checked into an emergency room on Saturday and was released a few hours later, publicist Carla Sims said.

"It was exhaustion; he had been traveling," she said. "He's fine." Sims declined to say which hospital

Chappelle visited or release other details. Chappelle walked away from a \$50 mil-

lion deal to continue his Comedy Central show in May 2005 and briefly took a respite in South Africa. He has said reports that he checked into a mental health center in that country are false.

He has since returned to the standup circuit. In April, he broke the endurance record at the Laugh Factory comedy club in Los Angeles by delivering a more than six-hourlong standup routine.

Edwards, Obama focus on poverty

Samira Jafari THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PRESTONBURG, Ky. -Presidential candidates John Edwards and Barack Obama on Wednesday focused on the struggles of the nation's poor — from rural Appalachia to Washington's urban Anacostia — in competing speeches that underscored the fierce fight for the Democratic nomination.

Edwards wrapped up his eight-state poverty tour with stops in Virginia and Kentucky, the latter where Democratic icon Robert F. Kennedy spoke nearly 40 years ago in his plea to help the nation's forgotten.

Unwilling to cede the issue to Edwards, Obama spoke at a recreation center in the nation's capital, and in a jab at his rival, argued that combatting poverty was hardly new for him, a onetime community organizer in Chicago.

"This kind of poverty is not an issue I just discovered for the purposes of a campaign, it is the cause that led me to a life of public service almost twenty-five years ago," the Illinois senator said.

Obama struck a populist tone.

"The streets here are close to our capital, but far from the people it represents. These Americans cannot hire lobbyists to roam the halls of Congress on their behalf, and they cannot write thousand-dollar campaign checks to make their voices heard," he

said. "They suffer most from a politics that has been tipped in favor of those with the most money, and influence, and power."

Obama opened his remarks by describing Kennedy's poverty tour four decades earlier.

Speaking at the Floyd County Courthouse in Prestonsburg, Ky., the same site that Kennedy gave his anti-poverty speech in 1968, Edwards repeated a phrase from his 2004 campaign for the White House.

The two Americas are the very rich and everybody else," he told the crowd.

He said the working poor of Appalachia reminded him of his father who worked in a North Carolina cotton mill.

"No one pays attention to them," he said, adding, "But they're the people who built America - not the people on Wall Street."

In southwest Virginia, Edwards held an outdoor round-table and listened to stories about indigent health care from Appalachian doctors, community leaders and the working poor. Thousands of patients in the region rely on an annual mobile health fair as their sole source of care.

Dr. Joe Smitty, a volunteer with the Remote Area Medical Volunteer Corp., told Edwards "you have arrived in a part of America where health care is fragmented."

THE ROAD TO **ONE AMERICA**

CHARLES BERTRAM ~ LEXINGTON HERALD-LEADER/MCT Presidential candidate John Edwards speaks to a gathering on the front lawn of the Floyd County Courthouse in Prestonsburg, Ky., Wednesday. Edwards stopped in Kentucky today as part of a tour to bring awareness to poverty issues in the U.S.

GOP scuttles Dems' plan to pull out troops

David Espo

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON - Senate Republicans torpedoed legislation Wednesday to force the withdrawal of U.S. combat troops from Iraq, bowing to President Bush's adamant refusal to consider any change in war strategy before September.

The 52-47 vote fell far short of the 60 needed to advance the legislation and marked the final act in an all-night session that Democrats engineered to dramatize their opposition to the war.

"Time and the American people are on our side," said a defiant Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada, who has made ending the war the Democrats' top goal since they took control of the Senate in January. "We will do everything in our power to change course in Iraq," he said moments after the vote. Equally unvielding on the other side, Arizona Sen. John McCain said, "As long as there is a prospect for not losing this war, then we must not choose to lose it."

The Senate's action left no doubt that Bush's decision last winter to deploy additional troops to Iraq will have at least two more months to produce results. Gen. David Petraeus, the top U.S. general in Iraq and architect of the president's latest strategy, is to deliver a report to Congress on Sept. 15

Wednesday's vote unfolded as Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice visited the Capitol for private meetings with lawmakers and the nation's top military officer cautioned that the United States faces decades of fighting in the larger global war on terror.

Brazilians point fingers as all aboard jet die in crash

Stan Lehman THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAO PAULO, Brazil -Brazil's deadliest jetliner crash was an accident foretold. For months, air safety concerns have been aired in congressional hearings, and pilots and traffic controllers have worried for years about the short, slippery runways at Brazil's busiest airport.

Landing on the 6,362-foot-long runway at Sao Paulo's Congonhas airport is so challenging that pilots liken it to an aircraft carrier _ if they don't touch down precisely within the tarmac's first 1,000 feet, they're warned to pull up and circle around again. The ungrooved runway becomes even more treacherous in the rain when it turns into a slick landing surface.

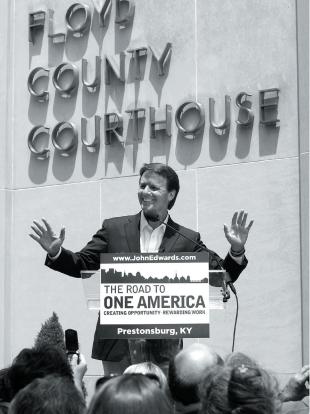
The runway appears to have

been a key factor in Tuesday's crash, and critics condemned President Luis Inacio da Silva's government Wednesday for failing to invest in safety measures adopted by other urban airports.

None of the 186 people on board survived, TAM Linhas Aereas SA chief executive Marco Antonio Bologna said Wednesday. Three TAM workers on the ground also died and another 11 were hospitalized.

Firefighters pulled at least 171 charred bodies from the site where the Airbus-320 crashed, igniting in a 1,830-degree fireball. The plane slammed into a gas station and a TAM Airlines building after narrowly clearing the airport's perimeter fence and rush-hour traffic on a surrounding highway.

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Gloria Bode says John Travolta fooled me in 'Hairspray.' Check out the review Tuesday.

Grab your Pitchfork

Brit Finnegan Daily Egyptian

The Pitchfork Music Festival showcases numerous bands – 39 to be exact – of the best independent music artists. The festival brings people from all around the states and even other continents. The mesh of culture matches the makeup of the Chicago community.

The 2007 Pitchfork Music Festival took place Friday through Sunday at Chicago's admirable Union Park. The Sears Tower hovered in the background.

The festival is fan centric-based, which is great for independent bands trying to gain national and world recognition. The bands love to be on a big stage, in front of an estimated 16,000 people.

This festival is outstanding for the penny-pinching college students who are into the independent music scene. In comparison, The Warped tour costs \$28.75 for a one day show, while Pitchfork costs \$50 for a three-day pass.

Slint, GZA/The Genius and Sonic Youth played the first night, all of which performed a hit album of theirs in its entirety. Slint played their 1991 album "Spiderland" while GZA played Wu-Tang Clans 1995 album "Liquid Swords." Sonic Youth played their 1988 album "Daydream Nation." The Youth definitely showed why many people consider them the pioneers



BRIT FINNEGAN ~ DAILY EGYPTIAN **Thousands of fans gathered to watch Of Montreal** at the Pitchfork Music Festival Saturday in Chicago.

of experimental rock. They bring the silverware to the stage, playing instruments with knives, spoons and screwdrivers.

Saturday's highlighted bands were Voxtrot, Grizzly Bear, Iron & Wine, Professor Murder, Clipse, Cat Power & Dirty Delta Blues, Girl Talk and Yoko Ono. Grizzly Bear played its day trip style music, bringing drums, glockenspiel, autoharp, banjo and guitars to piece together a total sound of ambience. Professor Murder hailing from New York brought a rock dance style of music that had everyone in the crowd moving. The lead singer was bouncing around the stage playing secondary drums that intertwined with the synth, bass and main

drums. This group was one of the most energetic at the festival.

While Cat Power was a headliner that night, nearly two-thirds of the crowd rushed to the 'Balance Stage' at the other side of the park to see Girl Talk. The entire area was shoulder-to-shoulder, with people climbing trees and fences to get a better view of Girl Talk, a one man DJ who used over 150 samples to piece together a 16-track album entitled "Night Ripper." While lawyers are waiting in line to sue him, fans are waiting in line to see him spin.

Carbondale could use something like this. It was reminiscent of a Sunset Concert, except with bands people had actually heard of.



This week in history...

Alicia Wade Daily Egyptian

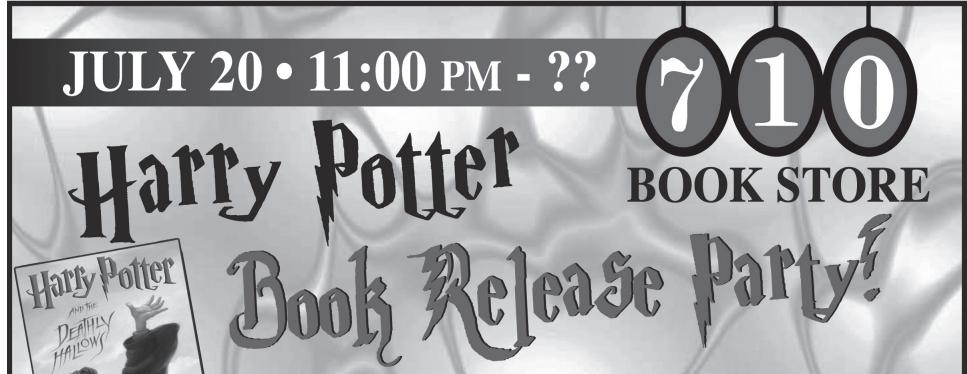
1821: Spain ceded Florida to the United States. Judging by the amount of retirement homes, there are probably some people still living there who remember it happening.

1951: Serving as the handbook for angst-ridden youth everywhere, the

novel "Catcher in the Rye" by J. D. Salinger was published.

1969: During the Apollo 11 mission Neil Armstrong and Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin became the first men to walk on the Moon — or to a few wacky conspiracy theorists, walk on a studio-simulated moon.

2005: Jack Nicklaus played his last hole of competitive golf. The nation applauded him with a yawn and a lazy search for the remote control.



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'None of the above' a contender

DIANA SOLIWON That's what's up dsoliwon@siude.com

The question of who to vote for

in next fall's presidential election is already upon us. Not that anyone should have

an answer yet - but once those party nominations are in, you can be sure this election season will be a doozy.

The charismatic forces of the Democratic candidates have already overpowered much of the airwaves, in part because the Republicans have been so lacking. A recent Associated Press poll shows that even top-runners Rudy Giuliani and Fred Thompson are losing out to the horrifying and cunning contender that is "none of the above."

The former New York mayor's support has dwindled down from a strong 35 percent in March to 21 percent, while "none of the above" is leading the pack with 23 percent. Thompson is at 19 percent,

but it looks as though the dashing Mitt Romney or even Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., could make a surge to take his votes if he doesn't announce his bid soon.

Which he might just want to hold off doing for, like, ever.

I mean honestly. A majority of his party has just selected a nameless, baseless figment of the politicalimagination as whom they would rather choose to lead counthe try than him. He should do himself a favor

So when I say this election will

And how can they not, with the

be a doozy, I mean that as of now,

the Republicans look to face a

Democratic Party facing a problem

on the other end of the spectrum,

in that with so many strong con-

tenders, the only dilemma is which

one will have the best-looking hair

and quit while

mauling.

he was never ahead.

(John Edwards). There's Hillary, whose name has

now arguably become as copious as one-title people like Madonna or Bono and the only reason why her last name 'Clinton' is necessary anymore is to garner the support her husband generates. The New York senator has hedged herself in front of Barack Obama

the war in Iraq, two things many

edge, raising more than \$30 mil-

lion between April and June, which

set records and allowed him to

deftly pass the rest of the crowd

in campaign funding, according to

recently reported that invitations

Also, the Los Angeles Times

the Boston Globe.

Yet Obama may have a slight

consider essential these days.

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in the polls, the So when I say this Chicago-based election will be a doozy, I senator and Oprah favorite. mean that as of now, the Republicans look to face a strong mesa mauling. sage for a new

have been sent out for the hailed must-attend event, a Sept. 8 fundraiser for Barack Obama at Oprah Winfrey's home in Santa Barbara, Calif. The invitations actually warn that without a quick RSVP, supporters may miss the occasion because it will be sold out.

Bill Maher's assessment on The Tonight Show with Jay Leno Monday night struck a chord with some of my personal misgivings, however.

"It's interesting that the only two people who couldn't run together would be Hillary or Obama because America would go 'that's too much non-male whiteness at one time. We're too progressive but not that much," the controversial comedian said during a rare moment of seriousness during the otherwise hilarious diatribe.

The man does have a point. This election season will surely prove to be an interesting one, but jumping over two historical hurdles may unfortunately be a little too much to ask.

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Dorm privacy: not always an easy fix



Last week, I had the privilege of being a camp counselor to 10 highschool kids from East St. Louis. Besides getting sore feet from walking from the towers to the Mass Comm. Building, I really enjoyed it. The students came down as part of a weeklong camp designed to teach them how to put together their own newscast.

They worked with the experts from River Region Evening Edition, along with key people from the radio-television department, to tape their own stories and produce three newscasts. They got to choose their stories from a list, tape them, voice over them and then tape the pretend newscast their story would have aired in. I arrived late, picked over the empty boxes of pizza and

settled for a slice as I watched one of their newscasts. The students were nervous, made obvious mistakes, but had a great time in the camp.

One of my least favorite experiences is one that many of you are very familiar with - the long, hot trek from the towers to anywhere else on campus. My other complaint about the week had to do with the dorm rooms themselves.

When our camp was first assigned rooms, I happened to get a key to a room

right next door or. That would not have been a problem, other than the fact doors - one that opens to one room, and one that opens to the other. Naturally, there are locks on the doors to prevent people from going from one room to the other. However, these locks are only from the outside. This means that, if I was in the bathroom, someone from the other room could come into the bathroom unannounced and I would have no say in it.

Luckily, when I was reassigned rooms, the room next door to me was empty, so there was no one on

the other side Am I calling for a of the bathto the other complete overhaul of the room door. But camp counsel- dorm room bathrooms? I I was forever checking

two doors per side, bringing the total door number to four. There is a door that is locked from the outside of the room to ensure that the person, once inside the bathroom, cannot get from there into your bedroom. There is also another door, one that locks from the inside. This door makes sure that, once inside, someone cannot walk in on you. This is the door that was mysteriously missing from the dorm rooms that I visited.

Am I calling for a complete overhaul of the dorm room bathrooms? I don't know. Usually, your dormmate will be of the same sex, and so will those on the other side of the bathroom door. So, you should never have to run into the circumstance that I did. On the other hand, the dorms are co-ed, which means that any opposite sex friend of one other three people sharing a bathroom with you could have access to the bathroom if they get access to one of the rooms. Complication aside, the bathrooms are not a safe place to hide in the dorms.

that he and I had to share a bathroom. So I was moved across the hall.

Let me wander back to the situation with the bathrooms. In the tower bathrooms, there are two

don't know.

door handle to make sure that

it was locked.

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As I was mulling over this situation with my parents, they were quite stunned the bathrooms were organized in this fashion. According to them, in most other places when there is a shared bathroom, there are Offices are in the Communications Building, Room 1259, at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Carbondale, IL 62901. William Freivogel, fiscal officer. First copy is free; each additional copy 50 cents. Mail subscriptions available.

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⁶⁶We did not count on that nor was it part of the original thought. ⁹⁹ It wasn't in the plans, but it certainly is a massive shot in the arm.

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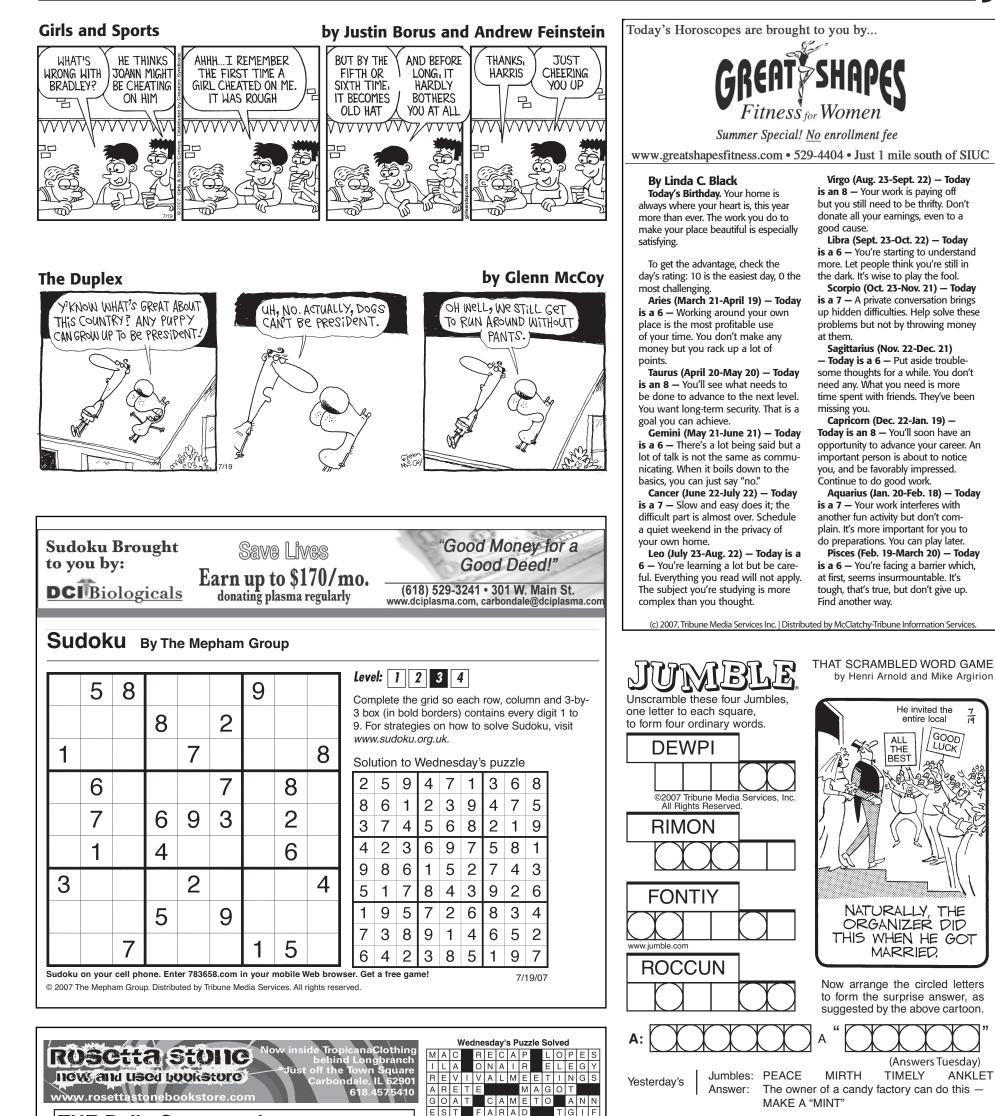
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Cole, who hatched the idea a

proposal, the \$20 million would be

the largest monetary offering the

few months back, said he couldn't

remember any donation to the

University. He said he has long been

a believer in a united relationship

between the University and the city.

as the University goes so, so goes Carbondale," Cole said. "If we

can strengthen the presence of the

University in the community; if we

can help with recruitment; if we can

draw national attention here that

comes from our athletic programs,

then that helps the community and

"Like I have said from day one,

city has ever extended to SIUC.

helps SIU immensely."

Cole said a common theme of his since he took office was to work toward a working relationship with SIU and that many of his public comments and stances were strides in its direction.

'Those were lead ups to this bold step to really become a full partner with the University in moving the community forward," Cole said.

Doherty, who also shares in Cole's beliefs towards the affiliation, said the city has an obligation to help support the University when in need.

He noted a majority of workers in Carbondale would not be here if it were not for SIU.

'We are all very much Carbondale," Doherty said. "We live here and raise our kids here. That is how important and how entwined Carbondale and the University are. What happens on the campus is good for the community and what occurs in the city is good for the University."

Poshard said while what is good for the University is good for Carbondale, it is also beneficiary to the entire southern Illinois region.

"(The University) is out there serving the area with all kinds of services," Poshard said. "Whatever it is, this University has a huge impact on this region. I am very grateful to the mayor to be able to have the courage to step up to the plate and recognize that."

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GOALS

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"I write my objectives on the board here in the office, and we have gone through those one by one, and we've had a very good year,' Poshard said. "I'm going to say 90 to 95 percent of our objectives were completed."

Some students have their own ideas of what Poshard should be try-

Poshard's goals:

Improve enrollment

 \Box Improve retention

Increase lobbying presence

Oversee implementation of land use plans

ing to accomplish.

Raissa Espejo, a senior from West Plains, Mo., studying zoology, said she would list her number one goal as improving the appearance of campus and the buildings if she were president.

"Just like a renovation of some of the buildings," she said. "Make it a little bit more modern."

In the past six years, on-campus enrollment has dropped by 1,499

Strengthen relationship with chancellor's office

Assume leadership role in advocacy for Illinois higher education

Improve diversity

students, and Poshard said the University has struggled with retaining students.

Espejo said she doesn't know why SIUC has a problem keeping students.

"I don't know why they wouldn't be coming back, honestly," Espejo said.

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Build strong economic and educational outreach to fulfill needs of southern Illinois area

Chili sauce botulism sickens four

Andrew Bridges THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON - Federal health officials warned consumers Wednesday to throw away certain cans of hot dog chili sauce after the product was linked to the first cases of botulism in commercially canned foods in decades.

Four people were hospitalized. The warning applies to 10-ounce cans of Castleberry's, Austex and Kroger brands of hot dog chili sauce with "best by" dates from April 30, 2009, through May 22, 2009, the Food and Drug Administration said. It wasn't immediately clear how widely the products were distributed.

The contamination by the toxin is extremely rare for a commercially canned product. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention medical epidemiologist Dr. Michael Lynch said the last such U.S. case dates to the 1970s. The roughly 25 cases reported each year typically involved homecanned foods, Lynch said.

The victims — two each in Texas and Indiana — were seriously ill but expected to survive. The Texas cases involved children who are siblings. The Indiana cases involved an adult couple. No other details were available.

The products were made by the Castleberry Food Co., owned by Bumble Bee Seafoods LLC. The company, based in San Diego, had no immediate comment.

FDA has sent experts to the Castleberry plant in Augusta, Ga., where the products were canned, said Robert Brackett, director of the FDA's Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition. The company is voluntarily recalling all potentially contaminated product and is cooperating with state and federal officials, Brackett added.

Botulism is a muscle-paralyzing disease caused by a toxin made by a bacterium called Clostridium botulinum, according to the CDC.

Brackett urged consumers to discard any of the recalled cans without opening them.

"The toxin is so potent if they get it on their hands or it sprays in their face, it could make them ill," he said.

Typically, commercially canned foods are heated long enough and to high enough temperatures to kill the spores.

"It's been a triumph of food safety that canning is safe. That's what makes this so unusual," Lynch said.

Symptoms of botulism include double or blurred vision, drooping eyelids, slurred speech, difficulty swallowing, dry mouth and muscle weakness that moves down the body, according to the CDC.

The recall covers the following universal product codes:

-Castleberry's Hot Dog Chili Sauce (UPC 3030000101);

-Austex Hot Dog Chili Sauce (UPC 3030099533);

-Kroger Hot Dog Chili Sauce (UPC 1111083942).

Consumers with questions may call the company toll-free at 888-203-8446.





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"If a team does well then it makes the individual players look better if they win," Kelly said. "If you do well in the conference tournament it says a lot about you as a player."

Tyler Norrick, who was drafted by the St. Louis Cardinals in 2006 and pitches for the Palm Beach Cardinals, said one of the benefits of playing at SIU was the emphasis coaches had on developing the fast ball as the main pitch.

Norrick said when a player is drafted into the pros, the fast ball is critical because it is customary to use the fastball as your primary pitch. Pitchers in the pros generally use the fastball about 75 percent of the time, he said.

"I have seen guys come in here who don't have the confidence in their fastball like I did," Norrick said. "Their confidence is in their offspeed pitch."

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MLB

Cardinals' Rolen flies home for shoulder exam

MIAMI (AP) — Cardinals third baseman Scott Rolen flew back to St. Louis on Wednesday to have his sore shoulder examined by the team's doctor.

Manager Tony La Russa said he did not know the severity of the injury, but expects Rolen to meet the team Thursday in Atlanta for the Cardinals' four-game series against the Braves.

"I think he's fatigued," La

Russa said. "I know he's been taking a lot of batting practice lately. Sometimes you can overwork it."

Rolen twice had shoulder surgery in 2005, when he played only 56 games. He returned to hit 22 home runs last season, but has only four this year. Except for the 2005 season, Rolen has hit 20 or more homers every year since 1997.

Brendan Ryan replaced Rolen

in the lineup Wednesday night against the Florida Marlins. Rolen's primary backup, Scott Spiezio, is on the disabled list with a finger infection.

Rolen was 1-for-4 in the Cardinals' 4-0 loss Tuesday night to the Marlins. He turned a double play by making a diving stop and throwing from the ground, and appeared uninjured on the play.







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VOLLEYBALL

CONVERSATIONS ON THE COURT

story by Alejandro Gonzalez • photo illustration by Sarah Lathrop

Volleyball's uniqueness shown through word set during gameplay

When Brenda Winkeler shouts commands to the SIU volleyball team, it can sound like a new language to those outside of the volleyball circuit.

Such words as platform, kill, deep float and dink are constantly tossed about Davies Gymnasium.

As the summer rolls on, the Salukis continue to work on these techniques and many others to help improve from 11-17 record in 2006.

"We're trying to work on our pass control, passing and digging," said Winkeler, the Salukis' head coach. "Offensively, we'll be a little bit better, but our offense last year was one of the lowest in the league. So that's our top priority."

Before the offense can start, an opponent's offensive attack must be thwarted. To accomplish that feat, the Salukis must dig an opponent's spike. While the team lacked in digging overall last season, junior libero Kristy Elswick has been a bright spot.

Elswick is 23 digs away from beating the school record. Although she's digging better than anyone in SIU history, she said her main priority is improving her passing.

"Right now I have some wasted movement so I'm trying to make that first step toward the ball a productive step to get me in better positioning," she said. "Platforms are a big issue with everyone on the team. At the more advanced level, we have to change our platform and bend it."

A platform is the position of the player before they hit the ball.

"It's a harder technique to do because you really have to hit it right to hit your target," Elswick said.

Once the base technique is established, it's time to move on to other facets of the game, including scoring.

A kill is when an attack results in a point. However, a kill attempt can easily be reversed by the defense with a block. Although they were second in the conference in blocking, Erika Bartruff, a sophomore setter, said she is working on her technique.

"I try to keep my hands high and that's helped me a lot this summer to improve blocking," Bartruff said.

Bartruff said the technique she focuses on most is her deep float set, which she has worked on since she was 12 years old. This moves consists of the setter staying close to the edge of the court.

"I just have to hit it harder to get it to go farther," she said.

Other setting moves include a jump float and jump top-spin – or jumping before a serve and spinning the ball so it moves down after it passes the net.

Elswick said the team has worked on a lot this summer. She said she thinks the team will improve from last year.

"We're pushing ourselves to the limit right now," she said. "Other teams aren't working as hard as we are."

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dig (dig) **v.** passing a spiked or rapidly hit ball close to the floor

float•er (Floh-ter) **n**. a serve which does not spin or rotate and therefore moves in an erratic path. **kill** (kill) **v**. an attack that results in an immediate point or side out

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BASEBALL

Dilemma

Eugene Clark DAILY EGYPTIAN

When an SIU baseball player gets drafted into the Major Leagues, it can break set strategies that the team had. And almost every year, the Salukis have to deal with this scenario.

Junior catcher Mark Kelly said if a pitcher such as Cody Adams were to move on to the

pros before graduation it could drastically change the team's plans for next year.

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"When you take a bat out of the lineup, other players have to step up and play the role even if they haven't played the position before," Kelly said.

The Salukis learned firsthand during the 2007 draft what a damper it could have on pitching plans.

Head coach Dan Callahan said he thought

that pitcher Jay Voss would choose to continue college ball over the draft since they thought he would be drafted in the 15th to 20th round and he was also a good student.

Unfortunately, Voss ended up getting drafted in the 8th round and chose pro ball.

"It hurt us," Callahan said. "We thought with Adams and Joy coming back and Jay Voss coming in, we had a good trio as far as weekend starters go."

Callahan said while the team is OK as far as pitchers for the upcoming season, it would be difficult to find someone as good as Voss, especially this late in the game.

As far as getting drafted goes, SIU players have just as good of a chance to get drafted as players from BCS schools, Callahan said.

Callahan said scouting is very "thorough and comprehensive." If an athlete has the abil-

ity to compete at the professional level, scouts will find him whether he is playing for a big school like the University of Kansas or a small school like Quincy University, he said.

"We are not Miami or FSU, but we still have a decent run as far as guys getting the opportunity," Callahan said.

Since 1999, pro teams have drafted 10 Salukis. Two have made it to the MLB.

Callahan said he sees every player individually focusing on making it to the major leagues as an advantage for the overall team.

"I like it, personally," Callahan said. "It can get guys to work harder and compete harder."

Kelly said he sees the team as a "close knit" group and for them winning is the most important thing.

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