**Miss Eboness takes center stage**

Madeleine Leroux  
*DAILY EDITION*

For Rhonda Glover, nothing felt better than being recognized as an intelligent, young black woman. A celebration of grace and intellect crowned Rhonda Glover as the 2007 Miss Eboness Saturday in the 36th annual pageant sponsored by the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Glover was at a loss of words after being crowned Miss Eboness. “I don’t really have anything to say,” said Glover. “I won!”

Glover, a junior from St. Louis studying radio-television, performed an original poem that was centered on realizing the “beauty that’s me,” which she said was inspired by Maya Angelou’s “Phenomenal Woman.”

The pageant was organized and staffed by members of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, who have carried on the tradition of Miss Eboness since 1971 as a celebration of young and talented black women.

“You just have to be a woman of intelligence and talent,” said April Heath, 2006 Miss Eboness. “You have to be a role model.”

The show began with the women participating in a practiced walk across the stage accompanied by a recording of the women introducing themselves. Following a performance by the Black Fire Dancers, the contestants showcased their talents, from poetry to singing to dance. Each contestant then had to answer a question dealing with topics ranging from the pageant itself to the state of the education system.

Jay Dickson, fourth-year pageant coordinator, said the pageant is all about recognition for black women.

“Miss Eboness represents black culture, grace, beauty and intellect,” Dickson said. “It’s an opportunity for black women to be put up on a pedestal.”

This was Dickson’s last year as pageant coordinator, but he said he looks forward to returning as a resource for future pageants.

Erica Battle, who took second runner-up in the pageant, said the contestants rehearsed 15 hours a week for more than a month in preparation for the pageant.

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**Abortion rally stirs debate**

Katie Kienast  
*DAILY EDITION*

Many voices and concerns involving abortion rights and anti-abortion issues were heard on Sunday — literally across the street from one another.

People clad in white T-shirts lined the north side of Illinois Route 13 and supported what they called reproductive justice. Members of the National Life Chain stood across the street and voiced their concerns against abortion.

Reproductive Justice is broader than what is generally considered abortion rights, said Jamie Huber, the vice president of S1 NOW and member of Spiritual Youth for Reproductive Freedom. "Reproductive justice encompasses many issues involving reproduction as a whole, such as support for affordable child care and undermining forced abortion, for men, women and families," Huber said.

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**Salukis on a plane**

Christian Holt  
*DAILY EDITION*

As high school junior Roman Frost stepped onto an SIUC airplane Saturday morning, he said he was excited. His face showed fear.

Frost and 104 other high school students, the majority from northeastern Illinois, flew to Southern Illinois Airport on an American Airlines plane to spend a day learning about SIUC’s aviation program. “I’m nervous to do it, but I’m ready to fly,” said Frost, who took a flight tour on the university’s plane.

David NewMyer, chair of the department of aviation management and flight, said this is the ninth year the department has brought students in to check out the program.

NewMyer said the first few years the students came from the St. Louis region, but the last three years the students have come from Chicago. He said SIUC puts on the program to recruit students, gather alumni and to help American Airlines find future employees.

Recruiting students seemed to be the most important part of the day.

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**Step show shakes Shryock**

Caroline Rogers  
*DAILY EDITION*

Teams that performed for the Stoppin’ to Lif’ Egypt Step Show did more than dance Saturday. They used props, including scuba gear and a human jump rope.

Sponsored by Beta Eta Alpha Fraternity, the dancing and stepping teams performed at Shryock Auditorium. The teams choreographed their dances to the beat of hip-hop music and the stomping of their own shoes. Several step groups competed, accompanied by student dance teams, including Fatal Fusion and Anarki Now. Fatal Fusion dancers Kanisha Craig, a junior from Hazel Crest studying health care management, and Shanta Richardson, a senior from Robbins studying business management, participated in the performance.

“It’s a good example for the community and the students here,” Richardson said. “They do community service and put on these kind of shows to raise money and awareness of the Greek scene.”

Aside from raising money, people just love to see the Greek step, Craig said.

“It’s great entertainment and a good way to show them off to other students who may be interested in joining,” he said.

In between sets, hosts Jay Dickson and Dwawn Jenkins, both alumni for the Alpha chapter, entertained the audience.

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On Monday, October 8, 2007, at the Student Center, Ballroom C and D, a student who was a member of the Social Work faculty, staff, and students, was pronounced dead shortly before 1 p.m. at a Veteran’s Affairs hospital, according to the Cook County Medical Examiner’s office.

The student had been involved in the race from the start to the finish, officials said. The victim died Sunday while running the Chicago Marathon as stifling heat and smothering humidity forced race organizers to shut down the course midway through the event, authorities said.

Chicago Marathon

CHICAGO (AP) — A Michigan man died Sunday while running the Chicago Marathon as stifling heat and smothering humidity forced race organizers to shut down the course midway through the event, authorities said.

Chicago police said 35-year-old Joseph Schieber collapsed while running on the city’s South Side and was pronounced dead shortly before 1 p.m. at a Veteran’s Affairs hospital, according to the Cook County Medical Examiner’s office.

An autopsy on the Midland, Mich. man was scheduled for Monday.

“Obviously very sad news, and our thoughts and prayers are with the individual’s family,” said Shawn Plott, senior vice president of LaSalle Bank, the marathon’s sponsor.

Galen Rupp, the race’s medical director, said witnesses have reported seeing Schieber collapse and become unresponsive.

“The race directors did his best to get help and died on the race course,” said Plott, as quoted by the AP.

Meanwhile, about 10,000 of the 45,000 registered runners never showed up for the 38th annual race, while another 10,934 started but didn’t finish, officials said.

Organizers decided to divert runners from the race route to the starting area shortly before noon as a precautionary measure when temperatures neared 90 degrees. Ailing runners were provided with water, and runners eventually stopped at or near 90 degrees.

Organizers closed the second half of the course just before noon, four hours after the annual race started with temperatures above 90 degrees now trigger an influx of bodies by the thousands.

“The heat and humidity are the most dangerous conditions you can have for a marathon,” said Michael Harris, who helped set up the cooling station the day before.

Obama says war block your progress on key domestic issues

CHICAGO (AP) — Barack Obama warned the weekend that health care and other domestic needs will be neglected until the Iraq war ends, and he presented himself as the right mix of sound judgment and new ideas to solve the problem.

The war now costs $10 billion and $12 billion a month, Obama said, noting that President Bush had vetoed a $15 billion children’s health care expansion while seeking $150 billion for the war overseas.

“While this war is over we can finally get busy facing the challenges we face here at home, the challenges you’re grappling with every day,” the Democratic presidential candidate told about 600 people at a union hall near Chicago Saturday.

He promised action on low wages, health care, affordable college educations and retirement security. “You deserve answers, you deserve a decent shot at a life this isn’t your father’s country,” Obama said.

Hitler’s family had “the resume that has become a cautionary tale,” he said.

"Families do not have the money to bury their loved one,” the senator said.

But former Medical Examiner Edmund Kogut, and former assistant administrator Michael Boehmer say the incident showed how the government must improve its planning for a large disaster.

Kogut said the government’s response was hampered by the lack of trained personnel and supplies.

Although the government could mobilize an influx of bodies by dropping in refrigerated trucks, as it did in 1995, it has 20 fewer employees than it did 12 years ago, down to 185.

The department has also cut the office budget, $73,000 in the last year alone.
In an ornately decorated auditorium amidst cheers and disco music, nine couples danced the night away and raised more than $50,000 for nine local charities.

Saturday marked the first ever local installment of "Dancing With The Stars" at the Marion Cultural and Civic Center. The dance competition consisted of nine non-professional couples from the Marion area who danced to raise money for charity.

Couples represented charities such as the Women's Center, Knight Shield and Hospice of Southern Illinois. Each pair danced three types of dances: ballroom, Latin and freestyle.

After the dances, four judges ranging from Marion Mayor Bob Butler to Miss Illinois 2007 Ashley Shield and Hospice of Southern Illinois. Each pair danced three types of dances: ballroom, Latin and freestyle.

As the lights dimmed and the audience's conversation settled, about 50 kids from a local nonprofit organization called Artstarts jumped on stage dressed in red dresses and disco suits and performed choreographed dances to songs such as "Night Fever" and "Stayin' Alive." The winners were Sen. Gary Forby and his wife, Angie Forby, who were dancing for the Williamson County Child Advocacy Center.

"I wasn't very nervous. I got kind of nervous as soon as I walked out because I thought I had forgotten all the choreography, but then it just kind of came to me," Fisher said. After much innovative dancing took place and also entertaining interspersed dances from the children in Artstarts, all nine couples lined up on stage at the end and gave a brief comment before the names of the winners were announced.

The winners were Sen. Gary Forby and his wife, Angie Forby, who were dancing for the Williamson County Child Advocacy Center. Forby, of Benton, said he didn't practice very much and generally doesn't do a lot of dancing in his free time.

"I never expected to win. I just really never did, but I just had a lot of people that took money in there and helped me out and helped win — and I had a good partner, my wife was a good dancer," Forby said.

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In Iraq, U.S. struggles to distinguish between friends and enemies

PATROL BASE HAWKS, Iraq (AP) – In a dark, ordinary room south of Baghdad, they thought they were targeting enemy fighters planting roadside bombs, according to the Iraqi soldier commanding the operation. The troops, who are still under investigation, uncovered a new dilemma facing U.S. forces as they push deeper into areas overrun by forces against extremists and Iraqis who are increasingly forced to take up arms to protect themselves from all sides.

Leavitt: Democrats won’t overide veto

Hope Yen, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — President Bush said Sunday he does not expect Congress to override a veto of his tax-cut program and warned that the popular program could be at risk unless Democrats restrain spending.

In an interview with The Associated Press and ABC’s “Person of the Century,” Bush said he would be willing to provide more than the $70 billion increase over five years he first proposed. He declined to say how much additional money was possible.

But in a warning to Democratic leaders who have pledged to stick with their $35 billion increase, Leavitt said Bush would not waver despite pressure to override his veto last week.

An override requires a two-thirds majority in Congress. The Senate and House would need about two dozen votes short of a majority.

Bush said the House has already detoured a steady stream of traffic away from the downtown area. Some of these decisions can make engrosses in the Catholic Church that they hate the persons that can not be seen. If the neck arteries, which offer a prominent course of several heart arteries that are not visible. Leavitt said.

It’s hard to imagine how we could diminish the children who are covered. ‘The president calls himself the „decider,“ and I don’t know why he would want to decide that one child has health care and another does not,” said Pelosi, standing in front of a sign that reads, “We’re not looking for anybody anymore.”

Several State Patrol officers went to Fire Station 8, in Manchester, to help investigators, the dispatcher said.

“We take it as one step at a time. And it’s really special to me because in this time, so many things are not what we expected,” said Pelosi.

In the House, President George W. Bush on Sunday honored fallen firefight- ers at a ceremony where he and others said at a ceremony where he and others.

But a plaque of the names of 67 fire- fighters who died in the line of duty last year was added to the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation for the former academy, now known as the National Fire Academy. The names of four firefighters who were killed at the academy and not honored before included.

Health Ultrasound scanners can be used to spot hidden artery plaque

Nancy Paylor, House Speaker D-Calif.

Dr. Carlos Arzate, a Mexican doctor who could swipe a wipe over your neck and reveal whether you have hidden heart disease that they may not know you have.

This is now possible in other places other than the clinic of the Enterprise.

Metro ultrasound machines are starting to make their way into ordinary doctor’s offices, where they may be seen as common as electrocardiograms and EKGs. A pocket-sized one weighing less than 2 pounds and costing about $4,000.

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“I was just about to get up and call it in, and I heard sirens,” she said. “There’s never been a tragedy like this here. There’s been indivi- dual accidents, but nothing of this magnitude.”

“The small community is fac- ing a trying time but is pulling together, Bradley said.

“We feel a part of our community. We always have been,” he said.

“Saint Death” is growing. Many people, especially in the Catholic Church that they hate the persons that can not be seen. If the neck arteries, which offer a prominent course of several heart arteries that are not visible. Leavitt said.

In Mexico, the Catholic Church has spoken against Santa Muerte, saying she is linked to Satanism and is being used to mislead desperate people. Catholic priests leading large anti-American gatherings in the Chicago area are confronting questions about Santa Muerte and what she represents.

The Re: Esquecida Sanche, pas- sor of Mary, Queen of Heavens in Cicero, Ill., said parishioners have asked him to bless statues of Santa Muerte.

I heard probably five or six shots, a short pause and then five or six more,” she said. “I wasn’t sure if it was gunfire initially. I thought some kids were messes around and hitting a nearby metal building.

The northeast Wisconsin town is about 225 miles north of Milwaukee. The area is known for logging, and fishing, hunting and snowmobiling.

Catholic clerics dismiss faith in ‘Saint Death’

Margaret Ramirez McCARTHY THRASHER

CHICAGO — Inside a botanica in a village not far from the border, she stands on the counter in all glory: a smiling skeletal woman with a long nose and veiled like a virgin.

In one hand the statue holds a globe, while the other clutches a scythe. She is known as Santa Muerte, or Death, and the people devoted to this reli- gious icon are praying for a better life. “They visit her at this streetfront spiritual shop to ask for favors or seek protection, laying down money, cigar bands and clutches of penny fattets,” said Eduardo Ornelas, a spiritual adviser and owner of the Botanica San Miguel Arcangel.

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“People ask her for many things. Some want to be protected from a disease, some want to be protected from a disease, some want to be protected from a disease, or St. Lazarus. Moreover, followers call her to help in one of the lower sectors of society. In the Chicago area, young people, housewives and other members of their friends speak openly about her power and the miracles she performed.”

“respects her,” said Brenda Alfaro, 25, who works in a Chicago store that sells perfumes. “She represents death, and that’s something we are all going to face, and that’s because of the faith people have in her. It’s almost like a new religion.”

The Lyon, Iowa, United States polls of likely Iowa caucus-goers that showed that U.S. troops fired on the check.

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Police swamped during Homecoming weekend

David Lopez
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The life of a Carbondale Police officer is not an easy one, especially during Homecoming weekend. At many Carbondale students celebrated the SIU football team’s 24-17 Homecoming victory. Saturday night, the Carbondale Police Department buzzed with activity.

Coming off a 13-hour Friday night shift, rookie officer Adam Boyd began his shift Saturday filling out routine paperwork. Within five minutes, Boyd and other officers responded to a call on their radios, rushing to their squad cars and screeching out of the parking lot.

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— Adam Boyd, Carbondale police officer

“Would you like me to come in?”

The man was eventually let go with a warning after the officers gave him a brief talking to.

Not all calls that night involved chaos or break-ins.

A traffic accident on the 900 block of East Park Street required several officers and an ambulance. Officers arriving at the scene quickly took their posts around the crash site watching traffic barriers to hold motorists at bay while the scene was cleaned up.

“Tim always usually on the other side of the accident, driving by looking at it,” said Donald Owens, a senior from Chicago studying computer engineering. Owens’ Buick sedan was one of two cars involved in the crash that sent a woman to the hospital.

Owens said he spent the entire day in the engineering building and had just come home to take a break before going out to dinner. As he left the Bel-Aire mobile home park, he said he was struck by a passing minivan.

“This was my first accident,” Owens said. “I couldn’t even make it to the game.”

Driving down the streets of Carbondale, several pedestrians showed a visible dislike for police, putting up their middle fingers or shouting obscenities at the passing police cruiser.

Boyd says that is the nature of the job and, as a police officer, you have to learn to not let it get to you.

Finally arriving back to the briefing room, Boyd grabbed a cupcake and sat down at his computer. He resumed his paperwork for only a few minutes before another call came through that had officers rushing back to their squad cars.

“Our night is just getting started,” said Sgt. Chuck Shipton as he filled out a board that assigned officers to their beats for the night.

“We’re not going to get out of here until five at least, if we’re out of here by four, I’ll be ticked to death.”

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Carbondale police districts
The Carbondale police department separates the city into four districts and assigns officers to each section. Officer Adam Boyd worked district 10 Saturday night after the Homecoming game.

Students, alumni catch ‘Maroon Fever’

Bill Thomas traveled to California to watch the SIU Homecoming football game, but he didn’t go inside the stadium.

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Some people were unhappy they could not bring water or other beverages into the stadium, said Sara Beeler, a junior from O’Fallon studying social work, who was working admissions at the game.

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The diatribe of a sports fan

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With so many huge things happening in the wide world of sports this weekend, I thought I would dedicate this week’s column to the rumbles and grumblings of the professional and college sports world.

On football
Congrats to everyone who actually braved the 96-degree, early October heat at McAndrew Stadium on Saturday afternoon. Everyone that stayed saw a great game between two nationally ranked FCS (1-AA) teams and really wished we had a chance the Illini were circling this week to downplay the Illini victory, but Wisconsin was going to lose eventually, especially with how poor they’ve played against UNLV, Iowa and the Citadel earlier this season. Even 0-5 Notre Dame won its first game of the season against UCLA 20-6 after scoring 17 unanswered points in the second half.

On basketball
We are now officially one month away from the start of basketball season. Building off of the success of last year’s Sweet 16 season, this year’s squad should just be as entertaining as last year’s team.

MVC Defensive Player of the Year Randall Falkner and Centrala- nativ Matt Shaw lead the team this year with the ankle-breaking Bryan Mullins running the point. Look for Josh Bone, Tony Boyle, Wesley Clemmons and Class A Mr. Basketball Carlton Fay to have solid contributions as well.

The success of the program in the past few years will also really pay off this season as SIU plays host to Indiana, Butler and the ESPN GameDay crew, which will feature the first ever HD broadcast live from the arena in January when the Salukis take on Creighton.

Also, be sure to check out the Arena this Friday when Marion Madness returns to the SIU Arena. Saluki fans will get to see a slam dunk and 3-point contest, as well as an open scrimmage. There will also be an ESPN camera crew on hand to tape the event, which is a privilege because there are only three other schools in the nation selected to participate in taping for a show appearing later that night.

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. for Dons Pound Members and 6 p.m. - for the general public. Admission is free.

On baseball
Even though my beloved St. Louis Cardinals took a season off from postseason baseball, I felt terrible watching the Cubs get swept by the Arizona Diamondbacks in three games the past week.

To clarify, I don’t feel bad for the team itself; I feel bad for all the divisional Cubs fans who had the Cubs cruising to their first World Series Championship since 1908.

There will also have to wait until next year — again.

Speaking of baseball, wouldn’t it be nice if Athletics could schedule a few games out at the new ballpark in Marion? Not to take anything away from watching a baseball game up the hill, but watching the Salukis play ball on a real field with lights would be a great experience and could probably make a few extra bucks at the same time.

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WORDS OVERHEARD

“Don’t ever tell me no.”

Joan Higginbotham

SiU alums and NASA astronaut

on her attitude toward being rejected when she first applied to be an astronaut.
A Texas lesson on global warming

Jim Marston

First, the good news: President Bush acknowledged to the world on Sept. 28 that global warming is real and that human activity is contributing to it.

And the president told international representatives at a U.S.-hosted climate meeting that he wants nations to set an “aspirational long-term goal” for reducing global warming pollution and to start a fund to help poorer countries pay for new emissions-cutting technologies.

The bad news is that the president again rejected mandatory cuts in global warming pollution. He instead urged voluntary measures to deal with the problem.

To Texans, Bush’s newly restated commitment to voluntarism evoked Yogi Berra’s famous line, “It’s déjà vu all over again.”

Been there. Done that. Didn’t work.

In sacred Texas history, a beleaguered Col. William Travis drew a line in the sand with his sword and asked that volunteers willing to defend the Alamo step across it. Nearly all did.

The late-1990s response to Gov. George W. Bush’s call for volunteers was less inspiring.

The story starts back in 1971 when the Texas legislature passed a Clean Air Act but, for political reasons, grandfathered polluting facilities already in operation.

The thinking was that power plants, refineries and other factories that were subsequently upgraded would be subject to the new, tighter restrictions; other aging plants would simply be retired.

It didn’t work out that way. A quarter-century later, 821 grandfathered plants were still going strong and still spewing pollution into the air. Tired of breathing air you could literally taste, Texas began demanding that the Legislature either clean up the old plants or shut them down.

In late 1997, when Bush was governor of Texas, he headed off a tough, mandatory cleanup requirement by proposing an alternative: a voluntary emissions-reduction program.

In return for making voluntary reductions, Bush proposed a weaker standard based upon decades-old technology. What he tried was a voluntary approach dangling a carrot and saying, if you do a little, we won’t make you do a lot.

A year and a half after Gov. Bush announced his voluntary plan, the Texas legislature enacted it into law. (Electrical utilities had to clean up their plants, but the legislature passed a separate, voluntary plan for chemical plants, refineries and other plants.)

So what happened? Very little.

In 2000, Bush’s people claimed the voluntary program had produced 124 permits for cleanup measures. But an analysis at the time by the nonprofit Environmental Defense showed that 31 of those were applied for before the governor announced the plan, and 104 of them were applied for before the program was enacted into law.

Of the 124 permits issued that were claimed to have been voluntary, 99 of them were for facilities that had emissions so low that the state environmental agency didn’t require them to report their emissions as part of the 1997 Emissions Inventory.

Only seven of the permits actually represented voluntary action not mandated by the federal Clean Air Act or other legal mandates and only one plant in the entire state could be fairly said to have responded to Bush’s 1997 voluntary initiative.

The legislature knew the voluntary approach wasn’t working, and when Bush left to go to Washington, they replaced the voluntary plan with mandates.

Six years later, the president, still defiantly opposed to mandatory measures, is once again pitching his voluntary approach, only this time it’s the entire nation and the rest of the world.

His voluntary plan didn’t work in Texas. A voluntary emissions-reduction plan has never worked anywhere.

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The 2007 SIU Homecoming Queen and King Shannon Page and Matt Christianson smile for pictures during the coronation at halftime of Saturday's football game at McFarland Stadium. 

Terry Scott

Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity members practice a few steps before performing at a step show Friday night at Shryock Auditorium.

Caroline Rogers

Caroline Rogers runs for homecoming queen. "Alpha Phi Alpha brings attention to young, talented black women, and I wanted to be a part of it," Scott said. 

Brett said she was upset the pageant was finished, but was happy for Glover.

"I am so proud of Rhonda," Brett said. "She wanted it more than anybody. She deserved it."
Alumna screens film on Israeli-Palestinian conflict

Andre Spencer

What started as a final project required for graduation became the launch pad for Hilla Medalia’s success.

Melia, a documentary filmmaker and SIUC radio-television graduate came to Lesar Law Auditorium Friday to give a special screening of her latest documentary, “To Die in Jerusalem,” as part of the radio-television department’s 50th anniversary celebration.

The film, which will premiere Nov. 1 on HBO, follows the mothers of two 17-year-old girls that were killed — one killed by an Israeli suicide bomber and the other by a Palestinian suicide bomber.

The film was based on her graduate thesis film “Daughters of Abraham,” which she said was her tool to raise the money to make “To Die in Jerusalem.”

After showing the thesis to private investors, she received the money necessary to make “To Die in Jerusalem.” After spending two-and-a-half years working on the film, starting in January 2005, the film was picked up by HBO.

Melia was born in Israel and lived there until she was 20. In 1998, she came to SIUC on an athletic scholarship for track and field.

Seeing what became of Medalia’s thesis film was what brought some of those in attendance to the screening.

“I had seen her thesis project and I wanted to see what the next step was,” said Joey Hillery, a lecturer in radio-television.

“Seeing what became of Medalia’s thesis film was what raised a new consciousness of the conflict,” said Ben Nelson, a senior studying cinema and photography. “I would see it in the news all the time, but I never really understood the conflict between the Israelis and Palestinians.”

Melia hopes her return to SIUC will inspire current students to not be afraid to aim for higher plateaus of success.

“You just have to shoot as high as possible,” she said. “Try to do that big project that no one expects you to.”

Melia also participated in a panel on producing and funding documentaries on Thursday.

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Girls and Sports by Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein

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By Linda C. Black
Birthday: The more you study, the more new questions pop up. You don’t have to understand everything. Leave room for a few mysteries.

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 4 — A day top needs to be positioned. Don’t try to fit it in. The odds are too high it would lead to a mishap, either here or there.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 6 — Caution is advised when it comes to shopping. You’re usually good at resisting temptation, but there could be some weakness now.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 3 — Everybody’s got an opinion, there’s no doubt about that. Don’t even try to get them to agree. They’re not ready for that.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) — Today is an 8 — Assuming you know the right answer can lead to colossal error. Continue to update your information and have a backup plan.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 7 — Ask for more and you’ll get it. It’s as easy as that. Don’t spend it all on toys or lottery tickets, however. This luck doesn’t work that way. You’d lose more than you just gained.

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Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 6 — The need to stick to a budget is annoying if you resist. It’s worth it, though, as you’ll discover further on down the line. Practice your self-discipline, and stay away from the malls.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — It’s still not a good time to venture forth to exotic locations. Stick to your old routines, and stay calm, cool and collected, even if you have to take a detour.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 6 — The need to stick to a budget is annoying if you resist. It’s worth it, though, as you’ll discover further on down the line. Practice your self-discipline, and stay away from the malls.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is a 7 — You’re actually a pretty good communicator. You tend to use one word where others would use 25. Briefly is also the soul of wit, which you may have already discovered.

Sudoku

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More ‘Heartbreak’ than humor

Wes Lawson  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

“The Heartbreak Kid”  
Rated R  
Starring: Ben Stiller, Michelle Monaghan, Malin Akerman  
Directed by Peter and Bobby Farrelly  
Run Time: 115 min.

It’s hard to believe nine short years ago, the Farrelly brothers made a grow-out comedy classic with “There’s Something About Mary.” “The Heartbreak Kid” is all about the world of fantasy and is being marketed as the romantic comedy of the winter season. It’s even harder to believe that when looking at their current films, what they have almost all mediocre or terrible. That streak continues with “The Heartbreak Kid,” a sub-par romantic comedy that is neither terribly romantic nor terribly comedic. It is yet another example of how a studio where Ben Stiller usually shames it to cover up for the shortcomings of the script.

Based on a screenplay by Neil Simon, the film focuses on Eddie (Stiller), a 40 and is being chided to find a bride. Along comes Lila (Malin Akerman), a seemingly wonderful gal, and after six short weeks they get married and head to their honeymoon.

It is here that Lila reveals her inner psycho, and Eddie realizes the awful mistake he has made, especially when he meets Miranda (Michelle Monaghan), a woman who Eddie immediately realizes is the woman he is destined for.

The audience then watches as Eddie tries to break it off with Lila to get with Miranda. The audience realizes early on that there is little chemistry between Stiller and either of his leading ladies, but that two out of the three leads are completely unlikeable characters.

Lila is an annoying crazy person, to be sure, but as Eddie falls for Miranda, he becomes a distant and unlikable partner, and the audience feels sorry for Lila. Stiller and Akerman create characters who no one can root for. So we turn to Miranda, a nice girl played by Monaghan to such perfection that it’s a shame she’s not a bigger star than she is. Her character spends too much time in the background, waiting for the plot to catch up with her.

It took five people to write this film, including the Farrellys, and it’s difficult to see why when the romance story is cobbled together from so many generic plot elements.

Misunderstandings and idiot characters populate the film, causing more groans than chuckles or laughs from the audience.

Also, too much of the comedy in the film feels dated and flat. Jokes about bodily functions have come a long way since “Mary,” and watching a woman pee on someone’s jellyfish sting just doesn’t pack the comedic punch it used to.

Not even a last minute cameo by a fairly big celebrity can lift up the proceedings — the joke is one note, and comes at a time when the characters are beyond such foolishness.

The film’s funniest moments come from its supporting cast, including Rob Corddry, largely wasted as Eddie’s married friend, and shockingly, Carlos Mencia, whose hotel manager is an amusing take on south of the border hospitality.

The film also wears out its welcome. At 115 minutes, it is way too long and spends too much time on the beach making the same point over and over about how Eddie wants Miranda.

The fact that “The Heartbreak Kid” assembles so many funny people and creates such a mediocre film experience is quite frankly, astonishing. This is a plodding and unoriginal film that doesn't have enough laughs to be worth seeing, and its romantic story is as predictable as a Disney film.

Hopefully one day the Farrellys will return to the greatness of their earlier work.

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Pulse Picks by the Pulse team

Here are some movies in theaters you should check out:

Alicia Wade

“The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising”  
Directed by David L. Cunningham  
2 hr. 1 min.

Before boy-wonder-wizard Harry Potter took the literature and movie world by storm, there was another teenage boy whose shoulders bore the burden of rescuing the world from dark forces.

“The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising,” written by Susan Cooper, is another product of the children’s literature section of the bookstores brought to life in a somewhat successful way on the silver screen.

The protagonist of the film Will Stanton, played by adopt newcomer Alexander Ludwig, just finished his first semester of school in Great Britain after his family moved overseas from the United States for his father’s teaching job.

On his 14th birthday, Stanton began to notice strange things happening to him, and while his family brushes it off as puberty, Stanton finds out he is the Seeker and has powers beyond anything he has ever known.

The boy learns from the Old Ones, neighbors who have always known he had the seeking ability, that he is the last in a long line of lightbearers for the light. The Old Ones tell Stanton that the dark is rising in the form of a menacing Rieke, played by Christopher Eccleston, and threatening to extinguish the light forces in five days and he is the one standing in their way.

As the seventh son of a seventh son, he must travel through time to find six signs made out of various materials to help his supernatural powers, which control fire and move objects, to become strong enough to defeat the dark.

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For the series to be successful, these questions must be answered.

The strength of the movie is its simplicity. Stories are one of the greatest forms of entertainment ever invented. It’s about a young man trying to save his family from the evil that threatens the lives of Stanton’s family, and the boy put in life and death situations who when driven down can overcome the menacing evil that threatens him.

Ludwig is the perfect choice to play Stanton and is extremely talented and believable as a boy who doesn’t feel he has any significance in the world. When he tries to explain to a quick tongue and snarky remarks to the Old Ones there is no way he is the Seeker and attempts to his destiny, the audience can see a frustrated youth who cant fathom his importance.

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Jakina Hill

“The Heartbreak Kid”  
Ben Stiller is consistently funny and usually worth seeing.

Audra Ord

“Michael Clayton.” George Clooney is brilliant in all he does, and this is no exception.

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Salukis split weekend, Elswick breaks record

Megan Kramper

With two starters out of the lineup, the SIU volleyball team had little time to adjust for the weekend series at home.

The Salukis split the weekend series against conference rivals Drake and Creighton, and now stand 11-7 overall and 3-4 in the MVC.

While the Salukis didn’t exactly have their way on the court, junior libero Kristy Elswick was able to break SIU’s all-time career dig record on Friday, passing Kristie Kemner who set the record of 1,355 digs in 2002.

Coming into the match Elswick was 19 digs away from the record and managed to record a team-high 19 digs in the win against the Bulldogs.

Hosting Creighton on Saturday, the Salukis entered the game with intentions of an upset against the second ranked team in the MVC but were swept in three games: 30-39, 30-21, 30-24.

Sophomore outside hitter Marina Medic led the Saluki offense with a high 19 digs in the win against the Bulldogs.

Medic said the team did a good job of shutting down the team’s offense, which ultimately led to the loss.

Medic switched from middle blocker to right side and freshman Jennifer Berwanger contributed 16 digs in the loss.

Coach Brenda Winkeler said, “We just gave them too many easy balls, and it makes you feel like you’re always on defense,” Winkeler said.

Junior right side hitter Kristy Berwanger was sidelined during the weekend with an illness that forced the Salukis to switch their rotation with short notice.

Medic switched from middle blocker to right side and freshman Jasmine Conner started at middle blocker throughout the weekend.

Medic said getting used to a new position on short notice can affect the game on a mental level but said the team did a good job adjusting quickly.

On Friday, the Salukis defeated Drake in four games — 30-21, 27-30, 30-21, 30-26 — with help from freshman outside hitter Jennifer Berwanger, who recorded a double-double with 12 kills and 13 digs.

Junior setter Brooklyn Robbins contributed to the effort with 34 assists and 14 digs before coming out in the third match with an injury.

Robbins was limited to the bench on crutches for Saturday’s contest and Winkeler said the status of her injury is not yet known.

Backup setter Erica Bartruff will take over the setter role, Winkeler said.

Elswick agreed it can be difficult to adjust with different players in the lineup from game to game, but each player has her own strength that can be beneficial for the Salukis.

Jennifer Berwanger said the team has a bad habit of lacking intensity at the start of the game and will have to work to change that as the season progresses.

“It’s just kind of a bad habit we have to get out of,” she said.

The Salukis will resume play at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Southeast Missouri State in Cape Girardeau, Mo.

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**Football**

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accounted for the Salukis’ first touchdown, a 7-yard gain that capped off a 97-yard drive.

Randle racked up 122 rushing yards on 16 carries, running backs Larry Walker and Richard White also had success, with 75 and 50 yards respectively.

“We got confidence in all of those kids to put them in at any time,” Kill said of his running backs. Also performing in the clutch was freshman wide receiver Jeff Evans, who had six receptions for 93 yards. On the final drive of the game, Evans had two key receptions—one over a slant for 40 yards, and an 11-yard catch on third-and-10, three plays before Karim’s winning touchdown.

Killed said the best thing was the mental toughness Evans showed after dropping what would have been a long reception in the fourth quarter on third down.

Senior cornerback and return specialist Craig Tarran’s mental toughness should also be applauded, as he played well after fumbling the opening kickoff, Kill said.

“He could’ve pouted about it, but he doesn’t seem like much bother, he keeps going,” Kill said of Evans. “Craig Tarran fumbled the ball, but it didn’t affect his game. That’s great mental toughness when they can do that, and for a true freshman to do that, we’re really fortunate.”

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**Guest Commentary:** Mohamed Mohamed

“After watching the game, I’ll say USC. Everybody says they’re the best team USC has ever had, and they lost to Stanford and having a hard time with the powerhouse that is Idaho. That was gutsy. But John David Booty will be OK. Those kids to put them in at any time,”

— SIU coach Mark Kill

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**Homecoming**

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16 minutes remaining in the game.

The defense kept the pressure on as he executed in a two-minute scenario, often blitzing linebackers and shutting the secondary to keep the quarterback contained.

“We didn’t want to play prevent — that prevents you from winning sometimes,” Kill said.

Despite the defensive pressure, there was still time left for the Penguins to execute a Hail Mary pass with seven seconds remaining in the contest, but the play was thwarted when sophomore cornerback Brandon Williams batted the pass down in the end zone to seal the game.

Kill said Williams’ play was a testament to thecompose of the defensive late in the game.

“What we tell our kids, which our assistants do a very good job of lecturing, don’t go up and try to pick the ball off and get an interception, worry about stats — knock the ball down — and our younger did a good job knocking the ball down,” Kill said.

Killed commended the defense’s ability to limit the Youngstown State running game as well. The Salukis held the Penguins to 166 yards — more than 59 fewer than their season average.

Sophomore linebacker Channon Mixon, who recorded a team-high 14 tackles and 2.5 tackles for a loss in the victory, said the defense did not know what schemes the versatile Penguins offense would execute early on, which may have led to the first quarter deficit.

“When we caught on to what they were doing, it made it easy for us to come out and make some plays,” Mixon said.

Mixon kept the defense lively despite its early deficit, often throwing his hands automatically to get the crowd of 13,188 into it early and bumping chests with his teammates.

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Salukis prevail against Penguins

Salukis bring it home

SIU improves record to 6-0 with win over Youngstown State

Scott Mieszala

Branidin Jordan wasn't worried when the SIU football team fell behind by 30 points early against Youngstown State.

"I just kept telling everybody, Don't give up, you know what I'm saying, just keep fighting," Jordan said.

SIU (6-0, 2-0 Gateway) had a 17-30 lead before the Penguins tied the score at 17 with 11 minutes, 32 seconds remaining in the game.

Saluki junior running back Deji Karim scored the winning touchdown with 1:59 on the clock, running for a 15-yard score to cap off an eight-play, 87-yard drive.

"Once I got that ball, I was just wanting that end zone so bad because I felt like we needed it," Karim said.

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Kill said defensive coordinator Trace Cleys told him on the sidelines before Karim's touchdown to run down the clock, which Kill would have done if Karim didn't break free for the score.

Karim, however, said he wasn't worried about leaving Youngstown State (4-2, 1-1) ample time to tie up the score again — he trusted the SIU defense to hold the Penguins.

"Everybody on the sideline was like, take care of business as soon as possible," he said. "We trust these dudes, and they trust us, too."

Youngstown State started its final drive at its 29-yard line with 1:45 remaining in the game, and two timeouts at its disposal.

The Penguins had two first downs and moved the ball down to SIU's 46-yard line, using one timeout in the process.

On second-and-10 from the Salukis' 46, Penguin quarterback Tom Zotts was sacked for a 3-yard loss by SIU sophomore linebacker Chauncey Mixon. Zotts was brought down in bounds, and Youngstown State used its last timeout, needing to spike the ball after a 6-yard gain two plays later.

The spike left just enough time for a last play, an incomplete pass in the end zone as time expired.

Mixon ended the game with 14 tackles, 2.5 tackles for loss and the key sack of Zotts, which Kill said is a product of the 215-pound Mixon's speed.

"We got guys that can make some plays, and it makes you look better as a coach," Kill said.

Senior running back John Randell celebrates.

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Philladelphia, Colorado 2 — Colorado wins series 3-0

Sunsec: Boston 9, Angels 1 — Boston wins series 3-0

Cleveland 4; Yankees 8 — in 9th inning