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# Sievers: SIU, Toyota bond remains strong

RYAN VOYLES  
Daily Egyptian

## Administrators support Gilbert, research while Toyota reveals own findings

Administrators stand behind David Gilbert's Toyota research, even as the world's largest automotive company says human error, not electronics, have caused sudden unintended acceleration, a problem that has forced the recall of millions of vehicles.

Gilbert, a professor in automotive technology, testified at a congressional hearing in February that he might have identified a glitch that would cause

Toyota vehicles computer systems to prevent diagnosis of SUA. Toyota has said oversized floor mats and sticky accelerator pedals are the causes of SUA in its recalled models.

Toyota has taken more than eight million vehicles off the road in two separate recalls since October because 11 different models have experienced the problem.

Gilbert could not be reached for comments Wednesday, but told The Associated Press he never wanted to go after Toyota.

"I didn't really set out to take on Toyota. I set out to tell the truth, and I felt very strongly about that," Gilbert said.

But Toyota, who held its own investigation into the accidents, said Wednesday its investigation revealed

the true problem to be human.

A Toyota representative told BusinessWeek Wednesday the company's investigation of accidents revealed the drivers — not the car's electronics — caused "virtually all" accidents.

"There are a variety of causes — pedal entrapment, sticky pedal, other foreign objects in the car," said Mike Michels, a spokesman at the Toyota U.S. sales unit in Torrance, Calif., in an interview with BusinessWeek.

A spokesperson from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

told BusinessWeek its own investigation on SUA in the vehicles is ongoing.

Electronic messages obtained July 11 by The Associated Press showed some Toyota employees were frustrated by Gilbert's research.

One message, from a SIU alum and Toyota Motors employee, asked then-chancellor Sam Goldman whether it was smart to keep Gilbert on staff at the university.

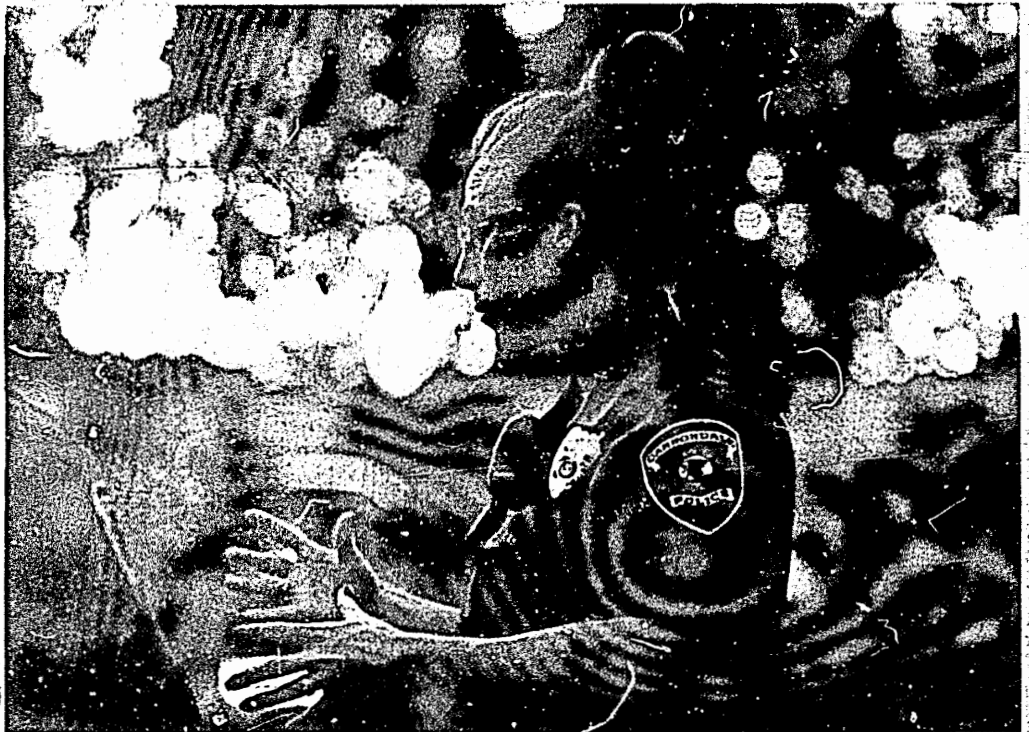
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REGULATING SUNSET

Carbondale police officer Brook Hammel explains the no-glass policy to a Sunset Concert-goer while The McClymonts perform at Turley Park June 24.

Each year, event organizers emphasize restrictions prohibiting glass bottles, kegs, pets, solicitation and underage drinking. Hammel said she has helped regulate the concerts each summer for the last six years, while Sgt. Matt Dunning said this year was his first. Volunteers and university and city police work together to preserve the tradition, which is what has helped the nights at Turley maintain a family atmosphere, Dunning said. See page 3 for the full story.

DIANA SOLIWON  
DAILY EGYPTIAN



# Stadium Grille, city loan agreement surfaces

LAUREN LEONE  
Daily Egyptian

The future of Stadium Grille remains uncertain, but a loan agreement gives some insight into what could happen to the money used to open and operate the restaurant.

In March 2009, Stadium Grille signed a loan agreement with the city of Carbondale to borrow \$325,000 from the city's Revolving Loan Program, a receipt of the Community

Development Assistance Program (CDAP) grants from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, according to the Carbondale city website.

Under the agreement, Stadium Grille would pay the amount back in monthly consecutive installments from July 2009 until June 2019 — but the building never made it to July 2010, as it closed its doors just 13 months after it opened in May 2009.

Under an agreement with the state,

the city is allowed to circulate the money to reloan to other, new businesses, said Kevin Baity, assistant city manager for economic development.

He said the building is under the control of First Southern Bank, an investor and creditor in the loan agreement. Baity deferred all questions to the bank regarding the reasons behind the business closing and what will happen with the loan money.

John Dostler, president and CEO of

First Southern Bank, did not return multiple messages left at his office during the last week.

Different reasons a business could go into default include hidden debt against the project or if it took out another loan to help itself, according to the agreement. It states a default could also occur if Stadium Grille either failed to pay within 5 days of the due date or failed to follow the guidelines lined out in the agreement.

The city of Carbondale was interested in lending the amount to the new business "to expand its economic base by creating and retaining jobs," according to the agreement. In Jan. 2009, the city council discussed goals to further expand partnerships with private businesses and promote the city as an ideal location for development.

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**TODDLERS TAKE TO TURLEY PARK** Katelyn Wallen, 2, gets a hand from her father, Phillip Wallen, Wednesday while she climbs up the miniature rock wall at Turley Park. Wallen said he brings his daughter to the park just about every day. "It's by far — head and shoulder above the rest — the best park for families in Carbondale," said Wallen. He also said he enjoys bringing his family to the sunset concerts at the park because of the positive atmosphere for parents and their children.

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- Adult Reading Program**  
- Carbondale Public Library will be hold an adult summer reading program ending Sunday.  
- Friday: drawing for a \$10 gift certificate from ANC Theaters, a coffee mug, and a large container with candy and popcorn.  
- The Birds will be shown at 2:30 p.m. Free popcorn will be served.  
- For specific details contact Mary Stoner at 457-0354.

**Corrections**

In the Wednesday edition of the Daily Egyptian, the photo caption "Karen the mechanic" should have said Tuesday. The Daily Egyptian regrets this error.

# Officers perpetuate public safety at sunset concerts

MICHCARA CANTY  
Daily Egyptian

Sound technicians are not the only people who work behind the scenes at the Sunset Concert Series.

Carbondale and campus police have worked together to ensure the public safety of sunset concerts attendees by watching for hazards such as glass bottles and drinking and public urination violations, said Lt. Harold Tucker, a campus officer who has policed the concert for 20 years.

Despite the event's relaxed atmosphere, the concert creates potential safety problems for the public, he said:

"There is an abundance of people that outnumber the availability of portable restrooms. The urges to use the restrooms are due to the alcohol consumption," Tucker said. "We exercise our discretion on individual basis."

Audience members stand in long lines to use restrooms, which leads them to public urination, Tucker said. He said there would be fewer public urination citations if alcohol were prohibited.

Sgt. Matt Dunning of the Carbondale Police Department said he spends most of his time on the regulation of drinking rules.

Tucker said a few citations for underage drinking have been issued this summer and one battery assault incident has occurred, though there have not been notable arrests or citations for



Carbondale police Sgt. Matt Dunning, right, waits while officer Brooke Hammel writes a citation for underage drinking during the Sunset Concert at Turley Park June 24. Dunning said for the most part, concerts at the park warrant more warnings than citations, while Shryock shows attract a younger, less inhibited crowd.  
DIANA SOLIWON  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

**“We are appreciative to the community for their conscientious efforts to follow policies**

— Lt. Harold Tucker  
campus officer

excessive consumption of alcohol.

The audience has been compliant with policies of the concert such as the prohibition of glass bottles, said Priciliano Fabian, executive director of Student Pro-

gramming Council.

"I enjoy seeing people conversing with one another. There are not many problems presented," he said.

Throughout the course of the concerts this summer, four ar-

rests have been made — a small number considering each concert has an average of 2,000 audience members.

"We have had great success with this year's Sunset Concert Series. We are appreciative to the community for their conscientious efforts to follow policies," Tucker said.

Dunning said this summer was his first time in eight years of ser-

vice to Carbondale he's overseen sunset concerts. He said Turley Park's atmosphere starkly contrasts Shryock's.

"Turley is definitely more a family atmosphere. Shryock attracts more of the younger people, but Turley stays fairly quiet," he said.

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Sievers said the university had little reaction to this and other messages.

"We just read it," Sievers said. "There were people who did take issue

with Gilbert's research. We took that under advisement, but his research stood for itself. Research is really nothing more than one long argument."

Toyota's initial reaction to Gilbert's research included the resignation of two Toyota employees from an advisory board of SIU's automotive technology program, and the company withdrew offers to fund two spring-break internships.

Toyota representatives told The Associated Press the two resignations were only to avoid the appearance of influence over Gilbert's testimony.

SIUC Interim Provost Don Rice said there was some communication from people who expressed issue with Gilbert's research, but Gilbert's job was never in jeopardy.

"There's been absolutely no discussion about removing Dr. Gilbert from this university because of research," Rice said. "That would be a very poor thing to do, and a conflict of academic freedom among other things."

He said there is a committee set aside to investigate claims of research misconduct, but Gilbert's research was "not one of these cases."

"The case of the Toyota research was a difference of technique, out-come-and-opinion," Rice said. "There's been no charge of any research misconduct. The university supports all of its research ... as long as they are ethically doing what they're suppose to be doing."

Toyota spokeswoman Celeste Migliore told The Associated Press the relationship between SIU and her company remains strong.

"We have absolutely no issues with SIU and retain an excellent relationship. That won't change,"

Migliore said.

Sievers said he shared Migliore's sentiment.

"Our relationship still remains strong. They didn't pull back any of our funding," Sievers said. "I really don't think there is an issue anymore. Our partnership continues with them and we're happy about that, and I believe they feel the same way, too. It's benefited both sides."

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First Southern Bank, Small Business Administration and the Greater Egyptian Regional Planning Commission entered the agreement with the city of Carbondale to finance the project, Baily said. He said the \$325,000 was put toward the purchase of equipment and fixtures ap-

propriate for the business's needs.

Under the agreement, Stadium Grille was also required to hire a minimum of 22 full-time employees and to retain all employees for the term of the loan. In January 2009, the owners said the restaurant would bring in roughly 100 jobs to the area, as reported by the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Baily said it's not uncommon for the city to fund new businesses for

job creation and retention.

In January 2009, the city entered an agreement with Stadium Grille that would allow generated tax revenues to be reimbursed to fund part of the development costs, according to a Jan. 19, 2009, DAILY EGYPTIAN report. The report states approximately \$580,000 would be reimbursed to the developers if the project were to bring in the revenue Stadium Grille owners anticipated.

Baily said for the last 15 to 20 years, the city of Carbondale has re-loaned this money and recaptured it with interest — thereby growing the loan amount the city has available. The loans are meant for new businesses such as Stadium Grille, he said.

Baily said he does not know what the owners, Gary Strothmann and Sherry Morgan, plan to do in the future, but Baily said people

should not focus so much on the restaurant.

"We've had other businesses that had been in existence for only a year or two and didn't make it either," he said. "It just happens to be they weren't as high profile as this place."

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# Saluki Insider

The British Open kicks off Thursday. Which golfer will win at St. Andrews?

I am going to go with one of the popular picks in Justin Rose. Rose has racked up two wins on the PGA tour this summer, making him one of the hottest golfers. It also helps that this has been one of the most wide open PGA seasons in recent years with Mickelson, Woods and the other elite struggling. As Bret Michaels would say, every rose has its thorn, and this Rose is going to stick his thorn through the metaphorical hearts of all his competitors.



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Sergio Garcia is going to rip up the field at the British Open. He has had great success as he has the top-10 finishes in Open play. He is a consistent golfer and he knows how to play at St. Andrews. He is a great ball striker with monster blast off the tee box. I expect him to pull his game out of it's slump he has been stuck in lately.

This tournament is all about Zach Johnson. He is the anti-Happy Gilmore — he can putt. And this course has large greens made especially for his putting expertise. Tiger will make a major mistake and blame someone in his Tiger team. Mickelson can't putt and the rest of the group will show valiant efforts but choke at the end.

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The Cardinals are also a team that can make a run at the home-field advantage. Albert Pujols, Matt Holiday and Colby Rasmus are just a few Redbirds who have the ability to take the NL Central. Pujols has hit well posting 21 homers along with 64 RBIs. Pujols' other half, Holiday, has also hit well with a batting average of .300 coupled with 16 homers and 51 RBIs. Rasmus has proven himself as an everyday player for the Redbirds as he has 16 homers with 42 RBIs.

Despite their All-Star presence, St. Louis has had trouble with following through and being consistent on offense and defense this year. In one game pitching will be solid but hitting is troubled or vice versa. They need to play consistent baseball if this season is to be a success.

Finally, the Padres look like a great candidate for home-field advantage this year. The Padres have a strong pitching staff with Mat Latos leading the team with 10 wins and only four losses, which

is followed by Jon Garland with an 8-6 record. For San Diego, it needs more help offensively. Right now Adrian Gonzalez is the only hitter on the team with more than 50 RBIs.

History will probably repeat itself again (1996 Atlanta beats St. Louis in the NLCS) a few months from now in October when the Atlanta Braves take the National League pennant. Atlanta has shown everybody around the National League it means business this year and nobody could have pegged the Braves to have this solid of a season. Teams in baseball tend to win when it is least expected (St. Louis in 2006).

The National League will have some great baseball coming up in the second half of the season with the team standings so close. Almost every National League team has a chance to compete for the rare chance to earn home-field advantage.

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## A British Open with all the elements

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The Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — The locals are famous for saying that if it's "nae rain and nae wind then it's nae golf."

"There was rain. And there was wind."

There just wasn't much golf being played Wednesday on the eve of the British Open.

Kenny Perry wanted to play one more practice round, and the miserable weather wasn't about to stop him. It just made him think about how long he really wanted to be in the kind of elements St. Andrews hasn't seen in 15 years for the British Open.

Three holes after he teed off, with raindrops on his glasses and water dripping off a black rainsuit that had turned slick and shiny, he cut

across the Old Course to play two holes back toward the clubhouse. As he stepped onto the 17th tee, Perry noticed a man grinning at him from beneath an umbrella.

"Are you enjoying our weather?" the man said in his thick brogue.

"What's there to enjoy?" Perry replied.

Worse yet was leaving the 17th tee with Nick Watney, rain pelting them sideways and the sound of laughter above them. There was Ian Poulter, dressed in shorts and a shirt, taking pictures of them from the comfort of his third-floor room in the Old Course Hotel.

"Having fun down there, boys?" Poulter called out to them.

The fun doesn't begin until Thursday, when the 139th version of golf's oldest championship gets under way at St. Andrews, with weather that likely will as much

of a factor as Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson or any of the players.

And it's about time.

The last time the Open came to St. Andrews, there was only one round of a stiff breeze and Woods won by five shots at 14-under 274. Ten years ago on a sun-baked links, Woods set a major championship record at 19-under 269 for an eight-shot win in perfect weather. But there was nasty weather in 1995, when John Daly finished at 6-under 282 and won a playoff.

The Royal and Ancient, which runs this tournament, doesn't get wrapped up in scores. It lets nature decide that.

"The forecast for the championship is changeable — blustery, showery conditions," R&A chief executive Peter Dawson, barely able to contain a grin. "Pretty good for links golf."



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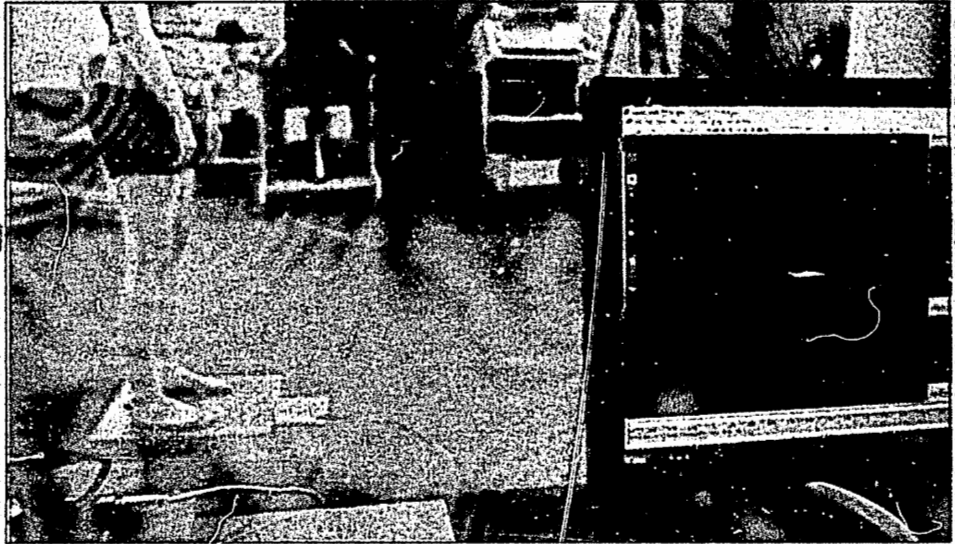
## Who will win the British Open?

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### Motion-capture equipment technically trains athletes

DIANA SOLIWON  
Daily Egyptian

Director James Cameron, and Saudi athletics might have something in common — making something good better with motion-capture equipment. Dr. Michael Olson, assistant kinesiology professor, said a biomechanics tool helps him study the body and makes movies such as "Avatar" possible. The program allows him to analyze aspects such as gait speed, joint angles and arm swing, he said. What implications could this have for athletes? "Potentially, it could help someone who already has a particular skill and who is still learning actually see what they're doing (wrong) ... and fix it," he said. See Tuesday's DAILY EGYPTIAN for the full story.



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In Davies Gymnasium room 121 are eight cameras on an area that detect and transmit movements to a computer software program when one wears several small, sticky reflective balls on their body. Read the full story in Tuesday's DAILY EGYPTIAN.

### BASEBALL

## Miners add to historic season with all-star week

BRANDON LACHANCE  
Daily Egyptian

While other leagues make all-star games a serious event with high stakes, the Frontier League keeps the tradition of a mid-summer exhibition game alive.

The Southern Illinois Miners wrapped up the Frontier League's All-Star Week in Marion at Rent One Field Wednesday. The all-star game Wednesday was the main event of weeklong festivities for fans to get to know the Miners including a concert, home run derby, all-star luncheon, celebrity softball game and other charity events.

Scott Gierman, Miners' director of media relations, said the events are meant for the fans and the players to interact.

"The purpose is to get everyone in there to have fun," Gierman said

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— Scott Gierman

Miners' director of media relations

"The league shows off their best talent, that's how it's supposed to be."

The fans had plenty of opportunities to meet Miners as the team had nine players on the Western Division roster. The mark surpassed the previous record of eight all-star players from one team. Eleven miners were selected but Ryan Kussmaul was picked up by the Chicago White Sox organization to play in Single-A and the other was injured.

The Miners, 39-9, boast the best record in the league and have already set a franchise record. They

also have the highest attendance record with an average of 4,420 fans in 24 home events.

Gierman said the Miners organization is attempting to make this all-star week better than previous league games.

"In southern Illinois we try to take it to the next level; we want to outdo the people before," Gierman said.

Miners' first baseman Brad Miller out did all the other home run derby participants as he hit a total of 13 long balls. Miller and Traverse. City's C.J. Ziegler hit three home runs a piece in the fi-

nal round to force a swing-off to see who would win the championship. Miller hit three more over the fence in the final round while Ziegler hit only one.

Miners manager Mike Pinto was named the Western Division all-star manager. In his Miners' blog, he wrote it is an honor to be in the dugout during the all-star game and said the Miners organization has dedicated its time into making the all-star week a memorable event.

"I know that our front office has been committed to make these events something that people in southern Illinois will talk about," Pinto wrote.

Marion Mayor Robert Butler said the all-star break does not only affect the Miners, but it also puts people in the Marion community where other business have on their lights.

"This gives the economy a boost," Butler said. "Hundreds, if not, thousands, of people will be coming to town and they will probably eat at restaurants or possibly stay the night at hotels."

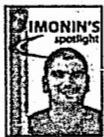
Local celebrities and former MLB players were also involved in all-star week. The celebrity softball game roster included former St. Louis Cardinals players and radio broadcasters Jack Clark and Al Hrabosky. SIU football coach Dale Lennon and former Saluki basketball player Matt Shaw also participated.

Kirk Ruetter, a Nashville native who played for the Giants and Expos from 1993-2005, threw the first pitch in Wednesday's all-star game.

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### STAFF COLUMN

## A Brave postseason prediction for National League



IMONIN'S spotlight

The last time the National League beat the American League in the MLB All-Star game Mike Piazza of the Los Angeles Dodgers was the game's Most Valuable Player.

After 14 long years, history finally repeated itself Tuesday as the National League — led by a catcher

once more — won its first all-star game since 1996.

The National League defeated the American League 3-1 with a base-clearing double off the bat of Atlanta Braves catcher Brian McCann, which earned him his first All-Star MVP award.

Before the seventh inning heroics of McCann, this year's all-star game was shaping up to be another disappointment for the National

League team, but the baseball gods answered its prayers.

Now with the National League in control of home-field advantage in the World Series, it is sure to be an exciting second half of the season.

The National League teams that have a good chance of reaping the benefits of the all-star game victory are Atlanta, St. Louis and San Diego.

It is almost too close to call which team will take home-field advantage as each one has a strong chance to capture its respective division title.

Atlanta has been playing too well for anyone to think it does not have a legitimate shot. The Braves are sitting in first place in their division and third in the MLB with a winning percentage of .591 and a record of 52-36.

McCann has been a great catcher for them posting a .267 batting average along with 37 RBIs. The Braves also acquired Alex Gonzalez from the Blue Jays during the break to help the offense get a little more pop. Gonzalez joins the Braves with 17 homer runs and an impressive 50 RBIs.

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