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Abortion rights debate rages on
Court considers case against pro-lifers accused of violating federal law

By Emily Friddy
Politics Writer

Twenty years after the watershed Roe v. Wade decision, the abortion-rights battle rages on as the Supreme Court this week considers litigation brought against pro-lifers accused of violating a federal racketeering law.

In 1989, pro-choice activists accused members of three pro-life organizations of violating the law, Pro-Life Action League Executive Director Joseph Scheidler, one of the defendants, said. The 1970 law initially was intended to stop organized crime by allowing charges to be filed against groups who commit two criminal acts, SIUC lecturer Pamela Lacey, an attorney from Benton, said.

Carbondale attorney Ronald Issacs said the law also requires plaintiffs to prove defendants have an economic motive for their actions. But Issacs said the law does not apply to the abortion-clinic battle.

"You’re applying a law that was designed for one purpose to something completely different," Issacs said.

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University Housing proposes hike

By Katie Morrison
Housing Writer

Like so many times in the past, University Housing is proposing a maximum 2 to 3 percent increase for the fall 1994 semester, SIUC officials say.

Deferred maintenance and inflation play large roles in the proposed increases, Ed Jones, director of University Housing, said.

"We have to pick priorities, even though we’d like to do everything at once," Jones said.

At this point, priority repairs are fixing roofs, replacing carpeting and infrastructure work, such as upgrading fire-alarm systems, Jones said.

Jones said University Housing is trying to keep increases as low as possible, but with inflation and increasing maintenance needs, it could be difficult.

Last spring, the SIU Board of Trustees approved a 4.8-percent housing increase, which translated into a $72-a-semester hike, for the same reason: outlined in the new proposal.

Although many students protested an increase last spring, Residence Hall Association

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Gus Bode

Gus says it’s nice that we’re not standing for the increases; how about a sit-in?"
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International holidays

Students seek festive spirit away from home

By Sean L. N. Hao  
International Writer

Students will line up at the Amtrak station with bags in hand next week, eagerly awaiting a holiday with friends and family, but not necessarily students prepare for a Christmas far away from loved ones.

His name may be different, but Santa Claus and Christmas are a few of the universally recognized holiday icons both in the United States and abroad. For the many international students who cannot afford to travel home, though, Christmas is no different.

Katie Mak, a journalism student from Hong Kong, came to SIUC this semester and will have to return to $1,800 airfare to fly home for the holidays.

“It’s too expensive and it takes about half a day to get to Hong Kong from here,” she said.

Instead, Mak will travel to Florida during break and return to Carbondale Christmas Eve.

Chin said she will miss being with her family, but Christmas is celebrated differently in Hong Kong.

“This is as much of the Christmas spirit in Hong Kong,” she said.

There are a lot of parties on Christmas Eve and the families will go to a Christmas feast and then after they will go to a festival.”

Unlike in the United States, the older generation does not take part in Christmas celebrations. These Chinese traditions also help the students celebrate the holiday festivities in Hong Kong, Mak said.

“There’s quite a lot of Chinese customs in the dinner and wearing of traditional clothing,” she said.

Josephine Noo, a senior in radio-television from Singapore, said there is a strong Chinese influence on the Christmas holidays in her country as well.

“We celebrate the Chinese New Year in late January or early February instead of on January 1,” she said.

Noo, who will spend a quiet Christmas day at home, said her family does not exchange gifts during the holidays.

“When I was younger, my family didn’t have so much money, so it’s not really a tradition with us,” she said.

Instead, she said she looks forward to New Year’s when older family members give the younger members red envelopes filled with money.

Despite this, Noo said students enjoy the surrounding Christmas festivities.

“Normally, we go back to school right after New Year’s and there are usually finals,” she said.

So students can go out enjoy themselves more.

Irina Arkhangelkaya, a graduate student from Nizhniy Novgorod, Russia, said Christmas is not as widely recognized as New Year’s in Russia.

“It’s just the same, we have a Santa Claus — or Grudkold Frost and the same kinds of shows and cartoons on TV,” she said.

“From Dec. 25 through Jan. 8 we have parties with singing and dancing that are mainly for the children.”

She said Christmas only has been celebrated in Russia since about the turn of the century.

The Orthodox Church has a service that is widely attended, but it is not as large as the New Year’s population,” she said.

Arkhangelkaya said the New Year tree, which serves as a Christmas tree, also is

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Sleigh ride

Tiffany Joe Cole, 6, enjoys playing Santa Claus. Cole was on the way home from shopping with her grandmother when she jumped into the wagon at the True Value store in Murdicle Shopping Center Thursday afternoon.

Court competition heats up for SIUC

By Jeff Mcintire  
Special Assignment Writer

The SIUC Most Court team advanced to the national competition Nov. 20, adding to the prestige of the Law School, officials say.

The team placed second in the regional competition, with the top two teams advancing to the national competition beginning the week of Jan. 24.

Darlene Blackstone, assistant dean of the law school, said the success of SIUC’s Most Court team helps bring prestige to a relatively new law school.

“I think it adds a lot to the reputation of the school,” she said.

“We have done very well in a short time.”

The class was admitted to the school the fall semester of 1973, she said.

R. J. Robertson, team faculty adviser, said the success is a representation of the students’ teaching.

“I think it’s a reflection of the fact that we spend a lot of time and energy in teaching our students advocacy skills and our students are very talented in that area,” he said.

The three-person team is made up of third-year law students Dan Leit, Mary Ellison and Carolyn Morgan.

Morgan, from Arlington, Va., said it is an honor to advance to the nationals and the team will do the best it can.

“It’s good to compete against top-quality schools in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin and win,” she said.

“We were happy because the competition was very tough.”

The region SIUC competes in is one of the toughest in the country, with 27 teams, more than any other region, Robertson said.

In the competition, the three-person teams argue in court.

This year the case featured a law-suit by a man against a rat-poison manufacturer, Robertson said.

The background of the case is that the plaintiff bought a container of rat poison from the manufacturer, then discovered that it contains a carcinogenic.

The plaintiff is suing for money to pay for post-testing for cancer, and has been ruled against by a federal trial court and appellate court, Robertson said.

The teams submitted written

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Pet neglect places burden on shelters

Humane societies face difficult chore of placing animals

By Angela Hyland  
Special Assignment Writer

Each day, humane society workers try to find homes for animals, but despite their efforts, they cannot find homes for all of them.

The shelter is only so big, and there is only so room for so many animals, Jodi England, manager of the Humane Society of Southern Illinois, said.

Each year about 7,000 animals are brought to the shelter. Employees find homes for about 500 animals. The rest, she said, are destroyed.

One of the main reasons animals are destroyed is the failure of owners to have their pets spayed or neutered, England said.

The cost of spaying or neutering pets varies, depending on the cost of the hospital and the animal is taken to and the size and weight of the pet.

Nancy Henry, a veterinarian at Spears Veterinary Clinic, on Route 51 South in Carbondale, said having animals fixed not only increases the number of animals to be cared for, but also reduces health problems animals face.

By having a dog spayed before her first heat, which occurs between six months to a year and a half of age, the possibility they will develop breast cancer almost is eliminated, Henry said.

In male dogs, it can reduce behavioral problems, such as roaming or territorial behaviors, which might result in a dog attacking a person or other dog which comes near its yard, she said.

“It’s really a very straightforward, simple operation,” Henry said.

“A pet can be spayed or neutered one day, then can be back running around and playing the next day.”

If not spayed, dogs can have up to two litters a year and cats can have three to four litters, she said.

“A cat can be in heat almost all the time,” Henry said.

Although Henry recommends having a pet spayed or neutered around six months of age, it can be done any time after that.

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As a result, more animals are

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Mexico trip sends help to refugees

By Lanie Stickman  
General Assignment Writer

While many people are unwinding during winter break, some SIUC staff and students will be helping refugees and another culture and help refugees in a dedicated trip.

Fourteen members of the SIUC community will travel, with 55 other people from around the country, to the United States to help refugees from Mexico to participate in the 11th Annual Mayan Culture Camp. 

Campus minister Karen Knodli, one of the trip leaders, said the group will work at a medical and dental clinic, a construction project and train healthcare workers at a Guatemalan village.

Knodli said the trip is important, not only because it is a trip to Guatemala itself, but in itself.

“It is vital to provide opportunity to experience another culture and to live with others who may have different,” she said.

The trip is a valuable experience for students, she said.

“Students can learn much about being a citizen of this country and living in a country different than the United States,” the trip leader said.

“Keep it honest about how we live in the United States, but also learn about the rest of the world,” she said.

“Computers,” she said.

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Staff Photo by Ed Vos

These two kittens are representative of the vast number of unwanted pets the Southern Illinois Humane Society receives during the months of May and August. Between 200 and 300 kittens are destroyed every week at the shelter.

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Legalization study—step toward solution

THE SURGEON GENERAL DID SOMETHING SO radical at a National Press Club luncheon Tuesday that some Senate Republicans and conservatives said she should be fired. She proposed a study.

Response to questions at the luncheon after a speech contrasting weapons violence in America, Elders stated that 60 percent of violent crimes are drug or alcohol related. She noted that many rob, steal and commit violent crimes to get their daily drug and said, "I do feel that we would markedly reduce our crime rate if drugs were legalized." She further stated she did not know all of "the ramifications" of legalizing drugs but believed it warranted an official study.

Elders also stated that legalizing had worked for one or two countries — she could not name them — where crime decreased and drug use did not go up.

The Senate Republican spokesperson Dee Dee Myers made a quick response stating, "The president is against legalizing drugs and he's not interested in studying the issue." 

WHILE IT MAY HAVE BEEN UNWISE FOR Elders to make a bold statement at the National Press Club gathering without more of a disclaimer that these were her personal observations and not those currently, under consideration by the Clinton administration or the Public Health Service — it was likewise abrupt for some conservatives to immediately declare that she should be fired for "undermining the war on drugs." 

President Bill Clinton should be commended for standing behind her the next day and emphasizing, "I think she's done a good job and really beginning to focus the country on a lot of these issues already." However, by writing off the federal government's studying legalization as a way to reduce violence, Clinton is missing something everybody knows: the War on Drugs is losing.

IN 1991. FEWER THAN 15 MILLION PEOPLE were arrested for all crimes in the United States. In that same year, the Department of Health and Human Services announced nearly 26 million Americans illegally used drugs. Drug arrests already total over 1 million each year — 1/15 of the total arrests made.

The penal system certainly cannot incorporate the additional 25 million drug users it misses without turning the nation into a small prison state. The surpassing of more recreation, drug users also assures less room for murderers, rapists and violent criminals who truly need to be jailed.

Moreover, the nation's piggy bank cannot afford it. The, I. note States, already spend, between $29 billion and $39 billion a year to fund its War on Drugs. Some alternative, especially a more affordable one, is needed in this time of budgetary constraint. The Clinton Administration may be tacitly admitting this in its recent.downsizing of the Office of Drug Control and emphasizing re habilitation over persecution. Some degree of change is eminent.

THE FACT THAT ELDERS IS ADDRESSING public health and violent crime issues head on is encouraging. Tens of millions of dollars are spent each year on gathering, compiling and publishing drug statistics that essentially say the same thing. A formal official study into the possibility of legalization as a way to reduce violence, and possible ramifications, is a reasonable request. At worst, the study could tell us nothing. At best, it may lead to a possible solution.

One thing is clear — the current policy is a costly, losing strategy. Many die senseless deaths each day in the name of the illegal 'rug trade' — considerably more each year than the 10,000 or less who die from overdose and drug induced deaths. We do not know all of the ramifications. That is the reason Ani al Rights Fund to study possible solutions not just run from its problems in fear. 

Letters to the Editor

IBHE's cuts unrealistic

I am totally frustrated by the Illinois Board of Higher Education's recent response to SIUC's effort in meeting Priorities, Quality and Productivity standards.

I am especially disgusted at the Board's continued attack on the Ph.D. program in political science. The Ph.D. in political science is one of the oldest doctoral programs in the College of Liberal Arts, and it is a basic discipline central to the needs of any respectable university Ph.D. program. The political science doctoral program has been graduating doctoral candidates at a consistent rate for many years, and it has a long record of placing its doctoral students in excellent professional positions. Several have established distinguished careers, which is an excellent measure of the high quality of their training at SIUC.

I am informed that the Board maintains that the doctoral program in political science has a low productivity. But in 1992 the department graduated four doctoral students; in the past five years it has averaged graduating nearly five doctoral students per year. This is hardly evidence of low productivity.

The Board has also suggested, paradoxically, that the capacity to produce Ph.D.s in political science exceeds the demand in the state of Illinois; hence the program must go. The Board's position is extremely parochial; it shows that the Board has no understanding of the hiring process in higher education.

The market in which SIU Ph.D. graduates in the social sciences compete is not confined to the state of Illinois. It is a national, international market; and the Political Science Department has been very successful in placing its graduates in national and international competition.

As I puzzle over the bizarre and often incomprehensible behavior of the Board over the past decade I sometimes feel as though I am observing a bureaucracy that would fit comfortably into a Franz Kafka novel, the criticism against us are obviously written; thus our responses are nearly always wrong. In the rare occasion that a criticism is met, the Board shifts its ground to a new criticism and presses on.

Time has come for the Graduate Council and the University administration to stand resolutely against any further efforts by the Board to undermine the graduate program at this University.
Howard W. Allen, professor, history

Prejudice existing problem at SIUC

First of all, can I just say we are back where we started last year? -- N. Andre J. Essor, USG Committee Rep, RHA Rep, senior, COLA, if you think that there isn't prejudice against homosexuals you are just as blind as you are dumb.

I don't care if you are in opposition to homosexuality, it just shows how shallow and unaware you are. I don't see your link between homosexuals and alcoholics.

The only denial homosexuals suffer from is to themselves when they suppress the instinct that is within them. See, you talk about instines, upbringing and such, but being homosexual is an instinct, well, not a choice.

Also if you read the "coming out" story better, you would have noticed that the person did not wish to stand up and announce to the world he was gay. He only wanted the people he cared about to know. If you think that you are going to try and stop homosexuals you are going to run into a lot more opposition that you are aware of.
-- P.D. I didn't think you were supposed to talk about AA meetings, huh?

--Patrick Higgins, STG President, junior

Animals need shelter, safety from weather

Some students and residents of Carbondale are перcolated unfortunately some are

The purpose of this letter is not to offend or be silly but I am writing it for the poor neglected animals of Carbondale who live here, but are forced to fend for themselves. I just do not seem fair for them to be neglected.

They suffer from disease because they have to live out of garbage cans, buy for food or starve. Most of the neglected pets I have seen are cats, but I also have witnessed

In the past few months I have taken in two cats the first was nearly dead and the other was covered with prion and oil, and was suffering from impurities. I know every city has its fair share of stray animals. Now that it is getting cold, please open your doors and let these unfortunate animals in.

David Hake; undecided, sophomore

How to submit a letter to the editor:

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"There’s nobody in the world that can say there’s any economic gain for these organizations that are protecting," said Van Der Meer of the Shawnee chapter of the National Organization for Women, said pro-life leaders earn money through their activities.

"(Operation Rescue Republican) Randall Terry’s making a hell of a lot of money off the anti-abortion people, and it’s a giant industry that Randall Terry and all of the pro-life people out of, " she said. "I think the argument can be made — there is a definite inducement. They are making lots of money."

Scheider said he and other activists are being prosecuted for removing 5,000 aborted fetuses from a garage, excepted outside a Northbrook clinic and later burying them.

“They’re coming up with a felony that never happened,” he said. “We never were charged with a felony. We were told by the people who ran (the clinic).” Come and take them — they’re boring them in the garbage.”

Tony Takac, grants director for the Ms. Foundation for Women, said tax plays a response to increasingly violent protests by pro-life activists.

“We think that despite the fact that abortion is not guaranteed by a federal standard, at many state levels, abortion is becoming unobtainable because of the stepped-up violence at the clinics,” he said.

Scheider said he and the other defendants. "Jerry, Tim Murphy of the Pro-Life Action League, former League member, Andrew Zoberger and Conrad Wohlgfar of the Des Moines Center for Life, never have been involved in acts of violence."

Citing violence as a factor in the case is unfair, Scheider said.

"All of these (violent acts outside clinics) are in litigation of some sort," he said. "There are some people in the pro-life movement who go off the deep end as there are in all movements."

Isacs said pro-choice activists win, they may be humbling themselves because the new interpretation of the law could be prohibited to protect all of us."

"If you infringe upon one person’s freedom of speech, you run the risk of it being used against you," he said. "In the past, members of the pro-choice movement have inflamed, churches and花了 unborn children. Priests during services — actions which could be stopped if the law is reinterpreted, Isacs said."

But Van Der Meer said she is not worried about possible countermeasures by pro-lifers.

"I think that anyone who goes in a church to protest ought to have the RICO laws invoked against them," she said. "If they (abortion opponents) can prove there’s an organized effort to interfere with church services, they should be able to do well to get the RICO statute."

Van Der Meer said the law’s primary value is symbolic.

"I don’t want that Constitutional right (to an abortion) to be interfered with by folks who have a different belief," she said. "I think it’s a symbolic win. It says that we are a state of laws, and that someone who believes in a god doesn’t get to decide for me."
Padre is becoming the big spring break place—we're escaping it to be great.”

"The land package for students, who provide their own transportation, includes eight days and seven nights at Gulf Point Condominiums for $220. The land package with transportation by motorcoach is $339.

The condominiums are 30 yards from the beach and have twin size beds and a pool. Paulsen said.

On-location staff will get involved by providing ‘heck activities and other promotions,’ she said.

The staff also will offer a bus trip to Mexico for $70. Paulsen said. A birth certificate or driver’s license will be required to cross the Mexican border.

Paulsen said bus departure times have not been set, but it will lie the campus March 12 and return March 19. Intestate students should pay a $50 deposit before Febl. 18.

Those signing up after the deadline must make full payment. For more information, call 536-3993.

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Coal strike on verge of conclusion

Local miners skeptical of new contract, plan to cast ‘no’ vote

By Stephanie Moletti

Students looking for fun sunshine and the sweet smell of college experiment experience during spring break trip to South Padre Island, Texas.

The trip is organized by SIUC’s Student Programming Commission and sponsored by the Student Center.

Committee member Leslie Paulsen said the group went to Panama City, Fla. last year, but it lacked excitement.

"This year should be better—we’re really getting excited about it," Paulsen said.

The coal strike may be on the verge of conclusion with a tentative agreement between miners and coal operators, but many local miners have little to look forward to but the loss of their jobs.

"The contract won’t do us any good," said Mike Triplet, chairman of the strike pit committee at Peabody Eagle No. 2 Mine in Shawneetown. The local 1602 office was crowded Wednesday morning as miners came in to collect what could be the last of their $400 bimonthly strike check.

"All this really means to us is that we’ll have $800 a month less money.

But, as Triplet pointed out, the contract will be decided by UMWA miners in the east of the country, whose mine work. Eagle No. 2 closed Sept. 14 throwing 400 people out of work, 363 of which are UMWA members.

"The contract won’t do us any god now. All this really means to us is that we’ll have $800 a month less money.

—Mike Triplet

With its high and medium sulfur coal, the Southern Illinois Coal industry has suffered since the passage of the Clean Air Act in 1990. Gulf Power of Florida was set to drop its contract for a supply from Eagle No. 2 in 1994 when, the company said, the mine would have closed. Peabody officials claim that the strike hastened the closure of the mine.

The UMWA’s selective strike against the Bituminous Coal Operators Association spread to Southern Illinois shortly after it began in May. As for Triplet, like many out of work southeastern Illinois miners, he is considering other classes at Southeastern Illinois College. He said he may study computer.

Congressman Glenn Poshard relayed a statement Tuesday saying that he was pleased to hear the tentative agreement had been reached.

This is a very positive development and I congratulate everyone involved for staying with the process and reaching a tentative agreement," Poshard said. "I have talked with Labor Secretary (Robert) Reich and folks on both sides of the issue for several weeks now, simply encouraging them to continue their negotiations. I think Reich and Bill Usery, the strike mediator, both deserve great credit—"

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Poshard is definite reducer, Congressional study shows

A survey by Congressional Quarterly shows Congressman Glenn Poshard has one of the best records among House Democrats on cutting spending and reducing the deficit.

"If we’re going to be serious about deficit reduction we had better be serious about cutting government spending," this survey fairly reflects my commitment to considering each and every spending cut amendment to see whether it reduces or eliminates a program and whether that action is justified, and it’s an agenda that I will continue to advance when we return to legislative action next year," Poshard said.

The CQ survey looked at the floor action on all the appropriations bills this year to determine how members voted on amendments that sought to cut fiscal year 1994 or future spending below levels approved by the Appropriations committees.

An individual’s score represents the number of times that member supported floor amendments to reduce spending in an appro-
Focus

Homeless abandon streets for shelter

By Jeremy Finley
Special Assignment Writer

Willie C. Robinson stands in his small room, staring down at his 14-month-old son Dominique as he sleeps on the floor. He looks around his room at the potted plants crammed in the corner and a single bed.

Robinson’s room contains all of his belonging. For him, life in the room at the Good Samaritan House is a change from the large house he lived in nearly a year ago.

But Robinson, after fighting with his wife and leaving his house with his son, Dominique, would not live on the streets of Carbondale. Even though the room is tiny for he and his son, he is grateful to be inside a shelter.

Kevin Griffith sits in the kitchen near Robinson. “No light comes in from the windows because of the dripping rain outside,” and Griffith sighs to himself as he sits at a long table.

Robinson and Griffith are two of the men who live in the Transitional House at the Good Samaritan Houseless shelter. The men are in programs to help them with dependency problems and to find work.

Griffith has stayed at the house for three weeks, and four or five times he has stayed there because of lack of difficulty in finding a job because of a bad problem and a past substance abuse problem. He previously worked at a Carbondale motel, but lost his job when the motel closed.

“I have psa., substance-abuse problems, but I’ve been sober for about two years now. It’s a daily battle — a lot of emotional distress. It’s hard for me to hold down a job,” he said. “I am trying to go through counseling. Until I hear about a possible disability claim, I’m living on $150 a month from public aid, and that’s hard to do.”

Robinson said a leg injury also contributed to his decision to move on from the shelter since they have on a regular basis.

“When I tell Dominique about living here when he is older, I’ll just tell him it was tough times and I kept him clean, fed and clothed,” he said. “I don’t want him to ever have to do this, he’s going to have an education.”

Griffith, 27, has been homeless for 10 years. He said when he was 17, he or pictured his life how it has turned out.

“I come from a pretty well-off family, but it was a very dysfunctional family,” he said. “Everyone has a alcoholism problem and drug abuse. Currently, my parents have lost everything, and I got kicked out at 17 with no education except for a high school education. I don’t even know how I graduated high school. My reading skills are atrocious.”

Griffith blames his homelessness on a lack of education and being abused physically in a dysfunctional family.

“I don’t blame it all on my parents. It’s my fault,” he said. “It’s many things — it’s not like if you fix one problem, you fix the other problem.”

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Shelters, agencies may lead homeless to Carbondale

By Jeremy Finley
Special Assignment Writer

As Carbondale provides more shelters than many towns in Southern Illinois, the housing may draw more homeless people to the city.

Susan Metcalf, director of the Good Samaritan House at 701 South Marion in Carbondale, said the shelter is funded from grants and donations not from the city because she believes the city is afraid that because the services exist in Carbondale, homeless people are attracted to the city.

“I would like to see the city fund this, but they are troubled by the fact that possible since we are here, we are attracting homeless people,” she said. “To some extent this is true.”

“But on the flipside, the city’s police department brings in people here on a regular basis,” she said. Metcalf said for the shelter to get funding from the city, but the city is cutting back on its funding and would lose money if it did not.

“It’s really ridiculous considering that they’re serving people at their request,” she said. Carbondale Police Chief Don Strom said while one of his officers was on assignment in another state he met a homeless man he had previously known.

The homeless man had a sheet of good locations to stay in at the Midwest’s, and Carbondale was one of the place-marked.

Strom said Carbondale, unlike large cities, have a big problem with homeless people.

Although there is lack of homeless shelters available for people who need them, their locations could bring more homeless individuals to Carbondale, he said.

Their being in Carbondale presents some real challenges,” said Strom.

City Manager Jeff Doherty said because of good agencies such as the Good Samaritan House, homeless people may be attracted to Carbondale and there’s no need for it, he said. “It probably does attract a certain amount of people.”

Doherty said he is bothered that some of the homeless population coming to Carbondale may not have good intentions.

“I think what concerns me is some of the people that do come here have some kind of criminal background,” Doherty said.

Doherty said he has not been city manager during the times when Rock City had some problems that have been solved by agencies such as the SUIC Women’s Center.

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Samaritan House provides amenities, hope

Volunteers, staff work toward housing those without a horn

By Jeremy Finley
Special Assignment Writer

The tall, brick church stands on a hill. It’s very quiet, one of religious inspiration. Although the building is no longer used for worship, it does inspire hope.

The Good Samaritan House, a non-specific homeless shelter in Carbondale, has operated out of the church for seven years, offering people without a home a place to stay.

Director Susan Metcalf said the house is not the only homeless shelter in Carbondale, but it is the only place that is not specific about who stays there.

“This is for the base homeless, just your garden variety,” she said. “There are other places that specify for people with a dependency, or for the mentally ill, but for just people that don’t have a home, we’re here and we decide latter how to handle the problem that led them here.”

Metcalf said homeless people sometimes build their home lives and live like that led back that caused them to lose their homes.

“Mostly people were just living on the edge and something pushed them over,” she said. “I don’t think people realize we have a problem here in Carbondale, and I don’t understand the ordinariness of homelessness.

“There are just more and more people getting close to the edge,” she said. “They lose their jobs in a little bit of time — Southern Illinois is considered a permanent disaster.”

The house is a project of the Carbon- dale Interchurch Council, and receives funds from the council, and donations from agencies such as the Illinois Department of Public Aid.

The downstairs area is an emergency shelter with 20 beds, couch and mattresses.

Volunteers and staff workers organize the shelter, with help from other area groups such as SUIC and the Special Olympics. An average of 20 students volunteer during each semester, and six to eight staff members live at the shelter.

Metcalf said individuals who stay at the shelter are aided by more than just a shelter: they are given meals and medicine if needed, but some homeless people who stay there are just a few days.

We try and prevent homeless —

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Kevin Griffith, who has been homeless for 10 years, sits on the steps in front of the Good Samaritan House. Staff Photo by Jill Gutter

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Student develops adaptation of 'Hamlet' in unique fashion

By Charlotte Rivers

Entertainment Writer

A band of gypsies tell a first-rate tale of Shakespeare's 'Hamlet' in a unique presentation tonight at SIUC's lab theater.

Director Greg Gerhard said he wanted the play, written in 1603, to be accessible to today's audiences.

"The thing about Shakespeare is that nobody gets it," he said. "I took the script from six hours to two and made it enjoyable and fun, so that hopefully, the audience will want to come back!"

Gerhard, who is directing the play as one of his major projects, said his adaptation of the classic play is different because a band of gypsies not only tell the story of Hamlet, but they also act out the parts and interact with the audience.

"It mixes a lot of elements of fantasy and theater but still has realism," Gerhard said.

The play begins with a gypsy pre-show, during which the audience meets the players, he said. Each cast member has a dual role as a gypsy and a Shakespearean character.

"There is a cast of 14, with an average of five to six on the stage," he said. "The rest are in the audience." Patrick O'Brien Higgs, who plays Bar and Gildersome, said the audience helps to raise the cast's energy level.

"At our last dress rehearsal we had an ad lib, but it was mainly people we know," Higgs said. "When we have an audience we do know, we think, Okay, we have got to be good."

Higgs, a junior theater from Marion, said the cast has juggled study time for finals and rehearsals.

"Everyone has a ton of other projects to do," he said. "We rehearse sometimes at 10 p.m. and we were here Sunday until 1 a.m. It is all pulling together."

Stage manager, "the Shoopman" said working with the production has been a learning experience.

"Since last week, I have helped the actors with their lines," Shoopman said.

Shoopman agreed that the cast has been involved in other theater activities.

"A lot of them are in 'A Christmas Carol,'" Shoopman, a sophomore in theater from Springfield, said. "We have been rehearsing every night this week, and it has pulled together."

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Yeltsin wants more power to avoid war

Los Angeles Times

MOSCOW—President Boris N. Yeltsin, in a televised appeal three days before Russia's elections, warned voters that the threat of civil war “will loom over the country” unless they adopt a new constitution that strengthens his powers at Parliament's expense.

Yeltsin said in a taped speech aired Thursday night that his proposed constitution would “protect Russia and its citizens from upheaval like those of October 1993,” when army tanks crashed through parliament’s building and violated his decree dissolving the old Soviet-era Parliament.

To make the proposed constitution law, more than half Russia's 107 million voters must turn out Sunday and half those casting ballots must vote “yes.” Some regional leaders and opposition candidates for the new Parliament being elected this day have urged a “no” vote. Opinion polls point to no clear result.

In a televised forum of candidates from 13 parties Thursday night, Oleg T. Bogomolov of the Democratic Party called Yeltsin's draft “the legalization of a personal dictatorship” and “a worse evil than the absence of a constitution.”

**District of Columbia mayor agrees with idea to study drug legalization**

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON—District of Columbia Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly said Thursday she agrees with the suggestion by Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders that the legalization of illicit drugs be studied.

Kelly, in response to a question about her views of Elders’ volatile comments, said she concurred that the legalization of drugs “deserves serious consideration.”

But Kelly’s aides were quick to point out that the mayor is not endorsing the concept or requesting a study.

“I think she responded and gave her opinion about it,” said Thura Thomas, director of the mayor’s office of communications.

“That discussion has not been brought up or taken place as we’ve gone down the road of looking for ways to reduce violence in the city.”

Still, Kelly’s comments lead to immediate criticism from her most likely opponent in next year’s mayoral race, D.C. Council member John Ray.

“I think the legalization of these drugs, the whole notion, is one of the worst ideas of recent times,” Ray said. “President Clinton said the other day, and I agree with him, that the human costs outweighs anything you can save from legalization.”

Kelly attired her comments at the White House, where she had just left a meeting with Clinton, who had convened a private session with several mayors, police chiefs and Attorney General Janet Reno to discuss measures to fight violent crime.

Legalization has long been a controversial issue for a politician to tackle.

Baltimore Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke has been the most outspoken, arguing that the drug problem should be considered a health issue rather than solely a criminal problem.

In response to a question during a National Press Club luncheon Tuesday, Elders said she felt “we could markedly reduce our crime rate if drugs were legalized... But I don’t know all of the ramifications of this. I do feel that we need to do some studies.”

Clinton moved quickly on Wednesday to distance himself from Elders’ remarks. White House press secretary Dee Dee Myers has said the president “is against legalizing drugs, and it will not happen on his watch.”

**Fetchin' it**

Rick Moeller, a senior in mechanical engineering from Chicago, plays Frisbee with Angus, his roommate's dog. Moeller was training Angus to catch the Frisbee Thursday afternoon near Douglas Drive.
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for the house and is needed when medical control—"they think you need a place to lay their heads too," he said.

"When you think about the type of population that comes here or may be here, especially in winter, they need a place to lay their heads," he said.

Luster said some staff residents take turns working the graveyard shift and stay awake on the lookout for potential trouble.

The shift began after a man was found on the streets who was an alcoholic and was staying at the house, and they must return by 11 every night.

"Especially for those who come drunk — they cannot come back for a while," Luster said.

"This is an agency that gives you a place on your head, and if you don’t want to abide by a few certain rules, then there are other places to place men.

Luster works with the Transitional House for Men, located on the second floor of the shelter. Men who work there go through counseling and are encouraged to find jobs and rebuild their lives, they pay a portion of their rent and only can stay there for two years, he said.

The transitional house is funded primarily by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Metcalf said.

Most of the men have some kind of dependency problem or are mentally ill.

There is a light atmosphere among the men, and they try to joke about things to take away from their serious situations, Luster said.

He said the most difficult part of his job is when he watches people he’s used to being interested in fall back into dependency.

Metcalf also said it is discouraging to see homeless people try and fail.

"This is the bottom of the barrel, so you can see how they have very high or low expectations," she said. "You tend to look at the successes instead of the failures.

"But if you’re going to work in this field, you have to learn how to cope," she said.

Jocelin Thomas, a caseworker, at the shelter said he was working for the shelter for months, it is difficult for any strange or violent circumstances to surprise her.

"Nothing shocks me anymore," she laughed.

Thomas said caseworkers residents with educational opportunities and medical attention.

It is difficult to see homeless people come very close to recovery and then backslide.

"When someone comes and is recovering and then for benefits — it’s very frustrating," she said. "It is very discouraging, but you try and see improvements in everyone who comes.

Metcalf said people with dependency problems are urged to seek counseling, otherwise they must leave the shelter if they refuse to stop drinking or using drugs.

"Some of them just flat out refuse to quit drinking, and we don’t have time to fight a losing battle," she said.

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homeless problem.

Griffith said he lived on streets in California for months, and then lived on Carbondale’s streets before coming to the shelter.

"California is not a good place to be homeless. Most of the time I slept on the beach, and there you get frogs for sleeping on the beach," he told.

"You go to the homeless shelters out there (California) and they tell you there are 800 people ahead of you.

He said he did not live on Carbondale’s streets for long, but Turley Park and other secluded areas are places he lived where he felt safe.

"I didn’t sleep in busy places like the Strip — the safest places to go sleep was Turley Park or out in the suburbs where the cops aren’t around," he said.

"I know guys that live out on the street. You have to understand the type of life they live, I am an unusual case because I’m not some guy who is living everyday.

People who live on the streets collect cans for enough change to buy alcohol, he said.

"You almost have to drink whiskey just to stay warm," he said. "It’s also because they physically need the alcohol. The reason I drank was because I was homeless and I didn’t think I could be anything. As long as I stayed drunk, I didn’t have to face my problems. I can see where they are coming from. People classify everyone (homeless) as drunk, and I’ve been sober for seven years and I’ve learned on the streets for nine months. And I’ve stayed homeless.

Griffith said he got institutional frightening for him to think about going back to school.

"It’s a scary thought to think about going back to school. I think that history I’ve had with substance abuse and manic depressiveness and emotional problems, it’s scary and hard to go on sometimes, to try and do something," he said.

He wonders how he got motivation some days.

You wonder if you can do it or not, because you talk to so many times, he cease his lack and I came back here, I thought. ‘Here I am again, at the starting point.’

Griffith said he does not want to stay at the shelter longer; he has to, even though people at the house are helpful.

"I don’t want to be on disability (pa) all my life. I don’t want to seek off the Government," he said.

I have to go back to work and do something with my life.

"It’s next to impossible getting a job in Carbondale — most of the jobs go to students," he said. "This is a real bad area. I do some personal attendant care services.

"It is discouraging, but now I’m trying to get myself back together this time. I hope my social security gets approved.

Griffith said with sadness that he has some options for the future, but knows he may have to wait.

"There’s a work program that I may be qualified for in Ann, but it’s going to be a long time and a lot of paperwork," he said. "I may be six months before I get anything going. Right now I’m in Limbo, waiting for my life to go somewhere."

A week after Griffith spoke of his depression in work for money, he is happy. He received word that his social security check was approved.

In the past weeks, he plans to leave the shelter, get an apartment, fixed work — perhaps even purchase a car.

He smiles as he helps out with a party the house is having and drinks from a mason jar and from the kitchen, a room lit by bright sunlight shining through the window.

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especially when you're a
wailer or a manager, you have
to balance the human impulse
with the needs of the diner," he
said.

"It's real fine line, you feel bad
when you have to ask them to
leave."

Most homeless people he has
encountered have been friendly
and outgoing. They need
someone to talk to, and
someone to make them feel
welcome in the world.

"There is no place in Southern
Illinois except for Carbondale? he
said.

"Unfortunately, it's one area
where you can get a beer.

Shelley, the manager of the
Corner Diner at 600 S. Illinois
Ave., said because the restaurant
is open 24 hours, it sees homeless
people regularly.

Wilson said the staff has a
crew of seven homeless people that
frequents the restaurant and
participates in daily drift in and
out, usually carry bags and wear
dirty clothes.

Wilson said that too leaves
homeless people are attracted
to Carbondale.

"What else is there in Southern
Illinois except for Carbondale? he
said.

Wilson said he does not allow
the homeless people to sleep in the
restaurant, but they are not causing
a problem and at least are
drinking coffee, sometimes
Wilson will pay all this.

"We do have problems with
people selling drugs, and asking
for money from other patrons," he
said.

Kroenecke, a waiter at the Corner
Diner, said the hardest part
of dealing with the homeless is
finding the line between a
business and helping compassion.

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Nissan recalls C-22 minivans

Motor company says affected vehicles involved in 150 reported fires

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON—Nissan Motor

Co. in an unusual recall campaign,

is paying some of its customers to turn in minivans that are vulnerable
to engine fires.

So far, the company has paid a

total of $4 million to more than 900 customers to have their

vans removed.

The campaign, under way since August, involves Nissan’s 1987–
1990 C-22 passenger vans. According to company officials,

the minivans have been involved in many fires, and the company

has had to recall four models due to different defects, all of

which could lead to fires.

In its latest recall, Nissan quietly initiated a program for giving

customers the cash equivalent of a repair, based on vehicle evaluations

by dealers and approvals granted by Nissan regional managers.

“It is an unusual recall campaign,” said Bill Boddy, associate

administrator of NHTSA’s Office of Enforcement. “But Nissan could have

been more specific in telling its customers if they were eligible” for a cash payment

in return for Nissan taking the vans off the road, Boddy said.

Nissan officials reached

Thursday said customers are under no obligations to accept the company’s offer of cash equal to the cost of a repair. If the buyer is accepted, customers will have to spend the money at a Nissan dealership or on a Nissan product, said company spokesman Mark Adams.

According to Adams, if a dealer finds that the cost to fix a recalled vehicle is greater than the value of the vehicle, the dealer can ask a Nissan regional manager to approve a cash buyout at a value equal to the estimated repair cost.

That means some customers may be paid less than their minivans with more value than the money is worth.

Customers electing to have the money turn must turn in their vehicle and title. The vehicle will be crushed.

The company can keep the money if the customer fails to fulfill obligation to Nissan, Adams said.

Clinton, labor to mend NAFTA rift

WASHINGTON—President

Clinton and the chief of the

United Auto Workers union are

working to mend the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) last month.

Kirkland reportedly still is angry over the NAFTA fight and may be looking for confidence-building efforts by the president to help mend the relations and organized labor that could improve the auto health care reform package and the Democratic Party’s plans for 1996.

The meeting at the White House will mark the first face-to-face session since the former first couple clashed publicly over the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) last month.

The meeting will set the tone for the pace of reconciliation. A lot of people are talking to take the cases—initially at least—from this meeting,” one source said.

In the aftermath of that bitter fight, labor unions have decided to withdraw their contributions to the Democratic National Committee (DNC) and the House and Senate campaigns. Nissan has granted the labor leaders their annual winter meeting in Bal Harbor, Fla., in February.

But the terms of any future reconciliation are not clear, in part because labor’s priorities beyond health care reform have not been stated and because of factors complicating the process of bringing the two sides together.

For labor leaders, a quick resolution with the administration risks a backlash at the grass roots. Union officials have acknowledged they have not yet seen much interest in an issue.

Clearly they hope that the mutual understanding between the two sides can lead to further efforts to mend NAFTA rifts and electing Democrats in 1994 would gradually bring the two sides back together.
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Today’s Puzzle

Today’s puzzle answers are on page 18
to avenge last year's home loss to the Salukis. SIUC lost a 12-point first-half lead, but Raquel Ransom scored four big points down the stretch to seal the win—the Salukis' first in Chicago since 1984.

The win gave SIUC four wins in the last six meetings in the overall series. In games played in Carbondale, the Salukis hold a 4-1 edge over the Fighting Illini.

"I hope we can establish some home-court advantage; it is a goal we have set for ourselves," Scott said.

"We need to get the attitude that the Arena is our home and we are not going to c- in house criticism "humble..." and vows to know up.

"They may misconstrue my toughness of what I want on the court for my personality," Buckner said. "I get along with people. You have to take the time to know me. And while I am steadfast to my goals, I am a reasonable person." Buckner probably did himself a disservice by not having a trusty assistant coach on his bench, someone to give him a tug on the sleeve and advice.

The question now: Can he last with a team that even Buckner says is better than its record? Those who know Norm Somaj say the CEO is having second thoughts. Some players privately say they'd be surprised if Buckner's around next week. Maybe they all need to see Owner Donald Carter, whose loyalty—not to mention his five-year, $2.5 million commitment—to Buckner remains firm. Carter's support for Buckner is "100 percent." Carter downed: "I hired him to do a job, and I expect him to do it.

Another talked about game is hand in Browning's decision.

Browning also picked the Bears over Tampa Bay, which seemed to be a running tradition with all of the forecasters.

Dan Lehey said the Bears' defense could probably have a big week.

"The Chicago 'D' will not have to score big on Tampa to win this one," he said.

Kevin Bergquist said the Bears' starting to look like a familiar team of old.

"This defense has looked like before back when they won the - dare we say it - Super Bowl," he said. "It will not happen this year, but Chicago is on a big, real time."
Mavs' Buckner off on wrong foot with players

Newsday

DAL A — The comparisons between Quarterbacks Roger Staubach and Danny White are inevitable and convenient but do not usually mean much.

Buckner won't wear pants, for example. Staubach's words tend to have four syllables, not four letters. He doesn't toss chairs, he sits on them.

And if Buckner grabs someone's jersey, chances are the player isn't wearing it at that very moment.

But Buckner, like his acerbic college coach and mentor at Indiana, does have this way of communicating that rambles players.

Knight gets away with it because his kids are about as rebellious as Erkel. Plus, Knight wins 25 games and a title every year, so no complaints.

In the NBA, million-dollar players who get red Ferraris as bonus speak their mind. And if the SuperSonics' Ralph Sampson, who is 7-foot-4, cannot win as much as the Cowboys.

It has made for a big mess in Big D where Buckner, like a cross-eyed menace, has rubbed his players the wrong way.

And Buckner's coaching career is only a month old.

When Buckner has a disagreement with, say, Darren Morningstar, it's no problem.

But he has alienated himself from Derek Harper, the respected veteran who carries closet in the locker room, and Jim Jackson and Jamal Mashburn, the team's leaders.

The problem.

So far the Mavericks are 1-16 going on 1-22. Their upcoming schedule resembles decorations during Hanukkah.

This day and night, the next five reigning teams at 20-accord ballots just 20 seconds into last Wednesday's game with the Los Angeles Lakers.

Yes, for someone who played 10 years and spent one season as an NBC analyst, Buckner was supposed to be a great people-person.

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Holtz argues game of past in trying to decide top team

Newsday

One can make the case that even when God isn't on the side of Notre Dame, history invariably is. No other college in America boasts such a rich tradition or such a continuous line of success in football.

So it was not surprising Wednesday that Lou Holtz invoked the past to make a point about his team's current plight.

It should be noted that the coach referred not to one of the 11 consecutive national championships claimed by Notre Dame but to a season when it was "the top spot by a single loss."

Not quite true, of course, as the Irish fell to Pittsburgh in 1989. Miami, was awarded the title although it also had a stellar season on its record and its bowl performance was not as convincing as Notre Dame's. "When I asked what was the criteria," Holtz recalled during a visit to New York, "I was told, 'you lost to Notre Dame.'"

After studying the latest polls and the bowl lineup that was confirmed over the weekend, Holtz concluded that standard No. 1 has changed.

Florida State, the team the Irish beat last month, has been matched against underdog Nebraska in the Orange Bowl, ostensibly to determine the No. 1 team in the land while Notre Dame, also with one loss, has been asked to go 9-1 to Connet Bowl against also-ran Texas A&M.

Should the Seminoles and Irish prevail, as expected, Holtz would like to see the same criteria employed by voters in the media and coaching fraternity as was used four years ago.

"If it was true in 1989, that it's true today," he decided at a Cotton Bowl reception in midtown Manhattan hosted by the sponsor Mobil Oil. "We have the same form of democratic government. We will have freedom of the press. All anybody can ask for is continuity."

Also, that may be too much to ask of the system governing college football.

Even Holtz will concede that Florida State has played the toughest schedule in the land while Notre Dame's season was considered for the honor. Yet in 1989, he noted, "We had the most difficult schedule. We played eight bowl teams that year and five teams ranked in the Top 10. We played Mike Shanahan, the Broncos No. 1 team in the country, decisively (21-6) in the Orange Bowl while Miami beat Ohio State 2-8 "It was涮arable," he decided, "although it was a close game.

"They have the No. 1 ranking, but that's not the same as being the No. 1 team in the land."

The 41-39 loss to Bonneville College in the final play of the regular season was the result of a 27-10 victory over the Irish. Despite Notre Dame's 31-24 triumph over Florida State last month, public sentiment does not favor the winner of that head-to-head meeting.

"Who knows how the polls will change," Holtz said, "it does happen in football."

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Illiini meets SIUC in state showdown

By Kevin Bergquist
Sports Writer

The SIUC women's basketball team will look to move above the .500 mark Saturday when it plays host to the University of Illinois at 7 p.m. in the SIU Arena. The Salukis (2-2) got to the Big Ten by winning their second match against Murray State Wednesday night. The win was the second straight for SIUC after opening the season with two losses. If the Salukis are to win their third straight, they will have to knock off a team that has already done it. The Fighting Illini come to Carbondale owners of a perfect 3-0 mark.

"We are looking forward to playing Illinois," SIUC head coach Cindy Scott said. "They have become a great rival in our program and are going to be a great test for us."

The Illini are led by the upperclass tandem of Kris Dupp and Mandy Cunningham. Dupp, a junior, leads the team in scoring with a 22.7 points per game average, while senior Cunningham is second with 20.3 ppg. Dupp also leads the team in rebounding, pulling down 11.2 caroms per contest. The 6-foot guard had a game-high 12 boards and 27 points in Illini's 78-69 win over Illinois-Chicago Tuesday. Dupp's rebounding prowess could spell trouble for the Salukis. So far this season Illinois-Murray State Wednesday night, SIUC has had its problems on the boards. If Illinois' third string comes from sophomore Anita Clinton. Clinton is averaging 11.3 points and seven rebounds per game to go along with two steals per contest.

"Those are the people I'm not sure we match up with very well, but we are looking forward to it," Scott said. "There is only one other of the three of the premier players in the Big Ten."

The Illini come to town looking to see "ILLENS", page 18

Dawgs to let Governors know law of SIUC court

By Dan Leasy
Sports Writer

The SIUC basketball team (3-0) will go for 19 home wins in a row Saturday when they take on Austin Peay Governors (0-4). The Governors, led by the Ohio Valley Conference, where they struggled to an eighth-place finish. To make matters even worse for Austin Peay, they returned just one starter from last year's 7-20 team. To make matters even worse for Austin Peay, they returned just one starter from last year's 7-20 team.

"We want to raise our level of play every time we go out," said Scott. "We've had a couple of close losses and now we are in a tough spot, but we just want to improve." Improvements usually do not come easily, but Loos said his team was bolstered by the return of two players lost to injury last month. "We had two medical red-shirts last year who are contributing for us now," he said. "We also have John Jenkins, who started last ball-games last year.

Loos said the "love" play up-tempo basketball and like to extend their defense. If they are to have a shot at an upset, Loos said his team will have to catch the Salukis on an off-day. "They have superior athletes and good size," he said. "I'm sitting here right now watching Chris Carr and he is scary. But I think our team can hang in a number of different ways." The statistics back-up the Saluki Coaches-they own versatility, six players are averaging nine points or better, with Paul Lask, Chris Kowory and Carr all averaging double-digits. Carr leads the team in rebounding.

Marcus Timmons has been the epitome of balance, getting nine points, nine rebounds, one assist, a steal and two blocks in one game.

Ian Stewart and Scott Burzynski have provided the scoring touch off the bench for the Dawgs, as they are a combined 18 for 20 from the field for just over 15 points a game. The Saluki bench will get even stronger on Saturday, when Marcelo da Silva makes his first appearance since his suspension.

Wait until June to see if Rangers are real thing

Pardon me if I don't get excited about the Rangers' 20-6-3 record. Right now they're the best team in the NHL, but the Stanley Cup is awarded in June. This might be the year they finally win it. But over the past 30 years I've seen so many things go wrong for them, I am numb. "I've only been here five years and "I'm numb," general manager Neil Smith said. "After lastason, my skin is three or four layers thicker. You need a pair of pliers to pinch it."

"You're ecstatic (about the start) but after going through what we've gone through, it gives you a sense of realism."

Still, there are reasons to have hope. I thought I would take Mike Keenan half a season to convince the Rangers to play up-tempo hockey. It took 10 games. "After last year," goalies Mike Richter said, "everybody was looking for something new to cling to." Smith said, "The team was so beaten up (mentally) they were ready to buy into the system. They were craving direction. Mike has given it to them.

Some players wonder, however, are: Will Keenan ban Richter n; he did Ed Belfour with the Blackhawks in 1997? Can Richter handle playoff pressure? Will the Rangers' over-30 guys have any legs left in April? Some observations:

-The Rangers' success with aggressive forechecking. If Mark Messier was right last year about Roger Neilson's misuse of their speed and skill.

-Their 25-point rooster covers them for almost any injury (except to Messier or Brian Leetch). That is a tribute to "muth, who signed as free agents or traded for Glenn Healy, Doug Lidster, Greg Gilbert, Alexander Korposnef and Steve Larmer."

The special teams and defensive zone coverage are as good as I can recall them ever being. There is no grumbling in the dressing room among usual non-dressers Lidster, Mike Hartman, Phil Boque, Peter Andersono and Nick Kypros, and backup goalie Healy. Will that change if the team has a slump?

NFL Week fifteen

Saturday, Dec. 11
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Dan's advice: "Give the Patriots the benefit of the doubt in yearmakr against Cinci, who will celebrate getting the pick." Upset special: Cleveland.

Sunday, Dec. 12
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DE sports NFL forecast

This week's pick is a psychology major who happens to outsmart the DE sports staff in this week's forecast.

Lorraine Brevis, who is also an aquatics minor, hails from Eldorado, Kan. Brevis is the only real bright spot as she thinks the Cards are gaining momentum. "The Cardinals are coming off a win and Detroit has been inconsistent lately," she said. No doubt that the absence of Barry Sanders to injury had a