Ramadan MONTH OF FAITH AND FASTING

SUNRISE TO SUNSET: Month of restraint from all sins brings SIUC's Muslim population closer to Allah.

KAREN BLATTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

As Ehrab Hussain celebrates Ramadan, he longs for sunrise so he can have his first bite of food since sundown. "I feel satisfied at the end of the day with being able to have food," Hussain, a senior in health care management from Pakistan, said. "After fasting, you know that God will give you a reward in the hereafter.

In Arabic, Ramadan means a month of fasting. Muslims who celebrate Ramadan not only refrain from eating during this time, but they also avoid drinking, sexual activity and other sins of the Islamic faith.

Fasting provides a better understanding of what it is like to live without food, as well as a closer bond with God or Allah.

Muhammad Khan, a graduate student in electrical engineering from Pakistan, has celebrated Ramadan in America for six years. He said fasting is one of the most important parts of Ramadan.

"Fasting is challenging," he said. "At the end of the evening, there is a little weakness, but it’s not that bad."

There are more than 1 billion Muslims in the world. Ramadan has provided a worldwide focus for these people since Dec. 29. This year's celebration is expected to end late next week.

Ramadan begins with the sighting of a new moon, and lasts from 28 to 30 days. Because an Islamic year is based on the lunar cycle, the time of Ramadan varies.

PRAYER: Local Muslims pray to Allah Thursday evening at the Islamic Center of Carbondale as part of the month long celebration of Ramadan.

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You get a big reward when fasting is over," Hussain said. "Your blessing is multiplied by a thousand.

Muslims who are sick, pregnant, elderly or traveling do not have to fast, but they are required to make up Ramadan at a time when they are able to fast.

Fasting became an obligation for Muslims after the prophet Muhammad had fasted for nine years of Ramadan. Ramadan is derived from the Arabic root word which means intense heat and dryness. Ramadan can also mean the heart and souls readiness for love, reward and remembrance of Allah.

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They are not only following the law of Islam, but also the statutes of the University, which states: "You can work with women in the academic environment, but physical contact with non-family members is prohibited."

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The SIUC community may give its evaluation of Argersinger to Steven Scheiner, the chairman of the search committee, and the chancellor of the University.

Though a chancellor leads a university based on personal style, SIUC chancellor candidate Jo Ann Argersinger says if she is named to the University's top spot she will not obscure SIUC's reputation with her own personal brand.

"I would not come here with the intention of making my identity known, but with the idea of making SIU's identity known," Argersinger said.

Argersinger, an academic historian and provost at University of Maryland Baltimore County, said if named chancellor she would try to increase the University's presence in the global world.

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At a faculty forum in which about 70 faculty members attended, Argersinger called SIUC Illinois' "best kept secret."

"Much like Truman always felt like he was in the shadow of Franklin Roosevelt, some people here feel like SIUC is in the shadow of U of I," she said. "The notion of taking a big secret and making it visible is really exciting."

"As part of her plan to boost SIUC's reputation nationally and internationally, she will ensure that the diversity on campus would be preserved and expanded."

"The corporate community is beginning to recognize the importance of diversity in the workplace," she said. "To compete in the global market, people need to have experience with diverse groups of people."

"The vision of some colleges will not be able to compete because they have not been exposed to different cultures and different
Thursday’s Daily Egyptian story, “Reaching out to students and its accompanying caption should have read Paul Harre is the electrical materials program manager and an associate professor in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts. The DE regrets the error.

Thursday’s Daily Egyptian story “Looking intently versus being ‘blinds’” should have stated that the address of the WOIX Community Threat Shop is 234 E. Jackson St. Lynn Raben is the manager of Long Branch Vintage Clothing.

If readers spot an error in a news article, they can contact the Daily Egyptian Accracy Desk at 536-3311, extension 229 or 228.

Saluki Calendar

**Today**
- Spanish Table, Fridays, 4 to 6 in Adams Memorial Union, Distributed 453-5425.
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- French Table, Fridays, 4 to 6 p.m., Bodine, Call 547-1265 or see www.ghses.com/Coop/II1.72C/CASched.
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Wild boars destroy crops, woodland

HOGS: Enthusiasts may have introduced wild hogs in order to hunt.

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DE Politics Edition

Southern Illinois has always been a sportsman’s paradise; forests are teeming with squirrels and deer and lakes are brimming with fish and waterfowl. But another wild animal unexpectedly has made an appearance in some Southern Illinois counties for at least four years, leaving a pattern of ruined crops and eroded woodlands.

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Cape Canaveral, Fla.
Endeavour shuttle delivers last crew members to Mir

The weather looks better for the planned launch tonight of the space shuttle Endeavour. The shuttle is scheduled to blast off from Cape Canaveral, Florida, at nine-o’clock Eastern time on a mission to the space station.

Air Force meteorologists are giving the shuttle crew a 70 percent chance of getting off the launch pad tonight. Endeavour and its crew of six American and Russian astronauts are due to rendezvous with Mir on Saturday for the last exclusive of U.S. Mir crew members.

Australian born Andrew Thomas is to take the place of David Wolf, who has been aboard Mir since September.

--- From Daily Egyptian news services
Discrimination transcends race

I see him in the Student Center just about everyday, sitting alone. He just sits there, lost in his own world. He only speaks to others if they are in the very limp, moving sporadically. He can’t seem to control his body movements very well, and when he does he is extremely slow and uncomfortable.

I wonder about him. Where he lives? Does someone take care of him? He doesn’t look like it because he seems that he hasn’t bathed in a very long time, and hasn’t any friends besides social workers? Probably.

All these thoughts race through my head as I try to muster up my best smile and “hello” to greet him as I pass by. I hope my pity doesn’t show through too strongly.

You don’t need a rocket scientist to tell you that mentally and physically disabled persons make up a large part of our society. A simple walk around Carbondale can show you that. It’s always been taught to us from a young age that “people with disabilities” are no different than ourselves. Those with disabilities also have given the opportunity to educate and develop themselves and their careers as everyone else.

Unfortunately, it’s not that easy for an individual with a handicap to acquire a position in society like everyone else.

The Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which took effect July 26, 1992, is the federal law prohibiting discrimination against people with disabilities in employment, housing, public accommodations, transportation, state and local government programs, and accommodations provided by the Federal Government.

I think the key word here is qualified, which means that they have to be able to do the job. That of course means that there are handicaps — mentally handicap especially. The steps of people will quicken, or excuses will be made in order to get away from that person. God forbid one of our students should call us “Handy-man.” I mean, you probably cramping your style right? Do you not want anyone to think you’re friends with the “retard”? We like to raise the bar above the people who are handicapped. I mean, I don’t know what’s wrong with them, but I’m just not thinking of them as handicapped.

What have I ever done to people that have applied for employment while those not in wheelchairs were.

I have to wonder after seeing pieces like that and after watching others on campus is what are we afraid of when it comes to dealing with a disabled person, mentally or physically? It is disgusting to see how people shy away from those that are handicapped — mentally handicapped especially. The steps of people will quicken, or excuses will be made in order to get away from that person. God forbid one of our students should call us “Handy-man.” I mean, you probably cramping your style right? Do you not want anyone to think you’re friends with the “retard”? We like to raise the bar above the people who are handicapped. I mean, I don’t know what’s wrong with them, but I’m just not thinking of them as handicapped.

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spread through the Southeast. Though they are hybrids, they near­ly always retain the appearance of the original European spe­cies.

Normally, the animals are 3 1/2 to 5 feet long, have a shoulder height of 2 to 3 feet and weigh up to 300 pounds. They are black or dark gray and have prominent upper tusks. They arc black or dark gray and have prominent upper tusks.

Adult wild boars can travel up to 15 miles per day. It is possible for a pair to have two litters during a year.

When harvested, the wild pigs can be prepared like domestic pork. Like domestic pork, the wild pig must be thoroughly heated as pre­vention against trichinosis. Trichinosis is a parasitic infection of tiny trichina worms that can be present in pork.

Although the hogs pose a threat to the Southern Illinois environ­ment, Murphy said the DNR has not reached a decision about how the problem should be treated.

Since they are a non-native species, there is no legislation pre­venting the shooting of the animals. However, hunters should not go hog wild over the prospect of actively hunting the animals.

"We don't want to encourage hunters to go seek out the hogs, and we don't want to encourage any trespassing by hunters pursuing hogs," he said.

Boars often are hunted like rac­coons, with dogs trailing the ani­mals over long distances.

In addition, at least one species of domestic swine may resemble the European wild boar. The possi­bility exists that someone attempt­ing to hunt the rogue animals could shoot a domestic pig.

Murphy said the DNR likely will release their position on how to tackle the hog problem in February, but said the bears clearly will cause further damage if they are not eradicated.

"Right now they are a nuisance and we are operating on that basis," he said.

TRICHINOSIS IS A PARASITIC INFECTION OF TINY TRICHINA WORMS THAT CAN BE PRESENT IN PORK.

"We love playing at Fred's! It's a huge building. You can see the line of cars down the drive. It's like something from a movie!"- Andrea, Santa Fe

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Super Bowl more than just a game

LANDON WILLIAMS, DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The hard-hitting, crowd-drawing excitement of the Super Bowl has some local bar owners scrambling in a frenzy and fiery effort to entice people into watching the big game at their establishments.

Bars will offer potential customers more than the regular food and drink specials.

The game plans of many bar owners range from no cover charges to halftime giveaways.

Some bar owners called in the special because of the comfortable setting.

Bar owners range from Cicero, is planning to skip the bars and watch the game at home.

The inflatable Lite Beer Terry "We stuff our faces and yell during the previous games together at my place," he said.

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SUPER BOWL PARTY

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ALL SIUC STUDENTS WELCOME ON A DROP-IN OR WEEKLY APPOINTMENT BASIS

ARGERSINGER

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processes of thought.

When questioned about how she would promote diversity on campus, Argersinger said that at Maryland she conducted four groups to identify solutions for increasing minority students. She said working with the African-American community was a high priority at UMBC and would remain

"An institution has a commitment and responsibility to be a vital link to the community," she said. "I don't think we would be serving our public mission if we didn't.

Most important to her is providing more opportunities for students to succeed, she said.

Concerning negotiations with the Faculty Association, Argersinger said flexibility is the most important virtue.

"The best thing the administration can do is be flexible, responsive, and be individually oriented," she said.
"Sometimes at the end we're baking, right out at the audience and you can see tears, people wiping tears and you can hear sniffles," actress Sarah Lewis said. "That's when you know that you've accomplished your goal." Though any number of plays have the capacity to make their audiences cry, "Carousel" is unique because it began raising tears from audiences ever since it opened at Broadway's Majestic Theatre in 1945 where it ran for 830 performances. "Carousel" was adapted by the legendary composing duo Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II from the Hungarian play "Liliom." It is the story of forbidden love between Julie Jordan, a pretty, young mill worker, and JImmy Bigelow, a handsome carousel barker. "Carousel" is also a paradigm about the pursuit of redemption after Bigelow's harrowing suicide. Redemption can be difficult to come by when Bigelow finds his ticket to heaven is put on hold unless he returns to Earth to help his adolescent daughter. The play features the classic song "You'll Never Walk Alone," which became a source of comfort for those who could relate to Jordan because they were losing loved ones in World War II. The song has since been recorded by such artistically diverse and established artists as Pink Floyd, Frank Sinatra and Louis Armstrong.

Tickets for Monday's production of "Carousel" are $20.50 and $18.50 and can be charged by phone at 453-ARTS. For information, call 453-3379.

Lewis, who plays Jordan's best friend Carrie Pipperidge, said "Carousel" is Rodgers and Hammerstein's favorite musical because of its exquisite music and rich plot.

"You just can't compare to the music and story of 'Carousel,'" she said. "It's such a beautiful story, and when you combine it with the beautiful music it makes me honored to be doing it. The cast every night gets goose bumps themselves because it moves you that much."
FRIDAY

• Barnes & Noble — Beth Tryon, Ted Petith and Ted Noland from Groove Merchants.
• Co-Co's — Country night
• Copper Dragon Brewing — AU-330 with guitarist Jim D'Amour
• Cash & Co. — Open Mic Night
• Gosby’s 9 — Live DJ show
• Hangar 9 — Jungle Dogs
• PK’s — Gypsy Hayride
• Slur — Live DJ show
• Moe’s — Brown Baggers
• Van Zandt’s — Rhythm Pigs
• Pinch Penny Pub — Super Bowl party

SATURDAY

• Co-Co’s — Live dance band
• Copper Dragon Brewing Co. — Hello Dave
• Gosby’s 9 — Live DJ show
• Fred’s Dance Barn — See Me
• Hangar 9 — Jungle Dogs
• Finch Penny Pub — Hoo-Doos Gun
• PK’s — Gypsy Hayride
• Slur — Live DJ show
• High Dive — The Natives
• Maggie McGuire’s — Piano music
• Van Zandt’s — Rhythm Pigs

SUNDAY

• Moe's — Composer, flute and performance artist Jolene Marshall-Vance
• Finch Penny Pub — Super Bowl party

ATMOSPHERE: Quiet environment, small space cause changes in playlist, personnel.

KELLY E. HERTEL
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Carbondale's own Groove Merchants will flash their inventory of jazz, Latin, salsa and funk grooves tonight at Barnes & Noble as they challenge listeners to expand their musical interests in a mellow alternative to area night life. Bassist and vocalist Beth Tryon said the small and soothing setting of Barnes & Noble, 1300 E. Main St., is appealing to the Groove Merchants, but space limitations call for down-sizing the band's typical six-member line up.

"Because of the smaller setting of Barnes & Noble, our full six-piece would not fit into the space and the full sound would blow everyone out the door," she said.

So, we will be playing a very relaxed and mellow set of music.

Through the setting may be confined, the local band has high expectations for the atmosphere and audience of the bookstore.

"We hope [the audience] enjoys the music as well as the ambiance," Tryon said.

Through that ambiance, the group plans to capture the attention of the audience with the laid-back tunes assembled by Tryon's bass and vocals, her husband Ted Petith on tenor saxophone and percussionist Ted Noland. "(Barnes & Noble) is a relaxing environment, which is helpful in trying to get away from the craziness of the bar scene," said Matt Friedman, a junior in public relations from Northbrook.

"The Groove Merchants are preparing an array of new songs for the performance as well as popular tunes from their compact disc, "Mr. Fix-It." The group has been practicing and things are going very well," said Tryon.

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"There's people who think they're really good and they're not. So, I thought 'Oh, just think I'm good and no one else is going to think I am,'" Wildman said. "[The karaoke bitcoins] was a big confidence booster. Now I need to pay more attention to my instincts."

Wildman really know what I was talking about before,"

Wildman, 25, always found singing something she enjoyed. She sang in her high school chorus and in her church choir, but she never saw herself doing it as a job. "You're in this huge band separate and successful, there are at a bar. The right person happened to be singing in front of a crowd, which appeals to a lot of people."

Perhaps the biggest leap of all for Wildman's music career came when she and her husband for the first time.

"I think country music generally tells a good story. The everyday things (country artists) sing about is something that most people can relate to," she said. "[Country music] is not always just country like it is. There's more pop in the new country, which appeals to a lot of people." When they were not doing the band thing it's because she is "kind of attached to it now, and now I'm married to the guitar reason."

"If it wasn't for her, I wouldn't do anything else," Wildman said. "If it wasn't for her, I wouldn't have gotten in front of all these people at a bar. The right person happened to be there, who happened to know someone who happened to need a singer."

"People always say things happen for a reason," Wildman said.

Wildman said the Yearwood song she sang at the karaoke bar remains part of her repertoire. "It's one of those songs where she is "kind of attached to it now, and it's really fun song to play."

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An ex-chop suey house seems like a bizarre spot for the hottest comedy acts in the Midwest. But The Second City in Chicago has been the city's premier site for providing comedy lovers with laughs since 1959.

There wasn't much strategy in the decision of choosing the chop suey house, said Mike Ross, producer for The Second City. The company was looking for an affordable setting with character and history surrounding it. "And what better place than an old abandoned chop suey house in Old Town Chicago."

But it takes more than a historic setting to make a blinding comedy site. Cutting-edge, scene-based comedy, expertly delivered by the best improvisationally trained actors in the world is what makes The Second City simply the best place to go for comedy in the Midwest," Ross said.

The Second City's humble beginning can be traced back to a small group of students from the University of Chicago Theater Department. In 1954, this group dubbed itself The Playwrights Theatre Club and performed 25 comedy shows before transforming into the Compass Players in 1955. From this group, The Second City was established. The first house opened at North and LaSalle Avenues in 1959 and later moved across the street to its current location.

In addition to providing sizzling comedy, The Second City, 1616 N. Wells St., has catapulted comic geniuses from yesterday and today. Dan Aykroyd, John Belushi, Chris Farley, Rick Moranis, Catherine O'Hara and Bill Murray are just a few big comedy actors, directors and writers who launched their careers at The Second City.

"Many alumni come back to The Second City to see shows, visit friends, or sit in and do an improv," said Ross. Ross said regular celebrity visitors to The Second City include Chicago natives Harold Ramis ("Ghostbusters" and "Stripes") and Tim Kazurinsky ("Saturday Night Live" and "Police Academy"). "Both these guys are very down-to-earth and interested in sharing their expertise with the next generation of comedic talent," he said.

Ross also said The Second City continues to produce the finest improvisational comedy in the nation. "Chicago is the mecca of improvisation," he said, "and The Second City is the jewel in the crown of the thriving Chicago improv community."

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"Half Baked" scrapes bottom of bag

Jason Adrain

DE ENTERTAINMENT EDITOR

You'd almost think a movie about smoking marijuanacouldn't go wrong in terms of laughs because people apparently have everything funny. That's assuming the only people who saw it smoked weed. But it's impossible to have a good time when you know this. Thurgood (Dave Chappelle) and Scarface (Harland Williams) are the two to (or to had to) see "Half-Baked" sober, it is almost insulting. And I don't mean that in a conservative, Tipper Gore kind of way. Whatever junior high schoolers can come up with this bongwash call a script forget to include any creative originality that could pass as humor.

The premise could be funny if it was done in a halfway plausible manner, but instead we get a completely baked story of four longtimemates androommates whose lives basically revolve around getting high on grass.

Their lives suddenly stray from the "work/score weed/face needed" routine when Keats (Harland Williams) is tried, convicted and sentenced to jail (all in about 30 seconds) for feeding the pharmaceutical company he mops floors for.

As "fund-raisers" selling grass and not "dealers" selling grass (an odd move in political correctness), the boys begin advertising their weed-"scrub" (the boys) to the conclusion that this band of stoners begin advertising their weed "scrub" (the boys) to the conclusion that this band happens to despise marijuana and won't be with him unless he quits smoking grass. Director Tamra Davis' effort to be creative is evident in the popular cinematic style of modern-day comedies, but the jokes are too cheap, overused and perpetual for anyone to honestly care about this movie.

Weirdo's stoner look and dialect stand out among the acting — mainly as the most annoying part. It's funny for a little bit, but after awhile it begins to grow on you like cheap candy.

Jannette Garcia, Snoop Doggy Dogg, and Stephen Baldwin, among others, show up in small and wasted cameo's. Without this star support I wouldn't be surprised if "Half-Baked" had gone straight to video.

For a movie with such a politically incorrect agenda, there isn't anything new or exciting that hadn't already been done in movies like "Dazed and Confused" and "Cheech and Chang's Next Movie."

Rent those instead of seeing this cinematic bong wash.

Usher Raymond: My Way

Usher Raymond. Yeah, right. The liner notes should read "the mature marketing strategy behind Usher Raymond."

It has been four years since Usher released his latest album, "Can You Get With It?" and now he's "all grown up." His promoters would lead us to believe "You Make Me Wanna" and "I Will," the two feature songs on his new album "My Way," are the sonnets of a mature singer.

But what has changed? For one, he was singing sexually connotative songs on his last album. The only maturity I can see now is a maturity budget because the boy can buy more toys such as big music video producers like Hype Williams.

What's so cool about getting your chain snatched, car jacked, and marked in your own video? Not only is the "I Will" video weak, but the lyrics to the song are so incredibly bad that I'm shocked it was recorded monotonously for the entire last three minutes of the song.

Usher is on the "mature" new Usher Raymond album, and it's just like the old one, right? But CD is not all it's hyped up to be. True maturity comes in time to sales promotions. No offense to Usher, the blame is on the immature marketing strate-

Overall, the music on "The Boy Can Buy More Toys" album is not all it's hipped up to be.
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Revenge on Salukis' minds against surprising Sycamores

SHANDEL RICHARDSON
DAILY EDITION REPORTER

The Saluki basketball team has had a full week to put Wichita State's Jaione Perez's buzzer-beating shot in the past. Perez, the length of the court in 3.7 seconds and a 22-foot three-pointer as time expired to hit Wichita State University over the Salukis 58-57 Saturday. The loss dropped SUIC to 8-9 overall and 3-4 in the Missouri Valley Conference.

But Saluki coach Rich Herrin has not noticed the heartbreak loss having an effect on any of his players. "They basically forget quicker than coaches, and it ought to last a little farther last year, but they put us out. We're just taking it as conference record from last year." Herrin said. Through the Lady Jays' defense, the Salukis were led by Kristine Avermoni who had 15 points to go with two steals in the last two minutes of the game to help the Salukis narrow Creighton's lead. Scott said, "There were two bright moments in the second half. The Salukis continued their recent shooting slump in the first half, but, improved after the Salukis narrow Creighton's lead. The Lady Jays shot just 37 percent from the field in the second half. "The Salukis were led by Kristine Avermoni who had 15 points to go with two steals in the last two minutes of the game to help the Salukis narrow Creighton's lead. The Lady Jays shot just 37 percent from the field in the second half.

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Salukis make late run, but fall just short

Top Saluki swimmers prepare for Illini Classic after open water championship

Back to work: After just recently returning from Australia, Stooke, Weseloh lead SIUC to battle upset.
**Property Taxes:**

**How Does Your Tax Bill Impact the City?**

It is the time of year when local governments are passing their property tax levies for the next year. Recently the City Council adopted the City’s property tax levy which establishes the total dollars the City needs to assist in the operation of the City. The accompanying pie chart shows the total City tax levy distribution for 1997 to be paid in 1998. Of the $2,197,416 levy (including the Carbondale Public Library) $41,300 goes to the General Fund for the operation of the City’s library. $49,750 goes to the General Fund to partially pay the City’s share of the police officers’ pension. These two levies go into the local fire and police trust funds. The City’s share of the property tax levy for the firefighters’ pension is $234,298 and $367,355 is levied for the police officers’ pension. These two levies go into the local fire and police trust funds. 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Economic Growth in Carbondale Continues

By: Jeff Doherty, City Manager

It has been a good year to notice the economic growth in Carbondale over the past year. While it is important to note that there have been some achievements during this period, it is easy to lose perspective of what exactly has occurred over the past year.

City Staff have reviewed the building permit files and here is what was found: Schnucks, Lewie's, Walgreens, Hobby Lobby, Big Lots, Barnes & Noble, Blockbuster Video, Hollywood Video, Staples, Office Max, BP Econmart, Disturbitt Carwash, Johnny B's Pro Lube, Svo Old Company Carwash, Egyptian Photo Lab, Community Thrift Shop, DCI Biological, Julia Stirling renovations (University & Valmont), Chicago Hot Dogs, Officemax, BP Econmart, Chadwick's, GTE Phone Mart, Salsiki Bookstore II, Center for Community Services, Auntie's Wings and Things, Southern Illinois Hospital Services, CIPS Office & Shop, S.I. Behavior Medicine, A.A.A. Motor Club, 1st National Bank, Schnucks, Gateway Foundation, Arby's, Denny's, Restaurants Tokyo, Copper Beagle, Slap Shot, and Ramuda Hotel.

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The Carbondale Business Development Corporation and the City will introduce a major new employer to Carbondale. The Carbondale Business Corporation's Sales Tax revenues have continued to grow. Sales Tax revenues showed an increase of 10% for the second quarter of 1997 when compared to the second quarter of 1996. Second-quarter 1997 sales in the Lumber, Building, and Hardware category showed a 17.56% increase in revenue over the second quarter in 1996. In the entire year of 1996 this category accounted for almost $17 million in sales and 46% of the total sales in Carbondale. Through the first six months of 1997, which includes the opening of Lowes's Home Improvement, this category accounted for almost $18.8 million in sales, or approximately 10% of the total sales in Carbondale for that period.

Economic growth in the community results in new jobs for citizens, increase in the property tax base the results in lower property tax rates for property owners, an increase in community pride.

City Receives Budget Award

The City of Carbondale has been awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada for its Fiscal Year Budget ending April 30, 1997. This is the eleventh year the City has achieved this significant award. It affects the commitments of the City Council and Staff to meet the highest principles of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the City had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operating guide, and a communications device. Budget documents must be rated "proficient" in all four categories to receive the award.

Paul Sargent, Finance Director, also received a Certificate of Recognition for Budget Preparation for his leadership in the budget preparation.

The Theen Scene

Summer Youth Employment Program for 1998

Once again, cooperation with Carbondale Community High School and many other agencies, companies, and organizations in the community, the City will be holding the Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP). The program is designed to provide high school students 16 years and older with training in jobseeking skills and on-the-job expectations. The SYEP has two parts: a Job Workshop and a Job Fair. The Workshops will be held on Tuesday, February 24, 1998, in the afternoon at Carbondale Community High School. The Workshop includes larger group presentations and small group discussions. Students will be allowed the opportunity to fill out an actual job application form, receive feedback from the volunteer facilitators, and ask any questions they may have.

Teen Dances Scheduled

The Carbondale Park District has scheduled two teen dances this spring, so pull out your ‘98 calendars and take note.

Friday, January 9, 1998: Junior high dance at the Carbondale Civic Center, 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. (In cooperation with the City of Carbondale High School).

Wednesday, February 11, 1998: Carbondale Community High School Sweetheart Dance at the National Guard Armory.

Friday, April 17, 1998: Junior high Spring Fling dance at the National Guard Armory.

Carbondale Photographic Archive Project is Underway

Submitted By: Carbondale Preservation Commission

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NOTICE: Parking Prohibited During A Snow Emergency

A snow emergency is automatically declared whenever an accumulation of snow and/or ice exceeds two inches. When this happens, parking on any portion of a street designated and permanently marked as a snow route is prohibited.

Permanent signs are posted on each street that is designated a snow route and those streets will be given primary attention during snow removal operations. If possible, move your car to the driveway or garage. That way, your car won't be towed or surrounded on three sides by a pile of compacted snow.

As these streets designated as emergency snow routes become substantially clear of snow and ice, edge to edge, for the length of an entire block, the "no parking" emergency is terminated and you can park on the street. If you have questions about snow emergency routes call 457-3275.

CRITTER CORNER

By Cindy Nelson, Animal Control Officer

*** Housesolds Dangers To Cats ***

Tinfoil, Corks, etc.: Cast may love to play with a ball or a cork on a string, but these objects can kill. If lodged in the throat, your cat could strangle; if chewed or partially eaten, they can cause intestinal blockage. Keep tinfoil, corks, and other such objects away from your cat. Cellophane wrappers (on cigarette packages) can turn "gla.sy" in your cat's stomach and cause a painful death.

Strings, Yarn, etc.: Never leave a cat alone with string or yarn. These are easily swallowed and can cause strangulation, intestinal blockage or even death. One local veterinarian has seen many deaths from cats eating the string some beef roasts are tied up with. Don't be fooled by the silky stereotype of a kitten playing with a ball of yarn--don't make a chance with your pet's life.

Rubber Bands: Cats love to tug on rubber bands, but any size rubber band is dangerous and can be fatal if swallowed. (If swallowed whole, they can wrap around intestines much like string and yarn.) A safe policy is to keep rubber bands in a drawer or container where your cat won't see them.

Poisonous Plants: Poisonous plants are particularly deadly, as are aza-leas and the dieffenbachia (dumb cane). The dumb cane is well named, for it can actually paralyze your cat's mouth. For a complete listing of dangerous plants, consult your librarian or your veterinarian.

Cleaning Fluids, Rodent & Bug Killers: Although most cats avoid chemicals because of their smell, there is always a chance your cat will take an experimental taste. One lick can be fatal. As with children, keep all chemicals, paints, poisons, cleaning fluids, etc., tightly capped and out of reach. Do not use bug killer in powder form-1 your cat could walk through it and lick his paws. Do not use "roach cakes" or other edible killing tablets. If a cat toy should come in contact with insecticide, throw it away immediately - poison can retain its killing power for indefinite periods of time. Death by poison can be slow and excruciating. Do not believe manufacturer claims that there is no danger to a cat from their poison or product. There can be.

COMMUNITY SERVICES: City to Recycle Christmas Trees Again

The City's Public Works - Forestry Division will again offer a curbside Christmas tree recycling program during the weeks beginning January 5, 1998 and continuing through the month of January. Trees should be placed at curbside on the same day as the City collects refuse and recycling in the residents specific area. Collection and chipping will occur the following day. Those wishing to discard trees at times other than their normal refuse day, may use one of the following neighborhood drop-off sites.

1) The Public Works Complex on North Michaels Street 2) Doug Lee Park Parking Lot on East Grand Avenue (northeast corner) 3) Parish Park Parking Lot on West Sunset Drive (east end) 4) Attucks Park on North Wall Street (south parking lot)

Trees containing nails and wreaths or pine ropes with wire support cannot be chipped. Dispose of these as refuse.

JUST A REMINDER! Keep Sidewalks Free Of Ice And Snow

Snow and ice on sidewalks are hazardous to pedestrians, particularly the elderly and disabled. Carbondale also has a large number of school and college age residents who get about and walk on public sidewalks. In recognition of the hazards caused by snow and ice on public sidewalks, there is a City ordinance which requires the owners and occupants of properties adjoining public sidewalks to keep those sidewalks clear of snow or ice accumulation.

The City Ordinance requires that a walk path be at least 30 inches wide be cleared within 48 hours after the end of snowfall or other freezing precipitation. Sometimes snow, ice, sleet or freezing rain on the sidewalk becomes so hard that it cannot be reasonably removed without damaging the walk. In these situations, a sufficient amount of sand, cinders, or other abrasive material should be placed on the walk to make travel reasonably safe until it is possible to remove the frozen material.

Mark Your Calendars:

Holiday Trash Pickup Schedule for 1998

The City's sanitation crew picks up household waste four days a week, Monday through Thursday. When a City holiday falls within this four-day schedule, trash pickup is set back one day for everyone who has City trash service.

If the City observes a holiday on Thursday: trash pickup will occur on Tuesday through Friday of that week.

HOLIDAY          DAY
New Years Day    Thursday January 1
Martin Luther King Day Monday January 19
Lincoln's Birthday Thursday February 12
Good Friday     Friday April 18
Memorial Day     Monday May 25
Independence Day Friday July 3
Labor Day        Wednesday November 11
Veterans Day     Thursday November 26
Thanksgiving Day Friday November 27
Christmas Eve    Thursday December 24
Christmas Day    Friday December 25

Sharp Objects: Keep all scissors, knives, straight pins, safety pins, razor blades, etc., stored securely away from your cat's reach. Puncheon wounds can occur if your cat jumps onto a place where you've left a sharp object. Don't let your cat play with empty thread spools, either, chewing on the wood or plastic can put a splinter in your cat's mouth.

GOOH SAFE CAT TOYS: The best toys are sewn together, not glued...so they can take a lot of tugging around and biting without coming apart. Some of the knitted or crocheted balls sold by local animal groups are safe. They are best when stuffed with nylon stockings and do not have holes or strings attached.

Many cats delight in "fighting" with the round cardboard tube or strip from an ordinary coathanger. Ping-Pong balls are also easy to scoop around and difficult to hurt. In general, any soft toy that's well-constructed with no sharp corners or decorations is fine. And the more lightweight they are, the better for pushing across the floor, tossing in the air and chasing after.

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YES FEAR
You may already know about fear of confined spaces (claustrophobia), fear of heights (acrophobia), and even fear of spiders (arachnophobia).
But you don't know jack about real fear until you ride the roller coasters at Busch Gardens.

We're talking four very bad boys here...

**Ralphophobia**—Fear of losing your lunch and having it wind up on the back of your head.

**Bugophobia**—Fear of having your eyeballs shoot out and never come back in.

**Wussophobia**—Fear of crying out for your mama in front of all your friends.

**Gumophobia**—Fear of having your teeth fly out of your head like a bunch of Chiclets.

**SCORPION**
This little monkey is quick, compact and merciless. You go up slowly. Then you go down fast. Then you slam face first into a 360° loop. Then, uh... well you pretty much tend to forget everything else after the 360.

**PYTHON**
For masochists only. Go to the laundromat. Get inside one of the big washers during the spin cycle. Now have someone push the entire thing off the rim of the Grand Canyon. You get the picture.

**KUMBA**
This is one sick puppy. You scream through the world's largest vertical loop, a 360° spiraling camelback, a cobra roll, and a vertical spiral on the longest, fastest roller coaster in the Southeast.

**MONTU**
It's fast, forceful, and has a crappy attitude. This baby twists & tosses, jolts & jerks, flips & flops. One minute you're pulling 3.85 Gs, the next you're looking at three seconds of total weightlessness. Yeeoww!

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**Busch Gardens.**
TAMPA BAY, FLORIDA

If laid back fun is more your style, take a break at Tampa's favorite water park, Adventure Island, right next to Busch Gardens.
Spring Break ‘98 Rocks In Daytona Beach

Where can you go to hang with a few thousand of your closest friends?

Daytona Beach is Spring Break Central with nearly 100 student-friendly hotels located right in the heart of the action. Free concerts, beach volleyball, fun contests and amazing giveaways will help fill your days while some of the hottest clubs in Florida will keep you busy all night.

When the sun goes down, Daytona Beach’s night clubs draw huge crowds. There are about a dozen clubs and sports bars that have special Spring Break promotions.

Looking for something different? Hop in your car and cruise the beach—it’s a great way to see the sights. Or, how about going back to school with an incredible tan AND a great job? Take a break from the sun and hit the fourth annual Daytona Beach Spring Break Career Fair at the Holiday Inn SunSpree in mid-March 1998. It's free, it's easy and you don't even have to change out of your swimsuit! Last year more than 30 Fortune 500 employers conducted over 3,000 personal interviews and some Breakers left with job offers.

Surf’s up in Daytona Beach. Hit our site on the web at www.daytonabreak.com for the latest news on Spring Break ’98 in Daytona Beach. Or call 1-800-854-1234 and we’ll send you a Spring Break info kit by snail mail. The fun’s just getting started—don’t miss it!
SPRING BREAKERS PUT
PANAMA CITY BEACH ON TOP

Students know where to be this year. It's Panama City Beach, Florida, and the time to be here is Spring Break '98. With 27 miles of America's most beautiful beaches and a half million students from colleges and universities across the United States, Spring Break fun is just waiting to happen.

The white sand on Panama City Beach is sugary soft, so it's just right for stretching out and working on the perfect Florida tan. But, there's tons happening at the beach, such as jetskiing, parasailing, windsurfing, diving, fishing and snorkeling.

Day and night, the clubs are always hot. There are live bands and some of the best CD mixes offering up country, classic rock, rap and hip-hop, techno or jungle music. The clubs offer contests and games that will go as far as your imagination.

When it's time to chow down, there are plenty of places for eating, even if you don't come to Panama City Beach with loads of money to spend. Most of the restaurants are beachside. With hundreds of spots to choose from, Breakers can pick anything from a table for two to a party for thousands.

Places to stay are steps from the waves too. With more than 18,000 accommodations, Panama City Beach has it all—condos, villas, town houses, motels and campgrounds. It's up to you. You have your pick of everything from motel rooms to three bedroom, two-story town houses on the beach. Best of all, the price is right.

So what else is there to know about Panama City Beach? The water is see-through-down-to-your-toes-clear and 72 degrees. The average year round temperature is 78 degrees. The locals make it a great break destination. You will find that the locals, and even the police, welcome students to their beautiful corner of the globe. The police are pretty cool when it comes to parties on the beach. The city enjoys Breakers and wants them to come and have fun.

Panama City Beach is the closest Florida beach from most parts of The United States. The area is surrounded by bays, lagoons and the Gulf of Mexico—making it feel like an island. When Spring Break rolls around in '98, throw the thermals and boots in the closet and head for the sun and fun of Panama City Beach.

For more information on Spring Break '98, call the Panama City Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau at 1-800-PCBEACH or find us on the web at www.panamacitybeachfl.com.
PROPERTY TAXES

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The Carbondale Public Library is a component unit of the City government and relies heavily on the property tax which provides its major source of revenue. The levy for the Carbondale Public Library is $377,157.

The City Council has adopted a policy of minimizing the City’s reliance on property taxes. Consequently, the City has absorbed increases in the police and fire pensions and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund out of other City revenues rather than from the property tax. The only substantial increase in the property tax levy has been for the Carbondale Public Library. Under Illinois law, the City Council must pass the tax levy approved by the Library Board.

As the assessed value of property in the City increases, it is possible to levy the same amount or possibly more while holding steady or decreasing the tax rate. As the accompanying graph shows, the assessed value of property in the City has been consistently growing for over a decade. In Carbondale, the City tax rate has been decreasing in recent years. For assessment year 1996 the City’s total tax rate was $9.4643 per $100 of assessed value. The total tax rate multiplied by the City’s assessed value resulted in the tax levy of $1,337,269 for 1996 taxes that were paid in 1997. Your total property tax bill for 1997 was based on a tax rate of $9.83324 per $100 of assessed value while the City’s share (including the Library) was only $9.1643, or slightly less than 10% of the tax rate. This assumes the property was in Carbondale Elementary School District 95.

For an individual property with a fair market value of $120,000 the 1997 tax bill was calculated as follows:

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However, for qualifying homeowners, there is a homeowner’s exemption of $3,500 to the assessed value as adjusted by the state multiplier. This results in a homeowner paying $366.51 for the total tax bill, of which $355.78 goes to the City.

The accompanying pie chart shows the proportion of property tax which went to each taxing district based on its tax rate in 1997. This assumes that the property was in School District 95 (Carbondale Elementary School). Some properties in the City are either in School District 130 (Giant City) or School District 140 (Unity Point), and their tax bills were different.
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Miles and miles of clean Texas beaches, great music, legendary nightlife, daily beach-side games and activities, awesome water sports and free promotions are just a few of the reasons why so many college students flock to South Padre Island every year.

Did you know that South Padre Island is further south than most other Spring Break destinations in the United States? What does this mean for breakers who make South Padre Island their destination of choice? It means there are more balmy breezes and sun-drenched days on South Padre Island than just about anywhere.

If that's not hot enough for you, take a trip across the border for a spicy taste of Mexico. Head on down to Matamoros or Nuevo Progreso (about 30 and 50 minutes away, respectively) for some of the hottest fajitas and coldest drinks along the border. Shopping in the mercados you'll find bargains on silver jewelry, serapes, hand-woven blankets, sombreros, leather goods, sandals, glassware, pewter, and many other Mexican crafts. Just don't drink the water — take a bottle with you. Customs is pretty laid back as long as you play by the rules. A valid driver's license or voter's registration card will normally suffice as proof of U.S. citizenship.

Once you're back on South Padre, get ready to party. Fun in the South Texas sun is what Spring Break on South Padre Island is all about. During Spring Break, the island becomes a floating party paradise of beach obstacle courses, three-on-three basketball tournaments, beach volleyball tournaments, bikini contests, raft relays, rock wall climbing, DJs on the beach, and college students soaking in the sun.

And when the sun goes down, get ready for a wild night on the town. South Padre Island boasts some of the largest and most exciting dance clubs in the southern hemisphere. Live concerts, hip DJs and free giveaways guarantee a great time for everyone. To get you home safely, South Padre Island and several local clubs offer free bus rides that operate until early morning.

For more details about Texas-sizing your Spring Break '98, check out our web site at: www.sopadre.com/springbreak. Here you'll find the latest info, the hottest shots and the coolest contests. You could even win a free Texas-size Spring Break '98 vacation to South Padre Island for you and a friend. Take a trip to our web site and find out how to enter. Or call us toll-free at 1-800-SO-PADRE (767-2373) for more information.
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In addition to outdoor activities, there are many leisurely pastimes. Sample some of Jamaica's world famous jerk-foods on the beach at night while listening to the pulsing sounds of reggae music. Also enjoy plenty of shopping and walking throughout the beautiful cities. In the evening, Jamaica will never let you down. The nightclubs and evening river tours are always exciting.

Visit the tourism capital of Jamaica
Montego Bay!
There are loads of activities for Spring Break. Lounge on the beaches during the day and cruise Mobay's variety of bars, clubs, and discos including the famous Margueritaville, the Dead End Bar and Pier One. Places of interest in Montego Bay include: jammin' at The Bob Marley Experience, shopping throughout the city markets and streets, touring the infamous Sam Sharpe Square, or perhaps floating up the Great River for an evening barbecue. Come to Jamaica for Spring Break 1998!

Go Mexico!

Mazatlan—This year, take your break in tropical Mazatlan. With a moderate water temperature between 65 and 75 degrees year round, Mazatlan offers some of the finest water activities available including parasailing, surfboarding, snorkeling, swimming and water skiing. Or, stroll down old cobblestone streets that showcase the Spanish colonial architecture and offer shopping for unique hand-crafted items. Mazatlan, authentic Mexico at its finest.

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Grab your board and let's go! Grab your keyboard that is. You use the web for research and entertainment, why not use it to check out the coolest place to go on Spring Break? Hop on the web and enjoy the ride.

With all of the hot and happenin' places to go for Spring Break, it's hard to decide on the perfect spot. Surfing the web is the best way to find info on the popular places. There are literally hundreds of web sites about Spring Break.

Check out one of the best—http://www.springbreak.com. This site has info specifically devoted to the college ritual known as Spring Break. Listen to Real Audio clips of past Breakers discussing their road trip. Also, see how Spring Break got started. Explore the yearbook section of the site and peek at pictures of students across the country living large at Spring Break. You might even find a juicy picture of someone you know.

Try searching for different sites using key words like Spring Break, travel and beach. You may also want to try searching by location or recreational activities such as Daytona Beach, South Padre Island, bungee jumping, jet skiing, etc.

Each January, places start listing their local Spring Break events, such as what concerts are happening, which corporate sponsors are coming and where you can find the traditional beach beauty contests. Don't worry, if you're searching for wet T-shirts contests, you can find them on the Web too.

Here are a few sites to surf when you need to "take a break" from studying:

**Daytona Beach**
- www.localdaytona.com
- www.daytonabreak.com
- www.daytonachamber.com

**Panama City Beach**
- www.panamacitybeachfl.com
- www.travellife.com/get?pc=beach
- www.panama-city-beach.net/

**South Padre Island**
- http://interoz.com/springbreak/sbplace07.htm
- www.socopadre.com
- www.south-padre-island.com

**Jamaica/Montego Bay**
- www.jamaicatravel.com
- www.virtualjamaica.com
- www.montego-bay-jamaica.com

**Mazatlan**
- www.mexonline.com/mazatlan.htm
- www.go2mazatlan.com
- www.skylark.com/mtd/maza.html

**Cancun**
- www.cancun.com
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