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CARBONDALE, ILLINOIS
Mall manager claims businesses still profitable

REVENUE: Recent store closings have made some wonder if mall is in danger.

Anna Beth Traynor
Daily Egyptian Reporter

University Mall store closures are nothing to worry about, mall officials say, but some city officials seem to disagree. Stores such as Montgomery Ward, County Store and J. Ranch have recently closed their doors in the University Mall.

Debbie Tindall, the University Mall manager, said the closings were corporate decisions that affected stores throughout the chain nationwide. Edison Brothers, the company that owns J. Ranch and Jeans West, closed 48 stores nationwide.

The mall is still generating strong sales as a few stores take advantage of extra business. Tindall said, "University Mall has been impacted," she said.

Some wonder what kind of impact the closings have on the SIUC students that make up about 30 percent of the employees in University Mall.

Tindall said open spaces in the mall may trigger new business and job opportunities for those in the area. "We're in various stages of negotiations for a couple of these contracts," she said.

Some in the area question the University's decision to move forward with construction for remodeling. Tindall said customers can look for new stores sometime in early 2000.

Negotiations are underway for three small stores, one restaurant and two businesses. Southern Illinois Healthcare also has begun looking for another location because other hospital construction for remodeling.

Tindall said she was excited about the December target date for the opening of the Southern Illinois Healthcare office that will employ about 175 people.

According to Tindall, the mall also is busy preparing for Y2K through monthly conferences and meetings by using the Building Owner's and Manager's Association (BOMA) manual to guide in testing for Y2K.
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These are a few of my favorite things

RENDITIONS: Mixing pop, funk and jazz, Her Favorite Things is ready for sunset

NATHANIEL PARK
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

An eclectic mix of pop and jazz renditions by Her Favorite Things brings the fifth installment of the Sunset Concert Series to life. "It turned out," said program director Frederic Morgan, "we just try to mix it up as much as possible. It’s more interesting for us as well." Morgan also said that "we play just about everything with our own vibe."

For the first ever class to participate in the program, and College of Applied health science graduates have been spending 12-hour days this spring and summer building their "classmates" from the ground up at 1144 Pa. In May, the graduates received $1,500 each from the Federal Home Loan Bank of Texas in a scholarship contest for their affordable housing design. The students brainstormed to come up with floor plans and followed through with the construction of the house, which should be close to completion by next week for an open house.

Graduation nears for first physical assistant program

DAN CRAFT
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Graduation is fast approaching for the first ever class to participate in SIU’s physician assistant program, and College of Applied Sciences and Arts administrators say the program is an unparalleled success. The program, first offered in June 1996, offers training to students in constant growth, and many come in with several years of health care experience under their belts, Leithliter said. The program places students in small groups for project work during their first year in the program, then arranges internships for them in clinical settings throughout the state during their second year.

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CARBONDALE

Health food tour to take place at Schnucks

Aisle-by-aisle grocery store tours conducted by a registered dietitian will take place at 2 p.m. Tuesday and at 5:30 p.m. Aug. 3 at the Schnucks supermarket, 915 W. Main St.

Anyone interested in participating can bring any questions they might have for healthy food. The tours will focus on understanding food labels and planning meals for special diets.

To reserve a spot in the tours or for more information call 549-0721 ext. 65141.

RHONDA SCARRA

LAWRENCE, KAN.

Architecture students bid building goodbye

A dozen Kansas University architecture graduates have been spending 12-hour days this spring and summer building their "classmates" from the ground up at 1144 Pa.

The house, once completed, will be sold to a low-income resident through the city’s Housing and Neighborhood Development (HAND) program. Because many of the materials were donated by Lawrence businesses and the students did the labor, the cost is expected to be around $75,000, said Laura Sommers, a student in Architecture Studio 501 class that’s building the handicapped-accessible house.

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STEUBENVILLE, OHIO

Mother discredits suspect’s account of son’s death

Two young men who said they forced two college students to perform oral sex on each other before killing them are lying because they want to slander their victims’ names, mother of one of the students said.

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Terrell Rahim Yarbrough of Penburgh and Nathan D. Herring, 18, of Steubenville, have been indicted on charges of aggravated murder, kidnapping, burglary, robbery, gross sexual imposition, receiving stolen property and grand theft auto. They face the death penalty if convicted. Both are being held on a $2.2 million bond.

Yarbrough and Herring are accused of killing Muhu and Land, both 20, who were abducted May 31 from their home near Franciscan University, a Roman Catholic institution, in southwest Pennsylvania. The two apparently were killed to cover up the theft of Muhu’s 1996 Chevelle Blazer.

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Hydration 101: surviving the sweltering summer heat

RHONDA SCERRA

When Jeff Curry was video-taping an SIUC football game last August in the Fruit of the day, he felt a little thirsty. He had no idea a few hours later he would end up in the emergency room of Memorial Hospital in Carbondale, suffering from dehydration.

Curry, a junior in cinema and photography from Marion, Ill., had spent most of the day above the ground in McAndrew Stadium without access to water. Instead, he drank a couple of sodas, which left him even thirstier.

After the game, Curry went home to take a nap. When he awoke he found himself in a state of confusion.

"I woke up feeling really nauseous, weak and dehydrated, to the point where (a friend) had to take me to the hospital," he said. Curry said that when he visited the hospital and two hours later he would end up in the emergency room agair, but since then he has become more susceptible to heat's effects.

He called one other instance where he had to return to the hospital for the same symptoms.

"I'm more prone to heat problems," Labyk said. "Brian Gename, a graduate student in food and nutrition from Carbondale, has seen his students have problems with dehydration from Carbondale. He has spent a year and a half instructing people in intermediate aerobics classes at the Recreation Center. It is better because of the flexibility the class allows.

"The instructor starts off slow, and gives us several options if we are feeling tired," said Hays. "She let me try new exercises and she always come back to people." "The Recreation Center's Fitness Schedule"

The Recreation Center's Fitness Schedule

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For more information about aerobics classes at the Recreation Center call 453-1272.
Participants in the BMX races line up at the gate before the start of their moto. The races take place at the Evergreen Park BMX Raceway behind Evergreen Terrace. The races will continue through October.

**Bill Larson/Daily Egyptian**

Bill Watts, a senior in outdoor recreation from Peoria, gets air off the contours of the Evergreen Park BMX Raceway Tuesday night. Watts, a member of the Bike Surgeon team, will participate in the 17-and-up men's novice race Friday night at the raceway.

**Evergreen Park BMX Raceway gives young riders a place to practice, compete**

RHUNDA SCIRRA  
**NEWS FEATURES EDITOR**

Five-year-old Adam Brown asks his dad to go for a bike ride every day, even sometimes when it is raining. So it is pretty common to find Adam and the rest of his family riding at Evergreen Park BMX Raceway behind Evergreen Terrace. The park has become a must-visit spot for him.

"When you turn it's fun," he said, describing one of the best parts of racing. "But I don't like the crashing."

Don Brown from Makanda, his wife Crystal, his daughters Brooke, 7, and Gabby, 6, and Adam are avid BMX racers, and spend every chance they get on the dirt track.

"I just came out here and fell in love with it," Don said. "As soon as we brought our first trailer home, the whole family got into it."

The Evergreen Park BMX Raceway, located behind Evergreen Terrace, spans nearly 900 feet with jumps and banks along the way. Every Tuesday night, BMX races are held for practice and training.

The 1990s saw a decline in BMX racing in the United States, but in recent years it has experienced a resurgence. This is thanks to the efforts of individuals like Jim McIvor, who have worked to keep BMX racing alive.

McIvor is the founder of Evergreen Park BMX Raceway. He said the goal is to create a place for young riders to practice and compete.

"The最具魅力的 aspect of BMX racing is the camaraderie among riders," he said. "The races are not just about who wins, but about the experience of riding together.

Eric Schultz, a graduate student in civil engineering from Elgin, said he discovered BMX racing in Carbondale a year ago.

"The next nearest track is about 10 miles south of Cape Girardeau in Kentucky," he said.

Schultz said he enjoys witnessing younger children becoming increasingly involved in the sport.

"It is fun to watch the 5-year-old riders who can barely make it over the curves," he said. "They are all fired up and want to win."

Watts said BMX racing provides a common bond among whole family units, which allows them to spend quality time together.

"It's a family thing," he said.

"You need this to maintain a family that's not going to break up, right?" Watts added.

Schultz said he enjoys the camaraderie among the families involved with the race track.

"It just ends up being one big family out here," he said.
Fortifying diversity with activities, food

FUN: Evergreen Terrace programs help families balance school, children.

DAPHNE RETTER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

"Who wants to cook?" asks Missy Guthrie, student supervisor for Family Housing and Recreation, Tuesday afternoon. Basketball, jump ropes and plastic hockey sticks clutter to the ground as 20 children race toward the familiar voice.

The cooking class is among the most popular programs. Guthrie, a junior in recreation, said, "It's a very small sum for what they get." Guthrie said, "If you are going to plan a picnic or something like that, it involves a lot of cooking."

Jamie Corr, assistant director of Programming and Community Aid said, "They get a good start in diversity. I've never met a prejudiced kid here."

Terrence programs

Terrace helps SIUC students balance school, children.

Guthrie said although the daytime programming may give parents a chance to catch up on school work or other tasks around the home, the activities are not to be mistaken for a daycare.

"We are not baby-sitters," she said. "The parent is supposed to be at their home while their children are here."

For Guthrie, who has worked at Evergreen Terrace for more than a year, each day at work brings the satisfaction of doing an important job well. "It makes me feel good that I am helping the community." she said. "The kids here have some place to go so they don't have to just hang out in an apartment all day watching TV or playing Nintendo."

Jamie Corr, assistant director of Programming and Community Aid said, she has always had great employees like Guthrie to execute a fool-proof plan.

"Me and my brother might move here. This is the best place we've ever been."

- CHELSEA
9-YEAR-OLD VISITOR

"I let (current employee) find me people," she said. "They know who I like."

As the children took their places around the table Tuesday to learn how to make hashbrown casserole, high-pitched chatter filled the room. Kids from every background worked together to decide who from each group should be able to cut the onion and who could open a can.

Guthrie said the diversity of the children is an important component to the experience of the family recreation program. "They get a feel for each other in diversity," she said. "I've never met a prejudiced kid here."

Nine-year-old Chelsea, who is visiting her mother for the summer, spoke in a confident voice with a sweet Southern accent about the fun she's had at Evergreen Terrace: "Me and my brother might move here," she said. "This is the best place we've ever been."
Police block student protest at Vietnam Embassy

PHNOM PENH (Kyodo) - About 100 Cambodian students protested Friday near the Vietnamese Embassy in Phnom Penh and said they are boycotting classes because of a border encroachment by their neighbors, but riot police blocked them from entering the embassy compound.

There were no reports of violence or arrests.

Scott and her husband, Herbert, a poet and teacher at Western Michigan University, have published numerous items on alleged Cambodian territorial incursions. The Vietnamese Embassy in Phnom Penh has said it will try to resolve the border issue with Cambodia by the end of next year.

Indiana University plans no immediate changes in policies after recent tragedy

JEFF FISCHER / INDIANA DAILY STUDENT

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — In the wake of former student Benjamin "August" Smith's July 4 weekend shooting spree that left two dead and nine injured, both the IU and Bloomington communities have vowed to remain vigilant against hate.

"These actions must stop," IU president Myres Myers Brand said in a statement. "Tolerance and respect for diversity must prevail."

Some have suggested changes to the school's policies on admissions and posting of hate speech as possible solutions. But University officials said any potential policy changes would not be discussed until the end of summer session when the full faculty returns to Bloomington.

"They typically don't start changing policies immediately, (so as) to give them time to reflect before making a decision," Dean of Students Richard McKeag said. He said committees of the Bloomington Faculty Council would be the ones to propose any changes, which would then be submitted to the administration for resolution.

McKeag said the school was originally admitted to IU out of high school in 1996, but chose to attend the University of Illinois with his then-girlfriend. When he left Illinois in February because of disciplinary problems, he reapplied to IU as a transfer student.

"He checked the box (on the application) that indicated he'd been on probation," McKeag said. In the application's explanatory statement, McKeag said the Racial Incidents Team, urging people to speak out against hate, was to take a stance. The best way to counter hateful words... was to talk about respect," said Pam Freeman, head of the campus Racial Incidents Team.

"It's certainly what we were arguing from the Racial Incidents Team, urging people to speak out and take a stance," McKeag said. He added that the team had continued to publicly discuss hate on campus.

"We'd like to see a return to the way things were before," Carr said.

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"I also bring a lot of dedication to the work and a fairly high quotient of energy. I bring an ability to work well with the faculty and other administrators for the common good of the students," Carr said, excelling to work in COLA, a situation where she can work with graduate and undergraduate programs. She said she hopes to have a direct, complex involvement with the faculty and departments.

"I think it is a very good college. I think we'll make it a work as efficiently and effectively as possible," she said.

If the association decides to proceed with arbitration, Carr said it is hoped that the arbitrator would agree that the association's contract violation on the University's part. Carr said the goal in arbitrating would be to reinstate former Dean Chancellors Akin, at least until the termination process could be done with faculty input.

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Ruos Bunthy, 23, representative for the protesters, said the students wanted to "meet with Vietnamese Embassy officials to express the demand of respect for Cambodian territorial integrity." The Vietnamese Embassy refused to meet the protesters and about 100 riot police blocked the embassy entrance.

After rallying for nearly three hours near the embassy, the protesters marched through the capital in heavy rain.

The rally followed several days in which students watched in the Thai Embassy to protest at alleged border incursions by Thailand.

A Thai Foreign Ministry official in Bangkok dismissed Thursday's protest, saying the two countries are currently discussing demarcation of a common border in Bangkok.

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University, states the Board of Trustees agrees to recognize the "traditional role" of faculty in the selection of top administrators, as well as in the evaluations of those administrators. However, the letter also states it is not part of the contract, as far as posting regulations.

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Shirley Clay-Scott, dean of the College of Liberal Arts, stands outside her office in Tanner Hall Thursday. Scott officially took over as dean of the college July 1, replacing acting dean Robert Jensen.

"I really love teaching, and I have always taught as an administrator," Scott said.

"I continue to believe that teaching is the most important work," Scott and her husband, Herbert, a poet and teacher at Western Michigan and also an officer of New Issues Poetry Press, have eight children.

Both had children prior to their marriage to one another, and together they also raised a foster child.

This arrangement, Scott said, had a major impact on her, allowing her to develop an egalitarian mind set.

"Having a family of different origins and the need to be a consciously fair and loving parent to all of them made me somewhat of a better person than I might have been," Scott said.

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Grading a few good courts

West of the gym are two outdoor basketball courts. An unsuspecting jogger or two may come across these courts as a pleasant surprise. These courts can be found behind Brush Towers. The courts, like the gym, are maintained by the Office of Intramural and Recreational Sports. If you see any problems with the nets or other equipment, you can go to the Physical Plant to report the issue.

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Notes: The area is very conducive to basketball playing. Good court surface, and there is usually a good crop of spectators.

The nice thing about this spot is that it has lights for the work, which is so precious an commodity with any outdoor hoop. The only downfall is that there are no drinking fountains.

The winner of the 2006 Campus Outdoor Hoop Court Review is the courts located adjacent to the Lott/Law Building. The Law School area boasts two full courts. Not only does the Law School have two full courts, but it has two funky-fresh painted full courts, but not as goofy looking as Houston’s floor.

Inside the key, where the real hoopers are hanging, is painted blue. Outside the key, but inside the three-point line is painted red. And the mid-court area is not painted. Just asphalt. The unique thing about the Law School courts are the nets, which resemble a bottomless peach basket-type frame, except nylon instead of mesh. This provides a unique swishing sound when the jumpers are on. And the rims right below the Garden’s used to, in case you needed to be reminded when you bricked.

All in all, these are the best outdoor courts on campus, and have the grades to prove it. The good thing about the Law Courts is that they attract a wide variety of talent. Seen carousing with the Law School courts faithful include fraternity brothers, party-goers, a dude with a cast on, weekend basketball players, and even SIUC’s basketball head Coach Tom Thuml.

“Law (school) courts are nice,” Thumel said, breaking it down. “They’re kind of secluded, so if you want to go work on your game, you can. And you can get some pretty good games in too.”

Hopefully, this will be a hotel and a very enlightening experience for all. And if I’ve missed any of your favorite spots, don’t fret, I will get there.

The Courts

The courts are the best on campus. They are highly played on, and are about the only ones I’ll play at that are on campus,” Hamilton said. “All the other ones are well disapproved.”

There are four basketball courts on campus. Two can be found in the Thompson Point area, one near the Law School and another behind Brush Towers. The courts, said Luce, are maintained by the Office of Intramural and Recreational Sports. This office is allocated a budget for all the outdoor facilities on the Carbondale campus, which includes lights and running water for the rims or any other problem that may occur within the immediate area, he said.

“We resurfaced the law court about five years ago,” Luce said. “I can’t remember doing the triads since I’ve been here, which has been 25 years.”

Safety is also an issue when considering what to go where on these courts. Chain nets, which used to be seen on almost every outdoor court around, are now paving the way for a safer, more user friendly net. Nylon, which never rusts, and is much safer, is now the net of choice among basketball court maintainers.

“I love the old chain nets,” said Roger Baldwin, a junior in education from Bloomington. “But you don’t really see them around anymore.”

Brian Lueke, director of Intramural and Recreational Sports, has to keep things such as safety in mind.

“We would use chain nets, but then you would have problems with the nets rusting,” Lueke said. “And then we’d have to worry about someone getting their hand caught in the net, and hitting us with a lawsuit.”

Students, to an extent, pay maintenance costs with a small fee allotted for Student Recreation. Basketball courts are grouped under Outdoor Recreation.

“We have fees, for a former SIUC student who graduated in 1974, remember playing behind the Brick Towers, where he attended classes here,” Lueke said. “In the 1970s, if you were like that outdoor doorway type thing, then it’s a good facility,” Lueke said. “But if you want superior facilities and such, I suggest you come over to the Rec.”

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**Graded by Geoff Trudeau**

**Basketball Court Report**

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Futbol just won't cut it in America

Finally, the women's World Cup publicity stunt is finished. Or is it?
The ESPN plugs were OK — paying the players to solicit fans' attendance and America's eyes, watching Mia Hamm grace our television screens wasn't too bad either. So some soccer hacks rushed up the stadium to sit through two tedious hours of senseless boredom just to see their favorite women prance around the field with the stars and stripes.

And the celebration that glorified the nation's new world power made Americans feel good and warm inside with national pride again. After nothing but running and kicking back and forth, the decision came down to one final shot.

And the egotism was perfectly timed — less than a week after Independence Day. Then ESPN had the audacity to rerun the game Tuesday night at the same time as baseball's All-Star game. The attempt to compete soccer with baseball was weak.

Anyway, Mark McGwire conquered the excitement of the soccer finals in one round of a home run display — 13 mammoth shots, not five sloppy kicks.

As if soccer could compete with the sport that helped shaped our nation.

Enough already.

Can American sports now resume? Apparently not. The U.S. Women's soccer team sauntered through overpopulated Los Angeles to Disney World in a post-game celebration, a vain attempt to enter America's sports regime. Now they're scheduled to appear in numerous national magazines and on a mess of talk shows. What next? A Kristine Lilly shoe?

No, some say the athletes were playing for the love of the game, it was just the media puppetting the players through American TV sets.

Sure, other countries' fans kill — literally — to watch the game. In fact, they trample to break down fences and each other during country rivalries. But for what, 120 minutes without a goal? Or is it the overtime version of baseball's batting practice?

In the United States, football is football, not futbol.

Soccer is so... unAmerican, so slow, so scoreless.

American sports fans want speed, lots of home runs, touchdowns, slam dunks and big trophies. Most importantly, they want to use their hands, or at least watch people using their hands.

When Americans realize soccer players can't even put that little ball through such an oversized goal, the sport will die in the United States.

"Oh, you say. "But millions watched the women Saturday in L.A. and converted to become fans of the sport."

Just wait. Next year, when American soccer is at the bottom of the barrel, no one here will care. No one will remember what happened in 1999. Soccer won't be the sport of the new millennium. Unless, of course they get to use their hands.

A conspirator summed up succumbing to the flood of unnecessary support precisely: "I had to jump on the bandwagon, make the women feel good," he said.

Quest for court improvement

According to players, good-condition basketball facilities are hard to find on campus

GEOFF TRUDEAU
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For many who enjoy playing basketball outdoors, the SIUC courts do not offer the best facilities, in the opinion of many who play on them everyday.

Jamie Day, a senior in electrical engineering from Momence, said he thinks a few of the courts could use a little touching up. "Some of the courts are kind of cracked up in a lot of spots," Day said. "But for the skilled players, I guess it poses a certain kind of challenge."

Tom McLean, a senior in administrative justice from Bourbonnais, said he does not believe the outdoor facilities here at SIUC measure up to other universities' standards.

"I would like to see better outdoor basketball courts here," McLean said. "I've been to Eastern's EUU, in Charleston campus and they have great courts; the same thing goes for the other state universities that I have been to."

The Lesar Law Building has a complex that houses multiple tennis courts and two basketball courts. Bob Hamilton, an undeclared sophomore from Vincennes, Ind., said he believes