**IBHE submits priority items after Gov. Ryan proposed $29 million cut**

A faximile from Keith Sanders, Illinois Board of Higher Education president, informed Illinois public university presidents Wednesday that Gov. George Ryan proposed a $29 million higher education cut to proposed budgets.

According to the faximile, the governor's staff asked IBHE executives to recommend where the $29 million cut should be drawn from in its proposed budget.

The proposed cut included SIU, which would only receive a 4 percent increase, or $28.8 million for fiscal year 2001, rather than the 5.7 percent increase, or $213.3 million.

The original budget for higher education that was recommended by Illinois was the first time a governor in Illinois had fully funded the requested budget from the IBHE.

Here are some highlights from the DAILY EGYPTIAN article:

**BOT adopts shared system rather than central location**

Controversial Andersen plan will not be implemented  

Kate McCaffrey  

Daily Egyptian reporter

Alton — The Board of Trustees Finance Committee adopted final recommendations made by Arthur Andersen, preparing all SIU campuses be run on a shared service center this September.

INSIDE  

OUT of the heat of computer problems and successes.

With the current location of the shared service center being on the Edwardsville campus, mobilized widespread opposition to the Arthur Andersen report over the economic impact the plan would have on the Carbondale community.

The Moody Commission presented their final recommendations for a shared services system, to SIU interim President Frank Horton in February. Horton accepted the recommendations, offering only slight changes before submitting it to the board for approval.

The collaborative recommendations offered by the Moody Commission and the president's office will establish a multi-campus system to purchase goods, emphasizing a continuous improvement relationship among suppliers, the University and user departments.

SIUC's Finance Senate and Faculty Association both made public statements opposing the shared service center in April 1999, after concerns over job loss remained on campus as well as the negative financial impact for the entire Carbondale community prompted them into action.

The Moody Commission was established in September 1999, and is composed of 20 members made up of faculty representatives from SIUE and SIUC, as well as Carbondale, Edwardsville and Springfield community members.

**Simon appointed to study death penalty**

Commission to look into capital punishment procedures

Andy Cernose  

Daily Egyptian reporter

Former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon has been chosen to chair the Illinois Board of Education's Commission on Capital Punishment to explore possible alternatives to Illinois' death penalty policy.

Last week, Ryan declared a moratorium on the death penalty after the commission agreed in its review of the system. Former federal Judge Frank McCarr and former U.S. Attorney Thomas Sullivan will co-chair the commission with Simon.

Executions will be delayed until a recommendation has been made by the nine-member commission. Simon, who opposes the death penalty, said the commission will take a much closer look by proposing a resolution.

The death penalty was reinstated in 1977, 13 death-row inmates in Illinois have been released and 12 have been put to death. Illinois is the first state in the nation to impose a moratorium.

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The national attention that has been focused on Terence Ryan and his decision clearly has stimulated some thinking on both sides of the issue, he said. Simon said he recognizes that the majority of people favor the death penalty, but those who are against it are also passionate about it.

Simon said he feels the moratorium will cause some discussions amongst state officials but he is confident of the plan's success.

"If it is going to work, it is going to work," Ryan said. "If it doesn't work, it doesn't work," Simon said. "In my opinion, we have a way to do it. We've been successful."
Update on AIS shows progress

BOT presented with computer system problems and successes

A presentation on SIUC's new Computer Information System (AIS) was made to the Board of Trustees last month. The presentation was well received, and the AIS is expected to be fully operational by the end of September. The system is designed to improve efficiency and reduce errors in the university's financial and administrative processes.

John Doe

Passenger service study funding possible

First comprehensive airline service study being assessed by community groups

Requests have been made to the City of Carbondale surrounding communities and organizations to make one-time contributions for a study analyzing the feasibility of establishing a passenger service to the Southern Illinois Airport.

Antonia Young

International organizations planning for battle ahead

A proposed fee on international student sparks activism among leaders

A federal mandate by the government has SIUC's international student leaders ready to take action. The fee, proposed by the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, will be assessed every time an international student takes a new degree program or changes schools among other reasons. The money generated from the fee will fund a computer-based tracking system that INS expects to have ready by 2003. Outside the fee and the tracking system makes most students to protest.

Laura Lee

Lakhani said they plan on contacting international student organizations from other universities and plan with additional campus organizations across the country to protest the fee before contacting INS. More than a dozen SIUC international student organizations are in support of the letter, which is expected to be sent before the end of spring semester. INS initiated the measure as a result of the 1994 Immigration Act. The law was passed in the wake of the 1993 World Trade Center Bombing to stop illegal aliens from entering the United States. Lakhani said he questioned the logic behind the government's actions, and thinks the INS fee was flawed from the beginning.

"Such things will happen, but you can't blame all international students," Lakhani said. "I don't believe the World Trade Center was done by [actual students]." The bombing was an attack on the country as a whole, not on individuals. The fee was intended to be a source of funding for the government, not a means of regulating students.

The 1994 law provided an option for INS to create a way to monitor international student activities. Congress agreed that one of the suspected measures was thought to be a form of international student. Byram Gale, president of the Greek Student Association, said the fee is just another way the government is using internationals as scapegoats, such as the bombings in Atlanta during the 1996 Olympic Games and the federal building in Oklahoma City in 1994.

"They try to use all kind of minorities in the country," he said. "When the Oklahoma building blew up, they blamed the Arabs right away, but it was an American. And then the Atlanta thing happened, and they were looking for foreigners again."

SIUC administrators are also on record in opposing the fee. C. Gail Coppi, associate director for International Students and Scholars, called the fee "unfair and unnecessary."

Coppi is a member of the National Association for Foreign Student Affairs, an organization of national and international leaders.

NARSA has lashed out at the fee writing to Congress asking for a change in the law being considered. "Coppi encourages students to continue to protest, but said they may have lost this battle," she said. "We're afraid it's a done deal," she said. "Despite all of the criticism INS has received, they're still planning to go forward with it."

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News in Brief

Dean's appeal denied

On Thursday at the Board of Trustees meeting, SIU President Francis Schneider denied an appeal to overturn a Judicial Affairs decision expelling former SIUC student Joshua R. Dean for sexually assaulting another student.

Dean, a former Undergraduate Student Government senator, was found guilty by the Jackson County Circuit Court of sexual assault and was sentenced to probation in Schneider Hall.

Last season, Dean was found guilty by Judicial Affairs and was sentenced to expulsion effective at the end of the Fall 1999 semester.

Before Dean left the University, he threatened to pass several motions in USG that would remove the Judicial Affairs policy of guilt by a "preponderance of evidence." He also threatened to bring evidence from state trials he attended into Judicial Affairs hearings. All motions were defeated.

Carbondale

Art imitates life

The 24 competition announced Thursday for the SIUC School of Art and Design and the SIUC Trust awards. The awards, which are given April 3, reward graduating seniors in the program for demonstrating excellence in performance and excellence in creative expression.

After a preliminary judging of the work, students are given a two day exhibition of their work on April 2-3. The top members in the school will then judge the work and winners will be announced on April 3.

New York

Legendary coach retires from broadcast booth

CBS basketball color commentator Al McGuire announced Thursday that he will retire after 23 years of broadcasting because he no longer has the energy or desire to continue. McGuire's last appearance on CBS was Saturday's Big Ten game between Indiana and Wisconsin. James Worthy, former UNC-Chapel Hill and Los Angeles Lakers star, will replace McGuire.

Colleen Amos

CORRECTIONS

Wednesday's brief "Youth recreation program..." should not have contained information on the Hostell International presentation for Saturday at 1 p.m. This meeting will not be taking place.

The Daily Egyptian regrets the error.
**War and Remembrance**

Spanish Civil War exhibit comes to University Museum

TRAVIS MORSE
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

The period of 1936 to 1939 was not just turning up to World War II, Spain had its own struggle against fascism. Several posters and photographs from the Spanish Civil War are featured in a new exhibit coming to the University Museum.

The exhibit, "Shouts From the Wall," includes posters of the time created by democratic fighters in Spain. Many photographs were brought home from American volunteers who served in the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, a group of volunteers that volunteered to help the Spanish cause.

John Whiddon, director of the museum, said the exhibit is an important piece of history.

"It documents the Abraham Lincoln Brigade's involvement in the Spanish Civil War," Whiddon said. "It's interesting because it's part of Spanish and American history as well."

History professor Michael Butlitski was instrumental in bringing the exhibit to SIUC. He too encourages people to collect funding, but Butlitski said it was well worth the wait.

"The exhibit is a pretty spectacular show and I'm really pleased with it," Butlitski said.

Butlitski also said the exhibit represents an embarrassing time for the U.S. government because it tried to help in the fight against General Franco, who controlled a faltering fascist government. At the same time, it illustrates the bravery of a certain number of dedicated citizens willing to fight and die to defend democracy.

Franco eventually won the war, but Butlitski said the spirit of the freedom fighters lives on in this exhibit.

"A lot of us have chosen to forget about it because it's so dark, I'm sorry for the U.S. government," Butlitski said. "However, it is also a testimony to the idealistic people who went to fight in Spain."

The collection is already on display and officially opens Tuesday, March 21. Whiddon is confident it will be well-received by history and culture buffs.

"It should get a decent turn out," Whiddon said. "I'm happy that professor Butlitski brought it to our attention."

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**Writing Man's Burden**

New comedy is short on laughs; but long on charm

TRAVIS MORSE
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EDITOR

The legendary author Bombshell once said that writing is a drug's life, but the only one worth living. Director Curtis Hanson has taken that sentiment to heart in his whistled new comedy "Wonder Boys," a film that turns the life of a struggling novelist into an intellectually comedic manner.

Michael Douglas plays Grady Tripp, an author who scored a huge success with his first novel, "The American's Daughter," and is nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. But Tripp finds himself forming an odd relationship with his most gifted writing student played by Robert Downey Jr.

Tripp's extracurricular activities include romantic involvements with the chancellor's wife (Frances McDormand), who tells him one evening she is pregnant and trying to fend off his increasingly anxious editor (Robert Deniro Jr.), who is dying to get a look at his new novel.

Douglas proves himself to be a talented comedic actor and he plays off Don Calfa's ("The Godfather" and "The Fisher King")用电 to play a real person; flawed, vulnerable and in search of redemption. Downey Jr. has a ball with his role as the gay editor whose audaciously knows no limits and Maggie Gyllenhaal as a potentially tragic character who can't decide between suicide or life as an author.

Hanson is an interesting director. Most consider "L.A. Confidential" to be his breakout masterpiece, but in my opinion he made a much more interesting noir film in "City of Angels." But what's most interesting is that the film is virtually free of the usual "L.A. Confidential" elements: a sense of realism, a sense of character, a sense of place.

"Wonder Boys" is not your typical boy's own coming-of-age story. Instead of being a typical romantic comedy, it's a story about the pain and joy of being alive.

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**Friday Events**

**Carbondale**

- **Live DJ show every Friday and Saturday** at 44 West with no cover charge.
- **Crown lounge performs at Crown Andy's Coffeehouse at 9:30 p.m.**

**Suggested donation for adults is $5 and for students and low income people, $3. Well-behaved children get in free.**

- **Saint Stephen's Blues play Hangar 9 at 10 p.m.**
- **Joe Swank and the Male Skinner Band bring its music to Bro Jo's at 9 p.m.**
- **Know Fun, a rock band, will perform at PK's at 9:30 p.m. There is no cover charge.**
- **Today through March 10 the University Museum is displaying a Combined Faculty Exhibition. Times for the exhibit are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Sunday. The museum is free and open to the public.**
- **The Playroom, a juried exhibition organized by students enrolled in Art 447, will be on display at the University Museum today through March 10. The museum is free and open to the public.**

**Chicago**

- **The great band Steel Pulse take the stage at the House of Blues at 9 p.m. Tickets are $22.50.**
Students: We’ve been shafted

Speech Comm. group unites in protest

David Ferrara
Daily Egyptian reporter

A group of speech communication majors thinks SIUC students are getting "shafted."

Six of them set up a 10-minute " Shaft " segment on a granite knoll at the entrance of the Student Center at about 12:30 a.m. Thursday. They turned the heads of about 50 students who were in the area when the skit began. They call themselves " Shaft."

Tuder banded the small group after a student started a website (SiuLife.com) that showed scantily clad women posing in provocative manners. Tuder, a graduate student in speech communication, said the group participated in activism as a student at Arizona State University and the University of Northern Iowa.

While the SIUC group originated because of the controversial website, Tuder says there are other incidents that feed into the activity. " We’re concerned about people getting the shaft," Tuder said.

An incident last month in which an SIUC woman was beaten up while dancing on the dance floor at Gatsby’s Bar & Billiards, 610 S. Illinois Ave., initially sparked Tuder’s interest in activism. " It is our contention that the recent violence at Gatsby’s, the launch of a website that promotes exploitation of women and the Daily Egyptian’s coverage of both events are all connected," she shouted during the protest. " It is about watching. The way the bouncers watched, the dance floor watched, the way the DE watched and gave legitimacy to the incidents.

While Tuder stood in front of the five other " Shaft " members, the group imitated the alleged event that took place in Gatsby’s, as reported by the Daily Egyptian.

One group member would set getting beat up by two others. They would lead her into a room and fall to the ground. In a fetal position on the ground, one member was kicked repeatedly by two others.

" What matters is, given, slap, kick. Tuder shouted to the crowd outside the Student Center."

Thank you to a new translation of his epic poem, Beowulf is now offered in classrooms around the world.

The ancient Anglo-Saxon poem, which recently released by Farrar, Straus & Giroux, Nobel Prize-winning poet Seamus Heaney translated the piece, and Indiana University English professor emeritus Alfred David edited it.

Their work already has propelled the ancient tale to the limit of best-seller lists in England and has won the esteemed Whitbread Prize. Last week, the new translation has debuted in the U.S.

David told the Indiana Daily Student that the new translation is sure to win Beowulf new fans — and, dearer ones.

" It’s written by a real poet, " David said. " It captures the density of the texture in a way that no other previous translation has done.

" Ah, the imposey was informed by scholarship and by a lifetime’s experience of teaching the poems, " Heaney wrote. " So they were invaluable."

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Open Forum
With two of three Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement Candidates

Candidate: Carl "Bud" Bender

Monday, March 20, 2000
11-12 Noon
Open Forum with Civil Service Employees
Location: Faner Museum Auditorium

Tuesday, March 21, 2000
8-9 a.m.
Open Forum with Administrative Professional Staff
Location: Faner Museum Auditorium

9-10 a.m.
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Candidate: Rickey McCurry

Wednesday, March 22, 2000
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USG president vetoes legislation

President vetoes resolution on mass transit fee and finance mandates

Quinny Sealski
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Concerned that mass transit on Campus will be discontinued next year, Undergraduate Student Government President Sean Henry vetoed a USG resolution that would have extended support for the system. USG senators voted down a resolution to raise the mass transit fee by 50 cents per semester in FY 2002 at their March 1 meeting. The fee would rise from $23.96 to $24 per semester, according to the University. The cost of the mass transit system is $8.25 per student, assuming 50 cents per semester as the fee. Senators instead voted to only support a 3-system fee increase as allowed by the University.

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The last time the Salukis competed at any track was in the Miami Valley Conference Championships two weeks ago, where SJU finished sixth in the conference. The majority of the Salukis are ready to return to action in hopes of improving on the outdoor season. The top Saluki senior returning for the outdoor season is middle distance runner Jenny Monico and Leahy, along with Dinsa Latish who is the hurdle expert.

The talented duo of junior Caryn Poliphan and Taneisha Anes in the throwing events is expected to earn big points for the Salukis, along with sophomore Bills Medalla in the high and triple jump.

Freeman Rimmer Tovarek is expected to earn some points in the 800-meter run. Freshman distance runners Erin Simon and Katie Merhan, who redshirted the indoor season because of injuries.

Because Meahans did not participate in the indoor season because of a stress fracture in her left leg, she would like to see herself along with the rest of the Salukis, have a good outdoor season.

"I'm just excited to see what we've learned in the indoor season and put it for the outdoor season," Meahans said. "When you see these, we get in a better mood."

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