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## State attacks King's story

Los Angeles Times

In his final hours of testimony, Rodney G. King's credibility came under fire Wednesday as defense lawyers wrestled from him two important admissions: that he cannot be sure police officers used racial epithets while striking him and that he has lied about the incident on previous occasions. "I lied, sir," King said in response to a question from Harland W. Braun, who represents defendant Theodore J. Briseno. "And I do not feel happy or proud of it. I have nothing to brag about." King, who spent more than four hours on the witness stand

Wednesday, struggled with some of the questions posed to him by the defense attorneys. He also appeared unable to read transcripts that were handed to him, asking lawyers to read them for him so that he could "fully understand."

But despite his admissions and occasional confusion, King never wavered from his central contention, reiterating several times he did not strike or attack the officers who beat him and that his actions during the incident were only intended to protect himself.

King's testimony Wednesday capped his gripping and long-

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## GPSC head criticizes focus of bar studies

By Sanjay Seth  
City Writer

An SIUC student leader said the issue of raising the bar entry age in Carbondale has overshadowed the main issue that has led to a public hearing on March 24.

Susan Hall, president of the Graduate and Professional Student Council, said she is concerned that the main item, regulating the training of bar employees, has taken a backseat to proposals for raising bar entry ages and studies on the cheap price of pitchers of beer.

"We seem to be losing the point of it all," Hall said. "I am pleased that there will be an open hearing, but it seems like the main issue has changed."

Councilman John Mills made

proposals to the Liquor Control Commission on Feb. 16 that studies be carried out on raising bar entry ages, training requirements for bar employees and regulating the price of alcohol.

The proposals were made

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Gus Bode



Gus says the main issues are getting as hazy as the smoke filled bars in Carbondale.



Staff Photo by Al Schulte

(l to r) Harvey Welch, SIUC vice president for student affairs, Brad Cole, USG president and Carbondale Police Chief Donald Strom field questions Wednesday at a press conference updating the Pyramids apartments arson investigation.

## Police still baffled by Pyramids fire

By Joe Littrell  
Police Writer

Three months after an apartment fire killed five SIUC international students, investigators still have no arrests, but officials said Wednesday they have not given up.

City officials and law enforcement authorities had a press conference Wednesday to update the community on the continuing investigation of the Dec. 6 fire at The Pyramids apartments, 504 S. Rawlings St.

Carbondale Police Chief Don Strom said about 650 interviews of possible witnesses or suspects have been conducted since the investigation began, and leads have been followed up in

locations across the nation including Chicago, Boston, San Francisco, and New Mexico.

More than 100 pieces of evidence have been collected, three-fourths of which has been analyzed by the Illinois State Police Crime Lab.

Strom called the investigation both lengthy and frustrating, because of its lack of forensic evidence and because arsons tend to involve anonymous offenders who select targets that are personally significant to them but not readily significant to others.

"We've not reached a dead end, as far as we're concerned," Strom said. "We still have a significant number of leads we're following up. We have several people whose actions we would

still consider to be suspect — several people we might still consider to be suspects in this case and have not been able to totally eliminate them.

"We haven't forgotten about this," he said.

Strom said the police and fire departments continued to seek the public's assistance in solving the arson-spawned fire and repeated the promise of a \$32,000 reward for information leading to the identity of the arsonist.

"We believe this investigation, like most police investigations, will be resolved based on information provided by the community," Strom said.

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## USG approves 4.8 percent housing fee increase

By Todd Schlender  
General Assignment Writer

Despite a petition opposing a housing fee increase and a proposed alternative, Undergraduate Student Government voted Wednesday to support the \$72-a-semester increase.

USG voted 17-8 in favor of the proposed 4.8 percent student housing fee increase, which would raise fees to \$1,584 a semester. Prior to the vote, both those opposing the increase and those in favor had the opportunity to speak their minds.

Andrew Ensor, Residence Hall Association board member, presented an alternative to the 4.8 percent increase. In a letter

### Board of Trustees decides future of fee increase plans

By Michael T. Kuciak  
Administration Writer

The Board of Trustees will vote today on increasing the cost of a two-person on-campus room and full board by \$72 a semester — or 4.8 percent — in their meeting at SIUE today.

The board also will discuss comparable rent increases at

Evergreen Terrace, Elizabeth Apartments and University Courts by \$12 to \$16 a month, or about 4.7 percent.

According to the proposal, even though on-campus housing is making a recovery from the costly dip in occupancy in 1992, occupancy has not recovered enough to make up the loss completely.

submitted to Brad Cole, student body president, Ensor suggested that USG vote for only a 3.3 percent increase in the student housing fee.

His letter also proposed that another 3.3 percent fee be imposed

in 1994 and again in 1995. He said this would help students by making the increases more predictable and would also give housing a larger budget to work with.

Denise Young, USG representative from Brush Towers,

As it stands, a two-person room and 19 meals a week at SIUC costs \$3,024, which is \$1,000 less than University of Illinois but more than Western Illinois, \$2,993, and Eastern Illinois, \$2,856.

William Capic, associate vice president for administration, said

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presented an updated petition from 715 students in opposition of the increase.

She brought 576 signatures last week. Young also supported amending the amount to 3.3 percent.

The suggestion to reduce the amount was put before the senate for a vote and failed.

Following the failed amendment, the senators were asked to vote on the original increase of 4.8 percent. The resolution passed 17 to 8 with one abstention.

The senators also reaffirmed their support of the funding for WIDB's switch to broadcast from cable.

A similar proposal passed at last week's USG meeting but was vetoed because the bill's wording was not in proper form. The resolution passed again 19 to 5 with three abstentions, allowing for a \$2 increase in student fees to pay for the necessary hardware and staff increases to bring WIDB to Carbondale's airwaves.

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# Sports

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## Salukis hope to change MVC first-round history

By Kevin Bergquist  
Sports Editor

It has been 16 years since the Salukis last made the NCAA Tournament, but they will try to do something MVC schools have done few times since SIUC did it in 1977—advance past the first round of the tournament.

In that year, the Salukis took out Arizona in the first round of the Midwest Regional, 81-77, before dropping out of the tourney with an 86-81 loss to Wake Forest in the second round.

Since then, 23 MVC teams have gone to the Big Dance, 17 of which were sent packing with first-round losses. Of those six that advanced, four lost in the second round.

The MVC first-round jinx has reared its head mostly in recent years.

Eight of 10 MVC schools have gone home early since 1986. Bradley's 83-65 win over UTEP and Creighton's 64-56 win over New Mexico State in 1991 were the only first-round wins for the conference in that six-year span.

History shows that if a Valley team is able to get past the second round, it can go a long way.

Larry Bird led Indiana State to the championship game in 1979, before the Sycamores bowed out to Magic Johnson and Michigan State, 75-64. In 1981, Wichita State won its first three games in the tournament before losing in the Midwest Regional final to Louisiana State, 96-85.

### MVC teams in NCAA, 1977-92

	Last round competed			
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Bradley	2	1	0	0 0
Creighton	3	1	0	0 0
Drake	0	0	0	0 0
Illinois St.	2	2	0	0 0
Indiana St.	0	0	0	0 1*
SALUKIS	0	1	0	0 0
Tulsa	5	0	0	0 0
SW Mo. St.	1	0	0	0 0
Wichita St.	2	0	1	0 0 #
Total	15	5	1	0 1

R = Regional round

S = Semifinals

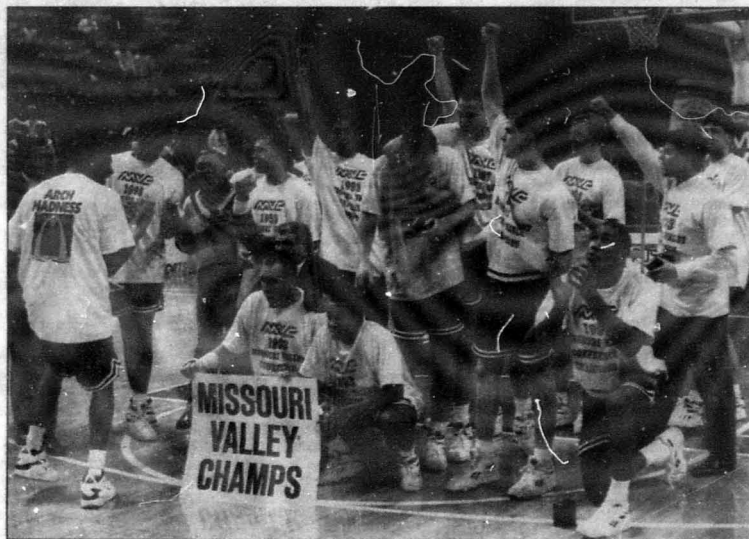
C = Championship game

\* Indiana State lost in the 1979 championship game to Michigan State, 75-64.

# Wichita State lost to Louisiana State, 96-85 in the 1981 Midwest Regional final.

Note: Northern Iowa, the MVC's 10th member, has not made the NCAA Tourney since joining the league in 1991-92.

The MVC has sent more than one team to the NCAA Tournament seven times since 1977, with the most (Illinois State, Tulsa and Wichita State) going in 1985. However, the Valley has not sent two or more schools to the



Staff Photo by Mike Van Hook

The SIUC men's basketball team celebrates after defeating Illinois State for the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament title and gaining the automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament. The Salukis will find out Sunday who they will face in the first round.

tourney since Wichita State and Bradley went in 1988.

The 10 current MVC schools have a 35-40 record in the Big Dance. Only Northern Iowa has not made the NCAAs while a member of the Valley.

Creighton has made the most appearances (9) and played the most games (17), while Bradley has won the most games in the tourney (9).

Seven schools have made it to the NCAAs at least once since

1980. Indiana State (1979) and Drake (1971) are suffering through the longest droughts.

Tulsa has made the most appearances (5) since 1977. Creighton and Illinois State have each gone four times.

## SIUC baseball team lacks scoring punch in loss to ASU

By Dan Leahy  
Sports Writer

The SIUC baseball team experienced a power outage on offense Tuesday, dropping a 7-1 decision to the Arkansas State Indians in Jonesboro, Ark.

SIUC base runners were scarce, as the Salukis produced just five hits and three walks on the afternoon.

SIUC head coach Sam

Riggleman said the team has to start putting out offensively.

"Obviously we need to get on track offensively, as we are not doing the things we need to get the job done," Riggleman said.

Jeff Cwynar and Chris Sauricht were the only Saluki hitters that solved the Indians pitchers, as Cwynar went 2-2 and Sauricht went 2-4 to account for four of SIUC's five hits.

The Dawgs struck first on the

scoreboard during the second inning. Scott DeNoyer singled, went to third on an error by the pitcher and scored on a sacrifice fly by Jeff Cwynar.

The game was all Arkansas State after that, with the Indians grabbing the lead for good in the fourth inning.

Two base hits and an error by Cwynar led to the unearned run that broke the tie.

The game stayed 4-1 until the

eighth, when Dub Smith hit a three-run shot to right field that made the score 7-1.

The winning pitcher was Dan Ryan (2-0), with Ed Reyna pitching the final four innings for the save.

Mike Blang absorbed the loss for the Salukis, dropping his record to 2-1.

Nate Sheppard pitched one inning and was the victim of Smith's homerun.

Riggleman said Blang did a decent job, but was hurt by the lack of runs.

"Blang gave us some quality innings, but we didn't do much behind him," Riggleman said.

The loss puts the Salukis' record at 3-4 heading into their tough spring trip through Florida.

The nine-game road swing begins Friday with a double-header at Mercy University in Miami, Fla.

## Men's track and field squad seeks outdoor improvement

By Jeff McIntire  
Sports Writer

With the outdoor season approaching, the SIUC men's track and field team is looking for improvement over its indoor season.

"We want to put the indoor season behind us," SIUC coach Bill Cornell said. "We are optimistic about the outdoor season...we have a shot at the conference championship."

Potential qualifiers for the NCAAs include Cam Akal in the 3,000-meter steeplechase, Johnathan Hirsch in the javelin, Jarrin Williams in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles, defending conference champion Bernard Henry in the 800 meters, Torry King in the discus, Brian Miller in the shot put, and Cameron Wright in the high jump.

Wright has already qualified for the NCAA indoor championships this season, and Miller and Henry came close to qualifying.

Wright said the team must

stay healthy to win the conference outdoor championships.

"The team needs to stay healthy and stay together as a team, and I think we'll win conference," he said.

Miller said the team will be much stronger in the outdoor season.

His goals for the season include making a shot put of 60 feet, a 16-pound hammer throw of 180 feet, and a discus throw of 165-170 feet.

Henry's goal for the season is to run the 800 meters in 1:47.5.

"I'm really looking forward to one last chance at qualifying for nationals," he said.

The Salukis will begin the outdoor season at the Florida State Relays at Tallahassee, Fla. March 19-20, a meet that also includes individual competitions.

Cornell said the purpose of the meet is to train in warm weather, forge comradery among teammates, and to prepare for the outdoor season.

## Postseason conference tourneys help for some, harmful for others

The Sporting News

When the talk turns to postseason conference tournaments, Lefty Driesell is an easy target. The old Left-hander is a futility personified in the sudden-death affairs, sort of a Sisyphus of the hardwood. No matter how close Driesell gets that boulder to the top of the hill, it keeps rolling back down.

He was the coach when Maryland lost to North Carolina State in that landmark, overtime 1974 Atlantic Coast Conference final, which finally convinced the NCAA to accept more than one team from a conference into its tournament. A Left-handed compliment, indeed.

Ard Driesell was on the bench both last season and this season when regular-season champ James Madison lost the Colonial Athletic Association title game—its third and fourth in a row—to upstart Old Dominion in 1992 and in 1993 to East Carolina, which was 4-10 in conference play.

For those keeping score at home, Driesell is 0-9 in conference

tournament finals. No wonder he hates the things.

Driesell prefers league champions to be chosen the old-fashioned way, during round-robin play. Two months should decide the issue, he asserts, not three days. Cynics sneer that if Driesell had won a few titles, he wouldn't be so adamant that they be abolished.

"I've always been against them, even if I had won some of them," Driesell says. "It's not fair for a team to go through the season and beat everybody and then have to come back and beat everybody again."

Although the big boys use the tournament's to sneak teams off the bubble and into the round of 64, their little brothers beat each other up in the name of two hours of ESPN tube time.

"You never have to make a concession speech when you have a conference tournament your team can win," Temple Coach John Chaney says. "You always have that hope until the end. It's not like football, where if you lose three or four games early, you're done."

Each March, all but three of the

nation's 32 NCAA Division I conferences—the Big Ten, Pac-10 and Ivy League abstain, they say largely to take academic pressure off their players—throw a 10-day bash before the NCAA's main event. There will be big winners, and big losers like Driesell. Cash registers will ring, TV cameras will roll and Dick Vitale will become apoplectic. Excitement, tension, joy and despair will fill arenas all over the country. But seldom will you hear one question asked.

Is it all necessary?

Why subject teams that have just completed 14-, 16- and 18-game conference schedules to a contrived, often made-for-television event? Why is the round-robin format no longer sufficient for choosing a champion?

"I still think the best team in the league is the team that wins the regular season, there's no question about that," Virginia Coach Jeff Jones says. "But the conference tournament isn't about that. We look at the tournament as exciting and fun."

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# Newsrap

**RUSSIAN LEADERS STRUGGLE WITH YELTSIN** — Russia's parliamentary leaders sought Wednesday to take control of the government away from President Boris Yeltsin, who accused the conservative legislature of moving toward a "pro-communist dictatorship." As both sides postured and maneuvered for advantage, there was little indication of a compromise in the offing. The congressional leadership's proposal to turn Yeltsin into something resembling a ceremonial head of state attracted a plurality of votes, 420 to 374, but failed to win the absolute majority of 517 needed.

**U.N. NEGOTIATORS TO DISCUSS PEACE PLAN** — United Nations peace negotiators Cyrus Vance and Britain's Lord Owen are to sit down in Paris on Thursday with Serbian President Slobodan Milosevic to discuss peace for war-torn Bosnia-Herzegovina. French President Francois Mitterrand is to mediate the talks and French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas and his Serbian counterpart Vladislav Jovanovic also are to take part. The Bosnia talks at the United Nations in New York were broken off Saturday without resolution.

**SUICIDE RATE RISING IN DEVELOPING NATION** — More than 74,000 Indians committed suicide in 1990 and the number of deaths is rising due to urbanization, an official report said. The suicide rate in India from 1980 to 1990 was 6.2 percent (the rate of population growth was 2.1 percent). The most common method of suicide was by drinking poison, which killed 24,641 persons. The second common mode was hanging (17,937), followed by drowning (8,314) and fire (6,953).

**SIX-MONTH U.S. AIRLIFT TO SOMALIA ENDS** — The U.S. airlift to Somalia has come to an end after delivering 28,000 tons of aid in 2,470 flights over the last six months, the U.S. Embassy in Nairobi said. The airlift, which was launched from Mombasa in Kenya in August last year, had fulfilled its task and now could be halted, an embassy spokesman said. Operation Restore Hope made it possible to reach the remote parts of the country by road.

**ANGOLANS STARVING IN MIDST OF CIVIL WAR** — About two million Angolans are starving due to ongoing fighting between government troops and rebels, Angolan Deputy Foreign Minister Georges Chikoti said. According to Chikoti, many Angolans were displaced by the ongoing war and blamed UNITA for destroying water and electricity facilities in the southern African country. He charged that UNITA had brought in mercenaries from South Africa, and denied allegations that his government had done the same.

**SECOND BOMBING SUSPECT ARRESTED BY FBI** — Federal authorities announced the arrest of another suspect in connection with the World Trade Center bombing that killed five people and injured more than 1,000 others. Nidal Avrad, a 25-year-old chemical engineer of Palestinian origin from New Jersey, is described as the associate of Mohammed Salameh, the prime suspect in the Feb. 26 bombing. A spokesman for the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), said the person was arrested Wednesday in New Jersey by FBI agents.

**CLINTON TO HOLD FOREST SUMMIT IN OREGON** — President Clinton will fulfill his campaign pledge to hold a "forest summit" with a one-day conference in Oregon, the White House announced Wednesday. Clinton promised to hold a summit on how to resolve tensions between protecting the endangered northern spotted owl's habitat in the Pacific Northwest and the costs to the timber industry and workers who have lost jobs as a result of efforts to protect the owl.

**KENNEDY FAMILY MEMBER TO BE AMBASSADOR** — White House sources confirmed an Irish Times report that Jean Kennedy Smith will be named ambassador to Ireland in time for St. Patrick's Day next week when President Clinton will greet Irish Prime Minister Albert Reynolds at the White House. Smith is the sister of Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass.

— from Daily Egyptian wire services

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# Union officials stage picket at Wal-Mart supercenter site

By Mikael Pyrtel  
Business Writer

Local union officials are staging an "informational picket" at the construction site of a new Wal-Mart supercenter in Carbondale, protesting the use of non-union workers and wages paid by an out-of-state contractor.

The International Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades Local Painter's Union 32 has been picketing the site since Monday, when the non-union workers were brought in to start work, according to Ron Osborne, business representative for the Carverville-based union.

Union supporters said the fact the workers are non-union is one issue and the low wages they are receiving is another. They accused Howard and Wills, a contracting firm based in Owensboro, Ky., of not paying wages and benefits established in this area by the painter's union.

"We don't want to take their jobs," said one union supporter. "We want to give them the opportunity to earn just as much as us."

Sources close to the union say the workers have no hospitalization or pension plan. Osborne said the picket is to inform the public of Howard and Wills' business practices.

"We want to let the public know that the employees are working for much less than the normal area wages," Osborne said. "Howard and Wills has refused to hire any Southern Illinois workers. The sheet metal and fire protection workers are from Arkansas, the roofers and drywall finishers are from Mississippi and the painters are from Kentucky. There is not a single Southern Illinoisan worker on this job, and they want us to patronize the store."

Osborne said people should understand the money being made by the workers does not go into the local community.

"We give back to the community where we work through various functions that we sponsor and community service projects, like the WSIU telethon," Osborne said. "They are not contributing to the community revenue at all."

Negotiations are in progress and union officials are optimistic about the outcome.

"I feel things are going well," Osborne said. "We have a proposal on the table and if the contractor agrees to negotiate fairly, we may remove our pickets tomorrow. We are just asking them to pay their workers a fare share."

Representatives from Howard and Wills could not be reached for comment.



Staff Photo by Ed Finkle

## Kidney cut

Jenny Walter, left, a freshman in psychology from Chester, and Karla Rose, a sophomore in animal science from Salem, use scissors to remove the kidneys of a pig. Students in the zoology GEA 118 lab were dissecting fetal pigs at Life Science II Wednesday afternoon.

# Checkers employees released after filing bond

By Tracy Moss  
Administration Writer

Six employees of a local nightclub were brought to the Jackson County Courthouse Wednesday for formal charges on five counts including involuntary manslaughter, and they were released on \$5,000 recognizance.

Each of the employees of Checkers nightclub, 706 E. Grand Ave., is charged with two counts of

involuntary manslaughter, one count of aggravated battery, one count of battery and one count of reckless conduct involving the death of Jose Waight.

Waight, a 24-year-old freshman from South Holland, died of asphyxiation Feb. 5 following a confrontation with employees at Checkers.

Judge David W. Watt Jr. released the six accused on \$5,000 recognizance because they had no

prior criminal history.

The involuntary manslaughter charges carry a possible sentence of two to five years in prison if there is a conviction. The battery and reckless conduct charges carry a maximum sentence of 364 days in jail.

Three of those indicted did not have legal counsel represent them at the hearing.

Two Checkers employees requested public defenders and one

attained his own attorney.

Six of those indicted are or were SIUC students.

A Jackson County grand jury handed down the indictments on Monday against Charles Hicks, a senior in business from Jacksonville, Fla.; Steven Crawford, 21, a senior in construction technology from Tampico; and Jeffrey Judd, 23, a senior in civil engineering from rural Creal Springs.

Martin Todd Lewis, 24, a senior in political science from rural Benton; Richard Wojcik, a junior in administration of justice from Stickney; and Edmund Bart, 22, of Aurora also were indicted.

Bart was enrolled in classes as a psychology major earlier in the semester but withdrew after the altercation at Checkers.

The next court date was set for arraignment proceedings at 9 a.m. April 13.

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### Burriss commission hits right on target

ALMOST ONE OUT OF FOUR African-American males between 20 and 29 years old is in prison, on probation or on parole.

Black men, who make up 5 percent of the national population, make up 33 percent of the national prison population.

And the statistics on black males keep hitting hard: Fewer than two-thirds graduate from high school, they have the highest violent death rate and higher education and job opportunities continue to decrease.

Yet these startling statistics have prompted little or no response from most people. It is as if people accept these facts and believe nothing can be done to help African-American males climb over the obstacles that separate them from the majority of people.

**ONE MAN BELIEVES** it is time to take a fresh approach to the problem and get citizens' help in making life more equitable for black men.

Illinois Attorney General Roland Burriss said he put together a commission last year that is collecting information and ideas for this fresh approach to "...setting new strategies that will transform the deferred dreams and unrealized hopes of the past into the new opportunities and bright achievements of the future."

The Illinois Commission on African-American Males is traveling throughout the state to get input from all sectors of the population.

The series of public hearings allows the commission to collect information on drugs and crime, health, education, housing, economic development and jobs, racism and politics religion, community organizations and family life.

The idea, Burriss said, is to learn more about the causes of the problem and to hear ideas on how to solve it.

**THE MOST RECENT HEARING** was Monday at SIUC, when the attorney general and SIUC leaders heard four hours of testimony on the plight of black males.

Many of those who testified agreed that at least part of the problem begins early. African-American culture and role models virtually are ignored in schools, and teachers don't take extra time to make at-risk black males stronger students, according to Lincoln Junior High Principal Larry Barnett.

Other problems for black makes are in the job market, according to SIUC affirmative action leader Seymour Bryson. Bryson believes black males once benefitted from a stronger civil rights movement to put them in positions of authority, and it may be time again for similar practices.

**THOSE THAT TESTIFIED** suggested integrating black history and culture into schools' curricula and making teachers more aware of the problems of black males and more willing to help those at-risk students.

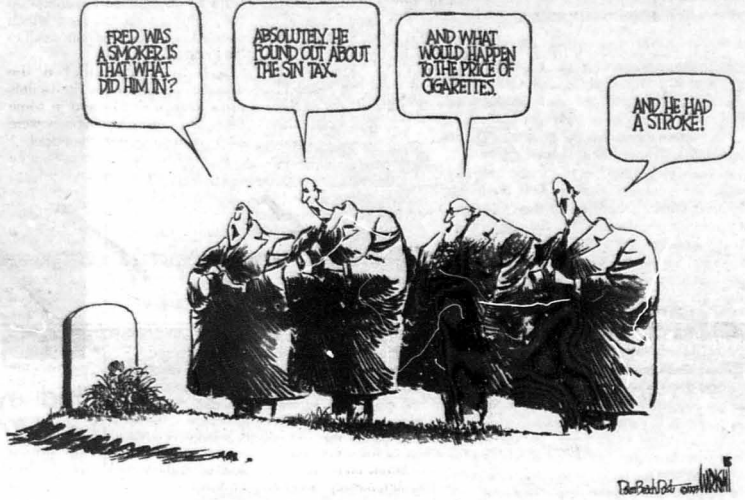
In addition, the business world must be more than fair in its practices such as hiring. Communities must create better programs to get kids out of the streets and out of crime.

But the underlying message that keeps rising to the top as the commission continues hearings is that everyone must get involved to help.

African-American males may only be 5 percent of the population, but it is important to accept, embrace and nurture all segments of the population if America ever is to come to a multicultural understanding.

Burriss said it will take the work of many to make "a solid investment in the future of these young men and in the future of our society."

"We must work together..., realizing that what truly is good for the least fortunate among us is, of necessity, good for all of us."



### Letters to the Editor

#### Many people made engineers week success

I want to take this opportunity to thank every individual in the College of Engineering who contributed to making our 1993 National Engineers Week celebration the most successful ever.

I would especially like to thank the members of the Society of Women Engineers and SWE president Meg O'Boyle for coordinating the first SIUC Engineering Bowl, a scholar bowl competition that involved 13 high school teams from as far away as Taylorville and Shelbyville.

Congratulations to Engineering Bowl champion Carbondale Community High School, and to

Sparta High School on a close second place finish.

Eight other student organizations affiliated with the College of Engineering sponsored events in our 13th annual Mind Games: the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Associated General Contractors of America, Blacks in Engineering and Allied Technology, the Illinois Professional Land Surveyors Association, the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers, Tau Alpha Pi and Tau Beta Pi.

There were 411 competitors in events in events ranging from the

Egg Drop to the Mousetrap Marathon. We hope that every participant had some fun learning the challenges of engineering.

To Gerry Morris and Tim Marsh, students from Crab Orchard High School who took the ultimate challenge and won first and second in the Engineering Pentathlon — great work!

We appreciate the continuing support of the University Bookstore in providing a \$50 gift certificate for the Pentathlon winner. — Mike Timmermann, senior, electrical engineering; president, Engineering and Technology Joint Student Council

#### University should have better policy for snowfall

I would like to comment on the Feb. 15 eight-inch snowfall that hit Southern Illinois.

I noticed that John A. Logan closed the day after the big snowfall. I have heard the argument that John A Logan is more of a commuting college, and their students do not live on campus like SIUC students.

Most people can drive to work if they are careful, but where are you supposed to park after you get here?

The comment in the DE that 50 percent of the parking lots were cleared off by Tuesday morning was in my opinion grossly exaggerated.

Some of the parking lots near the main campus might have been clear, but not any lot near Greek Row.

Getting in the parking place was quite an ordeal unless you had a big high truck.

There was a two-foot ice mound at the sidewalk from the parking

lot, which I had to climb over.

Two of our employees fell on the icy sidewalk from the parking lot to our office.

Then when you walked back after work it was even harder getting out because all the snow was piled up against the back of the cars since the crews couldn't move our cars.

Wouldn't it have made better sense for the school to close long enough to clear up the lots and sidewalks?

I also saw a student in a wheelchair trying to get to school with the wheelchair ramps still hazardous.

Several men had to carry her wheelchair over the mounds of snow.

Maybe a good rule of thumb would be if there is more than six inches of snow to close school at least long enough for the crews to do their jobs on all lots.

— Phyllis Neace, general accounting

#### Criticism should be constructive

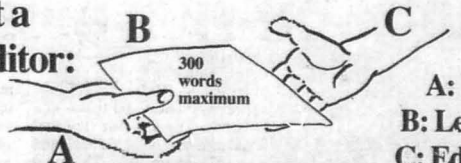
Every once in a while, I'll read a letter in this column that makes me ashamed to be a student at SIUC.

I am referring to, of course, the Feb. 24 letter that included the fiendishly clever reasons why Rich Herrin should be fired. Not since grade school have I read such a lame, mind-numbing attempt at humor. I actually felt a few million brain cells die as I tried to get through it.

I have nothing against constructive criticism, but I believe it should be written with an ounce of intelligence. Shame on the DE staff for even allowing such a letter to be printed.

The truly frightening aspect of this is that it took seven people to write it. Man, our country is going right down the toilet. — Sean McElroy, freshman, cinema and photography

#### How to submit a letter to the editor:



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**Calendar**

**Community**

**NON-TRADITIONAL** Student Services will have an information table from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the Hall of Fame Square of the Student Center. For more information call Chuck at 536-2358.

**STUDENT HEALTH** Assessment Center will be sponsoring a "Healthy Spring Break" table from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. today in the Student Center, south end.

**SIUC COLLEGE** Republicans will meet at 7 tonight in the Ohio Room of the Student Center. For more information call Eric at 457-4571.

**PRACTICE GRADUATE** Record Exam will be at 9 a.m. March 27. The fee for taking the test is \$10. For further information and registration call 536-3503.

**AMERICAN MARKETING** Association will have nominations for the 1993-1994 executive board at 7 tonight in Lawson, Room 101. For more information call Debbie at 453-5254.

**GOLDEN KEY** Honor Society will be nominating officers at 6 tonight in the Communications Building, Room 2005. For more information call Wayne at 457-4591.

**APOLOGIA SOCIETY** SIUC-RSO will show a video followed by the discussion on the Origin of Mankind at 7 tonight in the Mackinac Room of the Student Center. For more information call Craig at 457-6203.

**JUNIORS IN RADJO** and television may make summer and fall 1993 advisement appointment at 8 a.m. in the advisement office of the Communications Building, Room 2009C.

**CALENDAR POLICY** -- The deadline for Calendar items is now two days before publication. The item should be typewritten and must include time, date, place and sponsor of the event and the name of the person submitting the item. Items should be delivered or mailed to the Daily Egyptian Newsroom, Communications Building, Room 1247. An item will be published once.

**KING,**

**from page 1**

awaited appearance as a witness to his own arrest by police officers on March 3, 1991. Four defendants—Stacey C. Koon, Laurence M. Purswell, Timothy E. Wind and Brisenó—are charged with violating King's civil rights during that incident.

Powell, Wind and Brisenó are accused of willfully striking, stomping and kicking King, depriving him of the constitutional right to be protected from the intentional use of unreasonable force. Koon, the senior officer at the scene, is charged with allowing officers under his supervision to carry out an unreasonable beating.

If convicted, they could face up to 10 years in prison and fines of \$250,000 each. None of the four has spoken to King since the night of the incident, and King was not called as a witness during last year's state trial of the officers.

In his testimony Tuesday, King said that officers at one point told him: "We're going to kill you nigger. Run!" King testified that officers chanted the racial epithet at him as they kicked him and struck him with their batons.

**FIRE, from page 1**

The fire killed Cheng Teck Wong, 23, of Malaysia; Ronald A. Moy, 23, of Chicago; Kimioko Ajioka, 25, of Japan; Lai Hung Tam, 23, of Hong Kong; and Mazlina Ab Wahid, 28, of Malaysia.

According to Strom, the investigation into the blaze has taken the full-time efforts of three Carbondale Police investigators with assistance from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms. Investigators from other agencies such as the SIUC police and the Illinois State Police periodically have been assigned leads to investigate, he said.

On Dec. 9, the police gained the assistance of crime analysts at the National Center for the Analysis of Violent Crime at the FBI Academy in Quantico, Va., including the FBI's Behavioral Science Services Unit showcased in the film "Silence of the Lambs," Strom said.

According to Strom, FBI investigators have developed possible psychological profiles for the perpetrator of the crime, but he declined to elaborate on them.

Strom also summarized some of the facts known by the police about the crime.

■ There were at least two points of origin located at the fire scene. Carbondale Fire Chief Cliff Manis would not comment on the exact origin points or the possible accelerators used to start the fire.

■ Police have found no

eyewitnesses to the fire.

■ There was loud music coming from an unoccupied apartment on the building's second floor which resulted in at least one police call to the location.

■ Police have tracked the activities of most of the fire victims prior to their deaths and in some cases know literally what they were doing moments before their deaths.

■ Police have tracked the activities of all the residents prior to the fire alarm and in most cases have been able to verify their descriptions of what they were doing at the time of the fire.

■ Police have developed no information to suggest the fire was directed at any of the people killed or injured by the fire, nor at any group of individuals based on their race or ethnic backgrounds. According to Strom, a significant portion of investigative time questioning residents regarding any racial or ethnic slurs or incidents have obtained negative results.

According to Strom, police looked at the individuals who had criminal histories involving arson in the Carbondale area — all but two could be accounted for on the night of the deadly blaze, but police have nothing to suggest they were in Carbondale that night.

Individuals with information regarding the fire are asked to call the Carbondale Crime Stoppers at 549-2677.

**LIQUOR, from page 1**

following two meetings between student leaders, city officials and representatives from Checkers nightclub.

Jose Waight, a 24-year-old freshman from South Holland, died of asphyxiation Feb. 5 following a confrontation at Checkers.

The Liquor Advisory Board, a subcommittee of the Liquor Control Commission, decided to invite feedback from the community in a public hearing.

Hall said the two issues of raising the bar entry age and the cheap price of alcohol did not have anything to do with Waight's death.

"I find it disconcerting that training for bar employees has been

sidelined in this issue," Hall said. "Waight was 24, far from being underage, and on the night of his unfortunate death there was no cheap alcohol deal at the club like 55 cent pitchers."

Hall said she felt that public awareness and regulations for bar employees was conveniently being used to bring up the other issues.

"We should concentrate on looking at ways to stop the problem that occurred on that night, that should be the primary concern," Hall said. "Let's not put aside the main reason for the board looking into the problem."

Mills said he was surprised at Hall's statements.

**INCREASE, from page 1**

SIUC needed the increase.

"Otherwise they would not ask for it," he said.

Jean Paratore, vice president of student affairs, said the Board of Trustees would not be voting on the housing increase if the University's administration did not feel they needed it.

"We never go forward with a fee or tuition increase unless the director or president deemed it necessary," she said. "The board will determine whether or not the request is necessary."

The housing increase is not proposed to start until after the summer semester, because of the low occupancy during the summer.

The Board of Trustees also will consider a \$20 student medical

benefit fee increase for the fall 1993 and spring 1994 semesters, along with an additional increase further down the road in 1995.

The \$20 fee addition is being proposed to cover a 34-percent increase in the insurance premium rate.

The increase will bring the total fee up to \$106 a semester.

In other business, the Board of Trustees will also vote on the abolition of a bachelor of arts degree in computer science and an abolition of a specialist degree program.

The board also will discuss the merger of the departments of educational psychology and special education, and approving renovations to parking lots at SIUC.

**Local police investigating evening assault**

By Joe Littrell  
Police Writer

SIUC Police are searching for two men involved in a Friday evening robbery.

Two male students told police that they were walking in the 800 block of South Washington Street at about 11:20 p.m. Friday when they saw a group of four men approaching.

Two of the men approached the students. The taller of the two asked for a quarter, and as one of

the students reached into his pocket, the taller man hit him in the face, knocking him unconscious.



Suspect

When the other student objected, the second man threatened him with a crowbar. The student fled and found members of the Saluki Patrol who radioed for help. The other student was found at the scene of

the incident, conscious but missing his wallet.

The students say the taller individual was a black male in his early 20s about 6 feet, 2 inches tall, heavy set with closely cut hair. A composite sketch has been created of this man.

The second individual is a black male in his early 20s about 5 feet, 8 inches tall, with a medium build and a flat-top haircut with a part built into it. Anyone with information about this incident can call the SIUC Police at 453-2381.

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# Egypt cracks down on extremists

Los Angeles Times

CAIRO, Egypt—Egyptian authorities, faced with a growing wave of Islamic fundamentalist violence, unleashed a major new crackdown against suspected extremists Wednesday that left 18 people dead and at least 17 others wounded.

The death toll, which resulted from a series of bloody shootouts at extremist hide-outs in and around Cairo and at a fundamentalist mosque in the southern city of Aswan, was the highest in a single day since the abortive Islamic uprising that followed the assassination of former President Anwar Sadat in 1981.

Among the dead were three

police officers, killed as they sought to arrest Islamic militants suspected in a series of recent attacks on police officers and Christian jewelry shop owners throughout Egypt.

Also killed were the wife and baby of one of the suspects, Khalifa

Mahmoud Ramadan, sought in connection with the assassination of a police officer last year in the city of Fayoum, an oasis west of Cairo. The violent clashes came less than two weeks after a bomb destroyed a crowded coffee shop in downtown Cairo, killing three.

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## Muslim students participate in Ramadan fasting period

By Thomas Gibson and Candace Samolinski  
Special Assignment Writers

Ramadan is a time for Muslims to put themselves in the common man's shoes.

Ramadan is a period of fasting that began Feb. 23 with the new moon, and lasts for a month.

"It is said that this period was the time when a scripture in the Quran was revealed to the prophet Muhammad," said Wan Kamal Wan Napi, vice president for International Student Council.

"The time of fasting gives people a chance to slow down and creates a social relationship where everyone is on the same level."

"Islam has a different calendar than the Christians," said Darius Robinson, a senior in mechanical engineering. "Ramadan is an ancient Babylonian practice that gives everyone a chance to be in a poor man's shoes."

Rodney Lewis of Taheed Youth Group in East St. Louis said fasting cleanses out the system because the body needs a rest from eating.

Wan Napi said Ramadan is a pillar of Islam. He said this is because everyone has to follow the same principles.

"All religions have this type of unifying principle," he said. "There are no differences between people when they follow the prophet Muhammad, no matter what part of the world

they are in. The differences on an individual level."

Lewis said during this month Muslims are supposed to read 1/30th of the Quran each day and break from fasting at sundown.

"You are supposed to break fasting at sundown with water and a poor man's meal," he said.

The food eaten at the breaking of the fast is different for Wan Napi.

"When breaking fast we eat dill and drink water," he said. "The Islamic Center in Carbondale offers a meal each day from 6 to 7 p.m. where people can come and break fast together."

During March 23 and 24, the end of Ramadan is celebrated all over the world. In Carbondale the Islamic Center will have Aidfitri, a celebration of the end of fasting.

Wan Napi said it is different for him to participate in Ramadan in the United States than in his home country of Malaysia.

"In the three years that I have been here, we have only been able to celebrate on the weekends," he said. "In my country it is like Christmas. The government gives everyone about three days off to celebrate."

The differences in the Islamic calendar, which started in 536 A.D., will move the beginning of Ramadan next year to the second week in March. The calendar is two weeks ahead of the Gregorian calendar.

## Students win video contest

### Radio, television department brings home seven awards

By Tina Davis  
General Assignment Writer

SIUC's radio and television department gained recognition throughout the Midwest as it gathered seven awards last weekend at the eighth Annual Philo Awards in Chicago.

Several SIUC students who entered in the corporate video competition won the International Television Association Gold Philo Award, a \$500 scholarship for their "Perspectives" promotional piece.

Greg Somerlot, a senior in radio and television from Naperville, said the prize was prestigious.

"I was shocked when I heard my name," he said. "My heart went to my mouth, and I lost all coherent thought."

SIUC beat out some of the best colleges such as Columbia College and Purdue University.

"It's like saying you're the best of the best," Somerlot said.

They also won a Special Achievement award for their editing of the piece.

ITVA oversees non-broadcast and

gives award ceremonies annually for best corporate videos.

Wayne Simoncelli, a Senior in radio and television from Downers Grove, said the award will have a positive impact on his future in the video aspects of radio and television.

"ITVA is a really big deal in the real world. If I can get a Special Achievement award in ITVA it will really help me after I graduate," said Simoncelli.

Lee Hart, a graduate student in radio and television from Newton, worked with Simoncelli and Somerlot on the award-winning project.

Second place in the student competition went to 1992 graduates Brent Hufnagel from Memphis, Tenn., and Tanya Krawiec, who is working for Coca-Cola in Atlanta, Ga., for their "Spartan Aluminum" piece. They also won two Special Achievement awards for the writing, audio, camera and editing of the promotional piece.

Hufnagel said they devoted many hours to this piece in hopes of winning the competition.

"We worked really hard on that piece, it took us 22 hours to make a rough edit and 14 hours to make a final edit," Hufnagel said. "A seven-minute video took more than a semester to produce."

Scott Hodgson, professor of radio and television, coordinated the event for this year's competition.

Hodgson said he was impressed with the dedication of his students and the outcome of the competition as a whole.

"Three years ago we didn't even have a corporate video sequence and this year our students have swept all the major awards in four of the major competitions," Hodgson said.

Hodgson credited John C. Guyon, SIUC president, and Benjamin Shepherd, vice president for academic affairs and provost, for supporting and building up the facilities.

"We are now able to put some of our theory to practice," he said.

In the Special Achievement Awards, SIUC was competing against such companies as Illinois Bell, United Way, Arthur Anderson and Commonwealth Edison

## Official tries to prevent mining 'land rush'

The Washington Post

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt has consolidated his control over the sale of federal lands to mining companies, in part as a precaution against a possible mining industry "land rush" to avoid paying royalties on gold and other valuable minerals.

In an order signed last week, Babbitt stripped Bureau of Land

Management officials of their authority to approve the low-cost acquisition of mining rights to federal land and gave that authority exclusively to himself.

Under the Mining Law of 1872, miners can "patent" or acquire federal land for as little as \$2.50 an acre if they can demonstrate the land contains valuable minerals and that they have met certain work requirements.

As part of its economic program, the Clinton administration has endorsed an overhaul of the much criticized law, including imposition of a royalty of up to 12.5 percent on minerals taken from federal lands. Currently, the government receives no royalties for "hard rock" minerals taken from U.S. lands, and even if Congress approves such a royalty, it would be unable to collect payments.

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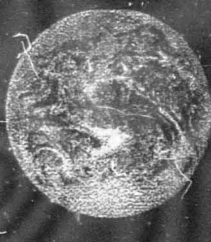
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# Edgar fills Illinois Gaming Board seat

## Graduate named to group regulating riverboat gambling

By Shawna Donovan  
General Assignment Writer

Gayl Pyatt did not know what the Illinois Gaming Board was until she received word that she was a member of it. Pyatt, a Pickneyville lawyer and SIUC alumna, is the first woman named to the board.

"It was a surprise to me," Pyatt said. "Being a lawyer, I just went to my books and looked it up."

The Illinois Gaming Board was commissioned because of legislation passed for riverboat gambling in 1990. The board regulates and examines riverboat gambling facilities, staff and equipment.

"I am honored to help protect the interests of the state," Pyatt said. "It will be a challenge, but I am looking forward to it."

Ken Zhnder, Gov. Jim Edgar's assistant of Boards and

Commissions, said Pyatt is the only Southern Illinoisian on the board.

"The governor feels she is qualified and experienced for the position. She is knowledgeable as a lawyer, and she is held confident of representation," Zhnder said. "She is the only Southern Illinoisian on the board, and that is important."

Pyatt was disappointed that she had to step off of another board to be on the gaming board.

"I had been a member of the Illinois Higher Education Board for three years," Pyatt said. "I am disappointed because it is a crucial time for higher education. I just got to know the players and problems, but if Gov. Edgar thinks I should be on the gaming board, I will be."

SIU Law school dean Harry Haynsworth said Pyatt's resignation from the IBHE was a shame.

"Southern Illinois was represented by Gayl Pyatt," Haynsworth said. "It is a shame, but I am sure they need her on this important board too."

After getting a bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois,

Pyatt came back to her hometown of Carbondale to attend law school.

"I am proud to say I graduated in 1976 with the first graduating class SIU School of Law," Pyatt said.

*"I am honored to help protect the interests of the state. It will be a challenge, but I am looking forward to it."*

— Gayl Pyatt

Pyatt serves on the SIU Alumni Association Board of Directors as well as the University of Illinois Foundation. She also is the regent and secretary of the Lincoln Academy of Illinois, a non-profit organization to honor outstanding Illinois contributors and residents.

Pyatt said she hopes the new industry will give the state a boost.

"There could be a lot of advantages to the riverboat gambling industry," she said. "Financially, there could be a ripple effect with building of hotels, restaurants and transportation to accommodate the industry. It has potential."

However, Pyatt warned against the disadvantages.

"As a board, we will have to make sure that every applicant is clean as far as criminal records and creditability," Pyatt said.

"We have to be careful to protect the state from undo influences," she continued.

Pyatt hopes the boundary dispute between Illinois and Kentucky will be resolved.

"The dispute against the two states over boundaries is important," she said. "I hope it can be resolved that we are not infringing on Kentucky's rights."

Pyatt said the new position has not changed her.

"I will keep on practicing law as normal," Pyatt said. "It has not affected me."

## Association sells Baptist dorm to SIU

By Tracy Moss  
Administration Writer

The Illinois Baptist State Association accepted the University's \$1.25 million offer for the Baptist Student Center.

Roger Ellsworth, a member of the IBSA, said the association voted 57 to 13 by secret ballot to sell the center.

Maurice Swinford, executive director of the IBSA, said part of the offer included an exchange of property.

The University will deduct from the \$1.25 million the appraised value of a section of University property where the IBSA will relocate their ministry.

Bill Carter, a member of the IBSA, said some board members wanted to get out of the dorm business.

However, those members still wanted to continue the Baptist ministry on campus.

Ellsworth said the section of University property the IBSA will acquire was appraised at \$188,000.

With the deduction of this value, the total price the University will pay for the center is \$1.068 million.

William Capie, vice president for administration, said the University will pay the IBSA in cash.

The University most likely will fund this purchase through the sale of revenue bonds.

The SIU Board of Trustees approved the sale of bonds for the purchase on Feb. 11.

The University leases part of the center for office space and upon purchase will use the entire facility as office space.

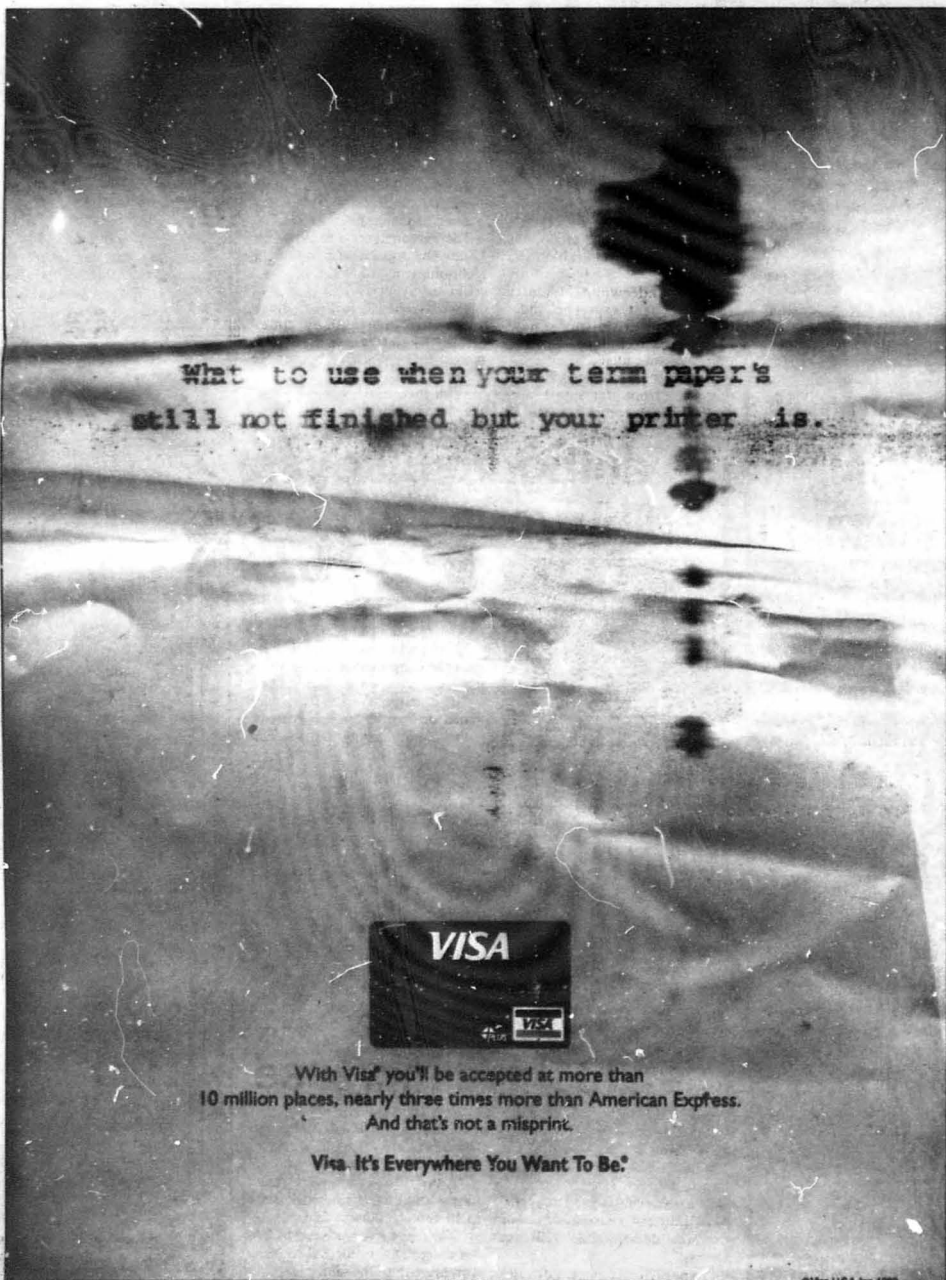
The University property that the IBSA will relocate to includes five lots totalling 1.7 acres of land and two University houses.

The houses are used by the music department located at the corner of Mill Street and Forest Avenue.

Capie said the SIU Board of Trustees must finalize the sale and a closing date for payment to the IBSA must be arranged.

He said the closing date will be scheduled after spring classes have ended.

Renovations will begin immediately after the closing date.



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# Group examines education

## Faculty Senate to discuss proposal for curriculum change

By Michael T. Kuciak  
Administration Writer

*Editor's note: The following story ran Wednesday with several quotations incorrectly attributed to David Koster. This is the corrected version. The editors apologize for the error.*

The Faculty Senate agreed Tuesday to go forward in discussing a proposal to change the general education curriculum by opening discussion up to the public. In the meantime, members of the Faculty Senate went back and forth on how challenging and flexible the new general education curriculum should be.

Ann Morey, associate professor of English, said the senate should be aware of two stylized ways to put together a general education program.

"The first is the core curriculum, where all students take the same 12 courses," she said. "The other is the distributed curriculum, where there are not any particular courses, only clarified areas. The two go from extreme control to very little control."

Morey said a modified core might be best.

"For SIUC, a modified core and a restricted menu may be the best way to go," she said.

David Kammler, a mathematics professor who was sitting in for senate member David Koster, said the biggest problem with working out a new general education curriculum is fighting over how much substitution, or control over different courses, students may have.

"This issue has forced irrational behavior," he said. "It's the one issue we choke on."

Kammler said the current general education student receives is too easy and is like a set of hurdles the school sets low enough for almost

everyone to get over. "Our brightest students consider our general education a rehash of high school," he said. "General statements made by my students say that it is not very challenging. I'm concerned we move in a direction to change this."

Kammler said general education should be more like a ladder process.

"If we don't serve our brightest students, we will not get them," he said. "There has been a marked decrease in really talented students, and I think it is because of general education. I am not at all convinced the new proposal here is a big step up."

Armando Armander, a representative from the School of Medicine, said he wanted to make counseling more available to students.

"Most of the brightest students often have to do a fifth year to get the education they need," he said. "Often times they say 'I did not have guidance.' We need more curricular guidance counseling."

Kammler said he also was disturbed by cuts the new general education proposal makes in math and science.

"I am disturbed that adolescents coming into the University are demonstrably worst in math and science in the industrial world," he said.

"We need more math and science components as the general education requirement has been cut from the current 15 hours out of 46 to nine out of 41 in the proposal. I don't find that acceptable," he continued.

Jervis Underwood, Faculty Senate president, expressed anger about recent criticisms senate member John McKillip made about the general education committee.

"I have observed the work of the committee from afar, and I have never seen a committee work

harder," he said. "And statement which impugns the integrity of the committee is reprehensible. I hope that the comments attributed to McKillip printed in the Daily Egyptian are a misprint, because if they are not, I think McKillip owes the GE committee an apology."

Underwood referred to the March 9 issue of the Daily Egyptian, which included a letter to the editor from McKillip and quotations from him in a Faculty Senate preview article.

Kammler also expressed concerns about the hows and whys of a three-hour international study requirement included in the proposal.

Another member of the senate explained a section of the proposal that allows for the "diverse learning methods of students."

"(The proposal) takes into account the fact that women and minorities often respond to different kinds of classroom presentation," she said. "Women take longer to raise their hands to answer questions, and there should be classroom examples that come from African cultures."

She said the proposal was not trying to force instructors into teaching in a certain way because not all subjects considered race or gender, but it merely was a guideline to consider.

The rest of the senate meeting evolved into a lengthy back-and-forth among senate members over how much substitution flexibility students should be allowed.

The exchange only ended when James Orr, associate professor of technology, asked if the meeting could move on.

"We've heard all of these arguments many, many times before," he said. "I have the highest respect for both parties, but can we move on?"

With that, Underwood declared the meeting adjourned.

# SIUC international service plans vacation for students

By Candace Samolinski  
International Writer

international students.

"We want everyone who is interested to attend, that includes students, faculty and staff," Brown said. "Students should not be afraid to sign up even if they don't know anyone else who is going."

The trip will cost \$240 and will include transportation, lodging at the Comfort Inn and a breakfast buffet.

Transportation will be provided by a SIUC coach bus.

Brown said she has given the students some safety tips.

"There will be a safe in each of the rooms for the students to lock up their more expensive personal items," she said. "I have encouraged them to take travelers checks if possible."

Brown said the trip is an inexpensive way to see another part of the United States.

SIUC students interested in spending spring break in Florida and looking for something besides the beach scene can see what International Programs and Services has to offer.

A trip to Walt Disney World in Orlando, Fla., is planned for March 12 through March 19.

"We hope this trip will give students the chance for an intercultural experience and to create new friendships," said Kathy Brown, trip coordinator for IPS.

Brown said spaces still are available for students. Twenty-eight people will be going on the trip.

She said although only two American students have signed up, the event is not just for

# Science fiction author to discuss struggles faced by young writers

By Thomas Gibson  
Minorities Writer

Award-winning science fiction writer Samuel Delany is the first African-American author to deliberately embrace the genre, an SIUC professor said.

Robert E. Fox, associate professor in English, said Delany is regarded highly.

"Delany is considered to be one of the wide ranging science fiction masters as well as being a rigorous theorist and critic of the field," he said.

Delaney will speak about science fiction and the African-American experience in a lecture at 8 tonight in the Student Center auditorium.

Delaney is a comparative literature professor at the University of Massachusetts. His speech is sponsored by the President's Office and the Department of English.

He is the author of 24 fiction and



Delany

nonfiction books. He published his first novel, "The Jewels of Apto," at the age of 19.

Delaney said his speech will focus on the struggles a lot of young African-American writers face in the publishing industry.

"Publishers are reluctant to signing new talent because of the

economic situation in the country," he said.

He said another reason for the decline in sales of books has been the emergence of technology.

"It is just as hard to break into the publishing industry just as it is in the music industry," he added.

The popularity of the short story has been on the rise. However, there are not many writers who are turning out good work in order for that trend to survive, Delaney said.

Delaney's work has won the Science Fictions Writer of America's Nebula Award for his novels: "Babel-17" and "The Einstein Intersection."

"Dha'gren," his book published in 1975, sold more than a million dollars in copies.

Fox said the most fascinating thing about Delaney is that he does not have a higher education degree.

"He never graduated from college but teaches at a University," he said.

# Graduate assistantships increase

By Shawna Donovan  
General Assignment Writer

Assistantships have increased again following a drop last year, following a normal pattern because of fluctuating funds.

In spring 1992, there were 1,631 assistantships appointments.

The numbers fell in fall 1992 to 1,536 appointments.

This semester, however, the number of assistantships appointments has risen to 1,702.

"It fluctuates, just like Dean John Yopp said.

It varies from year to year," Harry Daniels, Graduate School assistant dean, said. "It just depends."

A specific reason for the fluctuation is the availability of

funds. "The receipts of external grants and awards are one of main sources for assistantships," Daniels said.

"Administrations have a better idea where they stand budget wise in the spring," Daniels said.

"They are conservative, which is not a certainty, in the fall more so than the spring," he said.

"That is a theory," he said.

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by Pete and Carolyn Kelly

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  - Light devices
  - Mastic
  - Employer
  - Brainless one
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  - Sleaz
  - Like a pretty lass
  - God of love
  - Harding's
  - Perfume
  - Attacks with horns
  - Famous stone
  - Eggs
  - Native of Damascus
  - 37 twist
  - Bobby of hockey
  - 40 Kind of gun
  - Singer Adams
  - Attack
  - Omniss
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# Orioles' Reynolds chases away Seattle blues

The Baltimore Sun

CLEARWATER, Fla.—During the eight seasons that he played second base for the Seattle Mariners, Harold Reynolds never finished fewer than seven games out of first place. The only important games he ever played in September were those the Mariners needed to lose in 1986 to lock up the first pick in the draft and a shot at Ken Griffey Jr.

But get this: After losing his job and signing with the Baltimore Orioles last December, he was overcome by a vague sadness he could not shake.

It didn't make sense. He was giving up a reserve role on a last-place team in the unexciting Kingdom and getting a place in the everyday lineup on an 89-game winner that contended into September in front of 59 straight sellouts at a fabulous, new ballpark.

A general manager gets a raise for such a lopsided trade. Reynolds was melancholy.

Imagine if he had signed with a real A-plus club with serious postseason intentions. He would have been inconceivable.

"Now, it wasn't like that," he said Tuesday morning in the Orioles' clubhouse, smiling.

"It was just that Seattle was my home. It's like that first year you go away to college and you can't believe you're not going to be living at home anymore. No matter what it was like, you miss it. It feels weird not being there. You call home all the time that first semester..."

He pulled an Orioles T-shirt over his head, thought for a minute and laughed.

"... but then you get into that second semester and you wake up one day and realize you haven't called home in a while, like three weeks or something. That longing feeling is kind of, you know, well, it's just gone."

Reynolds is hitting that second semester this spring.

The realization is starting to sink in: He can talk about

contending for a division title, and it's not just spring bluster. He is on a team that has a chance.

Finally, "It's so exciting I can't begin to explain it," he said. "I came to Baltimore for a month after I signed, and I woke up every day saying, 'What am I doing in Baltimore? How did I get here?' Well, now it's starting to hit home. I'm in the right place and I know it. The mourning is gone."

In the Blue Jays' clubhouse this spring, Pac Molitor is talking about the strangeness of wearing a different uniform after 15 years in Milwaukee. Reynolds laughs at the concept.

"I don't have that problem," he said. "Paul won in Milwaukee. He had a lot to remember. I needed a change. Badly. It's funny. I was in Seattle awhile, but this uniform already feels right on me. Like it was the right one."

It's right because he is 32 years old and his offensive production has dropped the past three years, which means he better get around

to winning pretty soon if he's ever going to do it. The Orioles might not be the suitable vehicle, but there's sufficient reason to hope.

"It's a cliché, but I would have played for \$10 this year if it meant having a chance to win as opposed to another year of losing," he said. "I've done everything else in this game. I've made a lot of money. I've played in All-Star Games. I just wanted to play in big games. I wanted my shot at the playoffs."

You can't blame him. He has played in 1,155 major-league games, and his next big one will be his first. He was so ready for a change, he is even charged up by the atmosphere in camp.

"The manner here is extremely professional," he said.

"I don't know if it's the presence of Cal and Sutcliffe or what. But in Seattle the people (in management) spent so much time worrying about extraneous stuff, like what you were doing off the field. Here, all I see are players going about the business of getting

ready for a championship season. It's a mature situation. I love it."

His anticipated role once the games begin is not much of a secret. The Orioles want him to get on base. And run. And bunt. And get on base a little more. And run a little more. Did we mention get on base?

"(Coach) Davey Lopes came to me after a couple of days of camp and said, 'Man, you've got to get more aggressive,'" Reynolds said. "Talk about a slap in the face. I thought I was. But he was right. I hadn't had the green light the last couple of years, and maybe I was still on that speed. I don't know. But they made it known what they want here. I can't wait."

There isn't a happier camper anywhere in baseball this spring. He has a position.

He has a contender. He has a chance.

What's wrong with this picture? Nothing.

"The Seattle blues are history, man," he said.

"All gone."

## TOURNEYS, from page 16

Tobacco Road's long heritage of staging one more basketball hoodlum for its rabid fans makes its tournament different than those that merely determine a sole NCAA automatic bid. Big money is involved. So are 70-plus years of tradition.

And six or seven ACC schools go to the Big Show every season anyway, so a regular-season conference champion that gets bumped in the semifinals doesn't worry about the National Invitation Tournament.

But even the biggest, richest, hoariest tournaments have concerns.

Postseason confabs take players away from class, sometimes, as in the case of the Western Athletic Conference Tournament, for four days.

And three high-pressure games in as many days can sap the strength of even the most talented player.

"We'd all like to have the time off, because I think you do better in whatever postseason tournament you're in with some rest," Wake Forest Coach Dave Odum says. "But the ACC Tournament is a fixture in our area, and it's not going anywhere. We're blessed to be able to participate in such a rich area for basketball."

Smaller conferences also have concerns, which they gladly ignore in return for the obvious exposure benefits. Attendance at many tournaments is strictly an MCI affair—friends and family. And few of the little guys distribute tournament revenue back to the teams. Some tournament host sites—such as the Mid-Continent Tournament location—must guarantee that the league will benefit.

So, the debate rages. Supporters argue that tournaments give lesser teams hope. Bubble teams exit in the opportunity to add one more victory in an effort to impress the nine-man NCAA jury.

It's all a matter of perspective. In 1984, Jim Calhoun's Northeastern team ripped through the North Atlantic Conference season and entered the NAC Tournament final with a 26-4 record. Calhoun felt pretty good about his team's chances of gaining an NCAA berth—until he talked to Dave Gavitt, then chairman of the NCAA selection committee. "He said we had better win the tournament (which they did) if we wanted to get in," Calhoun says.

These days, Calhoun doesn't have to worry so much. His Connecticut team docks in the Big East's safe harbor, where 17

victories and a middle-of-the-pack finish guarantee an NCAA berth.

Dick Bennett's Wisconsin-Green Bay team doesn't have that luxury. The Phoenix ripped to a 14-2 Mid-Continent record (24-3 overall) last season, four games better than the second-place finisher. But the Phoenix fell in the tournament semifinals and were left out.

"I'm concerned when influences other than who has really earned the right to play in the NCAA Tournament have a greater weight than how a team has performed during the regular season," Bennett says.

"If we play quality basketball, somehow, some way, we should be rewarded."

Bennett's hopes notwithstanding, there's no denying the excitement of a three-day, single-elimination blood pressure-cooker. Whether that hysteria is necessary is another story.

"We play each other to death during the regular season in the Big Ten," Minnesota Coach Clem Haskins says. "I don't think we need to continue that with a tournament. But in many conferences, the only chance for kids to get into the postseason setting, get on TV and pay in an NCAA Tournament-type atmosphere is in a conference tournament."

Stanford's 1989 team boasted four senior starters, two current National Basketball Association players—Todd Lichti and Adam Keefe—and a giant case of jet lag when the NCAAs came around. By the time the third-seeded Cardinal arrived for its first-round East Regional game in Atlanta it had completed a weeklong odyssey that would have exhausted the Harlem Globetrotters.

Four days earlier, Stanford had been hounded by a relentless Arizona press in the Pac-10 Tournament final at the Great Western Forum in southern California.

Two days after flying back to campus following the game, the Cardinal flew to Chicago, stayed overnight and connected to Atlanta the following day. Twenty-four hours later, the 26-6 Pac-10 finalists were handed an embarrassing 80-78 defeat by Embury, the East's 14th-seeded team. Thank you, selection committee.

"When they were done playing us in the final, they were exhausted," Arizona Coach Lute Olson says. "By the time they flew to Atlanta, they were zombies." Two years after Stanford's Night of the Living

Dead appearance, Pac-10 officials voted to discontinue the conference tournament, citing geographical problems, an overall cheapening of the 18-game regular season and serious academic fallout from additional missed classes. "Coaches were complaining that all their players were in summer school," Pac-10 Commissioner Tom Hansen says.

But despite the sound arguments behind its switch, the Pac-10 suffers without a postseason gala. While the nation's basketball attention is directed toward the 10-day automatic-bid qualifying frenzy, Arizona, UCLA and their pals take a hiatus from the spotlight. Even if all 10 teams entered the final weekend with a mathematical chance to win the Pac-10 title, few people would notice.

As it turns out, few have had reason to notice the Pac-10 race for most of the season. Arizona clinched the conference title Feb. 25.

Since its nationally televised victory over Cincinnati Feb. 21, the Wildcats have appeared on national TV only once—and that game started at midnight in the East.

Not much exposure there. A conference tournament would change all that.

"You could have a great (regular-season) conference race, but nobody cares about it," Hansen says.

"All of the media are worrying about the midnight championship of some Eastern conference no one ever heard of until it received an automatic bid."

Tough luck, say the members of those heretofore unknown associations. For many leagues, a title-game appearance on ESPN offsets complaints from regular-season champions, poor attendance or red ink.

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# Marlins' Harvey takes his saves across country

Los Angeles Times

Bryan Harvey got a day-pass from Florida Marlins training camp the other day, so he and a buddy headed out fishing on a lake not too far from Melbourne, Fla.

There was nobody in the boat but two old friends, Harvey and Bob McClure, and they managed to catch a few bass despite waging an ongoing fight with a spring wind that kept pushing the boat toward shore.

Once, they were California Angels, clubhouse mainstays of a close-knit pitching staff, particularly back in 1989, the last time the Angels caught a glimpse of a pennant race.

Those were the days when McClure became an evangelist for the art of doing nothing—"rotting" is his term.

"He's still doing it," Harvey said.

"But he ain't going to find too many rotters on this team.

"Everybody's so young."

They are companions on an expansion team now, with Harvey the Marlins' incongruous catch—an expansion-team closer with a big salary and a surgically repaired elbow.

The day before the fishing trip, Harvey had pitched in an intrasquad game.

"Two innings in a little ol' camp game," he said.

But he had thrown hard, not holding back, and the forkball was sinking.

It's still early, but so far it looks

as if the Angels might Jose their bet that he won't recover his dominance after elbow surgery last Aug. 14—if that was the bet at all.

Angel President Richard Brown has said Harvey was left unprotected for the expansion draft not merely because of doubts about his elbow, but because the club wanted to be shed of Harvey's salary, a guaranteed \$11.25 million over the next three seasons.

Now the 29-year-old relief ace, who led the American League with a club-record 46 saves in 1991 and whose photo graced the cover of the Angels' media guide in 1992, is with the Marlins, who aren't likely to have much need for a closer.

"With a healthy Bryan Harvey, we have as good a chance as any team in baseball to win a game we're leading in the ninth inning," said Marlins pitching coach Marcel Lachemann, who left the Angels after last season and joined his brother, Manager Rene Lachemann, in Miami.

Therein, of course, lies the rub. There will almost certainly be weeks this season when Harvey could just hang a sign on the bullpen gate, "Gone Fishing," and never hear a word about it.

"It could be a long season," Harvey said.

"It's hard to tell. Our starting pitching is going to be young—with the exception of Charlie Hough. If Jack Armstrong throws like he did a couple of

years ago, or even last year when he went to the bullpen, that will help.

"We're going to be in a situation where we have to stick with young guys. It's going to be awful hard to expect a lot. I think we're solid defensively up the middle, with (Benito) Santiago, (Walt) Weiss, (Bret) Barberie. ... Catching and shortstop, we can probably match up with anybody. Maybe first base, with Orestes (DeStrade), a Cuban who led Japan's Pacific League in home runs the last three seasons. ... You know, our outfield, I don't know too much about."

That's the best he can do for optimism.

Reality is, he doesn't expect to get a lot of work.

"It ain't hard to handle because you've got to do what you've got to do," he said.

"I'm sure Lach will get me in a few games. Maybe I'll get to hit. That's been the most fun, going to the cages and learning to bunt and all that."

Harvey is just one of a cast of Angel expatriates with the Marlins. Angel pitchers Mark Langston and Chuck Finley—and Jim Abbott, in his New York Yankee pin stripes—all lament the Angels' off-season moves and their separation from one another and Marcel Lachemann, who announced late last season he was leaving.

Harvey is still with him. Lachemann, of course, lobbied the Marlins to select Harvey—and

not coincidentally, had a pretty good idea of how Harvey's arm felt when the two were playing catch late last season after the surgery, before the Angels decided to shut him down because the season was over, for all intents and purposes.

Besides Lachemann and McClure, Harvey also has been reunited with Doug Rader, a Marlin coach who was the Angel manager the last time the team managed a winning season (91-71 in '89) but was fired in 1991.

If Harvey has a bitter bone in his body, it's buried deep.

He has not criticized Angel management for exposing him to the draft or for the club's subsequent remarks about the decision.

"When I first found out I wasn't on the (protected) list, I was a little upset or whatever you want to say," he said. "The way I look at it, they had a decision they had to make, me or the other guy. I had a big contract and there was a chance (the surgery) didn't work."

Brown's comments made their way to Melbourne.

"I heard it," Harvey said. "I don't pay no attention to it. They can say what they want to say, it don't matter to me. The California Angels were good to me. They put me in a good position to take care of my family."

He is perhaps more baffled by the Angels' continued doubt that he will recover. Angel Manager Buck Rodgers said recently: "To tell you the truth, we don't feel

(Harvey is) ever going to be a 40-save guy again.

He'll save maybe 17, 18, 22 games, but now we've got Joe Grahe to do that."

Harvey hears that and laughs, though not derisively.

"Ask me in October," Harvey said.

"What do you say? If that's what he thinks, fine. I don't understand. If I could save 18 or 22, why couldn't I save 40? I can't figure that out. If I get enough chances to save 40, I think I can do it. If I get 25 chances, I can't save 40."

Harvey was 0-4 with a 2.83 earned-run average and 13 saves last August when he underwent arthroscopic surgery, during which team orthopedist Lewis Yocum shaved some spurring in his right elbow.

He went through rehabilitation before deciding late in the season to shut down completely until January.

Now he says, "I've been wide open since Day 1. I haven't missed anything. It feels fine."

After his first intrasquad outing, during which he threw less than Lachemann's limit of 40 pitches, Harvey said he felt good, but that his mechanics were "a little messed up."

Harvey won't swear he's back, but he doesn't see any reason he won't be.

"You can't tell yet," he said.

"It don't take but one pitch to flat blow it out, but everything feels good."

# Jets throwing around big bucks; White next on their shopping list

Newsday

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.—A million dollars here, a million dollars there. Ronnie Lott on Monday, Leonard Marshall Tuesday.

In a span of 24 hours, the New York Jets signed both players to contracts worth a combined total of about \$8 million, roughly half of which will be paid this year. And there's more where that came from. The Jets have set aside enough of Leon Hess' money to pursue the jewel of the free-agent market—Reggie White.

"Damn right, we're going to give him a pitch," Coach Bruce Coslet said Tuesday at Hofstra University, where Marshall—now a former New York Giant—held his glad-to-be-a-Jet news conference. "I think we have a lot to offer (White), as much as anybody else out there."

Landing the perennial Pro Bowl defensive end would be a White Christmas for the Jets. Some might say they don't have a snowball's chance, but they're going all out. The Jets are planning to roll out the green carpet when White comes to town for a visit, which is expected within a few days.

White, on his cross-country tour, already has visited Cleveland and Atlanta and was expected in Detroit Tuesday night. He's expected to stop in Green Bay, Wis., Wednesday. The Washington Redskins are a contender, and the Phoenix Cardinals also are in the picture.

"We're on his agenda—Reggie's World Tour," said a smiling Coslet, who called White the best defensive end in the National Football League.

White's signature will cost major bucks—he supposedly wants at least \$3 million a year—but the Jets don't seem to be flinching. Remember, they can't throw around too much money—a salary cap is expected to go into effect next season—but, make no mistake, the Jets' till isn't empty. "We're playing around with

## Marshall takes parting shot at former team

Newsday

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y.—New York Giant turned New York Jet Leonard Marshall said he has "no animosity" toward his former club, but he intimidated Tuesday that one of the reasons he left is because he believes the Dan Reeves Giants won't win a championship anytime soon.

"I just felt a new environment, a new position (defensive tackle) and the opportunity to win a championship is more important in my career at this time," Marshall said at his news conference at Hofstra University.

Marshall should check last

season's standings. The Jets were 4-12, the Giants 6-10. Who's closer to a championship?

Make no mistake, money was the primary factor in Marshall's decision. Marshall, who made \$825,000 last season, will make \$2 million this season, including a substantial \$500,000 signing bonus.

Recalling the Ray Handley regime, Marshall said: "We were a team in disarray. Players against coaches, coaches against players. Then they bring in a new guy, and they think it's all taken care of. I hope for them that it is, but I'm glad I'm not part of that chaos anymore."

calculators and pencils, trying to see what we've got left to operate with," general manager Dick Steinberg said.

And ...

"We're still very interested in pursuing Reggie," Steinberg said, "and we're going to proceed with our plans."

What are the Jets' chances of getting White?

"When you're in this business any length of time," the GM said, "you know you can't count on anything until the extra points are kicked, the field goals are made and the contracts are signed."

Speaking of contracts, the Jets gave sweet deals to Marshall and Lott. Marshall signed a three-year contract for \$4.5 million—a \$500,000 signing bonus, with base salaries of \$1.5 million, \$1.4 million and \$1.1 million. The Giants also offered a three-year deal, but Marshall said "it wasn't as competitive."

Lott's contract is believed to be worth at least \$3.5 million, including a \$500,000 signing bonus, a \$500,000 reporting bonus and a \$1.25 million base salary this

season.

Skeptics will argue that the club is wasting money on old players. Lott turns 34 in May, and Marshall is 31. Marshall is coming off his worst season (four sacks), which is alarming because it was a money year—i.e. the end of his contract.

Steinberg defended the signings, saying, "We're not just tossing money around on guys who have reputations. We need football players. If we weren't convinced (Marshall) was a very, very effective player, we wouldn't have pursued him."

Marshall underwent arthroscopic knee surgery early last season, missed four games and never found a groove. The Jets are hoping that a healthy Marshall can duplicate his 11-sack performance of 1991. He will have to learn a new position. A right end in the Giants' 3-4 defense, Marshall will move inside to "Eagle" tackle.

He is intrigued by the position, and is excited about playing an attack-style defense instead of the read-and-react scheme of the Giants. Marshall is confident he can rejuvenate his career.

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