Student's mysterious death stuns friends
Police continue searching for possible suspects

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Chris Blalock broke the wooden door on his apartment with a slamming kick when he learned that his good friend Marcus Thomas had been fatally shot over the weekend.

"I was totally shocked and in disbelief," Blalock said. "It was like someone punching you in the gut. You can't describe the feeling, but you know it's there and you know it's going on." The shooting has left Blalock minus one good friend. There will be no more late night discussions at Carbon or played basketball games with Thomas, who was a 21-year-old undecided SUC juror from Matteson.

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Thomas was found tangled and bloody in an apartment at 293 N. Marion St. early Saturday morning. The Calumet Police were called by the occupants of the apartment when Thomas was discovered lying on the floor with a broken front door and a deadbolt in the room.

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Finnin said police estimates have Thomas being shot between 1 a.m. and 3 a.m., but could not give further details.

The shooting has Thomas’ friends like Bonine asking questions. Bonine instantly became friends with Thomas after Christina Fairchild introduced them. The three of them would hang out in Thomas’ dorm room playing Donkey Kong on Nintendo and listening to music. Fairchild said the three friends were inseparable.

“We called ourselves the Mod Squad,” Fairchild said. “Whenever we went out together at night, the three of us.”

The friends of Thomas said he had an easy-going personality. Bonine remembers how Thomas helped through a thing like depression about his brother’s death, which occurred a year and a half earlier. He said Thomas was a constant presence listening to his problems and giving advice.

“I don’t know what I would have done if he hadn’t been there,” Bonine said. “If you just met him in passing, you’ll be affected.”

This loss will affect everyone who ever met him,” Bonine said. "Even if you just met him in passing, you’ll be affected. That’s just the type of guy he was.”

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Public Policy Institute takes steps toward independence

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The institute recently hired Alexander Haas & Partners as consultants to help develop a strategy that will increase the endowments of the institute. The firm, which the institute hired because of its experience in raising public institutions, will advise the institute on how to go about raising money.

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CREDIT IS DUE
Can compassionate conservatism really make Africans keep the faith?

In the wake of poverty and African genocide in America, the illegitimate Republican president has brought religion to the forefront of solutions to drugs, crime and urban development. President George Bush is promoting faith-based initiatives that seek to give tax relief to faith-based organizations that serve a community function in rehabilitation, community "national values" and the "hub of conservative expression" (which was coined by Martin O'Leary, who believes warfare is not without religious input -- no man's land without spiritual food).

This idea of a conservative ideology guiding a welfare state is vastly similar to the African vote in America is suspicious to say the least. As responsible Africans, we have to ask if Bush is trying to pimp our religious leaders and force government regulations on community programs working to eliminate crime and poverty in the interest of its constituents rather than developing critical interest. Bush's supporters are nothing if not Myron Magnet, author of "The Dream and the Nightmare," and the infamous Charles Murray author of "The Bell Curve," both of whom have been ideological contributors to "faith-based initiatives" and adept supporters of genetic and social inferiority theories to Andrew Gamble, a Los Angeles journalist for the Independent.

The question remains for the Africans in America as to how we must react to this moral encouragement on economic and political issues of the day. The mandates of faith-based initiatives and community programs are not problematic in their existence, but in the political motives that accompany them. If we know the ideological basis of "conservatism" is less government intrusion in the definition of "national values," what are we真的 seeing in the "faith-based initiatives" to decrease social welfare programs and on individuals and communities, are we seeing an assault on moral encroachment on economic and political woes groups of people that suffer, it is specifically the "behaviors" that cause the economic and social problems that must be fixed. All of Bush's discussions of virtue and morality point to this. The faith-based initiatives seek to correct the moral inadequacy of a people who are well thought by Charles Murray to be genetically inferior and thought by Otalby and Magnet to be socially dependent and lazy because of their skin color in this country. Bush's meetings on Monday with 15 or so black ministers and religious leaders shows how this is specifically targeting African communities, and seeks to win our support by targeting our spirituality.

Some ministers have remarked that Bush may be the first Republican president block to support since Abraham Lincoln. "If our ministers are sold, what happens to the political opinions of our congregation?"

My Nommo

By Tommy Curry

DAILY EGYPTIAN

Putting life above greed

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**Stitches through time**

Local women's needlework display traces family heritage

**SARAH ROBERTS** *Daily Egyptian*

Before the days of female astronomers, physicians and police officers, women used their idle hands to make a living, creating personal histories in the process.

Needlework has been an integral part of women's history for hundreds of years. From immigrants selling quilts for money to enter the United States to mothers making clothes for their children, in recognition of these accomplishments, the Carbonille Convention and Tourism Bureau is displaying needlework from area women as part of Women's History Month.

The exhibit, titled "Women's Hands in History," features an eclectic collection of about 50 cross-stitched and crewel-work pieces and needlepoint ranging from recent to 80 years old. In collection is the first of its kind in Southern Illinois but one that Roxanne Conley, director of Institutional Research and Studies at SIUC, said the Jackson County Circuit Clerk website was denied.

"Women's history is so tied up in needlework, but it's getting to be somewhat of a lost art," Conley said. "It's something that seems to be very enterprising to women, and in particular, the emotional aspect. Everyone can remember watching their mother or grandmother sewing," Conley said.

Linda Benz, SIUC's assistant director of Institutional Research and Studies, is a member of the Women's History Committee. The exhibit, which co-sponsored the display, she chose to donate a baby blanket that her mother made as a young girl as a way of thanking her for years of making school clothes. "It just seemed like the right thing to do because I had just found it in her home," she said. We had talked about how her grandmother and her mother helped make it when she was 14," Benz said. "It's special because it's almost 70 years old, and it's the only thing she ever really made besides clothes for me and my sister.

While Conley is unsure of what the exhibit will specifically focus on next year's Women's History Month, she said the popularity of the needlework exhibit makes it a favorite to return.

"It's been very well received, so hopefully we'll do something along those lines again in the near future," Conley said.

For Benz, the exhibit is a way to not only reflect on her own childhood, but to also celebrate an often overlooked part of women's history.

"It's important to recognize women in our past and what they have done to influence and impact women today," Benz said. "It's also important to have really special memories of your own past and of what your own childhood was like."

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SIUC students design new visitor's center, coal mining museum

LIZ GUARD
DAILY EYPTIAN

Every spring, seniors in the Architecture 115 class work on a project to display their skills in designing buildings. This year, the class' final project has some possible realities in the Southern Illinois area.

A new visitor's center and coal mining museum has been proposed to be built on Interstate 27 near Fort Bond Lake. The goal of building the center is to attract more tourists to Southern Illinois.

Recently, the National Coal Mining Museum in West Frankfort was closed to safety reasons. This gave students in Norm Lach's architecture class a chance to design possibilities for a new visitor's center and museum and experience the hassles of funding for the project.

Today, the students in the class presented the first phase of their projects to classmates and eight other faculty members. The students presented their blueprints, sketches and models, and explained their ideas for the new center.

Some ideas included a coal conveyor belt as an element of design, indoor and outdoor theaters, restaurants, gift shops and even rides in a shaft mine elevator. Jacob McNeff, a senior in architecture from St. Louis, said he wanted to present ideas rather than coal mining.

"I'm basically using the project to show new ideas for the center. I hope they'll like some of mine," he said.

Lach, the discover of architectural studies at SIUC, said coal mining is extremely important in Southern Illinois and it should be recognized.

"You probably couldn't talk to one resident of Southern Illinois whose family was not involved with coal mining somehow," Lach said.

Lach said the Southern Illinois area needs a museum that tells a story about the significance of coal in the region. Lach also said there should be a visitor's center where tourists can go and find information about things to do in Southern Illinois.

Lach said that although the project is "pie in the sky" right now, the help from his class with their creative ideas, may help the project receive sufficient funding to become reality.

"We will take the 10 best models to the governor and show him that we've got ideas for the center, and this will hopefully bring in money to build it," Lach said.

Students present Spring Fashion Show

STACEY ROBINSON
DAILY EYPTIAN

Bright colors, spring flowers, a range of sizes and shapes and lots of personality and style is what will make up this semester's spring fashion show presented by SIUC men's and women's Vanities Fair Fair Models are preparing for their annual fashion show presentation. This year's theme, "Spring - Covering the Spectrum of the Seven," will depict a variety of spring wear in bright hues. The show will take place from 7 to 9 tonight in Student Center Ballroom D.

Mike Cavin, a senior in English education and president of Vanity from Carbondale, said that he is extremely excited about this semester's show.

"We put on a fall show which is like a mini-preview, but for the spring show we are all out and try to make it as juicy as possible," Cavin said.

Cavin said the show will have a different feel to it and they also plan to collaborate with the group "Cause U learn Through Understanding Reality" on a special poetry section.

"In going to a different vibe and this will add a little bit of spice to it," Cavin said.

There are a total of 23 members in Vanity and 11 will perform. Vanity was established as a Registered Student Organization in 1989 and its members consist of a number of multi-ethnic SIUC students. The group can work with other organizations on events in special events and also showcases fashion shows each semester.

Jermario Miller, a freshman in business economics and foreign language and international trade from Chicago, said he was invited to try out for Vanity by the organization's president. After Miller tried out he was told he liked modeling and decided to stick it out.

This is Miller's second performance and he believes the show will be a major experience for himself and his peers.

"It's going to be a very nice show. We really prepared for it," Miller said.

At the performance there will be new and returning members. Male and female models will be featured in swimsuits, sundresses and formal spring wear as well as a special section on spring bath and sandals. The poetry section was added to entertain the audience.

Jamal Brimage, a sophomore in visual communications from Chicago, said this will be his first performance as a Vanity member and he knows that the show will be a success. He said it is a great opportunity to step into the "limelight" and meet a lot of different people.

"I believe the show will be great and I know a lot of people will come out," Brimage said.

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Brimage said he would encourage people to participate and support Vanity and its student members because it is a fun and interesting event.

"I enjoy modeling because it's something I would pursue later in life," Brimage said.

Vanity recruits new members each fall semester. The show is an invitation for students to see members in action and encourage others to try out.

Cavitt said as president, she wants to dispel the misconception that Vanity is a black organization. She said Vanity is open to anyone who wants to try out. She said that one thing they look for when recruiting is the personality to wear the clothes and people with style and creativity.

"We're looking for people from all walks of life. There is no specific size, shape or color," Cavitt said.

Vanity members said the show will be great this semester and they look forward to seeing new faces and people enjoying the show.

"Check us out, we put a lot of heart and effort into it," Miller said. "And if you like it, try out for it in the fall."

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Looking beyond the surface of leases

Students' Legal Assistance Office can help students avoid pitfalls of leasing apartments in Carbondale

CHRISTIAN HALE
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Common sense is the key to leasing an apartment in Carbondale and can save students from signing away their immortal souls or giving up pound of flesh.

For many students, finding the time to sit down and review leases is merely impossible with class loads. When two or more students are planning on living together, the time becomes even more scarce in finding a place everyone can agree with.

Perhaps the hardest thing for students to find is the one semester lease.

Emmy Taylor, an employee of Bonnie Owens Property Management, said their business generally does 13 month and summer-only leases.

"A lot of times students will graduate in May and move out," Taylor said. "We have a lot of places that come up vacant just for the summer and then are rented in August.

"Taylor said that one-semester leases are hard to find. She also said the reason most landlords do not offer one-semester leases is the difficulty in relaxing apartments in the middle of the year.

"We do work with people in subleasing," Taylor said.

Students do have other options to consider, the first of which is simply reading the lease before signing it and looking for questionable requirements on the lease.

Another option is the Students' Legal Assistance Office on the third floor of the Student Center. The office is willing to look at a lease before a student signs it.

"We can tell you what we think about the lease and recommend what you should do," said Tricia Wrenn, legal assistance secretary. "But we don't take people to court for the leases, nor do we take landlords to court.

The legal assistance office also provides students with two important documents to aid in their quest for a good lease.

One of the items provides ideas and important questions to ask previous tenants of the chosen apartment or house, as well as whether or not the landlord makes repairs when requested, respects privacy and keeps promises.

A very important question included on this sheet is what the previous tenants with they had known about the landlord, house or apartment before signing the lease.

The other document is the booklet Your Rights as a Tenant, which provides students with different models of leases, as well as legal aspects concerning roommate and sublease agreements.

"There are contracts within this booklet that you can actually use which are legal contracts," Wrenn said.

Wrenn said, further pointing out that contracts are separate from the lease with the landlord.

The booklet contains information that helps students understand a lease, the basics of a lease and common provisions in the lease that they should understand.

Topics within the booklet include what happens when a tenant refuses to pay the rent due to bad conditions, when a tenant can't pay rent, when a roommate leaves, when a lease is completed and when the landlord will not return your deposit.

Wrenn said landlords often don't return the security deposit because there has been some damage done to the property by tenants.

"There are a couple of landlords that say some damage was done by tenants when it was more previous tenants taking the place," Wrenn said.

She said one thing students can do is make sure that when they consider the place, let the landlord know what is wrong before moving in.

Get along with your roommate, make life easier

Student experiences with the ups and downs of college and roommates

STACY ROBINSON
DAILY EGYPTIAN

There is a fact that most first-year college students experience when they arrive at school. It has nothing to do with finals week, the professor, the course or even the food, but it has everything to do with the people they have to share a room with and the style of living.

Students living in on and off-campus dorms who have disliked their roommates say that, at one point or another they either couldn't cope with the lifestyle of having a roommate, or the restrictions of living in the dorms.

Van Voeun, a junior in marketing from Chicago, said he lived in both Mac Smith and Schneider Halls before he decided to move off campus due to his desire for more freedom.

"We don't always agree and sometimes we get into big fights," Voeun said.

"We get along well because we are in the same major and we kind of help each other out," Clarke said. "In dorm life you meet people and it's definitely convenient.

The convenient side to dorm life Clarke speaks of is the closeness to campus, the social aspect and other things. But Clarke also said that while there are goods things about having roommates there are also downsides that can affect the relationship.

"We have the same schedule, we leave together, and come home together," Clarke said. "Even though we're friends I think it is necessary to speed time apart too.

All three students have had roommates at one point and they demonstrate that it is necessary to find someone to get along with, even if it is the second time around. Finding the place to live with roommates is also just as important, whether it is a dorm room, a house or an apartment.

"With the roommates I have now I am good about even if I am not in all the cleaning and cooking part," Voeun said.

Tenants have duties to fulfill

MATT BRENNAN
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Mike Stover had his Morgunoo mountain bike stolen from outside his apartment while the outside lights were not working. There is nothing he can do from preventing this from happening again because he is charged $50 per day to have his bike in his room.

Stover, a senior in radio-television from Chicago, has some advice for tenants looking to rent. He has bad problems with his lease and recommends that potential tenants examine the lease before moving in.

"It's a good idea to check the condition of the place prior to moving in.

"Check everything that is wrong with the apartment before you move in to avoid loss of deposit at the end of your lease," Stover said.

Different landlords hold tenants responsible for certain aspects of their rental property. Local property owner Bonnie Owen typically does not require her student tenants in more than leases.

"I worry about them not being clean," Owen said.

Owen's tenants are responsible for paying rent and utilities. Owen said that it is up to the student to ask what utilities they are responsible for paying, and all that information is available in the lease.

She has a house manager that she distributes to renters, which cleans up that information beforehand.

"It is also the responsibility of Owen's tenants to acquire help from maintenance if there are problems," Owen said.

"If something breaks we are not working properly, the tenant will be held responsible for paying for it.

Property owner Wayne Burke said that his tenants are responsible for taking care of the house.

"Tenants are responsible for keeping the house clean and not trashing it up," Burke said.

"They are the same responsibilities that a father and mother has when they live at home.

"Most of his tenants are also responsible for the roof and utilities and if they pay the water bill, trash is oftentimes included but he reminds students to study the lease before signing it.

"Don't ever sign a lease without going through it first," Burke said.

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University Housing offers many options to fit most students

Dorm life has advantages, but disadvantages, too

LIZ GUARD

"For Rent" signs are littering the yards of nearly every home in Carbondale. The lease-signing process is in full swing as landlords tempt students with a free month's rent and other special offers.

Students in Carbondale have several housing options available to them, but whatever happened to college students living in residence halls?

According to SIUC's student housing policy, all single freshmen and sophomore students younger than 21 are required to live in either an on-campus residence or in University-approved housing. Some students cannot wait to move out of a residence hall, and others wholly choose University Housing over off-campus living, but why?

Eva Piotrowska, a senior in zoology from Chicago, has not yet decided if she will move off campus or stay in a residence hall. While living in a residence hall, Blackwell has noticed several shortcomings to life in University Housing.

"The dorms are good for getting to know people and they're close to my classes, but that's about it," Rogalski said. "I didn't want to have to worry about commuting to classes," Blackwell said.

Some students choose to live in residence halls over apartment living. Cox, a freshman in administration of justice from Cicero, has lived in Thompson Point for two years now, and is only moving four doors down next year. Rogalski decided to stay in a residence hall for several reasons.

"My major is forestry, and all my classes are in the Agriculture building, I didn't want to have to worry about commuting to classes," Rogalski said.

Rogalski also believes living in a residence hall saves money for students. Those who choose to live in residence halls save with food plans, and do not have to pay utilities. "Here, the food is always prepared for you so you don't have to get up and make your own," Rogalski said.

Tony Dunat, also a resident of Neely Hall, residence halls save with food plans, and do not have to pay utilities. "I can go and eat whenever I want to, and I didn't know anybody when I came here, so I moved to Neely to meet new people," Dunat said.

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"In the dorms, you just move in with a person you don't even know, and roommates don't always get along," Blackwell said.

"I'd rather live on my own so I could do as I please and play my music as loud as I want to," she said.

Although she believes these are several shortcomings to residence hall life, she may stay in the Thompson Point to save money on bills and food.

"Living in the dorms is more convenient," Rogalski said.
Many landlords say check your pet at the door or lose your digs

Furry friends not always welcome in local apartments

KELLY DAVENPORT  
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Students toting a Fido or Fluffy to apartments in Carbondale should heed the rules of their new homes, landlords say, or they may be kicked out. Many local apartment complexes — like Lewis Park and some Bonnie Owen properties — enforce strict anti-pet rules. Some landlords require an extra damage deposit for tenants with pets while others prohibit anything with fur.

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Garcia shelter sees the usual cats and dogs as well as nontraditional pets like ferrets, rabbits and reptiles. Potential pet adopters at the shelter go through a stringent application process to show that their landlords to ensure pets are welcome. And they also call students’ parents to check the attitude toward Pets at home.

At Garden Park Apartments — a privately-owned complex approved for sophomores at 607 E. Park St., landlords say it’s a simple question of responsibility. “Students don’t take care of their pets as well as they take care of themselves,” says General Partner Stan Lieber, who helps oversee the property. At Garden Park, employees use cameras and room inspections to keep tabs on tenants. Anyone caught with a furry friend will be evicted, Lieber says. And they must pay for $250 worth of steam-cleaning and flea spray.

All three landlords do allow small pets like fish or reptiles. Some property managers say tenants may keep anything in a cage.

But Lieber raises the bottom line of living in an apartment. “We tell you the rules of the house and you must follow them.”

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Decorating your space

Ways to give your living space some taste, style and comfort

Brenda Corley
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Space filled with nothing but air and opportunity is before you as you stand in the doorway of your residence hall room or apartment.

After leaving the room of your childhood behind, deciding how to decorate your new living space in college can be a challenge and even costly.

But there are ways to add excitement and comfort to your living space regardless of your cash flow situation.

Corey Jackson, a junior in cinema and photography from Carterville, is an off-campus resident with an expensive taste.

With a whirlpool spa in his apartment on Mill Street, a 4-foot electrically operated waterfall in his living room, and black leather furniture, residence halls just aren’t for him.

“I don’t want to live in a shoe box,” he said.

“Living in a small space with someone you might not get along with is too much of a risk and I did not want to go through that.”

But Jackson has paid the price for his expensive taste.

“I started collecting things for my room during my senior year in high school,” he said. “This will cut down on spending a lot of money at one time when you get to school.”

Vogel also collects funny pages from Rolling Stone and other magazines as a good means for wall decorations.

“There is an intent to have all underclassmen, freshmen and out-of-state students located back in the cities of Fall River and New Bedford,” Jackson said.

“During the end of the day, “That is the kind of room I like,” she said.

Housing lottery change enrage students

Gabrielle Mosquera
The Daily Egyptian

BOSTON (U-Wire) — In a move that has prompted two protests and hundreds of phone calls from parents and students, the University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth announced last week it will change in housing lottery to favor current underclassmen.

“We have 5,600 students here and there is absolutely no way we can house all of them. Nor will we try,” said Marcie Hickok, Communications Director for UMass-Dartmouth.

Officials from the school’s Office of Student Affairs announced the decision last Sunday during a meeting with campus residence hall directors and assistants.

News quickly spread by word of mouth, triggering a violent protest last Monday that left $4,000 worth of damage.

According to Hickok, the decision is a result of supply and demand.

The University currently houses only 2,400 of its 5,600 students on campus and has seen growth in both its freshman and off-campus student populations. She said the new lottery changes seek to make housing distribution more equitable to all underclassmen.

“There is an intent to have all four years represented on campus,” she said.

Besides changing to give rising sophomores and juniors first choice and rising seniors last choice of housing, the new lottery system also denies on-campus housing to fifth-year seniors. While they will not be certain until the May 1 housing deposit deadline, UMass officials estimate that the changes will displace about 100 students.

Hickok emphasized that because the UMass-Dartmouth campus is located between the cities of Fall River and New Bedford, students living off-campus have ample apartment properties to choose from.

She said officials have not yet figured out how the University’s $5,403 annual room and board charge compares to the cost of living in on campus apartment.

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When Greg Kruse decided to move out of the residence halls after his sophomore year, his main concern was finding a nine-month lease so that he did not have to pay rent while at home for the summer.

The Quads offered him this option, along with some benefits of the residence halls in a more independent setting.

Kruse, a junior in finance from Kankakee, likes that the Quads are designed in a similar fashion to the residence halls, with people always right down the hall.

"There's still a lot more people to do stuff with because you know people in the building," he said.

Kruse enjoys the Quads better because of the privacy that was not easy to find in the residence halls. He said it is easier to finish homework and other priorities before socializing.

Brad Ruble, a senior in civil engineering from Pittsfield, had a similar experience in Lewis Park.

"There's a lot more freedom," he said. "It feels more like your home than the dorms," Ruble said. "The Quads feel almost like the residence halls with the feeling of their own place." - Brad Ruble, senior in civil engineering

It feels more like your home than the dorms.

DEKALB, Ill. (W-WIRE) - Makeovers by Student Housing and Dining Services call for new carpeting, new furniture and updated fire alarms in Northern Illinois University residence halls this fall.

One of the planned renovations is to finish carpeting all hallways on resident floors. Currently, all have carpet except for six floors in Douglas Hall D2, D4, D5, A2, A4 and A5.

"Students have informed us that carpeting reduces noise and provides a more home atmosphere rather than dorm," said Jeff Daurer, assistant director for facilities for Housing and Dining. "Students like it, and we like to take care of students."

Residents on the carpeted floors are split as to whether it's a good idea to carpet. "It really doesn't matter to me," said Shawn Johnson, a freshman physical therapy major who lives in Douglas A4. "I like the way my floor is, and with carpet, people might drop things on it. Tiles stay cleaner than carpet."

Frederico Fryer House thinks differently. "I think I'll like it more," said Freidrico, a computer science major who lives on Douglas D3. "It'll look better and feel better."

Among Housing and Dining's other annual plans are renovating the lobbies at Lincoln and Douglas halls, along with replacing furniture.

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SIU students weigh pros and cons of living in Carbondale

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Scott Peligrian lives with a couple roommates in a rented house barely a mile off campus in Carbondale. Justin Davis lives with his parents and brother in a subdivision in Murphysboro.

Both are SIU students living in different circumstances. Each offers his own positives and negatives.

"By communing from Murphysboro I don't have to live with the problems of being in a college town or the police and the taxes. Davis said.

By living at home Davis also enjoys the privileges of free laundry and food.

Proximity is a major advantage for Peligrian, as he is living in Murphysboro or Carbondale.

"It's close to school, closer to the [SIU Student Recreation Center] and close to everywhere on campus I want to go," Peligrian said.

Davis must put up with the innumerable problems this stem from not being in close proximity of the campus.

"Just the other day I left a disk containing my English paper at home and I really needed to print that paper out, but I couldn't because it was 10 miles away," Davis said. "I explained to my teacher that I left my disk at home and he said, 'just run across campus and get it,' and I said My running across campus might take awhile."

The daily commute from Murphysboro to Carbondale produces multiple problems for Davis, including walking up earlier and the extra miles on his vehicle.

"It's unbelievable how much business we're doing here. I can't express how much kids love this," Dales Bruns, unit manager at Trueblood Hall, said. "This one has a lot more variety," Howell said as she walked through the new Grab 'n' Go, a station near convenience stores on the path of a customer, keeping an eye on overall smoothness at the extended hours. The facilities are open from 7-11 daily.

The existing Lentz Hall Grab 'n' Go will be moved to the more spacious dining room 4. The Lakeside Dell will also be moved from the basement, equipped with new items and combined with the new Grab 'n' Go.

The Lakeside Dell is interesting in variety for the students' convenience," said Peggy Casey, associate director of Housing/residence hall dining.

In addition to the extra variety, there are extra items. The facilities are open from 6 p.m. to midnight on Sunday, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. on Monday to Thursday, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Friday.

The payment method of using points to put prices on items with 10 points per swipe will remain. But larger items, like bags of chips, are now about 18 points, which equals almost two swipe credits. Bruns said he thinks the changes to Lentz and Grinnell will result in an increase of customers like what occurred at Trueblood Hall. The first day of the new Grab 'n' Go in Trueblood Hall, there were 3,000-card swipes.

While the variety is for the student's convenience, certain precautions had to be taken to ensure the safety of the new items. The facility now sits under the watchful eyes of several security cameras and the inventory stays secure within a cage in a back room.

Although security has to be heightened, Bruns said the changes are for the benefit of the students.

"I can't express how much the kids love this," Bruns said.

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New smoking restrictions at Brown University

ETHAN HORNWITZ and CLARA HAYDEN

New smoking restrictions at Brown University are currently under discussion. The smoking ban, proposed by the Residential Life and Safety Section, is intended to protect students and employees from the health hazards associated with tobacco use. The proposed changes include the prohibition of smoking in all University buildings, except for designated smoking areas.

In addition, the University is considering the implementation of a policy that would require smokers to report their smoking locations to the University, with the aim of reducing exposure to second-hand smoke. The proposal is part of a broader effort to create a smoke-free environment on campus, similar to those implemented at other institutions.

The University is also exploring the possibility of setting up smoking cessation programs to help smokers quit. These programs would provide resources and support to help smokers quit smoking and maintain their abstinence.

Overall, the proposed smoking restrictions are intended to create a healthier and safer environment for all members of the University community. The University is currently working to develop a comprehensive smoking policy that balances the rights of smokers with the needs of non-smokers.

University Housing provides Ethernet for students

STAFF REPORT

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The University is also exploring the possibility of setting up a wireless network on campus, which would provide students with even more access to the Internet. The wireless network would be available in all dormitories and academic buildings.

Overall, the University is committed to providing students with the best possible Internet access. The new Ethernet cable and wireless network will help to achieve this goal, and the University is planning to continue to invest in technology to improve student access to the Internet.
Get in the game: Students play a game of basketball near Thompson Point. Each University-approved Housing area offers students unique differences.

**CHOICES**

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"I like it there anyway because you get to cook your own food and (in some way) you save money," Flores said.

Flores said the worst thing about the apartment he lives in is the walls.

"The apartments have a really thin wall, you can sort everything that your neighbors are doing and talking about," Flores said.

Overall, Flores admit he does not have a major problem with the apartment. He also liked the fact that it was close to campus.

"I just wanted to get out of the dorms," said Matt Allen, a senior in criminal justice from Pana.

Allen lives with four roommates in Meadowridge Apartments. He said that the apartment is much better than the dorms and he gets along well with his roommates. The bad side of living in Meadowridge he admitted, is the distance from campus.

"It's east of Brush Towers and all my classes are on the West side of campus," Allen said.

While there are many choices of places to live in Carbondale either on or off-campus Allen said that his complex was just right for him.

"There's really nothing spectacular in this town, but I do think Meadowridge is one of the best places to live," Allen said.

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The judge said he could not issue a statement because the matter had not been presented properly. Ford said Ward's opinion was not based on statutes and therefore the request was not appropriate.

Sharon Tebben can remember a time when there weren't many women on college campuses. She was one of only a few women chemistry majors in the class of mostly men in the late '60s at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. "I very much felt unusual in that entire class," said Tebben, now dean of Northern State University's School of Education.

Today, women are making up greater and greater percentages of students and teachers around the country.

According to U.S. Census Bureau figures, more young women are completing high school and college, compared to their male counterparts. The figures are part of a Current Population Survey, an annual survey taken each spring, and not part of Census 2000. Overall, women make up about 51 percent of the population, or 140 million. There are about 136 million men.

The Census Bureau estimates that 89 percent of young women ages 25 to 29 have completed high school. Eighty-five percent of men that age have a high school diploma.

At college level, 30 percent of young women have degrees, while 28 percent of young men do.

Since 1979, women have represented the majority of college students. Nationwide, about 56 percent of those enrolled in college are women. At Presentation College, 79 percent are women. About 63 percent of SSU students are women.

Erka Tallman, who began teaching at NSU part-time in 1982, has seen the numbers of women on that campus grow. Hall is a professor of biology, athletic assistant to the university president, director of the office of instruction, and one of few women named interim director of a statewide e-learning. She, too, notes an increase in the number of women colleagues.

Tallman taught chemistry at PC for many years and has been at NSU for nine, said most students she's seen on campus during that time are women. When she was a student at Iowa, men in her classes studied together, leaving her on her own. Having taught more women than men, she observed that women were more open to including men. "Women tend to be much more collaborative and interested in working together. There doesn't seem to be any animosity between the genders."

Nationally, women were awarded 57 percent of master's degrees, 44 percent of law degrees and 41 percent of medical degrees in 1997, the most recent year cited by census officials. But despite narrowing the education gap, women are still making less than men.

The average income of a woman working full-time, year-round was $30,900, only 72 percent of the median income for a man — $38,500.

"In some cases, it could be discrimination," Tallman said, adding other factors could be involved in the wage gap. "These include a tendency on the part of women to be less aggressive in salary negotiations and being primary caregivers for children. The latter limits the ability to make larger contributions to a company's profit structure."

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Three Minnesota college students killed in car crash

Billy O'Keefe

Three Minnesota college students were killed and two were injured this weekend when a car traveling the wrong way on an interstate highway collided with their vehicle.

The students, who attended St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn., were traveling to New Orleans to volunteer at an elementary school during spring break, said Greg Kneser, dean of students at St. Olaf.

Two students, 19-year-old Christopher A. Hoppe and 19-year-old Anna K. Bonde, died on the scene.

Sarah E. Heitman, 20, died at the hospital.

Nick Zwanz, 20, and Ethan Steinmaz, 19, suffered minor injuries, police said.

State police said that the students were traveling on I-55 near Springfield, Ill., at 1:06 a.m. Saturday when a vehicle, traveling north in the southbound lanes, hit them head-on.

The driver of the wrong-way vehicle, 25-year-old Brandon L. Hmist, faces "several" traffic and criminal charges, said police, who offered no additional details as of Monday morning.

St. Olaf students return to campus next week, said Kneser, who added that an e-mail message has been distributed to all members of the community in regards to a planned memorial service for the students.

Yale fires professor charged with child pornography

Billy O'Keefe

A Yale University professor who one year ago pleaded guilty to a pair of federal child pornography charges has been fired from the university, Yale President Richard Levin announced Sunday.

The revocation of professor Antonia C. Lasaga's tenure made the first time Yale's University Tribunal Panel has recommended the termination of a tenured professor's service.

Lasaga had been on leave since the charges originally surfaced in November 1998. Levin said that Lasaga informed him that she plans to appeal the decision.
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The Saluki baseball team, reeling after dropping three of their opening four conference games, is looking toward today's game against non-conference foe Saint Louis University as a chance to regroup.

"I've known coach Hughes since I was a kid," Frisella said. "I'll be nice to see him again. Hopefully we will beat them." The Salukis enter today's game in eighth place in the Missouri Valley Conference with a conference record of 1-3. The Salukis are led offensively by junior Ben Hutton, who has a .405 batting average, and defensively by junior Ben Hunter, who has a 4.35 ERA in 40 innings.

The Salukis share a common opponent with the Billikens this year. Both teams have faced the University of Alabama-Birmingham. The Salukis were two of five teams the Billikens dropped in the last three games. The Salukis will return to conference action on Friday hosting the Northern Iowa Panthers at Alex Martin Field. Game time is set for 7 p.m.
SPORTS

From fun in the sun to trouble at home

SIU men's track and field team start well in Florida, return hobbled by injuries for first and only home meet

JOSEPH D. JOHNSON
DAILY EOWMAN

The SIU track and field team basked in the comforting rays of Florida at the start of the outdoor season last weekend, but will be forced to deal with a sour note found down by injuries as they return to Carbondale for its first and only home meet of the 2001 outdoor season.

It was no coincidence that the Salukis lost in Tallahassee, Fla., for the Snowbird Invitational during Spring Break for their outdoor season opening meet.

"We decided we wanted to go there, because we wanted to get down into some good weather," head coach, men's track and field Cameron Wright said.

"The Sunshine State revealed SIU, as great weather was made even sweeter by some great performances."

"We had a good meet down there," said Wright, who was pleased by excellent showings from Adam Judge and Joe Ziebert, among others.

Judge captured first place with a 178-foot hammer throw, while Ziebert won the 800 meter run, barely beating North Florida runner Joseph Zephyrinis by .11 seconds with a time of 1 minute, 52.47 seconds.

"It was fun," Ziebert said about the weekend and the 800 meter run. "I was nervous, but excit- ing -".

SIU has low expectations going into the home meet at McAndrew Stadium this Saturday.

"We're real glad going into this weekend," admitted Wright. "We have scored events that we won't even have anybody competing in. So, it's going to be kind of tough."

Some minor injuries to major athletes could harm the Salukis more than anything.

"We're thin anyway, but we've got Ryan Hauser, Lauren King, Kevin Mills — all three big-time athletes for us — who we don't think will be competing this weekend.

"And we've got a few of other guys whom we're not going to be able to put in, because of fa- tigue and injuries. They're going to be fine, but this weekend we don't really want to push it and not be able to go. We don't want to injure them more for the rest of the year."

This Saturday may just be a weight -up, but the rest of the season should produce summer results.

SALUKI SPORTS NOTES

Stremsterfer, Rexroat awarded with Weekly Conference Softball Honors

For the fourth week in a row, Saluki senior softball pitcher Erin Stremsterfer was named Missouri Valley Conference Pitcher of the Week.

Senior teammate Amanda Rexroat was named Offensive Player of the Week in the Valley.

Stremsterfer has garnered the award seven times in her career. Last week, she went 2-0, throwing 23 strikeouts in 13 innings. Rexroat hit .600 with two home runs, four RBIs and five runs in last weekend's series sweep of Drake University.

Men's tennis hosts Vincennes University

The SIU men's tennis team faces off against Vincennes University today at the SIU Tennis Courts at 3 p.m.

Today's match will be the Salukis first since their match against Eastern Illinois University on March 8, which they lost 5-2.

The Salukis will be in action this weekend traveling to Iowa, Ind., where they will play Indiana State University on Saturday and Ball State University on Sunday.

SPLIT

Blaylock remains high on the highly-touted freshman.

"She's a freshman. I say all freshmen, whether you're a position player or a pitcher, go through a lot of growing pains and what you have to do is be mentally tough, and if she keeps working hard, it'll be OK," Blaylock said.

"She is a star," said Rice. "She is a star."

"Unfortunately, we have no depth, so we have to use our best players."

"We got away. We wanted to get all three runs back the first inning," Blaylock said.

CATHERINE WRIGHT
DAILY EOWMAN

COACH

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The South Alabama Jaguars went 12-13 last year, Whittington's first year as assistant head coach. Before the South Alabama job, Whittington carried the same title for five years at Indiana University, where she served as the recruiting coordinator.

She assumed her first role as assistant coach at the University of Rhode Island and began her coaching career as a graduate assistant at the University of Delaware.

Whittington played basketball as a guard at Dillard University from 1985-89. Dillard's 1987 squad competed in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Regional Tournament.

"She has very good credentials," P.J. O'Neill said.

O'Neill took over the program on an interim basis following former head coach Julie Jaszczak's rocky performance — she was more concerned that her offense wasn't patient after getting experience of what not to do in the future.

"We know SIU's a pretty good team, but we came out kind of flat, they had the two home runs, but we still didn't come back after falling behind early."
Senior Saluki Naty Hallahan is about to reach first in Tuesday afternoon's second game of a double-header against Southeast Missouri State University.

Softball splits with SEMO

SIU wins first game 5-0, drops second 4-0

Tuesday at IAW Fields

Corey Busick
Daily Egyptian

Erin Stremstcher played the role of Saluki softball's ace once again in game one, but a pair of early home runs proved too much to overcome in Tuesday's second game, leading to a split against regional rival Southeast Missouri State University.

Stremstcher earned her 11th win in the past 12 decisions with a 5-0 first game triumph against the Otahkians, but freshman hurler Mary Jaszczak surrendered two home runs in just one-plus inning of work in the second game of the doubleheader, giving SEMO a 2-0 lead that it would never relinquish in its 4-0 game-two win at IAW Fields.

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Stremstcher helped her own cause, tripling in a run in the fifth inning and scoring a few pitches later on SEMO pitcher Jenny Doehring's Rick Ankicl impersonation.

The Salukis (15-8, 3-0) also capitalized on five Otahkian (4-8) errors in the opening game.

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