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Morris Library cuts book budget by nearly half

Possible solution lies in student library fee

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None of the SIUC departments have been spared the wrath of the current budget crisis, and Morris Library is not an exception.

SIUC sustained a \$22 million cut in state funding this year, the effects of which are still rippling throughout the campus. Morris Library

recently received another wave.

Although the library has received an extra \$12 million at a Board of Trustees meeting last month for its now \$42 million renovation and addition project, Morris was recently forced to reduce its funds to purchase monographs, or books, in order to maintain its current journal subscriptions, also known as serials.

Next year, the library will have \$390,434 to purchase books, 46 percent less than the monograph budget from this year. The current book budget is \$718,243.

"Eight hundred thousand is not enough for a research library, but less than \$400,000 is not even pretending to be a research library," said Mary Lamb, English professor and faculty association representative for the Library Advisory Affairs Committee.

Lamb was referring to the administration's commitment in Southern at 150 to become one of the top 75 research universities in the United States by the year 2019. Though the science, technical and medical fields use more journals in their research, teachers and students in the

liberal arts fields rely mainly on books for updated information.

Lamb said graduate students and teachers would be adversely affected writing books and dissertations, and that would in turn negatively impact the type of education undergraduate students receive.

Lamb pointed out that although interlibrary loans are available, students who write papers for a class are on deadline, and most do not have the

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AMANDA WHITLOCK - DAILY EGYPTIAN
Melissa Ethridge, a senior in zoology, holds a sign in support of abortion rights Sunday afternoon near U.S. Highway 51 and Illinois Route 13. People gathered in front of City Hall, carrying various signs to counter-protest last Sunday's anti-abortion demonstration.

Pro-choice demonstrators gather in counterprotest

Advocates react to last week's anti-abortion shout

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The numbers were not as large, but the voices and posters of pro-choice demonstrators may have been just as loud. "Keep your rosaries off my ovaries" and "No church, no state can make a woman's choice," were some of the signs held.

Fifteen people in favor of a woman's right to choose gathered in front of Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Ave., Sunday afternoon to shout back at last weekend's anti-abortion demonstrators.

"Get your laws off my body," read the sign Rob Benford, an SIUC sociology professor, held.

He said he came out Sunday afternoon to let people know there is large support for a woman's right to choose. A father of two daughters, he said he wants them to grow up with the right to choose what they want to do with their bodies.

According to Shannon Petrello, a graduate student in cinema and photography, and Deidre Hughes, a graduate student in history, the demonstration was organized partly as a response to the protests the weekend prior. Petrello and Hughes pulled their car over after driving passed last week's anti-abortion demonstration, got out and counter-protested across the street from the anti-abortion demonstrators last Sunday.

And this Sunday, they got more to join them as they stood up for Roe v. Wade.

Petrello, dressed entirely in black to mourn for those who have died in regards to the abortion issue, said despite their efforts to respond to last weekend's affair, abortion is a timely issue now.

A partial-birth abortion bill was passed by the House, and the Senate will vote on it shortly.

"When you become too comfortable with your rights, they will be taken away from you," Hughes said.

"The idea is we're supposed to have freedoms."

Paula, a Carbondale resident who wished to keep her last name anonymous, said she has participated in other protests, but this was her first pro-abortion demonstration. Her nonparticipation, however, was because there was no need to fight for a woman's right to choose because for her, she has always had that right.

"I haven't had to (protest)," Paula said. "We've had the right for all these years. It is pretty sad we're at this point."

On Jan. 22, 1973, the U.S. Supreme Court made a decision in Roe v. Wade, laying the foundation for abortion rights.

Demonstrators blamed President George W. Bush and his administration for what they feel is a new need to stand up for abortion rights.

"Because I am very pro-choice and I believe George Bush and his administration are trying to take away right to choose," Paula said of why she was protesting.

According to Petrello and Hughes, the rights of Americans are being whittled away. Petrello said she sees Bush as being hypocritical because he tells the people he is pro-life, but started a war that kills people.

"[Bush] says, it is not OK to kill an American baby but OK to kill non-white, non-Christian strangers across the world," Petrello said.

According to Hughes, SIUC used to have Voices for Choices, a Registered Student Organization that dealt with pro-abortion issues.

She said that with the topic resurfacing, she is thinking about starting the RSO again.

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— Deidre Hughes
graduate student, history

Liquor Advisory Board recommends changing alcohol selling time

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Kebs and eggs may become a reality for Sunday mornings in Carbondale if the City Council follows the recommendation of the Liquor Advisory Board to change the start time of liquor sales to 11 a.m.

The Liquor Advisory Board decided in a special Friday session at noon that Carbondale should allow the sale of alcohol to be pushed two hours earlier, from 1 p.m. to 11 a.m. on Sunday.

All but one member of the advisory board recommended changing the current liquor code. The final decision on the issue will be made by the City Council at 7 p.m. Oct. 21.

The proposal to start selling alcohol earlier

on Sundays was originally raised by Councilman Lance Jack to give the citizens of Carbondale a choice of when they can begin consuming alcohol.

Larry Juhlin was the only member of the board who did not recommend the change to sale time. Juhlin said that it was not the two-hour change that he was against but rather the message that the less stringent code would say about the values of the community.

"Alcohol is socially dangerous. That is why it is regulated," Juhlin said. "If you have a fire, there is always a fuel."

The members of the board shared the feedback they had received from members of the community.

Carbondale Deputy Chief Steve Odum said

that the change was not going to create much of an impact as far as public safety. He said the issue was really a matter of public interest, not of safety.

Judy Greer said the only person she spoke with who did not want the alcohol sale time to be two hours earlier was a minister who did not want alcohol to be served at all on Sundays.

"All the other people I spoke with were really in favor in having the choice to purchase alcohol earlier," Greer said.

Carbondale resident John Curtis was the only member of the public to address the board with his suggestion on the issue. Curtis said although he is a deeply religious man, he has also been a heavy drinker for a long time.

Curtis said he would attend church on Sundays

since he could not drink until 1 p.m. anyway. But when alcohol sales began on Sunday, he would have a much different attitude toward the service.

"I used to squirm when the preacher would go five minutes over 1 p.m.," Curtis said. "I didn't want to be late getting to the liquor store."

If the City Council decides to change the starting time for alcohol sales on Sundays, it would affect not only the right of bars to sell alcohol earlier but also the right of all liquor establishments to begin sales of alcohol at 11 a.m.

Curtis also said anyone who wants to drink alcohol early on Sunday can buy enough alcohol on Saturday night.

"I believe that the change would be a disservice to the religious community and to the students."

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NATIONAL NEWS**American Indians attack Columbus Day**

DENVER, Colo. (CNN) — American Indian groups that have in past years tried to disrupt Denver's Columbus Day parade say they will try a new tack this year to get organizers to change the name — win support from inside the Italian community.

A paralyzed victim of the Columbine High School massacre will ask his fellow Italian-Americans to change the name of their annual Columbus Day parade, which native people view as a racist holiday, American Indian activist Russell Means told Reuters.

Richard Castaldo, who was left a paraplegic after being wounded in the 1999 school shooting, will make his plea before Saturday's parade in downtown Denver.

American Indians and other sympathizers have clashed with Colorado's Italian community for more than a decade over the Denver event, one of the oldest Columbus Day parades in the United States.

At the 2000 parade, Denver police arrested about 150 protesters for blocking the parade route. This year, parade opponents are asking Castaldo, an Italian-American survivor of the Columbine High School massacre, to speak before the parade and ask for the name change.

Muslim girl suspended for head scarf

OKLAHOMA CITY (CNN) — An 11-year-old Oklahoma girl was suspended from a public school because officials said her Muslim head scarf violates dress code policies.

Board officials met Friday to discuss the fate of suspended sixth-grader Nashala "Tallah" Hem, who was asked to leave school in the eastern Oklahoma town of Muskogee on Oct. 1 because she refused to remove her head scarf, called a "hijab."

School officials instituted a dress code in 1997 prohibiting the wearing of hats and other head coverings indoors. Officials said they implemented the code to stem gang-related activity. Hem declined to remove her hijab, saying it would violate the way she observes her religion.

Officials at the school, the Ben Franklin Science Academy, previously summoned Hem to the office on Sept. 11 to inform her she was no longer allowed to wear the scarf. She had worn it since the school year started a few weeks earlier.

A school attorney said federal education rules adopted in 1998 do not allow for exceptions for religious beliefs.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS**Experts fear terrorist N-bomb**

STOCKHOLM, Sweden (CNN) — International nuclear experts are quietly confronting the most terrifying scenario of all — what to do if terrorists manage to build and detonate a nuclear fission bomb, a diplomat and senior nuclear scientist said.

The diplomat, told reporters a team of ICRP experts from around the world had met this weekend in Stockholm to discuss emergency responses should this scenario become a reality.

Asked what was the worst-case realistic scenario for an act of nuclear terror, the diplomat said: "A very badly done, but done nuclear weapon."

After Sept. 11, the Vienna-based International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) warned states must tighten up security of radioactive sources to prevent terrorists getting hold of them to make a "dirty bomb" — when a conventional explosive like dynamite is used to disperse radioactive material.

The IAEA has always said the possibility of terrorists making nuclear fission devices was very low because of the difficulty of acquiring bomb-grade uranium or plutonium and the technical sophistication needed to construct a fission bomb.

Twins joined at head are separated

(CNN) — Doctors have separated 2-year-old Egyptian twins conjoined at the head and they are in stable condition, the hospital said Sunday.

Ahmed and Mohamed Ibrahim were separated at 11:17 p.m. and they are now undergoing the final craniofacial phase of their surgery in which surgeons dose the tissue covering the brain and replace the overlying skin, said Dr. Jim Thomas, chief of critical care medicine at Children's Medical Center.

Skin was being harvested from the boys' hips to cover their wounds.

The boys are "within striking distance of living separate lives," a hospital spokesman said Sunday.

The neurological phase of the surgery to separate Ahmed and Mohamed Ibrahim, or the separation of veins and supporting tissues connecting the children, was completed Saturday.

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Christian A. Davis, 21, of Chicago was cited for illegal use of a lighting system at 7:16 p.m. Thursday in the 200 block of Neely Drive. Davis posted his driver's license as bond.

Alicia Marie Rozgus, 19, of Chicago was arrested and charged with domestic battery at 2 a.m. Friday at Kellogg Hall. Rozgus was taken to the Jackson County Jail in Murphysboro, where she was released on bond.

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Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate visits SIU

Gery Chico's agenda addresses education, healthcare and economy

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He has not run for office since student council in high school, but working for the people is nothing new to U.S. Senate hopeful Gery Chico.

Chico, who has twice been appointed president of the Chicago Public Schools, has been credited with the turnaround of the troubled Chicago school system.

Now, he is hoping to try his hand in politics.

Tyjuan Cratic, president of College Democrats, said he was glad to have one of the U.S. Senate candidates available for discussion Friday at Browne Auditorium.

"We have an opportunity to replace a senator that for the past five years has worked hard against students, against working families, against minorities and against economic opportunities in Illinois," Cratic said, referring to Republican Sen. Peter Fitzgerald. "Now we have the opportunity to elect someone to the U.S. Senate that will work for the students, for us, the people of Illinois."

East St. Louis Mayor Carl Officer said that although he has only known Chico for six months, he is convinced Chico is the man for the job.

"A lot of people get locked into racial politics," Officer said. "But it's about who is best for the job at the time."

Officer said he is most impressed by Chico's past work in education and business.

After traveling throughout the state and listening to what people have to say, Chico said he has an idea of what Illinois residents want in a senator.

The three main items on Chico's agenda are education, healthcare and the economy.

"We are all here today because some school



ANNE DENTAMARO - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Gery Chico, a Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate from Chicago, gives his platform during a visit to SIUC Friday evening. Chico is the former president of the Chicago Board of Education.

system someone produced us — it did a good job and gave you a chance to go to SIU, and that's a good thing," Chico said. "But we can't take for granted that the people coming behind

us are going to get that same education and same opportunity that you now have. So we have to watch it."

Chico said children with special needs are

often overlooked when addressing education.

"We have so many kids with special needs," Chico said. "There are kids with autism, cerebral palsy and hearing impairments who do not have the proper attention being paid to them."

Chico said having quality teachers who will stay in the classroom with students is the key to turning school districts in Illinois around. He said higher pay for teachers is one way to keep them in the teaching field.

"[The United States] has the best rhetoric of anybody I have ever seen when we say that teaching is the most important thing anybody can do and then we pay them \$30,000 a year to start," Chico said. "Now what are we saying? We pay a mediocre shortstop in the major league \$3 million a year to maybe miss ground balls and bat .195, but we're going to pay a teacher only \$30 grand."

Chico also balked at President George W. Bush's plans to spend \$87 billion to rebuild Iraq.

"The president recently said he intends to spend money to rebuild 1,000 Iraqi schools," Chico said. "This emboldened me to say what we ought to do is spend our own money at home on our own priorities first. Now that doesn't mean we forget about helping people overseas, but at the very least you have to do these things in tandem."

Chico said healthcare is an issue that will face the next generation, if not the next two generations.

"It will be one of the largest crises we will face," Chico said. "This is an issue — there are a lot of people who don't have health insurance. And then there are those people who have health insurance and have to go into their pocket and pay for it because their employers won't pay the whole thing."

Chico said he commended the efforts of Gov. Rod Blagojevich and other legislators who have lobbied for Canadian drug imports.

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Natasha Jackson wins Miss Eboness title

Harlem Renaissance was theme of 32nd Eboness Pageant

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Shryock Auditorium was filled Saturday with proud parents snapping pictures of their daughters, curious students guessing the winner and greek members supporting the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity as SIUC alumni enjoyed the 32nd annual Miss Eboness Pageant.

The lights dimmed to complete darkness as the show was near to curtain.

Late arrivals scrambled through the aisles using their cell phones to guide them to an empty seat.

As the spotlight hit the podium, the volume of the audience increased.

Alpha Phi Alpha President Mike Eagle kicked off the event with a welcoming speech.

"We have taken special care to provide you, the audience, with a dazzling show featuring ladies that hold both themselves and their respective communities in the highest esteem," Eagle said. "So join us as we uphold and celebrate the light that emanates from the black woman, and enjoy the show."

Eagle then introduced the Black Fire Dancers to the stage for a special performance relating to this year's theme of Harlem Renaissance. After the crowd returned to their seats from a standing ovation, the 2003 Miss Eboness Pageant was set in motion.

The winner of the 2001 Miss Eboness Pageant, Candace Bell, teamed up with comedian Leon Rogers to create an entertaining pair to host the event.

They introduced the eight candidates for Miss Eboness. Shortly after, the annual Miss Eboness walk began.

Each candidate walked from side to side of the stage elegantly, carefully crossing one foot over the other. They paused and posed as a pre-recorded tape introduced their name as well as their year, major, hometown and life motto.

Once the walk ended, each of the candidates posed in formal wear on bleachers to create a picture of unity between the eight candidates for the Miss Eboness Pageant.

The talent segment of the pageant followed the walk. The candidates' talents ranged from dance, vocal, piano and interpretive performances.

Between each performance, the



Natasha Jackson, right, 'walks her walk' during the introduction of the Miss Eboness contestants Saturday evening at Shryock Auditorium. The contestants were judged on talent, and four finalists proceeded to a question-and-answer session. Jackson went on to win the title of the 2003 Miss Eboness.

hosts entertained the audience. Rogers, who was an actor in the movie "Barbershop," made jokes and gave his opinion about a variety of topics ranging from marriage to college life. Along with the jokes, he sang and danced to get the audience more involved in the event.

Marian Appiah-Kubi, the winner of the 1998 Miss Eboness Pageant, was in the audience enjoying the festivities.

"It seems to get better and better every year. The quality of the performers are incredible this year," Appiah-Kubi said. "It's exciting to see."

Gayathree Achu, a first-time attendee of the pageant, said she was impressed with the entire event.

"I am really enjoying it, and I loved the Fire Dancers," Achu said. "Watching it live just blew me away."

After the talent segment ended, the hosts opened the envelope to announce the winners of two

awards. Enjoli Johnson won a television set for selling the most advertisements. Assedaw Deal and Elani Hightower shared the award for the most dedicated.

Then the hosts opened another envelope to announce the four finalists for the Miss Eboness Pageant.

Candace Peters, Elani Hightower, Jennifer Hodges and Natasha Jackson stepped forward to accept a bouquet of flowers and the opportunity to be titled the 2003 Miss Eboness.

Once their excitement cooled off, fear kicked in as the impromptu questions round was about to start. Each of the four finalists were asked a random question and expected to answer in a classy and intellectual manner.

Shortly after the question round, the seven judges came to a decision. Bell and Rogers read off the winners starting with Candace Peters, the third runner up.

Jennifer Hodges won second run-

ner up, and the first runner up went to Elani Hightower. As the drum roll created anticipation within the audience, the hosts announced that Natasha Jackson won the title of 2003 Miss Eboness.

Rogers invited a violinist from the band pit to serenade Jackson as she thanked everyone for their encouragement and support. She encouraged other women to get involved in the Miss Eboness Pageant next year.

Backstage, disappointed faces were hard to find. Smiles and hugs were a common scene among the eight candidates.

Candace Peters, third runner up, said the pageant was the best experience she has ever had. She said she was happy for Jackson, who was named Miss Eboness.

"I met seven incredible, wonderful, beautiful black women by being in the pageant," Peters said. "It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity, and I am glad I did it."

Jackson said she was appreciative and thankful to her Eboness sisters, husband, children and friends.

"It is a beautiful experience for black women to come together and be appreciated," Jackson said of the pageant.

Jackson said at one point during the campaign she was debating if she should continue.

"I had so many obstacles to overcome," she said. "But I need to thank God that I was able to focus because the pageant is so important to me."

As the pageant came to an end, the after-party, sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha, was just beginning at the SIU Arena.

Eagle said he was extremely happy with the event's turnout.

"The attendance was at 950 people, which is great," Eagle said. "I don't know how the judges made a decision because each and every one of those women were wonderful performers and beautiful women."

Faculty Senate to discuss University of Michigan policy

Organization to look at classroom upgrades, renaming general agriculture bachelor's degree

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The Supreme Court rulings on the admission policies at the University of Michigan occurred almost four months ago, but universities are still studying the affects of the decision.

SIUC officials have previously stated the rulings would have little effect on the University, which actively recruits minorities and does not use a point-based approach to undergraduate admissions. But it is still a topic of concern for campus groups.

SIUC General Counsel Peter Ruger will lead a discussion Tuesday at the Faculty Senate meeting concerning SIU's affirmative

action policies.

The discussion will center on the current policy and the consequences of the two Supreme Court rulings concerning affirmative action in the University of Michigan's admission policies.

The Supreme Court upheld the admissions policy of the university's law school but struck down the university's undergraduate admission policy. The policies allotted 20 points to minority applicants, increasing their chances of acceptance and improving minority enrollment at the university.

The cases, Grutter v. Bollinger and Gratz v. Bollinger, accused the university of being discriminatory to whites by abiding by the policy.

"Most universities are reviewing their existing policies, and SIU is doing the same thing," said Kimberly Espy, Faculty Senate president. "He will just be providing some information on what are the legal issues, and then there will be some discussion of the process and what they're considering."

The senate will also review the progress

made on classroom and auditorium upgrades. Almost 25 renovations were made in fiscal year 2003 at a price tag of \$1.5 million, and a \$2 million upgrades project for fiscal year 2004 is ongoing.

Two years ago, Chancellor Walter Wendler promised \$1 million annually of a 49-percent four-year tuition hike to the upgrades, and Glenn Poshard, former vice chancellor for administration, dedicated \$2 million for the first two years.

Lawson Hall, half of which was closed for the summer to perform the renovations, has received most of the upgrades so far.

More than 20 auditoriums on campus are targeted to receive new projectors, document cameras, VCRs and lecterns and lighting and audio systems. The upgrades include SmartBoard technology, which let the presenters work on the LCD screen from the podium and allows for more interactive teaching.

"They have made some wonderful changes, and the students have really responded positively to them," Espy said.

The Faculty Senate will meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Kaskasia-Missouri rooms of the Student Center.

A name change for a department and degree in the College of Agricultural Systems will be voted on as well.

The bachelor's degree in General Agriculture has been proposed to be renamed to Agricultural Systems to "convey the actual intent and purpose of the four specializations," according to the resolution.

The Department of Plant, Soil Science and General Agriculture approved the name change and modified its own name to reflect the undergraduate degree, changing it to the Department of Plant, Soil and Agricultural Systems.

The resolution said the name changes will have two major advantages: it will expand the number and types of students served and will make the program more recognizable to prospective employers.

The senate's approval is the final step needed before the names are officially changed.

SIUC crowns Homecoming royalty



Meredith Mercer — DAILY EGYPTIAN

Jawaad Kirkwood and Becky Fisher are all smiles while people take pictures of them after they were named king and queen of SIU's 2003 Homecoming at the football game Saturday afternoon at McAndrew Stadium. Previous King and Queen Mike Eagle and Kelli Belangee were there to pass on the crowns.

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OUR WORD

Allow earlier alcohol sales

Supporters of allowing earlier liquor sales on Sundays have only one more obstacle to go before Carbondale residents can buy alcohol at 11 a.m. instead of 1 p.m., as the current liquor code requires.

At a special session Friday, the Liquor Advisory Board voted to recommend the approval of ordinance. It will be voted on by the Carbondale City Council Oct. 21.

As expected, many religious leaders have been dismayed at the idea of earlier alcohol sales on the Sabbath, claiming it will make life in Carbondale more chaotic, dangerous and, of course, less religious.

The first two of these concerns are certainly ones the City Council needs to take into consideration. But by the principle of separation of church and state, the latter is not.

Certainly religion is an invaluable part of this community, but according to the Constitution, it is not an invaluable part of the U.S. government or the City Council.

The first clause of the First Amendment of the Constitution states: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion."

Like it or not, the writers of the Constitution make it plain and clear that religious arguments do not belong in government.

Opponents of selling alcohol before 1 p.m. need to come up with valid reasoning that has not already been blatantly rejected by our forefathers. And those crying increased crime have no substantial evidence to back up their argument.

We do not believe that allowing liquor sales two hours earlier is going to increase crime in Carbondale or that local churches will suddenly have unusual amounts of empty pews.

Very few people, if any, went to church solely because it tidied them over until they could buy booze, and very few people will stop going to church just because the bar sells alcoholic drinks at 11 a.m.

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Arguments brought up by supporters of selling alcohol two hours earlier on Sundays have presented more suitable ideas than those who are against it. Councilman Lance Jack, who proposed the change, said it will simply allow citizens more choices, including the option to buy a beer while watching a football game on a Sunday afternoon or having a glass of champagne with Sunday brunch.

We think the people who are most likely to purchase alcohol while watching the game or eating brunch are those who will benefit from such a change, as will the businesses that sell alcohol.

We are not convinced alcoholics will become more dependent on liquor if they are allotted two extra hours per week to buy booze. People who are dependent on alcohol are going to find ways around every ordinance, especially when it is telling them when they can and cannot buy alcohol. Just because they weren't buying it Sunday mornings never meant they didn't buy extra Saturday night.

Alcoholism is a serious illness and should be handled as such, but withholding freedoms to buy liquor does not help an alcoholic or the city. It only limits our freedoms. And limiting the sale of alcohol on Sundays because of religious reasons only violates the Constitution.



GUEST COLUMNIST

Assaults on Liberals wearing thin

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I am writing in response to Monday's guest column by Alex Berezow and to the Right Angle column by Brian Smith. While reading these columns, I noticed some factual inaccuracies and misrepresentations, and I felt it necessary to address some of these.

Mr. Berezow stated that the War on Terrorism has been an "overwhelming success." I must dispute this claim. Afghanistan, with the exceptions of the area surrounding Kabul, is in the hands of the warlords and Taliban-style extremists. The country is still in ruins two years after Mr. Bush promised to rebuild it. There have been suicide bombings in Indonesia, Algeria and Morocco. Iraq, not really a part of the War on Terrorism to begin with, is a chaotic quagmire where an average of one U.S. soldier is killed and fifteen are wounded every day. This is not exactly an overwhelming success.

While we are on the subject of Iraq, there are a few other statements that bear correction. First, Saddam Hussein never threw weapons inspectors out of Iraq. They were ordered out by Bill Clinton in 1998 and again by George Bush in 2003, both times in advance of bombing.

Second, Iraq's chemical weapons were supplied to Mr. Hussein by the U.S. Department of Agriculture during the tenure of Ronald Reagan. The United States did not mind if Iraq possessed chemical and biological weapons so long as those weapons were used to kill Iraqis. Perhaps if we hadn't spent the eighties arming dictators, we wouldn't be in a position to feel threatened by them today.

Mr. Berezow makes reference to George Bush's MBA from Harvard. I think it is important to note that a big wailer and a famous name can buy a lot of things, including a Harvard degree. Even your best friend, Ann Coulter, refers to Ivy League schools as places where "mediocre students" go to get degrees.

Finally, Mr. Berezow predicts that George Bush will be re-elected in 2004. I would like to help you understand that is impossible. In order to be re-elected in 2004, one must first be elected; as we all know, Mr.

Bush was not elected in the year 2000. The Bush Crime Family and the Texas mafia staged a judicial coup d'état with the help from their friends on the Supreme Court. In this way, they were able to stop the counting in a state that Al Gore won by seven votes. Incidentally, Mr. Gore would have won by several thousand votes if it weren't for Jeb Bush illegally removing thousands of African-Americans from the voting polls. Even if Bush the Lesser wins in 2004, it will not be a reelection.

Now it is time to turn to Mr. Smith and his tirade against the United Nations. I would like to point out that the United States, including the provision that bars aggressive warfare, largely wrote the U.N. charter. I would also like to remind Mr. Smith and his neo-fascist friends that waging aggressive warfare was one of the war crimes that the Nazis were tried and executed for at Nuremberg. While I do not support the death penalty in any case, certainly Mr. Bush and his cronies should be brought to the Hague to face the consequences of his war crimes, up to and including life imprisonment.

Mr. Smith claims that the United Nations has lost its credibility. I would counter that it is the United States that has lost credibility. Bush's lies about the Iraq-al Qaeda connection, the lies about the vast stockpiles of WMD, have all caused the world to doubt the statements of our government. In the days after the Sept. 11 attacks, a prominent French newspaper published a headline declaring that "We Are All Americans." I challenge you, Mr. Smith, to find a similar headline in France or anywhere else in the world today. I am confident that you will not. Your beloved leader has squandered the good feeling and spirit of cooperation that the rest of the world felt for us in the aftermath of our worst national tragedy. This cooperation is necessary to prevent future attacks on our country.

Finally, I would like to offer you a bit of journalistic advice. Stop plagiarizing Ann Coulter and think up some ideas of your own. Your endless, baseless assaults on Liberals are wearing a little thin.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If not now, when?"

The Talmud

WORDS OVERHEARD

"We need to be doing more background to be able to better educate people about what is really the most important news of the day."

Walter Cronkite, in response to what he would do for the evening newscasts if he were CEO of a major TV network

COLUMNISTS

They just don't get it

Last week's historic recall of California Gov. Gray Davis should have served as a wake up call for Democrats; so far, they're hitting the snooze button.

In his first campaign for governor, Davis campaigned as a "centrist" (which is code for a liberal pretending he's not a liberal). Five years and a bankrupt state later, Davis is unemployed. What happened between Davis' election and his subsequent recall was his hard turn to the left once in office.

Once "centrist" Davis reached Sacramento, spending exploded. Huge entitlements and special interests ate up a majority of the state budget. Perhaps Davis was a true moderate but found out how fun it is to spend other people's money. Liberalism is all fun and games until someone gets fired.

After massive spending increases, a botched energy crisis in 2000, tripling the state car tax and offering drivers licenses to illegal aliens, Davis had managed to out-liberal even California.

Voters turned out in droves to recall the governor and replace him with a conservative — at least a fiscal one. Essentially, the people of California rejected the liberalism that had been dominating their state.

However, Democrats don't seem to have gotten the message that it's their ideals that the people were throwing out of office. State party chairman Art Torres claimed, "They [the voters] chose charisma over substance, it's very clear."

What is unclear is how Torres equates a bankrupt state with "substance." Party spokesman Bob McClellan was frothing at the mouth talking about a possible retaliatory recall of Governor-elect Arnold Schwarzenegger only minutes after the polls closed. Democrats in the state politburo (rather, legislature) are already posturing themselves to do battle with the new governor.

What is it about the recall that Democrats do not understand? This was not merely a rejection of Davis. This was more than replacing a boring technocrat with a popular movie star — this was a full rejection of liberalism.

Nationally, liberals never win elections unless they are "centrists" (see above). It took actual implementation of insane liberal policies to make Californians realize why the rest of America never elects people like Davis. But even though this was a full rejection of liberalism, Democrats don't seem to mind. Paging George McGovern...

The whole situation is reminiscent of how Democrats reacted to their huge defeat in the 2002 election. Normally, the party in opposition to the party in the White House gains seats in Congress at the midterm election. In 2002, Democrats defied history and managed not only to lose more seats in the House of Representatives but also lost control of the Senate. This was a crushing blow that



Right Angle

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Democrats refused to acknowledge — sort of like California.

Democrats claimed the reason they were defeated in 2002 was that they did not offer a "clear alternative" to President Bush and that their message was not heard. Unless people completely stopped watching ABC, NBC, CBS, CNN and PBS, missing the Democrat message would have been like missing a comet falling onto a city. Democrats got their message out, alright. The message was higher taxes, more spending and weakness on national security, and the American people were not impressed.

But Democrats seem to think the answer for 2004 lies in drafting bigger, more in-your-face liberals to run for president, which is always a good idea (see 1972, 1984 and 1988). To Democrats, getting the message out consists of using the same old message, only with 10 Liberal presidential candidates repeating it. It's assumed that they must amplify their high-pitched hysteria about the PATRIOT Act in order to recapture the White House.

Of course, this all begs the question as to whether Democrats actually do not realize what the voters are telling them, or whether they're simply ignoring it. In either case, it spells victory for Republicans.

The people voted many Democrats out of office in 2002 and threw a Democrat out of office in 2003, and the Democrat strategy is sprint to the left?

If California is rejecting liberal Democrats, what makes Democrats think liberal Democrats can win in the rest of America?

The Democrats just don't get it. Presidential candidates are actually claiming that the Davis recall is a loss for Bush! Not only do they refuse to accept what is happening to them, but they're attempting to spin the issue to hurt their opposition.

The Democrats' world is crumbling around them, yet Dean, Clark and the rest are claiming victory! Too bad none of these guys are running for the position of Iraqi Information Minister.

If the lessons of 2002 and 2003 are ignored by the Democrats, Davis will have plenty of company in the unemployment line in 2004.

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Is advertising to blame?



Stand up and say something now!

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Advertising products to those who can't afford them and targeting inner city youth with glossy billboards filled with vodka and cigarette advertising are issues that we must face in this society due to advertisers.

Studying advertising as an undergraduate student has opened my eyes to the ignorance that was once adored. Advertisers are trained to persuade and manipulate through the power of creative headlines, catchy slogans, famous spokesmen and our own insecurities. Many advertisers choose to take psychology courses to learn the human psyche and then use the knowledge toward the consumer.

The reality is that we live in a capitalist society that preys on those insecurities for the good of profit alone and not for the good of the people. It was stated in a recent advertising course that Phillip Morris spends \$115 million dollars on charities but \$150 million on promoting their charitable actions. Do they really care about those people they are helping, or are they trying to save the face of the company?

The previously stated numbers can answer that. But is advertising really to blame for poor money management and youth who choose to smoke or drink?

I say yes, for Fortune 500 companies would not spend millions on researching the consumer if there were not a profit to be made. Not having the knowledge about the companies that manipulate many uneducated communities is also to blame.

I subscribe to Vibe magazine, which is targeted to black young adults who are interested in music and fashion. The advertisers that support the magazine consist of everything from Dolce & Gabbana to Versace.

Can the majority of the people who read Vibe afford a pair of jeans valued at \$225? Probably not. It is a disservice to our community and many like ours around the world.

India and China are new and booming markets that cigarette and many advertisers are hitting the hardest. All television advertisements promoting cigarettes have been outlawed across the United States because of its proven ability to attract consumers, young and old. Yet American companies are tak-

ing advantage of foreign policies and marketing products that they know are dangerous to the health of the consumer for profit making purposes.

India is one of the most populous countries in the world that has recently been untapped. Deodorant, toothpaste and electronics are items that meant nothing to India until marketers touched down.

Many may think that modern innovation will improve the economy of Third World nations, but that is not the case.

When products are being imported and not exported, that surely does not help their economy, and the savings that many Indians may have been saving for education now may go to the new color television set that they MUST have.

Knowing the ills of advertising has caused me to take another look at my future endeavors in the profession I oppose so strongly. My goal is to inform the uninformed about issues that some may wish to ignore because it may not put the mighty dollar in their account.

We must be educated about the manipulation and persuasion that we face daily on television screens, the pages of newspapers and even bathroom stalls.

So, the next time you are made to feel inadequate about not having shiny hair without any split ends in sight or facing that girl without that new gum in your mouth, think again. LOOK OUT, for they are not trying to look out for the good of your new fresh smile, but rather the cold cash that is coming to their company.

Stand up and say something now! appears every Monday. Tifair is a senior in advertising. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

LETTERS

Columnist shouldn't allow himself to be silenced

DEAR CHARLES (AND THE EDITOR):

Do not quit! Your decision to write about rape was, and is, important. As you may have noticed very few columnists write about it, yet it is an enduring problem that must be addressed. Again, I applaud you for writing your article.

OK, you took some lumps for your presentation. Learn from it. We have all spoken wrong, and usually there is someone who calls us on it — I mean ALL of us. You are not hated. The responses were toward one of your articles, not you. Do not quit!

If you want to stand against rape, which it appears that you do, you are in an excellent position to do so. Interview some people, read up on it, look

into it some more, and write about it. Don't become silenced. Taking any stand usually results in getting a few lumps. We need more men to stand and speak out against rape.

The acquaintance that told you about her rape wanted you to write about it. That would be a burden to shoulder, and you did what you thought best. I applaud you for trying. Why not try again? But don't quit — don't ever quit — don't be silenced.

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Limbaugh not a racist?

DEAR EDITOR:

I am writing in response to Jamie Hannah's

letter in the Oct. 10 issue that not only is Rush Limbaugh not a racist, he is in fact a paradigm of racial equality.

I put it to the reader to make the decision for his or her self based on racial slurs made in his history as a shock-jock, conservative pundit and television personality. In the '70s, as a radio host, he once told a black caller to "Take that bone out of your nose and call me back."

Presumably, Rush finds African-Americans with whom he disagrees to be savages. Unfortunately, time hasn't changed his views on race, judging by more recent comments, none of which require any interpretation on my part: "Have you ever noticed how all composite pictures of wanted criminals resemble Jesse Jackson?" or "The NAACP should have riot rehearsal. They should get a liquor store and practice robberies."

or "Spike, if you're going to do that, let's complete the education experience. You should tell them that they should loot the theater and then blow it up on their way out." This was in response to Spike Lee urging black school children to take a day off from school to watch his movie "Malcolm X."

Personally, I find comments like these to be less disturbing than the fact that there are sections of the population, including Hannah, who politically identify themselves with the man who made them. I would also like to take this opportunity to encourage Daily Egyptian readers to visit www.FAIR.org and to judge for themselves how "liberal" the media truly is.

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LIBRARY

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time to wait around two weeks for a book.

"We need a library not just for faculty but for students to do research — cutting edge research."

According to Loretta Koch, library collections coordinator, the library has been buying approximately 17,000 to 18,000 books per year, depending on individual book prices. This number will be cut in half with the reduction in funds, while the current serials subscription of about 16,000 titles will only be maintained.

Because publishers must pay a fee to house books in a warehouse, many books are released only for a short period of time, normally one year, before they are put out of print. The result is that the books the library cannot purchase this year will probably not be available to add to its collections at a later date, which could hurt everyone.

According to David Carlson, dean of Library Affairs, the library has been level-funded in its materials budget for the past two years, while the price of serials has been rising. This means although the budget has not been cut, the library has had to rearrange its money to keep up with rising costs.

The library has already begun planning a serial-reduction project for next year. According to Carlson, the reduction will be fairly significant. This is

necessary due to the rising prices of subscription, which are projected to be 15 percent higher than last year, according to Koch.

The library has been filling the current void with money from the monograph budget. Carlson said if this trend continues, "next year's book budget will be... embarrassingly low."

"We can't keep talking from the book budget in order to pay for serials," Carlson said. "At some point, that's got to stop."

Though a cut in serials subscriptions seems like an easy solution, the process is more complicated. Koch said it takes time to confer with faculty and decide which serials can be cut, and subscription renewals must be planned in advance. Most serials begin in January.

"It works ahead," Koch said. "We can't just decide one day to cancel it and that's it."

She also said most libraries borrow money from the monograph fund to buy serials, though the proportions of money may be different.

Though the library has taken steps to ensure a better monograph fund next year, the problem still remains. The Library Affairs Advisory Committee has discussed several remedies for the problem, according to Carlson.

One possibility discussed was a \$2-per-credit-hour library fee for students. Carlson said he does not know the status of the idea, although the Budget Task Force endorsed the idea when it

released its report earlier this year.

Another idea proposed by a member of the LAAC was to use the \$250,000 library contingency fund to make up for the loss. If this happens, Academic Affairs will be forced to pick up the loss.

According to John Dunn, provost and vice chancellor, his office must maintain the contingency fund.

If the library is given the money, other areas of the University will be forced to make up the difference. Dunn said he has not been officially contacted about the possibility.

According to Lamb, the LAAC is very concerned about what may happen if the money is not recovered.

"This is about who we are as a University, what we can expect of our students and how we can help our students achieve academically," Lamb said.

"If we don't have a sufficient budget for monographs, we cannot seriously consider ourselves a research university."

CHICO

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them do it," Chico said.

Chico also said many Illinoisans are concerned about the economy and whether they will be able to get or retain their current jobs.

"You want to have the ability to go out there during the interviewing process, when you have your resumes and you're waiting in some outer room for an interview, you want to know that the person sitting behind that desk is thinking about hiring you — or at least have the ability to hire you."

One Sox team Illinois resident was aware of the things Chico had done in the Chicago area but wanted to know what he could do for downstate residents.

Chico said making coal resources more readily available and inventing alternative fuel research would make the agricultural industry more desirable.

On the other hand, Chico said he was surprised that a large number of people in Southern Illinois wanted to build prisons.

"I have been told that the power of prison development is key to the economic development in Southern Illinois," Chico said. "This is understandable because a prisoner who lives in this county is counted as a resident of this county, so all kinds of tax equations and formulas go per capita. So there are a lot of spending dollars that come along with this."

"But I think it is strange — I do not want to see my economy built on gambling, prisons and things of that nature. I tend to believe we can be a little more positive."

One alternative to those options would be implementing an international minimum wage so that companies will not venture overseas to do business.

"If we raise the standard of living across the board, it won't look as attractive for international trade manufacturers of American manufacturers to close up their sites to go overseas."

Chico also applauded the efforts of Chuck Schultz, mayor of Quincy. Schultz went to Chicago to persuade Blue Cross Blue Shield to build a

claims processing center. In doing so, Schultz told the company it would save money on wages, because the average hourly rate of \$7.50 to \$8.50 would be a good wage for residents, while saving money for the company, which pays Chicago employees up to \$4 more.

Chico, who considers himself a successful product of affirmative action, said he is an ardent supporter of the Supreme Court's decision to allow race and ethnicity to be considered in the admission process.

"I think it is a good thing — a good thing for the country," Chico said. "As a nation, we are not there yet. We have not reached Martin Luther King's ideal where someone is simply judged on the content of character instead of the color of their skin."

We continue to need remedies and certain sensitivities to make the playing field more equal over a period of time."

Chico said if elected, he would place immigration back on the legislative agenda.

"The United States of America was built on immigration," Chico said. "You can look back at any time period in history."

"We have to make sure that that the flow of good talent from around the world continues."

Chico acknowledged that not everyone should be allowed to come into the United States, but he said reasonable guest work visas and amnesty programs are possible alternatives to current legislation.

Members of the Hispanic Student Council, which sponsored Chico's appearance, said they were pleased to see a Latino who was making a positive impact on the community.

"Latinos feel the system is not a reflection of the needs of our culture," said Octavio Flores, president of the HSC. "You want someone you can relate to — someone that will move Latinos to vote."

Noel Reynoso, who is also an HSC member, said he is in favor of Chico's immigration and education platforms.

"It gives an overwhelming boost to our community," Reynoso said. "To see someone like him in this kind of position is outstanding."

If elected, Chico will become the first Hispanic U.S. Senator in almost 30 years.



Gus says: Some research institution, huh?

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Baghdad car bomb kills six

Drew Brown & Jeff Wilkinson
Knight Ridder Newspapers

BAGHDAD, Iraq (KRT) — Aman Mutawali was tending shop in his downtown bookstore early Sunday afternoon when suddenly the world around him erupted into a violent shower of flying glass and other debris.

A suicide bomber had detonated his explosive-laden car in front of a hotel next door used by American contractors and government officials, killing at least six people, most of them Iraqi policemen, and wounding more than 36 others.

An hour after the blast, Mutawali was still wandering dazed in the street among a heavily armed phalanx of U.S. soldiers, his head wrapped in a soiled bandage, his shirt and pants stained with large, dark patches of blood.

"All of a sudden there was an explosion," he said. "Who, how, why, I have no idea," he lamented.

The blast was the latest in a string of bombings and assassinations in the Iraqi capital in the last two weeks. Col. Pete Mansoor, commander of the First Brigade, 1st Armored Division, said that shortly before 1 p.m. a man driving a small sedan appeared at an Iraqi security checkpoint outside the Baghdad Hotel.

"As he went up to get his credentials checked and his car checked, he gunned the engine and drove by," Mansoor said. "He was fired on by the guards, and then the car blew up."

Most of the dead and wounded were, Iraqi, guards, and bystanders.

Two U.S. soldiers were slightly wounded, said Lt. Col. George Krivo, a coalition military spokesman. Krivo said two cars were involved in the attack, but it was not immediately clear whether the second vehicle exploded.

Mowaffak al Rubie, a Shiite physician and member of Iraq's U.S.-appointed Governing Council, was inside the hotel for a meeting at the time of the attack. He suffered minor injuries.

"It was a strong hit," said witness Hussain Najjar. "I was standing in front of the bank when the white car hit the barriers and exploded. I was hit in the head."

The blast occurred just seven blocks from the plaza where a massive statue of Saddam Hussein was hauled down in April by victorious American troops. It shattered windows for three blocks around the hotel and toppled two massive concrete barriers erected to prevent an attack. A severed human leg lay on the sidewalk a block and a half from the site.

It was the second major car bombing in the capital in four days. A suicide bomber struck a police station Thursday in a Shiite Muslim slum known as Sadr City, killing 10.

The bombing came at a time when coalition and Bush administration officials are redoubling efforts to focus world attention on the progress they've made in Iraq six months after the war, but that message is constantly undermined at a time when terrorist bombings and ambushes against U.S. troops have become an almost daily and alarming routine.

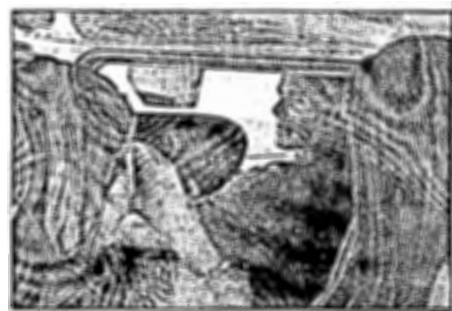
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(Right) Dora Asinjo greets Kelsey Muller (left) at the SIUC Aviation Career Day. About 80 students were flown in from the St. Louis/Metro East area for the day to tour the Southern Illinois Airport. The SIU Aviation program and American Airlines organized the event.

(Below right) Kelsey Mueller, Shane Myers and Emily Schroeder pause to snap a picture in between lessons on the parts of a plane. All three of the students are from Orchard Farm High School.



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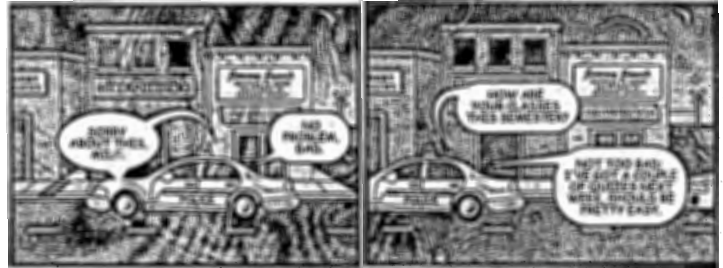
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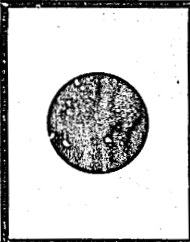
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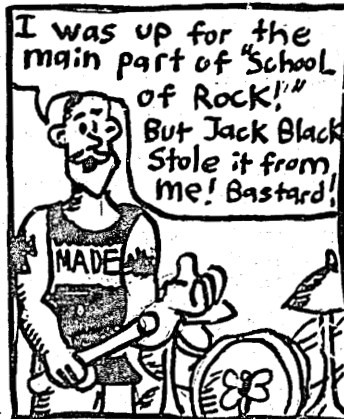
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By Linda C. Black
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To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.
Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 5 - If you're having trouble thinking of good reasons why you shouldn't proceed, just say the timing isn't right. Tomorrow will be much better.
Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - Once you've made your point, you can go ahead with other things. Perhaps you can then turn your attention to getting what you're owed.
Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 7 - You're an excellent communicator, but success may be elusive. You need to have someone on the other end whose receiver is plugged in. Have alternatives.
Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - Hold out for what you really want, even if it seems unattainable. Developments in the next few days could bring a better option.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - Don't cause extra problems for the person who's helping you get ahead. Although you're stubborn, you can learn. Prove it by listening.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - You're going into a productive phase that will last for the next few days. You'll encounter some frustrations at first, but everything turns out well.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 7 - You can be thrifty when you want to be - a fact you don't publicize. Save for a down payment on something that lights you up.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 6 - Once you decide what you want, the interesting part begins. If you do research for the next couple of days, you'll make an excellent choice.
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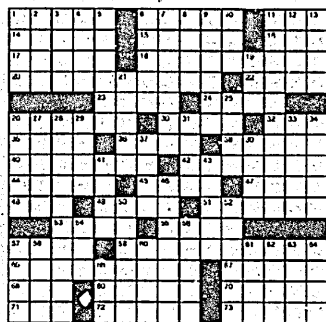
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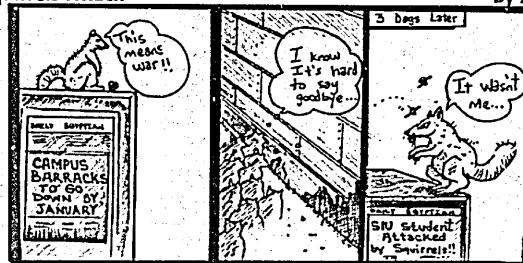
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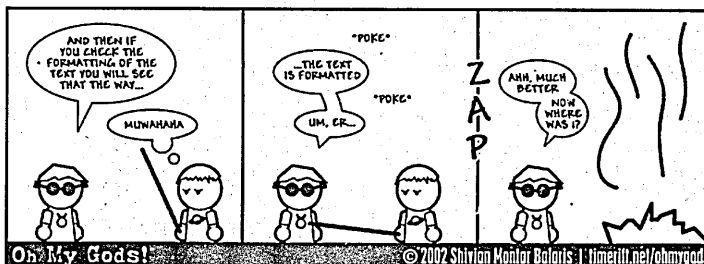
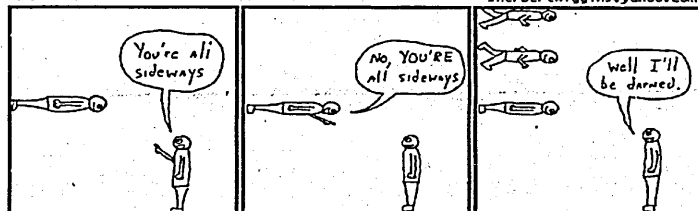
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Byrne leads SIU men to home meet win

SIU women take second at Saluki Invitational

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Halfway into the men's eight-kilometer, cross country race at Saturday's Saluki Invitational, it appeared as though SIU junior Eli Baker had moved to the front of tight lead pack. Then, all of a sudden, the pace car came out from behind some trees and not far behind was freshman Joe Byrne, who had already built an insurmountable lead.

For the rest of the race, spectators watched in awe as Byrne's lead continued to grow.

Byrne blew away the rest of the field, traversing the course in 25 minutes, 17.46 seconds, which was more than 13 ahead of the second-place runner.

"I know the course well and I know what I had to do," Byrne said. "I know the places where it's hard and the places you get a break and can recover."

Byrne's performance helped lead SIU to the overall team title. The Salukis, who placed all five scorers in the top 15, scored 38 points to edge out second-place Arkansas-Little Rock (45).

Following Byrne were Doron Giat (25:40.41, fourth), Tony LaChiana (25:55.16, sixth), Eli Baker (26:14.36, 12th) and Diarmuid Grant (26:19.02, 15th).

While Byrne's performance was impressive, the run turned in by LaChiana may be have been the most important to the Salukis. The junior had been SIU's No. 5 runner for much of the season, but Saturday he came close to a personal record and lifted SIU just enough to take the team title.

"Tony really stepped up for us [Saturday]. We needed that, and I don't know what would've happened if he didn't do that," men's head coach Matt McClelland said.

With the first-place finish, the Salukis hope they will move into the top 10 in the Midwest Region so they can race in the Gold Division at the upcoming Pre-National meet in Waterloo, Iowa. The race will include the top talent from across the country and should be an excellent test for SIU.

Heading into the race, the Saluki men were No. 12 in the Midwest. The Saluki women were also No. 12 going into Saturday's race and may move up as well after their performance.

SIU finished second (53) behind Missouri Valley Conference rival Indiana State (28). The Salukis were paced by junior Noa Beiter, who finished the five-kilometer race in 18:41.94, placing her third, just ahead of teammate Lindsay Wagner (18:52.37, fourth).

Cherylynn Schilling (19:21.29, 11th) and Sarah Rinker (19:24.21, 12th) also placed in the top 15. Katie Birn (20:10.60, 23rd) rounded out the Salukis' top five.

While SIU's performance was good, it could have been better had

the team not lost its No. 3 runner. Freshman Brittani Christensen, who had been running next to Beiter and Wagner early in the race, succumbed to cramps after about one and a half miles and was forced to withdraw.

"Sometimes you can run through those, it was just one of those things that continues to get worse and worse and she couldn't finish the race," women's head coach Matt Sparks said. "That's what killed us in the final team score; we had to go to our sixth runner. It's a good lesson to learn for our sixth and seventh runner to show how important they are, because you never know when that's gonna happen."

Had Christensen held on and finished fifth overall, the Salukis still would have a few points behind the champion Sycamores. Indiana State was led by Jessica Crowder, who clocked in at 18:02.72 to take her second title in as many weeks.

Crowder and Beiter had been forming a rivalry during the past two seasons and Beiter had hoped to repeat last year's Saluki Invitational, when she edged out Crowder at the finish line.

"It's Jessica's senior year and she's a really good athlete," Beiter said. "I wish I could be as good of a 5K runner as she is, but I'm more middle distance. For me it's just mentally hard to go and do it."

The two teams will have to wait until the MVC championships on Nov. 1 to rekindle their rivalry. The Salukis still have one more meet before conference when they head to Champaign for the Illini Challenge Oct. 18.



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SIU cross-country runners Doron Giat, Tony LaChiana and Eli Baker keep pace during the 29th Saluki Invitational Saturday morning. SIU freshman Joe Byrne finished first, and five Saluki runners finished in the top 15.

» WOMEN'S TENNIS

Salukis throttle competition at Saluki Classic Invitational

Blanco, Trapani lead way with nine wins

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The tandem of Alejandra Blanco and Tana Trapani are not showing their opponents any mercy this fall.

Three years ago, the pair compiled a 15-3 record as a doubles team. Following a hip injury that sidelined Trapani for more than a year, the two are back on the court together, terrorizing the opposition.

This season the duo has amassed a flawless 8-0 record at No. 2 doubles, including three wins this past weekend at the Saluki Classic.

"They're a great doubles team; they just really click," head coach Judy Auld said. "If I can eventually move the doubles that might be an option because they do click. They just have a certain chemistry that just makes them a really solid doubles team."

"They back each other up very well and they're very aggressive, and they just complement each other very well."

More impressive than their doubles performance may have been the singles showings turned in by Blanco and

Trapani. Blanco gutted out two big wins at the No. 1 spot against Eastern Kentucky and Northern Illinois before cruising to a third win against Valparaiso.

Trapani had a much easier time in her three singles matches, dropping only one game in her three wins.

Blanco's wins in the No. 1 position may be prove to be a turning point for the senior from Guadalajara, Mexico. She had been playing well so far this fall but was unable to pull out the tight matches and had a 2-3 record going into the tournament. The manner in which she fought for her wins this past weekend could bode well for the rest

of the season.

She said it helped to have several friends in the stands watching her, but it also added to the stress of the matches.

"The No. 1 spot, everyone can play good; it's the best player on the team. I play hard competition," Blanco said. "I was very nervous. There were a lot of people, and you always want to give them something to watch."

Blanco and Trapani accounted for nine of SIU's 17 wins during the weekend. The Salukis took seven matches from Eastern Kentucky Friday before battling rival Northern Illinois Saturday.

Last February, SIU traveled to DeKalb and dropped all eight matches to the Huskies. But it was a different story this time around as the Salukis took five of the nine matches from their rivals.

"I think it shows a tremendous improvement," Auld said.

"I think it shows how far the team has come in a very short period of time. So we've made some very big strides, and I was just real happy and very proud of how the girls played over the weekend."

SIU will close out its fall season this weekend when it heads to Memphis, Tenn., for the Memphis Invitational.

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SIU Cycling Club has big showing

The SIU Cycling Club surprised many by coming away with several top finishes at the National Collegiate Cycling Championships this past weekend in New Mexico.

Against competitors from 56 different schools, Ben Miller took second place in the Division II short track and cross country races.

Mary Collier took sixth in the short track and seventh in the cross country. Team captain Brendan Collier finished 13th in the Men's B cross country race.

The team's collegiate season is now over. It will head to Kentucky in November for a 43-mile race.

The club will have a road-racing team in the spring and return to mountain biking competition next fall.

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VOLLEYBALL

SIU earns first MVC win

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The SIU volleyball team huddled at the end of the bench without any coaches following a forgettable game four to discuss what had went wrong.

After taking the first two games in impressive fashion from Indiana State Saturday night at Davies Gymnasium, the Salukis had a huge letdown in games three and four to let the Sycamores (8-8, 3-4) back in the match.

Head coach Sonya Locke sat isolated at the front of the bench in dismay while the players rallied together on the opposite side.

"At some points in time we're a non-entity when it comes to them winning and losing," Locke said. "It's up to them."

The Salukis (5-14, 1-7) got their groove back and rallied to score the final four points of game five to win the match, their first Missouri Valley Conference victory of the season. An ace by Monica Laird secured the 30-28, 30-18, 24-30, 18-30, 15-12 win and set off a wild celebration by the young SIU team.

But in the end, it all came down to that moment of isolation between games four and five for the Salukis.

"We needed some togetherness because we were starting to slack off and not play as hard as we knew we could," said outside hitter Jené Pulliam, who had a double-double in the match with 11 kills and 10 digs. "We just basically had to bring it together and say, 'Look, this is what we have to do; we have nothing to lose.'"

At 0-7 in the conference following a hard-to-swallow five-game loss to Illinois State Friday night (18-30, 30-21, 15-30, 30-24, 18-15), the Dawgs played like they had nothing to lose early in Saturday's match.

SIU stormed back from a 24-18 deficit in game one with a 7-1 run on the strength of two kills and two blocks by Carrie Shephard to force a Sycamore timeout. The teams traded points from then on until a Holly Marita ace sealed the deal for the Salukis.

The Dawgs dominated in game two, committing just three errors and accumulating a hitting percentage of .379 while ISU hit .100 and tallied 10 miscues.

But then came the letdown.

SIU looked like a completely different team, losing track of its defense that had played so well in the first two games in allowing the Sycamores to force a game five.

"I wish we would have taken them in three; I think that would have been a great boost to our egos," Locke said. "But hey, we pulled out a really tough fifth game. That was as tough a fifth game as we've played since UNC-Charlotte."

For the match the Salukis held Indiana State, which ranked third in the MVC with a .248 hitting percentage to just a .215 dip.

The Dawgs' improved blocking was the main reason for the Sycamores' poor hitting. Gathering 14 team blocks,



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SIU freshman Haley Hann goes up for a kill against Illinois State Friday night at Davies Gym. The Salukis lost to Illinois State 3-2 but beat Indiana State 3-2 Saturday.

the third best total of the season, the Salukis formed a stiff wall at the net led by Shephard's eight blocks and Marissa Washington's five.

Shephard and Washington also chipped in with 10 and 11 kills, respectively. Haley Hann led SIU with 15 kills to go with four blocks.

"It's a really big deal for us, especially since we beat a higher-ranked team than us," Pulliam said. "It gives us a lot of confidence because nobody really thought we could pull out this win."

Versus Illinois State Friday night, the Salukis were back on the rollercoaster they've been on all season long.

SIU allowed the Redbirds to hit 257 in game one and .467 in game three, both losses for the Dawgs. The Salukis hit .067 and .152 in those games.

But in games two and four, both

victories, SIU held Illinois State to .051 and .073 hitting percentages while hitting .351 and .152 itself.

"I just wish, that we wouldn't play on such a rollercoaster," Locke said. "I'm not really sure what it's going to take to change that. We just have got to keep working them hard and getting them into some sort of a rhythm."

The Salukis were slaughtered from the start in game five, falling behind 5-0 and 8-2 before switching sides of the net. The Dawgs battled back to make the score 11-7, but that was as close as they would get.

Kelly Harman led the Salukis with her sixth double-double of the season, amassing 11 kills and 10 digs on the night.

SIU will be back in action Tuesday night when it travels to Murray State to take on the Racers.

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FOOTBALL

6-0!

Salukis run over Redbirds in Homecoming win

SIU 45, Illinois State 17

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Saturday was Tom Koutsos' day. In his final Homecoming game, in front of more than 13,000 fans, Koutsos had one of the more memorable games of his career, running for 153 yards and three touchdowns on 28 carries in SIU's 45-17 rout of Illinois State.

The yards raised his career total to 4,244, a new Gateway Conference career record. His rushing touchdown total is now up to 45, also a new Gateway record.

The record-breaking yardage came on, appropriately enough, a touchdown run.

With just less than seven minutes remaining in the game, Koutsos broke free for a 35-yard run to end the day's scoring at 45-17. It would be his final carry of the day as the SIU starters would watch the remainder of the game from the sidelines.

"I'll take it any way I can get it, but it's a little bit sweeter doing it like that, especially in front of a homecoming crowd," an emotional Koutsos said after the game.

"This place was jam packed and it's an awesome feeling."

The win raised the No. 8-ranked Salukis' record to 6-0 and marks the first time a Saluki team has won its six first games since starting 10-0 during the 1983 national championship season. The 2-0 start in Gateway Conference play is the second time in as many years the Salukis won their first two league games.

Illinois State (3-4, 0-2 Gateway) entered the game losers of two straight and looked to be up to the challenge, at least for a little while.

The Redbirds' defense held SIU's running game in check early, but the Salukis would wear them down, finishing the game with 358 rushing yards.

"Eventually they got tired and we just ran over them," said fullback Brandon Robinson, who finished with 101 yards on nine carries.

The Redbirds managed just 114 rushing yards and 321 total yards for the game, whereas SIU finished with 506 yards of total offense.

Saluki starting quarterback Joel

Sambursky's numbers were not very indicative of how he played. The box score will show that he was 9-of-21 passing for 130 yards and ran the ball 12 times for 92 yards.

It does not show just how key some of those yards were.

Sambursky converted a couple of early third downs via the air en route to building an early lead on the Redbirds, but his biggest play of the day came on a third-and-eight with five minutes remaining in the first quarter.

Sambursky was looking to pass, got pressured and took off, rumbling 50 yards down to the Illinois State 25-yard-line. A few plays later, Robinson connected with Courtney Abbott on an 18-yard touchdown pass to put the Salukis up 10-0.

"Joel did a great job today," Koutsos said. "He's black and blue. I don't know if he can think right now because he was hit so many times, but he did an awesome job."

Redbirds quarterback Mike Souza, who totaled 339 yards of offense and two touchdowns against the Salukis a year ago, was held to just 225 yards and one touchdown Saturday.

The SIU defense made Souza miserable all day, forcing him into 17-of-33 passing and sacking him once for an eight-yard loss.

Saluki linebacker Royal Whitaker was especially troublesome for Souza, picking off two passes that resulted in 14 points for SIU.

The Dawgs' defense racked up another score when safety Frank Johnson, who had three turnovers in last weekend's win at Indiana State, pounced on a fumbled punt snap in the end zone to make it 31-7 midway through the second quarter.

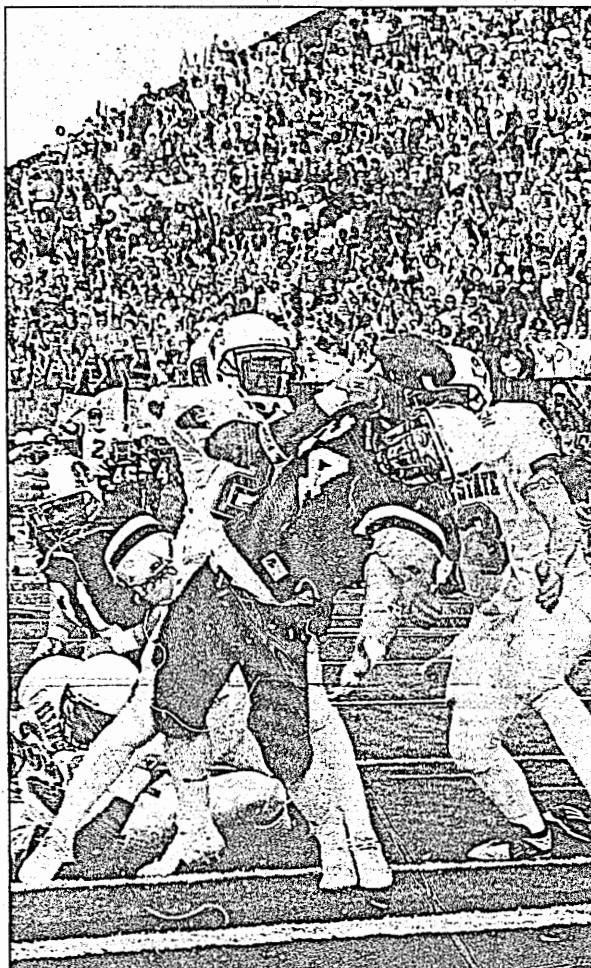
Next up for the Salukis is a key Gateway matchup against No. 2 Western Illinois, which improved to 5-1 with a 54-20 victory over Youngstown State this weekend.

Last year, SIU snapped an 18-game losing streak to the Leathernecks by winning a thrilling 54-52 game, which was decided on the final play.

But before worrying too much about Western Illinois, Kill and his players said they were going to celebrate their victory before returning to work.

"Right now, we're going to enjoy this win," Kill said. "I'm going to sit in my chair, I'm going to turn on the TV, probably fall asleep and get up in the morning, got Western Illinois on my mind, you go to work."

Regardless of what happens against



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SIU tailback Tom Koutsos battles an Illinois State defender as he crosses the goal line for one of his three touchdown runs Saturday. Koutsos ran for 153 yards and became the all-time leading rusher in the Gateway Conference.

Western Illinois or any other team this season, the win secured a winning season for the Salukis, their first since 1991.

For a player such as Koutsos, who had suffered through a 13-32 mark prior to this year,

no other accolades are needed.

"Whatever happens from now until the end of the season, this is a winning team, this is a winning program," Koutsos said. "They can never take that away from us."

Koutsos reigns over Homecoming game against Redbirds

Koutsos sets
all-time Gateway
career rushing mark
in SIU's 45-17 win

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He wasn't even supposed to be here, but after he broke his wrist, he had no other choice.

After he announced he was returning, it wasn't supposed to be his year. His time was supposed to be up. He was supposed to play second fiddle to Muhammad Abdulqadir.

And heading into the Illinois State game, he wasn't supposed to even play because of an injured hamstring.

But with everything it wasn't supposed to be, one thing was certain: Homecoming 2003 belonged to

Tom Koutsos.

The senior back played arguably his best game of a legendary career against the Redbirds and their All-America linebacker Boomer Grigby, accumulating 153 yards and three touchdowns.

Just like he did so many times before in his career, Koutsos strapped the team on his back and literally ran over ISU as the Salukis rolled to a 45-17 victory.

And Koutsos got the record that has evaded him since last season.

With six minutes, 57 seconds left on the game clock, Koutsos veered right off a Joel Sambursky handoff. The Redbird defense pursued with him right, and the senior took advantage and cut across the grain leaving him nothing but daylight to the end zone.

The 35-yard touchdown run gave Koutsos the yards needed to break the Gateway Conference all-time rushing

record of 4,231, which was held by Willie High of Eastern Illinois. The name "Koutsos" now heads that list with 4,244 career yards and counting.

After he scored the touchdown and broke the record, he didn't do much celebration. He sprinted through the back of the end zone and just raised his arms waving hugs from his teammates, but he didn't even know what he accomplished.

When the record was announced over the public address system, a band of Saluki players crowded around Koutsos, and with the rest of the crowd, serenaded him with an ovation.

"I had a feeling I was close to it after (the touchdown)," a choked up Koutsos said. "Some people in the crowd were shouting things to me, and I had those [eye goggles] on and was trying not to laugh."

"I looked like Eric Dickerson out there."

But he did more than just break the

all-time yardage mark against ISU. In the wake, he also became the No. 1 guy in rushing touchdowns scored and tied P.J. Mays of Youngstown State for touchdowns scored for the top spot as well. That is why his nickname is "Touchdown Tommy."

Last week at practice, it seemed the record might have to wait: Koutsos sat out of practice on Tuesday and participated minimally Wednesday due to his pulled hamstring. Kill listed him as "doubtful."

After the trainers stretched him in a way that he said brought tears to his eyes, he felt he was physically fit to suit up. Whether or not he was mentally ready was not a question.

"Tommy has played for four and a half years," Kill said. "I don't think we're going to teach him anything on Tuesday's or Wednesday's practice."

"He had fresh legs and it showed."

Last season, Koutsos had to watch the Homecoming game from the side

lines with a cast on his right hand. The thought of doing the same really wasn't too appealing.

And this season, one of his good friends, Grigby, was playing on the opposite side of the ball. Though Grigby is considered one of the best defensive players in the nation, Koutsos had the upper hand in this meeting.

Throughout the game, not one time was Koutsos lying on his back after a carry and if they met in the hole, Grigby was the one on his back.

Breaking the record is something Koutsos realized he was going to accomplish dating back to after his junior season. But breaking the record while he was on a 6-0 team was something he did not.

"It is a great feeling," Koutsos said. "Before the teams I was on, we didn't win very many games. People would say 'great job,' but we never won."

"Down the road, I will be able to say: 'This record meant a lot to me.'"