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Main Attraction

of the Blues



Saturday July 27 only

featuring:

Carbondale's very own

in the old blues style of Sunny Boy Williamson

Greenwood, Miss.

Singin' the blues since '87



the Battle of the Blues at Hangar 9 has been seen in several different perspectives. For Jim Skinner, it's a friendly competition. For Richard "Rip Lee" Pryor, it's just a good chance to sing the blues. For Devin Miller, it's a great opportunity to see two blues greats battle it out. For Sally Carter, it's one heck of a night for the

Hangar and all its patrons.
"It's a great-spirited show," said
Carter, owner of Hangar 9. "There's

a good mix of people. The Battle of the Blues, which takes

place at 10

66 We're just having a good time. We're trying to make each other better.??

p.m. Saturday Richard "Rip Lee" Pryor at Hangar 9, blues musician will be the C

will be the final of four events that pit Jim Skinner against Richard
"Rip Lee" Pryor. The event usually
has Pryor doing the first set and
Skinner doing the second.
Devin Miller, who founded and

organizes the show and now plays guitar to accompany the battle, said the blues genre is one that had been absent too long in Carbondale, and he thought it was time for a

"Sally hadn't had blues at the Hangar for many years," Miller said. "So I had to make it a special

The event turned out to be special, according to Carter. She said

Blues warriors prepare for main event

STORY BY CODELL RODRIGUEZ

the four shows the Hangar played host to in 2001 drew somewhere host to in 2001 drew some

between 225 and 350 people.

The people were drawn by the powerful voices of Skinner and Pryor, Miller said. He and the two blues singers were originally performing together in a three-piece acoustic act. The idea came to him to have a battle of the blues, like the ones from the '40s, pitting artists against each other.

But for Pryor, it isn't really a competition so much as it is a friendly show. Pryor originally came from Pulaski, but later moved to Carbondale and has been working at the SIUC Physical Plant for the past 23 years.

Pryor said he started taking up the blues in 1994, modeling himself after idols such as Sunny Boy

Williamson.
I just kind of liked the music and thought I'd give it a whirl," Pryor said.

He said the feeling he felt when he did take up the blues was any-

thing but depressing.
"It's like a charge," Pryor said.
"People always say the blues make you sad, but it makes you happy."

Pryor liked it so much that he decided to cut a record, and in 1999 he released "Pitch a Boogie

Woogie." "I'm just kind of dabblin right nv," Pryor said. But for Jim Skinner, the blues is something he's been dabbling in for

a long time.

"It's something I grew up with,"

Skinner, who grew up in Greenwood, Miss., said his parents raised him on the musical genre. He finally took up the art in 1987, and

finally took up the art in 1987, and he said he thinks his involvement in the blues would please his parents. Think my parents would be proud to know I've done as well as I have with it," Skinner said.

"Skinner released his album last year, titled "Braille Blues Book." He said that, like Pryor, the blues are year persone for him and that very personal for him and that makes it even more fun for him to

"It's emotion," Skinner said. "I

He said that when past Battles
of the Blues took place, the emotion
was not only felt by the singers but

also by the audience.

I thought it went really well,

Skinner said. "It's really a festive
atmosphere at the Hangar."

The blues battle is the origin of

all the festivities, according to Carter and Miller. But the question of whether it's really a battle is up for debate. For Skinner, there is some competition in it, but it's nothing scrious.

"It's more of a show, but it's a friendly competition," Skinner said. Miller said it is all entertain-

ent, but he thinks there is also a bit of a rivalry.

"I think there's more of a competition than Rip Lee lets on," Miller

Skinner said he agrees with Pryor's stance on the competition issue, but anything could happen at

this last show.
This being the last one, it could e more of a competitive edge to

it," Skinner said. Pryor said that if there is any eution, it is for the benefit of competition, both singers.

"We're just having a good time, really," Pryor said. "We're trying to make each other better."

But all the good times had by Skinner and Pryor are coming to an end Saturday. The singers said the only reason they are stopping the Battle of the Blues is because they want to concen-

trate on their own careers for the time being. While the Battle of the Blues may con-tinue, it would

be a contest between two different blues men. Sally Carter said she urges everyon the last chance for a golden

opportunity.
Skinner said while this Battle of the Blues is over, it's not necessarily the last time he will take part in such an event.

"If there are other people who sing and know the blues as well as Rip Lee, I'd be more than happy to get involved in other battles of the get involved in other blues," Skinner said.

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HOLLYWOOD NEWS

Rob Lowe leaving 'West Wing'

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BURBANK, Calif. — Actor Rob Lowe will be leaving
MBC's popular IT y show 'The West Wing' after the end of
the coming season because, a top trade magazine reports,
he isn't pleased with his slary.

Although an official statement from John Wells
Productions and Wamer Brothers Television said the move
was made 'amicaby,' Daily Vaniety is reporting that Lowe
was disenchanted over the unwillingness of producers to
rate his \$75,000-an-episode salary, even as they hiked costar Martin Sheen's pay to \$300,000 an episode
Lowe released a statement saying his role as Sam
Seabom, White House deputy communications director,
didn't fit the show anymore. He did not refer to the salary
issues raised in the Variety report.

"As much as it hurts to admit it, it has been increasinghy clear, for quite a while, that there was no longer a place
for Sam Seabon on The West Wing! However, Wamer
Bros. has allowed me an opportunity to leave the show as
a rained — grateful for it, happy to have been on it and
proud of it. We were a part of television history and I will
meeter forget it."

never lorget it."

The popular program is a fictional portrayal of the life and times of a U.S. president and his administration. Lowe's character is patterned after George Stephanopoulos, who served in the Clinton administration as the senior advisor to the president for policy and strategy and was the communications director of Clinton's '92 campaign. Stephanopoulos' eventually left his White House post while Clinton was still in office.

Will NBC make new 'Friends'?

PASADENA, Calif. — NBC Entertainment President Jeff Zucker left open the possibility Tuesday that television's top-rated show, "Friends," might remain on the air beyond its upcoming ninth and presumed final year, but the show's producers say they are approaching the season as

show's producers say uney are expressions.

The comments from the tip of executive producers behind the hit comedy seemed to douse renewed speculation that "friends" might still be around once the 2002-2003 season that starts in September comes to an end

lation that "Friends" might suit be around once the 2003 season that starts in September comes to an end next May.

"We're certainly approaching this as if this is the last season and sort of planning our stories accordingly," Kevin Bright said during a question-and-answer session with reporters gathered for NBC's summer "press tour," where the network is showcasing its new lineup of fall shows. "We have the feeling that creatively we're there," added Marta Kauffman, one of the co-creators of the show. "Not that we couldn't come up with another season if that were in front of us. But it does feel a bit like things are coming full circle, our characters are growing up... We don't want to overstay our welcome."

Her partner, David Crane, dismissed using the upcoming season as a gauge for whether to go for one more year. "I don't think you can use the season to evaluate that."

Crane said. "If this was not going to be the last season," we'd have to know that right now, because everything is planning toward that."



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Music News

Eminem, Elliot lead MTV nominees

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. — Eminem's "Without Me" and Missy "Misdemeanor" Elliott's "One Minute Man" toppe the 2002 MTV Video Music Awards nominations list

Missy "Misdemeanor' Elliotts" One Minute Man" topped the 2002 MTV Video Music Awards nominations list Monday, nabbing six apiece, Variety reports.

Slim Shady eamed nods for video of the year, male video, rap video, viewers' choice, direction and editing: Elliot was recognized in the hip-hop, direction, fly, art direction, editing and cinematography categories.

Rock group P.O.D. also drew six nominations, split, between its clips "Alive" and "Youth of a Nation." The group is competing for video of the year, group video, rock video, direction, special f/x and viewers' choice.

A besy of other artists earned multiple nominations. Tied for four apiece were Shakira's "Whenever, Wherever, and the White Stripes," Fell in Love With a Girl." Missy Elliot gamered six award nominations. Britney Spears ("I'm a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Tim a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Tim a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Tim a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Tim a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Tim a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Tim a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Tim a Slave 4 U"), Linkin Park ("In the Britney Spears ("Mis Nelby; Usher, one for "Gone" and two for "Guiffriend", (with Nelby; Usher, one for "U Don't Have to Call" and two for "U Got It Bad"; and Michelle Branch, two for "All You Wanted" and one for "Everywhere".

John Walker's Blues' meets the boos

NEW YORK — A new song by the country singer-song-writer Steve Earle that offers an empathetic view of John Walker Lindh is drawing criticism days after the American Muslim convert pleaded guilty to aiding the Taliban regime in Afghanistan.

"Taken from Earle's album "Jerusalern," due out in late September, John Walker's Blues' is a stately ballad sungfrom Walker Lindh's perspective referring to his interest in music videos, boy bands and religious tanaticism.

It features Earle's recitation of an Arabic prayer and ends with mullahs reading from the Quran.

In one verse Earle sings, "I'm just an American boy, raised on MTV, And I've seen all the kids in the soda popbands, but none of them look like me. So I started looking round, and I heard the word of God. And the first thing I heard that made sense was the word of Allah, Peace be upon him."

"In exchange for Walker Lindh's plea, the government."

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I nexchange for Walker Lindh's plea, the governmentagreed to drop nine more serious counts, including conspiracy to murder U.S. haitonals and providing material
support to terronist organizations. He is expected to be sentented to 20 years in prison.

Some commentators in Nashville, Tenn, which is considered the home of country music, quickly branded the
song unpatriotic. Nashville radio talk show host Steve Gill
said "it celebrates and glorifies a traitor to this country."

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TODAY'S CALENDAR

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STARS BEHIND BARS

LOS ANGELES, Calif. — Come on, Barble, let's go party!
 A legal battle between the world's largest toymaker and the world's largest music company over the world's largest music company over the world's most famous doll moved closer to conclusion Wednesday when a federal appeals court in California ruled the 1997 pop hit 'Barble Gif' was a parody protected by the free speech provision of the U.S. Constitution.
 The ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Cricuit affirmed an earlier victory for Universal Music against Mattel Inc., which had claimed that the sleeper hit by the obscure Danish quartet Aqua infinged on its trademark for its iconic Barble doll and sulfied her image with a song laced with sexual innuendo.

Representatives of MCA Records, a unit of Universal, and Mattel were not immediately available for comment.

CORRECTIONS

No items

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Spilling your guts on the plane man:

A with the Ole Fishskins

The hills are alive with the sound of bluegrass

Codeli Rodriguez Daily Egyptian

The Ole Fishskins is not exactly a band that shuns a little change.

Since its formation more than seven years ago, more than 25 musi-cians have held The Ole Fishskins ogether at different times. But one thing they've kept concrete throughout the band's existence is its style of music

bluegrass.
The Fishskins are made up of Tom Connelley (guitar/vocals), Johnny Mango (mandolin/vocals), Fiddlin Joe Bob Joe (fiddle), Roy Davis (banjo), Jerry Griffin (guitar/vocals), Bill Fuson (bass/vocals) and Ray Maring (dobro slide guitar).

Band members met the DAILY

EGYPTIAN on the set of their WDBX radio show, "Back to Bluegrass."

DE: How did you guys get togeth-

Mango: The Ole Fishskins have

Joe: There was a bluegrass jam, and it sort of developed into a band.

DE: Any fan experiences that stick

Mango: You mean our groupies? Everything from wives and children to college girls.

DE: Anybody get a lot of groupies? Mango: That'd be Joe. Girls love the fiddler.

DE: Where did the name Ole Fishskins come from?

Mango: Fella named Tom

thought it up.
Connelley: Was it Randy Bob or

Mango: I don't know where it

came from Really don't.

Connelley: The first guy I heard use it seriously on a regular basis was Randy Bob Cotton. He's a great banjo player from Carbondale.

Joe: Who's now living in Japan. Connelley: Yeah. He's teaching banjo and also playing bass in a band in Japan. (laughs)

Teaching the Japanese how to play bluegrass is scary,

they play baseball. They're good at it. (laughs)

DE: Do you know what the name

Mango: Well, we have a slogan, Ve really know our scales." (laughs) Connelley: It's open to interpre-

It seems that bluegrass started to get a little more mainstream when "O from Brother, Where Ar: Thou" came out hill r How do you feel about that?

Mango: Well, what happened is the government's been putting this drug in the water and it makes people think a lot more. Now that people are thinking, bluegrass has finally got

cognition. (laughs)
Connelley: Actually, bluegrass was the largest growing musical genre in the '90s. So "O Brother" is kind of a culmination of that increasing popular ?!

Joe: It covers a whole lot more than love songs or breaking up songs. You've got spiritual songs. You've got plenty life is comedy songs. You've ou're environmental songs.

Mango: A lot of working the-

and songs.
Joe: And songs about loved

ones passing on, ivo matter where you are, it's hard to deal with. Bluegrass can

help you with that.

I hate to keep on with this "O
Brother" subject, but which one of you guys is the "Man of Constant Sorrow?" Mango: Which one's not? (laugh-

Joe: It's definitely the blues no

Connelley: Bluegrass has evolved om gospel, blues and mainly from the music of Appalactia.
Mango: And also slave music.

DE: Any pre-show rituals?

Joe: One of the pre-show things that we do is get in a circle and play acoustic to warm up.

DE: This question is completely ted to music, but I always throw a cottole of these in.

Mango: Dolly Parton. (laughter).
DE: If you could have any job, what

Joe: Wealthy leisure researcher.

(laughter) Connelley: I wanna work for

Maiigo: I want to work for Greyfround Leave the drivin to me. Get to see the country My grandfa-

DE: If there was a movie about your band, what would it be called?

loe: We're thinking about releasing our first alburn, just to sidetrack

Mango: It's called "Cuttin' Teeth." JGE: The movie would be about

playing music.

Connelley: It'd be about learning how to play. We do all kinds of things. [Mango] is a carpenter, I'm an ex-carpenter, and now I'm a sound engineer for the University. Fiddlin Joe does ... Joe: Government work.

DE: Are you the guy in the black

Joe: Yeah

Connelley: Well, we're from all r so we have some varied interests. The outdoors, being in nature, taking it easy and having a good time.

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Couch the Ole Fishskins of

Cruces face reality with artistic maturity

Jared DuBach Daily Egyptian

Passion for music is something Derek Cook and Eric Watkins say they hold in high regard as the reason for the longevity of the alternative pop

Cruces, which will perform at 10 p.m. Saturday at Boo Jr. and Co., nm. Saturday at Boo Jr. and Co, began playing in June 1991 when Cook was still in high school. The two other men with whom Cook started the band, Danny Wilson and Christopher Fouche, left the group by 1993, and many band lineups have taken place since then.

The current lineup includes Cook on vocals and guitar, Watkins on gui-tar, Scott Doudera on bass, and Nate Blache on drums.

According to Cook, the name "cruces" came up when he and the original members were flipping through a dictionary. They came upon the Latin word "cruces," which refers to a pivotal moment or turning point. uces" was originally one of three Latin words picked out by the band to use for a name. They chose the word because they could relate it to their musical careers. Cook says majority rule ended up deciding that the band would be called Cruces. Although Cook explained "cruces" was not his first pick, the name has managed to stick with the band.

The band members have diverse musical tastes. Cook says that he listened to Depeche Mode when he first joined the band, and then he started listening to The Cure. He says that in recent times, he finds himself listening to the indie rock band Built to Spill various movie soundtracks.

Watkins says he listened to Jawbox, Fugazi and Helmet prior to his enter-ing the band in 1996.

Not only has the sound of the band changed over time, but according to Cook, so has the method of writing lyrics. Cook said that since marriage and responsibilities of adult life have become relevant in his life, he has had

Thave to set something up in my mind, Cook explained. "When I was young, it was all drawn from personal experience. I kind of make it up like a

Cruces has made several recordings during its long history, but only two are made available at shows for sale. According to Cook, 1995's "Anna Victrix" and "Lost Episode," which as released in March, are the titles for

was the dri'ning force behind the bands longevity, Watkins said. Now, that driving force is the absolute love of playing music and the desire to add ust one more fan to the Cruces fan

Watkins also said that with th musicians' current jobs, they are left with little time to change or update their songs to fit their current musical tastes, which are centered around relodic rock sounds. But according to Watkins, the band's drive to stay together is largely based upon the demand for their performance.

"I just hope that people continue to want to see the band play," Watkins said. "As long as that happens, I think we'll keep playing."

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Kick in Emergency kicks out the jams

A Vandalia group brings its melodic rock to Carbondale Jared DuBach Daily Egyptian

For four years, Kick In Emergency has played throughout Southern Illinois. And in that period of time, the band member they have evolved and created their

own unique sound.

Kick in Emergency, which performs at 10 tonight at Hangar 9, was formed four years ago while the members were still in high school in their hometown of Yandalia.

The members consist of Jest's McClary on vocals and guitar, Zach Anderson on guitar, Heath Luster on bass and Andy Wright on drums. Wright is the band's official mascot because of his "sex appeal,"

according to McClary.

McClary says that Kick In Emergency produces "melodic rock with pop sensibilities." Some of the bands the members of Kick In Emergency note as influences are Emergency note as influences are The Cure, AC/DC, Jimmy Eat World and the Get-Up Kids, McClary shyly admitted that as a child, he even used to dress up like

members from the band KISS .-McClary said that throughout the years, Kick In Emergency has d musically.

"We started out as punk, but we've moved away to try and find our own sound, "McClary said. "We've created original songs, if

an original genre," Luster

McClary says the band is a democracy and that he, Luster and Anderson share the task of writing songs. Kick In Emergency current-ly has a nine-song demo CD out on Hot Seat Records (www.hotseatrecords.com). A four-song CD is scheduled for release by the band in either late summer or early fall. The band also has some songs avail-

dio to produce their next full-length CD after they've completed their upcoming tour, which will encompais parts of Illinois. Ohio and Wisconsin McClary said this juncture marks the "crossroads" of their

According to Luster and McClary, kick in Emergency's goal of being able to make a living out of being in a band remains undaunted. The band shall continue to develop



and evolve without any added gim-

micks, they said.

"KISS has makeup," McClary said. "But we have Andy."

Reporter Jared Dubach e reached at jdubach@dailyegyptian.com



Kick In Emergency is playing at 10 p.m. tonight at Hangar 9 with Tomorrow Never Comes and Shufflepuck

Flaming Lips are on fire with latest release

Lips' new album pushes music. bounds with experimental sounds

Andy Comeaux Daily Texan (U. Texas-Austin)

AUSTIN, Texas (U-WIRE) — The Flaming Lips have been together for nearly two decades, and they still manage to do something few bands with this kind of staying power can achieve.

The group has not only matured, but have also gotten better with time.

gotten better with time.

Whether only remembered for their lone Top 40 hit 'She Don't Use Jelly,' they provide modern music with the originality it seems to lack at times.

With each album, they push the bounds with experimental sounds that help define them from other artists. The Flaming Lips new release "Yoshimi Battles the Pink Robots" mixes their signature quirky rock with incredibly insightful and picturesque lyrics.
Opening track Fight Test brings a strong start to

the album. With the lyrics "I thought I was right/I thought it better not to fight," the song speaks plainly, but beautifully, about missed opportunity and

The title track is a more traditional Lips song. It's broken into two different songs with the premise of the first song being a girl who knows karate and has to fight against "evil machines."

...The second chapter slows down the album, ho ever. Timing in at almost three minutes, the song has an electronic beat with distant screams in the background. While the meaning and joke of this is obvi-ous, it becomes tiresome and breaks the album in two.

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"Do You Realize?" is a very deliberate song that the
band intends for people to take in and think about.

"Let them know you realize life goes fast/It's hard
to make the good things last," echoes the albums

recurring message... "Yoshimi Battles the Pink Robots" is not as much a story of robots and weird sounds as it is an innova-tive album about strength and not taking for granted the good things in life.

CORRECTION

In last week's Pulse edition, the article "This Guy's punk roots are hardcore" should not have been worded in a way as to imply that John Spomer
identified the Sons of Liberty as a white supremacy band.

It was not the intention of either the DAILY EGYPTIAN or Spomer to
contribute to any notion that the Sons of Liberty is a white supremacy band,
and band members wish to tell the public that the Sons of Liberty has no
affiliation with or inclination toward a white supremacist ideology.

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The DAILY EGYPTIAN regrets the error.

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Hangar 9 7/26 Tomorrow Never Comes /

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Boulder rumbles with heavy metal glory

Boulder is "Reaped in Half' with new release

Jared DuBach Daily Egyptian

From - the very beginning, Boulder's "Reaped in Half," which is available on Tee Pee Records, screams with the intensity of AC/DC and blasts away the listener with the bass-powered rumble of Black Sabbath.

This is no surprise coming from a band that has been known to blow one circuit breaker after another in venues across the United States.

It has even been noted that on several occasions, the band was drawing enough wattage in its amplifiers that the plastic coating on the extension chords began to

melt.
The first song off "Reaped in Half" is called "Krank it Up." As one might have guessed, the song is all about cranking up the volume. Be advised, however, that doing this can cause serious damage to

one's stereo and hearing. The next two songs go by rather fast, almost too fast for proper heavy metal digestion. The last song off of the first side, or "Act I," is titled "Ripe and Innocent." One can only imagine what is being referenced in this song.

The second side of the album

starts off with the tune "Arrest Me." By now, the theme of clever song titles that describe what each song is about has been established.
The song, "Should've Seen Blood"
conjures up images of a raucous
mosh pit at a rock show, "Yellow
Fever" opens with an incredibly shredding guitar riff, which really helps deliver Reaped in Half to a finish that leaves the listener

wanting to hear

In this case, those parties interested will get such a chance, parties and property and pr

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performing at 10 p.m. Saturday, Aug 3, at Boo Ir. and Co.

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Our Lady Peace gains

momentum in Gravity

Micah Grau The Battalion (Texas A&M U.)

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (U-WIRE) — Our Lady Peace made a splash on the music scene when it released the highly anticipat-tical new album, "Gravity." The last two albums released by Our Lady Peace struggled to meet the velocity. and popularity that the 1997 release "Clumsy" generated, but "Gravity" may succeed where the others have failed.

With the new guitar sound of Steve Mazur, "Gravity" starts off with

with a slow, clean and soft guitar part.

Although the tempo is slow, the of "Gravity's" songs follow this same sound is heavy as Mazur pumps out pattern.

hard guitar riffs to match Michael Maida's sorrowful lyrics. Many of the adds a much needed contract of the same sound is heavy as Mazur pumps out pattern.

Sorry is a quick paced song that adds a much needed contract of the same sound is the same sound in the same sound is the same sound in the same sound is the same sound in the same sound is the same sound is the same sound in the same sound is the same soun

songs sound both dramatic and

The popular song "Somewhere Out There is one of the lighter songs on the album, utilizing Maida's mel-low voice with the sweet sound of the acoustic guitar before the chorus

begins.

The song brings a warm feeling to mind and many can relate to Maida's lyrics of searching for the one they

The somber feel created in "Sornewhere Out There," is carried over into "Not Enough" as it starts with a slow, clean and soft guitar part

adds a much needed contrast to the overly slow tempos of other songs. Contrasting with the solemn vibe of the rest of the album, "Sorry" and "Innocent" are relatively upbeat in sound, although Maida's lyries still seen troubled.









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ULSE BRIEFS .

Carbondale violinist, pianist perform for Liberty Theater benefit concert tonight

Carbondale violinist Victoria Moore and her accompanist. Anita Hutton will perform at the Liberty Theater in Murphysboro at 7 tonight to held raise money for restoration of the the-

The Murphysboro Main Street, a The Violin and Piano Benefit Concert will renew the Liberty Theater back to its prior state before it closed in the fall of 1998. For more than 85 years the theater has offered live and motion picture entertainment.

Doors open and tickets go on sale at 6:15 p.m. General admission is 310. re information call Joyce Ellis at 684-6646.

voneu

y money troubles are over. I just heard about these undergraduate assistantships in the different departments. Basically, you can get these jobs doing things such as research and whatnot.

I figure with me still being undecided, I can probably drift from major cided, I can probably drift from major to major, making up these assistant-ships as I go. It can't be too bad. I've got a whole list of jobs I'm willing to do, and I figure after a few semesters, I can finally afford to buy that life-size wax statue of Orville

Redenbacher. To many he was just a popcom man, but to me, he's a god.q

Then after a few semesters more, I'll get a bronze statue of our 12th resident, Zachary Taylor, whose couthern Illinois indictment for the savage beating of some guy back in the day was recently revealed. He'll be holding a cane up in the air and the plaque at the bottom will have him eclaring "I'll give you a thrashin!"

But first I have to make that

oney, and I think these assistant ships are the perfect opportunity. I figure I can make some jobs up and get away with it.

get away with it.

First I'll join the College of
Business and Administration. There,
I will start a business that will benefit SIUC and, in turn, get me a cool \$800. What I'm going to do is take some Voltron toys, paint them maroon and add fuzzy ears to them, making them Salukis. Then I will sell them to children to Japan, who will sell them to children in America. I

Join Gus for a morey making scheme that turns our mascot into a hot new toy

slooflirpa@hotmail.com will call my product Saluktron, and

will call my product Saluktron, and he will have a big "SIU" painted on his chest. I figure SIU is probably the biggest thing in Japan right now, what with our Nakajo campus, and they are probably thing for saluki microhandise and for Jernhaine his production. Dearman and Kent Williams to make commercials for tiny little whereve entre sy chocolate bars with toys inside. a monato!

Saluktron will be sold in five dif-

ferent parts and, I can only assume, 192777 VCGGG making up the head and body of the action and the dearest making up the head and body of the action and the dearest maroon, and the dearest maroon, and the dearest maroon. roon, and the driver will be a dashing young pilot name Hiro. The right arm will be a bit darker than the Saluki maroon but maroon nonetheless. A big, scruffy, crazy guy named Hank will pilot it. The right arm will be lighter in color than Saluki e lighter in color than Saluki naroon and will be piloted by a cau-ious young lady who secretly loves liro named Princess Frillyfluff. The right leg is also lighter than Hiro's saluki, but not quite as light as the arm piloted by Princess Frillyfluff. This saluki will be piloted by 12-year-old super genius, Keiko, 2 spunky lit-tle girl who also has a crush on Hiro,

Gus Bode

putting her at odds with Princess putting her at odds with Pincess ...
Frillyfluff. Finally, the left leg will be a darker marroon than Hiro's saluki, but not quite 26 dark as the one piloted by Hank. This one is controlled by Pash, a heroic young pilot. He will be Hiro's rival and will look strikingly similar to Hiro because he is really his

same bodies, just painted differently and with different heads of cours ... Of course, the characters need an

antagonist. This will be Prince Zorocaine, who will look like a complete pretty boy with a very Liberace-like voice. He, like every other guy in the universe, will be in love with Princess Frillyfluff.

SIUC figures in this of course because they're probably icons there too. Walter Wendler can be the good-hearted king who is always giving advice but isn't too good to be plucky comic relief every once and a while.

The really cool part about this is that SIUC will be making billions, and I'll get my \$800 a month. That's right, the future of SIUC is Saluktron. The University will have wads of cash, and I'll be that much closer to owning the statues of my heroes. Remember kids, you will be able to buy Saluktron someday for a measly \$50 per figure! While sup-lies lar!

Seven Tips for helping your University improve its image

Whenever you see a tour, do something really interesting like swallowing a whole grapefruit while tapdancing and playing Vivaldi's "Four Seasons" on an accordian.

Pampiona, Spain has become known throughout the world for the Running of the Bulls. Start an event here called the running of the Salukis. Keep the dogs o a vegetarian diet for a few weeks just to make it interesting.

Petition to make a huge tign in front of the e University reading. "SIU; Hey, at least

University of Illinois seems to be do Saluk to something that does a set up an extravagant lightening it and race it down Mill Street at 84

or Christ's sake, put on so

smular to Furio occuse he as realy his brother. But because of some tragedy in their familys past, Dash can't bring himself to tell Fliro. The best part is that PII save a whole lovin spoonful of money on the action figures. They'll all have the Now, I'll have to include some

Through the Looking Glass

News

OOOH, I SENSE THAT YOU WORK OUT, MISS

· Ulf Buck, a blind German psychic, predicts people's futures by running his hands over their naked buttocks. He says it is much more accurate than palm-reading.

DID I SAY 'CHILD'? I MEANT DOG, SORRY

When someone hijacked her car with her cocker spaniel insid Tennessee woman thought that if she lied and claimed her 5-year-old daughter was in the car, the police would put more effort into the investigation. She was right. Forty-fivecops were three hours into a massive search when the woman's father told-them that she didn't even have a daughter. They got very mad and arrested her.

BUT THERE WERE A FEW. PLEASANT EVENINGS

Hava Rexha, the oldest woman in Albania who will turn 122 on Aug-14, revealed that she is still angry that she was forced to marry an "old man" more than 100 years ago. She was 14

in 1894 when her parents married her off to a man who said he was 30 but was much older than that and married twice before." Though she claimed she never loved her husband, she managed to have six children with

FEELING THE POWER OF THE LORD

An apparently devout young cou-le sat silently before a statue of the Madonna in a church in Milan, Italy, almost every day fur more than a month before priests realized they were just there to charge their mobile phone from the electrical socket used to light up the statue.

AN ACQUIRED TASTE

A neighbor's cat was imp inside the crawl space of a Billings. Mont. home for three weeks after carpenters on a remodeling job inad-vertently, walled her fin. The car, named Sophia, survived on bugs. Since being freed, she now eats noths and beetles

SO SHE'LL DO TIME FOR DOING

A woman went to jail in Saarbruccken, Germany, in the place of her look-alke, older sister who had been convicted of fraud, but got tired of life behind bars after 10 months and failed to return from a furlough. The older sister now has to serve her sentence, and the younger sister was locked up for forging the documents she need-ed to get into jail.

ANYTHING TO DECLARE?

A Belgian woman tried to smuggle her Kurdish boyfriend into Italy by putting him in her suitcase. Customs officials saw her struggling to carry it, so they looked inside. She was arrested. He was deported.

YOU'VE BEEN A VERY NAUGHTY PLAINTIFF

A Connecticit lawyer, frustrated with his client's fidgeting in his office while he was preparing her to testify, pulled her across his lap, lifted her skirt and gave her a spanking. She sued.

(Mike Pingrie is a columnist for the Boston Herald Read a second "Looking Glass" col-umn on the Internet at www.pingreeskok-

Haiku Challenge: athe 180s

Greed, lies, bombs Hostages to walls torn down Thank and hate Reagan Red and black tocket Sparkling glove on right hand MJ is the man

Ryan Miller

junior in advertising, Hickory, N.C. OK, this is the last Pulse of the summer and maybe the last Haiku Challenge. Check out the first Pulse of the fall semester for more details.

Uh, Bye; I guess I'm gone for good



Not in the Script

BY CODELL RODRIGUEZ crodriguez@dailyegyptian.com

Well, this is the last Pulse of the summer, and I'm graduating after-almost three years at the DAILY EGYPTIAN, so I guess this is my farewell column. I know I'm supposed to write something about entertainment, but screw that. I'm the entertainment editor, and if you don't like it you can send a buttload of email to my DAILY EGYPTIAN address that will be nonexistent in less than a week. Watch how fast I respond.

Sorry, I'm not trying to make enesorry, I m not trying to make enemies. I really did en'oy my time heading up the Pulse. I just wish I did
more here. I wish I could say I've
done more here at the DAILY
EGYPTIAN and in Carbondale in general. I wish I could talk about the time I wrote the story that saved 22,000 Carbondalians from certain death at

the hands of an evil mad scientist. I wish I could tell you about the time I pushed a 7-year-old out of the path of a bus. I wish I could tell you about the time I built a time machine and saved the lives of John Lennon and Bruce Lee (screw Kennedy).

But I can't. I can tell you about the time I got story of the week for a story I did on the Taco Bell in the Student Center being one of the best in the nation. Yeah, you heard me, the Taco Bell in the Student Center. Or I could tell you about the time I found a copy of "Seven Samurai" on DVD at Plaza Records. Or would you like hear about how I saw "Star Wars: Episode II" four times and was disappointed that I didn't dedicate enough of my time to it?

Quite frankly, I don't think you want to hear about that. Quite frankly, I don't want to hear about it. Overall, I think I've left quite a mediocre impression on this newsp. per and a nonexistent one on this town and this University. But before you cry me a river, I still look back at this as one of the best times of my life. Maybe you should cry a river

This is about the time most

farewell columns talk about how me 12-year-old kid with a terminal they talking about ness gave the writer the will to live goats in this kids illness gave the writer the will to live and convinced him to dedicate his life to being a good soldier journalist. Quite frankly, I'm not and probably will never be the kind of journalist who strives to uncover conspiracies or expose the shop owners who abuse all

Instead, I'm going to write a story out the death of bubblegum pop or a feature about the guy who paints dogs a different color for all those people who wish they had a black Lab instead of a Golden Retriever. Don't get me wrong. Hard news important, and the public needs to know. But without features and entertainment to lighten things up, wed all go insane.

But while I'm talking about news,
I'd like to give the AP Stylebook a big
Screw you. The Associated Press
Stylebook is what we journalists are supposed to live by. It has all the punctuation rules and all the proper punctuation rules and all the proper "A know, my faulty, brady Oual, for meanings of words. Don't get me giving me. a good excuse to read wrong, the things a lifesaver at times. "The World According to Garp" and But no matter what anyone says, a kid. "Bill Reaktenwald for some of the can be a human child. I don't think "craziest stories any journalist could you (the readers) see kid and think; tell.

"Why the hell are cademy story?" I think sometimes

newspapers care more about catering to journalists than the readers. In that regard, I couldn't give a frick. As long as the story informs or entertains the reader, that's all that matters.

OK, now that I've vented about the industry, I suppose I should thank some people. I would like to thank the past and present staff of the DAILY EGYPTIAN for tolerating my strange sense of humor and tom-fooleries. While I may not have been the most social kid at the party, I am glad that I got the chance to know

each of you.

I would like to thank the faculty here at SIUC. I would especially like. to thank Mike Magnuson for viding one of the most entertaining classes (even if I did get a freakin' C. I know, my fault), Brady Udall, for

But before you cry me a river, I still look back at this as one of the best times of my life.

> I want to thank Subway for pro-viding me with nutritious food when I was too lazy to make it myself hich was every day). I would also like to thank the girl with the frosty blue hair (sorry, I didn't eatch your name) for offering feedback to my t-shirts, columns and not-so-great.

I thank the sources that helped me out during my three years here, especially Carla Coppi and Beth Mochnick from International Mochnick from International Students and Scholars and T.I. Rutherford, director of the Student Center. I give a special thanks to Jin Yang who helped me with one of the

oolest stories I've ever worked on. Finally, I want to thank the readers who read my stories after they were only 12 minutes into class, had already finished the word jumble, read the cartoons twice and acciden-

tally turned to page 6. Thanks kids, And in the end, the love you take is equal to the love you fake.

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Death of a truck stop fantasy



The Politics of Dancing

BY ARIN THOMPSON athompson@dailvegvptian.com

Let me be frank for a minute, but can still call me Arin, and I you can still call me Arm, and a don't want to forfeit any of the body parts I was born with.

I want to talk about that inevitable thing we all must go through: change. And how much it blows, but is great at the same time. Before I came to SIU, for a good time, I would hop in my Dodge Ram Raider and drive from my

hometown to a quaint truck stop.

The place was a dive, a hole in
the wall, and I loved it to pieces. All
the waitresses knew me by name. They always knew I'd get a tuna melt with a Pepsi, even though I'd ask for a menu every time. The owner could always tell when I'd had a bad day, and he'd ask me to "smile" in broken English.

My favorite waitre

My favorite waitress once dropped a tip of \$100 in cash on the floor, and no one noticed. Thank Christ I gave it to her and was on her good side, because rumor had it she shot her abusive husband point blank about a week later and was never seen again.

That truck stop was the center of my universe; it was the peak of my happiness and the place all of my friends called home. The truck stop, with its smoke-stained walls and musty bathrooms, is still nestled off of a northern Interstate. The perverted old man who always stared down our shirts still drinks coffee there, the friendly guy with the but-terfly tattoo still comes every night, but without me and without most of

my friends. --Since I went away to school and immersed myself in Southern Illinois University culture, which in the beginning basically consisted of drinking and no class, I lost touch with nearly all the people I grew up with. Girls got boyfriends grew up with. Girls got boyfriends and boys got girlfriends and some even in between. Some of us graduated high school and went on to colsome stayed at gas stations behind the counter, and some moved away just for a change of pace, or maybe to run away from what we

thought was a black hole. The property of the ized that life goes on way after junior college and high school. Though the realization may have been a forced one, it was necessary and in hind-sight was probably a blessing in disguise. The drama that was slung between members of the group was insulting and revolting. The fact insulting and revolting. The fact remains that we had grown up and out of each other.

There are, however, few relationships that have lasted and should, for all intents and purposes, forever. As humans, we can only hope for lasting friendships but are forced to look to the future for new ones, and luckily the future looks brighter every

The group died, and now we have all found something new, but it will never be quite as sweet as those long, sleepless nights spent drowning in black coffee and conversation.

Giving up a series is a bac political move

By David Bianculli New York Daily News

(KRT) — So Rob Lowe is leaving NBC's "The West Wing" because he feels he hasn't gotten enough attention and compensation, and is too big a star to continue wasting his talents as part of a TV series ensemble.

By making this move, he's follow-ing in some big footsteps.

It's not only a bold move — it's a very stupid one.

Caruso, who's returning this fall to what is all but certain to be a suc-cessful franchise series in "CSI: Miami," took a decade to oounce back after leaving "NYPD Blue" lantly and prematurely.

Long has yet to recover, and Stevenson never will - he died in

What they all failed to recognize, is what Lowe is failing to recognize right now: They are not indispensable.

Lowe made the mistake, from the start, of envisioning "The West Wing" as his show, the story of White House aide Sam Seaborn. Lowe's Seaborn was one among - and every one of the many worthy of interest.

Not only is Lowe not the stand-out — he's one of the only cast members without a shot at a trophy and iner about the only male. "West just about the only male "West Wing" cast member not noted by his

voting peers. Actually, about the only cast member, period: All totaled, a dozen people from "The West Wing" are up for acting awards this year. How can Lowe envision himself as the star of that show when, by the Emmy standards, he doesn't even make the

Before "The West Wing," Lowe was more a punch line than a re-pected actor. Martin Sheen may have gotten arrested in lots of liberal activist protests, but he never sang to Snow White on the Oscars, or had

an even more embarrassing home-

video image get caught on tape.
"West Wing," with the role of
Sam Seaborn and the words of series creator Aaron Sorkin, gave Lowe respectability. Lowe responded impressively and it's only the vagaries of the story lines this season that kept his character from pulling equal ight. So why leave? In Holl od. it's short-sighted and foolish to think the grass is always greener. In most cases, the adjacent plots contain nothing but weeds. If you're a mem-ber of one of the best TV shows of the decade — whether it's
"M.A.S.H.," "Cheers," "NYPD
Blue" or "The West Wing," you don't blue of The West Wing, you don't leave it and keep getting equally wor hwhile roles unless you're both exceptionally lucky.

George Cisoney is the excep-

tion, not the rule.

The West Wing" will be fine without Lowe, but the reverse is by no means as sure a thing.

nem and Elvis: Brothers under the sl

Dan DeLuca Knight Ridder Newspapers

Though I'm not the first king of controversy, I am the worst thing since Elvis Presley. To do black music so selfishly,

And use it to get myself wealthy."

— Eminern, "Without Me"
from The Eminern Show

Elvis Presley would never have sung about killing his mother. And Eminem isn't known to enjoy fried peanut-butter-and-banana sandwiches. But they've got more in common than a knack for disturbing parents while sending teen-age girls into

The dead rock 'n' roller and the live-wire rappe are the big Es of the summer. The latter artist, also known as Marshall Mathers, is riding high with a hit CD, "The Eminern Show," and the aptly ned Anger Management Tour.

And the Presley estate is commemorating the 25th anniversary of the King's death on Aug. 16, 1977, with a four-disc boxed set of unreleased material, as well as five Presley songs on the sound-track to the animated "Lilo & Stitch." Add to that the summer's most improbable international hit, a dance remix of Presley's 1968 "A Little Less Conversation

Despite the stylistic chasm that separates Elvis and Eminem, they personify a phenomenon that's fueled the constant reinvention of American popu-

lar music since 19th-century minstrelsy.

They're ambitious white guys who were inspired by the black culture they revered, then were compensated beyond their idols' wildest

Without watering it down or slavishly imitating their role models, Elvis and Eminem maintained the musics vitality while following their creative impulses. Through marketing and — for better or worse — the reality that white America still prefers heroes it resembles, these talented artists built huge audiences. And each has been accused of being a cultural thief.

Both the King and Emigrew/up poor and Salte See Miles

immersed in black culture. Eminem boned up on 2Pac, Notorious B.I.G. and the group N.W.A., whose sonic architect, Dr. Dre, would become his sponsor. While Elvis had a taste for Dean Martin sponsor. While Eivis had a taste for Dean Martin and bivegrass picker Bill Monnoe, he also studied rhythm-and-bives singers such as the frenetic African American showman Wynonie Harris, originator of Good Rockin Tonight* in 1948.

Before Presley walked into Sam Phillips* Merniphis Recording Service in 1953, the producer famously opined that "if1 could only find a white man who had the Negro sound and the Negro feel, I could make a million dollars."

I could make a million dollars."

Dr. Dre was looking for something, too. When

Dr. Dre was looking for something, too. When he heard the quick tengued white kid from Detroit freestyling on L.A. radio in 1997, his own career was in the dumper. "Dr. Dre Presents the Aftermath," released the previous year, was a dud. Dre saw the same financial opportunity in Eminem that Phillips did in Presley.

Presley's "terrible popular twist on darkest Alrica's fertility, tom tom displays," as one critic called his hip-gyrating style, drove white teens wild Many feared that the world would be forestranged, and they were night. In no time. Parlanged, and they were night. In no time. changed, and they were right. In no time, Pat Boone was sucking the life out of Little Richard's "Tutti Frutti" and Fats Domino's "Aint That a

out in November.

Out in Novem

But Presley who would be 67 had he not died, was the real deal Yeah, his "Hound Dog" was "commercial and comy, kind of nowhere," says Leiber. Yet "he had his own style. He could do for First adopt

Black artists respected Elvis as the product of a shared culture. Bobby "Blue" Bland and B.B. King hung with him backstage. Even Thomton accepted Elvis as legitimate, says Leiber. The blues matriarch, who died in 1984, didn't make money matnarch, who died in 1984, "didn't make money like Elvis Presley. But then she didn't look like Elvis

Inevitably, the changes Elvis wrought were enced. With white artists making "race" music,

labels saw gold.
"When Sam Phillips picked up Elvis Presley, he discarded everybody on the label who was black," Rufu: Thomas, who recorded "Bear Cat" for Sun in 1954, said in 1997. If gave him his first hit, and all the while he was looking for a white boy vho could do what I could."

·What some consider Elvis assimilation of black nences, others say smells like appropriation. Like so many others hose reception as the secon ing of Jesus Christ" was deplored by Miles Davis, or the Rolling Stones, who rehashed Muddy Waters and Robert Johnson — Elvis stood - Flyis stood

varies, and 'tobert Johnson — Evis stood accused of being just another white guy taking black music to the bank.

With three straight blockbusters, starting with 1999's The Slim Shady LP, Eminem, 29, is the most popular rapper today. The Marshall Mathers LP, out in 2000, sold eight million. The Eminem Shape which the sales of the control of the cont Show, which was released prematurely to fight Internet piracy, has moved four million copies in seven weeks. Trailers are already showing for "8 Mile," the film loosely based on Eminem's life, due

Source. But everin that record, you could see that he had fremendois talent. Plus, he was associated with Dre.

Dre-and-Eminent flip the familiar script. Instead of a greedy white record executive fleed instead of a greeny white room detective needing a seal of approval from one of the most respected _ and, with N.W.A., the most incendiary _ men in hip-

hop.

But it comes down to skills. The transcen iginality of Elvis' recordings with Sun can't be ed with. No hip-hop fan who checks out the "Cleanin Out My Closet" or "Mathers" "Stan

can deny that Eminem is a natural storyteller.

The rapper, who was raised in racially mixed neighborhoods, often acknowledges the issue of his race. And on "The Eminem Show," he admits the or of his skin is a marketer's dream, and even makes a tongue-in-check reference to Presley.

"Look at these eyes, baby blue, baby, just like yourself," he rhymes on "White America."

"If they were brown, Shady lose, Shady sits on the shelf," he continues, referring to his alter ego. "But Shady's cute, Shady knew Shady's dimples would help. Make ladies swoon, baby, ooh baby.

would help. Make ladies swoon, baby, coch baby!
Look at my sales."

"It's obvious to me that I sold double the records because I'm white," the rapper recently told Rolling Stone. "Being oroduced by Dre made it cool and acceptable. ... In the suburbs, the white kids have to see black people liking you. ... You need that foundation of legitimacy. The Beastie Boys, they had respect from the hip-hop community, and that's what made them.

Though Eminem outsells African American

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Though Eminem outselfs African American rappers _ he's consistently moved twice as many CDs as Jay-Z, his closest competition commercially and critically _ his race has not been an issue.

"As much as someone might want to be mad, they can't deny his genius," says Emil Wilbekin, editor of Vibe. "Most hip-hop loké I know just think Eminem is a really great MC."

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If anything, Eminem may be just what the pre-dominantly black rap industry needs.

"There's a lot of formula (in hip-hop), using the same producers," says Wilbekin. "Eminem is the same producers," says Wilbekin. "Eminern is creative and original, which is something a lot of black rappers haven't pushed themselves to be. He's reinterpreted the blueprint. Sometimes peo-ple outside the cultural loop are best suited to do

But if Eminem and Elvis have their similarities, they also have their differences.

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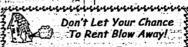
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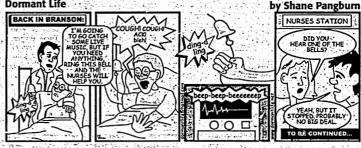




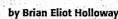


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The little man is back on campu

Little Stuart captures the hearts of the audience once again in Stuart Little 2. Every sullen sigh released by the cutest mouse in show business is matched by a sympathetic sigh from the theater crowd.

Stuart Little 2

Starring: Michael J. fox

Seena Davis Nathan Lane

Director: Rob Minkoff

Running Time: 2 hours, 15 min

Playing at: University Place

Michael J. Fox (Back, To The his size. He just wants to be like Future, For Love or Money) stars as everyone else and do everyday things the voice for Stuart, the smallest of the that big people take for granted. Little family. Fox has the perfect voice to fit the over eager character created by E.B. White. Nathan Lane (Bird Cage) gives voice to Snowbell, is the brings a cynical humor to the film that leaves the air filled with laughter throughout the film.

Jonathan Lipnicki (Jerry MaGuire) plays Stuart's older brother, alongside Geena Davis (Thelma and Louise) who stars as Squart's overprotective mother.

Director Rob Minkoff takes
Douglas Wick's story and once again
gives you a view of the world from the ground up, taking the audience on another adventure with the furry, pink-tailed Stuart. The tiny, talki mouse finds himself once more deal-

everyone else and do everyday things that big people take for granted. Things look up for Stuart when

he discovers a new friend, a little bird named Margalo (Melanie Griffith). ome instant friends but things take a bad turn when Margalo disappears. Fearing that the sinister Falcon (James Woods) has harmed art sets out on a rescue mission with Snowbell to save the little

The uncommon hero spends the rest of the film proving that size does-n't really matter. Plenty of excitement and twists follow, giving the viewer plenty of visual stimulation to go with

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The little mouse with a big heart ulls you in with his curious naivety. His angelic innocence never grows old, and the perfect family environ-ment displayed by the Little family is mouse finds himself lonely again,

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Stuart Little 2 guarantees lots of laughs for all, and some fun and fantasy that reminds us all how big the

world is, and how little we really are.

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In B-movie fashion 'Eight legged Freaks' is a total success

It's apparent that a B-horror movie is quality when the audience knows the ending within 20 minutes of the projector flickering, and "Eight Legged Fresks" is a modern success.

If the audience is hungry for that cheesy, cheap scare, then this is the

movie to see.

Set in a great B-movie town, Prosperity, Ariz, with a resident pycho who turns out to be not such a bad guy, "Eight Legged Freaks" touches on all the right nerves.

The movie become at "Ital".

The movie begins at Taft's Exotic Spider Farm, but by the end of the movie, the spiders are much more exotic — not to mention friggin' huge and weird — than in the begin-

ning.
"Eight Legged Freaks" is sort of a bizarre combination of "Gremlins" and "It." The spiders are computer generated and look really life-like. that is if there was such a thing as a 50-foot spider. The humor (which is

Eight Legged Freaks

Starring: David Arquette Doug E. Doug

Director: Ellory Elkayem

Running Time: 1 hour, 45 min.

Playing at: University Place



netimes sexual in nature) is evenly liced with surprises that make the

audience jump.

And like all good B-movies, there is an underlying love story, a scantily elad teenager wearing nothing more than a towel and harmless pets get-ting the ax. "Eight Legged Freals". made sure to cover all the stereotypical bases. There was one odd aspect of the film though. It seemed like it may have been a prerequisite to have bad teeth to be east in this movie.

Leon Rippy (The Color Purple, The Patriot") plays Wade, a money-hungry business man who has a mouth full of ugly choppers, and Doug E. Doug ('Cool Runnings') plays Harlan, and he too has an odd set of teeth.

David Arquette ("See Spot Ru 3,000 Miles to Graceland") plays Chris McCormack, a man who comes back to his hometown just to be bombarded by past memories and met with adversity. None of the acting really stood out in this film, how ever, as the giant poisonous spiders were the real stars. Arquette was funny as usual because of his quirky facial expressions.

The movie has a sort of action aspec; because of the high-speed dirt bike chases through the desert. This is sort of a new twist seen in horror movies. It's almost like an extreme motocross race as could be seen on ESPN 2, and it's really cool, especial-ly when the riders are being chased by nstrous spiders,

For a movie that is placed in the sci-fi, horror, comedy arena, "Eight Legged Freaks" brings home the n and calls for a renewed respect for B-horror films. But a word to the wise: "if you didn't like "Arachnaphobia," you probably shouldn't see this one. The spiders do look real. Really.

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for a decent summer flick, 'Widowmaker' doesn't disappoint

Alex Haglund Daily Egyptian

*K19: The Widowmaker is a eath of fresh air at a time when how well a movie does is often based on how many special effects there are. 'K19" replaces the usual flash with good acting and good chemistry and

replaces giant explosions and shiny effects with true suspense. Director by Kathryn Bigelow, "K19" starts our at a dry dock in Cold War-era Soviet Univ.n. The K19 is Russia's flagship nuclear submarine, and its construction must be completed quickly so that the United States will see that Russia has a nuclear submarine in the water.

Liam Neeson starts out the movie as humanistic submarine captain Mikhail Polenin. To Polenin, the submarine is a family, and he is the father. The submarine is plagued with prob-lems because of a quick and shoddy construction. One of these problems manifests during a mock missile fir-ing in front of Moscow brass, and Polenin is removed from command of the sub for not blaming his crew

Harrison Ford's excellent performance as Captain Aleri Vostrikov begins as he is brought in as Polenin's replacement. It 's almost kind of amazing to see two top-notch actual go at it after seeing months of tripe that is normally billed as a movie.

As the ship is readied for its inaugural launch, more things go wrong. The ship's doctor is killed by a truck, and during the launching ceremony, the champagne bottle doesn't break.
"We are cursed," mutters one sailor.
With these mishaps and accidental deaths that occurred during the ships truction, the sailors dub the ship The Widownaker

The sub proceeds to the Arctic Circle, where the crew is to fire a test nuclear missile. During the trip,

K19: The Widowmaker

Starring: Harrison Ford Liam Neeson

Director: Kathryn Bigelow Running Time: 2 hrs, 18 min

Playing at: University Place

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Vostrikov's cold demeanor keeps up. The intensity of the drills is well communicated by Bigelow's directing. The low hum of uneasiness prethroughout the movie increa roar of suspense in these scenes. Vostrikov brings the submarine to its physical limits and takes crewmembers to the limits of their sar

After a successful missile launch. the situation of the boat goes down to the grimmer depths that the sub-mersible itself sails at. The nuclear reactor of the ship springs a leak en route, and the crew has four hours to prevent a meltdown. Making matters worse, the sub is stranded with a NATO base nearby and a U.S. destroyer observing them. If the reactor melt: down, it could be seen as an attack, and trigger a nuclear holo-

The graphic suspense brought to life in this movie is at it's best during the scenes in which the crew tries to avoid war. Hornifying images of radi-ation poisoning are shown as the des-perate sailors try to repair the reactor in only chemical suits, as radiation suits were not in stock soon enough for the ship to be launched.

Stranded, out of stact with

Moscow and with 1 2 American's floating above them, tension between Vostrikov and Polenin also comes to a head. The most important thing to Vostrikov is the mission, and the most important thing to Polenin is the

"K19" moves along at a good clip and doesn't leave you hanging very much. The directing is good all the way through but doesn't glow too brightly at any point. The acting for the parts of the crew is decent, but on and Ford shine. The good acting takes care of any inconsisten cies, but when an actor reaches the level that both Neeson and Ford are at, the great acting should be a given. Overall, "K19" is a good film that gets better as it moves along. At 1?8

minutes, this movie is slightly on the minutes, this movie is stigntly on the long side, but generally it ien't an issue. If you want to get away from movies made for (or by) the MTV generation, this is a good choice, and it won't treat you like you're unintellingent. It has good acting, great suspense and will be a fun way to spend the unintelling to the comment of the co a hot summer night.

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Goldmember

Rated PG-13 (94 min): Afrer escaping from a maximum security prison, Dr. Evil and Mini Me team up with the mysterious Goldmember and travel back in time and kidnap Austin's father Nigel. Now he mu team up with Foxy Cleopatra in this third installment of the Austin Powers series. Starring Mike Myers and Michael Caine.

The Country Bears'

Rated G (88 min): When Beary learns that he was adopted and is really a bear, he sees off to find his real

family. His kin turn out to be a now he must join them for a reunion benefit concert. Starring Haley Joel Coment and Ei Marienthal.

'Ruad to Perdition'

Rated R (116 min): A hitman in depression-era Chicago, known as the "Angel of Death," flids his professional and personal worlds culind when his wife and younger of two sons are murdered. Now, on the run with his older son, he must go on the road on a quest for revenge. Starring Tom Hanks, Paul Newman and Jude

'Mr. Deeds'

Rated PG-13 (96 min): When the ner of a major media corporation dies, he leaves everything to his nephew who implements his smalltown values into the big-city corpora-tions. Starring Adam Sandler and Winona Ryder.

Reign of Fire

PG-13 (82 min): After waking from centuries of slumber in London, dragons rule the Earth again. One fire chief must help a small community destroy the beasts with a confident American. Starring Christian Bale and Matthew McConaughey.

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Carbondale Fun Park offers families and community members a good time for a good deal

STORY BY ARIN THOMPSON.

PHOTOS BY DEREK ANDERSON

Robby Binder, 11, sinks a hole in one on No. 6 as a 20-foot giraffe looks on with big, brown eyes.
"Oh! A hole in one!" shouts Robby's father,

Howar

As Howard Binder squares up the ball on the same hole, his two sons, Robby and Jimmy, start shouting to deter his perfect shot.
"Noonan! Noonan." they shout as he sinks

his own hole in one.

"You know Robby, you should not watch "Caddyshack," the elder Binder said.

The Binders left Glenview to visit Carbondale because their daughter is at the SIU basketball camp. To pass the time, Robby, Jimmy, Howard and his wife, Suzi, all ventur to the Carbondale Fun Park, 1525 N. Reed

to the Carbondure run Fair, 125 Nr. Reed Station Rd, in search of a good time.

The Fun Park, which is made up of a minia-ture golf course inspired by the African jurgle, a go-kart track and a small areade, is owned and operated by Eddie and Ruby Mead.

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Mead opened the park in 1993 after he was inspired by his father, who opened a mini-golf course in Jonesboro, Ark., 20 years ago. The course is littered with life-fike jungle animals and heavy, green foliage. The fiberglass animals come from a company in Myrtle Beach, S.C.

It wasn't originally a jungle atmosphere,

though.
"Well, it's changed to that," Mead said. "In 1995, we put in all the plants."

By the time the Binders reach hole 10, the

reat has begun to bead on their foreheads. "Jimmy, be the ball," said Howard, a basket-

ball coach in Glenview.

A fierce-looking Rhino glares from the dark shadows of trees and bushes as Jimmy lines up

his shot. Jinamy finishes well above par, but his dad sinks yet another hole in one. The Binders came to the Fun Park last year and decided to for more hot summer fun.

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"It's fun; it's open; it's clean; there's no van-dalism; it's nice," Suzi said.

"When you're from Chicago — that's a good thing," Howard added. "It's a good value too; we could all do it for under \$30," Suzi said.

Not just families visit the Fun Park, however, High-school-aged youth come to play golf in the safari atmosphere. Jessica Green, 16, and Sarah Powell, 14, golfed with Du Quoin High School friends, Jesse Smith, 16, and Derek

Eva Potter, 20, from Carbondale works at the Park renting golf clubs. Potter said that the plant life is a unique aspect of the course because it really looks like a forest.

"It's a pretty considerable job; I do most of the gardening myself," Mead said. "A lot of grandmas and grandpas bring their

grandkids here," Potter said.

Potter also mentioned that although the golf course is popular, the go-kart track is more pop-

The go-karts are actually sponsored by local area businesses, just like real NASCAR racers.
"We need to repaint the cars occasionally, and that helps to pay for the paint jobs," Mead

Allison Schildkne, 8, flew around the minitrack in a red kart. Her uncle, Dan Musgrave, shouted at her every time she made the loop. "Go faster! Take your foot off the break!"

Allison was in town from North Carolina and her uncle took her out to have a good time. A model Rhinoceros Carbondale Fun Park and several other life-sized animals, including the giraffe at the top of the page, decorate



Howard Binder glares down the put-put green as a model of the Statue of Liberty sheds some light on the play.

"There are not too many places that close that offer outdoor activities," said Musgrave, of Colden

can Bandy, 7, waited in line for the bigger sized karts. He was wearing a racing shirt signed by a driver. His mother, Loretta, stood next to

him in a purple racing shirt.
"We are out here for fun," Loretta said.
"It's just a family night evening," adds Duke,

"It's something different, it's a change," Loretta said.

After the family boarded the "NASCARTS," Sean and Duke raced against Loretta around the track. The family was all smiles as they raced neck-and-neck around the track with wind blowing through their hair. In the end, it didn't matter who was ahead because they all had a

The Binders finish their golf game with I ne binoers tinish their golf game with Howard winning. Robbie came in second and Jimmy and Suzi lagged at the back. It's great, but it's a little hotter than I thought, 'Howard said.

ought, Howard said.
"I had a little too much fun," Robby said.
"I wanna do it again!" Jimmy said.

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Carbondale Fun Park opens in mid-March and stays open until Nov. 1. A game of golf is \$5, and a go-kert ride around the track is \$5.



Robby (left) and Jimmy Binder wait and watch as their mom, Suzi, puts down one of the more challenging holes at the Carbondale Fun Park on Monday night.

the elaborate put-put grounds at the Carbondale jungle animals

Fun Park on Route 13. The fiberglass come from a company in Myrtle Beach,