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Proposed technology fee concerns GPSC members

Further discussion of the proposed technology fee was postponed Tuesday night until the next Graduate Student Council meeting to allow members to obtain more input from their constituents.

GPSC President Ed Ford raised concerns about the use of the proposed fee. He said fees are to be used for services students desire that are unessential to the academic goals of the University.

The proposed technology fee creates the boundary between an academic resource and a peripheral resource students want but don't necessarily need, Ford said.

Ford said money to fund technology should come from sources outside of fees.

"We're in danger of fees being initiated that are creeping into the whole academic realm," Ford said. "I think the key issue is trying to get a handle on and defining what fees should be." Fees funding the Recreation Center, Student Center, mass transit and athletics are inappropriate because there are services the students are willing to pay for but are not essential to the mission of the institution, Ford said.

He said upgrades to computer labs and to the central computing system are consistent with the academic needs of the University and should be funded by the state.

Thomas Guernsey, interim chancellor for Academic Affairs and provost, worked on the committee that drafted the fee proposal in the spring.

He said the fee would be used for student needs, not for those directly related to instruction.

"We would have a fee that would be designed to generate revenue to use for technology that would address student," Guernsey said.

Guernsey cited increasing network capabilities on campus, improving off-campus dial-up services, and improving writing to the dorms, including ethernet connections, as possible uses of the fee.

He said the fee would not be used for faculty, civil service or associate professor's salaries, or for faculty or administrative computers.

"We're talking a lot of technology needs that directly affect the students," Guernsey said. "I'm a fast believer that we don't have enough money.

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Sitting in his second-floor Life Science II office, Richard Holbrook eagerly awaits the upcoming Extreme Team Adventure Challenge sponsored by the Outdoor Adventure Club.

The associate professor at the Cooperative Wildlife Research Lab and professor in the Department of Zoology is no newcomer to the concept of triathlons. Holbrook finished second in the last two Doc Spadafora Triathlons, which take place annually at Campus Lake.

For the Extreme Team Adventure Challenge offer a unique challenge to his triathlon team, Tenacity, Guts and Glory. "The interesting thing about this particular race is that you have all three individuals that have to stay together during the race," Holbrook said.

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The world is watching! The anti-nuclear coalition launched their long-anticipated demonstration less than a week before the Nuclear Regulatory Commission set to vote on whether to allow American power companies to build new reactors.

Several hundred protesters singing and chanting: "No more nukes! No more war!"

The demonstration took place in Heidelberg, where the headquarters of the company were located. The company, Heidelberg Nuclear Power, is planning to build a new nuclear power plant in the California desert.

The protest was organized by the Coalition for Nuclear Resistance and was attended by protesters from all over the country.

The demonstration was peaceful and ended without any incidents.

In addition, there were also protests in other cities across the country, including New York, Los Angeles, and Washington D.C.

The anti-nuclear movement gained momentum as the demonstration drew widespread attention.

The demonstration was a significant event in the fight against nuclear power.

Corrections

Rebecca, who spotted an error in a news article about the police blotter, said that the police department should have been called by the name of its headquarters, which is located in Carbondale.
Chief teaches policing in Africa

Bob Jacobs

University Bureau

Sam Jordan took a brazen's holiday this summer as he represented the SIU Police Department teaching in Africa.

Jordan led the 44-officer police force for campus safety at the University of Public Safety. It was an experience he never forget," Jordan said, as he relaxed in his Washington Square office.

"We traveled from Carbondale to London, to Kenya and Uganda and back during this summer," Jordan said.

He took the trip to teach a policing project, "professional leadership," to national police forces of Kenya and Uganda.

The Police Leadership Institute team teaches there are abstract principles and values to live by in any national police corps.

The team was sponsored by the Point Mele Leadership Institute of Fresno, Calif., which is a group of former federal police officers.

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**Our Word**

Automotive Technology Department deserves recognition

It seems poignant to pause for a moment and recognize the accomplishments of the Automotive Technology department. The program and its students are taking examples of what SIUC is capable of producing, even under the most dire conditions.

Backed simultaneously by a testing foundation at its parent Carverville location, the Automotive Technology program managed to garner top honors from the American Automobile Manufacturers Association. This was the most SIUC's program is the top-ranked program for automotive studies in the United States for 1999.

When you build a program that makes you proud to be a participant and a graduate, you build a support base for many years to come. Alumni are able and willing to contribute back to the program, because they are successfully employed, and in turn, instructors are satisfied with a job well-done. This energizes a cycle of eager new students and thriving program graduates.

The AAMA award, when used as a symbol of the prestigious program's character, should propel the Transportation Education Center project rapidly forward. Imagine the quality of the program and its graduates when they have a modern learning environment to work in.

This is a strength to all the other programs that claims about having to use outdated methods to reach or old-fashioned technology. The students will be willing to learn if you're still doing the best you can with instructing them. If you make these students successful in the career world through your teaching, your program can be rewarded and rejuvenated through alumni who are thankful for success you've allowed them achieve, if not through the state or University Budget.

The Daily Egyptian praises the Automotive Technology program for a job well-done and wish them furtheronacci feats of know-how in their future. While we wish to see every SIUC program receive up-to-date technology and facilities to work with, we know it's not immediately possible. Please continue putting forth your best efforts to educate our students. For all those who haven't been thanked for performing to the best of their ability, let us be the first.

**The inanity of suburbia**

**Guest Column**

Michael Richards

Inequalities. "Documents how students at East Side Louis are not welcome in neighboring (and much more affluent) Fairview Heights. To some of these parents, a gate to the white people out is a tangential symptom of progress."

The "Lost Boy" documentary shows these cut-cut stages at the genesis of modern suburbia in the 1950s. People bought TV dinners, TV sets, and doors, and children's toys are the miracle right where it hurts. The children born in the 1950s who went to school in fairview heights were more than a little-off-limits. What if "efficiency" had kept silent through their. Is the word "efficiency" usually fail. Why, don't a comment here at the suburban "only a new set of ills: Suburbanites are no longer a matter of fringe."

The automotive program should be "front-page news," I am equally concerned about the numerous graduates of SIUC. I have been in a number of programs in the state or University budget. What, I feel strongly that SIU is home to many excellent programs, faculty and students. How many institutions of high have been built. One. The jury has been in, the ball game is The Daily Egyptian encourages the students to make a difference, in an inclusive membership and collaboration. A word to all parents, student activists, and any other who can mount a moral, noble variety effort.

Carless transportation in suburban communities, suburbs, are the president and SIU Board. This sense of the urban or suburban culture, the suburbanites become an integral part of the suburban life. A few years ago this week, the suburbanites were a hot topic. We'd like to see every SIUC program receive up-to-date technology and facilities to work with, we know it's not immediately possible. Please continue putting forth your best efforts to educate our students. For all those who haven't been thanked for performing to the best of their ability, let us be the first.

**Mailbox**

**Dear Editor:**

As Chair of the Applied Technology Department, I supported the Automotive Technology Program in the Eger, 9 issue of the Daily Egyptian. I agree that the Daily Egyptian needs to see that you thoroughly explain the story to place it in the proper context, and realize that the story is a piece of a larger entity. We are very proud of this work, and hope to continue connecting the Transportation Education Center via Southern Illinois Airports, we find that policy of this project is the cause of the success of the project.

As a matter of fact, for this announcement to be "front-page news," I am equally concerned about the numerous graduates of SIUC and their future. The principal concern I have is with the public at large. Many people never would expect SIUC to be thrusting at every public statement.

I would not, under any circumstances, make a comment. I feel strongly that SIU holds many excellent programs, faculty and students. On the content of this article, it would be a mistake to address the SIU Board. To the students in Washington D.C. accountant shifted Illinois, to make sure the story is proved correct.

**Dear Editor:**

I support the SIUE and the present student population. However, there was a case that was addressed as to this matter. SIUC is committed to being an accurate source of news, information, commentary, and public discourse, while helping readers understand the issues affecting their lives.
It's not easy being green


does not match the increase of 433 students last year, Allen said the trend is still a promising one.

"Retention and retention has been a big topic on campus lately," Allen said. "We are pleased to see the increase in student enrollment."
Dancing an art, an expression for students

KENDRA THORSON

As Natalie Ziembc conceives or the combination of dance moves she is about to execute, her mind is filled with impressions of upcoming performances and goals.

Ziembc performs with the Southern Illinois Repertory Dance Theater, a Registered Student Organization, which is the primary dance company for students in the area.

A bead of sweat trickles down her brow as she stands at the wooden floor beneath her feet. Ziembc can feel the adrenalin pump through her body as she steps onto the stage. She can hear the pounding of the music and feels connected with the other dancers through a simple glance.

After completing her routine, Ziembc said she could feel the intimacy and the vitality of her art before performing. "It gives me something to identify myself with," said Ziembc, a sophomore in cinema and photography from Chicago. "I am not just a student. I am a dance curator."

Ziembc and the dance company are preparing for SIRD's fall concert Dec. 3 and Dec. 4. In Park Auditorium in Pulliam Hall.

Donna Wilson, artistic director for SIRD and an experienced dancer herself, said women who practice dance are a stronger breed. She admits dance often can become as addictive as substance abuse.

"These girls have the drive, as do dance," she said. "With a lot of the art, it becomes 2 part of your life. So you must find it and want it."

A startling print, working with tall companies in California and New York, Wilson sometimes watches her dancers engaged in the art and reacts on her days off.

"When I dance, I sometimes feel vulnerable, sometimes safe, powerful, or numb," Wilson said.

"The experience is always intense, though. There are people watching you and they have expectations."

Checklist to the instruction given by Wilson, Ziembc said she enjoys the various exercises enforced, making dancers aware of their bodies and comfortable with others.

Dance's improvisation techniques are fun because they do not only connect the dancers physically, you have to make it move as well it is a dance," she said. Wilson said. "In our capacity as choreographers, we are always aware that we are making the art of dance."

"If I could be a dance, I would be the one to make it move, it will show on stage."

Through her experience and dedicated time to the company, Ziembc said the dancers become very close friends by the end of the year.

"The closeness comes in a group. Where you have to work together constantly, she said. "Dancing is very intimate — it becomes an expression of love and passion."

"We have a cohesion that goes beyond getting up on stage."

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The financial accounting system that was formerly in place was 25 years old, and Capic said people are naturally apprehensive about such sweeping changes in an established system. Much of the training on the system is being put into use slowly is the need to train so many employees.

"The amount of training that is going to be required is enormous," he said. "Part of it is because there are such varied skill levels."

For example, Capic said it takes two-and-a-half days to complete training for the purchasing function alone. Some people on campus have worked under the old system for years and have little or minimal computer skills, Capic said, which means this time has to be spent training on basic computer skills before those employees can function in the new environment.

Training has been taking place for University employees for several months. Nancy Whittaker, director of General Accounting at SIUC, said her office has been getting the training needed to use AIS.

"Any time there is something new, you've got to get the training," she said.

The former system was twenty times older, and Capic implementation of AIS, Capic said, and most people are naturally apprehensive about having to do with getting inadequacies in the old system. The former system was not Y2K compliant and was outdated technology, which made technical support almost impossible to find, Capic said.

Also, groups outside the University, such as the Department of Central Management Services the Illinois State Comptroller and the State University Retirement System, will no longer take information the way it was provided under the old system.

Though Capic admits the transition will be difficult and frustrating at times, he said the enhanced capabilities the system offers have to be spent training on basic computer skills will outweigh the initial difficulties being experienced.

"This tool, and we're looking at AIS as a tool, is going to give us so much more information that we need to make informed decisions, and it will give it to us in a more timely fashion," Capic said.

Capic said he encourages AIS users having difficulties to contact the Information Technology Help Desk. Not only can many problems be solved over the phone, but the calls also help his office to track the types of problems in order to better respond. Users can also get help online at the Oracle link on the SIUC Intranet webpage at http://intranet.siu.edu/. The site offers system information, electronic forms, software downloads and practice applications for AIS users.

Though there is apprehension about making such a large system change, Capic said he thinks users will see the benefits in the long run.

"It sounds frightening to the people because it's so new," Capic said. "Once they get accustomed to it, I think they're going to see very quickly how much easier it is, how much faster it is, how much more information they're going to have available.

"But it's completely changing the way they conduct their business and this hasn't changed for 25 years."

AFRICA
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"We flew into Entebbe," Jordan said, referring to the Ugandan airport where a planeload of Israeli passengers were held hostage by Palestinian terrorists in 1976.

"The planes are still there on the old runway," Jordan said. "They just left the planes and the old airport and built a new one next to it."

Despite recent troubles, Jordan said Kenyans and Ugandans are warm people.

"When you boil it all down, people are people. They are the same everywhere, the way they think, the way they act," Jordan said.

Jordan's immediate boss, Vice Chancellor for Administration Glenn Pushard, was very supportive of the trip.

"It's important for SIUC to be represented all around the world," Pushard said. "Sam is the consummate professional. It's a win-win for everyone. It helps us and it helps them when we send our professionals around the world."

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Mark Simuninic, a junior in forestry from Darien, helps a participant in the Motorcycle Rider Program start her motorcycle at the beginning of the afternoon session Sunday. The course spans a total of about 20 hours and is offered on the weekends.

Photos by Caryn McDaniel
Story by Chris Kennedy

The main goal is to teach them to ride a motorcycle and get them used to the handling of different motorcycles.

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MAUR HABROOKS AGED RIDING DIP" BIKES WHEN SHE WAS YOUNG. BUT ATPT. MOVING FROM TEXAS TO ILLINOIS, SHE WAS INFORMED SHE COULD NOT DRIVE A MOTORCYCLE WITHOUT TAKING A CLASS OR TEST.

A friend in the area told Habrooks, an Elksville resident, about the Motorcycle Rider Program at SIUC and Habrooks signed up. “I want my own motorcycle,” Habrooks said. “I don’t like riding behind my husband.”

Habrooks is one of 19 students and community members who spent last weekend learning the basics of operating motorcycles through the free program.

Scott Haas, an instructor for the Motorcycle Rider Program, said class participants can learn life-saving techniques and bypass the state test.

“The main goal is to teach them to ride a motorcycle as safe as possible,” said Haas, an SIUC alumna from Murphysboro. “Passing the course will waive both state [mandated] motorcycle classes.

It’s not the best reason to take the class, but it is a viable reason.”

The 20-hour class is designed to build a foundation of skills for novice riders by learning basic maneuvers. The class is free because of a grant from the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Anyone who is an Illinois resident, 16 years of age or older and possesses a valid driver’s license or permit is eligible for the class.

Haas said the class draws SIUC students, local residents and people from as far away as Chicago.

The Motorcycle Rider Program class begins every Friday at 6 p.m. at the Safety Center Building, 56 Physical Plant Dr. Four SIUC instructors lecture the students and lead them through “semiclass practices,” which involve students practicing basic maneuvers.

Saturday, starting at 8 a.m., the students meet at the practice grounds south of Campus Lake Beach where they are assigned a motorcycle and given a helmet, both provided by the program. They are required to wear sturdy boots or shoes, long pants, long-sleeve shirts, gloves and eye protection.

The students are taught where the controls of a motorcycle are located, how to turn the engine on and off and how to use the clutch while driving the motorcycle.

Students in the course go through drills that emphasize breaking, shifting gears, sharp turns and defensive driving.

Haas said the most important maneuver motorcycle can learn is swerving to avoid accidents.

According to IDOT, most motorcycle-related accidents are a result of poor maneuvering skills by motorcycle-class Habrooks said the course taught here is to drive defensively.

“They teach you to watch out for hazards,” Habrooks said. “They teach you to be aware of your surroundings.

“I’d say, even if you don’t own a motorcycle, take the class — it helps driving in a car.”

Haas added that most classes were successful and accidents were rare.

“Accidents happen,” Haas said. “Some weekends we have a couple of bikes go down. Some weekends we don’t.

“Hopefully when they crash, they’re not hurt, and they finish the class.”
Courses of horses offered to students

RHONDA SCIARRA
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Students will have the opportunity this spring to take a horseback riding class on campus for the first time in 15 years. The classes, taught at the SIUC Horse Center on Union Hill Road, allow students to develop a balanced seat on a horse and drive into different types of riding disciplines.

In previous years, classes were taught at Eversman Farm in Anna. Classes were forced to move from Eversman to the Horse Center when the contract was not renewed at the Anna farm.

Last spring, riding classes were canceled because of the contract situation.

Stephanie Speiser, instructor of animal science, teaches the four classes. As well as being former headponsor for the horse farm, Speiser has taught at Parkland College and the University of Illinois.

"I am excited about teaching the classes and having them on campus," she said. "They are only offered every other year, and the students seem to be really happy riding here at SIUC."

The classes begin with an introduction to riding and continue into more specific riding disciplines.

A $250 deposit for each student pays goes toward caring for the school horses. Classes are two hours long and two students are assigned to each horse for every class.

Having classes at the Horse Center eliminates all horse travel time to Anna and back to campus. Speiser said students were very happy not to drive as far this year.

The Horse Center, as well as other University farm facilities, will become part of the Wild Owl Bus route in the spring.

This summer, Speiser and student workers at the farm began working horses that were not used to being ridden in preparation for the transition to the center.

"The horses hadn't had a work ethic as a white," Speiser said. "We had to start working them to get their minds back into riding mode."

Michelle Heinemann, a senior in equine science from Crete, Illinois, is one of 10 students taking ANS 212, Riding Position and Control.

"I've been really impressed, it's nice to have classes on campus," Heinemann said. "It will be nice for people outside of the program to take classes who just want to ride."

Speiser said it is vital that enrollment for the classes increase because the program is an "on-trail" event.

"It will be very important for us to have good numbers in the spring," she said.

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Team Wilson, consisting of one member from St. Louis and two from Wisconsin, won the event in 1998 with a time of 4:05:46.

This is the second straight year that the Outdoor Adventure Club is sponsoring the Extreme Team Adventure Challenge. The race, to take place Oct. 23, at Touch of Nature, eight miles south of Carbondale on Giant City Road, is an adventure triathlon segmented into three stages: canoeing, orienteering and mountain biking.

This year's course has been beefed up from last year's 20-mile race to 30 miles this year.

Each team consisted of three people with one being of the opposite sex. The objective of the race is completing and competing as a team. All team members must be able to reach checkpoint and transition and must finish the race together.

Holbrook is pleased to have the race at Touch of Nature for the second year in a row.

"They were very helpful with their cooperation of the event," Holbrook said about the people at the Touch of Nature.

"Last year was the first time they've had that type of event out here and had people touring all over the woods. It's a little bit different than what they normally do."

"But I thought everything last year went very smooth."

Rivcrt said that Loe is doing his part to make sure everything runs smoothly.

"This is our big fundraising event," Rivcrt said. "It will all go towards new equipment for the club. Money for tents and sleeping bags, bike racks and climbing gear—all that good stuff."

Fund-raising is a critical task for the Outdoor Adventure Club. As it is completely independent and funded by University funding, Kroll and the Outdoor Club have solicited sponsorships from Carbondale and other local financial contributors over the years.

"In town, we have Carbondale Cycle, Stowaway Tents and Stovetoppizza. As far as corporate sponsors, we've been working on hopeful sponsorships from some local businesses, but that's still in the works. We do have the climbing companies that sponsor us."

"Last year we had Mary Lou's and the Copper Dragon. Those two people have sponsored us, and we will hopefully get them again."

Karen Lesnick, recruitment facilitator coordinator at Touch of Nature believes this is an excellent opportunity for everyone involved to get something.

"I think this is a great chance for many people in the area to experience the type of event that they cannot do. There aren't many opportunities in Southern Illinois for this type of thing. It's kind of unprecedented, so anyone can do this."

"The University community can benefit greatly from this. It will draw local people as well as other midwesterners."

Lesnick also understands this year's event would not be easy for any of Kroll's dedication.

"Sean has really taken charge of this whole thing," Lesnick said. "He should be given a lot of the credit for this year's Adventure Challenge."

"Holbrook also gets credit to the Outdoor Adventure Club and Touch of Nature."

"Sean and the Outdoor Club have done a tremendous job with this event," Holbrook said. "I like the way the whole thing is set up."

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The Daily Egyptian, SIUC's student newspaper; the River Region Evening News, a student-produced TV news broadcast; and other local media outlets.

Humen said showing the teachers to see these hands-on programs in addition to observing faculty instruction.

Humen has spearheaded several recruitment efforts at SIUC, including the Gildon Fund, the Ambassador Program, and the Peer Advisor Program.

Humen said she feels this weekend-long project is another example of MCMA's leadership in the area of recruitment.

"MCMA is one of the leaders of recruitment at this University," Humen said. "These programs don't just happen. It's a lot of forethought and work to bring them together."

Belcher is convinced the program already has made a positive impact on Carbondale/Chicago relations.

"In my mind, it's already a success because even people who can't come have a good feeling about us now," Belcher said. "We're getting the word out about SIUC, and that's the most important thing we can do."
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The SIU men's cross country team spent the past week and a half in preparation for the big "fight."

"The Salukis, along with Missouri Valley Conference opponent Bradley University, and the University of Missouri-Kansas City, are up against the home-favorite Fighting Illini at this weekend's 8K race at the University of Illinois in Champaign. Led by senior captain Matt McClelland, the Salukis are ready to take on their most heated rival, the Fighting Illini. "Placing in the top three is respectable, but if we could just beat Illinois... that's just our main goal right now," McClelland said.

"Last year we beat them, so we would like to do that again."

The meet McClelland remembers is the 1998 Saluki Invitational, when the Salukis edged out the Fighting Illini for second place.

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- The SIU men's cross country team will be in action at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the 8K Illinois Invitational in Champaign.

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