¡Viva Mexico!

A local performing group celebrates Mexico’s Independence Day at Turley Park

STORY BY KRISTINA DAINING
PHOTOS BY AMANDA WHITLOCK

The wooden gazebo in Turley Park draped with white pines, bright authentic Mexican costumes and large mural representing Mexican culture. The main colors that dominated the vivid scenery were green, red and white, and red, white and blue, as both the Mexican and American flag fluttered at the entrance of the structure.

Hilda Jenkins, a member of the Ballet Folklorico Iztaccihuatl performing group, dressed with an idea of bringing culture together.

“When I started to decorate, I put up the two flags and united them together so we can form one,” Jenkins said.

The five families that make up Ballet Folklorico Iztaccihuatl volunteered to celebrate Mexico’s Independence Day. They performed authentic folklore dances wearing handmade costumes and sharing music from Mexico at Turley Park Sunday.

Photos by Kristina Daining

The performance lasted for more than two hours and showcased local musical, dancing and creative talent of people in the area.

Sylva Herrera, a Carpintero’s dance and performed, helped to make several hand-made dresses that were made with material from all over the United States and Mexico. She did not mind making the heavy dresses, which often was more than 20 yards of thread, because she enjoyed sharing her culture.

The families in the group rented the park and paid for decorations with their own money, so they could share their beliefs and traditions with members of the community.

“We learn a greater appreciation for what we have here if we understand the traditions and culture of freedom-loving people all over the world,” said Robert Jenkins, Hilda’s husband.

Herrera said, “It’s really exciting and I really appreciate the culture.”

Men, women and children from the families involved also performed 10 authentic dances from regions all over Mexico.

One of the dances, called “Las Chaparriadas”, is a traditional dance that originated from the state of Chiapas. The women that performed the dance wore long black dresses with large colorful flowers during the costumes. These dresses are made to represent the array of flowers that grow in the jungles surrounding the area.

Latin music from Mexico called “música ranchera.”

Caci Tlipanul did not perform with the group before and it was great for her sound and was a part of the festivities.

“I think this is so neat,” Tlipanul said, “I have never really known much about Mexican culture. It’s really exciting and I really appreciate the culture.”

Steps and music from various Mexican cultures.

The presentation also shared background information of Sept. 16, Mexico’s Independence Day, what the clothing represented and other traditions of the country.

“We really enjoy it,” performer Hilda Jenkins said. “We are showing our culture to the people. We are happy people, colorful people and we like to show our neighbors.”

The name of the group, Iztaccihuatl, also represents Mexican folklore and demonstrates the importance of tradition.

Iztaccihuatl is the name of a volcano in Mexico.

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23-year-old found in rural area near Mississippi River

Greg Cima
Daily Egyptian

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The Jackson County Sheriff’s office is looking for anybody with information about Strum’s whereabouts or on or around the evening of Aug. 11 until Sept. 2 or anybody who was associated with him or knew him. Police are also looking for anybody with information about where Strum lived or stayed. Police believe Strum was substituting from a residence on College Street.

Kilquist said that any information given is confidential. Anyone with information can call the Jackson County Sheriff's Investigative Division at 687-1533.

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National News

Three dead in Manhattan office shooting

The New York Post reported that a woman died Monday in what police said was a murder-suicide in an insurance company office near Times Square in midtown Manhattan.

The victim, a man in his 70s and a man and woman in their 20s, were found in an 11th-floor office of Empire Blue Cross and Blue Shield, New York Post reports.

Commissioner Raymond Kelly said the man and woman were likely the shooters.

"We are not sure yet," he said. "I think we believe that the shootings were carried out at least by one of the people in the offices, and whether the exact circumstances of the shooting are now under investigation." Police were called to the building at 1440 Broadway at 8:32 a.m. The New York Post reported that doctors were being freed. Officers found the bodies in the office of the one of the deceased, a man who worked for the insurer's fraud investigation unit.

"There's nothing to suggest that this was a fraud-related incident," a police source said. "It's looking like there was some kind of dispute between the two." One of the victims had worked at the FBI and another had been an employee of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, the source said.

Howard steps up action on Zimbabwe

CANBERRA, Australia — The Commonwealth group of nations is stepping up pressure on Zimbabwe over its constitutional land-reform and the economic blockade of democratic institutions by President Robert Mugabe and his government.

Australian Prime Minister John Howard has called a second meeting of Commonwealth leaders next week, to discuss taking action against the African nation.

The meeting involving Howard, President Fazul Unis and President Thabo Mbeki of South Africa, will be held in Canberra, Australia.

The Commonwealth is a grouping of 54 nations, the bulk of which were originally British colonies or protectorates.

Corrections

In Monday's article, "University calls for member to help with funding for light cancer," it was unclear that two other universities, members are also going to Washington, D.C. Fanny Jones and Barbara Brown will also attend the event.

In Thursday's article, "Muslims mourn with their fellow Americans," Abdul Hizam was misidentified when saying he "was going to follow Bush" as he was referring to Americans as a whole, not himself. Also, Hope should've been quoted as saying the Quran exactly: "We are a man to the worlds." Instead of "We are at the mercy of all the world."

The Daily Egyptian regrets these errors.

Police Reports

University

A $1,500 chair was stolen from the Lesa Law Building at about 3 p.m. Sept. 3.

A bicycle was stolen from a bicycle rack at Schneider Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 4, and 8 p.m. Sept. 13. The loss is estimated at $300.

John E. Ryan, 44, was arrested for a failure to appear warrant on an original charge of possession of marijuana. Ryan posted $200 bond and was released.

Cortez D. Wright, 21, of Carbondale, was charged with failure to appear in court on an original charge of possession of marijuana. Wright was taken to Jackson County Jail.

A car was stolen from University. The loss is estimated at $130.

Pioneer speakers were stolen from a vehicle in the overnight lot east of University Park. The loss is estimated at $240.

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NATIONAL NEWS

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Colin Powell said Sunday that U.N. weapons inspectors must be allowed to go into Iraqi facilities to examine their nuclear operations, adding that the United States would face "very nasty" consequences if the inspectors were banned.

"They find all kinds of excuses, a thousand excuses, to return to this issue," he told CNN. "If they return to this issue, we will face very nasty consequences of the kind that this country's condition offer to allow inspects to go in.

"If there is a situation which maintains—I'm speaking of the sovereignty, dignity and legitimate rights of Iraq, we are ready," Aziz said.

Powell said it was too late for Iraq to negotiate the terms for the return of international weapons inspectors.

International News

Kashmir bracres as polls open

SRINAGAR, Kashmir — As high tide, state polls have opened in the disputed region of Jammu and Kashmir.

On Sunday, chief minister Sakina Noor narrowly escaped a bullet in the chest as militants opposed to Indian rule, in which two policemen died.

All three men had apparently already been killed, one of them the area's top minister.

Suspected militants are being blamed for the attack on a convoy carrying the senior Kashmir government minister.

Violence has escalated in the region after polls began on the 22nd, with the at least 7 a.m.

Campaigning in the area, which lies at the heart of a bitter dispute that is still unresolved.

What little there is in the way of political rivals and butting in is thus areas and tends to be put up in the midst of the violence.

Today

High 80 Low 61

Mostly cloudy with showers and thunderstorms likely. Chance of rain 70 percent.

Today's Calendar

No items submitted

Five-day Forecast

Wednesday

Partly cloudy

88/65

Thursday

T-storms

81/69

Friday

Partly cloudy

83/65

Saturday

T-storms

82/65

Sunday

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**Auto Tech program receives new cars**

**Brad Brandsema**  
Daily Egyptian

Drivers are seldom given the keys to a free Mitsubishi, but SIUC's automotive technology program will get six cars the company donated to the University.

Mitsubishi and Mitsubishi Motors Sales of America recently presented the Automotive Technology Department with a 2002 Mitsubishi Lancers and a 1999 Mitsubishi Mirage.

The donations play a large role in the relationship with the Marion business and SIUC's program, according to Steve Neuman, a service director.

"We support their program and we do some of the hiring with SIUC's automotive program," Newman said.

Robert Collard, an associate professor in automotive technology, said the donation will make students more familiar with a wider range of vehicle makes and models, which gives students in the program an added advantage.

"The students have been excited about having the vehicle," he said. "It's good to develop relationships with corporations to improve training, and it's great for the future of our graduates." 

Jeremy Crowson, a senior in automotive technology from Lerey, said visits from car companies and donations helps the students and are nothing but positive for the program.

"The cars are always great to work on," he said. "It always helps to see the new technology that comes out with new cars." 

**University retention rates appear to be low**

**Samantha Edmondson**  
Daily Egyptian

Fall enrollment is up 275 students, but the University's retention rates still remain low, according to Collard, who is chair of the Student Affairs Enrollment Management.

The Department of Institutional Research and Studies has not yet calculated this fall's retention numbers.

"It's a difficult question to answer," said Collard.

Retention numbers would be calculated in November, although the final dead line for these figures is not until sometime in December.

The amount of students continuing their education at SIUC has decreased over the past five years, according to the University Fact Book.

In 1997, 2,234 new, full-time freshmen were admitted to SIUC. About 73 percent of these students returned for the second year, and 59 percent of those freshmen stayed a third year.

If you count each year after 1997, the percentage of freshmen entering the University decreased, as well as the amount of students who continued beyond the second year, the third and fourth years. The last calculation of retention numbers was in 2000, and 67 percent of 2,281 freshmen continued to a second year of education at SIUC.

Bob York, director of the SIUC Office of Labor and Employee Relations, also declined to comment until after the negotiations were completed.

The SIUC police were working under the 2001 contract since negotiations began in July 2002 and ended in December. Police officers are prohibited from striking by Illinois law. The law requires that the parties to a contract dispute cannot be resolved by negotiation to be decided by an arbitrator.

The SIUC police are trying to bring their contract discussion with police officers to a conclusion.

The average salary for a SIUC police officer with one year on the force is nearly $20,000 less than an officer with the same experience at SIU-Edwardsville.

An officer with 15 years of experience at SIUC makes nearly $5,000 less than their peers at SIUE.

Another issue of contention is the disparity between preferentially low, when non-police police supervision received a 5 percent salary increase whereas union police employees continued to receive a 3 percent increase.

"We support their program and we have the budget allows for 46 officers," said Lorzent. "There are only 37 officers on staff. The FOP has said that the SIUC police department has been understaffed for several years resulting in officers working more overtime leading to concerns of fatigue on safety." 

Collard said a recruiter from Ford Motor Co. will visit the campus this semester and meet with automotive students to inform them about the company and training opportunities.

"It's right around the corner," he said. "We love it when companies come up." 

**Carbondale Police Department**  
Daily Egyptian

The Carbondale Police Department will be offering a free Citizens Police Academy this fall to give local residents insight into how the police department operates.

The sessions are Thursdays from 6 to 9 p.m. and will continue weekly until Dec. 5. Each class will last one hour and a half and is free. For more information, contact John R. French at 529-7165.

**ChildCare volunteers needed at John A. Logan**

The Child Care Resource and Referral Program at John A. Logan College is seeking full-time volunteers to participate in the Illinois ChildCare Projects. A full-time volunteer will receive a living allowance of $9,600, full health benefits and an educational award of $4,725 upon the completion of service. This is in exchange for 1,700 hours of Childcare Service between Oct. 1, 2002, and Aug. 31, 2003.

Volunteers will provide services to child care programs in Carbondale and neighboring communities in the greater Carbondale area, as well as at John A. Logan. Anyone interested is encouraged to apply.

For more information, contact Nina Wargel at 706-2243 or send an email to nwargel@jalonline.edu.

**Contract negotiations enter day two**

**Phil Beckman**  
Daily Egyptian

After 10 hours at the bargaining table Monday, negotiators for SIUC and the SIUC police employees adjourned for the evening without reaching agreement on a new contract.

The negotiations will resume today.

If Jones and Collins cannot come to an agreement at the current session, they must schedule the contract dispute for an arbitrator.

Bill Metcalf, field representative for the FOP Labor Council, said while there are reasons for optimism, he did not want to comment until the negotiations were complete.
Community radio station seeks funds for budget

WDBX is having its fall membership drive, now taking pledges

Carrie Roderick
Daily Egyptian

A community radio station known for its variety of music will be having its fall member­ship drive. WDBX drive began on Sept. 5 and will continue through Sept. 18.

The station is offering memberships for $10 for students, $25 for family memberships and $100 for business memberships. Student and family members will receive a free WDBX bumper sticker. Patron members receive a free Tuesday ticket to the station's Valentine Ball at half past the station's Valentine Ball.

The station's makers' money from various fundraisers, concerts and businesses for underwriting messages. Powell said the membership drives bring in about 20 percent of the annual budget from members. Thirty percent comes from under­writing messages aired on behalf of local businesses, which also tax deductible. Ten to 15 percent comes from special events such as the annual Valentine's Ball. The Valentine's Ball includes catered, local bands, a cash bar and an auction.

The rest of the budget comes from the opera­tion of the community trust store. The WDBX community trust store is located on 214 E. Jackson. People can donate or pur­chase items with a portion of the proceeds going to the station.

Located on the dial at 91.3 FM, the station's 700-watt signal reaches Jackson County and the Waller half of Washington County. The antenna is only 170 feet tall due to Carbondale's city ordinances, so its tough to get over the hills," said station manager Brian K. Powell.

The station officially started on Feb. 6, 1996. The station founders, Thomas Eagles, got initial investors and a bank loan to build the station.

"The station is in its sixth year now and is a really independent community radio station," Powell said. "The only other stations like us are Champaign WYES and KDHX in St. Louis, Missouri."

The station now plans to have two drives a year. The station only had one during the fall and now plans on having another one in the spring because "it's not making enough money in the summer. The station doesn't collect much revenue in the summer because businesses slow down and students return home."

"We are extremely grateful for the new build­ings" Powell said "but it's been a tremendous financial disadvantage because we have a big mortgage payment at the end of the month."

Powell said the electric bills are also mor­­nomous in the summer because of the cost to run the air on dialost and transmitter.

The radio station plays a variety of music, ranging from bluesgrass to opera to new age jazz.

"This station is a really unique opportunity for the community," Powell said. It makes an opportunity for the station to become a melding point for all kinds of things.

It's an opportunity for anyone in the com­munity to share their vision and culture with our community," Powell said.

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Gubernatorial campaign TV ads to start up again

Ryan promises positive message

Arlin Thompson
Daily Egyptian

Gubernatorial television ads were already pumping negative blood into the political machinery earlier this summer, but Attorney General Jim Ryan is now promoting positive ads which will hit statewide.

The ads that have already run are some of the earli­est negative attack ads in Illinois political history. The ads centered on campaign issues such as abortion, gay rights, the license for briscalex and gun control.

Rep. Rod Blagojevich, D-Chicago, exploited the idea that Ryan is the candidate of the old guard. George Ryan's tenancy in office will as well," said McClurg. "Ryan dug up dirt on Blagojevich's campaign funds. Blagojevich has out-raised Ryan in funds for students, four­less, offer a more complete picture, McClurg said.

"Ryan, however, plans to start up positive messages," said Bruce Devany, D-Chicago. "The time for sidekicks is over," Curry said. "Now is the time to focus on the two candidates."

Curry said that Ryan's ads will be starting soon in this campaign and that they will not focus on mudslinging.

"Jim Ryan wants to get out a positive image," Curry said. "This race is run as much on the issues as possible. We're going to try and keep our positive tone and we hope our opponent will as well."

The Blagojevich campaign could not be reached for comment.

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PC industry confronting its recycling issues

Crayton Harrison
The Dallas Morning News

(KRT) - If computer makers don't do something soon to keep toxic PCs part from piling up in landfills, the government may do it for them.

The computer industry wants to avoid asking consumers to pay the cost of recycling computers - somewhere between $10 and $50 per personal computer - when they make their purchases.

Some state and national legislators say PC companies won't do anything meaningful unless they're required to do it. Environmental activists have targeted Dell Computer Corp. of Round Rock, Texas, saying it's lagging on environmental efforts, but the company says it's improving.

The threat of legislation by PC companies, which also are urging for recycling programs in Europe, scrambling to come up with a system that is voluntary but still effective.

"We're talking, trying to come up with way to do it," said Brad Williams, a spokesman for the company. "We think a market-driven solution will be a lot more effective than a legisla­tion-driven solution." They say they are running out of time.

"Twenty states introduced legislation this year having to do in one form or another with electronic waste," said Ted Smith, executive director of the Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition.

"That's why for the most attention it's ever gotten. By all indications, this is going to grow."

The debate has reached Washington. Rep. Mike Thompson, D-Calif., intro­duced a bill in July requiring PC compa­nies to charge consumers $10 for recy­cling costs when they buy their comput­ers.

Computers and other electronic devices are made with lead, mercury, cadmium and other toxic metals. Computer monitors made with cathode ray tubes contain about 5 to 8 pounds of lead. Critics say the computer industry is shifting a responsibility to safely dispose of the hazardous materials it produces, but PC companies say consumers have the ultimate responsibility to take care of the environment.

Environmentalists and corpora­tions have been waging that war for decades. But the growing popularity of computers has generated an overwhelming mass of toxic parts that have to be disposed of somehow.

Historically, in terms of recycling, producers of products for this country have been fairly successful at avoiding the end-of-life costs of their products," said Robert Resnic, director of the Texas Campaign for the Environment. It's pretty typical for the industries in this country to get off that hook.

Scheider's group pressed at Dell's annual meeting in July urging the compa­ny to charge customers up to 15 percent for recy­cling costs.

Dell says its business customers can send computers to one of several recycling centers, only paying for the shipping while Dell covers the costs to break down the PC and dispose of the parts. The company is planning to debut a similar program for consumers in late September.

But takeback programs don't work very well, environmentalists say. Even in some European countries where compa­nies are required to take PC's back from customers and pay all the costs, customers often simply put their old comp­uters in the basement just like their counterparts in the United States, Smith said.

"PC makers such as Hewlett-Packard Co. and Gateway are also concerned about whether up-front fees would be fair to them. They argue that if the fees are not charged for retail purchases, there could be an unfair advantage for Dell, which only sells PCs by phone and through Internet.

Computer companies and environ­mentalists agree that any effective recy­cling program will depend, ultimately, on the end users, both consumers and business.

Both sides are promoting educational campaigns to make computer users more aware of the consequences of throwing PCs into landfills.

The two sides differ on what type of recycling program would be more likely to catch the enthusiasm of computer users.
Christopher Morris, 7, holds the basketball and attempts to fake Brayce Oliver, 7, who is trying to guard him during a game of four-on-four basketball at Evergreen Terrace Monday afternoon. Children from Evergreen Terrace have mentors who tell them who they are. We learn our past from our ancestors..

WASHINGTON (UPI) - John Banas, a GW law professor, is currently working on behalf of two overweight 8-year-olds who were turned into McDonald's with playgrounds and tiny toys," he said.

Banas, co-founder of McDonald's birthday parties, which includes games and prizes along with hamburgers and fries, is also to blame because the kids are using "fast food" they want to be accepted into a particular social ring.

Although he noted individuals should take some blame for their obesity because they choose the foods they eat, Banas did say some are susceptible to making health-related decisions.

Banas said "clear warnings and explicit labeling of the child's calories" might solve his problems with the fast food chain.

McDonald's displays nutrition facts in all restaurants and on its website.
Women's history, who knew?

History was written by winners and men, but SIUC students now have the option of learning from a different perspective. The new women's history class this fall is a refreshing perspective to history education, something we think was a long time in coming. "Women's contributions in all ways of life are important in understanding how this nation functioned at any given time," said Assistant Professor and father of Women's History 356 Mary McGuire.

So often students sit in history, sociology or any class discussing the past and hear glorified stories of men marching, valiantly fighting for land and their country, and rarely — outside of women cooking or tending to the wounded — do we hear the heroes of women from a woman's perspective.

So what took us so long? The University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana has offered women's history courses for more than 10 years, according to its History Department staff. And Western Illinois University, a college a little more than half the size of SIU, has offered these classes for at least five years.

It couldn't be the lack of demand. McGuire said most of the students enrolled are not even history majors, just students interested in learning a different type of history.

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This women's history course focuses on colonial times to the present. McGuire said the class would ideally be taught in two parts: colonial times to pre-Civil War and Civil War to present, but budget cuts and a short staff have limited the course to one semester.

The chances of these two setbacks ironing themselves out doesn't look too promising, with the constant rumblings from pre-Civil War and Civil War to present, but budget cuts and a short staff have limited the course to one semester.

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We commend Mary McGuire for her efforts to make women's history a reality at SIU. She has in the past championed other advancements in the history department, such as incorporating technology into history lectures — advancements that show she is committed to the betterment of this University.

We encourage ALL students to take advantage of this opportunity and to show support — men as well as women — in the hopes that the high demand will spur the creation of more fragmented and in-depth classes.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"When one door closes another door opens but we so often look so long and so regretfully upon the closed door that we do not see the ones which open for us."

— Alexander Graham Bell

WORDS OVERHEARD

"It was like a movie except you're standing there and it is part of the crowd."

— Usenet posting from a movie theater exhibit.
**COLUMNS**

**LETTTERS AND COLUMNS**

**Check Please!**

**BY BILL KELLY**

billy@siu.edu

I love. It has always been a firm belief of mine that if you hold a position for anything, eventually you will be able to find a way to do that or, several things, for a living.

But first you have to possess the right amount of perseverance. In order to achieve your goals in life: stay motivated and keep striving for the best.

A friend of mine once told me that the key to life is balance. Everything you do in this world should be affected by the weight you put into it.

The important thing is to do in order to not to worry too much about the future.

If you have only one goal, a related goal, it’s important to have a positive attitude. There are days when you will not be as good and bad days but that are not something of the long run. The same goes for any job you will have as well. Moreover, balancing our lives in places of the easiest things to do and will take time to perfect in the meantime, we should make the effort to have fun as well as plain things out for the future.

We have the rest of our lives to work so there shouldn’t be so much stress right now, for a job or land on great careers. The years we spend in college hopefully will be the get enervable and it would be not to look back, 40 years from now, and decide that you were the most and the least.

And so I asked to the waiter, “Can I get the check please?”

Check Please appears every Tuesday.

Bill is a senior in cinema. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the Daily Egyptian.

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**Some criticism hit the mark, some a little off**

**BY KRISTEN BAIN**

**NORMAL, IL (U-WIRE) — There is a line of thought that asserts all feminists hate men. This is not true, but because much of the world, we do point out deeply ingrained inequalities within a historically patriarchal system, it’s easy for people to get confused. The key is to remember it is the system that is guilty, not individual men in particular.**

One of the many ways anti-feminists use is through some feministic use of alternate spellings of the words "woman" and "women." The logic goes that because some people choose the spelling to remove the "man" part from the word, those people must hate men.

*I know it’s a leap, but some people would say that just like Professor Christensen is a man, some a little off their diary’s life.*

The reason I choose to use this spelling is relatively simple. It is a retaining of myself. Do not consider myself to be a part of man, which the words "woman/women" reflect, any more than "man" is part of me. This is my personal interpretation of myself, for myself. By renaming myself, I attempt to step out of the shadow of men and into a limelight. By having my own name for what I am, just as my name, "Kristen," differentiates me from anything else.

You’ll notice there is no indictment of man in this rebranding. In fact, it has little to do with the male species at all, but more to do with myself. As I view myself in this world, I would speculate, that partly the reason nasty feminists choose an alternate wording than traditional Men’s twist, I can’t argue with her logic.

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MBA students bolster their stock by digesting etiquette tips

Cheryl Hall
The Dallas Morning News

(KRT) — Manners matter.
That's the message Southern Methodist University recently sent its MBA students when it brought in the etiquette police.

As part of this semester's orientation at the Cox School of Business, nearly 200 graduate students faced the daunting task of dining at tables loaded with utensils (never pointing them into your mouth). Most chose the latter route.

The students seemed as hungry for the help as they were for the chocolate mouse.

They bombarded Zoller with questions. What do you do with unwelcome morsels? Directly use your napkin as a depository and then hand the wrapped package to a waiter. What about olive pits in the salad? Use a fork (which takes serious dexterity) or fingers, whichever you prefer.

What do you do with empty sweetener packets? Tuck them under your charger if you have one or stack them neatly in a pile to the right of your plate.

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Fried Twinkies sizzlin' up menu in N.Y.

Lisa Gutierrez
Knight Ridder Newspapers

(KRT) — After dozens of radio and TV interviews in recent weeks, Christopher Sell found one of the best parts of the job: finding a nickel, shaking it, and hearing the familiar sound of leading-edge snack food humming.

"We want to keep our dealers, who want to have the newest styles, because being on 2001-2002 models is monitor the model changes and rebates," said Mr. Sell, who hammered it out as it does to you can wait," Honiotes said. "We're very comfortable with the fact that they've having a lot of fun." As for Sell, he held much happier on the work that's been done so far. "But if you happen to be in the block, then you'll probably only be satisfied with a 2003 model, like the ray 350Z from Nissan.

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Girls and Sports

by Justin Boris and Andrew Feinstein

MY BROTHER IS IN TOWN. YOU MEAN. DR. ANDREWS.

IT'S PATHETIC. HE ONLY TALKS ABOUT SCIENCE AND MEDICAL STUFF.

...AND THOSE BABIES HAVE THE TINIEST LITTLE TOES...

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MISSING

Last Seen: Figuring Out The Meaning Of Life.
SIU swimmer takes world by storm

Bergen places fifth at World Cup, to compete in Spanish Open

Christopher Moncrief

Daily Egyptian

Southern Illinois University freshman Riley Bergen finished fifth in the FINA World Cup/FISA International Open 200-meter breaststroke race in Atlanta, Ga., on Sept. 7.

"It was a huge honor to have Riley compete at such a great event," said in a prepared statement. "I think it was quite an achievement for her to represent the United States in such an event. Riley is a very talented athlete and I'm sure she will continue to do well in the future.

"I'm very proud of her performance and I'm looking forward to seeing her compete in the Spanish Open later this month."
**Rugby teams excel at SIU**

**Saluki rugby plays well at home tournament during weekend**

Christopher Morrical  
Daily Egyptian

She was running as hard as she could with both hands holding tightly to the ball when her attacker's unpadded shoulder drove into her side.

She went down hard. Her head and left shoulder hit the field of dead grass at the same time, sending a cloud of dust into the air.

The remaining 28 players started merging on the ball when it came loose and rolled several yards away. She picked herself up off the ground holding her ribs, dusted herself off, smiled and backed for the ball, where a second collision was inevitable.

This is how Southern Illinois plays rugby.

The SIU men's and women's rugby clubs played host to a tournament Saturday against the University of Illinois and Illinois State University.

"People... their faces stepped off every day," said Eric Reimer, men's rugby club president. "If you're on the ground, you part of the ground."

Rugby is the fastest-growing club sport in the United States with more than 500 teams.

It is played in 100 countries and is the second-most widely played sport in the world behind soccer. In America, however, people just blow it off as some third-world sport, Reimer said.

"We just a bunch of guys trying to do good at this sport," he said, "but people think we're just a bunch of drunks."

Jeff Collins, men's club treasurer, agrees with Reimer on the perception of rugby by people outside of the sport.

"They see it as barbaric," Collins said. "They think it's not a legitimate sport, but it is used to be known as the gentleman's game."

Gentlemen's game or not, plenty of injuries come with playing: broken bones, bloody lips, skinned knees, bruises the size of fists and the occasional clout to the head.

Going into last Saturday's game, the men were ranked No. 5 in the state by the Illinois Rugby Association. They lost this week's game against the University of Illinois-27.

Reimer said that the loss does hurt their chances at the playoffs, but they still have a shot if they can beat other teams by enormous quantities.

And don't forget about the women. They go out there and fight just as aggressively as the men.

"Guys always had football," said Dawn McKenzie, women's rugby club president. "This is our football. This is our game."

People stepped off every day. If the Salukis women defeat Western Illinois next weekend, they will qualify for the playoffs at the end of October.

"There are bruises and scrapes and pain," said Sarah Wohde, "but it all goes away. It's all worth it in the end."

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**SIU volleyball takes MVC break**

**Salukis travel to UT-Martin, look to correct errors made at SMS**

Michael Brenner  
Daily Egyptian

The SIU volleyball team traveled nearly 1,200 miles last weekend to bring home a victory.

Tonight, they may only need 127. The Salukis will play at Tennessee-Martin tonight, taking a break from their WCC Valley Conference schedule following a two-match split at Wichita State and Southwest Missouri State last weekend.

Tonight's match will provide SIU with an opportunity to work out the kinks that hindered the Salukis' Saturday night's game, a game that as of Monday was still on players' minds.

Senior outside hitter Kristie Kemner said the Salukis will use tonight's game, which does not count in the conference standings, to begin their "game, get the team firing on all cylinders again and raise its confidence by crushing the Skyhawks."

"Nothing taken away from UT-Martin; they're probably going to win their conference so it'll be a big win." Kemner said, but "(Tuesday) will just be a good way to get back in the swing of things and really put it to some bodies."

SIU was thumped in three games by SMS Saturday following a win at Wichita State, the team's momentary lapse in confidence.

"The loss just sucked in general because it wasn't even a good loss," Kemner said. "We played like crap to be honest. It was one of those losses that was bitter sweet because we beat Wichita and then we didn't play anywhere close to the way we did the night before."

The Salukis maintain they should have beaten the Bears, despite SMS' nationally recognized talent. Setter Britten Follett said SIU has better personnel than the Bears, but didn't feel it was Saturday, partly because the game was at the end of a long road trip.

"I think hitting by hitter, we can compete with them," Follett said. But Saturday, and I don't know if you want to take it into play, they played better than us. I wouldn't say they are all around a better team, they just played really well."

It is because of that belief that SIU is so eager to beat up on UT-Martin, but head coach Sonya Locke has warned that the Skyhawks are not a bunch of worthless athletes ready to throw in the towel.

UT-Martin is 2-2, has won both conference games it has played and is the defending Ohio Valley Conference champions.

To Locke, the Skyhawks are more than a tune-up.

"It's definitely going to be a challenging opponent," Locke said. "They won their conference last year, so it's definitely not a game we're just going to play, it's a potential win against a potentially dangerous team."

"Any opportunity is an opportunity for us to get better."

Kemner said the team is in the top half of the MVC now, but will soon be even higher after they take on Illinois State and Indiana State of Wednesday.

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**Technical skills.**

"I think Tennessee-Martin will be a very good opportunity for us to work on a couple rotations where we get stuck a lot," Follett said. "We have one or two that we try to get a lot of power out of, and I plan on working on some different offensive ideas to get us out of those rotations."

If the Salukis can do that, they will have the opportunity to show the MVC what they believe was proven Friday in Wichita — that they are in the upper echelons of the conference.

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Mistakes cost SIU game against Murray

Salukis turn ball over three times in loss to Murray State

Todd Merchant
Daily Egyptian

MURRAY, Ky. — SIU football head coach Jerry Kill told his team Saturday that the team that makes the fewest mistakes is the team that is going to come out on top.

Unfortunately for the Salukis, however, the team that made the most mistakes was the team that ended up in Murray State Saturday night. The Salukis were penalized seven times for 63 yards and lost three fumbles.

"We have to find a way to win," said junior fullback Brandon Robinson, who was driving the ball on the second play from scrimmage against Murray State Saturday. "We've been shooting ourselves in the foot." Robinson accounted for one of the turnovers.

"We have to have better discipline in the future," Kill said. "But I don't think I saw anything where we handled ourselves poorly." The Salukis first game without star back likely in the Division I-AA level, took over the brunt of the game.

Kill said during a halftime chat, "We've got a lot of young kids out there. ... We've never had a chance to really have a complete team that is going to come out on top.

Kill was proud of his team and its coaches Saturday night. "I was proud of our team and our coaches," Kill said. "As far as the coaches, I think we handled ourselves well."

SIU head coach Jerry Kill watches as referees discuss the placement of the football following a penalty in the first quarter of the Salukis' game against Murray State Saturday. Penalties and turnovers were contributors to the loss to the Racers. The Salukis were penalized seven times for 63 yards and lost three fumbles.

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