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RULED ARSON

SET ON FIRE: House on West Cherry Street goes up in flames, investigators analyzing evidence to find how fire was started.

KENDRA HELMER AND LISA PANGBURN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTERS

A fire early Tuesday morning at an unoccupied house on West Cherry Street has been ruled an arson by investigators, who are searching for clues as to who may have started the fire.

Three fire engines responded to the fire at 1:52 a.m. Tuesday at 309 W. Cherry St.

The blaze was under control within an hour by a team of nine firefighters, some of whom climbed onto the roof with axes and a chain saw to ventilate the house. As about 75 bystanders watched, firefighters donned gas masks and ventured into the one-story house to extinguish the fire.

By Tuesday afternoon, the fire was ruled an arson by Carbondale Fire Department Assistant Fire Chief Harry Threlkeld. Aggravated arson is a felony.

"(It was ruled an arson because of the nature of the fire, the fact that the building was unoccupied and there are no utilities to the building," Threlkeld said.

No one was injured in the fire, which Threlkeld said originated in the rear of the house.

Carbondale Fire Chief Cliff Manis said there were no suspects as of press time Tuesday.

"We have four certified arson investigators, a fire investigations unit and a crime scene technician from Carbondale Police Department (working on the case)," Manis said. "We've taken evidence from the scene that's been sent for analysis and are doing interviews."

Manis would not comment on what evidence was collected, and Threlkeld said investigators still are determining how the fire was ignited.

The fire caused extensive damage estimated at \$20,000.

The house is owned by realtor Henry Fisher, who could not be reached for comment.

The people renting the house recently moved, including Jamie Dalicandro, who moved out of the house in January.

"I just can't believe it caught fire," said Dalicandro, a senior in hotel restaurant travel administration from Arlington Heights. "I mean, what if I was still living there?"

The quick response of the Fire Department and the speed in which the fire was extinguished was praised by many of the bystanders, including Sarah Hixson, who lives next door to the house.

"All I know is that I was dead asleep and I woke up and saw orange," Hixson, an SIUC student from Barrington Hills, said.

"My car was about five feet from the flames, but it only took the Fire Department about five minutes to get here."

Anyone with information about the fire can call Manis at 457-3221.



BLAZING: A Carbondale firefighter moves a hose into position to extinguish the fire that started early Tuesday morning at 309 W. Cherry St. Damage (right) to the unoccupied house was estimated to be \$20,000.

PHOTOS BY PAI MAHON/
Daily Egyptian



A DAY'S WORK: A Carbondale firefighter takes a break after putting out the blaze.

Bargaining, budget system do not mix—analyst

NON-NEGOTIABLE:

Capie says budget not mandatory for union discussion.

WILLIAM HATFIELD
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Editor's note: This is the third story in a four-part series looking at aspects of SIU's proposed budget

system. The previous story can be found at the DE's Web site at <http://www.dailyegyptian.com/>

Collective bargaining and a Responsibility Center Management budget model may not be compatible, a National Education Association budget analyst says.

But William Capie, head of the administration's negotiating team, said the new budgeting system, whether or not it contains elements



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of an RCM model, is not a mandatory subject of bargaining and should not be an issue in contract negotiations.

"Whatever it's called and however we disseminate and distribute resources is a budgeting tool,"

Capie said. "And it is clear in all legislative and legal history that this allocation of resources is not a mandatory subject of bargaining."

"I'm sure it will come up in conversation, but budget and the assignment of budget is not a mandatory subject of bargaining and does not fall within the scope of bargaining."

RCM is a decentralized budgeting system in which academic units collect their students' tuition dollars.

The college then budgets that money for salaries, equipment, teaching costs and research. Currently, the University collects tuition dollars and distributes them to the colleges.

SIU officials are pursuing a decentralized budgeting and management system, and say that although an RCM model contains

Southern Illinois Forecast

TODAY:

Rain ends early, clearing, cooler. High: 58 Low: 42

THURSDAY:

Mostly sunny. High: 53 Low: 33

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Calendar

TODAY

Library Affairs: "Social Sciences Index/Fulcrum" Seminar, April 16, 9 to 10 a.m. & 2 to 3 p.m., Morris Library Room 325. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.
Library Affairs: "Introduction to WWW using Netscape (IBM)" Seminar, April 16, 10 to 11 a.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.

Orthodox Christian Fellowship noon day prayer service, April 16, noon, Wesley Foundation next to Gugigley, Contact David at 453-2461.
Pi Sigma Alpha brown bag luncheon with speaker Professor Paul Simon on the International Dimensions of Diplomacy and Higher Education, April 16, Noon, Student Center Ohio Room. Contact Marvin at 453-3190.

Library Affairs: "Introduction to Constructing Home Pages (HTML)" Seminar, April 16, 1 to 3 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.
Journalism Week Panel Discussion: "The Student Press: Friend or foe?," April 16, 2 to 3:15 p.m., Communications 1032. Contact Lonca at 536-3311 ext. 226.

Department of History & Phi Alpha Theta Panel Discussion: "I'm on the Government: Vietnam, Carbondale, and the May 1970 Riots," April 16, 3 to 5 p.m., Museum Auditorium. Contact David at 453-7878.

African-American Men & Women's Discussion Group meeting, every Wednesday, 4 to 5:30 p.m., Student Center Thebes Room. Contact Nita at 453-3655.

College Democrats Elections, April 16, 5 p.m., Student Center Sangamon Room. Contact Hamilton at 351-1568.

College Republicans meeting, April 16, 5 p.m., Student Center Ohio Room. Contact Andy at 351-9798.

French Club is showing the last film of the semester, "Argent de Poche,"

April 16, 5 p.m., Famer 1125. Contact Errol at 536-1433.

Students Accepting Challenges: Officer Nominations Meeting, refreshments served, all students welcome, April 16, 5 p.m., Woody Hall 142. Contact Mike at 457-5738.

Guys, Lesbians, Bisexuals, & Friends Awareness Rally, 5 p.m., steps of Shryock Auditorium. Contact GLBF at 453-5151.

THRMOS: Workplace Ergonomics Seminar, April 16, 5:30 p.m., Student Center Ballroom A. Contact Jor at 536-6431.

Carbondale Police Department: Personal Safety classes for women, open to the public, April 16, & 23, 6 to 9 p.m. Call Jeff Vaughn at 457-3200 ext. 428 to register.

Criminal Justice Association meeting with guest speaker Judge Lockwood, April 16, 6 p.m., Browns Auditorium. Contact Scott at 549-2140.

Egyptian Divers Club Meeting, every Wednesday, 6:30 p.m., Pulliam 21. Contact Amy at 529-2840.

Caving Club (Little Egypt Grotto) meeting: Students and non-students with or without experience welcome, April 16, 6:30 to 8 p.m., Longbranch Coffee House. Contact Marc at 536-7814.

Circle K International Service Organization, every Wednesday, 7 p.m., Troy Room in Student Center. Contact Donna at 549-9695.

Blacks Interested in Business meeting, April 16, 7 p.m., Student Center Kaskaskia Room. Contact Mike at 453-7498.

USG Senate Meeting, April 16, 7 p.m., Lantz Hall Dining Room No. 5. Contact John or Lisa at 536-3381.

SPC: "Jobsmarts for Twenty-Somethings", April 16, 8 p.m., Student Center Ballrooms. Contact Melissa at 536-3393 in the SPC office.

Southern Illinois Collegiate Sailing Club meeting: Two boats are currently

available for membership use at Crab Orchard Lake, others are being prepared, April 16, 8 p.m., Student Center Activity Room A. Contact Myron at 351-0007.

UPCOMING

Suluki Volunteer Corps: March of Dimes Walk America, April 20, noon to register, 1 to 4 p.m. walk, Evergreen Terrace. Call 453-5714 for information.

Rec Center: 14th Annual Doc Spockman Memorial Triathlon, individual and team entries welcome, April 26, 8 a.m., Campus Lake. Contact Kathy at 453-1267.

The Political Science Dept. & NPA Program present the Honorable Beloit Nugarklyev, Ambassador of Kazakhstan, speaking on the developments of Kazakhstan, April 17, 9 a.m., Museum Auditorium. Contact Marvin at 453-3190.

Non-Traditional Student Services Information Table, every Thursday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Hall of Fame in the Student Center. Contact Michelle at 453-5714.

Library Affairs: "Introduction to WWW using Netscape (Macintosh)" Seminar, April 17, 1 to 3 p.m., Morris Library Room 103D. Contact the Undergraduate Desk at 453-2818.

Museum Student Group meeting, April 17, 4 p.m., Famer 2469. Contact Christie at 536-7276.

School of Law: Faculty Forum/Special Lecture Series, "Law and Shakespeare," by Professor Kyong-Whan Ahn, visiting scholar, April 17, 4 to 5 p.m., Law School Courtroom. Call 453-8781 for information.

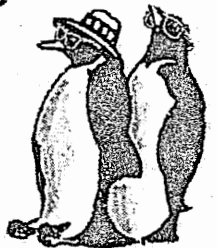
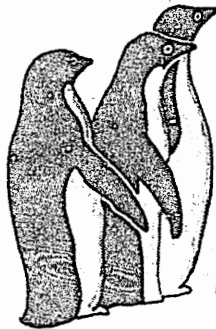
Suluki Volunteer Corps - Judicial Affairs Housing meeting, Thursdays, 5 to 7 p.m. Call 453-5714 for more information.

Paralegal Association meeting: Elections & Guest Speaker, April 17, 5 p.m., Lawson 131. Contact Kristen at 457-6602.



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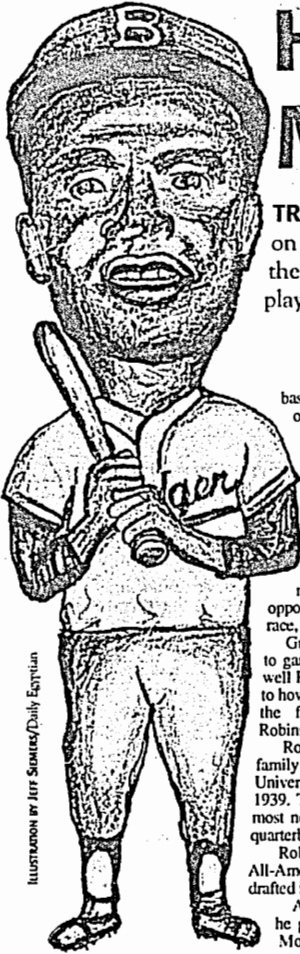


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Here's to you, Mr. Robinson

TRIBUTE: SIUC reflects on the contributions of the late, great baseball player Jackie Robinson.

TRAVIS AKIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

As the world of major league baseball honors the 50th anniversary of Jackie Robinson breaking the color barrier, the memory of what he did for his race has left a permanent impression in the minds of some SIUC faculty and baseball players.

"Jackie Robinson gets all of the credit he deserves," Robert Guthrie, a professor of psychology, said. "Robinson was a metaphor for giving people the opportunity to do their best regardless of race, creed or color."

Guthrie said he remembers listening to games on the radio and hearing how well Robinson did. He said it is a tribute to how far the United States has come by the fact that baseball is honoring Robinson.

Robinson was born Jan. 31, 1919 to a family of sharecroppers. He entered the University of California at Los Angeles in 1939. There he played several sports but most notable was his football career as a quarterback.

Robinson was named to the football All-American team in 1941. Later he was drafted into the Army and was a lieutenant.

After being honorably discharged, he played a year for the Kansas City Monarchs, a Negro League team, in

1945.

In 1946 he made history by being the first black player to sign with a major league club. He reported to the Brooklyn Dodgers farm team, the Montreal Royals.

On opening day of the 1946 season for the Montreal Royals, Robinson had four hits, one of them a home run, drove in four runs and stole two bases.

Then on April 15, 1947, Robinson took his spot on second base at Ebbets Field, and became the first African-American player in the major leagues.

But it was more than sports that Robinson impacted.

"If you remove all aspects of skin color, blacks can do the job," Guthrie said. "What followed was many other Jackie Robinsons in other fields."

There were firsts in all sorts of areas that blacks had never been apart of prior to Jackie Robinson. Part of that was because baseball was America's game.

"I don't think people realize the importance of baseball in the United States," he said. "Robinson integrated an institution that represented America."

At the time of Robinson's breakthrough, the United States lived in an era of complete segregation.

Josh Johnson, a catcher in the Negro League from 1933-1942, remembers the conditions and the trials the black race had to go through.

"Everything was separate, churches, schools and eating establishments," he said. "It was institutionalized. And baseball was no different."

The thing that amazed Johnson about

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Schedule conflict sets back Lieber, SIUC lawsuit

A contempt of court case set for today against the SIUC Board of Trustees for allegedly disobeying a preliminary injunction was rescheduled for June 4 because of a scheduling conflict with SIUC's attorney Kent Plotner.

This is the second time the lawsuit has been rescheduled this semester. Plotner said he was scheduled to be in court today for another trial.

Stan Lieber, owner of Stevenson Arms, 600 S. Mill St., was granted a preliminary injunction Dec. 14, 1995.

The injunction said SIUC had to provide notice prior to changing its policy, and a hearing is required by due process of law to change it.

The court found that SIUC failed to adequately inform Lieber of a change in its housing policy, which said SIUC students under the age of 21 and not living with a parent or guardian had to live in on-campus housing.

Stevenson Arms is University-approved housing for all SIUC students.

The injunction also stated SIUC has to mail Stevenson Arms brochures every time a University Housing brochure is sent out. Lieber is also suing SIUC for the right to obtain the names of potential students.

This case went to the Illinois Supreme Court Jan. 15, 1997. No verdict has been reached on the case.

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SIUC names promotions

Academic promotions, which will begin with next year's contract, have been awarded to 34 SIUC faculty members.

Tenure awards, effective August 16, have been granted to 33 faculty members, including 27 of those who were promoted.

Promotions from associate professor to professor were given to: Thomas M. Alexander, philosophy; Siva K. Balasubramanian, marketing; Michael C. Batinski, history; Lewellyn Hendrix, sociology; Allan L. Karnes, accountancy and Richard A. Rivers, accountancy.

Promotions from assistant professor to associate professor were given to (an asterisk indicates tenure also was awarded): Laurie Achenbach*, microbiology; Sara L. Anderson*, animal science, food and nutrition; Rolando Bravo*, civil engineering; Philip Brown*, music; Gregory Budzban*, mathematics; Roger F.C. Chang*, technology; Ricardo C. Cruz*, English; Suzanne M. Daughton*, speech communication; Karen D. Drickamer*, library affairs; Daradirek Ekachai*, speech communication; Donna Jo Foote*, library affairs; Elizabeth A. Gammon*, social work; Ricky Q. Honaker*, mining engineering; Michael L. Humphries*, English; Robert W. Kaps*, aviation management and flight; Elizabeth T. Klaver*, English; Junjiang Lei*, mathematics; David Lightfoot*, plant, soil science and general agriculture; Lynette Mathur*, marketing; Jean S. McKnight*, law library; Michael T. Most, aviation technologies; Daniel V. Overturf*, cinema and photography; Dhananjay Ravat*, geology; John B. Ruhl*, law; Thyra K. Russell, library affairs; Darrell W. Taylor*, Rehabilitation Institute; J. Mark Washburn*, library affairs; Theodore R. Weeks*, history and Xiaoyang Zhu*, chemistry and biochemistry.

Tenure also was awarded to: Rodney B. Collard, applied technologies; Marta A. Davis, library affairs; Shirley A. Hudson, information management systems; Brian J. Kearney, information management systems and Alan J. Weston, technology.

— from Daily Egyptian news services

Trial in progress for 1995 civil suit

TOUCHY SUBJECT:

Former employee says he was fired because of age.

KENDRA HELMER
DE ASSOCIATE EDITOR

The SIUC Board of Trustees has been charged with age discrimination in a civil suit filed by a former SIUC employee who says he was wrongly fired in 1994.

Today is the third day for the trial, which began Monday at the federal courthouse in Benton.

The plaintiff, Theodore Wichmann, worked at the Touch of Nature Environmental Center for 20 years. He was associate director of the center for about 10 years. In August 1994, he was given a notice of non-renewal. He filed the lawsuit in May 1995.

Wichmann, who was 48 years old when he received the notice, is alleging that he was fired because of his age, and that he was replaced by younger employees, who have been given promotions and pay raises.

Defense witnesses, including Phillip Lindberg, the director of Touch of Nature who told Wichmann he was fired, have testified that Wichmann's position has since been eliminated.

The plaintiff maintains that younger employees are performing the duties he had, but the employees have different titles. The defense contends that budgeting problems led to cuts in staff.

"(Wichmann's age) had absolutely nothing to do with my decision," Lindberg said.

One of the witnesses called Tuesday was Susan Campagno, a Touch of Nature staff member who has since resigned from her position. Campagno said that a month after Wichmann was fired, she had a meeting with Lindberg and asked him why Wichmann was fired.

Campagno said that at the end of the meeting, Lindberg used a metaphor about how, in a forest when the old trees are gone, the new trees will have a chance to grow and flourish.

"The last comment that Phil (Lindberg) made was a shocking comment," she said.

Lindberg said the purpose of the metaphor was not making reference to anyone's age. He said it was to give Campagno, who considered Wichmann to be her mentor, confidence that she could perform her duties.

If the seven-member jury rules in favor of Wichmann, Judge Philip Frazier then will determine the outcome, which could include reinstatement for Wichmann or pay for lost wages.

Wichmann is represented by Gene Gross, of the Murphysboro law firm Reed, Heller, Mansfield and Gross.

Shari Rhode, SIUC chief trial attorney, could not be reached for comment.

Testimony resumes at about 9:30 this morning in Benton.

Gang specialist advises caution

WARNING SYSTEM: Chicago sergeant says early detection is best gang deterrent.

JOHN LE CHIEN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

The migration of gangs from larger cities to smaller ones such as Carbondale is a reality that people should be concerned about, a Chicago Police Department sergeant says.

"Recognizing signs of gang activity early on is the key to keeping gangs out of Carbondale," Sgt. Tom McMahon told about 150 people Thursday night. "I love my city, but it's a hard place to live. Don't let Carbondale become like Chicago."

In conjunction with the Carbondale Gang Task Force, the Carbondale Police Department sponsored a presentation by McMahon, a gang specialist, Thursday night at the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Ave.

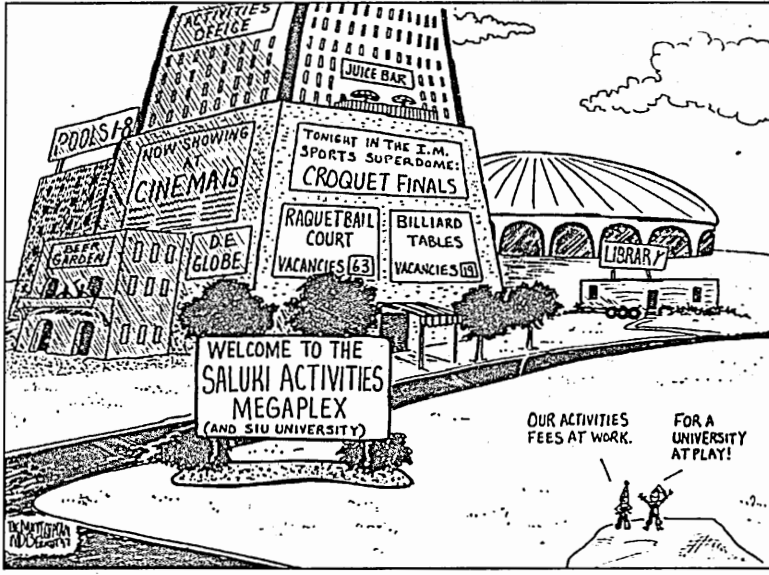
"In 1979, gangs were only in certain areas. Now they are all over," said McMahon, who has been a specialist in gang activity for 17 years. "They scout out smaller towns to see how much resistance they will get from local police."

Although McMahon did not like to admit it, there is no law prohibiting membership in a gang.

"As much as we would like it to be, it is not illegal to belong to a street gang," he said.

As part of his presentation, McMahon showed a video created to discourage elementary-school students from becoming involved in gangs.

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Josh Robison

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Josh is a junior in history/education. Cancel My Subscription appears every Wednesday. Josh's opinion does not necessarily reflect that of the Daily Egyptian. Josh can be reached at opinion@siu.edu

For G*d's sake: ACLU needs to butt out of SIUC graduation

I'd like to thank you all for getting out of bed today and picking up a Daily Egyptian.

Before we begin today's column, however, I'm going to ask that we all take a moment of silence to reflect on this past week's occurrences, or, if you so wish, you may pr*y that today's column won't be as utterly useless and mundane as my 12 other egocentric sets of ramblings this semester.

Oops! Lost my job! That crazy ACLU sure is vigilant!

Thank G*d they're on the ball. Or you, the innocent college student of legal voting age, might have been subject to the dreaded "Moment of Silence."

Sixty seconds of pure, heart-wrenching terror where your mind is allowed to — get this — THINK ABOUT WHAT EVER THE HELL IT WANTS!

Well, for those of you who are sarcastically impaired, allow me to explain that I did not truly lose my job (Sorry, maybe next time).

Actually I'm using my forum to poke fun at the American Civil Liberties Union.

Last week, the Undergraduate Student Government voted overwhelmingly (one unidentified senator voted against it) on a proposal to allow a moment of silence to be placed into the graduation ceremony.

Right now, the proposal needs to be approved by both the commencement committee and Chancellor Donald Beggs to be implemented.

The ACLU, the bored, ACLU, opposes the measure. The ACLU, the tired, ACLU, is acting like a bunch of spoiled babies.

"But sir," you say, "doesn't the ACLU stand for American Civil Liberties Union? Doesn't everybody need civil liberties, especially American ones?"

Yes, Chet, they do. And to prove that I am not a monarchist still loyal to the throne of England, I will give the reader a brief history of just what exactly the ACLU originally was created for.

The ACLU was created in 1917 to help those Americans being discriminated against for opposing U.S. involvement in World War I.

Over the years the ACLU was part of many noble and honest undertakings, including attempting to protect the rights of Japanese who were being relocated during World War II, protecting the rights of Jehovah's Witnesses who

refused to salute the American flag and also trying to protect the rights of Cepernicus when he tried to convince the government and everyone else that the sun did not revolve around the Earth.

(This is considered their greatest achievement, as they had actually send lawyer BACK IN TIME!)

So, you might be asking yourself, "What's wrong with the ACLU? It seems to be on my side!"

Inherently, it is. Inherently, it is on every American citizen's side.

However, right now, it is sticking its nose where it does not belong.

A moment of silence is a moment of silence.

You can do what you want with it, and I think, after spending 5 1/2 years writing papers, taking tests and blowing off precious morning talk shows just to go to class, we deserve AT LEAST 60 seconds to reflect on how we just spent a half decade of our lives.

No one should feel threatened by 60 seconds of silence. Some people, he'ven forbid, will pr*y — for a job, mostly. Others will choose to spend the minute actually reflecting on the ceremony about to take place.

"Well, here I am. I finally made it. Thank G*d.

"No more mid-terms, no more winter walks to campus, no more professors who can't speak the language. I'm finally leaving this place. Getting ready to enter the real world.

"No more blowing off responsibilities until the last moment. No more wide assortment of remarkably attractive members of the opposite sex.

"No more Wednesday night parties or Thursday morning hangovers. No more skipping class to go to the Spillway.

"No more, ... wait a second ... I think they're trying to pull something over on me here. This entire "graduation" bit is just a conspiracy to get me out of here. Well, they won't get me!"

(Throws off cap, disrobes, walks away).

And, that, I believe, is what the ACLU really is worried about.

They know that if you give a soon-to-be-member-of-the-real-world even a moment to think about what is about to take place, they'll forget everything and re-register into the University, this time as pre-law.

And even the ACLU knows that it doesn't need any more of them.

Our Word

Alcohol-free

Making SIUC fraternities dry infeasible, an oxymoron

MAKING THE FRATERNITY ORGANIZATIONS go dry at SIUC is an oxymoron and hypocrisy at it's finest.

Stereotyped by their wild parties and alcohol escapades, the fraternities have become the guinea pigs for cleaning up SIUC's party school image.

THE ADMINISTRATION, INTERFRATERNITY Council and national, chapter officials have designated SIUC's fraternity system as one of five universi-

ties that will go completely dry by fall 1998. No more beer parties in the basements on Greek Row or wild frat parties off campus: The parties have to go dry.

But this move to appoint the fraternities as beasts of burdens for the sins of other partying SIUC students is ridiculous and raises serious questions about equality among the student population. While Joe can sip beer in his

21-and-over dorm, John on Greek Row only is allowed to drink his juice.

THE MOVE ALSO LACKS SPECIFICS ABOUT how the dry order will be enforced. On paper, forcing fraternities to go dry looks nice, but what about in reality? Essentially, the idea is symbolism over substance.

IT IS NOT FEASIBLE FOR THE UNIVERSITY to place a blanket restriction on fraternities, on or off campus, and expect everyone to obey it. And not every fraternity member will be his brother's keeper.

THE IMAGE OF "ANIMAL HOUSE" AND John Belushi squashing beer cans on his forehead haunt fraternities and their pursuit of community service, scholarship and brotherhood.

MANY STUDENTS — WHETHER ON OR OFF campus, greek or non-greek — will drink when and wherever they can find alcohol. At least when parties are at familiar environments, such as a fraternity house, they can be supervised and controlled to an extent. To force the fraternity houses to go dry would cause those people to travel to other local house parties that are unsafe and could cause more problems later on.

FORCING THE FRATERNITIES TO DRY UP is harboring on their rights as individuals to make their free choice to go dry. Sororities on this campus have chosen to go dry. It is time to let the fraternities decide whether to go dry, instead of treating them like children and telling them they cannot drink anymore beer at their houses.

Fraternities themselves should encourage a dry house that chooses to be dry, not forced to be dry, bearing the brunt of a "problem" we all share.

"Our Word" represents a consensus of the Daily Egyptian Editorial Board.



Mailbox

PBS station offers programs to suit diverse musical tastes

Dear Editor:

To emphasize his point on PBS's supposed lack of diversity, Kevin Mendenhall (Guest Column, 4/8) would lead readers to believe that the only music-related programs public television, broadcasts feature adult-oriented luminaries such as Yanni, Lawrence Welk and John Tesh.

Unfortunately, this is probably what many people probably believe.

The fact is, local PBS station WSIU airs an extremely wide variety of musical artists.

Where do your musical tastes lie? Country? Recent and future programs showcase superstars Alan Jackson, Vince Gill and Mary Chapin Carpenter.

R&B acts such as Luther Vandross and the Neville Brothers have had performances air recently.

Blues? Covered. Buddy Guy, Stevie Ray Vaughn, Kenny Wayne Shepherd and the king himself, B.B. King, have all

been on WSIU in the last few months.

Public television is not above airing pop or rock artists either: Sheryl Crow, Bruce Hornsby, Smashing Pumpkins, Bush and Bonnie Raitt all can be seen in full performances on public television.

Coupled with programs featuring bluegrass, Celtic and classical music, you have more diversity than you can find on any station, including everybody's favorite fashion network, eMPyV.

Bad, boring or mind-rot television exists on all stations — in abundance. Government funding and tax dollars are soon going to end for public television.

Let's just hope that PBS can continue to feature the broad array of musical performances (not just flavor-of-the-month four-minute video spots) when that money flow is halted.

Brian Carr
Sophomore, music
Traffic assistant, WSIU-TV

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ACLU cannot define moral conduct

Dear Editor:
You reported ACLU's opposition to the Undergraduate Student Government's proposal for a moment of silence ("USG, ACLU at odds over proposal," 4/11) at commencement because SIUC is publicly funded and therefore cannot sanction prayer.

ACLU spokesperson as saying, "We have never heard of anyone asking for a moment to reflect except as an excuse to pray."

What a shame Mr. Garner has to expend his energy opposing what he imagines: a silent prayer!

How awful to spend our public resources on a moment of quiet meditation when pomp and cir-

cumstance rule and we could be listening to the ACLU define our moral conduct.

Perhaps Mr. Garner does not have a prayer of thoughtful reflection.

Thank God I do.

George Davis
Murphysboro resident

Students need better representation

Dear Editor:
Let us all stand and give a big cheer for democracy.

When the new council members take their seats, justice will have come to Carbondale.

Truly, I never thought it possible.

Two years ago, a panel was organized under strict supervision of our city manager.

Its job was to kiss his butt and kick us students off the Strip.

It came up with the plan everyone keeps talking about. It said that students are dirt and need to be treated that way.

I never thought that students would be able to take charge and turn the situation around.

I'm very proud of each of you who cast their votes for justice.

Two years ago, when they won and students lost, the bar-entry age went up, and the fines went from \$50 to \$250 for underage drinking.

The great law-givers of our City Council had no problem telling the students of SIUC how they would live, where they could

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go and what part of town they would be entitled to live in.

Yes, for those who don't live off campus, we're not allowed to live anywhere we want. Bet you didn't know that.

Let the new law-givers not limit themselves to the bar-entry age.

It's time for us to have a new city manager — someone who is competent to work with students and will keep his nose out of University business.

It's time for a new police chief — someone better trained and able to deal with a student population.

We don't have such individuals now.

We need them badly. Otherwise, the votes that were cast this year will count for nothing.

Let us keep the bars closed for Halloween week.

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Andrew Ensor
Senior, radio and television

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many benefits for SIU, they are looking at other decentralized models as well. The new system could be in place within two years.

Jim Sullivan, faculty union president, said the union is developing a stance on the University's new budgeting system, but he would not comment on that position. The union represents more than 740 tenured and tenure-track instructors in contract negotiations, which began in March.

"Anyone interested in the association's position ought to consult the literature distributed before the election," Sullivan said.

Leroy Dubeck, a budget analyst for the NEA, wrote "Responsibility Center Management: There are Better Alternatives." The document was posted on the NEA's SIUC Web page (<http://www.nea.org/campus/siuc/rcm.html>) and distributed to interested faculty before the November faculty union election.

Dubeck wrote, "The deans will not be able to control the salary increase of their staffs. Thus their only control will be over the number and kinds of staff. Part-time faculty will be very appealing for budgetary reasons, yet their increased use may adversely affect quality of instruction."

Dubeck said some RCM models are not compatible with collective bargaining because they allow deans to set salary increases based on their budgets. Because salaries are bargained in contract negotiations, he said collective bargaining and RCM could conflict.

"I cannot see any collective bargaining unit agreeing to a contract

that states, 'each faculty member shall receive a salary increase as the dean can afford,'" Dubeck said. "What is bargained can impact a RCM model, even if RCM is not mentioned at the bargaining table."

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LEROY DUBECK
NEA BUDGET ANALYST

Dubeck, a physics professor at Temple University, said an RCM model was being considered for Temple, a collective-bargaining university, but was not implemented. He said the administration was unable to devise a system in which salary increases could be decided by both collective bargaining and RCM.

He said they also were unable to decide if tuition rates would be set by individual colleges or the central administration.

Elaine Hyden, vice president for planning and budget services, said any model the University decides upon will be constructed with collective bargaining in mind.

"We are looking at building a

model that is the best fit for SIU," she said. "A decentralized system will allow the deans or department chairs to make decisions closest to where we deliver classes, which is the most important part of the University's function."

Dubeck also said no university has both RCM and collective bargaining.

Edward Whalen, author of the book "Responsibility Center Budgeting: An Approach to Decentralized Management for Institutions of Higher Education," said although he knows of no university with both collective bargaining and an RCM model, it could be possible with the right leadership.

"I would think it is entirely possible to adapt it to any type of environment," Whalen said. "This is a model that is appropriate for this particular time in the funding of higher education."

Capie said RCM and collective bargaining have no effect on each other.

"They are mutually-exclusive terms," Capie said. "Collective bargaining will deal with wages, hours, terms and conditions of employment."

"It will not deal with other things, and budgeting tools are not things we think should be included in collective bargaining."

But SIU President Ted Sanders said no one knows how collective bargaining will affect the University budget or other University operations.

"I don't think anyone knows the answer to that question because we are just starting down this path," he said. "We don't know what long-term effects these discussions will have on any of our operations."

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"The opportunities involved in selling drugs on a street corner are awesome," he said. "A gang recruits a young kid to sell drugs. They put that kid out on a street corner and direct their buyers to the kid."

"That kid could easily be averaging \$200 a day from selling those drugs. But there are only two things that could happen to this kid: He'll end up in jail, or he'll get himself killed."

The video drew a mixed reaction from the crowd. One man was offended by the video, saying that it was racist.

"I feel insulted by this video," the unidentified man said. "I didn't see one white kid in there; they were all black."

Another member of the audience told the man that McMahon was not the person who made the video.

Gangs should not be looked at as a race issue, McMahon said, but as a problem for society.

"We should not look at gangs by their ethnic makeup, but rather as a cancer on society," he said.

McMahon said to keep gangs out of Carbondale, early detection of certain signs is important. The presence of gang graffiti is the first and one of the most important signs.

"Gangs will show disrespect to each other. They will create graffiti that insults a rival gang," he said.

McMahon said it is common to see the symbols of gangs cut in half, a sign of disrespect from a rival gang.

There also are several indicators of gang involvement for parents to follow. One of the warning signs is

a child who begins to hang around new people, all of whom wear the same colors and tend to get into trouble with the police.

McMahon described how gangs invest in businesses and buy real estate. He cited the large incomes of the gangs as the source of their investment funds.

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These gang leaders buy up real estate and become landlords. They use legitimate businesses to flush their dirty money through.”

TOM MCMAHON
CARBONDALE POLICE GANG SPECIALIST

"These gang leaders buy up real estate and become landlords," he said. "They use these legitimate businesses to flush their dirty money through."

Dianna Exner, a resident of Makanda, was impressed by McMahon's presentation.

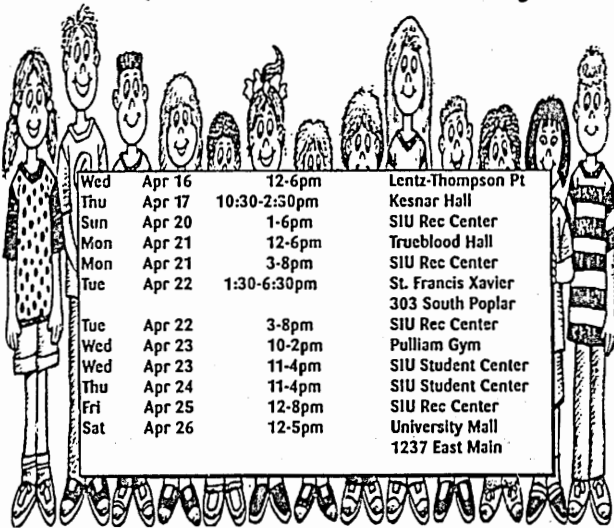
"It's very good to have this here," she said. "It's time to nip this thing in the bud before it starts."

Carbondale Police Chief Don Strom stressed the importance of the Gang Task Force in Carbondale.

"The strategy of the task force is to heighten awareness of gangs," he said of the program, implemented in 1995.

"This presentation was consistent with this strategy."

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Simon's Public Policy Institute names new associate director

TEACHING TOO: Mike Lawrence, press secretary for Gov. Edgar, will teach a journalism course.

JENNIFER CAMDEN
DE POLITICAL EDITOR

The new associate director of Paul Simon's Public Policy Institute, like Simon himself, has reported on public policy as a journalist and also influenced those policies.

Mike Lawrence has been Gov. Jim Edgar's press secretary and senior policy adviser since 1987. Before that, he reported on Illinois government for the Chicago Sun-Times and Lee Enterprises.

Lawrence, who also will teach in the SIUC School of Journalism, will begin working at the institute July 1. "I'm going to play a role in shaping the kind of issues we explore," he said. "Obviously, Paul will be the leader on that, but I hope to play a supporting role."

The institute, which opened in

January, studies public policy issues that can be changed by government legislation.

Lawrence wants to educate the media on policy issues and explore the relationship between the media and policy makers.

He also hopes to study the changes that will occur as the federal government grants more power to the states, such as in the area of welfare reform.

"I truly appreciate this tremendous opportunity for me to remain in the public policy arena, and to share with future journalists and others the insight I've gained in 25 years as a working journalist, and nearly 10 years as press secretary to Gov. Edgar," he said.

After Edgar was re-elected in 1994, Lawrence told Edgar he would be leaving his job before the end of the governor's term.

"I never planned to be a lifer in state government," Lawrence said. "I'm ready to move on to a new chapter of my life."

Simon met Lawrence more than 30 years ago, when Lawrence was a

reporter.

Lawrence was Simon's first choice for the associate director position.

"He's not only a superb journalist by background, he is a good human being," Simon said.

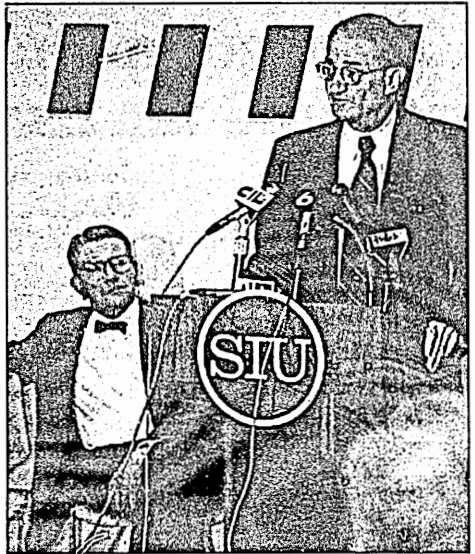
Lawrence, who taught a news writing course at Springfield College in the mid-1980s, will begin teaching public affairs reporting at SIUC in Spring 1998.

"I think what I want to get across is to do a fair and thorough job and also to pay attention to substance, to public policy issues, as well as politics," he said.

"If I have any criticism generally of the media, it's that there is too much focus on politics as opposed to the substance of public policy issues."

Joe Foote, College of Mass Communications and Media Arts dean, said Lawrence is a welcome addition to the journalism faculty.

"Having Paul Simon and Mike Lawrence in the same journalism school teaching gives us the strongest one-two punch of any journalism school in the state."



Pat Mahon/Daily Egyptian

INTRODUCING: Gov. Jim Edgar's press secretary, Mike Lawrence, answers questions at a press conference Tuesday in the Student Center after an announcement that he was hired as the associate director of the new Public Policy Institute.

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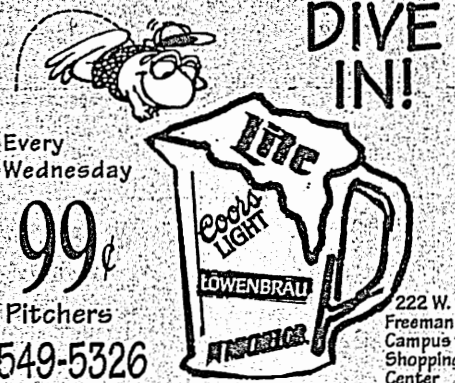
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Local group protests income tax usage

DEMONSTRATION: Peace Coalition distributes fliers concerning government spending.

JASON K. FREUND
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

People hurrying into the Carbondale post office Tuesday to beat the Internal Revenue Service's tax deadline were met by members of a local group opposing federal military spending.

Group members quizzed people as they entered the building: "Do you know where your tax dollars are going?"

About 5 members of the Peace Coalition of Southern Illinois stood near the entrance of the Carbondale post office, 1301 E. Main St., for about four hours Tuesday distributing fliers. One wore a sign delineating some of the uses of federal tax dollars.

According to the Federal Office of Budget and Management, an analysis of the proposed 1998 fiscal year budget showed 49 percent of the budget will be used for military spending. Military pro-

jects will cost \$627 billion dollars next year.

Margie Parker, a member of the coalition, said the group has stood outside the post office every April 15 for several years.

"We think the government needs new spending priorities for our federal income tax dollars," she said, "because there are some needs not being met, including health, education, employment, housing and the environment."

The coalition chose to distribute the fliers on the day of the tax deadline because many people are filing their forms at the post office.

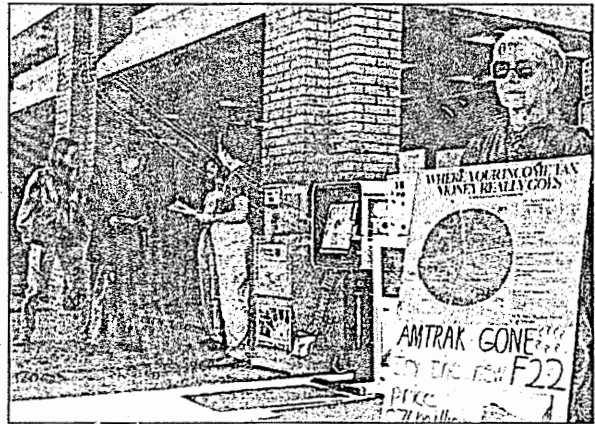
"We found that we see 600 to 1,000 people in that period, and that's how many fliers we give out," she said.

The coalition used small groups to avoid intimidating people.

"This isn't so much intended as a mass demonstration as it is educational and giving people information," Parker said.

She said the coalition began protesting nuclear weapons testing 14 years ago, but after the end of the Cold War, it began to protest military spending.

Fran Wesselmann, also a coalition member, said some people were interested in



Curtis K. Bias/Daily Egyptian

CONCERNED CITIZENS: Elsie Speck, of Carbondale, and members of the Peace Coalition of Southern Illinois, protest how income taxes are spent outside the Carbondale Post Office, 1301 E. Main St., Tuesday.

knowing more about how their tax dollars are spent.

"This year people have all been very favorable. Maybe it's the weather," Wesselmann said.

"But I haven't had one person say they know where their tax dollars go.

"I think a couple of years ago I was

called a communist a few times, so the mood has changed, and people are starting to think things could be done a better way."

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SIUC student helps repair World War II bomber



ILLUSTRATION BY SUSAN RICH/
Daily Egyptian

FIXING IT UP: Plane will be flown at air shows at end of month.

TRAVIS AKIN
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Brice A. Fawcett Jr. does not mind waking up early every other Saturday to work on a B-25J Mitchell, a historic

World War II bomber.

Fawcett looks forward to it every time because it is not often a person has the chance to get so close to history.

"I am working on something that most people only get to see from a distance," he said.

"I get to crawl around in it and see it piece by piece."

Fawcett, a second-year airframe

and powerplant student from Downers Grove, is a member of the Rotor and Wings Association. About 10 members of the Registered Student Organization travel to St. Charles, Mo., to help out the Missouri Wing of the Confederate Air Force repair the B-25J that has been grounded for the last 18 months.

Once the repairs are completed this month, the plane will be displayed and

flown at air shows at the end of this month.

The Confederate Air Force is a non-profit group dedicated to the preservation of World War II planes. The organization owns 130 planes, 80 of which are in flying condition.

The group operates a museum in

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Senator denounces Reno

REFUSAL: Attorney General denies counsel appointment.

WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON—Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman

Orrin G. Hatch, R-Utah, Tuesday denounced Attorney General Janet Reno for ignoring "what is plainly in our nation's best interest" by refusing to seek the appointment of an independent counsel to investigate fund-raising abuses in the 1996 Clinton presidential campaign. Hatch dismissed Reno's explana-

tion for not appointing an independent counsel as "too clever by half," suggesting she interpreted the statute allowing for such an appointment narrowly to protect the Clinton administration. Reno on Monday released a 10-page letter outlining her reasons for not recommending appointment.

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Robinson was his ability to control his temper despite racism he encountered in the major leagues. He said Robinson had the ability to overcome the mental challenge of being the target for so much hatred. Robinson was specially chosen for the job because he could withstand the pressure. He was a soldier, a college educated man and a good athlete.

The majority of players believed in segregation and didn't want him there," he said. "He was not our best player. He had enough ability, but he wasn't our best. He had what the situation demanded. He was the best man for that job."

The book "Great Time Coming" by David Falkner states that in June 1947 Robinson stole second in the ninth inning of a tied game, and as he began to dance like he was trying to steal third, the pitcher Bill Lee threw to second to check him. Robinson slid in and was barely

safe, but the shortstop Len Merullo kicked him while he was on the ground.

Robinson raised a fist to fight back, but he stopped the punch in mid-air.

The book states he received hate mail that was threatening toward his family. Several players threatened to strike because they did not want to play a team that had a black ball player.

The club finally had to screen all of his mail.

Branch Rickey, the general manager for the Brooklyn Dodgers, had a six-part plan to get the type of player he thought would be the best for the job.

Rickey wanted the backing of the Dodger's directors and stockholders, the right man who could play well and the right man who had a level head off the field.

He also wanted a favorable response from the press, the support of the black community and the backing of the team.

Robinson fit that description, and won the hearts of the black community and inspired them to do things.

"Blacks started paying more attention to sports," Guthrie said. "Robinson was a folk hero. There were songs written about him. I can remember hearing the song 'Did you see Jackie Robinson hit that ball?'"

During his first season in the major leagues, Robinson batted .297, lead the National League with 29 stolen bases and hit 12 home runs. He also was the league's Rookie of the Year in 1947.

As a hitter, he won the batting title in his 1949 MVP-season, hitting .342. He compiled a lifetime average of .311, and was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1962.

Robinson died of a heart attack on Oct. 24, 1972 at the age of 53.

Robinson provided an opportunity that Marc Nunn, a freshman outfielder for the SIUC men's baseball team, said he is grateful to have.

"I think about Robinson everyday," he said. "Since I was little I knew about Robinson. I am glad he did it."

"In baseball and in life, he broke down everything."

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Diane Churillo, a Dongola resident, was turning in her forms at the post office Tuesday and said the flier made her more aware of how some of her tax money is spent.

"It makes people a little more aware of how things are broken down," she said. "I guess it's worthwhile, but as to if anybody will follow through, probably the majority of people won't."

Elsie Speck, a coalition member, said the government is wasting resources to be a military power.

"Where is the war? That is not going to be the way to peace in the world or security in our country," she said. "We need to be looking at the country and figuring out how we can provide better jobs for people."

Speck does not mind paying taxes, but she does not approve of the military spending.

"I don't mind paying taxes if they are used for social programs to help our people to provide good jobs," she said. "I mind very much paying taxes for new research into bigger and more lethal bombs."

Almost everyone entering the post office was presented with a

flier, even if they were not filing their tax forms.

Denise Beavers, a Murphysboro resident, said the flier's information was useful.

"I think it (the information) is great, since I had to pay so much this year," she said.

Dianna Yates, a Makanda resident, does not agree with all of the ways taxes are used, but she is in favor of military spending.

"I really think we need to beef up our military," she said. "I think we need to maybe cut out some other things in the budget, but I still think we need a strong military. We need to keep the upper hand."

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Texas and flies its planes to the various wings of the organization across the country. The Missouri Wing is located at St. Charles County Smartt Airport in St. Charles, Mo.

During the past two years, members of the Rotor and Wings Association have donated more than 500 hours of labor to the repairs of the B-25J and have appeared in Midwest Aviation Journal.

For Brian Wyoske, a first-year MBA from Chicago and president of the association, the work is worth the effort.

"There is great satisfaction in working on a piece of history," he said. "We get up at 5:30 a.m. on Saturday, which cuts down on Friday night partying. We use our own money to cover our expenses, but it is enjoyable. It truly is a labor of love."

The B-25J Mitchell is a twin-engine bomber that can weigh up to 35,000 pounds with bombs and fuel at takeoff. The aircraft was named after Brig. Gen. William "Billy" Mitchell. It has a wing span of 67 feet, 7 inches.

Wyoske said the B-25J bomber in St. Charles, Mo., was a training

plane and was never used for battle. The challenge in working on aircraft that old is finding parts.

"This aircraft is 50 years old, and there is a finite number of parts around," Wyoske said. "You have to either get them out of storage, or sometimes they can be manufactured, or you have to make them yourself."

He said the group helps out by making checks on the plane and cleaning corroded parts. Sometimes getting to the parts can be difficult.

Getting to certain areas of the plane is something Ed Potc-pinski, a second-year airframe and power-plant student from Oshkosh, Wis., is familiar with.

"Sometimes you are upside down with your chest against all kinds of electronics," he said. "Some things are just not easy to get to because the plane was built for speed and bombing."

He said despite the difficulty of getting to some parts, the older planes were built stronger and better.

It is that quality of the machinery that continues to amaze Carl Johnson, a junior in industrial technology and secretary of the Rotor and Wings Association from Decatur.

"I noticed how well-built the B-25 is," he said. "It was built to fly into areas with people shooting at it and the chances were that it would

not come back. It is better built than planes today.

"The skin (the sheets of metal around the frame) is twice as thick, and the engines were built to endure a lot."

But it is the love of aviation that keeps the group coming back week after week to work on the historic plane.

Wyoske said there always will be a static display of planes that do not fly, but it is the Confederate Air Force alone that keeps the birds in the air.

"There are less than 50 B-25s left in flying condition out of 9,216 built," he said. "These planes should be flown as long as they can be."

Keeping the planes in the air gives the people the chance to witness the entire experience of the historic planes, Fawcett said.

"It is an audio thing as well," he said. "To hear those engines is something you don't learn when the plane is grounded."

Putting the planes on the ground actually causes more harm to the aircraft than flying it.

"Non use is abuse," Fawcett said. "If they are not flown, they are just sitting there. And that causes more damage because they are not maintained. It is better to have them flying than to let them sit and rot away."

Program helps smokers kick butts

EXTINGUISHED:

Students conquer habit by associating with others trying to quit.

LA'KEISHA R. GRAY
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Shayne Aldridge has snuffed out a smoking ghost that once haunted his life.

With the help of Kick Those Butts!, a smoking cessation program, Aldridge, a third-year law student from Murphysboro, stopped smoking cigarettes.

"I was a very heavy smoker," he said. "I smoked at least two packs a day. I joined the program two years ago, and I've stopped smoking. Now I haven't smoked since the night we (the group) quit."

Joe Baker, an environmental health and safety coordinator for Student Health Programs and the facilitator of Kick Those Butts!, said programs such as Kick Those Butts! have been implemented on campus for about 10 years.

The program is offered at SIUC once a semester, and it specializes in supporting, encouraging and educating the participants about the reasons they smoke and the different ways to quit.

Through the program, participants become aware of the reasons their smoking habits formed, including genetic factors, how much they smoke, what brand of cigarettes they smoke and the times they crave smoking.

During the course of the program, the members set a day to simultane-

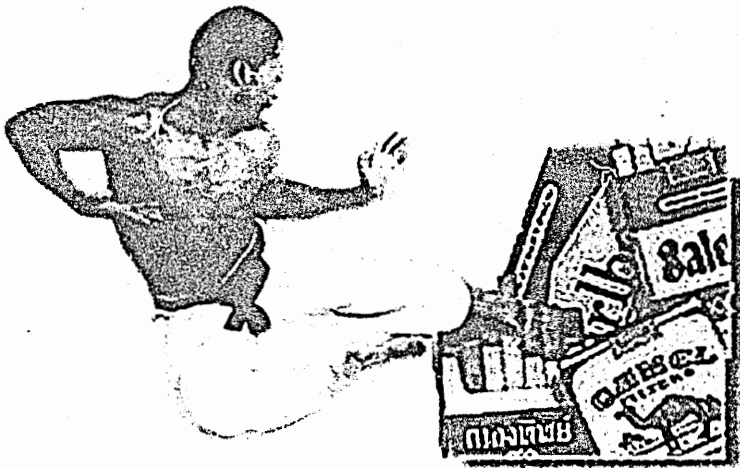


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ously stop smoking and help each other out by talking about the moments when they slip up and smoke again.

"Smoking is very behavior oriented," Baker said. "We try to incorporate the most effective parts of all the other successful programs, and then they develop their own quitting strategy."

Some of those strategies include using nicotine patches and chewing nicotine gum, but he said stopping cold turkey is one of the best ways to go.

However, the emphasis is not on how people stop, as long as they dis-

continue smoking.

"It's the No. 1 thing you can do for your health," Baker said. "It can not only improve your health, but it will increase your longevity and the quality of how you live."

According to the American Lung Association, 90 percent of adults who smoke started smoking by age 21, and half of them became regular smokers by their 18th birthday.

Although cigarette smoking is a national problem, there is a need for grass root solutions.

"It is going to be a challenge for all of us in college, especially health educators, to turn this around," he

said. "Mainly for our students (to change their smoking habits)."

As a witness to that sentiment, Aldridge said if he had not joined the support group, his attempt at quitting would have been in vain.

"I'd tried to quit three or four other times," he said. "I think I would have had another failed attempt because it's very hard to do by yourself. A group support system is really essential. And the things you learn in the group are key elements to helping you quit and why you should want to quit."

Because it was a successful program for Aldridge, he encourages

others on campus who want to quit smoking to inquire about Kick Those Butts! or other support groups.

He said if more people were aware of the benefits they can get from a group like Kick Those Butts!, the campus would achieve its goal in becoming smoke-free.

College life is one of the leading obstacles preventing some students from breaking their smoking habits, one student says.

Lisa Reuwer, a freshman in interior design from Deerfield, said the atmosphere that surrounds her everyday encourages her to continue to smoke. An activity that was related to the death of two of her grandfathers.

"I think that too many people smoke, but in a college situation it's hard to stop," she said. "I know if I stop I'll breathe better, and I'll probably feel a lot better."

Although she has a lot of friends who smoke, or is surrounded at parties and bars by people who smoke and the added stress from classes, she wants to stop.

If exposed to a group of people who are motivated to quit smoking, Reuwer said she would quit.

"With the help of other people, I think it would help a lot," she said. "I would try to stop. I honestly would."

At the same time, Aldridge expressed the strong need for a smoker to have their individual perseverance and inner drive to become a quitter for good.

"It takes a lot of self-motivation," he said. "You have to want to quit. Plus, if you're thinking about it you may as well act."

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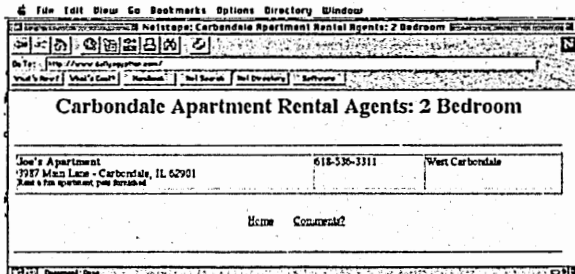
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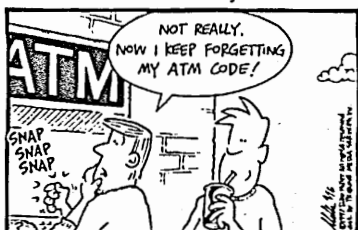
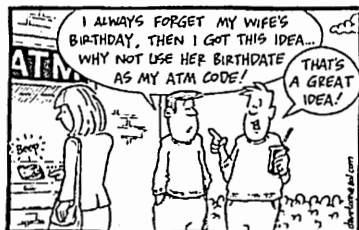
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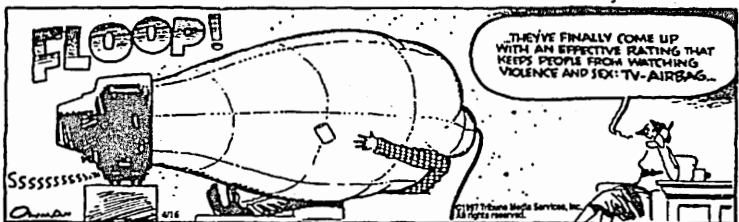
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Merchant's comments enrage boxing world

MARIACHI MISTAKE:
Promoter demands commentator apologize for music criticism.

LOS ANGELES TIMES

Remarks made by television commentator Larry Merchant about the appropriateness of using a Mariachi band prior to Saturday night's Oscar De La Hoya-Pernell Whitaker title fight has provoked some angry reaction.

Promoter Bob Arum has demanded an apology, and there have been about 30 calls of protest to the Los Angeles office of TVKO, the pay-per-view company that telecast the fight. There were also scattered protests in other cities.

On the telecast, Merchant said: "You know, guys, it really doesn't make any difference what kind of music they play before a fight. But I'd like to remind you and everyone out there that both Pernell Whitaker and Oscar De La Hoya are born and bred American."

"This is a gesture to the great American, er, the great Mexican fight fans, who support the promoter. But, in a way, it slights the fans of the champion whose title is at stake, Pernell Whitaker. In other words, in my view, as wonderful as the music is, and it is, in this setting, it s—

Unless they follow it with some soul music, which I don't think they will.

"This is a marketing ploy, using music to get Mexican fans, not Mexican-Americans, but Mexican fans to support De La Hoya."

De La Hoya is a Mexican-American, Whitaker an African-American.

Arum, who admitted he hadn't actually seen a transcript of Merchant's comments, said, "Larry Merchant will never again work a Top Rank (Arum's company) pay-per-view telecast unless he apologizes."

Merchant, now in his 30th year with HBO, said: "I have no problem explaining and clarifying what I said and what I meant ... If I have offended anyone, I am sorry. I was talking about the unfairness of playing one fighter's music and not the other."

"When a fighter comes from another country to fight an American, we play the Star-Spangled Banner and the national anthem of the other fighter's country and that is absolutely as it should be. But when you have two American fighters, to play the music of the background of one and not the other is not even-handed. When the other guy is champion, that is not appropriate or fair."

De La Hoya was clearly the favorite of the 12,200 at Las Vegas' Thomas & Mack Center.

MILLER

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SIUC, which had one of the nation's top radio-television departments at the time.

"I just got the bug," Miller said. "It was a hybrid of playing sports for all of my life and my interest in theater, and the two kind of married into one when I got here."

"I did some news and some weather while I was here, but I hated it. The reason I got into sports was the passion for it."

After graduation, several opportunities opened up for him in Georgia.

"When I was in Savannah, I was close to Atlanta (CNN headquarters), and it was very important that I was able to meet them face-to-face and not just have a tape on a desk," Miller said.

"From CNN competing so heavily with ESPN over the years, there was a natural migration there from doing a sports show on an all-news

network and doing a sports show on an all-sports network. Now, ESPN has grown astronomically."

In its beginnings in the late 1970s, ESPN televised sports such as leg-rolling and strong-man competitions. But since then, the channel has expanded into three channels and is a multi-million dollar production.

Since 1990, Miller has played a major role at the 24-hour network. Miller anchored ESPN's coverage of the World Series in 1991 and 1992, the Major League Baseball winter meetings in 1992 and the National Baseball Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies show in 1992.

Miller has also been a host for two of the network's most popular shows, Baseball Tonight and SportsCenter.

While Miller has achieved national success, he said SIUC's national recognition for its radio and television department is not as strong as it should be.

"One of the biggest problems is

that people aren't aware of this program," Miller said. "People just don't know what kind of resources are here. It takes people who are here to have the initiative, and I don't think enough of them take advantage of it."

Miller said one of the best periods of his life was his time at SIUC, but he is disappointed that more students are not aware of the school's unique atmosphere.

"The territory and the spirit is so different down here," Miller said. "Unfortunately, it's a very well-kept secret that the people that go here know about, but a lot of other people don't."

Although Miller's career has went much further than he originally expected, he said potential sports-casters can follow their dreams with a little luck and determination.

"The most important thing is you target what you want and use your persistence," Miller said. "If you don't get what you want, then you do whatever you can to work up to a goal you have set."

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can imagine.

"It's just not what people think," he said. "It's a lot of hours, it's bad hours. While everyone else is working Monday through Friday nine-to-five, you're working almost the exact opposite."

Miller is usually on the road almost the entire year, and sometimes the rigors of the road can lead to unhealthy habits, he said.

"It's terrible to have a family life," he said. "If you're doing play-by-play, you're on the road all the

time, you're not eating right, so it is a very difficult job."

For Miller, having a personal life is very difficult, because he said it's hard not to be married to your career if you want to succeed.

"I would say it was a major contribution to my marriage breaking up 'cause I was working in the morning and she was working nine-to-five," he said. "I was working all weekends, and you have to do it. I wouldn't be where I was had I not done that. It's something people don't really realize."

Miller said he is always put on the spot because he is on live television where a mistake will be

noticed.

"The conditions can be awful," he said. "The pressure is enormous. People often say that to me, 'So, why don't we put a camera on them all day and see how they do at their job.' You have to do it right, because if you screw up people think you're a moron."

Miller does not consider his job glamorous. He views it as a everyday job.

"My motivation was always me judging myself," he said. "(But) whether your mother is watching, or a million people are watching, I've always been motivated to do a good job."

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Tennis team breaks losing streak

FIRST MVC WIN:

Etzkin ends dry spell for Salukis with win over conference rival Bradley.

BRAD WEBER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

SIUC junior Brian Etzkin left Terre Haute, Ind., Saturday more confident than usual after the Salukis posted their first conference victory of the season with a win over Bradley University.

Etzkin said it was a relief to have finally ended a losing streak, which had reached seven matches.

The Salukis won 4-2 to improve their record to 4-11 overall and 1-6 in Missouri Valley Conference play. "We were feeling pretty confident heading into our match with Bradley," he said. "It was nice to get the win because we had two of our top players hurt."

Freshmen Juan Carlos England and Randy De Guzman were unable to play both days because of injury and sickness. England had bronchitis, while De Guzman twisted his

ankle against Indiana State University early in his match Friday.

Saturday, contesting only in singles matches because of bad weather, the Salukis wasted no time, as they jumped to a 1-0 lead behind junior Mick Smyth.

"I played more aggressively in my match against Bradley than I had all season... just anyone," he said. "It was more mental concentration knowing we needed a good start."

After losing at the No. 2 slot because of forfeit, SIUC picked up three straight wins to seal its first MVC victory of the season.

"We realized Bradley was a weak team," Smyth said. "After we lost the second match, there was a little doubt. But we battled back and still came through with the victory."

Friday, the Salukis dropped a 5-1 match to Indiana State University. Etzkin was the lone Saluki to pull out a victory as he defeated Indiana State's Christian Muddle 7-6, 7-6. The victory was Etzkin's second consecutive win after opening the season 0-12 in singles play.

"I've been having a sense of urgency lately," he said. "Although in the last couple of weeks, I've come into my match with the mind set expecting to win."

De Guzman said the victory over Bradley would give the team more confidence for its matches today. "Most of us are starting to turn our game around at the right time of the season," he said. "You have to because the Missouri Valley Conference Championship is less than two weeks away."

Men's coach Brad Ifiner was not available for comment because he was escorting the women's tennis team to UTM as well.



• The Salukis are 4-11 overall and 1-6 in Missouri Valley Conference play.

• The Salukis will be in action again today when they battle the University of Tennessee-Martin in Martin, Tenn.

Bullets allow Iverson to break record

LACK OF DEFENSE:

NBA rookie gets fifth consecutive 40-point game, without resistance.

WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON — The NBA is unlikely to fine the Washington Bullets despite their intentionally lackadaisical defense against Philadelphia 76ers guard Allen Iverson in the waning seconds of the Bullets' 131-110 victory Monday night in Philadelphia.

With the Bullets putting up little resistance, Iverson hit a three-point shot to extend his rookie record of 40-point games to five.

Though the game's last minute provided plenty of fodder to offend basketball purists, the league does not expect to take action against either team even after a possible review of the game tape Wednesday.

"Right now, I don't think we are going to do anything," league spokesman Chris Brienza said.

The Bullets — irritated by the 76ers' dogged determination to get Iverson the record despite trailing by an insurmountable margin —

watched with arms at their sides as Iverson attempted a three-pointer with about 20 seconds left. The successful 24-foot shot gave him 40 points.

"We said, 'We're not going to let him get it (the record)," Bullets back-up point guard Chris Whitney said.

"Finally we said, just let him take the shot."

The NBA does not equate Washington's inaction on that play with the actions of the Detroit Pistons and Detroit Coach Doug Collins in a loss to Orlando on March 19, 1996.

The league fined Collins \$5,000 for pulling his team off the court in the last seconds of that game after the Magic called a timeout and ran a play to get Anthony Bowie enough points for his first career triple-double.

Unlike in the Detroit-Orlando game, the Bullets did not leave the court. Furthermore, they did not allow Iverson to drive through the defense unguarded.

"You can make the argument that the way (Washington) played Iverson for the three-point shot is the way a lot of teams would have played him," Brienza said.

Iverson, an NBA rookie of the

year candidate, has not been highly successful from behind the three-point line, converting 33 percent.

The 76ers' conduct in the game falls within league rules, Brienza said.

In the game's last 61 seconds, Philadelphia used three timeouts and fouled intentionally.

Even the crowd at the CoreStax Center booed the blatant attempt to get the record.

"Philadelphia certainly has the right to use all their timeouts," Brienza said.

Washington General Manager Wes Unseld dismissed the incident.

"It wasn't that they weren't playing defense, they were just trying to get the game over with," he said Tuesday.

"You are talking about garbage time at the end of a long season. These guys knew the game was won. I saw them going through the motions because they wanted the time on the clock to run out."

Unseld was not upset with Philadelphia Coach Johnny Davis, who called timeouts with 61, 27.8 and 24.9 seconds remaining. Iverson missed three of four free throws in the last minute.

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in the first inning on a run-scoring single by Benson and a sacrifice fly to center field by junior right fielder Carl Kochan that scored senior first baseman Aaron Jones.

In the third, SIUC added another run on Benson's ninth home run of the season.

"He's a nice hitter," Henderson said. "He's a joy to coach. He has tremendous focus and tremendous concentration, and those things have paid off for him."

But Benson's homer was the end of the good things for the Salukis, who fell apart in the top of the fourth inning.

The Indians jumped on McConnell early with two singles and a double that scored two runs. SEMO scored two more runs on two infield hits before adding its final run on a double. Junior pitcher Aaron Bresko relieved McConnell with two outs and forced a sacrifice fly to second baseman Steve Ruggeri to end the inning, but the damage was done.

SEMO pitcher Jason Swearingen held SIUC to just one run in the last five innings.

Bresko went the rest of the way for the Salukis, but gave up four runs, including two home runs to

for three innings, but he started missing with his location. Aaron (Bresko) came in and executed for eight or nine pitches, but then gave up a home run. And that's not getting the job done."

The Salukis' defense also struggled Tuesday, committing four errors compared to the Indians' two.

Benson said the entire team is responsible for playing poorly Tuesday.

"We're not playing good defense, we're not getting good pitching and we're leaving too many runners on base," Benson said. "You can't say it's anyone's fault in particular because we're just bad all the way around."

Benson said SIUC must treat today's game with the Fighting Illini as a tune-up for the Shockers.

"I don't care who we're playing, we need to come out and play well," Benson said. "Whatever momentum we can get we need, because they're going to come in ready to play, I guarantee that. We better come to ready to play because that's a big game for us."

I've had good years on great teams, and here I'm having an incredible year, and I'm sitting here wondering if there's something I'm not doing.

BRAD BENSON
SALUKI JUNIOR CATCHER

SEMO's Darin Kinsolving, in 5 1/3 innings.

"I don't think our pitching did a good job," Henderson said. "McConnell did a tremendous job

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Smith signs with Broncos

Five-time Pro Bowl defensive end Neil Smith, who spent nine years with the Kansas City Chiefs, signed with the Denver Broncos Monday. The Broncos mentioned that the signing was one of the biggest free agent signings in franchise history, but the team would not release terms to the deal.

Smith, an unrestricted free agent, announced Friday that the Chiefs would not re-sign him, so he defected to Denver, which with the exception of the Oakland Raiders is Kansas City's biggest rival.

The 6-4, 278-pound Smith had six sacks last season, half of his total from the previous year. He has 86 1/2 sacks in his career after being drafted second overall out of Nebraska.

Two weeks ago, the Chiefs acquired Brentson Buckner, a starter the past two seasons at both defensive end and defensive tackle for the Pittsburgh Steelers, for an undisclosed draft choice. He likely will replace Smith at left end.

The Chiefs also signed free agent defensive end Derrick Thomas to a seven-year deal that made him the highest-paid defensive player in the NFL.

Fuller signs with San Diego

William Fuller, another defensive end with Pro Bowl experience, reportedly has signed a two-year contract with the San Diego Chargers.

ESPN is reporting that talks between Fuller and his former club, the Philadelphia Eagles, collapsed Thursday. The unrestricted free agent then reportedly accepted the \$4.4 million deal with the Chargers.

The 35-year-old Fuller had 13 sacks for the Eagles last season and made his fourth trip to the Pro Bowl. Fuller has played the last three seasons with the Eagles, earning an average of \$2.8 million each year. The former All-America from University of North Carolina played his first eight NFL seasons with the Houston Oilers.

Patriots will not sign Collins

The New England Patriots said Monday night they have no intentions of matching the offer sheet signed by defensive end Ferric Collins, who signed a two-year deal worth an undisclosed amount with the Philadelphia Eagles earlier in the day.

The Patriots would not receive any compensation for letting Collins go to Philadelphia.

"We have a tremendous nucleus of young, talented players and we want to continue to mold this team around players who demonstrate a commitment to teamwork and winning," said Patriots coach Pete Carroll. "Ferric Collins has clearly demonstrated that he lacks that commitment."

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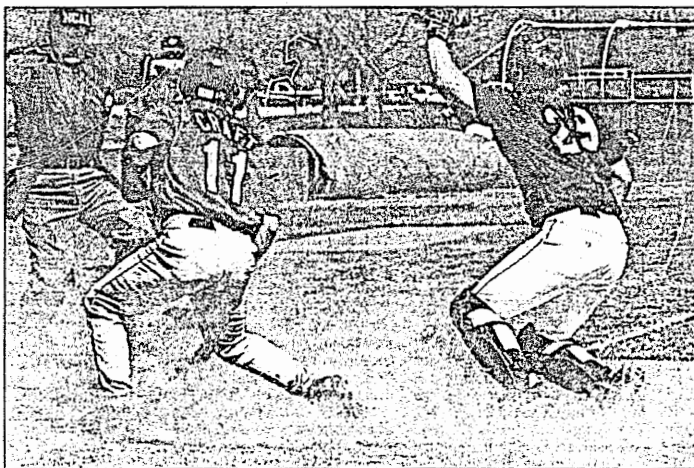
Three fined for brawl

The NBA handed out fines without suspensions Monday for the participants in Saturday's fight between the Miami Heat and New York Knicks.

NBA senior vice president of operations Rod Thorn fined Heat center Alonzo Mourning \$7,500, Knicks forward Buck Williams \$5,000 and Knicks forward Charles Oakley \$4,000 for their roles in the scuffle.

The incident occurred with 10:16 left in New York's 100-99 win over Miami. Mourning was fined for instigating the incident by elbowing Williams, who was fined for retaliating. According to the league, Oakley was fined for acting in a manner "other than a peacemaker."

Both Williams and Mourning were ejected from the game, which carries an additional fine of \$1,000.



SAFE AT HOME:

Saluki catcher Brad Benson, a junior from Peoria, Ariz., holds up the ball for the home plate umpire to call out Southeast Missouri State's Lance Craft, but the call was safe as Craft scored in the fourth inning.

CURTIS K. BIAS/
Daily Egyptian

Indians rally to beat Salukis

EXTRA EFFORT:
SIUC falls to SEMO despite great play of individual players.

RYAN KEITH
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Saluki junior catcher Brad Benson did just about everything he could from the plate Tuesday, but one inning turned the tide in a 9-4 loss to Southeast Missouri State University at Abe Martin Field.

Benson went 3-for-3 from the plate with a home run and two RBIs, but the Indians rallied from a 3-0 deficit to send the Salukis to 11-21 on the season.

SEMO improved to 15-19.

Benson, who entered the game with a team-high .465 batting average, said he is frustrated about the Salukis' inability to play consistently this season.

"I don't know what to do to turn it around," Benson said.

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"I've had good years on great teams, and here I'm having an incredible year, and I'm sitting here wondering if there's something I'm not doing."

SIUC assistant coach Ken Henderson, who filled in as the team's head coach Tuesday at

Dan Callahan attended a funeral, said the team's inability to score runs late in the contest was the deciding factor in the loss.

"We swung the bats well early, but we didn't have anything to show for it," Henderson said. "In the clutch down the stretch, we had a chance to get back in the ballgame and didn't do it, which disappoints me."

SIUC jumped out to an early lead and appeared to have the game under control. Senior starter Mike McConnell shut the Indians' bats down for three innings, allowing just one hit.

The Salukis posted two runs



• The Salukis travel to the University of Illinois today before beginning a four-game series with Missouri Valley Conference leader Wichita State University at Abe Martin Field beginning Friday.

• Game time is 3 p.m. in Champaign.

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From SIUC to ESPN and back again

RETURNING ALUMNUS:

Successful sportscasters from SIUC reunite on campus for Radio and Television Week.

RYAN KEITH
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

In 1978, SIUC graduate Gary Miller and ESPN were in the same boat.

Both Miller and the new sports channel were looking for the opportunity to make a name for themselves in the world of sportscasting.

Today, Miller and ESPN have done more than they first expected, with Miller anchoring several shows for the all-sports network, one of the world's most popular cable channels.

Miller, a 1978 SIUC graduate in radio-television, returned to Carbondale Monday to participate in a sportscasters' reunion, part of the department's Radio and Television Week.

Miller said the experience he gained and the friends he made at SIUC started him on the road to success.

"It's very easy for me to say the biggest benefit was using the facilities of radio and television to give me a head start," Miller said. "Not everyone is that fortunate to be able to use the facilities that were here, and I consider myself pretty lucky."

Miller, in his seventh year at ESPN, spent four years as sports director from 1974-78 at WSIU-AM before graduating. He then spent four years as sports director at WSAV-TV in Savannah, Ga., before becoming a sports



AMY STRAUSS/DAILY EGYPTIAN

TV PRO: Gary Miller, a sportscaster for ESPN, is a 1978 SIUC alum who came back to participate in a question and answer session Monday in the Communications Building for Radio and Television Week.

anchor and reporter at CNN in 1982.

During his tenure at CNN, Miller covered several major sporting events, including baseball's World Series and All-Star Game, NCAA basketball's Final Four and the Super Bowl.

Miller said his love for sports drew him to

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Dark side of sportscasting
MARRIED TO THE JOB:
SIUC alum says life on TV is more demanding than it looks to viewers.

BRAD WEBER
DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER

Being a sportscaster is not all it is cracked up to be, as most people think it's a job of glamour and prestige, an SIUC alum says and ESPN sportscaster says.

"A lot of people will come up to me and say 'You get to interview Michael Jordan,'" ESPN's Gary Miller said. "(But) I have to get a tape on the air, some guys don't want to talk, some guys will be eating, others will say, 'Why don't you get your camera out of here.' So they don't understand it's a job."

Unlike most Americans who work nine-to-five, Miller sometimes works until 3 a.m. He said the work involved is much harder than most

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