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THURSDAY DAILY EGYPTIA

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The DAILY EGYPTIAN honors Peter Alexander, first black American to become dean of SIU School of Law on June 1, 2003. See Black History story, page 4

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

Peter Alexander SIU class of 1979

Strain relief



Hironobu Kakinuma receives treatment from sports medicine for a torn ACL in his right knee. Kakinuma is a kick boxer and a second year graduate student majoring in Tesol. Allan Chase has been an athletic trainer working at sports medicine for approximately two months and is working on Kakinuma's knee. Kakinuma said he tore his ACL five months ago. Sports medicine treats all kinds of injuries, not just sports-related injuries. Sports medicine is located in the Recreation Center across from the pool.

Meth grant falls short of rehab

\$600,000 grant won't There is certainly money being put into it.
There are treatment programs and facilities around the state." cover costs for drug clinics, treatment

Moustafa Ayad Daily Egyptian

The arrests and cases pertaining to methamphetamine in southern Illinois have increased substantially in the past seven years while funding for addicts and treatment clinics has stayed about the same.

Jim Creighton, director of Jackson County

Drug Enforcement, said that there were 124 cases and 99 arrests involving methamphetamines last year.

U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, D-Belleville, announced Tuesday a \$600,000 grant to fight 66 It used to be

66 It used to be one out every 25. methamphetamine labs in southern Illinois. or 30 kids came in with meth However, none of the money will go to treataddiction; now it's just about 20 percent of all of our intakes. 99 ment-facilities to com-

methamphetamine

conference Tuesday.

This money will be used entirely for the training and education of our law enforcement and citizens and the cleaning up and disposal of our toxic waste," he said. Costello said that methamphetamine

addiction is a serious issue and law enforcement must be better trained to dispose of and contain methamphetamine labs. He worked to get the \$600,000 for Jackson County law enforcement. While Costello acknowledged that the government should be spending more on treatment, none of this money would be earmarked for treatment because there are other government agencies that handle treat-

"How much money is being put into it [clinics and rehabilitation centers]?" he said. Tuesday. "The easy answer is not enough.

The department does not provide substance abuse clinics, but there are private substance abuse clinics in the area," said Substance abuse clinics in the area, said Carla Griffin, a spokeswoman for the Jackson County Health Department.

The Gateway Foundation in Carbondale oversees the treatment of a wide array of addic-

tions and afflictions. The treatment center concentrates its detoxification on individuals

between ages 12 and 20.

The facility is a non-profit private entity. It is also the only center in the area that takes in both females and males.

intake counselor at the Gateway Foundation who spoke on a condition of anomymity said that some funding is provided by the state, but not enough.

You can never receive

enough," the counselor said. "It's site specific. If there is money, it filters

through Chicago first."

The source at the say

Gateway Foundation
agreed that metham-- intake counselor, Gateway Foundation phetamine abusers are

increasing and the problem is not going away.

The numbers are increasing at an alarming rate," the source said. "It used to be one out every 25 or 30 kids came in with meth addic-

tion; now it's just about 20 percent of all of our The money that is given by the state to the Gateway Foundation is not specifically for all

drug addiction intakes, with none specifically earmarked for methamphetamine abusers, the

"Methamphetamines are the hardest drugs we have to tackle — it has an unbelievable withdrawal that consists of intense cravings for the drug," the counselor said. "The process of detoxification usually takes about two to four veeks, but the first five to ten days are really

See METH, page 12

Associate Provost leaves SIUC after 28 years

Perkins heads to new position at Florida International

Ben Botkin Daily Egyptian

After nearly three decades at SIUC, Associate Provost Kyle Perkins will leave the University next week for

Florida — but not for retirement. Perkins will officially leave his post at SIUC Wednesday and become the vice provost for Budget and Operations at Florida International University in Miami. He said he is looking forward to his new position,

skills and experience and I'm already working very closely with the staff there," Perkins said in a statement. Til work on some of the same challenges we have here such as budget reductions. Florida's state budget is University next week also challenged at present."
SIUC Chancellor Watter Werdler

said he will have John Dunn, provost and vice chancellor, assess the depart-ment before any replacement searches

Perkins began his SIUC career in 1975 as a linguistics instructor and was a full professor and associate dean of the College of Liberal Arts ten years later. He served as the interim ovost and vice chancellor until John n began the post last November.

In his new position, Perkins will be involved in research that uses math-

is aimed at aiding physicians in diagnosing medical problems such as Alzheimer's Disease.

Wendler also said he enjoyed hav-

ing Perkins for a co-worker.
"I really appreciated the oppor-tunity to work with Kyle," he said.
"I found him to be nearly selfless in trying to do what's best for the University."

Perkins' lengthy career at the University is impressive, said Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs & Enrollment Management.

"He's given 28 years of service to the University." Dietz said. "My hat's off to anyone who's given that type of service. When he's in Florida, I'm sure he'll look at a weather map of Illinois with a smile on his face."

which begins March 3.

ematical formulas to rate health risk Reporter Ben Bothin can be reached at think it's a good match with my factors and symptoms. This research bookin@dailyegyptian.com

Homeland defense plan stresses computer security

White House involves college campuses in cybersecurity plan

Brendan Collier Daily Egyptian

The White House introduced a homeland security plan Friday to secure cyberspace from potential ter-rorist attacks. Amid talk of college campuses' vulnerability to terrorist attacks, the new plan calls on uni-versities to exercise more computer vigilance.

rigilance.

The plan recommends that institutions of higher education beef up firewall protection and develop training programs in which college students could learn to protect their computers from potential attacks.

Jerry Looft, administrative assistant at Information Technology, said

tant at Information Technology, said

SIUC has had network security problems in the past, mostly stemming from students use of music and movie swapping programs. The inherent problem with these programs is that they are set up to give and receive files from almost any user, he said.

For instance, Looft said that one

time the Army traced missing files from an investigation to SIUC. As it turned out, he said, a hacker may have used an SIUC student's computer as a link in a chain leading to the Army's

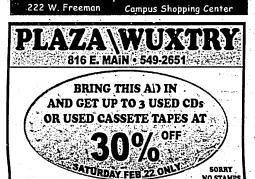
computer system.

"People from the outside can come in and look around," Looft said. "Then they can go from one machine to another."

To make their computers less vulnerable to hacker attacks, Looft recommends that students turn off their computers when they're not using them, and disable any Internet

See SECURITY, page 11





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NATIONAL NEWS

Club owners, Chicago officials argue over violations

CHICACO — The nightspot where 21 people died in a stampede this week was a popular stop for the hip-hop crowd and it had a reputation for trouble: Police say they received scores of calls about it over the past three years and city inspectors found nearly a dozen code violations in the building last summer.

But when authorities tried to shut down the E2 nightclub a year ago, community leaders rushed to defend it, saying it was an important, black-owned business. In a letter to a city aldernaut, the Rev. lesses lackson called Eptonen, a nestaurant underneath E2, "one of the few fine dining establishments in Chicago conved and operated by African Americans."

Whether the buttry helped keep the club open was unknown Wednesday. City officials said a court order to dose E2 was dear, while club attorneys say it was open to interpretation. One thing is dear. The club and restaurant are headed by a men with connections.

men with connections.

According to public records, Dwain I, Kyles is president and owner of the Mirage Studio Ltd., which owns both E2 and Epitome. His father, the Rev. Samuel Billy Kyles, was a close associate of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a close friend of Jackson and a founder of Operation PUSH.

Dwain Kyles, 48, has served as an attorney for Jackson's Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, as it is now known.

City building inspectors also cited the establishment for 11 code violations last year. Last July, a Cook County judge ordered the landlord and Kyles to stop using the second floor, where the nightfulb is located and where the stampede began early Monday.

Husband Charged with Nan Wyatt's Murder

Police say Thomas Erbland called them after he shot his wife,

The couple's son was at home during the shooting. He is 7

The couple's son was at home during the shooting. He is 7 years old.

Thomas Erbland, 43, is changed with murder in the first degree and armed criminal action.

Police say around 6:00 pm. Tuesday, Erbland shot his wife, Nan Wyat, several times in the master bedroom of heir Twin Oaks home, while their son was downstain in the basement. According to police, Erbland used a 357 magnum he bought several years ago on the east coast.

Police say Erbland dropped his son off at his wife's parents, then called his in-laws and told them a crime had been committed at his house against his wife.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Plane crashes in Iran, 302 aboard dead

TEHRAN, Iran — A military plane carrying 302 members of Iran's elite Revolutionary Guards crashed in the mountains of southeastern litan on Wednesday, killing all on board in the country's worst plane crash ever, state-run media reported. The plane was en route from Zahedan, on the Pakistan bor-der, to Kerman, about 500 miles southeast of Tehran, state-run. Tehran teleprison reported, it crashed about 20 miles from its destination.

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The Russian-made Antonov airliner operated by the Iranian military lost contact with the control tower at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, according to the reports.

The official Islamic Republic News Agency said rescuers at the crash site had confirmed all 302 people on board were killed.

Kuied.

It was also the latest in a string of plane accidents the Itanian government has blamed on U.S. sanctions, arguing that they have prevented the country from repairing and replacing its aging fleet.

Trade between Iran and the United States has been frozen

Trade between Iran and the United States has been frozen under sanctions Washington imposed after the 1979 takeover of the U.S. Embassy in Tehran.

The news agency said the plane's passengers and crew were all members of the Revolutionary Guards, an elite group under the direct control of supreme leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. The guards protect Iran's borders and defend ruling hard-liners in this ultra-crosservative society.

State television and radio did not offer reasons for the crash and did not address the possibility of termoism. There was heavy snowfall in many parts of Iran on Wednesday, including in Zahedan, which hadn't seen snow in three years.

Associated Press efforts to reach provincial officials were unsuccessful early Thursday.

Associated Press efforts to reach provincial officials were unsuccessful early flunday. Tehran television quoted an anonymous official as saying the forces had visited the impoversived Sistan-Baluchestan province, of which Zahedan is the capital, for an "important mission." The government issued a statement offering condolences to the families of the victims, television and radio reports said, Iranians were preparing for an Islamic holiday on Thursday, the feast of Velayat, when Shiftes believe Islam's prophet Mohammad appointed his son-in-law, Ali, as his successor.

Today



Partly Cloudy. High in the mid to upper 40s. A light wind from the East at 6 mph.

Five-day

Friday Saturday Sunday Monday Partly Cloudy Tuesday

Forecast Cloudy 51/32 Rain/Snow 38/23. 35/9 **Light Snow** Mostly Cloudy 29/2

Almanac

Average high: 45 💒 . Average low: 26 Wednesday's precip: .5" Wednesday's hi/low: 43/26

Corrections

In the Wednesday's issue of the DMY EOMIN, the profile and picture of four-year city council candidate Priscilla R. Primentel was mistakenly left out the pyee 4 article "Heating up," which featured candidates for City Council. The Daily Egyptian regress the error.

The Day Econom regrets this error.

Readers who spot an error should contact the Daily Egyptian accuracy desk at 536-3311 ext. 253.

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CALENDAR

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Thurday

Circle K Service Organization general meeting Recreation Center Pool 7 to 9 p.m.

Student Support Services focus session luncheon eaker: Margaret Flanagan, City Council member: mayoral candidate Student Center, Maddinay Room

> Voices of Inspiration now accepting applications for spring semester Neckers Hall, Room 440 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays

Friday

Japanese Table play Japanese Jeopardy Student Center, McDonald's

> French Table Cale Melange 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

POLICE REPORTS

*A 21-year-old woman told police her boyfriend battered her at noon Saturday at Southern Hills housing. He was not located and **2 case was turned over to the State's Attorney's office for a pos-

Brionce Danyale Dussard, 18, South Holland, was arrested and charged with domestic battery at 8:10 p.m. Sunday at Mae Smith. She was taken to the Jackson County Jail.

Dorothy M. Howard, 48, Marion, was arrested at 2:33 p.m. Tuesday in the 2000 block of South Illinois Avenue on three war-rants for faire to appear in court on original charges of deceptive practices in Williamson, Franklin and Jefferson Counties. She was taken to the Jackson County Jackson.

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Leroy Wright

Setting things WRIGHT

From the streets of urban St. Louis to the top of the business world alumnus builds better foundations

Jackie Keané

Lew college graduates make six figures within one year of their graduation. Even fewer of those recent graduates are African American males who grew up with two blind grandparents in a home surrounded by the poverty-stricken streets of St. Louis.

SIUC alumnus Leroy Wright was able to defeat these odds and go farther than he could ever have imagined. Today, Wright is chairman and CEO of TLC Next Generation, a wireless company that operates in partnership with Southwestern Bell Mobile Systems.

They thought I was a long shot, but I knew in my mind I was going to be able to do all the things

by going to college. I love to prove people wrong. I was people wrong. extremely down this driven path,"

Wright said. Wright began working with Southwestern Bell directly after college. Within one year he earned over \$100,000 in bonuses, \$100,000 in bonuses, proving himself as the top salesperson within the company. A position he held for three years. After maintaining his top position. Wright wanted to begin the building of his own Lero company, Wright his

pany, which began with only three only three neighborhood.

employees, quickly grew to the largest cellular company throughout St. Louis. In 1997 Wright completed his larg-est buyout in St. Louis by an African American when he purchased Next Generation Communication. The combination of the two companies became TLC Next Generation. It didn't take long for the company to make its way through-out Missouri. The company recently

TLC Next Generation thus Sr.

His degree in Speech Communication in 1992 is not what led him to his outstending success. What he took from football and his grandfather is what led him to the top. He learned his entreprenguishin from his neurship from his grandparents' ability to

sell brooms door-to-door.

"(My grandfather) was the original

"(My grandfather) was the original entrepreneur. If he would have had sight, he would have been a millionaire. He would say, if I can do that, just look at what you can do," Wright said.

The importance of building relations with people is something Wright took from his grandfather. There was a large clientele he built over the years, Wright recalls. According to Wright, consumers would buy from his grandfather even if they did not need

a broom or if there was a better product

Until a person can combine the human touch with credibility and a human degree, they are not going to advance in business, said Wright.

"Relationship" building is very important. You can have a bachelor's, master's and PhD, but until you learn how to deal with people and relate with people and relate with people and people an

connections people is something Wright takes seri-

ously. He is still active on the board of directors for the Matthews-Dickey Boys Club, a program he was involved in as a

have a lot of resources, like computers or even books. They really need a message that says to stay focused and go out and uest says to stay tocused and go out and search for resources. If you apply yourself, anyone can make it. My message to them is don't let this message pass you by, Wright said.

Though he was often at the Though ne was onen ac club, his home was with his grandparents club, his home was with the grand located just around the corner. This young athlete was striving to make someone of himself. He built a strong relationship with everyone at Matthews-Dickey Boys and Girls Club. Co-founder of the club Martin Luther Matthews became like a second father to the young boy who immersed himself in everyday athletics and refereeing. Wright made the club immersed himself in everyday athletics and refereeing. Wright made the club his home beyond home. When he was not participating in football or basketball, he was blowing the whist'e and making the call. And although, he spent his days becoming enriched in the culture of the club, he never lost sight of his personal-his club, he never lost sight of his responsibil-ity to help his grandparents in their time

of need.

He used to come over everyday, especially during the summer and he would get his recreation in. He played football and baseball, but his primary responsibility was to care for his grandparents. He was the eyes for them. He would take them to the store or wherever they needed to go. He was the only guy I know who would play pool and then the phone would ring and it would be his grandparents and he would take them wherever they needed to go. He was very determined," Matthews

Matthews recalls the days of Wright in his football and referee uniform

"He would always get into trouble when he umpired because they always told him they couldn't see."

The long hours of football practice and umpring landed Wright an athletic scholarship at SIUC. Wright credits his motivation to succeed as an entrepreneur motivation to succeed as an entrepreneur-to football. He remembers the practices during spring that focused heavily on pre-cision and the end of the year BBO's. But most of all, he credits football instilling in his mind'a lot about persistence and focus. His immediate goal was not to get redshirted. He wanted to come in to the opportunity of SIU, play football and fin-ish in four years. The goal was complete upon his college career, yet he wanted more. He went back to school to receive

his Master degree.
"We were probably as opposite as could be. I was from the suburbs of St. Louis and he was from the city. He was a good gur and smart. Because we were both disciplined, he was a great roommate. We both studied and did what we had to do," Scott Gabbert, Wright's freshman year roommate and former teammate. "I am not surprised he's done real well after school and not surprised he's a champion for minority-owned businesses. He's a performer of that and I am happy to see him do real well. I think it's fabulous," Gabbert said.

There is no doubt that Wright has not lost sight of his roots, planted firmly in the soil of urban St. Louis. Today he travels throughout California, Chicago and back to St. Louis to reiterate Martin Luther King's dream. If you try hard and stay focused, you can go on to succeed. He

has stood before students in grade eight through college as a prime example of a hard worker and achieved man.

hard worker and achieved man.

Just last week Wright spoke to the eighth grade students at Nash Elementary in Chicago. According to Roger Lewis, assistant principal of Henry H. Nash, Wright shared his background with the stucents. They were able to relate because they grow up in the West Side of Chicago.

The buzz around the building the next day was that his talk was well received and they enjoyed hearing them," Lewis said. "He is an excellent example of an accomplished man for black history month because of what he had to endure to get where he is today. Growing up in the inner city you succeed in spite of rather than because of and he was able to

Wright works hard to give back to the community. He was lucky to long shot, but I knew in my have a boys and girls club right around the corner mind I was going to be able that was a place he could go and become part of a team. Wright considers to do all the things by going crime to be the byproduct of disadvantage. By help-ing the disadvantaged and encouraging them, extremely driven down this he hopes to curb crime.

In order to be successful, you have to have people who care around you. A lot of youth don't

you. A lot of your cont
have people who take an interest in their
life. They took a tremendous interest in
my life," Wright said.

The academics and team building

aped build his self worth. The club, which gave him the feeling of being needed somewhere became his foundation. "It helped me to see the light at the end of the tunnel." Wright was a product of a poverty stricken environment and had to find outlets that did not lead to disaster.

The potholes in his road to success only made him more driven to succeed. him more driven to succeed.

"It is my duty to give something back and make the world a little bit better. T look at this as my contribution because when I die, I can't take any of these things that are in the world with me, Wright

Wright is nationally recognized as great entrepreneur and leader. He has taken the business skills he saw his grandfather demonstrate and used them stepping stones on his way to the top

of corporate America.
Though his altitude is

BLACKELHILSS TORKET high, he has not lost BLACK ALUMNI sight of the people who have helped

him along the way. As he continues to travel in search of a bigger marketplace, such as Chicago, he continues to keep his eyes peeled for the open classroom door in which he can spread his words

"He is a greatly determined young man. I think he really exemplifies what America is all about; opportunity is up to you to succeed," Matthews said.

Reporter Jackie Keane can be reached at jkeane@dailyegyptian.com



PROVIDED PHOTO

building of his own Leroy Wright (left) poses with company, Wright his wife. Wright builds solid Cellular. This company, which began partners and with the children in his

expanded to San Diego and is currently working to expand to the Chicago area. Chicago will be the largest market of

on the market.

Building strong

Wright may be a resident of San Diego, but he spends a lot of his time throughout the states. He travels to schools throughout the inner cities of St. Louis and Chicago. Many hours of Wright's time are dedicated to giving back to the community what he was given. He speaks to the children on a broad basis. "I try to focus on the kids who don't

CANDIDATE PROFILE ~ CITY COUNCIL

Priscilla R. Pimentel

• Four-year term • 600 W. Pecan St.

On consolidating schools to mitigate property tax:

She said she would have to look into the issue further. She said such a project would be a huge undertaking and she would exercise

On the Human Relations Commission:

She said the city needs a Human Relations Commission, and it should have subpoena

power. She said it is a commission of last resort and needs to be able to resolve conflicts

ossibly call a meeting to sit down and develop the commission.

On the city manager:

Pimentel said Doherty has done a great job carrying out decisions and she would not support his removal.

On holding landlords accountable for their property:

Pimentel said poor housing is notable and enforcement needs to be done. She said some landlords play the legal system to put off repairs, and she wants to have involvement from the District Attorney's office in crack-downs. She said the northeast side of the city especially needs revitalization.

On lowering the Grand Avenue speed limit to 25 near the Recreation Center:

She said she would likely support lowering the speed limit. She said she wants to make th city more bicycle and pedestrian friendly.

A couple of issues Pimentel thinks are important to this election:

She said zoning in the city needs to have fewer changes and there should be more enforcement on zoning. She said people moving into the area need to know when they move in that the zoning is likely to stay same.

She said the city also needs to bring in more businesses and revenue to provide

citizens and students with health benefits and decent wages. She said students who take time off to make money should be able to stay in Carbondale with good pay and benefits. She said the city needs to work on bringing in industry, such as a non-polluting factory:

Big S or little s:

Pimentel said southern Illinois does not look like central or northern Illinois, and it is a distinct region. She said the DAILY EGYPTIAN'S decision is messing up grammar for children in the area.

One thing about Pimentel voters may not know:

She is an animal science major and a parent. She was on the landlord/tenant task force in the late 1990s and is on the energy and environment advisory commission.

Coming home

1979 SIU alumnus Peter Alexander returns to his alma mater as Dean of the School of Law

story by LINDSEY J. MASTIS

eter Alexander met a lot of influential people while attending SIUC: President Jimmy
Carter, the Kennedy family, and, of course, Mary Lou, the Carbondale restaurant founder.

Now, the 1979 SIUC agraduate and New York native is coming back home. Alexander will return as the first black American dean of the SIU School of Law on June 1, and he is just School of Law on June 1, and ne is just as comfortable as when he left. He has many memories of SIUC, but will never forget when he got more than he ordered. At Mary Lous, Alexander ordered breakfast and, of course, also received grits.

"I remember Mary Lou ... and I remember saying that I didn't order grits and she said, 'Honey, in this place everybody gets grits," he said. "I told her I didn't like them and she said, 'Honey, in this place everybody gets grits," he said. "I told her I didn't like them and she said, Then I'm going to stand here until you eat them.' So I did eat them and they were good."

From then on, Alexander always

ate the grits.

hot spots like Hangar

9 and Booby's Seeing concerts was not as

common as it is today, but he did like to go to the shows in the arena. Most of his favorite places are still here, but a few of the taco joints went out of

He also attended sporting events, particularly basketball and football. Alexander said the basketball team has

always been on the top of the game,

And Alexander was also on top of And Alexander was also on top of his game at SIUC. Even though he graduated a year early, he stayed and began another undergraduate degree so that he could represent his class as president of the University Student Organization, the forerunner of Undengraduate Student Government.

Alexander was invited to the

White House as a senior along with more than 100 other student leaders nationwide to spend a weekend with

President Jimmy Carter.
"I remember when I had an opportunity to have a private conversa-tion with him. I had encouraged him to come back to southern because he had visited here and given a campaign speech," Alexander said. "He assured me that he would like to, but that the pressing matters in the Middle East were keeping him from doing that."

As USO president, Alexander was the grits.

He also hung out at BLACK ALUMNI the state at the dedichosen by the Illinois

cation of the Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston. Because students had raised most of the money for the library, the Kennedy family requested that student representatives from each state attend

T spent the weekend with the Kernedys and got to meet a lot of interesting people, he said. It was a



Peter C. Alexander is the newly appointed dean for the SIUC School of Law. He will assume office June 1.

very exiting program and a very exiting place to be.

His only regret: not seeing Elvis Presley when he performed at SIUC.

"I thought he was going to be around for a long time," he said.

When Alexander was ready, the SIUC Law School wasn't. The school was not yet accredited so he went to Northeastern University School of

Law in Boston. He eventually became interested in bankruptcy law and the effects of bankruptcy on women. Alexander found that men were promising their ex-wives that they would take care of all the bills if they were not required to pay alimony. Men would then file for bankruptcy and the bills with joint names would be their former wives' responsibility:
"Once I realized that there was

something unique here to write about, I thought I should write about it because I could give voice to a problem that many people might overlook if a woman talked about those issues," he

Alexander said he believes he identified the problem because of the

education he received in Boston, where he was taught to look at law critical ne was taught to look at law critically and from a minority perspective. He is often the only male on panels about the subject and one of his papers will be published later this spring.

Alexander had an opportunity to teach when he was a clerk for a federal wade. After a year, the action of the control o

judge. After a year, the school asked him to stay and teach for four more years. Then, in 1992, Alexander went Pennsylvania State University's Dickinson School of Law. When the dean of the SIUC Law

School left last year, Alexander was encouraged to apply for the position.

"My current dean and a former

dean of my law school saw the announcement and knew that I had announcement and knew that I had a special affection for SIU," he said.
"[They] thought that I should consider applying for the job and I did."
Alexander is the first black American to serve as dean of the

school, but he also has Native American, French, and Dutch ancestry. He can speak some French, and every so often he travels to Quebec to

every so often he travets to Queoce to brush up on the language.

But regardless of what language he's speaking, Alexander is already: getting to know his SIUC colleagues.

"He's very personable, said Kristy. White, an administrative secretary in

the Law School. "I think he's going to be the type of dean with an open door and students will be comfortable to come to him. He is very candid and open and listens.

W. Eugene Basanta, a professor in the Law School, served as interim dean fo. a year until a new dean was found. He said having an alumnus as dean is significant because it shows students how the University values its graduates.

"You probably sense his energy and he has a very engaging personality and a lot of ideas to develop the Law School," he said.

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Equal Rights Amendment comes up once again

Three states needed for ratification, Illinois could be one of them

Kristina Herrndobler Daily Egyptian

A controversial amendment addressing feminist issues needs ratification from three more states to become part of the Constitution. One of those three could be Illinois.

Thirty-five states, of the 38 needed, have already ratified the Equal Rights Amendment, leaving the ERA just three states short of passage. Illinois is one of the states with the power to change the Constitution, and could put women on equal footing with men for the selective

service.

Since the Equal Rights Amendment was written in 1923, it has been introduced and reintroduced into Congress dozens of times to no avail, including again during the 107th Congress (2001-2002), but according to some of Illinois elected leaders it "doesn't matter."

The ERA is facing the Illinois legislation for ratification with the same words written by Alice Paul, founder of the National Woman's Party, which faced Congress decades ago. At the time Paul wrote it, she said the ERA was the next step necessary after the 19th Amendment (Woman Suffrage) in guaranteeing "equal justice under law" to all citizens.

It took almost 50 years for the ERA to pass through Congress and be submitted to the states for ratification on March 22, 1972. An original deadline of seven years was

extended by Congress to June 30, 1982. When this deadline expired, only 35 states had ratified the bill, three states short of the 38 states needed for the ERA to become part of the U.S. Constitution. Now, the bill has been brought before five of the 15 states left to ratify the bill - Illinois, Mississippi, Missouri, Oklahoma nd Virginia. If any three of these states passes the ERA, a change to the Constitution could be

It is a change desperately needed, according to Trisha Beltz, a senior in philosophy and women's studies from Carbondale.

Fighting for equal rights is what many have been doing for centuries, Beltz said. "If it had not been done, I could not be legally employed or speak in public. Women have suffered enough control and the time for the control of the oppression, and it's time for lack of opportunity to me to a long-needed halt."

Still, the ones who make the final decisions in ir district are not nearly as passionate about the ERA as Beltz.

In fact, Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, said the push for — and against — the ERA is no longer even a real argument.

This has put a lot of people in argument when it isn't necessary because equal rights are already covered in the Constitution, Bost said. "It doesn't matter and I wish they could understand that." Bost said the ERA was meant to be passed

rears ago. In fact, Bost said seven of the years ago. In last, bost said seven or the states that originally ratified it have appealed. He said it is unclear if those states would even still be considered part of the 38 needed for it to pass.

Sen. David Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, said that although there has not been a lot of talk going on in Springfield about the ERA, enough has been said to know there is speculation as to whether a ratification from Illinois would even

count.

There is some thought that it wouldn't work anyway, "Luechtefuld said. "The whole process really needs to start over. Congress needs to propose it and then it needs to go back to the states."

Luechtefeld said there is some false understanding that passing the ERA would make women just as available as men for the draft. "No one has to go," he said. "We have an all-volunteer army. If a draft was passed, it might

make some difference, but without a draft in play, that theory doesn't make any sense." Lucchtefeld said there is a negative side to the

ERA and he wanted to look deeper at whether there needs to be another law on the books for women's rights, or it they already have equal rights before he makes a decision.



Gus says: Dear Mom, I'm feeling much better now that women are here.

Bost said instead of discussing the ERA, government leaders and constituents should be more concerned with a law that would give equal pay for equal work.

I would vote no to the ERA, but it is not because I am opposed to women's rights, Bost said. The right way to handle this would be islation on equal pay. The ERA doesn't accomplish what we need it to."

Bost said many female members of the General Assembly don't even support the bill.

According to both Bost and Luechtefeld it is unclear when the EPA will come before them for a vote. In fact, Bost said

it might not even be brought to that point at all.
"There are a lot of new 'freshmen' Democrats
and this is a tough vote no matter how it falls," Bost said. "In the end, it won't mean anything anyway."

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ON CAMPUS

SIU music and theater combine to perform opera

"La Rondine" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Friday in McLeod Theater. The Department of Theater and the School of Music have combined to present this opera written by Giacomo Puccini and Directed by Tim Fink. The Box Office is open from moon to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and one hour prior to every performance. Tickets are \$6 with

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Rags to riches story presented at Shryock

"George M.!" an all-singing, all-dancing musical will be presented at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Shryook Auditonium. This patriotic tale depicts George M. Cohan and his journey from rags to riches with musical numbers, "Over There!" and "Yankee Doodle Boy." Tickets are \$25 with a \$6 discount for children 15 years old and younger. The box office is open weekdays from 9 am. to 4 p.m.

Choral ensemble performs tonight at Shryock

NEWS BRIEFS

Chanticleer, an award-winning choral ensemble, vall be presented tonight at 7:30 at Shiyook Auditonium. Students and children can get in far 28, senior citizens for \$14 and everyone else for \$16. Fickets are available only at the Shiyook Auditorium Box Office. For more information, call 435-ARTS.

Learn about Bangladesh language

"Language, Culture and National Identity: Bangladesh Revisited" will be presented from 3 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. Friday in the Student Center's Mississippi Room. The program will cover the role of language in shaping cultural and national identity. For more information, contact Naseem Ahmed at 453-5774.

Portrait of the BLACK ALUMNI Artist

Local artist Najjar Abdul-Musawwir samples distant culture at SIUC

story by JESSICA YORAMA



SIU Alumnus and Artist Najjar Abdul-Musawwir shows off his work at the Black Expo Feb. 8 in the Student Center for Black History Month. Najjar had just finished sketching a volunteer model that evening at the Black Expo.

he office of artist Najjar Abdul-The office of artist reagan cucous.

Musawwir is slightly cluttered with past work, recently completed work and work yet to be finished.

But even the array of black art books posing across the chairs' desk and shelves in the office seem to have a certain order to them — a certain beautiful chaos

An example of this "beautiful chaos," exists in a painting on the right side of the artist. In the new piece, called "Cup-lifted," the actual content of the cup takes precedence over the cup itself.

The subject is liquid," aid Abdul-

Musawwir, an assistant professor in the School of Art and Design. "And I want to show that the subject, from an artistic standpoint, is not necessarily the liquids being inside the cup, but the

liquid being what it's all about.

Taking the liquid out of the cup allows for the paint to do what it does, and that is to move about, to mix and to blend.

Abdul-Musawwir believes that although art stands still, it is not effective unless it evokes movement in the minds of onlookers.

But even before he had a classroom of students to share his art theories with, he was a young man looking for

something to spark his interest.

The inspiration that influenced Abdul- Musawwir to become an artist did not come from a painting in the Smithsonian, or any other well-known piece of art. He offers, instead, rough sketches seen by few eyes, crumbled up, discarded and, most likely, forgotten by all but him.

I remember my father always drew these pictures of cowboy figures," said Abdul- Musawwir. "These were not childlike figures, though. He never drew anything else and when he finished he just balled it up and threw it in the trash."

The cowboy and horse drawn by

his father, along with grids drawn by his cousin, are the two most prominent influences that brought art to the life of Abdul-Musawwir. In a dark corner of the basement, the assist said he hid.

drawing, painting and studying tech-niques for capturing light in his work. Abdul-Musawwir's years of fixa-tion and dedication led him to receive his bachelor's in art and design, and eventually a master's in fine arts from SIUC in 1997.

The constant progression in the artist's work has hardly transformed him into a recluse who

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of people. He uses

his life as an

example and gets

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about the decisions

they make in life. 99

- Kahleelah Muta-Ali Abdul-Musawwir's wile

limits himself to his classroom, office and studio. In fact, Abdul-Mussawir makes it a point to share his work and thoughts at country. He speaks, as he does to his classes, on the underlying ideas of art, encouraging students to look beyond the surface of what a piece says. The most recent technique apparent in Abdul-Musawwir's work is the presence of rhythm in his

"In addition to adding more nar-rative to my technique, I'm starting to mix colors in a way that the color has rhythm," said Abdul-Musawwir. "When colors have rhythm, you have colors that jump back and forth, back and forth and that is quite different

from traditional painting.

The Breast Cancer series, one of many series of art Abdul- Musawwir has created, showcases a variety of art using the rhythmic technique the artist

recently began illustrating.

When he is not following the beat his art leads him on, Abdul-Musawwir is involved in a variety of activities both on and off campus, including the Black Affairs Council, Muslim

American Association and the Black

Togetherness Organization.
While he, of course, makes it a point to share his knowledge of art with his children, one of which has already shown promise in the area, he does not limit his teachings to his own children.

He also teaches many courses geared toward children, including a program in the Carol Mosley Braun Center that allows children to partici-

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Center that allows ear well as give them the ability to showcase their work.

"He has great appeal to young people," said his wife, Kahleelah Muta-Ali, with whom he has five children. "One of the best things about him is his ability to deal with tense situations without going over

the edge, which I think has to do with him doing time."

The 'time" his wife refers to is the short period Abdul-Musawwir spent in jail.

That was a point in the artist's life he does not attempt to cover-up, but, instead, often uses as a

warning to the youth he teaches.
"He's a role model to a lot of people," said Muta-Ali. "He uses his people, said Muta-Zili. The collision state of think about the decisions they make

The position of the sketches and books scattered about his office may even rearrange into another "beauti-fully chaotic" position. But according fully chaotic position. But according to Abdul-Musawwir, the busy artist with the beautifully chaotic life, his work has and will continue to have the same theme - "peace."

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Premiere screening at the 25th Big Muddy Film Festival



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by Steve James

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OUR WORD

Make diversity more than just a word

The year was 1958 and SIUC alum Roland Burris was organizing his fraternity chapter's 25th anniversary celebration.

But Burris ran into trouble when he found that none of the Carbondale hotels and motels

would allow black guests.
That prompted Burris and other fraternity leaders to meet with then-SIU President Delyte Morris. After compiling a list of Carbondale businesses that refused to serve black Americans, Burris and other members presented the list to Morris, who took the list to the Carbondale Chamber of Commerce.

"All of the places except for one integrated under the pressure," Burris said in a DAILY EGYPTIAN story in 1998. "Dr. Morris was bold in those days.

Delyte Morris helped SIUC and Carbondale get on the right track in the name of diversity.
Riding his bicycle around campus with his wife and listening to students' concerns, he revolutionized Carbondale and SIUC. Morris worked toward diversity before it was trendy. In fact, he strived for diversity at SIUC when doing so meant going against the grain.

But the work he started is far from over Housing on campus continues to be self-segregated between Thompson Point and Brush Towers. The Student Center cafeteria appears as if a line were drawn down the middle. Minority faculty numbers are still not where they should be. Carbondale's neighborhoods are still separated by invisible railroad tracks. A Human Relations Commission is still being put off by City Council.

The DAILY EGYPTIAN understands that much of this is for comfort. Most people enjoy being around others that are culturally similar to them, with the same likes and dislikes.

But a lesson in diversity is priceless and more importantly, necessary to succeed in the real

is priceless and more

world. Getting exposed to different · A lesson in diversity cultures will give you new perspectives and an advantage over those who haven't had the opportunity.

importantly, necessary We encourage everyone to step to succeed in the outside of the comfort zone. Learn real world. new things. Expand your horizons and you'll find appreciation for

other cultures. Segregation today isn't held by law but rather our own unwillingness to go outside of the ordinary.

In every profile in honor of Black History Month, the individuals profiled in the DAILY EGYPTIAN talk about how diversity at SIUC helped them gain experience when they moved into their careers. They embraced it instead of

discouraging it. We hope you do the same.

Let's keep the spirit and determination of Delyte Morris alive at SIUC. But more importantly, let's take it a step further and make this campus and city a place where the word "diversity" has a positive ring to it and turn the term

into an action.



GUEST COLUMNIST

Wedding bells can wait

Bonnie Chau Daily Bruin (U. California Los Angeles)

LOS ANGELES (U-WIRE) - The other night, two female friends and three male friends came to visit. Somehow our conversation became not one big six-person conversation but three separate conversa

tions between guy and girl pairs.
After the guys had left, one of my friends asked,
"So what were you guys talking about?"
I laughed and said, "Marriage." It turns out my

friends were talking about marriage, too. We started laughing, but it was rather shocking since I don't consider myself or my friends the marriage-hungry types.

Back in high school, something about marriage would come up once in a while. Around the time "My Best Friend's Wedding" came out, one of my friends decided we should all get back-up husbands - friends with whom we agreed we would marry if neither was married by age 30. (It seemed like the worst idea everwhat if you met someone a week after you got married to your last resort?)

But now that we're in college, there's the occa-sional "Oh my God, did you hear so-and-so from high school is getting manaarried?" As if marriage is a disease, but a cool disease only responsible and mature

individuals can get. At the sound of such gushing, my response is usu-ally to ask if this particular so-and-so is Mormon, or if so-and-so is pregnant.

But the conversation I had been having with my guy friend that night was kind of horrifying. (He likes to ask me if I've found a husband yet every time he sees me, and what's worse, his response to my dilemma of whether or not to graduate this year was, But you haven't found a husband yet.")

On this night, he was going on and on about how everyone meets his or her future spouse in college, how his own parents met in college, how my parents met in college, how my parents met in college, how nobody ever meets anyone from work or

in bars or in random places - how it has to happen in

in Date of in tendent processing the College!

So I started looking up marriage statistics on the U.S. Census Bureau Web site. According to the National Center for Health Statistics, most recent data show the median age at first marriage to be 24 for women and 25.9 for men.

These ages seem pretty young, but I remind myself that included in these numbers are movie stars and Mormons (Utahmarriage.org shows the median age in Utah is 21 for women and 23 for men).
But I wonder, do these 24-year-old women and almost 26-year-old men know the NCHS also reports

43 percent of first marriages break up within the first

On the other nand, the same study reassures us the duration of marriage is directly correlated with the age of the woman at first marriage. That is, the longer you wait to get married, the longer your marriage is likely

But, at the same time, biological clocks are ticking away. Perhaps this means the best way to go is to have kids when you will, and put marriage off for as long as possible.

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And lest we think the NCHS has not been thorough in their studies, a recent report claims "unmarried cohabitations" are way more unsable than marriages. Whereas the probability of a first marriage ending in five years is 20 percent, the probability of an unmarried cohabitation ending in five years is 49 percent.

College life isn't the whole world. I know the

concept may be overwhelming, but take a close look at that less-than-marriage-material guy or girl sitting next to you right now and decide for yourself. If these statistics show anything, it's that maybe we should wai, before we jump the marriage bandwagon. There are so many better things to do in college

than husband or wife hunting

These views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY

QUOTE OF THE DAY

You can get more with a kind word and a gun than you can with a kind word alone.

WORDS OVERHEARD

- It was one of the first times in my young life that I felt I could go anywhere and do anything and realize my full potential.

COLUMNIST

There's no ice in Barbados

She steps gently onto the ice. The crowd watches excited to see what type of stunts she has in her routine. Will she land a triple toe loop today they wonder? One foot in front of the other slowly at first then gaining speed. With confidence she moves to the middle of the ice rink. But wait, there's inconsistency in the ice. She starts losing her balance and her arms, which were once gracefully at her sides, are now wind milling. The crowd's gaze tightens and most hold their breath in cipation. It's to late for them to save. her though, not that they would anyway (the truth is, everyone loves to see some-one else fall.) The girl aborts the wind one eise fall. I he girl aborts the wind milling effort and moves to plan B, trying, to reach the ice rink guard failing. But it looks so far away and although her legs are moving quite rapidly in a Michael Jackson dancing fashion the actual distance she's covered is little.

Some of you avid readers may believe I'm giving a play by play to one of the many figure skating

competitions, but I was assured I'm not. I'm actu-Carbondale was a ally describing my walk to class via the warm place, even Schneider ice rink If tropical if you will. you haven't walked on it you should give

it a try. It has made many legends; those brave enough to run. and slide across it leaving amazement on my face as though I were a small child on Christmas day. But it has also humiliated many this year. I have great sympathy for those who have fallen on the Schneider ice ink. Especially if you were coming home from a hard day of class and were proud of from a hard day of class and were proud of yourself for not falling on the slippery side walks. You look up and see your build-ing, maybe even your window, forty feet away. Then out of the blue the ice seems to sneak up under your feet and fling you towards the ground. Now you can really see your bedroom window, from a horizontal position that is.

Why is it when I look out the window in the morning I see snow, I know it's winter but it doesn't have to snow. It can be winter in Carbondale without the weather being winter-like. I left home to get away from the snow. Is it following me? I was assured Carbondale was a wann



If I May

BY SHANITA MICKENS ... humanity4us2002@yahoo.co

place, even tropical if you will. I was lured into my college selection believing that I would be forever basking in the warm Carbondale sun. Like I would if I was vacationing on some beautiful island lets say Barbados. Instead I feel like one of those scientists that decided to research Antarctica. I want to be here but I'm so, so cold. Yes, call me dramatic, but I am com-paring Carbondale, Illinois to Antarctica.

Yesterday two of my good friends
Kasey and Laura were online shopping
for swimming suits. Kasey, I'm sorry to be
the one who has to tell you this, but it's never getting warm again. Face it girls, we live in tundra-like conditions. Better get back online and start shopping for snow shoes and a sled dog team or at the bear minimal, enough hot chocolate to thaw ourselves after class. Maybe E-bay will.

have some good deals.
All in all I was tricked. This is a conspiracy and I know the government had spiracy and 1 know the government had some part in it, they always do. This harsh weather in Carbondale (my supposed Barbados) can be deflantly linked to the side effects of global warming. I don't care why it is how it is — I just want T-shirt weather.

Because although I do love to skate, want nothing to do with the snow or the Schneider ice rink which is crushing egos (and perhaps even bones) everyday. I haven't fallen once this year but I fear my time will come. As much as I laugh at others who slip and fall (silently in my head never out loud) there has to be one piece of ice on campus with my name on it.

There's not supposed to be ice in

If I May appears every other Thursday. Shanita is a freshman in journalism. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

GUEST COLUMNIST

I never thought I'd have six

Ashley Johnson The Daily Princetonian (Princeton U.)

PRINCETON, N.J. (U-PRINCETON, N.J. (U-WIRE)—My suite is packed with ster-reotypes. Then again, seven college female twenty-somethings with backgrounds as comfortable as D.C., cooks as China, and backwards as Alabama rewriting the col-lege experience allow for a fair amount of material.

Together we're vocal, democratic, religious, athletic, conservative, quiet, studious, artistic, prox-biting, creative, and relatively insane. Individually, were the Indian goddess, the Punk Rock Princess, the strong silent type, the basketball die-hard, the definition of work-hard-play-hard, and a silent type, the basketball die-hard, the definition of work-hard-play-hard, and a wayward American Eagle model in denial. After a brief stint labeled as up-and-coming Carrie Bradshaw, my roommates have decided, despite all my desperate pleading for recognition in another area — any area, that my label will be "room mom." "Mom." Not exactly the nickname that expected to follow me from my days at Princeton. I'm flattered — I love my own mother, the 'woman who has braved raffic and natural dissaster to ensure that the

fic and natural disaster to ensure that the orange slices appeared on the sidelines, fresh and just in time for halftime. She item and just in time for naturals. She defines 'self-sacrificing' and "eager to please" all the while being as strong willed, determined, and successful as I can ever hope to be. It just seems strange, "Belle" I could have handled, "Princess" — maybe.

could have handled. "Princess" — maybe.

"Girl that shares he bed with a constantly
growing pile of clothing, 'yeah, I could see
that But "Mom?" How did I get that one.

True, I rarely return to school without
a few tins of fudge or cookies and birthday
celebration planning usually falls on me but
lots of noommates handle that stuff. Still,
my roommates are insistent. They began
their lists - demanding that I take a backseat in this column and allow them to layout exactly why I'm labeled as the "mom
under protest."

out exactly why I'm labeled as the "mom"
— under protest.
"You listen for hours, make me stay
in and do work. You answer the phone
all the time - you even hand out stacks
when everyone's around at night." Hm. I'm
beginning to see how my unique 'sexy college coed' label got lot somewhere.
"You never do laundry without asking if
anyone has 'emergency wash' clothes." "You
put us to bed those nights that we're, um,
slightly altered - you aren't going to use this
list for anything are you?" Call it Moms
Revenge ladies.
This past week alone I've spent three

nights in McCosh with roommates and nights in McCosh with roommates and friends, victims of the snow and water polo roughhousing along with two nights in the hospital holding hands with roommates getting stitches and EKGs. While I insisted that any roommate would do any of those things, one roommate night up and ed that any roommate would do any of those things, one roommate piped up and smiled through her stitches, "uh uh - you checked to make sur I was breathing after my heart tests when I still wasn't awake at 3 in the afternoon — MOM!!" But a room with seven girls really must be a team effort. When tears arise the

But a room with seven girls really must be a team effort. When tear arise the common room fills and somehow a Tom Cruise movie materializes. We've all spent hours attempting to decipher boys as well as size them up and intimidate them a little as they venture into our lair. I mean, what boy wouldn't feel a little twings of fear upon receiving this Valentine's Day warming. Mr. Kappel, may I inquire what your plans are for this evening with the lovely Mr. Johnson? Altight, well, since Al's daddy and big brothers arent around to take care of her, I am here to say: Have fun, be nice, take good care of her, and make her smile... or I will kick your ass with my steel toed boots. Have fun, deat? Right, and I'm the Mom here.

This room has seen brownies gone terribly wrong, an attempt to straighten 'half Jewish hair,' and the strainge results of mixing ADD and an oral fixation. We've doctored busted lips, cut fingers, and broken hearts. Everyone talks, everyone listens and at three in the morning, somehow everyone is always awake.

Yet still the label of mom falls on my

is always awake. Yet still, the label of mom falls on my shoulders, "Come on AJ, you gave every-one Christmas socks for holiday presents

one Cansumas socis for holiday presents
— even the Jewish girls."

So maybe my Mario Kart skills are
lacking and true, I do always select Peach.
"You let me wake you up to ask you questions." You actually talked to the werid guy
who wouldn't leave me alone at the Street.
"You stone from carriers and the street." "You stop me from putting small things in my mouth when I'm out of it . . ." some are just too strange for justification. "Morn." I can handle that. It's not the

nickname college coeds dream about as tee agers when they're looking forward to post-high school years, but it could be far worse. So fine I'll be the morn. Not a prob-

lem. Besides, what it demarks from in sex appeal it makes up for in illogical reason-ing. I'll never have to answer another que tion again. From now on, it's "Because I said so. That's why."

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LETTERS

Labyrinth needs to include accessibility

DEAR EDITOR:

All are subject to editing.

Is the Sleepytown Whirligig 2000 accessible? My neighbor Cletus Cowpie says the Sleepyton Whirligig 2000 does not comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Confined to a wheelchair, Cowpie says he can't keep his wheels between the lines. Located at 911 1/2 S. Illinois Avenue, inches from the dumpsters of nearby exteries. the maze recupies a concrete slab that originally served as the floor of Synergy. Once a geodesic dome

with curved walls, some people suf-Synergy. After many years service as a crash pad for the communifered motion sickness upon entering ties overdosed youth, the structure tinally collapsed when a freight train sped out of town. The remnant long went unnoticed, an innocuous piece of stone in the grass. One morn-ing Sleepytown awoke to a miracle. Creatures with buckets of hocus pocus paint had visited the insipid plate. Claims for the derangen have been extraordinary ever since! Reports of insight, illumination an other ethereal phenomena abound. It is said that to ading on the convolution will promote "spiritual" growth. Mr. Cowpie tries to follow the path

but since his wheels are always outside the lines he doesn't experience anything. The quadriplegic is considg a remedy. Cowpie believes the ADA applies to all cases of denied access. Not just rational ones.

When reached for comment. Crystal Blue Persuasion of the Carbondale Labyrinth Astra! Projection Trip Routing Associates Partnership (CLAPTRAP)
demurred, She said she never heard of Sleepytown and hung up the

P.S. Cletus Cowpie is my friend Joe. He spends his life in a wheelchair. He proofread for the Pana (III.) News-Palladium so he reviews mos

f my submissions. H., was also a Crisis Counselor at Synergy when it was operational. We raid a nostalgie sisit to the Whirligig site and discov ered the accessibility problem.

Gregory L. Brown

DE calendar ad called into question

DEAR EDITOR:

Upon viewing the last couple of tions of the Daily Egyptian, I was

very appalled and disgusted to see an ement for calendar models! This is not some Hollywood nightlife paper, the Daily Egyptian is supposed to be the newspaper for an institute of higher learning. Both as a Christian and as a woman, I find that the advertisement was highly unnecessary and also highly offensive. I am reluctant to believe that a more tasteful advertisement could have been found to take its place. If there are any ladies of Southern who are considering taking up the offer, consider this: No amo of money can measure the value of your soul and self-respect.

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Ruby Wayburg. 19, practices playing lier trumpet in University Housing Wednesday afternoon. Wayburg is a member of the Southern Illinois Symphony and Jazz Band.



been playing the trumpet for 8 years.

Samantha Robinson Daily Egyptian

uring slavery, Negro spirituals were sung as a way for slaves to get over the pain they were suffering and make it through the workday. Over the years, the forms of music have changed, but ne thing that has stayed the same is the use of music in people's everyday life. Every form of music can be traced back

to the spirituals and just like those, each form relates to someone's life and can help them get through a study night, depres or just relax on a mental or physical level.

There is no clear winner when it comes

to the top music genre, it all depends on who is asked. There is blues, rap, soul, rock n roll and countless sub-genres, and depending on the age group, most are specific to a

certain era.

Ruby Weyburg, a freshman in music performance from Cambria, said her favorite genues of music are jazz and classical. She ys jazz so much that she is a member of

For most college students, music plays an intricate role in their everyday lives

"Since I am a music performance major, music is my life," Weyburg said. "I love to listen to jazz, it helps me to relax."

Other students said they prefer to listen to R&B or hip-hop because that is what they can relate to. Many said those two genes are the music of their generation.

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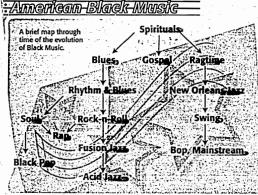
Aside from those being the top two, some students said they listen to a variety of music because of what their parents tened to.

Some music lovers said that while they love to listen to rap, they know it would not exist without R&B and blues, not only because that is what is sampled, but also because everything needs inspiration and those are raps inspirations. Al McGee, a senior in radio-television from Chicago, said he listens to everything

and cannot say he has just one favorite.

"I like hip-hop and R&B, but those are not the only ones," McGee said. "I listen to everything, so I can't say I like one over

McGee said he loves all aspects of music, from singing to rapping and even produc-



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ng. He has been performing for a year and a

half and it has been a great time in his life.
"Music has always been a love of mine,"
McGee said. "To actually have an opportu-nity to make and do it for myself has been

a privilege."

Both McGee and Weyburg agree that if there were a soundtrack to their lives it would be inclusive of a wide variety of

Some students said they would have songs from every stage of their lives that would tell the story of what they went through during that period, but most said they would stick to one specific genre. "If I had a soundtrack to my life, it would be titled, 'Make way for the nice

guy, McGee said.
In the book Musical Arts Makes Sense by Eric Jenson, it states that music may be used to increase harmony and social bonding among those playing it or listening to it, and that the art of making music strength-

ens listening skills.

"Making music gives me peace and when I work hard at it and do a good job,

it gives me reassurance that I can do any-thing, Weyburg said.

Each form of music gives a certain feeling to the listener, Jazz, soul or smooth R&B often times give a relaxation feeling or provide a comfortable feeling for those

or provide a continuous receing for those using it to study.

Rap or rock 'n' roll can get someone through his or her day or simply provide background music for a gathering of friends.

Keisha Morehead, a senior in account-ing from Chicago, said she likes listening to R&B and her favorite artist is R. Kelly.

I use it as a form of entertainment in my spare time and motivation sometimes," Morehead said.

McGee, who has been a DJ in the area for three years, said when it all comes down to it, he just loves music and loves to see

people have fun to the music he plays.

"I don't know what to say. Music is my
life and I enjoy doing it and playing it,"

McGee said.

No matter what type of music is preferred, all music has its roots with spirituals, which can be heard in many of the artists

Which can be considered to the consideration of today.

From Nat King Cole, Billie Holiday and Stevie Wonder, to Boyz II Men. B2K and Mary J. Bilge, all artists were and still

Music has been a staple in the African-American community since their introduction to this country. No matter what the situation, there has always been a musical note or lyric that has encompassed the tri-als, tribulations, births, deaths and joyous

as, thousands, orths, deaths and poous occasions of people's lives.

I use music for everything, and just about any and everybody from all genres influence me to do what I do," McGee

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Freshman Ruby Wayburg recites exercises from her music book Wednesday. Wayburg has



Back to the roots

Negro spirituals, work songs are basis for many of today's. music genres

Kristina Dailing Daily Egyptian

In the nineteenth century, hundreds of black slaves gathered in Congo Square in New Orleans beatbamboulas, wailing banzas and performing African dances not lost in the new culture. Ribbons, bells and shells jingled as the dancers moved in the crowded square.

They had a half of a Sunday to be unsupervised and to engulf themselves in music and dancing from their

ancestry: Suzanne Lord, a professor in the School of Music

said the gatherings usually stayed peaceful because of the importance the participants placed on their time listening to and being a part of the music.

They could hold on to those traditions that they couldn't hold on to in other areas," Lord said.

Today, Congo square is still a place to gather to listen to music with African roots and be immersed in the rhythms

and beats of modern music genres.
Wilfred Delphin, a professor in the
School of Music, said that music has
always been an important and integral of African-American culture.

"It was an art form that was an ential part of daily life," Delphin said. "It was a means of communication with ancestors and a way to deal with hardships of life."

V/hen Africans were brought to the United States as slaves, they brought music and found new influences that, combined with African tribal music have created the genres of music that exist today.

African Tribal

This secular music was used to allow people to be in harmony with nature and spirits around them. The music was naturally sacred and was used for four main functions: religious, agricultural and sexual fertility, hunting and war.

Negro Spirituals

Negro spirituals emerged from slavery, combining religious beliefs and the difficulties of everyday life. Delphin said that popular music styles of today more than likely found their this earlier form of music.

Call and response was brought to America during the slavery period of the early 1600s to 1865, and is sung as a pattern in which a leader sings a li and the entire group answers. Typical styles also included drums and other percussion instruments playing a mplex rhythmic accompaniment. Work songs and field hollers song

were used to ease the drudgery of hard

labor in the fields; later they were sung while laying railroad track, or while working in places such as the many turpentine camps in the mid 1800s.

Gospel

Gospel music developed from the combining of spirituals with protestant hymns. By 1860, slaves made up nearly a third of the South's population, so the birth of gospel music became popular in the South before it was finally spread to the rest of America.

Although some blues forms existed in the early 1800s, as the end of the 1800s drew near, the first black secular music, the "blues" began to evolve almost instantly and simultaneously all over the states. Blues developed from work songs and religious folk songs and

usually used topics of injustice, longing for a better life and the loss of love, money or job. Some of the most popular blues performers are B.B. King and Bessie Smith.

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Jazz music came about between 1890 and 1900. It is the combination of rhythm and improvisation. It became incredibly popular in the 1920s during the Harlem Renaissance and was a popular way for performance artists to express themselves through their music. Farnous jazz performers include Louis Armstrong, Ella Fitzgerald, Billie Holiday and Duke Ellington.

Rhythm and Blues/ Rap

This genre of music developed between 1939 and 1945. The combination of blues and gospel creates a more "city-like sound."

Rap became popular in the mid 1970s and is rhyme set to the rhythm of a music beat.

Back to the Roots

The music genres of today, while distinct and unique, share a common vein that runs through them all connecting them with the roots of Negro

spirituals and work songs.
Gospel songs were created by blacks and used Christian subjects with African vocal and rhythmic influences. Blues and jazz was served as the spice for black musical palates, vhile gospel was the religious staple. These roots can also be found in classical music and rock and roll.

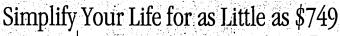
Delphin said that African music has been crucial to the development of the music that is popular today and has also been dominant in influencing how composers create music.

"It is impossible to overstate the importance of the influence of earlier African music," Delphin said. "It truly is at the basis of what can be called an American music culture.

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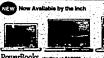






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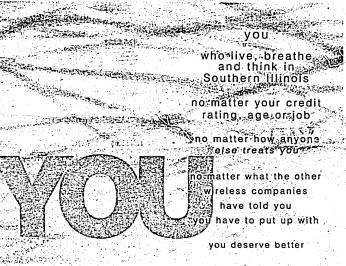


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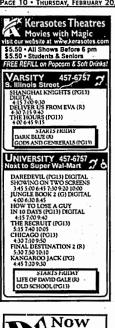
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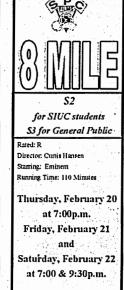
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Aaron Deutsch, a freshman in creative writing from Murphysboro, waits for phone calls at the Saluki Rainbow Network office for the SRN-sponsored Prideline. Deutsch has been working with the SRN since high school and is now director of the Prideline that handles phone calls dealing with gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender issues.

Help lines open for support

Saluki Rainbow Network sponsors crisis line for students in need of counseling

Valerie N. Donnals Daily Egyptian

Once a week, Jenae Williams, co-director of the Saluki Rainbow Network, site next to a phone wait-ing to answer questions and talk to people who need information or are

people who need information or are struggling with their sexuality.

"It's just important for people to know that we're here and we're able to listen," Williams said.

SRN reopened Prideline Tuesday to provide support for people who are gay, iesbian, bisexual and transgender.

Prideline was started more than twenty years are for students to call.

twenty years ago for students to call if they need assistance, someone to

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phone to a stranger."

Paulette Curkin Student Rainbow network talk to, or information.

SRN co-director Gary Egan said it is not a crisis line, but they have resources to refer a person in crisis to a professional counseling center.

Williams said the phone line gives an alternative to people who may not feel comfortable attending

may not feel comfortable attending SRN meetings or do not know many people and need somebody to talk to.

"Most people on campus call because they have some coming out issues, and they don't think there is anyone out there they can talk to about their canal identities." talk to about their sexual identity problems, Williams said. Egan added that it is also open

to family and friends who know someone who has come out and have questions or want to know what they

can do to help. Two volunteers from SRN will be answering the phones weekly, Tuesday through Thursday from 7: 30 p.m. to 9 p.m. SRN adviser Paulette Curkin

said Prideline came into existence because there were very few gay resources in the southern Illinois area, and people who needed sup-port had no other way of connecting

with the organization.
"It can be kind of isolated here in southern Illinois," Curkin said. "It can be difficult for people to find reassurance, and it is sometimes easier to talk over the phone to a

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don't think there is anyone out there they can talk to about their sexual identity problems.99

Jenae Williams co-director, Saluki Rainbow Network

Stranger."
The members were each trained y a volunteer from the SIUC ounseling Center in Woody Hall. Williams said they were taught

the correct way to answer the phone, talk to callers, how to determine if there is a crisis situation, and what to

do in the event of an emergency.

Each volunteer is equipped with reference numbers to local counseling centers if they are unable to handle the magnitude of a problem.

"It's primary purpose is to provide a listening ear," Egan said. "It provides outreach to anyone with issues or who needs someone to talk to."

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Factoid: The number for Prideline is 453-5151.





Anna Jackson, a lecturer in English, speaks at the 'Brown Bag' series at the Student Center for Black History Month Tuesday morning. Jackson spoke of family values and how they relate to the values of a society. Jackson exclaimed, 'Somewhere, someone has got to blow a whistle and stop this parade that we are marching in.'

Professor bags family values for Black History Month

Jackson gives brown bag discussion on three items needed to fulfill life

Angel Johnson Daily Egyptian

A child is born. What should be important to

him or her? What things should the child be taught to value?

Anna Jackson discussed these issues Tuesday at the Brown Bag Discussion: My Thoughts.

The Black History Month Planning Committee sponsored the event to give people the opportunity to have an enlightening discourse over lunch.

We need to revisit, renew and . reclaim the values of our ancestors," Jackson said.

Jackson, a lecturer in the English department, has been recognized for her outstanding teaching and is a strong advocate for adverting for education.

The audience of approximately 20 students and professors were encouraged to participate in a discussion of what Jackson refers to as the three values imperative for a fulfilling life: dedication to family, religious faith and passion

for learning.
It is not good when corporate business becomes more important than family," Jackson said.

She encouraged people to make

a strong commitment to family.

Another strong theme of the presentation was the need for spirituality in life. Jackson thought it was necessary for people to go back to a time when spiritual belief was strong.

Another main point Jackson stressed was the fact that the community needs to make education a priority in life.

Our ancestors did that, and it is important for people of today remember. must go and see how much our ancestors valued learning."

Jackson also

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shared her thoughts on a wide range of other topics, such as mul-ticultural education in schools, the war facing Americans, and correct grammar for English teachers.

ckson's lecture was composed of historical anecdotes that helped illustrate the faith, strong family bonds and hunger for knowledge of African Americans' ancestors.

"She is a very powerful speaker,"

said Stephanie Dahlin, a junior in English. When she was reading her

thoughts, I almost cried.

The discussion was free of rules and regulations; once Jackson finished sharing her lecture, she gave the floor to the audience.

I know her because she does

a lot for the community,". Faye Keene said, who is a friend of the

speaker.
"She wants to teach students what is important, other than material things."

Jackson received her master's ority in ite.

"Value education," she said. degree in literature composition
our ancestors from SIUC and

has participated in many proj-ects. She was a keynote speaker for the Kwanzaa celebration held by the Black Togetherness

-Anna Jackson lecturer, Department of English wide a guest reader for SIUC's Head Start programs.

"Revisit, renew and reclaim some of the old values that blacks have had because it was those es that have made us who we are today," Jackson said.

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SECURITY

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network features that they don't need. Additionally, he said that certain operating systems have security features that can be enabled, and aftermarket firewall programs can also make the systems more secure.

The White House plan stated that public-use computers such as those in the Morris Library and campus labs are of particular importance to cyberspace secu-White House document is over the anonymity of public computers; that they can be used by lackers to access important networks without identifying the user.

We have a big problem on coppus with a lack of a verification

rocess," Looft said.

Looft said that some of the campus' labs have changed their systems to require users to log on and log off using a Keberes ID. This enables network administrators to keep record of who was on what computer at what time. This makes it more likely that the culprit of a computer-hacking event will be caught.
Looft said he would like to see

all the computer labs on campus move to this more secure method! Morris Library, which does not require the use of logins, is one of the places Looft would like to see nged to the password method. A library network representative was unable to be contacted by press

Looft explained that the login system does have some privacy con-cerns. He explained that illere is no

way to monitor what a person does on a computer, or what websites they visit while logged on under the

school's system. Wan Kamal Wan Napi, swing shift supervisor of the Computer Learning Center at Faner Hall, said that he has not seen any troubles with the extra precaution. The user account, which also provides students with an e-mail address, takes only a matter of seconds to create, he said.

The University currently offers no formal training for students to network usage, but students can direct their questions to their net-work administrators, or the student technicians at the campus labs.

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Architecture students work with water, air

Katie Davis Daily Egyptian

SIUC architectural studies is getting a little more complex

Complexity, a course offered upon request to architecture majors at SIUC during the last few years, will be required for architecture majors in the fall semester.

Through the course, professors ach students to work with more difficult design projects, such as airports and research facilities that present more requirements and hurdles, such as laboratory and security space.

Course instructor Denny Hays said these projects are necessary for students planning to attend graduate school. Architecture schools look for students with a wide range of experience in design, including those utilized in this class.

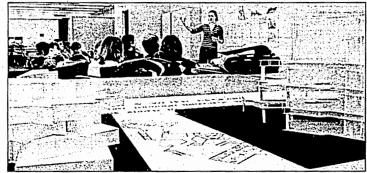
"It puts students on better footing when they graduate," he said.

They're developing new skills as
they are forced to overcome prob-

lems they wouldn't normally see."
Assistant Professor Robert
Swenson said that in the past, students had requested the course on and off to complete graduate school design requirements. He said that though faculty in

the Department of Architecture and Interior Design realized the necessity of the course, the timing was not right to change degree requirements until recently. Architecture faculty last year initiated a new curriculum for the program, as well as restructuring several aspects of the department.

"This is the fourth time we have tried this course," he said. The architecture program is in



SIUC architecture students take advantage of a new class Monday morning that was offered for the first time this spring semester. Students take turns giving their presentation in front of the

process of change and complexity just could not be offered as a regular course until next year."

This semester's batch of dents completed their first project Monday, an air and water research facility on Owens's Island in Paducah, Ky. The students sacrificed nearly a week of sleep to finish it. What generally requires eight to 10 weeks of work was condensed into a five-week crash

Liz Lorentzen, an architectural junior from Marine, stayed awake until Wednesday, only giving in for short naps throughout the day. But the finished product made the sacrifice worthwhile.

"It's a better quality than it would have been if I slept," she said. "I spent a lot more time on it and got more details finished."

orentzen used a progressive

design that incorporated a score of ramp: throughout the research facility. She said her only regret was that she did not have the time to complete an interior model that would have more easily conveyed the use of ramps.

The class meets 12 hours per week. In creating the first design, students traveled to Paducah, Ky., to see the possible construction sight for the laboratory. Their next project involves theaters, so local shows can expect a slightly larger audience, as students will be looking at existing designs.

"They're touring several facilities right now," Swenson said. "They're going to have the person-alities of the actors to deal with, lighting and production people and the audience, scheduling and the building of sets that will affect the whole aesthetic experience.

And the students are going to have their work cut out for them. Though Hays said it is a slightly less complicated project, students only have four to four and a half weeks to complete it.
"This is a five-credit class;

there is a lot of work involved," he said. "But the students have a strong desire to do the right thing in architecture. They are coura-geous and committed."

Monday, Hays advised his students to begin a regular sleep cycle and to avoid the all-nighters with

their upcoming project.
"There is a lot of aggravation
with these projects," he told them.
"But that aggravation causes you
to go away with more."

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The drug is not selective. The intake counselor at the Gateway Foundation said that patients that come in encompass all races, genders and backgrounds. She also said that most of the children that go through the gateway program are court mandated to go through detoxification, and without the court order, many of these children would simply not be ready.

"In the past couple of months, we have had 70 percent to 80 percent of our intakes run away," the source said.

The treatment at the center consists of physician's medication protocol that is administered in the first two in the first two to three weeks. The medication is used to help take some of the edge from the withdrawal a person experiences in the first couple weeks of detoxifica-tion. People who are challenged to overcome their addiction to methamphetamines struggle to stay awake, the counselor said.

The drug affects the central nerus system and once it is injected into the body, it creates a euphoric mood and heightened body movement that can last anywhere from one to two hours. It causes sleep deprivation for the body and mind.

Methamphetamines are the only drugs that require the foundation to use measures, such as applying medication to aid in the cleansing

These kids are sick. They don't good," the source said. "They feel good," the source said. cannot make educated decisions because they crave the drug so much.

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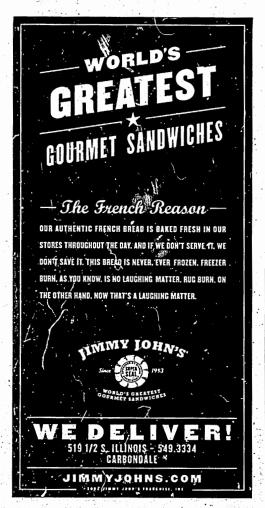
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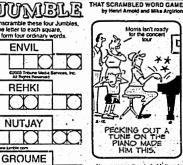


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Daily Horoscope By Lind C. Black

Today's Birthday (Feb. 20). This year, you may want to tap into that money you've saved for a rainy day.

Be ready if the right deal comes along on a house or household items. Get only the things that will get bet-ter and more valuable over time.

To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (Alarch 21-April 19) - Today is a 7 - They say opposites attract. What do you think? A person who may be your opposite now seems quite compelling.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - Is your job getting easier, or are you getting smarter? Some of both. Continue to make changes for the better.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 6 - Your career will become more important soon, but you can spend to light on romance. Get well rested in case you have extra work tomorrow

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 6 - Home is your favor: a place to be, so make it even nicer. A new color and a little more work ought to do the trick.

Lee (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is an 8 - Your contri-

bution to the conversation is keeping the others on track. Present options that they haven't thought about

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 6 - Your work etting easier as the money starts coming in. It had to happen eventually, and it isn't a moment

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is an 8 - You're naturally talented with words, but why not also play with color? Let your imagination run wild.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - Wrap up a sousehold project once and for all. At this point, per-

fection isn't as important as completion.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - You may need decorating tips, and you know just the per-ion to call. You might be able to give the job away, which isn't a bad idea.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 5 - Go ahead and ask for the money. Make an unreasonab, request, You might not got it all, but then again, you might.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 9 Remember that window of opportunity that you've been hearing about? Look around. It could be open

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 6 - Financing you need for a household project is possible, so go ahead. Of course, you shou'd look for a bargain but also get high quality.

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Bryan Turner A St. Louis survivor

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Zack Creglow Daily Egyptian

Bryan Turner is a junior guard on the SIU men's baskethall team. He is a key reserve off the bench. Turner recently took time to speak with Zack Creglow of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

Zack Creglow: Being the all-time scoring leader at Beaumont High School, are you like a god when you return home?

Bryan Turner: Yeah, I mean pretty much. But St. Louis is a big city. We got a lot of good players that have come out of there. Where I am from, I am considered as one of the good players that have come out of that city. But I

wouldn't consider myself as a god because you got people like (current Washington Wizard) Larry Hughes and a bunch of other guys from there. But I'd consider myself as one of the best that have come out of that area.

ZC: So is there butt-kissing when you return home?

BT: I wouldn't say there is any kissing up, but a lot of people are excited for me for how far I have come so far. A lot of guys went of to a college and didn't stick around. I am probably one of the only ones that have stuck with it, and I am playing on a winning team that has a chance at a championship. So for that aspect, a lot of people praise me. But it is a k's of "Good jobs" and stuff like that.

ZC: How different is playing in SIU Arena from Mineral Area Community College (Mo.)?

BT: In junior college there was not many fans and a lot of the towns we played at weren't big cities. They were farm towns, so there wasn't that many fans. You get to a place and there would only be like 150 people. It felt like an AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) atmosphere, and you just gotta go out and start your own. But this here, if you can't get up play-

ing in front of 10,000, I don't know what you are playing basketball for.

ZC: You are hardly ever seen without your headphones on. What are you listening to?

BT: Right now, I think everybody is listening to 50 Cent. They are probably like the hottest thing now. I like Nas. I like Jay-Z and Tupac. It differs with how I am feeling in the morning. If we're playing, I want to be listening omething that I might lean toward sometiming before the game. Like one rapper talking about going to war with another guy and stuff like that gets me emotionally pumped up.

ZC: But you are from St. Louis, what about Nelly?

> BT: But Nelly came out with his stuff in the summertime. Nelly is the summer bump. He has a lot of party songs. Right now, it is cold and I have to walk to a lot of places, so I like that street stuff.

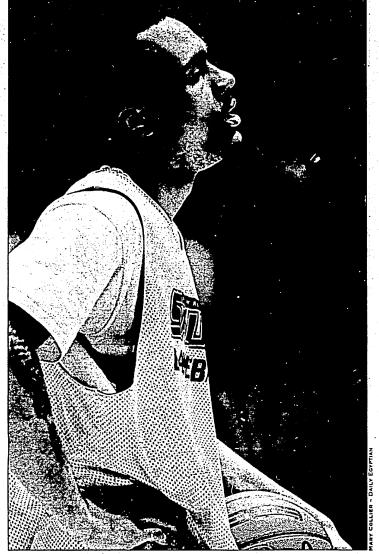
ZC: I noticed you have quite a number of tattoos. Do they have any significance to you?

BT: Growing up and experiencing the things you go through, I'd get tattoos to symbolize them. It was kind of hard growing up in St. Louis. I got a lot of tattoos from that.

ZC: Any examples of one that means

BT: I got a reaper on my ferearm. St. Louis is a real big crime area. Everyday I felt like the reaper come and get me at anytime. A lot times, I dodged many incidents that I have been passed up on. A lot of my friends have been killed, and I have been blessed. I got the resper to symbolize that each and every day I walk outside, something could happen to me.

ZC: Do you and Darren Brooks and Stetson Hairston share a bond being



BT: Yeah. St. Louis is a real hard, tough place to grow up in. A lot of different things are going on, and there are plenty of things someone can fall Sports were our way out of things. Each one of us can say basketball is the reason we didn't choose to go the way of crime and drugs.

ZC: Have you guys thought of a nick-name for the three of you yet?

BT: Nah, we are still thinking of one. But we were going to leave that up to you guys to think of one.

ZC: But we're dorky white guys.

BT: Yeah I know. But everyday it is like I have 14 brothers here, so I haven't been able to come up with anything.

ZC: You are clutch on your threepointers. Is it because you are a survivor?

BT: Yeah a little. My shooting is what I work on everyday, and it is one of the things have a lot of confidence in. am out there playing, I look for my shot.

ZC: What is the Mar. 1 showdown with Creighton going to be like?

BT: March 1st is going to be the

moment we have been working so hard for, even since last summer. That's col-lege basketball at it's best. We are just going to suit up and throw the ball up and see who the best team is.

ZC: Any predictions?

BT: We are going to come away with a victory. It is Senior Night, I don't want my seniors to go out with a loss. Plus, we have got to keep our home-win-ning streak alive. So I'll see nothing of losing that game.

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Bryan Turner Height: 6'1" Weight: 185



Junior Class:

Hometown: St. Louis Points per game: 3.5 Minutes per game:

3-point percentage: 42

Salukis look to continue success at first-place Indiana St. SIU women's basketball travels to Terre Haute.

Ind. tonight for matchup

Ethan Erickson Daily Egyptian

The SIU women's basketball team has a lot

of work ahead of it in the next six games, begin-ning with tonight's game at Indiana State. With a goal of making the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament, the Salukis must win with frequency to catch 8th-place Illinois Sie, a team with three more wins than SIU.

The Redbirds swept their recent road trip to Southwest Missouri State and Wichita State, making sure that the Salukis could not inch

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closer in the standings with their split of last weekend's homestand

SIU will get a chance to move one game closer to the Redbirds in the standings Saturday

at Redbird Arena. But first, a game at the league-leading Sycamores stands in SIU's way. Indiana State (17-5, 10-3 MVC) is on its first losing streak of the season after dropping a close one at Wichita State then being routed

by SMS.
"Hopefully they'll be down a little bit and we can go in there and surprise them," said senior guard Molly McDowell, who combined to score 49 points in SIU's last two games. "If not, I think it'll be a good game. I don't think they're taking us lightly anymore after we knocked off Creighton."

That Creighton game could pay dividends ing into the Hoosier State. Both Creighton and Indiana State utilize the full-court press to SIU's effective handling of the press was key in its win over Creighton Sunday after struggling mightily with turnovers earlier in

The Salukis committed 32 turnovers in an 80-61 loss to the Sycamores Jan. 25. Five Indiana State players scored in double figures. ut things have since changed

"We're much more successful handling pressure, and if we can keep that up going into Indiana State, that will certainly be a difference in the game for us," said Saluki head coach Lori Opp, adding that Creighton and Indiana State employ similar presses. Confidence has been one reason for SIU's

success. After squeaking out its first conference win over Evansville, SIU played markedly better in the loss to Drake and defeat of Creig

"We're all real up now. It's like a different

atmosphere now than it was when we were getting beat. It's like a 180," said senior forward Hillary Phillips. "I think we've been playing good collectively as a team and so we're all

playing better," One of the earmarks of this better team

play has been defense, leading to a surprising domination of the boards against Creighton. After the Sycamores were out-rebounded by a combined 32 in their last two, SIU's ability to control the boards could equal a surprising road win and another step closer to making the conference tournament.

"I don't have any doubts in my mind that we're capable of getting in the tournament, but the key is we have to keep winning," Opp said.

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Looking to buy a DREA

SIU alumnus Donald Watkins continues his ongoing quest to purchase a Major League baseball club despite the several obstacles he has encountered along the way

Zack Cregiow

Few people can ever say they played Major League baseball, but even fewer can say they owned a

That is what distinguished SIU alumnus Donald Watkins is trying to accomplish, but he has encountered much difficulty in doing so. It and when he ever finalizes a

deal to purchase a ballclub, it will make him the first black baseball team owner ever

He's come close a few times so

In February 2002, the Minneapolis area was becoming filled with an air of excitement when fans thought about the Minnesota ins' future, which was odd since Major League Baseball commis-sioner Bud Selig recently toyed with the thought of contracting the Twins.

It was not because of the Twins' surprise success the season before, it was the notion that Watkins, an Alabama banker, was going to purchase their beloved team and was going to use some of his estimated \$1.5 billion to build a new stadium in America, then expressed interest and a dynasty in the Twin Cities.

The estimated cost for erecting a new stadium was approximately \$350

When he first came on the scene, everybody thought he was in trying to purchase the Angels

at the Minneapolis Star Tribune.

Watkins made a couple trips to the Twin Cities during the offseason after the 2001 season, and he toured the potential sites and he met with e officials and the Twins.

But then current Twins owner Carl Pohlad became leery of Watkins' true net worth and the talks of purchasing the Twins unraveled.

The thing that bogged all this down was that Twins never had proof that he had the wealth he said he had," Neal said, "Things kind of slowed down after that. Watkins then backed away with thought of the contraction."

After the deal with the Twins fell through, Watkins, who is reportedly one of the richest black men late last fall in purchasing the world champion Anaheim Angels from Disney.

But according to Neal, Watkins has experienced the same dilemma

going to be the hard in shine land armor, said Lazelle Neal, the Thine hard writer

He said ones have now entered the picture for that transaction since the one with

Watkins hit a snag, and that deal looks to be off as well.

Conducting his business in Birmingham, Ala., Watkins is currently the chairman of Alamerica, which is a relatively new bank that is dedicated in listening to its clients. The bank has listened well enough to rake in nearly \$50 million of assets since the day its doors opened on Jan. 28, 2000.

Alamerica recently sponsored the Southwestern Athletic Conference football championship on Dec. 14, 2002. The minority-owned bank hopes the game will bring it national

attention and some customer appeal.
According to the SWAC's website, sponsoring the game will foster
a great working relationship between

Alamerica and the conference.

Besides accumulating money in the banking business, Watkins has also had much success in investments, which has helped to swell his worth.

But Watkins' worth to baseball, if he is ever able to finalize a purchase, will be much more astounding due to the fact he will be the first-ever African American majority owner in

His search for a team has had much national attention from many newspapers and magazines such as Fortune. Even ESPN has joined the

Many feel now is an overdue time for baseball to have an African-American owner, but Watkins will have to prove his worth before he can be the first.

"He just has to back up the money he said he had. If you are billionaire, then you should have no problem-buying a baseball team," Neal said. "Baseball is ready to embrace him being the first black baseball owner."

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SPORTS FLASH SIU softball creeps into NFCA Top 25

The SIU softball team received 15 votes and was ranked No. 29 in the National Fastpitch Coaching Association (NFCA) Top 25 poll on Wednesday. For the Salukis, who sit at 8-1 in

For the Salukis, who sit at 8-1 in this young season, this is the first time they have received votes in the poll since the late 1990s when they were ranked in the 30s. Even though the Salukis were picked to finish third in the Missouri Valley Conference preseason poll, they are the lone conference team to receive votes in the Top 25 poll.

2003 SIU football schedule released

The SIU football team released its 2003 schedule on Tuesday and it includes six home games with five of them being at rught.

The season opener is against Division II Quincy on Aug. 28 at 7 p.m. The other home games are against Murray State (Sept. 13, 6 p.m.), brision II St. Joseph's (Sept. 27, 6 p.m.), the homecoming game against Illinois State (Oct. 11, 130 p.m.), Southwest Missouri State (Oct. 25, 6 p.m.) and Youngstown State (Nov. 8, 6 p.m.).

The road games are at Southeast Missouri State (Oct. 40, Western Illinois (Oct. 18), defending national champion Western Kentucky (Nov. 1) and Northem lowa (Nov. 15).

Season tickets are on sale in the SIU athletic ticket office for \$60, but 2002 season ticket holders can still get lost years \$555 price if they renew by July 255.

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Carbondale, no team that has won the MVC regular season crown has missed the NCAA tournament. If the Salukis win out, they will have no choice but to do just that.

The tournament is still in the Salukis future, so do not panic simply because SIU lost a game to an inferior

The talent displayed in January has not gone anywhere, and as displayed Wednesday against SMS, it is well on

its way to recovery.

The team simply had a few bad games and it should be entitled to a couple lapses.

Mistakes are a liability of belonging to the human race and it happens to the best of us.

I idiotically wrote a story with an un-attributed end quote yesterday, the city snow plows made the mistake of ... not plowing and the artist formerly known as Mike Tyson copied a Little Debbie pattern onto his face. People screw up, and basketball players are no exception.

But there is a kicker — mid-major teams such as SIU are not allowed to

mess up without a significant penalty.
Indiana fans, despite their teams nine screw-ups this season, will most likely see their team in the tournament as will other fans of mediocre large conference teams.
But SIU, stuck in the proletariat-

riddled MVC, never has peace of mind because the bourgeoisie-backed Selection Committee does not afford it nearly as many errors.
"It's hard because of the fact that

mid-majors have to take every game into consideration," senior guard Kent Williams said, "We have to play every game like it's do or die, while the bigger teams can afford to have some mental lapses and have some bad games and still get away with it."

Imagine what a burden that is — to play every game as if it were the NBA Finals. One screw-up and you're

sterday's news.
This is a difficulty the Salukis st deal with that big name teams will never need to worry about.

Williams, ever media friendly, used my profession to explain to me why it is so difficult to win every game all

He asked if I wanted to do my job veryday and if I was sharp every time I sat down to write a story.

Of course, my answer was no. College basketball players, especially mid-major ones, are expected to go out every single game and play as if Saddam Hussein was bolding a bat of anthrax over their mother's head.

Imagine you are a student at a state university, I know this is a stretch, but try it anyway.

Do you prepare for a final exam with more or less fervor than you do a

with more or less revor than you do a bi-weekly homework assignment? The average, and I stress average, student would see such dedication as idiotic and I, not being much an academic myself, would agree with

Why would a student approach every homework assignment with the same do or die attitude as a final exam? The mental wear and tear would be excruciating.
But this is the life of a mid-major.

Every game is a final exam and the teacher's unmerciful judgment is pres-

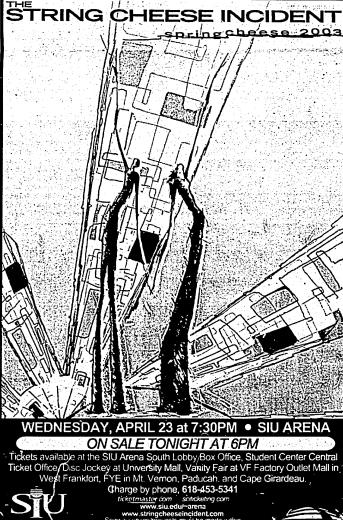
ent after each one.

Luckily for SIU, it has passed enough of those exams to stay on the radar of the Selection Committee

despite failing at Bradley.

Disaster may befall the Salukis eventually, but for now, things are as peachy as the final level of Super Mario Rrothers

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THURSDAY ALUKI SPORTS

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"I like to be against the odds. I'm not afraid to be lonely at the top. With me, it's just the satisfaction of the game. Just performance."

Barry Bonds outfielder, San Francisco Giants



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- DAILY EGYPTIAN SIU senior guard Kent Williams drives to the basket against Southwest Missouri State's Monwell Randle Wednesday night at the SIU Arena. The Salukis won 74-69 to improve to 18-5. Williams scored a season-high 28 points as SIU remained tied with Creighton.

Movin' on up

Williams moves into second on alltime scoring list as Dawgs down SMS

Jens Deju Daily Egyptian

Kent Williams was simply uncon-

The senior guard entered Wednesday night's 74-69 win against Southwest Missouri State needing 17 points to become SIU's second all-time

leading scorer. By halftime, Williams already had 15 points on a perfect 6-of-6 shooting from the field.

Then at the 16:40 mark of the second half, Williams drained a three-pointer to give SIU a 38-27 lead and opel himself into the second all-time slot. Williams finally missed his first shot of the night when a jumper rolled in and out at the 15:12 mark.

in and out at the 15:12 mark.

For the night, Williams scored
a season-high 28 points on 9-of-11
shooting including 2-of-3 from beyond
the three-point stripe. He was also a
perfect 8-of-8 from the charity stripe,
including four key ones during the final

Williams, who now has 1,892 career points, was spoke humbly about what proved to be his best game of the

"I was feeling pretty good offen-sively," Williams said. The lane just opened up for me ... when you get-your first three shots to go down for you, it helps and it helps you get in a rhythm."

Despite Williams' valiant effort, the Saluks were never able to put SMS (14-9, 10-4 Missouri Valley Conference) away as the Bears scratched and clawed and never let SIU get more than an eight point lead dur-

Southern Illinois 74 74 ing the final five minutes of the game. In the end, free throws propelled the Salukis to their 24th straight home win

SW Missouri State

as SIU hit 11-of-12 free throws in the The Bears were led by junior guard Merrill Andrews who finished with

Terrance McGee only scored 10.

In their earlier meeting, McGee blew up for 22 points in the Salukis

narrow victory: While McGee was a virtual non factor, Andrews had a career night and scored way above his season average of.

points. SMS head coach Barry Hinson said

SNIS head coach harry runson sau he told Andrews at halltime that if he didn't step up his level of play, the Bears were going nowhere. "When our best player goes 3-for-14, 0-for-6 and has six turnovers,

we are not going to win very many basketball games, "Hinson said. "I just told [Andrews] in the locker room if he doesn't play better, we're not going to beat them

The win keeps the Salukis (18-5, 13-2 MVC) in a first place tie in the MVC with No. 17 Creighton who dominated Indiana State 77-54 to improve their overall mark to 23-3.

SIU now takes a break from MVC play and welcomes Wisconsinlilwaukee to the SIU Arena for a Bracket Buster game, which will be aired on ESPN2.

"We're hanging in there," said SIU head coach Bruce Weber. "I know Creighton won tonight, so we just keep on putting pressure on each other. Now we gotta a little reprieve from the league and Wisconsin-Milwaukee is going to be a huge game for us."

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COMMENTARY



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Just a bump in the road

Put down the drain cleaner. Remove the flare gun from your temple. Remove all "The Cure" CDs from your stereo. Yes, SIU lost to Bradley. Yes,

the Salukis lost a chance to gain sole possession of first place. And yes, the NCAA selection committee is not too impressed with the Dawgs right now. But the situation is not as bad

as it may seem.

It seems heretical to say it, but losing to the Braves may have been a blessing in disguise and I assure you, SIU fans, that nothing is over and that there is a piece of cantaloupe at the end of the tunnel for the Salukis.

This week's practice was much more serious than it was last week. Assistant coach Matt Painter stopped practice for two minutes simply to yell at a player for making a bad pass. The team is more focused and it showed during Wednesday night's recovery. Four more

wins, two of which are against respected opponents, coupled with a trip to the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament cham-pionship, and ESPN will be back on the Saluki bandwagon. SIU head coach Bruce Weber

said that in his four years in

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Water Dawgs ready for championships

Salukis motivate each other with signs, shorts and shaving

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You're always better when you're wet.

At least, that's what one sign read at the At least, that's what one sign read at the Recreation Centicr pool — hung by members of the SIU women's swimming and diving team in preparation for the 2003 Missouri Valley Conference Championships.

The signs, including others that read, "Do it Daveggy-style Amber," "Swim Fast Mary M'a'llard," and "Beat the Bears, Aces" were

hung around the pool area to help motivate the Salukis to yet another championship. Both teams were in high spirits as they took to the pool for one last practice before today's cham-

"You have to be excited, simply because of the competition," said SIU mens head coach Rick Walker. "All year long, they work their tails

off. This is their one chance to really go fast."

The Salukis were all smiles during the prac-

the coaches, SIU women's head coach Jeff Goelz was heard several times telling the women that they were ready to compete after he saw the times on his stopwatch. When practice was over, the w

to a little from in the pool area and had a swim-mers only team meeting. With the door closed, the women lit candles and passed them around, talked about the season and said how they looked forward to the meet.

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Besides making the signs, junior Brighta
Olson said the team was getting together again
to make more signs and to design team shorts.

"We don't really get into the whole sign making thing," said junior Derek Helvey. "The guys go out to dinner together. We went out to din-ner [Tuesday] night. We toast the MVCs. That's basically it.

To continue with preparation for the cham-pionships, the teams have been cutting back on practice times to be fresh for the meet and will-do full body shaves before they meet at the pool this morning at 8:30 for warmups.

Swimmers allow their hair to grow for several onths so they can shave it just before a championship meet. The shaving removes a layer of skin that gives the swimmer a slimy sensation when they dive into the water. Goelz said the shave is more mental than physical.

The Salukis are going to need the high spirits and mental preparation. Schools such as Southwest Missouri State, Evansville, Illinois State and Northern Iowa arrived yesterday and will look to take the championships away from the Dawgs.

"We're as ready as we're going to be," Goelz said. "The kids have trained hard all year. They've lifted. Swam a lot. We're tapering down. They're getting to shave.

If you can't get excited about the conference

meet and swim well, then you can't get excited."

Both SIU coaches agreed the SMS Bears are
the strongest competition the Salukis will face in the defense of the teams' titles, but expressed the

The SIU men and women are defending champions — the women have won the last five in a row.

Today's events begin at 10 a.m. with the preliminaries in the 500-yard freestyle, the 200 individual medley, the 50 freestyle, the 200 freestyle relay, the 400 medley relay and 1-meter

The fastest 16 who make it through the prelims will compete again starting at 6 p.m. The rest of the races will take place Friday at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. and finish Saturday at 10 a.m.

- By the looks of them today, they are looking



junior swimmer Derek Helvey practices Wednesday at the Dr. Edward J. Shea Natatorium. Helvey will shave off his beard today in preparation for this weekend's conference championships.

pretty good," Walker said. "I think they are get-ting excited. It's here. [Thursday's] the big day. I just think they are going to be ready to go.

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