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Students respond

Undergraduates express mixed emotions about threat of faculty strike

Ben Botkin
Daily Egyptian

Besides the hustle and bustle SIUC students experience at the end of any semester lies a question that won't appear on any final exam. And the question's ultimate answer, while unknown, has left some students worried and others unconcerned.

The Faculty Association, the union that represents about 688 tenure and tenure-track professors at SIUC, completed its first day of voting Monday evening on a ballot that could lead to a strike. There are two days left — today and Wednesday — for members of the Faculty Association to vote on supporting the strike, and even if the measure is approved, professors may be able to avoid walking out. For a strike to be averted, the University's administration and union will need to reach an agreement for a new contract.

The Faculty Association was in a closed meeting with the union's bargaining team late Monday afternoon for a question-and-answer session among members.

If the measure passes with a simple majority, Morteza Daneshdoost, president of the Faculty Association, will be authorized to call a strike on or after Feb. 3, 2003. Daneshdoost said a strike could break out if faculty have not reached the terms of a new contract with the University's administration by February.

He also said a strike could take place before then if the union believes the bargaining process is stalling and faculty vote in support of a strike this week. For a strike before February to take place, the union's Departmental Representative Council, a group of about 42 elected faculty members, would also need to vote in support of walking out.

Only members of the association can vote this week, a figure that represents about 60 percent of the roughly 683 professors at SIUC, according to Daneshdoost. Professors who are opposed to walking out could cross a picket line if they desired.

"The one thing we want students to know is that we really don't want to strike, but it is the only way to keep bargaining,"

Daneshdoost said.

SIUC Chancellor Walter Wendler said classes will not be canceled if a strike hits the University. The administration formed a committee to begin making plans that could be enacted if there is a strike.

Both sides have issued salary proposals that were rejected, but there are also more than 70 non-salary issues on the table that are yet to be agreed upon by the bargaining teams. Sticking points include tenure, workloads and student/faculty ratios, among others.

The Faculty Association and administration has been in negotiations since February, and professors are working under the terms of a contract that expired in June.

And even if the vote to strike is approved, negotiations will be ongoing. Worthen Hunsaker, lead negotiator for the administration, said labor talks will take place again Friday.

In the meantime, students — along with the rest of the community — will wait for the Faculty Association's decision.

"It doesn't worry me," said Joel Landry, a senior in economics and political science from Chatham and Undergraduate Student Government's chief of staff.

Landry said it is unknown how many faculty would join the union in a strike if there is one, adding that he would be disappointed if professors on strike were replaced with unqualified teachers.

"We're not here to be taught by graduate students," he said. "We're here to be taught by faculty."

And while students aren't voting on the possible strike, some can relate to the frustrations of faculty.

"I support them to the utmost," said Jason Henderson, a sophomore in management information systems from Chicago. "They grade a lot of papers. They do it without complaining."

"I just try to put myself in their shoes," Sabrina Henderson, senior in university studies from Lemont, said she has noticed more student interest about a possible strike when compared to other issues.

"During the past couple weeks, people have been talking about it in classes," she said. "This time you see students who are less apathetic and care. People are concerned about what is going to happen and where they'll be next semester."

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RONDA YEAGER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Heather Morrison of Carbondale hugs friend Eric Chandler of Elizabeth Town after a meeting Monday evening celebrating Native American women in the Student Center Kaskaskia Room. Chandler is of Native American lineage and emphasizes the "need to find our roots."

Speakers discuss roles of Native American women, ceremonies

Moustafa Ayad
Daily Egyptian

"Women in native cultures are very respected, not only are they respected but they are equal."

Before Nicole Boyd could begin discussing the role Native American women play in society and ceremony, she had to purify the minds and souls of the speech's attendees.

The sweet smell of sage filled the room and the cleansing of the soul and mind had begun.

Smudging is the Native American ritual of burning sage or cedar with herbs to purify the soul. It is meant to bring balance through the restoration of energy in the room.

Thirty students crowded in a circle Monday night in the Student Center Kaskaskia Room to listen to Boyd, head of the Native American Month activities, to dispel stereotypes about Native American women. She lit the smudge and proceeded to pass it in a bowl from student to student.

Boyd began the discussion by describing the different facets of the Native American woman. Students sat in a circle and engaged their minds and souls in order to cleanse the stereotypes of women in Native American cultures from their minds.

"Women in native cultures are very respected, not only are they respected but they are equal," Boyd said.

Women in the Lakota, Dakota and Nakota

Nicole Boyd
head of Native American Month activities

nations, otherwise known as the Sioux, are equal in their respective societies and even revered in a sense. During their monthly cycles, they are asked to leave the tribe with other women to partake in a moon ceremony where they learn about being a woman. During that time, the men see them as being too powerful. She said women possess certain powers and during their monthly cycles their powers are greatly increased.

"Women are guarded by warriors as to protect them from harm," she said.

The roles of women in ceremonies are changing within the Native society. Women are now allowed to perform the Sundance, a ritual primarily performed by men to bring Native Americans closer to Mother Earth.

Men or women are tied through a piercing on their chest to a tree about 20 to 30 feet in length and refrain from food, sleep and little water for four days. Women did not engage in the Sundance because it was a chance for only men to connect to Mother Earth. Since women give birth they were seen as already connected to the earth.

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Wendler to speak at graduate council meeting

Samantha Edmondson
Daily Egyptian

Jason Vest has taught undergraduate level classes within the College of Agriculture before, but he never thought he might teach a class of his peers.

With the possibility of a strike mounting, the graduate student may have to take on such a task. And he is not happy about it.

"They didn't pay a lot of money to be taught by a person they share a class with," said Vest, a researcher studying plant soil and general agriculture.

The fate of a possible strike is still uncertain while members of the Faculty Association vote to strike through Wednesday. But graduate students, such as Vest, wait to see if not only their careers may be postponed, but those of the other students who they may teach if professors walk.

The Graduate Professional Student Council invited Morteza Daneshdoost to its Nov. 5 meeting to speak about the graduate students' role if the faculty chooses to strike.

He told the group the faculty fully supports the students in their decision and will be behind them in whatever may happen in the future.

At the next GPSC meeting tonight, Chancellor Walter Wendler will speak about the

possible strike and faculty negotiations to the constituency group. The meeting will take place at 7 tonight in Student Center Ballroom C.

Many graduate students have expressed their views at the Graduate Professional Student Council meetings and other forums, but more have their own perspectives about their roles in the strike possibility and about the negotiations itself.

Sarah Zmudzinski, a graduate assistant in the College of Business and Administration, said she graduates in December, so she is uncertain of how a strike might affect her, especially within her college.

"There is a different pay scale among the different colleges, and COBA is one of the most highly paid on campus," Zmudzinski said. "It might be unfair to other colleges; seems like the other professors complain about the salaries. They must keep the students' interests in mind."

Like Zmudzinski, Rizwan Hashmi said he hopes the faculty and administration come to agreement soon.

Hashmi, a graduate student in plant biology from Pakistan, said he does support the teachers and their demands.

"I think what they are asking for is OK," he

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NATIONAL NEWS

Co-pilot falls from plane

HOUSTON, Texas — The co-pilot of a single-engine aircraft plunged from the plane as it made a steep turn 9,000 feet over the Houston area.

The 45-year-old Houston man apparently jumped or fell from the plane Sunday afternoon near Prairie View, about 20 miles northwest of Houston, federal and local authorities told the Houston Chronicle for Monday editions.

An instructor pilot, the only other person on board, was concentrating on a steep turning maneuver when he heard a thump and saw the co-pilot's feet and legs leaving the airplane, Waller County Sheriff's Lt. John Kremmer told the Chronicle.

Kremmer said a search for the pilot in the area's pastures, woods and lakes was expected to resume early Monday.

Officials said the Cessna 152 had taken off 45 minutes earlier from David Wayne Hooks Airport in Spring. The pilot notified authorities about the incident before returning to the airport.

"The instructor and the aircraft landed safely," said Roland Heving, spokesman for the Federal Aviation Administration.

Kremmer said the co-pilot, whose identity was being withheld pending notification of relatives, had a pilot's license but could not fly alone because of an unspecified medical condition.

The instructor pilot told investigators that both men were strapped in when the small trainer aircraft took off from the airport.

"He just doesn't know at what point that changed," Kremmer said.

Nude women spell P-E-A-C-E

POINT REYES STATION, Calif. — Concerned that war against Iraq is imminent, 50 women took off their clothes in the cold rain and lay end-to-end in the grass to spell out P-E-A-C-E.

The unusual protest was organized in just a few days by artist Donna Sheehan, 72, who wanted to convey the desperation she said women in particular feel about the coming military action.

"I just thought, what can I do? What can we do? It's a desperate feeling. Well, this is what I did," Sheehan said Friday. "And every other woman who was there felt like they were doing something for peace."

Sheehan called her friends, they called their friends, and by Tuesday afternoon, they were ready to pose for local photographer Art Rogers in a baseball field in this small town just north of San Francisco.

As soon as they took off their clothes, a cold rain began to fall.

"By the time we'd stripped, with a lot of squealing and giggling and whooping and hollering, it was really raining," she said. "But we had fun. It was very empowering."

All the women signed documents allowing their images to be sold, with proceeds going to the peace movement. The Point Reyes Light, the local weekly newspaper, published the picture on Thursday.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Iraq situation tense, says Bliz

BAGHDAD, Iraq — U.N. chief weapons inspector Hans Bliz has described the atmosphere in Baghdad as "tense" as he arrived with a team of assistants to seek any weapons of mass destruction.

Bliz, head of the U.N. commission responsible for searching for chemical and biological weapons and missiles, arrived in the Iraqi capital on Monday with a 30-strong team of inspectors.

Mohamed ElBaradei, director of the International Atomic Energy Agency and chief nuclear weapons inspector, is also working alongside Bliz.

Bliz said on the tarmac of Saddam Hussein International Airport, just outside Baghdad: "We have come here for a single reason and that is because the world wants to have assurances that there are no weapons of mass destruction in Iraq."

"The situation is tense at the moment, but there is a new opportunity and we are here to provide inspection which is credible... We hope we can all take that opportunity together."

The mission begins almost four years after the previous team was removed by the U.N. just before the United States attacked Iraq of non-cooperation and launched four days of air strikes called Operation Desert Fox.

Mudslides and floods hit Europe

ZURICH, Switzerland — Torrential rain and strong winds have whipped across parts of Europe causing massive mudslides and severe flooding.

Worst affected are Switzerland where a mud bank swept through the centre of one town, Austria where a derailed train left one person dead, and northern Italy where a mother and daughter are feared dead after their car was swept away.

But the heavy downpour has also forced dozens of residents to find emergency accommodation in Scotland and tourists to wade knee-deep in water around Venice.

While some parts have seen the worst of the weather, some heavy rain was expected in Tuscany, Venice and Lazio in Italy on Monday.

Tonnes of mud dislodged by torrential rain slid through the Swiss Alpine village of Schlan in the mountainous eastern canton of the Grisons on the weekend, running right through the middle of the town but sparing residents' lives.

The 30-foot wall tumbled down the hill smashing into a mill and farm buildings. A helicopter was used to evacuate residents.

Many in Europe blame the flooding on pollution from the United States, however the latest research has shown little change in Europe's climate over the last century.

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Showers in the early morning becoming partly cloudy with a west wind at 10 mph.		

CORRECTIONS

The jump from Tuesday's story "A heavy price to pay" was omitted. The story can be read in its entirety on-line at www.dailyegyptian.com. The omitted information also appears on page 8 today.

TODAY'S CALENDAR

African Student Council African Cuisine Newman Center
 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. today

Auditions for "Full Rut" by Harrison Scott Key and "1931" directed by Chris Marcum
 Moe Lab Theater
 7 to 10 p.m. today, 7 to 9 p.m. Wednesday

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*William A. Collins, 18, of Tremont was arrested and charged with possession of cannabis and underage consumption of alcohol at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday in Warren Hall. He posted \$100 bond and was released.

*Shane Niles Jessen, 18, of Springfield was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, driving on a suspended license, driving an unlicensed motor vehicle, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and possession of drug paraphernalia at 1:17 a.m. Friday at the intersection of East Grand and South Illinois avenues. He was transported to the Jackson County Jail.

*A backpack was stolen from a vehicle between 9 p.m. Thursday and 9:42 a.m. Friday in the overnight parking lot at the intersection of Wall Street and Grand Avenue. The backpack is valued at \$20. Damage to the vehicle's convertible top is estimated at \$1,617.

*A 19-year-old female reported to police she was sexually assaulted between 4 a.m. and 6:45 a.m. Sunday at Mae Smith Hall. A suspect has been identified.

*A camera lens was stolen between 1:30 and 3 p.m. at McAndrew Stadium. The loss is estimated at \$1,100.

Carbondale

*Three men were punched and slapped at 8:02 p.m. Saturday as they stood outside Duckets Game Station, 608 S. Illinois Ave. One man walking to Gatsby's II 610 S. Illinois Ave, made comments to the reporting party. The men walking by allegedly slapped one man and punched two others in the face. Police were unable to find the men in Gatsby's II. Police are looking for the suspects. Police described one of the men as a white male, about 6 feet tall, stocky build, wearing a red warm-up jacket, with a scruffy beard or goatee. Another suspect is described as a white male, about 6 feet 3 inches tall, with a thin build, wearing a blue shirt with white stripes on the sleeves and blue jeans. It is unclear what role the thin man played in the incident. Police said officers are investigating leads on the vehicles the suspects may have left in.

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MARY COLLIER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Richard Kauzlarich, former U.S. ambassador, discussed issues facing the international Muslim community at a forum Monday evening at the Student Center. Kauzlarich stressed education as a major tool that should be used to bridge the gaps of misunderstanding between Muslims and their neighbors.

Discussion explores Muslim world

Former ambassador to Bosnia & Herzegovina and Azerbaijan outlines ways to bridge gap

Jane Huh
Daily Egyptian

More than a hundred people expressed their willingness to have an active part in promoting peace at a forum Monday evening.

Raising awareness of the Muslim world and the complex issues surrounding its people since the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks was the focus of the event.

Richard Kauzlarich, director of the Special Initiative on the Muslim World, under the U.S. Institute of Peace, delivered the keynote address. The Institute, an independent federal organization, was created to resolve global conflicts peacefully.

"The enemy is not a state or a group of states but an international movement of terror," Kauzlarich said.

Kauzlarich served as an ambassador to Azerbaijan from 1994 to 1997. Following this post, he was the ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina from 1997 to 1999.

He addressed the religious, political, economic and social issues that has

shaped the Muslim countries and offered suggestions as to how to bridge gaps of differences between the Western world and the Islamic world.

The first step to understanding differences is by acknowledging them and asking the right questions.

"We need to step back and say 'How can the United States and other nations engage positively with the new environment that we have?'" he said.

Rather than asking "Why do they hate us?" Kauzlarich said Americans should be asking "What are the concerns of the Muslim world?" to achieve peace.

Kauzlarich also suggested that a "new Fulbright program" should be in place for Muslim nations to assist in their educational system. In addition, he stated that supporting the economic activity of Muslim countries, such as Pakistan, would go a long way to bring more political governance and stability because regions lacking economic stimulation may serve as a "breeding ground for radical political forces."

As a former ambassador to



MARY COLLIER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Richard Kauzlarich directs the Special Initiative on the Muslim World for the United States Institute of Peace.

Azerbaijan, a Muslim state, Kauzlarich noted that people from any background and culture seek peace and order.

"People there, just like all of you,

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Teach-in to allow discussion, debate of Iraqi war threat

Forum at Lawson is third in series scheduled to continue next semester

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

we want or need to attack Saddam?"

Four war veterans from four different wars will speak tonight about how their experiences on the battlefield have impacted their perception of war.

The veterans fought in World War II, Vietnam, Korea and Kosovo and will be the lead speakers at a teach-in to inform and raise discussion about the possibility of war in Iraq at 7:30 p.m. in Lawson Hall 171.

"Anyone is welcome to attend the forum, which is the third in a series that have and will continue to discuss issues pertaining to war, particularly in the Persian Gulf."

"We wanted to give the people who have been in conflict a chance to reflect on what it all meant to them," said Hugh Muldoon, co-coordinator of the teach-in. "Their reflections are important because most of us have not been there and we want to hear from people who were."

Muldoon said most of the views expressed at past forums have been from people with anti-war sentiments, and he expects that trend to continue tonight. However, he hopes those with differentiating views will also attend to spark more heated discussions.

Questions from those who "think attacking Iraq is a sane and reasonable thing to do" have come up, and Muldoon said it adds to the education and awareness they hope the forums will instill on those who participate.

"Through previous teach-ins, I think some eyes have been opened to the fact that we're not getting the information we demand from our government," Muldoon said. "Such as, 'Why do

be anti-war, Deidre Hughes, a teaching assistant in History and the event moderator, said anti-war should not be associated with anti-veteran; and the forum should not portray that image.

Hughes said most people, including herself, know someone who has fought in a war, or is currently enlisted in the armed forces. But that does not mean they are bad people or that fighting in war was the wrong thing to do.

"One reason we want to do the teach-in this way is because these are their experiences and they're valid and important," Hughes said. "And often times in the mainstream media, their opinion is not portrayed."

The next forum is scheduled for Dec. 2, but Hughes said a time and location have not been decided on. The teach-ins will continue into next semester and other possible topics may include the effect and role of religion and women in war.

Hughes hopes the forums will encourage people to become involved and take action when it comes to their feelings on war. She encourages people to contact their congressman or join an activist group where they can participate in protests for or against the war.

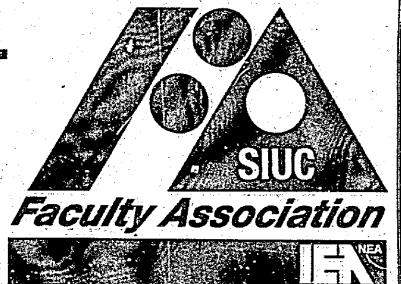
"These questions have to be addressed, and how else are you going to do it?" Muldoon asked. "You can't avoid these questions because this is one of the most serious things facing the world today."

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RESPECT



Yes, salary and benefits are important issues. We all live in a society where one's value is in large measure determined by one's monetary worth. But money is not everything. Indeed, it's no more important than several other critical issues like faculty-student ratios, tenure & promotion guidelines, intellectual property rights, faculty layoff procedures, and other considerations that define the intellectual life of any great university.

But even though a university is now an integral part of today's complex society, it is distinctly different than almost any other modern institution. Universities trace their histories back to a time before there was industrial mechanization, a system of nation states, or even much contact between peoples of the world. Universities began and continue to exist as generators, storehouses, and disseminators of knowledge—not profit, not money, or even anything of the physical dimension. Ours is a product of the mind.

As such, we all come to the university with a certain idealism. We search for truth and to unravel the mysteries of our time. Whether student or teacher, we are

admired by society not for the material wealth we create, but for the intellectual wealth we contribute.

Generation of that intellectual wealth is wholly dependent on mutual respect: respect for ideas counter to our own, respect for theory that challenges our assumptions, respect for each other in an atmosphere we know as intellectual freedom.

The Faculty's complaint today is not just that we are paid too little money. It is that we are paid too little respect. We have tolerated this disrespect for too long and believe it has now reached such a level that it threatens the viability of this university. We demand respect we are due.

Examples of this disrespect are ample. It is disrespectful to pay us less than faculty at comparable doctoral granting institutions. It is disrespectful to cut our numbers each year and replace us with part-time instructors. It is disrespectful to challenge our maintenance of tenure and promotion standards. It is disrespectful to lay monetary claim to our intellectual property. It is disre-

spectful to cut academic programs without our input. It is disrespectful to hire expensive out-of-town lawyers to bargain against us. It is disrespectful to say that students can graduate without the presence of Faculty on campus.

We who currently care for the Carbondale campus look back on a history of nearly 150 years and see the efforts of a dedicated faculty in the faces of thousands of proud alumni who respect and support their professors.

Today we demand the respect we are due from our colleagues who have left teaching and have taken on administrative tasks. We make that demand clear by our democratic vote authorizing the most drastic of all measures possible—closing down the university. It is not what we want. It is what we need if we are to finally gain the administration's respect.

If you are a member of our association, vote today. If you are not, sign a membership form and vote today. For voting information see: <http://www.SIUCFA.org>

Imagine a university without faculty.

Budgeting for the future

Many college students can pay off bills from month to month but have not learned how to budget for tomorrow or the unexpected

Kristina Dailing
Daily Egyptian

Editor's note: This is the second of a four-part "College Savings Series" that will run through Thursday. Each story relates to how students' financial problems and how to find shortcuts and help in these areas.

Recent research from the Consumer Federation of America proved that one fifth of undergraduates that carry credit cards have a debt of \$10,000 or more — that is money that wasn't planned, budgeted and will have to be repaid.

Tim Mocking, an undeclared freshman from Decatur, has credit card bills he is trying to pay off. However, he does not have a problem with bills because he has budgeted enough money to pay off his bills on time.

"I have to pay my credit card bills on time because I can't afford to lose the credit," Mocking said.

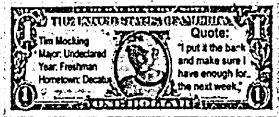
Many college students budget their money well enough to pay off their monthly debts and bills. But many students do not take into consideration budgeting for their future or for emergencies.

Taniesha Prentice, a junior in industrial engineering from Chicago, does not have to pay for room and board because she is a resident adviser in Schneider Hall. She has monthly credit card bills that she pays off with her paycheck, but any money leftover she spends on extras for herself.

"I do think that it is important to budget, but for me, if I want something, I buy it," Prentice said.

SHOW ME THE MONEY

Question: What do you do with the money that comes from your paycheck?



JOE MISHKINIS - DAILY EGYPTIAN

College Budget Worksheet		
	Amount Budgeted	Actual Amount
Income		
Grants		
Scholarships		
Employment Income (not taxes)		
Student loans		
Other Income		
Total		
Expenses		
	Amount Budgeted	Actual Amount
Tuition and fees		
Books and supplies		
Housing		
Rent/Mortgage		
Utilities		
Phone		
Meals		
Classes		
Laundry		
Car		
Gas		
Auto maintenance		
Insurance (Car/Health/Life)		
Credit card payments		
Entertainment		
Other expenses		
Total		
(Difference/surplus)		

Source: National City Corporation, American State

Prentice said that she knows she should try to save money in case of an emergency or just so she will have money for later in life.

"I probably should save my money, but it is too easy to get into the habit of spending," she said.

According to the University of Melbourne website, critical thinking is the key to money management. Students must decide before they buy something whether it is a need or a want.

When students are trying to budget their money, it is important for them to first, keep track of expenses for a couple of weeks or a month.

They should write down all costs in a student diary and at the end of the period divide the costs into categories (groceries, lunch, transportation fares, etc.) and add them up. The results will give a "real life" indication of what is costing the most money. A student will then be able to make some decisions on any expenses that are a "waste of cash" and can be avoided.

Simyra Campbell, a senior in radio-television from Chicago, said that she spends the most money on food and rent. But other than those expenses, she does not have trouble budgeting her money on the extras, such as clothing.

"As long as the clothes are cute, I don't care

where they are from," Campbell said.

Students may also have to consider some sacrifices to help "balance the budget." Students can set up time periods when they have a quiet time studying, or with friends — eat-in, borrow videos from the library on campus, see how cheaply they can make a good meal, limit travel by walking whenever possible, find some free entertainment or try making lunch.

One way for students to figure out how much they need to budget is to divide up income and savings into "chunks" by percentage. This will help students meet regular costs and plan for future bills while still using some cash on social and recreational activities.

Campbell said that she thinks that it would be useful for every college student to get tips on how to budget their money. Sometimes she spends money on things that are not necessarily economical and she said that she thinks many college students do the same.

But by being at college and experiencing money management problems, she is learning how to budget for the future.

"If I don't have something, I don't have it," Campbell said. "I am just trying to make it so I can afford those luxury items later."

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Panel discusses free airtime for candidates

Group addresses bill that would make races more competitive

Arin Thompson
Daily Egyptian

Half the crowd was sitting in Ballroom A of the Student Center for extra credit, but everyone learned a lot about how a political campaign works; more specifically, about the important role television plays in campaigns.

The SIU Public Policy Institute played host to "The Case for Free Airtime for Political Candidates," Monday night. The forum was based on a bill proposal that would grant future political candidates free access to public airwaves.

A panel comprised of Paul Taylor, president of the Alliance for Better Campaigns, former U.S. Rep. Glenn Poshard and Robert Spellman, a journalism professor at SIUC, discussed the bill and offered pros and cons to

its inception. Mike Lawrence, associate director of the Public Policy Institute, moderated the discussion. A video was played showing Walter Cronkite and his dedication to the cause. According to the video, in the 2002 presidential campaign, campaign ads monopolized "the airwaves, casting more ads than fast food chains."

"I think it's ironic that the video compared campaign commercials with fast food commercials," Lawrence said. "I personally get indigestion from both."

Cindi Canary, director of the Illinois Campaign for Political Reform, gave the opening remarks and former Sen. Paul Simon, director of the Public Policy Institute, offered the keynote speech.

"It balances things a little bit," he said. "The American public would be better informed and if we're better informed, we're likely to have better election results. Somehow we have to have, if not equal access, some access for all candidates."

Taylor, who is also a veteran reporter with The Washington Post, said there are three major impacts the bill would have if signed into law.

"It would increase the flow of information to citizens," he said. "Particularly the information they need."

He said that the bill would also open up political campaigns to a much greater universe of candidates because fund raising would no longer be a barrier.

"Money is choking off the ability to compete," Taylor said.

He said the bill would make races more competitive and it would open up the system, making campaigns and elections more accessible to the public.

The bill amends the Communications Act of 1934. It states that every news station would be responsible for two hours a week of free candidate airtime before an election. The second aspect of the amendment is a voucher program. Candidates would be given vouchers



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Robert Spellman, a professor of journalism, responds to a question from the audience Monday night at a symposium regarding free commercial airtime for political candidates. When asked how third parties factor into the proposed bill, Spellman laughed and said, "I haven't thought through that far yet."

for paid political advertising based on how much money they raise from small contributions of less than \$250.

"It's a smart response to some of the biggest problems with our political system," Taylor said.

He also mentioned that the broadcast industry is opposed to the bill because they make a lot of money from political campaigns.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Winter clothes being collected for local residents in need

Local businesses and State Representative Gary Forby are collecting winter clothes for area residents Nov. 20 through Dec. 14. People are urged to drop off new or slightly worn winter clothes including mittens, coats, scarves, and stocking caps to local drop-off points throughout the 117th District.

After being collected the clothes will be handed out to local schools, homeless shelters, food pantries and other social service organizations for distribution. Anyone planning to donate can drop

clothes off at State Representative Gary Forby's office, 905 W. Washington, Suite 5 in Benton; Williamson County Sheriff's Office, 200 W. Jefferson in Macon; Rural King in Marion, 1301 W. Enterprise Way; and LIFE Credit Union, 200 Missouri Ave. in Centerville. For more information, call Gary Forby at 618-439-2504.

Trinkets on sale during weekend Christmas Bazaar

The first Christmas Bazaar will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Stonefort Community Building. There will be food, raffles, jewelry, holiday items and more.

For more information, call 618-777-2567.

University Press book sale starts Wednesday

The University Press Fall Book Sale is from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday in Ballroom A of the Student Center. Older books will be offered at \$2 per paperback and \$4 for hardcover. New and best-selling titles will be available at a 30 percent discount.

Since 1956, the University Press has published books with regional appeal in addition to scholarly works in fields such as American history, literature, theater studies, film studies and more. For more information, call Gordon

Pruett at 453-6634.

Book features 100 color pictures of Illinois trees

"In Search of Large Trees" is a book by Larry P. Mahan that includes 100 color pictures of notable tree specimens from Central and Southern Illinois.

During his research, he traveled more than 7000 miles searching for live trees. He has registered 22 "Illinois Big Tree Champions," including a sycamore that is the largest tree of any kind in the state and a black oak that is the largest of any oak in the United States. Persons interested in purchasing a copy of "In Search of Large Trees" may contact Mahan by mail

at 27555 Deep Rock Station Road in Palmyra or phone him at 217-436-2016.

Former U.S. senator speaks Wednesday

Former three-term U.S. Senator and one-time Democratic nominee for U.S. President George McGovern will speak at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in Ballroom D of the Student Center.

McGovern is known for speaking against U.S. involvement in the Vietnam War and his work on behalf of American farmers and hungry children throughout the world. McGovern will speak as a part of the "What I Have Learned and Would Like to Pass On" lecture series.

“America is about freedom, but the game is still inappropriate for certain age groups.”

Josh Benson
student, John A. Logan College

Grand theft Uh-Oh!

Teen car thief blames popular video game that features illegal activities

Kristina Herrndobler
Daily Egyptian

American teens seem to love the thrill of stealing cars, running over people, fleeing from the cops and picking up prostitutes — all from the comfort of their living rooms.

Or at least they were willing to line up outside of the Carbondale Best Buy waiting for the doors to open so they could be one of the first to own the latest video game, “Grand Theft Auto: Vice City,” when it hit stores earlier this month — a game that features all of these illegal activities and more.

Best Buy is still accepting rain checks from those die-hard video game lovers because there simply aren't enough games available to fulfill the demand.

But that might be a good thing according to Jessica Free, a freshman at Benton High School.

Free said her little brother, 13, has the game. Though she likes the game, she doesn't think that her brother or his friends should have it.

A teen-ager in Somers, Wis., told police the game, which is about stealing cars, inspired an auto theft spree involving about 100 vehicles before he and two others were caught.

Free admits “Vice City” could motivate people to steal cars.

“The game makes it so fun,” she said. “If they can go in there and get away with it and have a lot of fun, someone might really try it. But, people need to remember that it is just a game.”

Free does believe that the game should have age requirements.

“I know it is just a game, but if you do those things in real life, they have consequences,” she said.

Still, Free said the game is cool and she believes she is mature enough to play it.

But according to the recommended age for the game, Free is not old enough to buy it in stores.

At least not in Carbondale. Representatives from both KB Toys and Best Buy, in Carbondale, said they are checking IDs and will not sell the game to people under 17.

But just because you have to be 17 to buy the controversial game at some Carbondale stores doesn't mean Free, or her little brother, couldn't purchase it elsewhere.

In fact, a national Best Buy spokeswoman told USA Today that the chain has no rule about checking ages of buyers.

Despite efforts to keep the game out of the hands of minors, KB Toys had large signs in front of its store in the University Mall promoting the new game.

And “Grand Theft Auto: Vice City” isn't your average “Duck Hunt.”

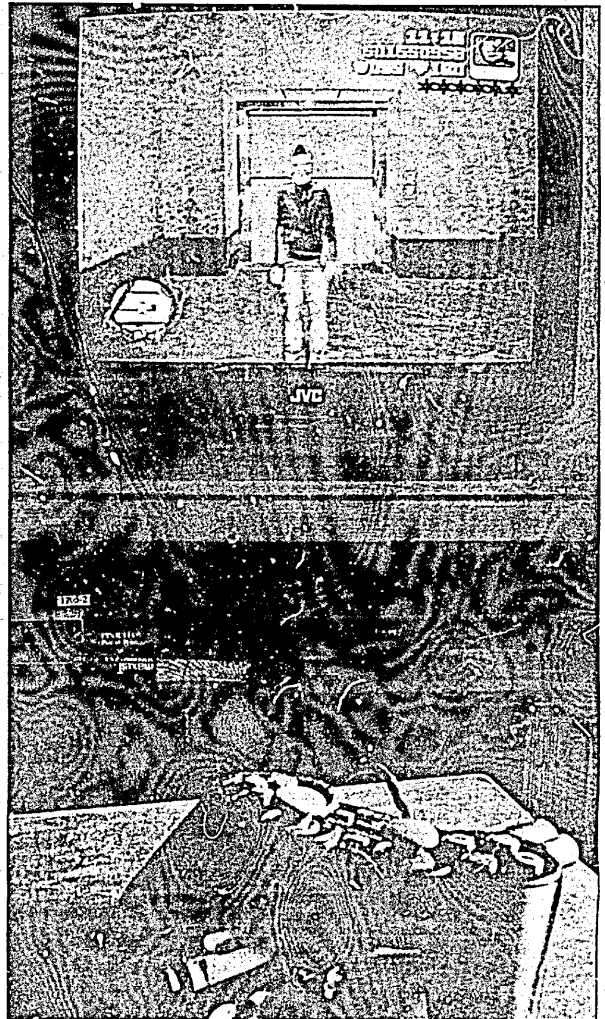
The game has an interactive environment and a solid story line. It also has a soundtrack that includes music artists from Blondie to Michael Jackson. Additionally, some famous Hollywood names, including Ray Liotta, provided their voices to characters.

“Vice City” carries an M rating, meaning the subject matter is mature, recommended for ages 17 and older. And despite claims that children are being influenced by the game, USA Today said the average age of those owning the late-t systems — PlayStation 2, Xbox and GameCube — is about 23, much higher than the crowd who once loved Mario Bros. and Sonic.

Even with an older crowd, the game is causing controversy and legal problems.

Josh Benson, a student at John A. Logan College, also believes the game promotes violence and criminal behavior.

Though he agrees with the age suggestions, he enjoys the game and said it should not be taken off the market.



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The video game series “Grand Theft Auto” is currently in its fourth incarnation as the popular and hard-to-obtain “Vice City.” There is some controversy that the violent and graphic game in which players can pick up prostitutes, kill cops and shoot down helicopters is causing young gamers to emulate the game's behavior.

“America is about free-lom,” Benson said. “But the game is still inappropriate for certain age groups.”

Benson thinks the game is inappropriate for his 12-year-old cousin who plays it regularly. The game was bought for the minor by his mother, who was unaware of the graphic scenes it entails.

“I would never buy this game for my kid,” Benson said. “And it shouldn't be in front of toy

stores that are directed at a younger audience.”

He said the game does not make him want to steal cars, but it might make a younger person want to.

“After all,” Benson said. “It is called ‘Grand Theft Auto’ for a reason.”

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Lack of Native American studies program concern professors

Only 85 four-year institutions in United States offer Native American courses

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Colleges such as University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana use the image of a Native American to represent their school.

However, U of I does not offer an American Indian Studies program. In fact, no university in the state of Illinois offers a course pertaining to Native American heritage.

Of the minority studies programs offered by universities in the United States, Native American studies programs are undoubtedly the most rare.

With slightly more than 100 programs in the nation, there is reasonable concern for Native American

education, according to a “Guide to Native American Studies Programs in the United States and Canada.”

“It's one of the most neglected areas,” said Wayne J. Stein, an associate professor of higher education and Native American studies at Montana State University. “There is very little taught in K-8 about American Indians.”

Although there is overwhelming demand for minority studies programs in various areas such as Asian, Hispanic and Black American studies are certainly the hardest to find.

In fact, only a total of 85 four-year universities nationwide offer Native American courses.

As a professor of Native American studies, Stein is familiar with concern that programs focusing on a particular race promote separation.

“These of us who are Native, Asian, Hispanic or African American, we have been taught white studies since we were in the

The number of Native American studies programs in the U.S. and Canada

Native American Programs by Region

United States - 75
Canada - 10

Ph.D., M.A. Programs

United States - 13
Canada - 5

Baccalaureate Majors

United States - 26
Canada - 7

Baccalaureate Minor

United States - 51
Canada - 2

first grade, if we are going to worry about separation,” said Stein. “The only way to develop a stronger, better country is if we know ourselves.”

“I feel these people are alarmed for no reason at all. But every one

entitled to their own opinion.”

Stein feels that the half Native American, half non-native American enrollment of these programs at Montana State University clearly show there is a definite interest in the area.

Although Meg Quintal resides in an area with nine reservations and a high Native American population, she believes programs such as the ones offered at her university are important to have at every university.

“I think there a lot of people with a basic interest in American Indian studies,” said Quintal, an administrator in the institute of American Indian studies at the University of South Dakota.

“We get inquiries from all over the world from people wanting to know more about our program.”

Although their enrollment has fluctuated throughout the years, Joseph Giovanetti, assistant professor at the University of Humboldt in California, said he believes Native American programs are necessary to represent the

voice of the American Indian population.

While these programs do not exist in many states, including Illinois, Quintal agrees that the Native American studies program does have significance and a place in any university.

“These programs may be specific to one culture, but they certainly help to expand the knowledge of the larger population.”

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THEIR WORD

Border patrol shouldn't randomly search motorists

Staff Editorial
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ANN ARBOR, Mich. (U-WIRE) — The Bush administration infringed on yet another civil liberty last Tuesday. Under the auspices of increasing security along the United States' northern border, the U.S. Border Patrol began setting up unannounced, rotating checkpoints in which federal agents question drivers and passengers on their citizenship and have the right to stop cars and search anything deemed "suspicious." Their main goals are to catch terrorists and illegal immigrants, although agents will be on the lookout for drugs and weapons as well.

The fact that such checkpoints — common along the southwest border in California and Texas — have been extended north to Michigan continues a disturbing trend toward further eroding civil liberties. According to federal law, the government has the right to search and survey private property within 25 miles of an international border or shoreline. In 1976, the Supreme Court ruled that such stops and searches are constitutional even without a warrant. While technically legal, this ruling is still cause for alarm.

Federal agents should not randomly stop and search vehicles without suspicion. When the government has the power to single out individuals without hard proof of wrongdoing, it violates the idea of innocent until proven guilty. People have the right to privacy until they unquestionably forfeit that privacy through criminal activities.

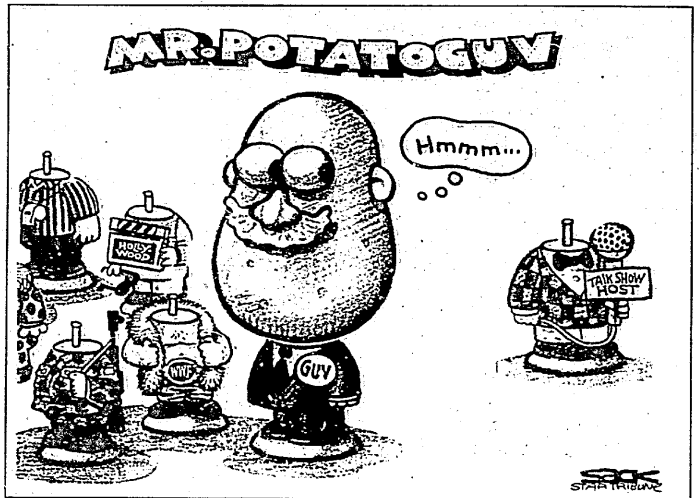
If these checkpoints were necessary for the immediate protection of the public safety the government would have the right to implement them. However, this new policy is by no means an effective way to eliminate the threat of terrorism.

Practically, an inherent flaw in the traffic checks is that in the quest of seeking out terrorists and illegal immigrants, the primary question asked of drivers and passengers is proof of their citizenship. However, U.S. citizens are not required to carry proof of citizenship. Only alien residents are required to carry some paperwork. If federal agents pull over a "suspicious" U.S. citizen, that individual will very likely not have any means of proving his innocence.

Due to the arbitrary manner in which these traffic checks can be conducted, the potential for abuse is dangerously real. The term "suspicious" is ambiguous at best. When left up to the interpretation of flawed human beings, it is all too easy for personal prejudices to influence decisions. When the main objective of the search and surveillance is to catch terrorists and illegal aliens, it is all too easy for Arabs and other minorities to become the target. Thus, the door to racial profiling is swung wide open.

Traffic checkpoints are not simply temporary, unobtrusive measures taken in desperate times for the public good. Civil rights advocates have reported that similar checkpoints in the southwest have become continuously expanding militarized zones patrolled by federal agents. Michigan risks the same fate unless the government immediately ceases to conduct traffic checks along the border.

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GUEST COLUMNIST

In Africa, you can't take anything for granted

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ANN ARBOR, Mich. (U-WIRE) — Africa's Ivory Coast is in shambles; rebels control half of the country. We Americans started to pull our people out months ago; now tens of thousands of Africans have been leaving under the auspices of their native governments: 10,000 from Mali, 7,000 from Burkina Faso, 2,000 already rescued by Nigeria, the BBC reported on Saturday.

I lived in West Africa for three months this summer, traveling back and forth between Senegal and The Gambia. In July, I was helping to lead a computer-training workshop in Farafenni, The Gambia, a hot grimy place that had, at that time, been without power for over a month. It was in Farafenni, (a be-sure-not-to-miss, bustling market town, according to Lonely Planet, but really a village that sometimes made me feel like I'd been plopped in the middle of a Sally Struthers "Save the Children" commercial), where I met an Ivorian refugee. He had left when his mother ordered him to: The fighting in the Ivory Coast (which, despite the increased intensity and viciousness, is certainly nothing new) had finally reached the capital, Abidjan, and Mom would have no two ways about it. Out of love, she sent him packing.

His story was one of the many that I heard that summer that chipped away at my reality and has left me still trying to fit those pieces, reshaped and sometimes unrecognizable, back together. Before last May, I'd never been close to war, but in West Africa I learned that peace is nothing to take for granted. In Senegal, there's an active (and deadly) separatist movement that occasionally flares in Casamance, the area south of The Gambia; Guinea-Bissau is still far from being the most peaceful or politically stable nation, and the Ivory Coast, well, it's of the lucky one-in-five African conflicts that sometimes makes the news-ticker on CNN.

I've been following the war in the Ivory Coast out of a kind of emotionally indulgent voyeurism. In trying to reconcile how I feel about what I saw this summer, I can sometimes recapture the sensations through the deliberate imagery or the careful adjectives of a news article — the distance between what these words conjure for someone who has experienced West Africa and someone who has not could only be described as a world.

It's according to that Saturday BBC piece that the

refugees, sometimes refugees' twice over (first from their native country and now from the Ivory Coast) have been leaving the country in "bus-loads." This compound alone is enough for pause: to me, it's not a two dimensional black and white phrase, it's a feeling, a Proustian rush. I know what a West African bus-load looks like; I know what it sounds like and what it smells like: dangerous, loud, bad. When I couldn't get a flight, I traveled between Banjul, The Gambia, and Dakar, Senegal as a member of one of those busloads. I made myself part of the problem when I bribed a driver 50 dalasi (about \$2.50) to let me on that crowded bus one time, and I became flushed with my own shame, wanting to disappear into nothing, when we pulled away and left a crowd of very disappointed people, surrounded by luggage, in the bus' dusty tracks.

When I read that the rebels in the Ivory Coast have been shooting at the buses, it's torturous how easily I can imagine the roadside ambush, how I can see the scene of terror washing through a rickety and sweltering vehicle. The last time I made the journey from Banjul to Dakar, when my heart was doing ecstatic back flips at the thought of leaving The Gambia for good, the trip was so dangerous that had I to repeat, over and over again to myself all day that there was only one assignment on my plate: Johanna, don't die. Just don't let yourself die.

And the roads that those bus-loads must be traveling on — the roads that I knew painfully well last summer. I also know have been rendered nearly useless by their gaping potholes, potholes so thorough that sometimes there's more hole than road and the pavement looks like it was tossed and laid in accidental chunks. For half of that last trip I made, until I reached the border between Senegal and The Gambia — a place where the officialness of the colonial languages is nominal and the hands grabbing at my belongings and my person were the roughest — I rode with 10 other people in a windowless tarp built for 11, squashed in the back seat between the sharp protrusions of the door and a mother with two shrieking babies unseated on her lap.

It's impossible to read those articles and project what the little things look like here, in just this case the buses and roads, onto the warfare and bloodshed a continent away. The game has changed so the rules are different: the actors may express the universal language of human emotion, but the props on the stage could never tell the same story — the privilege of peace and seatbelts.

Johanna's views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“I never know how much of what I say is true.”

Bette Midler
singer, actress

WORDS OVERHEARD

“We get the typical sorority stereotypes, as far people thinking, ‘They think they’re better than everyone else.’ But like all of the other females on this campus, we’re women before anything else.”

Shannon Hunter
senior, math and member of Sigma Gamma Rho

COLUMNISTS

What are we giving thanks for?

When I was younger I loved this time of the year almost as much as the summer time. It was close to Christmas, and usually people were pretty self-conscious about being nice. Now that I'm a little older, I look back on those days during which I was made to believe fallacies, I guess so that when I grew up I would have an eased conscience about accepting wrong doing. Or maybe because those stories had become so innate in the teacher's eyes that even they had trouble recognizing the stories were untrue and could no longer distinguish them as such.

Remember the stories you were told of the pilgrims coming to America on the Mayflower? Remember how after the great starvation there was a huge feast that included four wild turkeys (hence the tradition of turkey on Thanksgiving)?

Isn't it nice to know we eat turkey paying homage to such a wonderful lie?

Isn't it nice to know we eat turkey paying homage to such a wonderful lie? I don't mean to be such a thorn, but I want to pay homage to the truth, and I want you to know what you're really being thankful for.

Though the account of this particular story may be true to an extent, I want to address some of the other stories I learned in doing research on Native Americans for an intercultural communication class that I urge everybody to take and in an Ethnic Studies class I took while in high school.

In my lifetime I have only met one full-blooded Native American. I will take into account that I am only 22 years old and have my whole life ahead of me to meet other Native Americans, though I doubt it since they make up the smallest racial group.

However, as natives of this land, it is quite ironic and sad that they are nowhere to be seen except for in areas of the northwest such as Montana, where there are reservations. Speaking of reservations, encyclopedia.com basically describes the placement of Native Americans on reservations as the result of the "struggle" of the growing white population and the indigenous people. So, the fact the white population forced the Native Americans off of their land didn't play a minor role in their placement, huh?



The Power of Words

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How was this done? Well it seems the purpose of the second amendment was not only for home and land thieves to protect themselves from the government should it decide to throw its power around (which unfortunately is a defeated purpose), considering what junior Bush said about the U.N., and the fact there is no gun that can protect you from a National Guard tank, but that's another article). It was also designed to protect these same property thieves from Native Americans who would unreasonably want their land back.

Wait. There's yet another reason to be thankful, as if you didn't have enough already. Biological warfare seems so diabolical, but believe me, al Qaeda or any group or country that attempts to commit terror against anybody in America learned from the masters.

You see, as a phony gesture of kindness, the European colonizers gave the Native Americans blankets in the winter to keep warm. The only problem was that the blankets were intentionally infested with smallpox for which they had no immunity, and it further contributed to their extermination.

I could go on and on about the genocide that took place against the Native Americans that included alcohol and scalping (which coined the term "red skin"), among other things, but with time running out I just want you to think about the near extinction of these people in America with a constant reminder of what they as a people had to endure in the form of ridicule by fans at baseball games.

So to all who will consume turkey next Thursday and Friday in the name of Thanksgiving Day, keep gobbling, the ancestors of all Native Americans thank you.

The Power of Words appears every Tuesday.

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Become a better human being



Check Please!

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"Of all the trails of this life, there is one that matters most. It is the trail of a true human being."

—"Dances With Wolves"
When we were young, we were taught it was OK to make mistakes because we're only human. The only catch to this notion was that we were supposed to learn from our mistakes, or even pay for them.

Sure, that was OK when we were little kids, but what about as adults? All kinds of people make mistakes, despite being an adult or a child, but adults are supposed to have more knowledge of the world than ever before in their lives, making mistakes as an adult seems to be relative in defining what it means to be human.

Is it really fair to say "I'm only human" after you've made a mistake? Perhaps the word human is taken out of context in this situation. After all, the definition of human has changed, or changes throughout the years.

What makes someone a human being? Surely we can't just describe a human as someone capable of making mistakes, there has to be more to us than that. I think there are several things that characterize what makes a person human.

The ability to show affection, for example, can be seen as a human attribute — to love and care for each other play off of that attribute. Human beings also have a thought process, an independent mind if you will. The mind gives us the power to think for ourselves and make small or big choices that affect how we live day in and day out.

How we use our minds is really what makes all the difference in the world. More importantly, I think human beings, with their free minds, choose a path or a trail to follow in life. A lot of people compare life to a long, winding road, and I know it sounds like a cliché at times, but it's the only cliché of this life we can honestly depend on.

Life is a road; it has bumps, curves,

hills and stop signs. Some time in the far future, when you're on your coffee break from your job, you're going to look back on the road you took that got you to where you are now, it's quite a long look back, and you're going to contemplate various other roads you could have taken in life.

Whichever road, path, or trail you follow, there will be a fork waiting for you somewhere along the way. The fork is sort of an opening or another possible choice in your destination. It may appear to be a smoother ride than what you have been traveling thus far. You could either test it or pass it up, but think before you do. Slow down and take notice of the opening — maybe it is the better choice.

Regardless, when you reach your destination, what you left behind will eventually catch up to you in some obscure way, causing you to evaluate your current life. My advice is, don't go back and just keep moving forward. The past will continue to haunt you, but it has made you a better human being. And you will continue to humanize yourself as you progress in this life learning from your mistakes.

And so I said to the waiter, "Can I get the check please?"

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Daily Egyptian Help Wanted Spring 2003 Semester

*The DAILY EGYPTIAN is now accepting applications for columnists. If you think you have what it takes to write one general-interest column per week relating to student life and interest then submit an application.
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*This is a non-paid position.
Please obtain an application from the DAILY EGYPTIAN reception desk, Communications bldg., Rm 1259. Monday through Friday 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

LETTERS

Students should have a greater interest in possible strike

DEAR EDITOR:

I am sure many students are aware of the faculty's attempt to barter a deal with the administration for both better salaries and policies. It would be naive of SIUC students to think this situation does not, in a very direct way, affect them and their education. As a direct result of the teachers at this University being paid about 28 percent below the national average for similar institutions, the students and the quality of education are suffering. This time last year, the staff of the University was larger by a total of 16 professors serving the student body. An astounding average of 55 professors every year leave this institution. Yes, some of those who leave are retiring from teaching all together, but a

greater amount than the University would like to admit are leaving because of the poor pay the faculty receive in comparison to the quality of work they do, not to mention the issue of administrations poor responsiveness to both the requests of teachers and students.

As it did this year, the cost of tuition will increase for the 2003-2004 term despite the consensus among the student body to avoid raising fees. Just as much as the administration is ignoring the faculty in their request for fairer treatment, they are also ignoring the students by brushing off their ideas and requests. Much of the attention given to the situation would lead one to believe the faculty are acting upon ambitions based solely on the desire to get more money. Yet it appears this is only one of 75 unresolved issues that lay upon the bargaining table. In fact, the thing the faculty is getting the most riled up about is the lack of funds being granted on an individual department basis. Every year professors are being asked to take on more responsibilities and to be held accountable to educate more

students per class. This is diminishing the quality of education by spreading the professors thin, which also results in less individual attention given to students.

Our money is being taken from us and we are not even granted the courtesy to know where it goes. The money has to be going somewhere, and although it is usually wrong to point fingers, it seems perhaps the administration is getting a bit generous with its salaries. It seems that out of the total budget, administration allows itself to take approximately 8 percent of the pool of money. This is an astronomical figure when compared to the national average of a modest one percent taken by comparable institutions. Yet, while the administration is finding an extra 7 percent of the budget making its way into wallets, the faculty are discovering they are being paid well below the national average.

The quality of education is declining as more money is being taken away from departments each year. This is alarming not only for lower classes, but

for seniors as well. Nobody wants to look back and realize the value of his or her university diploma has virtually gone down the toilet.

It is clear that all is not right in Carbondale right now, and it appears much of the responsibility for the current situation falls toward University administration. Students must act now to stand in support of the faculty and the potential strike as a last resort in bargaining. Students must work together to make our voices heard, to overwhelm the administration with our vision for this University; to demand we have a say in how our money is spent and to ensure the priorities of SIUC place our education over pet projects and the administrations pocketbooks. Now is the time to cut through the fog of apathy and demand the quality of education we deserve. This University belongs to us, the students. Lets act like it.

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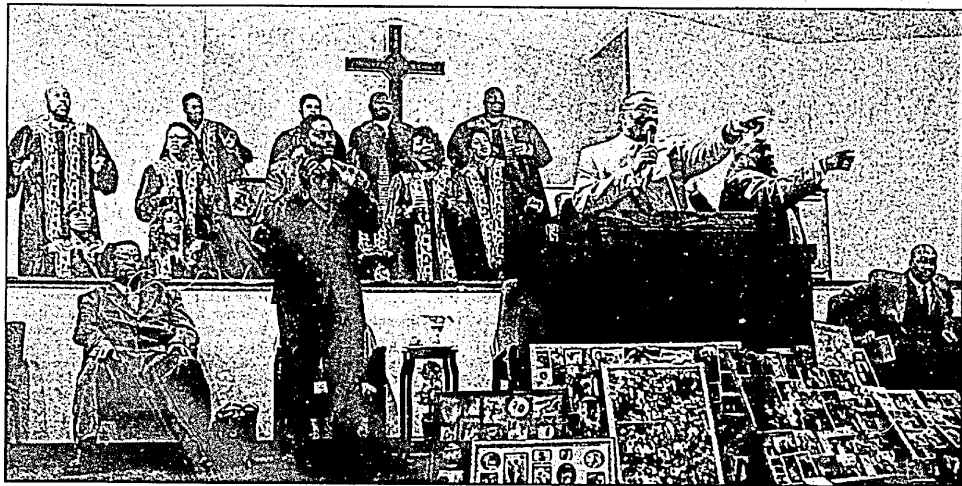
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New Hope: Hopewell Baptist Church welcomed a new pastor Sunday. The congregation of Hopewell Baptist Church installed Pastor Christopher-Michael Barnes from Dyer, Tenn., in a special ceremony. Barnes has been a pastor for three years but has spent only three months with this new church. Barnes is relocating to the Carbondale community area from Dyer with his wife, Megan, and their son, Jacob Christian. Barnes is hoping to restore the house of prayer at Hopewell. The church has a membership of 600 and is an interchurch church.

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Students have a heavy price to pay

Samantha Edmondson
Daily Egyptian

Editor's Note: This section of the story was omitted from the original article that ran on Monday. The following is the rest of the story, 'A Heavy Price to Pay.'

Institutions with default rates of more than 40 percent in one year or 25 percent or more for three consecutive years may be dropped from one or more of the federal aid programs, according to the article.

A representative from AmeriCredit, a nationwide debt consolidation service, who preferred to remain anonymous, said among those customers volunteering, personal information loans were one expense younger customers had.

She said the service could not minimize the interest or the payment of the student loan, but the service could lump the payments with other common expenses such as credit card debt

for a simple monthly bill.

"This is great for them to remember to pay one bill and not remember a bunch of small bills," she said. "And it is a good way to build some good credit history."

Chris Labyk, assistant director of the Wellness Center, has learned of the debt issues from counseling SIUC students with financial problems as well as from her own daughters.

She said that particularly with credit card applications, students need to remember debt does not go away.

"You have to pay back debt," Labyk said. "Other things people get trapped into are zero percent interest when signing up for credit cards. That interest is eventually due on the full amount."

She said college students also suffer from peer pressure from friends to spend money as well as their own spending impulses.

"A lot of students eat out or go out

with friends," Labyk said. "Some people spend money when they get bored or are depressed, but it is a temporary feel."

"But it is all about time management and realizing you need to balance it all."

She said students who balance their finances while in college and while they are away from home will do better with their money once they graduate.

Although Dixon's major financial problems involve the learning experiences of "plastic," she said students all have expenses they need to learn how to budget once they get away from home. And the most important lesson to learn is one of responsibility.

"Don't expect your parents to always be there; well, financially anyway," Dixon said.

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PANEL

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Poshard brought something more than just an opinion to the panel. He brought the experience of having run a race and lost because of negative campaign commercials and taking contributions.

"I found myself torn on certain issues," he said. "My conscious and my word were in conflict a lot."

This happened as a result of taking Political Action Committee, or PAC, money. This caused Poshard to feel like he had to vote in favor of the PAC's and not his district. It was then he decided not to accept PAC funds any longer. Ten years later, he decided to run for governor in 1998 — without a nest egg.

Poshard, who has supported downstate Illinois his entire political career, voted against the Clean Air Act in order to preserve jobs in the downstate coal industry. It

looked different in metropolitan areas of Chicago when his opponent, Republican George Ryan, ran an ad portraying Poshard as a polluter, saying he was poisoning Illinois children.

"I didn't have the money to run my own ad in rebuttal," he said. "I don't think there is one thing about this bill that I don't agree with."

Spellman was the only panelist to disagree that the bill was a Godsend. He felt that the vouchers should be given to parties, not lone candidates. That way, he said, the party can give them to competitive races. He also said it should concern more than just television media and that airwaves shouldn't be public in the first place.

"You can allocate the time but you can't force the people to watch," he said.

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Gender roles add to rape

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PULLMAN, Wash. (U-WIRE) — Sexual victimization may be more prevalent than many Americans may think.

This revelation comes from a study released by the National Institute of Justice and the Bureau of Justice Statistics that sampled 4,446 women in two- or four-year colleges across the nation.

According to the survey, for every 1,000 female students there were 35.5 rapes and 27.7 women victimized. Some women are victimized more than once, which accounts for the lower number of women raped as to the number of rapes, according to the results. The survey is considered to be one of the most complete surveys ever done because many surveys measuring sexual victimization rely on one college, whereas this survey questioned females from multiple colleges of different sizes and from different regions.

The study looked at 12 different types of sexual victimization, including attempted and completed rape, threatened, attempted or completed coercion, unwanted sexual contact,

stalking, as well as visual and verbal sexual victimization.

Gretalyn M. Leibnitz, sexuality education coordinator for Washington State University's Health and Wellness Programs, said the numbers in the survey could be applied to WSU, as well.

"WSU has approximately 8,500 women enrolled at Pullman," she said.

"That means there potentially are 300 rapes happening to 235 women on campus."

Andrea Piper, assistant director for Alternatives to Violence on the Palouse, said one in four women will be sexually assaulted by the time they reach college.

Leibnitz said rape partially is facilitated by the way men and women are socialized.

Women are taught to value emotions, whereas men are taught to value rules, she said. Women tend to favor a few close friends, whereas men tend to favor groups. For women, the function of language is to create intimacy. For men, the function of language is to determine hierarchy.

Leibnitz said she believes these factors, combined with the gender stereotypes that already exist in our society, leads to

higher instances of rape.

Another problem faced by men and women is different expectations and goals for communication, Leibnitz said.

Women tend to communicate more though body language and tend to be not as forceful. Studies show that unless a woman specifically says no, the man is going to interpret her actions to mean yes, she said.

Men's perceptions of social norms also add to the high rate of rapes, Leibnitz said.

A social norms study showed 90 percent of males agreed with the statement "there is nothing cool about getting a woman drunk in order to have sex with her," but those same males said only 23 percent of their peers also would agree, Leibnitz said.

Piper said rape usually occurs in or near the victim's house and the rapist is usually someone the victim knows.

The reason many women do not report rape is because they are afraid of being victimized again, either by people not believing them, people thinking it was their fault or through embarrassment over the situation, Piper said.

Change in MCAT means all scores count

By Stephanie Schwartz
Arizona Daily Wildcat (U. Arizona)

TUCSON, Ariz. (U-WIRE) — Pre-med students preparing to take the Medical College Admissions test, or the MCAT, will no longer have the option of replacing poorer test scores by retaking the test. Starting with the tests in April 2003, all test scores for each student who takes the MCAT will automatically be sent to every medical school to which a student applies.

Under current policies, students have the option of withholding multiple test scores from medical schools and only sending the best score.

Medical schools will not, however, receive multiple MCAT scores from tests taken before the policy goes into effect if students ask that the scores be withheld. Students who don't want the older scores released must file a request to have them held.

Medical schools will, however, see how many times the student has taken the test between 1991 and 2002.

The MCAT, a multiple-choice test that assesses problem solving, critical thinking and

writing skills, in addition to the student's knowledge of science concepts and principles, is necessary to apply to most medical schools.

The MCAT includes sections in verbal reasoning, physical sciences, a writing sample and biological sciences.

Additional changes were also made to next April's MCAT exam.

Three questions about DNA and genetics will be added in the molecular biology section about eukaryotes. The organic chemistry and verbal reasoning portions will be shortened.

The coming policy of reporting all test scores will mean that medical schools will be provided with a fuller history of an applicant's capabilities, said Christopher Leadem, senior associate dean for admissions and student affairs for the UA Medical School.

"I think the more information we have for students is helpful," Leadem said.

Medical schools often see improvement between test scores as a positive aspect, Leadem said.

"We look at the last two MCAT scores that were sent to us and evaluate for patterns of improvement," he said.

Some students say the change

will cause many students preparing to take the exam additional stress.

"If I did really poorly and didn't make it into medical school it would affect me because I would take it again later," said molecular and cellular biology junior Jane Davis.

"(The change) will cause a little more pressure," said Suzy Prudinsky, a junior majoring in English and nutrition. "But it's such a big test and expensive process, I don't know how many times people take it."

Although medical schools weigh later test scores more than early scores, the change will still cause students anxiety, Leadem said.

"Everything worries applicants," he said. "The loss of control will increase applicants' pressure. It's a more high-stakes exam for them."

The changes in reporting and the exam itself are a little disconcerting to one student.

"One thing I'm concerned about is the (other) changes in the exam," Davis said. "They've added different things and those might be distracting in addition to the anxiety of submitting every score. There won't be a chance to test how well you know the new material."

DISCUSSION

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want responsible government that allows opportunities for different political opinions for political change to take place," he said.

While it is not easy to find a fast solution to the turmoil and tensions of today's countries involved in sensitive and complicated conflicts, Kauzlarich reminded the audience about the reconciliation and partnerships of the United States and Japan, former enemies in World War II.

"It can be done," he said. Ana Velitchkova, president of the International Student Council, said having speakers like Kauzlarich at the forum has generated more ideas and interest in supporting the Muslim world. The forum is part of the council's "Bridges" series.

"This makes people sit together and discuss usually painful discussions," she said. "The idea is to work toward a peaceful resolution." Following the speech, the audience formed into five groups and discussed the Kauzlarich's points and ways to take a proactive approach toward world peace.

Ideas included writing letters to the legislatures, forming organizations to take more action and improving education programs.

Sarah Heyer, one of the discussion group's moderators, said the forum, was designed to propel knowledge and spur action. She said forums like these are important in these times in which America is facing the possibility of launching a war against Iraq.

"Who's talking about getting ready for peace?" Heyer said.

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said. "Compared to something that is low paid, I do support them."

Hashmi said he could feel the care students have about the possible strike, especially with finals coming up soon.

Nikita Floore, a graduate student in rehabilitation counseling, is only doing research and not teaching like Hashmi, but she is still concerned for her peers.

"I don't think a graduate TA [teaching assistant] has to step up,"

she said. "They are not going to get paid for it."

She also said she is concerned for her own classes and agrees with Vest. Floore added that graduate students should not have to be taught by their classmates.

Vest hopes this does not become a reality and the negotiations are settled without a strike.

"The students pay tons of money to be here," he said. "It is unfair and I don't think the teachers should be striking."

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Carma Gorman, a member of the Faculty Association, helps with the polls on Monday evening at Browne Auditorium. The teachers were gathered together to vote on strike authorization.

UNION

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But talk of a strike isn't a worrisome topic for all the students.

"I'm not really concerned about it," said Ben Chrisman, a senior in finance from Carbondale. "It'll eventually end."

As a Carbondale resident, Chrisman said he has seen previous negotiations resolved in the past.

"I've seen them worked out; they always do," he said.

And with graduation planned for December 2003, Chrisman isn't worried about classes being canceled.

"I could go on vacation for a week," he said. "I've got some flexibility."

For those who traveled to Carbondale from outside Illinois, the possibility of a strike poses different

questions. Rob Schmidt, a freshman in cinema and theater from Stevens Point, Wis., isn't worried about graduation plans being postponed.

But being a 10-hour drive from home is also concerning because Schmidt isn't sure where if he'd be stuck in Carbondale or on his way to Wisconsin if a strike took place.

"I'm a freshman, and I still have time if they screw up," he said. "I'd rather they not strike at all. I don't know what I'd do being 10 hours from home."

Schmidt said he is concerned about the situation and hopes it reaches a resolution.

"I just wish they'd decide whether or not to do it," he said. "Now they're waiting until the second semester. It's been going on for too long."

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WOMEN

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Women have begun an even more quintessential role within the society. "As culture evolves in order for us to survive as a people — women now participate in ceremonies," Boyd said. "We recognize the connection between women and Mother Earth, everything goes through the woman."

Timeloyd Rich, a participant in the discussion, said women are important to every aspect of the Native American culture.

"Women are life. They represent life bringing, and because of this they are more powerful," Rich said. "They give birth so in turn they are connected, and believed to be more in balance with the earth, the plants and even the rocks," he said.

Native American women have been stereotyped in recent years as being subordinate to the men in their societies, and even the reverse being in total control of the tribal activities.

In reality, Native American women play equal roles in their individual tribes, dealing with issues such as war, cooking meals, raising children, as well as a central role in most ceremonies.

"Women can lead tribes just as men lead tribes," she said.

Wilma Mankiller led her own tribe and sat on school boards with men. Women in Native American society are truly equal."

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Word Game

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Henri Arnold and Mike Argleton

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

GOBUH

FRYOE

SNULF

HUMBAS

Answers: 1. "FOOD" WITH "BREAD" (Answers Monday)

Yesterday's Jumbles: FACET NEWLY FABRIC GALAXY
Answer: Where you'll land if you try to bribe a cop — IN A REAL 'FIX'

Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday (Nov. 19): Telling the truth is good for you, and it could be quite profitable, too. You'll do even better this year if you join forces with a thrifty partner. It's all about love, money, creativity and success, not necessarily in that order.

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

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 5 - It's nice to have a little security, something stashed away for a rainy day. Learn from your ancestors and put a few provisions into storage. It may be a long, cold winter.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 6 - You know a few people who are determined to prevail. You may even have at least one of them on your side. That'd be good, but it isn't necessary. They'll all negotiate when they see that you won't budge.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 5 - The discussion, if there is one, will be all about the bottom line. Important people want the facts and nothing else. No fluff. No hype. You'll get further with that stuff tomorrow. Practice.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is an 8 - Friends help you understand what's important and what's not. No point in arguing with a person who'll never change. Save your suggestions for later.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 5 - Are you stuck between a rock and a hard place? Is there nothing you can do that will please everybody? Then don't try to please anyone. Wait until tomorrow.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is an 8 - There are considerations to think about. You'd have to give up one thing to get another. Choose the option that gives you more flexibility and more income. If there isn't such an option, create one.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Today is a 4 - Looks like you don't get to have it all. You'll have to take either/or. Don't pitch a fit about it. That would only be a waste of time.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - You're a rock, an anchor others can depend on. You may feel as if they test you sometimes, but you always maintain the same basics. Do that again.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 5 - It's getting easier to express your opinion, but your intended audience isn't quite ready. Make a few notes, maybe an outline. Start designing your next presentation.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is an 8 - Leave your money right where it is, and your heart, too. You'll be coming up with new ideas soon, but for now, savor what you already have.

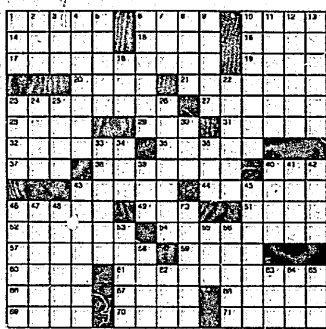
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 5 - You're in one of those awkward phases of research and development when you discover what doesn't work. Don't despair; tomorrow will be much better.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is an 8 - No matter how good you are, you can't be in two places at the same time. Can you? If so, have your physical body over here, while you check out what's going on over there.

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Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Electoral district
 - 6 Follow closely
 - 10 Auction offers
 - 14 English raccourse
 - 15 ABA member
 - 16 Computer image
 - 17 Roman driver
 - 19 Disappearing
 - 20 Gist
 - 21 Supernatural event
 - 22 Broke-lining material
 - 27 Basement
 - 28 General's father
 - 29 Mel of Cooperstown
 - 31 Declares
 - 32 Japanese beauty
 - 35 Cognizant
 - 37 Frig
 - 38 According to fashion
 - 40 Seed vessel
 - 43 Crinkled cloth
 - 44 Estom
 - 46 Cut fleece
 - 49 Conclusion
 - 51 Out of the wind
 - 52 In a state of turmoil
 - 54 Athletic
 - 57 Gradual absorption
 - 59 Units of poetic rhythm
 - 60 Buckeye State
 - 61 Torment residences
 - 66 Fingernails
 - 67 Singer Simone
 - 68 Commonwealth
 - 69 Fence's sword
 - 70 Singer Williams
 - 71 Make another attempt



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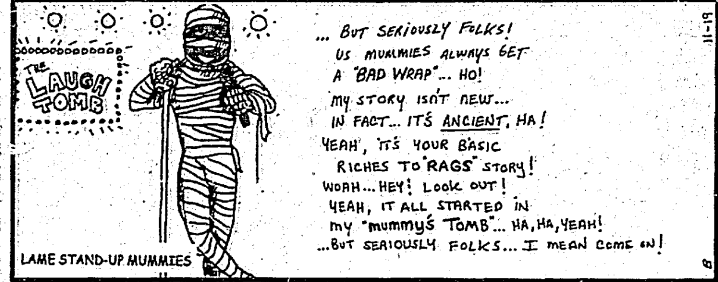
- DOWN**
- 1 Female GI. once
 - 2 Fire residue
 - 3 Media business
 - 4 Small gabfers
 - 5 Porkers' pads
 - 6 Boxy art
 - 7 Had dinner
 - 8 Part of a list
 - 9 Like sonnets and odes
 - 10 Claim or oyster, e.g.
 - 11 Frozen laper
 - 12 Four quarters
 - 13 Expressions of contempt
 - 14 Martial law
 - 18 Dobby
 - 22 Raised
 - 23 Pond growth
 - 24 Ooze
 - 25 Enticement
 - 26 Pollen makers
 - 30 A couple
 - 33 Tweed type
 - 34 Pub quail
 - 36 Nabokov heroine
 - 39 Mille
 - 40 Hoop
 - 41 Baublie and galena
 - 42 Low grades
 - 43 Train crew's car
 - 45 Valletta popajace
 - 46 Curly or Moe
 - 47 Suppress
 - 48 Weasel cousin
 - 50 Pay the expenses
 - 53 Ross or Riggs
 - 55 Tennis do-over
 - 56 Leg bone
 - 58 Whirl around
 - 62 Common conjunction
 - 63 Fanatic fan
 - 64 Black goo
 - 65 Shifty

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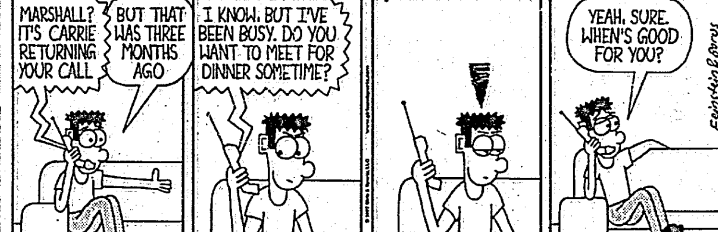
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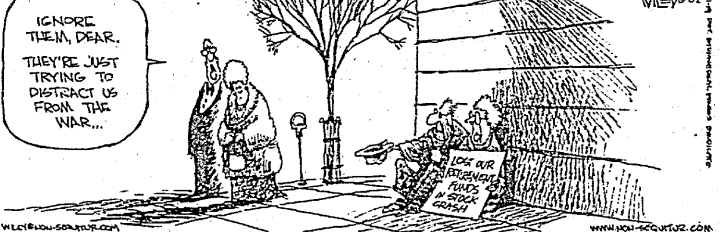
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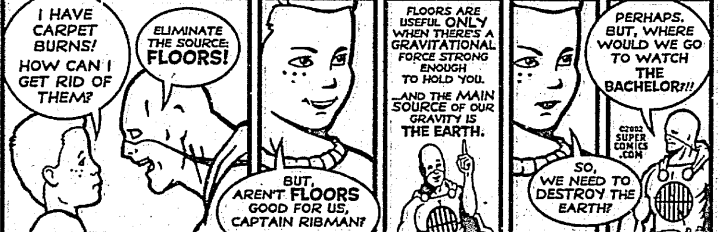
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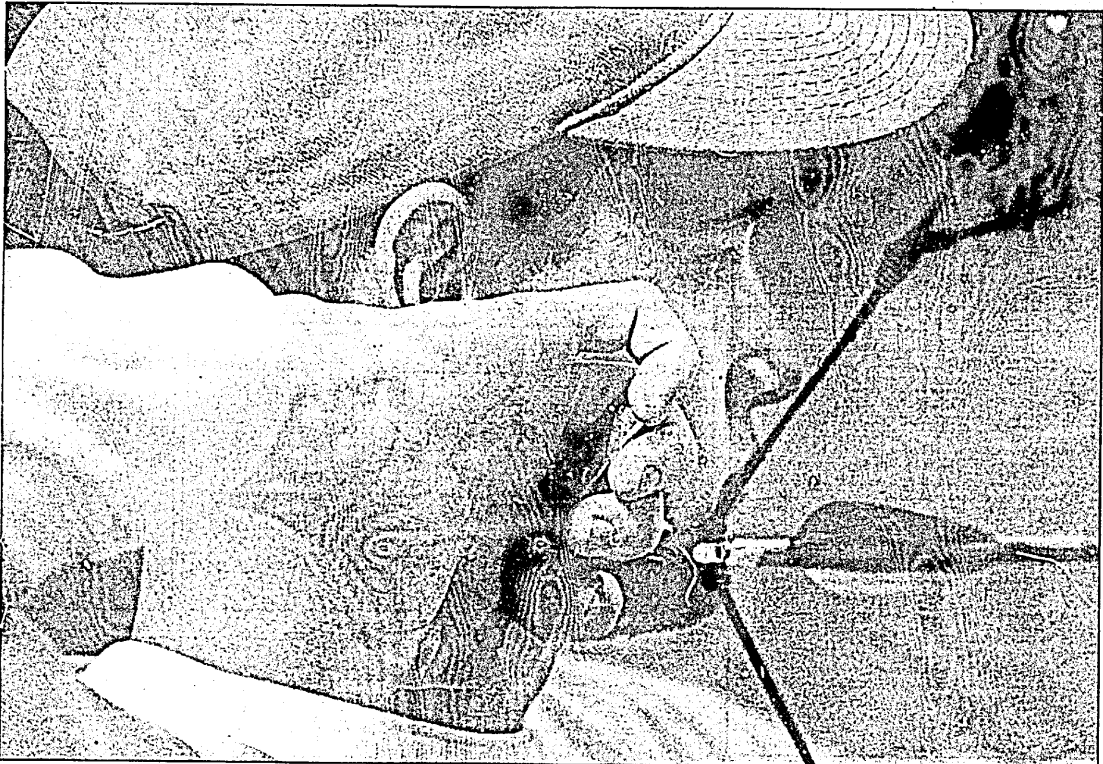
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Saluki Shooters member Joey Shuler looks through the peepsight of his bowstring. In his hand, he holds a release to decrease the human error caused by pulling a string with fingers.

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SHOOTING the straight, n' arrow

New SIU club Saluki Shooters practices at TL's Archery in Murphysboro for several tournaments during the next few months

STORY BY CHRISTOPHER MORRICAL

Saluki Shooters coach Amy Williams blew her whistle. The line of men and women, arrow nocks attached to strings, raised their bows to the shooting position. Joey Shuler did the same. With release in hand, he drew back the string and held it along the side of his face. He

peered through the peepsight, making sure his sight lined up with the distance pins and the center of his target.

Holding the bow steady, he let go. THWACK!

The arrow sailed through the air and hit the bull's-eye of the target.

This was the scene earlier this month at TL's Archery in Murphysboro, home of the SIU Saluki Shooters Archery Club.

The Shooters are a new club that just began in October, but it wasn't the first archery club on campus. In the 1980s, there was a group calling itself the Saxons competing for SIU.

Most of the team is made of bow hunters who were looking for a little extra practice in between the times they sit in trees waiting for that prized buck to walk by.

This isn't true of everyone, however. Sarah Wortel, Shooters' secretary and treasurer, said she joined the club for recreational purposes only.

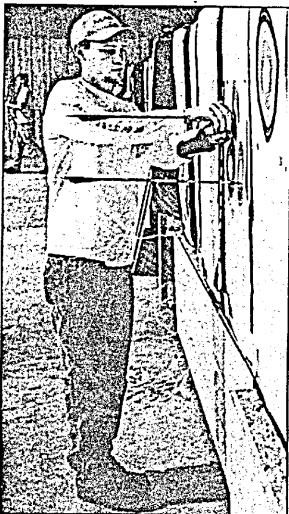
"I was always interested in archery," Wortel said. "I liked shooting at things, just not at animals."

Since the club is still fresh, not many people realize that there is an archery club at SIU. The team is looking for new members, and anyone is welcome to join, including people who have never held a bow, said Daniel Uchtmann, Saluki Shooters president.

"It takes practice, but anyone can do it," he said. "Once you start, you'll do it for life."

Williams, along with her husband Mark, own TL's Archery. They are also the Shooters' coaches, so the club has its practices at TL's.

"They've been great," Wortel said of the Williams' instructions. "It's what got me going — Amy's enthusiasm."



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Joey Shuler retrieves his arrows from a target at TL's Archery. With two bull's-eyes in three shots, Shuler had a near-perfect round.



STEVE JAHNKE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Several Saluki Shooters team members write down their scores at TL's Archery in Murphysboro earlier this month. The Shooters practice at the archery range at 8 p.m. every Monday.

William's whistle blew twice. Shuler stood behind the line and pulled an arrow out of the plastic quiver standing up from the floor.

He attached the nock — the notched end of the arrow that attaches the arrow to the bowstring — and pointed the bow and arrow at the floor. The whistle again sounded, this time only once.

“It takes practice, but anyone can do it. Once you start, you'll do it for life.”

Daniel Uchtmann
Saluki Shooters president

The Shooters will travel to Texas A&M April 26 to compete in the Texas Shootout. Besides college teams, archers will compete against current and former Olympians. The Shootout will be a Fédération Internationale de Tir à l'Arc event. FITA is the international governing body for archery.

In May, the Shooters will play host to the United States Inter-Collegiate Archery

Championships at SIU. "There will probably be 200 archers here," Williams said. "That's a really big deal that Carbondale got it. It's really an honor to have a first-year archery team and get the championships."

The SIU tournament will be open to any colleges that have an archery team.

Shuler remained still as he raised his bow once again. In his hand, the release — a tool used by archers to eliminate the human error fingers give when touching the string — let go and sent the arrow through the air.

THWACK! Williams' whistle blew three times. Shuler, along with the others, lowered their bows and put them down.

They headed toward the targets at the other side of the room. Shuler's first two shots were bull's-eyes, which are 10 points each. The last shot was just outside of the bull's-eye in the second round. Nine points.

Just a few more centimeters would have given him a perfect score. Perhaps at the next practice Shuler will be perfect.

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- BCS
1. Miami (3.69)
2. Ohio State (3.70)
3. Washington State (9.11)
4. Oklahoma (10.75)

Salukis shake off WSU loss

Season finale against Wichita State may have been blessing in disguise

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

The SIU volleyball team lost to Wichita State Saturday — bad. The Salukis were thoroughly crushed by the Shockers after their greatest win of the year, a victory over Southwest Missouri State on Friday.

For the majority of the players, it was their final match at Davies Gymnasium and the loss came on Senior Night in front of their parents and in front of the 19th largest volleyball crowd in SIU history.

It was a gut-wrenching, tear-jerking loss, but most of the Salukis put the loss behind them before they had

even left the gym. "We lose to Wichita State, oh well," said junior setter Britten Follert, who will graduate and forego her remaining year of eligibility. "We have a huge weekend ahead of us and we're going to pull up at the conference tournament."

Senior Qiana Nelson shared the same sentiments.

"The game is over," Nelson said. "We have to move on because we have a tournament we have to play in this weekend."

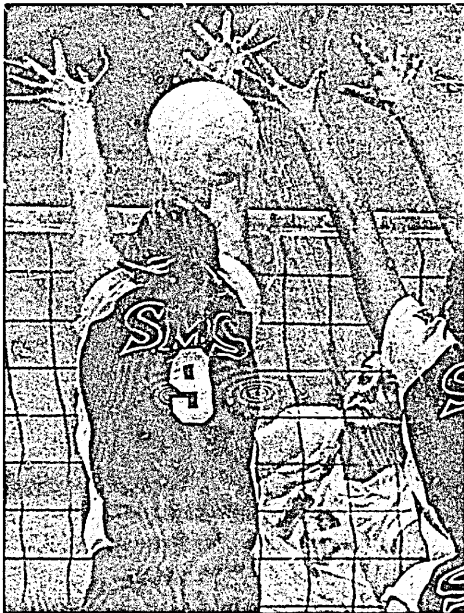
So why were the Salukis able to brush off Saturday's momentum killer? One reason losing to Wichita State was easier to swallow than most losses was its timing. SIU said it got "one of those games" out of the way. According to the team, poor performances happen, and the Salukis are happy they had an off-match in their last contest of the regular season rather than in the conference tournament.

Head coach Sonya Locke said, though she hates to lose, the loss was not devastating because of when it happened.

"I don't want to see it at all," Locke said about a poor performance. "But I guess if you have to, you'd want it to be this week rather than next week."

Senior outside hitter Kristie Kemner said the loss could have been beneficial as a wake-up call as well. She said because of the loss, SIU might step up its intensity in practice this week to a level that would not have been present if the Salukis had won.

"Maybe it was just to knock us down to reality, knowing that we have to work harder, that it's not going to come easy," Kemner said. "I'm a big believer that things happen for a rea-



STEVE JANNEK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Senior outside hitter Kristie Kemner spikes between two SMS defenders during Saturday's upset over the Bears. Kemner, who had 28 kills on the evening, set SIU's single season kill record in the match.

son. Maybe this is a weird twist of fate, that we ended to do this to play Illinois State in the first round."

If SIU had beaten Wichita State, it would have set up a rematch with the Shockers in the first round of the conference tournament. But by losing, the Saluki seniors have set up a showdown with the Redbirds and with history.

SIU has not beaten Illinois State since 1990, when Locke was still coaching at Kankakee Community College. The Redbirds have defeated the Salukis twice this season despite

SIU's better record and handed the Salukis their most heartbreaking loss of the season at Davies Gymnasium back in September.

Illinois State has won 24 straight matches over SIU, and the Saluki seniors, by losing to Wichita State, gave themselves one more shot at the Redbirds.

"This is our time," Kemner said. "It's not over with yet."

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COMMENTARY



Rick Gregg

Crazy for Davies

A column, in two parts: I'm not sure what the attendance at Saturday afternoon's women's exhibition basketball game was, but I guarantee there weren't any more than 300 people in the stands. There wasn't even a pep band — and there won't be. Unfortunately, budget cuts mean the band will only play two women's games per semester.

Do you have any idea how silent the SIU Arena will be during women's games? More quiet than Morris Library. When it's closed.

So let's move the team to Davies.

Why not? Follow my logic here. Part of home court advantage is your home crowd. Two hundred people in Davies Gymnasium are much louder than 200 people at SIU Arena. Ergo, the Salukis would have "more support." They use a suddenly more powerful home court advantage to start winning, more people show up, Davies becomes too small, and the team moves back to the Arena, taking its larger fan base with it.

It's not a radical idea. SIU used to play at Davies, when it was winning in the early 1980s. The women even sold out Davies in 1986 (capacity, by the way, is 1,503). The Salukis moved after a season in which they went 28-3 and were undefeated in conference play. And

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2002 Volleyball Standings

School	MVC	Overall
Northern Iowa	17-1	25-2
SMS	15-3	21-6
Southern Illinois	12-6	21-9
Bradley	11-7	18-11
Wichita State	11-7	18-12
Illinois State	11-7	14-12
Indiana State	5-13	11-17
Drake	4-14	7-25
Evansville	2-16	5-27
Cregon	2-16	3-23

JOHN MISKINIS - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Saluki football chooses to dwell on positive aspects of defeat

Season-ending loss does not put damper on a successful 2002 campaign

Todd Merchant
Daily Egyptian

Jerry Kill certainly could have written a better script for his team's season finale.

Instead, the SIU football head coach was forced to watch as his Salukis not only lose his final game of the year Saturday at McAndrew Stadium but get completely throttled in the process.

The Davys, who have been decimated by injury all season, gathered together all the strength they had, but it was not enough as the Hilltoppers ran away with a 48-16 victory.

Kill said no team had physically beaten his SIU squad in the two years he's been coach like the way Western did.

While it was a tough way to end the season, it was simply an anomaly in an otherwise successful season, and Kill wants to make sure his players know that.

"You don't want that to be a reflection of your whole year," Kill said. "We did a lot of good things, and I certainly don't want our kids to think [Saturday] put us in a major setback."

The Salukis finished the season with a 4-8 overall record, a year after going 1-10. They were able to do so without much senior leadership, especially after seniors Tom Koutsos and Derrick Corker both sustained season-ending injuries early in the year.

With so many injuries this year to key players, several freshmen and sophomores gained valuable playing experience that will help in coming years as Kill continues to try to turn the program around.

While a lot of younger players saw their share

of action, there were still a few seniors still in the lineup. Senior defensive tackle Brandon Walker, who was noticeably emotional after the Western Kentucky game, has seen a vast improvement in the Salukis during the past two years and expects big things in the future at SIU.

"I really feel like this year has opened up a lot of things for people to know that SIU is not the old SIU," Walker said. "It's changing. One thing Coach Kill taught us this year was how to compete, how to practice, how to go out there and play. Those games like Western Illinois and all those, there's more of those to come."

The Western Illinois game Walker was referring to was the 54-52 come-from-behind upset victory over the then-No. 8 Leathernecks on Homecoming. Many people have viewed that game as the turning point in the season at which everyone stood up and took note of what was happening in Carbondale.

One person who had a big game that day was senior place-kicker Scott Everhart. He broke the SIU career field goal record that day and recently set the school career scoring record against Western Kentucky.

Coaches will not have to look far to replace Everhart, who started all four years at SIU. Freshman place-kicker Craig Coffin has been waiting in the wings all season and is more than capable of filling Everhart's shoes.

Everhart even joked that Coffin will break all of his records by the time he graduates. Coffin was successful on three of four field goal attempts and seven of eight extra-point attempts this season and tallied 16 points.

"He's a really great guy," Everhart said. "He'll be one of the best, if not the best kicker SIU has ever had. I look forward to seeing his progress in the next four years."

Another freshman that is expected to lead the

team during the next three seasons is quarterback Joel Sambursky. Although he had easily his worst game of the season against Western Kentucky, he does not plan on letting it get him down.

Sambursky threw for 1,308 yards and 10 touchdowns this season to go along with just five interceptions. He was also the team's third-leading rusher with 487 yards and six touchdowns.

While he and a surprisingly successful freshman season, Sambursky is not taking anything for granted, which is why he was back in the weight room just a day after Saturday's loss to the Hilltoppers.

"I think we made some great strides, but I know that I'm gonna have the best offseason," I've ever had. I'm gonna work harder than I've ever worked. I know it's the last game, but I'm already looking forward to next year. I really feel like Coach Kill is building a solid foundation for a great program."

Kill also realizes that there are good things to come in the future, he only wishes they would come sooner. Prior to taking over at SIU, Kill had only one losing season in his entire coaching career, a number that has tripled since joining the Salukis.

"I've said the team needs to find a way to get stronger and healthier for next season, and he expects an even more productive season next year."

"I'm not happy with being 4-8," Kill said. "I've never been through this in my entire lifetime, and it's not easy."

"I've always been told by my elders that if you stay the course and just keep working, things will eventually go your way. And that's what we're going to do."

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RONDA YEAGER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Freshman quarterback Joel Sambursky throws a pass during the first half of the Salukis battle versus Western Kentucky Saturday at McAndrew Stadium. The game marked the conclusion of the Saluki football season yielding a new hope for next year's potential.