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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

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19 ticketed during Homecoming tailgate

17 students, two fans issued illegal possession, consumption tickets

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The Carbondale Police Department cracked down on underage drinking at the beginning of the year, arresting 72 minors in the first two weeks of school.

Last weekend, the SIUC Police cracked

down on illegal drinking on their own turf.

Nineteen students and fans were issued citations for underage possession or underage consumption during Saturday's Homecoming tailgate, a number that surpasses the total for the past six Homecoming tailgates combined.

Captain Todd Sigler of the SIUC Police said the department used the same level of staffing for this year's Homecoming as in the past three years. He said the officers on duty this year may have just been more aggressive, choosing to issue tickets more often than using other means of enforcement.

"Maybe in other years, there have been

more SJA (Student Judicial Affairs) referrals — we don't keep track of those," Sigler said. "Maybe it's a matter of officers choosing one over the other. This was a large tailgating crowd. This is a crowd that stayed large throughout the game."

According to the SIUC Police Department, seven arrests were made at last year's Homecoming tailgate. No one was arrested in 2001, and 2000 also brought seven possession citations. Only four students were arrested in 1999, and no arrests are on record for 1998's Homecoming tailgate.

"I realize seven to 19 is a 100-percent

increase; actually it's better than that, but to make a comparison within a three-year period may not be enough time to give a clear picture."

Joshua Chumbley, a sophomore from Rantoul, and Vernice Santos, a junior from Trenton, said they both felt the police were being unnecessarily harsh while patrolling the Homecoming tailgate this year.

Between 12:30 and 5 p.m., SIUC Police issued one citation every 15 to 30 minutes.

Chumbley said he was shocked when he

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ANNE DEMANARO — DAILY EGYPTIAN

Jenel Mariana of the dancing group Fantasia Juvenil performs at the Festival Latino Thursday afternoon. Festival Latino closed Latino Heritage Month. The event also featured the Ballet Folklórico Mexicano dancing group along with a lecture by William Guillermo Luna, who is the president and curator of the Museum of Mexican Culture and History, which is located in Chicago. See story, page 8.

Governor proposes community service graduation requirement

Chicago Public School representative said problems likely

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Gov. Rod Blagojevich plans to introduce a bill in Illinois' next legislative session to make community service a requirement for the state's high school students to graduate.

In addition to the community service graduation requirement, Blagojevich spokeswoman Abby Ottenhoff said the governor is also look-

ing into requiring University Merit Scholars to complete 50 hours of service.

"He understands how meaningful public service is in helping young people identify with the community at large and understanding the greater role that they play in our communities," Ottenhoff said. "That's a very critical part of an education in addition to the academic requirements that the students study."

Chicago Public Schools already require high school students to complete 40 hours of public service before graduation. The district serves 25 schools and 100,000 students, all of whom have had the community service requirement since 1998.

Ottenhoff said the governor is collecting

information from Chicago and other schools across the country with similar programs.

"We're really looking across the board and seeing what works in which places and what the benefits have been and what potential issues we would need to keep in mind if we move forward with this at the state level," Ottenhoff said.

Jon Schmidt, service-learning manager for Chicago Public Schools, said the governor has asked for costs and how the program is structured.

He said the schools have a budget of \$4.10 per student to pay for a part-time coordinator, transportation and supplies.

"I think generally speaking, it's a good proposal," Schmidt said. "But if you put the full

burden on students, you will probably find that you are all over the place and will not be getting the educational gains that you can get through more structured classroom service projects."

Schmidt said after its beginnings, the program shifted from community service to service learning because the original program did not provide students a structured experience.

"The difference in service learning is service projects that are tied directly to the classroom, teaching and learning," Schmidt said. "What we do is a lot of professional development for teachers."

Schmidt said usually students who lack the

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PROPOSED ADMISSION GUIDELINES FOR INCOMING FRESHMEN

CURRENT FRESHMAN CRITERIA	PROPOSED FRESHMAN CRITERIA
21 ACT or 18 ACT and top half of class.	24 ACT or top 25% of class or 21-23 ACT and top half of class.
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University looks to raise admission standards

Admissions and Records hopes to finish proposal before end of semester

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The University is looking to raise admission standards for next year's incoming freshmen and transfer students to a point that will not hinder Illinois youth from getting an education, according to Chancellor Walter Wendler.

Provost and Vice Chancellor John Dunn and Larry Dietz, vice chancellor of student affairs and enrollment management, presented the first raw numbers for base ACT scores to the Dean's Council a few weeks ago.

One of the first proposals calls for a minimum ACT score of 24 or a class rank in the top quarter, or an ACT score between 21 and 23 for students in the top half of their graduating class for undisputed admittance to the University. Additional review would be necessary for students below those standards.

The current standard is an ACT score above 21 or above 18 for students in the top half of their class.

However, Dunn said the numbers represent a draft. Admissions and Records is constantly evaluating admission standards, and raised standards are a constant with public universities. Dunn said the University would not have a number ready until the end of the semester,

at which point they will be reviewed by several bodies including the Faculty Association and are subject to change based on those recommendations.

Last year, the average ACT score was 21.5, and more than 65 percent of incoming freshmen graduated from high school in the top half of their class.

"Admission and Records, by the nature of its title, is constantly looking at admission standards," he said. "Every year we try to attract a new core of students. It shouldn't be surprising that people continue going through an analysis of the student population."

Wendler told the DAILY EGYPTIAN Editorial Board

Monday that the Center for Basic Skills, which aids students ill-prepared for college, has seen a dramatic increase in enrollment over the past few years, serving as much as a fifth of the freshman class. If someone does not meet standards for admittance, his or her application can be reviewed through appeal and they can be enrolled at the Center.

The proposed standards change asks for

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"I will never stand for any change in standards that blocks the opportunity for people that deserve a chance to study here."

— Walter Wendler
chancellor, SIUC

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NATIONAL NEWS

Woman told police she was forced to rob bank

DENVER, Colo. (CNN) — A woman told police she was forced to rob the bank where she worked after a man kidnapped her on her lunch break Tuesday and made her carry a package he said contained a bomb. The woman was released unharmed after the man fled with the stolen money. She was interviewed and released by police. "There's absolutely no reason to believe she's anything else but a victim in this case," said Susan Medina, a spokeswoman for police in suburb Arvada, where the robbery occurred. The 49-year-old woman, whose name was not released, told police the man kidnapped her from a restaurant and threatened to blow up the package if she didn't rob a Compass Bank branch. The purported bomb was left inside the bank. A bomb squad determined it was not an explosive. The robbery was similar to bank jobs in March and August in Longmont, about 20 miles north of Arvada. In both cases, a man threatened to detonate a bomb, later found to be a fake, while having someone else rob a bank. No arrests have been made.

Medina wouldn't say how much money was taken in Tuesday's robbery, and bank officials declined to comment.

Homeland Security says aircraft remain terror target

WASHINGTON (CNN) — The Department of Homeland Security has sent out an alert that al Qaeda remains interested in "multiple attacks against targets in the U.S. involving commercial aircraft." The bulletin sent out to hundreds of thousands of local and state law enforcement professional and airports across the country October 10 is intended to encourage a heightened level of security. Homeland Security spokesman Brian Roehrkasse tells CNN there is no new threat or new intelligence that prompted the advisory and says it is nearly identical to another bulletin sent out Sept. 4. According to Homeland Security, the bulletin warns that credible intelligence indicates al Qaeda may be interested in "hijacking airliners transiting near or flying over the continental United States — but not destined to land at U.S. airports."

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Pope says God wants him to stay

VATICAN CITY — Marking 25 years as pontiff, Pope John Paul II told followers that God was asking him to continue leading the Roman Catholic Church despite his frail health. "He (God), while knowing my human fragility, encourages me to respond with faith — and he invites me to assume the responsibilities that he himself has entrusted to me," the 83-year-old pope said in a homily before tens of thousands of pilgrims in St. Peter's Square Thursday night. The pope, who suffers from Parkinson's disease and is unable to walk without assistance, delivered the homily during Mass at the Vatican. "Appearing frail and speaking with a wavering voice, the pope told his followers, "A good shepherd stays with his flock" — a line thought by analysts to be a direct reference to the question of whether he might resign. In his homily, the pope recalled the day in 1978 he was elected by cardinals in the Sistine Chapel. "How could I, humbly speaking, not tremble? How could such a huge responsibility not weigh on me," he said. As has become recent custom, the pope read only parts of his homily and an aide read most of it to conserve the pontiff's strength.

Mahathir attack on Jews condemned

PUTRAJAYA, Malaysia (CNN) — Malaysia's prime minister has urged Muslims to unite against Jews who, he says, rule the world by "proxy" — comments criticized by Jewish leaders as an invitation to violence. Opening a 57-nation Islamic summit in Malaysia Thursday, Dr. Mahathir Mohamad also urged Muslim youths to abandon suicide attacks and took aim at Islam, blaming a shift towards theological interpretations of the Koran that spawned science and development. But it was his blistering attack on Jews and Israel that drew headlines and a swift condemnation from Israel, with an official there saying the veteran leader's comments fuel "further hatred and misunderstanding." In his speech at Putrajaya, Malaysia's new administrative capital, the outgoing leader named Israel as "the enemy allied with most powerful nations." Mahathir has become notorious for his controversial speeches during his 22 years as leader and has been a key proponent of a unified political stance among Muslim nations. In his attack at the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC), Mahathir said Jews ruled the world, and got others to fight and die for them, but added that they would not be able to defeat the world's 1.3 billion Muslims.

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Chance of rain.			

CORRECTIONS

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

POLICE REPORTS

Blake William Randles, 21, of Kankakee was cited for public urination at 2:20 p.m. Saturday at the Lot 2 tailgate. Randles was issued a Carbondale city pay-by-mail citation.

A residential burglary by nonforcible entry occurred between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday at Evergreen Terrace. The victim reported a gold ring, a diamond solitaire wedding ring and cash were stolen from the residence. Total loss is estimated at \$1,160. There are no suspects at this time.

A theft occurred between 6 p.m. Monday and 9:26 a.m. Tuesday at Pierce Hall. The victim reported a cellular telephone, a coat and shoes were stolen. A suspect has been identified. The investigation continues.

Carbondale

A felony retail theft occurred at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Hollywood Video, 900 W. Main St. A store employee reported seeing a man leave the store with 24 DVDs underneath his clothing. The suspect is described as a black male in his 20s who is 5-foot-8 and 140 pounds with short black hair. The man was wearing a dark-colored hooded sweatshirt. He left the scene on a bicycle and was possibly headed toward West Main Street. Total loss is estimated at \$344.

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Americorp worker David Seastedt helps sixth grader Shaaron Parnell with his project on dolphins. Seastedt spends four afternoons per week with the children from Du Quoin Middle School.

Americorps education programs face cuts

SIU members continue to do work in Carbondale, DuQuoin, Lewis

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As each sixth-grade student files in to sit down at one of the 30 computers available in the lab at Du Quoin Middle School, Debbie Ritter breathes a sigh of relief.

Since David Seastedt, an SIUC student and Americorps member, came to help her classroom, she has not had to try to juggle the questions of all her students at once.

But Ritter is one of the lucky ones. Most schools have not been able to have Americorps members in their schools due to cutbacks issued by President George W. Bush.

Land of Lincoln Americorps, which includes SIUC and eight Illinois community colleges, is a grant-based community service project that focuses on providing education to all students from pre-kindergarten to eighth grade.

The University's program works with students from Carbondale Middle School, Du Quoin Middle School and Lewis School.

The program usually allows each volunteer to work with at least eight to 10 students every day.

"We feel it's important that they not only spend time but quality time with the students they're working with," said Dave Warner, director of Land of Lincoln Americorps.

Mythili Rundblad, coordinator of SIU's program, said she believes it takes time for the children to build bonds with the volunteers.

"Once that's done, then they are very eager to sit down and learn from the Americorps member," Rundblad said.

Illinois now has 15 Americorps programs, down from 22 programs a year ago.

The Americorps program at SIUC has also seen cuts. Last year, there were 12 Americorps members, and now there are only five members

in the program. Rundblad said the intake process for choosing members was held off because Bush's cuts were not announced until the week before the program's annual training.

"That was one of the decisions I had to make," Warner said. "Our first priority was to make sure that those who had done it the previous year were given the opportunity to come back and work with us."

"And then, we wanted to try and give some people who had never been in the program the opportunity to join our team."

In the end, it was decided two old members would return and three new members would come aboard.

Warner said because he had originally asked for an expansion of the program, he was surprised to hear Bush's announcement of cutbacks. He also said the future of the Americorps programs and funding is still uncertain.

"At this point, it's hard to tell what funding we will get," he said. "We have been getting funds from the federal level, which is where the bulk of our funding comes from, and the state level. This year we didn't get anything from the state, and our federal funds were cut in half."

Rundblad said she hopes the program will receive more funding and continue to grow because it is beneficial to both the students and the University.

"Regardless of the major, what I have found throughout my years as coordinator of the program is that the students who participate gain such a deep understanding of some of the critical issues that our society faces," Rundblad said, "whether it's children who need extra help, funding for the schools or the inattention that some children are faced with."

"And you can't just get this by sitting in a classroom. They are in an extensive experience

Anyone interested in the Americorps program should contact Mythili Rundblad at (618) 453-7522.

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Trial date delayed for Carbondale Horizon Inn owner

Desai faces sexual assault, battery charges

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The trial date for a Carbondale hotel owner facing sexual assault and battery charges was delayed indefinitely Thursday in Jackson County Court.

Vishant Desai, the 30-year-old owner and manager of the Horizon Inn and Conference

Center at 800 E. Main St., will stand trial for charges stemming from an alleged sexual assault in February at the hotel.

Desai's defense attorney Maurice McCann requested Thursday at a pretrial hearing that Circuit Court Judge E. Dan Kimmel grant a supplemental discovery motion to issue a court order to Carbondale Police.

McCann said the order is necessary to obtain DNA evidence collected from Desai's accuser after the alleged sexual assault. McCann said the Illinois State Police still needs to perform further testing on the

DNA samples.

Jackson County State's Attorney Michael Wepsiec, the case's prosecutor, said he agreed with the motion and that it would probably take three to four months for the DNA samples to be analyzed.

Kimmel said the trial date will be set once the DNA evidence has been properly analyzed.

Desai is accused of forcing two sexual acts on a female patron of the Horizon Inn bar between 4 a.m. and 6 a.m. Feb. 16. The woman, who was 22 at the time of the

alleged incident, also accused Desai of grabbing her by the shoulders and throwing her onto a hotel bed.

Desai is charged with two counts of criminal sexual assault, a Class 1 felony, and one count of battery, which is a Class A misdemeanor.

If found guilty of criminal sexual assault, Desai would serve one to three years in an Illinois corrections facility. If he is convicted of the battery charge, Desai would serve a one-year jail sentence.

He is currently free on bond.

Clothesline, march honor Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Take Back the Night. March and Rally to take place tonight beginning at the Interfaith Center

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Those affiliated with tonight's Take Back the Night March and Rally hope to cause movement in the fight against domestic violence, rape and sexual assault. However, they hoped students would stand still momentarily Thursday to recognize the issue while viewing The Clothesline Project.

The annual Take Back the Night March will take place tonight with participants meeting at 7 p.m. at the Interfaith Center on the corner of Grand and South Illinois avenues.

After assembling, participants will march to the Town Square Pavilion on a path that will, for the first time in more than a decade of existence, involve walking and chanting along the street.

"Carbondale has been overwhelmingly supportive, and it's a beautiful thing," said

Women's Center volunteer recruiter Lydia Waligorski. "This [permission to march on the streets] sends the message that the city of Carbondale cares and is supportive of what we do."

"[The march] is about awareness and support for survivors who have already come forward, and will hopefully give other survivors who have not come forward the strength to do so."

The march, which is open to all members of the community, will include speakers Sheriff Robert Burns and Michael Charbonneau, performances by the Southern Illinois West African Drum Ensemble, local band Lyric and a speak-out session that will give survivors a chance to express themselves to other attendants of the rally.

Prior to the march, at 5 p.m. in the Interfaith Center, coordinators hope to provide a comforting environment during the Women's Safe Space and Healing Hearts Project.

The space will give women and children a place to share their experiences as well as the opportunity to assist in the making of a collage.

The collage is just one means of artistic expression meant as a form of catharsis for survivors, friends and family of survivors

and those who simply wish to illustrate their disdain for the act. The Clothesline Project is another.

The Clothesline Project began in 1990 in Hyannis, Mass. According to Waligorski, the project has taken place in Carbondale for the past eight or nine years and has consistently grown with each year.

The Clothesline was set up for the second day this week for students to view the works of survivors as well as friends and family of survivors of sexual assault, rape and domestic violence.

The display, which was up from 8 a.m. through 4 p.m., was an assembly of T-shirts of various colors and sizes. Each color represented a different act of violence committed against the maker of the T-shirt. Blue and green shirts, for example, represented survivors of childhood sexual abuse and incest.

Shirts were not always made by the survivor personally, with some made by family members of friends of those unable to make their own shirts. White shirts, such as one made for Joseph Michael Duncan, a child who was murdered by the abusive boyfriend of his mother, were in memory of those who lost their lives in a domestic violence situation.

The shirt that read, "sadly missed, always

remembered," hangs in the glass display case in the Student Center, along with a joint effort from a survivor and her current boyfriend.

One side of the shirt is a message from the survivor herself, the other a message from the boyfriend who has helped her with her struggle.

Jim Schaffnit, a junior in history education from Palatine, stopped to view the Clothesline Thursday afternoon. He said he believed the purpose of the display was not only to help survivors vent but also to make others aware that the actions mentioned on these shirts will "hit home for everybody at some point."

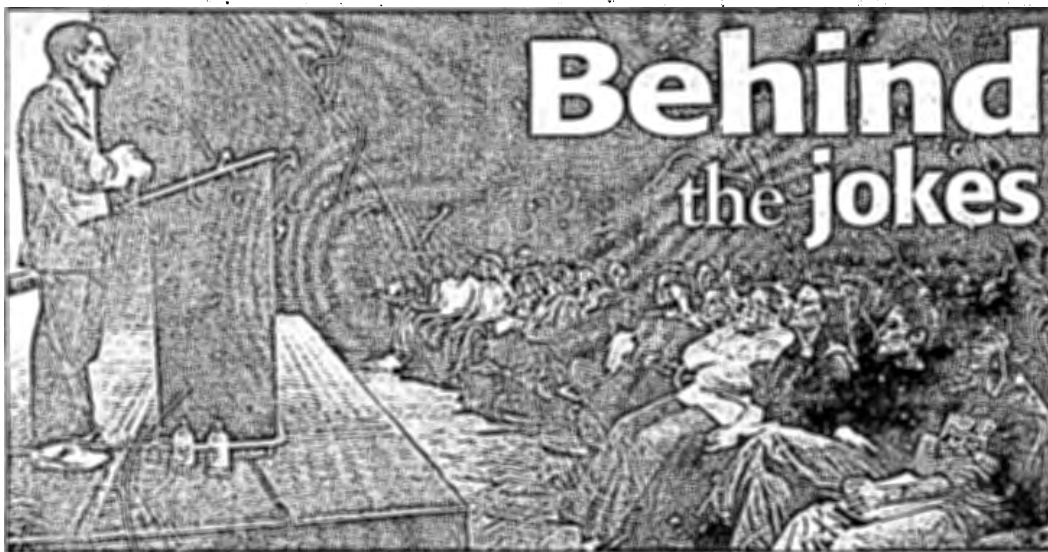
Amanda Walch agreed with Schaffnit that many people were not aware of how common these acts of violence are.

"There are a lot of rape shirts and it's frightening," said Walch, an undecided freshman from Highland. "You see this stuff happens a lot and even if you don't know anyone it has happened to, it does happen."

The majority of students who passed

For more information on the Women's Center, which provides free and confidential services, call 1-800-334-2094.

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Mike Reiss, Emmy Award-winning producer of 'The Simpsons' and co-creator of 'The Critic,' spoke to an audience of 483 in the Student Center Wednesday evening about his experiences writing for television.

ANTHONY SOUFFLE -
DAILY EGYPTIAN

Mike Reiss, writer and producer of 'The Simpsons' and co-creator of 'The Critic,' takes SIUC students behind the scenes of the classics

story by BETHANY KRAJELIS

Not only is Mike Reiss a four-time Emmy winner, but he can also predict the future. Resembling a cartoon character, Reiss bounced up the stairs of the Student Center ballroom stage to a cheering audience.

"Don't you know there's a ball game on tonight?" Reiss asked. "Don't you want to see the Cubs choke?"

And Reiss was right. The Chicago Cubs choked against the Florida Marlins and lost their chance to go to the World Series.

After the audience boomed his comment about the Cubs, Reiss won back the audience with his non-stop comedy, which continued throughout his entire lecture.

Reiss came from California to speak to SIUC students Wednesday night about his experiences of being a producer and writer for "The Simpsons" and co-creator of "The Critic."

"How to write for TV and other bad ideas" was the title of Reiss' lecture, which was sponsored by the Student Programming Council Lectures.

After Reiss created a roar of laughter from the audience, he shared his background of attending Harvard with a major in English.

"If you want to know what Harvard is like, you should go to your backyard and burn \$150,000," Reiss said. "And that's what Harvard is like."

After graduating, Reiss moved to Los Angeles to write jokes for the movie "Airplane." He also wrote for "The Johnny Carson Show," "The Tonight Show" and "Alf."

Reiss said working for "The Tonight Show" included writing 60 jokes a day. He said a lot of people ask how he could come up with such a high number of jokes every day.

"If you write for a living, you don't get writers' block," Reiss said. "It's like if a plumber told you he couldn't fix your toilet because he had plumbers' block. It doesn't happen."

Reiss made another analogy comparing writing comedy to doing pornographic movies.

"It's something most people would do for free, but we get paid for it," Reiss said.

After each joke, Reiss looked out to the audience and waited for their reaction. He would then let out a smirk and laugh at his own jokes.

Reiss travels around to college campuses to speak to students about his experiences and answer some of the more popular-asked questions about "The Simpsons" and "The Critic."

Reiss' wife, Denise, sat in the audience among fans and students to watch her husband's lecture. She said she travels along with him to all of his lectures. She said she loves his speech, but her favorite part of the lecture is the question-and-answer segment.

"I love to see him talk to the students," she said. "It was a wonderful audience."

During his speech, Reiss mentioned his last lecture at Eastern Illinois University. He said he asked the audience what school he should make fun of, and the audience at Eastern Illinois responded with SIUC.

"I gave almost the same exact speech," Reiss said. "Except tonight I get to use bigger words."

Along with sharing his experiences, Reiss

brought footage of rare scenes of "The Simpsons" and "The Critic" for the audience to view on the projection screen. During the viewing, Reiss could be seen singing along with the characters under his breath.

He explained that writing for television could be very spontaneous.

"The first season, Smithers was black. Poof, the second season he's white and gay," Reiss said.

Reiss also said "The Simpsons" has brought controversy and lawsuits internationally. He said that in Japan, Australia and New Orleans, "The Simpsons" is no longer aired. Reiss said he has been sued a number of times due to the content of his writing.

When Reiss was asked how the Fox television station could air such vulgar content, he answered with another analogy. "The censors at Fox are like trying to clean a sewer with a wet nap," Reiss said.

Reiss said he left "The Simpsons" for a couple years to create his own show, "The Critic." After the show was canceled, he returned to write for "The Simpsons." In his free time, Reiss also writes children books, including a bestseller, "How Murray Saved Christmas" and an Internet show titled "Queer Duck."

Reiss revealed "The Critic" DVD would be released in February and encouraged the audience to check it out. He also discussed the matter of a "Simpsons" movie. He said the episode where Bart and Lisa go to summer camp at Kamp Krusty was intended to be the movie but ended up being the shortest episode at 17 minutes. He said the writers have spent 12 years trying to think of an idea that could be stretched out to 90 minutes. He said it has been a challenge, but a movie is a sure bet.

"If there was a Scooby Doo movie, there will be a 'Simpsons' movie," Reiss predicted.

Along with jokes, Reiss gave students advice on how to get started in the television business. He said you have to start at the bottom and work your way up. When asked if extra schooling was necessary to be successful in the television business, Reiss replied with another joke.

"The only thing more worthless than college," Reiss said, "is graduate school."

After his speech, he thanked the audience for being such devoted fans and invited audience members up for a contest to see who could do the best impression of a "Simpsons" character.

"Hello, everybody," Tim Shifflet said, impersonating Dr. Nick from "The Simpsons." He won the contest and was awarded an autographed script of "The Simpsons."

Shifflet, who graduated in 2002 with a Spanish major, said he has been a devoted "Simpsons" fan for years.

"It was everything I expected and more," Shifflet said. "I laughed the entire show."

Shifflet said it was interesting to finally match a face to the voice on "The Simpsons" DVD which Reiss does the commentary for.

After the event ended, a crowd mobbed around Reiss waiting for autographs, handshakes and to discuss specific episodes.

Chris Behnken and Brent Reichling, students of Southeast Missouri State University, traveled

to Carbondale from Cape Girardeau to see Reiss speak. They both agreed the drive was well worth it to meet Reiss. They waited in line after the lecture to introduce themselves to Reiss and shake his hand.

One student asked what most Illinois residents have been wondering for years. The student asked Reiss if "The Simpsons" residence in Springfield was meant to be Springfield, Ill.

Reiss laughed and acknowledged the well thought-out question. "No, we thought we made up the town Shelbyville. Little did we know there actually is a town with that dumb of a name."

Jenn Rourke, director of SPC Lectures, said she chose Reiss to come to speak because of his picture.

"He looked like an animated and energetic person with the potential to be entertaining," Rourke said.

She said the attendance was at 483 people, which was more than she expected due to the Cubs and Marlins baseball game.

"It was the funniest lecture we have ever had," she said.

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ANTHONY SOUFFLE - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Mike Reiss explains that even though Illinois has a Springfield and a Shelbyville, the show does not take place in Illinois. "We thought we made up the town Shelbyville. Little did we know there actually is a town with that dumb of a name."

USG passes previously failed resolution

Constitution prompts senate debate, resolution

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A failed resolution allowing travel funds for a Registered Student Organization came back for a second vote Wednesday evening at the Undergraduate Student Government meeting. This time, it passed.

The Black Fire Dancers asked for \$250, the maximum amount USG is permitted to grant an organization for travel, so they can attend a dance competition at Tennessee State University. A resolution awarding the funding, was turned down by USG at its Oct. 1 meeting because several senators expressed concerns the organization only applies to a selective part of SIUC's student body.

USG voted on the resolution a second time, prompting a debate over the current wording in the government's constitution.

Senator Rob Taylor contested that USG previously wanted no funding to go to an organization that restricts student involvement.

"What we did last year was we said we were going to move toward funding activities and events on campus that are inclusive and try to bring out more students to par-

ticipate," Taylor said. "We wanted to bring more events to SIUC and Carbondale."

He also said he believes not many students would care to pay for selective organizations to travel to events on campus.

"Everybody pays a student activity fee," Taylor said. "How many of your constituents want to have select students to leave the campus to a conference or a show? I can ensure you that a lot of people probably don't."

Senator Jennifer Jones, who is also the chair of the Finance Committee, said the Black Fire Dancers did exactly what was expected of them to receive the traveling funds.

"We told them specifically that if they presented proof, they will get funded for travel, and that is what they did," Jones said.

Jones also said she believes it is unfair for USG to have voted against the funding at its last meeting.

"I don't think it's fair to have them go by the guidelines only to have it voted against on the senate floor," she said. "If you want to change the guidelines and you don't want travel to be funded, then, by all means, change the guidelines."

President Neal Young said he urges the senate to stick to what is currently in the guidelines and then change what they feel is necessary.

"Whatever rules we decide to change we can move on in our

LEGISLATION	RESOLUTION	ACTION TAKEN
SR 04-09 SR 04-10	Amtrak funding Increase in Multiplier Rate of tuition for out of state and international students.	Passed Tabled
SR 04-11 SR 04-12	Southern at 150 Amendment to change Article 6, Section 2D of the USG Constitution.	Tabled Passed
SR 04-13	Opposition to FY2005 student tuition increase.	Tabled
SR 04-14	Opposition to FY2005 New undergraduate student tuition increase.	Tabled
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SB 04-04	Black Fire Dancers	Travel/ \$250
SB 04-11	Student Recreation Fee	Travel/ \$250
SB 04-29	Delta Psi Alpha	Event/ \$817.86
SB 04-30	Native Amer. Student Org.	Event/ \$1,000
SB 04-31	Voices of Inspiration	Travel/ \$250
SB 04-25	Beauty So. Il. Student Alliances	
SB 04-26	Agriculture Education Club	
LEGISLATION	AMENDMENT	ACTION TAKEN
SA 04-01	Combine Evergreen Terrace and Southern Hills Senate seats	Introduced
SA 04-02	Concerning Activity fee allocation.	Introduced

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discrepancy," Young said. "For now, we have put out the guidelines for people to look at and go by. I would like to see us pass the bills that come

under the guidelines." USG also passed a resolution to change the constitution in hopes to clear up the current discrepancy.

CLOTHESLINE

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through the Fanner Thursday were forced to pause by the dramatic shirts hanging up. Some of the T-shirts told a blatant message, such as the shirt that read, "I was four. He stole, murdered and violated my childhood." Some simply told a date: 8/22/98. And others used merely a splatter of paint to represent an indescribable experience they endured. Whether with a date or an image, all of the shirts told a story.

For example, the shirt made in memory of Duncan actually belonged to him and was made

by a cook who asked to create a shirt for the young victim.

The shirts were not only painful for survivors and their families but also for those passing by them.

"I would encourage people to come [to the clothesline] because it makes people aware that there are people who have been hurt physically and mentally by people they love and strangers," said Dominice Hoelyfield, a freshman in psychology from Bloomington who said she planned to attend the march after being choked up by the clothesline. "It's really beautiful. But at the same time, it brings a sense of reality."

STANDARDS

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this process for anyone with an ACT score below 17.

"I will never stand for any change in standards that blocks the opportunity for people that deserve a chance to study here," Wendler said in a telephone interview Thursday evening. "We have to continue to find a way to give people the chance to study—that is the purpose of the University. If I see a person that can benefit from what we have to offer, we're going to get them."

George Swisher, dean of the College of Engineering, said the dean's council asked for more data to accompany the proposal when they

were shown the numbers a few weeks ago. The University is still researching the effects raised admission standards would have on student enrollment.

Swisher said at first glance, the initial proposal may seem like a big jump, but it may not be, depending on where the student body falls.

"Since we don't have the data, we don't know if it is going to hurt anybody," he said. "I think they are interested in what affect raising standards would have on access v. quality, when you talk about admission."

According to the proposal, SIUC currently has the ninth most selective admission policy among the 11 public universities in Illinois. Changing accordance with the initial draft would raise the University's rank to third.

NEWS BRIEFS

CARBONDALE

Library sponsors book sale

The Friends of the Carbondale Public Library is holding a book sale Saturday from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m., rain or shine.

The Carbondale Public Library is located at 405 W. Main St. For more information, please call 457-0354.

ON CAMPUS

Autumn Harvest Buffet tickets on sale now

The Autumn Harvest Buffet will be from 11:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the Student Center Ballrooms.

Tickets in advance cost \$6 for children, \$10 for SIU students and seniors and \$10.50 for adults.

Tickets at the door are \$7 for children, \$11 for SIU students and seniors and \$11.50 for students. Call 536-6633 for more information.

Cedarhurst welcomes Chamber Winds

The Cedarhurst Center for the Arts hosts the Chicago Chamber Orchestra Winds at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Mitchell Museum's Gallery.

Cedarhurst is located on Richview Road in Mount Vernon.

Chamber Winds was honored as the Illinois Orchestra of the Year, and its conductor, Edward Benyas, is director of orchestras at SIUC's School of Music.

Tickets are \$12 for the public and \$2 for students. For more information, please call 242-1236.

Sigma Gamma Rho found not guilty

Sigma Gamma Rho, an SIUC sorority in the Pan-Hellenic Council, was found not guilty of charges against the organization. The sorority was previously charged with the act of hazing, an act they were found not guilty of in court.


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OUR WORD

March to 'Take Back the Night'

One and a half million women and more than 800,000 men will be raped or sexually assaulted this year, and nine out of every 10 cases of sexual assault do not get reported to police, according to the U.S. Department of Justice.

Tonight, the Women's Center is sponsoring the annual Take Back the Night March, which will begin at 7 p.m. The march will take place down one-third of Illinois Avenue starting at the Interfaith Center.

Last year, Take Back the Night attracted 100 people who marched down the sidewalk. It took a little less than a half hour. In the time it took for the march to take place, about 39 women over the age of 18 were forcibly raped, according to the Illinois Coalition against Sexual Assault.

Kathy Livingston, a domestic violence counselor at the Women's Center, would love to see 500 people attend the march this year.

"I want to send a clear message to the rapists out there right now sexually assaulting the citizens of Carbondale," Livingston said. "If we have 500 people march in the street disrupting traffic, it lets them know that our eyes are on them."

The goal of the event is to raise awareness of domestic violence and force people to realize this issue affects the entire community, not just women and children.

It has been a common perception that this march is only intended for survivors of sexual assault. It was this similar way of thinking we attempted to dispel when we encouraged citizens to attend the AIDS Walk Oct. 4.

The AIDS Walk attracted a record crowd of more than 800 walkers and \$10,000 in donations.

We asked readers to realize AIDS can't be acquired by participating in the walk. We feel we must reiterate the same message concerning the Take Back the Night March. The only thing people run the risk of walking tonight is an education and making a contribution to a worthy cause.

Some people also believe because they don't know anyone who has been affected by a sexual assault, there is no reason for them to walk. Unfortunately, this perception stems out of the fact that nine out of 10 victims do not report the assault. This usually happens because many women feel ashamed and as if they need to hide it. In fact, according to ICASA, 80 percent of victims know their perpetrators.

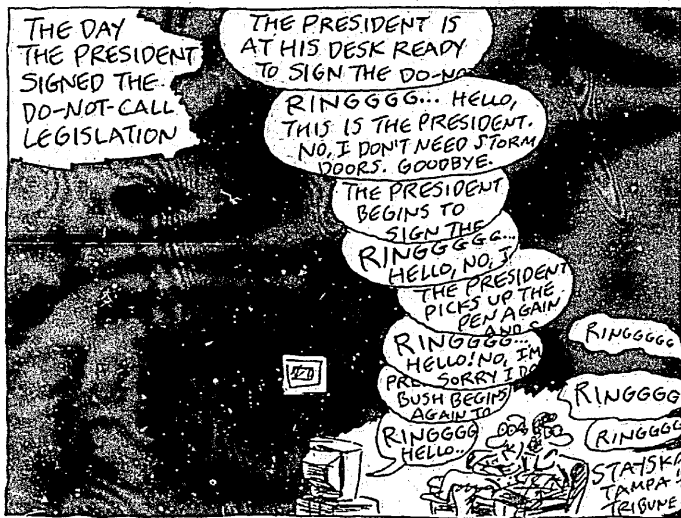
Typically more women than men come out for the march. According to Livingston, this occurs because many men do not feel their participation is needed or that it doesn't affect them. But, she pointed out if a man becomes a father one day, his daughter has a one-in-four chance of being sexually assaulted before the age of 18. Then when his baby girl heads off to college with aspirations of becoming a doctor or whatnot, she faces the harsh statistic that 25 percent of college women are sexually assaulted and of that, in 80 percent of assaults the victim's perpetrators are boyfriends, friends or acquaintances.

Another misconception is that sexual assault is only a women's issue, when actually men who are raped are seven to 14 percent less likely to report it.

If you do decide to attend the walk, survivors can expect to realize they are not alone in this. Sexual assault is a societal problem, not an individual problem.

Those who may still be skeptical should come and see just what is going on. Hopefully they will understand sexual assault is more than just a women's issue.

If 500 people participate in the march, this would cause a disruption in traffic flow for at least an hour. The more people that march might also cause more passers-by to join. Besides, what is an hour of our time on a Friday night when it is for a cause that so clearly needs our attention?



GUEST COLUMNIST

Library is working to improve

Emily Williams
former library employee,
non-declared graduate student

In response to Dr. Tony Williams' letter regarding Morris Library, which was printed Tuesday, I would like to point out a few things that were not correct.

First, while there are no longer help desks on the individual floors, there are still librarians and staff offices located on each floor, as well as a centralized information desk on the first floor. The move to a centralized location for staff was twofold - to better serve the patrons and to cope with the reduction in staff. The reduction in staff was not due in any way to actions by Dean Carlson but rather, as with the rest of Illinois institutions, the money is simply not there to support the large numbers of individuals as it was in the past. I can assure you that if you need help, you will still find plenty of willing and able individuals throughout the library to assist you. In order to continue serving patrons in the best way possible with the most hours available, centralized reference was the best way to go (and a common system throughout higher education).

Secondly, the photocopy machines are maintained by IKON, and the library does not have an IKON representative on site full time, as he is responsible for all IKON equipment across campus (including laser printers in the computer labs). Due to abuse/misuse by patrons, the sheer volume of copies that are made on them and the rate in which technology repair costs increase, yes, you will sometimes find copiers that are not working. As to the removing of hard copies of reserve articles, it is called technology. With the implementation of the Voyager integrated library management software, Morris Library (as well as all ILCSO institutions) was able to migrate to electronic reserves. All, I repeat, all electronic reserves are available for any SIUC faculty member, staff member or student. The only restriction for electronic reserves is you must have an SIUC ID number in order to access them. Some professors may require their students to provide a password given in class, but that is the only restriction in place. There is no charge for accessing electronic reserves. If you don't have Internet access, you can go to the library and access them there for free. Printing, of course, does cost you, but if you print the article at home, everything about electronic reserves is free.

Add to that the convenience of being able to access the reserve materials any time, day or night, for as long as you need them and not having to wait for other patrons to return them, it's better than free.

Third, in regards to the \$2-per-credit-hour library fee, while the addition of such a fee would allow the library to purchase more materials, this fee cannot be enacted in its current form. It is illegal in the state of Illinois to have a student fee unless it is for expendable resources or auxiliary services. The Recreation Center, which has a \$6.41 fee per credit hour (whether you use it or not), is an auxiliary service. The library is not.

Fourth, the initial estimate for building construction was determined prior to Dean Carlson's arrival on campus. The initial estimate was incorrect due to the discovery upon further investigation of structural code problems and HVAC necessities. Apparently, Dr. Williams has never remodeled his house or had a car repaired because it was no surprise to me that, once the architects had thoroughly investigated the building, they found the cost to repair it would be more than initially offered. As to the coffee bar facilities, no, they are not the most important part of the library. However, in matching the future of the library with the future of the University, as espoused by the Southern at 150 plan, the library is striving to become a center of learning and interaction on campus.

Finally, the Library Contingency Fund is not some great conspiracy by the provost and the dean to withhold funding and materials from the library. Every department on campus is required to have a contingency fund for each fiscal year in the event that there are budget decisions that require cutting the budget (i.e., returning the money) of the current fiscal year.

While the library may not be perfect, the entire library is working to improve itself. Whether it be in the better access to materials via electronic resources, consolidated reference locations to allow for more coverage or renovation to improve a building that is over 60 years old and in dire need of repair, Morris Library faculty and staff members, Dean Carlson included, have kept the patron first and foremost in their minds whenever a discussion is had about changes and re-arrangement.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Violence is the last refuge of the incompetent.”

Issue Asimov
novelist, "Foundation"

WORDS OVERHEARD

“Trying to censor Fox is like trying to clean a sewer with a Wet Nap.”

Mike Reiss
executive producer of "The Simpsons"
explaining how the show has escaped much censoring

COLUMNISTS

Men are left out during Sexual Awareness Day

When I decided to start writing a column, I knew there were two things I would never do. First, I would never write about writing a column. Columnists who refer to themselves in their columns as writing a column always seemed self-centered.

Second, I would never write about women's issues. I am concerned about women, but I think the topic is covered, and I know the best way to be taken seriously is to talk about everything that matters to me and to be thought of as a person first and woman second.

Since I don't want to break the rules I set out for myself, let me now write a column not about women but about men.

Women have been having a huge party, and I'm starting to think the guys feel left out. When I was in elementary school there were two films, one for boys and one for girls.

The girls learned about their periods and what to do if a boy wants to go all the way. The boys learned about their voice changing and wet dreams.

Later, I went to a progressive alternative school where we had "Sexual Awareness Day" every year.

The girls learned about rape prevention, what to do when raped and after being raped, and rape survivors came and shared their experiences. The boys put condoms on bananas.

When I go to the health center for anything from an ear infection to a broken leg I am asked, "What do you use for birth control?" and "When was your last sexual encounter and your last menstrual cycle?"

I don't know what boys are asked, but because they have no menstrual cycle and the only birth control available to them is the condom, I doubt they are asked such questions.

I go to bulletin boards and pamphlet piles, and I see self-defense classes for women, crisis pregnancy aids and advice about birth control. I guess the stuff for boys got lost in shipping.

I feel bad for men that they are left out of the loop so blatantly.

Men probably want to be kept informed; but when the women are all ferried into the next room to learn about abortion, I doubt they feel like running after us and shouting, "I want to hear about this too; wait, don't shut the door!"

The men that I've mentioned this to in the last couple of weeks have seemed genuinely surprised at the idea that this is something that they could get in on. Most of them simply hadn't had it suggested to them before.

Men need room to be able to think and worry and analyze the same issues women do.

Rape is as much a man's issue as it is a woman's, but it is rarely addressed that way.



Feckless Pondering

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When young men write at length about how a woman needs to prevent her own rape, they are not talking from some dark, misogynistic place in themselves but from what they have listened to in sex ed, seen in doctors offices and what the world has told them.

Rape has always been a woman's problem, and so have pregnancy and birth control.

Men can join the party, even though they have not been formally invited.

Wouldn't it be better if the world would set a place for them, though?

When a woman a man has taken home suddenly becomes frightened or uncomfortable during intercourse and wants to stop, wouldn't it be nice if he was able to reference an article, a pamphlet or a lecture given to him by some health care professional about preventing rape in his own bedroom?

When he goes to have his knee checked by his doctor, perhaps a brief question about his sex life and birth control options would help him to be able to prevent an alteration, not only of his girlfriend's life but his own as well.

Birth control, rape, pregnancy and sex are not only women's issues, and the whole world needs to catch up with that.

When the clothesline is set up near Faner, young men need to go so they can see what other men have done. Go, not as a concerned Liberal but as a human who wants to know more about the human condition.

Volunteer at the Women's Center so you can start to see what the world does to your sisters and your mothers when you, the man, are left out of discussions about domestic violence and rape. If nothing else, consider that the posters and pamphlets about abuse, pregnancy and rape are for you too, and read them.

Hold your wife or girlfriend a little closer tonight, make sure she knows you are there and that you want to understand. Believe me, she will be glad to explain it to you.

Feckless Pondering appears every other Friday. Abigail is a senior in English. Her views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

COLUMNISTS

Cronkite provides Southern Illinois chance of a lifetime

Lance Jack
Carbondale City Council

Last week, more than 2,500 people from across Southern Illinois made the pilgrimage to the SIUC Arena so that they might be a witness to history.

Most of those in attendance complained about the brevity of the engagement and made speculations as to the reasons. Regardless of the length, it was still a great treat. We were still able to get a taste of the vast store of experience brought to Carbondale by "the most trusted man in America."

In answering the questions posed by Sen. Paul Simon, Walter Cronkite wove recollections of the past 60 years together with his current point of view in such a way as to allow his audience a glimpse inside the man himself.

The wealth of experience and knowledge present on that stage last Thursday night would be hard to replicate.

From his story about driving the beaches of Normandy on the anniversary of D-Day with President Eisenhower to his unequivocal disapproval of President Bush's doctrine of pre-emptive war, Cronkite carried himself with the same casual honesty that so many in our country came to know, expect and love.

Too many of us, Cronkite, the man, appears as the wise sage and embodiment of truth, justice and the American way.

He is a man who clearly recognized the need for those with power to act in a responsible manner and lead by example, and the need to balance the strengths of war with the power of peace. Military might alone is not enough.

He reminded us that we must retain the right to voice our approval or disapproval with our government.

That it is our duty, not to be a slave to any current administration, but to strive for the ideals of our founding fathers.

Whew! I bet you thought that my banter and praise would never stop. What was meant to be an introduction has turned into a column in and of itself.

Mr. Cronkite also spoke of the need for our elected officials to try new ideas and to act with political courage.

Well, here in Carbondale, we have been lucky enough to be witness to similar events of citizen participation and political courage. Our city election cycle started early in the year with more than 20 candidates and with the involvement of many of our citizens.

We chose four new council members and a new mayor.

Since the election on April Fool's Day we, as a city, have taken numerous small steps in the right direction.

Through the interaction of an involved citizenry and some courageous politicians, we have worked to increase housing development, allow veteran members of our community a higher profile parade, and to roll back our dated liquor laws.

The Carbondale City Council has shown that it is a new council with the wisdom to look to the past and the strength to move towards the future.

I would like to extend my personal invitations to any and all members of the community and to remind the citizens of Carbondale that your new council cannot make progress without your help.

No matter what your suggestion is, bring it to the attention of the council. You just might be surprised with the answer.

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The wealth of experience and knowledge present on that stage last Thursday night would be hard to replicate.

LETTERS

Consumption shouldn't determine community's quality of life

DEAR EDITOR:

When I read the two articles in the DAILY EGYPTIAN about earlier liquor sales in Carbondale, I felt compelled to address the inference that "biting away at the establishment of religion" as stated by Councilwoman Sheila Simon is a good (preferred) change to make in any community.

It appears to me as though the majority of the members of the council take a view that lacks respect for their Christian constituents. Where has the moral standards our nation was founded on gone when city officials base a community's "quality of life" on whether its members can drink

Sunday mornings?

If you truly want to look at "quality of life" issues, then consider options that are family oriented. Open your malls and theatres Sunday mornings so families can gather together, not by promoting the separation of families by opening the bars for adult entertainment.

After all, how many families will consider an improvement in the "quality of life" by belying up to "the bar Sunday mornings?"

Reasoning for this proposal stated to be football fans enjoy going to the bar Sunday morning to watch the game and drink. Local business — bar — owners complain the 1 p.m. drinking order has a negative impact on their number of customers.

Well, I'm not sure how much football these bar owners actually watch but, for your information, the game doesn't start till noon, guys, or do you think your customers need an extra hour to pound down a few in order to get primed for the game?

It appears some city officials as well as bar owners are siding for this proposal based on monetary reasons that benefit only the few people who own the bars and liquor stores, not to mention the benefits for the individuals in your community who are addicted to alcohol and looking for that morning eye opener.

In closing, I have two questions for the citizens of Carbondale.

Do you really want the youth of your community believing the effective way of running a political office is to blaspheme God?

Is a community's "quality of life" truly judged on how early you can purchase alcohol Sunday mornings?

Missy Ledbetter
graduate student, rehabilitation program

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AMERICORPS

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that places them at an advantage to see the big picture."

Rundblad said many students have told her that this is not just another job.

"They know how much the children look forward to them coming to their schools — and that is a very rewarding feeling," Rundblad said.

Jean Mathis, who is also a sixth-grade teacher, agreed with Rundblad and said how important Americorps members like Seastedt are to her classroom.

Mathis said Seastedt does a wide range of tasks, including reading with the students, editing their papers and making it easier to work in small groups.

"Basically, anything I do, he does," Mathis said.

Right when the class gets settled in, Seastedt, or "Mr. Sea," as the students know him, begins helping the class prepare for a spelling pre-test.

When the pre-test begins, each student carefully writes down the seven vocabulary words in hopes of getting a perfect score so they can

get a piece of candy and not have to take the actual test.

A handful of students ace the test and run up to Mathis to get their candy.

Once the line dies down, the class is divided into two groups. Each group picks out the best picture of a monster drawn by a group member. Then each member is assigned a task.

The groups must then write complete and descriptive sentences to give to the other students so they can draw their monster without looking at the original picture.

The exercise is a way for the students to have fun while working with others and properly constructing sentences.

Each day, Seastedt works with students to help develop and hone their skills.

"My experience has definitely been worthwhile," Seastedt said. "It's a good way to get involved with the community."

"It's an eye-opening experience. You're getting across to kids in their own language, trying to solve problems — or looking at the problems from their perspective. You have to put yourself in their shoes."



Annie Dentamaro — Daily Egyptian

Arclia (Left) and Micaela Rivera of Carbondale dance at Festival Latino while Fantasia Juvenil performs. Festival Latino closed Latino Heritage Month and also featured a performance by the local dance group Ballet Folklorico Mexicano and a lecture by William Guillermo Luna, the president and curator of the Museum of Mexican Culture and History, located in Chicago.

Latino Heritage Month comes to an end with Festival Latino

Founder of Museum of Mexican Culture and History speaks at closing event

Jennifer Rios
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Students passed by the Free Forum Area to see dancers in brightly colored dresses performing authentic Mexican dances as Latino music blared in the background.

After Latino Independence Day celebrations, Salsa nights and informative events, Latino Heritage Month came to a close with one last day of cultural music, dancing and food.

The 10th annual Festival Latino and closing ceremony took place Thursday from noon to 4 p.m.

The celebration featured Mexican dance group Ballet Folklorico and guest speaker William Guillermo Luna.

Lunch and refreshments were served, and cultural information was set up in Ballroom D of the Student Center.

The Hispanic Student Council and Multicultural Programs and Services sponsored the festival, which took place in Ballroom D and provided students with both refreshments and culture throughout the day.

"We have had a good turn out so

far. We have had about 80 people in and out," said Delia Suarez a senior in English pre-professional from Chicago.

"I would like to thank the community and SIUC students for all of the support throughout the month."

A Mexican dance group, Fantasia Juvenil, with students between the ages of 10 and 17 was the first performance of the day.

The dancers arrived from Chicago to perform on campus, which marked their 50th performance.

After the performance, the ceremony moved indoors to Ballroom D in the Student Center. William Guillermo Luna, who founded the Museum of Mexican Culture and History in Chicago, spoke to students about Latino culture and heritage.

Aside from speaking, he set up displays that provided information on important Latinos. Luna also started the first Latino Heritage Month in Chicago. He speaks to a variety of colleges as well as on radio and television shows.

Luna explained the importance of Latino culture in America.

"I was living in Mexico in Indiana; my curtains were red, white and green, and my mom made tortillas," Luna said. "I read about Mexico because going to Mexico doesn't mean you will know about the culture unless you purposely go to learn."

Information about the famous Hispanic athletes, war veterans and inventors were displayed for students to look at after the lecture.

"These people are still not known," Luna said when referring to the information about famous Latino people.

"We aren't news unless it's for gangs, drugs or immigration. Then we're known."

"The events today made me more aware of the culture," said Rosa Perez, a freshman in secondary education and math from Chicago.

"I learned a lot of things about Hispanic culture that I never knew before."

Carl Ervin of Multicultural Services and Programs said he never knew a Mexican person invented color TV until he read the various displays.

The day ended with Mexican Folklorico dancers and a piñata contest, and certificates of recognition were handed out to those who made Hispanic Heritage Month possible.

Octavio Flores, the president of Hispanic Student Council, was in charge of much of the preparation for the event.

"I worked with the Hispanic Student Council Executive Board to get performance," said Flores, a senior in Mechanical Engineering from Chicago.

"Everyone worked hard to make the event successful, and we hope it continues to get bigger and bigger over the years."

"This is the oldest Latino event on campus. It brings everyone together and draws a little attention to Latino culture."

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Renowned Parisian artist Giovanni Vitello will give two workshops on mask, mime and commedia dell'arte. In addition, Vitello will give a dramatic reading in French from feminist Helene Cixous, after a lecture in English entitled Becoming Aware: Language Happens to the Actor by Professor Roger Bensky of Georgetown University.

Workshop I: Friday, October 17, 2003
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Ballroom A, Student Center

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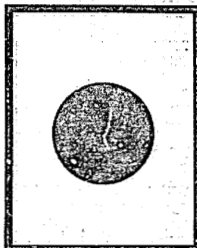
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Non-students

Amanda Jo Bubonic, 20, Pleasant Plains
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TAILGATE

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was approached by SIU Police and issued a citation for underage possession but wasn't surprised by the number of arrests made Saturday afternoon.

"They've been busting house parties, so it doesn't surprise me that they were all over the place," he said.

"Everyone was out to have a good time — they should have let us have a good time."

Santos said she thought the police were too strict while patrolling the tailgate. Santos said she intends to fight the illegal possession ticket she was issued because she believes she wasn't doing anything.

"I couldn't believe it," she said. "Why are the police so harsh? They didn't say anything — they didn't even give me a Breathalyzer. I wasn't even drinking, and they said, 'Okay, show up in court.'"

Sigler said the department has not changed its approach to

possession, which carries a fine up to \$500, and that extraneous factors can influence the number of arrests.

"Last year, I don't recall if the weather was nice, but that can affect it," he said. "Something as much as crowd size may have an effect on it."

Dan Reed of the Carbondale Police Department said the city issued eight alcohol-related citations, including three for driving under the influence of alcohol. He said those numbers typify a normal weekend.

Deputy Chief Steve Odum, who will replace Carbondale Police Chief R.T. Finney in November, said: although the department did keep more staff on hand for Homecoming weekend, fewer were probably available for the party scene.

"I don't know whether we were busier with calls and had to reallocate resources that would normally have gone to underage and party enforcement," he said. "But it's [number of arrests] no more than it would be on any other busy weekend."

Gus Bodes



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REQUIREMENT

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required number of service hours for graduation are also having trouble with grades or attendance.

"We have, however, not graduated a number of students," Schmidt said. "What they end up having to do if they ultimately do get the diplomas is they earn service hours during the summer, so a student who usually graduates in June doesn't graduate until August of their senior year."

"I would say that's been one of the major problems that we've had is that the students wait until it's too late. They wait until their senior year to start thinking about service."

Some of the 95 Chicago schools allowed students to earn service hours by donating, for example, a pair of shoes to a shoe drive.

"One kid brought in 40 pairs of shoes and that was it," Schmidt said. "I would have to say to that: 'What did you learn?' And he would have to say 'Nothing.'"

"It becomes a lot richer experience when kids have a chance to take what they're learning in class about ecosystems and biodiversity and endangered species and do a direct connection [project]."

Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, said he does not believe the state should make community service mandatory. He has three children — his youngest is a freshman in high

school who participates in cheerleading, earns good grades and volunteers at her church.

Bost said some students would not be able to make good grades and obtain enough community service hours to graduate.

"There is a point of saturation that you cannot do the best quality of work," Bost said. "Are you going to give up your ability to do a good job at your schoolwork so you can meet the requirements of this service?"

"I think it's something that should be decided between the parent, the student and not necessarily the government. I think there's certain things the government should stay out of and that might be one of them."

Younger sniper suspect to plead insanity

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A year after the sniper shootings that terrorized the nation's capital, one of the accused triggermen will plead he was brainwashed to kill by the man he once called "Dad."

Lawyers for accomplice Lee Boyd Malvo announced just five days before Muhammad's trial that they will argue Malvo was "indoctrinated" by co-defendant John Allen Muhammad, in a string of 13 shootings in the Washington region last October.

Malvo, 17 at the time of the shootings, faces two capital murder charges. His trial, scheduled to begin November 10, was moved to Chesapeake, Va., to find jurors unaffected by the shooting rampages that lasted three weeks.

In what legal experts are calling an "11th hour" decision by the defense team, Malvo will not serve time in prison if defense lawyers convince the jury of his alleged insanity.

"There were probably not many

other options for the defense team," said legal expert Eric Sturnik, a professor of criminal law at The George Washington University. "Especially because Virginia is not what you would call a defendant-friendly environment."

The defense team must prove beyond a reasonable doubt that Malvo did not know the difference between right and wrong at the time the crimes were committed — that he did not understand the consequences of his actions.

In transcripts and courtroom testimony that Malvo gave last fall, Malvo admitted to pulling the trigger in several of the fatal shootings. According to police records, Malvo also allegedly boasted to police and jail guards that he fired some of the shots.

Although DNA and other evidence link both Malvo and Muhammad to all of the crime scenes, no evidence exists that Muhammad ever fired a weapon.

If Malvo has a separate jury to decide guilt and insanity, he's up the

creek," said legal expert James E. Starns, a Professor of Law at The George Washington University. "A jury usually won't convict a defendant of guilt and then say he is insane."

Malvo, born and raised in Jamaica, met Muhammad, 42, in Antigua in 1999. They both illegally entered the United States in 2001 and spent the next year traveling around the country by car and bus. The two briefly lived together in a homeless shelter in Bellingham, Washington.

Muhammad pled not guilty before a judge on Tuesday, publicly denying for the first time that he took part in the shootings.

Ellen S. Podgor, a former deputy prosecutor and criminal defense lawyer, remembers hearing doctor testimony of a defendant's insanity, and the jury still rendering a guilty verdict.

"Many juries are very skeptical of insanity because they are afraid someone found to be insane might be back out on the streets," said Podgor, a Professor of Law at Georgia State College of Law.

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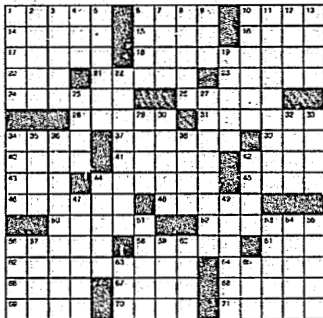
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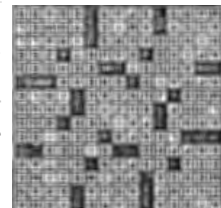
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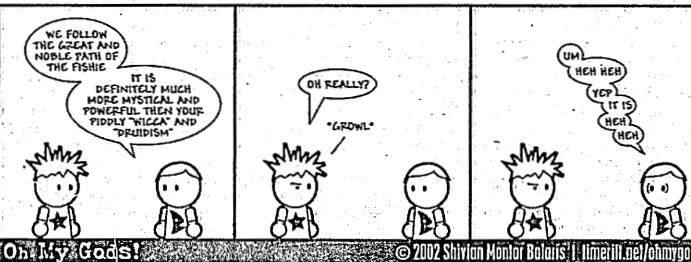
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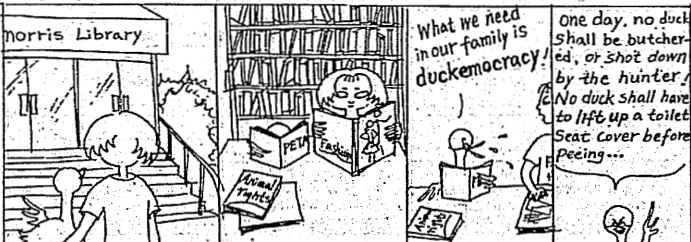
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» WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

Salukis out to teach opponents lesson at Illini Challenge

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The SIU women's cross country team has learned several lessons in the last two months.

It learned a freshman-laden squad can compete with the best teams in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Salukis learned they can challenge teams deeper than they are, even when their leader is not in top form.

Most importantly, the SIU runners learned when it comes to race day, they have a lot to learn.

Last weekend at the Saluki Invitational, SIU was challenging for the team title early in the race before its No. 3 runner suffered cramps and the Dawgs had to rely on their sixth runner for points.

"One of the big positives that came out of that race is that our sixth and seventh runners really need to be up there, more competitive than they've been," head coach Matt Sparks said. "We learned from that experience ... you never know when things like that are gonna happen."

The race last weekend not only

taught the squad a lesson in running strategy; it also changed the team's racing mentality. No longer are the Salukis made up of 10 separate runners; instead SIU is now one entity.

"We usually break our practices up into this group and this group and this group, and right now we've said one big group," Sparks said. "[They're] gonna run with them because this weekend showed how important [they] are to the overall team score."

While SIU is now running as a more cohesive unit, it is still focusing on individual goals. According to

Sparks, Saturday when the Salukis head to Urbana for the Illini Challenge, the runners will look toward improving their individual preparation.

This weekend's meet will be the last warm-up race before the MVC championship Nov. 1. Some of the teams SIU will run against in Urbana include league rivals Illino. State and Indiana State.

One of the favorites to win the individual title is Indiana State senior Jessica Crowder. Crowder and the Sycamores have raced against SIU the past two weeks, and Crowder has come

out on top both times.

Her Saluki counterpart, junior Noa Beidler, has struggled much of the season but is showing signs that she will challenge Crowder.

Beidler views this weekend's meet as a huge factor in terms of momentum going into the conference meet.

"[This meet] is either going to motivate me to do good in conference, or it's gonna take me to the other side," Beidler said. "Last weekend I didn't do very well, and my confidence is kind of crushed ... so I hope to fix it this weekend."

RUSSELL

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The first thing Russell did when he got home was call his friend who clipped his car.

"I wanted to let him know that it was strictly an accident," Russell said. "I told him not to kill himself over it. I hurt everyday because my brother is not with me, and I know he was going through the same thing."

There were more obstacles to overcome. In his last day in the ICU, doctors told him he would never play football again, and even if he fully recovered, they still wouldn't clear him.

"They were like 'No, you have a broken neck. You have broken your C-6 vertebra, and you have a lot of compressed discs,'" Russell said. "I sat there and laughed at them."

Russell started to do neck exercises daily to strengthen it. He wore a neck brace to bed. For nearly a year, getting his neck in shape and getting back on the football field was all he had on his mind.

"I wasn't sure if he would play again," Patterson said. "A broken neck is a serious thing. There was no guarantee he was going to wake up in the morning. I remember thinking there was no way he would ever play again because no doctors would ever let him."

The phrase "second opinion" was not in his vocabulary. Russell went to four neurosurgeons before the fifth said his neck was strong enough to play again.

"I had the biggest smile on my face," Russell said.

He still had to sit out a year because of it, but he took that time to lift, run and make himself better than before the wreck. He went to every Western practice, watching and listening to what the coaches were teaching.

What was supposed to end his career only postponed it for eight months.

"It had to have been the first time he had worn a helmet in about 18 months," Patterson said. "It was like he never missed a day. He is a special human being."

"He is not a good competitor. He is a great competitor."

June 15, 1999 seems like decades ago now. No one worries about his neck anymore. Russell says it has fused back together.

Lee Russell is no longer the name people associate with a near-fatal wreck that left him hospitalized and his brother dead. Now it is the name people read on the Buck Buchanan watch list. It is the name people recognize as one of the best football players in I-AA.

Through all the accolades, Russell hasn't been alone in any of his 392 career tackles at Western. He knows he wasn't alone when he spent nearly a year rehabbing his frail neck.

"I am a religious person, but I am not one to push God on others," Russell said. "I am just there to let people know it's a good day."

Months before the anniversary of his brother's death this year, Russell could be sitting around the family's house in Blue Grass waiting for a phone call from the NFL team that just drafted him.

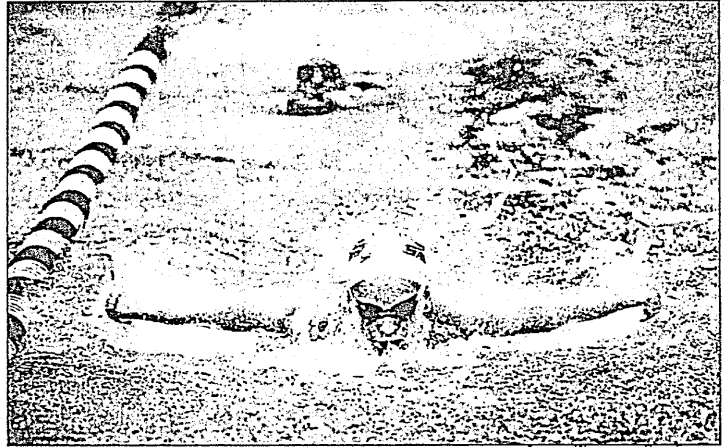
"For me, football is my life. My whole life I've been told I am too short, I am not big enough or from the wrong area," Russell said. "But you can't measure heart and courage like you can size and speed."

That is why the dog tags his brother made continue to hang from his neck. That is why he is the only Western player wearing white shoes, the trademark of the Russell brothers.

"They let me know why I still play football," Russell said. "I do it because of the person who has the best seat in the house — my brother."

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» SWIMMING AND DIVING



AMANDA WHITLOCK - DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU freshman Rachel Winius practices her butterfly stroke Thursday afternoon at the Recreation Center. The Saluki men and women open their season Saturday at home against Lincoln College.

Salukis open season Saturday at home

Men and women face Lincoln College

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After weeks of strenuous training, the SIU men's and women's swimming and diving teams will finally get to compete Saturday.

Both teams will be facing Lincoln College at home in the season opener for both schools.

After having their first meet cancelled last month, the SIU women bring even more anticipation to the pool. About a month ago, the Saluki women were scheduled to travel to Kansas, but that event was called off after problems with the Jayhawk's pool.

"We were kind of sad," women's head coach Jeff Goelz said of the cancelled meet. "We were ready to compete. You train to compete, and when you train hard, the competition's like your reward for competing and training."

"We're ready; we've been training extra long so the girls are pretty excited to have a chance to race."

Lincoln, a community college in central Illinois, has been one of the best in the junior college ranks, but that isn't the case this year.

With the level of competition not being of the big-name variety, men's coach Rick Walker is just hoping his team will put its competitiveness on display.

"I'm not really gonna be looking so much at the times as much as I am their willingness to step up and race regardless of the competition," Walker said. "Obviously you want to come out with a win, but at the same time, what is the chemistry of the team? Who's gonna step up and go? Who needs more motivation to get going?"

"It will give us a good look at what we have."

The Saluki men have been putting more time and effort into practice this semester in hopes of a season-ending payoff in February at the MVC Invitational.

"Our past four weeks we were practicing really hard to focus on our next MVC," senior Marcello Possato said. "We don't want to lose again. This time we're probably gonna win. That's why we are practicing harder this year than last year."

The women are also ready to put their training regimen to the test, but Goelz isn't overly concerned about the level of competition the Salukis will face Saturday in the Lynx.

"The kids are gonna swim fast if they wanna swim fast, if they're rested," Goelz said. "Whether it's Kansas or Kankakee Community College, if they're ready, they're gonna go. They just wanna race, so it doesn't really matter who you compete against the first meet anyway."

"Kansas would have been nice, but this will be good."

The meet starts at noon Saturday at the Recreation Center pool, and admission is free.

"I hope some people come here to watch us because I expect a lot of these guys this year," Possato said.

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Philadelphia @ NY Giants	NY Giants	Philadelphia	NY Giants	NY Giants	Philadelphia	NY Giants
Tennessee @ Carolina	Tennessee	Carolina	Tennessee	Carolina	Tennessee	Tennessee
Last week's record	3-3	2-4	4-2	3-3	2-4	2-4
Overall record	29-13	23-19	25-17	23-19	16-26	19-23

Playstation says:

SIU 20, Western Illinois 10: The Salukis jumped on the board in the second quarter with short touchdown runs by Muhammad Abdulgaadir and Brandon Robinson. Following a field goal, the Leathernecks returned a fumble 30 yards to make the score 13-10. But SIU sealed the victory when Cortez McBerry intercepted a pass and returned it 77 yards for the score.

» VOLLEYBALL



ROBERT LYONS — DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIU junior middle blocker Carrie Shephard goes up for a spike against Illinois State last Friday night at Davies Gymnasium. The Salukis fell to the Redbirds in five games, then defeated Indiana State the next night. After losing to Murray State Tuesday, SIU returns to Missouri Valley Conference action Saturday night against Evansville at Davies.

Salukis return to Valley play Saturday at Davies

SIU faces travel partner Evansville in lone weekend match

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When the SIU volleyball team meets Evansville Saturday at 7 p.m. at Davies Gymnasium in Missouri Valley Conference play, it will be more than just a volleyball match.

A matchmaker couldn't have paired these two traveling partners more perfectly.

Both the Salukis (5-15) and the Purple Aces (6-14) enter the contest at 1-7 in league play with nearly identical overall records.

Both teams are dominated by underclassmen and utilize depth — the Aces have eight players who have seen action in at least 70 games this season, including six underclassmen, while the Dawgs have nine who've played in at least 50.

Both teams went into a funk of five consecutive losses by way of sweeps early in MVC play only to come on as of late to play inspired volleyball.

"Besides the record, there's a lot of things we have in common," SIU outside hitter Jené Pulliam said. "It seems like we're in the same boat pretty much everywhere."

Just one more thing — both teams view this contest as a must-win if they want to stay in the race

for the final three spots in the MVC tournament.

It is pretty safe to say that Northern Iowa (7-0), Southwest Missouri State (7-0) and Wichita State (5-2) are in; it is yet to be seen if Creighton (5-2) can keep winning at its current pace.

So it looks like the Bluejays along with Bradley (4-3), Indiana State (3-4) and Illinois State (2-5) will be battling for the final three spots as the conference season nears the end of its first go-around.

But it is not too late for one of the bottom three teams — Drake (1-6) along with Evansville and SIU — to jump in and contend, but each must get a jump-start Saturday night.

"It's an important match for both of us," Pulliam said. "I think whoever pulls it out will have that extra step forward going into the second half of the season."

It won't be easy for the Salukis, who are expecting to face a fired-up Evansville squad that recently put an end to a nine-match losing streak.

After starting the season at a promising 5-5, first-year head coach Mike Swan and his Purple Aces fell in nine consecutive matches before defeating Belmont 3-0 Tuesday night.

Evansville has been swept in the majority of its conference matches but recently took Illinois State to five games, as did SIU.

So, all things considered, head coach Sonya Locke expects it to be a tough match.

"Our teams actually have a pretty decent relationship," Locke said.

"But I think because of the rivalry and because of the fact that we're travel partners, somebody always wants those bragging rights until the second time that we play."

The Dawgs took both games from Evansville last season and will be looking to do so this year. But with a bunch of new faces on each side of the net, this year's match is sure to be very different.

The Salukis will have to watch out for freshman Megan Spurlock, who has been on fire as of late. The middle hitter recorded a career-high 20 kills against Illinois State and led Evansville in the category the last three matches with 2.67 per game and a sizzling .355 hitting percentage.

SIU will also have to contend with a solid front line that is second in league play in blocks. Senior middle blocker Jenny Zenthofer ranks second in MVC play with 1.50 blocks per game to go with her 2.96 kills per game.

"We're working on the quicker tempo things so we can try to get more one-on-one shots and we're working on jumping faster," said Pulliam in response to how the Salukis plan to prevent the Aces from having a block party.

"We've been really working on all of these things this week in practice, so hopefully we'll go out and implement them in how we play Saturday."

The SIU volleyball team will hit the hardwood 7 p.m. Saturday when the Salukis play host to the Evansville Purple Aces at Davies Gymnasium.

» SPORTS FLASH Men's cross country heads to Pre-National

The SIU men's cross country squad will compete in the prestigious Pre-National meet Sunday at Iv Warren Memorial Golf Course in Waterloo, Iowa.

The Salukis will compete in the Purple Race at 11 a.m. against some of the top teams in the country.

Walk-on tryouts Monday at SIU Arena

The SIU men's basketball team will have tryouts for anyone who wants to walk

on to the team at 6 a.m. Monday in the SIU Arena.

For more information, contact the SIU basketball office at 453-667.

Weightlifting competition Saturday

The SIU Weightlifting Club will sponsor a bench press competition at noon Saturday at the Recreation Center.

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» FOOTBALL

the man in the MIDDLE

Lee Russell recovers from wreck, brother's death to become one of Western Illinois' all-time greats

story by ZACK CREGLOW

They are subtle. No one really notices them when he plays. No one pays attention to them when he arises from a crushing hit.

They are the dog tags that dangle from his neck. They are the white shoes he laces up before the Western Illinois football games. They are the only reminders he needs to relive June 15, 1999.

Russell had just finished umpiring his sister Adrienne's softball game in Watron, Iowa. He had just graduated from Assumption High School and was trying to scrape together some extra cash. He and his 16-year-old brother Zach were living in a motor home to share the scarce time they had together before Russell departed for Western.

"We did everything together," Russell said. "We were best of friends." After the game, Zach asked their mother Cindy if they could get some money to go eat at McDonald's. Russell had just bought a 1987 Ford Mustang convertible and was low on cash.

"He just wanted to ride around with me because that was the second day I had owned that car," Russell recalled.

After they ate, they stopped by a truck stop in Blue Grass to visit with their friend Seth Farley and ask if he wanted to go see the movie "Waterboy" with them.

A few minutes later, around 8:30 p.m., they were waiting on a semi at an intersection. The two were debating about which CD to play. Zach wanted to pop in Dru Hill, but Russell told

him they were going to listen to Tyrese instead.

Their conversation was cut short. All of a sudden, a few cars driven by his friends sped around them at about 60 miles per hour trying to bypass the wait caused by the semi. In the process, one of the cars clipped the right front side of Russell's Mustang.

The impact split the Mustang into two and threw Russell's body into the semi he was originally waiting on.

"I blacked out for a few seconds," Russell said.

When he awoke, he immediately noticed his brother lying in between the two pieces of the Mustang. Russell stood up not knowing the extent of his own injuries and walked to check on Zach.

"I went over there and looked to my right and realized my brother was dead," Russell said. "He had one of the doors lodged into his head."

"Now I wish I would have let him listen to his last song."

After the shock of seeing his younger brother dead wore off, Russell stumbled down to the bottom of a nearby ditch and stripped off his clothing because the battery acid was burning through it.

The father of Russell's girlfriend at the time noticed the accident and sprinted to him.

"He asked, 'Is that Zach?'" Russell said. "I said, 'Yeah, he is dead. Don't worry about him. He's all right.'"

The man called Cindy to notify her

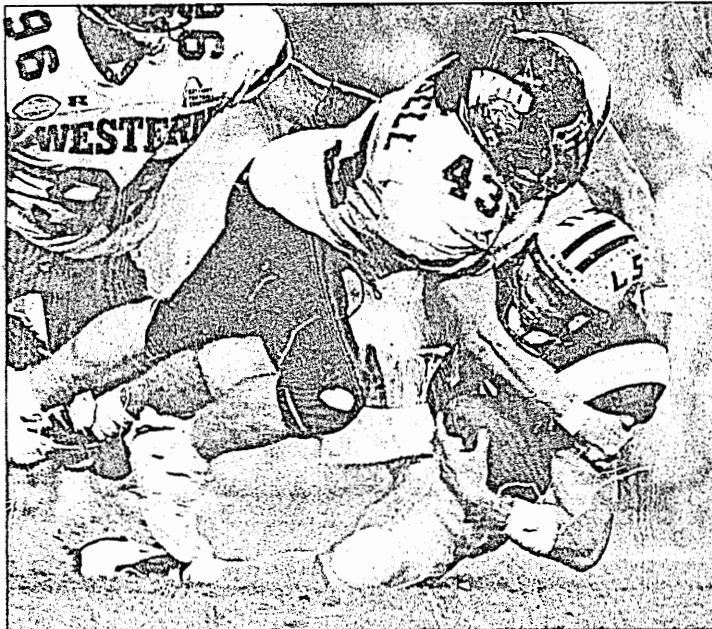


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Western Illinois senior linebacker Lee Russell gave Louisiana State fits all game long when the two teams played Sept. 13. Although the Leathernecks fell to the Tigers 35-7, they showed that they can hang with any team in the nation. Next on No. 2 Western Illinois' slate is a showdown at home Saturday with No. 7 SIU, which is 6-0 this season.

of what had just happened. Soon after that, the ambulance arrived nearly the same time as her. When she started running up to see Zach, the paramedics draped a blue blanket over his lifeless body.

The ambulance rushed Russell to the nearest hospital, and there he underwent what he described as "millions of tests."

Soon, his father Hal arrived at the hospital. Russell was strapped on a cold plastic table. He can remember the scene as if it was yesterday — Cindy was standing to his right, his dad to his left.

Hal started to cry and apologize to his son for having to witness his brother's death. He understood just how close the two were.

"He said he was sorry," Russell explained. "And I said 'Sorry for what? Zach is in a much better place than any

of us can imagine.'"

"Sometimes I wish I was up there."

Russell's legs were going numb because of the table, and he asked the doctor who was standing in the room if he could unstrap them. He had a broken neck, and the doctor told him he had to stay put.

Then Hal asked the doctor about Russell's prognosis. Ignoring the fact that Russell lied just inches away, the doctor explained there was swelling in his brain, and unless it started to distribute itself across his body, he would either fall into a coma or die.

Russell turned to his father, who was noticeably shaken by the news, and tried to ease his nerves.

"I said 'Dad, don't worry. I am going to take a nap now, and when I wake up, I'll be fine,'" Russell said.

When he awoke a few hours later, the staff at the hospital gave him an

MRI test to check the swelling. The news was positive. The swelling did indeed move away from his brain, but they kept him in the intensive care unit for three long days to be cautious.

People lined up in the masses outside the McCarthy Funeral Home on Brady Street in Davenport. Students from both Zach's high school, Muscatine, and Russell's attended and watched him give his brother's eulogy at the funeral while he wore a neck brace.

Western head coach Don Patterson sent flowers to the funeral and called to talk to Russell four days after the accident.

"He shared his condolences," Russell said. "He was doing what any good friend would do. That is why Western Illinois is so special to me."

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Gateway giants to battle Saturday in Macomb

No. 7 Salukis hit road to face No. 2 W. Illinois

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Players and coaches at Louisiana State know. So do those at Wayne State, Eastern Michigan, Tennessee-Martin, Western Kentucky and Youngstown State, all of whom were beaten by a combined score of 212-63.

Now it is time for the SIU football team to find out what No. 2 Western Illinois is all about.

After defeating Western Illinois 35-7 earlier in the season, coaches at Louisiana State called their old friend, SIU head coach Jerry Kill, with some less-than-pleasant news about the team his 6-0 Salukis will face Saturday at 1:05 p.m. at Hanson Field in Macomb — watch out.

"They scared the hell out of me," Kill said. "They said, 'You got your work cut out for you, coach.' They said [Western Illinois] could beat half the Division I teams in the country, so when somebody tells you that, that's a scary thought."

Louisiana State, currently ranked No. 10 in the Division I-A polls, is 5-1 but saw all it wanted

from the Leathernecks.

Late in the third quarter, LSU was holding onto a slim 13-7 lead before finally getting to the Leathernecks and scoring 22 unanswered points to win the game.

Western Illinois (5-1) still managed to hold Louisiana State to just 152 rushing yards in the game and, had it not been for quarterback Matt Mauck going off for 305 yards and four touchdowns, may have been able to pull off the shocker.

"Eventually they got worn down," Kill said. "LSU's probably got some of the best athletes that walk this damn earth right now."

All this means the No. 7 Salukis will more than have their hands full in a clash of highly ranked Gateway Conference teams Saturday. Both teams are undefeated in league play at 2-0.

Kill said he anticipates the game to be decided by which team plays the best run defense.

"If Western Illinois stops us from running, we're going to be in trouble, and if our defense doesn't stop the run, we're going to be in trouble," Kill said. "If we stop them from running and they stop us from running, we're still probably going to be in trouble because we've got to be able to run the ball some way, shape or form."

Both teams are among the conference's best at stopping the run with the Salukis allowing just 80 yards a game and the Leathernecks allowing 98.

This feat should be slightly easier for the Salukis as the Leathernecks rank seventh in the conference in rushing offense at just 171 yards a game.

Led by their trio of talented runners in Tom Koutsos, Brandon Robinson and Muhammad Abdulquadir, who is expected to play after being sidelined the last two weeks, the Salukis are averaging a league-high 297 rushing yards a contest.

While SIU's offense is based on the run, Western Illinois is built around their star quarterback Russ Michna. A Payton Award candidate, Michna has thrown for almost 1,200 yards and eight touchdowns this season.

In last year's game, Michna threw for 329 yards and five touchdowns against the Salukis.

But this time around, Michna is without Stacy Coleman and RJ Luke, who combined for 19 receptions, 293 yards and all five touchdowns in that game.

Replacing Coleman and Luke have been Terrence Hall, James Norris and Reggie Gray. They have combined for 872 yards and seven scores this season.

"They have good receivers; they don't have great receivers," SIU junior cornerback Mehin Vance said. "As long as we can contain those receivers, we'll be fine."

This marks the second time in as many weeks the Leathernecks will face a defense ranked in the top five nationally in scoring defense. Youngstown State was ranked fourth and surrendered 54 points to Western Illinois Saturday.

One outside factor that may favor the Leathernecks is revenge.

The 54-52 loss to SIU last year was the only one Western Illinois suffered all regular season. It also ended an 18-year winning streak against the Salukis.

"I know there's got to be a lot of revenge out for us this year, and we're just trying not to let that happen," senior wide receiver Courtney Abbott said.

SIU's schedule does not get much easier, but a win against the Leathernecks would go a long way toward earning a conference title.

"This is a big win for us if we get it, but it's not a make-or-break to our season," Koutsos said. "We're 6-0, but if we want to seriously contend for the Gateway title, we have to win this game, and I think everyone knows that."