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Neely Hall residents approve of decision to stay 21 and older

BRENN SCOTT

Two non-alcoholic junior floors for students will not be implemented at Neely Hall because "an influx of student populations during the past three years," said the count of vacancies has steadily decreased by 7% this semester.

Dean of the School of Medicine selected to represent University on humanitarian mission to Cuba

JAYNETTE BOLINSKI

Southern Illinois University will be represented in a team of delegates assembled for Gov. George Ryan’s humanitarian mission to Cuba, in part, officials say, because of the School of Medicine’s reputation for rural health care endeavors.

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The CHAMBERLAIN

SUU Trustee Bill Norwood challenged SIUC to improve low minority faculty numbers in Thursday’s Board of Trustees meeting, and University officials say strategies are being examined.

Norwood pointed out that SIUC graduates more African-Americans than most universities in the country, but minority faculty members are extremely low. He said there is a lack of emphasis on diversity.

"I don't know that everyone on this campus sees this as a priority," Norwood said. "We have to recognize that this is a problem." At SIUC last year, 16.6 percent of faculty members were minorities. SIUE, which has a program to aid departments in recruiting minority staff, had 22 percent of its faculty and staff made up of minorities.

Making the long rooms in Thompson Point tri-fold instead of doubles is an alternative solution Jones is considering.

"I'm sure there is an answer," Jones said. "But I think it is important that we work together to solve this problem."
Calendar

**TODAY**

- *Shawnee National Forest recreation budget has decreased about 35 percent in the past five years.*

**UPCOMING**

- *Siobhan M. Ball, 19, of Carbondale was arrested and charged with possession of cannabis and cocaine—Sale of."*
- *David E. Spencer, 26, of Carbondale was arrested and charged with public urination at 12:32 a.m. Tuesday after an SIU officer observed a black male. Police have no suspects in the incident.*
- *Ralph A. Stover, 20, of Carbondale was arrested and charged with public urination at 12:32 a.m. Tuesday after an SIU officer observed a black male. Police have no suspects in the incident.*
- *Marlin D. Durham, 19, of Carbondale, was arrested and charged with public urination at 12:32 a.m. Tuesday after an SIU officer observed a black male. Police have no suspects in the incident.*
- *An 18-year-old resident of Mac Smith Hall told University police someone entered his unlocked room between 10:30 p.m. Saturday and 2:30 a.m. Sunday and stole about $500 worth of items. Police said compact disc, a compact disc case, a compact disc player, a video cassette recorder, entertainment lights and cash were stolen in the Incident. There are no suspects in the incident.*
- *David E. Spencer, 26, of Carbondale was arrested on an outstanding Jackson County warrant for failure to appear in court on an original charge of-resisting a peace officer Monday night. Police located Spencer during a traffic stop in the 500 block of south Main. Spencer was unable to post bail and was taken to Jackson County jail.*
- *An 18-year-old man's resident told University police someone poured blood on the washing machine while he was washing his clothes and caused $500 damage to his clothing. The victim described a possible suspect, police said.*
- *An 18-year-old East Campus resident was injured in the lip after being struck in the mouth by an unknown rotator at 11:56 p.m. Monday at Schneider Hall. Police said about 12 students were involved in a verbal altercation when the battery occurred. The offender was described as a black male. Police have no suspects in the incident.*
- *Dominic L. Candelone, 18, of Schneider Hall was arrested and charged with public urination at 12:32 a.m. Tuesday after an SIU officer observed a black male on campus. The suspect was identified and issued a pay-by-mail citation and released.*
- *Tobin F. Clark, 19, of Carbondale, was arrested and charged with illegally communicating a threat, a witness around 7 p.m. Monday in the 400 block of East Christmas Street. Police said Clark was threatening to burn the house after she filed a complaint against him. Clark was taken to Jackson County jail.*

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- "AnimiaKai Japanese animated video dub, every Wed.
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Forest Service control causes Shawnee strain

Gus Bode

As John O’Dell reached the Bell Smith Springs workout Wednesday, explaining how the inadequate number of signs confuse visitors in the Shawnee National Forest, a man rushed to him in need of assistance.

“Where is Burden Falls?” Ray Blaha asked O’Dell. “I’m from 300 miles north, and there’s no signs here to tell me anything.”

“Why not right past it,” O’Dell told Blaha and proceeded to provide him with the correct directions.

Blaha, a Melanie Park resident, appeared confused for a moment before he asked, “Well, what is here?”

Problems visitors such as Blaha encounter in the forest anger O’Dell and are one of numerous reasons he formed an organization seeking to transform the Shawnee National Forest to state control.

The Committee to Transfer the Shawnee, an 18-member group, is spreading public awareness by saying the Forest Service has lost touch with promoting tourism in the forest.

As chairman of the River-to-River Trail, a non-profit trail organization, O’Dell has worked closely with the Forest Service since 1990.

O’Dell, who has been active in the forest since he first entered it in 1964, said the Forest Service’s laissez-faire attitude toward tourism is leading to economic strain on the area.

“The Forest Service sits back and does nothing, which is essentially what has happened in the forest,” O’Dell said. “The Shawnee forest is the biggest tourist attraction Southern Illinois has got, but we don’t utilize it. We don’t market it to state ownership.”

Forest planning forum draws out interested public

Burrke Speaker and Andy echles

Vocalizing diverse ideas the Forest Service will utilize in its new management plan, more than 300 people concerned about the forest’s future land uses packed the Searl Law School Auditorium Tuesday night.

The forum, sponsored independently by the SIU Public Policy Institute, provided Southern Illinois the opportunity to become involved in the Forest Service’s revision of its Land and Resource Management Plan.

The plan, last revised in 1986 and revised every 10 to 15 years, utilizes public involvement to detect what issues need should be addressed in the new forest plan. The plan is revised to ensure the health, productivity and diversity of the land.

Beginning at 7 p.m., each speaker had five minutes to express opinions about how the forest should be managed. Topics ranged from the benefits of logging to drawing more trails for recreation.

David Kenney, former director of the Illinois Department of Conservation, was one of more than 30 people to take the microphone. Kenney, also a retired SIUC professor in political science, said the Forest Service should be recreation oriented.

Kenney said timber production is no longer what the public wants from the Forest Service. He said because of the decrease in the Forest Service’s budget, officials should look into making general admission for people going into the forest.

“We haven’t yet been willing to pay the bill that would increase forest development,” Kenney said.

General admission fees for automobiles and their passengers may in some cases be prevented.

Others took a more radical approach. John O’Dell, a member of the River-to-River Trail group, said if the new plan is just a repeat of the 1992 version, it would be a disaster for the forest.

“We need to start fresh and have a plan with some new vision,” O’Dell said. “I think we need some new people.”

Stan Harris, a retired SIU geology professor, brought up the controversy about the natural areas. The Forest Service recently closed 40 specific areas in the forests to all activities excluding hiking because of the sensitive nature of the area.

“I know that all government agencies, especially the Forest Service, are strapped financially,” Harris said. “Because they do not receive sufficient funds to carry on as they want, we should all look into volunteering.”

The Shawnee National Forest’s recreational budget has decreased by about 35 percent since fiscal year 1992. Also, its overall budget has decreased 25 percent since fiscal year 1992.

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Anyone with information about the incident should call the SIU police at 453-2381 or the Clinton Shoppers Tipline at 549-COPS.

Former surgeon general opens lecture series

Former U.S. Surgeon General C. Everett Koop will deliver the first Searle lecture on public health, “Issues in Health Care We Cannot Avoid Taking Into the Next Century,” at 7:30 tonight in the Law Library Auditorium.

The Searle lecture series, which is sponsoring Koop’s talk, was established last year with a $100,000 gift from the G.D. Searle Charitable Trust to the SIU Public Policy Institute. Admissions is free.

—Kendra Tonsun

Ann arbo, Mich.

Kalamazoo student kills girlfriend, self

A murder-suicide at Kalamazoo College stunned students and staff at the small liberal arts institution Monday.

Police responded to a report that shots were fired at 12:15 a.m. Monday at DeWet’s Residence Hall.

The Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety said Neenah Ohlha, 19, of Seattle, shot her former girlfriend, Margaret Wardle, 19, of Plainwell, Mich., before turning the gun on herself.

The shooting reportedly followed an argument between the two, both of whom were students at the college.

Classes were canceled today at the college of 1,400 students.

All students and staff were notified of the deaths by e-mail and counselors were made available to students.

—from DAILY EGYPTIAN News Service
City Council is Maierd in the past

As Matt Maier makes another attempt at contributing to downtown business, it is an appropriate time to take a second look at the liquor license cap and how it fits in with the opinion of the Carbondale City Council and its recent views of intermittent right actions on South Illinois Avenue. We believe the council's true reasons for denying Maier a class B-2 liquor license is not for fear of setting a liquor license precedent, but fear of setting a positive example for the future of the Strip.

A class B-2 liquor license allows a business to make all its profits from the sale of alcohol. The council denied Maier a B-2 license back in August, because it would surpass the five-license limit for the area from University Avenue to the railroad tracks and from Grand Avenue to Walnut Avenue as allowed in a city ordinance. City ordinances are unique to a given city. These aren't laws written in any state constitution, rather they are laws set to meet specific city's need. City officials appropriately responded to the rigorous experiences of Halloween-related mayhem when they established the liquor cap ordinance in 1995. But their own experience with the Strip is a clear indication of closing the street to traffic revealed that even to them, South Illinois Avenue is much more pleasurable to be than in 1995.

New activities on the Strip are characterized as not much different from what other universities experience, as related by Councilman Larry Briggs during a recent council meeting in which Strip closures were discussed. Briggs voted against approving the license in August, saying a bar in that area would not "attract the type of clientele that would likely be in that area." Anyway the view of what happens on the Strip has changed since then as we can't imagine a bar at 315 S. Illinois Ave. would attract much different crowds from those who frequent bars just a stone's throw away from Maier's proposed location. We wonder if it vote on Maier's next attempt at obtaining a B-2 license will reflect this change.

Indeed the entire council's view of the Strip seems to have changed since they are open to the idea of turning the Strip over to student traffic completely. With that notion in mind, it seems only logical that Maier should be granted his license on this second appeal.

The concern is no longer how many people will stand in the middle of the street; the council is evidently willing, or at least considering, giving, the street over to as many people as it will hold. In fact, it seems that if not for construction vs College Street at the time of the Strip closure proposal, the idea would have been adopted.

The only reason left for not granting the license is that it would be in violation of the aforementioned outdated ordinance. The council's overturning of the bar-entry age and the recent discussion on Strip closure show that this ordinance, as it applies to the Strip, no longer fits the needs of the community and it current atmosphere.

Maier is a well-respected, successful local business owner and a responsible landlord. He was even voted Citizen of the Year in 1981 and named Southern Illinois Business Leader of the Year for 1993 by the SIU College of Business and Administration. If he says a bar will be the only successful enterprise at 315 S. Illinois Ave., we believe him, and the number of turning failed business attempts at the location supports this.

If the council sees more benefit in having an abandoned building sitting away on the Strip than a bar, then Maier might have been denied his license a second time. Otherwise the council should overcome their fear of precedent and set an example that is both consistent of their recent opinions of Strip activity and beneficial to local business.
‘Date rape’ drugs threaten SIUC students

By GREG MILLER

In KILGORE, Texas - Students at Kilgore College were in the spotlight for a very different reason than one over the weekend after refusing to bow to play protesters.

"They're definitely in the area. Irwin said the drugs have been in the area for more than four years, and GHB is the most common date rape drug in the Carbondale area.

Kellie Cichy, a coordinator for the Rape Action Committee in Carbondale, said because these drugs are not in the area, people must be aware, especially at parties and bars. She told people should never leave a drink unattended or accessible to others.

"They might not be able to catch the particular person in your instance but they may be able to establish a pattern," Sommer said.

The blood sample tests, at a cost of $141, will be sent to a toxicology lab in Springfield by the Carbondale police. Otherwise, the sample will be sent to a regional lab in St. Louis.

"They'd feel pretty hazy and unclear," she said. "They'd feel pretty nauseous and hangover but it's different than with alcohol."

"Parties are no place to forget the buddy system," according to Cichy. Friends watching out for one another may be the best defense to potential rapists.

"The effects of these drugs will start to show up in 10, 15 or 20 minutes depending on the amount of the drug, and the size of the person," said Sommer. "You should notice if you are someone who appears very drunk for a relatively small amount of alcohol."

Both Elam, coordinator for the SIUC Wellness Center, said people's perception that a drug-assisted sexual assault will not happen to them is not only wrong - it is dangerous. "It's not just strangers and just people who look like rapists," she said. "It happens right here."
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Laugh it up at tonight's comedy showcase

Erik Faticchio
The Daily Egyptian

Keeping a budget and quality talent in mind, the Student Programming Council spent months determining how to begin this year's Homecoming activities. After careful consideration, laughter was chosen as the kickoff theme.

Marian Ellis, a freshman in radio and television at Southern Illinois University, said the event featuring Chicago-based comedians was a good idea.

"I'm going to start the Homecoming week off with laughter," Ellis, who plans to attend Chicago, said SPC's. "It's going to be a good week for sure." Ellis plans to attend Chicago, and SPC's Homestberry said the audience's expectations were surpassed. "We want to make it exciting and happy because Homecoming should be fun," she said. "Students need a little bit of laughter right now." Ellis planned to come back and bring some excitement to Homecoming.

This year is the first to include a comedy showcase as a Homecoming event, and SPC expects a large turnout at the show.

"We're hoping to sell out this show Homestberry said. This is a fund-raiser for SPC comedy and hopefully the audience will have a good time. SPC just wanted to make Homecoming exciting."

But Homecoming has a special, Homestberry said SPC brought it to him at the last performance here, "so he wanted to come back and bring some excitement to Homecoming.

The Last Lafl Comedy Jam Tour 2000 begins at 7 tonight in the Student Center Ballroom. Doors open at 6 p.m. Tickets are $7 in advance and $10 at the door. The jam is part of DeRay's College Comedy Concerts, featuring stand-up comedians Snow Cone, Sherie Luckett and Donn Cole. The group spent, DeRay, will host the event and DJ Dolla Bill will spin a mix of soul and house music during breaks.

Both Luckett and Cole have been on Black Entertainment Television's "Real TV" and HBO's "Def Comedy Jam." Snow Cone has also appeared on "Concertview."

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Professor prepares training kit for food handlers

Tamis Morse

Lack of food safety is a major problem in the United States, according to National Restaurant Association statistics, and Hea-Ran Ashraf is prepared to do something about it.

Ashraf, associate professor in the Department of Animal Science, Food and Nutrition at SIUC, is leading an effort to teach 800 Illinois food service managers how to apply the Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point food safety system.

HACCP was a system developed by NASA and Pillsbury in the 1960s to prevent food safety problems for astronauts in the space program. The seven-step system focuses on six different food handling practices: hand washing, preventing cross contamination, checking the internal temperature of foods, monitoring cooling time, keeping cold food at 41 degrees Fahrenheit or lower and keeping hot food at 140 degrees Fahrenheit or higher.

"Relatively simple things like hand washing and time and temperature control are very important for food handlers to understand," James Bloom, retail food coordinator for Illinois, said.

"That’s why we have to provide managers with methods of giving information to employees."

To apply the system, modern food handlers, Ashraf and her team developed the HACCP Training Kit. Inside the kit is a 55 minute instructional video and job aids such as a cooling chart, thermometer and disposable gloves.

"Food handlers have to understand the nature of food and that some food requires more caution than other," Ashraf said. "There are different handling techniques for different foods."

Raw animal food, potentially hazardous food like eggs and lunch meat and ready to eat food like bread and crackers are three different categories of food handled by food service establishments.

"Raw animal food has the highest risk as it has to be cooked at a certain temperature, but even ready to eat food has to be handled correctly to avoid contamination," Ashraf said.

One of the reasons food safety has become such an issue is because more people are eating at restaurants.

"It’s estimated that nearly 9,000 people a year die from foodborne illnesses," Ashraf said. "People are eating out more these days, so the risk is higher for the public.

Bloom agrees that increased restaurant attendance is one of the major reasons this issue has become so important.

"The National Restaurant Association estimates that almost 50 percent of our food dollar is being spent eating out so food safety is a very important issue," Bloom said.

Ashraf said the key to implementing this new system is to train the managers to train the employees.

"We have to make the system a managerial tool," Ashraf said. "There’s no way we can reach all the food service handlers, so teaching the managers how to teach the employees is the best way to go."

David Blaise, regional supervisor of the Illinois Department of Public Health, said the method of teaching managers first is what makes this program unique.

"The program has always been how do we get the information down to the employees," Blaise said.

"This way is unique as we are training the managers to train the employees."

The first training session for the food service managers is scheduled for today at 8:30 a.m. at the Christian County Health Department.

Bloom said both the public and the managers benefit from this training.

"Food service managers in the state of Illinois are required to take a five-hour refresher course every five years to renew their certificate."

Hea-Ran Ashraf, an associate professor in the Department of Animal Science, Food and Nutrition, points out some food safety measures to Jennifer Sanders, a graduate student in food and nutrition from Murphysboro.

The HACCP workshop fulfills that requirement and also provides the managers with a free training kit.

Blaise said training such as this could go a long way in preventing unsafe food practices in the future.

"I think this is a step in the right direction," Blaise said.

"Hopefully, in the next few years, we’ll start to see more of this type of thing all over the country."

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The Faculty Senate is still in the process of gathering the necessary information for a national association’s investigation into the June firing of Jo Ann Argersinger as SIUC chancellor and the hiring of interim Chancellor John Jackson. The Senate is seeking to gather information to determine whether the University violated AAUP guidelines.

In a resolution passed at its June meeting, the Senate stated that the University agreed to follow the AAUP’s guidelines on the probationary period of faculty members. The Senate also noted that it would seek further information before reaching a conclusion.

The information requested by the AAUP includes operating papers for the Faculty Senate, information about how involved faculty are supposed to participate in the hiring of faculty members, and information on whether the Illinois Open Meetings Act was violated in Asgiersinger’s firing.

The process has been delayed somewhat because the University has not yet yielded an answer to the Open Meetings Act dispute, Langsdorf said.

The lawsuit, which alleged that Asgiersinger was terminated in violation of the Illinois Open Meetings Act, was settled Sept. 30, giving Asgiersinger 30 days to file an amended complaint or to transfer the case to another venue. A Williamson County judge said Asgiersinger’s suit against the University was filed in the wrong jurisdiction.

No further action has been taken in the case. If the AAUP finds the University in violation of their policies, SIUC could be placed on censure by the organization.

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The declining scale program works, Wilson said, because after three years new faculty are less likely to leave because they are working too hard to leave the university. Seymour Bryson, associate chancellor for Diversity at SIUC, said there is no specific effect of minority hiring at this point, but plans similar to SIUE's program are being discussed.

Bryson said the value of diversity in the classroom cannot be underestimated. "It's a good place to be in the classroom to recognize the value of having a diverse workforce," Bryson said. "The importance of minority faculty is there for the taking.

The rest is history.

Andy Pettitte a survivor in Big Apple

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Remigie de Estournes, the highest ranking Cuban official in the United States, involved in educational, health and agricultural programs and research at SIUC during his visit to Carbondale

Jackson said Remigie de Estournes and the Cuban delegation, that visited SIUC was very interested in the University's programs and research at SIUC during his visit to Carbondale

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FRESHMAN MAKES FIRST IMPRESSION Memorable

Paul Wuklinski

Siu freshman Alan Savidor made a memorable first impression on his tennis teammates after finishing his first weekend on the team with a 3-1 record in the Middle Tennessee Fall Classic, Sept. 24-26.

The Ramat Hasharon, Israel, native made the semi-finals of the tournament, according to his doubles partner, Frank Rigo, 7-5, 6-4.

"I think he did a nice job," said Hutt, a Philadelphia native who proved it was not just beginning-of-the-season rust that was putting the Salukis behind. "I thought he played well in the first round. His first experience was in college tennis so that was another solid performance from him."

Said Siu men's tennis coach Brad Hitts: "He's a freshman, so this is his first exposure to college tennis so that was another solid performance from him."...The reliable junior Kenny Hutt earned his first win against Hutt in five attempts with a 6-1, 5-7, 6-1 win. Hutt was knocked out of the tournament in the semi-finals by long-time rival Aaron Endress, who lost in the finals, of Drake University. Endress earned his first win against Hutt in five attempts with a 6-1, 5-7, 6-1 win.

[Endless] is from my home state, said Hutt, a Philadelphia native. "He lives about an hour away from me. He's a tough kid. I wasn't too happy about it maybe I'll get another shot at him."...The Salukis registered a 9-7 overall record in singles action, but exhaustion hindered the play of the Salukis doubles teams as they suffered a disappointing 3-5 mark.

"We haven't played in three weeks," Hitts said. "So I was kind of worried about that long of a layoff. But all-in-all in the tournament, I think we did about what I expected.

Like I said, we played one tournament at the end of September and we didn't do very well. We only played on matches. So we had some good matches and some bad matches. We had a couple of matches that we didn't have a chance to play."

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Alan Savidor

When I first came here, I was really surprised because I didn't think anyone would be playing that well.

JAN QUARLSS

We talked about poor effort. We talk about the mistakes we're making in the young secondary. We just talked about a defense not really playing good football.

Jan Quarless

SIU's fourth-year

"We have a winning season," said Quarless, a Philadelphia native who proved it was not just beginning-of-the-season rust that was putting the Salukis behind. "I thought he played well in the first round. His first experience was in college tennis so that was another solid performance from him."...

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Confidence, Redbirds next obstacles for football team

Stay away from the SIU football team this week if you’re looking for company high on self-esteem.

The Salukis started the season 3-0, but now find themselves mired in a miserable rut. SIU has lost four straight and saw its dignity during a nightmare 68-2-2 loss Saturday against Western Illinois University. The Salukis remain winless in Gateway Football Conference play.

The time has come for thorough introspection among the SIU football players and coaching staff. SIU head coach Jan Quarse said he’s the first in line to look in the mirror and make no attempt to sugarcoat his team’s sorry performance against WIU.

"I think you always hope as a football coach that you’ve prepared your team such that they won’t allow a performance as bad as that to happen," Quarse said. "I have to question what I’m doing.

Coach Q, known for his ultra-intense demeanor, is contemplating whether his coaching style is a good fit with the Salukis.

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Sophomore defensive back Andre King (left) and senior wide receiver Cornell Craig (right) get rough and tumble at practice Tuesday. SIU will try to recover from last week’s loss to Western Illinois when it plays Illinois State Saturday.