Middle East war hits close to home

Local Palestinians struggle with homeland violence

Ben Boklin
Daily Egyptian

Palestinian fighters and civilians are killed by Israeli soldiers during a battle. Israelis die waiting for a bus because a Palestinian suicide bomber decided to make his last stop there.

The events got a 20-second sound byte on the evening news watched by Americans, and politicians from Jerusalem to the White House — and many places in between — make plans for the violence between Palestinians and Israelis to end.

Not an unusual world reaction to Israel's domestic problems, something that has existed since its inception in 1948 as a state for Jewish people. With a mixed population of Jewish people who have immigrated to Israel and Palestinian Arabs who live alongside them, conflict between the two groups has existed since Israel was declared a state.

The desire of Palestinians is echoed in Carbondale, where local Palestinians long for the violence to end and want to see a Palestinian state formed in land occupied by Israel.

Mahar Butt, a member of Carbondale's Islamic Center, said he is horrified by the violence in Israel that leaves Palestinians dead.

"It's terrible," Butt said. "They are slaughtering people like animals."

But Israel has also maintained that it works hard to eliminate suicide bombings and estimates that mostly Palestinian fighters were killed in a recent conflict in Iraq, while Palestinians said hundreds of people died in an Israeli offensive.

The United Nations has sent a fact-finding mission to Israel to investigate the situation.

Deen Amley, a 1997 SIUC graduate, said he finds the violence difficult to swallow in many ways. Amley grew up in Kuwait, but has family in the West Bank, so he has been unable to get in touch with them.

"I don't understand what people are going through now," he said.

Amley also said he finds the current conflict difficult to swallow.

Mohammad Ahmad searches through the Qur'an to explain parts of the Muslim holy book that have been criticized by some media analysts as his 4-year-old daughter Ashrakat wanders inside the Carbondale Islamic Center after a Wednesday night service.

"It's hard to believe it's happening in this kind of a modern time," Amley said. "Abud Sarni, a member of Carbondale's Islamic Center, said that the United States' support of Israel makes the situation difficult.

"The whole world is on one side and America and Israel is on the other side," he said. "We [Muslims] do not want to see this happen because Israel has a friend who is so powerful."

Butt said the main goal of Palestinians is to have their own state.

Amley said the situation is simple because of United Nations resolutions and agreements previously made. After fighting involving Arab states in 1948, Israel gained about 50 percent more territory than what is originally called for in the United Nations plan. The events of 1948 created about 780,000 Palestinian refugees who fled to neighboring Arab states after the Israelis won their war for independence.

One such descendant of the refugees now lives in Carbondale, but continues a desire to one day travel to Israel. Issa Abadi said he finds the situation difficult.

Samantha Edmondson
Daily Egyptian

Two 22-year-old Israeli guards walked alongside Ben Scher down the streets of Jerusalem.

Even though they protected Scher and about 100 other Jewish-American students during their 10-day trip to the country in May, they could not anticipate the blast that swarmed a community just down the street.

The streets were blocked off. Crowds of people fled from the area. But the twins were not the only ones. Scher, a senior in political science and government production from Buffalo Grove, Israel went boom, mortar shells and bombs throughout the short stay in the country.

Israel and Arab states have fought continuously since Israel established itself as an independent nation after the War of 1948. Palestinians want to claim land they had lived on for thousands of years and Israel wants to keep their country securely united.

After Sept. 11, Americans can still wake up to the sound of rockets and birds chirping even though our soldiers are fighting in Afghani stan. But the residents of Israel regularly awake to explosions that measure through the streets of Jerusalem and Tel Aviv with a 'Shabbados, Good Morning.'

The fighting seems distant, except from Americans' daily lives. But, for a few Jewish-American SIUC students like Scher, the war is waking up with them every morning.

As Israelis and Palestinians continue to fight over the holiest place on earth for three major religions, the people who share those religions...
**National Briefs**

**FBI warns banks in Northeast of threats**

WASHINGTON — The FBI publicly warned more than 1,200 banks in the Northeast on Friday of possible terrorist attacks, and government officials said the unconfirmed information that led to the dramatic alert came in part from a high-ranking Al Qaeda leader in U.S. custody.

Authorities cautioned that they had no information about a specific plot or threat to any financial institution, but a U.S. law enforcement source said authorities feared a suicide attack. The warning of what the FBI described as possible "physical attacks" was based in part on information from Abu Zubaydah, the highest-ranking of Al Qaeda terror leader in U.S. custody, two officials said, but it was unconfirmed.

Abu Zubaydah is alleged to have been one of Osama bin Laden’s top planners of terrorist operations, including knowledge of Al Qaeda plots and operational calls. He was captured March 29 by Pakistan and U.S. authorities.

There were no reports of any bank closings in response to the alert Friday.

**Navy jet crash kills two**

Two people were killed Friday evening at an air show at the Point Mugu Naval Air Weapons Station when a Navy fighter jet crashed. One of the new members ejected from the jet as it flew less than 200 feet above the ground before crashing.

**U.S. send mission to Jenin refugee camp**

JERUSALEM — A Palestinian gunman killed an Israeli border policeman in the Jenin refugee camp on Friday, Israeli authorities said.

The shooting occurred Saturday in the Jenin refugee camp near the West Bank city of Jenin.

**Navy jet kills 14 in Philippines**

MANILA, Philippines — A bomb killed a least 14 people outside a busy department store in the southern Philippines on Sunday, an hour after a man called in a warning in the name of a Muslim extremist group, officials said. Two other bombs went off in quick succession near a police station and a bus terminal in Davao City.

**Earthquake strikes New York**

Gov. George Pataki declared states of emergency in three upstate counties in New York, William Ott, a seismologist at Weston Observatory at the College Seismological Network, said.

The quake was centered 15 miles southwest of Plattsburg, N.Y., left cracks in foundations and chimneys in Plattsburg and nearby.
Earth Day Fair brings out environmentally savvy

Brian Peach
Daily Egyptian

Bad weather did not stop Jeremiah Monk, 9, from playing with fossils and checking out the newest environmentally sound technology at last year's Earth Day Fair.

Today may be Earth Day, but the fair that coincides with it took place Saturday at Evergreen Park with opportunities for families, students and the community to learn more about their surroundings and spend a day at the park.

Environmental activists, students and community members all showed up to enjoy the festivities. They tossed Frisbees, canoed on the reserve and boxed around listening to music and poetry by bands promoting Earth protection and awareness.

"It's a big celebration to raise awareness for the environment," said Michelle Zuro, a fair coordinator. "It's a great chance for people to come together locally."

Zuro, a senior in geography from Oak Forest, was pleased with the fair's new location at Evergreen Park. In past years, it took place at Turley Park, but was moved closer to campus because resources like the water reservoir could be used to the fair's advantage.

"It's closer to the reserve, and I think it's a bigger area, too," she said, adding that canoe rides were offered to attendees.

Hundreds showed up to the fair despite SIUC's annual Spring Thing, which was going on at the same time down the road at the SIU Arena. Zuro said last year's Spring Thing hurt attendance at the fair when everyone left to see Buddy Guy perform. This year's turnout was not affected as much because the fair took place between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m., while Black Eyed Peas, Spring Thing's main band this year, did not come on stage until around 5 p.m.

Monk, a student at Unity Point Grade School, and others were greeted by an array of environmentally friendly exhibits and signs, including a cartoon of Popeye that read, "I hope ya musk won't be throwin' no plastic overboard."

Monk enjoyed an exhibit with fossils, snake skins, turtle shells and other remains of living creatures, but said his favorite exhibit was one displaying solar panels and ways to harness the sun's energy.

"It was particularly interesting because I've been recently thinking about various ways to power flying machines," Monk said.

The solar panels were set to display solar energy and also power the entire fair. Music speakers and amplifiers were among things drawing power from the panels until clouds blocked the sun and two large golf-cart type batteries had to be used for energy.

Other sites Earth Day farmers enjoyed included a two-story tepee, propane and electric cars, free pine tree seedlings and numerous environmentally friendly foods.

Alyson Newquist, a senior in university studies from Lemont, operated a booth selling "fairly traded organic coffee," which she said is the product of small farmers and not acquired through slave labor, as it is in some other countries.

"It tastes better, and it's organic," she said. "It's not exploiting nature or workers by the use of pesticides or man-made fertilizers."

Monk enjoyed his first year at the Earth Day Fair. He carefully studied the remains of snakes and turtles while making time to check out the swinging rope inside the giant letter "E." He wants to come back next year to check out all the exhibits again.

"I'd like to see what are the newest things on the market for renewable energy," she said.

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Jarard gets head start on his administration

Jane Hub Daily Egyptian

Michael Jarard, the next Undergraduate Student Government president, said he can't wait another minute to prepare for his hefty responsibilities in the fall.

Since last Thursday's Freedom party presidential victory, Jarard and Neal Young, the new vice president, have begun brainstorming and talking to current USG President Michael Perry and Vice President Valerie Climo to get a closer look at what is expected of student leaders.

The morning after Jarard's win, he contacted Perry to discuss ways to have a smooth transition after Perry graduates.

"It's been just as busy as the elections. It will start slowed down since," Jarard said.

Jarard said he and Young will attend student advisory meetings and continue to gauge student needs once they take office.

Perry invited Jarard to be a part of the executive meetings with the chief of staff, vice president and commissioners.

"We discussed logistical stuff, like how the transition should go after I leave," Perry said. "I'll be joining my executive staff meetings. Generally, I'm just trying to include him in student body government as much as possible. I'm giving him face-to-face counseling to best help him with the position."

Perry said he wants Jarard to become well versed with the procedures of leading an influential administration before he takes the reins next school year. Being student body president means being a student activist instead of a figurehead, he said.

"I hope he'll understand the gravity of the position and the fact that this position has much more responsibilities than most students recognize, and I want to make sure he grasps the amount of time he's going to have to put into daily and set the tone at the beginning," Perry said.

Meanwhile, Young is also learning the ropes with help from Climo. He said he is working with Jarard to hit the ground running by getting familiarized with the executive office.

"Perry was a great president; Philip Peony was a great chief of staff. We want to mould our office over the efficiency and quality of work they put into [their administration]," Young said.

On Wednesday, Jarard and Young will travel to Springfield with USG senators and students for Lobby Day, when students get to the state capital to lobby for more funding for SHL.

"We're going to talk to politicians and garner support from them. This is what we ran on, getting the students active," Young said.

Perry, who endorsed Fusion party's Marty Oleen, said he thinks Jarard is a qualified individual for the job.

"I think he'll do a fine job. Obviously, I thought Marty would do a better job, but I have no doubts about Jarard being a fine candidate on my mind at this point," Perry said.

Jarard doesn't want the other candidates to abandon USG after losing the election. He said he would like to work with them as president.

"I hope they're involved with USG next year. I want to emphasize that. The students still need them. Now the work begins," he said.

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For more information about Lobby Day on Wednesday, and the USG office at 566-3341.
The students and professors in the hot glass shop at Pulliam Hall are trying to find a solution to the problem of asbestos in the glass shop. The glass shop pulls air in from throughout the building. As it flows, it picks up loose particles of silica, clay and other hazardous materials. These concerns led Deller to request an inspection of Pulliam Hall by the Illinois Bureau of Labor, the state agency responsible for administering the OSHA laws for this kind of work. Deller said this has not stopped him from experimenting with keeping the chemicals on the glove factory floor, but the experiment failed because they were "dangerous," Resuf'o said. But the Physical Plant is not technically responsible for them.

Some students want to be a step ahead of the competition for jobs. The University is offering free mock interviews on campus beginning next Monday. SIUC Career Services is offering the free mock interviews to students who want to be a step ahead of the competition for jobs. The course will yield a class certificate for the students who participate. For additional information or to register, call (800) 642-9589. Students who complete the course will receive a class certificate. The course will begin at 5 p.m. on April 29. Students who want to be a step ahead of the competition for jobs should call the Career Services office to register.

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will.i.am puts himself into the hands of his fans as he takes a crown shelf. The turnout for Spring Thing 2002 was smaller than last year's, but many of those in attendance crowded near the stage.

Adam Krier of Lucky Boys Confusion rambunctiously wraps his arm around lead singer Kaustubh Pandav.

Spring Thing hits a high note

FREE CONCERT DRIVES STUDENTS TO ARENA FOR PUNK, HIP-HOP SHOWS

STORY & PHOTOS
BY AMANDA WHITLOCK

The annual Spring Thing, sponsored by the Student Programming Council, is usually held outdoors in the SIU Arena's parking lot, but the threat of rain Saturday prompted the move of the concert to inside the Arena. The turnout wasn't as high as previous years, but many of those in attendance crowded near the stage.

The concert was comprised of Lucky Boys Confusion of Downriver Granite, and hip-hop enthusiasts Black Eyed Peas, and punk enthusiasts Black Eyed Peas. Lucky Boys Confusion were the first in the concert line up and performed with a spirited eagerness typical of their shows. Band members include lead singer Kaustubh Pandav, guitarist Joe Sell, guitarist Achm, and bassist Jason Schulte-Jann. Their musical montage was complemented by their stage antics and crowd-friendly disposition. Lucky Boys' performance proved to be a visual experience, highlighted by Joe Sell's behind-the-back guitar playing and Krier's non-stop romp around the stage. The crowd didn't even seem to mind getting water splashed at them by Krier and Schulte-Jann.

Black Eyed Peas, who came on as the main act of the afternoon, put forth pure energy and proved to be crowd motivators. The band features will.i.am, apl.de.ap, and taboo. In addition to the music, the hip-hop trio displayed their dancing skills during their set on Saturday. Lucky Boys Confusion Bassist Jason Schulte-Jann hammers away killer bass lines during their set on Saturday.

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Even though Spring Thing didn't get its usual spring setting this year, the concert experience more than made up for the lack of sunshine.

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Jarard, surpass our expectations

The Daily Egyptian's chosen candidate for Undergraduate Student Government president, Marty O'Gara, has by 64 votes. Instead, the student body chose K.J. Jarard, the frontman for the Freedom Party—the biggest and most influential force on the student senate.

We congratulate Jarard on his win, but we must address some of our limitations in hopes that warnings will be heeded. First, we have noticed a disturbing trend within the Freedom Party. The party has set the tone for a childish scene. The pure promise to take an anti-administration stance to the extreme, whining and complaining at every little move administrators make. We understand that Jarard mentioned finding ways to provide more entertainment, but we doubt that he is dying of boredom. But the Daily Egyptian has also been covering USG memt options for minorities in Carroll, something we source of irritation for years, and we want to see a smooth funding process laid out by the senate of the students, Also, the Daily Egyptian respects the Freedom Party for its diversity and its gossip in defending its agenda. However, these traits are fairly worthless if the body doesn't remain in front of every University stakeholder when it does not get its way.

There is an adult way to conduct business, and even to disagree, and it is fundamental for the people who represent the entire student body to act accordingly. Please, keep that in mind of your convictions to continue to do so, with proposals that we are not in the best interest of the students. Just learn how to do it so that you do not threaten yourself and the students you represent in the process. Your initiatives will be far more respected by the administration and more likely to turn the heads of the powerful if you embrace professionalism.

Every year we begin and plead with the current president and senators to reach out to their constituents by attending Residence Hall meetings and introducing themselves to the people they represent. And every year they seem to just be out of touch with the students as the year before. The result is that the senate, and its ruling Freedom party, exists more as a clique than a congress.

We encourage Jarard to use all the pull he has now to change this very real problem. It is just for the Freedom Party to stop outside of party lines and truly work with the senate as one body for the cause. Jarard already seems to be moving in this direction, and we hope he continues.

Jarard's major campaign promise was to keep1 up on the residence Hall meetings. He assurance students he will not stop trying until the first day of class. While this is an easy sell, Jarard is fairly powerless to change everything at once. We hope he has some real plans for the remaining nine months of his presidency.

We support many of Jarard's plans, and we will be watching to see if the goals he recently outlined for the Daily Egyptian editorial board will be executed.

Registered Student Organization funding has been a source of irritation for years, and we want to see a smooth funding process laid out by the senate of the students. Also, Jarard mentioned finding ways to provide more entertaining options for minorities in Carbondale, something we have overlooked in the past. We wish him the best of luck.

Though the Daily Egyptian did not endorse Jarard, he was the most qualified candidate after O'Gara, and we have no doubt that he will help the university continue to lead USG to greatness. But the Daily Egyptian has also been covering USG since its infancy, and we understand a thing or two about the other side.

So be forewarned that we will be vigilantly watching for some real results—not a whole lot of tuition crap.

Quote of the Day
"As long as I'm governor, I can't stop death."
Gov. George Ryan
on the death penalty moratorium he imposed on Illinois

Words Overheard
"I'll be president all summer, and you better believe I'll be out there trying to keep that cost down to keep affordability at this University."
Michael Jarred
new USG president, on his campaign promise of respecting Chancellor Wender's tuition proposal.
Tales From Oz

BY DAVID OSBORNE

My daughter has decided to become a vegetarian. There’s no religious or health belief involved; she’s saying she’s healthier, and she’s trying it for size. Another little side trip on the road to self-discovery. It’s an adjustment in thinking for some, but for us, it’s been rather easy. We’ve a household of omnivores with definite carnivorous leanings. I’m trying to accommodate, even encourage her in her efforts. But I’ve come to realize that meat is just a valid option. Sometimes it’s a matter of picking up some extra vegetables, fruit and potatoes, sometimes it involves making a separate portion of the main course with the meat to eat last, a rather big leap in thinking for me. I’m a meat-eating sort. There’s a difference, but I could lose the eyebrows.

Still, I’m finding filter in my mental armor must and more these days. Never in my life did I imagine I would come to hate against capital punishment. I’ve always been a proponent of law and order, believing the death penalty serves the best interest of the nation. I felt the current method of execution was too humane. I was living in Washington when they hung Wesley Allen Dodd, a convicted child molester and killer. Then I was absolutely no doubt he was guilty. His confession, aided by the use of plotters of physical evidence against him. If anyone ever deserved to hang, it was Dodd. There was no doubt in Dodd’s guilt. Although there were others.

Constitutionally speaking, a person on death row who was subsequently exonerated, but was an anomaly, and their innocence demonstrated in time. I trusted the system to work well enough that only the deserving would be executed. Then Gov. Ryan declared a moratorium against execution. Illinois had exonerated more death row inmates than it had executed. Dodd’s case was obviously broken. It begs the question, although there were in others. Maybe it’s time to take a change or thinking for what it is a dangerously flawed process that gobbles up money and wastes time and resources. An exonerated defendant can be released from prison. A wrongly exonerated inmate will always be dead.

Tales From Oz appears on Monday. David is a senior in journalism. His views do not necessarily reflect the views of THE DAILY EGYPTIAN. To read more of David’s work, go to http://www.dailyegyptian.com.

Facts grossly lacking in Middle East debate

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Letters taken by e-mail (editor@DailyEgyptian.com) and fax (423-8424). Phone number needed (not for publication) subject to include year and major. TADLEY must include rank and department. NON-ACADEMIC STAFF include position and department. OTHERS include author’s hometown.

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DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PROPOSED TUTION INCREASE?

SIUC Chancellor Walter V. Wendler will host two open forums this week to answer questions about the proposed tuition increase.

When:

Wednesday, April 23 and Thursday, April 25

Where:

Hiram H. Lesar Law Building Auditorium

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Nickelback bassist Mike Kroeger lays down a melodic foundation for the group during their second song of the night. Nickelback, along with Starsailor, Injected, and Default, performed as part of MTV's Campus Invasion 2K2 tour.

Mike Kroeger, a former Starbucks Coffee employee, started the band along with Chad. Since a cup of coffee at the time cost $1.45, a nickel back was the change one would receive, and that's where the group's name originated from.

Nickelback
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Concerts
invade
Carbondale

Mike Kroeger, lead singer and guitarist of Nickelback, displays his passion for music while singing during Friday's concert at the SIU Arena.

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Actor Michael J. Fox puts spotlight on Parkinson's disease

Carolyn Poelot
Knight Ridder Newspapers

(KRT) When a chapter of Parkinson's disease cases was discovered recently in Vincennes, Canada, it was not the fact that the chapter added to the growing body of evidence that Parkinson's may be caused by a virus or toxic compounds in the workplace that made headlines. It was the fact that, according to ABC News, 

"Michael J. Fox, the new autograph is turning popular interest to a study publication of the Parkinson's Disease Foundation. "Michael J. Fox is very famous, and he is one of the few," The impact of celebrity was felt again when, according to ABC News, "Lucky Man," published by Hyperion Press, turned popular interest to a study published earlier this month in the April 3 issue of the "Journal of the American Medical Association." The study indicates that one out of two most common symptomatic drugs to treat Parkinson's not only helps with symptoms but also slows the disease. And the study, just happened to come out the day after the news, which Fox was promoting on most major television talk shows.

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Although some people inherit a predisposition for Parkinson's, it is not considered a genetic disease. It is thought to be caused by a combination of genetic and environmental influences, including exposure to specific chemicals, molds, metals or possibly viruses or other infectious agents.

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Angel Arenas of Cape Girardeau gets her fortune read by Andrew Black through a method called Ogham. Angel picked out sticks of wood with different hash marks on them as Andrew described what each represented for her future. The Psychic Fair, held at the Town Square Pavilion Saturday, gave those who were interested a chance to have their fortunes read by numerow, psychics using various methods such as tarot cards, runes, ogham, stones, palmistry, energy and handwriting.

By Janet Adam
Knight Ridder Newspapers

Ebay pulls controversial t-shirt

Online auction site eBay on Friday became the second vendor to yank a T-shirt that Asian-Americans deemed racist.

But not before one Midwest buyer committed to paying $249 for a gray extra-large shirt that sold in shopping centers for $24.50 one week ago.

Trendy retailer Abercrombie & Fitch introduced a line of eight Asian-themed shirts last week designed to add humor and levity to its clothing line. The shirts featured eye-drawings of Asians wearing pointed hats with sayings like "Wong Brothers Laundry Service - Two Wongs Can Make It White," and "Abercrombie and Fitch, Buddha Rugs, Get Your Buddha on the Floor."

Many Asian-Americans didn’t think they were funny. Ohio-based Abercrombie responded by pulling the shirts Thursday.

By Friday at least nine shirts in three styles were selling on eBay, with one opening up to 38 bidders, eBay pulled the shirt with the laundry service design after a newspaper reporter asked Abercrombie spokesman Kevin Panghoo about it. None of the other four shirts that Abercrombie pulled had been banned from the site, Panghoo said.

"It clearly is promoting or suggesting racial "incivility," he said of the last 30 shirts. "We will exercise discretion and remove items that violate our policy."

After hearing Abercrombie pulled the shirts, Paul Hensley, a 31-year-old from Detroit, immediately headed to eBay to see how much they were selling for. He bought five minutes before giving a final bid of $249 for the laundry shirt.

"As soon as you see the word "banned," it means something valuable," said Hensley. "It's humorous, and everything like that gets blown out of proportion."

But about 20 minutes after he bought the shirt, San Jose-based eBay sent him an e-mail saying it had ended the auction early because the "term "incivility" which is prohibited for sale on eBay." Even though he got his bid in before it was pulled, Panghoo said eBay will not help sell Hensley the shirt.

Hensley, who is white, doesn't think the shirt is inappropriate, but he said he can understand why it would be offensive to Asians. Mostly, it was the ceremony that drove him to buy it.

Edward Wu, a 19-year-old Asian-American from Philadelphia, bid $100 for the same shirt. He was disappointed when eBay halted the bidding. "I laughed when I saw it," he said. "So did my Asian friends."

But for the Buddha shirt was as high as $99. Another shirt that says "Rich is how Haung and Grandiose - Quit by the Floor," and includes a photo of an Asian pulling a stool on a railing, was selling for $41.

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Vietnam packin' 'em in on the college campus

Mike Conklin
Chicago Tribune

When Myra MacPherson wrote "Long Time Passing," a powerful retelling of the Vietnam War's grip on America, the book drew praise and Pulitzer Prize consideration for her investigative work on televised war coverage and the newly homecoming treatment many veterans had received. That was nearly 20 years ago. Now, the book has been reissued, and MacPherson is learning there's a whole new mainstream market for her long-groundbreaking book. The classroom.

I'm finding there is a lot more openness in the classroom, especially when it comes to understanding the veterans, said MacPherson. "Vietnam is fascinating to the younger generation. To my generation, it will always seem like it was yesterday. To the kids, it might as well be the Vietnam War.

At the University of Illinois, for instance, something most Americans simply want to sweep under the rug, and definitely a subject not being taught was peppered with questions about the conflict, starting with another film such as "Apocalypse Now" and "Platoon" to the current, less judgmental "We Were Soldiers," may signal more openness about the conflict. This new Mel Gibson movie, the latest offering, singles out individuals honor and heroism, but to some, the evolution of mainstream motion pictures about the conflict, starting with another film such as "Apocalypse Now" and "Platoon" to the current, less judgmental "We Were Soldiers," may signal more openness about the conflict.

"What people simply didn't want to grapple with it, especially the media. You have to remember that mainstream motion pictures about the conflict, starting with another film such as "Apocalypse Now" and "Platoon" to the current, less judgmental "We Were Soldiers," may signal more openness about the conflict.

There still is frustration among many who lived through the experience, but to some, the evolution of mainstream motion pictures about the conflict, starting with another film such as "Apocalypse Now" and "Platoon" to the current, less judgmental "We Were Soldiers," may signal more openness about the conflict.

"Now, what's come out of 9-11 is a new feeling of vulnerability and no one was more vulnerable than our Vietnam veterans," said MacPherson. "When "Long Time Passing" was published in 1994, MacPherson participated in a few events on campuses.

Today, interest in Vietnam knows no bounds. At Texas Tech University's Vietnam Symposium in Lubbock this month, topics covered everything from the war's impact on South Korea and the culture to a young woman's return to Vietnam in 1999 with her children. Among schools represent- ing at Wheeler Coe's Illinois Institute of Technology, Cornell University, and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. When the event was held three years ago, Reckner said the best esti- mate was that approximately 200 college courses taught about Vietnam. This year's event has close to 100 speakers - mostly faculty - and that's just the first four days of the event.

"It's not easy to quantify how many more have taken Vietnam in the curriculum because the subject pops in different disciplines," he said.

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it, and a hint of some vegetables. It
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DAILY HOROSCOPES

By Linda L. Black

Today's Birthday (April 22). There are a few odd-ends and nick-knacks to go through. The more of them you can clean up, the better you'll feel. Build yourself the perfect love nest. Some things you'll have to buy, but most of it comes through your own imagination and talent. Get creative! go get that advantage. check the day's rating. It's the easiest day, it's the most challenging.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). Today is a 6-2: Be that extra.
As with any soup, be that extra. You may have just decided that money isn't all that important, but you might as well have some money.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Today is a 6-5: It's not a done deal yet, but the money could be flowing soon. Finish up all the little things you promised to do. Hold disagreements and critical comments for later.

Leo (July 22-Aug. 21). You may have just decided that money isn't all that important, but you might as well have some money.

Virgo (Aug. 22-Sept. 22). Today is a 7-7: It's not a done deal yet, but the money could be flowing soon. Finish up all the little things you promised to do. Hold disagreements and critical comments for later.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22). You should be just about ready. When the planning and preparation is complete, you can begin your new endeavor. assured of success. Leave nothing to chance.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21). Today is a 7 • It's a very important day. You may have just decided that money isn't all that important, but you might as well have some money.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Today is a 7-6: You should be just about ready. When the planning and preparation is complete, you can begin your new endeavor. assured of success. Leave nothing to chance.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Today is a 7-6: It's a very important day. You may have just decided that money isn't all that important, but you might as well have some money.

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**Crossword**

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2. Parking
3. Vixen
4. Dock worker (nautical)
5. Happen again
6. Drought
7. Water container
8. Watermark
9. Milk敏锐
10. Teddy
11. Yarny
12. Waterparty partake
13. Drip
14. Extension
15. Border of land
16. Service charge
17. Drought end
18. Watering can
19. Vixen
20. Billigewett
21. Servant
22. Undesignated
23. Sweetener
24. Neutral shade
25. Weight or Capri
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28. Three-masted ship
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31. Historic periods
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34. Golf club movement
35. Pinboys
36. Plato or Pinboys
37. Ship
38. Scheme
39. Orbiting loc.
40. Paulo
41. Hundred Years’ War
42. Searcher for weapons
43. What’d they do?
44. Hundred Years’ War
45. Hundred Years’ War
46. Flirtatious lookers
47. Bunker, e.g.
48. Plastic fasteners
49. Canadian territory
50. Pudding agent
51. Forearm bones
52. Bunker, e.g.
53. Oiva’s number
54. French-Canadian
55. Speed contest
56. Fast-food magnate Ray
57. Went to the bottom
58. Fast-food magnate Ray
59. Walk to the bottom
60. Fast-food magnate Ray

**DOWN**
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2. Dog yip
3. Dog
to be dead
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Softball
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and were accorded with framed jerseys.
Fortman, who almost resembled a statue due to all the bandages on numerous parts of his body, said while the seniors know they still have things to take care of, she feels ready to be done.
"I think I used every piece of tape and wrap in the training room. I'm getting old," Fortman said. "I kept telling myself that I wasn't going to cry and [assistant coach Buddy] Foster [almost] got me a couple of tears and then when Keni killed a little bit, she got a few tears out of me, but not too big."
In Sunday's game, freshman pitcher Amy Hare gave up an uncharacteristic four runs in six innings pitched, with three of the runs coming in the sixth inning.
Blaylock then brought in lefty Renee Mueller in relief, who proceeded to get the next two Bajays out to end the rally.
Thanksgiving provided by Goodtime's home run and a three-run home run by Guenther's home run and Sarni Herbster hit into a game-ending double play with two runners on base.
"We were just playing everybody out with that three runs we gave them in the sixth inning," joked Sarnie. "But we came back, we held our ground and it was just good to know that our bats were alive [Sunday] so we had five runs to play with."
Guenther wasn't the only one to show some power from the plate this weekend. Freshman outfielder Kate Jordan launched a moon shot that cleared both fences in center field during the first game Saturday. The shot was Jaroslav's fifth of the season.
"There were the distance in the bunt, striking out seven and only giv­ ing up one unearned run."
In Saturday's second game, the Bajays (28-24, 12-7 MVC) scored two in the first inning off Saluki starter Katie Kloser, who was replaced by Mezzina after allowing just one batter.
Mueller proceeded to pitch 5.2 scoreless innings in the loss.
SOUTH BEND, Ind. -- For the first time in a long time, Jared Clark had a giant grin on his face after practice Thursday.
"That's the newest biggest head on the field. That was a big deal, but you go up there and then you get ready for Friday's game, and hopefully we can take three or four from those guys."
Andrew Soukup
The Observer (U. Notre Dame)
"It's one of the reasons we wanted to move positions -- because I hadn't had much in so long," Clark said. "I think we can see the progress he's made now, and he's started doing better than me, I think.
"I think you can see the progress the kid's making. He's spent a lot of time on his count and his pitch selection."
Clark isn't the only player who has moved in the pitching rotation.
"I think that's the key to the season," Clark said. "It's one of the reasons we wanted to move positions -- because I hadn't had much in so long," Clark said.
"It's not that the new guy trip the kid's making. He's spent a lot of time on his count and his pitch selection."
Clark, who has never played tight end and was a former quarterback, is now splitting time at quarterback and tight end.
"I have more fun at right end," Clark said. "I think I have more fun at right end, and I can help the team out."
Even as Clark leaves the field for the quarterback position, he moves into another fight for playing time at tight end.
The new offensive line for the Fighting Irish is gearing up for as many as three tight ends on the field at any given time, in the case of left tackle Baraka Diame and center Ryan Ngata, and right tackle Tim Redmond and right guard Brandon harrow.
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Men's tennis finishes MVC season 2-7

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

The Salukis on Wednesday concluded their season, finishing 2-7 in the Missouri Valley Conference. The team lost to Bradley in Friday's quarterfinal match, but managed to pull off a win against Illinois State on Tuesday.

"The Salukis fought hard against Bradley," Salukis head coach John Ochoa said. "Even though we lost the match, the team showed great determination and resilience."

The Salukis' next game is scheduled for next week against Indiana State, and they hope to continue their winning streak.

Members of the women's tennis team painted the rocks outside the Student Recreation Center in order to honor teammate and departing senior Erika Ochoa. The women's tennis team finished the season with a strong showing, earning a berth in the NCAA Championships for the first time in school history.

"We couldn't be happier," Ochoa said. "We worked so hard all season, and to be rewarded with a national championship is the best feeling in the world."

The Salukis are looking forward to next year with optimism, as they prepare to take on new challenges and build upon their successes.

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"I'm not going to play, I can tell you that," Kill joked. "You can tell by my three-step drop not very good."
Aces draw Salukis’ Maurath

Diamond Dawgs take three of four from Evansville

Todd Merchant
Daily Egyptian

The SIU baseball team had a couple of streaks snapped during its weekend series with Evansville at Abe Martin Field.

Lead-off hitter and starting center fielder Cory Newsum had his hitting streak ended at 20 games, but most importantly, the Salukis won a Missouri Valley Conference series for the first time since March 2001.

SIU (22-15, 10-10 MVC) took three of four games from the Purple Aces (13-23, 4-12), and in the process, jumped back into solid position in its hunt for a conference tournament berth.

Luke Nelson, who posted a complete game victory in the series finale, considered this series win a turning point and something the Salukis can build on as they enter the home stretch of the regular season.

"I think this helps a lot," Nelson said. "This puts us back at .500 and that’s huge. These are the games we needed to win." Nelson (4-2) allowed only three runs and struck out five batters while scattering nine hits in the 7-5 victory and his second consecutive win. He also improved his batting average to .190 after going 3-for-10 from the plate with a home run and two runs batted in.

The weekend began with a pitcher’s duel between SIU’s Jake Alley and Evansville’s Andrew Arruda. Each pitched eight strong innings as Alley came out on top with a 2-1 victory.

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