**Two Carbondale automobiles go up in smoke**

Carbondale firefighters responded to a car fire on Evergreen Drive Monday afternoon. Firefighters had recently fought another unrelated car fire outside of Craig's Deep Pan Pizza, 218 W. Freeman, when summoned to the scene. The driver of the vehicle was unharmed.

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**Landlord ordinances return to City Council**

Officials optimistic the three proposals will pass

**TIM CHAMBERLAN DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER**

City Councilman John Badick said he is optimistic about the passage of three landlord-tenant ordinances that were brought back up by Badick at the March 22 meeting.

**MEETING TREES**

- Council will meet at 11 a.m. April 4 at the Carbondale Civic Center at 200 S. Main St.
- Council will meet at 2 p.m. April 4 at the Carbondale Civic Center at 200 S. Main St.
- Council will meet at 7 p.m. April 4 at the Carbondale Civic Center at 200 S. Main St.

**Endangered snakes bill passes House**

**BURKE SPEAKER DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER**

Like St. Patrick’s Day, 10th District State Rep. Kurt Granberg, D-Carbondale, will be “driving” snakes out of a region — Carlyle Lake — for the sake of his fellow man.

The difference in this case, however, is that the snakes are Illinois endangered and state officials finally have reached a compromise with legislators after weeks of fierce debate concerning the protection of three endanger species.

The amended legislation passed March 23 in the Illinois House and will enable Southern Illinois’ development projects to proceed while partially eliminating state endangered species.

The bill bears responsibility to the Illinois’ Department of Natural Resources to ensure users conservation management to protect the habitat and species preservation at a project’s completion.

Although briefly reluctant to support the amended legislation, stating the species would still be depleted, both the Department of Natural Resources and the Illinois Endangered Species Protection Board said the compromise is the only way to resolve the issue.

Tim Schwieger, spokesperson for the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, said although the department is committed to consider development projects, the bill is a management plan to allow for the species to live while development projects proceed.

“The new legislation provides a compromise that would allow to the Illinois endangered species protection set in place while not blocking development,” Schwieger said. “Some of the species will be removed, but on the whole it’s a valuable compromise.”

The bill moves to the Senate and is expected to pass, but some senators are not ready to comment.

-Sen. District 13 Sen. Dave Luchtefeld, R-Olive, would not comment on the bill and said he needed further consultation.

The original bill, House Bill 2245, proposed the species be taken off the Illinois Endangered Species List, but Representatives Granberg and 11th District State Rep. Larry Woolard, D-Carbondale, introduced the legislation so development project in their region could continue without interruption.

Granberg faced problems with the eastern massasauga rattlesnake while advocating a $7.8 million resort adjacent to Carlyle Lake that would attract jobs and tourism dollars to his area. Woolard is backing a 1,200-acre reservoir in Marion while working around Indiana cranes and the last brook lamprey.

Woolard was unavailable for comment on the Senate project and project also has cleared the hurdle.

Granberg said he introduced legislation, for the sake of the species and the project also has cleared the hurdle.

Electoral Carbondale Mayoral Race

Taylor said improvements to the city will help the image of the University and help other University will get more funding.

The four issues Taylor is stressing are improving relations between police and the community, increasing the size of the Carbondale City Council, bringing the Annual Halloween as an annual all-ages event and improving rental housing conditions.

Student activist Rob Taylor has not only announced that he will be running, but that he will do the job for free if elected.

Taylor’s “Four Pillars Campaign” will focus on four issues: Taylor says are key to Carbondale residents but has been ignored by mayoral candidates Neil Dillard and John Badick. By addressing these issues, Taylor said, the ultimate goal is a higher state funding for SIU can be achieved.
Mondays theft prompts second thoughts:

DOUBTS: Decision to replace live guard with monitors being reconsidered.

DAN CRAFT  
DAILY EDITION REPORTER.

After the seventh recent reported theft of a book bag from the University Bookstore in the Student Center, Monday afternoon, store manager Jim Schrenk said he doubts about the decision to eliminate an employee monitor at the store's book bag drop and install security cameras.

"How could you not have a second thought about that?" Schrenk said.

SIU Police and Schrenk confirmed a report of the seventh book bag theft from the store in nearly two months.

According to a source from the Student Center who wished to remain confidential, the theft took place around 12:30 p.m. But neither Schrenk nor police could release details about the incident.

University Police Chief Tim Jordan was on vacation Monday and could not be reached for comment.

The investigating officer, Don H. Hake, also was unavailable.

Following the sixth reported incident, which took place Wednesday afternoon, Schrenk said he thought the suspect in that incident may be linked to three other burglaries at the bookstore.

"Schrenk would not say anything about Monday's incident because he said it is early in the game, and a suspect may not be caught if he divulges more information."

"Too much has been said in the paper already, and the enemy knows more than we know," Schrenk said.

University Police were seeking the public's help in identifying the suspect.

"The police feel they have information that they are not releasing to the public," Schrenk said.

University Police are working with campus public relations to publicize the theft.

The suspect is said to be a white male, approximately 6'1" in height, with a light build and wearing street clothes.

University Police are asking anyone who has observed a suspicious individual to call the police at 453-6251 or the campus police at 453-6262.

University Police are trying to encourage students to come forward with information.

University Police are seeking the public's help in identifying the suspect.

"We need the public's help in identifying this person," Schrenk said.

University Police are urging students to be aware of their surroundings and to report any suspicious activity.

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Police investigate incidents of phone harassment.

SIU Police are investigating two recent reports of phone harassment from a University employee and a University housing resident.

An emergency room patient said that between 12:30 a.m. and 4:00 a.m. Sunday she received harassing phone calls. The victim gave a description of the suspect, but an arrest has not been made. A 38-year-old SIU employee also reported to University Police Friday that he received "several" harassing phone calls from someone between Feb. 26 and Friday. No suspect information was available in this incident.

Investigating officers give victims of phone harassment GTE nuisance line information, which will monitor phone lines.

Three rooms burglarized in Brush Towers.

University Police are investigating three Brush Towers burglaries reported by SIUC students that occurred during the weekend. University Police said 4 incidents, which are not related, took place between Saturday afternoon and Sunday.

At 12 a.m. a woman said that between 5:30 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Sunday thieves entered her Mae Smith residence and stole a laptop computer and other items between 1:30 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. Sunday. A loss estimate was made.

A 19-year-old Mae Smith resident reported that between 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Sunday someone entered his room by unknown means and stole several compact discs worth about $30. The police have no suspects in any of the incidents.

PSA sponsors two informational sessions.

Members of the SIU-Edwardsville Professional Staff Association will be on campus today to discuss collective bargaining with members of the SIU professional staff.

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DEHYDRATING THE HYDRANT:

"[left] Carbondale firefighters Louis Heeter and Kerry Bowden battle the dry hydrant, outside of the Communications Building Sunday. The annual hydrant flush exercise that all risers and dehydrates are cleared from the hydrant to ensure proper usage every time,"

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Shine on you crazy diamond dawgs

SIUC baseball fans have something to cheer about for the first time since 1999.

But it’s too bad some are still a little too shy to show up at Abe Martin Field and root on the best team in the Missouri Valley Conference. The Saluki baseball team is more than deserving of the attention and support this season. After struggling to just win 19 wins all of last season, the Dawgs were picked to finish eighth in the MVC—a disappointing prediction for coach Dan Callahan’s squad.

Instead of putting pressure on the players or tackling their collective tails between their legs, the Salukis have come out with a quiet but determined attitude this year.

The Salukis have used solid pitching, stout defense and timely hitting to rack up a 9-5 record, the team’s best mark since the 1990 season.

Callahan and his team are too well aware of the dangers of pre-season predictions. The Salukis were picked to finish third in the pre-season MVC polls in 1997 and 1998, only to win injuries and poor performances push them much farther down in the final standings. As a result, SIUC had nowhere to go but up after being picked near the bottom of the pre-season poll.

The Underdogs have relished their role so far this season, choosing to let their stellar play do all the talking. Heading into the heart of conference season, SIU is on top of its game and just starting to realize how special this season could be.

Now it’s up to Saluki fans to return to Abe Martin and “the Hill” to enjoy the spring weather and root on the Dawgs. Although last weekend’s crowds were decent, the home field advantage that propelled the Salukis into the NCAA Tournament nearly 10 years ago is a long way from being something they take for granted.

Like the Saluki men’s basketball team this season, the baseball Salukis have the talent and desire to make a strong run this year. They need the support to reach that goal—a support that has been sorely lacking for a long time.

There’s nothing more inspiring than a couple thousand fans screaming for the final strikeout in the ninth inning with an inspiring conference battle on the line.

Are pornographic magazines recyclable?

I got another porn mag today. I make one mistake a year, and they will never let me escape. Every day, as I reach into my mailbox, I think, “Come on! Make it a credit card application!”

And there it is—a porn mag. OK, it’s the Victory’s Secret catalogue. I’m not some conservative nut, but the thing is wearing a bikini.

Last week, there was a picture of a woman frolicking in a waterfall. I’m a little unsure as to what they were selling—she didn’t have a hoot on her.

The great irony here is that the way this all started was when I ordered sweatpants. Not a sexy one, but a pair of anything. Later I saw 25 people appearing to have a fabulous time.

Not only were they keeping up, but they were adding little snaps and clips and spontaneous hijinks.

Hey Rambo! I barely pretended to have seen a hoot—I can’t have any body thinking I couldn’t kick it. I just want to toot horn for some hardened stranger.

I looked back. For a moment, I thought I saw them there, but a closer look revealed that they were just moving faster than the speed of light.

I tell you this story to warn you: Those people had no obvious markings. They looked just like the rest of us. Maybe they’re aliens, but I doubt it. I’m pretty sure they are the denizens of a secretive project that was highly classified. Secret! Secret! I tell you.

I don’t have the whole traditional story worked out yet, but I do know this: the Salukis people are in it with Victoria’s porn-mag people. They must be stopped.
Michael Dukakis to speak at SIUC luncheon

JAY SCHUABER \NEW ENGLAND REPORTER

Former Democratic presidential nominee Michael Dukakis will visit campus April 9 as the featured speaker for the annual SIUC Master of Public Administration luncheon.

After the luncheon, which is closed to the public, Dukakis will meet privately with some students involved in the program.

Dukakis' day at SIUC will begin with a breakfast with SIU Public Policy Institute Director and fellow 1988 Democratic presidential candidate Paul Simon.

In the only event open to the public, Dukakis will be a panelist at a forum on healthcare reform from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. in Fayer Hall Museum Archival.

The forum, which will be moderated by Simon, will focus on healthcare policy issues facing the United States and Illinois, including discussion of Medicare and Medicaid funding and welfare reform.

Dukakis, former governor of Massachusetts, lost the 1988 presidential election to Republican George Bush.

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Speck applauded Grunewald's efforts in collecting student opinion on the matter.

"Both the Chancellor and the committee have been extremely receptive throughout the process," Speck said.

On the landlord/tenant front, GPSC will be sending Jeff Grunewald, the council's city affairs representative, to the Carbondale City Council meeting Tuesday night to represent GPSC interests.

The ordinances, of which there were originally six, deal with issues such as 24-hour notice of entry, identification of owners and agents and the complexities of legal fees.

Speck said he was optimistic about the ordinances and their chance of passage.

In other business, GPSC will hold a second round of nominations for next year's executives. Current nominees are Amy Silver, Ed Ford and Terry Dods for president and Bill Peters for vice president for Administrative Affairs.

There are currently no nominations for the vice president for Graduate School Affairs.

Nominations for the Graduate Council also will be taken. Once nominated, the Graduate Council candidates also are expected to be elected tonight.

The council also will consider legislation supporting Student Recreation Center proposals to sell passes to the community and to open a sporting goods store within the Recreation Center. Senate Bills 34 and 368, as both have been report to the end of session. For more information call or visit us at 529-3344.

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the monitoring employee.

Only one backpack was reported stolen last semester, when a store employee was stationed in front of the book drop near the store's main entrance.

Skirch said, "We confirm further investigation was launched. "Even if there were, I wouldn't discuss it," he said.

But he did say last semester's method of posting an employee at the main entrance book drop likely will not return.

"I don't see that as happening anymore," he said.

Along with other local bookstore managers, Skirch implored students to "mark their books" on specific pages and "not to carry everything they own in their backpack, as easy or as silly as that may sound."

"Use a little common sense," Skirch said. "Split some of that stuff up as far as coming into the bookstore.

Police have not been able to confirm Skirch's notion of one suspect who may be linked to at least four of the thefts, but Skirch thinks students are aware of the suspect.

"There are people on this campus who know exactly who is responsible for doing this," he said. "And they're letting him get away with it when all they need to do is point the police anonymously. That's my opinion."

"Do you really think deep down in your heart that he's doing this in secret?"

Police only described the suspect in Wednesday's incident as a black male who was last seen wearing dark pants, a red jacket, sunglasses and white shoes.

No other Carbondale bookstore managers have agreed that incidents at the University Bookstore are a part of a more comprehensive problem.

"It's gotta tell you, it's a much broader problem. It's happened all over the place," Skirch said. "It's just so happens it's been happening here."

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education, as was recommended after the original introduction of these items at the Feb. 16 City Council meeting.

Budslick, who has been accused of using this issue to aid in his bid for mayor, said he brought up these items again because they were simply good ideas. "These are ideas that are acceptable by a lot of landlords," Budslick said. "I think this would be a real step in the face of students if the council votes this down.”

Budslick could not elaborate on the passage or these items again because they were "simply good ideas," implying landlords with fewer than 50 rental units.

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We made the sale that night,” Speck said. “It’s just a question of the council voting against it.”

Though three of the original six items proposed by GPSC were on tonight’s agenda, Speck expressed disappointment in the fact that these items are not being considered at this time. He said GPSC will continue to work on these issues.

"Sweed would especially like to see the passage of an ordinance prohibiting the practice of some landlords requiring post-dated checks by more than 30 days from their tenants,” he said. “He also said there probably would not be time for his administration to get much done on it, but he will work closely with the council on remaining landlord-tenant issues.”

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Ed Shearer said he is motivated by "whatever it took. It was my obligation to get out of their squad cars. Votes would be nice." Taylor, Inc legislation would damage, not destroy, the species and the habitat, Lauzon said. "I still hate to see anything happen to either the species or the habitat." Shearer agreed but said the bill protects the life of a species and the species’ habitat.

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RECHARGED: Men's tennis team improves record to 7-5 over the weekend.

Paul W. Evening
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Two weeks ago, SIUC men's tennis coach Brad Lilly described the 7-4 loss to the University of Iowa as possibly the lowest point of the season.

Now the Salukis (7-5) find themselves pushing the landscape from atop the greatest peak — but hopefully just through 12 matches.

"Boy, for me personally as the coach, this is the best weekend I've had at SIU in my three years," Lilly said.

The sentiment was made possible by a 6-1 lashing of Northern Illinois University Thursday. The Salukis followed up with an impressive 4-3 win over Marquette University Friday and another 6-1 victory against the University of Illinois-Chicago Saturday.

"(NIU) is traditionally a good team," Lilly said. "They play a lot of Big Ten teams, and they have a really good tennis history. So to go into that match, we knew the doubles points were going to be really important."

The Salukis set the tone by earning an 8-4 victory in the No. 1 flight with sophomores Kevin Durr and Valerie Euree, senior Jack Olster and sophomore Gustavo Gonzalez' 8-3 win in the No. 2 flight gave the Salukis a 1-0 lead.

In singles play, four of the five Salukis' victories stretched three sets. Olster was the lone Saluki to finish his match in two sets. Hurst, Euree and freshmen Dante Santa Cruz and Theo Mastro picked up the three-set match wins.

"I couldn't ask for any better performance than how we had in that match," Lilly said. "We've had a lot of energy in the season that was 7-0 or 6-1 wins, and this was a win not just because we had more energy, but because we have to have money, too."

The No. 3 flight was the most exciting of the two, as the Salukis picked up five of the seven matches played. Hurst defeated his opponent in straight sets, 6-2, 6-1. Euree picked out the three seeded singles victories with Hurst (7-6, 6-1), Euree (7-5, 6-4) and Santa Cruz (7-5, 6-2) coming through.

Again we were tested, and we had a lot of close matches, so it was nice to get a little more control," Lilly said. "It was a long grueling day, and there were no easy, easy victories.

"The victories came a bit easier in the 6-4, 6-1 whipping of the Flames. The Salukis' success through the match undefeated in doubles play and dropped in one match in singles to clinch the win in No. 1 in the No. 1 Flight."

"The shining star during the weekend continued to be Valerie Euree, whose 3-0 record in both singles and doubles play improved his singles record to 10-4 and his doubles record with a variety of partners to 32-2 overall."

"Personally, I played really good and had a good time," Euree said.

"Everybody felt pretty good, and everybody has a lot of confidence for the conference matches.

"Missouri Valley Conference all conference is the goal, and we have a couple of weekends when the Salukis travel to Wichita State University, Kansas State University, Missouri State University."

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Salukis stumble on new track

Women's team breaks in new rubber with third place finish while the men finished fourth.

ROB ALLY
DAILY HERALD REPORTER

If there is such a thing as a home-field advantage in track and field, the brand-new racing grounds at McKendree Stadium aren't looking too promising for promising for the SIUC track and field teams. The Salukis men's and women's teams hosted the Collegiate Track and Field Series Saturday on a day considered to be the team's home opener. The meet finished second in the meet's performance, topping SIUC's 149 points. The meet's team finished fourth in its home opener. Other schools were the University of Illinois-Champaign, Illinois State University and Indiana State University (1805).

The Salukis won three events, including junior Joe Cusato's triumph in the 3,000-meter run with a time of 10 minutes and 8.69 seconds. Freshman Kaisa Mitchell added a victory in the long jump with a leap of 18 feet, 5 3/4 inches, while junior Felicia Hill added to her collection of first-place ribbons in the triple jump (38-10 1/2).

Hill also placed second in the high jump (5-8 3/4), while eighth Salukas captured valuable third-place points.

The men's team finished fourth in its home opener. Other schools were the University of Illinois-Champaign, Illinois State University and Indiana State University (1805).

The Fighting Illini won the meet with 194 points, topping SIUC's 155 points. The Salukis did see some athletes capture first place — seniors Peter Juszcyk in the high and Joseph Parks in the 2,000-meter steeplechase. Juszcyk continued his comeback from a strain fracture that sidelined him for the 1998 season, throwing a school-record 224-10.

"I'm just taking it one meet at a time," Juszcyk said after the meet. "Now I try to work on my technique in these shorter events. That might be our biggest weakness at that meet."

"I want to go to the Missouri meet and at the Missouri Valley Conference meet and hopefully qualify for nationals."

Sophomore Brock Lovelace followed Juszcyk in the long jump with a jump of 172-11. Sophomore Neophytos Kalogerou was second in the high jump with a leap of 6-0 3/4, while sophomore Dan Stone took 2-24-1/2 in the pole vault.

Junior Chad Bowes took second in the long jump (24.3-1/2), and junior Loren King captured third place in the 400-meter dash (55.77 seconds). Overall, the team's last-place performance was a bit of a lesson for coach Bill Cornell.

"I was a little disappointed," Cornell said. "We were home, and we didn't perform well. We had some bright spots, but we've got to get serious because the season is so short."

The Salukis were not helped by the fact that one top distance runner, junior Matt McClelland, was sidelined with chest congestion, and another junior Jeremy Parks was slowed by a torn patella muscle.

The rest of the runners are in the middle of intensified training that has slowed them down for the end of the season.

"Our distance runners are running tired, there's no doubt about that," Cornell said. "We still sacrificed some this week, we only gave them Thursday and Friday to recuperate."

While it is early in the season and the team is still getting used to outdoor competition, Cornell is not one to search for an excuse.

"I never like to lose," he said. "People that don't take the effort to win aren't going to be on my team for very long."