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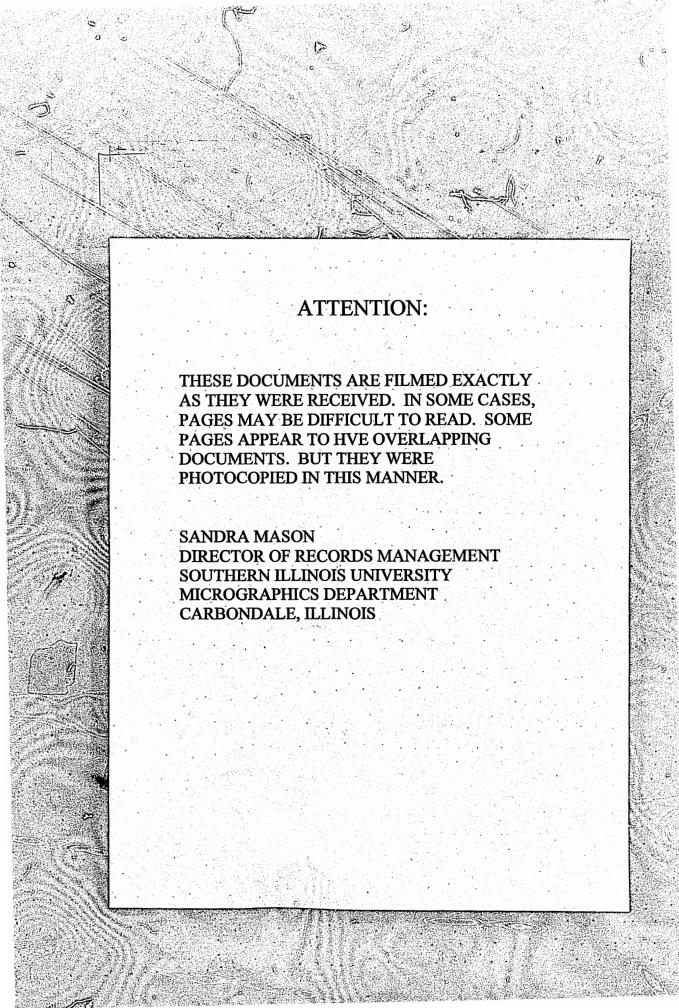
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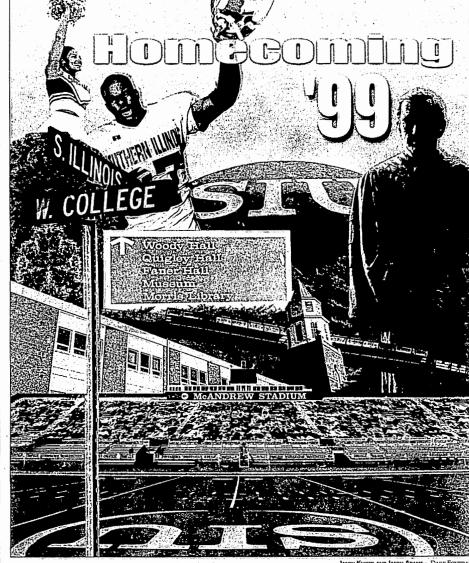
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'Uneveness' of computing in question

DAVID FERRARA DAILY EGYPTIAN

Michael Humphries' office computer in Faner Hall believes it is 1997, so the millennium bug shouldn't be a problem. But officials tested it for the bug earlier this semester anyway, and the computer failed — twice.

"Well, I just thought I still had three years left," Humphries, an English professor, said jok-

Poor computing infrastructure, particularly in the College of Liberal Arts, was questioned by an accreditation team from the North Central Association of Schools in a report it submitted to the Submitted to the Submitted Tourist in August.



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University in August.

The report cited an "uneveness" about computing technology within the SIUC system. Specifically, the group said COLA lags in tech-nology, while noting there appears to be a "wait-and-see attitude" in the college about getting computing technology up

to par. Humphries was given his CompuAdd computer when he arrived at SIUC in 1991. But he cannot use the computer for e-mail or Internet services because it will crash.

"It means I cant be in my office quite as much as I would like to be," he said. "What's discouraging about it is that the administration asks faculty to make themselves available through e-mail, using technology in the class-



This is the second of a six-post Daily Egyptim series on the North Control Association of Colleges and School's accordination of SIUC.

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room. And they don't provide the resources."
As a doctoral degree-granting institution,
SIUC is periodically reviewed and accredited by
the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. An NCA team visited SIUC April 12-

Schools. An INCA team visited 3 To Capin 12.

14 to gather information for its evaluation.

During its visit, the team reviewed documents, including SIUC's self study, course catalogs, handbooks and financial reports, and met with numerous students, faculty, staff, administrators, constituency group heads and fiscal officers.

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The team summarized in its official report
SIUC's strengths and challenges and offered
suggestions for improvements. Accreditation,
which SIUC was granted, is based on five critewhich SIUC was granted, is based on five enter-ion, including having clear and publicly stated purposes, effectively organizing its resources, accomplishing its goals and purposes and demonstrating integrity in its practices. Within the report, the group recognized the College of Liberal Arts as a college that "has resulted in institutional inadequacy in this

Long-range plans to improve technology will require increased funding

TRAVIS MORSE DAILY EGYPTIAN

SIUC officials are addressing the University's technology problems with the 1998 "Long Range Plan for Academic Computing," but the North Central Accreditation report said

but the North Central Accreditation report sauthar may not be enough.

The NCA report, released in August, identified several problems with SIUC's technology, including student and faculty access to computers and keeping the facilities up to date. The report also criticized the University's long-range plan to combat some of these problems.

"This [long-range plan] does not address a fundamental cause of uneven distribution of computing support across the institution: the

fundamental cause of uneven distribution of computing support across the institution: the decentralized funding model that places. .responsibility for computing on the colleges and departments, 'the NCA report states. To deal with technology issues, SIUC officials drafted the "Long Range Plan for Academic Computing at SIUC" in 1998. A major part of the plan is keeping computers at SIUC up to date. This is the reason there may be a tuition increase at SIUC, according to Geoffrey Nathan, chair of the computing advisory committee.

sory committee.

The tuition surcharge proposal of \$2 per credit hour went before the Board of Trustees

SOUTHERY LLINOIS, PORECIST



TODAY:

Partly Cloudy High: 68 Low: 45



SATURDAY:

Cold High: 49 Low: 34



SUNDAY:

Sunny High: 59 Low: 24

POLICE BLOTTER

CAMPUS

 A 21-year-old student told University police her purse was stolen while she was at Lawson Hall between 8 and 10 a.m. Wednesday. The black leather Coach purse contained a wallet, a credit card holder, keys, a checkbook and \$5. The purse and its contents are valued at \$270. There are no suspects in this incident.

Corrections

The Oct. 13 article, "Weddell named swimming The Oct. 13 article, Wedden Hainted Statement and diving coach," should have stated former SIU assistant coach Steve Farnau is trying to get involved with the Phoenix Suns.

The Daty Ecyptian regrets the error.

CALENDAR

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TODAY

Golden Key National Honor Society membership drive, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Hall of Fame in Student Center, Kim 549-0232.

 Spanish Table meeting, every Fri., 4 to 6 p.m., Cafe Melange. The French Table meeting, every Fri., 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Booby's.

Unity Point School Carnival needs volunteers to help run booths, games and other planned activities, Oct. 22 and 23, 5 to 8

 German Club meeting Stammtisch, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Borby's, Anne 549-1754.

Lapanese Table meeting, every Fri., 6 to 8 p.m., Melange Cafe, Janet 453-5429.

Chi Alpha Camous Ministries meeting, every Fri., 6:30 p.m., Wham 105, Elisa 529-4395.

 Science Fiction and Fantasy Society join us and watch scient fiction, fantasy and Japanese animation videos, 7 p.m., Activity Room A, Mike 549-3527.

 Apostolic Life Campus Ministry worship service, 7 p.m., Missouri Room Student Center, Phillip 529-8164.

InterVarsity Christian
 Fellowship large group, 7 p.m.,
 Agriculture Building, Patrick
 549-4284.

Christians Unlimited meeting with speaker Paul Buff, 7 p.m., Missouri Room Student Center, Amy 549-2949.

Dan Zahn and Chris McManara,
 p.m., Cousin Andy's Coffee
 House, Students S3 and Adults S5.

UPCOMING

 SPC Traditions Committee needs
 50 volunteers to assist with the Homecoming Parade, Oct. 23, 7 to 11 a.m., parking lot of Pulliam Hall, 536-3393.

SIU Outdoor Adventure Club 1999 SIU Extreme Team Adventure Challenge, Oct. 23, 8 a.m., Touch of Nature Camp 1, \$150 per team, for race

registration call Sean 549-0170.

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Community Share Program needs volunteers to pick food boxes and help with garden building, Oct. 25, 9 to 10:30 a.m., Eurma Hayes Center, Georgette 529-5044.

Saluki Volunteer needs Satural Wounteer necessive volunteers to rerve beverages, value and to be a waiter/waitress for the Alumni Association, Oct.
 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., behind the 23, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., beh'n stadium, Jenna 453-2442.

Strategic Games Society meeting, every Sat. noon to do Student Center, Sean 457-6489.

Student Center, Sean #37-0403.

Shawnee Audubon Society Fall
Open House, guided tours,
evening dinner provided and night
time camp fire with 18th century
French settlers, Oct. 23, 2 p.m.,
War Bluff Valley Wildlife Sanctuary,
"In scanifact," Ton SQA-Gan. call to register, Tem 549-6189.

 Saluki Volunteer Corps need 12
volunteers to judge costume volunteers to judge costume contest, Oct. 23, 3 to 6 p.m., Lincoln Middle School, Jill 529-8040.

Carbondale Main Street Halloween party, Oct. 23, 3 to 6 p.m., Carbondale Main Street, Jill 529-8040.

Makanda Veterans Memorial fund raiser, Oct. 23; 4 to 8 p.m., Makanda Civic Center, donations

Alpha Phi Alpha Fratemity 28th Annual Miss Eboness Pageant, Oct. 23, 7 p.m., Shryock Auditorium, tickets \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door, Keith 457-5151.

The Learning Center After.
 School Program needs volunteers to assist school age children with homework and to play games, flexible hours, MaryAnn 687-5423.

Saluki Volunteer needs volunteers to serve refreshments, staff wagon rides and monitor bonfire area, Oct. 24, 5 to 8:15 p.m., Hickory Ridge Golf Course, Casey 549-4222.

Library Affairs finding books using Illinet Online, 2 to 3 p.m., Power Point, 3 to 4:15 p.m., Oct. 25, Morris Library 103D.

SIUC OIRS Instructional Program: Body Spirit Dance Workout, every Mon. and Wed, 5 to 6 p.m., Michelle 453-1263.

 SPC Films Committee meeting to help choose films for the student community, every Mon., 6:30 p.m., Activity Room A Student Center, Amanda 536-3393.

Alpha Phi Omega bi-weekly meeting, Oct. 25, 6 p.m., Mackinaw Room Student Center, Mike 549-4059.

Outdoor Adventure Club meeting, every Mon., 7 p.m., Mississippi Room Student Center, Chris 351-4458.

Ballroom Dance Club meeting and lesson, every Mon., 7 to 9 p.m., \$15 for students \$20 for non-students, Davies Gym, Chia-Ling 351-8855.

Library Affairs Digital Imaging for the Web, 10 a.m., Morris Library 19, Power Point, 2 to 3:15 p.m., Morris Library 103D, Oct. 26, 453-2818.

 Baptist Student Center is offering free lunch for internationals, every Tues., 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student a.m. to 1 p.m., Baptist Student Center on the corner of Mill and Forrest St., Judy 457-2898.

Japanese Table holds information conversation in Japanese and English over lunch, every Tues, noon, Student Center Cambria Room, Janet 453-5429.

Pyramid Public Relations meeting, Oct. 26, 6 p.m., Cambria Room Student Center, 453-1898.

Voices of Inspiration Gospel accepting new choir members, every Tues. and Thurs, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Altgeld 248, Michael 549-3115.

Middle Eastern Dance
 Enthusiasts meeting, every Tues.,
 7 p.m., Faner 3515, Tedi 453-5012.

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Blacks in Communication Alliance meeting, every Tues., 7:30 p.m., Saline Room Student Center, Ericka 536-6798:

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THIS DAY IN 1971

Johnny Cash, Carl Perkins, the Statler Brothers and others joined musical forces to bring SIU the concert of the year. Seats for the concert, held at the arena, were a steal at \$4.

Merlins hosted the Rock & Roll Revival, a tribute to American Bandstand. The event was televised on Channel 7 and featured a \$25 cash 'Monkey' Dance Contest. Admission to the event was free for dancers who brought the Daily Egyptian advertisement with them.

Later in the week, REO Speedwagon rolled into Carbondale, appearing twice at Merlin's.

 Lentz Hall hosted a campus screening of 2001—A Space Odyssey, Sci-fi fans of all different majors turned out for the show which t widely-recognized sci-fi classics of its decade.



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WE SALUTE OUR 1999 SIU DISTINGUISHED **ALUMNI RECIPIENTS**

The SIU Alumni Association, which represents 185,000 alumni worldwide, would like to extend our congratulations to the 1999 Distinguished Alumni for their career accomplishments and exemplary history of service to Southern Illinois University





James R. Fornear: BS'60, Elementary Ed.; Kathleen B. Fralish: ?hD'77, Speech Pathology Mark Victor Haases: BS'70, Speech MS'60, Rehabilitation Counseling.

And Audiology: Founder, Center for Communication. Author, Chicken Soup for Comprehensive Services, Carbondale, II.







Joan E. Higgisbotkum: BS'67, Electrical James M. Rosser: BA'62, MA'63, Microbiology; Engineering. NASA Astronaut Corps, Houston, Texas. PhD'69, Health Education: President; California-State University at Los Angeles

Our Distinguished Alumni exemplify the quality of an SIU education. The SIU Alumni Association proudly salutes these alumni for the inspiration they provide to students and the pride they instill in SIU alumni worldwide.





Students question hiring policy of resident assistants

DAPHNE RETTER

The criminal record of a former Neely Hall head resident assistant has prompted concerns among students regarding the protocol for hiring RAs.
LeShawn Townsend resigned from his posi-

tion as head RA Oct. 2. That night, Townsend was arrested and charged with two counts of aggravated battery. The arrest brought attention

agginates battery. The artest prought attention to a prior conviction for battery on his record.
According to court records, on Oct. 1, 1996,
Townsend hit a woman with a stereo speaker.
He was convicted of battery April 3, 1998, for the incident and sentenced to court supervision. Townsend then was offered the job as head RA

for Neely Hall May 5, 1999.
After Townsend's Oct. 2 resignation, he allegedly pushed a woman to the ground outside of Stix Bar and Billiards, 517 S. Illinois Ave. Police said Townsend then broke a beer bottle on a 17-year-old Carbondale male and cut him across the face with the bottle.

At a preliminary hearing Tuesday, Townsend

But now, some SIUC students are looking for answers as to why he was hired despite a University policy mandating background checks

Steve Kirk, assistant director of Residence Life, said concerns raised by students living in Neely Hall are legitimate, but that does not

mean Townsend could not do his job well.

Kirk said he does not plan to investigate the matter any further because Townsend no longer works for the University. Neely Hall resident Diana Weaver, a senior

in music performance from Cape Girardeau, questioned how the University could allow a person with a violent crime on his record to be hired for an RA position. She said it makes her uncomfortable to think that her head RA committed a violent crime.

They should have looked into it more," she

said. It's pretty scary."

Shannon Schaellean, a sophomore in food and nutrition from Joliet who also lives in Neely Hall, was surprised to discover a head RA in her residence hall was hired despite a past conviction of battery. For Schaellean, it raises an issue of

"It makes me ques-tion everything," she said. "You have to know you can go to [an RA] if you have a problem.

But some students living in Neely Hall believe it would have been unfair to not hire Townsend based only on his criminal record.

Jarran Riley, a sopho-more in administration of justice from East St.

or justice from East St.
Louis, said it was appropriate to give Townsend
a chance to prove himself.
"It was a few years ago," he said, referring to
Townsend's past conviction. "We're young — we
all make mistakes."

According to the job description for head RAs, they are "responsible for maintaining a living environment in which the maximum educational and social growth of student residents can

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Townsend



Former U.S. Surgeon General C. Everett Koop speaks to students and faculty at the Lesar Law Building Auditorium as part of the Searle Public Health Lecture Series Wednesday evening. Koop, who served as surgeon general from 1981 to 1989, is now busy with a new health-related web site at drkoop.com.

Former surgeon general speaks at SIUC

ANDY EGENES

The current number of smoking-related deaths is expanding at alarming rates as the No. 1 cause of death in the United States, Dr. C. Everett Koop said during his visit to campus Wednesday night. Koop, former U. S. Surgeon General, shared this observation

when he spoke to a packed house of SIUC students and faculty Wednesday night in the SIU Law

Every seat in the auditorium was filled 15 minutes before the speech began. Former Sen. Paul Simon, director of the Paul director of the Public Policy Institute, encouraged students to sit on the floor in front of the stage so everyone had a chance to hear Koop's speech. Known as one of the most

famous U.S. surgeon generals in history, Koop used his position to attain public status during the Reagan administration and led the rally for a nationwide anti-

smoking campaign in 1982.

Koop said some of the most outlandish health statistics come from the smoking population. His opinion of the tobacco industry is

"The tobacco companies are some of the most rich and sleaziest people you'll ever come across," Koop said: "But they are also some of the smartest people,

Tobacco companies try to entice more Americans to start smoking every day, he said.

smoking every day, he said.
"Pretty soon, they will beat us
at our own game," he said.
Koop said 500 million people
will die from tobacco-related illnesses by the year 2025. About
1,500 people died when the
Titanic hit an iceburg in 1912.
"That is like having the
Titanic ship sinking every 47.

Titanic ship sinking every 47 minutes for the next 25 years," he

Koop said the number of smoking-related deaths in from that point.

America in the next 25 years will equal the number of deaths that occurred in the Victnam War if I don't fall off the end.

the war occurred every day.
"You can take the number of names on the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., and extend in vasnington, D.C., and extendita across six states all the way to Kansas City," Koop said.

Koop also touched on the "golden years" of medicine.

"There is something that lies ahead for all of us," Koop said, "and that is aging."

He said people usually perceive their state of health as an

upward incline until they reach the age of 65. Then, people assume their health goes downhill

Officials predict peaceful weekend in store

KAREN BLATTER DAILY EGYPTIAN

City officials predict the trend of calm, latenight crowds on the Strip will continue this weekend despite it being Homecoming and the weekend before Halloween.

City Councilwoman Maggie Flanagan said the environment on the Strip is milder this year

than it has been in the past.

"The air is pretty clear, I don't foresee any

problems," she said. "I don't have any real fear."

Don Elliott, community relations officer for the Carbondale Police Department, said the police department will have a full staff of about 55 to 60 officers on call this weekend. A majority of the officers will be assigned to patrolling the Strip and other student-dominated areas in Carbondale, Elliott said.

On a normal weekend, six police officers are igned to monitor the Strip. Elliott said the police department is planning for the worst but

From indications of past weekends and the

From indications of past weekends and the feeling from students, there will be a crowd, but it will be nonviolent," he said. Every weekend this semester, the 500 block of South Illinois Avenue has been taken by crowds of 500 to 1,000 people for about 30 to 45 minutes. The police department enforces the

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Whittaker leaves good impressions

TIM CHAMBERLAIN DAILY EGYPTIAN

Sharon Whittaker, the second vice chancellor for Student Affairs finalist to

visit campus, said she would bring a firm belief in teamwork to the office, though slie has some reservations about coming to work for an interim chan-

cellor.
Whittaker, vice president for Student Affairs at Stillman College



Whittaker

Tuscaloosa, Ala., arrived in Carbondale Wednesday night and attended forums with University faculty and staff Thursday. When asked about her administrative style during the faculty forum, Whittaker stressed the importance of open communication with her office.

"I love and believe in the team concept with my staff," Whittaker Laid. "I want them to know that they have got a person who's going to be an advocate in support of their decisions."

Students can meet with Whittaker today from 11 a.m. to noon in the Student

Center Mississippi Room. Though Whittaker said everyone she spoke with Thursday had been candid and that she looked forward to speaking with students today, she also said a move to

SIUC could be risky. "To give up my home that I love to come into a job where the chancellor is in an interim capacity, that is an issue,"
Whittaker said. "And, I think I'm asking good questions about it. I have to be will ing to take that risk."

She said she would make her decision about taking that risk when and if she is

offered the position.

John Jackson became interim chancellor June 5 after the SIU Board of Trustees terminated Jo Ann Argersinger from the position, which she had been in for less

Those in attendance Thursday seemed be satisfied with Whittaker's answers and attitude while fielding questions.

Nancy Dawson, an assistant professor in Black American Studies, said she was impressed with the candor Whittaker dis-

played.
"I think that she was upfront and honest with her answers, and I think that's important," Dawson said.

Dawson asked several questions about diversity and said she was satisfied with Whittaker's responses. Dawson also attended a forum with the other candidate for the position, Larry Dietz, who visited

"We've got two good candidates, but they bring different things to the table,"

Kirk Rhodes, a master's student in ublic administration, said he thought Whittaker's responses sounded unrehearsed and seemed to come from her leadership experience. He said he liked Whittaker as a candidate for the vice chancellor spot, if she were willing to accept the position.

"It's a chuming pot down here at SIU.

If she's willing to brave the hot water, then
fine," Rhodes said. "That's what we need

Though the final choice will ultimate-Jackson said he hopes to have his recom-mendation to SIU President Ted Sanders by the end of October.

QUESTION AND ANSWER

. Students can meet with Sharon Whittaker today from 11 a.m. to noon in the Stude Center Mississippi Room.

FLOATING ALONG TO THE GREAT BEYO

Registered Student Organizations and alumni look forward to the Homecoming festivities

STORY BY RHONDA SCIARRA and Jennifer Wig

ACKIE DAVIS SITS WITH THOUSANDS OF PAPER NAPKINS AROUND HER SUPPING AND TWISTING EACH NAP-KIN:THROUGH A PIECE OF CHICKEN WIRE WEDNESDAY NIGHT INSIDE THE ALPHA GAMMA RHO FRATERNITY HOUSE.

Outside, a 50-foot-long trailer sits empty and waiting for its transformation into a float for Saturday's

Homecoming parade. Not wanting to
reveal its design, Davis would only say
the float will be a memory to last a life-

the float will be a memory to last a life-time.

"The float is in a league of its own," she says. "The public will just have to wait until Saturday to see it."

Along with 30 other Registered Student Organizations, Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and Alpha Chi Omega sorority are working together construct-ing floats and units for the last SIUC Homecoming parade of the century.

The floats will parade on South Illinois Avenue at 9 a.m. Saturday. The Saluki Marching Band and local high school bands will accompany the floats in the parade.

Float building for Homecoming has en a tradition at SIUC since the 1940s. Betty Lou Mitchell, an SIUC alumna and SIUC listorian, remembers decorating her sorority house and float in 1945 for the weekend's festivities. That year, the University made the name change from Southern Illinois Normal University to Southern Illinois

The 1945 Homecoming theme was "We aren't Normal anymore." The float Mitchell recalls used a hearse to emphasize its own theme — "Kill the Redbirds." The football team went on beat Illinois State University with a score of 33 to 19. Saturday, SIUC will play the same team.

After her graduation in 1949, the hours Mitchell spent painting and building floats turned into hours spent sitting with her children along the roadside when the Homecoming floats

traveled through town.
"They loved them — the candy, the decorations, the bands," Mitchell said. - the candy, the

"Kids like parades." Nancy Hunter Pei, director of dent Development, arrived at SIUC in 1966 as a freshman, and spent her first Homecoming decorating Neely Hall. As a sophomore, she built her first float with help from her sorority

Her fondest memories of Homecoming, though, happened the day it rained on her parade. Pei and another co-chair had planned the 1968

Homecoming Parade. Pei drove former SIU President Delyte Morris and his wife Dorothy at the head of the parade. When they reached the end of the route, where they could sit and witness the parade's end, Delyte donned a rain suit. Dorothy would have nothing of it because of the rain suit's awkward

Dorothy made Delyte sit at the other end of the stands and would not let him near her because of the sight of

Thirty-one years later, Pei is looking forward to Saturday's events.

"I am like a super-alum," Pei said. "I love the traditions."

This year's theme, "Salukis and Beyond," reflects the future of SIUC students as they enter the new millen-

Student Alumni Council President Jason Greene plans to dress as George Jetson, and take his place on a futuristic float. Greene, a graduate student in business administration, will join other members of SAC in a recreation of the

This year's theme is fitting to

"It is important to look back and see what was important," he said. "And to also look ahead."

Mitchell will return to the side of the parade route to watch the events and also will be reunited with 45 classmates who graduated with her 50

Davis, a senior in psychology from Assumption, looks forward to return ing to SIUC for Homecoming after graduation.

"I can't wait to see how much fun everyone is having and the stories they will have to tell," she said.

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity members Brian Hruby, a junior in business management from Spring Grove, and Pete Arroyo, a junior in art design from Hebron, put rocket boosters into place for the Saluki Express of the future. Alpha Gamma Delta sorority and Pi Kappa Alpha fratemity are working together on a float for the Homecoming parade Saturday

A chance to be together

130pm - 4p

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p.m. - 7 p.m.

Family and friends come together for the last Homecoming of the Millenium

STORY BY NATHADIEL PARK

IUC WILL USHER IN THE FINAL HOMECOMING OF THE CENTURY THIS WEEKEND AS STUDENTS, PARENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF STEP FORWARD TO CELEBRATE THE "SALUKIS AND

Stephanie Dour, a freshman in athletic training from Beardstown, said she is interested in compar-ing her high school's homecoming events with SIUC's celebration:

"It should be interesting to see the difference between high school and a college homecoming," Dour said of her first homecoming at SIUC. This year's homecoming theme, "Salukis and Beyond," is based on the millennium and the future CENT.

of SIU. The weekend activities begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday with the annual Homecoming parade.

The Dour family will travel four hours to spend the weekend with Stephanie and celebrate in Saluki pride. She said the homecoming weekend gives her. a chance to share some of her college affiliations with her parent's.
"I think it will be a lot of fun having my parents

here," she said. "It will give me a chance to them around and let them see some of the things I have experienced."

nts, parents, alumni and friends will have the opportunity to rally behind the Saluki football team prior to the homecoming game against the

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Homecoming 1999 "Salukis and Beyond"

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Homecoming Parade Route



Alumna surprised to be named distinguished

STORY BY ANDY EGENES

ATHLEEN FRALISH HAD NO IDEA HOW SHE CAME TO BE NOMINATED FOR INDUCTION AS AN SIUC DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS THIS YEAR.

"I don't even know who to thank," said Fralish, founder and president of the Center for Comprehensive Services, 306 W. Mill St., in

The SIU Alumni Association will honor five prominent graduates, including Fralish, as part of this year's homecoming weekend:

The SIU Alumni Association honors a group of distinguished alumni each year who hav earned exceptional careers. Their photos will be framed on the University's Distinguished Alumni Wall during a public ceremony at 2:30 p.m. today in the Recreation Center.

This year's distinguished alumni are Fralish; James Fornear, founder and chief of Res-Care; Mark Hansen, contributor to the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" book series; Joan Higginbotham, an astronaut candidate for NASA; and James Rosser, president of California State University, Los

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FLOATING ALONG TO THE GREAT BEYO

Registered Student Organizations and alumni look forward to the Homecoming festivities

STORY BY RHONDA SCIARRA and Jennifer Wig

ACKIE DAVIS SITS WITH THOUSANDS OF PAPER NAPKINS AROUND HER SUPPING AND TWISTING EACH NAP-KIN:THROUGH A PIECE OF CHICKEN WIRE WEDNESDAY NIGHT INSIDE THE ALPHA GAMMA RHO FRATERNITY HOUSE.

Outside, a 50-foot-long trailer sits empty and waiting for its transformation into a float for Saturday's

Homecoming parade. Not wanting to
reveal its design, Davis would only say
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the float will be a memory to last a life-time.

"The float is in a league of its own," she says. "The public will just have to wait until Saturday to see it."

Along with 30 other Registered Student Organizations, Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity and Alpha Chi Omega sorority are working together construct-ing floats and units for the last SIUC Homecoming parade of the century.

The floats will parade on South Illinois Avenue at 9 a.m. Saturday. The Saluki Marching Band and local high school bands will accompany the floats in the parade.

Float building for Homecoming has en a tradition at SIUC since the 1940s. Betty Lou Mitchell, an SIUC alumna and SIUC listorian, remembers decorating her sorority house and float in 1945 for the weekend's festivities. That year, the University made the name change from Southern Illinois Normal University to Southern Illinois

The 1945 Homecoming theme was "We aren't Normal anymore." The float Mitchell recalls used a hearse to emphasize its own theme — "Kill the Redbirds." The football team went on beat Illinois State University with a score of 33 to 19. Saturday, SIUC will play the same team.

After her graduation in 1949, the hours Mitchell spent painting and building floats turned into hours spent sitting with her children along the roadside when the Homecoming floats

traveled through town.
"They loved them — the candy, the decorations, the bands," Mitchell said. - the candy, the

"Kids like parades." Nancy Hunter Pei, director of dent Development, arrived at SIUC in 1966 as a freshman, and spent her first Homecoming decorating Neely Hall. As a sophomore, she built her first float with help from her sorority

Her fondest memories of Homecoming, though, happened the day it rained on her parade. Pei and another co-chair had planned the 1968

Homecoming Parade. Pei drove former SIU President Delyte Morris and his wife Dorothy at the head of the parade. When they reached the end of the route, where they could sit and witness the parade's end, Delyte donned a rain suit. Dorothy would have nothing of it because of the rain suit's awkward

Dorothy made Delyte sit at the other end of the stands and would not let him near her because of the sight of

Thirty-one years later, Pei is looking forward to Saturday's events.

"I am like a super-alum," Pei said. "I love the traditions."

This year's theme, "Salukis and Beyond," reflects the future of SIUC students as they enter the new millen-

Student Alumni Council President Jason Greene plans to dress as George Jetson, and take his place on a futuristic float. Greene, a graduate student in business administration, will join other members of SAC in a recreation of the

This year's theme is fitting to

"It is important to look back and see what was important," he said. "And to also look ahead."

Mitchell will return to the side of the parade route to watch the events and also will be reunited with 45 classmates who graduated with her 50

Davis, a senior in psychology from Assumption, looks forward to return ing to SIUC for Homecoming after graduation.

"I can't wait to see how much fun everyone is having and the stories they will have to tell," she said.

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity members Brian Hruby, a junior in business management from Spring Grove, and Pete Arroyo, a junior in art design from Hebron, put rocket boosters into place for the Saluki Express of the future. Alpha Gamma Delta sorority and Pi Kappa Alpha fratemity are working together on a float for the Homecoming parade Saturday

A chance to be together

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Family and friends come together for the last Homecoming of the Millenium

STORY BY NATHADIEL PARK

IUC WILL USHER IN THE FINAL HOMECOMING OF THE CENTURY THIS WEEKEND AS STUDENTS, PARENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF STEP FORWARD TO CELEBRATE THE "SALUKIS AND

Stephanie Dour, a freshman in athletic training from Beardstown, said she is interested in compar-ing her high school's homecoming events with SIUC's celebration:

"It should be interesting to see the difference between high school and a college homecoming," Dour said of her first homecoming at SIUC. This year's homecoming theme, "Salukis and Beyond," is based on the millennium and the future CENT.

of SIU. The weekend activities begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday with the annual Homecoming parade.

The Dour family will travel four hours to spend the weekend with Stephanie and celebrate in Saluki pride. She said the homecoming weekend gives her. a chance to share some of her college affiliations with her parent's.
"I think it will be a lot of fun having my parents

here," she said. "It will give me a chance to them around and let them see some of the things I have experienced."

nts, parents, alumni and friends will have the opportunity to rally behind the Saluki football team prior to the homecoming game against the

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Homecoming Parade Route



Alumna surprised to be named distinguished

STORY BY ANDY EGENES

ATHLEEN FRALISH HAD NO IDEA HOW SHE CAME TO BE NOMINATED FOR INDUCTION AS AN SIUC DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS THIS YEAR.

"I don't even know who to thank," said Fralish, founder and president of the Center for Comprehensive Services, 306 W. Mill St., in

The SIU Alumni Association will honor five prominent graduates, including Fralish, as part of this year's homecoming weekend:

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Who will be this year's Miss Eboness?

STORY BY KELLEY E. HERTLEIN

NSIDE BALLROOM D OF THE STUDENT CENTER, KELLIN JORDAN LEANS FORWARD TO STRETCH HER LEGS AND LOOKS TOWARD THE CEILING. COLLECTING HER COMPO-SURE, JORDAN STANDS IN FRONT OF 10 WOMEN AND PREPARES TO RECITE HER PRESENTATION FOR TALENT PORTION FOR THIS YEAR'S MISS EBONESS PAGEANT.

"Lord, why did you make me black?"
Beneath dim lighting, Jordan, a freshman in psychology from Lynwood, boisterously speaks about the confusion of her role in society as an African-American woman.

"Lord, why are my eyes brown and not the color of daylight sky?" Jordan said she chose to recite from "The Reign of the Black Woman" for the pageant because it represents a message of strong inde-

"I felt that it was my time to shine," she said.

"There is a message in this — to uplift not only women, but strong black women. Sponsored by the Alpha Phi Alpha fratemity, the 28th Annual Miss Eboness Pageant is the only official Homecoming event sponsored by a Registered Student Organization. The pageant begins at 8 p.m. Saturday in Shryock Auditorium

Women who wish to vie for the title of Miss Eboness must go through a rigorous process of

auditions and practicing.

Tyree Harper, a junior in health education from Chicago and contestant coordinator, said men submitted audition tapes to compete for the crown, and only 11 were chosen to participate in the contest.

The judges looked at the videos and evaluated the women according to originality, talent and poise: The women in the contest will be judged on an interview, talent and an impromptu ques-

The idea for the Miss Eboness Pageant was originated by Leonard Gavin, Lloyd gerson, Maurice Marks as Earl Comfort during the fall of 1971, but lack of funds prevented the idea from becoming

reality at that time. The four men worked together with members of the former Black Student Union to form the Black Affairs Council as an umbrella organization for all SIUC African-American : dent groups. The resources from BAC

were combined with fraternal support and dili-gent work to bring the first Miss Eboness



Nikkie Cummings, a sophomore in biochemistry from Chicago, was one of 11 contestants to rehearse for the Miss Eboness pageant Monday evening in the Student Center ballroom. The 28th annual Miss Eboness Pageant will take place Saturday evening at 8 in Shryock Auditorium.

Pageant to SIUC in the fall of 1972. The contestants practice four hou

The 28th Annual

Miss Eboness Pageant

Saturday in Shryock

open at 7 p.m. Tickets

are \$8 in advance and

\$10 the evening of the

Auditorium. Doors

begins at 8 p.m.

ants practice four hours a day, five days a week for five weeks prior to the pageant. During this time, the women have an opportunity to create new friendships and gain time man-agement skills.

Selena Johnson, a ed sophomore from East St. Louis, said she was ecstatic to learn she had been picked to compete in the Miss Eboness Pageant, though she didn't fully comprehend what she was div-

I was excited to be in the pageant, but I didn't realize how serious it is until we started practicing," she said. "I've grown since the beginning. All of the practice teaches discipline — it's so hard to explain

Harper said no restrictions are placed on women who audition, but the woman who is crowned as Miss Eboness must uphold the high-

"She is to uphold the name of Miss Eboness through community service and mentoring youth," he said. "She is to display the essence of eauty and elegance all year round." Miss Eboness will receive an \$800 scholarship

and assorted prizes. Prizes will be awarded to the most dedicated woman and the woman wh the most advertisements. The \$2,500 rental of Shryock Auditorium exceeds the fraternity's budso Miss Eboness contestants sell advertising get, so Miss Eboness come and tickets to ease the cost.

Johnson said she feels the pageant allows for the recognition of the African-American women on campus, which is not necessarily present

throughout the year.

"It's honoring the black woman heritage," she said. "And it is the only event on campus that does that. There are a "t of black young women on campus who should be seen and heard."

Johnson auditioned for the pageant so she could have the chance to speak to the public about her views and ideals

"I have a lot to say and I want them to hear what it is," she said. "I think that things may not be the way we want them to be all of the time, but through unity of people, we may acquire the goals we want to reach."

Harper said the pageant exhibits the African-American women present on the campus in a positive and noble light.

"It is the only pageant that showcases the black women of this campus," he said. "The event is a true dedication to the ladies of this campus."





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STORY BY ERIN FAFOGLIA

OODEN CLOTHING HAMPERS, SHELVES, IRONING BOARDS AND DOLL ACCESSORIES ARE SCATTERED ACROSS TWO ROOMS OF DOROTHY AND JAMES FURGERSON'S

IOME IN CARBONDALE. THE FURGERSONS HAVE SPENT 13 YEARS CRAFTING AND PAINTING WOOD ITEMS, AND DOROTHY SAID SHE IS EAGER TO DISPLAY AND SELL ABOUT 40 WOOD WORKS AT SATURDAY AND SUNDAY'S ARTS AND CRAFTS

The Southern Illinois Arts and Crafts Fall Festival is from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday at the SIU Arena

"My husband and I started My husband and 1 started out participating in these shows slowly and then he got sick," she said. Now we're working our way back to a couple of shows a year." This is the fifth year of the annual event, and more than 80 local vendors are expected to

"We have quality crafters, jewelry makers and ceramics," festival coordinator Betty Nix said. "It

The event is sponsored by the Mid-America Crafters Association. About 100 members and area artists pull together each year for the event. To cover expenses for the festival, vendors pay \$75 to display their crafts. Marge Stearns, a Carbondale resident, will

demonstrate basket weaving methods at the festival. Stearns has been weaving for 17 years and said she plans to show the differ-

said she plans to show the different stages of completion.
"Basket weaving is really a lost art," she said. 'I can remember when my grandparents would carry baskets around out of necessity. Now, plastic bags have replaced them."

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Stearns participated in each Southern Illinois Arts and Crafts Fall Festival and said the younger generation is fascinated with the art. "It's nice to do these shows because I like people and I meet a lot of them here," she said. The festival is scheduled each

year for Homecoming weekend

in an effort to attract a large crowd. "The festival is always a great atmosphere — the crafters and people are friendly," Nix said. "It's a good time for Christmas decorations and gift ideas for the upcoming holidays."

Woman's showcase of art

Longbranch will display woman's art and music tonight

The second annual

All-Women's Art

Jackson St.

Show will open at 8

tonight at Longbranch Coffee House, 100 E.

Acoustic folk music

will be provided by Stephanie Fine.

STORY BY ERIN FAFOGLIA

HRISTINE AHLEN AND BARBARA EIDLIN STAND ABOVE A TABLE, DRAWING MUSIC NOTES ON A SIGN TO BE DISPLAYED IN THE BACK ROOM OF LONGBRANCH COFFEE HOUSE

In conjunction with the fin conjunction with the business' goals of increasing free-forum events, the two women prepare the Back Room for the second annual All-Women's Art

annual All-Women's Art Show opening at 8 tonight at Longbranch Coffee House, 100 E. Jackson St. The show, which will extend across both rooms of the coffee house, is a cel-bration of the voice of women and their abun-dance of two-dimensional dance of two-dimensional

creativity. Last year, 30 pieces of art were exhibited, and event coordinator Ahlen said she hopes to match last year's turnout. Four works of art have been submitted to the event so far, and Ahlen said the placement of the two-dimensic nal designs will be a challenge for the employees

"We had no idea what was going to come out of it; it was very powerful," she said. "We were so surprised and fascinated with the voice and presence of each diverse piece that we wanted to do it again.'

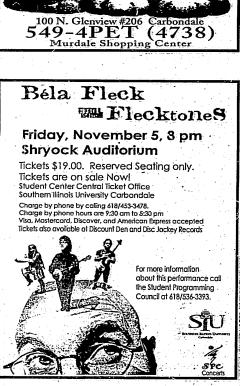
The employees of Longbranch will spend about two hours planning the place ment of 30 or more pieces of artwork and

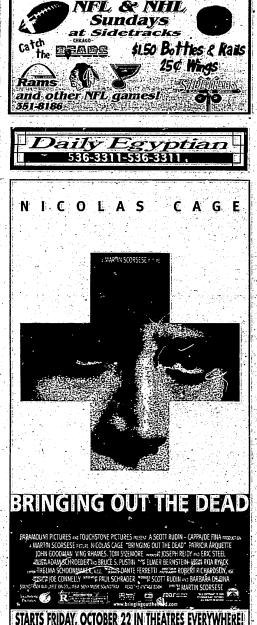
another two hours hanging the paintings, photographs and sketches. "We want to arrange them in a way to make the best of each piece," Ahlen said.

The show is a step toward the transformation of the coffee house to show case an array of local talents. A forum will take place in the Back Room of the cof-fee house to welcome meetings, poetry readings, live music and theater.

An All-Man's Art Show is being planned for this year, and the coffee house will show-case children's art at a similar event. "We are trying to make a call out to people of all different types of creativity to experiment and find their voice," she said. "We're really striv-ing for a cultural marketplace."









Kiss the pig roundup

College of Agriculture's Homecoming Roundup will include games, music, food, and fundraising

STORY BY JENNIFER WIG

PROFESSOR IN THE COLLEGE OF GRICULTURE

WILL PUCKER UP TO A PIG FRIDAY EVENING DURING THE THIRD ANNUAL HOMECOMING ROUNDUP.

"Kiss the Pig" requires participants to vote for their "favorite" College of Agriculture professor by putting money in the professor's jar. The prowith the most money in the jar labeled with his or her name by the end of the evening must kiss a large, crossbred pig.

The winner of last year's "Kiss the Pig" was Steven Kraft.

"I would probably root for Dr. Kraft [this year]," said Amy Rogier, president of the Agriculture Business Economics club and a senior in agri-

ence. "I had his Farm Management class, and it was really tough. We get a lot of takers for him."

Matt Rendleman, a potential pig-kisser, was uncertain whether he would be participating. "I don't think there are social dis-

eases that can be passed between pig and human," said Rendleman, a pro-

and numan, said renderman, a professor in the Agriculture Business Economics Department. "I'm not sure, so I'm a little nervous."

Homecoming Roundup will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. today on the front lawn of the Agriculture Building. The event, sponsored by the College of Agriculture, is open to the

Twenty Registered Student Organizations will set up booths that will include food by the Hotel Restaurant Student Association. Games will be provided by the Forestry Club, Animal Science, Agriculture Mechanization Club and Food and Nutrition. The money collected will be donated to a yet-to-be-

determined charity.

Julia Wetstein, assistant dean of external affairs for the College of Agriculture, created Homecoming Roundup three years ago as a fund-

raiser for RSOs. The Roundup also provides an opportunity for students to meet alumni.

"We're really active with our alumni," said Westein. "I wanted an opportunity for the alumni to come back and interact with the students."

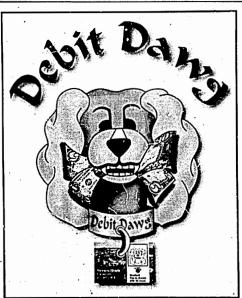
In addition to food and games, a live comic folk band will be there to liven the mood. The two-man band, Rog and Bob, consists of Bob Iltis, a rog and not, consists of not litts, a lecturer in Agricultural Technologies, and his friend Roger Ellithorpe, a Carbondale resident. Both play the guitar and mandolin and will perform for an hour at the Parachine.

Roundup.

Iltis, adviser for the Agricultural
Mechanization Club, said his band only performs three to five times annually. This will be the band's first performance at the Homecoming

"It's always fun to perform in front of an audience that hasn't heard you before," said Iltis.
Westein said the events are scheduled around Homecoming to

increase the number of participants.
"That's why it's called a
roundup," said Westein. "We round
all these people up together. We're
even rounding up the animals."





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Audio & Film

Norton and Pitt put up a good 'fight' for Oscar

STORY BY NATHANIEL PARK

RAD PITT AND DIRECTOR DAVID FINCHER RETURN TO THE MOVIE RING WITH THEIR HEAVY-HITTING, ACTING-DIRECTING, ONE-TWO COMBINATION WITH BRILLIANCE NOT SEEN SINCE THE 1995 RELEASE OF

But it is Edward Norton's raw and almost dis-

turbing performance that takes the biggest swing at Oscar in 20th Century For's "Fight Club." In contradiction to the tide, "Fight Club." is a smart, quick-paced film that evokes as much humor as it does violence. Jim Uhls' script, based

from the novel by Chuck Palahniuk captures an edgy, yet witty look into the ering-down of the American male's

The film revolves und Norton's (The Narrator) death-obsessed

white-collar character trying to find true salvation

After being a member in just about every 12step program imaginable, he finds relief in an underground self-help program called the "Fight

The club, which meets in the basement of a

"FIGHT CLUB" David Fincher Jim Uhls Writer. Edward Norton Brad Pitt .Tvler Durden

Rating: 4 out of 5 stars

designed to allow the American chance to fight

It provides members the opportunity to onnect with the testosterone-driven male instinct that

has been suffocated by society and has softened

the gender.

Doctors fighting waiters, lawyers fighting carpenters and all for the glory of sport.

No one dies at Fight Club meetings, the rule

won't allow it. But check all societal standards at

Fight Club is designed to rip the candy coating off the male spirit, and if you make it into the club, you are going to fishe

club, you are going to fight.

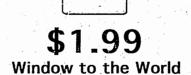
Typical for most of his roles, Brad Pitt's (Tyler Durden) character is the antagonist and problem source for the film. He represents the everything man. Pitt's character is not dominated by his jo or the outside world — the direct opposite of Norton's daily commute, cubical-having, washand-wear suit character.

Pitt's character.

Pitt's character is sick and perverted, yet intelligent and always focused. He is the only man capable of starting fight club. His role seems as if it
were written for him and he wears it well. Never

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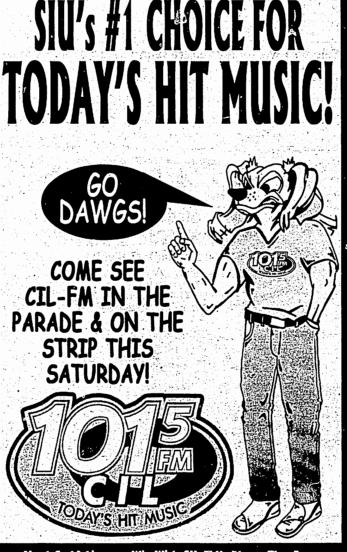
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Paul Smith, one of three Experimental Aircraft Association pilots giving free plane rides for kids this weekend, checks the condition of his Cessna 172. IPPD WAIAMEE

Fly like a young eagle

EAA giving free, 30-minute plane rides to local youth to spark interest in aviation

STORY BY TRAVIS MORSE

OCAL PILOTS
WAY MAY NA N
CAVANESS, PAUL
SMITH AND LARRY FLEFNER WILL
PROVE GENEROSITY AND AVIATION GO HAND-IN-HAND WHEN
THEY SHOW SEVERAL LOCAL
CHILDREN THE MAGIC OF AIR
TRAVEL THIS WEEKEND.

They are taking part in the National Experimental Aircraft Associations Young Eagles Program, which lasts from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at the Pinckneyville Armort.

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The program is an effort by the EAA to provide flight experience to children between the ages of 8 and 18 by the year 2003, which is the 100th anniversary of the Wright Brothers' flight and the 50th anniversary of the EAA.

The local chapter of the EAA.

The local chapter of the EAA, chapter 277, is giving free half-hour plane rides to get local children interested in aviation.

In addition to the se airplane ride, each child also will receive an official Eagle Flight certificate and a picture with the plane on which they rode.

they rode. Cavaness, Young Eagles coordinator, said one of the major reasons this program was started was because of a recent lack of pilots in the aviation industry.

"We started the program due to a pilot shortage in recent years," Cavaness said. "World War II and Vietnam trained a lot of pilots, but there hasn't been a major war in a long time. We want to get children interested in aviation, so we'll have more potential pilots in the future."

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David Jaynes, academic adviser for SIUC's Aviation Flight Department, agrees that a pilot shortage will be a major problem in the near future.

"Most commercial pilots got their training from the military and

"Most commercial pilots got their training from the military, and now with all the military cutbacks, 'they won't be coming from there anymore," Jaynes said. 'It will be a shift to the private sector and from what we know now, there aren't coing to be enough pilots."

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In fact, Jaynes estimates that almost '40 percent of the pilots working now will be eligible for retirement by the year 2005. He said this will be a problem if more pilots are not trained.

According to Cavaness, the benefits to local children who attend the Young Eagle flights are numer-

ous.
"Children can learn so much from these flights," Cavaness said.

"They can learn about the geography of their neighborhood, weather, the mechanics of aircraft and most importantly, whether they are interested in aviation."

The fuel money for these flights is coming out of the pilots' own pockets, but for Smith, president of Smith Dodge Chrysler Plymouth in Carbondale, that's just fine,

"I'm doing this because I enjoy flying and because kids really like these flights," Smith said. "It's important to get kids involved in aviation early on, and I'm happy to volunteer my time and money to do

Cavaness, however, has a more personal reason for giving up his time and money to fly children around the Carbondale area.

"I do it because nobody did it for me when I was a child," Cavaness said. "That's true with a lot of kids. Unless they have a relative who owns a plane, most kids are not given the opportunity to learn about aircraft."

Jaynes hopes programs like this will encourage children to become more interested in the mystery and mechanics of air travel.

"This early exposure is very important," Jaynes said. "How many kids are actually told that they could become a pilot? Hopefully, there'll be more programs like this."

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- "Electra," 8 p.m., Christian H. Moe Laboratory heater. For ticket information, call 453-3001.
- The SIU Jazz Ensemble, 9 p.m., Finch Penny Pub.
- Nov 30 All-Women's Art Show, 8 p.m., with entertainment by Stephanie Fine at Longbranch Coffee House.
- Live DJ show at Stix every Friday and Saturday night.
- Mule Skinner, 10 p.m., Boo Jr.'s.
- The Schwag, 10 p.m., Hanger 9.
- Nighthawk, 10 p.m., Siderracks Bar and Grill.
- Hello Dave with Halfway Jane, 9 p.m., Copper Drogon Brewing Co.
- Tawl Paul, 9:30 p.m., PK's.
- Live DJ show every Friday and Saturday at
- Dan Zahn and Chris McNamara, 7:30 p.m., Cousin Andy's Coffeehouse, Donations of \$5 for adults and \$3 for students and children accepted.
- "Abbie FlyByNight," 8 p.m., Douglass School Art Place. For more information, call 687-1566.
- Country night live DJ show, 8 p.m., Coo-Coo's.

§ 24 Sunday -Nov 17 MFA preview, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., University Museum • -24 The Bank of Carbondale possible "Electro," 2 p.m.,
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• Mel Goot to play piano from 6:30 to 10 p.m. at May & McCuire's.

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- Piano with Emily, 6 to 10 p.m., Mugsy McGuire's.
- Sumo wrestling at Gatsby's. Teams of five at \$2
- Dec 5 Museum Studies practicum exhibit, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., University Museum.

Friday

Creed with special guest Our Lady Peace and Oleander, 8 p.m., Family Arena. For times and ticket information, call 314-534-1111.

Saturday

- Rend Lake College's 4th Annual Student fro Student Art Auction at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$10.
- -31 Mount Vernon's Folk Art and Craft Show.

FIGHT CLUB

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forced, like a terrible Austrian accent in "Seven Years In Tibet," he comes across as a more complete

It could be called a good case of casting or maybe just the possibility that Pitt is coming into his own as a

performer. Whatever the reasoning, the performance which Norton gives outshines any tabloid, star-power that Pitt may bring to "Fight Club."

WCIL FM Dance Bash, 8 p.m., Coo-Coo's. Admission is free for women.

Norton gives a truly gripping display as the audience sees his transition from common man to superman, a change that is almost as painful for the audience to watch as it is for Norton's character to underHis portrayal of the physical and mental breakdown of a man crushed by the monotony of daily life is extremely raw, truthful and uncom-

fortable for the audience.

Fight Club" would be a decent film without the services of Fincher as the pictures director. But the intensity that he has brought to such movies as "Seven" and "The Game" injected a shot of adrenaline into

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Fight Club," creating a constantly
moving and often dark plot line.
Fincher dug deep into his creative bag of tricks with the use of
grainy, shaking, camera close-ups as
Pitt's character preaches the film's
theme of societal suffocation. The shots are powerful and work well as transition into deeper and darker levels of the film.

"Fight Club" is a gut-check kind of picture. It is not for the weak of

The film acts as a wake-up call to the sluggish career of Pitt, the resur-gence of one of the industries best suspense directors and hopefully a gut-check for the Academy Awards, who should give a nomination, for best actor, to Norton for his knock-out performance in "Fight Club."



What's up?

Alumni association celebrates homecoming at tailgate

The Alumni Association invites alumni, students, and friends of SIU to participate in the 13th annual pre-game homecoming celebration.

Beginning at about 11 a.m. Saturday in the Alumni Big Tent, east of McAndrew Stadium, the event will include music, door prizes, snacks, beverages and a complimentary lunch provided by the association and colleges. For more information, call 453-2408.

Supporting the fine arts of others

For an interesting array of art work, photography and film, the University Museum opens its MFA Preview at 9 a.m. today

The MFA Preview is the work in various media by students graduating with a Master of Fine Arts degree from the School of Art and Design and the Department of Cinema and Photography.

The exhibit will be on display until Nov. 17. University

Museum hours are 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Sundays.

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Artist for radical social change

Political artist Sue Coe, wno tackles controversies such as the nuclear industry, apartheid, the Ku Klux Klan and vivisection, will be at a book signing 4 p.m. Sunday at Rosetta News, 102 E. Jackson St. She will give a lecture at 7 p.m. at Browne Auditorium in the Parkinson Building.

/ p.m. at Browne Auditorium in the Parkinson Building.
Coe explores the exploitation and corruption, incorporating chiaroscuro and sharply angled perspectives with multi-media works. Her range of output includes drawings, paintings, prints, books and computer works.
Coe aims to stir the viewer's conscience and reveal the

dark struggle between victims and oppressors. Her influences include a range of socially and politically conscious artists such as Goya, Kathe Kollwitz and Max Beckmann.

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COMPUTING CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

important area of academic support. Progress has been made recently in upgrading equipment and network con-nections, but these efforts appear to be ad hoc and largely remedial.

remedial.

University officials admit a focus for computing technology has been geared toward the areas of math and sciences. Shirley Clay Scott, dean of the Collego of Liberal Arts, is headed to Prevost Tom Guernsey's office today with a revised list of ideas for updating technology in the

college.

Glenn Poshard, vice chancellor for Administration, said the University hopes to have the computers in compliance before the new millennium.

To ensure Y2K compliance, SIUC tested the 6,458

desktop computers on campus this semester, and 113 failed. It will cost the University about \$300,000 to bring

all the computers into compliance.

Poshard takes this problem seriously, but he says it is something that needs to be worked out among the depart-

ments.

He said Altgeld Hall, which is one of three buildings on campus that is not wired for computing, is at the top of the list for complete renovation. Poshard said technological

ist for complete renovation. Fostard said technological advances will be made when the hall is renovated.

Geoffrey Nathan, chair of the computing technology advisory board, which works in the Linguistics Department, said his department is in good shape. But he added that a problem of insufficient funds has given rise to take of computing trobal dear in COLA.

added that a problem of insufficient funds has given rise to a lack of computing technology in COLA.

While the NCA report recognized an "unevenness" of technological progression on campus and diagnosed COLA with a ill-wall toward taking any action on improvements, Nathan said there are no set plans to improve technology in COLA.

Poshard said computing technology is a major issue in campuses across the country because computer access for students is one of the biggest recruitment tools any university has

sity has.

"If it's not there, you're just not going to get the students," Poshard said. "You must have accessibility for students in their dorm rooms and so on. Students are going to

dens in their dorm rooms and so on. Students are going to go where they can get that opportunity."

Thompson Point residence halls are wired for ethernet service, but the Brush Towers are not. The University plants to have every residence hall on campus wired for Internet by next school year.

"And if we meet that goal, we will not only have cutting-edge preparation in information technology for every student on campus, but we will also have that same technology for all the administrative functions of the campus through Oracle or AIS," Poshard said.

"If there are some departments or colleges that have less

than others, that's just something we'll have to correct."

Poshard said some campus leaders would like to see a management company take charge of the computer needs for the campus. The company would standardize the type of computers for all faculty and staff on campus at a designation.

nated rate.

The company also would try to meet all the computer needs on campus, Poshard said, and keep each computer updated on a regular basis.

"There's a real debate going on campus right now about what we should do on this campus with respect to the 7,000 plus desktops that we have around campus," Poshard said.

said.
"Whether we should actually have a management firm handle all of that for us, or whether we should continue do what we've been doing — which is kind of let everybody do their own thing."
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That debate is going to be heating up very soon, offi-seav because companies have expressed interest in vis-

cials say, because companies have expressed interest in vis-ting SIU to "make their pitch for managing the system." Nathan said he would like to explore the option of hav-ing a management firm budget computer purchases. "It would be one way to solve the problem," Nathan

In light of the NCA report, the University began a In light of the NCA report, the University began a national search in September for a director of Information Technology. Albert Allen, the former director of Information Technology, stepped down from the position in July for personal reasons.

Meanwhile, Humphries computer rests tucked in the corner of his office. Though his office is clean, he says the computer's capabilities are nothing more than cumber-

some.

Humphries said he wants to make himself more available to his students while he is in his Faner Hall office, but he is limited to minimal hours simply because his office is not technologically advanced. In fact, he has not used his office computer since the spring semester when he had to print out a make-up exam for one of his students.

"Actually they could come and take it right now and it wouldn't affect me," he said of his computer.

Last year, Humphries used money from a pay increase to purchase a Pentium II computer for his home to allow him to keep up with his students. Because he has to use the SIU server, Humphries usually waits until late at night to get his research and class material organized.

Humphries received his office computer when he arrived at SIUC nearly 10 years ago. He also disagrees with the observed "wait-and-see" attitude of which the NCA report noted, and said he has been pushing for a new com-

report noted, and said he has been pushing for a new com-

puter for about four years.
"In many respects, it's embarrassing," Humphries said of his compare and its abilities. "I find it absurd, absolutely amazing."







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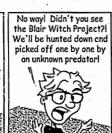
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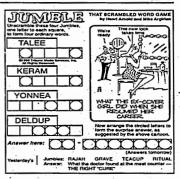
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PLAN

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last Thursday, but is pending approval from the board. Interim Chancellor John Jackson said new

additions to the plan, such as the tuition surcharge proposal, should go a long way in making things better.
"We're working on improving the plan," Jackson said. Th. next step is to get some more money behind our technology plan, and that is why we

have the tuition surcharge proposal."

The NCA report also cited the current condition of the academic computing infrastructure uneven.

"Some colleges such as Business, Education, Engineering, Applied Science and Arts are better than oth-

ers. However others, most notably Liberal Arts, have departments housed in buildings such as Altgeld, Allyn and the Blue Barracks, which are not wired for network connec-tions," the report said.

Nathan said the reason for this

problem is lack of technology fund-

"The University has never had a budget for upgrading computers," Nathan said. "We'll probably have to roll it into the tuition in order to keep public access labs up to date.

"We need faculty and student access as near to the top of the line as possible," Jackson said. "Technology is constantly changing and it will always be a concern at SIUC."

Glenn Poshard, vice chancellor for Administration, is confident that all of SIUC's technology problems will be addressed through the

University's long-range plan.
"We have set aside funds to ensure that all our computers are up to date," Poshard said. "We have four new computer labs filled with hundreds of brand new computers, and there's a good possibility we'll be adding more in the near future."

Another part of SIUC's long-range plan is wiring the entire campus to the e-hernet system.

The system, which provides stu-

dents access to the Internet from the PCs in their residence halls, is already on its way in becoming cam-pus-wide.

"Some of the things mentioned in the report we're already making improvements on like the campus-wide ethernet system," Poshard said. "Thompson Point is already

wired, so students can access the Internet with their own PCs. We have a plan in place to get all of the campus wired by fall of 2000."

Nathan agreed with several points made in the NCA report regarding

technology.
"In general, I thought it was a In general, I thought it was a good report, and I agree we have to assess our technology systems," Nathan said. "There are still faculty on campus who don't have Internet connections on their desk because we can't afford them.'

Poshard agrees the campus-wide ethernet system, more computer labs and faculty-student access are three major areas of long-range improve-ment at SIUC.

"We're developing long-range lans with not only land use and building maintenance, but also in the

area of technology," Poshard said.
"These are important issues at this
University, and we're doing our best
to address them."

Aside from mentioning improve-ments needed at SIUC, the NCA report also praised the University for the Administrative Information

AIS, formerly known as Oracle, connects all three SIU campuses in a single computer network in the areas of payroll, bursar, disbursements, purchasing and business practices.

"For the most part, we got good comments on technology," Poshard said. "AIS has put us on the forefront. of technology for business practices, payroll, bursar and disbursement. There's a lot we can improve, but there's also a lot of things SIUC should be proud of."

STRIP

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street closing when necessary by pulling a police car across the College Street and South Illinois Avenue intersection

Last year, crowds of 1,000 to 2,000 people took the Strip on the weekend prior to Halloween, making 1998 the second consecutive year of peace after the 1994 and 1996 riots.

The 1998 crowds assembled small mosh pits and crowd-surfed, and numerous women exposed their breasts. More than a dozen people who stayed past 3 a.m. were arrested. In 1997, 32 people were arrested during the two weekend nights before Halloween. The 1998 crowds were deemed peaceful by city officials, despite bottles thrown at a police car, which broke the back window. One car also was overturned. The Carbondale City Council voted 4-1 Sept. 7 to ban parking from midnight to 7 a.m. on the 500 block of South Illinois Avenue. All cars parked

there after midnight will be towed from the area. However, the council did not take any formal are to prepare for this weekend. The coun cil did not take action Sept. 21 on a motion that would have officially closed South Illinois Avenue to vehicle traffic at 11 p.m. on Friday and Saturday nights from Sept. 24 to Oct. 23. No action was taken because a closure time

could not be agreed upon, and there was a con-

cern about the effect the closure would have on area business. The council agreed to have the Carbondale Police Department continue con-

trolling the street closing.
At Tuesday's City Council meeting, Councilman Larry Briggs invited council mem-bers and the SIUC student body to peacefully join him and others on the Strip this weekend. Briggs said members of the Undergraduate Student Council and the Graduate and Professional Student Council will support him on the Strip. GPSC President Ed Ford said he

will be on the Strip as a positive influence.

"People are going to be there to monitor things," he said. "We want to keep things reasonably calm but we're not going to let things get

out of control."

out of control.

Flanagen said she also will be on the Strip
one of the nights to encourage the positive environment. She said people are in the area to talk
and socialize but not to cause trouble.

"I generally think it will be peaceful," she
said. "I hope no one disappoints me."

But even though some people are encourag-students to come to the area peacefully, ing students to come to Elliott advised otherwise.

Elliott said that if people are concerned about being involved in problems during the weekend, should not be in the area.

they should not be in the area.
"If you are in the Strip area, you can easily be misidentified as a rebel or a rioter," he said. "If you don't want to be caught, stay out of the area.





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All RA positions were classified security sensitive in October 1998, and anyone applying for the posi-tions must sign a release giving the SIUC Human Resources Department permission to com-mence with the background checks.

Security sensitive positions are subject to two background checks Associates, an independent contrac-tor in Chicago. A pre-employment background check is done in every state the perspective employee lived in the last seven years.
Pam Brandt, director of human

resources, said that after an employ ee is hired, a more thorough background check is done only in the state of Illinois, "just to make sure we haven't missed anything."

Brandt would not comment as to whether the background check revealed Townsend's battery convic tion, and if so, whether he was hired despite the conviction. She did say evaluation of the background checks are done on a case-by-case

"If someone was convicted of shoplifting when they were 18 and now they are 35 and they are apply-ing for a childcare position and they have had a good employment history since, does that make them not qualified for the position?" she said.

But Schaeflean said, as a student living on campus, it is the nature of Townsend's year-and-a-half-old conviction that raises concerns in her mind.

"If it was something like theft, that would be different," she said. Brandt said the system is not perfect, but Human Resources tries

to do a reasonable job to prevent hiring someone who has an inappropriate background for a particu-

The problem with all backmound investigations is that there is no one big database," she said. "We do as thorough of a job as we can within the limitations we have."

A check of Townsend's criminal background likely would have revealed the battery conviction because it is available not only at the Jackson County Court House, but also on the Jackson County Circuit Court's webpage (circuit-clerk.co.jackson.il.us). University Housing has about 130 RA pos tions to fill each semester. Kirk it is important to consider how many employees are hired and fulfill the requirements of their job without incident.

"Of course, you'd rather not have a staff member that has any kind of criminal history," he said. "I can't imagine any system that we would have that would be perfect."

Because this is only the third.

Because this is only the third semester RAs have been subject to background checks, Kirk said it is too early to tell whether it has been

a change for the better.

"How do you predict how some-one is going to act in the future?" he asked. "There are people who make mistakes and learn from their mistakes — and people who don't have any [criminal] history can still do bad things."

Tim Barrett and David Ferrara contributed to this article.

DRINKING

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is absolutely related to problematic behavior because your judgment is

'My belief is anytime violence occurs within a college population,

alcohol is involved."

Studies from the Indiana

Prevention Resource Center stated revention strategies in response binge drinking by young people include actions to reduce alcohol availability. Other strategies include restrictions on marketing and pro-

restrictions on marketing and pro-motion practices that glamorize heavy drinking. "Kids think they are bullet proof," Benshoff said. "There are powerful inhibiting effects of alcohol that get

in the way of good judgment."

Stobey said that although he is a drinker, he is also socially responsible. A designated driver and friend, Stobey thinks before he drinks.

"People get into things they nor-mally wouldn't when they are drunk," Stobey said. "I am usually the designated driver so I don't have to wake up and regret anything in-the morning."

VOICE

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Senior setter Debbie Barr, the school's all-time assists leader, will end her reign as the starting setter following this season, leaving Follett with some big shoes to fill as the team leader.

A few years ago, Follett may have been intimidated by the leadership role. Not anymore.

People still kind of draw conclusions that because I'm quiet at other times, I'm going to be quiet on the court," Follett said. "I think I've kind of grown out of that

Follett decided to participate in organizations and school activities to build leadership qualities and learn to branch away from her shy personality.

"I just had to deal with people, and dealing with people gives you confidence," Follett said. "It doesn't really

matter that I'm shy. I can go talk to these people, and they will respect me for who I am." Barr's vacancy next season gives Follett another chance to enhance her leadership qualities. Follett has

utilized this season as a mode of preparation, as well as a learning experience under Barr's tutelage.
"I haven't sat down with her and said these are the

things you need to do and not to do. But I hope, by example I've taught her things," Bart said. Follett said she challenges herself to keep up with

Barr in drills at practice.

"We won't be losing games because we have a new setten" Follett said about next season.

Follett has seen enough losses as the Salukis (3-16, 1-10) have not had the ideal season Follett imagined. Prior to this year, Follett had never played for a losing team. Next season, the Salukis will have to adjust to the change in setters, but Follett will have all spring to find her niche with her teammates.

"There's always going to be an adjustment when you have a change in a major position like that," said Saluki head coach Sonya Locke. "It will be different, but nothing that we can't handle

Locke is confident Follett's soft-spoken leadership

will be a virtue rather than a set-back.

"She's not a rah-rah person," Locke said. "She's very, steady, very even tempered, which actually, in a position like she's in, that's not a bad idea."

HOMECOMING CONTINUED FROM PAGE 6

Redbirds from Illinois State University. The annual homecom onversity. The annual homecoming tailgate event will swing into full force at 10:30 a.m. in SIU parking lots 10-A and 10-B, north of McAndrew Stadium.

During the tailgate party, rock fans will have the chance to meet up with Illinois natives, Local H. Kappy, dise jockey for Rock 105.1 WTAO, said the band will be at the Saluki tailgate with WTAO to give

local fans a chance to meet the group. The band will perform at 10 p.m. Saturday at the Copper Dragon Brewing Co., 700 E. Grand Ave.

Brewing Co., 700 E. Grand Ave.
"I'm not sure if they're doing an
acoustic set, but they'il definitely be
hanging out," Kappy said. "They will
be doing the meet and greet thing,
showing support for SIU."
Moving from the parking lot to
the stadium, Saturday's football
game is slated for a 1:30 p.m. start.
The crowning of the homecoming

The crowning of the homecoming king and queen will be during the half-time show.

Also scheduled for the weekend festivities is the 28th annual Miss. Eboness Pageant. The event will take place at 8 p.m. Saturday in Shryock Auditorium.

Later in the evening, local music fans will be delighted with the return of Murphysboro natives 'Boro City Rollers, as the group plays its brand of ska-rock at 10 p.m. at Hangar 9, 511 S. Illinois Ave. The band dubbed its show A Homecoming of Horror," and describes it as a "pre-Halloween, ska-punk, fright fest spooktacular."

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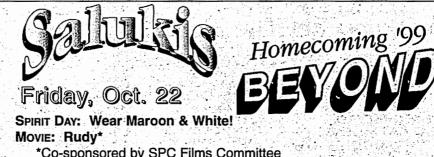
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Beth Ann Erickson, a junior from St. Charles, works on her butterfly stroke. Erickson and the Salukis will take on Drury College this weekend at the Recreation Center pool.

Swimming teams welcome **Drury College for opener**

The busy summer and off-season for members of the men's swimming and diving team is over.

Some swimmers swam in various com

around the world. Some were even busy qualifying for their country's respective Olympic teams. And SIU head coach Rick Walker coached an

Olympic team.

And while the team is still searching for a diving coach, the season has been thrust upon them as it opens competition against Drury College at the Recreation Center pool Saturday. It is now time to start the meets and assess where the team is at.

"We have some gaps in our lineup," Walker said.

"The hoping to walk away with some remedies on how to fill that.

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The gap occupying the position of a diving coach is also a top priority for Walker and company.

"There isn't anybody who wants a coach on deck

more than myself, or more than the divers," Walker said. "They need to have somebody watching the spe-

said. They need to nave someboody watching the spe-cific event. It's so different from swimming events.

Anchoring the diving team this year will be sopho-more Rhett Butler. Butler was named Missouri Valley Conference Diver of the Week twice last year along with qualifying himself for the NCAA Zone D com-

Despite being a Division II school, Drury boasts

one of the better swimming programs in the nation.
Walker is aware of the threat Drury poses to his team.
"Last year, they beat us and then went undefeated,"
Walker said.

They went undefeated against Division I schools, three of those were Big Ten schools, and they were national champs. So this isn't a blow-off meet.

"We're going up against a program that in all reali-ty, in every sense of the word, could be Division I, and probably finish in the top 25 in the country. They're that good."

They're that good in the country that good in the country that good in the threat of a loss is somewhat disheatten-ing, it would not mean the end of the world to the

"Our dual-meet season is all a preparation to the final meet," Walker said. "If I go 0-10, while I don't want to go 0-10, it doesn't mean anything. You don't

"But at the conference championships, if you're number one, then that's the outcome of our season."

voice

The SIU women's swimming and diving team seems to be in a no-lose situation when head coach Mark Kluemper's crew begins the season Saturday.

The Salukis welcome three-time defending Division

II national champions Drury College to the Recreation Center pool this weekend. While expectations are high early on, Kluemper does not want to put any undue pres-sure on his athlete's.

"I really expect them to swim well," Kluemper said.
"But if for some reason they don't, in a way, that's kind of good news, too. It just tells us where we are.

Drury will not roll over for the Salukis though, and despite their D-II status, assistant coach Jeff Goelz views Drury as a formidable opponent at this particular time of

the season.

"They're a deep team," Goelz said. "They d. finitely have some stars. This meet will be kind of critical at this point. We'll know what we have as far as a team."

Kluemper is also aware of what Drury is capable of.

"First of all, Drury is a good team," Kluemper said.
"They are Division II, but the women's team has won the last three Division II nationals. They are the best of Division."

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The Salukis have some strong swimmers of their own, one of them being new-comer Amber Mullins.

"[Mullins] is a freshman distance swimmer that's just a course and for the last couple of weeks," been training outstanding for the last couple of w Kluemper said. "I expect her to have a big impact." The Salukis were not hurting for talent.

Brooke Radostits returns for her sophomore ye at this point in the season, is not too concerned with improving on her Missouri Valley Conference record-setting times of a year ago in the 100- and 200-yard

"Going into this meet, I'm concentrating on the team effort rather than the individual side," Radostits said.

We need all the points we can get."

Also returning is junior breaststroker Melanie

'Having Melanie back in the breaststroke races and swimming breaststroke on the medley relay is a huge boost for us," Kluemper said.

"We're just eager to get started on meets. When you're a competitive athlete, training [without competition] gets a little stale after a while. So I think it's just going to be good to get the first competition under our belt.



Follett

Freshman setter Britten Follett tries to ready herself to fill void once senior Debbie Barr leaves

COREY CUSICK DAILY EGYPTIAN

Britten Follett was regarded as a quiet, shy individual at Marengo High School.

A few years later, the back-up setter for the SIU volleyball team intends to pursue a career where she will speak in front of thousands of

people on a daily basis.

Follett, a freshman in radio and television has intentions of becoming a news broadcaster, ironically, as a voice to the masses following her

In the meantime, Follett can further step out of her quiet demeanor while play-ing an influential role in the future of SIU

The future is trans-

gressing to the present quicker than ever for the Marengo native. While Follett will not be the starting setter at 7 tonight against the University of Evansville

in Indiana, her predecessor's time is limited

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OVERALL RECORD: 3-4 GATEWAY RECORD: 0-3

FOOTBALL GAME DAY PREVIEW

McAndrew Stadium Saturday, 1:30 p.m.

Media coverage: "Big Dawg" 95.1 FM WXLT

LAST MEETING: 1998, SIU LOST 41-38 IN OT

ALL-TIME SERIES RECORD: SIU LEADS 31-27-3 story by Jay Schwab



OVERALL RECORD: 5-2 GATEWAY RECORD: 3-0

SCOUTING THE SALUKIS:

SIU better have done a thorough job wip-ing the yolk out of their eyes after last week's shaming 68-27 loss at Western Illinois shaming 68-27 loss at Western Illinois University, because the Salukis need their vision intact to be competitive against an explosive ISU team.

explosive ISU team.

The Redbirds are No. 12 in the latest Sports
Network I-AA poll, and ISU will be the
Salukis' fifth straight nationally-ranked opponent. As tough as the Recibirds are, whether SIU can gear it up emotionally after losing their fourth straight game in embarrassing fashion will have as much to do with the out-

rashion will have as much to do with the out-come Saturday as any block, catch or tackle.

SIU head coach Jan Quarlese and defensive
coach Dave Dunkelberger had some major
explaining to do after the Saluki defense
allowed 625 yards of offense to WIU. Quarless said he is putting his best players out on the field, but they haven't been performing up to potential.

"I don't know if they're always giving an effort that they're capable of giving, mainly because I think there's some lack of confidence," Quarless said. "But we're not thick enough with depth to make a lot of changes, to be frank

The Salukis seem prone to long losing streaks. Last year SIU lost seven in a row, beginning with an emotionally draining 41-3 overtime loss to the Redbirds in Normal. Coach Q is concerned the team's current tail-

spin is weighing on his players' minds.
"I think you have to worry after four weeks in a row," said Quarless, who has been harder on himself than his

most fervent critics since the WIU loss.

Even SIU's top defensive players — such as sophomore linebacker Nolda, sophomore free safety Bart Scott and junior defensive tackle Tavita Tovio were unable to



number of breakdowns against WIU. The Salukis were baffled by nearly every fake.
offered by quarterback Mark Zanders.

"[We werr] myling those kind of mistakes that you would hope by week seven would have been resolved," Quarless said.

Adding injury to insult, Tovio is questionable for the ISU game after spraining his ankle against the Leathernecks, and the Saluki offense will be without injured wice receiver Brian Hamlett for the rest of the season

Quarless said his mission in practice this week was to "instill in our players that when

adversity sets in, you have to fight back.
"We have to learn to overcome adversity, and we haven't done that yet," Quarless said.

COACH Q ON THE REDBIRDS:

"They'il be a challenge for us, I think they function very well with [QB Dusty Burk]. They run more option with him, I think they're trying to get him to carry the football and be a

runner.
"They're a ball-control passing team. I think [running back Walter James] is an outstanding tailback. . . their offensive line is big,

they've got pretty good receivers.

Defensively they give you a Defensively they give you an eight-man front. They show blitzes. . . they do a real good job of being sound in their defensive schemes, job of being sound in their detensive screenes, I think they know exactly what they're doing. I think their secondary is above average, and I think [linebacker Galen Scott] is an excellent player. We have to make sure we pick up (ISU's) pressure."

MISCELLANEOUS MADNESS:

• The historic SIU-ISU rivalry began in 1929, with the highlight for the Salukis coming from 1976 to 1988. During that stretch, the Salukis won 13 of 14 games

• The status of star SIU running back Karlton Carpenter remains up in the air. The coaching staff has discussed applying for another year of eligibility for Carpenter, but head coach Jan Quarless has not roled out

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using Carpenter in one of the final four games.
The Salukis have not had much recent success coming from behind. In the last three years, SIU is 2-16 when the opposition scores first and 1-13 when trailing at halftime.

SIU wide receiver Cornell Craig is 112.

receiving yards away from 3,000 career yards and 201 yards away from 1,000 yards this sea-

PLAYERS TO WATCH:

No. 24 - freshman RB Tom Koutsos No. 34 – sophomore LB Jason Nolda No. 25 – freshman CB Ricky Hayward

SCOUTING THE REDBIRDS:

If not for a blown 24-yard field goal by kicker Jake Strader at the end of last Saturday's 14-13 loss to the University of South Florida, ISU would be undefeated in I-AA play. The game was played under unusual circumstances, as the Redbirds were unsure until the day before the game whether it would be played due to the volatility of Hurricane Irene.

Hurricane Irene.
The Redbirds' only other defeat came
Sept. 19 against the University of Minnesota.
"We were not up emotionally, last week
like we needed to be in order to win the
game," said Redbird head coach Todd Berry. The hurricane didn't help that situation at

ISU, the preseason favorite to win the league, appears to be on task after smoking Gateway power University of Northern Iowa 47-28 earlier this season.

However, ISU suffered a mammoth blow the following week

when star quarter-back Kevin Glenn was lost for the year to a season-ending knee injury during a Redbird win over Indiana State University.

Although Berry said he has been oleased with backup freshman quarter back Dusty Burk's

poise and command of the offense, there's no

Dusty Burk

denying losing Glenn hurts.

"Kewin meant an awful lot to this program," Berry said. "Everybody looked to him for leadership and to make plays. Obviously when he went down, it impacted the team and took the wind out of our sails.

ISU has recovered pretty well, thanks in part to an impressive rushing attack. Freshman back Walter James is averaging more than 86 yards a game, and last year's top rusher, Aveion Cason, gives ISU another quality threat on the ground.

The Redbirds have a successful passing attack, too. Burk, who has completed about 62 percent of his passes, has the luxury of throwing to gifted senior wide receiver Rickey Garrett. Garrett leads ISU with 25 receptions.

Although ISU has played well, Berry said he is still waiting for his team to play a full four quarters of solid football. Although ISU is atop the Gateway and SIU is in last place, Berry said the game will be far from a cakewalk for the Redbirds.

There's not much difference between the penthouse and the outhouse in this league," Berry said. "You can go from one to the other in a hurry because there's so much parity."

COACH BERRY ON THE SALUKIS:

"Cornell Craig has been a thorn in our side. Our secondary has to play well to try and contain him, and we've got to get some type of pass rush on [SIU QB] Sherard Poteete, I've really been impressed with how fast Poteete has picked up their offense and what a great com-

"[SIU freshman running back Tom Koutsos] runs extre nely hard, he's got some wiggle, and when he gets out in the open he's

surprisingly fast.
"Last week was an anomaly. . . I know that Coach Q will have everybody gunned up and ready to go. I can't speak for what Southern Illinois remembers, but I'm assuming that they would remember last year, and that would become motivation."

MISCELLANEOUS MADNESS:

· ISU is averaging an impressive 429 yards of offense per game, in comparison to 364 yards by Redbird opponents. Tailback Walter James has nine touchdowns to his credit this

• Redbird running back Aveion Cason, who scored the game-winning touchdown in overtime against the Saluki. ...st year, is just returning to good health after spraining his ankle Oct. 9. Cason has been relegated to a backup role this year behind James.

• ISU wide receiver Rickey Garrett tied the

Redbird career record for touchdown receptions when he caught his 20th against South Florida last week.

PLAYERS TO WATCH:

No. 5 - freshman QB Dusty Burk No. 20 – freshman RB Walter James No. 18 – senior WR Rickey Garrett No. 40 – junior LB Galen Scott No. 40 - junior LB Galen

No. 19 - junior WR Jacob Niete

BOTTOM LINE: If SIU has a pulse, they will use last week's shellacking and last year's OT loss to ISIJ as the emotional fuel needed to make Homecoming enjoyable for Saluki fans.

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