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Civil Service contract talks snagged

Civil Service union, administration headed toward mediation

Terry L. Dean

With the SIUC administration and the Faculty Association already in mediation because of a contract dispute, now the administration and Civil Service union are also embroiled in labor turmoil.

The University and the Association of Civil Service Employees, or ACADE, agreed last Wednesday to enter into federal mediation after failing to reach an agreement during contract negotiations.

ACADE represents SIUC’s 600 civil service employees, including accounting and clerical workers, who have been working without a contract since it expired June 30. Civil service workers represent SIUC’s second largest constituency on campus behind faculty.

Negotiations began between ACADE and the University in mid-March. Both sides agreed to work under the conditions of the old contract until a new agreement is reached with several key issues still to be addressed, including salary and leave time.

The two sides concluded talks last Wednesday, agreeing not to release an official statement until Tuesday, following a special meeting of civil service union members.

“We could have left it in the hands of our bargaining team, but I wanted the decision to rest with the members,” said Ruth Pommier, president of the ACADE.

The talks broke down primarily over two issues, she said. The first involved the administration’s offer of a 3 percent across-the-board pay increase, which the union rejected.

Pommier said the union found the proposal unacceptable given that other workers on campus, including professional staff, receive 5 percent.

“If it means some get 3 percent and we’re all entitled to the same, she said.

The second issue involved leave time for civil service workers which, under the current contract, is considerably less than that of the Faculty Association.

The administration released a press statement Wednesday indicating that both sides had reached an impasse, and will request assistance from the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, Bob York, SIUC director of Labor and Employee Relations, would not comment for the University. In

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Increased false fire alarms prompt concern

Housing officials consider installation of cameras to catch pranksters

Antonio Young

Amanda Henderson does not find it strange to wake up at 3 a.m. to the sound of sirens and a recorded female voice asking her to “move 300 feet away from the building.”

However, standing in cold weather and enduring a lack of sleep are not conditions that Henderson, a Mae Smith Hall resident since 1999, likes to endure. But because of false fire alarms, she has little choice.

Henderson is bothered by the false fire alarms that occur on the weekends, but said the fire alarms during the week are an even bigger hassle.

“We just lost one to the middle of the week, which was kind of messed up because we had to get up and go to class the next morning,” said Henderson, a sophomore in early childhood education from Champaign.

“Some happen during the day, which might come from smoke. But the ones that happen around 2 o’clock in the morning I’m sure people just pull them.”

To combat the problem, University Housing officials hope to install cameras in the midtown halls that would take photographs of people who pull the alarms, said Glenn Stone, the assistant director of Housing for facilities.

“Installing cameras is still in the early, early stages,” Stone said. “We’re seeing what’s possible, if it is possible. We don’t know if it’s something that we can afford yet.”

Still, the issue is one that Housing may be forced to address. Criminal-related false fire alarms, which seem to be more prevalent in East Campus, are on the rise.

According to the SIUC Police Department, there have been 25 criminal-related false fire alarms reported on campus since January, with only one event leading to an arrest. During that same time span, there have been 41 non-criminal
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Gov. Ryan searches for two new trustees

Ryan currently reviewing candidates; no final decisions made

Gov. George Ryan is looking for a few good men or women to fill two positions on the SIU Board of Trustees.

While several important appointments were made to the board in recent months, including a search for the chancellor and provost position, Ryan is reviewing a list of several potential candidates for the recent vacancies on the board.

According to Nick Palazzolo, the governor’s press secretary, Ryan is currently reviewing candidates and should reach a decision “in the near future,” although Palazzolo would not comment on the number of candidates.

“The governor will make the final decision soon,” Palazzolo said, “but he certainly welcomes opinions from anyone and everyone.”

The board has been operating at partial strength ever since July, when a change in Illinois law removed George Washington as the president. The position was filled earlier this month by the resignation of Celeste Smith, who previously had served as the chief of staff. Lawton said she would leave the position following the appointment of a permanent president.

In addition, the terms of three other trustees — William Nunn, Molly L’Episcopo and Harris Rowe — were set to expire in January 2001.

The current process marks the first time during his administration that Ryan has been involved in selecting trustees for SIU. And while some have been issuing the issue with members of his staff, the decision on who to appoint will ultimately be the governor’s, pending approval by the state board.

According to Assistant Director of the Public Policy Institute Mike Lawrence, who served in an advisory role to the governor on various occasions, the governor was interested in a different approach in each selection process.

Choosing people with an understanding of higher education, diversity of background and a sense of how a university community functions were among the key considerations, Lawrence said.

“We've carried on with business, but it does leave two positions at the table that could have been filled had we had such candidates,” Palazzolo said.

Ryan Street said that he had not had much contact with the search process.

The Office of Economic and Regional Development, which is working with the Southern Illinois Development Fund, is located in the Dow-Ridolphon Economic Development Center on Pleasant Hill Road.

The office is trying to lure the Southern Illinois Development Fund into the same building. They will be working with the firm and with the businesses to determine who gets funding. Another move of the office will be providing technical assistance in putting together business plans and financial projections to finalize the deal, Lenz said.

The Southern Illinois Development Fund is searching for candidates in early to mid-March of next year. They will be investing between $600,000 and $2.5 million in area businesses.

One reason for starting the Southern Illinois Development Fund is that Illinois has 4% of small business activity that exceeds the St. Louis area, Lenz said. The Southern Illinois region has about 15,000 small businesses, according to Lenz, and the St. Louis area has a little more than 12,000. The criteria for small businesses that Lenz said were used was between 10 and 100.

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BOTT appointments can’t be taken lightly

All the strings of the SIU marionettes go back to one body. Should a building be upended? Should a stadium be built? Should Halloweens break loose?

These are just a few of the handfuls of questions the SIU Board of Trustees hands down the final answers to every year.

The board operating the strings currently has two positions vacant, and in January (this month will open up for reappointment, leaving only two governor-appointed board positions stable.)

The potential for drastic change on the board, while freighted with uncertainty, can be a great opportunity for SIU’s future. New appointments to the board will bring new ideas to the meetings. But whether these ideas will become our University will depend on Gov. George Ryan’s criteria in choosing the new trustees.

Appointing trustees to our board is only one small element of the governor’s obligations. But, for our school and region, the implications of those choices are substantial and far-reaching.

During the last year and a half, the board and the governor’s office have come under fire on the SIUC campus, as individuals have called into question the methods used in making appointments. The governor’s office has an obligation to heed past accusations for even appearing as trustees as a warning SIU is now moving forward again, but momentum alone won’t be enough to continue doing so if our trustees are not carefully chosen.

The men and women who fill these positions must have genuine connections to higher education and Southern Illinois. This region’s unique and SIU’s invaluable component is it. In order to promote SIU, trustees must understand the complex relationships that bond this University with the area that surrounds it.

New trustees must also understand the amount of energy and passion that the students there still feel. Illinois has a poor record for supporting higher education in comparison to other states, and we need trustees who are going to do their best to get our piece of the pie.

Above all, SIU needs trustees who understand the level of commitment the board requires. These trustees must be willing to attend the meetings, do the research and occasionally walk the paths through campus if they are going to ‘effectively’ represent our University.

We are aware the governor’s office has a tall order to fill, and it won’t be easy to find individuals right for these positions. But this issue is too important not to get it right. SIU’s success or failure will depend on it.

We need trustees who are the best interest to ensure the right people are pulling the strings.

Young voters must unite—take a stand for drugs and beer

Where are my free drugs?

Pat Gere and George Dalky are.bombing around the country like corner crab dealers pushing free prescription drugs for seniors, already the most hopped-up segment of our population.

The grandpaps among those rivals still feeling their red and black hair and fresh on that. The delicit dream still blazing the back of their thongs.

Imagine how much fun it must be to swallow pills every day, with your toilet and coffee? I know I would eat the little basements, expect that little days-week of-the-month case and never having to pay to be uncomfortable.

You want to make your grandpa’s happy? Offer to pay their medical bills. Buy their drugs for them. Because that is what the candidates are offering to do. A better fact, you want to point out that anyone happy, buy their drugs for them."

Pat Gere said, ""Uncle Sam is not coming to offer you with a key of heroes every month!"

Because even as doped up the grandpaps, are, they still manage to get their walkies out and vote. They are not just they aren’t enough to do that every senior center in the area, anything they do. They don’t even have to get out of bed to vote.

You would vote, if you could do it in a community.

Fingers about voting because it is a ""citizen duty"" or because it is patriotic. You vote to get the things you want, but no one is offering me my leg of beer because of the rest of you huge distances are setting. See, take any the rich, only the white anyone will give you anything if you are part of a constituency. Free beer. Free beer. Or more like nuts. Or how about a full Grass. Free train. Free books. Free Willie.

See why they do not want you to vote? It starts to add up. You know why we are few multi-billionaires in other western countries? Because their rich people have a share more with other people because the average person knows how to vote.

In this country, whoever wins the presidential election will lose the previous to less than 30 percent of the eligible voters. Of course, the loss of share of appreciation will be shown to those who have most helped invested their interest and expected in the winning candidate, but notice, one who other non-middle-class forces are to be reckoned with, even as doped up as they are, are in a position to pop up some very nasty sloppy seconds.

Guess how much time politicians have to spend appealing people who do not vote? You want to know who you had to take out a loan instead of receiving a grant? You want to know why and not holding our government here.

Bill Gates makes as much money in a year as a hundred and twenty million of us put together. I am in that group. If we got together we would be the biggest constituency in the history of the world. To get the Schlafl and grapes we could make Bill give us his half his trust. Not only would that be fun, but if you made $42,000,000, this year you would get over 200, complements of my bright idea.

And I want it in my beer. I imagine if you actually wanted sweetened sugar in your alcohol entertainment or more parks. Or maybe you want to community service, making the world a better place, into a free education.

Like I said, I just want them in as drugs for my vote, but you will not offer you if you don’t have to. That is why even in the information age registering to vote takes some forethought before registering to help. And to be reminded.

You want to know why Jessie Ventura got reelected? Because Minnesotans allowed her to vote days before the election. Most of us are not even in that we vote until a few days before it happens, but still you don’t need you to register a month in advance.

Heard the ‘It was your fault you drove a car that required you to register a month before you stopped?’

Ever since the Constitution was rewritten, those with the most power have been voting to limit the right to vote, and thus allowing in their power. It called self-interest. If you want them, they would likely do the same thing.

There are that: two weeks for you to register to vote for the most president of the United States. No one votes to vote, but if you do not will you have to wait a long time for your drugs.

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Once family members, Sam the Captor, proudly showed his trade—a quick snare with figures of Indians, priced at $7000. Whatever direction you turn the page, a new scene unfolds.

Sam agreed with Nash's statement. He admitted badly members cause problems, but believes local prejudice has inflamed relations.

Brother Fly, from the Groove and Shroom Wiccan Kitchen, described a Sept. 17 ambush by loc. 11 vigilantes. Shroom said, "Aged them to come out here and whop them. This guy had a knot on his forehead, his head was sticking out of it." He revealed someone older had encouraged the attack. "They hit two girls with baseball bats. They had bruises all over their face."

Brother Fly said most arrests around gatherings are local citizens. "Weekend warriors," residents who join the celebration from neighboring towns, sometimes do not understand peaceful mission.

Finding Peace
Boddhi, 47, described the demographics of the group as 60 percent working and vending in Babylon, who join during vacation and support the lifestyle. "Almost all their time live in the woods."

Boddhi hopes the tribe will someday enjoy great exposure ofLeaf, that they can meet without upsetting others. "We're looking at trying to get a tribal status. Though Indians recognize us as a tribe, we are a gypsy tribe. We don't have our own land.

Boddhi is bothered by younger members of the group who panhandle, because he knows it gives them a bad reputation. Trades and offerings make the group self-sufficient without need of charity. "When you have to understand that these panhandling kids is a that a good 95 percent of them have run away from home because of horrible things, molestation, beatings, no self-esteem. We know how sensitive these kids are. They could end up as cocaine heads or prostitutes, but instead they took up with each other."

"The kids say, 'I've never had a family before, but the Rainbow Family is my family. This is where I can get my love and get it in return.' I think we've saved a lot of lives." Rainbow do not want the community to feel threatened. They quoted open arms, helping citizens will join their more peaceful, nature-communing existence.

"Grab the way and kids, hop in the old vehicle and come out to the Rainbow Gathering and experience it for yourself."

Sam believes community members act up when Rainbows come. He said two years ago local teens caught a black bear in a trap. After the local kids came out of the bushes, clubbing campers with sticks.

"In the end a beaver spoke called Raven, and brought peace and order back. We killed them with love. The reason they came out is some died had been stolen. Well, every pig out here, nothing out on died. They also revealed someone older had encouraged them to come out here and whop the hippies."

Sam described the gruesome attack. "They hit two girls with baseball bats. They had bruises all over their face. This guy had a knot on his forehead the size of an egg and meat from his head was sticking out of it."
Thompson Woods getting support from SIUC

Short- and long-term plans being worked out, according to SIUC vice chancellor

Jason Coxen
Daily Egyptian

Two full-time workers dedicated to the restoration of Thompson Woods have been clearing out vines and debris in an effort to bring the woods back to its original state. Glenn Poshard, vice chancellor for Administration, said SIUC is cleaning up Thompson Woods because the growth of the woods is directly related to the growth of SIUC as a learning institution. He said the University expects to gain new students, it needs to plant more trees and remove non-indigenous growth to maintain the woods.

"One of our immediate and long-range goals is to restore Thompson Woods," Poshard said. "It has wonderful hard woods in there that is natural to this area of the state. If we can keep it clean and preserve the natural beauty then we will get students here.

Pashard said fund raising is the other requirement. He said alumni and the SIU Foundation have been utilized to raise money that is desperately needed.

Phil Robertson, a professor in plant biology, said donations are required if new trees are to be planted later this fall. Robertson said fall is the season for planting trees because the plants do not have to spend energy fighting off cold weather. During the next season, there will be renewed efforts to plant as many as 60 trees. This is planned for the first or second week of December.

Robertson said the administration getting involved, there seems to be a chance for improvement in the woods. The main problem with Thompson Woods is the exotic vining species that climb on top of trees and block out sunlight, which kills the trees. Robertson said exotic, like creeping euonymus and Japanese honeysuckle, have recently been cleared by students. A vining plant that grows in the woods is also known as cinnamon vine, which has swiftly crept into seven Southern Illinois counties.

The group is sponsoring a three-panel discussion at 4:30 p.m. today in Lessar Law Building. The panel will address the laws students can use to protect their work. The three panelists are Jeff Meyers, a technology transfer specialist, Maurice Writer, director for the Center of Advanced Friction Studies, and Hurley Meyers, a professor from the School of Medicine. The panel will address the laws students can use to protect their work by obtaining copyrights and patents.

The public benefits because it's out there. For computer software and new inventions. "This is the situation today," Poshard said. "We have a law that says you can't sell a car for $5. You can't sell a house for $5. Now, if you are selling a product, you can do it if it's not going to stand a chance against the exotic."

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Making changes to campus vending machines

Forty Debit Dawg readers to be wired on campus

Genny Seaburn
Daily Egyptian

Second floor has been shaved off the time Rachel Walker spends at the Student Center vending machines. She just swipes her student ID through the Debit Dawg reader, makes her selection, grabs her snack and is on her way. ID through the Debit Dawg reader, makes her addition: treadmills and rubber flooring, similar to what went to SIUC graduate students and machines, recently equipped with the host Debit Dawg readers on the vending machines. The North Entrance of the Community Building was also recently equipped with the card reader system. The Debit Dawg is a University account which allows students to use their student ID for purchases both on campus and at several area restaurants.

"I find it convenient because I never, ever have change on me but I always have my ID," said Walker, a senior in social work from Decatur. "If they had it on all the buildings that I go to I'd definitely use it.

In the next week, Walker will get her wish, when Debit Dawg readers will be added to vending machines in Mac Smith, Neely and Schneider Halls. Neely and Mac Smith will be added to vending machines in the Student Center. "If they had it on all the buildings that I go to I'd definitely use it.

Our goal is to get the 40 machines we had targeted online by the end of two semesters," said Glenn Stine, assistant director of the Student Housing. Making changes to campus vending machines for $3,900 the treadmills and $6,800, after receiving recommendations for proper equipment by Sexual Center officials, Stine said.

For two days, the entrance doors to the laundry room and weight room were locked and signs hung warning students of the danger of asbestos. Stine said asbestos, minerals that can cause lung cancer, was present and used in the carpet, which made them close the area. "We were aware of the inconvenience for the students, but hoped they would be able to navigate, Rice said. "They thought that," he said. "When they pulled the old carpet up, a lot of floor tiles just came up."

The average cost to add the readers is about $700 per machine. When the University recently renewed its contract with Lambert Vending Inc., the contract included a provision that would make the company purchase the first 20 readers. Lambert has already fulfilled its obligations and the University will provide the rest of the readers out of the vending account.

"We're not looking for it to pay any money, we're just looking at the convenience for students," Duke said. "A debit card itself is not a money generator. It's just a service we're trying to do for students.

Debit Dawg accounts can be opened by students and faculty at the Student Center Check Cashing window and ID Card Office with a minimum deposit of $5. Students may deposit money into their Debit Dawg account at the Student Center Check Cashing window by Western Union wire transfer or by mail. In the near future, Duke said Debit Dawg readers will be added to campus copy machines. Ultimately, Duke would like to see the readers added to the washer and dryer machines in University Housing.

"It's not cost effective to put [the readers] on every individual machine as of yet," Duke said.

Duke said nearly all major universities have a debit card system for students and faculty. SIUC added the Debit Dawg program in October, since then about 1,000 students have signed up for an account.

"The first thing we want to do is offer convenience for students," Duke said.

Lentz weight room renovations make exercise easy

New floors and treadmills accommodate student needs

Antonio Young
Daily Egyptian

Randall Kincheloe had always hoped to fit the same exercise without experience in the weight room in Lentz Hall but he usually got in and he tried the Recreation Center.

University Housing officials made efforts Tuesday to accommodate the needs of Kincheloe and other Thompson Mall residents by providing two additional treadmills and rubber flooring, similar to the floors in aerobics rooms in the Recreation Center.

"I think it's cool they replaced the carpet because it is better for my hands when doing my push-ups," said Kincheloe, a senior in social work from Carbondale. "It is even more convenient, I can get some homework done and get my full work-out without wanting to spend all the way to the Rec."

Housing officials removed the mechanical weight equipment Sept. 19 and began laying the new floors and treadmills early for the end of the week said Glenn Stine, assistant director of Housing for facilities.

Housing officials purchased the rubber flooring for $3,900 and the treadmills for $6,800, after receiving recommendations for proper equipment by Sexual Center officials, Stine said.

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SIUC ranks among the top five state institutions in research

Jason Coker
Daily Egyptian

When it comes to research, SIUC has little in common with other Illinois universities. In 1999, SIUC gave 681 awards for research, with the cost totaling more than $53 million. These awards went to SIUC graduate students. SIUC and other Illinois educational institutions include federal aid from the federal government. The only other research money came from the chancellor's office, which was $155,000 for last year. There are only three other universities in the state that conduct more research than SIUC — the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, the University of Chicago and Northwestern University.

Because of the diversity on human research missions, the distinction between research and teaching at SIUC is "like comparing apples and oranges," according to Prudence Rice, director of the Office of Research Development and Administration. Rice said SIUC has grown dramatically in the last two years and if future growth is expected to be the same, the University will need to add a vice chancellor for Research.

"There are too many opportunities that we should have got to 10 years ago," Rice said.

The federal guidelines on human research are increasingly difficult to navigate, Rice said. There are rules involving the ethical treatment of humans, cancer research, cloning and human growth research. These rules are why an administrative position exclusively devoted to research is required at SIUC.

Lavonne Wright, accountant for the Research and Technology Management Office at U of I, said her office is mostly self-supporting. Research dollars spent for last year total $424 million. SIUC received more than $3.6 million in licensing revenues alone.

"We went over a million dollars in 1999," Wright said. "We have agreements with the creators and the colleges that work it. The rest goes back to the University."

Last year, the U of I filed 59 patents, with 20 patents being received from previous disclosures.

Also, researchers asked for 119 technology disclosures during the same time period. Currently, SIUC only has about 25 patents.

In contrast to SIUC and the U of I, Illinois State University conducts little research. However, with research headed by an associate vice president for Research, in administrative system similar to SIUC.

Ann McGuire, research coordinator at Illinois State University, said her institution received little more than $17 million in awards for research last year.
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Bitter rivals clashed in a hard fought battle that put SIU rugby at the head of the table.

Eastern Illinois University was the main course on the Dawg's menu as they prepared for a crucial game leaving one team limping home and the other with hopes of a playoff appearance. That long-due victory helped the Salukis convince a powerful vanguard against a talented team that had defeated them in recent years.

Revenge and redemption were key motifs that drove the Salukis to a 26-10 victory Saturday at the Rugby fields, improving their record to 2-0 in the Union and one in conference.

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Hart faces another reassignment

Former SIU athletic director takes new job in St. Louis, keeps ties with University

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Jim Hart is ready to depart the Carbondale area, but his work for the University will not stop. Hart, SIUC’s vice chancellor for External Affairs, will sum up totally at the end of the week for a period of 60 days, at which point he will move to the St. Louis area for a new position with the University. He will become a special assistant to Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement Eickey McCurry, effective Dec. 1.

Hart, a former star Saluki quarterback, became a household name in St. Louis after leading the St. Louis Cardinals football team for 18 years. He brought that fame back to Southern Illinois while serving as SIU Athletic Director from 1988-98.

Hart was then reassigned within the University shortly after former SIUC Chancellor Jo Ann Argerstrong took office. She appointed him as vice chancellor for External Affairs in January 1998. But after Argerstrong was fired, Hart felt that he didn’t fit in with the new leadership.

“T here is some disappointment because I felt like I can still help here,” said Hart, who was earning $109,200 in his role with External Affairs. “But I can be a greater service in the St. Louis area and do what I like to do, and that’s talking with people and talking about SIU. I’m an optimist and I’m always looking to the brighter side of things and I can see a bright side to this. Even though the past few months have been not the best, it’s time to move on and make the best of it.”

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It was 2 a.m. Sunday before I headed back from the Hoosier state. Two hours later I found myself at Ryan’s place, tired, but somewhat excited about the prospect of hooking a fish.

We stopped for coffee, and then proceeded north for Lake Geneva. As the sun rose, there were few clouds in the sky and the three of us discussed what lake we would use. Ryan pulled out a fishing license, and I was amazed with the "The Bible of Lake Geneva," which was a map of the lake with detailed instructions on what to use, where to use it and for what fish.

The anticipation was building. Scott smoked his cigarettes. Ryan babbled on about where well fish first. We loaded our beer bower onto cracks in the roads. Everything, we thought, was going to be great.

We stopped at some tackle shop, where cabiner was fixed with who would like to buy a four-day fishing license ($15) or an annual, which costs $35—ouch. I went with the annual fishing license.

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**SPORTS BRIEF**

**Volleyball Salukis continue slide**

The SIU volleyball team has now lost six of its last seven games after suffering a lopsided defeat at the hands of Southeast Missouri State Wednesday night in Cape Girardeau, Mo. SEMO knocked off the Salukis 15-5, 15-6, 15-3.

With a 1-6 record, SEMO moved to 6-8 on the year. It was SEKO’s 25th straight home victory.

SIU (7-7) will attempt to return to the form that allowed the Salukis to start the season 6-1 this weekend, when MVC rivals Southwest Missouri State and Wichita State will visit Davies Gymnasium.

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It was 2 a.m. Sunday before I headed back from the Hoosier state. Two hours later I found myself at Ryan’s place, tired, but somewhat excited about the prospect of hooking a fish.

We stopped for coffee, and then proceeded north for Lake Geneva. As the sun rose, there were few clouds in the sky and the three of us discussed what lake we would use. Ryan pulled out a fishing license, and I was amazed with the "The Bible of Lake Geneva," which was a map of the lake with detailed instructions on what to use, where to use it and for what fish.

The anticipation was building. Scott smoked his cigarettes. Ryan babbled on about where well fish first. We loaded our beer bower onto cracks in the roads. Everything, we thought, was going to be great.

We stopped at some tackle shop, where cabiner was fixed with who would like to buy a four-day fishing license ($15) or an annual, which costs $35—ouch. I went with the annual fishing license.

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