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Sealing for the season



RONDA YEAGER - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Physical plant worker Paul Penrod seals Faner Hall's windows in the Faner breezeway Monday morning. The windows are sealed before every winter.

Speed limit on Grand Avenue remains unchanged at 30 mph

Brad Brondsema
 Daily Egyptian

The speed limit on Grand Avenue will remain 30 mph, despite a year-old request by Chancellor Walter Wendler and Vice Chancellor Glenn Poshard to lower it.

Wendler put in a request to the city a year ago to look into lowering the speed on Grand Avenue following three accidents involving cars and students at various crossings on campus.

The city investigated the speed limit on Grand and decided not to lower it.

"We reviewed it and determined 30 mph is in accordance with standards in the state of Illinois," Doherty said. But Poshard said after witnessing some near misses, he still wants to pursue a change.

"It's one of the more dangerous crosswalks because people have a lot of time to get up to speed on that street,"

he said. Poshard said he believes lowering the speed limit on campus from 25 to 20 mph in December of last year has been effective in reducing accidents.

Students using the crosswalk on Grand Avenue have differing views regarding its safety.

Will Alberts, a junior in aviation technologies from Algonquin, said his safety is a major concern when he walks it daily on his way to workout at the Recreation Center.

"I've almost been hit a couple of times," he said. "They don't want to stop. People have sped up to beat me to the crosswalk."

Alberts said he believes the problem at the crosswalk is a combination of people in a hurry and not wanting to stop.

"They're all in a rush to get home or go to class," he said.

Some students do not believe the crosswalk poses a danger.

Michael Heard, a senior in industrial design from Palatine, said the crosswalk on Grand Avenue is safer than others on campus.

"This crosswalk is good — it's the safest because it has blinking lights, warning drivers ahead of time," he said. "If other crosswalks on campus had blinking lights I think they would be safer."

However, Heard said driving through the crosswalk on Grand poses some difficulty to drivers.

"Sometimes people will pop out in front of you, not looking before crossing," he said.

Despite no change in the speed limit on Grand, Poshard plans on working to make it safer for everyone.

"I will have further conversations with Mr. Doherty about that," he said.

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University, police fail to resolve contract dispute

Dispute will be sent to arbitrator in October

Phil Beckman
 Daily Egyptian

After five hours of negotiation Friday, representatives of SIUC and SIUC police employees failed to find common ground on key issues in a long-standing contract dispute.

The dispute will now go before arbitrator Lamont Stallworth from Loyola University in Chicago. The arbitration hearing, tentatively scheduled for Oct. 18, will take place on the SIUC campus.

Negotiations have been stalled since last December when the two sides failed to reach an agreement. Since then, SIUC police employees have been working under the terms of the previous contract.

Bob York, director of the SIUC office of labor and employee relations, said the two sides reached tentative agreement on some non-economic issues but are still disagreeing on the economic issues. Bill Mehrrens, field representative of the Fraternal Order of Police Labor Council, said he is frustrated that they have not made more progress on salaries, although he conceded the University came to the table a little more seriously than in past negotiations. He said the University acknowledged their concerns with overtime, vacation and disciplinary investigations.

On the key issues of salary increases and understaffing the two sides have still not reached agreement.

The FOP proposed an 8 percent increase for the year ending June 30 that would have been paid retroactively. The University responded with an offer of a 6 percent increase and no pay increase for the current year.

SIUC police employees are con-

cerned about their pay lagging behind those of peer institutions in Illinois. FOP figures show that the pay for SIUC police officers with one year of experience is nearly \$2,000 below a peer at SIU Edwardsville. An officer with 15 years of experience is paid almost \$5,000 less than an officer with similar experience at SIUE.

York said SIUE is in the St. Louis labor market and that is the reason pay is higher for police officers on that campus. He said he did not want to comment further because he did not want to argue the merits of the case in the media.

The police are also concerned about understaffing. Mehrrens said the SIUC police is budgeted for 44 officers but currently has only 38, including three on disability and workman's compensation status. In addition, he said, the University has told the police department to prepare for budget reductions of 5 percent to 10 percent. This could only be achieved through reduction in personnel, Mehrrens said.

"What's the priority with this police department?" Mehrrens asked. "This campus cannot afford to have fewer officers."

The University also rejected a proposal by the FOP to give officers with a bachelor's degree 50 cents more per hour and officers with an associate's degree 25 cents more.

The two sides did manage to agree on some non-economic issues.

The University agreed to inform an officer if a complaint was lodged against him and if an internal investigation was initiated.

In response to police concerns about overtime, the University agreed to give at least 14 days notice for mandatory overtime for events such as athletic games, dances or other on-campus events.

The police were also concerned about having only short periods of rest between shifts. Some officers have worked with only four hours

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More students do not want to provide ethnic identities

Minority enrollment remains at 17 percent

Samantha Edmondson
 Daily Egyptian

Minority enrollment has maintained a steady overall percentage of the student population at about 17 percent for the last three years.

However, during the past five years the University has seen an increase in the number of students who have not specified an ethnic background. This increase can vary the exact number of students SIUC must have to calculate minority enrollment.

When filling out their admission applications, students can mark one of seven different categories in identifying their ethnicity: black/non-Hispanic, white/non-Hispanic, American Indian/Alaskan, Asian/pacific

islander, Hispanic, foreign and unknown.

According to Seymour Bryson, vice chancellor for Diversity, before 1998 the University noted that less than 3 percent of the student population had chosen not to identify their ethnic background. But in 1999 the unknown category increased to 6.7 percent. In 2000 9.2 percent of the student population chose unknown, and in 2001 unknown accounted for 8.5 percent.

With the 989 students not identifying their ethnicity, the percent has slightly decreased, but compared to the number of students who declared a nationality in the past, the unknown figures remain high.

Larry Dietz, vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, said it is difficult to determine the many reasons students refused to identify their background. However, he noted a few that could fill the void of reasons for the high percentages in the unknown category.

Enrollment by Ethnicity within SIUC 2000-2002

2000	2001	2002
- Foreign 1,425	- Foreign 1,460	- Foreign 1,417
- Black 2,924	- Black 2,675	- Black 2,836
- American Indian 86	- American Indian 74	- American Indian 95
- Asian 355	- Asian 340	- Asian 358
- Hispanic 598	- Hispanic 566	- Hispanic 630
- White 15,096	- White 14,620	- White 17,063
- Unknown 2,068	- Unknown 1,843	- Unknown 989
- Overall percentage 17	- Overall percentage 17	- Overall percentage 17

Note- Figures include undergraduate, graduate, professional, med-prep and law students
 JOHN MISKINIS - DAILY EGYPTIAN

One reason for a student to mark unknown is that the student is representative of more than one ethnic group, which is not unusual for Americans to report, said Dietz.

"They don't fit neatly into any category," Dietz said. "As a student, if my father was

African-American and my mother was Caucasian, I don't know what I would check under these categories.

"I am forced to make a choice, and a lot of

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Louisiana watches Isidore
 NEW ORLEANS, La. — People around south Louisiana kept a wary eye on Hurricane Isidore's progress on Sunday as emergency preparedness officials discussed the possibility the storm could hit the state Gulf coast.
 Officials with 12 south Louisiana parishes participated in a conference call with National Weather Service forecasters, looking for clues about where the storm would head next.
 Residents checked in regularly with parish officials and watched broadcast reports as forecasters discussed the chance Isidore could move toward the Louisiana coast.
 "People are monitoring it, they're concerned about it. But it's not the entire talk of the town," said Aaron Ertel, senior coordinator with the St. Charles Parish Department of Emergency Preparedness.
 By nightfall, the Category 3 storm was over the northern Yucatan Peninsula, where it shredded trees, twirled streetlights and forced tens of thousands to flee their homes about 20 miles east of Merida, Mexico, the National Hurricane Center said.
 The storm had sustained winds of 120 mph, and a slow, west-southwestward motion is expected through late Monday; on that track, the storm's center would remain over the northwest Yucatan at least through early Monday, the Hurricane Center said.
 Forecasters said the storm was expected to emerge into the Gulf. Within two days, it was likely to start veering toward the northwest or north, in the direction of Louisiana or Texas.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Opposition: Saddam fortifying Baghdad
 LONDON, England — Iraqi President Saddam Hussein has dug trenches outside Baghdad and assumed direct control of his Republican Guards in preparation for a U.S. attack, his exiled opponents said on Monday.
 A London-based official in the Iraqi National Congress, the main opposition group which claims to have operatives in Iraq, told Reuters that 60,000 Republican Guards troops have dug in 20 miles from the Iraqi capital.
 They were focusing on entrances facing the Jordanian border and Kurdish-controlled areas to the north.
 There was no independent confirmation of the deployment or their alleged reorganization under his personal watch.
 Republican Guards brigades are reporting independently and daily to Saddam now," the official said.
 "He has sacked commanders to gain even more control and minimize the risk of conspiracy."
 President Abdel Salam Aref set up the Guards after he seized power in 1963 as an elite force staffed largely from his tribe.

Jury selection begins in 1969 race-riot killing

YORK, Pa. — Jury selection began Monday in the murder trial of three white men, including the city's former mayor, accused of the fatal shooting of a black woman during 10 days of paralyzing race riots in 1969.
 Prosecutors say Charlie Robertson, a young police officer who later became mayor, gave ammunition to white gangs that ambushed a car in which Lillie Belle Allen was riding with relatives. The other two men are accused of taking part in the ambush.
 The slayings of 27-year-old Allen and a white rookie police officer during the riots helped fuel a subsequent effort to build bridges between blacks and whites, even as the truth of the killings remained elusive.
 "I think it's important for all Yorkers to know the truth, to know what happened in 1969," said John Brenner, York's current mayor, who was just a year old when the riots erupted. "I think we all want the same thing: who did it, who's responsible for both murders. And we want them to be held accountable."
 Allen's shooting remained unsolved until late 1999, when prosecutors say new information surfaced and investigators reopened the case.
 Since then, 10 white men have been charged in Allen's killing. Six pleaded guilty to shooting at the car or being gang lookouts. Some may testify. A 10th man is to be tried separately. One former white gang member killed himself in April 2000 after talking to prosecutors.

Palestinian official confers with Arafat

RAMALLAH, Israel — After a weekend in which the Israeli army demolished large sections of Yasser Arafat's Ramallah compound, a top Palestinian official met Monday with the besieged Palestinian leader, and the White House publicly criticized Israel's moves.
 "Israel's actions are very unhelpful — contrary to peace," White House press secretary Ari Fleischer said. "The president wants to make sure that Israeli actions do not undermine reform efforts toward peace."
 A senior administration official familiar with President Bush's reaction added, "To say he is angry about it is more than fair."
 In Ramallah, Palestinian chief negotiator Saeb Erakat said he sat down with Israeli security officials to discuss the end of the siege and later briefed Arafat.
 An Israeli Defense Ministry spokesman said Arafat's chief lieutenant, Mahmoud Abbas, also known as Abu Mazen, had been given permission to hold talks with other Palestinian officials in Ramallah. In addition, the European Union's special Mideast envoy, Miguel Moratinos, was to meet with Abbas.

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 Model Call
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 Tonight
- SPC Concerts**
 Weekly meeting
 Student Center, Activity room B
 5 p.m.
 Today
- Campus Shawnee Greens**
 Weekly meeting
 Interfaith Center, corner of Illinois and Grand Avenue
 5:15 p.m.
 Today
- SIUC Kayak Club**
 meeting
 Recreation Center Pool
 7 to 9 p.m.
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*Kerry Jason Olden, 20, of Belleville was arrested for battery and property damage in Schneider Circle at 2:37 a.m. Sunday. Another driver allegedly backed his vehicle into Olden's vehicle. Olden allegedly kicked the other driver's vehicle and a fight ensued. He was released on a personal recognizance bond.

*John Brandon Park, 19, was arrested at the Communications Building at 1:37 a.m. Sunday for criminal damage to state property and theft. Park allegedly used a green pole to strike a sign for McLeod Theater. Park was unable to post bond and was transported to the Jackson County Jail.

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One-woman show honors a legend

Performance admires life of soprano Marjorie Lawrence

Jane Huh
Daily Egyptian

Notwithstanding the faded colors and a few fabric tears, the surviving gowns of a legendary opera singer and SIUC music professor continue to provoke awe and fascination.

Wendy Grose, an Australian soprano, graced the campus Monday to admire costumes of Marjorie Lawrence and select a few to be displayed at Wednesday's "A Different Hat: A Celebration of the life of Marjorie Lawrence" performance.

"It weighs a ton," Grose said as she held a pink "Carmen" gown Lawrence once wore.

Grose, who wrote the script, said the theatrical one-woman performance is a tribute to Lawrence's spirit.

Lawrence reached the height of her career in the 1920s and '30s, performing at the Paris Opera, the New York Metropolitan Opera and the Monte Carlo Opera.

Lawrence was stricken with polio in 1941 and died in 1979. However, in between the time, Lawrence never slowed down.

She learned to adapt by singing while seated, furthering her career.

David Koch, associate dean of special collections and research center, said a small chaise was built for Lawrence. Her costume robes were wrapped around the chaise so the audience could not see her legs.

Shelley Cox, a rare books librarian at Morris Library who met Lawrence, said the opera singer lived the part even when she wasn't on stage.

"Marjorie always wore full stage makeup all the time for the rest of her life and her lips were painted way up," Cox said. "I think she had small lips but they were painted way around. She always had black eyebrows and fake eyelashes and everything, even though it was just her day makeup."

Lawrence made several public appearances and performed in several operas including "Tannhauser" and "Aida."

In one of Lawrence's visits to the White House in 1936, President Franklin Roosevelt offered words of



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Wendy Grose and Len Vorster examine a gown worn by Marjorie Lawrence during her career as a soprano singer. The gown will be on display during their performance of "A Different Hat" at Shryock Auditorium Wednesday. The play is a celebration of Lawrence's career, which includes her time as a professor of music at SIUC.

sympathy and support to Lawrence as Roosevelt also underwent polio.

In 1960 Lawrence came to SIUC as a research professor in the music department and remained in Carbondale for 13 years.

"She obviously must have thought that this was fertile ground for her teaching," Cox said.

Lawrence turned to teaching after retiring from singing in 1956 at Tulane University in New Orleans. At SIUC she taught the University's opera department and founded the Southern Illinois University Opera Workshop, later renamed the Marjorie Lawrence Opera Theater in 1971.

Grose grew up in Lawrence's hometown of Winchelsea, Australia and was struck by Lawrence's determination to make it as a soprano singer.

"When I was growing up in Australia, opera was like, 'Where's that? Oh, that happens overseas somewhere,'" Grose said.

"I didn't know that she came from that little country town which is only

half an hour from me and I thought, 'If I grew up as an opera singer and didn't know she came from there then there must be millions of people in Australia who have no idea.'"

"Grose went to great lengths to reflect Lawrence as honestly as possible by gleaner her quotes from recordings, interviews and correspondence with her relatives. However, one of her closest friends thought she came up with the dialogue herself after reading her script.

"When I first wrote the script and finally got to where I thought it would be just about the final draft, I showed it to one of my closest friends," Grose said. "He went through and said 'Wendy, it's great, but you can't say this and you can't say that, you can't say this,' and I said 'Why not?' and he said, 'Because it's you.' I said 'Well, it's not, actually.'"

For the past two weeks Grose and piano accompanist Len Vorster toured South Australia. Grose's list of accomplishments in opera and theater include performances with the Royal

Opera, London Modern Music Theatre Troupe and the Queensland Theatre Company. Vorster has appeared as a featured recitalist in England, France and Australia and in BBC and ABC broadcasts.

Vorster will be changing characters at various parts of the performance as he accompanies Grose musically and theatrically.

"It really is a theater piece," she said. "Some people mustn't get put off by the idea, 'Oh it's opera.' It's not. It's a theater piece, which happens to have some beautiful music in it."

"[Marjorie's] story transcends all that. The music just highlights the emotion."

Lindsay Mathis contributed to this story.

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Tickets to "A Different Hat" performance Sept. 25 is \$6.50 general, \$3 students/seniors. Call 453-2787 for more information.

NEWS BRIEFS

CARBONDALE

Variety show at Eurma Hayes Center

Join the Marjorie Chapter No. 17 and Tuscan Lodge No. 44 Sept. 27 for the First Annual Variety Show. The event is Live at the Eurma Hayes Center featuring the Sandman.

First prize is \$50, second prize is two tickets to Red Lobster, and third prize is two movie tickets.

No vulgar language is allowed, and participants must dress appropriately. Each person gets five minutes per act. The audience will be the judge. Showtime is from 7 to 11 p.m.

Ticket prices are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Admission is free to all acts and there will be free food and prizes.

There is a limit to the number of acts admitted to this event.

For more information or to book an act, contact Sister Brenda Moore at 549-1163 or Sister Janet Lilly at 549-4859.

ON CAMPUS

African editor to speak on gender issues in journalism

Veteran African newspaper editor Sarah Namulondo will speak on gender issues in journalism at 6 p.m. Wednesday in Communications Building room 1032.

The SIUC chapter of the National Association of Black Journalists, the School of Journalism and the College of Mass Communications and Media Arts is sponsoring the presentation.

Namulondo, a veteran newspaper editor for The Monitor in the Republic of Uganda, is currently an Alfred Friendly Press Fellow for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Those interested in Peace Corps should apply soon

Students thinking about serving in the Peace Corps should begin the application process now if they would like to be in the Corps this summer, according to Scott Roskelley, a spokesman for regional Peace Corps in Chicago. The application process can take nine months to a year, according to Roskelley.

There are 12 people who have attended SIU who are serving in the Corps. Since the Peace Corps' inception 41 years ago, 526 people from SIUC have served. For more information, visit the website at <http://www.peacecorps.gov> for a calendar of recruiting events by state.

\$200,000 grant given for construction of Research Park

Construction for project will begin sometime next year

Ben Botkin
Daily Egyptian

Officials are hoping that the \$40 million Southern Illinois Research Park can begin construction next

year, a goal that became closer to reality after U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello recently announced a \$200,000 grant for the project.

The Southern Illinois Research Park is aimed at combining research with outside companies and collaborating with the University, said Kyle Harfst, assistant director of the research park.

When completed, the park will have 12 buildings with about 75 businesses that are involved, Harfst said.

Dollars from the grant will be used to construct a building adjacent to the University's Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center on Pleasant Hill Road.

Groundbreaking for the project took place on Nov. 26, and construction workers installed an entrance sign crowned by a glass pyramid. The project is expected to take several years to complete.

The funding Costello secured is part of more than \$6.8 million in

grants and loans that the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Office of Rural Development is using to aid economic development in 32 states.

Costello, a senior member of the House Science Committee, is a strong supporter of using the University's research capabilities to further the area's economy, said David Gillies, Costello's spokesman.

"He fully believes in the research vision of the University and how that

is going to help form the local economy," he said. "It's a win for everybody."

Rep. Mike Bost, R-Murphysboro, agreed, saying that it's important for SIUC to maintain its research capabilities while aiding the local economy.

"If we don't, we end up being left behind by the other states," he said.

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Persecution of the Romani people ignored too long

Ramsey Clark:
Romani people
misunderstood

Molly Parker
Daily Egyptian

The traveling Romani people, or gypsies, as they are often referred to, have been persecuted for more than a millennium and in the process their culture has been painted with distortions. Their people are rumored to kidnap children, steal, lie and participate in witchcraft and cannibalism.

"The effect of persecution on people and on a culture is enormous," Ramsey Clark said Sunday during a two-day symposium to discuss the plight of the Romani people, a group long the subject of hate and prejudice.

When the gypsies came around in Texas, a white mother would always give her children the command, "Stay indoors," recalled Clark, former attorney general during President Lyndon Johnson's administration.

Now, he is hoping to peel away the stereotypes from the Romani

people and expose them for what they are: a cultured group with strict moral values and a deep compassion for their family and their lives — an indigenous group labeled evil through years of misunderstanding, speculation, and distortion.

"It's what power tells you that becomes history or the truth," Clark said.

But it's not always right, and unveiling the real history of the Romani people is just what participants in the symposium, sponsored by the Public Policy Institute and the Southern Illinois chapter of the United Nations Association of USA, are trying to do.

The Romani people were labeled "Gypsies" when they arrived in Europe because their dark skin color and physical traits led people to believe they were from Egypt. Instead, they prefer to be called Romani or Roma people, which comes from the Sanskrit word "dom," meaning to be man or human.

The indigenous group has been ostracized and oppressed since fleeing from India around 1000 A.D. They remain a group subject to prej-



DEREK ANDERSON - DAILY EGYPTIAN

"The effect of persecution on people and on a culture is enormous," former U.S. Attorney Ramsey Clark said Sunday during a two-day symposium to discuss the plight of the Romani people, a group long subject of hate and prejudice.

udice, continue to struggle economically and lack the means to a sufficient education.

But through the history of their struggle, Clark said they have an important lesson to teach the world.

Because the Romani people are known for traveling and not taking claim to a particular region, Clark said they are the first citizens of the world.

"And we could learn something from that," he said to a silenced and overflowing crowd of about 200 in the SIUC Student Center ballroom.

As for the assumption that Romani people lie and steal, Clark said they sometimes do and they are the first to admit it when you get to know them.

"In their lives they need fun and humor and they get some from it," Clark said. "But they also have to lie for their own safety."

Throughout history, they were persecuted at almost every border they traveled to. The Romani people

in Europe accounted for 20 percent of the victims of the Holocaust, Clark said. Between 250,000 and 500,000 died in concentration camps, through cruel torture or were shot to death. The Romani people, however, received no reparations following the end of World War II, as many of the Jews did.

And while the Romani people have strong moral codes, they had to steal or watch their children die of starvation, Clark said.

"In Serbia it is considered wrong to steal, but it is considered a crime to steal from anyone poorer than you. There's something to that," Clark said. "Robin Hood always appealed to me some. You can't let children starve. It is not a crime to steal from necessity. So your child goes hungry or you steal."

Though they have been treated unfairly throughout their existence and forced to compensate, that doesn't make them any less human, he said.

"Does that diminish your humanity or the beauty of your song and dance that has survived more than a millennium of persecution?" Clark asked.

His answer to his self-imposed question is that it has not.

"They lived by culture and family and they traveled on."

As for correcting the atrocities placed on the Romani people, Clark said there are no easy answers to addressing the complex problem. He said a good place to start is by studying and becoming more aware of the situation of the Romani people. Participants in the symposium met Monday to form several working proposals in hopes of bettering the situation of the Romani people.

"We should illuminate it for all to see as we ourselves discover it," Clark said.

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Among those attending the Romani symposium were former U.S. Sen. Paul Simon and (middle) Jane Katz, the director of International Affairs and Programs including the Habitat for Humanity in Europe for the Romani people.

Real-life 'Barbershop' a center of information for communities

Terry Armour
Chicago Tribune

CHICAGO (KRT) — Like the church, barbershops are the social centers of many African-American neighborhoods, a place where folks gather on a daily basis.

"It's one of the overlooked institutions in the black community," says Howard Lindsey, a professor of African-American history at DePaul University. "In larger society, that's where you go to get your hair cut and that's about it. But for African-Americans, the barbershop is so much more. It plays in with other aspects of African-American culture that have been hidden from the rest of society for a long time."

The secret is out.

With this month's release of "Barbershop," a movie that comically chronicles a day in the life of a South Side Chicago barbershop, a once foreign entity outside of the black community has gone center stage.

The film, shot last winter on Chicago's South Side and starring Cedric the Entertainer and Ice Cube, offers a glimpse of a unique slice of African-American life in a place with real-life characters who, as Irv Kupcinet would say, practice the "lively art of conversation."

"When we got the script, just from the title alone, I knew it was an institution," says Bob Teitel, who co-produced "Barbershop" with fellow Columbia College film school grad George Tillman Jr. and Mark Brown. "But what really did it for me is when we came to Chicago four months before we started shooting and we were just hanging out in those shops. We spent a day hitting all these shops. You could get that feel of community."

That feeling can be found in any African-American barbershop, from the South Side to

the West Side, from Chicago to Los Angeles.

It can be found within the walls of the Hyde Park Hair Salon, which occupies a tiny store front at 1464 E. 53rd St. in Chicago.

A barbershop, in some form or another, has been in that space since at least 1930, according to the newest owner, Abdul Karim. He digs into a drawer behind his barber chair and pulls out a book on the history of Chicago's Hyde Park neighborhood, pointing to a grainy black-and-white picture of the intersection of 53rd Street and Harper Avenue.

There's the same storefront, with a barber pole right in front of it.

"That barber pole was out there until 1985," the 34-year-old Karim says as he puts the book back into the drawer. "The previous owner told me somebody came up and lifted it one day."

It's just after 4 p.m. on a sunny Wednesday afternoon and Karim, along with fellow barbers Tae Abraham, 29, and Maurice McClain, 33, are the only ones in the shop. A baseball game is barely audible on the small TV in front of Karim's barber chair.

The trio, sitting in their respective chairs, are enjoying the down time because, as Karim puts it, "people are going to be coming in and out of here in about 15 minutes."

And if it's anything like the movie, there will be an assortment of characters offering opinions on various subjects and sharing their life experiences. That, Abraham says, is what makes an African-American barbershop a unique experience.

"Brothers come in here and relax," Abraham says. "They aren't at work; they aren't at home. They can be themselves. They can say what's on their minds — besides the cursing and profanity. But other than that, they can get live in a barbershop. You get a brother that comes in here and talks about his prob-

lems, he'll have the whole shop cracking up."

The barbers start talking about Cedric the Entertainer, and how he used to just come into the shop to soak up the atmosphere and get material for his stand-up routine. No doubt Cedric used some of his research for his "Barbershop" role.

That's when the door flies open. A local artist is hawking his work. Karim and Abraham compliment him. They ask for a card. The artist takes their number. Karim promises to buy a couple of pieces when he redecorates the shop.

No sooner does the artist leave when a teen-ager wearing a warm-up suit and baseball cap sits down. Abraham asks him if he wants a haircut. The kid shakes his head and puts a cell phone to his ear. The barbers continue their conversation.

Karim, again, ponders the significance of the barbershop in African-American culture.

"From an economic standpoint, if you look in our neighborhoods, the barbershop is really one of the last strongholds of African-American businesses," Karim says. "But another part of the social aspect is that we have had customers that have grown up with us and their children are growing up with us. We've got generations of people that come here."

Just then, two more guys walk in. One sits in McClain's chair, the other makes his way to Karim's chair. No sooner than those two sit down, a guy walks in with his 4-year-old son. He plops the kid in Abraham's chair (Abraham calls the kid "Little Emmitt" because he has on Emmitt Smith's Dallas Cowboys jersey). Soon after, a woman comes in with her son and waits for an open chair. Another barber, Zarif, comes in from his lunch break.

The joint is now jumping with conversation. Even the teen-ager who doesn't want a

haircut is talking. Little Emmitt's head darts back and forth from comment to comment, as if he's watching Serena and Venus Williams rallying on the tennis court.

"We're a center of information," McClain says as he puts the clippers to a customer's hair. "From travel arrangements to expressway guides to fashion tips. A woman came in here one time and said, 'This is the first place that I have been where guys talk about everything from cooking to sports.'"

Karim laughs.

"And don't even get these guys started on Dennis Rodman and the Hall of Fame," he says, motioning to no one in particular while concentrating on his customer's hair.

Abraham's chair is now empty, giving him a chance to reflect on life as a barber at an African-American shop.

"If you're going to a wedding, who do you go to first?" he says without waiting for an answer. "If you're going to the prom, who do you go to first? If you're going out on Friday night, who do you go to first? You go to your barber. It's like brushing your teeth. You have to get your hair cut once a week."

Somebody from the peanut gallery can't resist the opening.

"You only brush your teeth once a week, man?" somebody says, sparking instant laughter.

"Hey man, you know what I mean," Abraham responds as he lounges back in his chair. "This is the barbershop."

As far as the "Barbershop" filmmakers were concerned, that was reason enough to warrant a movie.

"It came from just being in real places and seeing how much the barbershop means in the community," says George Tillman Jr. "There are two things that do that in the black community — the church and the barbershop."

Lights, camera, touchdown!



ALEX HAGLUND - DAILY EGYPTIAN

Tyson Moore and Paul Rice, SIUC employees and International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers members, adjust the lights above McAndrew Stadium Monday afternoon. The workers aimed the lights at paper plates carefully placed throughout the field and then measured the light falling on the plates to make sure the field was lit evenly.

MINORITY

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students do not want to make that choice."

The University uses the same categories recommended by the federal government, according to Anne De Luca, assistant vice chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment management and director of Admissions.

"It is easier when we report back the information; because the categories match in the same way they often ask questions," De Luca said.

She said they could be changed if the chancellor or SIU president decided they wanted to collect information differently, which would require some internal changes to the Student Information System on how the University stores the information.

De Luca, Dietz and Bryson all have noted discussions have been going on at the federal level that may expand the categories in the next few years.

Gus Bode



Gus says:
They don't have a box for this comic character.

"If that ultimately happens, it would be likely that a recommendation would follow that SIUC expand our ethnicity categories as well," De Luca said.

Dietz said instead of having African-American, Hispanic, Asian, American Indian, unknown and foreign categories, it would expand that from about seven to 19 different classifications.

"But it hasn't been passed, as far as I know, and made it to the Department of Education of Policy," Dietz said.

Bryson and Dietz also noted that in about 1997, the University changed the location on the application for a student to mark their ethnic background. The section was dropped from the middle of the appli-

"Everybody is consistent if you are looking statistical, but who you are and what you are, that is a claim on how society views people."

Seymour Bryson
vice chancellor for Diversity

cation to below the signature line.

"It is subtle thing of where you ask the question to decide what kind of response you are going to get," Dietz said.

Ana Velitchkova, a graduate student in foreign language and studies from Bulgaria, said she does not feel the categories are important and prefers them not included in the application.

"I don't like that people have to tell what country or ethnicity they are," Velitchkova said. "I feel everybody should be equal."

Bryson said the minority enrollment is also compared to the state census ethnic averages, a level universities like SIUC should be close or equal to in percentages.

By looking at those figures, he said one can conclude overall white enrollment looks on par with state average. African-American enrollment is 3 percent less than the state average, Hispanic state population is 12.3 percent while the University has around 3 percent and others are slightly below average.

Bryson said the University continues to ask incoming freshmen and provides positive recruitment for all students, particularly of minority groups. But in regard to knowing those ethnic groups that may be represented in the unknown category, he said the students have a right to not proclaim their identity.

"Everybody is consistent if you are looking statistical," Bryson said. "But who you are and what you are, that is a claim on how society views people."

"Some people feel that is important and some don't."

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between shifts, and others have had to work double shifts back to back. The University agreed to a minimum of seven hours off between shifts except with the officer's consent.

The University also agreed to pay up to \$400 to officers who buy their own bullet-proof vests. Mehrtens said the vests cost around \$800.

"At least we were able to take a few things off the table," Mehrtens said.

Mehrtens said they have requested a large number of financial records from the

University to use during the arbitration hearing.

An arbitration hearing is like a trial in which each side presents its arguments and supporting evidence to the arbitrator. The decision of the arbitrator is binding on the union, but the University has the option of reviewing the decision. If the University disagrees with something in the decision, it is reviewed by the arbitrator again, but this time the University must pay the entire costs of the hearing rather than having them split between them.

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OUR WORD

Take advantage of study abroad

Imagine touring a site of 2,000-year-old buildings in Austria, learning to intermingle with cultures by meeting new people in China or walking along the beach in Spain with some newly acquired friends. Now don't just imagine it — we think you should do it.

All students are given this opportunity by SIUC's study abroad program, which offers programs in 100 different countries and 120 institutions.

As college students, we often get caught up in our own routine thoughts of what is due for our afternoon class, if our work apron is clean and where to head out on Friday night. The study abroad programs give students the opportunity to experience a whole new world inside of our college world.

Sept. 11, 2001, was a warning bell that Americans are not in tune with international issues, people and cultures. Studying abroad is a perfect way for students to get an education and learn about themselves and others.

Since the Sept. 11 attacks, studying abroad has become more popular than ever, a survey by the Institute of International Education said. Despite the national increase, SIUC has seen a slight decrease in the past year.

Students' misconceptions of the program include expenses, safety issues and class conflicts.

What students don't realize is that they can receive financial aid to study abroad just like they do to attend in the United States. There are also many scholarships and grant programs that students are eligible to apply for.

In addition, Chancellor Walter Wendler appropriated money generated from the tuition increase to go to Carbondale students who want to study at SIU's Japan campus. These students will receive \$1,000 toward the program.

Tom Saville, coordinator for SIUC study abroad programs, said the most popular places to visit are Britain, France, Germany, Italy and Japan, and many students have expressed the desire to visit Israel and other places in the region.

But any location or program that would put students in danger is strictly off limits, Saville said, primarily citing locations that have State Department warnings.

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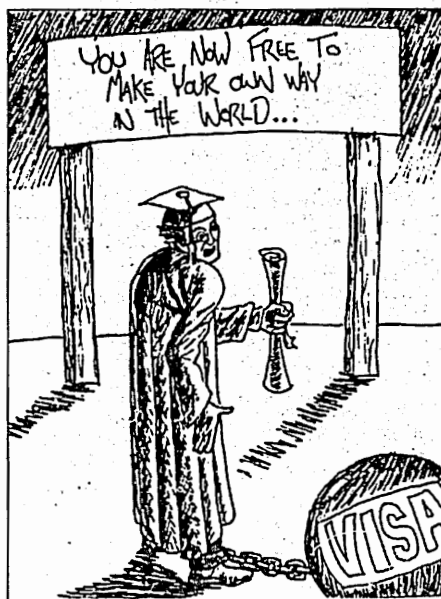
The final misconception, class conflicts, is really no conflict at all. Most students think they won't be able to take classes within their major when studying abroad, which will in turn set their graduation date back. In reality, students can take almost any class that they would take

here at SIUC and more.

And why not fill that internship requirement somewhere outside U.S. borders? The study abroad programs include work programs and internship programs.

After college, students will begin at the bottom rung of the working world ladder, faced with the daily 9 to 5 grind, week after week with few vacation days. Loan bills will start rolling in. Summers won't be a treat anymore. And forget that month off between semesters. Life will be one great semester blobbed together, and gallivanting across Europe will be merely a pipe dream.

So we urge students to take advantage of a once in a lifetime opportunity — an opportunity to expand horizons and embrace a different way of life.



GUEST COLUMNIST

Legislation needed to prevent harmful credit card use on campuses

Andi Baca
The Battalion (Texas A&M U.)

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (U-WIRE) — Like record players and betas, it seems that paying in cash is becoming obsolete. Eighty-three percent of undergraduates have at least one credit card and 47 percent have five or more, according to the Associated Press.

In an effort to control the marketing of credit cards on campus, Sen. Chris Dodd, D-Conn., approached Congress to investigate the behaviors of credit companies. The Consumer Federation of America said Dodd used evidence from a 90-page study conducted by Robert Manning, which outlines the negative effects credit card debt has on students.

In the best interest of the students, Congress should follow the proposal to investigate and regulate credit card soliciting on college campuses.

New students are easy targets for credit card solicitors. Dan Prendergast, a senior in biology, said college students who have never had to support themselves might have trouble paying off credit cards. "If you're a freshman, it can be hard to understand the implication of several monthly credit card bills," he said. "I didn't really understand it all until I was a senior."

Educating students about the financial obligations and the consequences of having a credit card could save hundreds of students from wrecking their credit. Valerie Grizzaffi, a sophomore in marketing, said college students can get trapped in bad credit if they are not aware of the responsibility. "I had bad credit my freshman year and now, as a junior, I can't get the cards I want," she said. "Most students don't know that debt will hurt them in the long run."

The proposed legislation points to more education as the remedy for student debt. Yahoo! News said Dodd approached Congress with the idea of passing legislation that would boost financial literacy among college students, especially freshmen.

Colleges and universities should consider making credit card education more accessible to students, including adding it to their new student orientation

program. The Student Activities office at Texas A&M offers students budgeting advice on their Web site and through counselors. The more informed students are, the more likely they can effectively regulate their own budgets.

While the world is driven by credit cards and their ability to allow people to purchase things they could not, the privilege of owning one should be just that — a privilege.

Qualified applicants who want or need a credit card have no trouble getting a card issued in their name, and do not need the solicitation of issuers on campus to get one.

In addition, many students find credit card solicitors an annoyance.

Karen Baum, a senior in speech communications, said solicitors interrupt her routine. "Campus can get really crowded, and when you are just trying to make it to class on time it is really rude to have someone trying to get you to sign up for a credit card," she said.

Although credit card companies provide financial information to students, this might not be enough to protect them from debt. Grizzaffi said credit card companies can post information everywhere, but students are not likely to read it. "I just paid what I could every month, I didn't really look into my increasing balance," she said.

Soliciting credit cards on campus is a rushed process which does not lend itself to careful reading of credit card applications.

Paying off credit card bills is the responsibility of the card holder. However, colleges should promote better habits to educate and protect students. Legislation on soliciting credit cards on college campuses is a great place to start.

Andi's views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Sometimes the road less traveled is less traveled for a reason.”

Jerry Seinfeld
actor, comedian

WORDS OVERHEARD

“People get their faces stepped on every day. If you're on the ground, you're part of the ground.”

Eric Reimer
club president, SIU Rugby

COLUMNISTS

What meaning is in a name?

Faith, n.— 1) Unquestioning belief, specifically in God, religion, etc. 2) A particular religion, etc. 3) Complete trust or confidence 4) Loyalty

I know that this article will burn a lot of bridges, but I have to get this out because it doesn't seem that people are looking at the subject of religion objectively. I understand that when it comes to religion, faith is very important. In fact I believe that faith is the basis for most of the problems when it comes to religion (namely Christianity).

I don't want to make it seem as though religion doesn't bring about goodness in people, because it does. However, it does cause many people (namely blacks and Hispanics) to blindly believe in something that was brought to them for the sole purpose of their oppression.

It's not saying that it is wrong to believe in a higher source, either. Something as big as an implosion that was the beginning of all life did not occur through coincidence. But when you think

Another reason for not accepting Christianity is because of the Bible

about it objectively without your religious bias, then it begins to make sense that religion, namely Christianity, is a form of oppression.

I call upon Christianity because I am more familiar with it than any other religion. I know a little about Islam and Buddhism but hardly any about Hinduism and the rest. I will say, from what I do understand of these religions, that none are more unlike their word in Christianity. I used to be a Christian myself and have even been told by other Christians that I don't realize that I am a true Christian. Yet, there are a few reasons that I could never be a Christian or affiliate with any other religion.

First is the fact that minorities that were invited to become Christians were invited by whites in order to justify their actions against minorities. If you take the city of Chicago, for example, when you go to predominately black neighborhoods on the south or west sides of town, you will find more churches than schools. Yet if you take a trip to predominately white neighborhoods, such as the Gold Coast you won't find too many churches.

Why is this? Because those who use religion to keep order within minority communities know that the stories of Jesus only served to keep them in power. I can't be mad any more at the trickster than the person being tricked when they never



The Power of Words

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question the source or motives of the trickster.

Another reason for not accepting Christianity is because of the Bible, which was written by men. There are Christians who will say that those men were writing with the spirit of God in them, but I have a problem with that. The most widely used version is the King James Version. Now, this is a King that adapted his own version in the 15th century to suit his own needs and keep the peasants from rising up.

Perhaps the biggest reason for my not being able to buy into the religious mumbo jumbo of Jesus and the Bible as the "word" is because of Jewish people.

Jews are supposedly the chosen people of God, and even they find the stories of Jesus a little too far-fetched for their understanding. Now, if that doesn't make you at least question your faith, there's not much else within the constraints of space and time that will.

The Bible is a good morals book, but that's about where it ends. There are some Christians who are reading this and saying to themselves that I'm going to hell, as if they have some proof outside their own wanting to see me burn, because I've spoken the truth.

I was watching a program where missionaries were telling a story about Christians in Africa (including children under 10) who were being tortured by Muslims to convert, but the Christians' faith was unyielding, so they wouldn't.

Essentially, they were saying that children could comprehend the meaning of Christ to the point where they were willing to be maimed in his honor. I don't know many adults with that much resilience, let alone children, and yet this was the extent missionaries were willing to go to convert people from a religion that doesn't even serve its followers.

The Power of Words appears every Tuesday.

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Problems in our communication process need to be dealt with



Check Please!

BY BILL KELLY
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"Don't you hate that?"
"Hate what?"
"Uncomfortable silences."
-Pulp Fiction
Communication is funny when it's forced upon you. There are times when you want to talk to people and they don't want to talk to you and vice versa. Here are three stories about bad communication.

A friend of mine told me she was at the mall the other day and she ran into another friend of mine — note that these two only know each other through me. They're not friends, just acquaintances. I'm the connection between the two, and I'm the one thing they have in common. What do they talk about? Me. Well, they said their hellos and then moved straight into the topic of Bill. This is weird because I find that this happens with a lot of people who run into a "friend of a friend." You don't know these people very well and you only see or hear about them through your friend. Thus, your friend will be the center of discussion whenever you and the "friend of a friend" see each other.

I suppose this type of communication is awkward because you know that you should have more to talk about but all you seem to discuss is that person in the middle. Last week a similar situation happened to me when a co-worker from a job I had over a year ago randomly came up to me and started a conversation.

She began by telling me about her life in the past year and then I added in a few things about myself. The conversation was progressing smoothly for a while, but I was actually growing tired of talking because I didn't have much in common with her — other than the three months we spent working together at the movie theater.

Eventually we both ran out of things to talk about and there was an uncomfortable silence for a couple of seconds until I started talking again. In fact, I was the one who provided most of the talking to this particular conversation, so why should I have to break the silence?

She came up to me; she should have had more interesting things to say. It's like people who call you up from work and put you on hold. Why do that? I then continued to tell her useless information until I finally said that I had to get going, which was actually true; I had a class. Of course, the hardest parts about these types of situations are the uncomfortable silences.

Throughout our conversation I could sense that her interest was fading, but she didn't attempt to do anything about it. And when the conversation dropped, there was a break in our dialogue with about five seconds passing until I spoke again. Five seconds is a lot of time to go by when you're talking with someone else. In those five seconds we displayed several nonverbal forms of communication: she fiddled with her hair, I looked at the ground, we both checked our watches. All of these gestures were signs that our discussion was coming to an end and it was time for us to depart.

The final story is my fault because I played the role of the sender instead of the receiver. I was in a store and I recognized the clerk behind the counter who, as it turns out, was an old friend of mine from junior high school. Immediately, I approached him and reintroduced myself and started chatting away. This guy remembered who I was and he was actually excited to see me after not hearing from me in six years. We talked mostly about old times; the conversation was very nostalgic. I felt like I was watching a movie that never actually moved forward because there were too many flashbacks.

In these movies, the story tends to move backwards like the conversation I had with this guy. The only problem was that he was at work and I was distracting him from doing his job so we didn't get to discuss many topics over a period of 10 minutes.

It's a funny lesson to learn about how to communicate with somebody because you never know if they really want to talk to you or if they are just making chit chat to fill in those empty spaces of silence.

And so I said to the waiter, "Can I get the check please?"

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Bill is a senior in cinema. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

LETTERS

Snow respect by standing

DEAR EDITOR:

I attended the most recent football game at McAndrew Stadium, just as I did the home opener, and I am appalled at the lack of respect students and community members show when "Southern Alma Mater" is performed by the Marching Salukis. This is YOUR school; show some pride and respect for it. Also, after every touchdown, the Marching Salukis play a rousing rendition of "Go, Southern, Go" (your school song, since you don't seem to know that fact!) It is tradition to stand and clap (at the least) along with the band during their performance. I am proud to be a part of this community as a staff member, and every year I am involved with Week of Welcome and the Student Life Advisors (SLA). Each one of these fine students learns both songs and encourages our new students to at least recognize this music when they hear it. The next time the Marching Salukis take the field, show respect — not only to them, but also to SIU. They both deserve it.

Brenda Morse
Office Systems Specialist III, Student Development

Circus was full of surprises

DEAR EDITOR:

I am responding to "Our Word" in the Sept. 19 edition of the Daily Egyptian. Let's simplify this idea: imagine two well-trained and obedient dogs, each with their personal trainer. They are performing tricks. One trainer is holding treats in his hand and gives a treat to his dog after each trick is performed. The other trainer is holding a whizzed up newspaper or a large stick. He doesn't give his dog a treat after each trick. No praise, either. How would you feel toward each of these trainers? Which one would you want to support? This scenario is similar to many circuses. At the Carson and Barnes circus last Thursday, while watching the elephants, lions and tigers, I noticed that the trainers were carrying bullhooks (long stick with pointy hook at the end) and whips. I did not see them carrying bags of treats. I did not hear praise. Bullhooks and whips are obviously not devices of positive reinforcement. In other words, if these tools were being used as training devices, it would suggest that these animals are being trained through negative reinforcement — intimidation.

These tools look like they cause, at the very least, discomfort, and at the very worst, pain.

Nisa Tajjareon
Carbondale

Quotes need clarification

DEAR EDITOR:

Because the DAILY EGYPTIAN is trying to get the truth to the people, I would like to clarify some information that was mentioned in the special edition of your paper on Sept. 11, 2002, under the title "Behind the Veil." There had been some misunderstandings about a few of my comments, which are very sensitive and need clarification.

First, it was stated "Ebihal Elshalkh chooses not to wear the Hijab." I have never chosen not to wear the Hijab. I would like you to note that the Hijab in Islam means covering your entire body except your face and hands in front of men who are strangers. So, all Muslim women do not wear the Hijab in their houses, as long as there are no strangers (men) around. So,

while in my home I did not choose to wear it. Thanks to God, I am trying to wear the Hijab as He ordered us to do, just as all other Muslim women.

Second, the quote, "No one forces these women to do this, not their husbands, not the community, not the Quran." I may say this about husbands or the community, but I cannot say this about the Quran. The holy Quran gives Muslim women many rights (more than any modern law does); some of them are to keep her own money and her own name. Also in the holy Quran, woman is equal to man. But the holy Quran is the book that God sent to prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him). It is our law, and every Muslim man and woman has to follow it; they do not have a choice in the matter if they want to be Muslims. Third, the quote that read, "Yeah, I can say I am a good Muslim — but they are not real Muslims." This is too much to say about myself and about other Muslims. I cannot judge others or myself. Only God can judge us, and He knows who is good and who is not.

Thank you again for your patience.

Ebihal Elshalkh
Carbondale

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Government working on national telemarketing do-not-call list

States fear federal list could undermine state do-not-call lists

Ben Finley
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON (KRT) — Telemarketing ranked fourth among the 100 worst ideas of the 20th century in a poll by Time magazine. Curiously however, in the 21st century the \$600 billion telemarketing industry is still growing, and the federal government is still trying to catch up.

Two federal agencies are weighing whether to assemble a national do-not-call list to protect Americans from unwanted telemarketing calls, but state governments are worried that Washington's efforts could undermine their own do-not-call lists, telemarketing companies are fighting to block any new lists, and consumer groups are pressing for more.

A national do-not-call list would prevent telemarketers from contacting anyone in the United States who had entered his or her number on the registry. The Federal Trade Commission is expected to create such a list to govern all telemarketing industries under

its jurisdiction by the end of this year. The Federal Communications Commission has just begun to consider making a similar list, which could cover all telemarketers.

Many people would seem to welcome the help. Up to 74 percent of residents in Missouri, Michigan and Minnesota said telemarketing calls were an "invasion of their privacy and an unwelcome intrusion" according to surveys last year sponsored by AARP, the senior citizens organization. Senior citizens are prime targets of telemarketers. AARP strongly supports a national do-not-call registry.

States that already have telemarketing laws — 27 states have do-not-call lists — do not want to be pre-empted by the Federal Trade Commission, which they argue is weak in some ways. For example, the FTC has no legal jurisdiction over intrastate calls or over telemarketers from telephone companies, the insurance industry, banks and airlines. The FTC also must work with the Justice Department to enforce civil penalties against violators of telemarketing laws.

The industry assembled its own national do-not-call list of 5 million people in 1985, said Louis Mastria, spokesman for the Direct Marketing Association, which represents telemar-

eters. The industry-operated list is observed by 80 percent of the nation's telemarketing companies, more than those covered by the Federal Trade Commission, Mastria said.

Telemarketing companies employed more than 6 million people in the United States. Mastria argues that more regulation would harm those firms, cost jobs and weaken the economy.

Consumer advocates disagree. "We certainly haven't seen the telemarketing industry hurt by the Telemarketing Sales Rule that was promulgated six years ago," said Susan Grant, spokeswoman for the National Consumer League, a group supporting more telemarketing legislation.

The FTC's legal authority stems from the Telemarketing Sales Rule of 1995.

But neither that law nor the FCC's Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991, authorized the formation of a national do-not-call list.

Grant, the consumer activist, argues that more federal regulation is needed to give consumers greater confidence when responding to telemarketers. It also would allow for better enforcement of rules governing telemarketers, she said.

How to get on a do-not-call list

Ben Finley
Knight Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON (KRT) — To inquire about registering on a do-not-call list, contact the Illinois consumer affairs division, attorney general's office or public utility regulatory commission.

Your local telephone company also may offer services such as "Privacy Manager" or "Call Intercept," which use Caller ID to stop any calls listed as "private," "out of area," "unavailable," "unknown" or "blocked" from getting through.

They give such callers the option of leaving a message for the receiver, who decides whether to call back.

At least 25 states have passed do-not-call laws with varying restrictions on telemarketers. Twenty-one states have those laws now in effect: Alabama, Alaska, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Missouri, New York,

Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Wisconsin.

To contact the Direct Marketing Association, a trade group of telemarketers, to join their national do-not-call list, register online at www.dmaconsumer.org.

Consumers can also ask individual telemarketing companies to not contact them.

By law, telemarketing companies must honor individual requests for 10 years.

To contact the Federal Trade Commission in regard to its proposed national do-not-call list, or to make a complaint: phone 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357) or write to FTC Consumer Response Center, 600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W., Room 130, Washington, DC 20508. Website: www.ftc.gov.

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Beck grows up and gets serious

Tom Moon
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PHILADELPHIA (KRT) — The latest chapter in the odyssey of Beck Hansen opens with a grandiose declaration: "Put your hands on the wheel, let the Golden Age begin."

It's road-trip time, and Beck, that revered poet of postmodern dislocation, is revving the engine. Desperate to ditch the cares of the world, he's looking for a sliver of frontier that hasn't yet been subdivided, a place far enough away for him to smell possibility in the air.

His words tell of buoyant new beginnings, but there's nothing resembling optimism in Beck's voice. Absolutely no sunshine at all. He's hurt and haggard, resigned and deflated — a man old before his time, puzzling over what once might have been love.

That's right. Love. Say good-bye to battery-acid Beck, master of the arch inside joke. And prepare to welcome Beck the Troubadour, now irony-free, capturing human vulnerabilities in ways he never has before.

The austere, jarringly beautiful "Sea Change" (Geffen) is a masterpiece we never expected from the boyish-looking baritone, a triumph of content over conceit that belongs next to The Band's "Music From Big Pink" and Neil Young's "After the Gold Rush" on the shelf where pop's highest accomplishments are stored.

It's nothing fancy, really, a series of earnest lost-love songs cradled by acoustic guitar choirs, weepy pedal-steel counterlines and spangled, scene-stealing strings. Set in the key of suffocating gloom, they're not uniformly brilliant. But they're made brilliant by Beck's stoic delivery: His characters' wounds are laid bare over dutiful, even indifferent rhythm guitars, their hurt betrayed by a mood of laconic whateverness.

It turns out that Beck is downright devastating when he means what he says. At age 32, he's let go of the lyrical abstractions that, at times, served as a crutch on 1999's "Midnite Vultures." He's junked the free-associative wordplay, too, and held in check the inclination to glorify kitsch that drove parts of his 1998 side project, "Mutations."

On "Sea Change," instead of loading verses with image after tawdry image, he strips them to their essence, capturing the hauntingly

familiar feeling of being abandoned ("it's nothing that I haven't seen before, but it still kills me like it did before"), offering straightforward expressions of devotion ("I just wanted to be your good friend"), and describing the feeling of being blown apart from 10 angles.

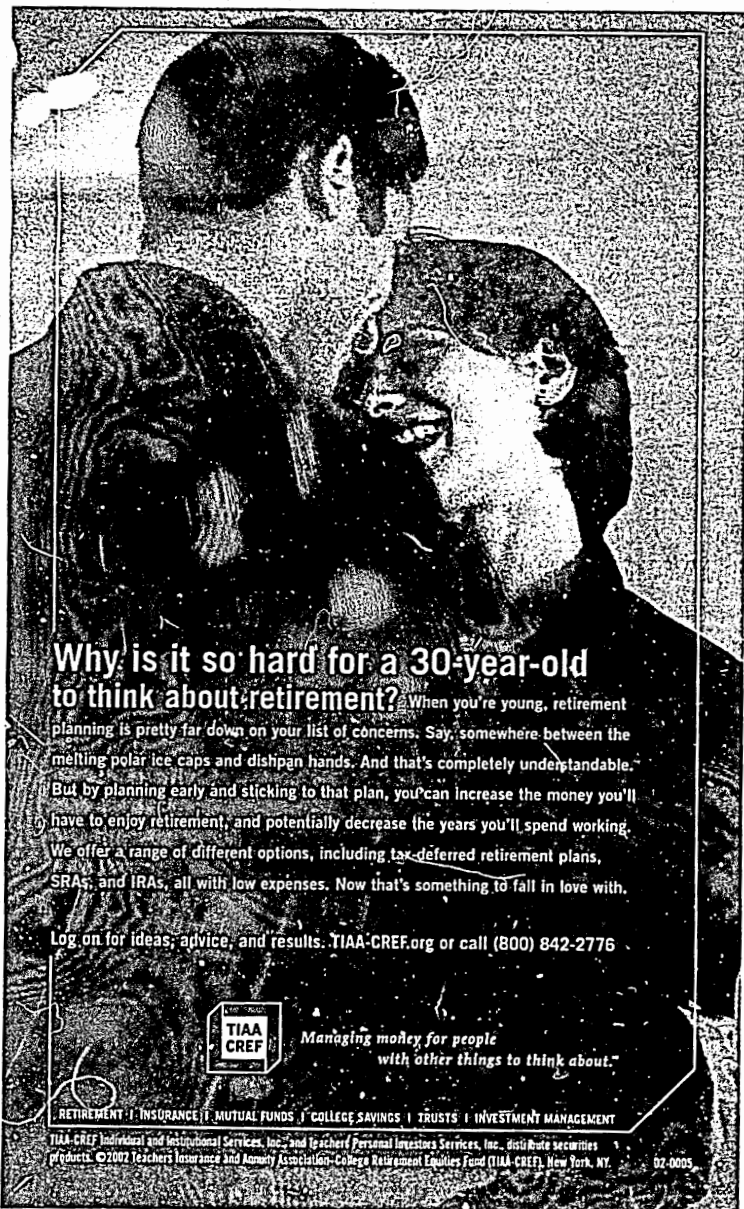
Beck's lyrical acuity is paralleled by his stark, understated music. None of the 12 songs on "Sea Change" moves at what could be called a brisk clip. They feel suspended in time, oozing like cough syrup poured from an old bottle, their agonizing slowness intended to underscore the agony of the soul that inspired them. In his new sensitive-guy threads, Beck resists the temptation to dazzle. Suddenly, the joker is a straightman; he sings everything as if it were a concession speech — simply, curtly, leaving poignant splashes of open space between each phrase.

He's not trying to "sell" the songs the way a wheedling John Maherty songwriter would. By choking back the pain, he makes tales of commonplace heartache genuine, and locates aspects of the wrenching thing called love that, remarkably, haven't yet devolved into cliché.

It helps that Beck has some serious melodies to sing — lush motifs such as the dreamy "Round the Bend," gorgeously sloped weepers such as "Guess I'm Doing Fine" and the studio-orchestra gem "Lonesome Tears," whose apocalyptic, screen-epic bridge would have made Harry Nilsson envious. The string arrangements, written by his father, David Campbell, convey the sweep of Beck's mission: Sometimes violins and cellos swell up and demand the spotlight, but just as often they scurry around, cushioning the blows dealt by his distraught voice, providing punctuation.

Yet, even when the orchestra is roaring, Beck sounds as if he's calling from the far side of a desolate prairie. Unlike his pop labyrinths and even his gut-level blues evocations, this is music of deep contemplation. But it has none of the manipulation of so many sad songs: Beck strives for a melancholy that takes you somewhere, an ecstatic state that brings pain and awareness in equal measure.

"Sea Change" may seem, initially, like nothing you haven't heard before. But listen closely because, in its quiet way, it startles like nothing Beck has done before.



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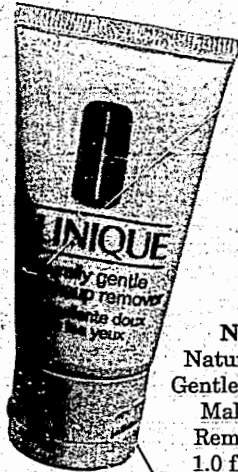
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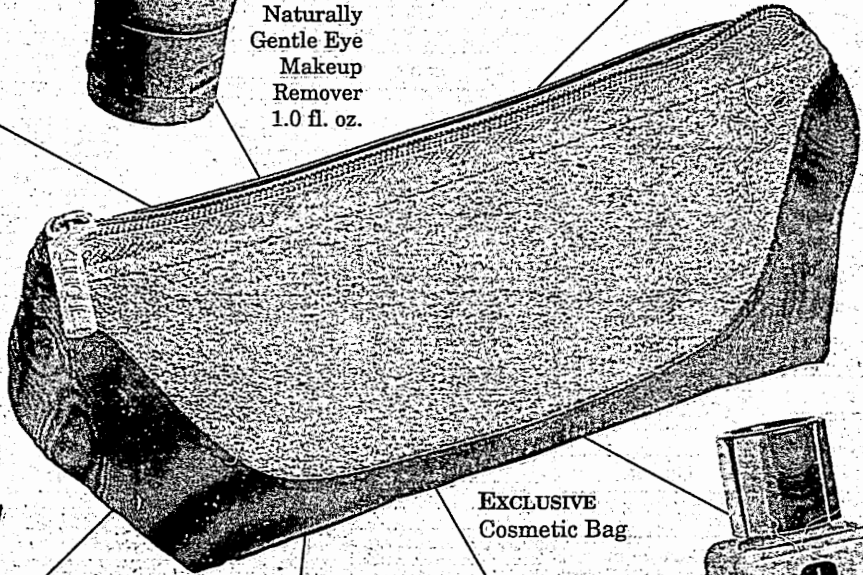
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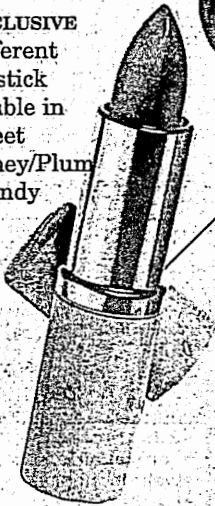


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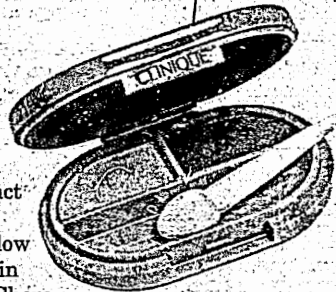


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Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. Black

Today's Birthday (Sept. 24). Your focus on distant places is great motivation this year. You can't go there yet, but you can save up. If you postpone your big trip till you're well prepared, you'll have a much better time. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19) - Today is a 7 - Your drive and persistence determine how much money you make. Don't listen to friends who are stuck in a rut. Even if they can't, you can.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) - Today is a 7 - The moon is in your sign, and that gives you a shot of determination and power. Don't wear yourself out by taking on too much. Have the courage to say no.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) - Today is a 7 - Although you should be feeling pretty good, a sense of obligation could be growing. Is there something you should have done by now? A promise you made? Try to remember before you're reminded.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) - Today is a 7 - You have a friend whose mere presence makes you feel a lot better. That's the person you ought to call now to get back in touch with your roots.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) - Today is a 6 - You're not in the mood to change things, so relax and trust that instinct. Don't let anyone talk you into financing an unproven scheme. Wait and see what else develops.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) - Today is a 7 - Keep the machinery running for the next couple of days. You'll be appreciated by the people who sign the big checks. No fancy innovations, just show that you're dependable.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) - Today is a 7 - A shortage of cash doesn't have to thwart your plans. Don't ask anybody for more money. Find another way.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - Don't get into an argument with a person whose skills you need. Be nice, and together you'll be able to build a stable base.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - All of a sudden somebody wants to know what you've been doing. You've kept good records, right? If not, curtail adventure and catch up on that paperwork.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 7 - Somebody you think is pretty darned cute feels the same way about you. It might be hard to make a date, though. There's still too much going on. Dinner on Wednesday or lunch on Thursday might be viable options.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Today is a 6 - Domestic responsibilities take precedence now. It's difficult to get away. Schedule travel and romance for late Thursday through Saturday. Meanwhile, you can clean up a mess.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 7 - Don't take anybody's word for it. You should do the homework for yourself. That's the only way you'll find out what's really going on.

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME

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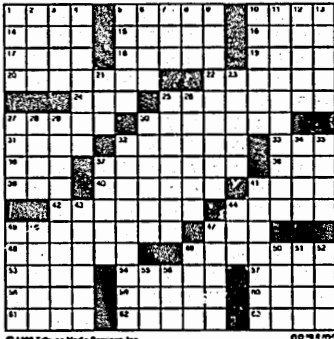
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 - Vibrant
 - English writer Alexander
 - Bath powder
 - LEM word
 - Appeal
 - Reduce to bondage
 - Climb
 - Pub order
 - Desperate
 - North African capital
 - With great speed
 - Minute particle
 - Lampoon
 - Forbidden
 - Kaplar
 - Wine merchant
 - Lincoln or Fortas
 - Bushful
 - Lapse
 - Asset
 - Ministers
 - Sword handles
 - Golf-course employees
 - Droop
 - Wild purplish red
 - Fill with dismay
 - Senior citizen
 - Boats like Noah's
 - Insolent
 - Curly cabbage
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 - Recent Persia
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 - Readily available
 - Nary a one



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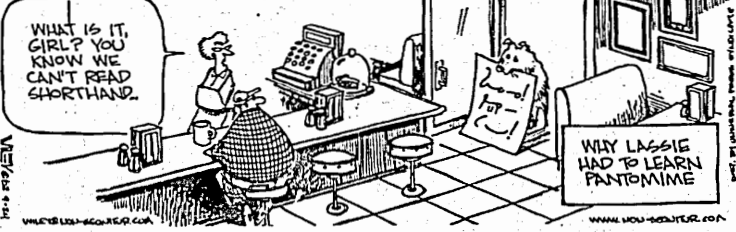
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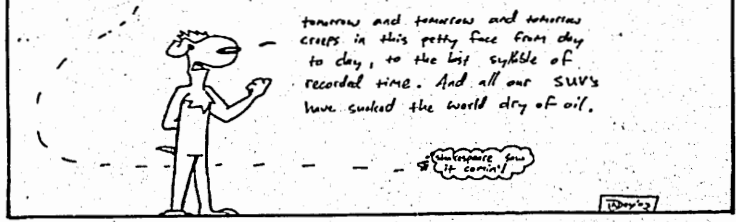
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Women's golf places third at UNI Panther Fall Classic

The SIU women's golf team shot a two-round total of 673 for a third-place finish at the Northern Iowa Panther Fall Classic Monday.

Freshman Abigail Johnson led SIU as she shot a 165, good enough for a tie for eighth place overall.

Redshirt freshmen Tiffany Fritsche (83, 87) and Megan Tarrally (85, 85) tied for 12th place with 170 strokes.

Host Northern Iowa (634) won the event, followed by Missouri-Kansas City (669) and Creighton (679).

SIU returns to the links this weekend when the Salukis head to the University of Iowa Lady Northern Invitational Sept. 28-29.

Salukis record nine wins at Fall Classic

Gian Carlo Remigio led all SIU competitors at the Middle Tennessee Fall Classic this past weekend. The senior recorded three victories in Flight B singles before losing in the third round to Louisville's Sebastian Aspillaga 7-5.

The Salukis won a total of nine matches.

Lukasz Soswa and Remigio were the only SIU players to record a win on the first day of competition. Soswa defeated Rodney Rapson of Jacksonville State 3-6, 7-6 (7-4), 10-8 in the first round of Flight A2 singles.

Peter Bong teamed with Alon Savidor to chalk up two victories in Flight A2 doubles. The pair fell to Michael Stanjak and Rishan Kunnup of Middle Tennessee in the second round.

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As the winners were announced, a crowd gathered around the scorekeeper's booth and cheered as their school's name was read over the public address system.

Kansas State won the championship, while Wisconsin-Madison, Kansas, Iowa State, Illinois, Wisconsin-Lacrosse, Iowa and SIU rounded out the top eight.

SIU earned the final berth in next weekend's regional event.

In addition to

Mabry, SIU had several placers. Team captain Travis Bostic finished 12th in jumping for the men, while Maggie Williams finished eighth in trick skiing and Marie Potete placed ninth overall for the women.

"That was our ultimate goal," Bostic said, referring to qualifying for regionals. "It's a rebuilding year for us. We've year to regionals every year of the club, and we don't want to not go now."

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Rainy redemption for Florida in win over Vols

Seth Traub
Independent Florida Alligator (U. Florida)

Redemption for two poor games that had critics questioning nearly all aspects of the Gators' game, including their coach.

"They came out here calling Coach [Ron] Zook the wrong name in introductions. 'Zuke' they called him," Johnson said from the soggy sidelines at Neyland Stadium after Florida upset then-No. 4 Tennessee 30-13.

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University of Illinois skier Barry Smith gets airborne at the men's trick competition during the 2002 Great Plains Conference Collegiate Water Ski Championship at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds over the weekend.

Wet 'n' Wild

SIU water skiing club mixes work and play en route to eighth-place finish during weekend.

STORY BY
CHRISTOPHER MORRICAL

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DEREK ANDERSON

It was 60 degrees in the sun as V-shaped flocks of honking geese headed south in the skies overhead.

A cool breeze blew through the trees, rattling the leaves and knocking acorns out of the branches.

The spectators along the shore of the pond wore jeans and sweatshirts, and a few had on jackets as they climbed out of their tents.

It was only 7:30 in the morning, and autumn was in the air.

Cold or not, the weather didn't stop the SIU Water Ski Team from getting wet.

The team played host to the 2002 Great Plains Conference Collegiate Water Ski Championship at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds during the weekend.

Saturday's events included the slalom and trick/wakeboard, while distance jumping took place on Sunday.

If the air was that cold, the water had to be much worse, especially after all the rains last week.

The water was a little bit chilly, but that's to be expected this time of year, said Kevin Mabry, an SIU skier, as he stood dripping after the slalom.

"It's wonderful, actually," said Mabry, who placed sixth in trick skiing. "Once you're in it, it's comfortable. It's just those first couple of seconds that you're like, 'Oh my God.' Otherwise, it's not too bad."

The Du Quoin event is one of the most anticipated events of the year. The fairgrounds, equipped with bathrooms, showers and a pond, was the perfect locale for a water ski competition.



During the trick competition, skiers are given 20 seconds to perform as many tricks as they can. Most skiers wait until the end of their routine before trying big air tricks such as this back flip.

People coming from Minneapolis, Minn., and Madison, Wis., were not used to the warm weather, said SIU Ski Club president John Blomquist as it warmed into the 70s.

The same schools compete against each other every weekend, so everyone is friendly with the people from the other teams. It's just typical SIU friendliness, Mabry said.

There was plenty of horseplay occurring among the schools as well.

One game, called "steamroller," was played along the water's edge as everyone waited for his or her turn in the pond. The game was played with four people laying on an air mattress and a fifth person would lay on top, rolling over the others.

A University of Illinois student, who was trying his best at play-by-play, would craftily weave the word "steamroller" into a sentence. Once said, the person who was the steamroller had to roll over all people who were on the mattress.

"Are we in college, or what?" he said. The event was not all fun and games, however. Saturday night, a female competitor from Kansas State was attempting a jump when she landed wrong and her head got caught in the rope. She was dragged across the water and came up coughing blood.

The woman was airlifted to Saint Louis University Hospital where she underwent surgery. She is expected to make a full recovery.

The event itself was taken very seriously as well. The top eight finishers advanced to the regionals next week in Decatur.

Even after the accident, an observer wouldn't have noticed a change in the mood. The lively atmosphere that engulfed the entire competition carried over to Sunday.



An SIUC skier's car sits in the parking lot at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds Saturday while the SIUC ski team competed in the Great Plains Collegiate Water Ski Championship.

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SIU skier Travis Bostic prepares to perform a flip off a wake during the end of his trick routine at the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds on Saturday.

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SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

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Young SIU defense learns on the job

Secondary struggles, improves against high-powered W. Va. Tech passing attack

Todd Merchant
Daily Egyptian

During the SIU football team's 76-21 romp of West Virginia Tech Saturday evening at McAndrew Stadium offense was on center stage.

The Salukis and Golden Bears combined to rack up 1,020 yards of total offense. The Dawgs contributed 606 of those yards, which set a school record.

SIU junior running back Muhammad Abdulqadir accounted for 331 of those yards and tied a record by scoring six touchdowns.

Even with all the offense, the key to the Salukis' victory was its performance on the other side of the ball.

SIU forced two fumbles and picked off four Tech passes, including one by Royal Whitaker who took it back 50 yards for a touchdown. The Salukis totaled 118 yards in interception returns.

The glaring statistic was how well SIU held Tech on third and fourth down. The Golden Bears' offense converted on only 26.7 percent of its third-down opportunities and on neither of its two fourth-down chances.

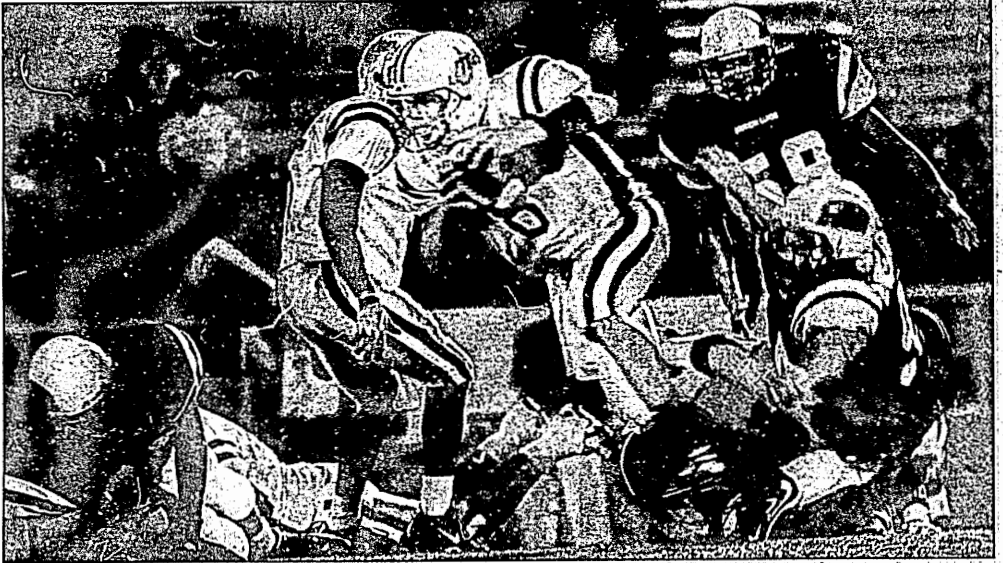
Sophomore safety Cortez McBerry was pleased with the way he and teammates on the defense were able to hold the Golden Bears, especially in the red zone.

"I'm proud about that," McBerry said. "As a defense we came together, down there, which is good."

The Salukis did have some trouble early on, however, trying to contain Tech quarterback Eric Smith, who completed 31 of 57 pass attempts for 347 yards and three touchdowns.

"We got off to a little bit of a slow start," said SIU head coach in regards to his team's defense. "I knew they could throw the ball. They're going to win some games in Division II; there's no question about that."

Throughout much of the first half



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West Virginia Tech quarterback Eric Smith attempts to elude SIU defenders during Saturday's game at McAndrew Stadium. Smith aggravated the Salukis by attempting 45 passes in the first half.

the Golden Bears' offense gradually moved up the field via a flurry of short out passes toward the sidelines. Smith occasionally attempted a longer pass, which the Salukis were usually able to thwart.

McBerry said the non-stop passing onslaught was beneficial to SIU in that it gave the secondary some much-needed work. It also showed that the Salukis were capable of quashing the deep game.

"You always want to stop the deep ball, because that's what scores points," McBerry said. "And if you can contain the short ball and get big sacks like we did, that's a bonus."

SIU came out during the second half and did a much better job against the pass as Smith completed only five of 12 attempts and threw three interceptions before being pulled late in the

third quarter.

The defense's ability to stop Tech in the second half allowed the Saluki offense more time with the ball and it certainly took advantage of it, putting up 35 points in the third quarter alone. The defense added six points of its own in the quarter on Whitaker's interception return.

The performance of the defensive secondary was even more impressive considering the fact that it was missing three key contributors in seniors Derrick Corker and Steron Davidson and sophomore Justin George, who were all sidelined by injuries.

SIU — which Kill often refers to as one of the youngest teams in the country — was forced to throw several players onto the field who have not seen a lot of action, including redshirt freshman running back Brad Bracheat, who

was originally recruited as a defensive back.

"We basically play without three secondary players in our lineup tonight and played with a lot of rookies," Kill said. "It's great experience. [Tech's] good in the passing game. Our secondary, to be as young as we were, I think we played about as good as we can."

"They'll get better, and I guarantee you from the film they'll learn a lot from that and hopefully we'll get some people back."

The Salukis will need all the manpower they can get this Saturday when they travel to Ypsilanti, Mich., to take on Eastern Michigan, their lone Division I-A opponent.

According to McBerry, the Eagles run an offensive scheme similar to West Virginia Tech.

"Next week we see Eastern Michigan; they throw the ball around like West Virginia Tech did and we got some work on it," he said.

While the defense performed well against Tech, everyone on the Salukis realizes there is a big difference between Division I-A and Division II football. Kill knows his defense will have its hands full on Saturday and said his offense is going to have maintain its high output if the Salukis want to their non-conference season with a winning record.

"Offensively we're going to have to score a lot of points, we understand that," Kill said. "We're very young on defense."

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SIU volleyball shakes off loss

Salukis gear up for match against W. Illinois

Michael Brenner
Daily Egyptian

The SIU volleyball team lost Saturday in the worst possible way.

It blew a huge lead in the fifth game. It failed to convert two game-point situations. It could not take advantage of a school-record 31 kills from senior outside hitter Kristie Kemner and lost to Illinois State, a team it hasn't beaten since Sonya Locke took the reins 12 years ago.

But ask the Salukis if they care. "If we keep playing ball like this, we're not going to lose many games," Kemner said following Saturday's loss. "That was a great match, it was well fought, and the ball just went the other way this time. If we play like this, we're going to kill some teams."

Even Locke, who is normally critical of her team following victories as well as defeats, had nothing but positive things to say to and about her players.

"What are you going to say to them? They had a bad match; they blew a lead," Locke said. "They know that stuff — they lived through it. They

played hard and they should feel good about the fact that they came back from a 2-1 deficit."

SIU finished the weekend 1-1, and is in fifth place in the MVC at 2-2, a record that the Salukis say they can live with.

"If we keep at this pace, we'll be fine," said senior Tara Cains. "We should have won both games this weekend, but it's not the end by any means. We're sitting really good. Indiana State was must-win; Illinois State would have been a great win."

The Salukis were in a similar situation when they played at Tennessee-Martin last Tuesday, a match that fell in between conference contests.

Some players said they took the Slayhaws lightly and came home with a loss — a mistake no one plans on duplicating.

SIU will approach this Tuesday's match at Western Illinois as if they are playing a national champion.

"Western is the next Penn State as far as we're concerned," said junior Britten Follett.

But as hard as they try, the Salukis will have a hard time thinking of Western Illinois as if it were Penn State. The Nitany Lions are 10-1 and ranked ninth in the country. The Westervinds are 0-14.

Not only is Western winless so far this year, 13 of those 14 losses were three-game sweeps. Among the teams to sweep the Westervinds was

Drake, the worst team in the MVC according to a coaches poll.

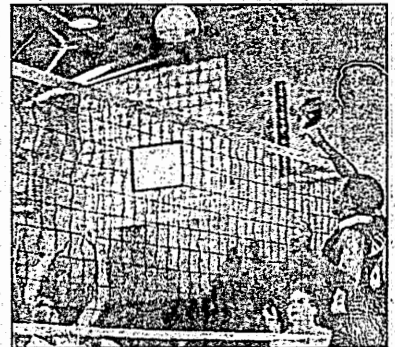
Western's regular starting lineup consists of only two upperclassmen, one of which may not play Tuesday.

And to make things worse, the Westervinds, according to Western head coach Kym McKay, will be dog tired because of excessive travel. Western will be leaving for Carbondale at 10 a.m. today, only one day after getting back from a weekend tournament in Fort Wayne, Ind.

Despite that series of obstacles, McKay said her team does have a chance against the Salukis. She said Western, unlike SIU, will feel no pressure.

"Southern Illinois obviously has a lot more experience than we do and a little more athleticism," McKay said. "We don't have anything to lose, and sometimes that's a good thing."

But SIU has everything to lose if it falls to another team in a weaker conference. Losses like that can be disastrous to a team's psyche, which is why the Salukis said they would be completely focused on Western tonight.



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Senior Qiana Nelson taps the ball to two Illinois State defenders during the Salukis' match against the Redbirds Saturday. The Salukis are playing host to Western Illinois tonight. Despite the Westervinds' 0-14 record, the Salukis are not taking the game lightly.

"[It] is going to be a fight," said senior outside hitter Qiana Nelson. "You have to play everybody. No one's going to roll over and die."

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