There are 20,003 SIUC students, and only three of them showed up Tuesday for a forum sponsored by SIU Chancellor Walter Wendler to discuss tuition increase.

The purpose of Wendler’s forum, presented at the Least Low Building, was to take questions and comments from students about next year’s proposed tuition increase, which the SIU Board of Trustees will vote on May 9.

Wendler’s proposal would raise next year’s tuition by 16 percent for the full-state resident. The following year’s proposed increase would be 16 percent, followed by 7 percent and 8 percent increases.

Molly Parker, president of the Undergraduate Student Senate, said she was disappointed by the small attendance, although he did not go because he was in Springfield. Parker said this was the first forum on the increase and was scheduled during final exams.

When informed that only three students discussed the increase with the chancellor, Parker said, “Oh, good Lord.”

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USG President internal reaction

Ben Bestke, Daily Egyptian

Chairman Wendler speaks about the proposed tuition increase to less than 15 people in attendance at an open forum at the Least Low Building on Tuesday. While Wendler has asked the forum to give students a chance to ask questions about the increase, only two of the three students that came shared their opinions.

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House bill pushed to Senate floor

Molly Parker, Daily Egyptian

The 30 and out program that shows state employees to retire without pensions only by changing their jobs is being amended with a bill that was pushed by Illinois Senate Gra Gisendang.

The original bill is set to expire at the end of this year and unless the new bill is amended, state workers will be required to stay 35 in the Illinois State Retirement System (ISRS) before having the option to retire. Currently, state employees can retire after 30 years in the system.

The bill passed the House unanimously earlier this year and made it out of Senate committee. It will again appear before the full Senate for a vote before the end of the session and before the General Assembly adjourns.

Chancellor Walter Wendler said his main concern is that eligible University employees will rush out the door before they can still file the 30 and out application.

“Do you think that if it didn’t exist, a lot of employees will be flooding out the door,” Wendler said.

He said that making this permanent will allow those who hold the option to retire early, but they will not all do so in one. In those financially trying times, that would allow the University more spending flexibility, Wendler said.

The bill also adds two provisions to the original 30 and out program. It gives a spouse works at the University and

the employee’s widow would be allowed to collect the employee’s pension. Under the original proposal, the spouse would have to retire.

The bill also adds to the current pension system.

If this bill passes, it will be coupled with another provision that will make early retirement a little easier. The Board of Trustees approved a service credit plan on July meeting after the Internal Revenue Service ruled the state agency employees within ISRS could purchase service credit through the Department. This replaced a provision that required employees to purchase additional service credit for work as a student employee or in another state institution to pay in a lump sum.

For example, Susan Barry assistant to the chancellor, who has 20 hours of service credit that she has paid into ISRS. She worked part-time for 10 years on campus as an undergraduate before obtaining a job at SIUC where she paid into ISRS. She can claim two additional years for that work. That brings her to 22. If this bill passes, she will have the option of retiring in eight years.

Furry said this program may allow more people to opt out while the current program may cause even smaller degrees of layoffs at the University.

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Authorities arrest 94 airport workers

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Federal authorities have arrested 94 workers at two Washington-area airports on charges of fraudulently obtaining airport security badges. The arrests at Washington Dulles International Airport and Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport are part of an ongoing investigation to "ensure that people who have access to secure areas of our transportation system are worthy of the trust granted to them by the public," Assistant Attorney General John Ashcroft said.

Three of the 94 arrested worked Tuesday are wanted on state charges, Ashcroft said. Charges against the 94 workers include violation of federal security applications and violating immigration laws. Ashcroft said the charges carry penalties of up to 10 years in prison, fines of up to $250,000 and deportation, as part of a six-month test project that could go nationwide.

American and Mexican restaurants in the US. are all over the map on homeland defense

OKLAHOMA CITY — During the first big test of Oklahoma's new homeland defense plan, police, federal investigators and other state officials huddled in a Capitol "two-room" next to a mob scene that has never been seen at a Capitol hearing before considering how to examine the spread of the highly contagious virus, a substance in a variety of drinks or foods that can be easily absorbed through the skin, or even through the eyes, nose, or mouth.

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Security alert system from yellow (which indicates there might be a significant threat of a terrorist strike) to orange (which indicates there is a potential threat of a terrorist attack) will be in place by early June. The alert system is part of a five-day, no-questions-asked, money-back guarantee. The stores will be modeled after Circuit City's CarMax used car superstores, which after getting off to a rough start in 1993, now has 40 stores and has become profitable. Price 1 could be the first formidable challenger to CarMax since

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Alternative Transportation Day gets bicycle gears moving

Free tune-ups, solar demonstrations support energy conservation

Samantha Edmundson
DAILY EGYPTIAN

The gaze on Joe Bryaniski's 4-year-old bicycle clicked as he walked toward Aur Beck's slightly rusted sign. The Student Center Tuesday. Placed in the truck bed were bicycle tires, repair equipment, an overloaded box of tools and a large white-shirt that read "Free Bicycle Repair." Beck's sign has attracted bicyclists of all ages for four years as part of Alternative Transportation Day, which was honored worldwide last month with Earth Day Tuesday.

After a simple "Jack!" Beck hoisted the bike onto his examination stand, which was propped on two handcranks, spun the wheels and revealed the spokes. During the day, Beck's patient availability allowed bicyclists to spin and listen. He did the same with Beck's sign has attracted bicyclists of all ages for four years as part of Alternative Transportation Day, which was honored worldwide last month with Earth Day Tuesday.

"If I were you, I would bring this into a bike shop and get the front bearings — it's been loose for a while," Beck said. "I will tighten them now, but you might want to get them to grease it." Bryaniski questioned the decision, but Beck explained it step by step. For Bryaniski, a North Side resident who works for the Illinois Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, his bike is his vehicle without the finances to pay to service it. Beck, who maintains his bicycle to travel around town.

"Lately, I've had a few bikes stolen away from home," Bryaniski said. "And now I ride more with my join." Beck's concerns for conserving energy has expanded beyond his bike repair services. He offers Advanced Energy Solutions Inc., a state and services consulting firm for primarily solar and electric powered items and materials.

During the 32nd Annual Earth Day celebration at the south end of the Student Center Monday afternoon, Beck showed his company's wares, interest in the environmental movement. The Southern Illinois University alumnus John Greene displays a solar powered fan, called Sunflower, outside of the Interfaith Center on Tuesday. Beck's concern for conserving items.

"I would come to my office and ask to see my parents, who only live about 200 yards away," Beck said. "They go in their car and drive there." Doug McDonald, owner of Norwich's Bikes, said that especially with after being dropped off to Beck Tuesday morning. But 4 inches. That is pretty big and loud, if you get your eyes open, you will see it." Greene said: "But if your head is off in the clouds thinking about what you had for breakfast this morning, you are apt to miss it." Catherine Rodig, an undecided sophomore from Plymouth, felt a couple of weeks ago on his bike and dented his back tire. She saw Beck's sign and took the chance to get his bike fixed.

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**Riding Against the Odds**

Mike Magnuson, assistant professor of English at SIUC, is a bicycle enthusiast who has been following the sport closely for the last 20 years and said the article genuinely interested him. He took the sport and how he corresponded to the article for being nearly six years old and still valid.


**Textbook theft increases as semester ends**

In the spring semester brings warm weather, students become more focused on their studies, working on projects and writing papers, Chris erosion, manager of the University Bookstore and Saluki Bookstore. Notices have been posted around the library for students to use the buddy system and have someone they trust keep an eye on their books and backpacks if they need to leave temporarily.

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Brendan Morris (far right), a sophomore in automotive technology, looks over the wreckage that used to be his car after he was involved in a two-car accident on Illinois Route 13 in Carbondale Tuesday afternoon. Morris’s vehicle was travelling east on Route 13 when it collided with a car (pictured in the parking lot across the street) driven by Nichole Tessier, a junior in journalism. Tessier was travelling south on Logan Street and was attempting to cross Route 13 when her vehicle was struck.

Neither the drivers nor their passengers received serious injuries and no citations were issued at the time photo was taken.
**Our Word**

**Budget shortfall no excuse for unsafe buildings on campus**

Illinois' stagnant state budget has had a devastating effect on SIU. To make up for lower-than-expected economic projections by Illinois lawmakers, SIU was forced to fill a $7 million hole in its operating budget.

In February, Chancellor Walter Wendler swung the budget ax, proposing to cut more than 30 jobs and $7 million from various department budgets. Though Wendler's proposed 18 percent tuition increase — expected to generate $8.5 million next year — was not presented as a solution for the shortfall, it has many students nonetheless screaming “foul.” In addition, Gov. George Ryan asked for a $29 million reduction in higher education spending, further exacerbating the University's budget problems.

Now, SIU's stormy budget forecast has begun to hover over the issue of safety and available space within some campus buildings. The SIU of today is a large, multi-purpose research institution with more than 19,000 enrolled, but much of the campus is straight-jacketed by buildings built during the days when SIU was a small teacher's college.

Many campus buildings are nearly 100 years old. Buildings such as Woody Hall — home to the Outdoor Education Program and the University's Land-Use Plan, which calls for a complete redesign of the campus layout, is expected to address the issue of available space, or lack thereof, on campus. This all-important initiative cannot be overemphasized. Without the redesign, SIU's budget problems will continue to weigh down the university as administrators struggle to get funds for new buildings and facilities.

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In Pulliam Hall, for example, hazardous chemicals from the glass shop located in the building are stored in the hallways because of the lack of proper storage facilities. This poses a dangerous threat to students, faculty, civil servants workers and maintenance personnel in Pulliam and surrounding areas.

Talk of constructing a proper storage facility has yielded little action, in part because of the budget shortfall. The University cannot properly address students' needs in the new millennium with facilities built in the 19th century. Shortfall or not, this problem cannot be ignored.

**Our Word**

**SIUC students all talk, no action concerning tuition**

They yell and scream about unfairness. They point fingers at administrators and say, "you're the real problem." They send letters and columns to the Daily Egyptian, blaring their Op-Ed pages to voice their opposition to the tuition increase proposed by Chancellor Walter Wendler.

But when the chancellor has an open forum to address concerns about the tuition increase, only three students out of more than 19,000 enrollees on campus show up. Three. That was the number of students who attended Tuesday's open forum in the Law Library Auditorium. Pitiful.

Only embarrassing can describe the turnout, if that term is even deserving. Perhaps it is easier for students to complain when they do not have to put too much effort into it. Perhaps the passion and angst displayed by disgruntled students was wasted vocally, and they were too tired to face Wendler in person. Pathetic.

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A word of advice to the angst-filled, anti-tuition increase students: Words, no matter how passionately and loudly they are voiced, and no matter how often they are repeated, have little to no impact when spoken in the abstract. Tuesday's forum was nothing but. It was a real event. And Chancellor Wendler, who has received searing criticism — fair or unfair — for his proposal, was there. But you, the students, were not. Extremely unfortunate.

So, Tuesday's event amounted to nothing more than another example of students failing to step up to the plate when it really counts. Another forum is scheduled for Thursday. If possible — and we hope we're not asking too much — maybe the students can perhaps show up for Tuesday's attendance by turning what has been all talk into some needed action.
COLUMNIST

Black anarchism
Has its time come?

In recent months, the surge of debates about seg-
re
tion and the echo of this type of warfare against the
united states has gained momentum. From this,
advocates to the political sphere, the question about
the appropriate use of violence against oppression is
now discussed with a level of legislation. If you tune
this issue to ask that a question waiting for the
resolution will inevitably turn to meet, what is
wrong with the issue of violence?

I always have this question, but I also tell my family
and friends that I will think about it for a long time.
We have to respect that the independence of Africa
was not a gift from the white colonizers.

Civil war happens in every country in the world—
why must this be the cause for our people? Many
multi-national and non-state actors believe to
beneath democracy and encourage the notion of
stolen elections and uprising the nation. The
reason why we talk about this is because the
situation of the world is such that we have to
think in a different way.

The first act of this public demonstration was the
murder of Africans. It is neither a relic nor from the
previous era. Truthfully, only in the context of
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My Nommo

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Feel free to share your opinion


guest columnist

Change needed within
International Student Council

Saidou Handagomba

Internet and students are a very
important part of the ISUC popula-
tion. They have always been very
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Concrete Canoes, & bridges too

Engineering students prepare for national competition

Mark Lambird

WASHINGTON - With a view of a 21-foot U-boat, SUVC engineering students will make their way from the hills of Southern Illinois to the wind-swept plains of Oklahoma.

The SUVC aviation chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers will travel to the University of Oklahoma for Thursday's regional competition for steel bridge construction and concrete canoe competition.

The planning for this year's competition started at the beginning of the fall semester. Tim Davis, a second-year engineering student and president of the ASCS, said he began planning October for this year's competition.

He used a computer modeling program to develop the final design, which remained intact, and awarded. The team has tried today and is pleased with the results.

"We have the 2,000 pounds that is required for the competition, it's performed well," Davis said. "But I'm perception, so I'm not sure.

He said the bridge held about 6,000 pounds, more than the competition's requirements. The bridge is made up of two sections that are about six inches wide for each track. The team won the top prize in the Concrete Canoe section, and the team's bridge is second only to the bridge that requires six planks of the bridge to be able to fit inside a six-inch by six-inch box that is three and six inches square and rectangular.

The bridge will be judged in a variety of areas, including construction speed, lightness, aesthetics, structural integrity, and overall performance. Last year, the speed aspect was the most important to the team.

"Missouri State University last year was best in the region because they put theirs together so fast," Davis said. "But this year, you will play a much smaller role in the overall score."

Last year, the team placed second in the national competition, where it placed 26th overall and was ranked number 62.

Marc Martin, a junior in civil engineering, from Crown and captain of the bridge team, said the team spent about 30 hours a week working on the bridge this semester, plus design time in the summer.

The team has a price tag of $1,500, and it will cost more than $2,500 for the bridge and canoe teams to make the trip to Oklahoma.

Monday afternoon, the concrete canoe "Smoke on the Water," received final touches of water proofing, before it is prepared for its trip to Oklahoma. Nick Smith, a junior engineering and captain of the canoe team, and the boat will be tested today on Campus Lake.

Smith said he spent close to 1,000 hours working on the boat.

"Every free moment of the day I spent here," Smith said. "Over fall break, I spent 12 hours a day here working on the canoe.

The canoe is made out of layers of concrete, fiberglass and kevlar, a fiber used in bulletproof vests. Smith said the kevlar and fiberglass were incorporated into the 170-pound canoe to prevent it from cracking.

The canoe was painted with a later paint that helps prevent water from getting into the very porous exterior, and it received a final clear coat Monday.

To raise money for the project, the ASCS also began fundraising at the beginning of the fall semester. Davis said the group sold mugs in the Engineering Building and worked at first basketball games selling concessions.

The competition may tear like fun and games, William Eichfeld, an assistant professor of civil engineering and advisor for the ASCS chapter, said the event is very important for the students.

"On time on the team, it shows that they have a great deal of responsibility and a willingness to see a project through to completion," Eichfeld said. "And that is a big part of getting a job after college.

Eichfeld said the next step will be the national competitions at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, where more than 200 teams will compete.

"I think they have every bit as much the chance as anyone else, and they have one of the best bridges that I have ever seen," Eichfeld said. "They are a competitive edge since they went to nationals last year."

--The Daily Egyptian

Counselor Karen Hughes leaving White House

Ron Hutchison & Dave Morgan

Knight-Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON - White House counsel and long-time family friend Karen Hughes leaves the White House payroll Tuesday and will return to her native Texas.

"Karen Hughes will be coming back here, but she will still be in my inner circle," Bush said. "I value her advice, and I will have her advice. I value her friendship and I will have her friendship.

Bush invited Hughes and her family to join him Tuesday night at the White House to watch "The Wild Thornberrys," a new movie about a Texas baseball player.

In an interview with Knight-Ridder, Hughes said she would like to be allowed to send a hopeful message to other working women. Hughes' high-profile decision to leave has powerful potential to be looked at as a criticism about the painful choices many women face as they juggle career and family.

"I hope that, you know, that you can have a wonderful career, as I have had and continue to have, and make your family a priority," she said. "It's going to continue to work from Texas. I'm feeling very blessed that I can do what I think is best for my family and continue to serve the president, and do all of the things that he desires.

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President Bush's counsel after the West Wing's hierarchy of power and skill the small circle of confidential aides who have the stature to challenge the boss.

"You get points for speaking your mind. You have to do it in a respectful way," Karl Rove, Bush's political adviser and another longtime aide, said in an interview, describing Hughes and her special relationship to the president. "She and I don't, and since I'm out of there, she's right. I think everyone has that opinion of her."

"Perhaps more than any other aide, Hughes had the ear and trust of the president, reviewing and often moderating every major speech. Although her duties centered on communications and the news media, her sphere of influence included both domestic and foreign policy.

It was Hughes, for example, who provided Bush to focus on the plight of Afghan women in making his case for military action against the Taliban regime.

With Hughes out, Rove is likely to wield even more influence over domestic issues, while National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice will have enhanced clout over foreign affairs.

Communications director Dan Bartlett, another Texas transplant, will take on some of Hughes' previous responsibilities, but Bush is not going to grant anyone the full portfolio of duties that was held by Hughes in Washington. Press Secretary Ari Fleischer also is expected to gain influence in her absence. Vice President Dick Cheney's communications director Washington veteran Mary Matalin, also could expand her influence.

Hughes' decision to return to her back on one of the most powerful jobs in government stunned officials in Washington, but did not surprise her friends. Her announcement confirmed what intimates say had been increasingly apparent - that she, her husband, Jerry, and their children son, Robert, have fully made the adjustment from the White House.

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President Bush and Karen Hughes on the South Lawn Tuesday.
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Chris Vaughn
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LUBBOCK, Texas - Nguyen Xuan Phong hugged his hand to his mouth and caught his breath, his presentation in the process of being overtaken by raw pain. South Vietnam prime minister, 2.11d Phong said, "I've been hit by combat medicine, woman in war and the metaphor of being overtaken by raw pain. South Vietnam prime minister, 2.11d Phong said, "I've been hit by combat medicine, woman in war and the metaphor of being overtaken by raw pain."

"I hadn't spoken of this publicly in almost 30 years," he said.

A former minister in the South Vietnamese government who never left the country, Phong continued, almost preaching a rambling but captivating section of the cases, the casualties and the consequences of the Vietnam War, on his country, on the people of his nation.

"In conclusion, I have four words to add," he said, addressing the Vietnamese government that had silenced him for years. "As Moses said in Exodus, 'Let my people go.'"

Laughter erupted from the room, which now teetered on the verge of uncontrolled, unbridled cheer.

"I'm still a participant in this with my own strong, vivid views," Reckner said. "I'm a hard-core conservative. At the same time, I'm an educator. I believe in the classical liberal idea of education."

Reckner returned to Texas in 1968 after a brief teaching stint at Texas A&M. Shortly after he arrived at Tech's history department, Reckner asked 100 students living in communist re-education camps, active duty members of the Vietnamese Army and professors in Vietnam to fill out questionnaires about their war experience.

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"We want to find ways to get our jobs done with higher efficiency," he said. "That's what I was trying to get at."

"I had no idea what to expect," he said. "I was prepared to be surprised by some of the stories."

"I'm basically saying we're below the average," Wendler said. "Based on the quality factor, I would aspire to the normal, which is the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana."

"Some of our classrooms are deplorable," he said. "Some of our classrooms are deplorable."

Peter Normand, a senior in architecture from Byron, said the University should consider that not every classroom is needed to be fully equipped depending on the needs of the class.

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Wendler also addressed concerns raised in the past about the money generated by admission fees. He said that SIUC spends 7.88 percent of its budget on administrative salaries, compared to the 20.84 average for public universities statewide.

Wendler also stressed the need to look for ways to improve the University's financial position.

"We're going to look at programs that are not producing and say we need to start paying back," he said.

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"Now" Single in sorry shape as teens scoop up compilation CDs

Timothy Finn
Knight Ridder Newspapers

(KRT) - Like millions of American teens, Sasha Eckstein has figured out one way to save $20 on a band's CD just by tearing it up.

"Generally, if I like a song I hear on the radio, said Sasha, a high school sophomore. "I just rip the album and it shows up one of the compilations." Chances are, that will, and usually is, on the "Now" collection.

Four weeks ago the best-selling album in the United States was "Now 9," a compilation of 20 recent Top 10 hit-songs, rock and pop hits by different artists.

According to SoundScan, more than 2.2 million copies of "Now 9" were sold in the first week. But then, "Now 9" was the week it was released, easily outselling "The Best of Both Worlds," a much-anticipated J-2-Z/Kelly collaboration, which sold 220,000 copies its first week.

The \"Now\" concept has been around since the mid-1990s but only recently has its power become evident. "Now\" sales have reached 41 million in 2001 from 5 million in 2000's sales this year are down again by a whopping 67 percent.

For record historians, the sales decline and all the repackaging is another sign that one of the oldest forms of recorded music - the single - is waning complete demise.

Part of it is due to the cost to consumers, part is due to the technology - CDs players aren't made for singles. Like the old hi-fi systems were part of due to compilations and soundtracks, which are now omnibus collections of radio hits.

The very term \"album\" comes from the old 78s, which were actually singles packaged in booklet compilations that looked like photo albums," said Scott O'Keily, an analyst at the Murray Sound Archives and a music enthusiast.

"It's a 된or when it comes to listening to music, but there was a whole different aumlial to (singles). There's nothing like that these days.

I was spinning \"55\" at a party recently and three young kids came up and one pointed at the records and said, \"There's one. They were kind of amazed that there was music on both sides.\" There's some evidence that the \"Now\" collections are serving to lose some commercial steam. First-week sales for \"Now 6\" were down from \"Now 7\" ($49,000), which was down from \"Now 7\" ($42,000).

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That same week, \"Tribal\" a rock compilation for the World Wrestling Federation, was No. 11 on the Billboard Top 200 chart, down from No. 3 the previous week and \"Totally Country\", the Nashville version of \"Tribal\", was No. 4 on the country charts for the second week in a row.

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Talks under way to end fighting in Bethlehem

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Knight Ridder Newspapers

JERUSALEM (KRT) - Israelis and Palestinians finally began negotiating an end to the 23-day standoff at Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem, but the threat of talks ended Tuesday night with Palestinian gunmen and hundreds of others still surrounded by Israeli troops.

The negotiations at a tourist center in Manger Square opened several hours after three Armenian priests climbed to the roof of the church, exhibited a sign that read "Please Save Us" and were rescued by Israeli soldiers.

"Thank you for your help, a lot," one priest told the soldiers. "We will never forget that," he said.

In another development, the Israeli government late Tuesday suspended its appeal of a United Nations fact-finding team assigned to visit the devastated Palestinian refugee camp in Jenin.

The team formed in response to atrocities at the camp, Israel strenuously denied those allegations and Point Nizam Ariel Sharon said he feared that his government was being set up by a politicized process.

The practical effect of the Israeli action was not immediately clear.

Elsewhere on Tuesday, Palestinians turned on another another, as vigilantes killed three alleged to have assisted the Israeli army commander.

The latest killing came one day after a similar incident in Nablus. Anti-Israel forces in the church, a militant of the Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigade whose car was destroyed by Israeli attack helicopters, the militia is an offshoot of Arafat's radical movement.

The men were taken to the center of town, ganged, bound and shot point-blank in the head. Bystanders, including some children, kicked and spit on the bodies, which were then thrown on to utility poles.

About the ony thing missing from his Cannabis Museum is cannabis. There were, however, some ashes in a nearby ashtray. Perhaps that part of the exhibits accidentally caught fire.

The collection contains an astounding mixture of artifacts - original doctors' prescriptions for cannabis from the 1500s to treat pain or cope on the feet, pop fiction demonizing the herb, and an old medicinal container from when it was used for such matters as "enlightenment."

Much of it has been hard to come by, such as the medicinal cannabis. "It's really rare," said Krawitz, whose enthusiasm shows in his high energy and often exuberant gesturing. "Not because they didn't make a lot of them, but because no one wants to part with them."

In Bethlehem, Mayor Hanna Nasser called the talks between Palestinians and Israelis "productive" and said they would continue.

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Pope's message to U.S. cardinals: Abuse is a sin and a crime

Patricia Mostert
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**VATICAN CITY** — Pope John Paul II sent a message Thursday to U.S. Catholic bishops disheartened and dismayed by the sexual abuse of priests by Molared minors and superiors who professed the religious life.

"Such abuse is rightly considered a crime by society... an appalling sin in the eyes of God," the pontiff told 12 American cardinals. "The abuse which has caused this crisis is by every standard wrong," the pope said in his 30-minute meeting with the prelates.

"To the victims and their families, whenever they may be, I express my profound sense of solidarity and concern," the pope said, according to an official English text of the speech released by the Vatican.

The urgency assembled summit, called by the pope just eight days ago, brought together the leaders of major U.S. dioceses with the Vatican to chart a course for dealing with the escalating sexual abuse scandal.

"People need to know that there is no place in the priesthood and religious life for those who would harm the young," the pope said at the start of the meeting.

Meeting participants interviewed Thursday did not share summaries of what the U.S. bishops contributed to the discussion, but top church officials said the pope pledged support for "steadily removing priests accused of abuse from ministry.

Church officials said discussions touched on strengthening celibacy in the priesthood, rather than allowing priests to marry. And concerns apparently were raised about the number of homosexual priests.

At a briefing for hundreds of journalists, Bishop William Gregory of Belleville, Ill., who leads the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, made a standing statement of independent voice on the Internet.

"Internet radio is one of the fastest growing and coolest things about the Internet," said Harper Forrest, publisher of RAIN: Radio and Internet Newsletter. "It's the perfect counter to the consolidation and homogenization of terrestrial radio right now.

"The decision will effectively bar all Web casters, and there may be three or four left if it's accepted," said the Web site "stream" to computers through a temporary, continuous feed. Listeners anywhere can enjoy stations with music that might otherwise fall small in nationwide distribution.

The U.S. Copyright Office must now decide whether Web radio stations, like radio stations in America, are going after things that touch on the issue.

"Artists and performers want to be paid for their work. That's what the Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel is about. It's a contest on how Web radio stations will pay royalties only to those 'will to stand up for their songs and are willing to fight for their rights," said Neshan.

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Daily Horoscopes

By Linda C. Black

Today’s Birthday (April 4th). With your career established, you can now step up and demand what you want. You are no longer a child, and you’re ready to take charge of your life. You know what you want and you’re willing to work for it. This is a good time to start setting new goals and making plans for your future.

Taurus (April 19-April 20) — Today is a 6. You are feeling confident and outgoing. You have a strong sense of purpose and are ready to take action. This is a good day to make decisions and take risks. You are also likely to be creative and artistic.

Cancer (June 21-July 22) — Today is a 4. You are feeling somewhat restless and may need to take a break from your usual routine. This is a good day to enjoy some relaxation and take time for yourself.

Lea (July 23-August 22) — Today is a 6. You are feeling social and outgoing. You may be particularly popular and attract a lot of attention. This is a good day to meet new people and expand your social network.

Daily Events

SHOOT ME NOW

By James Kerr

You know, I get a lot of attention. People stare at me all the time. Though, I'm led to believe it is because I'm always naked.

Let's Save Decatur by Seth Dewhirst

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Girls and Sports

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When vaulters go up, they trust they will find a safe place to land

Laura Weiskopf
Knight Ridder Newspapers

FORT WORTH, Texas (KRT) — Chester Jurosla walked out of his son's intensive care unit hospital room, too dependent to watch the struggle continue.

His 13-year-old lungs were filling with fluid. Adam's head was bandaged after emergency surgery to case the bleeding in his skull. Tubes were coming out of every crevice.

Three days earlier, April 5, 2000 - Adam Jurosla had been airlifted from Hardin-Jefferson High School in Sour Lake to St. Elizabeth Hospital in Beaumont. The doctors immediately whisked him into the operating room to alleviate the swelling of his head.

The eighth-grade pole vault had been practicing for the district track and field meet. It was his final attempt, a short one at 10 feet. The height didn't matter. Adam, who had been airlifted from Hardin-Jefferson High School, had been whisked into the immediate whisked him into the hospital room, too despondent to

Laura Weisskopf

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Mike Farrell
What I Have Learned and Would Like to Pass On

Sunday, April 28
7:30 p.m.

Shryock Auditorium

The Public Policy Institute is pleased to present Mike Farrell, perhaps best known for his role as B.J. Hunnicutt in the television series M*A*S*H, for the What I Have Learned and Would Like to Pass On Lecture Series.

When not portraying his current role of Dr. Jim Hansen on NBC's Providence or working with his production company that created the hit Faith Adams with Robin Williams, Mr. Farrell is actively addressing human rights issues and speaking out against the death penalty.

President of the Death Penalty Focus of California, he is committed to establishing a moratorium on the death penalty in United States. He also serves as co-chair of the Human Rights Watch in California and as spokesperson for CONRIMA, an international development and refugee aid organization.

Mr. Farrell attended the University of California at Los Angeles and studied acting at the Jeff Corey Workshop. He also served two years with his movie production company that created the hit Faith Adams with Robin Williams, Mr. Farrell is actively addressing human rights issues and speaking out against the death penalty.

"If he had hit the concrete with his bare head instead of the helmet, there would have been no coming back. That was obvious." Chester Jurosla, superintendent, Alvarado schools

Because every high school coaches don't have the specialized knowledge that the event requires to master their craft, many high school vaulters seek coaching outside of school. Jurosla's father, who is the coach of the vaulting team at his school, said, "I wasn't going to watch him wear the protective headgear again. We'd never stopped.

Few arguments exist against the use of helmets. Some claim that use might give athletes a false sense of security, and, in turn, encourage reckless behavior. How said there is no competitive reason not to strap on a helmet.

"Girls, I don't think we're going high enough to actually get hurt that bad," she said. "We've going up but the kids are raised properly and correctly, you can prevent a lot," he said.

That view is shared by many in the pole vault community and others believe it is not enough.

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doesn't really exist unless these tournaments are there, other than maybe getting money to play on their own home court with their own officials," Weber said. The plaintiffs in the case — World Wide Basketball, Sport Tours International, Van Wagner Sports Promotions and the Gazette Group — represent the groups that put these types of tournaments together. "They're fighting for their existence more than anything," Weber said.

Weber said he's kept frequent tabs on the case, and will try to line up another exempt event for SIU if that option becomes available. As it stands, the Salukis have used their two exemptions, having played in a tournament in Hawaii two seasons ago. "Our schedule's being held in the balance right now," Kowalczyk said. "Obviously, if we can get another exempt event, we're going to go for it because it can only help us.

The Salukis, who have already won two home court wins in the season, are also hoping to have a visit from a recruit this coming weekend. "The weekend after this past game, the Salukis sweeping the doubleheader with Creighton, was the first practice session after the Salukis sweeping the doubleheader with Creighton," Weber said. "It was exciting to see the kids come out with the same tenacity they did in the MVC series against Bradley and Wichita State."

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"We tried to force it," Shutt said. "When you are in it, you play well, and when you are out of it, you don't play well." Weber isn't sure another visit to Bloomington, Ind., is possible, "The Hoosiers have given SIU the option of returning to Bloomington for the final meeting, but Weber isn't sure another visit to Bloomington is possible," Weber said.

"It was a tough week when we beat the pants off of Valley schools twice over the weekend," Weber said. "The team just played well, and gave credit to the Boilermakers, who played a good game." Weber isn't sure another visit to Bloomington is possible, "Bloomington played phenomenal. I don't know where they came from," Weber said. "They had a 2-3 finish in all Valley schools, and they just played fantastic. They simply went out and beat everybody stake.

Rutgers Michael Brennan can be reached at njswabb@dailycityegyptian.com

Women's Golf - Conference Recap

1. Bradley 922
2. Northern Iowa 930
3. Wichita State 960
4. Illinois State 963
5. SIU 967
6. SW Missouri State 999
7. Creighton 1031
8. Evansville 1035

This marks the end of the golf season for the Salukis. The loss eliminated any chance of a regionals birth.

SPORTS BRIEF

Salukis travel to SEMO

The SIU softball team travels to Cape Girardeau, Mo., today for a doubleheader against Southeast Missouri State at the Southeast Softball Complex starting at 3 p.m. Salukis travel to SEMO (26-14, 13-6 MVC) has won seven out of its last eight games and is tied with Evansville for second in the conference.

The two teams met earlier in the year in Carbondale, with the Salukis prevailing the doubleheader from SEMO (12-23) 1-0 and 7-1.

These will be the final non-conference games of the season for Salukis before opening with MVC series against Bradley and Wichita State.

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In the classic baseball movie "Major League," Ricky Vaughn was given the nickname "Wild Thing" because his upper 90's fastball would end up everywhere except the catcher's mitt. Vaughn would be an after batter and throw pitch after pitch to the backstop. Eventually, after buying a pair of glasses, Vaughn was able to harness his talent and became one of the premier pitchers in the league.

Luckily for SIU, its own Wild Thing didn't need to buy glasses before straightening out and has already become one of the premier pitchers in the Missouri Valley Conference in just her freshman season.

Amy Harre, a native of nearby Nashville, came out to the song "Wild Thing" because it is what the fans used to sing when she first started pitching in junior high school. "When I was starting to pitch in fifth grade and I walked every batter that was up to bat or hit them, our little boys would be back there singing Wild Thing," joked the freshman. "I'm not kidding. I hit everybody. I walked everybody. People quit because I was hitting them so much and because I threw so wild.

Now, as the Salukis' staff ace, Harre boasts a mark of 15-8 and a mind-boggling 0.56 ERA in 138.1 innings pitched. Harre has also tapped out at 70 miles per hour over the summer, although she had to be yet to be time this spring.

So far this season, Harre has been able to harness her wildness, throwing 11 wild pitches, hitting four batters and walking only 39 compared to 165 strikeouts.

"I have always had a terrible time with control and that's the thing we're working on, the thing we're trying to establish," Harre said. "Just because [the catchers] call them inside doesn't mean it's going inside and that's probably the thing that has made me effective this year, and yeah, at times it's made me ineffective too."

Harre isn't the first ultra-talented Saluki pitcher with a wild streak. She is just the latest in a recent legacy of great Saluki pitchers following Carisa Winters and Erin Streutker.

Senior catcher Karrie Fortman has caught for all three of them, and said as a freshmen, Harre already stacks up to the former greats. She also said catching for the other two helped prepare her for Harre's occasional wildness.

"I can pretty much thank Carisa Winters and Erin Streutker because I'm prepared for wild pitchers and crazy pitches and setting up low and outside and the pitch coming high and inside," Fortman said. "It's not like I'm not used to just because we've always had crazy pitchers like that.

While Winters and Streutker are shared in Harre's wildness, neither enjoyed as success as a freshmen year as Harre.

In their respective freshmen campaigns, Winters went 9-11 with a 1.97 ERA and 123 strikeouts in 115.1 innings pitched. Streutker went 11-6 with a 1.42 ERA and 75 strikeouts in 118.1 innings pitched.

The comparisons between the three are inevitable, but, SIU head coach Kerri Blaylock is reluctant to compare her to either of those kids had, she'll be phenomenal pitching wise because of my build and that's what we're working really really hard at.

"I hate making comparisons with people because they'll all say it's a mistake in what they do," Blaylock said. "Amy throws the ball harder than both of those girls do. What she needs to develop is if she develops a changeup like both of those kids had, she'll be phenomenal and that's what we're working really really hard at.

The sought of Harre adding another weapon to her repertoire is very attractive to several MVC coaches to lose sleep. Harre has already been asked the conference's pl. Her of the week four times this season, including the past two weeks, and leads the conference in ERA and saves. She is also in the top five in wins and strikeouts per seven innings.

On top of that, in the national softball rankings released April 14, Harre's ERA of 0.56 was the fourth lowest in all of Division I softball. While it has since risen to 0.66, that is still good enough for her to remain in the top 10. Her eight area also has her tied for second in the country.

Harre said she was humbled when she saw the rankings, but wouldn't be in such good shape without the help of her defense.

"I would've never expected that even it was a great honor," Harre said. "It's just good to know that you have girls diving and making great plays behind you. They don't see that and they don't know that and after the day that might have been a hit for a girl and it would've been an earned run, except my shortstop made the play and we got out of it."

Blaylock said she is not surprised Harre, who chose SIU over Kentucky and Northwestern, has been so successful so quick, and thinks the best is still to come.

"I think she has every capability of being an All-American," Blaylock said. "I don't think there's any question." While Harre may now be on the fast track to becoming one of the nation's best, softball wasn't what she wanted to do at first.

Prior to starting her playing days when she was in the second grade, Harre wanted to be on the sidelines cheering instead of playing.

"I actually wanted to be a cheerleader and my parents just kind of entered me in little league because you never know," Harre said. "We just go try it for something different." Harre said. "I've just always been playing, then my coach in junior high and I think you need to go take pitching lessons because of my build and my stature at 5'6" and 100 lbs.

Besides Harre's stature on the mound — she stands at 6-feet — her constant smile is another trademark.

"That's just always been my signature," Harre said. "I always laugh, I have to laugh, you have to enjoy what you're doing and for me to have a smile on my face, that's showing that I'm enjoying what I'm doing.

No matter the situation, whether the bases are empty with a 10-run lead or the
Salukis golf stifled by Braves

Women's team falls flat, places fifth in conference

Michael Brenner, Daily Egyptian

The SIU women's golf team spent the drive home from Normal consumed by one thought — how they let their third-straight MVC Conference title slip away. The Salukis finished a disappointing fifth Tuesday after the final round of the Missouri Valley Conference tournament, shooting a 249 and 254, respectively.

"The team has been working so hard all season. I'm disappointed with the outcome," head coach Diane Daugherty said. "I think their prime opportunity to perform was this week, and they didn't respond as well as we needed.

"It's not that we didn't have opportunities to win out there. We just didn't perform up to our ability to win. I'm just disappointed with the end result." Daugherty's main theory is that the Salukis simply didn't have the confidence to put it all together to win.

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Salukis run circles around Thoroughbreds

SIU baseball wins sixth game in last seven contests

Todd Merchant, Daily Egyptian

After weeks of toiling in mediocrity, the SIU baseball team seems to have finally found found its rhythm, and in just time, as it enters the final stretch of the regular season.

The Salukis added to their momentum Tuesday evening, with a sweep of Murray State at the Sixth Street Field in Murray, Ky.

SIU (23-15, 10-10 Missouri Valley Conference) used strong pitching and timely hitting to win the first game in just seven innings.

"We did some things well today," head coach Don Callahan said. "We had some pitchers do well and we swung the bats well.

"When you only give up four hits and swing the bats as well as we did together, you've got a good chance of winning," Callahan said.

Every series for SIU featured at least one hit as the Salukis behind out 19 hits, including five doubles and one triple.

"Our lineup has been doing their thing," Callahan said. "Our starting pitchers have been doing their thing."

"The team has been working so hard all season. I'm disappointed with the outcome," head coach Diane Daugherty said. "I think their prime opportunity to perform was this week, and they didn't respond as well as we needed."

"It's not that we didn't have opportunities to win out there. We just didn't perform up to our ability to win. I'm just disappointed with the end result."

"Our team has been working very hard all season long," Daugherty said. "I'm proud of our efforts. But it's a different story when you get in the tournament. I think they were a little bit too anxious, and I think they let their rivals, as well as a few other teams, get the best of them." The final score for the Salukis was 967 and 22nd place individually with a 238, a 308 and a 321.

"The team is just a little bit under-par," Daugherty said. "But they were really in contention for most of the day, but they didn't have the confidence to put it all together to win. I'm just disappointed with the end result."