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**Locals help out Afghan children**

**Kristina Herndobler**  
Daily Egyptian

A glance into Cathy Williams’ classroom at Giant City School in Carbondale would reveal a wonderland of excitement to some children. But to others, the half dozen computers, miniature desks, hanging decorations and a child-size library of books simply looks like a place to study.

But Williams students are learning how lucky they are to have so many few toys to learn.

Williams, along with teachers all over southern Illinois, talked to their students about children just like them who live in far away lands such as Afghanistan where years of war have left children with almost nothing.

West Teleservices closing: 180 without jobs

**Katie Davis**  
Daily Egyptian

One hundred-eighty students and community members will be without jobs May 9 when West Teleservices Corp. closes its Carbondale location. Employees were delivered pink slips and two week notices Friday.

West, a communications firm headquartered in Omaha, Neb., with 34 locations nationwide, has been in operation for around 17 years. The Carbondale office, which opened in 1998, was the only West location in Illinois.

West representatives could not be reached for comment this weekend.

Last week, the supervisor for the Carbondale West location denied allegations of the business closing and referred further comment.

John A. Linehan, executive director of the Carbondale Business Development Corp., said the telecommunications industry is going through a change, due partially to new regulations shifting business ownership.

"West happens to be a leader in the industry, which right now is going through some major changes," he said.

Seven soldiers from the Illinois National Guard in Marion helped get the supplies from donation sites across the region to Benton, who would take them to Jackson, Miss., where they would be loaded on an army plane and sent to Afghanistan.

For one of them, Sgt. Benjamin Ragan, 27, a regular job when the students at Giant City Consolodated School get old enough to join the Army. At least that is what they told him when he arrived there in a cargo Hummer.

The students were excited to see Ragan in his uniform and they quickly informed him about the soldier in Iraq whom they "adopted" and sent letters to. His picture was on the wall up, so he headed on in the back seat of the Humvee where the teachers had packed the supplies and took cover in the freezer wagon when the rain also poured in.

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**Student found after apparent suicide**

25-year-old’s body found in Giant City State Park Thursday

**Greg Gima**  
Daily Egyptian

An SIUC student’s body was discovered Thursday morning after what authorities are calling an apparent suicide.

David C. Casiano, 25, 303 West College St., was reportedly found dead by a hunter along Campground Road in Giant City State Park.

Casiano died of asphyxiation, according to the coroner, when he put a plastic bag to his exhaust pipe and fell it through a window.

Casiano was a junior, according to his roommate. Authorities are awaiting results of his toxicology test.

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For the past 25 years, the Center for Comprehensice Services has provided residential rehabilitation services for adults and adolescents with brain and spinal cord injuries. We invite you to join our team. It's a great place to work and learn. We offer $5.25 an hour to start and $5.75 an hour for mentor shifts after training. All skills are available at CSAS.

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NATIONAL NEWS

Rumsfeld fired Army secretary Thomas White

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld fired Army Secretary Thomas White, whose tenure as civilian chief of the military's largest service was marked by tensions with his boss, a Pentagon official said Saturday.

A brief Pentagon statement late Friday announcing the resignation, which came from Rumsfeld's office, gave no reason for White's departure. He made no public comment, and Rumsfeld left early Saturday for the Persian Gulf area.

On Saturday, the official, who spoke privately with White, said Rumsfeld had asked him to resign. Speaking on condition of anonymity, the official said no single event or conflict precipitated the firing. Rumsfeld told White he wanted to steer the Army in a new direction.

Army officials said White had no public comment. "Under the circumstances, the most dignified thing to do is to say nothing and let Secretary Rumsfeld's decision as gracefully as possible," said Charles Kryst, a spokesman for White.

In his brief written statement Friday, Rumsfeld tersely thanked White for "his long and able service to the country." He said White's departure date had not yet been determined, according to the Associated Press.

Heston to step down from NRA post

ORLANDO — Charlton Heston made his last appearance as president of the National Rifle Association on Sunday, shuffling onto the stage before a crowd of 4,000 NRA members but too feeble to give a farewell speech, according to the Associated Press.

The actor, diagnosed with symptoms of Alzheimer's disease, was strong enough to rifle over his head and deliver his trademark line, "From my cold, dead hands!"

Heston, 70, the public voice of the NRA for five years, was diagnosed last year with symptoms of Alzheimer's, a neurological disease that can lead to dementia.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

U.S. soldiers ambushed in Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Four U.S. soldiers conducting a public-health assessment were wounded Sunday morning when their Humvees were ambushed in downtown Baghdad by a military gunman, a U.S. official said.

The soldiers, in two Humvees, were stopped in mid-morning traffic when an assailant approached and fired at them from a small-caliber weapon, said Capt. David Connolly, a military spokesman in Baghdad.

One of the soldiers' injuries was serious, he said without elaborating.

He did not know whether the soldiers returned fire or whether the shooter was apprehended.

The soldiers, who were taken to a combat support hospital, were on a public health mission when the attack occurred, Connolly said. Their names were being withheld pending notification of family.

N. Korea stonewalls South's demands to give up nukes

SEOUL, South Korea — South Korea demanded Sunday that North Korea abandon its nuclear weapons development program, but North Korean officials said they were "maximumly" determined to industrialize the nuclear discussion, calling it a matter between the two Koreas.

Chief North Korean delegate Kim Ryong Song refused to confirm a claim made during talks last week with U.S. and Chinese officials in Beijing that North Korea is making nuclear weapons, and instead sought to steer Sunday's Cabinet-level talks toward inter-Korean economic projects, Seoul officials said to the Associated Press.

Washington believes North Korea has one or two atomic bombs and may be trying to make more.

Today

High 77
Low 45

Partly cloudy most of the day, with rain showers starting in the early evening.

Five-day Forecast

Tuesday: Rain Showers 78/60
Wednesday: Thunderstorms 79/65
Thursday: Rain Showers 76/55
Friday: Partly Cloudy 71/48
Saturday: Partly Cloudy 65/49

CORRECTIONS

In Friday's issue of the Daily Egyptian, the page 4 article, "SUIC architecture students head to Cuba for the last time," should have identified Cuba as a North American country.

The Daily Egyptian regrets this error.

Readers who spot an error should contact the Daily Egyptian accuracy desk at 536-3311, ext. 253.

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CALENDAR

Today

Retirement reception for Stennie Gantenbein and Loretta Selbert
Wham Building, Room B-21
10 a.m. to noon

Festival of Spirituals sponsored by the School of Music
Old Baptist Foundation
7:30 p.m., Monday

Tuesday

Dietary Supplement panel discussion sponsored by Student Programming Council, Student Athletic Trainer's Club and the Student Recreation Center, Alumni Lounge
7 p.m.

SIUC Guitar Ensemble 3
general public, $2 students, children and senior citizens
Old Baptist Foundation Recital Hall
7:30 p.m.

POLICE REPORTS

University

Michael Lloyd Delorto, 19, Batavia, was cited with public intoxication at 3:01 a.m. Friday at Washington Square, Delaware. He was issued with a city pay citation.

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More than 200 people participated in the 10th annual Relay for Life, an event held each year to raise money to help fight cancer, Friday evening through Saturday morning at McAndrew Stadium. A team of 11 girls (front right), known as the Baldwin Babes, because they live in Baldwin Hall in Thompson Point, participated in the event and helped raise close to $200 for the cause.

Walk for HOPE
10th Annual Relay for Life brings hundreds of people to McAndrew Stadium to raise money for the fight against cancer

The Baldwin Babes and Perkins Pals spent the rainy Friday night under umbrellas, walking the wet track around McAndrew Stadium to help raise money so that one day America might find a cure for cancer.

Like many of the other people at McAndrew Stadium that night, all the members of the two teams had their life touched by cancer in one way or another.

The 10th Annual Jackson County Relay for Life provided the Baldwin Babes and Perkins Pals and several hundreds of others an opportunity to try to help fight against a disease that 58,000 of 11 girls of McAndrew Stadium were lit at 9:30 Friday night to touch the entire stadium, all the people out here who have been touched by cancer in some way or another.

"We are from all walks of life and we have all been touched by cancer in some way or another," St. Julian said.

The Perkins Pals raised over $10,000 for the walk and for the second year in a row went platinum. Last year only one other team raised more than $10,000, making the platinum pin a cherished position among the Perkins Pals team.

They donated money through a Valentine's Day fund-raiser, a drag show, a yard sale, luminaries sales, private donations and one member of the team shaving her head.

Heilene Gilkin, a resident of southern Illinois from Makanda, stayed out all night with many of his teammates as a way to fight against the disease.

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Regatta is still 'GREAT'

Great Cardboard Boat Regatta still floats after 30 years

Jessica Yoruma
Daily Egyptian

Two boats sat beside each other at the Campus Lake boat docks. One boat contained a group of focused teenage girls, the other a confident group of teenage males. Both were made of cardboard.

The boat of young men sinks almost immediately. While the girls glide by comfortably. The girls are out in the lead. They do not win the race, but they do complete it, which is more than can be said for the young men.

There is nothing embarrassing about the young men's fate in the race though. In fact, they remain in the water for several minutes, wobbling wet, smirking and chatting about their current disposition.

The young men are participants in the Great Cardboard Boat Regatta event that originated on the SIUC campus, and has taken place at the University for the past three decades. Students, community members and people from surrounding areas gather at the Campus Lake boat docks for the races, from noon to 2 p.m.

"It's something cheap and inexpensive that anyone can get involved with," Mike Fleming, a teacher at Carterville High School.

Fleming had several students that took part in the races for younger participants in a day that saw about 25 boats race in a variety of classes. Heats of three to four boats participated in adult and children races that were broken down into classes for paddle and mechanical boats and instant boats constructed that morning.

While the Regatta saw a large, steady crowd throughout the approximately five hours people began venturing to the docks, participants such as Bill Archer can recall a time when the races were a much larger spectacle.

I'd like to see it grow back to its original size when there were about 200 boats," said Archer, a senior in management information systems from DeSoto, who has been racing since age eight and participating in the Regatta for the past five years with the same boat. "Sink or swim no one has a bad time. It's a tradition and I would hate to see it die."

While Archer's friends enjoyed the sight of watching their friend take first place in the Class II competition, they also saw the event as a great social opportunity for both students and local residents.

"This is one of the best times I've seen people and community members having a good time together," said David Carephell, a senior in management information systems from McLean. "We have a reputation of not getting along with each other and events like this prove differently."

The Regatta not only saw participants from the community and campus, but also individuals in various age groups who spent the morning and some of the afternoon experiencing the thrill of victory, as well as the agony of defeat.

At the end of the day, the fate of the races was not yet determined. "We just do our best and learn from our mistakes," said Fleming.

The SIUC Wind Ensemble will perform at 7:30 tonight at Shryock Auditorium. Cost is $3 for the general public and $2 for students and senior citizens. Tickets are available only at the Shryock Auditorium Box Office. To charge by phone with Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express, call 453-ARTS from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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On Campus

Irrigation hostage to speak at Law School tonight

Former U.S. Ambassador Bruce Laingen is scheduled to speak at 7:30 tonight in the Law School Auditorium. Laingen was a hostage at the Embassy in Iran (1979-1981); Admission is free. For more information, contact the Public Policy Institute at 453-4009.

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News Briefs

Above) Brandon Briggs, winner of the final heat in his class, defends himself and his already sinking boat against Jesse Robinson and David Myers at the annual boat regatta.

Robin and Myers, who were close behind Briggs during the race, rammed into him all in good fun once they were all past the finish line. Some others, including a few disgruntled parents, were more concerned with vanity. But according to Kenneth Harris, who has attended the event for several years, the competition is, for the most part, not taken too seriously.

"You'll get a few people who are way too competitive about their kids boats," said Harris, a sophomore in industrial design from Nashville, who along with other coordinator Larry Bush and other members of the Industrial Design Society of America helped to organize the event six years ago. "But everybody takes it pretty lightly for the most part. It's just something you get a kick out of. I mean the boats are made from cardboard, right?"

Reporter Jessica Yoruma can be reached at jyoruma@dailyEgyptian.com

(Above) Kara Gilbert, Keith Gilbert and Beth Gruny in 'Sea Star' struggle to gain the lead against Paul Doss, James Davis and Matthew Blaise in 'Operation Shark Awe.' At The Great Cardboard Boat Regatta at Campus Lake Saturday afternoon. All six children are part of a 6th grade academically talented class taught by Cindi Allen at Carbondale Middle School. The children completed their boats for part of their 4th quarter grade. 'Operation Shark Awe' took the lead to win that heat of the regatta.
Community pushes for more plays

No McLeod Summer Playhouse planned for this year

Ben Botkin
Daily Egyptian

A southern Illinois theater tradition has remained dormant for the past two years, but some are hoping to revive the McLeod Summer Playhouse and bring it back to the University in 2004. The McLeod Summer Playhouse, an annual tradition for nearly 40 years, was temporarily suspended because of the uncertainty over work during the summers of 2001 and 2002. With the state budget cuts hitting SIUC and other public universities, the summer theater program, which costs roughly $225,000 a year to run, won’t be returning this year.

But community members interested in restoring summer plays in 2004 are already in the early stages of forming a business plan that could make the program feasible. Those hoping to revive the McLeod Summer Playhouse recently met with Provost and Vice Chancellor John Dunn, who asked them to review the financial aspect of the program.

Although Chancellor Walter Wondley and Dunn both came to SIUC within the past two years — after the McLeod Summer Playhouse ceased to operate — both have been receptive about the restoration, said Mike Hanis, a music professor.

"We hope to do it in look for sources of revenue that will help to support it," he said. "My sense of our meeting with Dr. Dunn was very positive."

Previously, the administration was able to pay for the program, but tougher economic times have taken their toll, and Tim Fink, associate professor of music said.

"Typical ways of raising funds include corporate gifts, grant money and private donors," Fink said, adding that the summers’ desires were well-received by administrators.

In the past, the McLeod Summer Playhouse provided the University with a place to train students studying theater and music, Hanis said.

The theater program offered shows that had appeared on Broadway, with repeats in 2004. "The Music Man," Hanis said.

Fink said, adding that the support desires revenue that will help to support it; he said. "We haven’t written it off yet."

But the move to bring back the McLeod Summer Playhouse is not dominated by a small group of theater and music lovers. Close to 2,000 signatures have been placed on petitions in support of restoring the summer program.

"You need that kind of enthusiasm," Hanis said.

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Verdict should be in today

Greg Cima
Daily Egyptian

Tiffina Cunningham, a former SIU student on trial for murder, gave testimony Friday that contradicted other witnesses statements.

Cunningham, 25, testified that she was not an active participant in the robbery attempt that led to her brother’s death. She is charged with murder, armed violence and home invasion white armed with a firearm. A jury can be tried for murder in Illinois if they are found responsible for a death during commission of a forcible felony.

Cunningham, her brother Tyree, Donald Druid, Karen Smith and Johnnie Singletary allegedly conspired in 1999 to rob Washington, 21, of money and crack cocaine. Washington testified Tuesday he shot and killed Tyree when he entered Washington’s apartment with a shotgun.

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Singletary allegedly helped Washington hide his 30-caliber handgun and a section of carpet from his apartment. Police believe Tibbs and Singletary threw the 30-caliber handgun on Crazy Lake sometime after the shooting.

Cunningham said she only saw her brother for a short amount of time before traveling to Murphybroon, and to the time she saw him not speak of the robbery, despite previous statements claiming she talked about the robbery and brought walkie-talkies and a handgun.

She said she only accompanied the group on the trip to Washington’s home because she was "an active participant in the robbery attempt that led to her brother’s death. She is charged with murder, armed violence and home invasion white armed with a firearm. A jury can be tried for murder in Illinois if they are found responsible for a death during commission of a forcible felony."
Bless the bikes for safety

It was a beautiful day for a bike ride. It was a beautiful day to bless the bikes.

More than 3,300 motorcyclists and bicyclists went to Bald Knob Cross Sunday, jump starting the biking season with a reminder of safety.

There's nothing like the feeling of the wind in your hair, and the freedom that comes with sunshine, the open road and riding a motorcycle at 45 miles per hour. But there's also a unique set of possible injuries that can come from motorcycle riding, especially for those without training.

Southern Illinois is a great place to ride. With hills and green everywhere, it's tempting to hit the open road for a day on a bike. Illinois is one of four states that do not have mandatory helmet laws, making it an option for riders.

Of course, it's your best.

According to the Illinois Secretary of State's office, in 2001, helmets saved the lives of 674 Illinois motorcyclists, and could have saved 444 more. Motorcycle helmets are estimated to be 29 percent effective in preventing fatal injuries and 67 percent effective in preventing brain injuries.

Summer is the time when people are out doing things. From motorcycles to bicyclists to pedestrians on bikes and other forms of recreation, people are out, about and doing. Safety should always be a concern. Sunday's bike rally at Bald Knob is an event that's been planned for years. Although the hobby can be risky, there are experiences and the necessity for developing a family atmosphere, the festival focuses on the links formed among those who ride:

Chairman of the Federal Reserve Board Alan Greenspan, in speaking out against the dividend tax cut, could have divested the prophetic kiss of death in early February when he debated the stimulative effects of Bush's dividend tax cut, according to CNNMoney. Americans and some government economists on both sides of the aisle have joined Greenspan in declaring that a time was ripe for adding balance and balancing deficits is not the time to push a large, questionable and heavily flawed tax cut on the United States.

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Exporting southern Illinois

The sun glittered off the water as my pace plodded and finally lost the cautious tread along the surface. The wind whipped through my hair, and I could feel the sweat break out on my back. I looked around and saw others enjoying similar pursuits: fishermen, boaters, people relaxing in the beautiful and rare autumn afternoons.

What an exquisite fragility, this lake, these purges of death, which, especially nowadays, make us so many-dominated illnesses, cancer, and even death (4,500 of suffering that weJ>Ons manufactured here by name along the surface. The wino whipped...

The answers to all of life’s questions

Answering my inbox: Thanks for the Letter!

Dear Mike,

What’s up with Chicago baseball fans? These faces are turning our pastime into a Jerry Springer show. Amassing umpires and throwing cell phones, that’s not Chicago baseball...

Chic-to-winner: As everyone knows, Chicago baseball is not about whether you win or lose — it’s about how much beer you can drink. But some of these new guys aren’t buying: they forget the 100 years of non-championship misery…big mistake. I think anyone illegal using the field should be estuarized and crossed off upside-down outside of Wrigley and U.S. Cellular Field, so that the happy drunks can point and ridicule as they stumble their way to their vehicles. Makes for a dinner table conversation don’t, too.

Dear Mike,

I’ve been getting a lot of these pop-up advertisements on my computer for these male enhancements pills. I figure a guy like you probably tested out the market — got any suggestions for me?

Short Stick Yeah, those Whale-in-a-Week can add three inches in your sleep. Problem is when you wake up, you’re back to normal.

Dear Mike,

Hey man, you seen The Real Cameron yet? Figure since you were a cinema major and all you’re seen is and would maybe rate it for me.

Thanks.

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Bayshore Drive

by Mike Estes

Men want sex, free drinks, Tommy Rector

Kevin Cobb Daily News (Ball State U)

MUNCIE, Ind. — White women have recently been busy celebrating Women’s Week, proclaiming their vagina through the Virginia Masochist and watching movies like “What A Girl Wants,” men have been busy taking back a lost seat.

Some may argue that men can celebrate their manhood every day. They point out the fact that our unisex bathrooms are a part of a man’s anatomy. They also argue that the entire campus is centered around the largest public university in the state.

Well, they can have our school name and bell tower because that’s not what men want.

I’ve spent the past few days talking to men to find out what they do want. Here is the list:

Sex. Turns out the guys who said they based their relationships mostly on sex were currently single.

The girls who said they based their relationships on shared interests and common experiences already had girlfriends. Usually, their girlfriends were within those interests.

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Dear Mike,

You know nothing about politics, and your juvenile-like bits are old. I pray to God I don’t end up like you. Nice hair by the way, you tool. I’m thinking to tell you what a shame it is to know you still get an allowance from your parents. That’s sad.

HAAHAAH

Friend of A Friend Who Told You I Was Getting An Allusion? Yea had to tell everyone didn’t ya, Matt, you and I were all sitting there laughing. Hey, I make $600 a year, and that’s TAX-FREE, buddy!

Dear Mike,

I’ve read your articles from the beginning, and it sounds to me you’re one of those awkward writers:

—The type who “thinks” they’re funny. Well you’re not, and you’re disagreeing all the other columnists who deal real issues. I just like to know how you landed the job, because it wasn’t sorry for the talent. For the way I have two young daughters who think they’re cute. They’re both on drugs. Thanks.

—Hahahaha Christmas Scoo Fodgers. I asked the editor if I could write, and she said yes. She probably wasn’t expecting “What A Girl Wants,” material, so much more likely I’ll be included at the end of the semester. Hey tell your daughters I said hi, and tell them I’m going to be a professional boxer one day. (Chicks dig boxers…)

Bayshore Drive appears Mondays. Mike is an alumnus of SIU with his B.D.in cinema. His views do not necessarily reflect those of the DAILY EGYPTIAN.

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GUEST COLUMNIST

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Free stylers, free food, draw dorm dwellers out for festival Saturday

Smell of charcoal, boom of bass signal Brush Towers Festival

Burke Wasson

It was not just another Saturday afternoon for the residents of Brush Towers. The sun was beaming down and there wasn't a cloud in the sky, but something set this day apart.

Many student residents, such as sophomore Craig Kurk, rolled out of bed after noon, still reeling from the night before. What made this Saturday sleep-in ritual different could be heard and seen outdoors.

At noon, rap music bounced off Schneider and Mac Smith halls and above their residents that something was going on outside.

After further inspection, they could see a stage set up on the grass adjacent to Brush Towers. People were falling around on a red and blue inflatable boxing ring, complete with oversized gloves. Others tried their hand on a nearby Velcro wall or on a bungee run set up on another giant, inflatable surface.

But what attracted Kurk was the smell of charcoal smoke emanating from under a white tent. The line for free food grew longer all afternoon. The collective smell of grilled hamburgers, hotdogs, bratwurst and Julian sausage was too enticing to ignore.

"I'm hung over and I need some free food," Kurk said. "I'd like to check out the ladies, too."

The annual Brush Towers Festival was held Saturday afternoon. The event was co-sponsored by the councils of Mac Smith and Schneider halls. Each hall council put in more than $2,000 apiece to provide an afternoon of fun for residents.

"The residents have been here, so we just want to give everyone one afternoon of fun away from the stress," Brush Towers Executive Board member Katie Small said.

The festival, which was free and open to the community, also gave prospective performers the chance to show off their talents behind the microphone. Free-style rapping, singing and poetry provided entertainment for much of the afternoon. Anyone brave enough to come onstage could sign up.

SIUC students Anthony Bowers and Jense Williams, a singing duo, were two of the many performers on stage Saturday afternoon. Bowers, who hadn't heard of the festival until after it started, said, "This just kind of happened spontaneously." Williams said, "I just happened to be passing through and wanted to check it out."

Williams said she was honored to be a part of the festival, especially in front of her fellow students.

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The festival also awarded another unique opportunity for Brush Towers residents. Student resident advisers literally put themselves in the line of fire as part of the "Pie an R.A." exhibit. Residents got the chance to throw cream pies in the faces of resident advisers from Mac Smith and Schneider halls.

Karen Labs, 16th floor resident adviser at Schneider Hall, was covered in whipped cream that was becoming sticky in the hot sun. She said the pie throwing made him discover a personal revelation.

"I've never tried so good in my life," Labs said. "In fact, I think I'll be taking a long, long shower after this is all over."

Niquita Lee, a sophomore living in Mac Smith Hall, said she had a score to settle with 15th floor resident adviser Chad Belgard.

He deserved it because Chad is mean," Lee said. "Well, they're not really mean, but they deserve it anyway. They know we love them."

The annual festival was a welcome departure from a normal Saturday afternoon for freshman Glen King. King, who signed up for the free-style rap contest, said he is grateful to the hall councils for putting the event together.

"This is just my first year here, but it's a really nice atmosphere," King said. "It's good to see something positive that involves the students and the community. I'll have to come back next year."

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Wind ensemble performs tonight

Katie Davis
Daily Egyptian

The first time Michael Hanes first looked through the score for "Hymn for the Lost and Living," he was impressed. The first time he heard it, he was moved.

Cared for a year ago by New Yorker Eric Ewarr, "Hymn for the Lost and Living," serves as a tribute to the people of New York City and the aftermath of Sept. 11, 2001. "I was a little surprised because we have it after the spring concert," said Hanes, an SIUC music performance major. "The audience can really respond to it."

"Hymn for the Lost and Living," is one of a short program of songs for the University Wind Ensemble's spring concert, which begins at 7:30 p.m. on April 11. "I know that the country is just now very patriotic — we are recovering and reacting to the event even still," said Hanes, as SIUC music performance major. "The audience can really respond to it."

The 50-member ensemble has been preparing for its selections at the beginning of the semester. Hanes said that it is the top concert made up of some of the best woodwind players at the University.

"Concerto for Alto Sax and Brass," by Paul Creston, is one of the most difficult pieces for a saxophone player, is easily presented because of the technical and musical demands it places on both the soloist and the band. "The band's part is almost as challenging as the solo's," Hanes said. "But then again, they like a challenge."

Hanes said he first played the Concerto, which is a standard repertoire piece, eight years ago, and he found it incredibly challenging. Years later, he said he finds it easier to perform, though the Concerto still has its difficult moments.

"There are a few difficult spots," he said. "But putting together a Concerto with a sax solo and band, and making it sound good — that's extremely difficult."

The concert will also feature "Country March" by Henry Fillmore, "Carnival of the Animals" by Camille Saint-Saens, and Charles Roxbeer Young's "A Child's Emissary." The program also features a piece by student woodwind and brass quintet, Matthew Graziano, a junior in music performance who also plays saxophone with the group.

"It's a pretty diverse program," he said. "If you don't like something, wait and you'll find something you do."

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Experts say war ending sooner than expected

Caroline Gabsewics
Daily Egyptian (Penn State '13)

(U-WIRE) The war is ending, and troops and reporters are coming home. But some don't think Saddam Hussein's regime will have fallen so quickly.

"The war went remarkably fast," Daniel Miltenberger, the battalion executive officer of the ROTC program at Penn State, said he expected the war to end quickly. "Having been in the Army for 23 years and fought the first [war with Iraq], I know the type of training that they had and the capabilities of the American armed forces," he said.

The United States had the capabilities to stop Hussein's regime and "it became apparent to the Iraqi army that we are an unstoppable force," Miltenberger said. "We had a mission to accomplish and we accomplished it."

Introducing an active proponent, doesn't think the war is coming to an end. "Truthfully, I don't think the United States war has ended. The aggression that we showed and continued aggression," she said.

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**Supplies**

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tried to stop the leaky holes with trash bags.
Between the car wash and the next stop, Ragan lost his way and had to go ask for directions at a gas station in Murphysboro. On his way back to the Hummer, he was approached by a woman who said she was from Aurora. She needed $3.50 to fill her gas tank and had to get a ride to her son, who was in the hospital. Ragan gave the woman $1, not much, but he would all stand waiting to be loaded up with supplies.

By mid-day the truck was two-thirds full and by the end of the day it was packed.

Pat Benton, a radio personality of SIC FM, Magic 95, called on what happens when someone dies.

And 9, waved her hand up, waiting to be asked. "So you mean you got shot in the military. One girl, Cheyenne, replied. "I am not against this war," Borta said. "In fact, I am pro-war, but you don't just let kids go.

But Borta said the biggest problem he sees with the Magic School House is that not every child will enjoy the donations, because no matter how much is donated, it won't be enough.

"The down side is some kids aren't going to get anything," he said. "It is like Christmas time and one kid not getting a present."

But that is no excuse for not giving, he said. In fact, he said he wanted to give money, but figured that "no Afghan had guys would take napkins." But despite the effort to get the message from Afghanistan to me to Missouri and back again he said, "It was a real miracle," Linda said.

"Yeah, it is, pretty much," Benton replied.

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"My papa told me that even if they just got one pencil, they would like it," Reeves said, admitting that she didn't get too excited over a pencil because she has lots of them. Still, Reeves said she believes and hopes the Afghan children will enjoy the supplies she picked out for them.

In Shirley Krimer's second grade class gathered around Ragan. The students told him that they too, live relatives in the military. One girl, Cheyenne, waved her hand up, waiting to be asked. "Have you been in a war? she asked. "So you mean you got shot there?"

"No, I've never been in a war and I haven't been shot either," Ragan replied.

"Oh, good!" Cheyenne said.

Other students asked why he wears "dog tags," and while he took them off and showed his identification tag to the students, another student asked, what happens when someone dies.

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Siefert turned to her own children for things to donate and said she was amazed at the extra things they had.

"It is hard for kids to even get it through their heads what it is to have nothing," she said. "These kids are disappointed if they have a pencil without pictures on it."

**Overwhelming deliveries**

By the time Ragan dropped off the supplies at Zimmer, the Hummer was almost filled. And three other Hummers full of supplies added to the collection.

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**By the time Benton pulled out of the parking lot and was on his way to Mississippi, the U-Haul was absolutely packed full** with supplies, said Benton’s wife, Linda.

What little room that was left was stuffed with enrollies from the Southern Illinoisan’s personae.

As Linda watched Benton and Benion said he wants to help get shoes to the people in Afghanistan before winter, which he said it as brutal as any winter in Illinois. Then he wants to head a collection for the recovering people of Iraq.

"The way to win people's heart are through things like this," Benton said. "I just love peace."

Benton said the best promotion of peace from this effort is the fact that American soldiers in Afghanistan, including Kelley, will deliver all the supplies, most of which will go to women's schools that are just getting started.

"I am not comfortable with taking credit for this," Benton said. "The soldiers will get all the credit and that is most important."
Bush has advantages
his father lacked in 92

Ron Hutcherson
Knight-Ridder Newspapers

WASHINGTON (KRT) -- President Bush has followed his father's path for most of his life, but now he has a chance to break the patterns of the past for a second term in the White House.

After the fall of Saddam Hussein, the Republican Party, with a record-low partisan split in Congress and a roiling Gulf of intransigent analysis held that Bush could suffer the same political fate as his father if he were to win a war with Iraq, only to lose in the fall election as voters were unhappy with a weak economy.

This President Bush is hardly a show-in, but he has several advantages that elder Bush lacked in 92.

Bush enters his re-election campaign backed by a unified Republican Party, a highly disciplined political team and realistic expectations of a record-breaking Nov. 2, 2004, election victory.

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Daily Horoscope

By Linda C. BLack

Today's Birthday (April 28), You don't like being pushed around, even if you're being pushed toward a goal you've set. However, that could be your fate this year. Take the lead, and do your homework early. Don't wait till the last minute to get the advantage. Icon: The day's rating: 10.

Ari (March 21•April 19) • Today Is a 7. Love and money are major themes for you now, and both are attainable. You don't have to choose between them. You can have both.

Taurus (April 20•May 20) • Today Is a 7. You may feel pestered or even slightly guilty, but don't let that over! Use your common sense. Don't cave just because a loved one throws a fit. either.

Gemini (May 21•June 21) • Today Is a 7. Working with friends can be a beneficial project that improves your mood and self-esteem. It's also good for your community, so don't worry about the money.

Cancer (June 22•July 22) • Today Is a 7. There won't be much time to gather with friends till later in the week; stay in touch while giving work your top priority.

Leo (July 23•Aug. 22) • Today Is a 7. You may have to work harder for the same amount of pay, but you're growing in status and influence as you take care of your friends.

Virgo (Aug. 23•Sept. 22) • Today Is a 7. Count your money and pay your bills. You may be in for a pleasant surprise. Set your goals for late in the week. Meanwhile, keep saving.

Libra (Sept. 23•Oct. 22) • Today Is a 7. Stay involved in the conversation if a loved one wants more from you. If you're not careful, you could wind up financing somebody's whim.

Scorpio (Oct. 23•Nov. 21) • Today Is a 7. Finish up on all tasks with renewed determination. Look for that stuff you put in the way and make room for the new.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22•Dec. 21) • Today Is a 9. You're full of drive, you ought to get the day off for good behavior. Brighten the lives of everyone you meet — even a hopeless group.

Capricorn (Dec. 22•Jan. 19) • Today Is a 7 - People are being stubborn now, but you can get somewhere. Start asking them about how to get out of the box and get things moving again.

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Shaw remains uncommitted

Reports of Centralia star coming to SIU are false for now
Ethan Erickson  

Daily Egyptian

Despite a report in Friday’s Chicago Tribune indicating Centralia High School phenom Matt Shaw had verbally committed to SIU’s ment baseball program, Shaw’s coach Chuck Lane said this is not true.

“He has not committed,” Lane said.

Shaw is a 6-foot-7, 210-pound junior. He averaged 18 points and 10 rebounds per game last season. The Centralia Orphans compete in the South Seven Conference and are rivals with former Saluki star Kent Williams’ Mount Vernon Rams.

According tokosports.com, Shaw is being recruited by a host of schools including several from the Missouri Valley Conference, Virginia, Wisconsin and Marquette.

Several recruiting databases list Shaw as a top 12 prospect in Illinois in the class of 2004. In 2002, he averaged nearly 14 points per game in the seniors.

“We remain interested in Shaw,” said Anna Sullivan, SIU’s assistant athletic director and basketball coach Roger Stig. Said Shaw’s biggest strength is his post game.

“It’s a real good player,” Stig said. “He’s a Junior, and he’s gonna go where he feels comfortable. He works really hard. Whoever gets him is gonna have a real gem.”

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SIU had help, though.

Indiana State’s all conference No. 1 player Vedran Vidacic was out with an injury, causing regular-No. 2 player Henry Cho to be pushed up to No. 1.

But Cho did not have much trouble getting by SIU’s No. 1 player Peter Hong, 6-6, 6-6.

In the first round, the Salukis did some throwing of their own after volleys with a 6-4, 6-3 win.

That win’s impressiveness becomes multiplied when the fact SIU barely hung on by the backhanded back in June 6 is added to the equation.

“l was a bit surprised we shut them out, said Remigio, who shot 2-under-par despite the game being his last time out.

“We played above our talent last night.”

Borg’s average didn’t come easy.

And he Kevin Otto was vaged in a nick-and-notch battle before Boris had the match won by 6-4, 6-1.

Sefidov, an MVC honorable mention selection, also climbed a notch say the conference, marred in handling bizarre situations, increased in intensity against the 35-17 Shockers, the Salukis and are a junior, and he’s gonna have a really great opportunity,” Blaxton said.

Why not be excited?

The Salukis are remaining honorable All-Americans Alejandra Blasco and everyone else, including Kari Stark who said she was leaving at any moment.

Freshman Nuzaa Palevic will have time to rest her leg injury and Tana Tripoli will be able to come back healthy. But this was a good team ever this year.”

Reported Zsa Zografi

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coaches Judy’s 31st season.

“l definitely want to win next season for her.”

Even though she had the salay blanket of just worrying about the home team, the team was feeling in the interest of Krause.

But they got the Bulldogs on the worst day.

“We were really focused on Krause.

We went to the court to play for the Salukis and not for that.”

Saluki’s coach Chuck Lane said this is not true.

“l really thought it was going to be a very close match. I thought it could have been either way. Krause was just so much better.”

But Krause came out and won the match. The expectations were for the girls to go out and play good tennis and they did. But we fill a little short of what we thought we would have handled.

“In the midst of the scramble to move the matches to the outside due to inclement weather, Krause’s experience in handling bizarre situations may have been the X-factor. SIU has zero seniors in singles.

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Auld said.

“Next year the girls are going to take their game to next level. But we’re still coming back healthy. But this was a good team ever this year.”

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BASEBALL

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The second game of Sunday’s doubleheader did not go as well as the first three games.

Sophomore Eric Haberer (2-2) came out of the bullpen and gave up three runs on three hits to take the 4-2 loss.

Freshman Nathan Emrick hit his first Saluki homerun, and hit his second of the season to give SIU a brief 2-1 lead. The home run tied Finella for fifth on the SIU career home run list. He also had two runners on in the second game as well.

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Salukis enter Missouri Valley championships as fifth seed

The SIU men’s golf team will not discourage them in but I think we’re taking on teams who were four to five inches in length. At last season’s MVC championships, the Salukis stepped up and pounded out four guys playing about as good as they can. I’ll still the dice on that.”

Christopher Morrical

The SIU men’s golf team will try to shake off poor showings after Alley’s game one loss today and tomorrow in the QPAD fifth or above finish fifth in the MVC championships as fifth seed.

See BASEBALL, page 18
Salukis leave their mark

SIU softball team takes two of three from Illinois State

Jens Deju
Daily Egyptian

It was a matchup of the top two teams in the Missouri Valley Conference, and the Salukis were more than ready for the challenge.

The SIU softball team took two of three games from Illinois State this weekend at the Redbird Softball Complex and cut the chase for first place just half a game heading into the final weekend.

SIU head coach Kerri Blaylock said prior to the start of the series that the games were going to be low-scoring battles, and she could not have been more on the money.

The Salukis swept a doubleheader Saturday by identical 1-0 scores. Despite falling in the final game, the team began to collectively believe in their abilities as they sat tied atop the MVC (27-20, 15-5 MVC) presented the series sweep squared away in first place.

Despite falling in the final game, Saluki players were left satisfied with the way the weekend turned out.

"We were real happy with the way things went and we had a real good day [Saturday] and I thought we played the best we could [Sunday]," said junior shortstop Jenny Doehring. "We really battled and pulled out two." Saturday was a sensational day for the Salukis (34-9, 17-5 MVC) that featured two shutouts and two dramatic game-winning home runs.

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Saluki tennis teams lose in quarterfinals of MVC's

Women's tennis falls to Drake

Zack Creglow
Daily Egyptian

The members of the SIU women's tennis team collected with tears in their eyes as they sat in the locker room after being handed 4-1 by Drake in the quarterfinals of the Missouri Valley Conference outdoor championships.

It was not supposed to end this way for the Salukis, who were considered one of the hotter ships.

"We were really disappointed to lose," senior Gian Carlo Remigio said. "We had a chance to do it." The Salukis had their moment when they struck out four in the first inning, but the second game was scoreless going into the bottom of the sixth inning when Drake hit a walk-off home run to give the Salukis a 1-0 victory.

"That's what I thought would have to happen for us to be successful, to keep the games low scoring and then give ourselves a chance at the end because Rast is such a good pitcher," Blaylock said.

For the weekend, Rast threw a total of 22.1 innings and struck out 41 Salukis while allowing just three runs. She still picked up two losses to see her record fall to 18-11.

Blaylock said she considers Rast to be one of the top pitchers in the MVC, but the elite group she is in.

See SOFTBALL, page 18

Freshman first baseman Katie Louis stretches for the out in the Salukis-three-game series versus Illinois State this weekend. Louis hit her eleventh home run in the seventh inning of game one, setting a single-season record for Saluki softball. The Salukis took two of three games from the first-place Redbirds in Normal.

Men's tennis falls to Indiana State

Zack Creglow
Daily Egyptian

The Indiana State men's tennis team has been missing as the king of the hill in the Missouri Valley Conference for nearly four years.

In an attempt to dethrone a team that has won 55-straight MVC matches, the SIU men's tennis team got pushed off the hill.

"We just didn't have the heart," Remigio said. "We gave a good effort, but just 7-6 before it was called.

"We played well against them," said senior Gian Carlo Remigio. "I was one of the best performances this season. I think we should have pulled off an upset. We had a chance to do it."