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CARBONDALE, ILLINOIS
Boat Regatta to attract surfers via Web

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World Wide Web surfers will be able to tune in live this Saturday to hundreds of cardboard boats racing through an aquatic course at the 26th annual Cardboard Boat Regatta.

The Regatta, which will take place at 5 p.m., will maintain network television - a national newspaper publicizing since inception.

Richard Archer, professor of art and design and creator of the original 1974 event, said this year the Regatta will enjoy international fame as a live stream. The Great Cardboard Canoe will link audiences all over the world to SIUC's Campus Lake.

"Last year, we had a network here to broadcast," Archer said. "This year, we have the world."

Archer is the man behind the first Regatta, which set a cardboard trend across the country. This summer marks Archer's last year at SIUC before retirement.

After 19 years at SIU, Archer said he has "a lifetime of memories to last him throughout his future endeavors."

"Since, I've spotted the Regatta website, Charged with the task of cajoling legislators to act favorably upon matters that affect the University, Darlin is a longtime SIU legislative liaison, Topol, & O'Brien - the group presently under commission. Dye took over as SIU comptroller. The new leadership will take office May 15.

At the time, BMI purchased the services of Richard Lamb, as chairwoman of the SIUC Faculty Senate and the faculty senate. Bryant said one of the first things she wants to do after taking office is work with the Senate Appropriations Committee to authorize the new administration.

"We want them to simply advise RSOs," Collins said. "They need to be a partner, but a silent partner."

Darlin vehemently disagreed with Lamb. Who is also an English instructor at the University in recruitment and retention efforts. She said she would like to send out informational mailings to new students about what DAC is and how to get involved.

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**Making SIUC a brighter place**

**DANIEL FERRAZA
Daily Egyptian Reporter**

For Rich Raubach and Rick Martin, setting new lights is just another job. But for University administrators, it is a $90,000 project that will help students see the light at the end of the tunnel.

With as low of a turnout as possible was considered but rejected, a graduate in May with a Law degree and living in England.

"If we have one accident, in my opinion, that's one too many," Spock said. "What we're trying to do here is prevent things like that."

"It's basically complete. There are just a few things that need to be done," Tweedy said.

Several possibilities were discussed regarding how the next poll would be taken. Using graduate student mailboxes that are located at each department was considered but rejected for security reasons.

Several representatives suggested holding a polling place in the Law School for future elections. Law students, representatives do not move across university campuses as most other students do and were able to get to a polling place for the elections April 21.

In another instance, the council nominated Amy Sileven and Corrine Loyola for Graduate Council positions. The nominations were discussed and approved.

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**Film series takes a close look at Cuban revolution**

**RHONDA SCIARRA**

The Department of Political Science will conduct a film series, "Cuban Revolution: Understanding the Crisis," at 6 tonight in Law Room C.

The program will examine various implications of Cuban invasion and move into Hugo Chavez's and the U.S. involvement in the area.

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**Lawrence, Kan.**

Good samarian act leads to fake identification bust.

A student at the University of Kansas probably wouldn't be surprised if the police found him and had himself cuffed to a tree. While trying to determine the wallet's owner, police found it contained a fake ID - a misdemeanor. Further investigation also revealed the student who made and sold the bogus driver's license.

Both student were given tickets and ordered to appear in court to face charges of possession and unlawful use of a driver's license.

But hey, at least the student got his wallet back, right?
Our Word

A guiding light in the quest for flight

Former Sen. Paul Simon wants air service in Carbondale and met with the city recently to spark a movement rejuvenated in the recent municipal elections.

The need is there. Air service will not only enable the Public Policy Institute to bring the domestic and foreign dignitaries inherent in its mission but the flights also would facilitate research, athletic team travel and family and alumni visitation.

The DAILY EAGLE supports the call for air service in Carbondale, but we must learn from the mistakes of the past for the idea to succeed. When we first had service it didn't receive enough customer support to keep it alive. If we manage to retain air service once again, the city and the University must make air travel a primary means of travel to keep it here. The faculty, administrator, and businessmen have to be

sustenance of this flights. Any student participation will be nominal, but they shouldn't be ignored in the marketing.

It's affordable enough the students will take advantage of the service. Air travel is quicker, but for students it also must be reasonably priced. The area has a large enough consumer base to keep the air service here if we use it. To get people to use the service, they must know it exists. Simply providing air service won't make the customers come; we know this from previous experience. Marketing efforts must be strong, and while we're at it, why not have Sukalhi Express run out there consistently? The point is we need air service here.

We need to sustain it if and when we do get it, and to do this the University must be the wind beneath the service's wings. Air service will help our University and our city grow and prosper by bringing more traffic in and out. Simon says air service is truly needed; so do we.

Lost and not found in Morris Library

John Dower sits in the stacks and reads. The semester before that was Chairman Matt, and now I've got Sir William Jones. Every semester some historical figure goes into hiding among the stacks and my library of Morris Library. It's probably not John's, the Chairman's or Willy's fault. They are just in the sad situation as me — lost in Morris Library.

Looking for material in the library has become an increasingly infuriating experience. There are books in the stacks that don't seem to exist in the cataloging system, scrambled titles, dead-end bookshelves and dozens of other frustrations. The computer system keeps getting more complex and less helpful. I get most of my research done by stumbling across things, which is a long, haphazard process. Some days I would sit and stare at the doors to the stacks for the man's room in the interest.

This semester I had to dig up some fact on Sir William Jones — a person that I know interest about seven people in the world, but that's what we do as a history graduate student. Here are the steps I took to get some material on Sir Bill:

1) Log onto one version of Illinois On-line.

2) Come up with nothing. Log onto other version and get a joint 120-page biography with enough information for a "People Magazine" profile.

3) Type in every variation of the name including "Sir Billy the Jones" and get the scary screwball bio.

4) Call John Walsh and have Sir William out a video camera.

I repeated these steps several times a week for almost a month. I admit, if my dog learned this I would probably want to be haunted, but so I went until I gave up.

5) Look for something totally unlinked and stumble across a 15-volume collection of World Sir Bill's works and four or five large biographies.

When I asked one of the librarians about this, she just shrugged and said that most of the people who work there are frustrated with the system, too. I honestly feel sorry for them. In my experience, most of the librarians want to be helpful. It has been a little demoralizing, for some one who wants to do her job to have it taken away.

But not the long ago, Morris Library was considered one of the 20 best university libraries in the country. The last I heard, it wasn't even in the top 100. This bothered me enough that I started to read suggestions in the box near the main circulation desk. Then I noticed that all of the replies consisted of words they could do nothing about the suggestions. My notes kept getting angrier and more uncharacteristic until the stuff probably already worked into a grant. I quit. I'm too cheap to be a crank, I put my name on it and stuck it in the newspaper.

I have a nightmare where I'm in the library and suddenly whipped off by a circulation cart, stamped and put in the stacks. And, while my family searches for me, that's where I'll spend eternity. In a dark corner of the fourth floor shelved under "Jay Larson."
Clothing designer draws on life experience

**STYLE:** Program tonight to feature fabric exhibits, runway show.

**MEGHAN NEAL, DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER**

A trip abroad can make all the difference in the world to an aspiring clothing designer, as one student found.

Late summer on a trip to Ghana, Alicia True gathered all the fabric her fingers could grab to bring them back to the states for her senior fashion project.

"I studied abroad last summer and I traveled all across Ghana," said True, a senior in clothing and textiles from Glenoak Heights, Ohio.

"I brought back a lot of fabrics such as Kente cloth and Mud cloth."

At 6:30 tonight in the Student Center Ballrooms C and D, with a reception, exhibits and a runway show, True is the only graduating senior in the program.

"My African wrap line was an experimental project," she said. "I was so fascinated by how the women in Ghana styled themselves with these brilliant colors."

True's African-inspired clothing is the only senior in the program.

"That's what I like to see — I took ideas from the outfits I saw people over there wearing and made them into Western designs with Ghanaian influence," True said.

"The colors are inspired by the way the people of Ghana dressed."

Her's African-inspired clothing will range from lingerie and accessories to corporate casual wear to hand-dyed animal prints. True is the only senior in the program.

"The show has a different twist this year, with a reception before the opening of the runway show. Food and beverages will be served while designs students show off their work."

"The reception is to show the designs by the juniors — they've been working hard all year," said True.

**Federal judge establishes School of Law scholarship**

**FRANK KLIMAS, DAILY EGYPTIAN REPORTER**

A new scholarship for law students pays tribute to two people who inspired the life of SIU alumna David Herndon.

Herndon established the A.H. and James A. Chesser Endowed Scholarship Fund earlier this year that honors his uncle and grandfather.

The award of at least $1,000 will be given to law students who intend to pursue high ethical standards in the practice of law.

The student also must demonstrate his or her intention to represent someone who either, by way of their education or affiliation, is someone who will uphold high standards of integrity in the law.

Herndon's uncle, Al, was a railway brakeman and a national leader of the Cleveland-based United Transportation Union. Applicants to the scholarship must have relatives associated with this union or others.

According to Mike Ruiz, assistant dean for admissions and student affairs for the Law School, preference will be given to students who have a parent, guardian, grandparent, aunt or uncle who is or was a member of the United Transportation Union or any AFL-CIO affiliated labor organization.

"The competition needs to look for someone who either, by way of their education or affiliation, is someone who will uphold high standards of integrity in the law," Herndon said.

Herndon's scholarship fund was to add to it.

"The scholarship will be given for the first time next year," Ruiz said.

"It could be more than $1,000, but it depends on how much is available at the time."
Piercing’s popularity increases as the latest trend in body art

In one month Latrice Woosley will be going home to visit her mother, but she is not looking forward to what she might say about her new fashion statement. When she opens her mouth, a round silver ball can be seen on the top and bottom of her newly pierced tongue. Getting her tongue pierced was something that Woosley always wanted to do: “It was something that I really wanted,” Woosley said. “I saw other people with their tongues pierced and I thought to myself, ‘I’m young, what the heck!’”

Almost every culture throughout history has had people who enhanced their appearance or expressed their culture through inserting objects and dyes under their skin. Piercing can be traced back to 2000 B.C. from early Egyptians and other civilizations who used jewelry as a form of beauty.

The growing trend of piercing now has people taking the art from to a whole new level. It used to be taboo for someone to have their nose pierced. People can now be seen with their eyebrows, septums, tongues and nipples pierced. Today, piercings are worn by both sexes in the most unusual places.

Tamika Thomas, a senior in elementary education from Chicago Heights, was prompted by the fashionable trend to get her navel pierced. “I have seen a lot of people with their belly pierced and I thought that it was really attractive,” she said.

Thomas said she gets a lot of attention from the small silver hoop. “A lot of people come up to me and say that it is really sexy and they comment on my stomach.”

Like Woosley, Thomas said she hides her piercing from some of her family members, especially her grandmother. “I don’t think that I’m going to show it to her anytime soon,” Thomas said. “Older people are not as open-minded about body piercing compared to people down here, here piercing is not such a big deal.”

Tattoo artists can agree that piercing is a growing at a rapid pace.

Harley Bob, tattoo artist and owner of Harley Bob Razor’s Edge Tattooing, 100 Lafayette in Anna, said more people are coming in asking about getting pierced. “It’s already very popular, even in a small town like this,” Bob said.

Bob explains that it is no longer unusual to have facial or body piercing because society is more comfortable with it. “Now society looks at piercing a lot differently,” he said. “I think that jewelry is now going to get more popular and more exotic instead of the usual hoops and studs.”

Pain is always an issue when one thinks about piercing. Some artists say the pain only lasts for a second — you have to psyche your mind for it. “It’s done so fast you don’t really think about it,” Bob said. “It’s a sharp intense pain, but it only lasts for a few seconds except for the belly button, which might take a little longer.”

“I didn’t look when he did it,” Thomas said. “When he put it in it hurt a lot. The worst was the alcohol, and when I was finished anything that rubbed against it really hurt.”

Erik Rohner, a tattoo and piercing artist for Dragons Master’s Tattooing, 217 W. Main St., said most people are getting pierced in the same places.

“The tongue and the navel are the most popular places,” Rohner said. “It’s a fad. People see other people that have it and
Greeks explain symbolism, history of campus rocks

Kari Blatter
Academic Affairs Editor

Brian Stellen fondly remembers watching the first rays of sunlight hit the letter of Beta Theta Pi freshly painted on the green rocks. Stellen and others in his fraternity had spent all day painting their letters so no one else could paint over them and the rocks would remain the Fraternity's.

"We did it for the brotherhood," he said. "They would come in all night to make sure no one painted over them."

Stellen said there is an unwritten rule that the rocks cannot be painted during the day, so groups that paint them sometimes watch them all night to make sure their work is not covered.

The greek rocks, located on Mill Street and given to the Recreation Center, have been painted with greek letters and other organizations' names since the rocks were given to the Greek system in 1987. Before the rocks were dedicated to the greek system in 1987, the rocks were originally a base of Columbus's oldest water tower. The city gave the water tower, which was built in 1927 and had not held water in more than a decade, and the land to SUIC in 1973.

In 1981, after years of trying to get a contract, the University finally sat down with the rock tower. The rocks became a natural place for the greeks to paint after the cannon was removed. The cannon, which is located in front of the old headquarters, used to be covered with greek letters.

But after the cannon was discovered to be too valuable, the cannon was removed. After that, the greeks had noplace to paint.

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A soft breeze coasts through the Campus Lake boat dock office as two employees complete their daily tasks before sitting outside to relax and enjoy Friday's weather.

A student straddles a paddle boat on the lake, basking in the weather of Carbondale that has lured them to skip classes, such as Psychology 101, and head to Florida. Spring fever.

"It's a little bit of a break from the class-I would be a duck out of water," said Michael Hughes, a senior in English from Charleston, who works at the dock and said he has developed a severe case of "senioritis" in the final weeks of the semester.

Hughes said that during the past five weeks he has seen several people at Campus Lake during school hours running or walking to get away from the heat. Each spring, students are faced with the reality of a heavy load of final papers, projects and the dread of final exams. Yet the beautiful spring weather this year: "I had study when it's bad or at night," said Hughes.

"You have to manage your time by doing a little bit at a time," said Hood.

Hood said he has spring fever ever since his spring break trip to Florida.

"We can cry that we need these types of weather, but we can't change it," said Hood.

Hood, Fletcher, and Deakin agreed with their counterparts at the University doing whatever it can to keep their students interested and involved in their studies.

The firm is presciently assisting the University in its efforts to restructure money SIU was slated to receive from Gov. George Ryan's FY 2000 budget before the Senate committee's action.

State Sen. Dave Luechtefeld, R-Oliverville, said SIU should do whatever it takes to protect its interests.

"There is tremendous amounts of lobbying done here by schools like the University of Illinois," Luechtefeld said. "Even though the legislators from your district try to watch out for the university, it's very important a university is aware of what's being introduced that could affect them."

A handful of other state schools—including Northern Illinois University, Eastern Illinois University and Chicago State University—join SIU in its lobbying efforts to protect the state's dollars. Campus, I think that [Sanders] and [Deakin] are highly regarded among Springfield lobbyists."

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TUCSON, Ariz. — A trio of students from the University of Arizona ran for cover after noticing their sunbathing had attracted something even more moisturizing.

The women, who were catching some rays on the Pi Beta Phi house April 26, ran inside to call police after noticing a bare-chested man in a white mask who was masturbating as he watched the scene.

Police searched the area but couldn’t find the masked man.

LARAMIE, Wyo. — The Colorado High School massacre of Littleton, Colo., is believed to have spawned a bomb threat at the University of Wyoming. University officials put campus police on alert after finding a note that contained references to the Turkish Coast Mafia — a group of high school outcasts at the Colorado school to which two students believed to be involved were responding for the killings of 12 students and one teacher believed to be present.

In response to the note, which also stated that “UW will go boom on April 26” in all caps, campus police sent 15 extra security officers in campus building with binoculars and eyes for suspicious body bag carriers and packages.

BOONE, N.C. — Bomb threats recently cleared campus libraries as Appalachian State University and Rutgers University.

Police at Rutgers said the threat they fielded could have had something to do with end-of-the-semester mischief, while police at ASU said the threat with which they dealt was from a student or faculty member who was upset about a traffic ticket.

Officials on neither campus linked the threats to the recent school shootings and bombings at Colorado’s schools.

The campus threat was received April 20 and prompted the evacuation of students from one of the buildings. The threat was later cleared.

Two days later, police at Rutgers were investigating a white envelope one their campus’ main libraries contained.

Campus police responded to the anonymous call they received by also raiding off the library’s perimeter. Officers from Morristown and Union counties, along with the state campus department, were called in with bomb-sniffing dogs to search the building.

Nothing was found.

The library reopened for normal operating hours the next day.

Although care instructions are different for every one, there are a few basic rules that many can follow:

• A well-balanced diet with vitamins and minerals, plus supplements can accelerate the healing process, especially if some form of dietary Zinc is used.

• Keep piercing clean at all times. Always wash your piercing after eating and before going to bed. Avoid swimming, bathing, or showering while your piercing is healing. Make sure to wash your hands before handling your jewelry, as well as before touching your piercing.

• Do not over-clean. Twice a day is sufficient. Ask your piercing artist.

• Stop playing with it. Now that you got the piercing, you can’t just ignore it. Handle it carefully and make sure to clean it correctly. Avoid touching the piercing or moving it around too much.

• Don’t play with the piercing. Ever. If you feel any discomfort, stop and contact your piercing artist immediately.

• Keep away from objects that may irritate your piercing. Avoid wearing clothing or jewelry that may rub against or irritate your piercing.

• Keep your piercing clean and dry, but not too dry. This means not letting it sit for too long without cleaning it. Avoid touching the piercing with dirty hands or using dirty objects.

• Avoid wearing perfumes, lotions, or other chemicals near your piercing. These chemicals can irritate your skin and may cause an allergic reaction.

• Avoid wearing makeup or other cosmetics near your piercing. These products can also irritate your skin and may cause an allergic reaction.

• Avoid wearing jewelry that is too heavy or that may pull on your piercing. This can cause discomfort and may irritate your skin.

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Men's golf team swings and misses at MVC tournament

Sualkis finish a disappointing eight place out of nine teams

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SIUC men's golf coach Leroy Newton has that down-home, country-tycoon in his voice. Check out his answer to why the Salukis failed to meet expectations at the Missouri Valley Conference tournament.

"'Chippin' and putting," a disappointed Newton said Wednesday in his office.

Poor green play resulted in an eight place finish at the MVC Tournament, which took place Monday and Tuesday at Torrington Country Club in Andover, Kan. The Salukis' score of 925 were 68 strokes behind champion Wichita State University, Illinois State University (892) and Missouri State University (890) comprised the top three.

"If we would have just chipped and putted a little better and saved strokes, it would have been a different tournament," Newton said. "Trulyfully, we beat ourselves this week. We've beaten all those teams several times, but they beat us when it counted."

Drake University (861), the University of Northern Iowa (883), University of Illinois State University (871) and Southwest Missouri State (885) all finished ahead of the Salukis.

"It didn't help that the course was very narrow, miles on the day," Newton said. "The slippery greens caused the speed of the greens to change."

Junior Kieren Stegman was the surprising individual, according to Newton. Stegman tied with Jun Lin Long and Philip Moss for third place after finishing a 233, including a 20 in the first round.

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SIU's decathlon coach Cameron Wright very long to take an interest in molding Lakomiak's skills.

"Basically, I knew he could do the (decathlon) when I saw his weed ethic," Wright said. "He's an extremely hard worker, so we practice every day and he gives you everything he's got."

"Wright says that being a decathlon involves much more than simply participating in 10 events instead of the usual two or three."

"To be a decathlete, you have to be one of the greatest of all time than the next guy," Wright said. "But Lakomiak has almost been in shape. He means mastering those 10 events."

Lakomiak is the only SIUC track and field athlete to participate in the decathlon for this season. The 5-foot-9 athlete also finds himself out-foxed in the Missouri Valley Conference Championships on May 15 in Carbondale.

Even if "Whoaas" is forced to share his title as the team's resident lunatic, Wright still feels Lakomiak's movie is a rare breed.

"He's been doing this all year, putting time in every single day," Wright said. "I think he deserves a lot of credit for that. You have to be very durable in any event, and Whoaas has to do all 10.

"He's very well trained in every event and that's a small when compared to the goals he's working toward.

"This year I'd like you to score as close to 7,000 points as possible," he said. "Before I graduate from SIUC I'd like to qualify for国家队."

That means another year of endless practice and killer weight sessions when he could just worry about one area of athletic ability.

"You've got to be a really dedicated... well, yes, you do have to be crazy," Lakomiak said.

When school lets out in May, the University also plans to break ground on another project— facing Logan Drive near Southern Hills — to help pedestrians and drivers, Tvedey said.

The project will cost nearly $400,000.
A complete 10

SIUC decathlete Allen Lakomiak gratefully sours over the high jump bar as part of his training at McAndrew Stadium Wednesday afternoon. Lakomiak has his sights set on the Missouri Valley Conference Championship May 15 in Carbondale.

SIUC decathlete Allen Lakomiak’s dedication to all 10 track and field events earns him the nickname ‘Whacko’

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It’s one thing to call somebody a “Whacko.” It’s another thing to actually live up to the title.

SIUC decathlete Allen Lakomiak has earned that nickname among his teammates and coaches. Ask him about his daily training routine, and you’ll probably get a laugh. Lakomiak arrives at McAndrew Stadium around 2 each afternoon. He begins a practice session that, in reality, is three sessions rolled into one long, arduous one.

First he’ll head to the throwing area to perfect his discus or shot put technique. Perfection equals repetition, repetition, repetition.

Then, he’ll hit the track for some timed sprints and a few 400-meter runs, also under clock pressure. After a couple hours of training at the Stadium, it’s time to hit the weight room.

There, Lakomiak puts both his upper and lower body through a nice, intense, 90-minute workout to cap his day.

Around 6 p.m., Lakomiak is one of the last Salukis to leave track and field practice. No big deal, he thinks. He wants to perfect his discus or shot put technique.

Fortunately, the decathlon also offers a unique guarantee most other sports and track events don’t carry — it will never become monotonous. "You just love being out there and doing different things," Lakomiak said.

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And down the stretch they come

LAWRENCE, Ky. — My ticket stub read: “2, 9, 3.” The Churchill Downs horse race that I witnessed was the 119th running of the Kentucky Derby — one of the greatest sporting events in the world.

But just like any sport, the Kentucky Derby has its major players as well, just with a twist. It is a safer bet than my reflecta that the 143,215 fans in attendance for last year’s Derby were not there to watch horses run in circles, or to get a glimpse at favorite celebrities. It was more the pure passion for tradition, “just it would have been better to gain a profit from the tradition.”

People like Bob Baffert (owner of the last two Derby winners — Silver Charm and Real Quiet) and D. Wayne Lukas (owners of the 1995 and 1996 winners: Thunder Gulch and Grindstone) are making financial risks far greater than those made by Eddie DeBartolo Jr., Ted Turner or Jerry Reinsdorf. An owner once paid $13 million for an unproved thoroughbred with no guaranteed payoff. That makes Glenn Robinson’s cost-benefit ratio a bargain.

Who are the athletes? That’s easy — the horses. Just like any other professional athletes, these skittish athletes are no different today. These skittish athletes care and require attention. If the horse is feeling its oats, “then Albert Belle when he’s feeling his oats.”

Maybe all Albert Belle needs is a jockey to control his temper. “Pound for pound, jockeys are the strongest athletes in all of sports,” our Churchill Downs tour guide said.

Jockeys control the 1,000-pound horse from morning to night, not only in the stretch but at any time. They must make many critical decisions in the two minutes of the race. Anybody wanting to be a 110-pound jockey on Albert Belle’s back? You will have to find an agent first. Yes, jockeys do have agents.

Then you will have to find a coach. In horse racing they are called coaches, not trainers. The horse begins his workout 5 a.m. every day. And his simulators continue all year. The fans are enthralled by the glorified casino. The owner pays the largest bet in hopes of the grand payoff. The jockey and the owners work the next Derby winner, all taking their share of the winnings along the way. The newly crowned Derby winner gets a wreath, a blanket or a garland of roses and all the money, making horse racing — specifically this weekend’s 124th running of the Kentucky Derby — one of the greatest sporting events in the world.

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