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**Newswraps**

**World**

NATO DIVIDES OVER FUTURE OF BALKAN FORCE — BRUSSELS, Belgium—NATO faces a serious internal split over the future shape and size of the military force it needs to preserve stability in Bosnia once the current peacekeeping operations end, alliance officials said this week. Although Operation Joint Endeavor is only in its third month of deployment and is intended to last a year, the problem of how to exit Bosnia without plunging the country back into chaos is emerging as one of the most serious internal controversies within alliance planners. "The whole question of what happens at the end of 12 months is now a very uncomfortable subject," said one senior official at NATO’s headquarters here. "There’s a potential for a big split between the Americans and some of the other allies."

BRITAIN, IRELAND SET DATE FOR NEGOTIATIONS — LONDON—The leaders of Britain and Ireland tried Wednesday to salvage the bomb-shattered Northern Ireland peace process by setting a date. June 10, for talks among all parties in the province that are committed to nonviolence. British Prime Minister John Major and Irish Prime Minister John Bruton, patching up differences that had contributed to the breakdown in May of a step-by-step procedure to prepare for those talks, discussed the parties beginning next week, similar to talks held by Belfast spokesmen in Dayton, Ohio, last November, followed by elections in Northern Ireland to let voters decide who would participate in the June negotiations. The most significant element of this elaborate plan was the fixed date for talks.

**Nation**

NEW REPORT CARD SPARKS DEBATE IN SCHOOLS — When Simi Valley, Calif., parent Colen Ay wants the new report card two of her children would receive last fall, she was mortified. Gone were the familiar square that first- and second-grade teachers filled in with As, Bs, Cs, Ds, or Fs. Now, 160 academic and social skills—from "holds book upright" to "writes numbers 100-1000"—were listed on the page under elementary progress were taken by presented. There was also an effort to avoid overly simplistic language. As one senior official at NATO’s headquarters here. "There’s a potential for a big split between the Americans and some of the other allies."
Proposed ordinance may help library funding

By Brian T. Sutton
Daily Egyptian Reporter

The Carbondale Public Library may see an end to its money troubles if it can get the Carbondale City Council to adopt an ordinance that bypasses a state law, library and city officials say.

City Manager Jeff Doherty said library officials have requested that the Carbondale City Council adopt an ordinance that would allow the library to circumvent a state law, The Illinois Local Library Act states that the working cash fund in the library’s budget cannot be used for general fund purposes. The money can only be used to pay bills and employees’ salaries during a lapse in city and state funding. The law also requires the library to replace the money with its tax return. If the ordinance is passed, the library would be able to draw money from an $89,000 working cash fund without having to replace the money as the law requires.

The Carbondale Public Library asked the City Council Feb. 6 for $58,000 in addition to a yearly 3-percent increase for fiscal year 1997. The library officials said if they did not receive the additional money, the library would have to cut services and jobs. The council turned down the request, citing a tight 1997 budget and uncertainty with the possible funding of an Amtrak train route.

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Ask students if they believe fees should be raised again

LLOTS OF THINGS CHANGE OVER TIME AT SIUC.

Five years ago, most of the students on campus today weren’t here yet, the student basketball team was beginning a streak of entering the NCAA or NIT tournament for seven consecutive years and general student fees at the University were a lot less than they are now.

Today we’re all here, the men’s basketball team isn’t even competing in the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament and the SIU Board of Trustees is considering yet another student fee increase.

While it’s time to collect more input from students on what has become an annual increase in general fees before this year’s proposal slides through the approval process.

This year’s proposed increase totals $17 per semester — a big improvement over last year when students saw a $62 increase in their fees. Athletics and a mass transit system were the main reasons behind this large increase.

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In our desperation to fix the bud- get, we hear about cutting Medicare, cutting college loans, cutting welfare, cutting environmental protections and national parks. But we don't hear much about cutting funding for the military. The national debt was only inflated like it is today after suffering dramatic increases in military spending, so it makes sense that reducing spending in that area would help solve the problem.

The American military is the largest and most expensive machine of destruction ever seen on this planet, and it consumes nearly everywhere on the globe. Russia was driven to bankruptcy by its military, and I fear that we may not be far behind.

Contact: Da’id. 351-196-1.

Contact: Ted, 351-4145.

Perspectives

about them leaving with our jobs in the first place. It would be so much easier and morally safe to protect them here at home.

Our military isn’t there to promote liberty and justice.

Even though we won, the Gulf War sure didn’t change anything; that megalomania is still in charge and he still has most of his military as well (which we helped him build).

Can you figure out why he wasn’t brought up for war crimes? The conflict isn’t an investment though. Just look at all the money we made selling off our F-14s to the Saudis!

We turn our heads at the slave trade because of the profit; it makes girls from the harem of their Saudi masters, or intelligently work to expose the playing politics with, and because nearly all the slaves these days are found on a map in the first place?

Our military isn’t there to protect the nation most of us probably couldn’t get help from if they were attacked. We have destroyed humane and legitimate governments (Chile, Guatemala, Honduras) for trying to protect their people, and I fear that we may not get help from the governments whom we like or to pay to destroy some other country’s parks.

We could blockade the Philippines from exporting their estimated 200,000 women per year to the Saudis! I just fine.

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Unity Point
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usually learn basic vocabulary. "Once we feel they can function in a classroom, they do not need tutoring," she said. "Most students are already educated in their own country, but they are growing while expanding their English." ksotesk said language assistants are available for students in the classroom. They help translate homework assignments and test questions for the international children.

Even though there are only three language translators, the entire school community helps the children, ksotesk said. She said older students are asked to assist in translating for some students, and children were assigned buddies in the classrooms.

"Language adjustment is not the only concern," she said. "Social adjustment is also important. They are special children who help them in class with any questions." Jennifer Platts, a first-grade teacher at Unity Point, said her students watch out for the international students. She said she barely needs to assign buddies.

"Kids already in the class will look out for them," she said. "The kids help the international students pick out things off the right pages and everything else. There is no fear of intimidation among the students." ksotesk said many of the students are only in the school for a few years. She said students need not worry about being underfunded for their education.

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Fields said international students in her class are often considered by their new surroundings, and they want to participate.

"International families have a high value in education," she said. "Their positive attitude is reflected right down into their children."
Facelift
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Center post office in the future, and those changes would satisfy those guidelines.
"We are trying to take care of the needs before it becomes an issue," Taham said. "Sooner or later the
facility will have to be in compliance with ADA.
Taham said he hopes the renovations will benefit students, especially those with disabilities.
"We are hoping it makes it more convenient for students and address the special populations to the ADA compliance issue," he said.
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Library
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Law and give the library the money it needs, but it would be a temporary solution.
"We are going to sit down with the city and talk about long-term solutions for library funding," she said.
Doherty said the city wants to help the library sort out its financial problems, and he wants to suggest to the city council adopt the ordinance in a temporary solution.

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voted that GPSC should not change the way it allocates money to SPC, and there is no need for a student activity fee increase. However, 15 representatives voted to give the library an adequate funding SPC while 10 believed it was enough.
Terry said GPSC will draft a resolution of these four issues for the next meeting.
He said if it is passed, it will be sent to Student Affairs.

Pillsbury contest hands top prize to California dad
Los Angeles Times
DALLAS—A chocolate-cake-baking San Francisco area dad who began entering cooking contests to pass the time after his divorce became the first man ever to win the grand prize at the Pillsbury Bake-Off on Tuesday—a bounty that reached a record million dollars this year.
Kurt Waite, a 43-year-old business analyst from Redwood City, Calif., and the single father of an 8-year-old son, was chosen from among 100 finalists nationwide for his winning entry in the Superbread category of amateur cooking contests.
A cherub-faced, bespectacled man who does sales planning for the division of Pacific Bell, Wait flashed a big smile and rocked on his toes as he said Macadamia Fudge Torte was prepared with a million-dollar recipe or national TV.

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Sefton said Saturday is the 40th Anniversary Banquet. It begins with brunch and a tour through the campus for visiting alumni. It will conclude with presentations by former deans Wendall Kuepper(1955-1974), Gilton Kroening(1974-1986), James Twedt(1986-1992), and William Herr(1992-1993). They will talk about their years as dean, Sefton said.

There will also be a presentation by the present dean, James McCullough. The All-Ag banquet is scheduled for Friday at 6:30 p.m. in Student Center Ballroom and the 40th Anniversary Program is scheduled for Saturday at 9 a.m.
Muskets tells about fairy tales’ dark side

By Travis Akin
Daily Egyptian Reporter

Stephen Sondheim’s “Into The Woods” is a musical that will make a person think rather than hum. Julie Wilson, who sings in Sondheim’s production of the show, said.

“Into The Woods” is a reflective musical comedy that looks at fairy tale characters and shows the disillusionment that comes when the characters get what they want, director David Krasner said.

Some of the characters include Cinderella (Dove Babcock), Rapunzel (Jennifer Hampson) and Little Red Riding Hood (Melody Hesketh). The characters get their heart’s desire, but it comes with a price, Wilson said. Sondheim wanted to be more serious with the script than he was able to be, she said.

Krasner said the show has many comic elements that he has brought out.

“It’s comedy,” he said. “I wanted to highlight the comedy. He said he wanted to teach the actors to do comedy and to have the energy needed to do it well.

Underneath the tale is a tale about life. "I think Madison, who plays the Baker’s Wife, said. She said the whole show has a message in every moment of the show.

“The first act is the fairy tale,” she said. “The second act is life. The second act is a little darker, reflecting on what happens when you get your wish. Krasner said.

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With singing from lead singer Margo Timmins’ psycho-neurotic, cool-blue voice that hangs quivering above the Junkies something arrangement of dizzy twang.

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Underneath the comedy is a tale about life, Willis said. "You have to pay a price to find out who you are,” said. “Be careful, you may get what you want.”

The woods in the musical represents romance, danger and excitement, he said. The two-dimensional homes in the front of the stage at the beginning of each set are a haven of safety from the dangers presented by the woods, he said.

“Going into the woods — you find yourself.” Krasner said. “The homes are safe and sound at first.”

Sondheim took the fairy tales and made them real and human, Willis said.

The fairy tale takes us out of our normal existence, and going into the woods allows us to see what is in our own hearts, Krasner said.

“Fairy tales remove us from our ordinary lives, but we have to find our way back,” he said.

The scenic designer Kate Brugh, who designed the set for her thesis show, did a wonderful job in capturing the meaning of the show with her set, said.

“The houses are secure, flat, predictable, and the woods are vast,” she said. “You have to go into the abyss and find yourself, and you have to look the abyss in the eye.”

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Chan rumbles into a stunt-filled plot

By James Lyon
DE Features Editor

* Rumble in the Bronx *

Movie Review

Chan is no stranger to hospitals, considering he has broken nearly every bone in his body.

Loyalty he has to performing his own stunts that get more dangerous in each movie.

The most dangerous occurred in the movie "The Armor of God" where Chan breaks his ankle while jumping onto a hovercraft.

In an interview with David Letterman, Chan said that he only agreed to go to the hospital after he found out the camera man had gotten the stunt.

The amazing thing about all of this is that Chan returned to work the next day.

All of the scenes with Chan water-skiing off the back of the hovercraft and with his legs dangling from the middle of rush hour traffic are done with Chan wearing a cast around his ankle.

At the end of the movie the audience can see how he puts a type of sock over his cast that looks like a sneaker he is wearing on the other foot.

The movie (follow closely, this can get confusing) was filmed in America to be shown in Asia.

Because of that, Chan, and the other Asian actors spoke Chinese, and the Americans' voices later were dubbed.

When New Line Cinema decided to release "Bronx" in America, the Americans' voices had to be dubbed back in, as well as dubbing the Asian actors into English.

So yes, the movie is dubbed at parts, and the simplistic plot makes it obvious that the movie was filmed by someone other than an American.

There is one scene where, after beating gang members senseless, Chan gives a heart-warming speech about how they should stop all of their fighting and how he would like to be their friend.

This may seem realistic to someone in Asia, but an American director would have known that any man who goes into gang territory in the Bronx to pick a fight with them is immediately going to get popped with a .44.

What the movie lacks in style and basic plot, however, is more than made up for when it comes to Chan's stunts, fight scenes and physical comedy.

(For honest now, when was the last time you went to a Schwarzenegger or Stallone movie simply for the plot?)

Chan has been trying to break into the American movie scene for a long time, and this may just be the stepping stone to do it.

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Even on road, fans still love Bulls

The Chicago Bulls can thank the American Academy of Orthopedic Surgeons for a few moments of peace and quiet.

Usually the Bulls stay at the Ritz-Carlton in downtown Atlanta. But that was completely broken, tilted, and rode in buses to towns for their annual convention.

So the Bulls are out in the suburbs of Atlanta at the Swissotel in Buckhead, unknown to most of their legions of followers.

Only a pitiful number of fans are waiting as the Bulls make their way to the bus that will take them to the Omni for their game against the Atlanta Hawks.

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Attendance

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...be making the trek from Springfield to Carbondale this weekend.

Last season, approximately 600 SMSU fans filled section D of SIU Arena, erupting with a torrent of cheers the infamous Dawg Pound would have been proud of.

Once again, buses filled with loyal SMSU fans will accompany the Lady Salukis' basketball team to Carbondale.

Shockers

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It's estimated that approximately 700 dedicated SMSU women's basketball fans will make Saturday's trip.

Not only is it a shame, its embar- rassing when an opposing team's fol­ lowers can outnumber the home team's fans by more than 200.

Not to beat a dead horse, but everyone knows the importance of fan support — it can play a major factor in the performance level of any team, as well as influence the outcome of a game.

The SIUC women's team is very desiring of a large fan following on Saturday.

This year's team has proven they deserve to be honored by a hoard of screaming fans — fans from Carbondale that is.

The women's basketball team has sacrificed a lot this year, asking for very little in return.

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Nelson, Starks feud far from the end

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New York Knicks' guard

Ripken wants World Series streak after breaking Lou Gehrig's run

The Sporting News
The Susquehanna River starts at Corupson, N.Y., a 100 miles from Baltimore's Hall of Fame. It winds down past Williamsport, Pa., home of Little League Baseball. It flows into Chesapeake Bay at Havre de Grace, Md. This is the birthplace of Cal Ripken Jr.

He is the man who singlehandedly saved baseball, reminding a nation of baseball's beauty.

He is also perhaps the most revered record in all of sports and now has played in 2,135 consecutive games. It's still a breath-taking number, an achievement that truly means so much to a player. It means that Ripken has been in a uniform for a significant amount of time and has not missed a game. It's a testament to his dedication, his hard work, and his focus on the game. It's a record that is remembered by fans across generations.

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“That's his style, or whatever you want to call it. You can’t put yourself above what he's doing. "When you're out there, you have to do what you have to do. "And when you're not out there, you have to support the people who are out there. "It sounds easy, but it's not. It's hard. For some guys, it's harder than others."

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Salukis looking for 200th MVC victory tonight

By Michael DeFord
DE Assistant Sports Editor

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Wanted: Fans to fill SIU Arena.

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“We have some great post players and we need to use that.

Both the Salukis and the Shockers have secured a berth in this year’s MVC tournament, which takes place in Des Moines, Iowa, March 7-9.

Currently, SIUC is in third place and will finish second in a conference for the 8th time in the last 14 years.

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