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## Weekender:

Big Muddy Film Festival offers showcase of independent films.


Southern Illinois University at Carbondale
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## Personality:

Admissions councilor strives to promote diversity at SIUC.



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## GRASSRDOTS:

Effort of group of SIUC scaffers results in new bipartisan legislation.

Kirk Mottram DAILY EGMTIAN REPORTER

The second act of the pension bill drama will commence nex: week when new legislation sponsored by Sen. Jim Rea. DChristopher, allowing for choice in.retirement makes its debut in the Senate Rules Committee.

At issue is what some SIUC staffers describe as the "unfairness". of the 1997 Pension Biil, which took effect Jan. 1. The bill prascribes, amraty other things, a flat rate benefit formula to replace the sliding scale formula formerly in place, effectively enhancing the pension benefis of Mlinois workers. However, to lielp pay for the increased benefits, retirees with fewer than 20 years of service now must assume 5 percent of their health care premium costs. Prior to the new legislation, full health care
benefits were supplied by the state.
As of Jan. 1, 4,400 state university employees with fewer than 20 years of service had satis fied the age and service requirements to qualify for full health care coverage under the old plan, According to State University Retirement System figures released in January, 375 university workers and about 44 community college employees resigned prior to the Dec. 31 deadline in order to retain their original berefits. However, 3,991 workers did not retire and wili have to pay 5 percent of their insurance premium for each year under 20 years of service.

In August, a small but determined group of SIUC staffers, led by Ruth Pommier, a receptionist at the Southern Hills Apartment Complex, initi ed an opposition movement to bill aimed at reinstating the iull health care coverage they were promised upon employment. Working tire lessly through the fall, they

SETPENSION, PAGE 12

## Consolidation uproots some dorm residents

GGG DROP: Julianne Miles, senior at Herrin High School, removes a broken egg from a container she designed for the egg drop event during Engineering Day Thursday aftermoon. The egg plummeted four stories before crashing into the cement in the engineering building couthard. Engineering Day was sponsored by the Engineering Student Council as part of National Engineering Week. Area students competed in live events designed to test their engineering abilities.

## GPSC affirms athletic fee opposition <br> Now the Achletic Department is

SOAAFI VICTORY:
Graduate council sides with anti-fee increase student protest group.

> Travis DeNeal DE Poumcs EbTIOR

The Graduate and Professional Studen Council solidified its stance opposing a proposed athletic fee increase Wednesday.

The council voted $26-9$ againsi recalling a resolution it passed in January that opposes any increase in the student athletic fee and chastises SIUC Chancellor Donald Beggs for not conducting a campus-wide constituency input study.
The study was part of a compromise package developed in June. A
that time, the Intercollegiate Athletic Advisory Committee proposed an $\$ 80$ four-year increase in the athiletic fee.
In June, GPSC President Tim Hoerman and Undergraduate Student Govermment President Dave Vingren made a compromise widh Beges and SIU President Ted Sanders that included support of a $\$ 20$ fee increase and the study.

However, the SIU Bpard of Trustees ignored the compromise and approved the $\$ 80$ increase in its Jurie mecling.

Since then, Beggs analyzed the Athletic Department's budget and developed a plan in which the department must reduce its deficit quickiy white minimizing a fee increase and providing full funding of scholarships for SIUC athletes:
recommending a $\$ 60$ four-year increase in place of the $\$ 80$ increase. With GPSC's vote, the student voice now is split in its opinion on the athletic fee.increase.
At USG's meeting last week, the Senate voted against a resolution opposing a fee increase, indircelly supporting the $\$ 60$ increase:
Rob Taylor, a spokesman for a newly-formed group of student protestors, said the GPSC vote iended credence to his group's angst over an athletic fee increase.
"Students Organized Against the Athletic Fee Increase considers this a success," he said.
Beggs, who spoke to GPSC prior to the vote, said he was pleased with

UNDERCROWDING:
Cancellation rates prod housing to rearrange roomateless residents.

J. Michatl Rodriguez

A 173 resident drop in University Housing from the fall semester to the spring has resulted in financial problems and has prompted the department to consolidate its residents or make them pay for single rooms.

University Housing sent a letter at the beginning of this week informing students with out roonmates that they can pay for their single room or move to a room with another person who will not pay for a single room.

Consolidation has been done in previous years, but was not done last year because of the low number of students that left housing.

Students may be forced out of their single rooms if they do not decide within five days. Steve Kirk; assistant directo
of Housing-Residence Life, said this move is to help run Universiy Housing more efficiently.
"At this point we have people on a waiting list for a single room," Kirk said.
At the beginning of Fall 1997, 4,127 residents lived in University Housing. As of Spring 1998, 3,954 residents lived in University Housing.

At the start of the semester 207 vacancies were recorded. There were 271 vacancies as of Feb. 16.

Housing officials said many reasons factored into the drop

SEE HOUSING, PAGE 12

## Gus Bode



Gus soys: Thanks for making me move in with this icckass:

## Police Blotter

## WRIVERSITY

- Michoel P. Corlin, 31, of Carbondale was aited ot 2.01 p.m. Teesday ot the intersection of Eerst Grond Averwe ond Washington Street for riding his bike on the sidewalk olfer hititing a Foderal Express Van. Cortin sulferad minor injuries but required no mediod attention.
- A 18 -year-dd resident of Mas Snist reparted Tuesdoy thril a book of personal dreaks was itden from her room. The checks heve since been forged and used. The case is under investigation.


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## OH THIS DATE IN 1987:

- Dick Gregory, on SRUC dumnus whor was ar carrpus of a news conference for Block History Month, acoused SUC of being a rocist instiftion. He said although things had changed since the 1950s when he ottended school, blodss were sith congregating outride of the dassram because "whon you're in a white-racist institution, you need to feed safe."
- Bon Jovi's "Stippery Whon Wer" surpassed two dossic led Zeppelin cioums in Billboard Magazine's Top IPs chart for the longes! run at No. 1 by a heary metal od. It was also the third straight week "tivin' On A Prayer" daimed the Hot 100 lite.
- Harry Corry, the Chicago Cubs' legendary velevision ploy-byploy crnouncer suffered a mild stroke at a Polm Springs munlry dub. Carcy died Wednesday
- "Platoon," "Mannequin," and "Some Kind of Wonderfut" were playing in Corbondole theoters. - Times Square liquors odvertised a six pack of Busch cans for \$1.99.


## Corrections

If readers spot an error in 2 news article, they can contact the Daily Egyptian Accuncy Desk at 536-3311, extension 229 or 228.

## Saluli Cilendar

## TODAY

- USG Financo Committee, RSOs can pick up fee ollocotion forms for FY '99, due in the. office March 20. Conkad toyar of $536-3381$.
- Alpha Zela Pledge Class conned food inve, February 20, baxes kcolved in Department Offices in Ag and the Food and Nutrition Office in Quigley. Conloat Bethary at 5367565 .
- College of Science students can moke oppointments now for Summer/Foll odvisament.
- Spanish Table, Fridays, 4\% 6 p.m., Cofe Mdange. Contod p.m., Cone Mdange.
Dimithios at $453-5425$.
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- Chinese Table, February 20, 4 p.m., Student Center Roman Room. Contact Wilson of 5497825.

University Christian Ministries, alternative Happy Hour with folk singer Dar, Marsh, February 20, 4:30 p.m Interfoith Center. Contod Dove at $549-7387$

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- Newman Club Mardi Gras Dance, February 20, 8 pm. to midruight, Newnran Catholic Sudent Center, \$3. Contact Mary of 529.3311.


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- Non-Troditional Student Services 3rd Anrwal Dr. Seuss Festival, February 21, 2 to 4 p.m., Shident Center Balltroorns, free, children unider 10 must be accompomied by an odult. Conlod Sherv of 453-5714.
- African Student Council ger eral meeting, Feburary 21, 4 p.m. Student Certer Video. Lounge. Cortact Coul at 549 . 4723.
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# Counselor captures heritage 

CULTURE: New
student recruiter upholds positive image for African-Americans.

## Tameka L. Hicks

Dally Eghtian Rerorter
Charcoal-colored figurines of African artwork sit directly across from ${ }^{\text {Brenda Major's desk }}$ - their dark color clearly representing her perspective on the strength of the AfricanAmericans.

These selective icons merely symbolize the powerful and diverse images of AfricanAmericans, which Major, New Student Admissions Minority Recruiter and Admissions Counselor, strives to maintain.

## F. Black History Month

The luminous poster of Fat Albert hanging to the left of her desk, and other posters of music antists Brian McKnight and Wynton Marsalis brighten her office cubicle. The arwork, is well as the stacks of Vibe magazines piled onto a comer table, reveal that Major is indeed tuned in to African-American culture.

To uphold a positive image,


PRIDE: Brenda Major, a field representative and admissions counselor 'for New Student Admissions, proudly displays her collection of African art in her office Wednesday.
she surrounds herself with sever- lor's in theater in 1981 and a masal African-Americans everyday . including SIUC students. Behind her desk hangs a photo collage of students who have become closest to her during her 13 years at SIUC.
As an SIUC alumna, Major works to be a primary guide for students. She received a bache-

## ter's in 1985.

She has made an obligation to be involved in students' lives and provide them with ample support towand success.
"I try to let students know that they are welcomed," Major said. "I've stayed in touch with mayixe 300 students. Some of them will
write to le me know what the are doing. Some will just call and write on a regular basis.
'I know students who are now attorneys and engineers. That's the thing 1 like aboutt this job. It makes me feel better than any

## SEE COUNSELOR, PAGE 1

## Discrimination doesn't phase student

FIGURES: Recruiting competition, prejudice may be factors in shrinking enrollment.

## Karen Blatter

Dally Egimtinn Retorter
Young Shoo Shim did not gei upset and decide to return to his home country after he experienced discrimination at SIUC.

When students like Shim hail from places where everyone is from the same racial background, it is hard for intemational students to understand being trested differently because of the color of their skin or the accent in their voice.

International students potentially face these discriminatery
situations when they come to America. They also may have to adjust to being treated poorly at times as a result.

This month, SIUC is recognizing its 50 h y year of international enroliment, but the zelebrations are not taking administrators' minds off of the recent significant drop in that enrollment. SIUC, once ranked sixth in the nation in intemational student recruitment. now ranks 23rd.

According to the 1995.96 "Open Doors," a report on international educational exchange. intemational students make up about 3.1 percent of all U.S. higher education enrollments. Recruitment of interrational students has increased even among community colleges as more U.S. schools are trying to hure interna-
tional students to their campuses. Intermational students sometimes pay is much as three times the tuition of American students.

Because of this, any incidents of discrimination against inlemational students would be especial. ly unsetling for SIUC because of the intense competition.

For Shim. a graduate student in journalism from Korea, discrimination is an unusual thing. That is why be was astonished when he encountered discrimination at SIUC because of his ethnic background.

In his two and a half years at SIUC, Shim has had encounters with various campus employees. But the most upsetting encounter, he said, occurred last semester when be needed help with some research. He asked a campus
cmployec for assistance, and she would not let him complete a sentenctict saying she did not undersian him.
FHC cleared his throat, taking his time to articulate his words to make them distinct. The woman kept-interrupting him, saying again that she did not understand him. He continued to tell the woman about what he was looking for while she continued to internupt.

Shim was forced to ask her if she really did not understand what he was saying. Her response was snotty and inconsiderate as she finally told him where he could find his information.

Shim reluciantly accepted her

## SEE RACE TAGE II

## Project E.U.C.H.R.E. dispels housing myths

VISIT: Program for students, faculty encourages interaction. Jayete Bounski
Daily Egyitian Remorter
Faculty members who would like to get acquainted with students oi. a more informal level are invited to participate in a new program at Brush Towers called Project E.U.C.H.R.E.

Educating the University Community about the Housing and Residence Environment is a program designed to encourage interaction between faculty and students. Coordinators also hope the program will dispel certain myths that may exist about life in. the residence halls.

Among the myths cited in a flyer distributed to about 1,000 faculty members last week are: "The halls are rowdy places," "There is nothing to do in the halls," and "Brush Towers is a little piece of Chicago in Southern

Illinois."
Cindy Perkins, coordinator of residence life for Brush Towers, residence life for Brush Towers,
said she is unaware that these myths actually exist. She hopes Project EU.C.H.R.E. will help to eliminate the potential for any of them to be stanted.
"This is more of a come-and-sec-what's-inside program, in a sense. I don't know that people in the Iniversity comrnunity would really have a reason to come over unless they are invited," Perkins said.

Interested persons can arrange to come to Brush Towers to eat dinner with members of the Brush Towers staff, go on duty Brush Towers Staff. go on duty
rounds with an SRA, observe rounds with an SRA, observe
security desk operations, and attend a floor program or sit in on a discipline conference.

Brush Towers is the only residence life area participating in Project E.U.C.H.R.E. Perkins said this project could lead to the implementation of a faculty associate program, such as the ones in place at Thompson Point and

University Park.
By matching volunteers with residence halls, facuity associate. programs allow faculty members to build stronger relationships with students. Volunteers often become mentors for the students.

Although the flyers were sent out last week Perkins said out last week. Perkins satd
responses are coming in slowly.
"This is an open invitation as long. as the halls are open," Perkins said.
She also said that the invitation is extended to the entire community, not just faculty.

Steve Kirk, University Housing programming officer, said the success of a program such as Project E.U.C.H.R.E. cannot be measured in terms of whether or not large numbers of people participate.
$\therefore$ "When we talk about a program like this, in terms of trying to bring students and faculty together in the residence halls, hundreds of people are not going to be involved," he said.
"But if small, numbers
involved, then, we hope that the small numbers will get something out of it." Susan

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fessor in an-
thropology, believes the program thas merit.
"I think this is a great program, and I am not opposed to doing something like this,". Ford said.

She has three children at home, however, and will not be. home, however, and will not be
able to participate at this time.
"I hope my other colleagues participate in the program, though, and I hope it's a success,", she said.

Interested individuals are encouraged to visit the residence halls between 6 and 8 p.m:-although Perkins said she is willing to work with other. is willing
schedules.

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## CARBONDALE

Gallery of flags grand opening Sunday at Rec.

The grand opening of SIUC's internstional gallery of flags is scheduled at 3:30 p.m. Sunday at the Recreation Center.

The flags, representing international students' home countries, will be officially installed at the Recreation Center for permanent display.

They were formerly stored in the Student Center basement for lack of an place for them to be displayed.

For information, contact Kathy Hollister at 453-1267.

## CARBONDALE

SPC-TV celebrates fifth anniversary tonight
Student Programming Council Television will celebrate its fifth anniversary from 8 to 10 tonight in the Student Center Video Lounge.

Live interviews with producers, personalities and staff - as well as clips of past and upcoming shows - will be showeased throughout the night.

SPC-TV, channel 24 on the campus cable network, and campus radio station WIDB 104.3 cable FM are simulcasting the celebration. Cake and lemonade will the celebrati.

For information, call 453-6550.
lation

## SAN FRANCISCO

Corporations propose new anti-copying technology

Five electronics heavyweights p.oposed a technical framework Thursday that they hope will prevent people from making unauthorized duplicates of copyrighted material, such as movies and music, when it is stored in digital form.

If the technology is widely adopted, the companies -- computer chip manufacturer Intel Corp. and Japanese consumer electronics giants Hitachi Lid.. Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Sony Corp. and Toshiba Corp. - hope to sce devices with the anti-copying technology in stores by the end of the year.

## DALLAS

Scientists find hormones in brain linked to hunger

Texas scientists have identified two hormones that tell the brain it is hungry, a discovery that should make it possible to design new drugs to treat obesity and anorexia.
The researchers, who will announce the discovery Friday in the journal Cell, are already looking for drugs that can block the hormones' activity, in the hope to find effective new weight-loss drugs.

The paper's publication is expected to spur a frenzy of activity at drug companies searching for a magic buliet for obesity.

## SAN DIEGO

Judge blocks plan to put dump near Joshua Tree park
Emphasizing the potential harm to wildlife and wildemess, a San Diego Superior Court Judge has rejected a con-

## NEW FACULTY WATER BUFSALOS - PURCHASED WIYH FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE ANNUAL BUDGET INCREASE ~



## Oin Hord

## Standardized lease has potential

The standardized lease proposed by the Undergraduate Student Government last week at an open forum is just what Carbondale needs to iron out its problems with landlord-tenant relationships.

Unfortunately, landlords feel differently, saying the lease is unnecessary, and that relationships are a personal issue between landlords and remants. Thie concerns expressed by landlords are unwarranted and the standardized lease should be allowed to go through.

Mayor Neil Dillard has said the public is the most influential when it comes to dealing with landlords, and the city is only respensible for ensuring landlords are meeting the miniseum requirements. If the Carbondale City Council is ner willing to make any changes, the members should seriously consider such a proposal, because it is being proposed by the very public that is supposed to be influential:"
The main purpose of the standard lease was to clear up miscommunication and disputes benveen landlords and tenants. Since the vast majority of renters in Carbondale are students, USG took the initiative and drew up a standardized lease to be applied to landlords. Basing the idea on a similar lease in Chicago, Carbondale's lease covers all of the bases a regular lease would, yet does so in simple manner that is easily understood. There should be no misonception about what a student is getting into when renting from someone because all landlonds will be going off the same criteria. This is
just one more step in the betterment of housing in Carbondale.
Despite the disappointing turnout by both landlords and students at the open forum, many ec.ncems and , pinions were voiced. One of the main concerins by landlords was a section of the lease that required a 48 -hour notice to tenants conceming the showing of property to prospective renters. The landiords present stressed the dificulty in notifying students of a showing because most students want to see the place on the spot.
The 48 -hour notice is far from unreasonable because it should be the responsibility of landlords to inform all tenants their place may be shown to prospective renters. Designated showrooms are a good idea, but it would be more realistic to show a prospective tenant the actual unit they would be renting so they truly do know what they are getting into. If all units are continuously maintained by a collective effort between landlord and tenant such an idea siould not be a problem. The 48 -hour notice would also let the tenant make the unit appropriate to be seen, which could be the deciding factor between someone renting or not renting from a landlord.
Any business would have a problem being dictated what its practices should be. The standardized lease does not require a landlords to make massive changes in their properties, but it does provide a world of security to the occupant.
"Our Word" represents the consensus of the Daily Esyptian Editorial Board.

## U.N. sanctions hurt only the inmocent <br> Once again the United States stands on

 the brink of war with Iraq, and once again the circumstances surrounding this involvement could be easily resolved at the negotiating table. Regaruless of all the political thetoric teing thrown around, what seems to be forgotten are the innocent ptople that this whole situation has affected and will continue to affect - the.Iraqi pcople.This new conflict seems to have started a few months ago when Saddam Hussein decided he no longer liked the sanctions that have been on his country since the end of the Gulf War. Demanding the sanctions be lifted, he prevented U.N. inspectors to enter his weapons plants. Since then it's been all downhill.

Now let's think about these sanctions for a minute. These sanctions were put on Iraq to make sure that Saddam Hussein complied with weapon inspections after the Gulf War Regardlisss of whether or not Saddam has met his obligations to the United Nations, the sanctions placed on Iraq have not truly affected hira at all. Instead the brunt of the sanctions has been felt by the Iraqi people.
I want to put politics aside for a moment, because personally, I'm not the most knowl-
 Preston

## Harsh Realities

Jorathan is a sophomore in English Harsh Realitics appears on Frideys. Jotanecess opariny reflect that of the Daily Egpian. edgeable in that area. What I do want to
speak about though is humanity. The United Nation's Food and Agricultural Organization repored 1.2 million people dead as a resul of the sanctions. 576,000 of those were children.

Children.
Children that didn't know who the United States or Saddam Hussein was, children who could care less about wars and policies. children who wate, quite simply, innocent; Now, according to UNICEF, 4,500 children are dying exchmonth. Not to mention counless thousands of other innocents,

The sanctions that have been placed on Inq must be lifted before thousands more lọse theis lives. Jf a was begins again in Iraq then that number will be even greater. Im sure many in Washington can sit back and comfortably write off lives as "necessary casualties," which they do every day, but as a concerned individual I can't sit back and just think there isn't something that can be done - even if it is saying "no.". Those in Washington will answer for their crimes sure enough, may God heip their souls.

I in no way support Saddarn Hussein as a leader. What needs to be remembered is that he is a dictator. The people around hins have no choice but to follow what he says - that is how a dictatorship works. The United States should not be targeting Iraq, they should be targeling Saddam. The people have no reason to suffer for their basic "inalienable rights." Does that sound familiar, America? For seven years, the Iraqi people have died. Plain and simple - they've died, and there is no way I feel I can be made to believe this was wnoth it. This was unavoidable. The United States is willing to do anything to protect its interests, absolutely anything.

The media has done an excellent job misinforming us of the true nature to the situation in Iraq. Like the Japanese in World War II and Russia in the 1980s, the Middle Eastern countries have been labeled the "great evil", we as a country should fear. Although the character of the leaders of some countries in the Middle East is definitely questionable. we need to remember what they do as leaders does not reflect the people. The people are pawns.

Many people go on and on about how "anti-American" the Middie East is, but think about that for a second. Wouldn't you be anti-American too if you just had to bury your child becaluse of the sanctions?

## Maillbox

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## Vegetarian lifestyle fine if followed properly

Dear editor,
This letter is in regards to the Feb. 10 article by Tameka L Hicks titied "Vegetarian week promotes leaming." As a egistered dietitian I was first drawn to the article bocause of the subject and conlinued or read because of the differences in eating preferences of some of the people intericwed.
The "American Dietetic Association's Complete Food and Nutrition Guide" has a chapter ciscussing vecetarian diets and wanted to share with readers soine inform ion from this resource. The question is askod, "Can vegetarian eating supply your askody with enough nutrients?' The answer is es As with any nutiengs The answer is yes. As with any cating style, you, need to choose foods carefully and consume enough calones. If you're a vegetarian who con sumes diary products and perhaps eggs, the differ much from those of mon-vegerarian One still meeds to be cautious of ering 100 much fat sarurated fat, and cholesterol and much fac, sarumied iat, and cholesterol and
even too many calories. If you choose mostly lower-fat dairy products, alotig with plency of grains, furts and vegerables, a typical lacio-ovo-vegetarian diet can be high in fiber, and low in fat, saturated fal and choall heal thy people Adding lean curs of meat, fish, and poultry in :noukrate amounts can fish, fit into a person's "cating style" "an also fit into a person's "eating style."

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One key message fronn this year's canprign is to Make healthy choices that fit your lifestyle so you can do the thingi that found on the ADA web page at
ww.eatright.erg.
Rick Parks, registered dietitian Illirois Dietetiz Association representative Carbondale region

## Athletic fee does not benefit all students

## Dear Editor,

1 find myself more opposed to the use of sudent fees for athleties than I was before I read the editorial (Feb. 13). First, when did the Daily Egyptian become moderator of Canpus iscues? The DE has the right to it collective opinion but it does not bave the right to ougest which issues are "more pressing "1 ean think for myser are mo. second my opposition to the atherie fe scense is as oppos. The atheis feeber increase is as follows: The a!hlevic fee bene its a small group of individuals. Basically and NBA. These organizations should put and NBA. These organizations should put The thelic Deparment has the stidents of $\$ 380000$ I Is reward for this fiteal ine ponsibility is to have this deber reired by the magic of the student fee toodh fairy,

The DE also mentioned that other uni versities have much higher student fees. But how much is each student forced to contribute to the athetis departments of those universities?

The Athletic Department and SIUC must realize that the times have changed. No longer is the football game on Sarurtay longron the high point of compus life One anternoon the high posit of campus life One only needs game to confirm this observation. The Athetic Department al SIUC should tighten its beit. A few lean years may reinforce the concept of a budget. The department should be held accountable for the $\$ 380,000$ and no additional funds should be omsidered until this debt is retired.

I hate to call the athetic department frivolous: many students enjoy the events.provided by the Athlelic Department. However the student fee should be used for services that benefit all (heal th) or for emicrgencies to keep the University nunning (the power crisis). Looking to the students to bail out every department that can't follow a budge is no way to run a university.

Kent Anthony
senior, engineerin

## Two arrested <br> Las Angeles Times

LAS VEGAS - A suspected white supremacist who was caught three years ago with a deadly bacterium was back in custody Thursday on charges that he and another man possessed anthrax, an
even more lethal biological agent, "for use as a weapon."

Larry W. Harris, 46, a microbiologist from Ohio, held up a vial at a hotel room here earlier this week and bragged to an associate that it contained enough anthrax to. "wipe out the city," federal offi-
cials asserted in'an affidavit
Months before, Harris had also allegedly discussed plans for releasing the toxin in the New York City subways, potentially. endangering hundreds of thousands of people, the affidavit asserts.

## GPSC

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the calm meeting. At last week's USG meeting, a group of about 70 protesters jeered at Beges, Athletic Department Director Jim Hart and executive members of USG.
"I think l'm treated fairly, and I
good points," he said. "I thank them for giving me the opportunity."

Vingren said the student body's split decision likely will not hinder approval of the fee increase.
"Our job is to work within the board's directive frame and follow through with board's directive with least amount of fces poosible," he said.

Vingren said students can make
a bigger difference in other academic areas.
"I just got back from a meeting about changes in academic advisement, where we talked to about 15 members of ROTC," he said.
"This sort of meeting will have so much more of a real effect on the student body than anything the BOT will give us in response to our opposition on the athletic fee."


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Lynn Love stars as the mermaid in the contemporary fairy tale "Virgin of the Sea." The mermaid joins another
woman on a journey of self-discovery and sexual awakening. The film will run as part of the "Films by and About
Women" showcase
from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 24 in the Student Center Auditorium.


## Today

Feature Film:
is The Company of Men Directed by Neil Labule
7 p.m.
Student Center Auditorium, \$2
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Year of the Horse Direcied by Jim Jarmusch 9:30 p.m. 106 min. Student Center Auditorium, \$2 Showcose:

Assorted Animation, Documentary, Experimental, and Narritive Film 11:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. Longtranch Coffee House, FREE

## Saturday

Feature Film:
Year of the Horse
p.m. and 11 p.m Student Center Auditorium, \$2 Feature Film:

In the Company of Men
p.m.

Student Center Auditorium, \$2
Sunday
Feature Film:

## Inside/Out

Directed by Rob Tregenza
10 a.m. 115 min . Varsity Theater, FREE
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Assorted Animation, Documentory, Experimental, and Narrative Films 7 10 9 p.m.
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University Museum, FREE
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Story by JASON ADRIAN

The Big Muddy Film Festival will be kickstarting its 20 th year of screening independent films tonight, but as a completely student-run event, financing for the festival does not allow for any extravagant celebrations.
'With a limited' budget, there's only so much we can do" festival co-director Rober Pickering said. "In terms of the viewing, we weren't able to bring back any of the past filmmakers or do anything special in that event except recognize the fact that we've been around 20 years."

But money has never been a major factor for the Big Muddy, which is the longest running student-run film festival in the country mainly because the spirit of the festival has been to provide a sanctuary for fans of inde pendent films who could not see the movies elsewhere.
"There was no showcase for independen work for a fairly large area. People either had to go to St. Louis - which didn't have much to see at the tume - or Memphis which also didn't really have much," said Mike Covell, a cinema and photography professor and one of the festival's founding students. 'The closest place to see independent films was Chicago, and that was a six hour drive."

In its first year, the Big Muddy received 45 entries, and the films were placed into fou content categonies: narrative, documentary animation and experimental. Students flocked to the Student Center Auditorium that year for the screenings and continued to do so in the following years

For the first five years of the festival, only $16-\mathrm{mm}$ films were accepted for viewing and competition, but as the interest in video began to grow the festival also accepted films from video artists.

As the festival began to gain recognition in the independent film world and expand its capacity for movie format, the number of entries increased from about 50 entries its firs year to is many as 250

This year the festival received 191 entries and from those 70 films have been chosen for viewing in the Student Center Auditorium, University Museum Auditorium, the Longbranch. Coffee House, Pinch Penny Pub and Tres Hombres Restaurant Hombres

The movies chosen at each festival are judged by three visiting jurors who are also involved in mak ing movies cither with video or film. Past judges have included such wellknown independent filmmakers as SIUC alumnus Steve James, whose direc Steve James, whose direc"Hoop Dreams" "Hoop Dreams" made it
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Though well-known 11:30 p.m to judges have been invited $1: 30 \mathrm{om} . \mathrm{m}$. at in the past, executive Longbranch in the past executive Longbranch
director of Film Coffee House. Altematives Ben Coffee House. Nemenoff, a junior in cinema and photography from Peoria, said the students at Big Muddy just look for judges that can effectively rate the filins through their knowledge of independent films.
"We don't necessarily look for judges that have made it in the industry," he said. "We look for judges that are kind of diverse and can look at an experimental, narrative, documen tary or animated film and judge it without any

Wednesday
Showcase:
Documentary Films 12 to 3 p.m. University Museum, FREE
Guest Antist Presentation Jennifer Réeder The "White Trash Gin' Series 7 to 9.p.m. Student Center Auditorium, FREE

## Thursday

Showcase
Guns and Crime Narratives
12 to 3 p.m.
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Assorted Documentary, Narrative, and Experimental Films
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University Museum, FREE
Showcase
Films About Sexuality
3 to 5 p.m.
Student Center Auditorium, \$1
Feature Film:
Pillow Book
9:30 p.m.
Student Center Auditorium, \$2
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# 'Film' not a four-letter word to Big Muddy judges 

Jason Adrian DE Entertalnament Edtror

The Big Muddy Film Festival may not draw as many big name stars and filmmakers as other independent filmi events lize the Sundance Film Festival. But Big Muddy judge Avery Crounse said the massive popularity of those festivals comes mainly from the fact that the films being screened are not exactly what the filmmakers claim they are.
'There's been a lot of noise in the press the last couple years about alt the independent films represented at the Oscars and Sumdance and all that stuff," he said. "But most of those are not really independent fi!ms. They're just negative pick up deals in a way for the studios negative pick up deals in a way for the studios they're really studio films."
Crounse, whose dramatic mystery "Cries of Silence" will be shown in a free screening at $10 \mathrm{am} . \mathrm{meb} .28$ in the Varsity Theatre, uses words like creativity, perseverance, flexibility, organization and madness to describe keys in making independent films - all words that help set alternative cinema apart from the mainstream filmmaking of Hollywood.
"The principle difference is that with independent films, you're allowed to be a filmmaker as opposed to a pigeon-holed person that is responsible for one aspect of the film alone," said Crounse, who directed, produced, wrote and edited "Cries". "The point of those films is just to serve as fodder for the Hollyusod star mill. You direct it and go away, and someone else edits and the writer is usually not involved with any of that. It tends to te work by committec."

As part of the trio of Big Muddy judges, Jennifer Reeder said financing is the main difference between independent films and studio movies. But she also sees a difference in the way independent filmmakers strive for an end project that exceeds what was in the initial creative process.
"Independently, the final project is better than what you had intended for it to be at the beginning. I think that's a difference in spirit which I think also has to do with motivation."


Visiting judge and guest artist Flora M'mbugu-Schelling will have her film "These Hands" screened Thur. Feb. 26 in the Student Center Aucitorium.


Visiting judge and guest artist Avery Crounse's "Cries of Silence" will be shown at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Varsity Thealre.

Reeder said. "It's about gaining momentum over time nstead of writing 'Lethal Weapon' and trying to get that bagged out in six months with big names and big moncy.
"It's about making your own decision and making the film you want to make."

Reeder's ongoing video chronicle "The Adventures of White Trash Girl" will "be screened free 7 to 9 p.m. Feb. 25 in the Student Center Auditorium. It follows the (mis)adventures of a Robin Hood-type character with blond hair, high heels and toxic bodily fluids. White Trash Girl, the product of a 14 -year-old girl and her funny uncle, explores such issues as race. gender, sexuality and gender throughout the series.
It \% movies like that which make Big Muddy judge Flora M'bugu-Schelling applaud the way independent films treat audiences as if they have the mental capacity to digest more than the typical cinematic cliché.
"People are tired of having all the happy endings. 'everything is so wonderful' and 'living happily ever after.' If 1 go to see a film. I Hant to be able to think." M'mbugu-Schelling said. "I don't want to be fed everything besause I'm a human being. I have a brain. and 1 feel completely insulted if I'm not able to think.
"Most independent films make you engaged and make you think or might change your thinking or they might even frighten you."
M'mbugu-Schelling's "These Hands" will be shown at a free screening 7 p.m. Feb. 26 in the Student Center Auditorium. The film
shous a day in the labor-filled lives of female stone crushers at a quarry in Tanzania. Audiences get to see the paipful pounding the workers toil over day afier day, and it is through .M'mbugu-Schelling's camerawork and storytelling that makes one think about what a lifetime of such werk would be like.
$\therefore$ Though she said independent films are being recognized by a broader - but not larger - range of wie wers, it is in topics covered in movies such'ss "These Hands" that Reeder said keeps maninstream audiences away from altemative cinémi.
"[Independent films] are produced by or out of the counterculture," she said. "The ideas or beliefs being expressed are not something mass audiences can handle."
The state of independent films has reached a critical point by piquing the interest of certain, more cinematically adept audiences. Since this group of people are finding interest in the films, the large. Hollywood studio sharks are beginning to swallow up the smal!er independent-friendly studios.
At the monient, it's a very difficult time for independent films because the independent distribution infrastructure in the United States is currently in a state of collapse:" Crounse said. "And the reasion for that is that so many of the independent distributors like New Line and Miramax and so on have been bought out by the [Hollywood] studios. The only access at the moment to the screens is through the studio's own network. Now, if they have their $\$ 100$ million picture and your picture, which one are they going to put on the

## creen?

'This isn't a doomsday diagnosis. It just shows a need exists again for an independent distribution network."
The difficulty and frustration independent filmmakers may find in trying to get their work through the large studio network does not make the altermative cinems field a world where dogs consume each other to get ahead.
Reeder said the independent film studios still publishing alternative films do what they can to help every filmmaker get their pictures seen:
"I found a lot of support from independent film companies. I found more support than backbiting. People definitely pass on names to other people." she said. "I try to be as supporive in that regard as I can. It's naturally a porive in that regard as ican. It's narurally a of food for a lot of fish."
And if one of those movie-making fish is able to collect enough kemels of food to create a career for themselves in the filmmaking industry, M'mbugu-Schelling said the person's sense of accomplishment depends on what they feel filmmaking is all about.
'The word 'success' is a relative word. It's hard to say what is success. It depends on what you want to do and why you want to nake films." she said
"I chose to make films because I feit like I tad something to say, hut there's really no recipe for success as an independent filmmaker.
"In America, success is measured by how many millions you make at the box office."

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## The Hobbt he <br> Kelly E. Hertlein <br> tFANTASYTALE COMESTO LIFE THROUGH PUPPETRY. <br> "The Japanese tradition of Bunraku is what we travel quickly," he said. "We travel around

 DAIIY EGYTIAN RETORTERHis physical appearance on stage may simply be his physical shadow, however, Lite StDenis' describes his performance in the les. endary play "The Hobbit" as magical and uplifting.
"You can see the puppeteers silhouettes for about the first two minutes of the show," said St -Denis, a puppeteer and tour director of "The Hobbit". "After that it disappears. The magical set and mystical puppets capture your attention and the focus is on the story, not us or our silhouettes.

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The performance of "The Hobbit" will be of 3 p.m. Scturday in Shryock Auditorium. All seats are $\$ 14.50$. For information, call 453-3379 or fax 453-8164.

The story, a leg. endary tale depicting the fantasy of Mr. Bilbo Baggins, a hobbit who ventures from his comiortable home to encounter Trolls, Goblins and hideous monsters, is a work that took creators nearly two years to adapt for the stage.
"It took about a year for all of the creators to make an adaptation from the book." St-Denis said. "After this a designer was asked to make costumes, and finally sets were drawn and put to scale."

He also admits that, although his puppet mastering talents are now polished and perfected, the ability to perform the puppeteer's craft was his to begin with.
"There are thousands and thousands of movements for your puppet," St-Denis said. "You have ir find what movernens you are proficient at and work from there."

The craft of puppeteering was originally studied by the Japanese in a technique called Bunraku, a familiar practize for the puppet masters of "The Hobbit."
every puppeteer begins with," St-Denis said. "Now, or at least eventually, we as puppeceers find our own way to maripulate the puppet find our own way to manipulate the puppe
and move on from the furm of Bunraku."
Each puppet is usually navigated by more than one actor, who may manipulate the arms, feet or head. The size of each purpet determines the manpower needed to control them.

- "The puppets are as little as 3 feet tall to 25 fiet in length," St-Denis said. "Each puppet. with the exception of the 3 -foot, is operated by two actors. The dragon, big and magical. has four manipulators."

St-Denis said with only five puppeceer operators involved in "The -Hobbit". rehearsals are important, but time for rehearsal is difficult'for the cast to find. "It is very tight work considering entertainer is creating one character,: ing one character,"
he said. "We only spend a few days each place and we don't have time to rehearse, but we did practice for nearly two. montlis before we began touring."

The time spent from the actors' native city of Montreal is stressful times, but St Denis said it is the. profession the - profession they chose and
the lifestyle they prefer.
"My God,

the world and sometimes it is difficult, but we chose the job because we want to be on stage to tell the story to the people."
"We are prepared for living weck to week or month to month. The amazement of each city makes the travel a litule easier."

St-Denis and his fellow cast members are from colorful backgrounds and find the utmost joy in the perforning arts field.
"All of the actors come from the artistic world, but they are all very different," he said. all very difleren,
"Some of them are dancers or musicians or actors. There is no particular thing for a puppeteer.
"It is amazing because everywhere we go we talk about the show and the city we are in, and veryone has a different perspec tive ${ }^{\text {each." }}$等


## CARBONDALE.

Songsmith's multilingual music fills Cousin Andy's

International performer James Durst will demonstrate his multilingual talents at 8:30 tonight at Cousin Andy's Coffee House, 402 W. Mill St.

Durst will enthrall his audience with lyrics sung in as many as 15 languages from nearly every international culture around the globe.

His performance is a combination of original and traditional works. The intended message of his music is to provide his listeners with a feeling of hope and encouragement.

Local musician Brian Kelso Crow will warm up the crowd about 7:30 p.m. with his Celtic-inspired guitar work.
Doors open at $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Admission is $\$ 5$ for adults and $\$ 3$ for students and low income families.

For information, call 529-3533.

## Strategic gaming invades

Student Center Saturday
Students searching for an alternative to the bar scene and looking for a more stimulating evening can spend their hours from noon to midnight Saturday in the Student Center ballrooms with "Highlander, Warzone."

The strategic gaming tournament is sponsored by Castle Perilous and takes place every Saturday.

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## Play explores parenting's epic adventure

PARENTING: "Little Footsteps" echo of "Mad About You."

## Landon Wiluams Daily Egytion Rerorter

The dramatic nature of the situation and characters in "Little Footsteps" has earned the play a humorous nickname shared by the cast and crew.

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-Little Footsteps will run of Mcleod Theotre Feb. 20, 21, 27 and 28 of 8 p.m. and March of 2 p.m. Admission is $\$ 10$ for adults, 58 for seniors and $\$ 5$ for children and SIUK students. - For
information, call 453-3001.
"Il's been dubbed the 'Birth Control Show' by students working on the set,". director Lori Merrill-Fink said.

The play, which begins its first of four performances. tonight at 8 in McLeod Thcatre, is a light-hearted comedy about 30-something profes-
sional couple living in Manhattan. The couple is standing frantically at the juncture of parenthood expecting the birth of their first child.

Merrill-Fink said "Little Footsteps" is reminiscent of the show "Mad About You" and the book "Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus" because of the relationship between the actors and the high level of conic energy on the stage.

Joney and Ben, the expecting
couple, go from a jolly 'We're' going to have a baby' to a reckless 'Oh my God, we're going to have a baby, ${ }^{\text {. }}$ : Merrill-Fink said.

Ben is the parent that has the biggest worries about their child. Ben's uncertainty and frantic actions cause his wife, who is, at the time, six months pregnant, to leave for her mother's place. And Joney's father, Gil, played by Aaron Hanna, a senior in theater from Hurst, is not too happy with that idea.
"Parenting never stops," Hanna said. "Once you commit to parenthood, it's for life. The scope may get smaller, but they never stop needing you."

Joney and Ben are played by SIUC theater students Melody Hesketh and Thom Miller respectively.

Neither Hesketh nor Milier have committed to parenthood but the knowledge and experience of director Merrill-Fink provides the two lead actors with first-hand experience.

Hesketh said the help she receives from the directer makes her acting job easier and more fun. "Lori's great. She's a real mother. She knows what it's like to be pregnant, deliver and parent a child," she said. "I didn't even have to do any research."

Julinda Wilson, a sen, wr in theater from Chicago and stage manager for "Little Footsteps," said after viewing the play and listening to the director her parenting dreams are not going to be too pleasant anymore.
"In the beginning, the wife has to deal with two babics:: said Wilson. "Listening to the director
coach Melody [Joney], by relaying her parenting experiences, makes me not want to have kids anytime soon. Thal's why we call the : play "The Birth Control Show.'"

Merrill-Fink's decision to direct the play was based on her review of playwright Ted Tally's work and the numerous monologues from various performers.
But in spite of the comedy in and surrounding the play, MerrillFink thinks there is a notable lesson to be learned from the play. Merrill-Fink said parenting is no walk in the park, but it is still a life-changing experience as the play comically presents.
"It's in-your-face reality. There are a few things in the world that can change your life," she said. "A child is one of those things that shapes one into a grown-up in the true sense of the word."



PARENTHOOD: Melody Hesketh, a senior in music and theater from Carbondale, and Thom Miller, idraduata student from Cape Girardeau, Mo., act out a scene from the play "Lithle Footsleps," which premieres tonight al Meleod Theater.


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kind of promotion or raise that I could ever get.

Major takes her job seriously. She spends 12 hours a day counseling students in her office Throughout the year, she also trav els the Midwest recruiting students. This leaves litte spare time for Major, spare time she uses to write an array of plays and skits.

However, she manages to be the adviser to four SIUC Registered Student Organizations: Oops! Entertainment, a theater group: Black Fire Dancers, a multi-dance group; Finesse, also a dance group; and Voices of Inspiration, a gospel choir
"This is a good way for me to

## Race

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## information with a helpless, angry

 feeling.She was just so unkind," Shim said. "She was very stiff instead of helping me with the books."

Atsushi Miki, a senior in speech communication from Japan, said he also has had negative encounters with Americans:As a result, he often avoided asking for help so that he would not endure experi ences like Shim's.
"When I first came here, it was frustrating," he said. "I just tried to leam how everything worked so that I wouldn't have any problems."

Although Shim enjoys his time in America and generally häs had better experiences with Arrericans, he said his and Miki's experiences are not isolated ones.
make sure that students get the information they need to be successful at SIUC," she said. "It's crucial, but students need a support system. I try to be involved with the groups as much as I can."

Carl Smiley, a junior in aviation from Chicago and a member of Oops! Entertainment, said if Major was not the adviser of the organization he would be doubtful about the group's success.
"When Brenda's there and working with us, our group seems to run as smooth as silk," he said. "But. when she's not there, our leadership does not match what Brenda brings to the table. We're like a.deer caught in headlights."

Major said she tries to allow students to get hands-on experience without her watching cver.them. She wants to be there as much as
possible, but her office duties are a priority.

I do have a priority to my job," she said. "Hut I do know that when they look out into that audience they feel good to see me.
"Because I have such a strong attachment with the students here it's hard when l'm on the road. Sometimes I feel like I need to be two people."
Major is a role model for several students, such as Dante Thomas, a senior in mechanical engineering from Metropolis. For two years, Major has continuously encouraged him to finish college. He does not know where he would be without her.
"She's able to relate to rre with my school work - a lot of things," Thomas said. "She's given me a lot of insight into moving forward. Of
course, I would have leamed some things, but if I didn't have Brenda I probably would be two years behind.
"I'm really blessed. If I was in trouble she would be there."

Major said her job is to be helpful toward students. Support and advice are necessities for college students.

The plensure she gets from interacting with istudents has caused Major to continue her drive to ensure success for AfricanAmericans. She has no intentions of leaving SIUC anytime soon.
"I just feel so proud to be in the position I am in," she said. "I thank God that students look to me as a resource. I just try to give back what is given to me. I can't imagine a student experiencing college without someone to talk to.

But, he believes those experiences may add to SIUC's problem with declining international enrollment. American universities' reputations can be enhanced by positive word-of-mouth among international students ano their friends and families.

SIUC generally has the good reputation of having 'Southern hospitality and for treating international students well," Shim said. "It's really important to keep these traditions to maintain international students who prefer the hospitality here as opposed to other campuses." Joh

John Jackson, vice chancellor of Academic Affairs and provost, is worried about these and similar experiences that could occur on campus. He is one of the administrators who are working to return the campus to its former standing. but he says discrimination against international students is not one of the problems threatening SIUC's
enroliment.
We have welcomed internationals from around the world for half century, it's part of our tradition," he said. "I can't tell you that no international student has ever experienced bins or prejudice or even racism. I will say in general SIUC is a pretty tolerant place."

While Jackson does not confirm nor deny that SIUC's intermaional students encounter discrimiorion he belicves a university aation, he believes a university is activities.
"I'm sure there had been some unfortunate examples of bad behaviors," he said. "I'm trying my best io set a tone that would say living in the modern world includes learning to get along with people who are different from your own background. racial, ethnic, gender, whatever gaps need to be closed when you are in an univesity setting.
"If we don't do ithere, where
will we ever accomplish it in our society?"

Shim believes there is an simple solution to help prevent negative experiences for internationa! students, a solution that would benefit the entire student body.

- Although some international students may need extri، help learning campus ways because of their unfamiliarity with U.S. language and culture, Shim says people who are able to help these and all students can benefit the campus by taking this challenge $i$ is stride.

Just being nice can go a long way toward making intemational students feel welcomed.
"I inderstand that people who have a lot of contact with students might get tired of dealing with students," he said. "They might not have a lot of energy left to smile and say 'hi' to students. It would make a huge difference if the employees would just say "hello" and smile."

## Muddy

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## bias."

The judges and the films to be viewed have been decided entirely by the students involved with the Big Muddy for the past 20 years. But one thing that is not totally up to the students is how much moncy will be available to keep the festival running year after year.
Though the Cinema and Photography Department helps the Big Muddy out with equip ment and space, Covell said the University should get more involved be ause of the success of the Big Muddy over the years.
"If you look at the overall bud get of the festival, which is closely associated with the University my guess is that 85 to 90 percent of it cones from sources other than the University," he said. "The festival has brought a lot of recog. nition to this Uhiversity. It would be nice if the administration was more attentive and more support ive of it because it has certainly brought a lot of national and inter national visibility to the University."

Nemenoff said that recognition is coming from the filmmakers that have been involved with the Big Muddy in the past as well as some of the popular films that have been shown through the years.
"Last year a movie we had "Breathing Lessons" - actually won an Oscar. Stuff like that is really important because it gets the festival noted," he said. "It's also gotten a national reputation through word of mouth. I mean it's been around for 20 years and there's people all over the world submitting movies to it.".

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 (Leff to Right) Ann DeHorn, E.G. Hughes and Elsie Speck protested a possible military strike against Iraq Wednesday of the corner of Main Street and North Illinois Ave. Justro dowis/

## Pension

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succeeded in persuading Sen. Dave Luechtefeld, R-Okawville, to sponsor ars amendment to the pension bill allowing retirees to opt out of the new program and retain their original pension packages.
The amendment uas defeated in the Senate during the veto session, falling five votes short of the threefifths majority needed.

Fommier and Luechtefeld attribute the vote to inflated budget figures supplied by the Bureatu of the Eudget on behalf of the governor, who opposed the amendment. They also contend many of the legislators voting had not been pressured by university consutuencies who comprise the bulk of the pension bill's opposition.
Though the attempt failed, Pormmier and company are refusing to quit, and subsequently have contacted Sen. Bradley Burzynski, RSycamesci, and Rep. Larry Weolard, D-Carterville, who have agreed to back ancther effort to amend the pension bill.
To this poins, it is unclear whether the two iegislators will introduce their own bills or lend support to a bill submitted Tuesday by Rea. The bill, SB 1368, mirrors

Luechtefeld's amendment, offering he said. "I'm just not sure about the Stute University Retirement System bil's. proponents and wha: they're
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it would be too late to introduce any new legislation as the deadline passed Tuesday. The Senate deadline is Friday, but according to a Senate staffer, no further pension legislation will be submitted.
SURS Director Jim Hacking, an act ${ }^{-}$paricipant in the fight to amend the pension bill last fall, has yet to contact legislators this session. Hacking could not predict the outcome of Rea's bill but said he would work on behalf of university staffers again if asked to do so.
"It's not that I'm not optimistic,"
"The issue is not dead by any means. We're inst going to have to see what happens,"

Regardless : of the tenor in Spaingfield, Pommier is back in the saddle, rallying the troops for another exhaustivi effort to aiddress what she refers to as the inequities in the she refers to as the inequities in the
pension bill.
ti "It's a matter of sindamental ty fuirness," shes said.
77 Pommier, in coordination with I 700 other university workers across the state, will continue to push for choice in relirement this session. To accomplish this, she is preparing to forge a broader effort thai will forge a broader effort that will
include more universities and colinclude more universities and co
leges affected by the new pien.

Pommier is adamant her activities in the fall were not in vain, contending renewed efforts'will meet vith success. If the results are unfavorable however, the General Assen in expect the tenacious red-haireo SIUC staffer to keep fighting:
"I'm optimistic that we'll be able to pick up the five votes we need," she said. "If we can't, we'll be here every session until there is an accommodation.
"Unless they think they're talking to a ghost, we have no intention of going away."

## Housing

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of residents ranging from graduation to suspension. .

A flyer pested in residence halls and housing area offices said, "the more efficiently Lniversity Housing manages the residence halls. the lower the rates you pay and the more services that can be offered."

Kiri: said the saved money will help keep the buildings in good condition and help fund any renovations that are needed.

According to the Residence Hall Guide Bu-K, University Housing has the right to move students to accommodate others requesting single rooms, he said. They will only move people when someone does not iespund to the letter.

Each area office keeps a signap list for students to sign-up for single rooms.

Kirk said all paper work should be completed before spring break and moving should begin as late as one week after the break.

Marissa Benson, a sophomore in hotel and restauran menagement from Bartlett, said
her roommate moved out of housing at the beginning of the semester.

Benson said that she in not certain what she will do. Housing has informed her that she has until Tuesday to decide what she will do.
"I don't want to move. I've lived in the same room for two years now," Benson said.
"It will either cost me $\$ 300$ to keep my same room or move in with someone that I don't even know.
"I'm just not sure what $I$ want to do."

John Schroeder, a junior in architecture from Secore, said his roommate moved out'at the beginning of the semester.

Schroeder now has a single rooni in Nae Smith and said he 'plans on paying to keep his single room but hius not told University Housing of his intentions yet.
"I plan on buying out my roon and keeping it as a single," Schroeder said.
"But this is the first time that I heard that I need to respond within five days.
"I don't think that would be fair. I'm just glad that I'm going to pay for my single room."


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the calm meeting. At last week's USG meeting, a group of about 70 protesters jeered at Beggs, Athletic Deparment Director Jim Hart and executive members of USG.
"I think I'm treated fairly, and I think all of the students really made good points," he said. "I thank them for giving me the opportunity."

Vingren said the student body's split decision likely will not hinder approval of the fee increase.

Our job is to work within the board's directive frame and follow: through with board's directive with least amount of fees possible." he said.
Vingren said students can make a bigger difference in other academic areas.
just got back from a meeting about changes in academic advisement, where we talked to about 15 members of ROTC." he said. "This sort of meeting will have so much rrore of a real effect on the student body than anything the BOT will give us in response to our opposition on the ahletic fec.


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Chancellor Donald Beggs addresses the Graduate and Professional Student Council Wednesday night in the llinois Room of the Student Center: Chancellor Beggs answered questions from the council on the proposed reduction in the student athletic fee increase. Currs K. Bus/ Curns K Bus/
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## Legendary announcer dies; touches baseball world

'HOLY COW'I Chicago baseball will never be the same without Harry Caray's famous voice.

Los Angees Times
CHICAGO - The old ballpark was dark and empty and the winter wind whistled around its grimy wind whistled around its grimy
white-washed walls. But at night-white-washed walls. But at night-
fall, a brace of candles flickered fall, a brace of candles flickered
next to a row of unopened beer cans near Wrigley Ficld's home plate entrance, an anonymous tribute to Harry Camy, the ebullient, cottonmouthed Chicago Cubs announcer who died Wednesday, leaving behind a city of broken-hearted listeners.

Caray, 77, who entranced millions of visitors to Wrigley Ficld with his croaking sing-along sev-enth-inning strectch renditions of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" and captivated radio and television audiences with his giddy shouts of "Holy Cow," was pronounced dead at Eisenhower Medical Center in Rancho Mirage, Calif.

He had been taken there by ambulance last Saturday night afier collapsing at a Valentine's Night
dinner in Palm Springs.
Caray's prognosis had been poor from the moment he fell on his dinner table as he stood to acknowledge applarse that echioed while the nightclub's band played the song, "Chicago."

In the days since, Chicagoans have obsessed cyer Caray's fading health with the same forlorn fascination that Vatican watchers reserve for dying popes.
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casts. Respiratory specialists came forward to explain Caray's condition.
"hypoxic ischemic encephalopathy," a loss of oxygen and blood flow to the brain

At Caray's popular downtown restaurant, devoted patrons bawled out emotional versions of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" each night at 7:30 p.m., still hoping against hope that Caray might retum to lead them.
If Chicago's hearssick vigil for Caray may have seemed excessive for a broadcaster, it made perfect
sense in a town that adores the com: mon touch in its herocs. Caray's gargling, malaprop-laced bascball namatives were a link to the golden age of sports broadcasting, to the silky banter of Mel Allen and the bannyand wisdom of Red Barber, iconoclastic regional voices replaced by a younger generation of sportscasters who thrive on statistics and cheap controversy.

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Jack Brickhouse, the 82 -year-old former play-by-play man who preceded Caray as the voice of the Cubs, said Caray "was a bom entertainer who was able to take that talent to the world of spors." And Caray, Brickhouse added, "was sincerely a fan and an absolute expert about baseball. He knew the game real well."

But to Chicagoans, Caray was more than a venerated play-by-play man. He was an Everyman who relished plunging into a crowd. He was
a tourist atraction who kept Wrigley Field crowds hanging on until the seventh-inning stretch even as the Cubs played - as they often have - pitifully. He was a pub crawler who bought so many rounds for the house at downtown bars that he became the unofficial "Mayor of Rush Strect," one of the town's many pub strips.
And for generations of young Chicago kids, Caray's was the last voice they heard before diffing off to sloep, the shepherd of their age-old unrequited ove affair with the Cubs.
"It won't be the same without him,". 13-year-old Devon Giltner wailed into his mother's arms outside Wrigley Field on Wednesday night. Shelly Giltner had walked young Devon-over to the bailpark from their northside Chicago home "because we just had to be here. Even if there was nobody else here, we just had to pay our respects. This is where we saw Harry and this is where we'll remember him."

They gathered with a knot of other fans around a brass plaque
honoring Caray that has been embedded for years in the sidewalk outside Wuigley: All night long, fans pulled into the stadium's pariong lot and left mementos in honor of the broadcaster. Some left candles. Some left bottles and cans of Budweiser, Caray's favorite brew.

Megan Ward and Jill Gerdzos, two 18 -yerr-olds from the distant south suburb of Oak Forest, drove an hour to leave a spray of carnations. Ward, a sad-faced girl with an eyebrow ring. said "Harry was like family to us. We knew him with the Sox, then with the Cubbies. We grew up with him He's like your. grandparents you can't imagine them not being there.
Caray had been a fixture in Chicago for nearly three decades, broadcasting for 11 years with the White Sox, then for the last 16 with the Cubs. Although the Cubs management and WGN-TV, both owned by the Chicago-based Tribune Company, had no plans to retire Caray or phase him out in coming years, they had plamned to pair him this year with his grandson, Chip, now a broadcaster for the Orlando Magic basketbal team.

## Earnhardt set to challenge

 son in Winston CupLos Angeles Times

After you've won the Daytona 500 in your 20th attempt, to go with the seven Winston Cup championships, 71 wins and $\$ 32$ million in race eamings, what goals remain - other than an eighth championship?
"l'd like to be racing against Dale Jr. in the Winston Cup," Dale Earnhardt said during a quick visit to Los Angeles betweèn his Daytona win and Sunday's Goodwrench 400 at Rockingham, N.C. "He ought to be ready in another year or two.
"Looking back (to 1988), when Bobby and Davey Allison finished one-two in the Daytona 500, I think that was pretty impressive. If he (Dale Jr.) keeps doing his thing, keeps improving, we could be there together."

Junior gave his dad and Teresa, his mother and car owner,
an anxious moment last Saturday when his car flipped upside down during tie Busch Grand National race:
"He woke up the next day with a litte headache, he had a slight concussion but nothing that won? keep him out of this Saturday's race at Rockingham. Those are the sort of things that can happen to you. Dick Trickle just got bumped into him and the next thing he knew he was upside down
"You know, that's not the first time we've seen him on his head. The first time I saw him race a go-kart, Teresa and I took him down to Sanford (N.C.). He started on the outside of the third or fourth row and he came off (turn) two on the outside of the second-place guy.. He didn't know Junior was out there and when he clipped hls wheel, Dale Jr. went up in the air tumbling just like he did at Daytona."


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