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(Above) Ruth Ann Carter and Zebray, I , meet lesha, 6 , as she returns from schosl Tuesday afternoon.
(Top) lesha stands in front of her mother and brother Zebray at their trailer outside of Carterville.
 uth Ann Carter was a young mother with an infant son when she moved to Illinois 14 years ago, fleeing a life ridden with crime and tragedy.
Her troubled life began in Gary, Ind., where she lived the first 24 years of her life. When she was 19 , her first husband was fatally shot three times in the head. Two years later, her 21st birthday party ended when a builet ripped through an artery in her left leg, leaving permanent damage.

After ending an abusive relationship, giving birth to a still-born daughter and getting slapped with three battery charges stemming from her involvement in a gang, Ruth packed up h
doned Gary:
Hen Gary:
Her original purpose in coming to Carbondale was to complete the community service she racked up from her criminal tendencies in Indiana. In 1989, a few years after her arrival, Ruth opened a whole new chapter of her life.

She became a junkle. It started with her drug-dealer neighbor in the Carbondale Mobile Homes. Ruth remembers watching him one day as he unsuecessfully tried to
prepare crack cocaine.
I rold bim be was deing something wring And then be asked me 'do you know bow to do
She did

> She did.

Ruth picked up the skill from an exboyfriend. It's not hard. Just add a little baking soda and water to some cocaine, throw on a little heat and presto - let the rock formation commence.
Ficr drug addiction started slowly at first, and then snowballed until it was beyond control. The crack was so readily accessible. With the powdery drug simmering as close as the stovetop in her kitchen, Ruth figured he might as well start using herself. She remembers how harmless it felt in those early

## For more than a

 decade, Ruth Ann Carter smoked crack, endangering her health and compromising the safety of her children. From hell and back, she has changed her life: for herself, for her future and ... hildren by Eulalie Frye days, shortly after her arrival in Carbondale. I thought it wass a joke. I was telling everybody 'Guess what I did last night. I smoked cocainc.'Thy thought it was cute like I thought it was aute.But after a while it wasn't so cute anymore. Crack became a routine necessity instead of a recreational outlet. The addiction culminated with the birth of her second child, a little boy who was addicted to crack the day he was born, Sept. 26, 1990.

As her crack fixation mounted, so did her greed. Bits and pieces from the neighbors stash was not enough to satisfy her. She wanted to make a lirtle money on the deal.

II wanted to get credit. I couldn't afford to keep myself bigh and keep my bills paid.

Her neighbor generously cut her in on some of the sales profit. Later, desperate for more money to pay bills, support her children and buy drugs, Ruth took to retail theft to supplement her habic. Her cateer as a petty thief from 1992 to 1999 consummated in a few arrests with minimal jail time
The short-lived euphoria generated b crack use is usually followed by a "crash" that

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## Request for DNA testing stalls Forcum murder trial

## Brett Nauman

 Dally EgyptianMURPHYSBORO - The murder trial of Donald Forcum has been delayed ye again - this time for independent DNA testing of evidence requested by the defense at a motion hearing in the Jackson Counry Jail courtroom Wednesday morning
Forcum is accused of fatally stabbing SIU student Rence N. DiCicco on June 10 at 2 a.m. in her apartment. Jackson County deputies responded to reports of a neighbor-
hood disturbance at 72 England Heights Road in Carbondale and discovered DiCicco dead and her boyfriend, Brett Janecke, seriously injured. Forcum was arrested seven hours after police discovered their bodies and charged him with first-degree murder. He contends that he was at a bar on the Strip or on his way home during the time of the attack.

Jury selection for Forcum's original trial was scheduled for Jan. 29, but was postponed so his defense could send state's evidence for independent DNA testing at Genetic Technologies in Missouri. Public Defender

Patricia Gross said a blood-stained boot lace is necessary for the deferse to compare blood standards of other items gathered by police. Jackson County State's Attorney Mike Wepsiec suspects the motion has other motives.

This motion is being entered by the defendant as an obvious tactic to delay this case," Wepsiec said. "We're approaching the 10 -month period in this case, which is not overly long for a murder case. But justice delayed is justice denied."

Wepsiec said he wanted to "pin down" Gross and Forcum to clarify their request for
additional evidence. He said she sinould have all the evidence tested, including a boot smeared with DiCicco's blood discovered at Forcum's apartment by police. He said he does not want any lack of defense testing to be used as fuel for future Forcum appeals. Gross said the trial's delays have not been the intention of the defense.
"Despite Wepsice's belief in the delay racties of the defense, well I think he knows better," Gross said. "He can say whatever he


## Forcum

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wants for the press." Wepsiec objected to her comments.
On her way out the door, responding to Wepsiec's allegations of delay tactics, Gross retorted, "One cheap shot deserves another."

Although Wepsicc's accusation contends that Forcum is trying to draw out the time untill his trial, Gross informed Jackson

County Circuit Judge E. Dan Kimmel that the independent testing would only take two weeks. She said the evidence would have to wait until next Monday to be mailed via Federal Express, so that it does not arrive on the weekend when the lab is closed.

Kimmei accepted the defendant's motion with one condition.
There should be cooperation between both parties to present the foundation of this material," Kimmel said.


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## Hell

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can cause anxiety, depression, irritability, extreme fatigue and paranoia. Generally thought to be the most addictive street drug, crack's social consequences on an addict are extreme. Usars become overty suspicious and alienate their loved ones, further plummeting into a hellish existence, haunted by the demons enly they can see.
During this time in her life, Ruth describes herself as an "addict in denial."

The paranola hit.
I thought everybody was the police. I woild imagine I fut drugs and bid them somewherc. Sometimes I actually bad But otber times, I just wanted to think I had."

Irritability and exhaustion followed.
"You can't go to slecp because you zuant more. I wasn't for real about anything . I can't describe it. You feel stupid. But you want more and more because you want to keep feeing stupid"

The lies began.
Everything was a joke. I made excuses for a lot of stuff, Like I don't want to go to work today, my son is sick' But be wasnt sick I was sick. I just didnt want to admir it."

RaISEd BY A PRESCRIPTION-JUNKIE MOTHER and an alcoholic stepfather, Ruth has been exposed to substance abuse since she was a small child. But
witnessing the effects of drum-abuse firsthand did not act as a deterrent for her. Instead, she glorified the lifestyle.

I remember the fint time I smelled it. Where we lived, the window would always be open in the summer. We lived rigbt next to a liquor store, people were always smoking joints outside The smell would come into the bouse through the windou*

Ithoughr it was cool. This girl came over one time, and she was so bigh. Sbe was. dressed real nice All the guy's wanted ber. I bad no idea sbe was $=$ booker. But I wanted. to grow up to be just like ber. Everytime I saw her the quar in a nice aar and I thought that wacs so neat Sbe ware the best clothes that was so and ber bair wats always done I just loved

Ruth said she's been clean since August. Now, it is difficult to reconcile a crack addict with the placid, 38-year-old woman perched on the comer of her couch in her cramped living room.

But the worries history will repeat itself. Ruth's daughter, lesha, has seen and felt the effects of drug use.
"It makes me wonder," Ruth said glancing at the floor where the 6-year-old sits watching cartoons. "What path will sits watching
she take?"

Her breaking point carne Dec. 2. In the aftermath of an emotional breakup with the father of her youngest son Zebray, Ruth became drunk and wrecked her car. The day after the accident, the apartment where Ruth and her two youngest children had been living was
raided by the police. Zebray's father was arrested after drugs were recovered in the home.

The police intervened and wamed Ruth they would have the Department of: Children and Family Services take custody of her children if they were not removed from the Carbondale apartment.

Beside the tribulations any recovering-. drug addict and single-mother faces; Ruth is a diabetic. The disease has left her with waning use of both hands and difficulty spealing. Unsavory eating habits, ciometres and drug-use further compounded her disease, leaving the arteries in her left ler 50 ease, leaving the artenies in her left leg so clogged doctors were forced to amputate from the knee down. It was the same leg that intercepted a bullet on her 21 st birthday

In early January Ruth permanenty traded the roach and drug-infested tenement she had been occupying on Carbondale's Northeast side, for a doublewide trailer outside the city. She located the trailer with the help of an outreach worker from the Good Samaritan Home; a shelter at 701 S. Marion St

Now, in the more subdued atmosphere of the trailer park, Ruth has begun dedicat ing her life to raising her children and receiving the word of God
"I saw the light," Ruth said. "I look forwand to going to church on Sunday even though it lasts a long time and they want you to keep standing up. But I look forward to it because its like our outing. It's the right thing to do, to bring my kids up believing in

God,
"Since TVe had him," she syys awhwardIy balancing Zebray on her prosthecic leg. This si the longest Tve stayed off crack" But tempitioion lingers. And Ruuh is Gighting it the orly way she knows howisolation,
'I dont want to even have a personal conversation with a usec: Im not strong enough. Tve sad no before. But then I think about it Should $I$ ty to call them back? I wouldn't even invite people here to use or people that I know wse. If thejir not in the church I really dont want to be bothered with them. Users are beggars and I got nothing to give ${ }^{\text {m }}$

Ruth can never regain the years she lost as an addict jeopandizing her own health and neglecting her chidder. Her 10-yeir old son lives with his futher in Caifiomia, batting the long-tem side effects of being bom a crack-bbby Her oldest son, now $15^{\circ}-$ years-old lives in Carbondale wiṭ his aunt. But the new year has brought neev pronise

With a little help from her sister and a local thrift shop, Ruth acquired a few pieces of fumiture to decorate her new home witín just last wrek, ending a two-month strecth of living of the flooit She still has no cib for her infant son, nor can shée get a telephone until she pays of her outstanding bills and all those bad checks she wrote But she's finally on her way:

Looking around at the disarray of unopened baxes and fumiture stacked to the ceiling Ruth offers a tiny smile.
"It's just like starting fom scratch."


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## Mess at the Rec

## Crowded Recreation Center to cool down soon

## Sarah roderts

Sweaty students scurrying to tone up in the final days before spring break may think the Recreation Center is overrun with children and visitors, but it won't be much of an issue after this week
More than 3,000 people flock to tise Recreation Center each day from January to March to toil on tracks and treadmills in an effort to keep New Year's iesolutions and brave the beaches on spring break, according to assistant director Brian Lukes.
While this increase in traffic may be an incomvenience to some, the number of patrons traditionally decline by the end of March.
John Bleyer, a sophomore in madio-television from Carbondale, has worked at the Recreation Center for a year and a lualf. $\vec{A}_{s}$ a senior administrative student supervisor, he oversees many of the center's activities and has learned to gauge its crowds.

This is always the busiest time of the year, but people tend to fade out once spring break is over," Bleyer

## said.

While families and guests generally utilize the
Recreation Center on weekends, they may also do so throughout the week, a relatively new policy in the building's 23-year history. The revised standard; coupled with field trips, birthday parwith field inps, birthay par-
ies and instructional classes, often result in large crowds, particularly in the evening and $n$ weekends.
However, there is a consciou attempt to ensure that-the proper people are using the center, as all guests must show picture IDs before purchasing a one-day pass for $\$ 5$. Students who forget or misplace their student IDs must also purchase a. puest pass without purchase . guest pass without exception which is a common source of dis
pleasure.
In an attempt to preserve the Recreation Center largely for students, an unlimited number of student family members may purchase guest passes, but only two non-family guests are allowod; even if they are willing to pay for passes.
In addition, guards monitor both


The recent increased use of the Recreation Center's facilities will most likely begin to decline after Spring Break, say Recreation Center employees.
entrances and verify IDs during the
cemed with others taking advantage center's busiest hours from roon until $9 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. But as the center is open from $5: 30 \mathrm{am}$ to $10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. throughout the week and 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on weekends, some individuals may take advantage of the early hours to sneak into the building or use a friends ID.
While this scenario is rare, Lukes acknowiedged that numerous people have tried to find altemative ways into the center throughout the years. "It's always been a problem," Lukes said:

Despite the seasonal crowds and occasional vigilantes, the majority of SIUC students arent overly con-
of the Recreation Center.
Bleyer estimates he has received complaints on periaps two occasions concerning overcoowding during his cmployment. Otherwise, he said the center runs smoothly throughiout the year.
"It's generally not that bad, except it alu_ys gets hectic these last couple of months," Bleyer said

Lukes explained that the center's impressive features and solid reputation always attract more than just SIUC students.
"I think you're always going to have other people wanting to use a nice facility like this," Lukes said.

## NESESANBRIS

## Carbondale

WIDB seeking new staff positions for next year

WIDB, Carbondale's student-run radio station, is seeking staff members for the 2001-2002 school year.
Applications must be tumed into the station's greaduate assistant by 5 p.m. on March 21. Inteviews will be conducted from 3 to 6 p.m. on March 23.

For applications and more information, visit the website at unwwidb.net or contact Slimb or Scott at 536.2361.

## MURPHYSBORO

Upshaw pleads guilty to Gurglary

An SIUC student charged with residential burglary pleaded guilty Wednesday to a reduced charge of burglary.
In pleading guilty to the reduced charge, Christopher Upshaw; 19, was eligibie for probation. Upshaw was originally charged with two counts of residential burglany, a Class 1 felony. Burglary is a class 2 felony and is a probational offense. He also faced two counts of theft.

In a plea agreement with the State's Attomey Office, Upshaw pleaded guilty to the amended charge and the state moved that the other three charges against him be dismissed: In retum for his guity plea, the proseartion recommended 30 months probation, a fine of $\$ 200$ plus costs and restitution in the amount of \$383. With costs, Upshaw will owe a total of \$853.

# Allinois cracking down on drinking and driving 

Molly Parker Daliy Egyptian

Secretary of State Jesse White released a traffic-safety proposal Tuesday aimed at getting tough on repear DUI offenders and people who drive excessively drunk on Jllinois roads.

The new proposal would incrense penalices for repeat DUI offenders or those found driving at twice the blood-. alcohol legal linit of 0.08 and require mandatory jail sentences.
Under current law a person who is issued a DU்ं can be fined up to $\$ 2,500$ and one year in jail Although left under the jurisdiction of the courts, a first-ime offender is typicully sentenced to pay 5500 and court superviSIOn.

SIUC Police Lt. Todd Sigler said, the most important aspect of the new proposal is the penalty for those found driving in excessive drunkenness, since almost one third of all fatal traffic accidents are attributed to drivers with a blood alcohol content of 0.16 or greater.

There were 35 DUI tickets given in 2000 on the SIU campus and surrounding aren. There was only one "Zero Tolerance" violation, which Zero Tolerance volation, which under the age of 21 found with under the arge of 21 found with any level of alcohol in their blood: Sigles said this was a low fgure for a college
campus:
According to a 1999 study by the Secretary of Stute's Office, males age 21-24 had the highest DUl anrest rate, accounting for 27.7 in every 1,000 licensed invers. This is four times greater than all other drivers arrested with a DUI.
The National Transportacion Safery Board reports that only 1 percent of drivers on the road have an alcohol level above 0.15 percent. But more than 27 percent of all fatal traffic accidents are a result of drivers with a blood alcohol content at 0.15 or above

White introduced a similar proposal in September but it was met with some disagreement by law enforcement officials, said Dave Druker, a spokesman for the Secremry of State's Office.

The original proposal mandated
that officials confiscate cars of repeat that a group of this size has come DUI offenders but questions arose about the feasibility of storing cars for a long period of time. [The law officals'] main concem Illinois Sheriffs' Association was if you confiscate a car and it is in their possesson, what would
with it," Druker said.

Under the new pro posil, Druker said cars will be locked wiuh a "Denver boot," which is a device attached to the hubeap to prevent motion of the wheel. The proposal also gives a judge authority to gives a judge aumotize vehicles of persons cuught driving on persons cuight driving on a suspended or revoked
license by seizing the license plates or installing a boot device.

Although the intent of the proposals are similar, Druker said the small changes in the new proposal has gained the support of anti-drunk driving groups, $\mathrm{J}_{\text {w }}$ enforcement officials and the alcohol-beverage industry.
Druker said this is the first time


Gus says: This gives new meaning to the term . "double shot"

Mothers Against Drunk Driving together in support of a traffic-safety Associated Association Disstributors of Illinois, Distributors of Jllinois,
Anheuser-Busch Brewing Anheuser-Busch Brewing Company, Miller Brewing
Company and Coors Brewing Company.
"Point-eight [blood-alcohol-content] is a good law, but the concept here is to give more teeth to the law enforcement and get tougher on repeat offenders and people driving while drinking excessively,"Druker said

Thursday, Jesse White will hold a public forum for discussion and testimony on his proposal dur-
ing a Judiciary Committee on Criminal Justice at the Stratton Building in Springfield.
The bill was sent before the House Executive Committee on Wednesday and Rep. John Fritchey, D-Chicago,
one of the legislation's main sponsors, said it received a favorable report. The legislation, drawn from White's motorsafety proposal, was introduced into the House on Tuesday and is awaiting House discussion and a final vote.

Fritchey suid it was a substantial improvement to the law and makes Illinois a forerunner in its attempt to crack down on repeat DUI offenders.

He said one of the most important aspects of the traffic-safety proposal is the strict rules it applies to those driving under the influence with children in the car. When you hear that a child was killed in a drunk-driving accident it is a common misconceprion to think they were hit by a drunk driver, but in two-thirds of fatalities children are passengers in a car with a drunk driver, Fritchey said.
"It strengthens the penalies and makes people think twice, especially about getting behind the wheel drunk when they have a child on board," Fritchey suid.

Between 1985 and 1996, more tinn 3,500 children have been kiiled in the United States wiile riding with : drunk driver.

## Maximus never fought like this

Mechanical Engineering students represent SIUC, gladiator style

## CODELL RODRIGUEZ

 Dably EgyptianJames Potter is looking fonvard to entering the Battlebox and face kill saws, pulverizers and hell raisers.

Potter, a sophomore in mechanical engineering from Paducah, Ky., and other members of the American Socicty of Mechanical Engineering at SIUC are building a robot to compete on Battlebots, a robot combat program on Comedy Central. Potter and his cohorts are going to San Francisco cohorts are going to San Memncisco
from May 24 to 28 to compete in the from May 24
Potter said he got the idea while watching the show, which puts robots against each other in one-on-one combat in a hazard-filled arena. He decided that he and members of the society could compete in the tournament.

Potter plans to take himself, and anyone else who works on the project, to San Francisco, saying the attempt to San Francisen, saying the attempt to
destroy all the competition will take a destroy all the
team effort.
"It's a competition where it pays to be aggressive," Potter said. "Tinsel strength takes on a whole new meaning when you're facing a 50 -foot axhead."

To battle. these obstacles, their robot will be armed with mechanical claws to grasp the other robots and carry them to hazards. If no harards are in sight, the claws can pull the are in sight, the claws can pull the
other robot toward it and ram it into other robot toward it and ram it into
the spike that will be positioned on the the spike that will be positioned on the
front. front.
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To maneuver, the robot will have two wheels that swivel around, making

Tom Ingrim, James Poiter, Loyd Bantner and Karl Stahl discuss how to assemble the parts to their robot, "Nibble." The group will enter the robot in the May 24 through 28 Battlebots tournament in San Francisco.

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## Merrin history to air on WSIU

Southern Illinois town's 100 years incapsulated for Public Television

LIz Guaro<br>Sally EOTptian

There is a small town in Southern Illinois that once liad a massacre, as well as aeveral problems with gangsters and bootleggers back in the 1920s.

The documentary depicting this era, "A History of Herrin, Illinois," will be aired on television for the first time at 7 tonight on WSIU.
Monica Tichenor, coordinator of WSIU/WUSI-TV promotions, said WSIU wanted to air the documentary as part of its March Membership Drive to bring in support from local residents.
"We decided to air it because it's a good show. It's about the region, and it was directed by two SIUC employees," Tichenor said

The documentary chronicles the 100 -year history of Herrin. The town has about 10,000 occupants, and is located about 15 miles northeast of Carbondale. The towns history is told througn video interviews with longtime residents, vintage photographs and archival film

Although Herrin is a town full of rich history, there was an ulterior motive for making the film. Gordon Pruett, a resident of Herrin since the second grade, volunteered to make the film in honor of Herrin's Centennial celebration.
Pruett, who is also involved in marketing at SIU Press, co-directed the film with Mike Covell, an assistant professor in Cinema and Photography.
During the past 100 years, Herrin has been a town of rich Italian culure, law enforcement problems, coal mines and was once a thriving urban area.
"Herrin has a very colorful and checkered past with the
relationships between labor and management in the coal mines, and between law enforcennent and gangsters and mines, and between law enforceanent
bootleggers in the $1920 \mathrm{~s},{ }^{n}$ Pruett said.
"We talked to an old Italian resident who was a witness to the aftermath of the Herrin massacre in 1922," Prue:t said.

Herrin was also a staple to the Southern Illinois regi in in the 1920s and ' 30 s.
"We found film footage of 40,000 people attending a parade in Herrin. It was a vibrant urban area at that time," Covell said.

The small town was also visited by former President Harry S. Truman and baseball legend Yogi Berra in the 1940s. Truman made a stop in during his presidential campaign in 1948. Berra visited the town along with former legend Joe Garagiola to see a childhood friend.

Pruett and Covell also found some charming archivil
footige of a water park that once existed in Herrin.
"White City Park was an old amusement park in Herrin that rivaled any town in Illinois' parks - except Chicago," Pruett said.

Even though this documentary is solely about the history of Herrin, it is of value to everyone in the United States.
"After working with this, I've seen that it's a microcosm of the national history of small towns in the United States," Covell said.
"This vides could be about any small town in America," Pruett added.


- "A history of herain, illinois" will air on wSiu, Channel b, at 7 P.m. IT will air again sunday at 6 P.m. AND 11:30 P.M.


## Nibbler

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it possible for the robot to move forward and backward. The robot will be piloted via a remote control which cost $\$ 300$.

The only thing that is not completely decided about the robot is its rame. Potter said the only idea right now is "Nibbler," because the robot takes littie bites.
"I don't think the name's important right now. It's just important to get the thing built," Potter said. "It's not the name of the robot that matters, but the amount of butt it kicks."

The original names of the robot included more morbid titles like "Anubis," being the Egyptian god who escorted the dead to the afterlife. But students working on the
project like Tom Ingrim, a junior in electrical engineering from Winfield, said the name could be more original.

Every robot's got a name like Anubis," Ingrim said.. "We need a name like Rog."

While the robot's name is not confirmed, the team's name is. The name it will uie is SIU Robots name it will ure is SIU Robots Team. The SIU will stand for both
Southern Illinois University and Savage Innovations Utilizing Robots Team.

To build the robot, the engineers are using various parts like wind-shield-wiper motors from a 1985 Ford Escort and a power wheelchair. First, they will build a wood chersion of the robot so they can test version of the robot so they can tes its.effectiveness and figure out its "We just weake to meses.
"We just have to make them and learn from our mistakes," said Lloyd

Bantner, a junior in mechanical engineering from Carbondale, who is also b:hind the project.

If their robot is successful, the team could win a cash prize, which has yet to be determined, and the large "Golden Nut" trophy: The award for lightweight robots like Potter's in the past have been about \$2,500.

However, Potter said the award would not be his, but the pcople behind it and the society's.
"It doesn't matter who holds the nut because it's all a team effort," Potter said.

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ability in keeping its finances in order and giving them another $\$ 10$ per student for each semester is "simply incieasing the scale of their financial miszakes rather than solving any problems."
Although a majority of the council supported the \$5.50 increase, GPSC Yresident Bill Peters still was not convinced.
"Whether you like the [Fine Arts] fee or not, it is a new fee," Peters said.

Peters informed council members the Illinois Board of Higher Education has typically required that there be a student referendum before a new fee is implemented on campus.
"This is not a law," Peters said. "It is not written specifically that there has to be a referendum, but typically there is. It is board policy and if there isn't [a referendum], there can potentially be an uprising."

Hageman said without a student referendum, it would set a precedent that allows for possible increases in the future without student input.

With the way it is being introduced in this back door way, it's sort of like a test,", Hageman said.

The fine arts increase is being tacked onto the back of Ascher's proposal instead of being introduced on its own as a separate and new fee. If introduced on its own, there would be the need for a student referendum to fol-
low IBHE policy.
USG had passed the $\$ 10$ and $\$ 5.50$ increase proposals separately in mid-February in separate proposals. These same proposals were introduced in previous These same pro

However, the motion writen for Tuesday night's council meeting combined the two proposals' amounts as one and had to be voted upon as one proposal.
Council member i.eith Prufer said while both proposals were introduced separately, the SIU Board of Trustees will only see them as one increase of $\$ 15.50$.

However a resolution will be introduced at the next meeting requesting a $\$ 5.50$ increase to the Student Activity fee since most GPSC members support the Fine Arts fee.
T.J. Rutherford, interim director of the Student Center, attempted to explain the fee increase to the council.
"There's the $\$ 10$ increase, and I dor't know what you call that, and then there's the $\$ 5.50$ increment for the Fine Arts fee," said Rutherford, who works with the Office for Student Affairs.

Rutherford then said GPSC could and were encouraged to vote on each increase independently, but "they will all end up being the campus activity fee."

Following the motion to rejest the total $\$ 15.50$ Student Activity fee increase proposals, the council voted to table discussion on cither increase proposal, both of which they plan to address at the next meeting in two weeks.

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## Bandy operating with lietle time left

> Women's advocate continues continues helping students eveñ after dismissal
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Nancy Bandy has dedicated her life to causes she believes in, but her time to dedicate to SIU is dwindling swiftly:
Bandy, SIU's assistant athietic director, whose ob responsibilities center around Title IX and compliance issues, was placed on waivers this patt August by first-year Athletic Director Paul poit August

Her 19-year career of serving as a gerderequality watchdog and compliance officer at the top of the athietic department will end effective ly this autumn.

## "Paul Koivalczyk came to my office at 8 am .

 one day and told me that he was restructuring and that he wanted to bring in his own people," Bandy said. "[He said] it had nothing to do with my job performance."Assistant Athletic Director Mike Perkins was effectively relessed along with Bandy. Both of their contracts will expire on Aug. 7.
Under University regulations, Kowalezyk has to give administrative and professional personnel to give administrative and professional personnel
within the Athletic Department a one-year within the Athletic Department a one-year
notice before he can terminate their employnotice
ment.
"I'm going to try and take a look at some things and bring in some peepole whom I might be more comfortable with," Kowalcerks told the Daily Egyptian this past August.
Kowalcyyk has recently refused to comment on anything related to Bandy.
"It's unfortunate for someone who's given that much to the University," said former Associate Athletic Director Charlote West of Bandy. "She's been a tireless proponent of equity. We need more people libe her."
Bandy doesnit necessarily believe her position
was terminated only for the reasons. Kowalezyk gave her.
"I'm sure there were some political reasons involved," Bandy said.
After her contract is up at SIUC, Bandy is hopecul that she will be able to stay involved with eduation.
In addition to being a part of the genderequity committec, Bandy has written countless appeals for student-athletes. One appeal Band wrote was a national precedent at the NCAA level, helping students to change majors later in their academic careers.
Admissions/Records officer Larry Friiley has worked with Bandy on the eligibility of athletes. "Everything I've seen has been excellent," Frailey said of Bandy's job performance
Bardy has been noted to have good relationships with students.
"One ofher gratest assets is her advocicy for students" West said. "When a student hir-an issue with a coach, Nancy is the person they turr to. They turn to her with personal probiems, as well as coach problems.
"Through the years, students have always

## poken highly of her." <br> Bandy has continued to rally for gender equi-

 ty even up to her final few months,"We haven't been in Title IX compliance since I've been here. I don't know of any institutions in the country that are," said Bandy. "We've made some significant gains, given that the new softball field is going to be built, but there still are other things that need to be addressed. Martin Luther King Jr. sidi, Justice too long Martin Luther King jr,
delayed is justice denied.'
-To see generation after generation of stu-dent-athletes go through and not get equal opportunities [is hard). This is something that I'm passionate about and tried to work within the system to correct."
Bandy's brutal honesty may have factored into hee dismissal. She has at times been on outspoken critic of her own department.
"She's probably one of the most honest people Ive worked with," West said. "Speakang out so strongly has probably been a factor in people not respecting her to the degree that they should."

## STREMSTERFER

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"[Erin's] very fun, very easy to get along with. Even if she throws a bad pitch and they get a hit, she's still up."

After three seasons of falling short of a Missoun Villey Conference title, Stremsterfer realizes it is now or never in cbtaining her goal of reaching the NCAA Tournament. But she's not putting any added pressure on hersclf. If positive karma is true, she knows this is the season.
But following the season, another chapter in Stremsteffer's life will be conciuded - her softbail carrer. An avid player since she was seven-years-olc, Stremsterfer is a bit puzzled about jears-olc, Stremsterfer is a bit
what she will do to fill the void.
"TIL always need some sort of softball fix in my life," Stremsterfer said. "l'm still going to try to play surmmer ball, but the fact of having to have a job and that whole ordeal, it's going to be rough."

Stremsteffer alreariy has a job lined up as a sales representative a: IKON office solutions in St. Lotuis starting in June, following her graduation in May.
"That'll give me plenty of time to win the conference championships and gee to the NCAA's," Stremsterier said.

## TENnis

ONTINUED FROM PAGE 12
While Marsh's return is going to help the team, he is by no means the Salukis' only weapon.

Senior Val Epure, sophomore Alon Saridor and freshman Peter Bong have all played well thus far and are expected to continue producing.
${ }^{\text {ing. }}$ itt'll pmbably be a pretry close match, but we shoridi be able to pull it out," Carpenter said. "They're notoriously a pretty weak tean, but they're going to be better than they iave been in a lot of years."

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Ryan Guldenstein is a graduating student in electrical engineering. Leaving the Souihem Illinois University-Carbondale in May, Ryan will begin his thew career for Archer Daniels Midtand Company. Ryan will be based in the soy processing plant in Decatur, Ilinois.

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Senior nitcher Erin Stremsterfer sets back to throw during practice Wednesday aftemoon. Pitching her last season for the women's softball team, Stremsterfer has proved herself to be an outstanding asset to the team with a 4-1 season.

## Pitcher throwing heat on, off field

Hurler Erin Stremsterfer off to a solid start in senior season<br>Corer Cusick<br>DAILY EGYptian

If everyone bookmarked the chapter in Erin Stremsterfer's life on confidence and positivity; that utopian society philosophy buffs prattle endlessly about would become more of an actulity than apparition.

The SIU senior softball hurler is no philosophy major by any means, but has found harmony in a game that taught her a vital lesson in the game of life: Erin Stremsterfer doesn't have bad days.
"I've developed [conf:dence] through softball, I've figured out the more confident you are, the more positive you think about life, Stremsterfer said. "You are just alyays in grod moods. Being positive, you get more out oflife.

If you focus on the negative, you just miss so many things in life."

Sticking to the theme of philosophy, wiule those brillinnt minds, snicker if you please,

## hink endlessly; Strem

not thinking at all. Im at my best when I m not thinking," said the Manchester, Mo., native. "I think that's why
I work so fast in between my pitches, because I don't think
"I'm just one of those players that doesn't like to think very much. Just go with the flow,"

Easy concept. It works too, as evidenced by her 4-1 record this season, including her teambest 0.46 ERA and 63 strikeouts.

Stremsterfer has allowed just three eamed runs in 45.1 innings of work, while firing a nohitter and being one out away from a perfect game this past Saturday:
"By my senior year, I hope I should be doing like this. It's expected," said Stremsterfer nonchalantly:
While Stremsterfer takes success in stride, her Saluki conch can't help but salivate over her accomplishments.
"She's one of the most consistent players I've ever coached," said SIU head coach Kerri Blaylock. "She comes to practice everyday ready to play: Good things happen to people like that."

Ore day this fall, though, Blaytock actually had to yell at her star pitcher. Stremsterfer was late to one of the first practices of the season, and Blaylock, true to form, didn't give

Blaylock said it was the handest thing she Blaylock said it was the hardest thing she
ver had to do. After talking it over, ever had to do. After talking it over,
Stremsterfer explained she was caught by a train, and that she would never be late to practice again.
"So she beats me to practice most of the time [now]," Blaylock said.
Stremsterfer is the epitome of a team leader - she can do it vocally and by example. The speech communication major takes command of the game on the mound, and can do it with the bat too, as she proved with a two-run homer in the opening inning against Indiana University Sunday.
But it's her presence on the mound that fires her team up the most.
"It sets the tone for a game right away" said freshman shortstop Haley Viefhaus. "If we're out on the field first, and she strikes out three in a row, we get to go hit right away. That sets the tone for us that we're going to dominate."
That positive fun-loving personality also rubs off on her tcammates.
"Perfect example of a team leader," Viefhaus said. "She doesn't get down on herself, she always tries to pick evergbody up.

SEE STREMSTERFER, PAGE 11

## Dawgs ready to defend home turf

## SIU men's tennis team to host

Eastern Illinois University today

## Jens Deju

Although the SIU men's tennis team is off to a 1-3 start, it hasn't lost its spinits yet. Help is on the way.

A wave of support amves today when junior Tim Marsh returns to the No. 4 singles slot against Eastern Illinois University at-the SIU Arena Tennis Courts at 3 p.m.

Marsh, fresh off a suspension for violating team rules, admits he'll be a littie nervous wien he steps back onto the court, but feels it wont take him long to loosen up.
"It's a littic narve-wracking because I want to do well, especially
coming off a suspension, but Ill be fine," Marsh said. "Once I play doubles and get a couple of games in, it 1 b be just like normal again. Marsh's addition will enable some of the other players to fall back into their natural spots instead of having to step up a slot or two.
"It moves me down a spot, so that helps," said senior Chris Carpenter. "I've been playing four, so Tim will move in and I'll play the five. I shouldn't lose too many matches at five, so if we can count on five. I shouldnt lose too many matches at heve, so if we can count on
five as win for every match that'll help throughout the scason." SIU head coach Missy Jeffrey said the return of Marsh helps the team's depth in both singles and doubles since they now have two solid doubles teams.
"It'll just give a lot more strength to the line-up because the top three have been winning, but they've only been good in one of the two doubles," Jeffrey said. "The addition of Tim could mean the addition of two more wins per match, it'll definitely strengthen the line-up."

## It's time for

## me to go

Jan Quarless, Harold Bardo and John Jackson you've all got your wish.
After nearly two years of irritating the SIU Athletic Department, I've decided that now is the Athletic Department, Ive decided that now is the
right time for me to find something else. Whilright time for me to find something else. Whis-
l'll remain around Carbondale until I walk lhrough graduation ceremonies in August, it's come time to hang up my recorder and reponter notebook

After spending much of my time around athletics in the past four years I've been at SIUC, my own career didn't end without some major highlights (or lowlights, whichever way you want to look at it).

No single incident overshadows a fre-minute stretch on the sidelines at Murray State University when SIU lost its opening footbrill game last season. It's one of those stories you'll always renmember like it was yesterci-

The unforgetmble iormer SIU football coach Jan Quarless was already on the hot seat entering his fourth season, sporting an 11-22 record. Just a day before the game, another DALY EGITMTIAN columnist wrote a column stating that four years was enough if Coach Qdidn't produce some wins.

Coach. $Q$ is not exactly media-friendly to begin with, and you could only imagine his reaction. As it tumed out, he relayed his message through me after the game.

As Coach Qscreamed and berated me, pointing his finger inches away from my face several tirres on the sidelines in the middle of a few other members of the media, I simply tried to figure out what exactly was going
on. Duning the exchange if you can evencal have time to exactly have time to fully exphin DE operations, and got in abou four words.

For those who dont know him, Q prides himself on not using vulgar language, and you have to give him credit. He didn't cuss once. If fact, he had


Andy Egenes
Daily Egyptian enough tact to tell "me
But in all faimess, Qapologized the following week in lis soft-tone, mobster-like voice. That was enough in itself to get blood pumping and a stream nearly running down the side of my leg.

The five-minute period, and for that matter, the whole season, felt bike a bad dream that seemed to go on and on.
-That wasn't the only awkward situation I've been in since I began working for the DE . Former interm SIU Athletic Director Harold Bardo and interim SIUC Chancellor John Jackson are not big fans of mine either. But compares io Quarless, it's nothing to even sneeze about.

The reason I got into journalism in the first place was to make a contribution to society and make it a better place than before. After all, losers talk about problems while winners tulk about solutions.

One of my former joumalism professors was trying to get my classmates, who were mostiy DE reporters, to be more aggressive with news coverage after he cited cample after example of incidents where the paper let a big story slip away. In the middle of the tirade, I was, never quite sure if he was complimenting me or insulting me when he said, "You guys pick on poor Quariess," as he conenued his lecture.

Throughout my efforts, I've always tried to play by the rules and out-hustle my competition through good old-fashioned hard work. For myrevard, several members of the SIU Athletic Department occasionally asked .me what I'm going to stir up next when I'm walking to an interview.

I feel like live been at SIUC a lot more than four years as my collegiate carcer has dagged on long enough. In a way, I feel like AI Gore in the last presidential election.
As Gore wisely concluded when he knew his time was up, "It's time for me to go."

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