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ALTON, EAST ST. LOUIS & EDWARDSVILLE



Student government questions rent increases to fund repairs

By Bethany Behrhorst
 News Reporter

Tension was high at the Student Government meeting April 18 as student senators questioned the necessity for a rent increase in response to the proposed plan to renovate Tower Lake apartments.

The rent increase, effective Fall 1998, would be used to raise between \$10 to \$15 million, depending on the renovations made.

"It has to be paid through student rent," Michael Schultz, director of university housing said.

Senator Randy Hobson questioned the legitimacy for a rent increase.

"This is the same situation we went through with the parking lots," Hobson said.

Schultz explained that the Residence Hall has an incremental reserve of 10

percent which will be used if anything needs to be replaced there. There is not enough money in reserve for Tower Lake renovations.

"Planning for the future was not accurately kept up," Schultz said about money set aside for Tower Lake.

"Was the money mismanaged?" Hobson asked.

"I don't think the planning phase was completed. I don't think it was planned out," Schultz said.

University housing decided to present a possibility of three solutions to student government at the meeting.

"We decided to talk to the student senate to bring this group in at the beginning of the process," Schultz said.

The first proposed payment plan for renovations was to

implement a flat rent increase in the fall of 1998 and a guarantee of no more than 3 percent every year thereafter while living in Tower Lake. The second plan discussed was an increase in rent as renovated apartment interiors were finished. The third option was to increase rent for Tower Lake residents gradually over a three year period.

University Housing conducted a random telephone survey of 106 out of approximately 1200 contract holders of Tower Lake. Fifteen percent of 82 students polled preferred the first plan, 41 percent agreed with the second plan, 41 percent favored the third option and three percent of those surveyed said no increase at all. Twenty-four

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Anderson requests recount of election results 250 votes invalidated from election

By Bethany Behrhorst
 News Reporter

The Student Government Election Commission discovered that 250 votes were invalid when a recount was performed at the request of Sen. Bill Anderson, a former presidential candidate.

The ballots were tossed out because the boxes indicating the vote were checkmarked instead of having an "x" placed inside.

"We talk about getting students to vote, and apathy, but we threw away 250 votes because they were marked with a checkmark instead of an "x." I do not agree with

this," James Little, student body vice president said.

Vice President Little will be replacing President Nance as student body president next year.

The election results showed that James Little received 325 votes and Bill Anderson received 315.

Little still won the election by 10 votes.

The senate was divided whether or not to throw the checkmarked votes out. After a tie among the senators was declared, the decision fell to President Nance who decided to discount the improperly marked ballots.

Earth Day celebration this weekend at the Watershed Nature Center

By Bethany Behrhorst
 News Reporter

Activities are planned at the Watershed Nature Center in Edwardsville, for their second annual celebration of Earth Day on April 26 and 27.

The theme for this year's celebration, "Growing Since 1970," was chosen because Earth Day was originated in 1970.

Visitors at the Earth Day festival will enjoy participating in a variety of scheduled events with entertainment and educational value.

"This place is a community center and everything we do is for the community because they support us," Lisa McLaren, education

coordinator at Watershed Nature Center, said.

Organizations such as Illinois Ecowatch, a group affiliated with the River Watch Network and the Americorp program, will be sponsoring information booths providing people with information about the programs and wild life preservation.

"It's information that people can pick up and take with them," McLaren said.

Speech communication and art students from SIUE have spent a large block of time helping to prepare the center for this year's Earth Day celebration.

Speech communication students have set up

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Proposed projects for Tower Lake renovations

Interior:

- New fire and security systems in the Commons and University Housing Facilities Management buildings.
- Rewire 500 side buildings
- Renovate kitchens and bathrooms on the 400 and 500 sides
- Replace exhaust fans and duct work on 400 and 500 sides
- Replace floors on the 500 side
- Upgrade smoke alarms to current NEC regulations, centralized and on non-accessible circuit in 500 side buildings
- Replace air-conditioning units on 400 side
- Replace tubs on 500 side

Exterior:

- Replace balconies on 400 side
- Replace siding on buildings 506-512 and 520-531
- Replace 12 pitch roofs on 400 side
- Install new windows, soffit, fascia, siding and guttering on the Commons

A quick look inside:

op/ed

Neil Phillips answers Brian Schuetz on the separation of church and state.

lifestyle/entertainment

Jennifer Gill writes about stress PLUS The life of an SIUE car by Brandi Rowe ALSO Box Office

Top Ten WITH Matt Veenstra's final installment AND Corey Stulce writes about Matt.

sports

Softball comes up second in GLVC tournament AND Tennis is number one in the GLVC.

weather

Today: t-storms 66/48°
 Wednesday: Showers 62/48°
 Thursday: Cloudy 60/50°

TOP STORIES



National

American Indians protest sales tax

NEW YORK (AP) — About 1,000 American Indians and their supporters briefly blocked traffic on the New York State Thruway Sunday to protest the state's collection of sales tax on Indian land.

"This is our land. The Thruway is ours," said Indian businessman Art Schindler, brother of Seneca Nation President Michael Schindler.

The demonstration started off peacefully along the side of the Thruway, but a handful of protesters later lit tire fires and scuffled with state troopers in the middle of the road. On April 13, about 200 protesters blocked the Thruway for about 45 minutes.

International

Pope undeterred by terrorism warnings

ROME (AP) — Police ran metal detectors over the worshippers filing into St. Peter's Basilica on Sunday, but Pope John Paul II mingled freely with the faithful despite terrorism warnings.

Italy's military has suggested that John Paul could be a prime target of Islamic militants. Italian police had a heavier presence than usual outside the basilica Sunday. Plainclothes and uniformed police stood guard among the thousands of pilgrims and tourists gathered in St. Peter's Square.

In Our Area

State and Local

Probe launched into possible election fraud

BELLEVILLE, Ill. (AP) — A probe of election fraud in St. Clair County has resulted in a felony indictment against the third East St. Louis campaign worker in the past month.

All charges lodged so far involve allegations that absentee voters were improperly signed up for either the Feb. 25 party primaries or the April 1 general election.

Willie B. Nelson Jr., 47, was indicted by the grand jury Friday for signing up three absentee voters that he allegedly knew were ineligible to vote by mail in the April 1 election.

State's Attorney Robert Haida said Friday the investigation is continuing and probably will go on past the six-month term of the current county grand jury, which ends April 30.

Trial of alleged child molester set to begin

BELLEVILLE, Ill (AP) — The trial of suspected serial child molester Danny Ray Schwab is expected to start next month after he decided not to plead guilty to 21 felony charges.

St. Clair County Assistant State's Attorney Steve Sallerson on Friday declined to say why Schwab backed out of an earlier promise to plead guilty to the 21 molestation charges without a plea agreement. Schwab's attorney, Andrew Gleeson of Belleville, was not available for comment on the canceled plea.

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Letter to the editor

Separation of church and state is more than just taxes

I am writing this letter in response to Brian Schuetz's April 17 editorial, "Should a judge be allowed to pray in his courtroom?" I will first say that I commend Mr. Schuetz for taking up my challenge to read Thomas Jefferson's views regarding the separation of church and state. I also commend him for recognizing the First Amendment's prohibition of state-established religion. Even though I am of the same religion as Mr. Schuetz, I must respectfully disagree with his contentions.

First of all, Judge Roy Moore of Alabama is using the taxpayer's courtroom. It is not Judge Moore's courtroom as Mr. Schuetz states. It is not the duty of the government to give preference to Christianity or any other religion by displaying the Ten Commandments or through courtroom prayer. If Judge Moore wants to pray and have the Ten Commandments displayed, then he should do so in the privacy of his assigned judicial chamber. It truly amazes me that after almost 2,000 years, God suddenly needs the state of

Alabama to spread the message of the Bible.

People and organizations on the reactionary right like U.S. Senator Jesse Helms, Pat Robertson and Ralph Reed of the Christian Coalition, as well as the Moral Majority, have been the ones who have twisted and distorted the U.S. Supreme Court's rulings regarding the separation of church and state.

The Supreme Court has never said that government officials or schoolchildren cannot pray or express their religious beliefs. What is prohibited is the government attempting to engage in these activities. The religious right should be ashamed of itself for breaking one of the Ten Commandments: "Thou shalt not lie."

Ironically, it seems that the only time that the religious right believes in the separation of church and state is when it comes to the IRS. People like Ralph Reed would balk at the idea of churches having to pay income taxes. I do not personally support this idea, but am rather using it to illustrate my

point.

On a final note, Brian Schuetz says that he is not offended by people of different religious beliefs. That is good, but the problem is with others who are. I'm sure that the recent example of a Lutheran family who resides in a small, rural Mississippi town would strongly disagree. The Baptists in her hometown persecuted the mother because she objected to her children's public school conducting a Bible class during school hours. The mother wanted to teach her children the Bible at home. But the Baptists just wouldn't have it. People taunted her children at school, and the mother received hate mail and phone calls. The mother even received several death threats. Apparently, this Mississippi town should have been concerned about their own religion, before worrying about everyone else's

Neil O. Phillip
Junior, Political Science

Letter to the editor

Learning Currie's editorial lessons

Jamie L. Currie: I question how you can say "both sides of the issue were expressed in an educated manner." You further say "the simple act of stating what you believe, be it in print or done verbally, is not occasion for name calling and finger pointing." Mr. Gross, in his editorial of March 27, clearly implies that Ms. Hopkins is envious of others. He continues by directly stating, "Ms. Hopkins and anyone else who is jealous of the rich." Mr. Gross had earlier implied that it should not be her business to question others earnings. Now, tell the readers that does not fall into the name-calling and finger-pointing category, he sounded really "edumacated" to me. At least he did not have enough savvy to get her to say "thank you" for insulting her character as well as her intellect.

To quote Currie, "name calling and degradation of the author are by no means convincing." I was grossly convinced of the character of the author in that rebuttal, no question about that.

You state that when one debates an issue and has run out of legitimate arguments, the name calling begins. A synonym is "cheap shots," wouldn't you agree? Since you two are so close, maybe you could talk Mr. Gross into retracting his rebuttal and removing his cheap shots, he would then have a lot of room for statistics and data. How much of that did you see in that rebuttal? I am sure he will thank you.

I am quite happy to have probably broken almost all of Jamie Currie's unwritten rules. I wish I had a copy (of the rules).

I believe politicians must live up to the highest standards and be held accountable for their deeds (even wannabes). Playing cheap-shot editorials with a politician is a lot of fun. It is educational and really lets the voters get to know his or her politics.

Jamie, I could not have done it without you. Bringing closure to this embarrassment for Mr. Gross and giving him a lesson in editorials was a great idea. I sure am glad you are not the type of vice president who would try to cover up for the President of the SIUE College Republicans.

Marion L. McVey
Independent

Letter to the editor

Alestle should promote harmony

As a white female employee of Southern Illinois University, I am appalled and embarrassed that you chose to identify the two women involved in the stabbing on Monday, April 14, as African-American women. I fail to see what race has to do with this incident. Reporting the news in this manner continues to undermine any progress we are making in this country toward respect, understanding, communication, and cooperation in a society that is daily becoming more diverse.

As members of an educational community, we should be on the cutting edge of promoting harmony among all people because we understand the composition of the world of the next millennium and we have learned that

people should be judged by the content of their character and not by the color of their skin. Instead, some irresponsible individuals continue to propagate falsehoods and indiscriminately label others without justification. If you are going to label the ethnicity of some people in your paper, then you should label everyone in the same manner.

I challenge both of you (Corey Stulce and Chris Clayton) to become part of the solution rather than contribute to the injustices that have too long plagued our society.

M. Loretta Fredrich
Assistant Director
Early Childhood Center.

Commentary

The ACLU doesn't know the power of prayer

Commentary By Ty Norris
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

This is in response to the the letter to the editor written Thursday, April 17.

I agree with Brian Schuetz that "some hate the truth and I am glad he had enough courage to stand up for what was right."

We live in a society flanked by counterfeit religions, cults and pure greed.

"Why not have the Ten

Commandments posted? Our judicial system could use a good face lift. In fact, the Ten Commandments should be posted in every court of law.

I agree with Schuetz "that everyone has a right to express his belief" so a judge should not be denied his right either.

Mr. Schuetz out did himself when he asked the question "is prayer an offense? Or are the Ten Commandments an offense?"

No they are not!

I don't feel that anyone should be forced to accept or believe something against his will, but I do agree with Schuetz when he says, "to a world who hates the true God, it is offensive because it condemns the evils they practice."

It is obvious that the American Civil Liberties Union doesn't know the power of prayer.

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Microsoft backs out of deal to help university

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — When Microsoft Inc. cut a deal in September 1995 with the University of Arizona to open a technical support center here, it was hailed as a prestigious gain for the community.

It would create some 1,200 jobs within five years and become a key anchor in the university's research park.

The company came in, all right. Its 200 initial employees fielded calls from computer users with questions about Microsoft's wide range of software.

But Microsoft lasted barely a year before bailing out for want of enough business. It said it would sublease its 240,000 square feet of space at the research park to another company.

University officials acknowledge that Microsoft's pullout will put the Science and Technology Park years behind in its ultimate development plan.

But they still believe the park will make a profit on Microsoft, attract other high-tech companies and become "a high-technology business incubator."

And at least some affected employees are putting a positive spin on the changeover as well.

"The opportunity to work for Microsoft has been an outstanding opportunity for me," says product specialist Susan Snedaker, who sold her electronics repair firm to become a product specialist for Microsoft here.

Its pullout reflects that the computer industry changes all the time, she said. "After I got over the initial surprise, I felt this was driven by business decisions that made a lot of sense to me."

Snedaker said she's also excited about going to work as a consulting manager for Keane, a strong player in the computer technology support industry. "It will be a very positive addition for the park," she said.

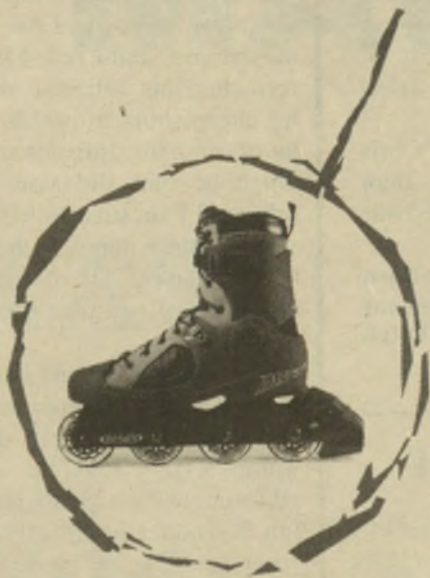
The university took possession of the 1,400-acre site, once owned by IBM, only about five months before Microsoft became interested in opening a center in Tucson.

"That was an opportunity," says Bruce Wright, an assistant to departing university President Manuel Pacheco. "Microsoft sketched out their intentions over a 10-year lease. The benefits to the park would have been

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Final Exam Question The Collect Call

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Wednesday, April 23

11:00 am - 5:30 pm	General hours with Coke games
11:00 am	Booth open
11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Carnival Games
11:00 am - 2 pm	Black Hawk helicopter landing; repelling from the library - Military Science
11:30 am - 5:30 pm	Carnival Rides*
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	Sable** (Current Dance/Variety)
12:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Sand Castle contest
2:30 pm	Judging of contest
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	The Secretaries (Ska)
4:00 pm	Announcement of contest winners

Thursday, April 24

11:00 am - 5:30 pm	General hours with Coke games
11:00 am	Booth open
11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Carnival Games
11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Volleyball Tournament
11:30 am - 5:30 pm	Carnival Rides*
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	The Infrared Rockers (Reggae)
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Swing Set (Swing/Jazz)

Friday, April 25

11:00 am - 4:00 pm	General hours with Coke games
11:00 am	Booth open
11:00 am - 5:00 pm	Volleyball Tournament
11:30 am - 12:10 pm	Ozone Troop (Ambient/Funk)
12:20 pm - 1:00 pm	Space Age Palmer (Ska)
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Banana Split
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	The Imps (Rock/Alternative)
9:00 pm - 2:00 am	"Back to the Beach" - Activities and Dance - Fitness Center Gym

Unless notes, all events will take place on the Morris Quadrangle

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Shed

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information booths to present ways to promote wildlife preservation.

Art work will be featured in the Watershed Welcome center. This art work will be presented by art students affiliated with the Wagner Artist Cooperative Organization (WACO).

On Saturday, those attending the event will have the chance to learn how to make recycled paper, witness a live reptile demonstration and a live owl display. The owl display, presented by Treehouse Wildlife Preservation Center located in Brighton, Ill., will be featured on Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

"They have a wonderful program. They've been going to area schools to encourage people to attend the Earth Day gathering," McLaren said.

Both Watershed and Treehouse are non-profit organizations.

Events on Saturday will also include performances by environmental singer Joe Hoffman, and Native American singers, dancers and drummers.

Entertainment on Sunday will include a puppet show for children and adults. The show will be based on the Dr. Seuss book, "The Lorax".

On Saturday and Sunday, participants of the event are encouraged to sign up for the first one-mile walk/run at Watershed. The cost for each participant will be \$3 and prizes will be awarded to the top male, female and senior citizen runners. The run will be held on

Sunday afternoon.

On Sunday, children will be able to create sculptures and designs with clay from the nature center. The clay from the center was used to make a mural of artistic tiles inside Watershed's new Welcome Center.

The Welcome Center was established from renovations made possible by donations and volunteer efforts. In addition to the Welcome Center, Watershed constructed a 1,500 foot wheelchair-accessible, paved walkway, almost 4,000 feet of elevated trail, two observation towers, a large bird nesting tower along with bird nesting boxes, a trail shelter, an outdoor amphitheater, an earthen dam and a storm-water diversion system.

There will be tours of the nature trails and information booths and an edible plant display. Face painting will also be available for children.

Crafts and activities will be available for children and adults on both days of the event. Last year's big attraction, making birdhouses, will be a part of this year's festival. Participants are asked to bring a hammer and either take finished products home with them or leave them at Watershed to be displayed at a later date.

Watershed Nature Center also provides tours and educational programs for children in dysfunctional homes, as well as grade school field trip tours.

"We're always looking for people to volunteer their time to help with projects like that," McLaren said.

For more information on Watershed Nature Center's celebration of Earth Day, contact the center at (618) 692-7578.

Micro

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extraordinary."

One focus for the park is to turn it into a business incubator "where you can grow and nurture small high-tech companies that then can spin out into large companies," Wright said.

Part of that approach would be to create a so-called clean room and wet or dry laboratories. Tenants could lease the costly facilities — a clean room can cost \$700 a square foot to build, about 10 times the typical \$60 to \$80 per square-foot cost for a home in Tucson — without having huge capital investments themselves.

A clean room is a static- and dust-free enclosed space equipped with state-of-the-art air-filtering systems, where computer chips and similar materials often are made. A wet lab involves use of chemicals in research; a dry lab usually refers to computers and other electronic equipment.

A skills and educational training center also will be needed if the park is to create significant numbers of well-paying jobs, said Wright.

But its ability to do that will depend on available

resources.

The university spent some \$2.7 million in partial site preparation for Microsoft, but has received only about \$700,000 of the \$4 million that state, city and county officials originally pledged to offset those costs, Wright said. The state paid \$500,000 of that.

"We've probably pushed two or three years out our ability to do those things, because we have to repay all the expenses that we've incurred to date," Wright said.

Yet he thinks the research park still can be profitable. John Grabo, a marketing vice president with the Greater Tucson Economic Council, agreed.

The research park eventually will be a tremendous asset for the community, he said, "especially as the university is able to analyze the types of companies it wants to house."

Officials plan a marketing campaign to bring in more tenants.

Now, the park ranks 10th in size and 17th in employment among about 150 university research parks nationwide, Wright said. Its nine tenants have almost 3,500 employees, led by IBM with 1,500 and Hughes Missile Systems with more than 1,300.

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Senate
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residents refused to comment. So far, university housing has spent \$2.5 million on safety and aesthetic renovations.

"I wouldn't be comfortable knowing that I charged a student for safety," Chris Nance, student body president, said.

Schultz defended charging students for safety renovations by suggesting that the more renovations that are done now, the more money students will save in the long term.

"The way we will get the most cost efficiency is if we do it all at the same time," Schultz said.

Schultz presented a list of short-term and long-term projects that will be expected to last for over 20 years.

Tower Lake resident Mohnalkar Mahesh attended the meeting and asked Schultz questions about rate comparisons regarding rent in other places in Edwardsville.

"We have called every apartment complex in Edwardsville and Glen Carbon and gotten estimated costs," Schultz said.

Another student came up with different avenue to check out before renovation funding plans are etched in stone.

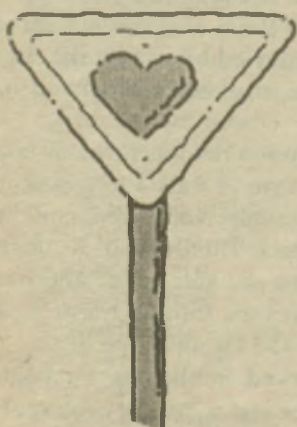
"I think they need to get together with other universities to find out how they do their housing," Julia Cox, a junior social work major, said.

Cox, a resident of Tower Lake, has many complaints about the living conditions.

"On Saturday, if something breaks down, there's no one to fix it until Monday. The roads all need to be fixed, they aren't even handicapped accessible. I could go on and on, it's so horrible," she said.

There will be an open forum to discuss University Housing issues on April 24 at 4 p.m. in the Commons Building.

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College life: Fantasy or frenzy?

By Jennifer Gill
For the Alestle

Upon entering college, a future student may envision a care-free lifestyle of partying until dawn and sleeping until noon with classes to pass the time between parties.

When preparing for the "real-working world," college life is more like basic training.

In four years a student learns the ground rules and procedures to guide one through a lifetime — much like a civilian learns to be a soldier.

As a student progresses through the rigors of his four-years of specialized training, there are no constants. Quiz to test, paper to research assignment, a student works through the years. What happens when you compress this foundation of life-long knowledge into four or five years? STRESS!

School creates a great deal of stress in a student's life.

"Seventeen" magazine, the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation for Women and EDK Associated interviewed 500 females and 500 males age 13-21 to determine what are their major worries. The results, which appeared in the May 1996 issue of "Seventeen," showed that 59 percent of males and 76 percent of females list academic success as their major concern.

Catherine Steiner-Adair, Ed.D., of the Harvard Eating Disorders Center said, "What this age group worries about most is doing well in school."

Brandi Rowe, a resident assistant at SIUE said, "When you're in college, you stress so much on your grades, but in the real world it is experience that matters — like internships

and extra-curricular leadership activities — that take up your time from homework, but don't give you cash like a job would."

Despite the money a job brings in, it still takes time away from school work.

Senior Amy Story said, "This year I had surgery which took me away from school, when school cannot be anything less than my first priority," when asked about what stressed her most in her senior year. She is now trying to keep her grade-point average up to get into graduate school.

Story works three part-time jobs for "financial support" she said. Stress evolves when catching up on make-up work, working three jobs and completing incoming assignments.

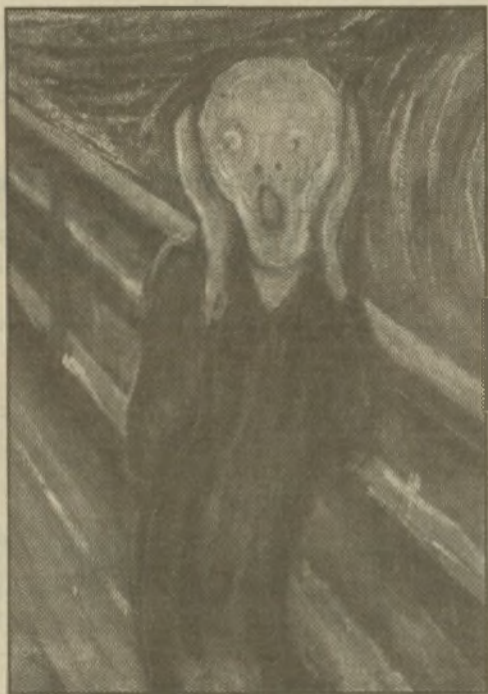
Story also said, "With the combination of all of these things it is nearly impossible to focus primarily on school."

According to Sheldon Cohen, Ph.D., a professor of psychiatry

at Carnegie Mellon University, stress has been linked to causing the common cold, since stress suppresses the immune system.

As well as colds, stress can also cause stress headaches. Dr. Seymour Diamond, M.D. of Diamond Headache Clinic of Chicago said, "stress hormones cause muscle contractions in the face, scalp, neck and jaw (as well as other places). Contraction causes pain enhancing hormones to rush to the sight of the tension."

College is a stressful time in a student's life. For more information on stress and ways to cope with stress, contact Mental Health Services, Wood River, IL, (618) 254 - 3821.



Cleaning out the closet



photo by Michael Ansell, courtesy of Touchstone Television

The title character "Ellen" reveals her true sexual nature on the April 30 episode. Many special guests, including Laura Dern (above), appear.

By Corey Stulce
Lifestyle Editor

The highly controversial and anticipated episode of "Ellen," in which she discovers that she is gay, will air on Wednesday, April 30.

The episode features many guest stars including Laura Dern as Ellen's romantic interest, as well as Oprah Winfrey, k.d. lang, Demi Moore, Dwight Yoakam, Billy

Bob Thornton, Gina Gershon, and Melissa Etheridge.

The story involves Ellen meeting an old college friend, who makes a pass at her and his producer (Dern) who also makes a pass at her. Ellen's mixed feelings bring her closer to Dern, and Ellen makes her announcement inadvertently over the P.A. at the airport.

10 easy ways to reduce stress

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| 2. Take a bubble bath | 7. Schedule "play time" |
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| 4. Doodle | 9. Scream at a ballgame |
| 5. Watch a movie and eat popcorn | 10. Share a monster smile |

Suggestions from "101 Ways to Cope with Stress."

Oh, to be an SIUE car

By Brandi Rowe
For the Alestle

As the 1996-97 school year comes to an end, I feel a tremendous urge to reflect back upon my first year at SIUE. I guess an introduction would be appropriate. My name is Chevy. Chevy Beretta. 1989 to be exact. I am from St. Louis and I drive 30 to 50 minutes to SIUE, four times every week. My owner is Kari. I will refer to her several times in my story.

My first memory of SIUE is the small red sticker on my rear window. It was easy to figure out this sticker's purpose. This small sticker allows Kari to park me in a very far away area called the "red lots." As a car, life is tough in these lots. My first problem with the red lots is the fact that no cars park in the designated spot. There are clear, yellow lines that I, and all other cars, fit into. But, out in the red lots not too many cars park in those lines. This parking problem causes many owners to swerve around the tails of other cars that are clearly in the driving area. One day, there was a Mazda in the red lots. The Mazda's owner must have been in a hurry because she was driving very fast. Then, I noticed this Buick that was not parked in the designated yellow lines. The hurried Mazda hit the Buick right in the rear and drove off. I sure am glad Kari took the time to park me in the lines.

Another problem with parking in the red lots is the distance from campus. I know the students have to walk a long way, but us cars pay for this walk. Kari is usually very tired, cold and fussy after walking from the Science Building in 30 degree weather. I can tell she is upset when she gets inside and starts me up and just goes. She never takes the time to warm me up and she drives like a maniac out of the far away red lots.

On special occasions I get parked in the big lot behind school. I have gathered that my nice red sticker is irrelevant in this lot. Most of the cars in this lot have a nice green sticker. I have noticed that these cars with green stickers are also the cars

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Box Office Top Ten

People must like them snakes. "Anaconda" hung on tightly to the top spot last weekend, with "Liar, Liar" still nipping at its heels. It was a bad weekend for openers with "Murder at 1600," "8 Heads in a Duffel Bag," and "McHale's Navy" all making less than \$13 million total.

1. Anaconda	\$12.2 million
2. Liar, Liar	\$10.2 million
3. Murder at 1600	\$ 8 million
4. The Saint	\$ 7.3 million
5. Grosse Pointe Blank	\$ 4.9 million
6. The Devil's Own	\$ 2.4 million
7. McHale's Navy	\$ 2.1 million
8. That Old Feeling	\$ 2.1 million
9. 8 Heads in a Duffel Bag	\$ 1.6 million
10. Chasing Amy	\$ 1.6 million

Wacky style and a mysterious box: Veenstra's tenure, the final chapter

By Matt Veenstra
For the Alestle

This is the end of my ramblings about my roommates. There is only one left to talk about and it is Corey. He is the first roommate I met my freshman year. We both ended up moving in on the same Thursday at the same time. I am sure he thought worse of me than I did of him. We appeared to have totally conflicting lives, but we eventually found out differently.

I had talked to Corey the summer before we moved in to find out what stuff he was bringing. We talked for a little while and found out what each of us liked. He seemed like an all-right guy. When I opened the door, I saw this guy with a dyed, auburn-red, skater hairdo, and I thought "Great, another one of these freaks."

Corey was very naive about living on his own. He didn't know much about cooking and cleaning. He wasn't comfortable with roommates. He was not an only child but acted like one. That year Corey went home every weekend except three or four.

His mom sent him to school with this box of everything. It had cleaning supplies, dishes, utensils, napkins, cups, etc. He had no idea of what was in the box. So, I took it upon myself to dig into his crap and I found this box. From then on, I gradually took out the things that we needed in the apartment. I first pulled out a spatula and measuring cups and spoons. The last thing I took out was two sets of silverware.

After that he asked,

"Where did the silverware come from?" I answered, "From that box you brought that is in the closet. I found lots of stuff in it."

"Oh, I never looked in it before."

That is kind of how Corey is. If it is something that he doesn't seem to have interest in he doesn't put forth any effort.

Our freshman year, Corey would go to bed every night around 10:30 p.m. and be asleep by the end of "Letterman." Our sophomore year, Corey hardly went to bed. Since then, he has never made it through a morning class. If the class starts before noon he will not show up after the first week. This may be the reason he couldn't really tell you when he is graduating.

His grades were terrible that sophomore year. When the first semester grades came, I held his up to the light to find out what he got. He did terrible. I guess that is what happens when you never go to bed. I still have never told him about that though.

That year we visited REBOS Coffee House in Belleville many nights. Corey, myself, my girlfriend and her roommate would go to REBOS (this is sober spelled backward) once or twice a week. We usually made it back around 4 a.m. after a stop at the Waffle House. Corey didn't need a reason to stay up all night, but we usually gave him one.

Since our junior year, it has been just Corey and I living in an apartment. Corey is fanatical about decorating. We have a disco ball spinning, an Aborigine lamp, numerous lawn ornaments, and posters

ranging from George Clinton to Bruce Piscope and his "Five deadly fingers of Beer." There is also one of Jonathan Taylor Thomas. Now, there is a mannequin named Matt looking out the balcony at everyone down below.

The two of us have gone on two spring-break trips together. Our sophomore year Corey, my girlfriend, and my self went to New York and Washington D.C. This was a horrible experience. By the end of the trip we all hated each other. I vowed never to go anywhere if it was just the three of us. The two of them just had to have everything their way or they bitched. This year when we went to Las Vegas, the only thing on Corey's mind was T and A. One night he spent \$80 some dollars and had some girl do a number for him. I'm sure he loved it.

Corey and I have now lived together for four years. He still doesn't clean. We even have a dishwasher and he rarely will even put the dirty dishes in it, much less run the thing. I think he has cleaned the bathroom four times in two years. I don't think he has ever cleaned the oven for those infamous cleaning inspections.

Well, Corey and I have had a wonderful four years. The only reason we can still live with each other is we are brutally honest. If I don't like something Corey does I tell him to his face. He does the same. These four years have made for some great times and memories.

exchange students. They had a banquet every Wednesday night at a different person's house. Matt was a big drunk that year, and it wasn't rare to wake up and find a puddle of puke on the living room floor. That was usually from the nights he spent at the Stagger with Mike Hisch.

Matt was every mother's dream. He cooked like Betty Crocker and cleaned like, well, Mr. Clean. We didn't hang out much the first year, but we did spend many a night talking for hours about life. This probably helped my decision to stay with him the next year.

Matt and I soon developed very honest relationship. This is probably the one reason he and I have never had a fight, unlike most roommates.

We took two trips together, which weren't as bad as he likes to claim, even though in New York I gave him the nickname "Candy Ass." I discovered some of Matt's quirks on these trips, which I

find refreshing, and his girlfriend finds revolting. He is a very carefree individual. He lives life to live it, not to please others all of the time.

There are many stories to tell about him, but they probably aren't as amusing to others as they are to us.

The point is, Matt is leaving in a few weeks. He is heading to grad school, and I'll still be here for who knows how long. Some people have their roommates and after graduation that's it, they never see them again. Somehow I know that will be different with us.

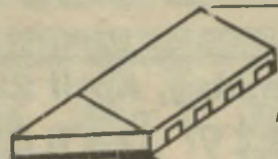
I don't know what the future holds for either of us. I know we have both gotten used to living with each other, so next year will be very strange.

It is rare to meet someone who becomes a lifelong friend. I know I only have a few, and he is one of them.

Someday, we'll meet again for a beer to talk about the old times. Good luck next year,

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Betty Crocker and a doll named Chris: The conclusion of Veenstra

By Corey Stulce
Lifestyle Editor

You never really know someone till you see them naked.

I've lived with Matt Veenstra for four years, and thought it was only fair to let everyone know what he was like as a roommate.

When I first met Matt and saw the stuff he brought with him, I was scared. He had "Little Mermaid" pillow covers and his CD collection consisted of all Disney, Barry Manilow and Billy Joel. He also had numerous pictures hanging up from high school dances, but they were all with different girls. He also a homemade "Cabbage Patch" doll on his bed named Chris, and it looked very worn.

I thought two things were possible, he is very, very gay, or just very, very weird. It turned out to be the latter.

So, that year Matt was Mr. Personality. He went out to meet everyone, but he mostly hung out with international



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'Hello, Dolly,': Fine acting, great play

By Chris Clayton
 News Editor

From the opening of the curtain till it closes two hours later, SIUE's production of "Hello Dolly" keeps its audience entertained.

"Hello Dolly" is the story of Dolly Gallagher Levi, a woman who has an answer for every trial and tribulation that she comes across. But her quest throughout the play is to marry Horace Vandergelder.

During this quest, Dolly's never-ending supply of answers keeps the audience entertained as she continues to pursue the unwitting Vandergelder.

Director Peter Cocuzza was brilliant in his casting of the two main characters, Levi and Vandergelder. Layla Rosenfeld's performance as Dolly reminds audiences of another actress who once held the same role, Barbra Streisand.

Her warm alto voice entrances and makes you want to hear more from her.

Jeffrey Yapp is perfect in the role of Vandergelder. Vandergelder's personality is comparable to Disney's Scrooge McDuck. Both are old misers who appear tough, but in actuality are soft.

One downfall of most theater productions is timing. But "Hello Dolly" doesn't suffer this malady. The jokes and dance steps have such great timing that they look natural, and this allows the audience to believe that it isn't watching a show, but is watching something from real life.

There is nothing negative to say about this play. Not even the price of admission is unreasonable. The prices range from \$7.50 for adults to \$5.50 for students, seniors, children, staff and faculty. The price of the \$5.50 ticket is further cut in half with a two-for-one coupon.

The show closes this weekend with performances Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and a Sunday matinee which starts at 2 p.m.

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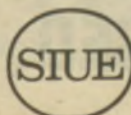
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that are not accompanied with a nice purple surprise. These purple surprises are apparently tickets that most students do not like to see. I have gathered this information by watching numerous students throw the purple surprise right on the ground. Kari throws her ticket on the ground every once in awhile. It does not bother me that Kari disposes of these tickets because they are uncomfortable under my wipers, especially when it is raining or the ticket man has visited me several times recently.

I have wonderful memories of Tower Lake Apartments. For example, my shocks and tires are very worn from driving on the Tower Lake roads. Kari has a friend, Brandon, who lives at Tower Lake. We journey to the apartments almost everyday we are on campus. The roads are a disaster. I bump around and sometimes nearly drown in the large pot holes. Every once in a while, I do not feel as bad because there is nice black stuff filling these swimming-pool size holes. But, never fear, as soon as it rains or snows, the holes are back...and bigger.

One day Kari drove onto the illegal roads that people drive on anyway. Two very odd things happened while we were parked here. First, when we pulled up we stopped in front of Brandon's apartment and honked. After sitting there for about 30 seconds, a big Lincoln came up and honked at us. What nerve. He was not supposed to be on the road in the first place. Then, I noticed there were four other cars on the road with me. Did you know that cars receive \$75 tickets for parking on the inter-roadways?

One of the worst experiences I ever encountered at SIUE was a drive to school one morning. One day Kari needed to go to town before school. So, we came into campus from Highway 157. It was around 8:15 am. I heard stories about the traffic in the morning, but I never thought it would be this bad. I sat in this line of cars watching the flashing red light and wishing I could plow through the 25-minute wait. Then, after finally getting through, I wanted to go 110 miles per hour. But, I had to go five miles per hour because of the enormous amount of pedestrians in my way. I sure was glad to hear Kari screaming and cursing. I knew we would never go to town before school again.

I am looking forward to my return to SIUE next year. I hear the roads are supposed to be fixed. The only thing I really hope is that when Kari gets a new sticker, she takes the old one off.

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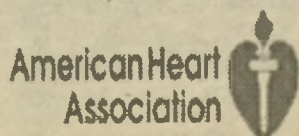
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Air Ball

By Todd Spann
Sports Editor

Finally a Win

It is too bad that Harry Carry wasn't in the T.V. booth in New York to witness the Cubs first victory of the season.

He probably still would be saying "Cubs win. Cubs win. Cubs win."

On Pace

All the world is right in the Rams camp now that Orlando Pace will be blocking on the Rams offensive line.

Of course, until he signs on the dotted line the only blocking he will be doing is pancaking other offers.

Carr gone

M.L. Carr has been reportedly out as head coach and director of basketball operations of the Boston Celtics.

Coming off 1997's NBA worst record of 15-67, Carr will finally step down.

It is also rumored that Larry Bird will take over the general managers position.

Bird, Rick Pitino and Pacer coach Larry Brown have been mentioned to lead the club next year.

Rodman

Can't find him on the court or at the box office.

NBA

The regular season is over and now everybody is waiting to see who will play the Bulls.

This is barring that the Bulls will play better ball than what they have been playing in the past five games.

But in the city of Chicago it is hard to look at the Bulls bad luck when you have the Cubs.

Softball



Bob Fehring/Alestle

The SIUE softball team fell short in the GLVC tournament this past weekend to Wisconsin-Parkside in the championship match in Kenosha, Wis.

Cougars fall in championship to Wisconsin Parkside

By Brett Licata
Assistant Sports Editor

The Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament gave the fans everything they wanted to see, including a No. 1 seed vs. No. 2 seed championship.

The Lady Cougars grabbed the top seed in the annual softball tournament that would decide the conference champion in Kenosha, Wis. SIUE edged No. 8 Kentucky Wesleyan 4-3 in the opening round. Pinckneyville native Jessica Silbe picked up the win. SIUE had their way with No. 4 Quincy in the second round. Deanna Smith pitched a no-hitter in the 5-0 victory.

The semifinal matched No. 2 Wisconsin-Parkside against the Cougars on Saturday.

The Cougars gave up a first inning run which proved to be the deciding tally. Wisconsin-Parkside went on to shutout SIUE and reserve a place in the final game with the 1-0 win.

"We played great defense the entire game," head coach Sandy Montgomery said. "We just couldn't score a run."

SIUE moved down into the consolation bracket to face the No. 3 seeded Lewis. A 15th inning hit by Erica Connett gave the

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Tennis

"We knew that we were the best team in the tournament, we just needed to prove it,"

freshman Justin Lombard



Bob Fehring/Alestle

Head coach Bill Logan pleased with performance.

Geminn's six wins helps tennis to conference crown

By Brett Licata
Assistant Sports Editor

One of the strongest fields in the recent past gathered for the conference tennis championship last weekend at the SIUE. When the dust settled, the trophy didn't have to travel very far.

A six win performance by senior Jason Geminn led the SIUE men's tennis team to the Great Lakes Valley Conference championship.

The Cougars opened up the tournament against Indiana University/Purdue University-Ft. Wayne at the Simpson Tennis Center in Alton. Doubles victories came from Wichita, Kan. native Darren Snyder and Geminn at No. 1, Mike Reither of St. Louis and Zaid Numani of the United Arab Emirates at No. 2, and freshman Justin Lombard and Alton's Morgan McAfoos at No. 3 doubles.

SIUE clinched the 5-0 first round match with singles victories from Geminn 6-3, 6-0

and Caseyville's Tim McKay 7-5, 6-1.

Southern Indiana faced SIUE in the next round trying to make it two straight against the Cougars after an upset win in the regular season.

Snyder and Geminn put SIUE on the board with a 8-6 triumph and Reither and Numani made it 2-0 with a 8-4 win at No. 2 doubles. McAfoos and Lombard teamed again to sweep the doubles matches with a 8-3 tally.

At No. 1 singles, Snyder rolled 6-2, 6-1 and Geminn won the fifth point with a 6-2, 6-0 win at No. 2 singles.

"We were looking to avenge the loss from earlier," head coach Bill Logan said. "Everyone was up for this match and it proved that the loss to them in the regular season was a fluke."

No. 1 seeded Indianapolis awaited the challenge of SIUE in the final. SIUE had beaten

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Easy part is over, now Rams have to sign Pace

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Drafting Orlando Pace was the easy part for the St. Louis Rams. Now, they've got to sign him.

During a conference call on Saturday shortly after the Rams took the huge Ohio State offensive tackle with the first pick of the NFL draft, one reporter noted that Pace's agents, brothers Carl and Kevin Poston, were known around the league as "Darth Vader."

Last summer, the Postons' held out running back Tim Biakabataka until Aug. 16. The eighth pick of last year's draft was the last first-rounder to sign.

In 1992, they held out cornerback Terrell Buckley so long he missed the Green Bay Packers' season opener.

Will it happen again with their first No. 1 overall pick? Pace said he hopes not.

"That's one of the things please see **PACE**, page 14

Tennis

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Indianapolis 5-0 earlier this season, but Indianapolis was hungry for the conference title.

The region's No. 7 doubles team of Snyder and Geminn opened up the match, winning 8-2. Reither and Numani grabbed the other SIUE doubles point by a 8-4 count.

Up 2-1 after the doubles matches, Reither made short work of No. 3 player Chris Baker 6-1, 6-0. Geminn won his sixth match of the tournament by dominating at No. 2 singles 6-2, 6-1.

McKay came back to win a three setter after being shutout in the opening set. He went down again 4-3 in the final set before winning 0-6, 7-6, 6-4 at No. 6 singles.

Lombard also pulled out a tough three set contest 6-4, 4-6, 7-6 (7-2) at No. 5 singles to give the Cougars a 6-3 victory and the conference championship.

"We knew that we were the best team in the tournament, we just needed to go out and prove it," Lombard said.

"Tim and Justin showed their mental strength pulling out those three set matches," Logan said. "They've learned how to handle the pressure of a long match and come out on top."

The Cougars will head to the regional tournament May 3 and 4 with a No. 9 ranking.

"We've got a really good chance to win this," Logan said. "It all depends on the luck of the draw. We've played strong against teams ranked above us."

Intramural softball updated schedule

Sunday April 27th

12:00
Its go time vs. AKA F1
Suger and Nuts vs Hoosiers F2

1:15
DaChronic vs. ΣΦΕ F1
Suger and Nuts vs. Dazed and Confused F2

2:30
ΣΠ vs. Orioles F1
D.U.H. Karafaze vs Hoosiers F2

3:45
Hoosiers vs. AKA F1
ΣΠ vs. ΣΦΕ F2

5:00
Its go time vs. Orioles F1
Dazed and Confused vs Hoosiers F2

Wednesday April 30th

4:30
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DaChronic vs. AKA F2

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Softball

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Cougars a 3-2 win and a birth in the championship game. "We played exceptionally well," Montgomery said. "We got the key hits when we needed them."

SIUE had revenge on their mind when they took the field for a rematch with Wisconsin-Parkside. Smith pitched six innings of two-hit ball.

The Cougars jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the fifth inning when catcher Kim Darrow drove in sophomore Kim Messenger. Smith pitched two-hit ball before Wisconsin-Parkside countered in the sixth with a three-run homer from Jackie Aiken. The blast shut the door on an SIUE conference title. Wisconsin-Parkside claimed the championship and the No. 1 ranking in the nation with the 3-1 victory.

"Kim called a great game behind the plate," Montgomery said. "Our intensity level was so high. It just shows that one pitch can make or break you."

Pace

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I stressed to my agents," he said. "The first thing I want to do is get into camp and get my fair-market value."

Carl Poston said he doesn't want Pace to miss any time.

"The Darth Vader image, I think, is kind of blown out of proportion," Poston said. "But I've been called worse."

"Our whole thing is for Orlando to attend all of the camp and to be in camp on time. We can't wait to get there."

Last year's first overall pick, wide receiver Keyshawn Johnson, signed a six-year, \$15 million contract with the New York Jets after a 24-day holdout. Poston said he'd use those numbers, plus the contracts of the No. 1 picks from the last few years and recent contracts for top-rated offensive linemen, in formulating an offer.

Dick Vermeil, the Rams' general manager and coach, is putting the ball in Pace's court.

"This agent stuff to me is a lot of crap," he said. "Sooner or later, the individual player has to step up and represent what he's made of."

"Sooner or later he says, 'You know something, I'm a football player, you're an agent, you get the job done by this date or I get a new agent that can get it done.'"

Picking Pace means wholesale changes for the Rams' offensive line. Last year's starter at left tackle, 1994 first-round pick Wayne Gandy, likely will move to right tackle. Zach Wiegert, the right tackle last year, is switching to right guard.

Artist's Blues

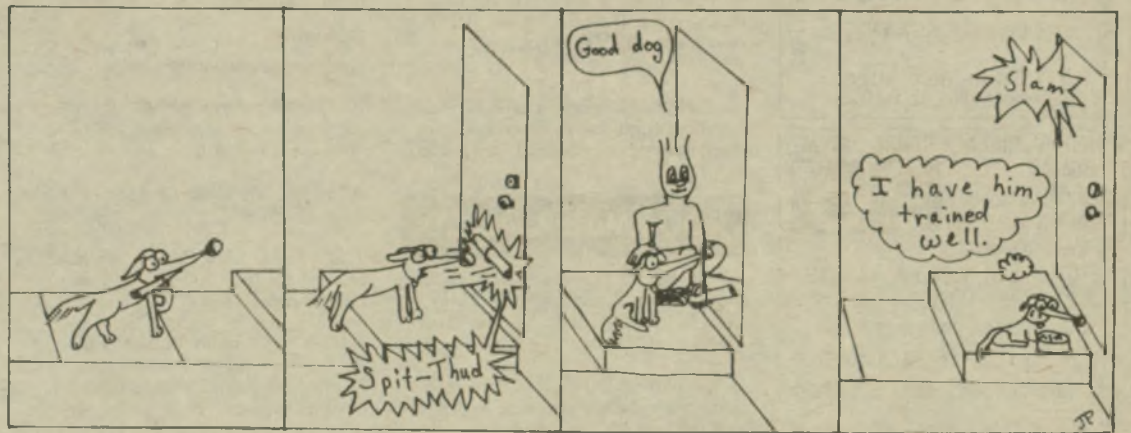
by Sam Pass



Flip's World

by John Palasz

"Fred and Carol sure know how to get the most out of a coffee break."



Poet's Corner

You

Stephanie Malench

You lifted me high and opened new doors for my future
You inspired me greatly and cared for me,
You slammed in my face the same door that you opened.

Choices

by Michael Sterling

The choices I make are mine and mine alone.
Although, some may seem a little too far gone,
I try not to get too far ahead of me.
For when you do, can you really see?
Are your choices then made clearly,
With an open mind, and with an open heart.
Or are they just pieces that seem to fit the part?
I'm not the best at making choices, I won't lie.
But, the ones I've made, I can live with until I die.
Remember this when you make your next choice.
Any pain that is felt will only be heard in your voice.
Choices...

Untitled

by Shante Schuler

Distinguished young fellow
laid back cool and mellow
A simple shade of brown
would you want me around?
shallow lover weak but undercover
tall shy quiet and bright
I will always walk on a step beside
keeping my head held high
It always seems to ring your chimes
grateful lover weak but undercover
discreet and unknown language
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AKA BILL: I had a wonderful time at formal! Thanks for being such an awesome friend to me! Tau love and mine, ΔΣΤ Jenn

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