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ALTON, EAST ST. LOUIS & EDWARDSVILLE

## Party!

Binge drinking is taking its toll on college campuses. See page 8, "Hey, are you okay?" by Leah Holbrook.



Tuesday, October 14, 1997

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT EDWARDSVILLE

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## Preview SIUE greets potential students

*The university recruits new students every year using Preview, the largest recruitment event on campus*

■ BY ZHANDA JOHNSON  
NEWS REPORTER

When people are faced with making the important decision of choosing a college many often do not know where to begin. SIUE tries to make this decision easier by hosting a Preview SIUE each year.

Preview SIUE, which was held yesterday, is a campus-wide open house. It is held in order to

inform and make a favorable impression on prospective students. Preview is always planned to coincide with a school holiday so that area high school students can attend without missing school. This year it was planned to coincide with Columbus Day.

"Preview is the largest recruitment event we have every year for prospective students," Pam Osley, marketing, said.

Osley is one of this year's Preview coordinators. She said

that the event is geared toward high school juniors and seniors, but transfer students are also invited.

People who participated in Preview '97 were exposed to the entire campus from academics to housing. The event began at 9 a.m. and ended at 3 p.m. People who decided to arrive at 8:30 a.m. were invited to take an "early bird" campus tour. The prospective students received welcoming remarks in the

Meridian Ball room by Dr. Sharon Hahs, acting Provost.

Throughout the day prospective students received various information about SIUE's campus. Departmental exhibits were open to students in the Goshen Lounge during a majority of Preview. Several information sessions were held for prospective students and their parents. The sessions included information on financial aid, admission counseling, pre-dentistry/pre-med., nurs-

ing, pre-law and a special session for parents. Students also took a tour of Lovejoy Library, the Residence Hall, Tower Lake Apartments and the campus itself.

More than 1,200 prospective students were expected to visit on Preview day. There were several people arriving as late as 2:30 p.m. anxious to receive knowledge about SIUE.



Mike Pernicka/Alestle

Students board the new, longer Madison County Transit buses in front of the Peck Building, Monday afternoon.

## MCT introduces much needed newer, larger buses

■ BY DANIELLE BELTON  
NEWS EDITOR

Passengers were given a chance to have a little elbow room with the addition of newer, larger Madison County Transit (MCT) buses. The buses were added to help alleviate some of the previous problems of overcrowding. Many times there was standing room only on the buses.

The New Flyer Low Floor Bus is the latest addition to the Cougar shuttle service. The bus is 40 feet long and has a seating capacity of 39. Combined with standees, the bus can carry up to 80 passengers. The former buses carried a total capacity of only 50 passengers. The new buses started running on campus last Wednesday.

The buses contain two entry/exit doors and have a wheelchair ramp. The project for these new buses was started four years ago when a new plan was being developed for serving the Madison County area.

Students have made great use of the new buses, which quickly filled up with passengers, much like the old ones did. Many were very pleased that the new buses are finally being utilized.

Between now and Dec. 1, more New Flyer buses will be spotted on campus as MCT slowly takes over several of Bi-State's bus routes in the county.

## Law helps assist in crime cover-ups on U.S. campuses

■ BY REBECCA HOPKINS  
NEWS REPORTER

According to Security on Campus Inc., campus crime is escalating and administrators are suppressing crime information under the guise of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, also known as the Buckley Amendment. Security on Campus claims that school

administrators are circumventing crime reporting requirements by channeling felonies and misdemeanors into their confidential disciplinary committees.

"Well, I think there is still a question as to whether those laws are protected by the Buckley Amendment," Randy Rock, assistant vice chancellor for student affairs, said. "Under FERPA, student conduct records

are considered educational records, and that is the Department of Education's view."

FERPA amended the Higher Education Act of 1965 to provide consumers with vital crime information that accurately measures the dangers of campus communities.

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## Symposium for slain abolitionist focuses on race in the media

■ BY REBECCA HOPKINS  
NEWS REPORTER

Elijah P. Lovejoy was a Presbyterian minister, journalist and abolitionist who was murdered on Nov. 7, 1837, in Alton, Ill., while defending his press from a mob of citizens who were opposed to his anti-slavery editorial comments. In 1897, a monument in the Alton Cemetery was dedicated to his honor.

The city of Alton is celebrating the centennial of the Lovejoy monument with a Festival of Freedoms and this year, sponsored a symposium that they hope to make an annual event.

The topic of the symposium, "The Challenge of Communicating Race in the Media," was a panel event that was carried live on LCTV and WBZ radio and was taped for



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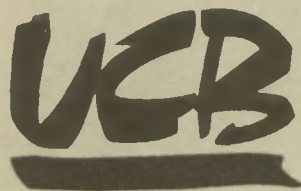
The Elijah P. Lovejoy Library at SIUE.

C-SPAN. It was moderated by Douglas Arnold, president of the Greater Alton-Twin Rivers Convention and Visitors' Bureau. Panelists included Dan Brannon, managing editor of The Telegraph; Gregory Freeman, columnist for the St. Louis Post-Dispatch; Mike Montgomery,

SIUE instructor and WBZ-AM radio commentator; Shirley Portwood, SIUE history professor; and Rance Thomas, sociology professor at Lewis and Clark Community College.

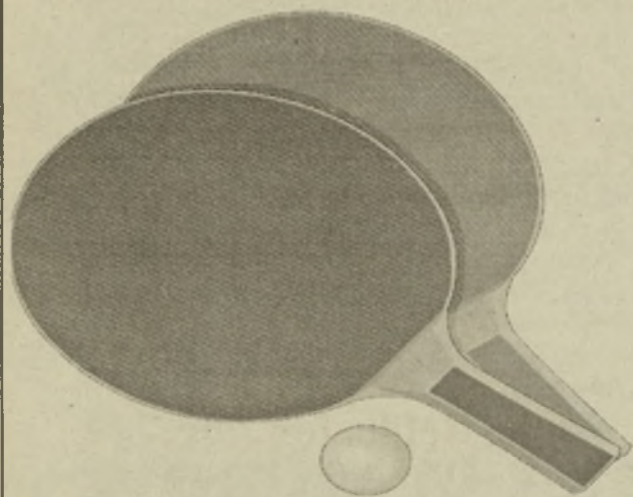
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## LOVEJOY

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The five panelists had varying comments, but all basically agreed that the media is not doing a good job of communicating race.

Thomas charged that the media in general do not accurately portray blacks in society. Instead they pursue stereotypical profiles of portraying blacks as criminals.

"This is one of the major reasons the public is losing confidence in the media," Thomas said. "They fail to educate the public on race."

When Brannon made his introductory statement, he remarked on his childhood in this area and that his teachers often spoke of the heroism of Lovejoy and his stance on freedom of the press.

"As a daily newspaper in the town where Lovejoy died," the Telegraph is proud to carry on the tradition of Lovejoy, Brannon said. "Under the previous Cousley ownership, the Telegraph was a strong voice for the integration of public schools and jobs for minorities in the 1950s when it was an unpopular cause."

Portwood also said that the year 1997 marked not only the 100th anniversary of the Lovejoy monument but also the end of 25 years of integrated education in the Alton public schools.

"The year 1897 saw the erection of three important edifices," Portwood said. "One was a

memorial to Elijah Lovejoy, and second and third were segregated schools. African-Americans saw in these separate architectural feats two contradictory symbols. One was an attempt to champion the principles of the freedom of liberty and equal rights, and the other seemed to reject those very principles.

"By invoking the name of Lovejoy, blacks continually admonish themselves and their opponents, not only on the principles of Lovejoy, but also on his martyrdom," Portwood said. "That he was murdered by Altonians was slipped from note by African-Americans, yet clearly both blacks and whites were well aware that both Lovejoy's life and his death was a reproach to all Altonians."

Montgomery cited the speech by Pulitzer prizewinner Anthony Lewis as a reminder of what the media can do for society.

"As Anthony Lewis pointed out, we in the United States have a constitutional privilege in the first amendment," Montgomery said. "We respect our media and give them a special place in our constitution," and the Supreme Court for over 200 years has upheld that. The media is still considered the 'watchdog of government.'"

Montgomery expressed that radio is still a powerful force to be reckoned with because it is

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## LOVEJOY

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one of the last bastions of society where the common person can still be heard. He also berated media for promoting stereotypes rather than bother with character development.

"We don't have to develop a character," Montgomery said. "Why not [have] some long-haired ruffian in a motorcycle jacket. We know what that means. The same thing happens in news programs when we think we are getting fair, balanced and impartial news and, unfortunately, we do not. Sixty percent of national television newscasts that concerns blacks is negative. In a one-year period, blacks comprised fewer than 10 percent of the guest lists on the 'McNeil-Lehrer News Hour' and 'Nightline.'"

Montgomery also cited a 1993 study by Northwestern University where news shows were monitored for 90 days.

When the issue of race was discussed, blacks were well-represented as experts, but out of 2,000 minutes of other news, blacks were cited as experts in only 15 minutes of that total.

In a study concluded just last year of the four major networks, blacks were represented only in basic-commodity advertising.

Freeman spoke of the possibility of Lovejoy's disappointment with the media today.

"If Elijah Lovejoy were alive today, he'd be more disappointed in the news media in the way it covers issues of race and the way it covers African-Americans," Freeman said. "The news media does not accurately reflect an entire community of people. The news media in this country, when it is covering blacks, has a habit of covering crises. When there is a crisis, the news media is there."

"When the media is covering events such as kite-flying or bal-

loon-racing, you very seldom see people of color in them, as if black people don't fly kites or go to balloon races or whatever the case may be," Freeman said.

"The American Society of News Editors at one time pledged that there would be parity in the newspaper news media by the year 1999," Freeman said. "We've got two years and we're not anywhere close and the ASNE has backed down on that pledge."

For a total of two hours, the panel debated the issue of race and the media and fielded questions and comments from the audience. But perhaps Rance Thomas summed up the issue best when he said that white Americans need to be educated and that news media should stop trying to compete with the tabloids by being less entertaining and more factual.

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## SECURITY

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The Buckley Amendment of 1992 specifically provided that campus law enforcement records are not afforded the confidentiality protection of an education record and are to be published. The resulting dilemma is that student disciplinary problems are adjudicated by disciplinary committees and never reported to campus police. Therefore, they do not become official campus crime statistics and are not published.

Security on Campus is attempting to get new legislation passed, the Accuracy in Campus Crime Reporting Act (HB715), that would open campus disciplinary proceedings records.

"There is potential for crime and violence wherever you go, but in terms of this university, I think we are very upfront with information," Rock said. "It's accurate and complete, and I would think it would be really dumb to try to hide things. That would be a short-term gain for a long-term loss."

"Even though I think we have a safe environment, you have to be realistic," Rock said. "In our culture, in this day and age, what happens on college campuses is a reflection of what happens in our society in general."

But, do less inclusive reporting requirements for campus crime misrepresent the true dangers on campus? Rock doesn't believe so.

"Right now, my job is to adjudicate the complaint under the student conduct code," Rock said. "(It is not up to me) to make a judgment whether it is a criminal action or not. That is the role of the state's attorney and the police."

"When there are serious issues, we encourage people to go to the police, report to the police, and use the criminal proceedings when appropriate."

Rock said that he had two major concerns with ACCRA. As director of campus discipline, he would have to make decisions about whether an act was criminal, and requiring open disciplinary hearings would compromise the privacy of an individual bringing charges against a fellow student.

But John Silber, president of Boston University, has said that the administration of judicial codes should not give criminals sanctuary from the law. He believes that in many cases, administrators have successfully pressed students not to bring criminal behavior to the attention of the police and instead to use campus disciplinary proceedings to judge charges of rape, arson and assault. This, Silber believes, denies justice to the victims.

Director of Housing Michael Schultz said that disciplinary problems are down this year and that most violations are noise or guest-related.

"If violations are major, we don't handle them at this level," Schultz said. "We send those to Randy (Rock). I think if we have to make all cases public, then we are going to have fewer cases reported. People will try to preserve privacy and handle it themselves, and cause bigger problems."

"Specifically in the cases of

sexual assault," Schultz said. "Our role should not be a reporting agency, but as counselor to get (the students) to the police, if that was appropriate. If we were a police agency and had to report and follow through with that, then we would have a bunch of sexual assault cases that were in the closet."

Schultz added that he didn't believe there were any incidents that were not reported as should have been.

"The only ones that might be

happening would be sexual assault, when people said they did not want to take it to the police," Schultz said. "I'm not saying we've had a whole lot of them, we might have had one in four years. It happened at Tower Lake, but it wasn't a rape, it was a sexual fondling."

In disciplinary hearings, the most serious sanction is expulsion. The penalty for a criminal assault, not reported to the police, would often not be much worse than being tossed out of a club.

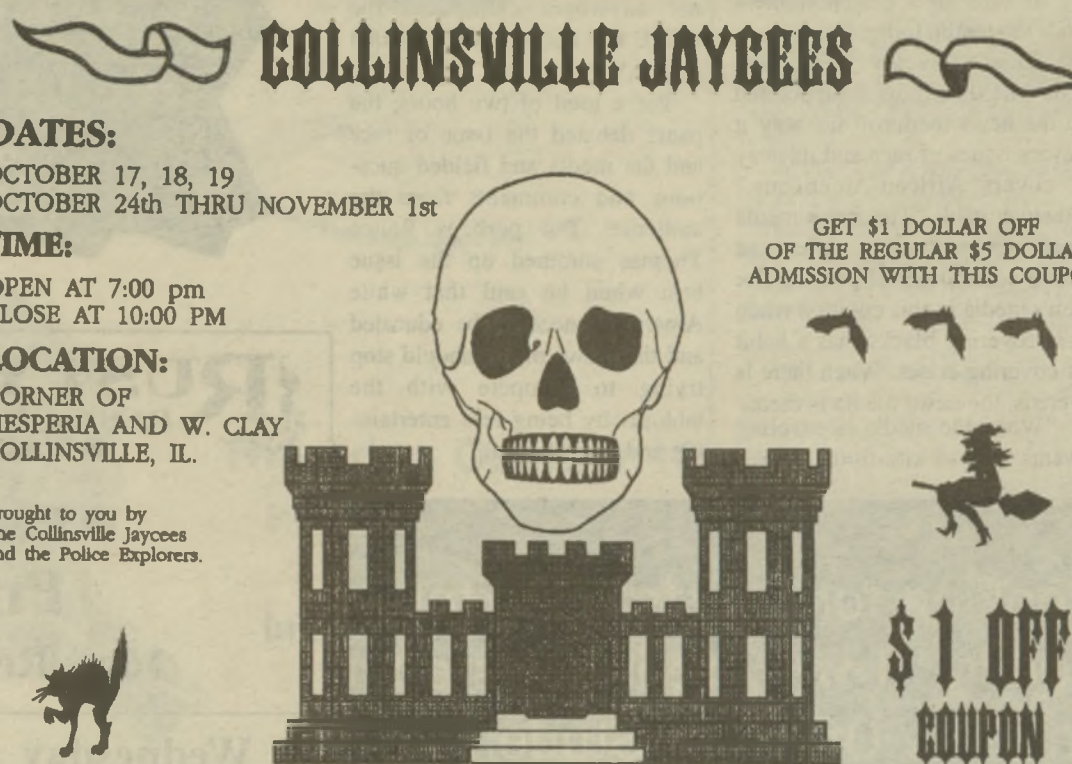
"In disciplinary proceedings, one of the normal sanctions that we impose in these cases is barring students from participating in students activities," Rock said. "We have the discretion of an interim separation in which a student can be barred from certain activities until he is afforded due process under the conduct code."

According to the Student Press Law Center, the U. S. Department of Education enforces both FERPA and the Campus Security Act and inter-

pretation of both laws is left up to each college or university.

Security on Campus is a national, non-profit organization geared to prevent campus crimes and violence and to assist victims in the protection of their legal rights.

SOC maintains a website at <[www.soconline.org](http://www.soconline.org)>. For more information, visit the Student Press Law Center at <[www.splc.org](http://www.splc.org)>.



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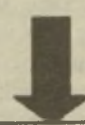


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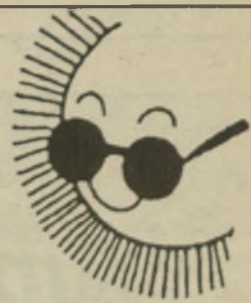
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## Police Incidents

### Theft under \$300

On Oct. 3 at 1:10 p.m., officers took a telephone report in regard to a theft. A female student reported that someone stole the hubcaps off her vehicle while it was parked in Tower Lake Parking Lot 4C. The value of the four hubcaps is \$300. Police are continuing their investigation.

### Driving under the influence

On Oct. 5 at 10:02 p.m., officers arrested Jeffrey Cuvar, age 26, of Glen Carbon for driving under the influence of alcohol and speeding. His motorcycle was towed by Cross Towing.

### Ambulance call

On Oct. 3 at 3:35 p.m., officers and Edwardsville Ambulance responded to the Lovejoy Library in reference to an injured person. A male staff member stated that he was stacking some boxes when one box that was filled with glass fell on his leg and cut him just below the knee. He was transported to Oliver Anderson Hospital

### Crosswalks

There has been an increase in the number of complaints concerning vehicles speeding through the academic area and ignoring pedestrians in the crosswalks. University Police will increase their enforcement efforts of this policy.

### Stolen handicap hang tag

Shannon J. Bond, a resident of Tower Lake, was arrested on Oct. 8, when University Police checked the handicap hang tag on his '92 Toyota Camry. The vehicle was parked in a handicap space in Lot 5L. The hang tag was listed as being stolen out of Chicago by the Office of the Secretary of State. A disabling boot was placed on the vehicle. Bond was charged with possession of stolen property, unauthorized use of a handicapped parking space and for having obstructed (tinted) windows on the vehicle. He was released on \$175.00 bond.



Courtesy of University Police  
**Bond's car sits with the boot placed on it, due to unauthorized use of a handicapped space.**

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# The fall of Christopher Columbus and his holiday

Often I wonder, is it just me, or does anyone else wonder why Christopher Columbus still has a holiday? Did anyone else notice that this day is held in recognition of a man who is responsible for the annihilation of an entire race of people.

When were holidays handed to criminals? Maybe we should give Adolf Hitler a holiday while we're at it. Surely he must fit the category if Columbus does. He killed over 6 million Jews. Columbus helped assist in the death of millions of Native American people and set the Spanish standard of "loot" and "plunder" in the Americas.

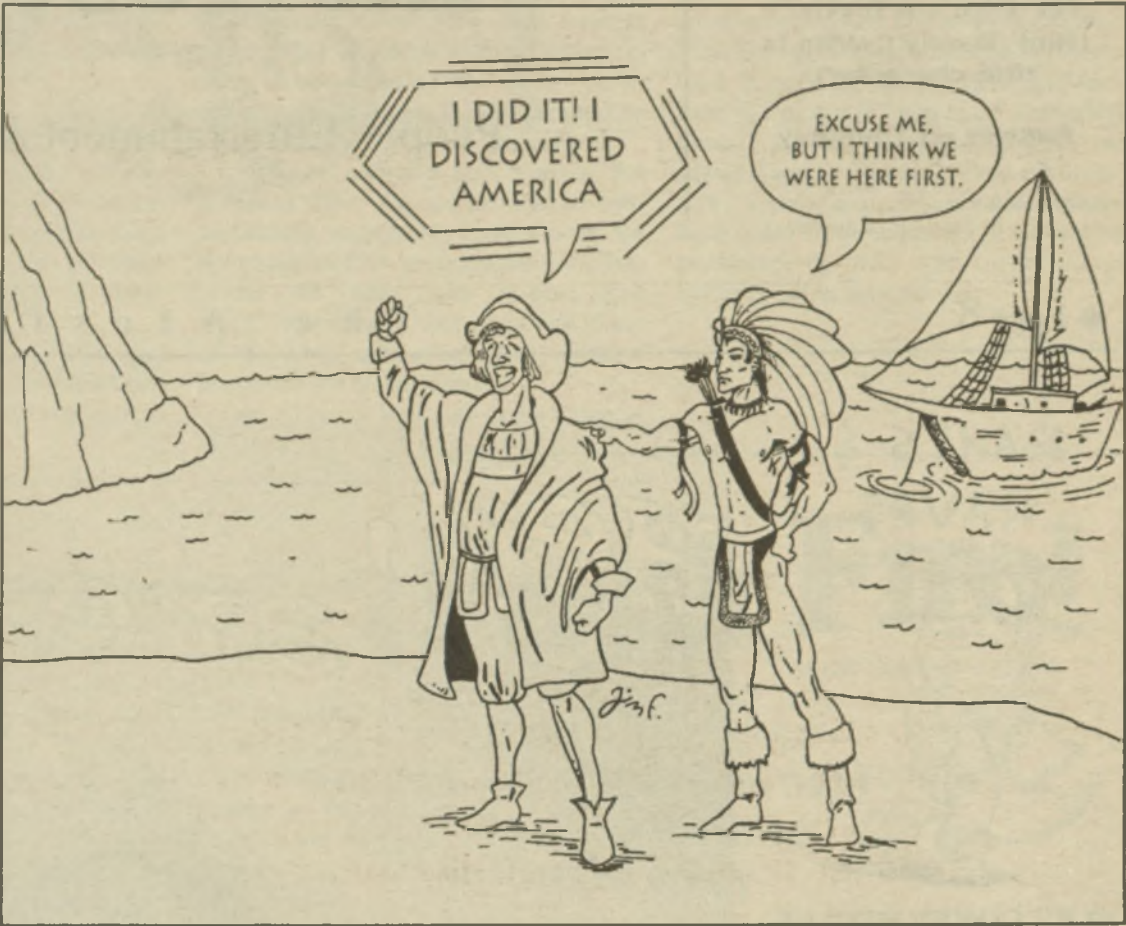
I can still remember sitting in my first grade class, taking in my daily brainwashing from the whitewashed American public school system, learning about Columbus and his whole voyage. A girl and I named Talya were responsible for making the water in the yellow tub rock back and forth, as a couple of other girls in the class pretended to be the Nina, the Pinta and the Santa Maria. I remember even finding the whole thing rather ignorant then, even though I believed the whole story to be true.

In the class exercise, Columbus, after a difficult and frightening journey, landed in the Bahamas and discovered a world that already had countless people living in it. For all of you who don't know, that is the equivalent of a person discovering my favorite pair of pants with me wearing them.

So, I hope everyone enjoys this Columbus Day. Maybe I wouldn't even care if he had a holiday if we actually got out of school for it, but maybe then I would. We get off for President's Day, and I can think of many things wrong with that, but I'll save that for another time.

Danielle Belton  
news editor

editorial cartoon



commentary

# Racism and sexism prey on the human soul

## PART ONE

I write, think, and speak on gender, sexual inequality and feminist theory with almost every breath I take. Quite often I get so fired up about a "women's issue" or gender injustice that I am compelled to write an editorial or broadcast my views to anyone and everyone who will listen. I can get very fired up and do so almost anywhere ... the movie theater, the news stand, the bookstore ... anywhere. My own children steer me through the malls to avoid particular stores or sexist advertisement because well ... they know! Their nickname for me is the "terminator."

However, something happened just this week that dropped me to my knees in grief and sadness so compelling I went home and cried. I teach a Sociology/Women's Studies

course at SIUE and a Gender Awareness Workshop at Florissant Valley Community College. I have one student, in particular, who is bright, sensitive, articulate and very much a joy to have in a class. He comes to class prepared, talks and brings up thoughtful and incisive issues. Often, we spend time after class talking and rethinking the conceptual issues brought out in class. This is a young man I only wish my daughters would bring home or my sons have as a mentor, role model and friend. He is also black.

I felt his absence in the first session for the week. He never misses class and I pondered his absence. When he came to class later in the week, his face was so badly bruised and swollen, he grimaced as he spoke. He could barely move his head, neck or arms and told me about countless

stitches on his chest and head. He told me he had been in jail over the weekend after having been stopped for a speeding ticket and badly beaten by the officers in front of his own house. Over dinner, I told my children about this young man and what had happened to him. I could only recount the story told to me but could relay the hurting and defeat I felt emanating from this man's soul. My daughter, looking stricken, said quietly and simply, "Why don't they hate us all." Out of the mouths of babes.

Another very dear friend who, sometimes, shares his own experiences to me on the black side of a white subject told me once that he thought black men and white women share some similar level of oppression. I couldn't fathom a connection at that time but, perhaps, I can more clearly now. Having survived a

battering relationship with a man and experiencing a same defeating up hill struggle, also with a system designed to be "my friend," in leaving, stopping, and preventing the violence, I clearly recognized the anguish and defeat in this young man's eyes as he spoke with resignation about the humiliating experience and, more so, about the powerless he felt to stop it or prevent it. Perhaps, our powerlessness to stop the blows from coming is what is shared.

Racism and sexism are social phenomenons that happen with abounding regularity and carry with them norms, values, and traditions that not only support them but encourage them. This leaves many men and women, both black and white, struggling to survive physically and emotionally and leaves a very bitter taste because the

struggle to survive one, often, involves the struggle to survive the other and both are nestled within a social network designed to protect those who need it the least. The violence perpetrated on this sweet, young man and countless others simply for being black and the violence perpetrated on women simply for being women is the same. It is a violence that is condoned, ignored, and, yes, even applauded by the larger society and both carry the backing of the entire culture. The irony of this vulnerability leaves in it's wake so crushed and defeated a human spirit as could ever be matched by any blow from a perpetrator, white sheeted or otherwise.

Katie H. Henderson  
Sociology  
TO BE CONTINUED IN  
THURSDAY'S ISSUE

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## RANTS & RAVES



■ BY COREY STULCE  
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It seems that every new restaurant that opens needs to have a theme to be successful. Either that, or it was someone's brilliant idea to sell fast food for four times the price because their restaurant has a kooky atmosphere.

This weekend a friend and I visited "Joe's Crab Shack" in Fairview Heights. It has an "At the beach, drinkin' beer with Frankie and Annette" feel to it, and of course they serve seafood, which doesn't have a much better quality than say Long John Silver's.

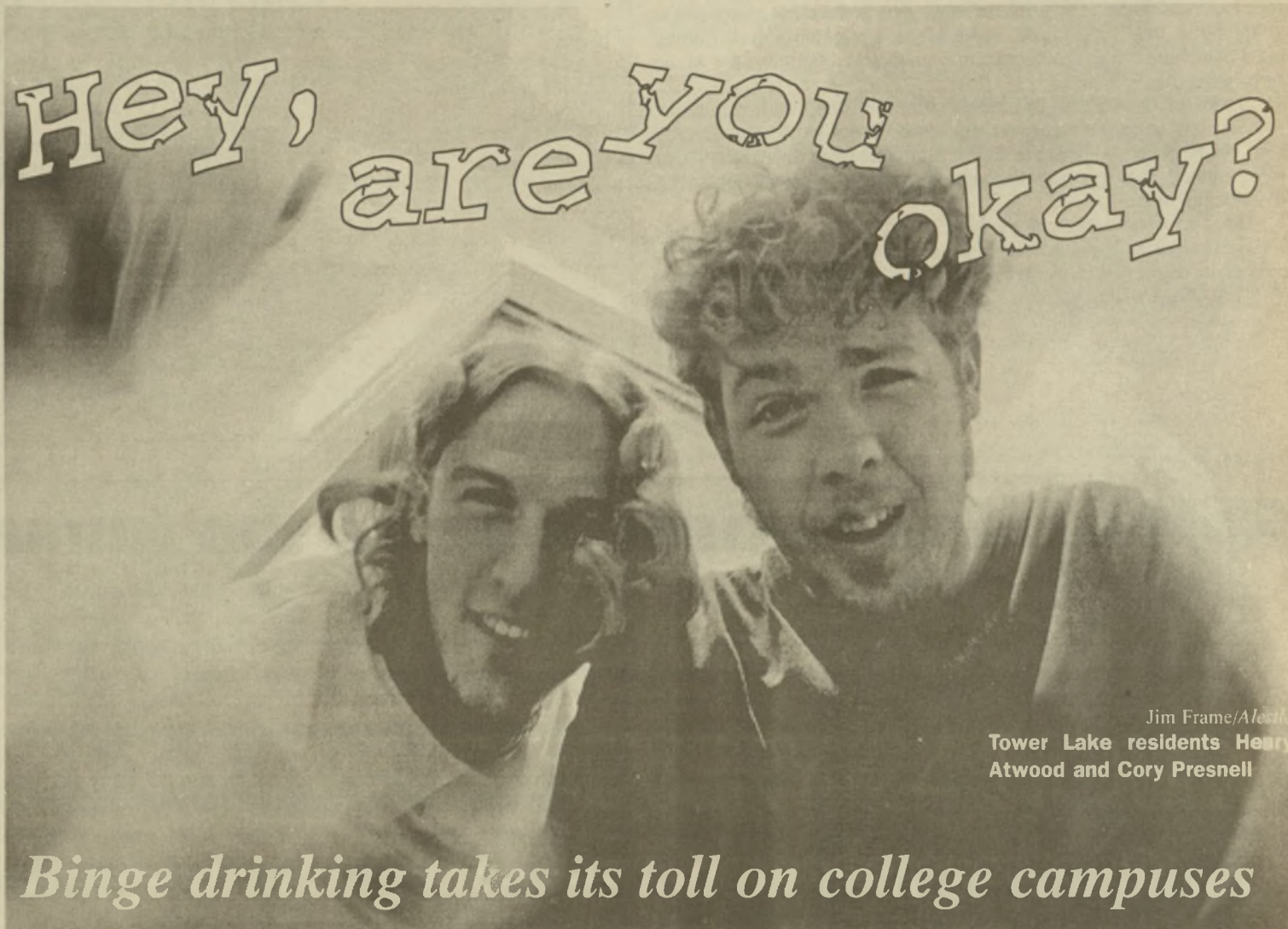
We discussed the idea of a new theme restaurant, one in which the patrons would be an integral part of the visit. It would have a game-show theme and would give new meaning to "potluck."

He had the idea of having the customer pay up front to ensure that they would pay at all.

Again, the term host or hostess would take on a new meaning. They would be fitted with a bad suit, capped teeth and a permanent smile.

First, the customers would play a little game at the podium. They would have to guess prices of products. By guessing right, they would receive the use of items like silverware, napkins and chairs to sit on. This game would also determine where in the restaurant they would sit.

Next, each customer would spin a giant wheel to find out what they would be eating. One might get breaded cod, the next might end up with a single pea. Every contestant would have the option of picking a meal behind door #3 instead of their wheel choice, however. There is a chance that behind the door is a live chicken that the patrons will have to kill, pluck and cook themselves. Antics will ensue. Bon appetit!



Jim Frame/Aletheia  
Tower Lake residents Henry Atwood and Cory Presnell

## Binge drinking takes its toll on college campuses

■ BY LEAH HOLBROOK  
LIFESTYLE REPORTER

Laughter, loud music, dancing and drinking are the familiar sights and sounds of a college party, but what about when these images blur, the room spins and everything goes black?

Recently, college drinking has been under the spotlight of reality. A freshman from Louisiana State University died earlier this semester from alcohol poisoning, and another freshman from MIT died recently from alcohol poisoning.

Betty Lawton, coordinator of the Wellness Center at SIUE, said she is concerned with educating students about the dangers of binge drinking. The Wellness Center issued a newsletter warning against the dangers of binge drinking after the LSU student's death.

According to the newsletter, "Binge" drinking is defined as having four or more drinks in a "night out." Binge drinking can cause death, and it is often associated with physical and sexual assault, accidents and injuries, criminal activity, relationship problems and poor academic performance.

Lawton said that students should consider themselves in danger of binge drinking if they are consuming more than one drink per hour, or more than three drinks per day.

"Alcohol is a drug," Lawton said. "Every time you pass out from drinking, the alcohol has poisoned the blood in your brain, and the body starts to shut down."

Lawton said she doesn't want to see the incidents that occurred at LSU and MIT

repeat themselves here at SIUE. Lawton said that although both the LSU and MIT incidents included Greek life, she doesn't feel that the focus of the problem of binge drinking lies in Greek life. In fact, Greek life on the SIUE campus is working with the Wellness Center to create awareness campaigns about the dangers of binge drinking.

"The student body is responsible here," Lawton said.

However, while some students on campus seem to be taking an active role in educating fellow students on the dangers of binge drinking, others do not see the reason for alarm.

### Do SIUE students have a drinking problem?

"I like to tie on a good buzz once or twice a week," an anonymous SIUE student said. "Does that mean I binge drink? Maybe. But that's only by someone else's definition. I don't consider my drinking to be a problem. I practice responsible intoxication. If I have too much to drink, I find a sober ride home. I like a buzz, but it's not like I drink until I puke or pass out. I'm young. I'm a college student. Hey, I represent the norm."

Lawton said one reason binge drinking occurs on campus is the misconception that college students, especially freshmen, have about college life. Lawton said most students don't binge drink, but students with misconceptions of normal student drinking may begin to binge drink out of a false sense of peer pressure.

### How much is too much?

A 1994 study of more than 17,000 students at 100 four-year colleges across the nation revealed that 44 percent of students binge drink. Lawton said 61 percent of SIUE students do not binge drink. A 1996 survey at SIUE revealed that 39 percent of students had engaged in binge drinking within two weeks of the survey, 26.5 percent averaged one to two drinks per week and 42 percent averaged zero drinks per week.

Lawton said the survey is reviewed by university administrators to help develop new policies and programs that deal with alcohol use. Lawton said a danger that students face is fear of seeking help and medical attention because they are under age 21. Lawton said another danger that faces students is misinformation about alcoholism and the physiological effects alcohol has on the body.

"Anyone can become an alcoholic," Lawton said.

### Is admitting the problem the first step to recovery?

"I don't mind admitting my drinking habits," SIUE student C.D. Litteken said. "I know I have a problem. It's just not cool, downing a fifth of Jack Daniels in one night, you know? But I still do it. And what's worse, is I drink alone. At least I don't subject other people to my disease."

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GLOBAL celebrates Gay History Month by preaching awareness and tolerance

■ BY CHRIS LITTEKEN  
LIFESTYLE REPORTER

October has been selected the National Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Coming Out Month. To this end, we are asked to recognize the fact that our world is composed not only of heterosexuals, but a more complex array of sexualities than are always publicly observed, or accepted.

SIUE's own GLOBAL (Gay Lesbian, or Bisexual Alliance) has been doing its part to keep the tradition alive, while celebrating the diversity (as well the similarity) of humanity.

Despite operating under a silent shroud of "hetero-sexist" paranoia and restrictions, the gay community remains relatively free to explore the bounds of its decided or accepted sexuality.

"Sometimes it's like walking on eggshells," GLOBAL adviser Kris Tucker-Loewe said. "Where so many take so much for granted, others have to be careful. Even conversation is limited. Gays aren't quite so free to talk about, for example, their dating habits, for fear of offending the 'majorities.'"

And yet, despite many setbacks, gay people are still able to see the advantages of their chosen lifestyles. Ask a gay person

about some of the benefits of homosexuality, and they will respond with any number of potentially radical, yet socially relevant points. They might tell you that homosexuality in no way adds to the world's population problem; or that the gay community does nothing to contribute to abortion.

Also, in a world (or campus, for instance) where the two genders are systematically segregated, homosexuals are not restricted from pursuing their interests in the least. Indeed, they are even more free to be with their own gender by virtue of that very confinement (see military/prison life for further details).

Yet all is not well with certain aspects

of civilized society. There still are those who do not just disagree, but are actively antagonistic toward this small but proportionately relevant segment of social strata. Case in point is GLOBAL's organization banner, which was hung at the University Center's Goshen Lounge on Monday and ripped down on Tuesday. While not necessarily a "hate crime," this act constitutes harassment nevertheless, and it reflects the intolerance by those who cannot accept anything unlike themselves.

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"Besides, I'm a real asshole when I'm drunk, which is why I don't want to be around others when I'm drinking. Of course, I can say it doesn't hurt anyone but myself, but the fact is, it's tearing my family apart. They're going crazy with concern. And idiot that I am, I still can't stop. It shows you what kind of son I really am. Maybe I have a subconscious death wish, huh?" Litteken said.

In that case, even realization of the problem, which many cannot even admit, is not a step toward recovery. Who can help someone who has realization of wrongdoing, without a will to change?

Lawton said one of the reasons there is not an Alcoholics Anonymous group on campus is that students with alcohol problems usually do not stay in school.

Lawton said that becoming impaired from one night of drinking can affect a student's ability for abstract thinking for up to 30 days, and that alcohol use does directly affect a student's grades.

The Wellness Center is offering the Substance Use Intervention and Prevention Program on Oct. 18, Nov. 8, 15 and 18 and Dec. 6. The Wellness Center also posts informational posters at the Residence Hall and the Vadalabene Center and is creating banners to hang in key locations.

Lawton said there is hope for the future that students will decrease their binge drinking. A bill in Congress would ban alcohol advertisement on campuses.

Check out Thursday's Alestle for weekend events.

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## Cougar ice hockey laces up for second season with full roster

■ BY BRETT LICATA  
SPORTS REPORTER

Fall is around the corner, and that means hockey season is here.

The SIUE ice hockey team will lace up the skates for its second season, which starts Oct. 25 at the East Alton Ice Arena.

With eight players returning from last year's inaugural squad, the Cougars will add a lot of newcomers to the lineup.

According to defenseman Matt Foristal, the most significant difference from last year's team is the number of players on the roster. SIUE will have 20 players dress for each game with five on the injured reserve list.

"It was difficult to play with only 14 players on the team last year," Foristal said. "This year, we'll be more competitive with a full roster of players."

After a season of tremendous improvement, the Cougars will be a part of the Illinois/Wisconsin Collegiate Hockey Association.

"Being a member of this league will provide many more challenges for us," Foristal said. "Some of those teams have been around the league a long time and are very competitive."

SIUE will look for offense from Derek Zirkelbach since he led the team in scoring a year ago. Returning center Jerry Rasch will also add firepower to

the offensive attack.

Newcomers Mike Gerling and Bradley Brussatti will have to carry the scoring load if the Cougars are to be successful.

The defense will be led by Foristal and Marc Popelar, who are both in their second season with the team.

Last year's backup goaltender, Keith Phillips, will be between the pipes this year.

"It's going to take some time," Foristal said. "It's difficult to play with a new group of teammates."

The SIUE hockey team would like everyone to come out to cheer them on against Illinois State on Oct. 25 at 10:15 a.m. at the East Alton Ice Arena.

## 1997-98 Cougar team schedule

Date	Opponent	Time
Oct. 25	ISU	10:15 a.m.
Nov. 1	at Bradley	TBD
Nov. 2	at Northern Illinois Univ	TBD
Nov. 9	at ISU	noon
Nov. 15	at Wheaton	7:50 p.m.
Nov. 22	Illinois	10:15 a.m.
Dec. 6	Bradley	10:15 a.m.
Dec. 9	at St. Louis University	9 p.m.
Jan. 9	at St. Louis University	9 p.m.
Jan. 17	Northern Illinois Univ	10:15 a.m.
Jan. 24	at Illinois	TBD
Jan. 30	at Washington University**	TBD
Jan. 31	UMSL **	10:15 a.m.
Feb. 7	Wheaton	10 a.m.
Feb. 14	Washington University **	10:15 a.m.
Feb. 19	at UMSL**	10:30 p.m.

\*All home games are played at the East Alton Ice Arena.

\*\*Non-League Games.

## Women's soccer beats Southern Indiana 2-1

■ BY BRETT LICATA  
SPORTS REPORTER

This was a crucial weekend for the SIUE women's soccer team. They wanted to finish the season strong in hopes that they can return to postseason play.

Two conference victories won't hurt their cause. The Cougars started the weekend with a win over Southern Indiana on Saturday despite being without the team's leading scorer Janece Friederich.

"They played hard against Southern Indiana," head coach Brian Korbesmeyer said. "We showed that we are not just a one dimensional team. These ladies let everyone know that even with Janece out, they are a talented team."

Megan Beagles took care of the scoring for SIUE on Sunday against Quincy. She scored twice with the first coming less than two minutes into the game.

The Hawks responded with a

goal from Jennifer Toner at 7:23 to tie the contest at 1-1.

"I was happy with a 1-1 game after the first half," Korbesmeyer said. "I knew that they don't score many goals and that we'd have a good chance with our backs to the wind in the second half."

SIUE took advantage of the situation in the 76th minute when Beagles tapped in a ball from 4 yards out off a cornerkick from Michelle Montgomery for the game winner. The 2-1 victory puts SIUE at 8-5 with a 4-2 conference record.

"When they did put pressure on us, we stayed composed," Korbesmeyer said of his team's play against Quincy. "The last 15 minutes of the game was the best soccer we've played this season in terms of ball control."

SIUE plays at Kentucky Wesleyan on Saturday and Bellarmine on Sunday afternoon for two Great Lakes Valley Conference games.

vocal about his contract dispute. After his second goal put the Blues ahead to stay, the crowd chanted, "Sign Hull, sign Hull."

Hull is in the final year of his contract and negotiations with the Blues are at a standstill.

The crowd support was not a big factor, Hull said.

"Sure, it's nice, but I don't really pay any attention to that sort of thing," he said.

Hull's second goal appeared to have been deflected in by a Florida player, although Hull got credit for it.

## Women's volleyball loses to Indiana, dominates St. Joseph

■ BY JASON TRIPLETT  
SPORTS REPORTER

Coming off a 10-day rest, the Cougars split two weekend games, losing to Indiana/Purdue-Ft. Wayne in three games on Friday and dominating St. Joseph's in three games on Saturday.

Although the two Great Lakes Valley Conference matches had different outcomes, head coach Sandy Montgomery said the 10-day rest helped.

"It was a team effort all weekend," Montgomery said. "In both games we seemed to have more composure."

On Friday, Montgomery felt SIUE's serving lacked and that

IUPU-Ft. Wayne deserves to be at the top of the blue division in the conference.

"We played pretty well usually. We mis-served a few times," Montgomery said. "We stayed with them through the whole game, but (IUPU-Ft. Wayne) is just a better team."

SIUE fell 7-15, 7-15, 8-15. Julie Litteken and Michelle Gilman combined for 16 of 27 kills. Andi Reichhart led IUPU-Ft. Wayne with 16 kills and Laura Douglas followed with 14.

St Joseph's beat SIUE the last time they met, in the Hillsdale Tournament in Hillsdale, Mich. This time the Cougars showed why they are second in the conference defeating them three

games to none.

"St Joseph's is much better than their record," Montgomery said. "We practiced hard during the week and played hard. We're just a much better team."

SIUE won convincingly in the first two games by a score of 15-8 in each. Then the Cougars edged St. Joseph's in the last game 17-15. Litteken led the Cougars with 18 kills, and Gilman had with 15. Jill Stenger provided some defense with 24 digs, and Christy Scheller had 49 assists in the match.

SIUE upped their overall hitting percentage this season from .206 to .211. Litteken leads the team with a .307 mark, and Gilman follows with a .300.

## men's soccer posts two wins over weekend

■ BY BRETT LICATA  
SPORTS REPORTER

A couple of tough games don't scare the SIUE men's soccer team. They just keep putting marks in the win column.

The fifth-ranked Cougars topped Southern Indiana 4-1 on Saturday in Evansville and slipped by the Hawks of Quincy on Sunday 3-2.

"It was not an easy game (against Southern Indiana)," head coach Ed Huneke said. "We had to battle, despite the score."

At Bob Guelker Field, SIUE was poised to avenge a controversial loss suffered last season to

Quincy.

Collinsville's Nick Redman took a cross from senior Darren Snyder and put a header into the right side of the goal to put SIUE up 1-0 at the 35:45 mark.

It was 2-0 SIUE when Redman found the net once again just past the 70-minute mark from Kividi Kikama.

Quincy showed that it came to play when Mike Mathison cut the lead in half with a header goal in the 73rd minute.

Granite City's Matt Little beat Quincy goalkeeper Jason O'Donnell in the 75th minute to put the Cougars up 3-1. Quincy added another late goal, but the

Cougars held on for the 3-2 victory.

"It showed a lot from them to come back twice, but we stayed focused," Huneke said. "Nobody has scored two goals on us all season, but our offense played well. We had good numbers on the attack, which is a good sign."

With their only blemish being a tie in the season opener, the Cougars have rattled off 11 straight victories for an 11-0-1 record and a 7-0 Great Lakes Valley Conference mark.

Next up for SIUE will be a road trip to Kentucky Wesleyan on Saturday and a matchup with Bellarmine on Sunday.

## St. Louis Blues 5, Panthers 3

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Brett Hull is making a strong argument for the St. Louis Blues to extend his contract beyond this year.

Hull scored his league-leading sixth and seventh goals Saturday and his fifth in his last two games — to lead the Blues to a 5-3 win over the Florida Panthers.

"We're just going out and playing the system the coach wants and we're working hard," Hull said.

Hull made all the appropriate comments about teamwork and fundamentals, but the crowd was



## GLOBAL

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It is this very kind of discrimination which GLOBAL hopes to eliminate. Bigotry, homophobia, judgemental attitudes all need to be eliminated. All the gay community asks is to be accepted as legitimate by "straight" society, and to co-exist in peace.

"Our goal," Angela Mayes, president of GLOBAL, said, "is to increase gay visibility, and to lower the level of homophobia here on campus ... coming out is probably the single scariest process one could go through. Those who do, need our support and acceptance, not condemnation."

GLOBAL, which has been in existence approximately eight years, was previously known as GLASS (Gay Lesbian Association of SIUE) up till about a year ago. They typically hold their meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, at 7 p.m., in the Residence Hall Learning Center. GLOBAL is open to those who are gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered, or straight-allied.

"We want to call attention to ourselves, because once you put a face on something, it makes it that much harder to reduce it to a mere statistic," Matthew Mittelstaedt said. We're just

doing our part to humanize the issue."

In response to GLOBAL's flooding of the Alestle personal ads, Mayes commented, "We saw the personal ads as an untapped resource by which to get our message across. What we did there is really no different than what the Greek organizations, and other groups, have been doing for some time."

Although the gay community places the utmost emphasis on unity, occasionally there arise issues of discrimination even within their own ranks. Bisexuals, it seems, are sometimes looked down upon as being "confused," "fence-straddlers," "wanting to have their cake (no pun intended) and eat it too." Gays can also pass judgement on their "in the closet" comrades, for wanting to know the lifestyle, yet not having the courage to stand by their convictions.

Minorities within minorities... all struggling against an even larger majority, which sees itself as being right for the simple fact that it contains greater numbers.

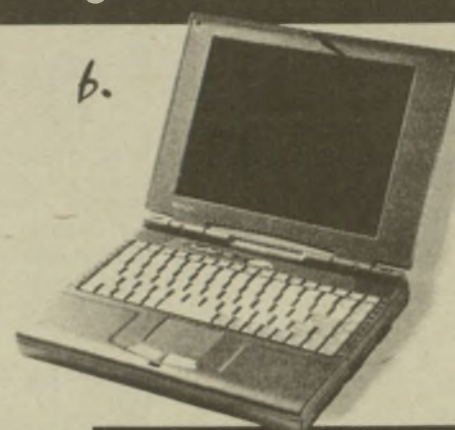
The world is a loveless enough place as it is and filled with so many worse things than mere homosexuality. So long as one's actions do not violate the will of another, perhaps we'd best allow others to find what love they can, and reserve our judgements for things better deserving of our hatred.

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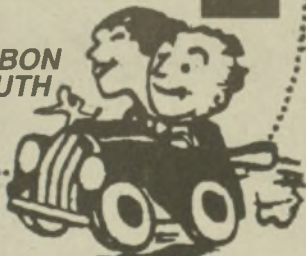


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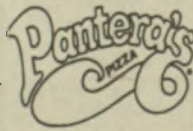


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Questions- contact Jamie Franklin  
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**THE INSTITUTE** will be here on  
November 8. Will you be attending?

**P.E. MAJORS** there will be a meeting  
on Oct. 15, 1997 at 1:00PM in Room  
2305 Issues are Tons-of-Fun, Health  
Fair, Pumpkin Patch. Please try to  
attend.

**DELTA PHI EPSILON** Spectacular job  
on the float. If we put our minds to it  
we can accomplish anything. Love,  
Jana Banana ΔΦΕ

ΔΦ **RACHEL** Cheek, I'm so glad you're  
my little sis!!! Congrats on Initiation  
this Friday! You will make a great  
ΔΦ!!! ΔΦ Big Sis Stephanie

**WORRIED ABOUT** the future? Help is  
on the way.

**THE LADIES** of Alpha Kappa Alpha  
Sorority Inc. would like all interested  
ladies to attend our Fall Social. Oct.  
19, 1997. Dogwood/Maplewood at  
7:00PM

**10/20/1990** The reform branch of  
Judaism voted to accept openly gay  
men as Rabbis -Maddy

**10/27/1985** France prohibited  
employers from discriminating against  
employees on the basis of sexual orien-  
tation. -Maddy

**HELP IS** close by - Look to tThe Institute.

**THE ORGANIZATION** of Minority  
Business Students invites everyone to  
attend its "Minorities in Corporate  
America" forum, Tuesday Oct. 14 at  
7:00PM in Residence Hall Multi-  
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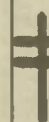
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