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## SIU budget hinges on income tax bill

By Allan Lewis  
Alestle Sports Editor

Unless an income tax increase passes through Illinois legislation, the Southern Illinois University system could be operating with a budget in distress, according to SIU President Glenn Poshard.

The Board of Trustees voted Thursday at the Higher Education Campus in East St. Louis to operate the university in fiscal year 2010 at the current funding level, as the university continues to wait on state appropriation

funds connected with the Illinois Works Bill.

Under the plan, the current budget will carry forward into the new fiscal year, which begins in July, but could be lifted in favor of a new budget which includes capital funding.

House Bill 312 would provide over \$168 million to SIU, \$78 million of which would go towards constructing a new 80,000 square foot science laboratory building at SIUE, and renovate the current Science Building.

"SIUE has been long awaiting a new science center,"

Poshard said. "We have a lot at stake right now, and as I have indicated (to Gov. Pat Quinn) we have a victory, so let's take it."

A bipartisan super-majority of 71 votes within the state House is required to pass the income tax proposal, which remains a hurdle in the university's quest for state funding. The increase, according to SIU spokesperson Dave Gross, would eliminate nearly \$4 billion of the state's deficit.

"We are talking about substantial revenue that will

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## Musical Chairs in Student Government

First meeting filled with appointments, resignations, vacant senate seats

By Rosie Githinji  
Alestle Reporter

The first Student Government meeting of the summer yielded one senator resignation and three presidential appointments as well as an announcement that the funds for the Science Building may take a little longer to get to the school.

Dennis Doddigarla resigned from his position as a Senator, but was appointed by student body President Brandon Rahn as the new Organization Relation Officer formerly known as the Student Organization Advisory Board Chair.

"I was the vice chair for SOAB so I thought it would make more sense to work in that area," Doddigarla said. "It's just like a promotion right now."

Doddigarla is looking forward to the position because he knows how each organization works and he is more

organization oriented.

Also appointed for the executive board was Sarah Bailey for Internal Affairs Officer and Barrett Feltmeier for External Affairs Officer. Each of the presidential appointments was approved by acclamation from the senators.

"I'm very excited," Rahn said. "Now they can take over half the work."

Rahn made the announcement during the meeting that the funds for the Science Building are not quite within grasp yet.

"The Governor won't sign the bill without a state budget," Rahn said. "Hopefully we will have the funds by July 1."

Four personnel appointments were made during the meeting as well. John Schalk was appointed for Student Legal Services Advisory Board, Nichole Butler for the University Quality Council, and Paige Elbe and Rahn for Student Publication Advisory Board. Rahn will



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**Newly-appointed executive board members Dennis Doddigarla and Sarah Bailey took their positions at the Student Government meeting last Friday.**

step down when someone else is found for the position.

Student Government has lost two senators since the April election. Rahn said he expects to have the two senatorial replacements by July, after conducting interviews.

Student Government approved travel requests for Delta Lambda Phi in the amount of \$649.60 and for Phi Kappa Psi

in the amount of \$675. It also approved five program requests for SIUE Club Football, Baptist Student Ministries, Collegiate Pan-Hellenic Council, Phi Sigma Tau and Sigma Pi Fraternity. A request for recognition of an organization, Meals and Music Ministries, was put on hold until the July meeting.

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## SIUE clockwork's origin

Clock system at SIUE breaks, will soon vanish

By Caitlin Doszkewycz  
Alestle Reporter

Since the beginning of the summer semester, many clocks on campus have been wrong, and now they are starting to disappear.

The situation started during the campus wide blackout that took place on Memorial Day weekend. During this time, Facilities Management personnel were working on a number of projects around SIUE and, at some point, the problems with the clocks were discovered.

According to Head of Facilities Management Bob Washburn, the clocks at SIUE were installed in 1965, making them about 44 years old. Crews were working on electrical systems around the SIUE campus and needed to turn off the power. Almost all the clocks at SIUE, except personal clocks bought by professors, run off of a central controller that is located in the heating and refrigeration plant

on campus. The central controller sends a signal over the campus electrical grid to all the clocks running on this system in order to be set a uniform time.

"Part of the equipment for the clocks runs in the 1300 volt electrical gear and it was going to be replaced Memorial Day weekend during the outage," said Washburn, "Since it was in the 1300 volt switch gear, we don't really look at it too often. We were going to remove a gear in the clock and put in a new gear, which we didn't get to do."

When the clock was opened, crews discovered the part was damaged and needed replacement. The estimated cost to replace the part was valued at around \$1,200.

Crews took a look at the whole clock system and found another problem.

Washburn said the system was so old that every time crews tried to reset the clock signal, everything

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# Police Reports

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Police issued Jacqueline M. Joergensen a citation for operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

Police issued Ashley K. Jones a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Daniel T. Einhorn a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Elizabeth M. Rekowski a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Traci S. Isom a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police took a report about cash and sunglasses taken from an unsecured locker in the female locker room in the Student Fitness Center.

Police issued Heath M. Hargan a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

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Police issued Janet D. Davis a citation for operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on South University Drive.

Police took a report about an unsecured bicycle stolen from outside of Lovejoy Library.

Charles B. Robertson was arrested in connection with a warrant from the Adams County Sheriff's Office and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle. Robertson was processed, posted bond and was released.

6-10

Police took a report about a hangtag stolen from a vehicle at the Alton campus.

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Police issued Chelsey Bryant a citation for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued Tinika Page a citation for operation of an uninsured motor vehicle on North University Drive.

6-12

Police responded to Cougar Village 416 regarding criminal damage to government property. A vacant apartment had lights damaged, a hole in drywall, damage to the roof, heat removal turbines damaged and inoperative and exhaust vent caps damaged.

Police arrested Jaffar A. Merchant in connection with a warrant from Illinois State Police for failure to appear, speeding and operation of an uninsured motor vehicle. Merchant was transported to the Collinsville station, posted bond and was released.

Police took a report about a laptop stolen from Dunham Hall.

6-14

Daniel L. Neidig was arrested in connection with DUI, speeding and illegal transportation of alcohol by a driver and Christopher D. Helms was arrested in connection with three warrants from Madison County Sheriff's Office, one warrant from Pontoon Beach on New Poag Road and illegal transportation of alcohol by a passenger. Both were processed and taken to Madison County Jail.

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take care of the \$12 billion budget hole," Poshard said. "We all appreciate (Gov. Pat Quinn) standing up and calling for an income tax increase and we all appreciate the dire circumstances and feel that is the only way out."

The state's budget deficit, which Poshard estimated is over \$12 billion, has prevented Quinn from signing over the massive works bill, which has passed through both houses but was left on the table when the legislature broke at the end of May.

Layoffs at the university, according to Poshard, would be a last-ditch effort, but could become inevitable if SIU has to continue to function at its current spending level. However, he remains confident the legislature will pass the income tax increase vital to the capital plan.

"The further we get along without a resolution could cause layoffs, but it is absolutely a last resort," Poshard said. "I am still confident the budget will get passed by the end of June, but if proficiencies are not sufficient we would have no choice."

One campus project, the authorization to approve dental lab services for the SIUE School of Dental Medicine was approved within the BOT's omnibus motion Thursday.

Contracts were previously approved for the project, which totals over \$2.5 million.

The board will meet again July 16 at the SIU School of Medicine in Springfield.

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Student Government budgetary allocations were also approved during the meeting. One by-law amendment and one constitutional amendment were presented at the meeting but cannot be voted on until the July meeting. Both amendments proposed name changes, one for External Relations Officer to be changed to External Affairs Officer and the other change was for External Relations Committee to be replaced with External Affairs Committee.

Senator Cory Bosco said he thought his first meeting was fun. All four senators present at the meeting were new and were not sure how to do everything.

"We are learning together," Bosco said. "Procedure is the big thing right now."

The next Student Government meeting will be at 2 p.m. July 10 in the International Room of the Morris University Center.

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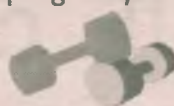
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# The evolution of Springboard

By Caitlin Doszkewycz  
Alestle Reporter

Once again, Morris University Center was overtaken this summer by a slew of fresh young faces. This marks the 2009 season of the Springboard to Success program at SIUE.

Springboard is a program designed for incoming SIUE freshmen and their parents. The 2009 season marks the fifth year that Springboard has taken place at SIUE.

Ryan Downey, interim Assistant Director for New Student Programming, was responsible for running this year's Springboard.

"It's a required pre-entry advisement and registration program for incoming freshmen," Downey said. "We want to give students prior information and knowledge about the resources available at SIUE."

Originally, SIUE had a program known as P.E.A.R. or Pre-Entry Advising and Registration. Springboard was developed later as the needs and population of the incoming freshman classes changed. When it began, Springboard was only a one-day long venture that took place at the end of the spring semester, with an overnight option offered in the summer to students who lived two or more hours away. However, the program evolved into a two-day summer event that gives students an opportunity to stay overnight in the Bluff Hall Residence Hall.

The first day of Springboard is devoted to giving students and parents information regarding everything they will need to know about starting at SIUE. Some sections are separated for parents and students, giving each group a more focused environment in which to ask questions and gain pertinent knowledge. In these sessions, parents and students learned about financial aid, how grades



Sean Roberts/Alestle

**Springboard student leader Tangela McGee shows students around the Morris University Center on Tuesday.**

are distributed, and how the CougarNet and e-id systems are set-up, as well as their capabilities. The second day of Springboard is devoted primarily to advisement and course registration. The 2009 Springboard was the first year parents were given the option to accompany their kids to advisement and the first year students were able to go to Departmental Breakout Sessions. These Departmental Breakout Sessions were designed to help students understand the expectations, course and credit requirements, and any internship requirements that were required for their chosen major concentration. Breakout sessions are designed so students can ask questions and get information from current students and faculty who are involved in their chosen field.

Springboard has grown and improved each year based on feedback from parents and students and each year the task of striking a balance between the quickest and best way for students and advising staff to come together gets more challenging.

"Planning for Springboard

starts when the last season ends," Downey said. "This year we had 21,063 students, and the bigger enrollment makes organization much harder."

Mike O' Bannon was a parent who accompanied his son, Sean, to Springboard. He said he found the process to be very helpful.

"They helped me in trying to figure out the campus e-mail and how grades were sent," O'Bannon said. "They're adults now and it's about that time where they are responsible for these things."

Anita Thomas was a parent at Springboard and she recalled how much more helpful it was than when she went to college.

"There was lots of good information and they gave a step-by-step process of what to do and what to expect," Thomas said.

Thomas' son Cody Thomas said he also had fun at Springboard, especially during the student-to-student session.

"They were really helpful and made the process a lot easier," Thomas said.

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on a back up power supply would cause annoying and needless signals, such as alarms and beeps, to sound.

"We ended up coming up with three options for Campus Administration," Washburn said. "Option number one, we could pay \$1,200 and replace one component of a 40-year-old system that already had a number of problems. Option number two, we could pay between \$60,000 and \$80,000 for a new system that would run off a low power radio signal. Or number three, abandon the system and remove all the clocks on the central clock system, which includes just about all the clocks in classrooms, hallways, and offices around campus."

The disappearing clocks around campus and the lack of a proper time on the clocks that remain illustrate Campus Administration's choice. Soon all remaining clocks running on the central clock system will be removed from campus.

Personal watches will remain in areas that have power, but other than that, students are now to be self-reliant on what the time is while at SIUE. The

repercussions of this decision can already be felt in teachers and students alike.

Business graduate student Derek Jackson of Glen Carbon said the lack of clocks indirectly leads to increased cell phone use.

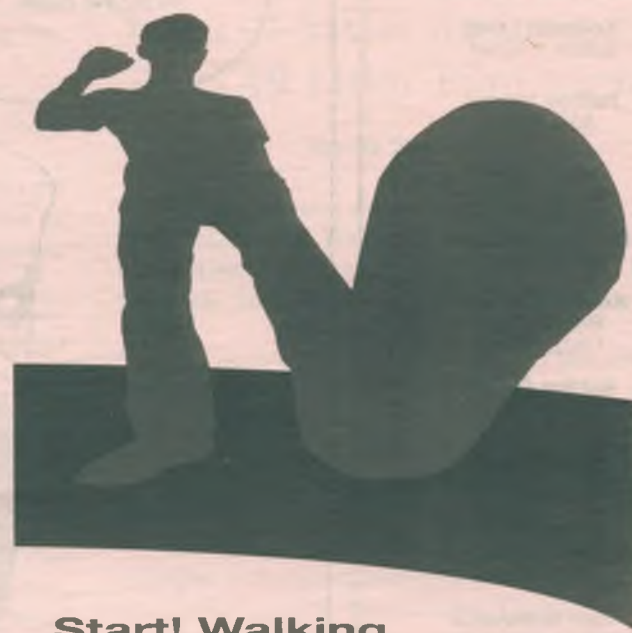
"People pull out their cell phones to see the time and start texting or doing other things to distract them from class," Jackson said. "It's really inconvenient, especially for people taking three hour-long classes. I want to know what time it is."

Sociology and criminal justice professor Lori Ann Campbell also found the clocks to be an inconvenience.

"It's hard to figure out when to give students breaks during classes and it's distracting to always have to look at your watch or a cell phone," Campbell said. "It's hard for students to figure out how much time is left for an exam and you have to interrupt to tell them. It's pretty irritating."

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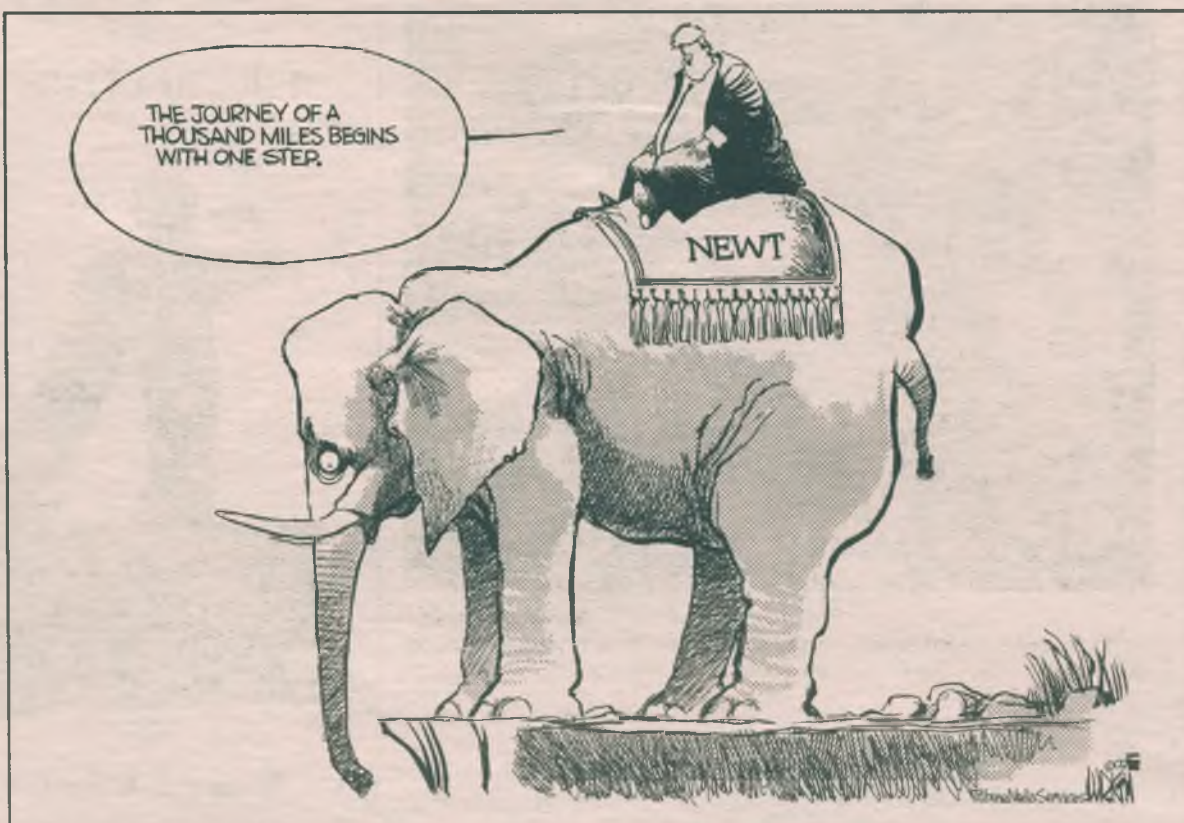
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## Broken clocks gone in 60 seconds

The first thing you look to for answers when stumped during a test is the friendly face of the classroom's wall clock.

Unfortunately, the answers to number 13 and what time it is aren't up there.

While it's nobody's fault that our clocks are wrong or that they'll soon be gone, it's a sad state of affairs.

It's easy to assume that everyone has either a cell phone or a watch to glance at to check the time left for classes, when to take medication or even just to pass time, but there are always the exceptions. Plus, many instructors frown on cell phone use during class time, making cell phones a contraband time keeping device.

But the simple matter is that we don't have the money for the time.

While it may also seem like SIUE is trying to take the cheap route by getting rid of the

clocks on the system, it's hard to tell if the university could afford the spare \$60,000 to \$80,000 to get a new system. Budgets for departments, organizations and every part of the SIUE system are being tightened as much as possible.

The alternative of spending \$1,200 for a replacement part for the dinosaur system we currently use would be a reckless choice. We've gotten our use out of it and further use would be a black hole for funds spent on old, outdated technology.

Who would take the hit for the new clock system? Most likely students, through student fee increases.

Is our time worth adding to the rising costs of education?

Student fees aren't just an endless tab to keep adding expenses to. At the end of the night, someone has to pony up. By eliminating the future cost of the current clock

system, Facilities Management made a responsible choice.

It's sad to say that we can't afford a new clock system, but that's life.

It might seem inconvenient to have to glance down at a watch instead of up at a wall clock, but if it saves some money, I'm all for it. If having a clock ticking away on the wall is that much of a comfort, go buy a cheap clock at a dollar store and ask permission to install it. I can imagine Facilities Management probably wouldn't have a problem. Or buy a watch.

Or, stop looking at the clock. The answer to number 13 still isn't up there.



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## Tobacco plan smokes out wrong problems

Smoking is bad, and that is something President Barack Obama recognizes as he plans on signing a landmark bill, which would allow the government to regulate tobacco use.

H.R. bill 1256 would give the government unprecedented control of the tobacco industry, as it would force companies to disclose their ingredients, include mega-warning labels and ban flavored cigarettes altogether.

There are positives to this bill, because it would force big tobacco companies to stop putting rat poison and other harmful chemicals in their products, but on the flip side, banning flavored cigarettes containing fruits or clove is simply a cruel move by the government singling out smokers.

According to [www.foxnews.com](http://www.foxnews.com), the bill will be phased in over two years, and Obama hopes the smoking population will dwindle from 20 percent to five percent over 20 years.

Say goodbye to cloves within three months, see less advertisements in nine, and be scared for your life in 15 months when the

ingredients are shown to you.

Might as well put a big green Mr. Yuk sticker on the pack too while you are at it, but a giant warning label will suffice.

Not only this, but the cigarette market will change forever because "light" cigarettes, which disguise themselves as being less harmful, are taken off the market.

Hookahs are probably nearing the end of their lifespan as well.

Casual smokers will smoke because they enjoy the flavor and because it is a way to socially connect with people. With this bill, cigarettes will come in two flavors, neither of which are particularly appealing, regular and menthol. Have you ever been in a situation where you need a cigarette on campus and try to bum one but the other individual only has menthol? Nobody likes menthol.

The easy solution to this is to try and market a "safe" cigarette, kind of an oxymoron, but an attempt should be made.

Once companies disclose their ingredients, the government can step in and try to find a better way to make a product people can enjoy while killing less of themselves

Smoking is always a risk, but the amount of tar and unknown ingredients cause significantly more damage than nicotine alone, which is the reason people smoke.

Banning flavored cigarettes will help deter young smokers, as cloves are often considered to be a gateway to traditional "white" cigarettes. Either way, young kids should not be smoking anything, so instead of placing an age limit on purchasing, an age limit could be placed on using. Write the 12-year-olds a cigarette smoking ticket and show them who is boss.

Government should help make this nasty habit less nasty and keep the youth away rather than destroy the market and freedom of choice. If smoking were to be banned altogether, it might be a little easier.

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## Art therapy delves deep

by Rosie Githinji  
Alestle Reporter

SIUE is one of only about 30 schools across the country that has an art therapy program and is finding ways to make the field more involved in the community.

"Art therapy is using art as the main means of expression," director of the art therapy program Gussie Klorer said. "It gives people the chance to say what they couldn't before."

Art therapy is used with young children, adolescents, trauma patients and the elderly. It is also used for Alzheimer's disease to help with memory loss and stroke victims, according to Klorer.

"From the age of two to 102, art therapy is really good for everyone," Klorer said.

Graduate student Tammy Wilke of St. Louis, Mo., just completed her first year in the program and is one of the presidents of the Student Art Therapy Association, or SATA. When she graduates, Wilke said she would like to work as a floor therapist at a school if she can.

SATA exists to give students the hands-on experience they need to graduate.

"I decided I wanted to do art therapy in high school," Wilke said. "My undergrad was art education."

Wilke, who is currently working at St. Louis Children's Hospital, said students all start out on the same track. They are placed in Head Start centers, where they work with children, and the Madison County

detention center and have the opportunity to work with the elderly or in some type of educational setting like Wilke plans to do.

"Variety is highly emphasized," Wilke said. "When I get done I will probably have almost 1,600 hours that I put in."

Klorer said by the time students are done with the three year program they usually have 1,000 hours of experience, even though only 700 hours are required to graduate from the program.

"They are providing art therapy counseling, under supervision, for agencies such as Hawthorn Children's Psychiatric Hospital, Transitions Counseling in Alton, Barnes Jewish Hospital, Siteman Cancer Center and Children's Hospital," Goebel-Parker said.

Only 10 students a year are accepted into the graduate program, according to Klorer, and these students are from all across the country and around the world. Each of the 10 students has a mentor when they are accepted into the program and are also part of SATA.

"The group of students this year are really involved," Klorer said. "They are really vivacious in terms of art therapy."

Art therapy students have usually taken classes in both art and psychology and are required to have at least 18 hours of studio art, according to Klorer.

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## Big opening

### Team of SIUE students move on in 48 Hour Film contest

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Of the 74 teams that submitted their short films to the 48 Hour Film Festival in St. Louis, the team made up of mostly SIUE students, Dirty Rich Productions, had their film selected as one of the 15 best of the festival.

The team's film was shown at the "Best Of" show Tuesday and will be competing to become the best film of St. Louis.

Their film was screened at the Tivoli Theater last week and was voted by the audience as one of the best films of the night.

On June 5, team Dirty Rich was given a line of dialogue, a character, a prop, a genre and 48 hours to make a five to seven minute video. Their movie, "Ashton to Ashton: Us to Us," was a documentary that followed filmmaker Ashton Brown, the name assigned to the group, in his misadventures in making his life story. The group had to incorporate a photo of mom and dad and the line of dialogue, "Have you ever seen anything like it."

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## Now Rating *The Proposal*

by Jeff Mason  
A&E Editor

Every now and then there's a movie that reminds you that Hollywood has an agenda. A style. A cheery, "everything's not so bad" attitude that often results in fantasy, fairy tale endings. This isn't always a bad thing, but when everything preceding the end of a movie is anything but fantasy, no matter how poorly

plotted out it is, it makes no sense to change gears for that fairy tale ending like "The Proposal."

In one of the worst plot lines in recent history, "The Proposal" finds Andrew Paxton (Ryan Reynolds) working as an assistant for the devil who wears eight inch heels that are fully capable of killing a man, Margaret Tate (Sandra Bullock). Under threat of deportation back to Canada, Margaret decides to blackmail Paxton into marrying her so she can keep her job in the states.

The problem here is that this storyline is an awful start that makes very little sense. Luckily, the movie eventually adjusts the odds in Andrew's favor, allowing him to exchange his hand in marriage for a promotion and a separate, but serious, step forward for him in his career. It's still pretty weak, but better.

Thankfully "The Proposal" will only have you pondering the merits of its story for a little bit before becoming a rather fun movie to watch.

With Reynolds' character finally earning the upper hand in their relationship, he uses it to force the unwilling Tate to carry

her own bags, create stories on the fly and a host of other humiliating tasks, all on a surprise trip to Alaska to meet his family, who are clueless as to their deal.

First time writer Pete Chiarelli does an



Photo courtesy of Walt Disney Studio.

excellent job making the "couple's" time spent in Alaska subtle, funny and complicated. Bullock and Reynolds don't fall in love overnight on their visit, but slowly cozy in. In fact, they only kiss once on the entire trip, so there's very little in terms of a straightforward relationship. Instead, "The Proposal" opts for tiny moments, sometimes forced upon by their deception, such as singing "It Takes Two" while trying to fall asleep.

All of this wonderful, restrained build up is torn to shreds in the final 15 minutes. All of this subtle caring for one another turns in to wide open love chock full of make out sessions and last minute trips to the airport to stop Bullock's character from leaving and every other cheesy stereotype you can think of.

Bullock evolves rather well from the "Devil Wears Prada"-esque boss to the much more vulnerable character seen later in the movie. She never seems comfortable while in Alaska, whether she's worried about the Paxton's finding out about the fraudulent marriage or getting a lap dance from Oscar Nuñez from "The Office." The least convincing thing Bullock does in the movie is drown. She is really bad at

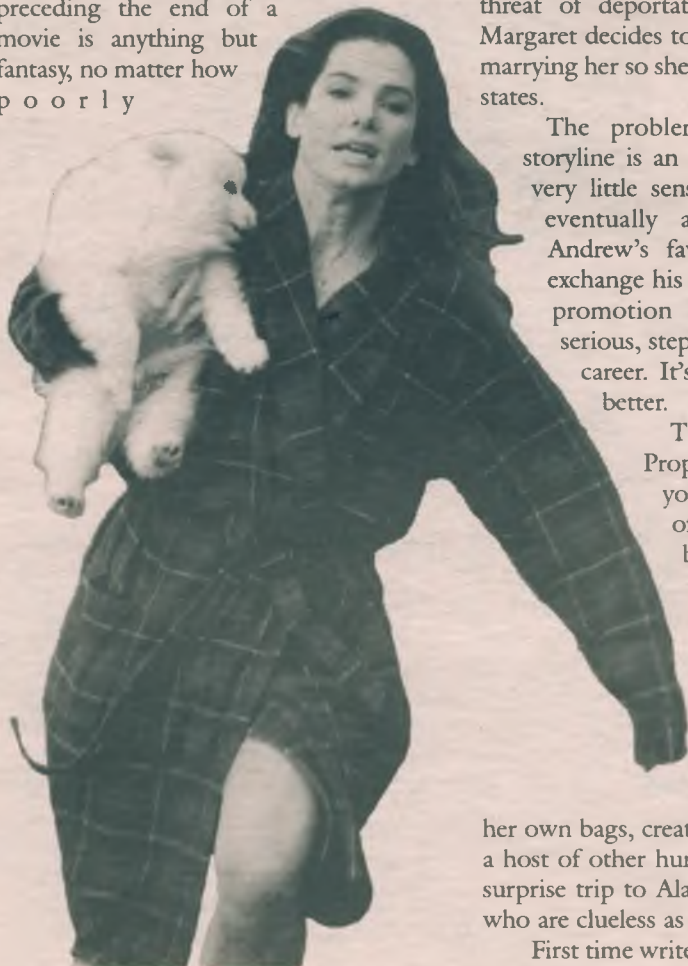
drowning.

Reynolds, who is more than capable of being "the guy" in a chick flick, also does a good job, although he gets less screen time and a more grounded character. His character's family also happens to be full of stars, including Golden Girl Betty White, Craig T. Nelson of "Coach" and Mary Steenburgen of "Step Brothers." Steenburgen, who seems to have found a niche as being "the mom" in movies, and Nelson handle their roles without a problem. White, meanwhile, may be the only person who could off the strange and rambunctious matriarch of the family.

"The Proposal" is full of holes. Plot holes are everywhere in the beginning and huge holes in logic ("You're not so bad" turns in to "I love you, marry me") mar an otherwise enjoyable movie. With "The Proposal" and "Away We Go" hitting the area, there will finally be something for women to see in this summer full of testosterone filled blockbuster franchises.

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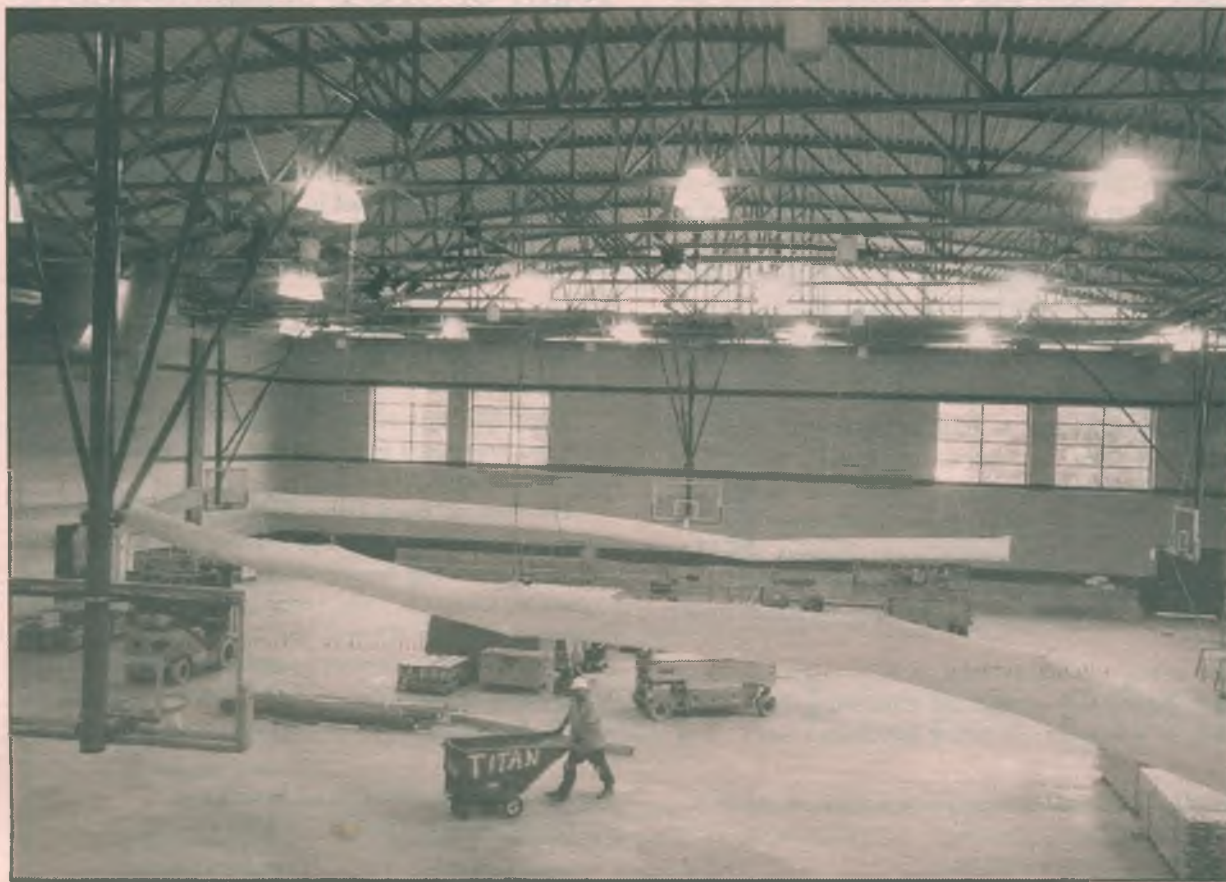
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## Fitness Center nears finish line

### An exclusive look into the \$10.5 million renovation



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(Left) Workers prepare the new gym, which is taking shape inside the Student Fitness Center project. (Top right) An open workout area for stretching and light weights connecting to the track that now runs through the fitness center. (Middle right) The lobby of the new addition connects to the existing portion of the building. (Bottom right) An area in the lobby for food service.

by Allan Lewis  
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Some students are working to tone their muscles in the Student Fitness Center. Construction crews are working to make it better.

Since ground broke on the new addition to the center 13 months ago, GRS construction has made considerable progress towards enhancing SIUE's fitness facility, while keeping true to the aesthetic feel of the existing structure.

"It will promote the very open look our facility has always had, where you can always look through and see the different parts of it," Dave Hagedorn, Assistant Director for Campus recreations said. The project is slated for an August completion just in time for the fall

semester.

The main floor of the new addition feeds directly into the current space, expanding the lobby in order to provide a space for students to work, relax and purchase food from a deli, an option that was previously unavailable.

"Kinesiology students don't go anywhere else besides this building, they can recreate and have class, and so they might as well eat here too," Hagedorn said.

Just outside the lobby is the new gym, where workers are beginning to install the sprung floor. Two courts will be available for basketball, three for volleyball and six for badminton. Retractable bleacher space is also being installed to create a "competition court" in the center.

The second floor of the addition will bring more access routes to the indoor track, a state of the art spinning room complimented with an audio and visual experience complete with fluorescent and black lighting, along with cardio and stretching space.

"There will be some technology in place for the (spinning) instructors to do some really neat stuff," Hagedorn said in the empty spinning room, which will soon hold 19 bikes. "It should be quite the experience."

Hagedorn said the expansion will help cater to the fitness needs of students, and said 80 percent of the student body in some form uses the university's recreational space.

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## View from the sidelines: Hossa faces irony in defeat

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A wise person once said, "If you can't beat them, join them." Marian Hossa probably shouldn't have taken the old cliché as literally as he did.

Hossa turned down a long-term deal with his former NHL team, the Pittsburgh Penguins last year to take his skates to Detroit to play for the reigning champion Red Wings after the Pens fell to the Wings in six games. Friday, the winger found himself in an all too familiar place, on the opposite end of the Stanley Cup, with a familiar opponent basking in glory.

Pittsburgh had turned the tables in a rematch for the ages and put Hossa and his master plan to achieve greatness with the Wings on ice.

It took a one-year, \$7.25 million contract with a legitimate chance at winning a Stanley Cup to lure Hossa to Detroit, while leaving a five-year contract worth a guaranteed \$35 million from Pittsburgh on the table.

"We'll see at the end of next year whether I decided good or not," Hossa said in a conference call, shortly after signing his deal with Detroit. "I truly believe I made the right decision."

Oops.

Hossa was pressing and choked under pressure. A 40-goal scorer in the regular season, Hossa failed to net a single tally and contributed just three assists during the seven-game final.

His absence was noticeable and put too much weight on teammates like Hendrik Zetterberg and Pavel Datsuk. Hossa was a major reason why the Wings were as good as they were from October through May, but June is no time to cool off, no matter who is on the other bench or how ridiculous it is to still be playing hockey in the summer.

Going through the traditional handshake line before commissioner Gary Bettman awarded hockey's Holy Grail, Hossa was met by familiar faces in the same athletes who had him two wins away from a championship the year before.

Sidney Crosby and the rest of the Penguins have been cited by ESPN as having expressed a great deal of respect for their ex-teammate, but in the back of their minds seeing Hossa once again missing out on the cup with nothing but a big paycheck to show for it was a just ending for a great hockey season.

As for Hossa, his contract with Detroit is up, and he will become a free agent on July 1 if he is unable to reach terms by then. After proving the cliché wrong once, he might as well try again and talk his agent into a return to the steel city.

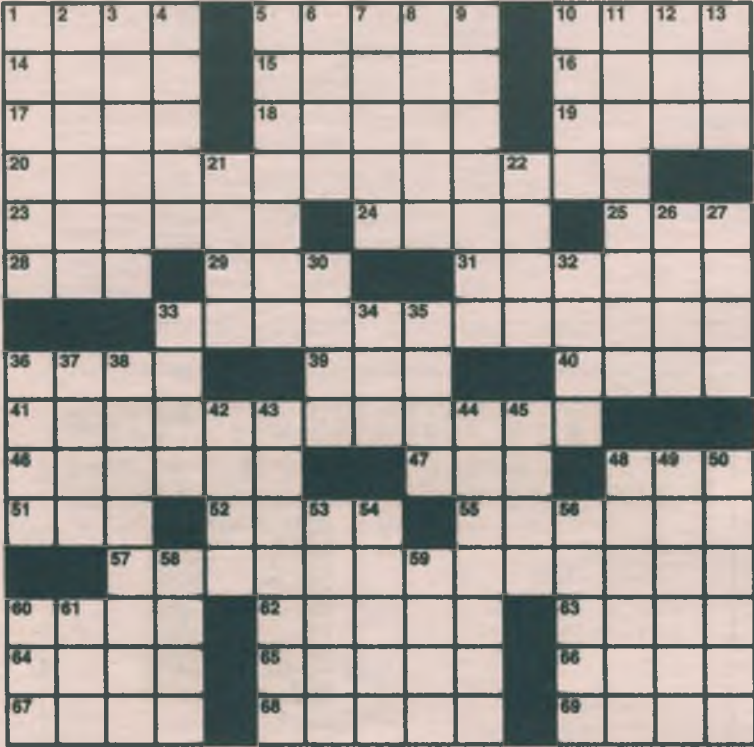
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# Crossword Puzzle

## Los Angeles Times

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- ACROSS
- 1 Oil container

5 Golden Arches pork sandwich

10 Tip-top

14 2000s sitcom set in Texas

15 Tabriz resident

16 Three-sided sails

17 Yankee nickname

18 Powerball, for one

19 Sighed line

20 Journalists with specialties

23 Sweden's neighbor across the Baltic

24 Holiday number

25 Was holding

28 Fabric store amts.

29 IRS employee

31 Split

33 Washington Irving title setting

36 Sea predator

39 Rivière contents

40 Chooser's first word

41 Dessert topping

46 Spendable salary

47 Bouncers check them

48 Sign of a smash

51 For instance

52 Green side

55 Sea surrounding Lemnos

57 Title place you "won't come back from," in a 1964 Jan & Dean hit

60 Show some muscle

62 Meir's successor

63 Elderly

64 Stereotypical thug voice

65 Damaged layer

66 Bath residue

67 Beatle bride

68 Nero at the piano

69 Two gelcaps, e.g.
- 5 Odometer reading

6 Cut short

7 Incriminate

8 Lead-in

9 Gene therapist's field, briefly

10 Close to closed

11 Sedimentary fuel source

12 Org. with Heat and Thunder

13 Winding road part

21 Muscat moolah

22 Cockney greeting

26 Mary Kay rival

27 Damp at dawn

30 Annoyed, with "off"

32 Type of sch.

33 Seven-time NFL Pro Bowler Warren

34 Ore.'s ocean

35 Cosmonaut Gagarin

36 Just bought

37 Flightless bird

38 Local news department

42 Storybook bear

43 Bit of ocular irrigation

44 "Lou Grant" star

45 "Just \_\_\_!"

48 Brasil '66 bandleader Mendes

49 Croaking birds

50 Jumpy

53 Flabbergast

54 Dutch shoe

56 Keep safe

58 Really big show

59 Musical inspired by Fellini's "8½"

60 Cook with a skillet

61 Thai language

Answers: Wednesday June 10, 2009

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### An Important Message About Gas Safety

Natural gas is delivered to the University from Ameren IP through a underground piping system. It is used to provide fuel for clean efficient heat to all campus buildings and residence halls. It is also used for hot water and food preparation.

#### Overview of Hazards of Pipeline and Prevention Measures Used

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- Do not re-enter the building to retrieve personal affects.

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In these conditions:

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