

Mighty SIUE rock is reduced to pebbles



DANIEL TOBERMAN
NEWS EDITOR

Replacing "Anxiety Rock" turned out to be a more difficult task than SIUE officials thought.

After the rock was flattened by a sledge hammer in April, it was decided that the rock would be dug from the ground and raised so that more of it would be exposed. After digging it up, it was much smaller than anticipated.

"The legend was that it was

much much larger than it turned out to be," Director of Facilities Management Bob Washburn said.

The rock broke into even smaller pieces when a backhoe was used to pick it up.

"Whether it was because of the being underground for so long, or from the gentleman beating on it, it broke when we picked it up," Washburn said.

The rose quartz rock has reduced in size over the past several years, but a sledge hammer attack by Andy Soprych, 22, of

Burbank, in April, forced university officials to do something. Soprych pleaded guilty to criminal damage to property, a misdemeanor, and was given a \$100 fine and six months court supervision for the attack.

Washburn said that even though the rock is much smaller than they thought it was when university officials came up with the original plan, they are going to bury a piece of it.

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The rock has gone through several changes over the past 33 years. Students observe the new landmark on campus in 1968. (bottom right). The rock after years of vandalism. (top right). The rock appeared to have met its match in April after being smashed with a sledge hammer (center). The university tried to bring it up Monday, but it crumbled when it was lifted by the backhoe shown here (left). University officials say that they will bury one of the larger pieces of the rock. The buried piece will be anchored to concrete so it can't be stolen.

Changes in store for incoming freshmen

TRAVIS L. ROSS
NEWS STRINGER

New admissions standards may mean better prepared freshmen at SIUE.

Effective fall 2002, incoming freshmen must have an American College Test minimum composite score of 21, or the Scholastic Aptitude Test equivalent, and a minimum high school grade point average of 2.5 on a scale of 4; or, a minimum of 100 points calculated by adding the student's high school class percentile rank and the national percentile rank of the student's composite ACT score or the SAT equivalent, according to Director of Admissions Boyd Bradshaw.

Students who fail to meet one of the first two requirements

are still eligible for special admission.

Bradshaw said for special admission the student must have "an ACT composite score of at least 17 (or the SAT equivalent) and a high school rank in the upper two-thirds of the class or an ACT composite score of at least 15 (or the SAT equivalent) and a high school rank in the upper half of the graduating class."

SIUE's incoming freshmen last year averaged 21.4 on the ACT and the scores ranged from 13 to 33.

Christa Oxford, assistant vice chancellor for enrollment management and registrar, said, "This change is being made because it will hopefully make things easier for incoming

freshmen to understand, as well as making SIUE more consistent with how other schools express their acceptance criteria."

Bradshaw added that the increased requirements "will enhance the probability that students admitted to SIUE are prepared for college-level work while still preserving access to a university education."

Would-be SIUE students will also have to pay.

According to Oxford, "An application fee of \$30 will be assessed to prospective students beginning in fall 2002."

Oxford also said, "The application deadline will also be moved to May 31."

With these changes, Oxford said she is looking forward to "a very strong freshman class."

Student convicted of felony

Alestle Staff Report

An SIUE student faces up to 30 years in prison.

Joy Brown, a junior business major, was convicted Friday in Madison County Circuit Court of heinous battery, a felony. She now faces between three and 30 years in prison.

Brown, 23, was found guilty of throwing a pot of hot grease on her ex-husband Damien Brown. The incident occurred Feb. 20, 2000. She claimed she was trying to scare him away after he sexually assaulted her, and that she feared for her life because Damien Brown was convicted of beating her in the past, although he never served jail time.

Damien Brown said Joy

asked him to come over to baby-sit the couple's two children. According to him, the couple had consensual sex, then she poured the hot grease on him.

"That was the only decision that they could have handed out," Damien Brown said. "I mean, there's too much evidence that shows she planned it out."

Damien Brown suffered second- and third-degree burns all over his body.

Prosecutors say they will object to her release on home monitoring while she awaits sentencing.

The case is now on a waiting sentencing status. The presiding judge has postponed announcing a date until a pre-sentencing investigation can be carried out.

Police incidents

Ambulance

6/22/01

An ambulance was called due to a report of a woman who had fallen in the Lovejoy Library. The woman was unconscious when the ambulance arrived. She regained consciousness, and although she was bleeding, she refused to be taken to the hospital.

Police issued a citation to Zachary Vogt for speeding on University Drive.

6/13/01

Police issued a citation to Leslie Winter for a stop sign violation on Bluff Road.

6/16/01

Police issued a citation to Patrick Bruder for speeding on South University Drive.

6/17/01

Police issued a citation to Aaron Wiens for illegal transportation of alcohol in Cougar Village Lot 5G.

Damage

6/25/01

Someone shot and damaged the electrical message board located near Roy E. Lee Field.

Traffic

6/12/01

Police issued a citation to Troy Pingsterhaus for speeding on University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Angela Goodwin for having expired registration on Cougar Lake Drive.

Professor publishes third book

KAVITHA KARETI
NEWS STRINGER

An SIUE history professor has published his third book on World War II war crimes.

For the past 32 years James J. Weingartner has been devoting his time to teaching students at SIUE as well as publishing books.

He has published three books in the last 27 years, all relating to the topic of war crimes.

Weingartner's first book, "Hitler's Guard," was published in 1974. This book is about Hitler and the SS-unit involvement during World War II.

His second book, titled "Crossroads of Death," explains a war crime that occurred in 1944.

Weingartner's most recent book was published earlier this year and is titled "A Peculiar Crusade." This book is the biography of Willis Everett, a defense attorney for the Germans during and after World War II.

Weingartner received tremendous feedback on his books from the public. Letters poured in for years after he published his second book. Weingartner also helped make a documentary on events related to World War II for the History Channel.

He was surprised at the interest he found. Weingartner believes that it is from "a distorted view that people have of World War II."

"I enjoy the research and the writing I do and I have an interest for research and seeing it in print," Weingartner said. "I believe this is an important topic, back then and even today."

Since he was a graduate assistant at the University of Wisconsin in Madison, Weingartner has spent a great amount of his time researching war crimes and those accused during World War II. As a graduate assistant he participated in a research project related to World War II that sparked his interest in the topic.

Workshop looks at local architecture

Alestle Staff Report

SIUE's department of art and design is "Exploring American Architecture" as part of the SummerArts 2001 program.

Professor Joe Weber, who has extensively researched Madison County architecture, is offering a new art workshop focusing on his special area of interest, community-based architecture. The three-hour credit course, which begins Monday, is based on Weber's new book, "Architecture Everywhere: Investigating The Man Built Environment of Your Community."

The workshop, "Exploring American Architecture," has been designed for elementary and secondary school teachers on the graduate level.

About 12 years ago, Weber began his research and became interested in helping local elementary classroom teachers understand how architecture was used regionally and statewide.

"I got hooked as I found out how important it was to the development of Madison County and to the state," he explained. "It became a study of helping teachers helping students learn about their community, the man-built environment, as a resource for learning."

When designing the workshop, Weber said he wanted to help educators see how architecture can

help students learn across disciplines, such as history, social studies, literature, education and genealogy.

"We are in a mobile society today," Weber said. "Kids need connections to the past. Studying buildings provides that connection. We encounter architecture every single day and it influences us whether we're aware of it or not. Almost every major event in our lives has taken place in a building, a school, a church or where we shop. Those events create memories. Buildings have tremendous impact."

In the workshop, Weber also explores the ethnicity of architecture. "People brought things with them. African-Americans contributed the front porch, the Spanish brought hacienda styling, the Germans their great stonework and the English their masonry. And of course, the contributions of the Native Americans."

The workshop is one of eight offered this summer by Art and Design, including courses for educators and opportunities for students to study fine art, computer graphics and photography.

For further information, call the department at 650-3183, or, toll-free from St. Louis, (888) 328-5168, Ext. 3183.

Offices will close this week

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Two departments on campus will be closed this week.

The Office of the Bursar will close at 2:30 p.m. on Friday in preparation for the beginning of

fiscal year 2002.

All departmental deposits must be submitted by noon on Friday.

Textbook Services will be closed on Thursday and Friday for year-end inventory.

Science Building may get hot

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Beginning Wednesday, parts of the Science Building will not have air conditioning.

Offices and rooms facing

Dunham Hall will not have cool air for three to five days while plumbers replace water cooling lines in fan coils. The vents will continue to operate, but they will blow warm air.

Campus Scanner

Career Fair: The East St. Louis Center will have a college and career fair from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, June 30.

Grand Opening: The Edwardsville-Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce along with the Medical Specialty Center will have a ribbon-cutting ceremony at 3:30 p.m. today at 8 Sunset Professional Centre on Route 157. The ceremony will open the new Medical Specialty Center. There will be attendance prizes, refreshments and tours. There will be an open house after the ceremony and the center is offering cholesterol screenings for \$5. For more information call 656-7600

Archaeology Day: The Center for American Archeology is sponsoring Archeology Day. The event is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Among the activities scheduled are displays, hands-on demonstrations, site tours and lectures. Registration will be at 8:30 a.m. on the day of the event at St. Anselm's Church

Hall in Kampsville. Tickets will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for students, teachers and senior citizens. For more information call 653-4316

Move in Early: Be a member of the University Housing move-in crew. You can move in on August 16 with dinner provided and then help students move in on August 17. Volunteers receive water and meal passes, a move-in crew T-shirt and service credit from the Student Leadership Development Program. Sign-up sheets are available at the Commons Residence Hall front desk and in Kimmel Leadership Center.

Volunteer: The Edwardsville-Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce needs volunteers to work concession stands at Bush stadium on four dates throughout the summer. The dates are Wednesday, July 25, Thursday, August 30, Wednesday, September 19 and Friday, September 28. To register call 656-7600.

Social Security numbers swiped off ID cards

TRAVIS L. ROSS
NEWS STRINGER

New ID cards issued to students, faculty or staff will no longer have an ID number.

Previously SIUE used a person's Social Security number as an ID number printed on the front of the card. Administration officials decided to eliminate that printed number for security reasons, according to Lora Flamm, assistant to the vice chancellor for student affairs.

Lost or stolen cards with Social Security numbers could put people at risk for fraudulent purchases or other transactions.

While new students will be issued the new cards, continuing students will have to pay if they want their old cards replaced. "If students would

like to acquire an ID card without their student number on it, it is going to cost them," Flamm said, "Right now we are not planning on re-carding the whole campus due to costs."

Anyone wanting a new ID card can have the old one replaced for a cost of \$5, Flamm said.

"The cardholder is responsible for the security of the card as well as the transactions made on the card prior to deactivation. If your ID card is stolen and someone does use it, then the student can pursue criminal charges against the abuser if they can be identified

"When a card is reported lost, it is deactivated in the system and cannot be used," she said.

Flamm added that a number of cards are replaced each year "from loss, people just wanting new cards, cards not working properly, etc."

ROCK

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Because the rock has been vandalized so many times Vice Chancellor of Administration Ken Neher said that precautions are being taken so it cannot be stolen.

"We are going to anchor it to a piece of buried cement because it would be easy for someone to run away with [it]," Neher said.

Despite being smashed, burned and blown up, the original rock will stay put.

Anxiety Rock has been a part of SIUE tradition

since 1968. When construction of the main campus buildings was completed, the concrete supplier donated a huge sample of quartz to the university. Not long after it was set in place, it was tarred and feathered.

Since then it has become painted countless times by campus organizations.

It received its name Anxiety Rock because it was thought that students painted it as a therapeutic exercise to ease their tensions.

Violence sends the wrong message

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The Cookie Monster has been assaulted.

What is this world coming to? Lee McPhatter, of Waldorf, Md., allegedly shoved and kicked the person in the Cookie Monster costume at the Sesame Place theme park last week. Apparently, McPhatter brought his 3-year-old daughter, Mina, to the park in Langhorne, Pa., and the Cookie Monster would not pose for a picture. The girl in the costume suffered a cervical sprain and bruised ribs.

What really makes this a bad situation is the fact that McPhatter allegedly did this in front of his daughter. The girl said the Cookie Monster is her favorite character on Sesame Street, and her daddy just knocked it to the ground and kicked it.

I remember talking to my friends when I was little and bragging that my dad could beat up their dads, but I doubt that this little girl is going to brag about

her dad beating up the Cookie Monster.

Now, maybe the girl in the Cookie Monster costume should have just agreed to pose for the picture. But simply saying no does not give someone else the right to beat up the Cookie Monster.

I know this isn't earth-shattering news. The world is not going to end because the Cookie Monster got kicked around. But this brings up a serious issue. What are we teaching children?

McPhatter did not get his way, so he allegedly resorted to violence. Stories of violent parents threatening or hurting Little League coaches or umpires are in the news all the time. And violence is not the only bad thing we have taught our children.

Everywhere you look, someone is getting sued. McDonald's was sued several years ago because a woman spilled hot coffee on her lap. Apparently she was not aware that coffee was hot.

It seems ridiculous to get millions of dollars from McDonald's because she was unaware that coffee is hot. Anyone who's ever had coffee knows that it is a bit on the warm side. Apparently we are teaching children that if you make a stupid mistake, don't take responsibility for it. Blame it on someone else. That's the American way.

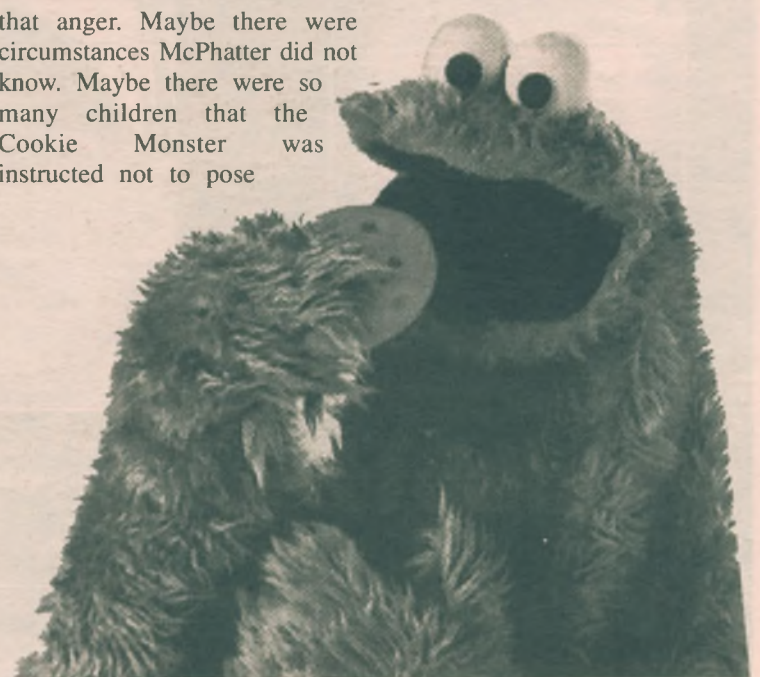
My point is, if you think it's bad now, wait until today's children become tomorrow's angry adults. Children see the irrational actions their parents and other adults make. Children look up to adults, not only because children are shorter, but because they need role models. It is scary to think that a child is modeling his or her behavior after someone who beat up the Cookie Monster.

We're not perfect. In fact, many of us are far from it, but our actions affect others. I would be angry if the Cookie Monster would not pose for a picture. The difference is how I would vent that anger. Maybe there were circumstances McPhatter did not know. Maybe there were so many children that the Cookie Monster was instructed not to pose

for individual pictures because of the time it would consume. This is speculation of course, but how many times in life do we fly off the handle with anger before we get all the facts?

So, what I'm saying is, watch what you say and do. There is no need to beat up the Cookie Monster, or anyone else for that matter. Anger is a strong emotion, but the way we deal with it affects not only us, but future generations as well.

Brian Wallheimer
Editor in Chief



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In April, the Illinois Education Association/National Education Association technical staff members were to vote on a five-year contract the university put before us. This had gone unresolved since June 30.

When the university's offer was presented, it was brought to our attention that the university had included a sentence the association bargaining team did not agree to: "All increases specified in this section will not include any monies intended for the recruitment or retention of critical faculty or staff." We are not deemed "essential or critical" in the eyes of the university.

We asked the university to remove the sentence. The university would not.

We work closely with the students in one way or another. These students are your children and our future. We were told that one of the goals of the university is to educate. Would you hire people whom you believed were not critical or essential if this was your goal?

Many of these kids want to go on to teach the youth of tomorrow. Will they also be deemed not critical or essential when they reach their goals? What message does this send?

It may not seem like a big issue, but if it's not, why is the university so against correcting it?

Perhaps Labor Day would be more appropriate to write about this. But, since the university considers this a dead issue and what we are wanting is a little respect, maybe the Memorial Day holiday is the right time after all.

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Dear Editor:

As workers at Lovejoy Library, we would like to respond to the comments voiced by Sheri McWhirter and offer some explanations.

When a book is placed on reserve, the professor specifies the length of the loan period. The loan period cannot be changed without the professor's authorization. No one, including the professor, has ever complained about the loan periods on the book McWhirter is referring to. However, if problems arise, the proper course of action is to request that the professor change the loan period, not expect the library staff to break the rules to accommodate you. McWhirter claims to understand the need for library policy, yet was angry when Charles Dugan would not violate the policy for her. If an exception were made in every case, there would be no need for a policy.

Dugan has been a valued member of the circulation staff for more than 15 years and was recently recognized as employee of the month, primarily for his customer service skills. However, Dugan cannot be expected to break the rules to accommodate every student who deems their own situation an emergency.

To address another point, namely McWhirter's assertion that the library lacks many significant titles, we counter that the library offers an interlibrary loan system to students who do their research in a timely manner. Journal articles and books not available in our facility can be obtained from other libraries throughout the state in just over a week in most cases. In addition, the library has a program that lets students use and retrieve materials from several libraries located at colleges in the St. Louis area.

In conclusion, we apologize that McWhirter feels she has been "punished" for being made to follow the rules.

Jaleh Fazelian
Deanna Chrisite
Lindsay Schmitz

Correction

Family members are admitted free to the Vadalabene Center swimming pool on Fridays only. This fact was reported incorrectly in the June 20 Alestle. The Alestle regrets the error.

Say What?

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SHERI MCWHIRTER

Question: How hard
would it be for you to
live without the
Internet?



"It would be extremely hard because I am the mother of twins and a wife. The Internet is my easy access to socializing."
Brenda Allen
chemistry



"It helps – but I can still get things done without it."
Adam Bitter
jazz performance



"The Internet is very convenient – but I think I can live without it."
Jon Fraker
computer science



"It wouldn't be hard for me. Live by the Internet, die by the Internet. You can't depend on it for everything."
Alex Porkópih
business



"The internet is crucial for my job because I work with transfer students. There are so many Web sites that make it easier to transfer students to SIUE."
April Bauer
admissions counselor



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The Internet has become essential to everyday life. People use the Internet for shopping, entertainment, business, communication, research, socializing and endless other uses.



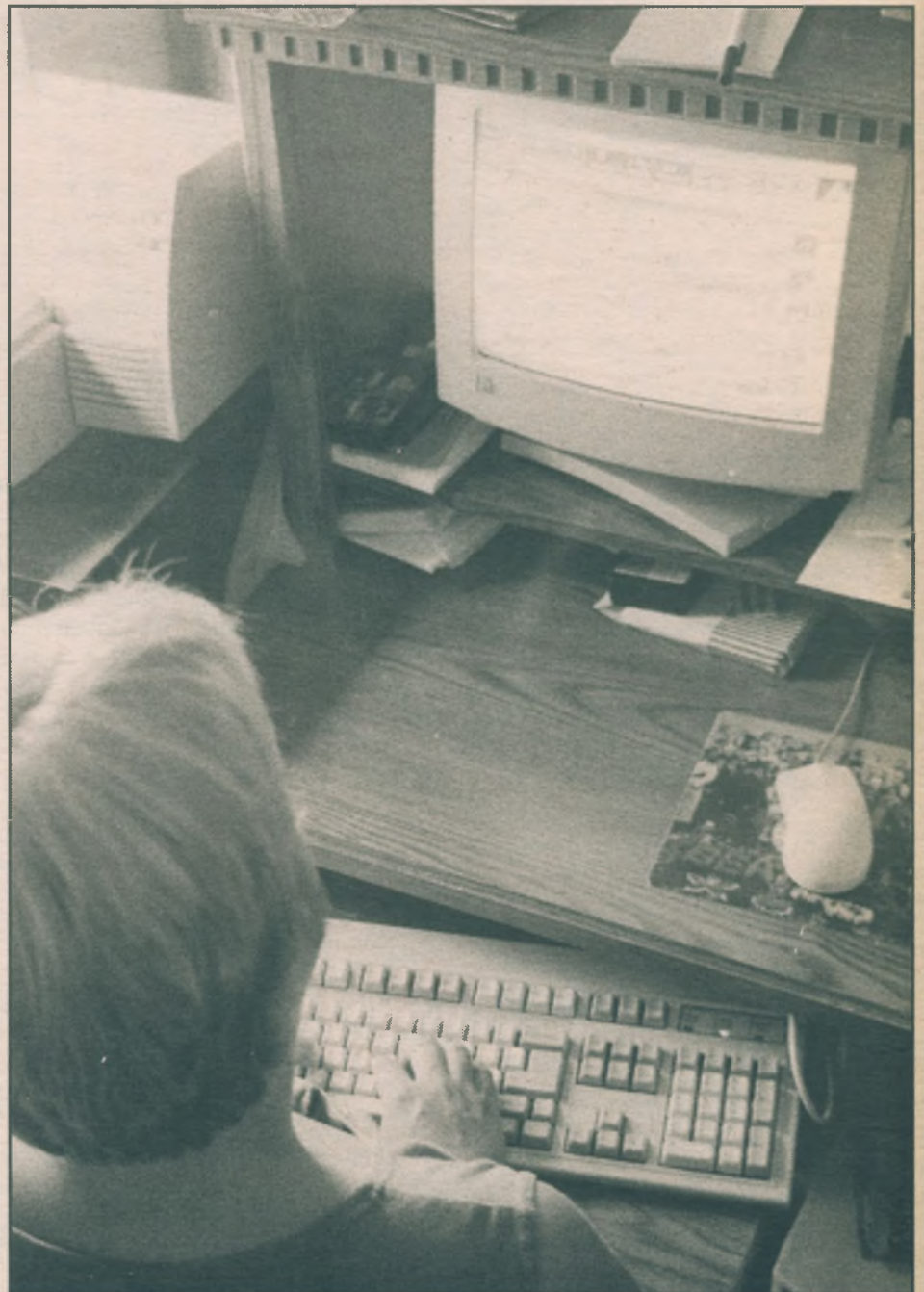
The world continues to evolve

MELINDA HAWKINS
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

While the Internet is a tool available to nearly everyone, issues of ownership and censorship may threaten the benefits the Net can provide.

The World Wide Web has revolutionized every aspect of global society, with the most important advancements being made in communications. The Internet has become so integral to society that it is difficult to imagine life without this extraordinary tool.

But, Internet users, both casual and serious, should know that the free dissemination of information and the privacy of users are threatened. The battle has begun over who will claim ownership of information, how much it will cost and who will be allowed access to that information as governments and corporations line up to restrict and claim ownership of the Internet.



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Through information technology

While giants battle for control, individual users should be concerned about their own privacy as they surf the Net. Governments and businesses want to know who's on the net, doing what.

According to British journalist Duncan Campbell, intelligence and security agencies are terrified by "the arrival of free and unmonitored global communications."

Governmental agencies, including the U.S. National Security Agency and the FBI, are trying to find ways to put massive amounts of Internet, satellite and cell phone communications under surveillance.

Critics have said such massive surveillance represents a monumental threat to civil liberties and privacy.

Even such everyday Internet tools as search engines can be restricted and used for commercial rather than informational purposes.

Considering that there are many millions of sites, constantly changing, moving and being replaced on the Internet daily, finding sites without a search engine is like finding a needle in a haystack. Major media corporations such as Disney and AOL Time Warner have been busy buying up the best positions on search engines for their commercial ventures.

According to Robert McChesney, media critic and author, "One expert estimates that over 80 percent of all Web sites fail to show up on any search engines, making them virtually impossible to find, and the situation may only get worse." This means it will be increasingly difficult to find noncommercial, educational sites.

"The evidence so far strongly suggests that, left to the market, the Internet is going in a very different direction from that suggested by the Internet utopians," McChesney said. "The Internet as a technology, in short, will not free us from a world where Wall Street and Madison Avenue have control over our journalism and culture."

Censorship is also becoming a major issue with censor software, known as censorware, blocking the availability of information. Censorware, such as the CyberPatrol program, is being marketed as a way to protect children from "harmful" influences by screening sites for objectionable content.

While the subjects considered harmful may be ill-defined or chosen arbitrarily, that doesn't change the fact that censorware is being implemented in libraries and schools throughout the country.

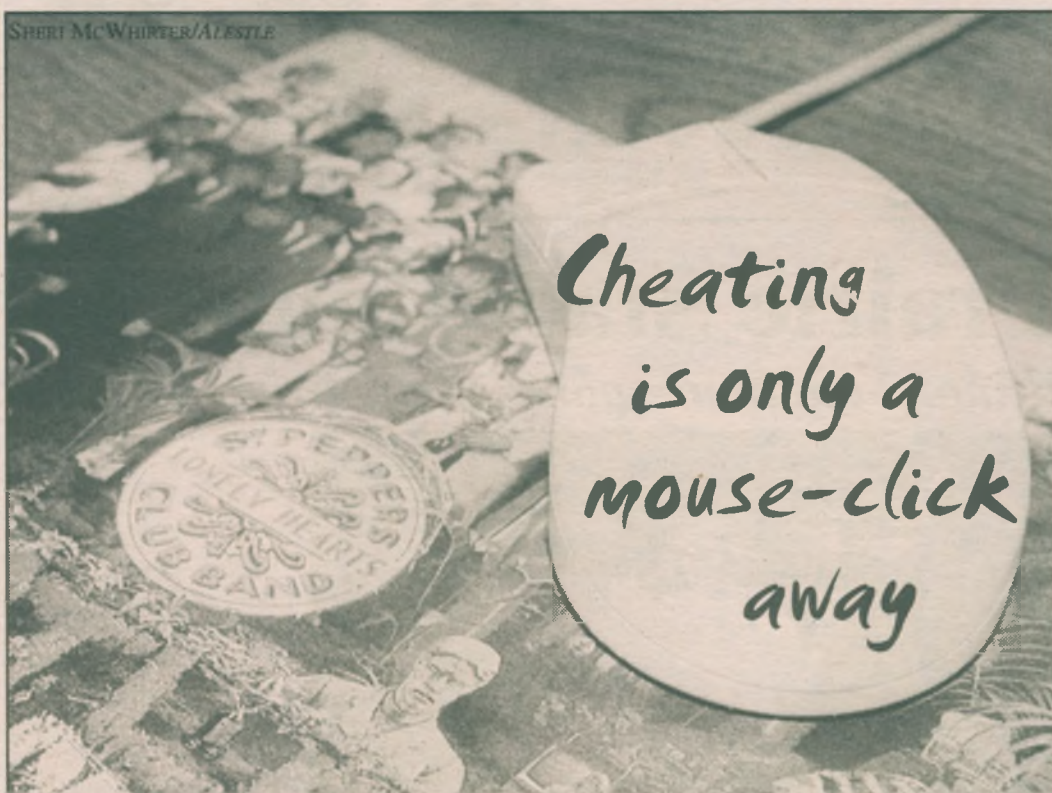
Censorware companies claim to have searched the entire Web to find objectionable language and pornography. However, "companies rely upon computers to determine what should and shouldn't be blocked," said Michael Sims, author of "Why Censorware Can't Work." "The vast size and rates of both growth and change of Internet Web sites make human evaluation impossible."

The problem with censorware is that a computer is incapable of comprehending context. Therefore it will block a site containing the word "breast" whether the site contains pornography, breast cancer information or chicken breast recipes.

In "Censorship High," author David Silverman illustrates the flaws inherent in a school district censorware program known as InterGate. Such programs are required of school districts that receive federal funds in order to keep students from viewing objectionable material.

"Filtering companies are more conservative than other organizations and often cater to right-wing groups," Silverman said. "Thus Planned Parenthood is blocked, while the Christian Coalition is not. Some sites calling for the destruction of gays are allowed, while others that promote gay rights ... are disallowed."

The Internet is an incredible tool in the service of networking and research. However, people who want to keep it that way need to get involved in the development of regulation of the Internet. Otherwise, the risk is very real that for the majority of users, the Internet will become little more than an infinite cybermall, complete with government and corporate spies.



CHRISTINE LAYOUS
THE COLUMBIA CHRONICLE

(U-WIRE) CHICAGO - "Plagiarism is a serious offense and is not, by any means, condoned or encouraged by Genius Papers."

A disclaimer with that message would be taken seriously, but how seriously when it comes from an Internet site that's selling term papers?

For years, students have found ways to cheat. As soon as new media emerged, new ways of cheating were invented. If a class required the student to read Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet," students would go to Blockbuster Video and rent the film the day before the reading was due.

If a paper was due on the topic, the student may have stayed up and wrote whatever came to mind.

But now students are finding new ways to help ease their workload by buying papers from the Internet.

To make it easier for students, there are Web sites that offer papers for a price. Geniuspapers.com was even featured on the search engine Yahoo. The company offers access to term papers written by students for a subscription of \$9.95 per year. "You've seen inadequate, overpriced, bargain junk," the site says. "We think you deserve better. We think you deserve high-quality, low-priced, easy-access, A+ papers, which will help you on your own papers."

Most students don't read past "A+" but the site says the company helps with the papers, but does not supply students with them.

AcaDemon.com is another site that offers "research" papers to help students. The site offers papers but notes "papers in our library are intended for research purposes only. AcaDemon was established to help you, not to let you cheat."

Why do students buy these papers? Wouldn't it be easier if students did their own research instead of paying and waiting for a paper? Why would college students follow AcaDemon or Geniuspapers' rules if they don't follow the teacher's rules?

Len Strazewski, acting director of the Journalism Graduate Program and coordinator of computer assisted reporting at Columbia College, said that catching students who cheat from the Internet is very easy.

"I did a keyword search in AltaVista.com," Strazewski said. "It's easy to get stuff from the Net, but it's easy for teachers to find it." By typing in a unique phrase from the paper, the paper a student buys from the Web will come up in a search.

Another Columbia instructor said she went to a conference aimed at targeting Internet cheating but found no useful suggestions. "It's hard to catch them. There's so many Internet sites out there," she said. "But do I want to catch people cheating? Is that my job as a teacher?"

Andrew Francisco, a Columbia film major, said he has not witnessed or known anyone who bought papers from a Web site. "Why would you pay to go to college, then pay to get through college," he said.

"It's too easy to get caught," Jamie Vish, a broadcast journalism major, said. "One of my teachers knows a site where he types in a sentence and would get the paper."

Matt Misiek, a radio broadcast major, agreed with Vish. "My philosophy teacher said the same thing," he said. "But part of the challenge of college is writing papers. You're cheating yourself, not just your class."

Nick Boeke, a film major, who knows someone who has purchased a paper online said, "Read the papers they sell. It's not worth buying them. If you sat down and put the time into it, you'd do better." Boeke's friend received a C on the paper.

But of course, there are students who feel differently.

"It's only cheating if you get caught," said a film major. "It depends on the situation and the extremity of the circumstance and the consequences."



SHERI MCWHIRTER/ALESTLE

Today in Sports History

1972-Bobby Hull signed a 10-year hockey contract for \$2,500,000 to be a player and coach for the Winnipeg Jets of the World Hockey Association.

Sports

CARDS RANK SECOND IN NLCS

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2:15 p.m. Saturday @ San Francisco



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Prairie State Games hit Southwest Illinois

Illinois' amateur sports competition brings in athletes of all ages and skill levels



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Olympic champion Jackie Joyner-Kersey (right) was the keynote speaker at the Prairie State Games opening ceremonies. An athlete in the games gets the honor of passing her the ceremonial torch.

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The 18th annual Prairie State Games, Illinois' amateur sports festival, was in action last weekend at various sites throughout Southwest Illinois, including SIUE.

The SIUE campus served as the host playing fields for basketball, football, judo, karate, track and field, volleyball and wrestling.

State games are held throughout the country, from the Aloha State Games in Hawaii to the Empire State Games in New York.

The PSG, headquartered in Fairview Heights, took place in 13 cities at more than 45 venues.

The games are open to all Illinois residents and those non-

residents who attend school in Illinois.

Athletes of all ages and skill levels are invited to compete by registering or by trying out in either basketball, soccer or volleyball.

This year's competitions included archery, baseball, basketball, baton twirling, bowling, diving, figure skating, football, golf, gymnastics, hockey, horseshoes, judo, karate, powerlifting, shooting, soccer, swimming, table tennis, tennis, track and field, volleyball, weightlifting and wrestling.

Executive Director Phil Donato added extreme paintball, skeet and trap shooting to the list of events this year.

He also introduced a new soccer format in which high



school teams were formed instead of the usual region-based squads.

The new soccer format may bring about high school team entries in basketball and volleyball as well.

Employing teams made up of already formed high school squads is something that Donato expects to see more of in the years to come.

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Hedberg signs two new players for next season

The women's basketball team looks to fill the void left by three exiting seniors next season

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The women's basketball team took a few steps forward two weeks ago with the signings of freshmen Annie Miller and Sara Unterbrink.

Miller, of West Salem, Wis., was named the Coulee Conference Player of the Year two times running.

She was also an All-Conference selection at West Salem High School for three straight seasons.

Miller helped her team win the regional championship by averaging 14 points per game her senior year.

She played a key role in West Salem's four-year overall record of 78-14.

"Annie is a strong, athletic player who likes to mix it up inside," SIUE head coach Wendy Hedberg said in a recent press release.

Unterbrink, a graduate of Madison C3 High School, became the ninth leading scorer in the Missouri High School Association women's basketball history her senior season. She finished with 2,572 career points.

Unterbrink averaged 21.3 points per game and hit 42

percent of her field goals her senior season.

Unterbrink is expected to add versatility to the Lady Cougars' squad. She excels at both the guard and small forward positions.

"What I like about Sara is that she is used to rebounding the ball so she'll go back for the second shot," Hedberg said.

SIUE finished the 2000-2001 season with a 20-9 record overall.

The Lady Cougars made their third National Collegiate Athletics Association Division II Tournament appearance in the last four seasons.

Hedberg is looking to fill the void left by three seniors, Misi Clark, Sarah Cook and Crystal Gladson.

Clark, the team's all-star point guard, will perhaps be the most tough spot to fill.

Clark finished her reign at SIUE by becoming the school's all-time leading scorer last season. She accumulated 2,164 career points, 488 points this season.

Defensively, Clark amounted 67 steals last season, averaging 2.58 per game.

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A competitor in the Scholastic Division shows off some of his moves. Judo was just one of the sports that were housed in the Vadalabene Center gymnasium.



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The men's open volleyball competition was held in the gymnasium of the Student Fitness Center.



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(From top) Misi Clark, Sarah Cook and Crystal Gladson

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In essence, the games would serve as a kind of team camp for statewide high school teams.

These teams would replace the original scholastic teams made up of players from specific regions.

The open competition followed the same format this year, encompassing the largest age range of 19-years-old and above.

Athletes who finished in the top three of each sport were bestowed a gold, silver or bronze medal.

The medal winners will automatically qualify for the State Games of America.

The SGA, which take place every other year, brings together medal winners from more than 40 state games from across the country for a weekend of national competition.

The SGA is formatted as an Olympic-style tournament with

athletes of all age groups competing for gold, silver and bronze medals.

The SGA will be held August 10-12 in St. Louis and Southwestern Illinois.

The first ever SGA national competition was held in August 1999 in the St. Louis-metropolitan area. A total of 27,000 qualified athletes were invited to participate and more than 6,000 made the trip.

Thanks in part to the growing participation in amateur competitions around the country, the number of athletes qualified to participate in the SGA has increased.

Organizers anticipate that the number of invitees that will compete in the 2001 competition will likewise surge as other state games take place throughout the summer.

The local organizing committee for the SGA plans to

formally invite more than 40,000 amateur athletes this year to compete in the fifteen-sport national athletic event.

East St. Louis native and Olympic track and field champion Jackie Joyner-Kersey is the national spokeswoman for the SGA.

Joyner-Kersey served as the keynote speaker at the PSG Opening Ceremonies held at SIUE's Korte Stadium last Friday.

A new three-year contract for the Prairie State Games, which will take effect in summer 2002, has been signed for Southwestern Illinois.

For more information about the Prairie State Games and to view this year's results, go to <http://www.prairiestategames.org>

For more information about the State Games of America, go to <http://www.stategamesofamerica.org>.



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The 2000 Prairie State Games Athletes of the Year were recognized at the Opening Ceremonies held at Korte Stadium. Tom Heafner (third from left) has competed in swimming since 1995. He has accumulated 24 gold medals. Perri Gitcho (second from right) has won seven gold medals for tennis since entering in 1997.



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The younger athletes enjoyed walking around the track at Korte Stadium in the Parade of Athletes held during opening ceremonies of the 2001 Prairie State Games.

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Clark was an All-American selection three years running. She was named First Team All-Great Lakes Valley Conference last season.

Cook and Gladson ended their senior seasons admirably as well with a combined field goals percentage of .538. They teamed to make 181.

Cook led the GLVC in blocked shots with 30, averaging 1.20 per game.

Gladson came in second in that category, just behind Cook, averaging 1.19 per game.

After losing to Northern Michigan University in the quarterfinal game of the NCAA Division II Tournament last season, the Lady Cougars will look to make another run next season with the new recruits in tow.

Hedberg said she believes that another tournament berth is possible and she hopes that the newcomers will step up and show what they can do.



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Head coach Wendy Hedberg will attempt to fill the space left by Misi Clark, Sarah Cook, and Crystal Gladson next season.

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