

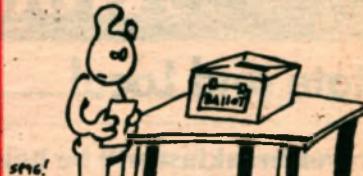
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"GIVE A HOOT... VOTE!
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Student donate 127 units of blood during Red Cross drive

By Melanie Adams
 Assistant News Editor

140 students and faculty members donated blood during the Red Cross Blood Drive held in the Conference Center in the UC, Feb. 6-7.

The blood drive was just one of five that the Red Cross conducts on SIUE's campus every year.

The goal of each visit is to collect approximately 70 units of blood each day, Connan Campbell, coordinator of Greek life, said.

Campbell also said that the Student Government is the chief sponsor of Red Cross blood drives every year.

"Student Government has set up a programming fund that provides advertising and food for the drive," Campbell said.

"Other sponsoring organizations provide volunteer hours, and those sponsors change every year," Campbell added.

The four sponsors for this blood drive were The Black Student Association, The National Association of Black Accountants, Alpha Kappa Alpha and Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternities. All organizations have provided volunteers in the past, Campbell said.

"The Red Cross itself provides its support staff, cookies, as well as other sugary foods and juice," Campbell said.

The blood drives are conducted over a two-day period, each day at the same location. However, the location changes each time they come to campus, Campbell said.

Cassandra Edwards, donor care specialist for the Red Cross, said that she has been working for the Red Cross for five years.

"I always wanted to get into the medical profession," Edwards said. "My work here is very rewarding."

Of the students who turned out to give blood, many were not first-time donors.

"I love giving blood," Carmen Barnes, freshman in TV/R, said. "This is the seventh time I've given blood."

Cathi Tay, a sophomore majoring in special education, said that this was the third time she had ever given blood.

"The reason I give blood is because if I ever needed it, I would hope that someone had donated blood for me," Tay said.

Matt Hicks and Jason Holtgrewe, both sophomores in electrical engineering, said that it was the seventh time they had donated blood, and they donate blood because of their fraternity.

For freshman Priscilla Lundy, it was the first time she gave blood.

"My friends made it sound like a joy ride," Lundy said. "I felt very queasy. I don't think I'm going to ever give blood again."

127 productive units of blood were collected during the drive.

"Based on initial records, the percentage of productive units was much higher for this drive than at other drives at the same location," Campbell said.

The next Red Cross blood drive scheduled at SIUE is April 9-10.

Students participate in political process through voter registration drive

By David Weil
 News Reporter

A Voter registration drive was held on Monday and Tuesday in the Goshen Lounge in the University Center from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The event, sponsored by the Black Student Association, the University Center Board, the National Society of Black Engineers, Delta Sigma Theta and Alpha Kappa Alpha, was designed to heighten student awareness of their power to vote.

"With the many changes taking place on the national level, most students are not totally aware of all the issues affecting them, such as financial aid and the political changes currently taking place," Terrace Gaddy from the BSA said while manning the registration table on Tuesday.

The drive was a success in signing up approximately 60 voters in two days.

"I think it was very successful, with students not just from Madison County, but St. Clair County as well," Gaddy said.

Registering to vote is one way students can learn to participate in the political process. With government policy constantly changing, students can voice their desires by voting. The United States government is an ever-changing process and,



Jeremy Paschall/Alestle
 Dorian Brown, a history graduate student and the winner of the 1996 Poetry Slam, recites his own poem "Only 29 Days" in the Goshen on Wednesday.

in brief

Buchanan wins

Commentator Patrick Buchanan seized the conservative banner in the Republican presidential race Tuesday with a thumping upset of Sen. Phil Gramm in Louisiana voting. Other candidates passed up the contest in deference to next week's traditional kickoff in Iowa.

A top 10 insult

For weeks last fall, a peach-chomping tennis fan caught on camera with juice dripping down her chin was a running gag on David Letterman's late-night show. But she wasn't laughing. Jane Bronstein, 54, from New York City, has sued the comedian, saying he violated her right to privacy.

Man freezes in window

Henry Carlton, 41, was found frozen to death Monday by an employee of the Betty Steinbacher Real Estate Agency. Carlton, a would-be burglar who was dressed for the weather, froze to death after getting stuck while climbing through a basement window in bulky clothing, authorities said.

TWA will hire 2,100

Trans World Airlines is planning to hire more than 2,100 new employees in 1996, including several hundred in St. Louis. Vice President Chuck Thibaudeau announced on Tuesday the planned hirings of 1,300 reservation sales agents, 500 flight attendants and 300 pilots within the year.

Lead may cause delinquency, study says

Boys with high levels of lead in their bones are more likely to exhibit behaviors such as bullying, vandalism, setting fires and shoplifting than those with low lead levels. University of Pittsburgh researchers found in a study of 301 students tracked from age 7 to 11.

Around the World

State and Local

Prayer breakfast will be held Feb. 14

• Belleville's 31st annual mayor's prayer breakfast will be held at 7:30 a.m. Feb. 14 in the Jubilee Room at Fischer's Restaurant. Fred Kaufman will serve as honorary chairman. The cost of the breakfast is \$9 in advance and \$9.50 at the door.

For more information, call 236-9212.

National

Panel OKs voting district cutting two black areas

• Georgia's three-year battle over congressional redistricting neared an end Tuesday as the Supreme Court let stand a redrawn map that reduces the number of majority-black districts from three to one.

The action makes it all but certain that the map drawn last year by a federal panel of three judges will be used in Georgia's congressional elections this year, forcing two of the state's three black congressmen to run in majority white districts.

In the order, the justices denied an emergency appeal from voters who supported the map with three majority-black districts that was enacted in 1992 by the Georgia Legislature, under pressure from the Justice Department.

International

Officials plead for help for survivors of Quake

• Chinese officials pleaded for help Tuesday for hundreds of thousands of people who survived a devastating earthquake only to endure hunger, near-freezing temperatures and hundreds of aftershocks.

The quake on Saturday killed at least 246 people, injured more than 14,000, and left 260,000 without homes, officials said. By late Tuesday, 970 aftershocks had been recorded, including a 5.6-magnitude jolt.

Correction

In the WSIE personnel story in Tuesday's issue, Pat Graney's name was misspelled and the name of the operations director was incorrect. The Operations director is Keith Nussbaum, not Chad Mahoney. The Alestle regrets the error.

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letter to the editor

Message to Congress: students, not banks

Students from colleges in the Mid-Atlantic area gathered on the lawn of the U.S. Capitol recently to voice a simple plea to members of Congress: "Students, Not Banks!"

Helping students manage their educational debts is a big reason why the Clinton Administration supported the creation of a new student loan program known as direct lending.

Direct lending makes it easier for families to pay for college by allowing graduates to pay back their student loans as a percentage of their income. In addition, direct lending is simple: college student aid offices issue federal loan funds directly to students, offering one-stop shopping that means no more trips to the bank or long lines to turn in loan papers. Students can choose the repayment plan that best fits their financial status.

Now in its second year of operation, direct lending is being hailed as a hit by more than 1,350 participating colleges and almost 2 million student borrowers.

Who supports direct lending? Bush Administration officials first proposed it. The Clinton Administration and a bipartisan majority in Congress made it a reality in 1993.

The colleges that enrolled in the program report that it is working well, as evidenced by the fact that none of them has asked to get out. The roster of direct lending schools includes many of the nation's

most prominent universities, such as Ohio State University, MIT, Rice University, the University of Colorado, Harvard University, and the University of Florida.

More importantly, students who use it love it, too. One student told "Rolling Stone" that direct lending is "the best thing since microwaveable brownies." Students say they like having a choice among several repayment options, rather than having a bank set the size of their payment.

Borrowers can choose to make smaller payments in their first years out of school, when they are likely to earn less. Or, borrowers can choose to set their monthly payment as a percentage of their income—a big help for graduates who are just beginning their careers, starting families, or entering low-paying public service employment.

So, who opposes direct lending? The financial middlemen who benefit from the old loan program, earning billions of dollars each year while assuming virtually no financial risk. That's because the guaranteed loan system gives them a federal guarantee to replace their money if a borrower defaults, as well as hefty federal subsidies for participating in the guaranteed loan program.

The bottom line is that the special interests' profits are threatened, and their lobbyists have made clear to Congress that they expect to be protected. They do not want competition from a new system

that works better.

The leaders of the majority in Congress say that they are prepared to shrink direct lending or kill it outright, thereby forcing almost 2 million student borrowers back into the old system. And when there is no competition, the incentive to improve the system for the students and families that use it will disappear.

The President's veto blocked the first legislative attack on direct lending, but the special interests and their Congressional allies continue to oppose this improvement in student loans.

Direct lending is a Clinton Administration priority because it makes it easier for families and students to pay for college and for students to further their education. Direct lending embodies everything that the American people expect today from their government: less cost to taxpayers, less red tape, better customer service. This is a case of special interests vs. students and colleges.

We side with the students and colleges, so that college officials can choose between the two programs to decide which one works best for their students and their institution.

Richard W. Riley
U.S. Education Secretary

letter to the editor

Hopefully Akers will bring WSIE back to its responsibilities

Along with many others I was surprised by the termination of Roy Gerritsen, WISE's general manager. I know absolutely nothing about the circumstances and could care less, but, I suspect, some good will come from it.

Let me make my point. Long before Gerritsen came to SIUE, WSIE essentially served the university community (I even had a weekly spot where I pontificated on anything current), the community, area, and region.

For example, WSIE gave certain ethnic groups in our area one hour a week to present news relative to that ethnic group and to play ethnic music—The Polish Hour and Croatian Melodies come to mind. And so it went—not a huge listening public, but we were serving the area. And these ethnic groups

wholeheartedly supported and contributed to this university.

Then comes Gerritsen who changed us to largely a "Jazz Format" and most of the local/regional air time crashed.

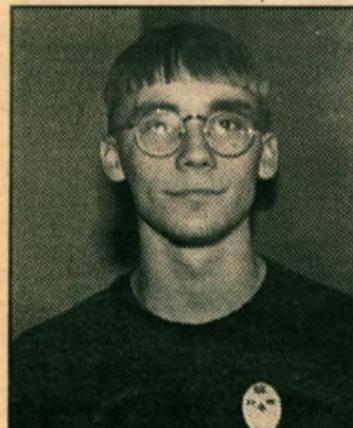
I understand that with this new format our listening audience greatly increased, but, in my opinion, at a price.

Perhaps Frank Akers, our new GM of WSIE, will take us back somewhat to our campus/area/regional responsibilities.

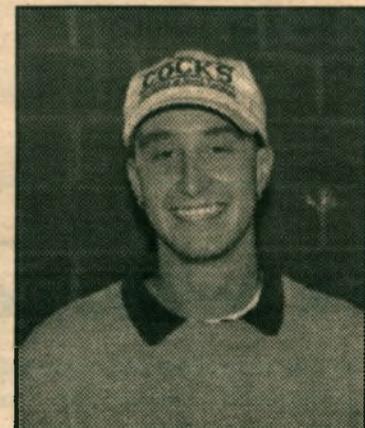
Stanley Kimball
Resident Campus Puritan

Campus Comments

If a cure for AIDS was found today, would it change your sexual lifestyle?

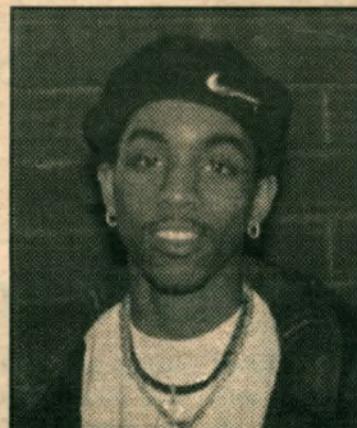


"Yes it would. It would happen more often."



"Because AIDS is out there, it hasn't stopped my sexual drive in the first place. I always wear a condom regardless of AIDS."

Ben Hobbs
Fr., Engineering



"No. I have sex with one person anyway. I'm a faithful man. Girls out there are looking for a man like me."

Wesley Thomas
Fr., Undecided



"No. I'm not promiscuous."

Farrah Grimes
Fr., Business Administration



"No. There are more STD's you can contract."

Dana Getz
Fr., Undecided

Photos by Scott Anderson

letter to the editor

Lincoln had no other alternatives except to free the slaves

Abraham Lincoln was a racist president who did not want equality for blacks, only signed the Emancipation Proclamation to save the Union and allowed blacks into the military because of the Union's military position. If it was not for the demanding impact of the abolitionist movement and the continuously growing cost of the military, blacks may not have been freed during Lincoln's administration.

According to a debate between Lincoln and Stephen A. Douglas, Lincoln believed that whites were better than blacks and that blacks would never be equal to whites. On many occasions during Lincoln's tenure as President, he proposed that blacks emigrate from the United States in order to alleviate the problem of race relations, which he tended to blame on fact that blacks were now in this country.

Lincoln did not free the slaves because he felt that slavery was wrong or because he did not believe that man should treat men as property. He actually resisted the emancipation of slaves. In 1962, ten days after David Hunter, Union General, issued an order to have slaves freed in Georgia, Florida and South Carolina, President Lincoln revoked his order. In a

response to Hunter's action, Lincoln wrote a letter saying that neither Hunter or any other commander was authorized to make proclamations declaring sales of any state free and that particular proclamation was void.

The only reason Lincoln gave into the emancipation was because he was pressured. His main concern was not for the slave, it was for the preservation of the Union. When Lincoln agreed to sign the Emancipation Proclamation, he was only willing to free some slaves, not all of them. Slaves were only freed in the rebel states, the slaves in Delaware, Kentucky, Maryland, and Missouri were not set free.

His action of freeing the slaves was not a moral issue, he saw it as a political necessity. In a letter Lincoln wrote on August 22, 1862, he told of his major concern, the preservation of the Union and not the abolition of slavery.

"My paramount object in this struggle is to save the Union, and is not either to save or destroy slavery. If I could save the Union without freeing any slave I would do it; and if I do it by freeing some and leaving others alone, I would also do that. What I do about slavery and the Colored race, I do it because I

believe it helps to save the Union..."

The allowing of blacks in the military is yet another historically crucial decision made by Lincoln that was not initiated until circumstances finally forced a revision in his original policy. Lincoln and his administration had received many letters from blacks offering to serve in the war. These courageous black men were anxiously willing to fight as guerrillas (war term) for the Union even after being enslaved by the very country they called their own. Every time a letter was sent, Lincoln would refuse them. Lincoln decided to allow blacks into the military only after the fact that the manpower of the Union army had become crucial.

If it had not been up to Lincoln alone without the influence of the abolitionists and other factors, such as the pressure of military expediency, emancipation might not have occurred during his presidency. Lincoln did not really care if slaves were freed or not, and really did not want blacks to serve in the military. His main reason for allowing these factors to arise was because he felt he had no other alternatives.

Fabian Israel "Wright"
Junior, MIS

letter to the editor

If you don't know your past, you're doomed to repeat it

I am writing in response to the Thursday, Feb. 1, 1996 editorial by Brian Jaromy. In his article, Jaromy suggests that the authors of the previous letters concerning Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and Abraham Lincoln missed the point. Jaromy gives the notion that the previous authors are obsessed with the past and are trying to prove how bad it was. Jaromy also claims that the authors are wasting their time bickering and arguing.

First of all, being an author of one of those letters, I must set things straight. I have not missed any points about King, Lincoln, or what they stood for. I know all too well. Do you understand what these men stood for, Jaromy? Do you understand what was mentioned in my previous letter about Lincoln? Do you truly understand what King was about? Do you understand why there was a White backlash against King just before his death? Maybe you should look deeper into these areas.

Furthermore, I don't need to try and prove how bad it was. Facts about the past can stand on their own. The results of the past are here today. You see, the past causes the present and the present causes the future. I'm not obsessed with the past, but yes, I am deeply interested in it.

I want to know why Blacks have a hard time getting jobs, live in crime and poverty, and why they don't know themselves. I want to know why Whites are in the position they are in. I want to know why I don't see many Native Americans around. I want to know as much about the past as I can, so that maybe I can try and make a better future. We are living out the past and in a cause and effect type of world, we all need to correct what is false.

I'm not trying to bicker and argue about the past, I'm just trying to tell the truth about it. If I'm wrong, please correct me because reality is what I seek, not to put anyone down. If we continue to blind ourselves with a false history, we have a dangerous future to look forward to.

As far as the comment about King and "Looking forward to getting along with other races," I have no problem with getting along with those outside of my own nation, just as long as they are real and seek truth as well. I think a lot of the reason why King had to do what he did needs to be examined. I think it ties in closely with what I have stated.

Lastly, I would like to remind Jaromy of the quote, "If you don't know your past, you're doomed to repeat it."

Shawn Israel "Jackson"
Soph., MIS

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letter to the editor

Issue larger than who deserves to have holiday celebrated

I am writing in reference to a letter to the editor by Brian Jaromy. Jaromy makes reference to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "I Have A Dream" speech, and commented that he felt King was "looking forward to the day when people of all races could get along. This is all wonderful. However, I don't feel that the two students who set the record straight about Abraham Lincoln were "missing the point" by doing such.

Although I, myself, am not African-American, I can certainly understand the importance of African-Americans having correct images of history.

Historically, African-Americans have been handed a very edited version of history (perhaps to help maintain their subordinate positions in society). If someone has a problem with historical realities being taught, perhaps this person

has something to gain by the feeding of distorted history to African-Americans and other so-called "minorities." Voices like Shawn Israel and Anthony Smith are very important, and we must be sure they continue to be heard.

I do not believe Jaromy had any ill intent when he wrote his letter, but I do feel he should be a little more aware of current situations that history has deemed necessary.

This issue is larger than who does or does not deserve to have a holiday celebrated on his/her birthday.

Mark D. Hunter
Sophomore

W. A. Bobo Memorial Scholarship applications being accepted at SIUE

Press release

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not exceeding 500 words which specifically includes the applicant's career objectives, leadership abilities and experience, and community activities; provide transcripts for all college and university academic work completed; demonstrate academic excellence (minimum of 3.0 grade point average on 4.0 scale); and provide the selection committee with a resume.

Applications should be submitted to the OMBS, School of Business, Box 1186, SIUE, Edwardsville 62026-1186. The deadline is March 28. Awards will be presented at the OMBS Seventh Annual Graduation and Awards Banquet, April 27. The Recipients will be recognized at the University's Honor Day Program.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting Arleth Miller or Tracy Sidney at the Office of Minority Recruitment and Retention, (618) 692-2981, or Lamar Thomas, (618) 692-3840.



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Goshen Lounge, University Center

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University Restaurant, University Center

Wednesday, February 14, 1996

Center Stage, Fashion Show

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Goshen Lounge, University Center

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Cahokia Room, University Center Dining Area

African Week continues

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Police Beat

Ambulance Call

On Jan. 30, at 7:05 p.m., police and ambulance responded to a call to the Art and Design Building where a student cut his finger while using a sand mixer. The student was transported to Anderson Hospital by Edwardsville Ambulance Service.

Fire Department Called

On Jan. 31., at 8:39 p.m., police and fire department responded to a call to the Residence Hall. It was determined a smoke detector on the third floor caused the alarm to go off. The fire department searched the building and determined it was safe for students to re-enter.

Warrant Arrest

On Feb. 1, at 7:36 p.m., police arrested Brian Tucker, 26, of Edwardsville on an outstanding warrant issued by Glen

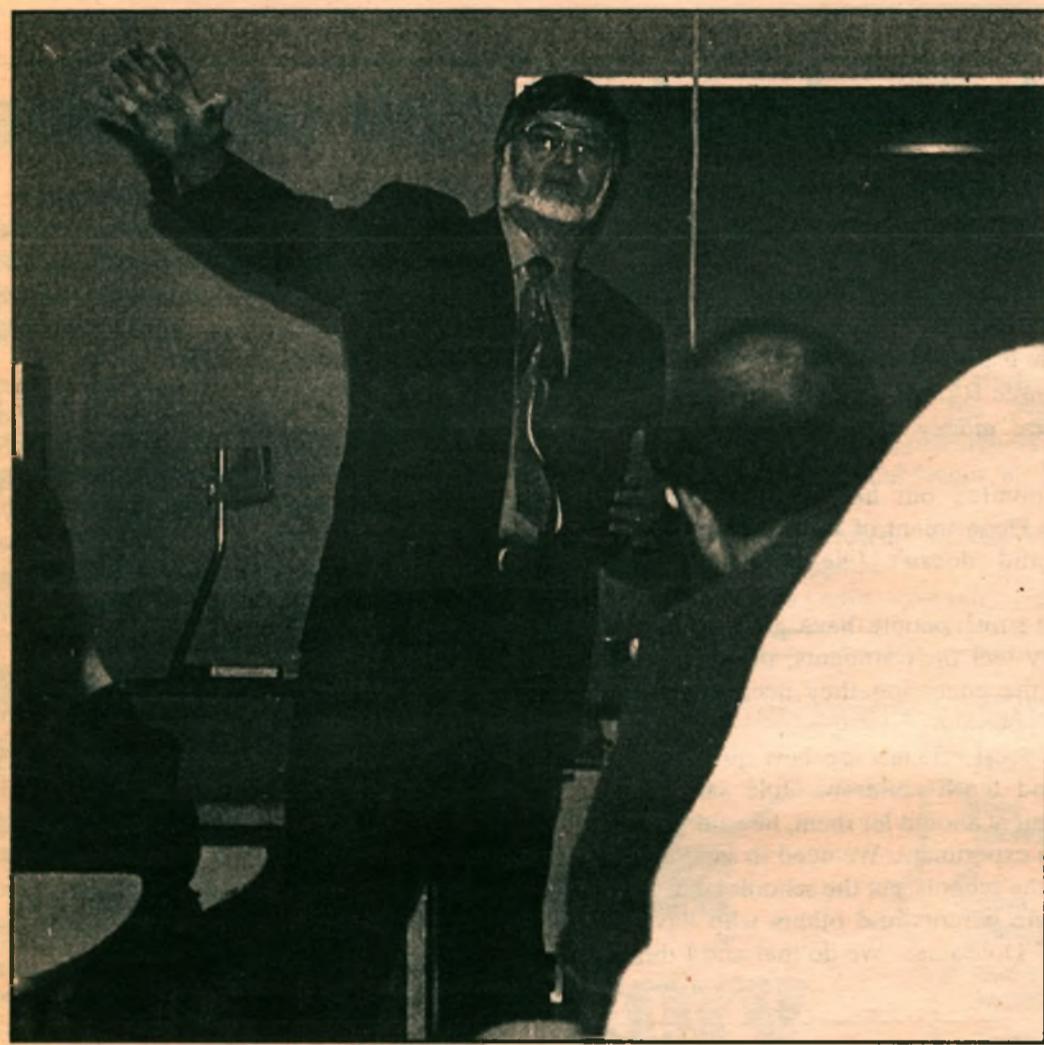
Carbon for domestic battery. Police turned Tucker over to Glen Carbon police for processing.

Theft Under

On Feb. 1, at 11:29 a.m., a student reported that she left her purse on a chair in an unsecured room in the Peck Building. When she returned she discovered it missing. A short while later her purse was found in the copy room. Everything was there except the cash. Police are continuing their investigation.

Burglary from a Motor Vehicle

On Feb. 1, at 3:18 p.m., a student reported someone entered his car through the trunk and stole the face plate off his CD player, a cigarette lighter, 15 cassette tapes, and 50 CD's. The burglary happened while his car was parked at Tower Lake Apartments in Lot 5L. There are no suspects or witnesses.



Jeremy Paschall/Alestle

Dr. Bob Jacobs, currently a professor of communications at Bradley University in Peoria, explains his teaching philosophy to SIUE communication students and faculty during his interview for the SIUE Chairman of Mass Communications position.

File 1040-EZ income tax returns through new IRS Telefile System

Press Release- This tax season 20-30 million Americans will have the opportunity to file their federal income tax returns by touchtone telephone through an electronic filing system called Telefile.

Telefile is a free call that may take 6-10 minutes to complete. This automated system, available in Spanish and English can be accessed any time day or night. Telefile even computes the caller's taxes.

The main targets for the service is the student market, and qualified taxpayers who normally file a 1040-EZ form will receive special Telefile instructions and a Personal Identification Number (PIN) along with their regular tax booklet.

The tax return is completed when the filer enters a Personal Identification Number (PIN) as the tax payer's signature. This PIN and the taxpayer's social security number also serve as identification should the taxpayer have future questions about their return.

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To be eligible for Telefile, taxpayers must be single with no dependents, have a taxable income of less than \$50,000, have filed a 1040-EZ form previously, live at the same address as last year, and have received Telefile information in their federal tax booklet mailed to their home.

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Dole says government is too involved with education

DAVENPORT, Iowa (AP)—Government must get out of the education business and teachers must start demanding more of students, Republican presidential frontrunner Bob Dole says.

"Very frankly, I think in some cases we've fallen down on the teacher's side of the equation," Dole told a crowd of about 200 people Monday, about 40 percent of whom were students and teachers from around Scott County.

"I have a lot of respect for teachers. But my view is, we've got to do better. We've got people graduating from high school who can't find where Texas is on the map," he said.

With the Iowa caucuses next Monday, Dole also touted his experience in Washington compared to the other eight GOP contenders while also bashing President Clinton.

"I think we're ready for a change. Bill Clinton said that in 1992, and it worked," the Kansas senator said. "I believe President Clinton thinks he can talk right and govern left."

Dole, introduced to the crowd by U.S. Sen.

Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, drew spots of smattered applause during his 45-minute appearance, especially on educational topics.

"We're failing our children and our grandchildren because we've given up on excellence," the Kansas senator said. "We've got to return to the three R's. It's not going to happen by throwing federal money at it. That's always the answer."

Dole also pointed out he voted against the creation of the Department of Education, opposes Goals 2000 and doesn't like outcome-based education.

"That's why some people have gone to home schooling. They feel their students, their children aren't getting the education they need from the public schools," he said.

Parents and local officials are best qualified to run schools and teach children, Dole said. The federal government should let them, he said.

"We need to experiment. We need to send more power back to the schools, get the schools back into the hands of the parents and others who have a direct interest," Dole said. "We do that and I think

you'll see a significant difference.

"My view is that secondary and elementary education ought to be kept at the state and local level. The less the federal government is involved, the better. The last thing we want to do is get involved in every day curriculum."

Dole also drew applause when he said he supports English as the nation's official language and that he favors voluntary prayer in school, "not dictated by the teachers or by the state, but student-led voluntary prayer."

"You can get together for sports, you can get together for everything else, what's wrong with them getting together for voluntary prayer?"

Dole, noting a number of older people in the audience, recalled his wartime service, and the 50-year anniversary celebrations that gave him the chance to think about "the America you risked your life to protect."

Speaking of his decision to run for president, Dole said, "I just said to myself, 'Perhaps there's one more mission for my generation, maybe one more call to serve.' "

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Violent student protests spread to capital

ANKARA, Turkey (AP)—Students protesting tuition increases rioted in downtown Ankara Monday, a day after students clashed with police in Istanbul.

A demonstration of 800 students turned violent when protesters broke store windows and wrecked telephone booths, police said. Several students were injured in confrontations with police. Two were detained.

On Sunday, about 1,000 students Sunday rampaged in Istanbul's most famous shopping district. The incidents prompted the government to promise guaranteed student loans.

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DC report: 'psychologically harmful' violence pervasive on TV

WASHINGTON (AP)—A study commissioned by the cable television industry concludes that "psychologically harmful" violence is pervasive on both broadcast and cable TV shows, according to a published report.

The \$1.5 million study, conducted by researchers at four universities, was based on a sample of 2,500 hours of programming and found that most programs contain violence portrayed in a potentially harmful context.

The study, scheduled for release today, was obtained in advance by The Washington Post.

"The risks of viewing the most common depictions of televised violence include learning to

behave violently, becoming more desensitized to the harmful consequences of violence and becoming more fearful of being attacked," the study found, according to the Post.

"Thus, there are substantial risks of harmful effects from viewing violence throughout the television environment," the study added.

With funding from the National Cable Television Association, researchers led by a team at the University of California at Santa Barbara found:

- Most acts of violence on television don't show the acts' consequences.
- Characters who commit violent acts on

television go unpunished 73 percent of the time.

"When violence is presented without punishment, viewers are more likely to learn the lesson that violence is successful," the researchers wrote.

Last September, the four major broadcast networks touted a UCLA study which found "promising signs" in the way the networks portray violence.

But according to the Post, the cable-funded study used more rigorous methodology, using previous studies of TV and behavior to link different types of violent acts to their known psychological effects.

Student's notes earn money as study guides

BOULDER, Colo. (AP)—Philosophy major Chris Hawley earns more than college credits for his time in lecture halls at the University of Colorado.

He works for Mad-Dasher Notes, a service that buys lecture notes from students in large classes, repackages them and sells them as study guides.

And he said the work helps him learn the course better.

"Once I started, I realized that it's really helped out with my courses. I just knew the material because I typed it up every night," Hawley said.

Mad-Dasher and its competitor, Class Notes, cover most of CU's larger lecture courses. Both pay note-takers from \$6 to \$9 per lecture and a good one can earn \$500 a semester.

Mad-Dasher owner Grant Hendren said the notes are offered for \$30 a semester, \$5 a week or \$2.50 for a daily supplement.

"With Mad-Dasher, students are not forced to write every single word down; it allows them to listen in class instead of having to be heads-down in a mad scramble to get all the words down and it allows us to fill in the blanks," Hendren said.

But some academicians are just a bit leery of the business.

Political science Professor Doug Costain said note-takers have violated university policy by failing to ask his permission or put notes from his class on reserve in the library.

"I have allowed them in my class as a service to my students when I'm teaching a 400-person class," Costain said. "I'm not real happy about it, but at the same time I recognize that it's a service of value to some students."

The CU regents established the rules requiring professor permission and distribution of the notes at the library in 1984.

Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Mark Dubin said the note-takers could face university discipline if they don't ask professor permission. But that would be done only if a professor complained, and that hasn't happened yet, he said.

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Professor Leonard Jeffries, J., Professor and Chairman of the Department of Black Studies at The City College of New York, will speak about "Diversity in Education". Jeffries is known internationally, especially for his research in Ghana. Fluent in French and Russian, he has traveled to Africa nearly 100 times, been crowned twice as an African chief, played basketball in the mountains of Ghana, and once took a 2,000-mile journey across the rugged West African plains.

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| Monday February 12 | African Trader's Market (UCB & ASA) | Goshen Lounge - UC | 10:00AM-3:00PM |
| Monday February 12 | Panel Discussion: AIDS Awareness | Mississippi/Illinois Rm. - UC | 7:30PM-10:00PM |
| Tuesday February 13 | African Trader's Market (UCB & ASA) | Goshen Lounge - UC | 10:00AM-3:00PM |
| Tuesday February 13 | Speaker - Omega Psi Phi sponsoring: Dr. Leonard JeffriesFree to SIUE Students - \$1.00 SIUE Faculty/Staff - \$5.00 General Public | Meridian Hall - UC | 4:00PM-5:30PM |
| Wednesday February 14 | African Play (UCB & ASA) | Lovejoy Library Auditorium | 7:30PM-11:00PM |
| Thursday February 15 | African Night (UCB & ASA) \$4.00 SIUE Students - \$6.00 SIUE Faculty/Staff - \$8.00 General Public | Meridian Hall - UC | 6:00PM-12:00AM |
| Friday February 16 | Delta Sigma Theta Dance \$2.00 Greek - \$2.50 Non-Greek | Cougar Den - UC | 9:00PM-2:30AM |
| Saturday February 17 | Delta Sigma Theta Comedy Show featuring Darius Bradford, Andre Helm, Murray, and Tony Sculfield \$5.00 SIUE Students - \$5.00 SIUE Faculty/Staff - \$7.00 General Public | Meridian Hall - UC | 7:00PM-11:00PM |
| Monday February 19 | BSA Speaker: Dialogue with the Mayors | Mississippi/Illinois Rm. - UC | 7:30PM-10:00PM |
| Tuesday February 20 | BSA Speaker: Reginald Locket | Redbud/Oak Rm. - UC | 1:00PM-5:00PM |
| Tuesday February 20 | BSA "Knowledge Bowl" Quiz Game | Goshen Lounge - UC | 5:00PM-9:00PM |
| Wednesday February 21 | Film: Lean on Me | Residence Hall Multipurpose Rm. | 7:00PM-9:30PM |
| Thursday February 22 | Leadership Development Module featuring Joe Clark | Religious Center | 4:00PM-5:30PM |
| Thursday February 22 | Arts and Issues Series featuring Joe Clark "Education with a Mission" \$2.00 SIUE Students - \$6.00 General Public | Meridian Hall - UC | 7:30PM-10:00PM |
| Friday February 23 | Old School JAM:O's Party \$2.00-General Admission | Cougar Den - UC | 9:00PM-2:30AM |
| Saturday February 24 | BSA - Renaissance Dance \$8.00 SIUE Students - \$10.00 General Public | Conference Center - UC | 7:00PM-12:00AM |
| Monday February 26 | Black History Month Reception | Mississippi/Illinois Rm. - UC | 7:30PM-10:00PM |
| Tuesday February 27 | Candlelight March/Documentary & "Eyes on the Prize" | Tower Lake Commons Building | 5:00PM-11:00PM |
| Wednesday February 28 | Rap Down | Goshen Lounge - UC | 11:30AM-1:30PM |
| Thursday February 29 | BSA - Sister to Brother | Residence Hall Multipurpose Rm. | 7:00PM-9:00PM |

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Thursday, February 8, 1996

SHAG: Not a gig, not just a concert—it's a party

By Lenon Maguire
Lifestyle Reporter

It seems to be a shame as to what passes for funk in today's world. Many people out there claim to be funky when they really aren't. MC Hammer claimed to be the Funky Headhunter. The members of **En Vogue** were the Funky Divas. These people may have had funk influences, but they are not funky in the true sense of the word.

James Brown is funky. **Parliament** is funky. **Sly and the Family Stone** is funky. And yes, **SHAG** is funky.

SHAG is an eight piece funk band that claims to be from Cincinnati, Ohio. (They are really from outer space, like any good funk band.) They were recently at the Hi-Point, and I was there to help them spread the word. That word is love.

As soon as they hit the stage, the party starts. You see, **SHAG** does not play gigs. They do not have concerts. They party! You know this because the band will remind you throughout the evening. Lead singer Duran says, "SHAG is a party band. We like to party!" (I love it when a band uses the word "party" as a verb.)

When the first notes of synthesizer open the show, the crowd waits in anticipation for the rest of the band to appear on stage. When they do, the result is a sound that will get any Parliament fan out of their seat and on the dance floor. For ninety minutes, the band takes you on a trip through the universe filled with love, energy, and funk catch phrases. They didn't tear the roof off, but they did light it on fire and let it burn for the rest of the show. It doesn't really matter what you do while on this trip, because Duran tells you, "If it feels good, it's all right."

People have favorite members of bands they like. Most people have a favorite Beatle. My friend Eric has a favorite Bottlerocket. And I have a favorite member of **SHAG**. The man is named Free Bass, so you can probably guess what instrument he plays. It's not just any bass, however. It's a mutron bass. (I'm not quite sure where he got it, but I think he found it in outer space.)



Free Bass and Duran, the front men of **SHAG**, party hard with their audience.

At one point in the show, Free Bass got up and told the crowd, "There's a revolution goin' on. It's not about being a republican or a democrat. It's about being a human being."

While at the show, you can buy the **Shag** CD, titled "*Bootsy Collins presents: SHAG Live*." The album was recorded and produced by Bootsy, (who, by the way, is also from outer space.) It's a live recording, but it still sounds great. It makes you want to see the band every time they come through town, which is every two to three months.

Listening to the disc can't substitute seeing the band live, but it can tide you over until they're in St. Louis again. If you don't want to wait, you can buy the disc at Streetside Records. Look for it under **Shag** and/or **Bootsy Collins** because they don't always know where to place it.

Once you know the songs, you will be ready for the next time. Get plenty of sleep, because the band will tell you that "a Shag party is lasting all night long."

I was envious of my 11-year-old when he participated in a scouting event two weeks ago. He and other scouts demonstrated their skills in knot tying, fire building and compass reading. I remembered doing some of the things he did that day.

I had initially dreaded going out to watch the event because the temperatures were bitter and I knew my four-year-old wouldn't be happy about being dragged out into the cold.

But I wanted to be the "supportive mom," so I dressed us warmly and drove out to the camp. It was 10:30 a.m. by then and the six or so teams had scattered in all directions.

I never did find my older son's team but the walk through the woods in search of it brought back memories of my own time spent in the woods. They were about the only times, growing up, when I felt independent, strong and capable—something I was seldom made to feel as a female in my family.

My grandfather had owned some land several hours north of where I grew up and he divided this among his four sons. My dad decided we would have a "cabin in the woods" on his portion.

We literally built it ourselves. It wasn't fancy—nothing more than one room, no water, no electricity. But it was ours and I derived pleasure and satisfaction from the hard work involved. It brought out the "pioneer" spirit in me.



Life in the woods

By Danette Watt

I also liked the fact that we were so "rustic," privately scoffing at my relatives and their fancy trailers on their land.

When we went up north, we had to trek across the road to the state park to fill our empty milk jugs with water. I remember that water: it came out of the pump so cold it hurt your teeth when you drank it.

We did have a propane tank hooked to a stove and eventually my dad connected the gas line to some wall lamps so we could have the convenience of "turning on some lights" rather than using lanterns. But for the most part, it remained a bare-boned structure.

Time passed and the cabin was sold.

Over the years, I lost touch with that part of me who felt comfortable trekking through the woods. My husband and I often talked about settling down on a piece of land somewhere and building a house.

In my dreams, we would build this house ourselves. It would have solar panels so we could be as energy independent as possible; maybe we'd even be able to devise a windmill of sorts. We'd have a big garden and grow and can as much of our food as we could. I'd homeschool the kids.

Unfortunately, my husband wasn't as keen on this idea as I was. Maybe some day, I'll have a chance to fulfill that dream. Until then, I consider myself lucky to have a spot of woods behind our house where two boys can find in themselves the same strength and self-confidence I once did.

Many people are hard-pressed when asked to describe themselves in one word. This is mostly due to the fact that many of us consider ourselves to be versatile.

For instance, just as a person's personality might reveal him or her to be both sophisticated and laid back, his or her personal appearance can reveal those same facts.

Your self image is reflected in many ways. The most obvious reflection is in your personality. However, as I have previously pointed out, your personal appearance is also a reflection of who you are, especially to those who do not know you.

The best way to express your versatility via your personal appearance is through change. The easiest change can be reflected through a switch from dressy to casual, for instance. However, a more expressive change can be accomplished with a new hairstyle. If your hair is long, cut it (don't panic; it will grow back). If you are currently wearing a short style, let it grow. If you are one of those people whose hair does not grow fast, then you might want to try extensions or, as many of you ladies on campus are already familiar with, the hair weave.

While I am on the subject, here is a word to the wise: unless your friend is a licensed beautician, do not let her put in your extensions or weave. In a word, it looks tacky, and as a result, you look tacky. When a licensed beautician does your hair, you are protected under law, so if she does a bad job on your hair, you can sue.



Hair-sonality

By Tonii Harris

However, if your friend does your hair, your only recourse is to wear a hat. Change does not always have to be drastic. Instead of cutting several inches of your hair (as I have), you can cut only an inch or two or try a different style. Also, your new hair style should not be based on the fact that someone else looks good with the style. Any beautician can tell you endless stories of

clients who walk in with a picture from a magazine demanding to "make me look like that." Although the beautician can duplicate the style for you, the style may not have the same effect. The obvious fact that you are not the person in the picture comes into play.

Your head may be too big or too small and your facial structure may simply be inappropriate for the particular style you want.

A friend of mine wears her hair extremely short, and it looks wonderful on her mainly because of her facial structure. Her beautician has told her of many women who have approached her about cutting their hair in the same manner. Simply put, they did not get the same effect.

The moral of the story is to be yourself. That is, make a change that will reflect who you are, not who someone else is.

Finally, change is not for everyone. Many people are still wearing their hair in the same style and have been dressing in the same way for years, which is fine, if they are comfortable with it. However, if you are striving for a new look, your hair is a great place to start.

Soundwaves

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Lydia's Trumpet - Cicero's**Erma Whiteside** - Broadway Oyster Bar**Room Full of Jimmies** - Blueberry Hill**Los Straight Jackets** - The Links Club**Son of Starchild** - Hi-Pointe**The Nixons** - Mississippi Nights**Tower of Power** - Mississippi Nights**Jake's Leg** - Hi Pointe**Dance Hall Crashers** - Galaxy**Visions of Passion and Torture** - Galaxy**Clear Glass Religion** - the Side Door**Murder City Players** - Blueberry Hill

February 9

The Finns - Cicero's**Bella Wolf** - The Links Clubs**Sherry Jackson** - the Side Door

February 11

The Gufs - Cicero's**Just the Sax** - Mississippi Nights**Kerosene Willie** - Broadway Oyster Bar**Isaac Green & The Skalars** - Cicero's

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WHAT A LEADER
NEEDS TO KNOW (15)
Dennis Knoblock, Administrator,
City of Valmeyer, Illinois

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2:30 p.m.
ASSESS YOUR SERVICE AND
LEADERSHIP STYLE (06)
Leslie Lantow, Career
Development Center

February 22
4:00 p.m.
DEVELOPING SELF-ESTEEM (16)
SPECIAL GUEST: JOE CLARK
"Education with a Mission"
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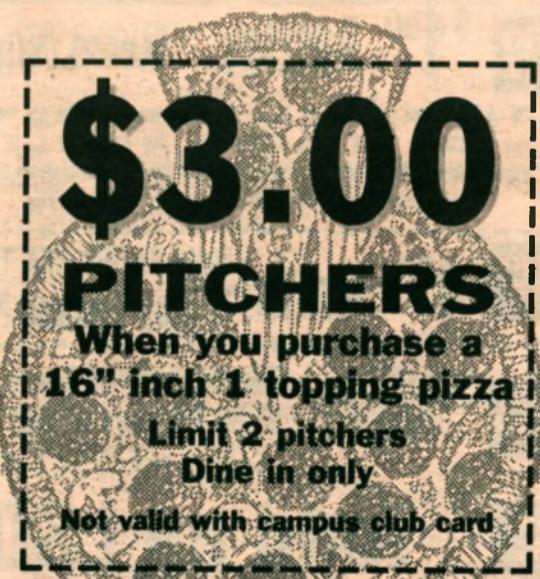


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Entertainment Briefs

LOS ANGELES (AP) Elizabeth Taylor is divorcing hubby No. 7.

The Academy Award-winning actress filed for divorce Monday from Larry Fortensky. This is Fortensky's third divorce and Taylor's eighth: She was married to Richard Burton twice.

Taylor's other husbands were hotel heir Conrad "Nicky" Hilton, actor Michael Wilding, Broadway producer Mike Todd, singer Eddie Fisher, and Virginia Sen. John Warner.

Taylor, 63, and Fortensky, 43, met in 1988 at the Betty Ford Clinic, where both were being treated for substance abuse. They married in 1991 in a lavish ceremony at Michael Jackson's ranch in Santa Barbara, but separated in August.

NEW YORK (AP) Sharon Stone sees different curves ahead in her career.

The actress who capitalized on a gorgeous face and killer body in her breakthrough movie "Basic Instinct" is viewing alternate paths to stardom as she approaches middle age.

"If I knew then what I know now, I think it's not a great idea to do nudity," Stone says in the March issue of *Vanity Fair*.

Stone, who will turn 38 next month, said she wants to be known for more than her nude scenes.

The actress already has started moving away from the sex kitten personae that has been her bread and butter. She won a Golden Globe for best actress for her performance in "Casino."

ATLANTA (AP) Jane Fonda used videotapes to teach adults exercise—now she's appearing live to fight teen pregnancy.

Fonda is battling a proposal before the Georgia Senate that would postpone lessons about condoms until high school and bar sex education before the fifth grade.

"If this bill comes out of committee and passes, there will be more pregnancies, more sexually transmitted diseases, and the need for abortions will go up," Fonda said Monday.

Noting that the abortion rate in the United States has skyrocketed while abortions have dropped in European countries that emphasize sex education, Fonda said, "We need to learn from these experiences instead of playing Russian roulette with our young people."

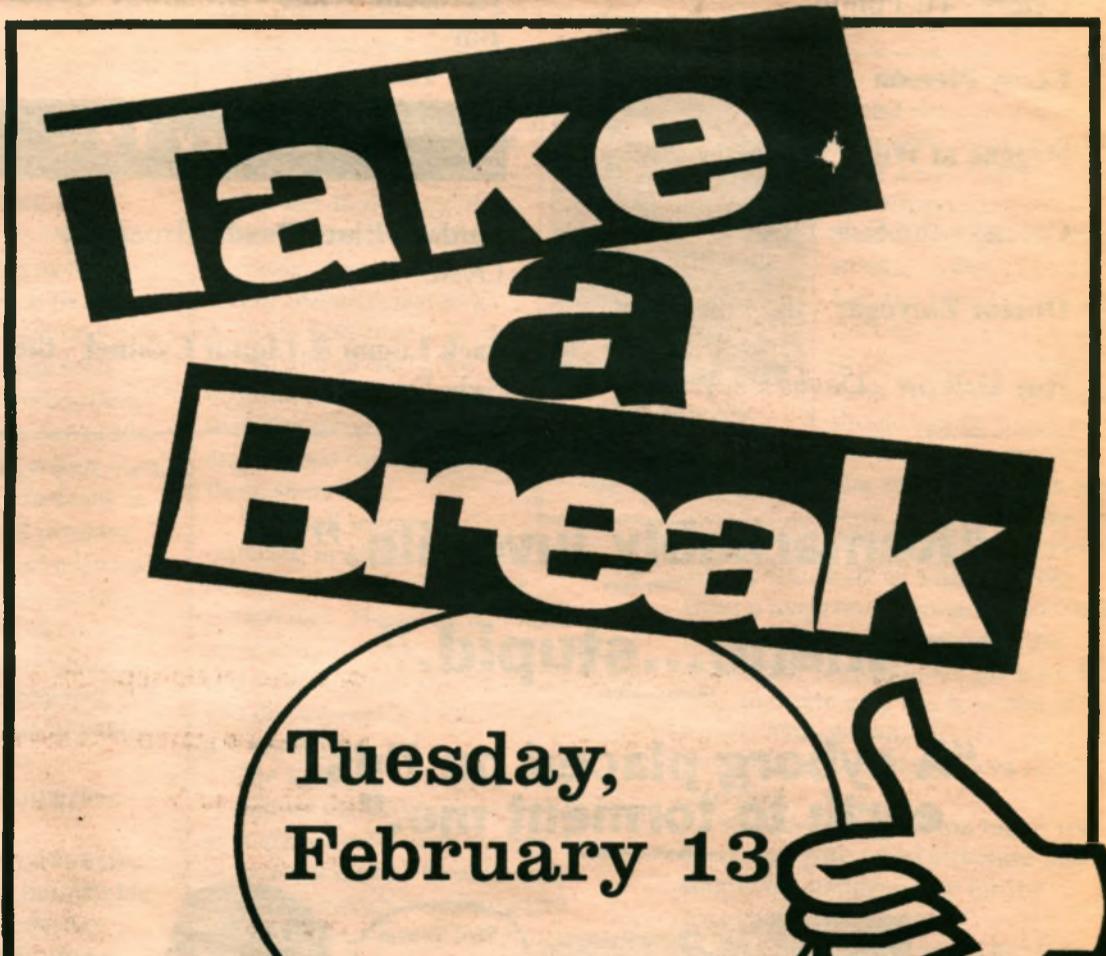
Despite the star-powered protest, the bill passed the Senate subcommittee Monday by 3-2. It must be approved by the full Education Committee before moving to the Senate floor.

ST. HELENA, Calif. (AP) First came velvet Elvis. Now there's vintage Elvis—smooth, harmonious and elegant with a ripe, juicy, complex berry taste.

The ghostly image of the late king of rock 'n' roll is hidden in the label of "Graceland, First Vintage," a 1993 premium cabernet sauvignon scheduled to appear on wine store shelves this week.

When the bottle is turned on its side Elvis' face emanates from the lavender-colored label.

The wine was made in cooperation with Priscilla Presley and the Graceland estate.

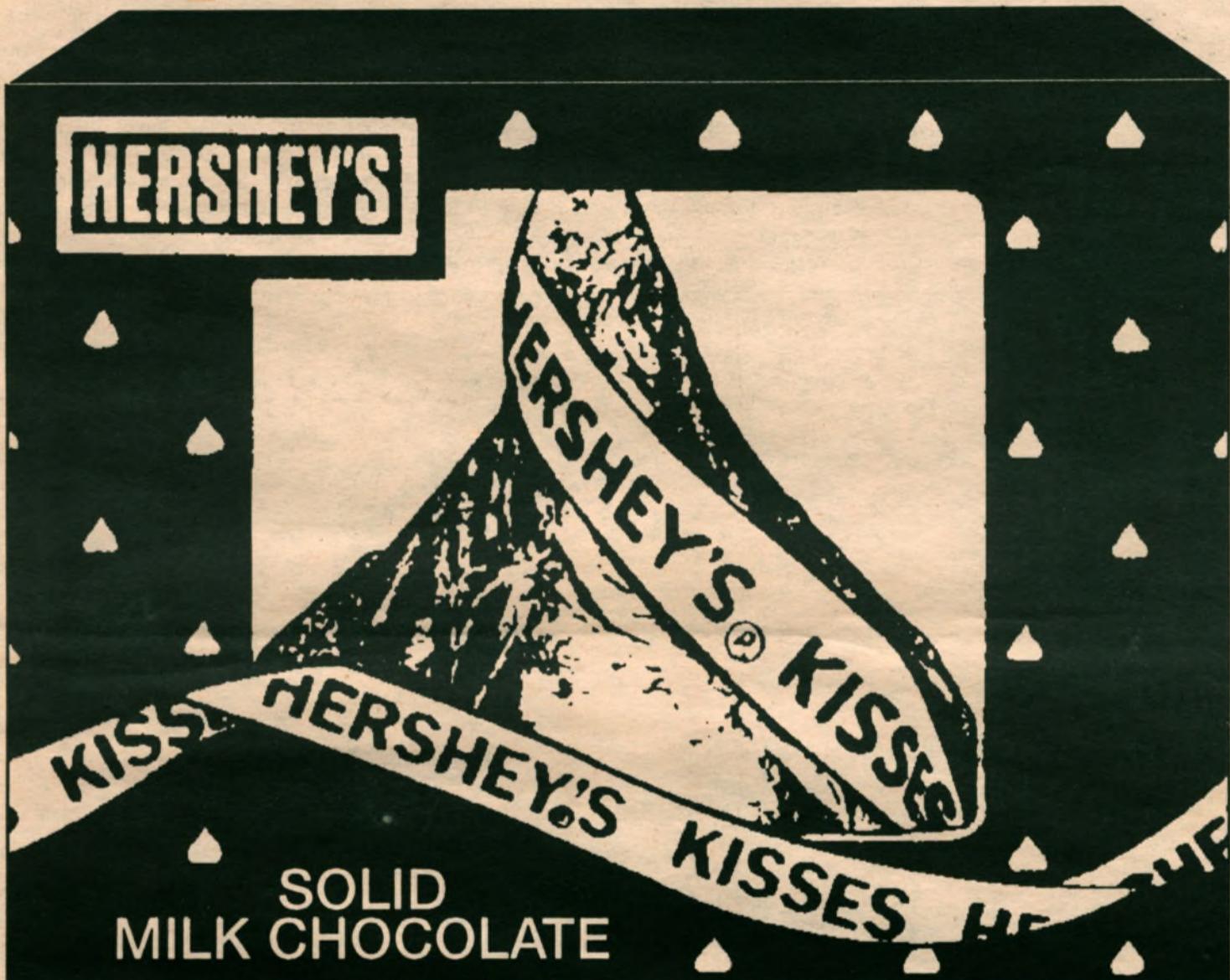


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The Black Student Association: Strength in numbers

by Darryl Howlett
Lifestyle Editor

Bold.

They gathered earlier than the initial 6:30 p.m. meeting had noted.

Strong.

Right away discussions centered on issues from an upcoming dance to various students educational concerns.

Aggressive.

The fifteen flags in the International room, with their different shapes and colors, could have also represented the different minds, cultures, shades of skin colors of the members of the BSA.

For almost 30 years, the Black Student Association has tried to provide unity, a sense of community, scholarship and leadership for African-American students. Included under the group's umbrella are 17 organizations ranging from fraternities and sororities to engineers, accountants and business students.

The organization provides a variety of community services such as tutorial services, voter registration and other mentoring programs. And on this particular Tuesday night, voter registration was high on the list of members discussion.

"I can't emphasize the importance of registering people to vote. With the Republican Contract with America, loans and financial aid are at stake," BSA President Christopher Nance said.

BSA also provided discussion on an upcoming ball and the recent Sista to Sista project, of which African-American women come together and talk about issues that are effecting them.

After their weekly meeting, BSA president Christopher Nance and staff/faculty advisor Dr. J.T. Jackson further elaborated about the organization—starting with BSA's role in the university Black History Month.

"This Black History Month we have more renown

speakers who are in the field of African-American studies. One such person is Dr. Leonard Jeffries.. In the four years I've been here to have someone of his stature speak is tremendous," Jackson said.

"Black History Month is also being geared toward all students and their intellect. We're including inclusive types of programs where people of other cultures can learn about our culture. We've been here for 400 years, isn't it time to meet us?" Nance said.

For Jackson, the organization has provided some

organizations are no longer needed—especially on campuses. Nance had an answer to this controversial question.

"America is founded on special interests groups. We are a special interest. Blacks on predominately white colleges have different needs. We (BSA) attempt to provide what is needed in bridging the gap of loneliness—situations such as one black student in a class, we try to eliminate the alienation," Nance said.

Not only is the organization visible during Black

History Month but provide projects all during the school year.

"We are presently working with the new vice-chancellor in recruiting high school students and bringing them to the university. We're showing students what is required of them. This is a program we would like to see implemented," Nance said.

Nance and Jackson also said that BSA continues its effort in making sure of the hiring of African-American professors for the university to commit to retaining and graduating minority students—especially African-American students.

BSA means many things to different people. 19-year-old James Earl Little II, of Tower Lake, describes what the BSA means to him.

"The BSA draws people together and by drawing people together it gives them a better relationship. In turn the relationship grows as a family with other organizations. It's been an excellent

experience for me," Little said.

One new member, Clarence Lang, 22, a graduate student from the University of Missouri majoring in history, can see a difference that the organization makes on this campus.

"The campus I was at previously was pretty dysfunctional. What impresses me is a regularity of the BSA. They are consistent in what they do at the meetings and programs being done," Lang said.

As Black History Month and reflection of great African-Americans continues, the Black Student Association will further their efforts to bridging the gap, keeping the unity, and providing a home to those individuals who might otherwise feel lonely.

great and not-so-great things about issues African-Americans are concerned with.

"The greatest joy for me is serving as a role model for all students—particularly for African-American students. It forces me the opportunities to teach African-Americans to be their best at all times at any situation," Jackson said. "I am disappointed in the lack of participation from African-Americans in that some have forgotten about what other people have done to get them into institutions like universities. They forget about the loss of life and loose limbs. I feel that we all can attribute something to the BSA," Jackson said.

What about those who believe black



**Commentary**

By Darryl Howlett

I am so glad that the arctic cold has left the area. I came home Friday from school at 5 p.m. and did not leave my house until 8:30 a.m. Monday morning. Not that it was just the cold (I had to wear two pair of LCD's this weekend), but more to the fact that I had a nasty cold.

I'm sure all of you know what I'm talking about—where you can't go to sleep because either your nose is runny or your nasal passages are so blocked that you can only breathe through your mouth. I was so uncomfortable but it did give me time to see what actually comes on TV late at night—real

late.

From two in the morning to five, late night television is only for those who have colds or people who had too much spicy food for dinner; everyone else on the planet is either sleeping or doing other entertaining and fulfilling things. They really have some lost commercials and shows on at night.

There is one commercial where this guy talks about his store and some men sing in the background nothing but "Stan, Stan, Stan, Stan." And I'm

thinking to myself, "what did Stan do, give them a winning lottery ticket?"

And then there are those "1-800-HAVE-A-GOOD-TIME" commercials with women who say if you're lonely, call them to have a good time. I would love to see how those women really look when you dial those numbers.

Let's not forget all those damn psychic infomercials. The one I saw this past weekend had Phillip Michael Thomas of "Miami Vice" fame hosting it. He's saying how good these psychics are and this and that. Once again I asked myself, "If your life is so good, why on God's green Earth are you only doing psychic commercials?"

The last of the crazy commercials deal with the local people. You know, like those guys from Schweig-Engel acting like court jesters? And speaking of royalty, how about the two queens of the carpet court flying over the mighty Arch? And don't forget the catchy tune of "Think Young, Rodney D. Young?"

Other entertainment that I found amusing were repeats of Ricki Lake (I turned the channel) and Hawaii Five-O. Yes! Hawaii Five-O! Man, I hadn't seen that in ages. I got real hyper about that. Brought me back to yesteryear of Barnaby Jones, the Rockford Files and my main man Kojak. (You all know he and Isaac Hayes were the original bald heads)

Oh well, so much for late, late night television. I'm over my cold, and won't see the likes of it for quite awhile.

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This year we will embrace the teachings of Dr. Leonard Jeffries. Dr. Jeffries is an outspoken African Historian, scholar, educator and social activist. He has written numerous books and articles challenging the status quo of African and Black studies throughout the American educational systems. Who knows what we will learn from the presentation of this highly renowned educator? It's best to be there to find out.



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Henderson's hustle pays off for himself and Cougars



By Jeremy Paschall/Alestle

Ronnie Henderson brings mental toughness and a hard working attitude to the floor every night for the Cougars.

By Eli Savoie
Sports Editor

In the dictionary, the word hustle is defined as, "to gain by energetic effort." Next to that definition should be a picture of SIUE basketball player Ronnie Henderson.

Through his hustle, Henderson gained a spot on the Cougar team this year as a walk-on player and after the loss of some players, Henderson found himself hustling his way into the Cougars starting lineup as an undersized center.

At 6-foot-2, 200 pounds and playing center, Henderson can't afford to quit hustling any time soon.

Being listed as a guard in the Cougar media guide and playing forward most of his basketball career at Cairo High School and Shawnee Community College, Henderson said he never pictured himself playing center for the Cougars.

"The biggest difference in playing center is going against guys five or six inches taller and 10 to 15 pounds heavier than I am," Henderson said after practice Tuesday night. "...I have to work harder and get physical. My strength helps me a lot."

After playing a reserve role early in the season, Henderson was thrown into his current starting position when the team lost Chris

Brefeld to an injury and a few other players were lost to suspensions over the holiday break.

"Ronnie was forced to play...and has come through in most respects," Cougar Head coach Jack Margenthaler said.

Henderson enters action tonight for the Cougars against Lewis averaging just under 10 points and four rebounds a contest, not bad numbers for a man who came to the Cougars as an almost unknown.

"I had never seen him play before, but he has been a real good addition to this team," Margenthaler said.

Even with the success he has experienced on the offensive end, both Henderson and his coach realize that his defense could be improved.

Henderson said his defense is the biggest weakness in his game and Margenthaler agrees.

"He has never been taught the fundamental concepts of defense," Margenthaler said. "As a result he is caught out of position a lot."

Margenthaler said that he feels the biggest positive Henderson brings to the Cougars is mental toughness and Henderson once again, agrees with his coach.

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Cougars have uphill battle in their final seven games

By Brett Licata
Sports Reporter

The SIUE women's basketball team has surprised many followers with their performance this season. With only one senior, the Lady Cougars have posted a 12-7 record overall. But the war is far from over.

"The scary thing is that we've played all of the easy teams early in the season," said assistant coach Nancy Swain Tuesday afternoon. "Our last five games are against teams that have already beaten us early in the year. Any win that we can get out of those five remaining games will be huge for us."

The Lady Cougars have seven remaining games with five of them to be played at home.

"We've done a lot of learning this year. But I'm satisfied with the team's play," said Swain. "You can always look back and find games that you should have won."

Junior Amy Tuetken has been one of many stars on the team this season.

"Amy has been very versatile for us," said Swain. "For her size she handles the ball well and for her lack of height she plays inside well. She has great hands in terms of shooting which lets us put her at either the three or four spot."

The lone senior Terri Evans and sophomore Alicia Harkins are the 1-2 offensive punch that has ignited the Lady Cougars throughout the season.

Swain commented, "Both are consistent players. One seems to pick up the play of the other."

At this point the Ladies are out of the top three positions in the Great Lakes Valley Conference that move on to the playoffs come post season.

"We play a lot of the teams that are currently ahead of us in the standings, so every game is crucial," said Swain.

The next game for SIUE will be against Lewis at the Vadalabene Center tonight. Tip-off is set for 5:30 p.m..

"This is a game that we should be able to win," said Swain.

The Cougars are currently in seventh place in the conference with a record of 7-6 and any win they can get down the stretch will certainly help.

Cougar Corner



The Cougar Corner is a bit crowded this week as 6-foot-8, 200 pound, Tim Thorsen bullies his way in for the first time this year.

It's tough enough to play ball in the GLVC but imagine doing it as a freshman after sitting out your senior season in high school due to injury. That's exactly what this diaper dandy center has done. Thursday night at IUPU-Fort Wayne, Thorsen turned in a solid performance with 3 made field goals, 5 made free throws, and 4 rebounds.

Thorsen is not the focal point of the Cougars offense but is expected to intimidate opponents down low.

"I'm trying to become more aggressive," Tim said. "When I came to college I was a bit soft, but I've been working with Nate (Kreke) and Ronnie (Henderson) and they've helped me a lot. The guys are counting on me to play a bigger role on the team especially rebounding. Coach tells us that when we out rebound the other teams we win, so that is what we need."

When asked about how it feels now to be the small fish in a big pond again Thorsen said a lot of it is mental.

"My skills haven't changed so much, but my attitude has gotten a lot better. It's tough but it's just another challenge. It's kind of exciting trying to get better and play at this level. And if he keeps improving at this rate he'll have no problem playing at this level."

Congratulations Tim.

Perfection. That's what the Cougar Corner likes and that's why Beth Brown is this week's women's representative, in the corner.

Last Thursday against IUPU-Fort Wayne, Brown just couldn't miss. Beth was a perfect nine for nine from the field and also managed two steals and an assist before fouling out. Unfortunately, Beth's 18 points weren't enough to keep the Cougars from falling to IUPU-Fort Wayne.

In an interesting interview in which Beth was monitored by her roommate Alicia Harkins and the Cougar basketball radio personality Darin Pritchett, she had this to say about the game Thursday.

"It was one of those things where I wasn't focusing on my shot, I was just doing it. If we would've gotten off to a better start the game could have had a better outcome. We've had a hard time starting games recently and I think it's a mental thing," Brown said.

Brown's mentality has also changed a bit this year.

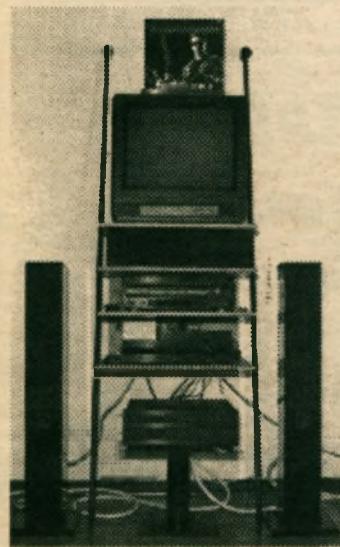
"I've changed my attitude from the beginning of the year," she said. "It was hard because I've started everywhere else I've been and when I came here I wasn't starting. I've had to adjust."

One of those other places Beth was talking about was Kankakee College in Kankakee, Ill., where last year she was a member of their Division II Junior College National Championship team. Congratulations on a fine game Beth.

-By Andy Korbesmeyer



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"With starting, I have to be mentally ready every game. Coach can only do so much to prepare us for the game, we have to be ready to play," Henderson said.

Although he is listed as a senior, Henderson still has one semester of athletic eligibility remaining and he will be used that during the spring semester of next season when the Cougars go through their Great Lakes Valley Conference schedule. Henderson will be looking forward to that and hopes the Cougars will do better than they have this season.

Even though the team hasn't done as well as Henderson had anticipated, he does not point any fingers or make any excuses. He looks at every game and examines his own individual performance and how he can improve it.

"Ronnie's not looking to be a star," Margenthaler said. "He's just looking to help the team."

Once Henderson is done with his basketball career, he will pursue a master's degree in educational administration and hopes to be a history teacher in the future. As far as the possibility of coaching basketball goes, Henderson said he wouldn't mind doing it, but he's not going that route. He said it's a tough job and don't know how he would do.

If he could install in his players the mental toughness and hustling attitude he brings to the floor every night, he would do just fine.

The date for the SIUE intramural program's women's sports night has once again been changed. The new date and time is Wednesday, Feb. 28, from 8:30 to 10 p.m. So come on out to the Student Fitness center and enjoy free pizza and fun games in support of the SIUE intramural program. For more information call 692-B-FIT.

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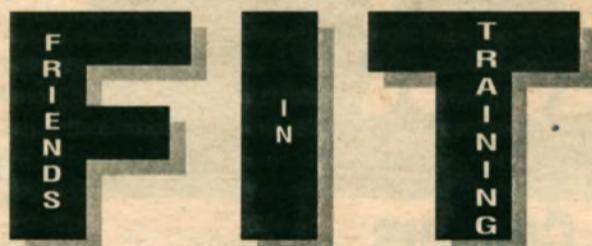


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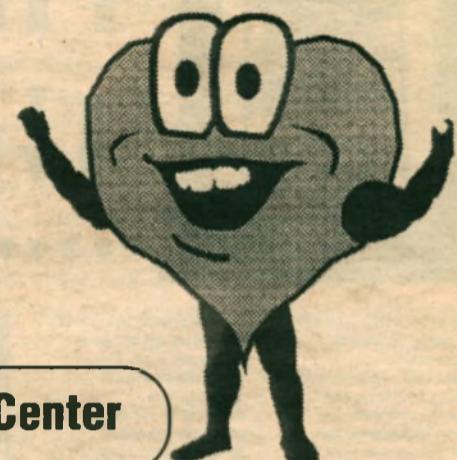


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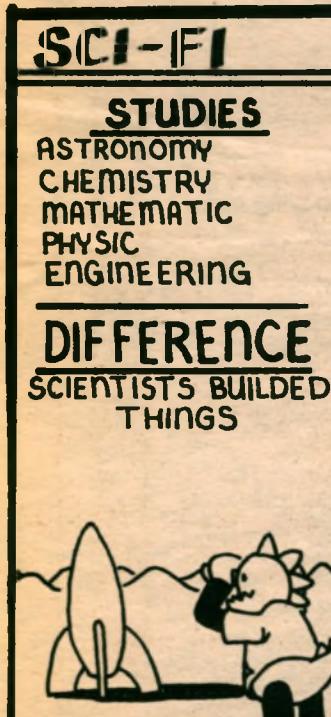
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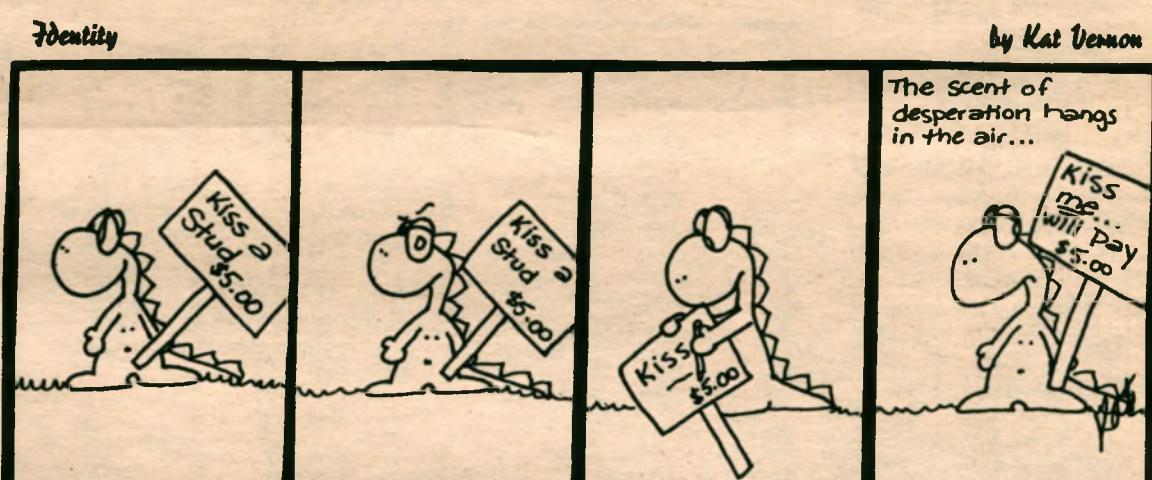


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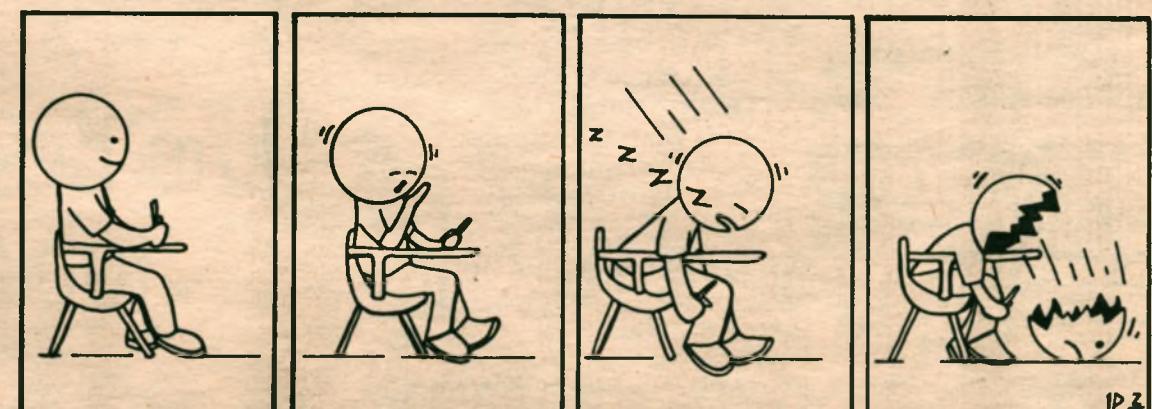
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