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SIUE hosts three-day conference on Illinois African Americans

■ BY ZHANDA JOHNSON
 NEWS EDITOR

"Community Building and Resistance: African Americans in the Land of Lincoln," a three-day conference on the contribution and struggles of the African American community in the state of Illinois will begin tomorrow at SIUE. The conference is being sponsored by the department of history, the College of Arts and Sciences, the Office of the Chancellor, the Graduate School and the Office of the Vice Provost for Social and Cultural Diversity of Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville; and the department of African American studies, the department of history, and the College of Arts and Sciences of Western Illinois University.

"The purpose of the conference is to inform people about Illinois African American heritage and to celebrate Illinois African Americans," said Shirley Portwood, professor of historical studies and a co-chair of the planning committee for the conference.

Portwood said she would like for people who attend the conference to gain more knowledge about African Americans in Illinois and realize that there is a lot of African American history in Illinois.

The conference will take place in the second floor Conference Center in the University Center.

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Congressmen break ground



Bob Fehringer/Alestle

Congressmen Jerry Costello and John Shimkus lead a party of dignitaries during the groundbreaking ceremonies for the 126th Air Refueling Wing at Scott Air Force Base on Saturday.

U.S. Secretary of Education holds round-table forum on Clinton's program, "America Reads Challenge"

■ BY DANIELLE BELTON
 NEWS REPORTER

U.S. Secretary of Education, Richard W. Riley, held a round-table forum in the University Center Meridian Hall at SIUE on Monday to promote President Clinton's America Reads Challenge. He lead the discussion on helping American elementary students and teachers in their classrooms, while allowing the students that made up the panel a chance to tell their own experiences with the program as tutors.

According to Riley, the program is now at over 900 colleges and universities. SIU's president Ted Sanders was one of the first twenty who worked to implement the program in their university.

The pamphlet distributed at the event stated that the America Reads Challenge program's purpose is to recruit Federal Work Study students to "tutor children to read well and independently by the end of the third grade."

The students, most of whom are early education majors, relayed their stories with the students they tutored and the things they learned from the students while working there.

"Any good teacher will tell you they learn from their students," said Riley in response to one of the students stories.

Some students relayed stories of problematic students who had trouble accepting them as their tutors while others told stories of students who had made it to the third grade, but were unable to read. One student told of her disappointment when the school held a open house to show the

parents what their children were doing after school and out of the 25 students only two parents came. Riley stressed that parental involvement is extremely important if improvement is ever to take place in the education system, citing his own childhood experiences as an example.

"When I was in the first grade," Riley said. "I remember my mother coming to my school in Greenville, (North Carolina). That means everything to a child."

Riley sympathized with many of the student's problems and triumphs with the children. He discussed how all students learn on different levels and how often the short attention spans of children can be difficult to manage while an adult's attention span is much longer.

During the meeting, Riley also discussed the need for education

students to have these experiences in the classroom with good teachers. He stressed that the way for a student to learn to become a good teacher is to work closely with one, as many of the students in the tutoring program had.

"The way doctors have always learned to be good doctors is to work with good doctors," Riley said.

Using this analogy, Riley further explained the importance of the influence of good teachers over education students.

Students also spoke of how the children had helped enrich their own lives. One female student said that, "What I learned from these kids, I could take wherever I go for the rest of my life." This was the sentiment of a majority of the students participating in the program.

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Speakers will include Shirley Portwood and Sundiata Keita Cha-Jua from the SIUE department of historical studies, Preston Weing, Jr., president of the Cairo chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People during the

civil rights era; and Eugene Redmond, professor of African American literature at SIUE and an internationally renowned poet and writer, as well as others.

Tomorrow's session begins at 10 a.m. with a presentation on "Migration and Resistance: Aspirations, Economic Advancement and Agency." Other events include a

video presentation, a keynote address by Preston Ewing, Jr., and a presentation by Eugene Redmond.

On Thursday, the program will include a graduate student panel and presentations on "Winds of Change: Chicago, Ill.," and the "Shaping of the Black Intellectual Tradition" and "Black Power, Resistance, and

Cultural Development in Northern Illinois," as well as a luncheon reception and workshop.

Friday, the program includes presentations on Edwardsville's African American heritage, "Resistance and Development: A Stylized History: African Americans in Decatur, Ill. 1830-1990," and "Goin' Through It:

The Experiences of African American students at Southern Illinois University." The closing plenary roundtable discussion will focus on "Issues in African American History in Illinois."

All of these programs are free and open to the public, with the exception of the luncheon which is by invitation only.

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Legislation in congress is currently pending on whether \$210 million will be allocated for the America Reads Challenge. Currently Riley is trying to gain support for the initiative by branching out into communities all over the United States. For more

information about the program, write or call the U.S. Department of Education at: 600 Independence Avenue, Room 6100; Washington, DC.; 20202. The phone number is, 1-800-USA-LEARN (1-800-872-5327).

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A critical essay on society and our American culture



Danielle Belton

This is a most interesting world that we live in. As wondrous and beautiful as it appears to be, there lies a certain amount of danger in it that can be nearly as seductive as it is deadly. The beauty often lies behind the warmth of a mother's touch, the love of a friend's smile, warm summer nights and sunshine after the rain. The seductiveness lies in the violence and darkness of the world. Our American culture for all its glory and durability, hides behind a seedy underbelly that gives way to the violence and anguish in our society.

This violence is painful and we often don't wish to look at it because it is ugly, but it is still there screaming "look at me, acknowledge my existence." This ugliness is seen in the eyes of the poor and desolate, the forgotten and the prisoner, and in the innermost workings of our own souls when we are forced to view it at uncomfortable times. It's like when a woman sees a homeless man on the street and instead of pity, feels contempt and wishes he wasn't there. She's wishing that she didn't smell his stench, that he didn't invade her hallways and streets, thrusting his dirty hands in her face, begging for a dollar, a quarter, anything. The paradox is that the woman knows she is wrong for feeling the contempt because she has been raised to feel otherwise, but the feeling is still there. The paradox causes a feeling of shame, but she just shrugs it off eventually with thoughts of, "Oh well, what can you really do about it?" That's why they bussed the homeless people out of Atlanta in 1996 before the summer Olympics began. Shame told them they were in the wrong, but they surely couldn't have the world think that America is a place made up of beggars and people caught in the threshold of capitalist poverty.

That is our society today. We are the society of "we know better, but we do it anyway." We know that it's really not right to feel contempt for the poor, but we do it anyway. We know that it's not right to eat that Big Mac at McDonald's but we do it anyway. We know that racism, sexism, fascism, and all other bigotry is wrong, but we live in a world full of these behaviors anyway. None of these are disappearing, and there is no quick solution to fix the problem.

People say that I must be sitting on a high horse envisioning perfection when I write, but I admit to my faults. I know that I am not right all the time, and just like everyone else, sometimes I wish things just weren't there. If they weren't there, a person would never have to deal with it. And that it is what is seductive. Denial is seductive. It's like the man who says that there is no need for Affirmative Action and the playing field is now level, when it's obvious that racism and sexism still exist. How can a playing field be level when white females are a majority of America's population, but only make up a minority of CEOs, managers, workers and entrepreneurs? Racism and sexism still exist, lurking around the underground as bottom feeders, only occasionally resurfacing to rear their ugly heads among a nation of denial filled sleepers.

Violence is treated the same way in our society. More prisons are built every day to house criminals, big and small, but little rehabilitation is offered. The root to the problem is never brought to the surface because to deal with the problem at the root would be to admit the problem exists, and historically and psychologically, most people do not admit when they have a problem. Acknowledging that there is a problem is the first step to solving a problem. In our country, we often offer solutions to problems that we haven't even admitted were truly problems yet. There are people today that will say "Blacks were happier when they knew their place." That is denial; if they were happy they never would have rebelled against the position they'd been placed in by society. And there is a shame in this when we know things are wrong and we argue the contrary because of that denial. This shame results in nameless voices shouting accusations, but having no solid ground to stand them on. That is our society and that is what is most seductive about it. It is what is most violent and most peculiar. It is our denial of our problems.

The real world has always been an awakener of dreamers. It's good that we come to college and leave our safe, cozy worlds to search out new ones where we encounter the infinite wonders of our world, but also must deal with the harsh realities of the violence and cruelty of our society. It is a bitter pill to swallow. Ralph Ellison's novel, "Invisible Man" is like that. A person realizing the result of their own denials and acknowledging the same problems that before they would have denied that ever existed.

Danielle C. Belton
Editor In Chief

Meet the Candidates for Student Government

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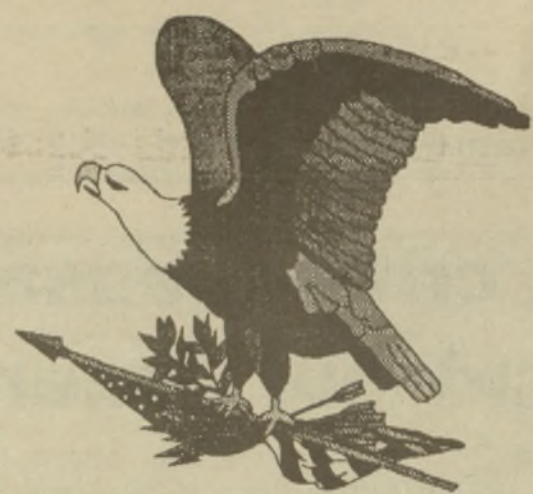
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Computer network flaps raise issue of free speech vs. taste

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — University of Maine sophomore Casey Belanger sat down at the computer in his dorm room and typed a nasty, threatening message to a fellow student he had never met.

Using a slur for homosexuals, he wrote that if he saw the student, "I'm gonna shoot you in the back of the (expletive) head." Inadvertently, he sent the message onto campus computer bulletin boards, including one run by a gay-lesbian group.

A week later, the state attorney general slapped the 19-year-old with a hate crime lawsuit, accusing him of violating the civil rights of homosexuals.

"I don't even know the guy," Belanger said in a telephone interview from the campus in Orono. "I was just mouthing off."

On the Internet and via e-mail, threats and offensive jokes fly through cyberspace between anonymous users, often without repercussions.

But when such expressions appear on college and university computer networks, they can trigger complaints or even criminal investigations. They can also set off a debate pitting First Amendment rights against campus administrators' authority and responsibilities.

"Universities are concerned about libel and slander," said Peter Burke, an attorney in the corporate technology practice group at Powell, Goldstein, Frazer & Murphy, an Atlanta and Washington law firm. "By operating e-mail systems, does the university become responsible for what gets posted there?"

In some cases, Burke said, universities and colleges are walking the tightrope between censorship and free speech.

"Some universities are overreacting. They're treating electronic mail differently than they would treat communications using a pen and paper," said Barry Steinhardt, president of the Electronic Frontier Foundation, a San Francisco-based online civil liberties organization.

Steinhardt said colleges don't appear to care where students send their mail via the U.S. Postal Service, but with e-mail and the Internet there is a trail they can follow.

The University of Maine case is one of many:

At Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y., four freshmen sent a

derogatory "joke" about women to their friends through e-mail. The message was sent in 1995 to 20 of the students' friends, who then passed it along to countless Internet e-mail addresses, prompting angry responses from across the country. The four were required to attend rape awareness classes.

At the University of North Carolina, officials closed an e-mail account belonging to a former student after a racist message from that account was posted on at least 10 Internet news groups. Anyone reading the joke about "why all blacks should go back to Africa" could see that it originated at the university.

At Virginia Tech, a student was punished for posting a note on the World Wide Web page of a gay organization that suggested gay men be castrated and killed.

At Bates College in Lewiston, Maine, a student used the computer network to type an obscenity-laced message saying she hated white people. Bates officials called the message "offensive and divisive." The college's Hate Crimes and Bias Committee said the incident alerted it to other student postings — "sexist, racist, homophobic" — and condemned them all as "inappropriate in any context."

Offensive or not, many would argue such postings are free speech, especially on campus, where ideas are continuously debated, Burke said.

"Do we have people deciding what ideas are good or bad?" he said. "Don't say that, it might offend somebody." "We'd rather you speak good ideas so everyone is happy."

David Merkowitz, a spokesman for the American Council on Education, a Washington-based trade association for 1,800 colleges and universities, said incidents on campus are forcing more and more educators to reassess e-mail and computer use policies.

"But the extent that it's a problem is difficult to gauge," he said.

At America Online, its 10 million subscribers must agree to the terms of service: No obscenities, no threatening, no harassing.

If they fail to comply, they lose their account, and in some instances law enforcement is alerted. AOL learns about violations mainly through other members, but it does not

reprimand users for the quality of their e-mail jokes.

"There is an infinite amount of information and communication within the AOL community. There is no way to monitor each and every word, nor should we," said AOL spokeswoman Trish Primrose.

Some businesses monitor employee e-mail content, Steinhardt said. "Private companies pretty much have a carte blanche to control the use of their own resources," he said.

But public universities cannot legally punish students for what they say on the campus computer network, Steinhardt said, unless the mail constitutes a violation of the law, like the Belanger case.

That incident started when Belanger stated on his resume on a student bulletin board that he "disliked fags." That prompted a barrage of anonymous e-mail, he said.

He sent the threatening message to the person he thought was sending the anonymous messages. But his message ended up going to 10 other students as well as the Gay/Lesbian/Bisexual public conference folder and three other computer folders.

Soon after, students alerted campus security, who then forwarded the matter to police and the state attorney general's office.

"It all just got blown out of proportion," Belanger said.

The university ordered him to serve 30 hours of community service and suspended his computer account. The state waived a \$5,000 fine when Belanger signed an agreement promising not to harass or threaten others.

Belanger said he would never have said in-person what he wrote while hidden behind his screen name.

"It was just a spur of the moment thing," he said. "Given the opportunity, I would definitely go back and reword it."

Maine Attorney General Andrew Ketterer said there's an easy way to know when speech is inappropriate and possibly illegal: People should not be scared by a message they receive through their computer.

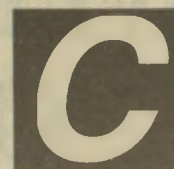
"I think that people may say, 'Hey, I got a First Amendment right to say whatever I want,'" Ketterer said. But he added: "It does not include the right to threaten."

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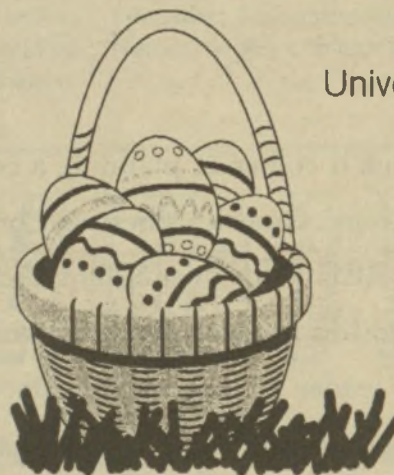
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House passes bill giving Missouri \$663 million annually

WASHINGTON (AP) — Missouri would get \$264 million for specific highway projects — and \$3.5 billion overall for the next six years under legislation passed in the House.

"How many times have you hit a pothole in the road, or heard the horror stories about our school buses scraping against the tractor-trailers on a bridge that is too narrow to cross?" said Rep. Jo Ann Emerson, R-Mo., a member of the House Transportation Committee.

"Building and improving roads is one of the wisest investments we can make to improve the quality of life for people right here at home," she said.

Under the measure, Missourians, who currently get back 82 cents of every dollar they pay in federal gasoline taxes, would get back 95 cents on the dollar.

The \$217 billion measure funds federal highway, bridge and mass transit programs

through 2003. Missouri would get nearly \$663 million annually. Emerson noted Missouri ranks sixth in the nation in the number of deteriorating bridges.

In addition, the bill earmarks \$264 million in specific projects, including \$45 million to widen U.S. 63 in Randolph and Boone counties, \$40 million to widen Missouri 21 in Jefferson County and a total of \$3.7 million — in both highway and bus funds for a bus exchange and parking lot at the Missouri

Botanical Garden in St. Louis.

The last six-year transportation plan expired last fall. A provisional program ends May 1, leaving less than two weeks for House and Senate negotiators to reach a compromise upon returning from the spring recess.

Other differences between the two versions include:

The House bill separates the highway trust fund, which is financed by gas taxes, from the general budget. The Senate bill

keeps the trust fund in the general budget.

Senators did not opt to designate special projects. The House set aside 5 percent, or \$9 billion, for about 1,500 projects lawmakers requested for their districts.

The Senate includes a provision to slash federal funds for states that fail to establish .08 percent blood alcohol content as the drunk driving standard. House leaders would not allow a vote on the .08 percent national standard.

Former gang members have tattoos removed during laser surgery

DELRAY BEACH, Fla. (AP) — Allison breathes deeply then lets out an expletive as the laser snaps and sparks against her skin.

The laser is vaporizing the pigment left behind when she allowed a gang member to tattoo her — using India ink and a needle and thread on a playground at her middle school.

For years, the black cross with teardrops on her hand and the cryptic "A" between her breasts have symbolized her ties to a gang, her bad decisions, her delinquency.

"I was horrible," she said, breaking into quiet tears as she recalled being an eighth-grader who hung out with gangs. "I was really disrespectful to my mom. We got in actual fistfights. I would run away from home all the time, wouldn't come home at night, wouldn't let her know where I was."

There is clear remorse in the voice of this now 17-year-old, who has gone from skipping school nearly every day to earning A's and B's on her report card. Allison, who spoke on condition her surname was not used, longed for a chance to start fresh, for a clean slate.

Both literally and symbolically.

It led her to Delray Beach plastic surgeon Gary Rosenberg, who has donated his laser skills for the past six years to remove the tattoos from dozens of former gang members who have vowed to go the straight and narrow.

Black marks on the fingers, necks and faces of former members can scare off potential employers or friends — even if the individual has left the gang life behind, Rosenberg said. Removing the tattoos can be the last hurdle.

"Also, it's a way to sever the ties," he said. "It's symbolic."

An assistant principal at a local high school originally referred the former gang members to Rosenberg. But in September, Rosenberg joined forces with Palm Beach County authorities and local hospitals to launch a one-year pilot program which he hopes will serve as a model for other communities.

The new program has the approval of the court system because all participants must submit to being photographed with their tattoos in case they ever fall back into criminal or

gang-related activity, he said.

The procedure, which usually costs from \$1,200 to \$1,600, is free to adolescents under 19 who sign a contract to stay away from gangs, complete their high school education — or if they've already completed it, to go on to college or a job.

The procedure usually takes three to four 15-minute sessions with the laser. And while Rosenberg said the surgery hurts no more than an elastic band snap, some of his patients heartily disagree.

Take Jane, the former girlfriend of a gang member who left her an indelible reminder of their relationship: his initials tattooed just above her pubic hair.

"It made me realize what a mistake it was because it doesn't feel too good getting it off," said the 17-year-old woman, who asked that her real name not be used.

Several U.S. cities have well-established gang tattoo removal programs while other areas have doctors, such as Rosenberg, who donate time individually, according to the National Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons.

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Lawmakers seek to put legal reins on the internet

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — Many users of the Internet have found how easy it is to buy liquor, gamble, find pornography or get cheated over the global computer network. Too easy, in the eyes of Illinois lawmakers who want to impose controls.

At least 17 bills have been introduced in the General Assembly to regulate aspects of the Internet, a new and freewheeling industry as yet largely untouched by state or federal regulations and taxes.

Many of the bills are aimed at keeping pornography away from children or providing consumer protections for users of Internet services.

Gene Rose, a spokesman for the National Conference of State Legislatures, said the Internet

was "definitely at the top of the list" when the group compiled a ranking of issues likely to face legislatures this year.

"It's such a rapidly growing industry and something that people have a lot of concerns about," Rose said.

David Banisar, staff counsel for the Washington-based Electronic Privacy Information Center, thinks lawmakers are attracted to cyberspace issues because they are trendy and seem to invite political intervention.

"Up until about two years ago, most people didn't know what the Internet was, including state legislators," Banisar said.

"The Internet is nearly mainstream now, as scary as that is, and the censors and the taxers say, 'Hey, this is really

happening.' They think they can control it like they do zoning."

While the Internet is new, the legislative process it provokes is old-fashioned. Typically, an established lobby seeks a bill that then is pushed by sympathetic lawmakers.

For instance, services that sell liquor through the mail or on the Internet would be curbed under a bill sought by the Associated Beer Distributors of Illinois and sponsored by Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, and Rep. Angelo Saviano, R-River Grove.

"It's nearly impossible to control what our children are able to access through the Internet," said Hoffman.

Saviano added, "Many kids as young as 16 have debit cards with their checking accounts that work

just like a major credit card. Children are able to order alcohol through the Internet or a catalog and it's delivered right to their doorstep."

Their bill, which passed the House unanimously and is pending in the Senate, would require consumers to prove they are at least 21 before receiving the liquor. Also, beer and liquor sellers would have to get Illinois liquor licenses, pay taxes here and arrange for deliveries through local businesses.

Louis Amoroso, president of Beer Across America Inc., based in Lake Bluff, said, "Young kids don't order alcohol from the Internet. The product is expensive and the minor doesn't know when the product is going to be delivered, maybe at

5:15 p.m. right when mom and dad get home from work."

Amoroso, who has battled with liquor-control officials in Utah and Florida over shipments to those states, said of the Illinois bill, "I don't really think there is a need for it, but the legislation as it is doesn't really bother us."

Not all the proposals would curtail Internet commerce. A bill pushed by Attorney General Jim Ryan and sponsored by Rep. Jim Durkin, R-Westchester, would boost it by making electronic and digital signatures as legally valid as written ones.

"Businesses will flock to states that have laws that treat electronic documents the same as written documents and that provide a stable set of rules that govern electronic transactions," Ryan said.

TATTOO

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The association had sought to coordinate all the efforts into a national campaign, but that effort has failed so far because the programs rely so heavily on local support.

Jeffrey Ptak, a Phoenix plastic surgeon, has worked with about a dozen doctors to successfully treat 100 children since mid-1994. His program has removed tattoos from children as young as age 8 who have been forcibly marked by older gang-banging siblings.

In his program, which is among the most comprehensive in the country, the children are screened by the courts and psychologists. They're also required to perform 20 hours of community service for each laser treatment.

"This is really the carrot that's kind of held out at the end of the long process," Ptak said.

Such programs are not without risk for the doctors, who often are erasing powerful symbols of death or hatred or violence.

Rosenberg admitted to being scared by a couple of young men who wanted him to

remove their tattoos.

"You can see hate on their faces," he said. "If they come in and they're hateful and spiteful and show no remorse ... I usually won't operate on them."

For the most part, though, the youngsters are a delight, he said.

And they feel the same about him.

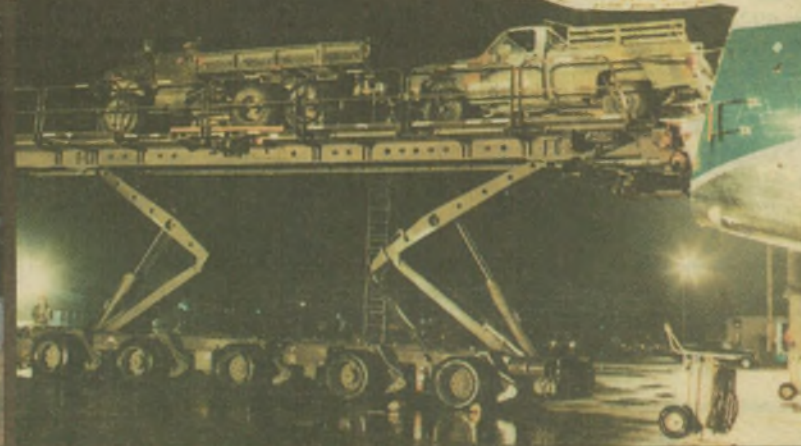
"I think it's very good there's somebody actually out there that will say, 'Hey, I know they were bad kids, but they can turn around,'" Allison said. "He's an excellent guy for noticing it — realizing there are kids who want to change."

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RANTS & RAVES



■ BY COREY STULCE
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So, part one of the great Clinton sex-fiend scandal has ended. Paula Jones won't be getting her trial after all. She might still get her photo spread in "Hustler," though. We'll keep our fingers crossed.

Boy, I am so sick of hearing about the president's supposed sexual antics. What is the big deal? So, the man likes sex, and not always with his wife. He's certainly not alone in that boat. Why is it news? I would prefer a sexually satisfied president to a repressed one any day.

Without the occasional run through the lilies, he would be on edge. He would have to get satisfaction elsewhere, like picking fights with smaller, more defenseless countries.

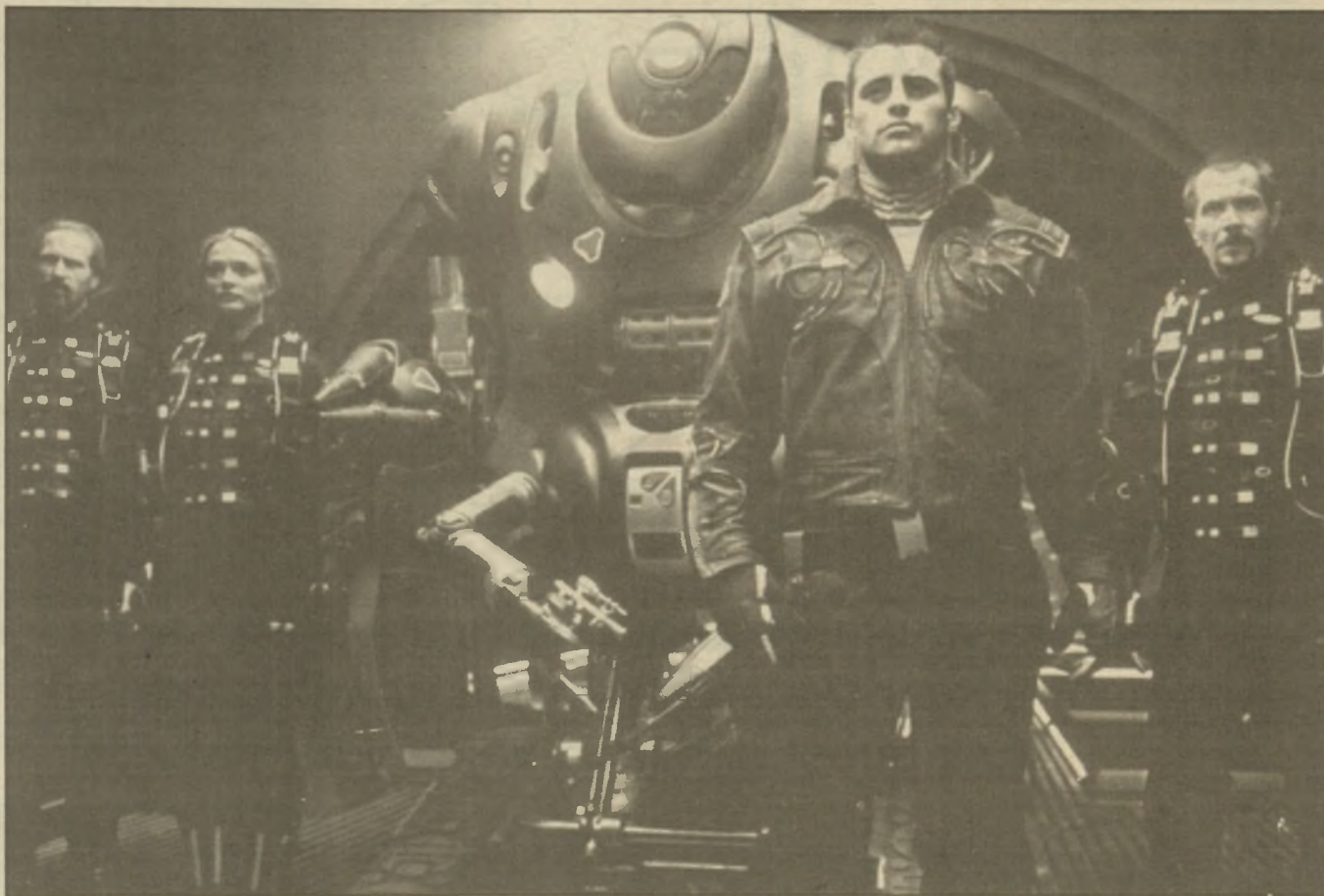
It's like the school bully. He's usually a big, frightening, ugly kid. He doesn't have many friends, much less a girlfriend, so his sexual frustration is worked out by beating up the smaller kids. It's a vicious cycle.

Besides, why is it any of our business anyway? My biggest fear right now is becoming famous and having the world discover my deviant sexual behavior. (So afraid, in fact, that I share more of it than I should with my readers.)

The entire world has become that nosy middle-aged neighbor, with the hair constantly in giant pink curlers, cat-eye glasses, a flowered mu-mu, and binoculars. She's always got her head stuck through the curtains, looking for gossip. It's disturbing, because that is her life's pleasure. Which means, other people's sex lives have become our pleasure.

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Danger Will Robinson: Boredom ahead!



The cast of New Line Cinema's "Lost in Space," from left: William Hurt, Heather Graham, Robot, Matt LeBlanc and Gary Oldman.

■ BY COREY STULCE
LIFESTYLE EDITOR

At least "Lost in Space" had one big first: making Gary Oldman appear completely normal (and boring). Other than that, there was nothing new under the sun. It's very unfortunate. "Lost" had the potential to be a fun sci-fi franchise.

The film is based on the old cheese-ball television series from the '60s, which tells the tale of the Robinson family who, in an effort to save Earth, get lost in the outer reaches of uncharted galaxy. Along for the ride are peppy pilot Major Don West, the diabolical Dr. Smith (Oldman) and Robot, who utters the catchphrase of the show and film, "Danger, Will Robinson."

The movie is lost from the get-go. It can't decide what it wants to be, the campy show from the '60s, a serious sci-fi adventure, or a family-bonding experience. All three are attempted, and all three fail for the most part.

There is a very slow start to establish the characters and the mission for the family. That is forgivable, but even after the action begins it feels slow. The special effects are great in number, but nothing seems new. The computer effects do not seem realistic enough to get the audience to believe that the Robinsons are in any real danger.

The only semi-believable part of the story is the mixed-up children. Dad (William Hurt) has been working on this project for years, apparently, and his kids are starving for attention. Judy (Heather Graham) became a doctor in order to work side-by-side with her

father. Penny (Lacey Chabert) became a rebellious pre-pubescent. And Will (Jack Johnson) experimented with space and time to get appreciation from dear old dad. Of course, none of them are very interesting.

The entire look of the film is dark and bleak, and the action sequences bring long yawns.

The biggest crime of all had to be stifling poor Gary Oldman. Dr. Smith could have been a great showcase role for him, but instead he spends much of the film locked in a small room. We know Oldman can be brilliantly evil, so let him. Unfortunately, the filmmakers thought it would be a great idea to have him turn into a giant computer-generated bug. But by that time, the story is lost, and the audience doesn't care any more.

New David Mamet film puts gumshoes to the test

NEW YORK (AP) — A police van pulled up outside the posh screening room where some of New York City's most illustrious gumshoes had a murder to solve, a celluloid killing, courtesy of David Mamet.

"The Spanish Prisoner," a Mamet mystery opening Friday in New York, was previewed a day early for the detectives, who were challenged to solve the mystery before the film ended.

"If we can't solve this, nobody can. Because we're the best," said a confident Bo Dietl, who, as a city detective, cracked a notorious case of a sexual attack

on a nun and now heads Bo Dietl Investigations.

The twists and turns of the Sony Pictures Classics release had the pros scratching their heads when producer Jean Doumanian stopped the film 15 minutes before the end. The top cops had three minutes to come up with the mastermind behind the crime, a telltale clue — and the ending.

No suspense here. All the detectives solved the whodunit, although each named a different clue.

The film centers on an elaborate confidence game.

Joe Ross (Campbell Scott) has invented "the process," a top-secret formula that has his boss (Ben Gazzara) seeing gobs of money. He flies Joe to a secret meeting on a Caribbean island, but remains vague about how much of the profit Joe will see.

Joe meets Jimmy Dell (Steve Martin), a mysterious jet-setter, and confides he's worried about getting his share. Jimmy offers to help.

Joe soon loses faith in his company, his colleague George (Ricky Jay), Jimmy, and even the secretary with an obvious crush on him, Susan, played by

Mamet's wife, Rebecca Pidgeon.

Before long, there's a murder.

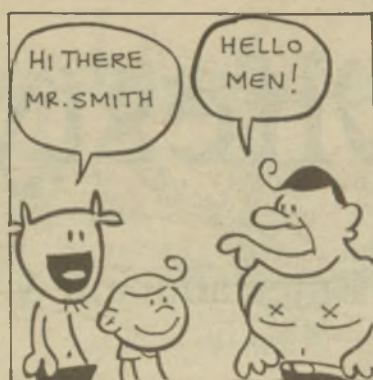
"It was a classic bait and switch. Steve Martin gave it away with a comment he made early on. I guess I got two-thirds of it," said Sly Francis, a detective in the Brooklyn District Attorney's office.

Al Sheppard, a former Major Case Squad detective and one of the most decorated cops in New York Police Department history, fingered the perp right away. But he admitted the ending threw him for a loop.

"It was," he said, "very cute."

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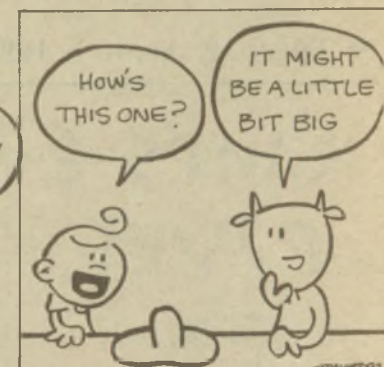
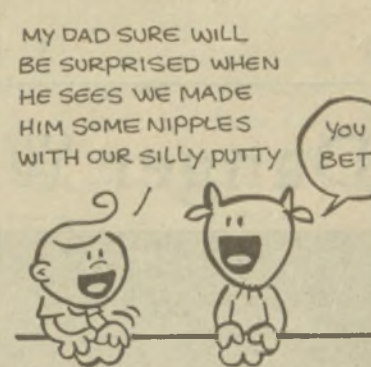
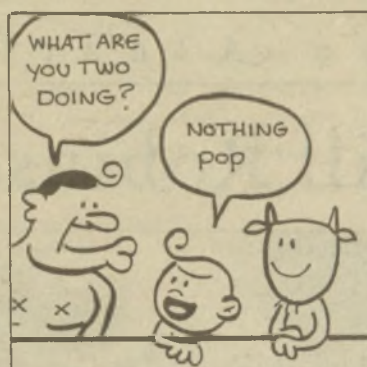
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Jacko's baby girl is born



Michael Jackson with his son who was born last year.

Friday morning to Paris Michael Katherine Jackson at Spaulding Pain Medical Clinic in Beverly Hills, a source close to his organization told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Paris was born at 6:30 a.m. and weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces, the source said. Mrs. Jackson had earlier said that the child would be named Paris because she was conceived in the City of Light.

"I wanted to name her Michael after Michael, but Michael said no," she told KNBC-TV in November. "So we decided Paris because that's where she was

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) —

Michael Jackson's wife has given birth to their second child, a girl named Paris after the city where she was conceived.

Debbie Rowe Jackson gave birth

conceived, Michael, because I really want Michael's name in her name and Katherine, after his mom."

Bob Jones, vice president of MJJ Productions and Jackson's spokesman, did not immediately return telephone calls seeking confirmation of the birth. A woman answering the phone at the Beverly Hills clinic refused to comment.

Jackson and his wife, a nurse for one of his doctors, were married in November 1996 in Australia. Their first child, Prince, was born Feb. 13, 1997.

Last year, Mrs. Jackson said her husband was excited about a second child.

"He's picking out clothes already to dress her up. He loves kids," she said. "I hope we have a lot of kids together. He's such a great dad."

She said the singer enjoys fatherhood and being at the ranch with Prince.

"It's heaven. It's heaven. It's where he can get away and be a dad and be a kid — with his kid," she said. "Oh, whenever the baby is awake, he is with the baby the whole time. When the baby is napping, that's when he steals away to work, to write music, to dance."

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I guess that means nobody is having a very exciting or satisfying sex life. If they were, they wouldn't have time to worry about Bill hanging out at beauty pageants with a dozen roses, or poor Marv Albert sharpening his incisors with a nail file.

I say, do what feels good,

within reason. I wouldn't encourage anyone to start staking out the playgrounds. That's sick and depraved. But, if being led around on a dog leash with a banana hanging out of your posterior gets you through the day without having a breakdown, I say just do it. I won't be lurking in the corner taking pictures for "The Globe," so you don't have that to worry about.

And for the rest of you out there who "tsk tsk" those who aren't afraid to get creative and enjoy their bodies, get a hobby. There are plenty of other ways you can kill time. Or if you feel the need to make the world a better place, instead of worrying about people's sex lives, you can spend some time and energy on a worthwhile cause: getting old people off the highways.

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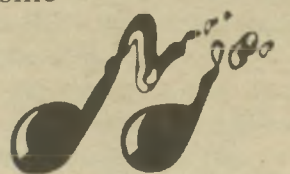
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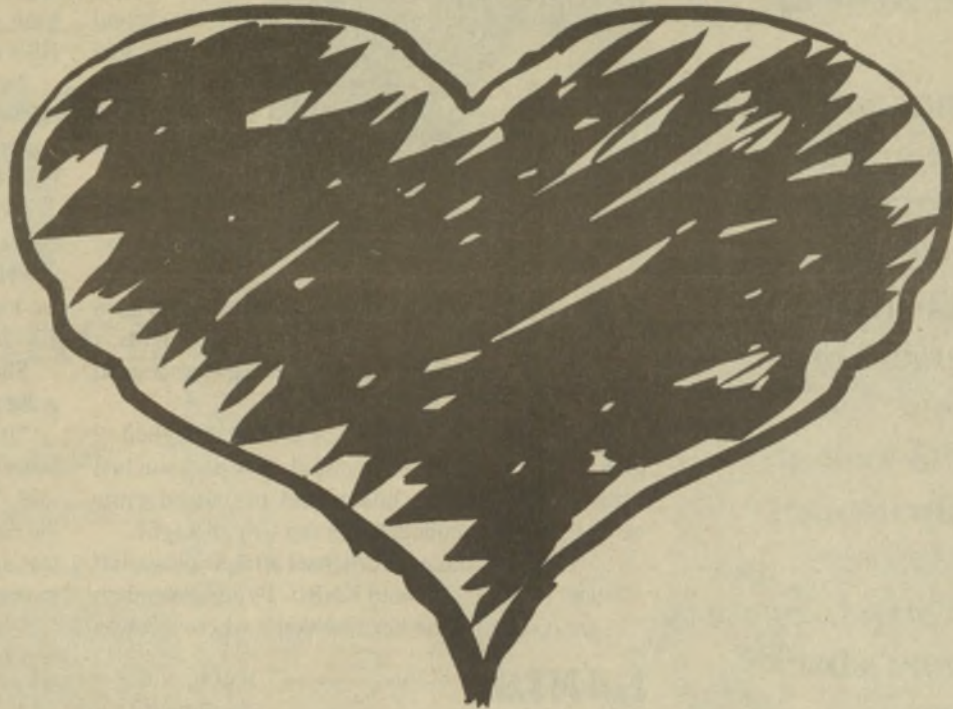


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Softball adds three more conference victories to teams' record

■ BY BRETT LICATA
SPORTS REPORTER

Add three more conference victories to the SIUE softball team's record after a solid performance from the pitching staff last weekend.

The Cougars are peaking at an opportune time as the regular season starts to wind down. SIUE has won seven of their last eight with one more weekend of games to play before the Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament begins.

A 3-0 win over Bellarmine College set the tone for a productive weekend. Junior pitcher Jessica Silbe threw a no-hitter in recording her seventh victory of the season.

Junior Niki Mitts, of Morton, hit a home run and sophomore Kari Franzen not only caught Silbe's no-hitter, but also doubled.

"Jessica pitched an excellent game," head coach Sandy

Montgomery said. "We played solid defensively and really stayed focused the entire game."

It was Deanna Smith's turn to continue SIUE's stellar pitching as she picked up the win in a 4-1 victory over the University of Southern Indiana in the second game on Sunday.

The Cougars were out-hit 7-6, but were more productive than their opponents. Mitts crushed her second homer of the day and fourth of the season. Sollberger contributed a double and hit her team-leading eighth long-



Jill Stevens/Alestle
Pitcher Jessica Silbe throws home to help out her team this past weekend. The Cougars are 13-4 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference with a conference game against University of Missouri at St. Louis tonight and a doubleheader against Quincy University tomorrow night.

ball of the season.

"We hit the ball well and played sound defense," Montgomery said. "Sollberger and Mitts showed their offensive abilities and Erica Connett made some big plays for us at third base."

SIUE dominated Kentucky Wesleyan College in a 9-1 win that lasted only five innings.

Silbe allowed three hits and only gave up a first inning run to boost her record to 8-5 on the year.

Gwen Jackson helped out on the offensive end by hitting her team-leading third triple

of the season. SIUE had a total of eight hits in a win that put them in second place in the Southwest Division of the conference.

"I think we're finally getting over the hump," Montgomery said. "The field conditions weren't the best, but we played with a lot of poise and composure."

The trio of victories gives SIUE an overall record of 21-15 and a GLVC mark of 13-4.

The Cougars will host University of Missouri-St. Louis today and Quincy University tomorrow in a pair of doubleheaders.

SIUE has already taken two games from UMSL earlier this season, but lost both games against first place Quincy.

"We're confident that we can beat Quincy because they lost to Southern Indiana, who we beat," Montgomery said. "This conference is a mixed-up mess. It's just going to depend on who plays the best down the stretch."

Men's tennis ups record to 10-1; ranked 14th in nation

■ BY SARAH FINLEY
SPORTS EDITOR

The SIUE men's tennis team is not fooling around when it comes to being the best at what they do.

This past weekend, the Cougars showed what they could do by winning all three home games.

Thursday, the Quincy University Hawks visited the Cougars' courts only to go home with their feathers ruffled. SIUE beat Quincy 9-0. Justin Lombard and Keith Harvie didn't give up any points winning each of their matches 6-0, 6-0.

Friday, Indiana University/Purdue

University-Ft. Wayne descended upon the courts, turned around and went back home with a 7-1 loss. Jason Stephens was the lone shutout for the Cougars.

Finally, Saturday, the University of Indianapolis Greyhounds raced into Cougar territory only to be scared out with a loss of 6-3.

With a 10-1 overall record and a 8-0 conference record, the Cougars face two colleges with national rankings.

Drury College is ranked 11th in the nation and Southwest Baptist in ranked ninth.

The Cougars take on Drury April 8 and Southwest April 10.

Cougar Scoreboard

April 7- Softball vs. University of Missouri at St. Louis (DH)

April 8- Men's Tennis vs. Drury
Softball vs. Quincy University (DH)



CHALK TALK

BY SARAH FINLEY

TRACK & FIELD

MEN'S RESULTS:

Long Jump: Joshua Ritzel, 11th; Dwayne Bess, 13th.

Triple Jump: Joshua Ritzel, 11th.

4x100 Meter Relay: SIUE, 8th.

1500 Meter Run: Jason Holroyd, 17th; Joshua Benton, 25th; Matt Flachs, 26th.

400 Meter Dash: Matt Noyes, 10th; Bill Beckley, 20th; Clinton Mudd, 32nd; Rob Handshy, 35th.

400 Meter Hurdles: Joshua Ritzel, 10th; Kelly Huckelberry, 17th.

800 Meter Run: Bill Beckley, 16th; Ernie Kopp, 23rd; Derek Bright, 32nd.

200 Meter Dash: Luke Lay, 11th; Larry Weigand, 21st; Clinton Mudd, 30th.

5,000 Meter Run: Jeremy Cecil, 20th; Tony Albastro, 24th.

4x400 Meter Relay: SIUE, 8th.

WOMEN'S RESULTS:

Discus: Mekelle Beck, 11th; Kelly Saunders, 15th; Heather Collins, 23rd.

Javelin: Mekelle Beck, 3rd; Kelly Saunders, 5th.

Long Jump: Monica Edwards, 15th.

Shot Put: Mekelle Beck, 14th.
4x100 Meter Relay: SIUE, 6th.

1500 Meter Run: Lisa Ribes, 6th; Holly Watts, 29th; Jennifer Sutter, 33rd.

400 Meter Dash: Becky Hagenbruch, 8th; Ann Miklovic, 12th; Carisa Antone, 16th.

400 Meter Hurdles: April Clendenin, 10th.

800 Meter Run: Kendra Newell, 5th; Jill Irlam, 10th; Krista Abrens, 14th; Lauren Lancaster, 18th.

200 Meter Dash: Janece Friederich, 22nd.

4x400 Meter Relay: SIUE, 5th.

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A Cougar player races to the base in hopes of beating the throw. The Cougars lost only one game in the three game home stretch to UMSL 4-1.

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3 Southwest Texas gridders charged with raping 2 women

AUSTIN (AP) — Southwest Texas State University students say alcohol consumption in campus dormitories is common.

Police say alcohol apparently played a part in the alleged rape of two female students by three Southwest Texas football players.

Tobias D. Deans, 19, and Jeremy C. Dennis, 20, told campus police they had sex with one of the women after a March 22 party at a dormitory on the San Marcos campus, a police report says.

The party took place in the dorm room of Elverna Williams II, 22, who has told police he had sex with the other woman after the party, the police report says.

All three men were charged with sexual assault and are free on \$5,000 bail, attending classes pending a judicial hearing at the university.

Both women told police they were too drunk to consent to sex, the Austin American-Statesman reported in Saturday's editions.

Drinking in Southwest Texas State dorms is common, students told the American-Statesman Friday. University police concede it's a tough problem to address.

Campus police Chief John Megerson said 27 university officers police more than 4,000 students who live on the San Marcos campus.

"If we were to arrest every

(minor in possession) who had a bottle of beer in the dorm, we wouldn't have time for anything else," Megerson said.

Students of legal drinking age may drink in the dorms but not in public areas, Megerson said. Police generally confiscate any alcohol found in the possession of minors in the dorms, he said.

Two of the men charged with sexual assault were under the legal drinking age. However, underage-drinking charges will not be filed because officers did not see the students with alcohol, the police chief said.

Officers are called two to three times a week to parties at one of the university's 16 dorms,

Megerson said. Criminal charges are rarely filed, he said.

"It's pretty easy to get alcohol in the dorms," said Stacey Orozco, who lives in one of the dorms. "The university police don't come around very often ... and there is really only one (resident assistant) on each floor" to enforce the rules.

Students said Friday that the incident was unfortunate but difficult to stop.

"This kind of thing is going to happen everywhere," said sophomore Justin McDonald. "People just need to know that this can happen to anybody, even you. If you have a place to go to report it and get counseling, it can

help, but people just need to be aware that these things go on."

Student opinions varied about what should happen to the three athletes, who have been suspended from the football team and removed from the Bexar Hall dorm.

"If they did it, get them out of here. Definitely kick them out of school," sophomore Ann Mathews said.

But freshman Michele Edmiston said the women also must face some of the responsibility.

"These girls put themselves in that position," Edmiston said.

Athletes plead guilty in football book scandal

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — A University of Arizona football player and a former teammate pleaded guilty to stealing textbooks from an athletic department bin and reselling them.

Leland O. Gayles and Mikal E. Smith, both 21, also agreed to pay a total of \$3,000 restitution to the university bookstore.

Prosecutors agreed to drop one fraud charge against each defendant in exchange for the guilty pleas.

Both were suspended from the university for one semester and from the football team

last season.

When they are sentenced next month, they could be given probation or prison terms of up to two years by a judge who will decide whether to consider the crimes misdemeanors or felonies.

Smith, a starting safety as a sophomore who now resides in Tampa, Fla., said he hopes the judge won't deem his offense a felony since that would prevent him from joining the Marines as he hopes to do. He's to be sentenced on May 1.

Gayles, a reserve cornerback during the 1996 season who

rejoined the team this spring, will be sentenced May 21.

When they were arrested in June, more than 60 textbooks were found in Gayles' car. Investigators said they took advantage of their scholarship status under which athletes obtained books through the athletic department rather than the bookstore.

The university has altered its policies since the scandal that included abuses by 12 scholarship athletes and led to a reprimand by the Pacific 10 Conference.

Steelers, Gildon agree on 4-year deal, \$9 million

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Fresh off a record-setting deal with Levon Kirkland, the Pittsburgh Steelers agreed to a four-year deal with linebacker Jason Gildon that will pay him almost \$9 million.

Gildon, an unrestricted free agent, has been the Steelers' starting outside left linebacker since Kevin Greene opted for free agency two years ago.

The deal comes on the heels of Kirkland's five-year, \$25 million contract, which made him the highest-paid inside

linebacker in the NFL.

Gildon, like Kirkland, had five sacks last season.

The deal helps solidify the team's defense. Besides Gildon and Kirkland, the Steelers also signed nose tackle Joel Steed to a four-year, \$15.4 million deal.

The only unrestricted free agent left on the team is strong safety Myron Bell.

With the signing of Gildon, the Steelers now must decide what to do with outside linebacker Greg Lloyd.

NFL Draft announced today; to be held in New York

NEW YORK (AP) — Order for the first round of the NFL draft April 18-19 in New York:

1. Indianapolis, 2. San Diego (from Arizona), 3. Arizona (from San Diego), 4. Oakland, 5. Chicago, 6. St. Louis, 7. New Orleans, 8. Dallas, 9. Jacksonville (from Buffalo), 10. Baltimore, 11. Philadelphia, 12. Atlanta, 13. Cincinnati, 14.

Carolina, 15. Seattle, 16. Tennessee, 17. Cincinnati (from Washington), 18. New England (from New York Jets), 19. Miami, 20. Detroit, 21. Minnesota, 22. New England, 23. Tampa Bay, 24. New York Giants, 25. Jacksonville, 26. Pittsburgh, 27. Kansas City, 28. San Francisco, 29. Green Bay, 30. Denver.

Denver could pay \$30 million for Broncos stadium

DENVER (AP) — A proposed \$266 million taxpayer subsidy for a new Broncos stadium may not be enough and the city could have to contribute as much as \$30 million for road and utility improvements, the city attorney said.

A bill pending in the state Legislature asks taxpayers in the six-county stadium district to approve a 0.1 percent sales tax to cover 75 percent of the cost of a \$350 million stadium. The Broncos would pay the other 25 percent.

But City Attorney Dan Muse says cost estimates are only for construction. Access roads, utilities and land will cost \$70 million, he said.

"We think the project is going to run short," Muse said. "And we're not going to stand in the way of this project getting off the ground."

Liz Orr, the city's lead negotiator on the stadium, noted the \$350 million stadium budget could change before it is sent to the governor. The House and Senate must reach a compromise on different versions of the proposal.

The House version, for example, proposes expanding the stadium district. That would mean a larger tax base for the project.

Muse said the 80-acre stadium site now home to Mile High Stadium and McNichols Arena

will cost \$40 million. The city must sell its land for full-market value.

And changes to public utilities, water and sewage lines, streets, Interstate 25 interchanges and drainage work to deal with the South Platte River flood plain will cost another \$25 million to \$30 million, he said.

Muse suggested that public works funds and the city's general fund surplus could be tapped to finance the infrastructure. Some council members were not receptive to the idea.

Orr suggested costs could be covered by proceeds from the land sale.

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Mark McGwire remains on his 162-home run pace

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Mark McGwire remains on his 162-home run pace.

McGwire became only the second player in NL history to homer in the first four games of the season, tying Willie Mays' record with a towering three-run shot in the St. Louis Cardinals' 8-6 victory over the San Diego Padres Saturday.

McGwire has 12 RBIs, all on home runs, and has homered in six consecutive games dating to last season, when he fell only three short of Roger Maris' record of 61 in 1961. Mays was 39 years old when he homered in four consecutive games for San Francisco in 1971.

The Cardinals led 3-2 heading into the sixth when Royce Clayton and Delino DeShields hit singled before McGwire homered over the center-field fence off Don Wengert.

CINCINNATI (AP) — Brett Tomko, one of the Cincinnati's biggest concerns during spring training, pitched a career-high eight innings and singled home a run as the Dodgers remained winless.

At 0-4, the Dodgers are off to their worst start in 11 years. The Dodgers' worst start since they moved to Los Angeles is 0-5, a

mark they reached in 1970, 1976 and 1987.

Tomko, who missed three weeks of spring training because of shoulder tendonitis, had little trouble with the weak-hitting Dodgers in his season debut, allowing only three hits — a single, double and triple — while striking out seven. Los Angeles came into the game with a .178 team batting average, second-worst in the National League.

Ismael Valdes (0-1) took the loss.

NEW YORK (AP) — Rich Becker's single over a drawn-in outfield in the 13th inning gave New York its third win in its final at-bat this season.

New York, which scored once in the eighth and three times in the ninth to tie it 6-6, has played four straight one-run games to start the year with two going to extra innings.

The Mets, who led the majors with 47 comeback wins in 1997, tied it in the ninth on John Olerud's two-run double and Butch Huskey's RBI groundout.

Becker went 3-for-5 with a home run, two walks and three RBIs. He also made a diving catch to save two runs in the second inning and threw out a runner at the plate in the first.

Turk Wendell (2-0), the Mets' seventh pitcher, pitched two innings for the win.

CHICAGO (AP) — Sammy Sosa hit his first homer and Terry Mulholland got his first win since last July 4 as Chicago won its fourth straight.

Mulholland, the Cubs' opening day starter last season before being picked up on waivers by the Giants in August, allowed four hits and one unearned run in 5 2-3 innings on another cold day at Wrigley Field.

Sosa, the Cubs' home run leader the last five years, hit a solo, go-ahead shot to right in the bottom of the third off Marc Valdes.

The Expos are 0-4, their worst start since losing their first five in 1987.

PHOENIX (AP) — Arizona dropped to 0-5 when San Francisco rallied for four runs in the seventh inning.

The Diamondbacks, who dropped a three-game series to start the season against Colorado, are off to the worst start for an expansion team since the 1962 New York Mets went 0-9.

Brian Johnson homered and Rich Aurilia had an RBI single in the seventh when the Giants

overcame a 3-1 deficit.

Jay Bell hit a three-run homer, his second, for Arizona.

Danny Darwin (1-0) allowed five hits in six innings for the win. Robb Nen pitched the ninth for his first save.

MIAMI (AP) — Marlins killer Jeff Juden pitched six strong innings and Milwaukee pounded out to hand Florida its fourth consecutive loss.

Juden, who allowed six hits and two runs in his debut with the Brewers, improved to 4-0 lifetime against Florida with an ERA of 3.15.

Milwaukee's Jose Valentin, who hit three homers Friday, singled twice and walked twice before he flied out in the ninth. Marquis Grissom had a pair of RBI doubles, and Jesse Levis had three singles and two RBIs.

The Marlins, who will receive their World Series championship rings before Sunday's game, remained winless since their opening-day victory against Chicago.

ATLANTA (AP) — Dennis Martinez won for the first time in nearly a year and moved within one victory of Juan Marichal's record for Latin American pitchers after Atlanta scored four runs in the eighth.

Martinez, 43 next month, allowed one run and five hits in two innings, improving his career record to 242-187. He struck out four and walked one in his first win since beating Cleveland for Seattle last April 14.

Mark Wohlers pitched a hitless ninth, striking out two, for his first save.

The Braves loaded the bases on Billy Brewer (0-1) in the eighth before Chipper Jones walked on a full count to force in a run. Mark Leiter relieved and hit Andres Galarraga with a pitch, pulling the Braves to 4-3. Sacrifice flies by Ryan Klesko and Javy Lopez put Atlanta ahead.

HOUSTON (AP) — Ellis Burks and Dante Bichette hit run-scoring doubles in a four-run fifth inning as Colorado improved to 4-1.

Colorado trailed 2-1 going into the fifth. Ellis Burks and Mike Lansing doubled off Sean Bergman (0-1) to tie it, Larry Walker was hit by a pitch and Bichette hit a go-ahead double.

Mark Thompson (1-0) allowed three runs and six hits in five innings. Jerry DiPoto pitched a perfect ninth for his second save.

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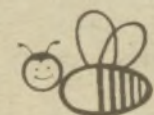
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