

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE
AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

DATE: JULY 1, 2003

-- ANNUAL REPORT --

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celebrates 25 years of providing legal service to
University of Illinois students."*

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I. ATTORNEY'S REPORT

In accordance with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Legal Service Plan of 1978, the staff attorneys are pleased to submit the 2002-2003 Annual Report to the Student Legal Service Advisory Board, the Board of Trustees and the University Community. The Student Legal Service program is now twenty-five (25) years old as a S.O.R.F. funded program. In the spring of 2003 the Student Legal service Advisory Board developed a comprehensive Three-year Budget proposal, which was presented to and adopted by the S.O.R.F. Board. During the Three Year Budget cycle the annual budget will be \$217,285 while maintaining the current contingency fund. The Three Year Budget allows for stability in program services but precludes any significant expansion.

For the year of 2002-2003 a total of 819 students obtained S.O.R.F. refunds.

In April of 2003 the office purchased new computers and printers for staff attorneys.

As part of the Tri-Annual S.O.R. F. presentation the office conducted a survey of Big Ten and comparable Student Legal Service programs (see appendix I). Within big ten schools our per pupil expenditure is one of the very lowest although the quality of the service remains excellent.

The office currently has two cases on appeal. Hurst vs. Pantuyeva is an eviction case in which staff successfully represented the tenant at trial. The apparent issue brought by appellant for review is whether the trial court erred in not fully explicating the basis of its decision denying the order of eviction. The second case is Champaign vs. Torres where student legal service represents appellant Torres on the question of whether police violated the law in forcing a door to remain open and then convicting defendant for refusal to allow entry on

a city offense charge of "Resisting and Obstructing a Peace Officer". Decisions should be rendered in fall of 2003.

The Staff

In September 2002, **Lynn Gibson** left her position as office secretary to move to Virginia. **Vickie Lee** began working as a Temporary secretary and became a University Employee on March 3, 2003. Ms. Lee is working with staff attorneys on updating the website and has completed design work on the new office pamphlet "Rights of International Students and Scholars in the U.S."

Thomas E. Betz is the directing attorney for the office, currently nearing his eighteenth year with the program. Betz is a 1981 graduate of Wayne State University Law School, a member of the Illinois Bar and an inactive member of the Michigan Bar. He serves as a member of Champaign County American Civil Liberties Union Steering Committee and is a member of the Champaign-Urbana Tenant Union Community Advisory Board. Mr. Betz is also an elected member of the Champaign county Board and serves as Chairman of the Policy, Appointments and Procedures Committee.

Susan Y. Hesse, a 1982 graduate of the University of Illinois college of Law, is in her fifteenth year as a program staff attorney. Hesse is a member of the Illinois and Michigan Bar Associations. She is active with the Champaign County Bar Association, Health Care consumers and Planned Parenthood and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Jeremy D. Grose is in his third year as staff attorney. Grose is a 2000 graduate of University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign School of Law. He began his staff attorney duties with the program on January 29, 2001.

In July of 2002, the staff attorneys, Thomas Betz and Jeremy Grose, attended the Annual Education Conference of the National Legal Aid and

Defenders Association, Student Legal Service Division in Charleston, South Carolina. The continuing legal education seminars, designed for student legal service offices, are invaluable to the staff attorneys. In January of 2003, Thomas Betz attended the Southwest Regional conference of Student Legal Service Association at Las Vegas, Nevada.

Preventive Legal Education

The Student Legal Service Plan, as adopted in 1978, mandates preventive law activities:

[The Students' Attorneys will furnish students with general information concerning management of their personal affairs under the law. The design of this assistance is to educate the student body and to enable individuals to avoid legal difficulties and promote greater concentration on academic pursuits. To this end, the Attorneys may provide information to The Daily Illini or other publications in order to educate members of the student body as to their rights and responsibilities; and may speak to groups of students upon request and arrange speakers on practical aspects of the law as the need arises. The Students' Attorneys will make available to students the various information pamphlets published by the Illinois State Bar Association, other bar association, and other appropriate items (SLS Plan at 4).]

During this reporting period, the office published (12) information/preventive advertisements in The Daily Illini and the office was mentioned in 11 articles in The Daily Illini.

The office engaged in two significant preventive advertising efforts. The first effort began on Quad Day of 2002 in which staff attorneys distributed over 2,000 flyers regarding the new law, which suspends drivers licenses for any person under 21 convicted of purchasing or possessing any amount of alcohol. This distribution was coupled with a series of large advertisements in the Daily Illini. The second effort, unique to this reporting period was centered around preventing drinking and public intoxication during the St. Patrick's Day weekend. Flyers were distributed along with advertisements and news articles.

The office participated in (8) speaking engagements (see page. 43).

The office currently publishes twenty-six (26) brochures and two (2) booklets, which are in wide circulation on campus and widely emulated by other colleges and universities. We are currently preparing three (3) new brochures; "Rights of International Students and Scholars in the US", "Search and Seizure", and "What to do When Student Legal Service Can't Help", which should be available in fall of 2003.

General Statistical Information

Two thousand one hundred thirteen students filled out intake forms and had appointments with an attorney. Six hundred and sixty nine cases were opened, although not all cases required a formal court appearance. The attorneys, because of the heavy volume, encourage out of court settlement, mediation and other alternative means of resolving disputes. In the previous reporting period 2,099 students used the office as compared to 2,113 in this reporting period. This represents a .667% increase, which is within the normal range of the past ten years.

Four hundred fifteen students sought help on housing related matters. Four hundred seventy eight students were interviewed on traffic related matters. One hundred eighty two received assistance on City Offense matters, which are usually alcohol related offenses.

Minutes for Student Legal Services
Advisory Board Meeting

MINUTES: February 14, 2003 Room 211
Student Legal Service Advisory Board

PRESENT: Jessica Niezgoda, Dean Riley, Cynthia Geerdes, Peg Rawles,
Anusha Pillay, Sahail Shariff, Elaine Massock, Tom Betz, Jeremy
Grose, Susan Hesse.

The meeting was called to order by Anusha Pillay at 2:10 P.M. It was moved by Rawles and seconded by Riley to approve the minutes of December 6, 2002 with corrections. Motion approved.

Dean Riley made a budget presentation. It was moved by Riley seconded by Rawles to approve replacement of three office computers/printers with a total cost of \$4,256.00. Motion approved.

It was moved by Riley and seconded by Rawles to move \$3,000 from the secretarial line item to the equipment line item to reflect the computer purchase. Motion carried.

It was moved by Rawles seconded by Shariff to move \$4,000 into the library line of the budget, \$2,000 from publications and \$2,000 from miscellaneous. Motion carried.

ATTORNEYS REPORT:

Tom Betz noticed that several Daily Illini bills have not been paid due to a change in account numbers. Dean Riley will investigate and resolve this problem.

Betz noted that thus far the office has not been flooded with underage drinking tickets as a result of the new state law. Staff believes students are opting to pay by mail rather than risk license suspension. Staff will continue to monitor the impact of the law, which suspends license based upon "conviction" for possession/consumption of alcohol.

There was also a discussion concerning VISA difficulties International students are having since 9-11.

It was moved by Rawles seconded by Massock to approve payment of a Daily Illini ad for \$154.35. Motion Approved.

Moved by Rawles, seconded by Shariff to approve invoice of \$3,528.75 covering December 20,2002 to date. Motion carried.

Moved by Shariff seconded by Rawles to approve \$336.39 in Central Stores expenditures. Motion approved.

Moved by Massock seconded by Shariff to pay \$265.65 in Postal Stores. Motion approved.

Moved by Rawles seconded by Massock to permit attorney Susan Hesse to accept two bottles of wine valued at less than \$50.00. The wine was given to Ms. Hesse by a client. Motion approved.

Betz then discussed running ads in the Daily Illini concerning spring break. It was suggested that flyers should also be produced [Please note that the office produced a Spring-break flyer currently available and thus new flyers were not produced] It was moved by Massock and seconded by Riley to expend up to \$1,200 on the Spring Break advertisement effort.

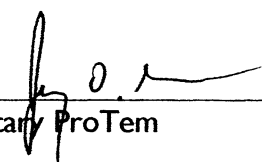
Betz next brought to the Boards' attention St. Patrick's Day and the potential for arrests and public intoxication. St. Patrick's Day is being promoted early and it takes place during the regular semester not during Spring Break this year. Betz submitted a potential ad. The leprechaun and drinking images in the ad were discussed. By consent the members agreed that the ad was not offensive but humorous. It was moved to run the ad March 12, 13, and 14 and that the ad would be e-mailed to Dean Riley's office for further distribution on campus. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF S.O.R.F. PRESENTATION

Betz presented comparative statistics for Big Ten Schools, State of Illinois schools and schools with over 20,000 students population. It was agreed to put the information together in a color package of graphs etc for the S.O.R.F. presentation. It was suggested that the April S.O.R.F. meeting would be most appropriate for the request presentation [Note: S.O.R.F. presentation is scheduled for April 17, 2003 at 6:15 with S.O.R.F. Board requesting materials on April 3, 2003] After extensive discussion of the possible three budget proposals, carryover amounts, contingency it was requested that Dean Riley draft a comprehensive three year proposal for the advisory board to discuss and adopt at the March 14, 2003 meeting. Before adjournment Dean Riley noted that the benefits portion of attorneys salaries is insufficient to cover benefits.

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,


Secretary Pro Tem

Minutes for Student Legal Services
Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, March 14, 2003

Present: Cynthia Geerdes, Elaine Massock, William Riley, Chris Dillion, Sahail Shariff, and Jessica Niezgod

Elaine Massock moved for approval of the previous meeting's minutes. Cynthia Geerdes seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Dean Riley gave the treasurer's report indicating that the program is well within budget.

Elaine Massock moved for approval of the treasurer's report with a minor correction. Cynthia Geerdes seconded and the motion was approved.

Tom Betz gave the attorney's report.

Dean Riley moved to approve the Central Stores expenditures of \$124.67. Sahail Shariff seconded and the motion was approved.

Dean Riley moved to approve the Invoices, Jessica Niezgod seconded, and the motion was approved.

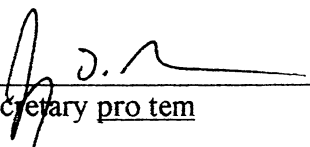
Discussion as to the SORF board presentation ensued. Elaine Massock moved to approve the economic proposal prepared by Dean Riley. Sahail Shariff seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Sahail Shariff moved to approve the SORF packet compiled by Tom Betz for presentation to the SORF board. Elaine Massock seconded and the motion was approved.

Cynthia Geerdes motioned to adjourn, Sahail Shariff seconded and the motion was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Secretary pro tem

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Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, May 8th, 2003-4 p.m.

Present: Chris Dillion, Peg Rawles, Cynthia Geerdes

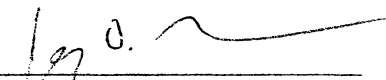
The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. No quorum was present.

The members discussed the success of the SORF presentation and the current status of the 2 appeals pending through the office.

Tom Betz will send packets from the meeting to all members not present.

Meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Secretary pro tem

III. STATISTICAL SUMMARY JULY 1, 2002 – JUNE 30, 2003

<u>Advice Only</u>		<u>Advice Only con't</u>		<u>Cases Opened</u>	
Accident	60	Misdemeanor	3132	Accident	10
Auto Accident	2	Name Change	10	Auto Damage	3
Auto Repair	9	Parking Ticket	6	Auto Repair	8
Auto Sales	3	Passport	1	Auto Sales	1
Bailment	1	Paternity	1	City Offense	69
Banking	1	Personal Injury	10	Collection	8
Bankruptcy	4	Power of Attorney	41	Consumer	33
Business	6	Small Claims	6	Contract	2
Certification	3	Tax	2	Criminal	14
City Offense	113	Towing	8	Discipline	1
Clr. Auto Tit.	1	Traffic	237	DUI	2
Collection	10	Total	1,444	Employment	2
Consumer	127			Expungement	1
Contract	30			Housing	137
Copyrights	2			ID Theft	1
Crime Victim	5			Insurance	1
Criminal	95			Medical Matter	1
Debtors Rts.	1			Miscellaneous	5
Defamation	1			Misdemeanor	30
Discipline	20			Name Change	7
Discrimination	2			Notary	97
Divorce	12			Small Claims	7
Domestic	1			Tort	1
DUI	2			Towing	1
Employment	21			Traffic	241
Estate	1			Total	669
Expungment	7				
Fake ID	16				
Family	11				
Financial	4				
Financial Aid	3				
Fraternity	2				
Housing	278				
ID Theft	10				
Immigration	27				
Insurance	29				
Interview	1				
Jury Duty	1				
Labor	1				
Living Will	1				
Medical	5				
Miscellaneous	145				

Cases Closed

Accident	10
Auto Damage	2
Auto Repair	4
Bankruptcy	1
City Offense	60
Collection	1
Consumer	14
Criminal	20
DUI	3
Employment	1
Expungement	1
Housing	81
ID Theft	2
Miscellaneous	4
Misdemeanor	28
Name Change	4
Notary	33
Small Claims	4
Traffic	254
Auto Sales	1
Medical Matter	1
Towing	2
Total	531

Learned of SLS

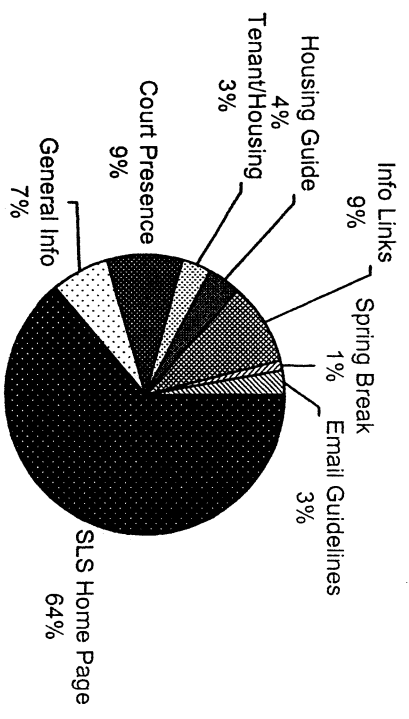
Blank	274
Campus Info	143
Court	7
Daily Illini	69
Friends	709
I Book	52
Prev. Use	67
Tenant Union	125
Website	89
Total	1,533

Class Year

Freshman	143
Sophomore	254
Junior	381
Senior	456
Graduate	593
Blank	286
Total	2,113

IV. Web Site

FY2002/2003	SLS Home Page	General	Court Presence	Tenant/Housing	Housing Guide	Info Links	Spring Break	Email Guidelines	Total
JULY	290	78	87	69	77	57	11	20	689
AUGUST	187	50	56	45	50	37	7	13	445
SEPTEMBER	737	148	156	122	75	86	31	39	1394
OCTOBER	168	22	77	34	33	22	4	7	367
NOVEMBER	664	192	130	79	62	81	34	41	1283
DECEMBER	2094	1452	1460	977	672	930	351	122	8058
JANUARY	1101	257	158	81	51	70	52	95	1865
FEBRUARY	633	151	85	38	32	41	28	50	1058
MARCH	638	152	82	40	25	43	30	55	1065
APRIL	793	194	167	126	110	302	46	44	1782
May	637	118	111	42	58	107	28	48	1149
June	1273	134	162	58	68	155	31	63	2029
Total	9215	2948	2731	1711	1313	1931	653	497	21084



Web Hits
 06/01/03-06/30/03

V. INFORMATIONAL / PREVENTIVE ADVERTISEMENTS

DAILY ILLINI

Welcome to the University of Illinois

August 26, 2002

Get What You Were Promised

Housing Guide – August 15, 2002

Champaign's Drinking Specials

August 23, 2002

October 21, 2002

Bar Raids

August 27, 2002

Warning! New Law/Under 21

August 29, 2002

August 30, 2002

September 3, 2002

January 17, 2003

January 22, 2003

January 29, 2003

Power of Attorney

October 16, 2002

Six Steps

January 29, 2003

Trip Tips

February 5, 2003

February 12, 2003

February 26, 2003

March 12, 2003

March 19, 2003

St. Patrick's Day

March 12, 2003

March 13, 2003

March 14, 2003

Yes! SLS is Open for the summer

June 26, 2003

Sublet

May 1, 2003

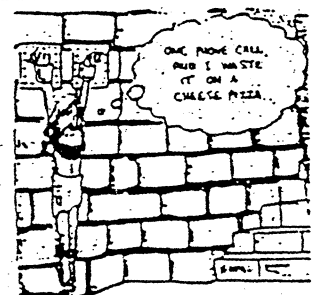
Security/Damage

May 2, 2003

May 9, 2003

WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The Student Legal Service Program at the University of Illinois welcomes you to campus. Each year our office serves nearly 3,000 students regarding various legal problems. The office is staffed by three full-time attorneys. The purpose of the program is to inform students of the practical aspects of the law as applied to their individual problems. Representation in court is available in many cases.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

All students who are enrolled at the University of Illinois who have not received a refund of the \$11.00 Student Organization Resource Fee (SORF) are eligible to use the service. The Student Legal Service cannot even give you general advice if you have refunded your SORF fee.

WHAT KIND OF SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE?

The office provides counseling and representation in landlord-tenant, traffic, misdemeanors, name changes, small claims, city ordinance violations, and in many other areas too numerous to list. All questions and concerns are kept completely confidential.

HOW TO USE THE SERVICE

To get help, you must come to the office in person and show your student identification and necessary research done prior to your appointment. Legal advice will not be given over the telephone. This policy is for the protection of your privacy.

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

324 ILLINI UNION

333-9053

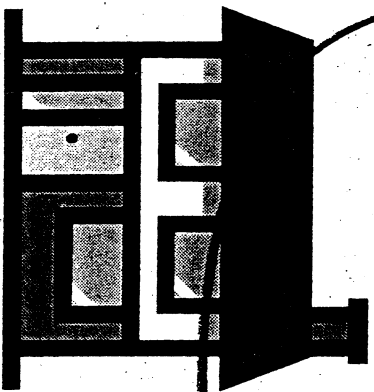
Hours: 8:30-12:00

and 1:00-4:30

Monday through Friday

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STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE PRESENTS



APARTMENT MOVE-IN GUIDE

or

“how to make sure you get what you were promised”

Before you move in so much as a toothbrush, walk through the “empty” unit and do the following:

- Take pictures of each room, carpet, oven, refrigerator, etc.
- Conduct a furniture inventory and describe condition of the couch, dressers, beds, mattresses, etc. worn? torn? scratched?
- Conduct a wall, ceiling, and floor inventory and describe conditions of each, etc. stained? cracked? dirty? needs painting? burns in rug?
- Conduct an appliance inventory and describe the condition of the stove, microwave, refrigerator, dishwasher, range hood and any other appliances, etc. greasy? broken? filthy oven?
- Check to make sure door locks, window locks are working and that you have all promised keys.
- Sign and date your inventory and give a copy to the landlord and make a copy for yourself and keep it in a safe place along with your lease.
- Don't forget to develop the photographs, this will get you your damage deposit back next year.
- Move-in is difficult for both tenants and landlords; however, you are entitled to a clean, safe, habitable unit that meets life and safety codes and the terms of your lease.
- The squeaky wheel gets the grease, so don't hesitate to request that the landlord live up to the terms of the lease and the law.
- DO NO HARM!** You want a clean, safe place to live, so leave the place in the same condition, or better, than you found it on move-in, for next year's tenant.

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WARNING!!!!!!!!!!!!

NEW LAW - UNDER 21



"IF YOU ARE UNDER AGE 21 AND ARE CAUGHT PURCHASING
OR IN POSSESSION OF ANY AMOUNT OF
ALCOHOL, UPON CONVICTION, YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE WILL
BE SUSPENDED FOR 1 YEAR". - NO EXCEPTIONS!



- STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

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CHAMPAIGN'S DRINKING SPECIALS

NOW EVEN HARDER ON YOUR BUDGET! Supplies are unlimited so purchase any quantity desired.

\$270 Fine - Possession or Consumption of Alcohol under age 19.

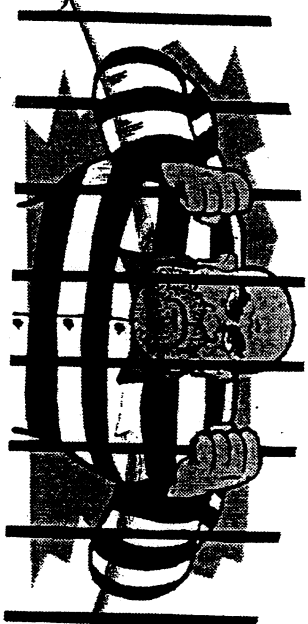
\$270 Fine - Possession or Consumption of Alcohol age 19 - 20.

\$2,500 Fine and/or 364 Days in Jail, and loss of driving privileges for 12 months - Fake ID

\$270 Fine - Possession of Unlicensed Keg.

\$2,500 Fine and/or 364 Days in Jail - Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol.

Searches through pockets, purses, and wallets for additional charges will be performed at officer's discretion only.



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ATTENTION:
TRAVEL/STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

“YOU MAY NEED A POWER OF ATTORNEY”

Q. WHAT IS A ‘POWER OF ATTORNEY?’

A. A legal document signed by one person authorizing another person to act for him or her.

Q. WHO NEEDS A ‘POWER OF ATTORNEY?’

A. Students traveling abroad or studying abroad who will need to maintain their bank/checking accounts, receive and cash financial aid checks, renew enrollment with financial aid and with the University.

Q. WHEN SHOULD YOU OBTAIN A ‘POWER OF ATTORNEY?’

A. If you want a **free** POA prepared by Student Legal Service, we strongly encourage you to schedule an appointment with the office as soon as you have a firm departure date and return date. The day before you are to leave is **not** the best time to obtain serious legal documents.

**PLEASE COME INTO OUR OFFICE AT YOUR EARLIEST CONVENIENCE TO
SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT FOR YOUR POWER OF ATTORNEY.**

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"SEEN ANY BAR RAIDS LATELY?"



FAKE ID MEANS:

- Any use or possession by a student of someone else's driver's license, or
- Any use or possession of an "artistically revised" current driver's license

Penalty:

- "Class A" Misdemeanor
- Up to 364 days in JAIL
- A fine up to \$2,500.00
- 100% Guaranteed suspension of your driver's license for one year

Purchase/Possession by Minor:

- Purchase: A person under the age of 21 may not purchase or possess any amount of alcohol
- Possession: The alcohol is within your reach, dominion or control; you do not have to drink the booze to possess it; minimum fine of \$270.00

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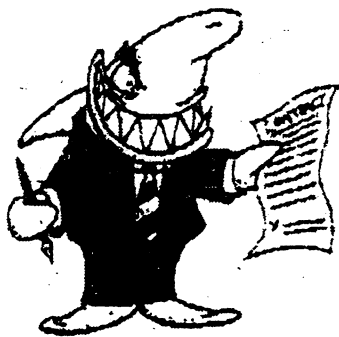
...you can take a lot
iversity than just

...to be greeted by a bottle of ketchup and
some baking soda. This is difficult to make a
meal out of. If you do find a recipe featuring
only these ingredients, please let me know.

...you don't have to worry about wasting six
meals by the end of the week. Most food
items in your apartment should not self
destruct by the end of the week.

Student Legal Service *presents*

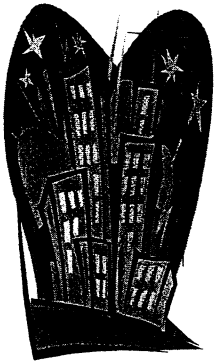
6 Steps Before Signing A Lease



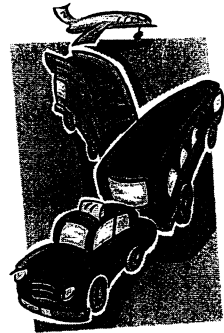
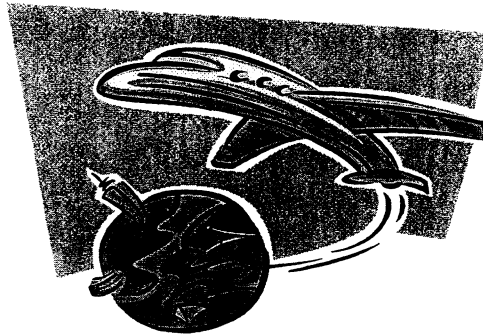
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1. Don't rush into signing a lease for Fall of 2002. While the early bird gets the worm - keep in mind that you want an apartment, not a worm.
2. Know the complaint history of the landlord. Check the history with the Tenant Union at 326 Illini Union. You can easily rent from a landlord with no complaints. Don't settle for a landlord with a bad complaint history.
3. Don't sign a lease for a building that hasn't been built. This is unsafe regardless of the promises the landlord makes to induce you to sign.
4. Know your prospective roommate(s) -- be sure no semester abroad or weddings are looming.
5. Read the lease! Your rights and obligations are governed by the lease. There is very little law that protects you as a tenant, so you must protect yourself!
6. Get it in writing! If you want the place painted, want notice before the landlord enters your apartment, etc. you must have this written into the lease. If it's not in writing, you are out of luck.

Spring Break 2003 - March 22-30



TRIP TIPS



“AVOID TRAVEL SCAMS!!!”

- ✓ **Does the price seem too good to be true?**
- ✓ **Ask if a hotel deposit is required. Get exact name, address, and phone number of hotel. Get the number of people sharing room.**
- ✓ **Do not give your credit card over the phone or make any immediate decisions when solicited by telemarketers.**
- ✓ **Do you know whom you are dealing with? What is the street address of the company you are dealing with? What is the full name and position of the person you are giving your money to? Is the company located in another state?**
- ✓ **Get name of airline and confirm they are part of Spring Break package before you buy the package.**
- ✓ **Check out these websites before you write your check.**

www.dot.gov/airconsumer/flyrights.htm
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For more information contact:

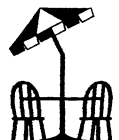
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Happy St. Patrick's Day From Student Legal Service

• Just a few Reminders for you:

Drinking until you see Leprechauns can get you a disorderly conduct charge and a Public Intoxication Fine of \$270.

A DUI can get you a loss of your license for 1 year (2 years if under 21), jail-time up to 1 year, and a fine of \$2,500.

If you are under age 21 and are caught purchasing or in possession of any amount of alcohol, upon conviction , your driver's license will be suspended for 1 year in addition to a \$270 fine.

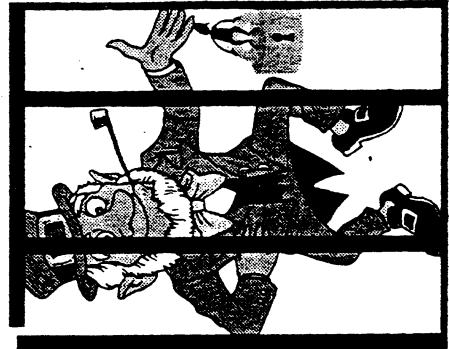
Using another Leprechaun's I.D. will cost you your license and 1 year in jail.

There is no pot of gold at the end of the rainbow for the Leprechauns that are caught, just a lot of Debt!



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- Begin by putting the **sublease agreement in writing** and make sure the landlord has granted permission to sublet the unit.



- Be sure to **obtain a damage deposit** from the subtenants.



- **Never leave any utilities** including telephone, water, lights, cable, etc **in your name** for the subtenants to pay and use. Don't buy any sob stories about transfer/deposit charge.



- Know the **financial history** of your **subtenants**.



- Obtain a **local and “at home” address** on your subtenants in case you have to sue them for rent or damages.



- **Walk through** your apartment **with the landlord** before you move out to verify any damage, then **do the same with the subtenant and again before the subtenant vacates in August.**



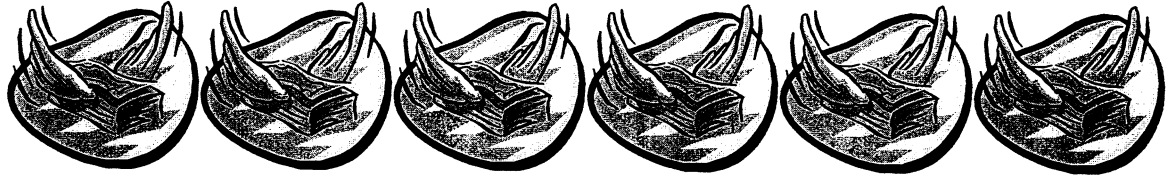
- Remember you will be **greatly discounting rent** and therefore **you are taking a big risk of damages to your unit** because subtenants who pay bargain basement prices tend not to value the property.




- **You remain liable for unpaid rents and subtenant damages.** Yes, you can sue the subtenant for reimbursement, but this is a cumbersome process, so be careful before you enter into the role of being a landlord.


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10 STEPS TO “PROTECT” YOUR SECURITY/DAMAGE DEPOSIT


 **STEP 1.** Call the owner or manager two weeks before you move out to arrange a joint inspection of the apartment. Be sure to clean your apartment completely and have all of your belongings removed before the time of your appointment.


 **STEP 2.** Before the appointment, prepare a complete **Written Inventory** of the condition of the rental unit. Be very detailed and specific for each room. Have two copies of the inventory, and keep one after having the landlord sign it. Forms are available at the Tenant Union.


 **STEP 3.** Get a camera/video camera and a witness. A witness should be 18 or older who and NOT a roommate or a family member. Take lots of pictures that show how clean you left the apartment. Walk through your apartment with your witness and have her/him take notice of its condition (*Advantage: video camera includes narration*).


 **STEP 4.** If the landlord appears for the appointment, be sure to have her/him sign and date YOUR COPY of the inventory form. Be sure to still use a witness and a camera.


 **STEP 5.** Take your pictures before you give back the keys. Also, make sure your pictures and your witness take note of the conditions of the oven, refrigerator, kitchen area, and bathroom. Also, show that the walls and carpet are clean and undamaged. You and your witness should both sign and date your inventory form in front of a notary.

 **STEP 6.** If you sublet your apartment for the summer, return at the end of the sublease period to follow these procedures with your subtenant. If they wreck the place, it could cost you.

 **STEP 7.** Be sure that you return ALL keys to the apartment, mailbox, laundry room, etc. Return all keys in person and get a receipt to avoid being charged for lock changes. Have one person in your group be responsible for all returning of keys.

 **STEP 8.** When your deposit is returned, contact Student Legal Service if you have any questions or complaints about the amount deducted. If you have a problem, do not cash the check before talking to an attorney.

 **STEP 9.** DO NOT TAKE A SORF REFUND. If you want to use Student Legal Service to pursue settlement of a problem, our office cannot help you if you take a SORF refund.

 **STEP 10.** Step into some Money. Use your money to treat yourself to a reward for completing another school year!!

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YES! Student Legal Service is open for the summer. You have to be enrolled in the summer sessions to be eligible for our services. Please remember that you must come in with your I-Card to schedule an appointment.

Hours are 8:30-12:00 and 1:00-4:30

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Everything you need to know about the hub of the University

BY STEVE HANF
THE DAILY ILLINI

Sitting at the head of the Quad, there is no doubt that the Illini Union is the heart of the University.

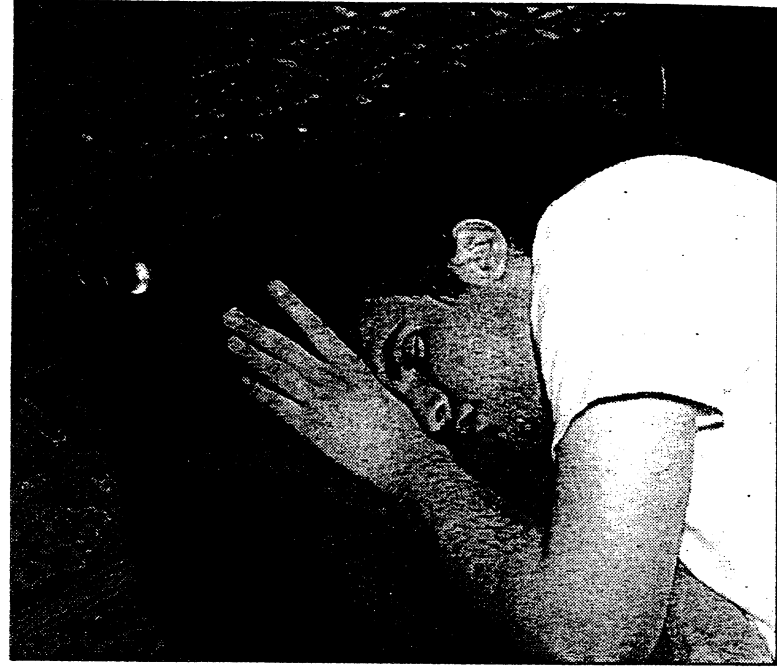
Students can find campus information, food, recreation and much more at the Union. With the main part of the building completed in 1941, the Union's mission has always been to serve the needs of University students.

"The Union supports the educational mission of the University with the kinds of programs and services it provides," Illini Union Director Susan Maul said. "We do our best to support the educational environment of the University."

Among the many services the Union offers are a billiards room, bowling alley, food court and arcade in the basement. Maul said meeting the recreational needs of the students is just as important as educational needs.

The Union isn't all fun and games, though. The second floor of the building housing the Illinois Student Government offices. Students can also visit the student organization complex, where more than 50 registered organizations such as Habitat for Humanity have offices.

Students can also find special services at the Union. Two of the more frequently used are the Tenant Union, which addresses off-campus housing concerns, and the Student Legal Service, which aids students in any



DAILY ILLINI FILE PHOTO

While many choose to study in the Illini Union, others opt for a nap.

kind of legal trouble free of charge.

More than anything else, though, the Union is a place to go with friends or just by yourself to relax. Walk through the many study rooms and look at the people asleep on the couches, a dreadfully boring reading assignment laying across their chests.

The Union also has the Courtyard Cafe. The Courtyard has tables and booths to study in if you don't trust yourself on the couches. But the Courtyard Cafe also hosts special events for students, such as concerts and comedy acts at night.

"There was no consistent space in the Union dedicated to student programs," Maul said. "The Courtyard Cafe acts as an alternative to

the bar scene with more programs that we can provide."

Finished early in the fall of 1995 semester, the Cafe was among the results of a planning board at the Union. Maul said the board went through the Union trying to identify things they would like to see added, and out of more than 200 concepts, ideas like the Courtyard Cafe and Student Organization Complex were built on. Renovations to the food court in the basement and to the stairwells and hallways in the north end of the building have added to the constantly evolving look of the Union.

"This is an exciting place to be at," Maul said. "Something's always going on, nothing is ever the same."

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What about those fees?

By THE DAILY ILLINI

Fees might be an aggravating part of your tuition bill — but they could pay for your lawyer, condoms, doctor visits, admission to plays, student government and financial aid.

Here is the lowdown on where some of those pennies you contribute to those mysterious piggy banks go.

The Transportation Fee includes all the buses you take to and from campus — from the bus you take to class bright and early to the bus you take home after a wild night at the library.

The fee also includes SafeRides, a service of the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District. SafeRides picks you up if you feel unsafe walking home from somewhere — be it

an after-hours study session or another kind of after-hours. SafeRides is not to be abused — it's not for groups of friends going from Urbana to Champaign, so be polite when utilizing it.

ISG means Illinois Student Government. The fee is directed to student government activities.

SORF is the Student Organization Resource Fee which goes toward a host of registered student organizations. Organizations apply for funds to take out ads, host events and more. SORF money also goes to fund the Tenant Union and Student Legal Services — both free, save-your-butt services for students.

Krannert Center for the Performing Arts (KCPA) is full of fun. From orchestras, plays to recitals, paying that fee can get you in on the action.

You pay the fee, so seriously, go to Krannert.

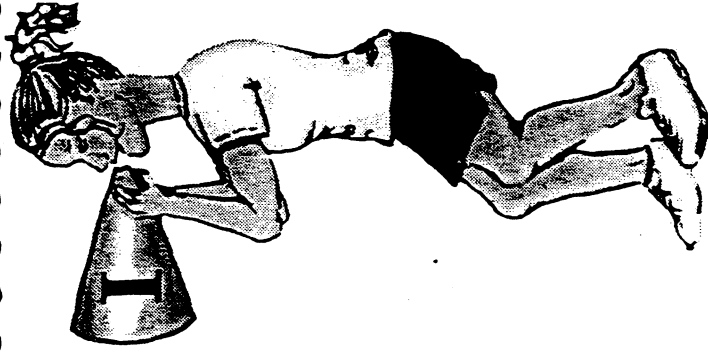
The Health Service Fee goes to McKinley Health Center, a place where you can receive immunizations, physicals, condoms, some prescription drugs, flu shots, cold packs and much more.

The SEAL Fee goes to Student Equal Access to Learning and is used to supplement financial aid for students in need, according to the registrar's office.

The Service Fee goes to programs salaries and expenses at University's auxiliary buildings, such as the Illini Union, campus recreation facilities and Assembly Hall.

The General Fee goes toward the upkeep and fixed costs of the same auxiliary buildings as the service fee.

It might be a good idea not to get refunds on your fees. Getting a refund on your fees means you can't use student services.



New Student Guide

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STUDENTS PREY FOR CREDIT CARDS

circumstances by giving them

BY KRISTIN CLIFFORD
Senior writer

Credit companies are marketing their cards directly to students. Representatives from various companies often set up along Wright Street, offering free T-shirts and other gifts to students in exchange for filling out a lengthy credit card application. The University Alumni Association offers a credit card with its logo; a small percentage of expenses on those cards goes to the University.

Many students simply toss the credit cards in the trash when they receive them, but others keep them. Students can use them in emergencies or to pay their tuition conveniently. But problems might occur when students use the cards too often and get into debt.

"Plastic can be an addictive drug," said Student Legal Services lawyer Tom Betz, adding that the problem of credit card debt is not unique to students. He said to many people, using a credit card doesn't seem like spending real money — until the bill comes.

A tarnished credit reputation is difficult to rebuild, but there are many outlets students can turn to for help.

Student Legal Services puts out pamphlets and other materials to educate students about potential credit problems. Betz said he and the other Student Legal Services lawyers can also help students with credit problems.

Betz said one of the main problems is that the credit card companies are often on campus, which encourages many students to sign up. The problem, Betz said, is many students can't pay the bill right away.

Student Legal Services can help students make the right decisions to handle their debt. Betz said many students come in thinking bankruptcy is their only option, when they have a relatively small

Some say bankruptcy is rarely a good option.

Kevin Williams, a counselor at the Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Fort Worth, Texas, said students can turn there for help with credit card debt. CCCS offers one-on-one budget counseling to help people figure out how to handle their debt. If a consumer is having trouble making the required payment, CCCS can work to get the payments reduced, Williams said.

He said the payments could be reduced to an amount that is affordable for the student and acceptable to the creditor. Depending on the creditor, CCCS also might be able to get the interest rates reduced and past-due charges stopped, he said.

Williams said there are several features students should be looking for in a credit card, including low interest rates. Williams also said students should look into the grace period on a card, or how long they have to get the bill into the creditor. Often, late payments can be as high as \$29, and once the late fees pile up, the creditor might raise the interest rate.

"Read the fine print," Williams urged students. He said students should understand the terms of the card before they sign up for it. For example, students should find out about the cash advance fee — many creditors charge a fee of 1 to 3 percent of the amount withdrawn when a consumer takes out cash from an ATM. That charge is in addition to the normal interest rate on the card, which is calculated immediately upon withdrawal of the money.

Catherine Pulley, spokeswoman from the American Bankers Association Education Foundation, said the organization has launched a "Be in Charge of Your Credit" financial literacy campaign.

"The basic idea is, if you can eat it, wear it, listen to it, or watch it — don't charge it," Pulley said.

The ABA Education Foundation's

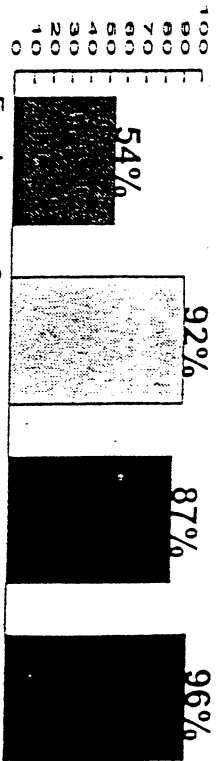
more help, including advice for students getting credit cards. Pulley said students should never be afraid to ask questions if they don't understand something, and they shouldn't feel pressured to get a credit card.

Orlo Austin, director of financial aid for the University, said the office has begun offering information at orientation about credit cards and the problems they may cause parents and students.

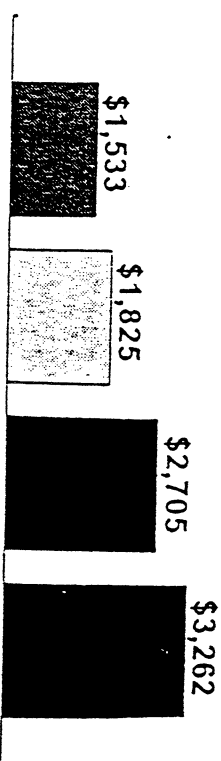
Austin said many students use credit cards well, but others have problems. He said it can be more of an issue for lower-income students whose parents can't help them out financially.

Austin recommends students in credit card debt trouble be candid with the financial aid officers because if they know the situation, they would be more willing to help.

Percentage who have credit cards



Average credit card debt



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CREDIT CARD DOS

- Shop around. If you get a solicitation in the mail, on campus, on the Internet or at the local bank, compare rates and fees. The credit card industry is very competitive, so interest rates, credit limits, grace periods, annual fees, terms and conditions vary.
- Read the fine print on the credit application. The application is a contract, so read it thoroughly before signing. Watch for terms such as "introductory rate" and periods that expire.
- Ask questions. You are the customer and the bank is providing a service. If you don't understand something, ask.
- Be wary of anyone who claims they can "fix" your credit. The only thing that can fix a credit report is time and a positive payment history.
- Promptly open and review your bill every month. This helps you pay your bill on time and protects you from identity theft and unauthorized charges.
- View credit as an investment in your future. By using credit wisely, you can build a good credit history. This allows you to rent an apartment, purchase a car and buy a home.
- Order a copy of your credit report annually. Your credit report is like an academic report card — it evaluates your performance as a credit customer. It needs to be accurate so you can apply for other loans such as a car or a condo.

CREDIT CARD DON'TS

- Feel pressure to get a credit card if you don't want one. A credit card might not be right for you. Don't be afraid to say "no" to salespeople. It's OK to walk away.
- Pay your bills late. Late payments can hurt your credit rating.
- Spend more than you can afford. A credit card is not magic money; it's a loan with an obligation to repay. Realize the difference between needs and wants. Do you really need that CD or pizza? If you charge these items and only pay the minimum, you could be paying for those items months from now.
- Apply for more credit cards if you already have balances on others.
- If you pay only the minimum balance, pay late or use cash advances to pay living expenses, you might be in the credit "danger zone."

Tuition loopholes uncovered

Students can forgo certain University services for refunds

BY KATY MULL
Contributing writer

Freshman in LAS Stephanie Wypasek had no idea the University would refund some of the fees on her tuition bill.

But Wypasek said she doesn't mind contributing to the programs because she "might end up using them at some point."

As tuition bills arrive in students' mailboxes this week, many students aren't aware of their option to get a few dollars back from the University. The bill will list the various fees, but it will not explain what each acronym means or what the fees help finance. An undergraduate student could get \$22 in fee refunds as well as an additional \$155 if they have comparable health insurance coverage outside of the University.

In addition to tuition, student fees help finance general maintenance, student programs, recreation, scholarships and other services. Students also pay fees to finance programs like Krannert Center for the Performing Arts, Illinois Student Government and McKinley Health Center.

The \$174 general fee funds the maintenance of the Illini Union, the Student Services Building and the Division of Campus Recreation, among other buildings. A \$168 service fee pays for the programming costs of those buildings.

The \$10 Student Organizational Resource Fund, or SORF, funds the activities of registered student organizations. It helps registered RSOs advertise their events, attend conferences and purchase equipment. SORF also finances the Tenant Union and Student Legal Services.

When students pay the SORF fee, they are eligible to use the Student Legal Services offices when they need legal representation for traffic or drinking tickets. The office also helps students who are charged with misdemeanors or need help getting their security deposit back. They also give advice to students in legal trouble.

"Nowhere in town will you find an attorney for \$11," said Jeremy Grose, Student Legal Services staff attorney. "It's not worth getting your refund (so you can buy) lunch or a couple beers ... you never know when you might need legal help."

A \$1 fee from each student finances ISG, and a \$5 fee helps finance Krannert Cenmter for the Performing Arts.

Jill Braun, sophomore in LAS, said she just mails her tuition bill to her mom without looking at it, and she didn't know some fees are refundable.

Braun said she might consider getting some of her fees back.

"I could go out for a couple weekends on that," she said.

The Student Equal Access to

Learning fee was introduced by students for students shortly after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr. The fee has been reinstated by students every four years since then.

The \$6 fee for SEAL goes toward scholarships for students who are usually ineligible for the federal Pell grants. About 1,100 students are expected to receive an average of \$500 to 600 this year. SEAL fees are expected to raise about \$300,000 this year, and the state of Illinois will match the amount.

The Krannert, SORF, ISG and SEAL fees can be refunded in Room 100 of the Henry Administration Building during the first half of the fall semester.

With the recent tuition hike, incoming University students will pay \$500 more a semester than continuing students. This year, in-state freshman and transfer students will pay \$2,651 a semester, and out-of-state students will pay \$6,953. Students in some programs such as engineering, art and life sciences also must pay additional surcharges.

A \$174 auxiliary campus services fee funds several services including the Illini Union, Student Services Building and the Division of Campus Recreation.

A non-refundable \$33 transportation fee allows students unlimited usage of the Champaign-Urbana Mass Transit District. Students only need to show their I-card for city routes.

Students can choose to waive the health insurance fee, but can't waive the health service fee.

The health service fee funds the McKinley Health Center. At McKinley, students can obtain monthly allotments of cold packs, bandages and condoms. They also can use the pharmacy. The health service fee also covers the coun-

Refunds available for students

Collect refunds at the cashier window of Room 100 of the Henry Administration Building

Krannert fee: Sept. 30-Oct. 4
SORF fee: Oct. 7-11
ISG fee: Oct. 7-11
SEAL fee: Oct. 14-18

To receive your health insurance waiver: bring card or a copy to Room 407 of the Union between 9-4:30 now — Sept. 18. On Sept. 19 and 20, go to Room 480 of the Illini Union Bookstore.

Source: www.si.uiuc.edu

Daily Illini graphic by Katrina Robinson

selling services available from the Counseling Center on John Street.

The health insurance fee is \$153 for undergraduates and \$214 for graduate students. This can be waived once students show proof of comparable coverage. Only students who have not been exempted before and have comparable health insurance can do this.

In order to waive the insurance fee, students must bring their health insurance card or a copy of their policy to Room 407 in the Illini Union between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. by Sept. 18. On Sept. 19 and 20 students can go to Room 480 in the Illini Union Bookstore.

Students with questions about the insurance fee can call the Student Insurance Office. Forms are also available at their Web site. www.si.uiuc.edu.

Opinions

Editorial: Think twice before getting that refund

Students will do a lot of things for free items and money. Some students sit through lengthy spiels and fill out multiple credit card applications for a free T-shirt. Others donate plasma or volunteer to be test subjects for mysterious experiments to have a few extra dollars.

But one thing students shouldn't do for some spare cash is get a refund on student fees. On certain days, students can request money back from certain funds, including Krannert, ISG and the Student Organization Resource Fee. It's not much — the most a student could get back is \$22. And when we think about all we get from that, most of the refunds are not worth it.

Students should think twice about getting refunds. For example, the \$10 SORF fee covers more than students know. It includes Student Legal Services, where students can go for any kind of legal advice. It's akin to insurance: you hope you never have to use it, but wouldn't you rather pay \$10 on the off-chance that you might need an attorney, rather than scrounge \$400 an hour to tackle that pricey underage drinking ticket.

This is an especially important service for students, who often contend with their first speeding ticket, underage drinking fines, contentions with landlords and

other smaller legal matters.

Banking on never having to get legal advice in four years of college is pretty risky.

Getting a refund also forfeits the right to Tenant Union access. No lease should be signed without their aid.

You might never host a speaker on campus, join a Registered Student Organization or see a play at Krannert — but it's important that these things are available to students. It's difficult to attend the ballet for less than \$10 outside of a university environment. Few cities host as many speakers and panels.

Most important, please don't refund your \$6 SEAL fee, which contributes to financial aid for students in need.

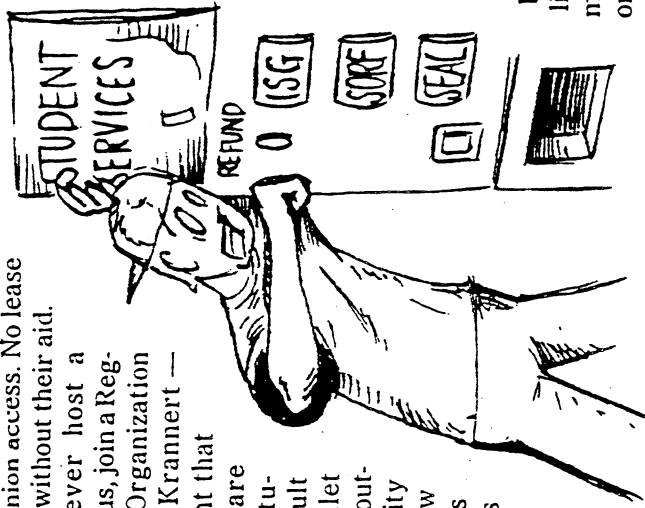
Since the Illinois Student Assistance Commission matches the funds collected from this student fee, a refund would essentially be taking away \$12 from the total fund. Students who request a refund on the SEAL fee will not be eligible for Graduate College grants.

But some fees might be worth refunding.

In comparison, students are automatically charged University health insurance — \$155 a semester. If students are covered through family or personal insurance, this is worth getting a refund for.

As for the annual \$1 Illinois Student Government fee: that's a personal decision. If you feel your student government actively represents your concerns as a student and member of the campus community, give them your dollar. But if you're skeptical of ISG's use of your money, you should pocket this buck.

So dig coins out of your sofa cushions, sell back your used clothing at various retail establishments, allow psych students to mess with your mind for an hourly rate. But don't ask for a SORF or SEAL fee refund. Let the cash that could go toward a few drinks contribute to the greater good of the campus — as well as help fight the fine those same drinks could incur.



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October 1, 2002

Attn: Agnes Jasinski
Fax # 244-2933

Re: "Don't Wait Until It Is Too Late" Article October 1, 2002

Dear Ms. Jasinski,

Thank you for the excellent article, however it is in error to say that Thomas Betz is Supervisor of "Student Insurance" Thomas Betz is the Director of Student Legal Services and is not affiliated with Student Insurance or any other insurance program on campus.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas E. Betz".

Thomas E. Betz
Attorney at Law

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Don't wait until it is too late

Students urged to obtain insurance before moving into apartments and residence halls

BY AGNES JASINSKI
Contributing writer

Getting an insurance policy after finding out something has been stolen could be a waste of time.

Student insurance office supervisor Thomas Betz and Campaign-Urbana Tenant Union coordinator Esther Patt recommend students have insurance before moving into residence halls or apartments.

Many students assume as long as their parents have property insurance, they'll be safe in cases of fire or burglary, Betz said. But some parents' insurance policies can have deductibles from \$500 to \$1,000 that only cover

burglaries. Residence hall burglars usually take less expensive items like CD players and small appliances, Betz said.

He said it would work better for students to get their own insurance with a lower deductible. Some policies are available at an annual rate of \$100 with enough coverage for a student in the residence halls, he said.

If a fire broke out in a residence hall, the University wouldn't be liable for damages. Universities usually don't pay for damages, Betz said, because they assume students would have their valuables insured.

"Goodness of heart usually ends in their pocketbook," Betz said. "The

University would never be able to insure this amount of students."

The University's student insurance department and the tenant union have programs that go to residence halls, fraternities and sororities at the beginning of each year to give tips on apartment hunting and to recommend renters' and property insurance.

The tenant union and student insurance department's biggest concern is for students who live in apartments.

"There are thousands of people in the rental market," Betz said. "Something is bound to happen."

Tenants are held responsible for theft and damages. The landlord is only insured for building mainte-

"People try to chase a landlord down for money ... how can the landlord be sued if the tenant is at fault? Most times when you think a landlord is at fault, he isn't."

— Esther Patt
Tenant Union coordinator

nance or loss of rent, Patt said.

"People try to chase a landlord down for money ... how can the landlord be sued if the tenant is at fault?" Patt said. "Most times when you think a landlord is at fault, he isn't."

She added that some students aren't aware the University or landlords won't reimburse them if something happens to their valuables.

"Students don't think about it until after the fire," Patt said.

"Most people that come in here with problems are the uninsured, not the insured."

Although theft is said to be a problem in residence halls, it could depend on where students live.

Shilpa Jhobalia, junior in LAS and resident advisor for two years, said she thinks co-ed floors have more problems with theft.

"I haven't really dealt with theft," Jhobalia said. "The only things I've had complaints about were stolen bras last year."

Leasing apartments: A dangerous game

BY LUCY DENYER AND JEROME STARKEY

Contributing writers

It's getting to be that time of year again deciding where to live. For many students, a tenancy agreement can be an ominous document that often spells more heartache than happiness.

Many property groups compete for student attention, making it difficult for students to know where to begin.

Students can start at the Tenant Union, where staff will help students with any questions they have about leasing.

The Tenant Union keeps a record of housing complaints from the past five years.

Esther Patt, Tenant Union coordinator, said the complaint record allows students to put any problems they have with their landlords on record for the benefit of others. Complaint records show that while some landlords have zero complaints, others are already well into the double digits.

Bizarre complaints range from stories of people temporarily evicted because the landlord changed the locks to power being cut when the landlord felt the rent was overdue. One woman walked to the post office every day for six weeks to collect her mail because her mailbox was unusable.

One University Group tenant filed a complaint at the Tenant Union last year about his deposit charges. The student felt the charges were unfair. But the University Group manager said the tenant would not get his money unless he dropped his formal complaint. The tenant dropped the complaint in order to receive the payment. Then the student filed a subsequent complaint, objecting to the way the matter was handled.

Chris Hamelberg, general manager at University Group, refused to comment on specific details, but said all complaints filed are addressed.

With 83 complaints over the past five years, Campus Property Management has the highest number of complaints on record.

Michael Jay, director of operations at CPM, said the reason CPM receives the most complaints is because they have the most apartments.

David Barr, chairman of Barr Real Estate Inc., whose company received 34 complaints in the same period, also suggested complaints tend to be proportional to the number of properties a company owns.

"It's easier for a smaller outfit," Barr said. "Running a large management operation, as the owner, has days when it's good. But, administratively, things can slip between the cracks."

Patt, however, said this is not a valid excuse.

"If they say they can't handle managing all of their properties, that's the best reason not to rent from them," Patt said.

When a resident brings a complaint to the union, it usually means they have been unable to resolve the problem with the landlord directly, Patt said. If a problem persists, residents can call on the Tenant Union and the city council to help get the problem sorted out, Patt said.

A CPM property, 608 E. Chalmers St., was served a condemnation notice on Sept. 18, after a city inspection found 45 code violations, which included rotten structural timbers, damaged fire doors and faulty locks.

Champaign Property Maintenance Inspector Michael Lambert ordered Erwin Goldfarb, the property owner, to correct four of the most serious violations by Oct. 22, and the remaining 41 by Oct. 25, or else have the building condemned for occupancy.

However, the city did not make the return visit, which was scheduled for Oct. 22. The building has not yet been condemned, and Lambert said he did not expect to condemn the building when he returned on Oct. 25.

"We are willing to make negotiations if they (the landlords) are making improvements," Lambert said. "There's no benefit in building ill will between us and the property landlord. When a condemnation is issued the problems are typically resolved. Sometimes we have to proceed with legal action but this is usually in the case of absentee landlords or disconnected services."

Patt said it often appears city councils favor the landlords.

"Landlords hardly ever get fined for violating city codes, even though repairs take months to complete," Patt said.

However, residents of 608 E. Chalmers St. confirmed that maintenance work has been taking place recently.

"They've been here almost every day since they got the (condemnation) notice," said Jessica Barrientos, sophomore in LAS and roommate of the students who filed the original complaint.

Other students living in 608 E. Chalmers St. also feel CPM has made attempts to improve their situation.

Pam Almanza, senior in communications, said CPM has been working on fixing the building.

"There used to be raw sewage in the garage, but they've been working on that a lot," Almanza said.

However, Jared Cole, senior in LAS, has had more experiences in dealing with CPM.

"It seems that they take all the money they make and throw it into building new apartments instead of maintaining the ones they've got," Cole said. "When I've gone in to complain, sometimes they're really helpful, and other times they just don't listen."

Jay said he understands student might have that perception, but as CPM expands their property, they expand their maintenance as well.

Ashlee Saddler, Tenant Union housing counselor, said she recommends students see the same apartment they lease.

"Some landlords use 'show' apartments and say 'your apartment will look just like this,'" Saddler said.

Saddler recommended students take photographs of their apartments to show the condition at move out time to avoid deposit disputes and also stressed the importance of understanding the lease agreement.

Tom Betz, Student Legal Services director, said it is almost impossible to get out of a lease agreement once it has been signed.

A property has to "substantially comply" with city codes for the contract to remain valid. But if a property is in violation, residents might be eligible for money damages, Betz said.

Activity funding scarce

Student organization resource fee painstakingly distributed among registered student organizations

BY ANNE GLEASON
The Daily Illini

A portion of the \$10 student organization resource fee each student pays at the beginning of the year supports registered student organization activities, but with 843 organizations on campus not every request is completely funded.

In order to receive money, registered student organizations (RSOs) must fill out an application describing their projected expenses for the term they are applying for. Each organization is allowed to apply for three terms out of the 13 terms during the fall, spring and summer. The next deadline for organizations to submit funding requests is 5 p.m. Wednesday, November 13. The allocation meeting will be November 21.

Applications are reviewed by the SORF Board, which is comprised of 12 students and four academic professionals. SORF Chair Martha Ramirez said organizations generally receive partial funding when they request it.

"We go by the guidelines and restrictions of SORF (when determining who receives funding)," she said. "Unless it's totally against the guidelines of SORF, we'll help fund speakers."

Even so, the lack of resources requires many clubs to seek other resources and even pay out of their own budgets in some cases.

"It's hard to get all the funding you need (from SORF)," said Andris Lizenbergs, president of the men's volleyball club. "But, for the last few years, we have been able to get by on what we get from them, fundraising and a few alumni donations."

In order to raise enough money for tournament and hotel fees, the University Speech Team looks for sources other than SORF. Harsha Rao, president of the Speech Team, said the team has borrowed money from the speech communications department, fundraised and covered expenses with their own money.

Ramirez said SORF encourages students to look elsewhere. She added that if SORF fully funded every event, they would not have enough for all of the organizations.

"We don't believe that any organization is any more important than any others," Ramirez said. "We understand that organizations are different and their purposes are different."

SORF is funded from a portion of the \$10 student resource fee that students pay at the beginning of the year. The fee is split three ways between SORF, the Student Legal Services and the Tenant Union.

The fee was increased last year from \$7 in order to generate more funding for organizations. Even though many organizations don't receive all the requested funding, Ramirez said she believes the \$10 fee this year is adequate.

"A lot more people are becoming more aware of SORF and what we do," Ramirez said. "But, we're being very consistent on funding and the events that we're funding."

SORF covers expenses for travel, speakers, films, permanent equipment and any miscellaneous items, as long as they fall within the guidelines. The organizations are asked to describe the expense in detail so that SORF can determine if it is legitimate. However, some organizations think that the amount of pa-

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men's volleyball club president

perwork required is excessive and can lead to problems.

Kelly McIlwee, president of the University a cappella group No Strings Attached, said that her group didn't receive all the funding they were promised last year.

"Our treasurer last year got us \$2,000, and we ended up getting less than that," she said. "They're not entirely reliable in that sense, most of it just comes down to justifying what you use the money for."

Ramirez said she didn't remember the particular instance with No Strings Attached, but said because groups are reimbursed after the event is over, problems could occur if they aren't properly documented by a group.

"If people were approved for funds and they didn't receive it all, it could have been paperwork or the receipts," she said. "If they don't provide enough proof ... it could cause a problem."

Lizenbergs said he doesn't expect SORF to fully fund everything for the men's volleyball club since they require so much.

"To stay competitive we have to travel a lot," he said. "We have to do what we can to fundraise because we know SORF won't be able to give us all that we need."

Loophole still open in new drinking law

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Champaign officials debate changing pay-by-mail policy

BY MARY TALLON

Wire editor

While most students were home on break, underage drinking became a more risky proposition in Champaign-Urbana.

A new law intended to stiffen penalties for underage people caught possessing, accepting or buying alcohol went into effect Jan. 1, allowing the state to suspend the driver's licenses of people convicted of those offenses.

Despite the change, few students caught drinking in Cham-

paign are likely to lose their licenses immediately because of a loophole in the statute that allows an underage person to pay the \$270 fine by mail and avoid a conviction.

"Under the current statutes, a pay-by-mail option counts as a settlement, not a conviction," said Champaign police Sgt. Scott Friedlein.

Friedlein said Champaign police are working to close that loophole, and plan to bring a proposal to the Champaign City Council within the next month or so.

Not everyone supports the Champaign police's efforts to stiffen penalties for underage drinking, however.

Tom Betz, senior staff attorney at the University Student Legal Services Center, said his office has distributed pamphlets and is using advertisements to warn stu-

dents about the increased underage drinking penalties, which he described as "using an atomic bomb to kill a gnat."

Betz said whatever moral or ethical standpoint a person has about underage drinking, "Bars are a part of the social life on this campus.

"What they've done (with the new law), is they've upped the cost of a social life, essentially," he said.

Betz said he worries that the new law will discourage innocent people from challenging underage drinking tickets in court for fear of conviction and subsequent license

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Champaign police

suspension.

"I think the system encourages people who are not guilty to pay fines," he said.

But if the pay-by-mail loophole is closed, Betz said, there would be little incentive to not challenge a drinking ticket and ask for a jury trial when one's driver's license is at stake, thereby clogging the court system.

Champaign Mayor Jerry Schweighart also expressed concern about the courts being overcrowded with underage drinking cases. Schweighart said the city council is looking into ways of clarifying the law so that a first offense might still allow for a pay-by-mail option, but a second offense would result in a loss of license.

Schweighart said he expects some sort of change or clarification to the law within the next year.

Underage drinkers face fine, suspension of license

BY NICHOLAS SHIELDS

The Daily Illini

The 23 people arrested by Champaign and Illinois State police officers Saturday face more severe consequences than hefty fines.

Under a state law that took effect Jan. 1, underage people caught in possession of alcohol, attempting to obtain alcohol, or consuming alcohol face the suspension or revocation of their driver's licenses.

In Champaign, however, minors sometimes avoid losing their licenses by paying drinking tickets rough the mail.

In Champaign, police issue \$270 fines to underage people caught drinking. If the offender pays the fine within three weeks, his license will not be revoked, said Champaign Police Sgt. Scott Friedlein. The city of Champaign plans to increase the fine by \$10 in July.

"Since the city of Champaign has a pay-by-mail option, the suspen-

sion of the license does not apply," Friedlein said.

Champaign police are preparing a proposal for the Champaign Liquor Advisory Council that would make the law more stringent on underage drinkers.

"We don't want the situation to come to the point where people come to Champaign to drink," Friedlein said.

He said the proposal might target repeat offenders.

Friedlein and the Champaign Police Alcohol Enforcement Unit caught 43 underage drinkers this year who will be subject to the new law.

Friedlein said he thought fewer underage drinkers had been caught than usual this semester, but it is too early to say whether the law has been effective in discouraging underage drinking.

On Saturday, police arrested 13 people at Joe's Brewery, 706 S. Fifth St.; nine at Station 211, 211 E. Green St.; and one at Brass Rail, 15 E. University Ave. All were arrested for underage possession of alcohol.

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— Scott Friedlein
Champaign Police Sgt.

"We're not sure if it's the bad weather or the law that is keeping (underage drinkers) out of the bars," Friedlein said.

Champaign police occasionally work with the Illinois State Police to conduct their "Street Sweep" program. The program places plain clothes officers on the streets of Champaign looking for alcohol-related violations and crimes.

Friedlein said all of the officers wear plain clothes because it allows them to walk into bars and catch minors in possession of alcohol before "word gets out" that officers are in the bar.

Officers doing street sweeps sometimes respond to fights and

disorderly conduct and take action, if necessary, at private parties. They also respond to complaints of loud music, parties spilling into streets or people throwing beer cans.

Officers also confiscate fake IDs during street sweeps. Minors caught with fake IDs face automatic license suspension for one year.

Susan Hesse, a Student Legal Services lawyer, said students put themselves at "enormous risk" when entering bars underage. Hesse said she and Student Legal Services had counseled an increasing amount of students this year because of bar sweeps.

Behind the fines

Champaign

- Possession or consumption of alcohol underage - \$270 fine.

Urbana

- Possession or consumption of alcohol underage - \$75 fine

Statewide

- \$2,500 fine and/or a year in jail and loss of license - **fake** (not borrowed) ID
- \$270 fine and/or a year in jail - **driving under the influence** of alcohol

Sources: Champaign and Urbana police departments

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St. Patrick's Day celebrated twice

Irish holiday falls outside spring break

BY MAGGIE DUNPHY

The Daily Illini

Although the University will be in session on St. Patrick's Day this year, bars will still hold unofficial celebrations March 14.

"We've been doing it so long, it's almost become more of a tradition here than the actual St. Patrick's Day," said Scott Cochrane, owner of Tonic, The Clybourne and C.O. Daniel's.

Kevin Doyle, Irish Illini president, agreed the festivities had become a University tradition. The Irish Illini plan to celebrate both unofficial and actual St. Patrick's Day, he said.

Doyle planned to go to Mass on St. Patrick's Day in addition to celebrating at a bar with friends.

Chris Waple, senior in LAS, said he thought the day was a great way for Irish students like himself to celebrate their heritage.

Not everyone agreed. Tom Boyce, sophomore in LAS, did not see the relationship between Irish heritage and unofficial St. Patrick's Day. Boyce, who is Irish, did not intend to celebrate the day, which he said was "just an excuse to party."

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— Chris Waple
senior in LAS

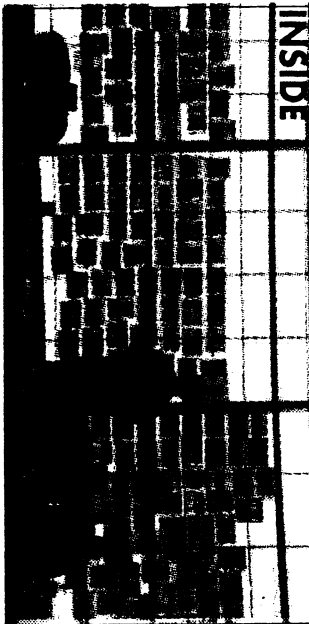
party, but I do think some people really want to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and just have a good time," Waple said.

Champaign Police Department Sgt. Scott Friedlein said the biggest difference he had seen during the weekend before St. Patrick's Day was drinking early in the day. Police have seen people intoxicated as early as 10 a.m. on the day, he said.

"We'd like to see people be smart and not make us work extra hard," Friedlein said.

He said police officers will monitor crowd behavior from the street to determine which bars might need assistance on March 14 and March 17.

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A legal dispute: Burglary or theft?

Editor's note: This is part of a month-long project looking at how the Champaign County state's attorney handles crime.

BY ADAM JADHAV

Managing editor

Charles Thompson, 40, will face three to 14 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections when he is

ing, he walked out of a Payless Shoe source in southeast Urbana with three pairs — \$43 worth — of children's sneakers stuffed inside his jacket.

A jury convicted Thompson on April 21 for burglary, theft with a prior conviction and obstructing justice.

Thompson admitted he stole the shoes, the theft charge. He admitted to throwing the shoes from his car

And while Thompson's conviction is a "classic Champaign County burglary case," according to John Piland, the county's state's attorney, many local defense lawyers claim the burglary charge raises issues with how Piland's office does business.

Defense attorneys argue that Piland abuses his prosecutorial discretion. They say he files too many

prove. They claim that there is a discrepancy in the charging. And they say the burglary charges are coercive to defendants, forcing more plea-bargaining to lesser charges that should have been filed initially.

To back up their case, defense lawyers point to court records. They say other counties file fewer felonies, which shows Piland files

ing plea bargains to a lesser charge. Piland denies the allegations. He says he bases the charge on whether he can prove the case.

"Our goal isn't to get as many convictions as we can get, but our goal is to protect the community," Piland said.

"If I can prove that you're going there to steal, then I'll charge you with burglary," he added.

Walking a hard line on crime

State's Attorney John Piland
takes much flak for his tough
use of the burglary statute

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With 190,630 residents, Sangamon County saw 1,184 felony cases in 2002, according to a report from circuit clerk commissioned by Daily Illini. That amounts to a rate of 621 felony charges for every 100,000 residents.

Piland's office filed 2,243 felonies in 2002. Champaign County, with a population of 183,159, has a felony charge rate of 1,224 for every 100,000 residents — nearly double that of Sangamon County.

The state's attorney has an incredible amount of discretion based on the charge," said Champaign County Public Defender Randy Rosenbaum. "What our state's attorney tends to do is charge on the most serious offense as possible, regardless of whether it's appropriate."

Charging theft as burglary, at least initially, has been a routine in Piland's office, said state Rep. Spin Rose, R-Charleston, who worked for Piland as an assistant

attorney before becoming a legislator in 2003.

When I was in the policy as just about any theft was charged as a burglary," Rose said. Piland maintains only charges what he can prove, according to the ire of the defense attorneys.

That doesn't make it right because you can get a conviction," said Bert Kirchner, a Champaign attorney. "Could (a burglary case) be charged as a theft? This is where the prosecutorial discretion comes into

the Daily Illini, based on court records, found that in January 2002, Sangamon County filed at least 41 burglary, residential burglary or attempted burglary charges. Some had more than one charge.

Sangamon County filed nine charges of burglary, residential burglary or burglary of a school or place of worship, according to the circuit clerk from the Sangamon County Circuit Clerk.

Some records might have been lost, as the Champaign County Circuit Clerk does not keep records

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broken down by charge.

A matter of intent

Urbana police officer Jason Norton testified during Thompson's trial that a Payless store clerk flagged Norton down during a patrol. He said the woman was waving an empty shoebox and pointed to a car driving away; someone had stolen merchandise, Norton said.

The officer followed the vehicle and made a traffic stop.

"Did you buy anything at Payless?" Norton had asked Thompson.

"No," Thompson replied.

"Is there anything in your car that came from Payless?"

"Yes."

Piland, who tried Thompson's case, read the burglary statute to the jury. The law states that a defendant commits burglary when he or she "without authority knowingly enters a building with the intent to commit the offense of theft," Piland said.

He argued — and persuaded the jury — that Thompson had the intent to commit theft before entering the store.

Thompson left a friend sitting in the passenger seat of a car parked outside; he intended to be quick, Piland said.

A clerk testified that Thompson was making "furtive movements" inside the store. He was trying to not get caught, Piland said.

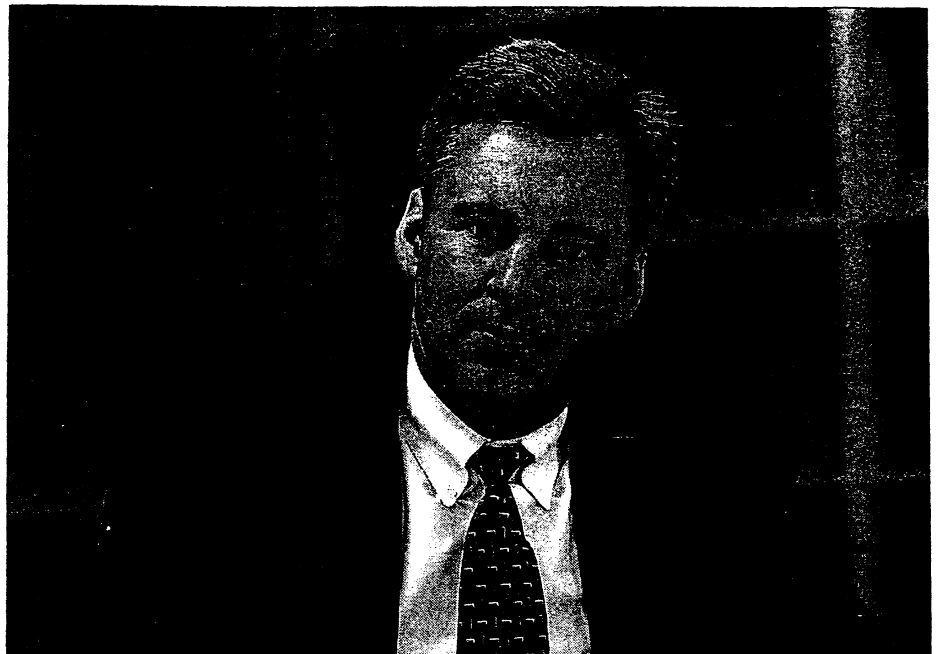
Clad in a worn blue Nike sweatshirt, Thompson, a black man with a roughly-shaven beard, slumped in his chair throughout the trial. He stared away from the jurors, only occasionally leaning to talk to Rosenbaum, his attorney.

Thompson did not testify.

Norton told the court that Thompson said the sneakers were for his children. Thompson had \$16 on him, enough to buy only one of the pairs of shoes.

"I just wasn't thinking. Something just came over me," Thompson told Norton when explaining why he stole.

For Rosenbaum, that clinches it; he said the burglary charge should never have been filed. He said Piland has only speculation to prove Thompson intended to steal before coming to the store.



David Solana The Daily Illini

John Piland, Champaign County state's attorney, has received criticism from many in the local defense bar for his hard line on crime.

"He wants to get the most serious conviction he can," Rosenbaum said.

Piland said, in an interview after the conviction, that he wouldn't have settled for anything less than a burglary charge.

Sangamon County State's Attorney John Schmidt said he would not comment on another prosecutor's policies. However, in his county, retail theft is the more popular charge; he rarely charges burglary unless there is an actual break-in.

"You will most likely be charged with retail theft and it would be a misdemeanor," Schmidt said of a case like Thompson's.

Discrepancies in charging?

Thompson faces three to 14 years for the Class 2 felony burglary conviction with a prior history of theft. The theft with a prior conviction of theft and the obstructing justice charges — both Class 4 felonies — will earn him more prison time. He will stand in court May 28 for sentencing.

Thompson's record is laced with other criminal charges, many of them theft and burglary. He pleaded guilty to a 1994 charge of burglary and received 48 months of probation. The probation was later revoked and he was sentenced to six years in the department of corrections. Another 1994 burglary case, where Thompson was listed as a co-defendant, was dismissed.

In 1995, Thompson was listed as a co-defendant in a burglary case that also was dismissed by the state. A case of possession of a controlled substance against him was also dis-

missed. In addition, he pleaded guilty in another case to theft with a prior burglary conviction, and received 30 months of probation.

In 1997, the state dismissed a charge of theft with a prior burglary conviction and an unrelated charge of possessing a stolen vehicle.

In a 2000 case, Thompson pleaded guilty to a theft with a prior burglary conviction and was sentenced to the Department of Corrections for a year. In a 2001 theft case, he received a sentence of two years in prison.

Thompson still faces another burglary charge and an obstructing justice charge filed this year. A drug case from 2002 is also pending.

Tom Betz, director of Student Legal Services at the University and a Champaign County Board member, said the number of felony burglary cases filed is out of control. He said adding the felony burglary charge for retail theft only in some cases is not fair; that seems like arbitrary charging, he said.

"I see students that I represent in this office who are charged as retail theft," Betz said. "They're not even charged as a misdemeanor. They're charged as a city offense. You can pay it by mail."

But Piland said he uses the burglary charge as often as he does in part because it allows for more prison

time if he can get the conviction.

"For the chronic burglar, for the chronic thief, for the chronic criminal, (the burglary statute) gives us an incredible tool to get them off the streets for a long period of time," Piland said.

Betz said that policy "is an extreme abuse of the criminal justice system that shouldn't be tolerated." He said crimes should be charged based on the offense, not who committed it.

"You get a terrible disparate impact with charging," Betz said. "Why is this person charged with theft and another with burglary?"

Coercion or discretion

In the 41 burglary charges filed in January 2002 in Champaign County, 29 were dismissed, mostly through plea-bargaining to other charges. In Sangamon County five were dismissed and one received reduced or amended charge.

Furthermore, The Daily Illini found that sometime Champaign County prosecutor charged burglar along with theft; in other cases, the state filed burglary alone only to dismiss the charge when the defendant plea-bargained to a count of theft.

According to court records, on Jan 15, 2002, the state charged a then-43-year-old defendant with burglary and theft with a prior theft conviction. A:

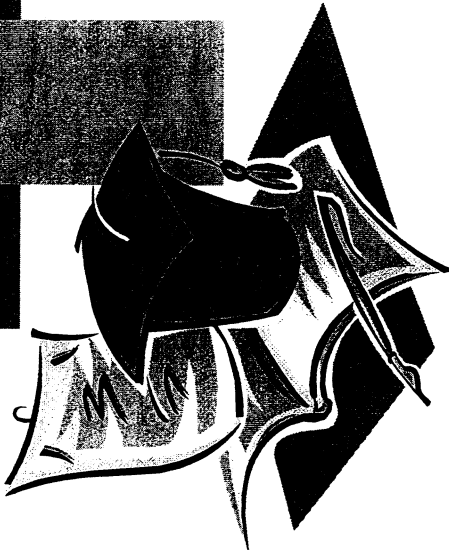
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Rights of International Students & Scholars in the U.S.



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Q: What should I do if I am arrested by police, the FBI or the agent of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) contacts me?

A: If it is not a crime to refuse to answer questions, refusing to answer however, might make the authorities suspicious of you. For your protection, you should contact an attorney and get legal help before making any decisions. You have the right to refuse to answer questions until you reach a lawyer. If you are arrested, you have the right to remain silent and to contact a lawyer before any questioning. If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you before any questioning if you cannot afford one.

Q: Can authorities from the DHS, FBI and local police search my place of work?

A: For a law enforcement authority to enter your place of work, the agent must have a valid search warrant signed by a judge, or have the employer's permission to enter. DHS agents enter by force and arrest you. You have the right to remain silent and to contact a lawyer before any questioning. If you cannot afford a lawyer, one will be appointed for you before any questioning if you cannot afford one.

Q: What rights do I have if I am detained?

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Your rights

Non-immigrant students and scholars in the U.S. have certain basic rights that must be respected by local and federal law enforcement authorities. These rights stem from the U.S. Constitution and U.S. laws, such as the right to be free from "unreasonable searches and seizures."

Since September 11, there have been many policy changes that pertain to non-immigrants in the U.S. What had been known as the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) became part of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) on March 1, 2003. DHS is activating a number of different databases and linking to other areas of law enforcement, Social Security Administration and other federal and State agencies.

Q: What documents should I carry with me to prove I am legally in the US?

A: INA 246(e) requires every non-citizen 18 years and over to carry with them "evidence of registration document" at all times. The original copy of your Form I-94 is considered to be your proof of legal entry and status in the U.S. If you do not have that with you, you could be charged with a misdemeanor crime.

Q: Do I have the right to a hearing before an immigration judge to defend myself against removal charges?

A: Yes. If you entered the U.S. Legally, only an immigration judge can order you removed from the United States. You should obtain legal counsel before you give up your rights or agree to leave the U.S. through "voluntary departure" as you could be removed without a hearing. Although you have the right to obtain legal counsel, you must do so at your own expense after an immigration hearing, the government is not required to provide an attorney at no charge for you.

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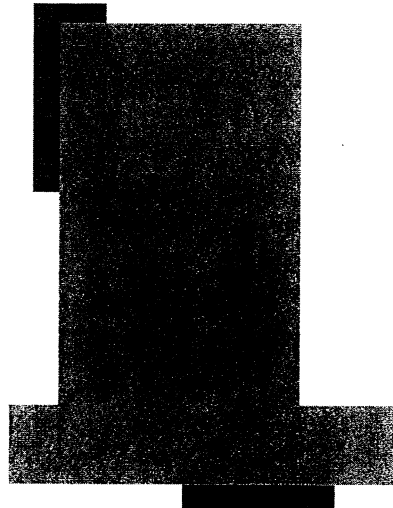
A: All temporary visa holders, including individuals participating in the Special Registration program, must give written notice of an address change within 10 days of any change in residence. Failure to file form AR-11 is a

violation of temporary visa status. Those subject to Special Registration must use Form AR-11 to report to change of address is a

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Q: Can I call my Embassy or Consulate if I am arrested in the U.S.?

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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROTECTION

Another popular topic on a university campus is that of intellectual property protection: copyright, trademark, and patent.

This is another area in which SLS cannot competently give advice or counsel, and is actually prohibited from providing representation. Patent and related law is one of only two specialties recognized in the law. (The other is Admiralty Law, in which there seems to be no local interest whatsoever.) Lawyers who represent clients in this area must have a special license to do so. Like immigration, it is a highly specialized, technical field, and should always be left to the experts. Locating such a lawyer can be commenced:

There are numerous websites that can help you locate legal assistance when SLS cannot help. They include the following: The ABA has a site listing state lawyer referral services <http://www.abanet.org/legal/services/lris/directory.html#>

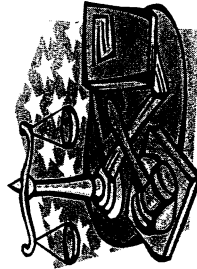
AllLaw also has a list of state and national bar associations http://www.allaw.com/legal_organizations/

And so does FindLaw <http://www.findlaw.com/6associations/state.html>

FindLaw also has a site to find lawyers <http://www.martindale.com/xp/Martindale/home.xml>

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WHEN STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE CAN'T HELP





Student Legal Service Plan

When the Student Legal Service (SLS) program was established in 1978, its function was largely limited to providing advice, counsel, and referral to students. Legal representation was provided by the office in housing matters, but only on a very limited bases for any other issue.

Over the years, the scope of the office has expanded tremendously. Today SLS provides a broad range of legal services, including increased representation of students in litigation.

Nonetheless, their remain situations in which SLS cannot effectively be of assistance. This pamphlet is designed to provide some advice to students in matters which frequently occur in their lives and in which SLS can be of little direct assistance.

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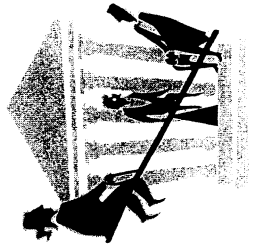
Divorce is an area that SLS cannot represent students who are seeking divorce. Champaign County has implemented a *do-it-yourself* process which fulfills the needs of most U of I students in such matters. Pre-printed fill-in-the-blank forms are available at no charge at the Office of Circuit Clerk, located in the Champaign County Courthouse, 101 East Main, Urbana. These forms simply need to be completed by both parties, filed with the clerk, and a hearing date will be assigned. The only requirements are :

- 1.) that the parties have been separated for at least six months; 2.) that there are no children of the marriage; 3.) that the parties own no real estate; and 4.) that the total household income does not exceed \$35,000. SLS is available to assist students in completing the forms, unless both parties are U of I students, in which case there is a conflict of interest exclusion.

LITIGATION OUTSIDE CHAMPAIGN COUNTY

Another very common situation arises when students become involved in litigation outside of Champaign County, Illinois. Frequently, students receive traffic citations from other jurisdictions both within & out of the state, and SLS can only offer representation in Champaign County. The same holds true for students charged with misdemeanors, and those being sued in small claims courts of other jurisdictions.

On occasion, legal representation may not be a necessity. A call by SLS to the court issuing a traffic citation may result in the discovery of options other than simply paying the ticket, such as traffic school or court supervision. More difficult are cases of criminal charges or civil lawsuits, wherein legal representation may be critical.



INTERNATIONAL ISSUES

U of I is a very international campus, and questions involving immigration and visa matters are very common. Unfortunately, this is an area in which SLS cannot competently advise in any capacity. Immigration law is a highly specialized technical field, and one with dire consequences when it goes wrong. Additionally, the nearest immigration office is in Chicago, not Champaign, Illinois.

Frequently, students will obtain various immigration & visa forms, and request help from SLS in filling them out. Even for such a seemingly simple task, the office cannot safely assist. The language in the documents is subject to interpretation, and an erroneous reading of instructions, questions, and such can result in wrong answers and poor information, which can substantially harm a student's case. It is therefore far better to engage the services of a lawyer who concentrates in this area of practice. While it will cost money to do this, it is money well spent to obtain the results one is seeking & to avoid potentially draconian results.

TAXES

SLS does not advise on tax matters or prepare tax returns. Students are advised to consult tax preparation services, or accountants for such assistance

actually turn into a search of your entire premises through this mechanism.

STOP AND FRISK: You may be searched solely for weapons even if there is not probable cause to arrest you, if the police have reasonable suspicion that you may have been involved in a crime. The officer may pat you down for weapons. He may remove anything from your pockets that he could reasonably believe was a weapon. He may also search areas of your automobile where weapons might reasonably be hidden.

EMERGENCIES: If the police are in pursuit of a known felon, they may follow him into any residence he enters in order to apprehend him. They may also enter to capture an individual fleeing from lawful police custody. If the police can show that an occupant of a residence is in imminent threat of death or serious injury, they may enter in order to prevent such injury.

AUTOMOBILES: You do not have the same expectation of privacy in a car that you have in your residence. If you are stopped by the police in a car, the police may search virtually any portion of the vehicle without a warrant if they have probable cause to believe that incriminating evidence may be contained therein. Any evidence obtained during that legal search may then be seized. The police may even be able to open containers in the car, in the trunk, and in the glove compartment as part of a vehicle search.

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BORDER SEARCHES: You may be stopped, questioned, and searched when crossing an international border. The police do not need to give a reason for the search.

What's the most important thing to remember about the Fourth Amendment?

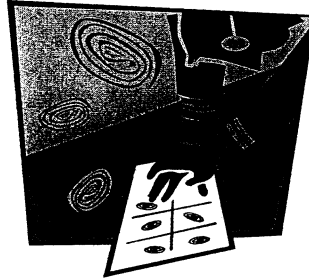
There are so many exceptions to the Fourth amendment that it is very important that you seek legal counsel if you feel your rights have been violated. Each case must be examined individually. The facts and circumstances of each must be examined to determine if a violation of your rights has in fact occurred.



What you should Know
About

SEARCH AND SEIZURE


Fourth Amendment: The right of the people to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by oath or affirmation and, particularly describing the place to be searched, and the person or things to be seized.



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What You Should Know About Search And Seizure.

This brochure is intended to be a very brief synopsis of your Fourth Amendment rights against unwarranted search and seizure by the police. Entire volumes have been written on the subject and this brochure will only serve to scratch the surface of the issue.

What does the Fourth Amendment to the Constitution say?

The Fourth Amendment says the American people have the "right to be secure in their persons, houses, papers, and effects, against unreasonable searches and seizures."

What is a "Search and Seizure" under the Fourth Amendment?

"Search and Seizure" is the practice whereby the police search a person or a place for evidence useful in the investigation and prosecution of a crime. If such evidence is uncovered in a lawful search it will be seized by the police for use in prosecution of that crime. Seizure also applies to a person if that person has been stopped by the police and is not free to walk away from police interrogation.

Can the police search my home without a search warrant?

In general, the police need a search warrant issued by a judge in order to search your home for evidence of crime. However, there are several exceptions which allow the police to search your home for evidence of a crime.

Can the police arrest me without a warrant?

Yes. Many arrests are made without warrants, where the arrest is made in public and the police have reasonable suspicion that a serious crime has been committed by the person being arrested.

An important fact to keep in mind is that in Illinois, you have no legal right to resist even an unlawful arrest, so it is better to cooperate with the police if they arrest you and try to work it out later with your attorney and with the judge, in order to avoid a charge of resisting arrest. Cooperation does not mean you need to talk to the police. Do not resist the arrest but always remember that you have the right to remain silent and do not have to speak to them at all. Always ask for an attorney.

The police may not enter your residence to make an arrest without a warrant unless it meets one of the exceptions listed below.

Do the Police need to read me my rights?

The rights you always hear on TV (*You have the right to remain silent, ...*) are rights related to the Fifth and Sixth Amendments to the Constitution. The police are required to read you your rights *ONLY IF* you are being subjected to interrogation after arrest.

The police do not have to read you your rights before asking questions in relation to the investigation of a crime. If you have not been arrested and/or your freedom to walk away from the officer has not been taken away, you are not entitled to a reading of your rights. If you make voluntary statements to the police before they ask you any questions, they are not obligated to stop you and tell you your right to remain silent. If you confess a crime to a police officer without being asked any questions by him, or at any point during a preliminary investigation, the police may use that confession against you.

If you choose to exercise your right to remain silent and then voluntarily begin talking to the police, you will be considered to have waived your right to remain silent. Anytime you waive your right to remain silent it is up to you to reassert it by again stating that you wish to remain

silent and that you will not speak until an attorney is present.

Do the police need to inform me of my right to refuse a search of my residence without a warrant?

No. The police are not required to inform you of your Fourth Amendment rights. It is up to you to remember and insist upon them.

What are some situations where the police may search your home or body without a warrant?

There are numerous exceptions to the Fourth Amendment prohibition against searches and arrests without warrants. The following are the most common:

CONSENT: If you give the police permission to enter and search, they may do so without a warrant. Also, if the police request that you give them something from your pocket and you comply, then you have consented to that search and cannot say that your rights have been violated. If the police present no warrant to enter or search, you are not obligated to give them consent to enter or to search your residence. You are also under no legal obligation to provide the police with any information.

PLAIN VIEW: If evidence is in a place where the officer can see it and the officer is in a place where he is legally allowed to be, the evidence may be seized without a warrant. The officer is not required to look away and pretend he didn't see anything.

SEARCH INCIDENT TO ARREST: When you are arrested, the police may search your body for weapons and evidence. They may remove anything found on your body that they may reasonably suspect is a weapon and any evidence of illegal activity that they may find on you. They may also search the area surrounding you in order to determine if weapons may be present in your immediate area. In certain cases, the police may be able to search areas outside of your immediate control if they have reasonable suspicion that there may be other persons in the vicinity who pose a threat to their safety. A search incident to arrest may

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICES RETAINER

I, _____, hereby retain STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE (SLS) and its attorneys to represent me in connection with the following matter: _____

I understand this does not mean that SLS will represent me in any further legal matter, including appeals.

I understand that I will not be required to pay an attorney fee to SLS for representing me. However, I understand that I am responsible for paying filing and service fees and other routine costs associated with my case, unless the court or agency waives these costs. **I understand that I must pay all costs in advance. In Traffic and Misdemeanor cases I am responsible for all fines and court costs**

I also understand that, if I lose the lawsuit, the judge may order me to pay the other side's court costs and attorney's fees, and that I will personally be responsible for the payment of these monies.

SLS may receive a fee where it is allowed and where the fee does not reduce the amount of money I actually receive for damages. If SLS applies to a court or agency to receive a fee for representing me, SLS may disclose to the court or agency the provisions of this retainer agreement and the amounts, if any, that SLS has received from me to cover filing and service fees and other routine costs.

I acknowledge that SLS and its attorneys have not made any guarantees as to the outcome of my case and that all statements as to the outcome are only the opinions of the attorneys.

I further acknowledge that SLS and its attorneys have the right to withdraw from my case under certain circumstances including, but not limited to, the following:

1. If I misrepresent or fail to discuss material facts with my attorneys.
2. If I make it unreasonably difficult for my attorney(s) to represent me.
3. It is my responsibility to keep SLS updated of my current address, telephone number and e-mail at all times. Failure to maintain an address with your attorney can severely prejudice the ability of the office to provide services to you.

I understand that my case has not been accepted by SLS until duly signed below by SLS and me.

Special Provisions of Representation:

Client

Date

SLS Attorney

Date

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CLIENT CONFIRMATION

Date: _____ Your Attorney _____

Dear: _____ :

I appreciated the opportunity to meet with you and discuss your concerns regarding

In response to this we talked about proceeding in the following manner _____

However, before we proceed, you need to provide me with the following information. Please note that without this information, we cannot successfully work on your case. _____

Your case is important to us. Please be assured that we are prepared to approach it with diligence, but we may need to ask for your patience. If you have any further questions regarding your case, please give us a call at 333-9053 and we will make you an appointment to speak once again. **This form is for your records. Please keep it for reference.**

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**IX. SPECIAL LETTERS OF
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August, 2002 Vice chancellor for Student Affairs

October, 2002 Office of Student Financial Aid

November, 2002 Client

Client

I appreciate the high quality work performed by the attorneys and staff of the Student Legal Services as reflected in the thoughtfully prepared annual report. The functions of the Student Legal Services are highly valued by university students and, as the statistics indicate, used extensively. I commend the commitment to a progressive approach that includes a strong emphasis on preventive legal education through ads, pamphlets, web communications, individual consultations, and group presentations.

The topics covered by the brochures and advertisements are very salient for our student community and continue to reflect emerging concerns such as identity theft.

I look forward to seeing the results of Lynn Gibson's work in using the Internet to optimal advantage in providing information and services.

Please convey my appreciation to your colleagues, Susan Hesse and Jeremy Grose, for their contributions to the accomplishments of the past year.

Keep up the excellent work.

Pat

*Patricia E. Asken
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs*

cc: Bill Riley

August 16, 2002



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Subject: FW: Presentation to OSFA

Date: Mon, 28 Oct 2002 15:05:33 -0600

From: "Sharol Lynn Hanson" <s-hanson@ad.uiuc.edu>

To: vle122000@yahoo.com

> Mr. Betz: Thank you so much for agreeing to a presentation to the Office of Student Financial Aid staff. Because Student Legal Services helps so many students, we feel we need to know what services are offered. We come in contact with many students and it is possible that at some time or another we might need to refer a student to you. Again, thank you for your time. Your presentation:

- >
- > December 4
- > 8:30 a.m. (up to 40 minutes)
- > Student Services Arcade Conference Room 143
- >
- > If something should come up and you need to reschedule, please do not hesitate to contact me.
- >
- > Thank you!
- > Sharol L. Hanson
- > Office of Student Financial Aid
- > University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- > Student Services Arcade
- > 620 E John ST, MC-303
- > Champaign, IL 61820
- > 217.244.2024
- > fax: 217.244.6589
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From : Mark Bateman <mbateman@students.uiuc.edu>
To : "Jeremy Grose" <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject : RE: Your Case
Date : Wed, 6 Nov 2002 13:04:20 -0600

Mr. Grose,

Thank you very much for your help with my case. I will come in to pick up my ticket immediately and pay it by the 8th. You have saved me \$175 and I am grateful.

Sincerely,

~~Mark Bateman~~

From : ~~jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com~~
To : Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject : Re: Your Case
Date : Tue, 12 Nov 2002 17:34:10 -0600

Jeremy,
Thank you very much for the information. I will probably end up going to court because Oregon is near my home and I will be home at that time for Thanksgiving break. I really appreciate your help.

Thanks,
~~jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com~~

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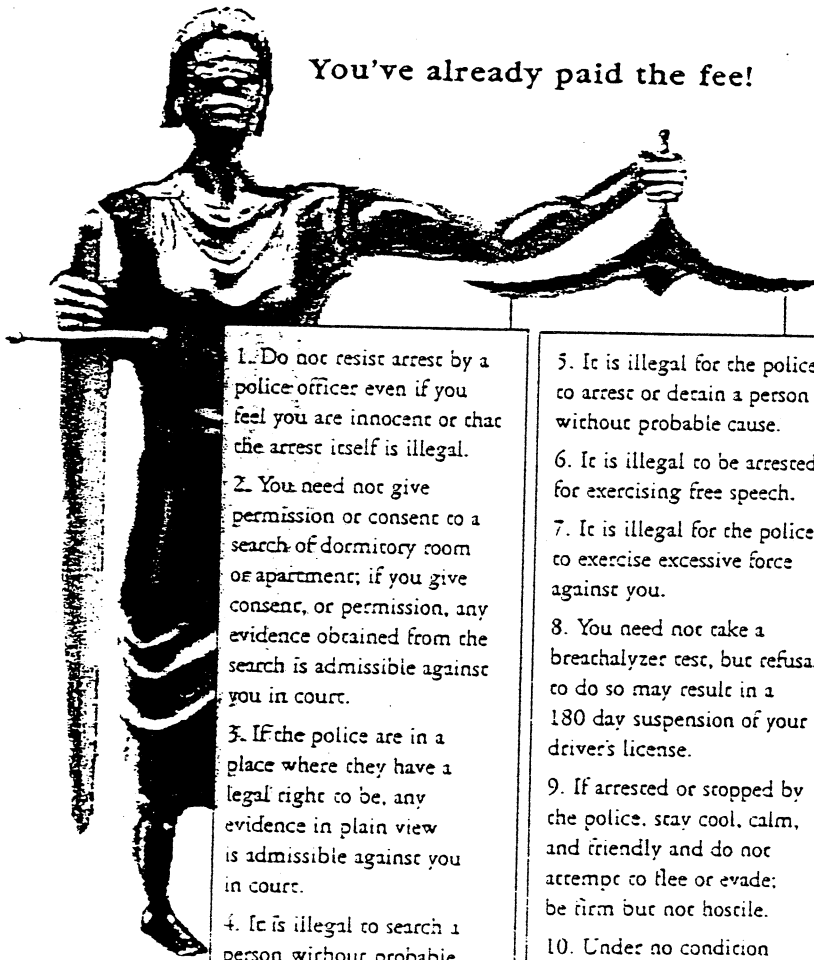
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STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

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8. You need not take a breathalyzer test, but refusal to do so may result in a 180 day suspension of your driver's license.

9. If arrested or stopped by the police, stay cool, calm, and friendly and do not attempt to flee or evade; be firm but not hostile.

10. Under no condition should you submit to a polygraph test.

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an insured deceased worker; divorced widow(er) or parent may also be eligible. Supplementary Security Income (SSI) program insures monthly financial minimum support and assistance for those who are age 65 and over, blind, or disabled at any age. Part of earned and unearned income is excluded in determining eligibility, and there are asset limitations. The Medicare Helpline answers questions needed to make healthcare decisions including information about services covered, health plan choices, rights and appeals procedures, names of nursing homes, bills, fraud, Medigap policies, etc. The Medicare Helpline has a TTY number: 877-486-2048.

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**Special Olympics
355-1750**

44 East Main St., Suite 206
Champaign, IL 61820

Program provides year-round sports training and competition for individuals 8 years of age and older with mental retardation or closely related developmental disabilities. Special Olympics provides training and competition in Olympic-type sports.

310

**Spectrum Early
Childhood Program
893-0306**

Rural Champaign County
Special Educ
201 S. Sheldon
Rantoul, IL 61866

Public school services provided free to eligible preschool children from all rural Champaign County school districts except Mahomet. Services are provided at three locations: Pleasant Acres School, Rantoul; Heritage Senior High, Broadlands; and Unity East, Philo. Services include developmental screening (fine motor, gross motor, concepts, speech and language, vision and hearing) and diagnostic evaluation by psychologist, speech therapist, occupational therapist, physical therapist and social worker. Other services may include classroom experiences for children who qualify, speech therapy, monitoring of child's development,

parent education classes and individualized parent consultation.

311

**Speech-Language and
Audiology Clinic,
University of Illinois**

333-2230

TTY: 244-9073

901 S. Sixth St.
Champaign, IL 61820

Provides speech, language and hearing diagnostic and therapy services for children and adults with language, articulation, stuttering, voice or hearing problems. Hearing services include fitting and dispensing hearing aids. Services are provided by student clinicians under direction of certified clinical supervisors. Evening hours are available by appointment.

312

**St. Joseph Senior
Citizens**

469-7689

United Methodist Church
205 N. 3rd
St. Joseph, IL 61873

Social and educational group meets at the St. Joseph Methodist Church Community Room on the third Thursday of each month from noon to 3pm for potluck, program and speakers. Members have formed a band and new participants are invited to join.

313

**St. Joseph Township
Swearingen Memorial
Library**

469-2159

201 N. Third St., Box 259
St. Joseph, IL 61873

Services include reading programs for preschoolers and elementary school children. The library also provides talking books for the sight, physically and mentally impaired; access to Braille books, large print books, faxing, photocopier and IBM compatible computer for word processing. Homebound services are provided for shut-ins. Email: sjlibrary@prairienet.org

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Stevick Senior Center

359-6500

48 E. Main St.
Champaign, IL 61820

Provides recreational, educational and informational programs, activities and services for senior adults to enhance, promote and encourage their participation and leadership so they may lead happy, useful lives beneficial to themselves and their community. Also sponsors Food-for-Seniors program.

315

Storefront School

352-1749

408 Kenwood Rd.
Champaign, IL 61821

Provides alternative education for students ages 16 to 21 who are no longer enrolled in a public high school program. High school may be completed through high school credit. Students are enrolled through the counseling office of the Urbana Adult Education program (384-3530), follow the public high school curriculum, work at their own pace and may graduate from their home high school.

316

Student Legal Service

333-9053

Illini Union, Room 324
1401 W. Green St.
Urbana, IL 61801
www.uiuc.edu/unit/SLS

For U of I students who have paid \$11 SORF fee, are enrolled in the current semester with a minimum of six hours and have not taken a refund on the fee. The program provides advice for tenant/landlord cases, consumer law, traffic cases and misdemeanors, but not felonies. Speakers on selected legal topics for community groups are available.

317

**Summer Sports
Fitness, University of
Illinois Kinesiology**

Dept.

333-7113

129 Freer Hall
906 S. Goodwin Ave.
Urbana, IL 61801

Department of Kinesiology program provides development of physical and motor fitness through aquatics, individual team sports and lifetime physical activities. Offered Monday through Thursday in the summer for children ages 7 to

318

Sunnycrest Manor

328-6170

1805 S. Cottage Grove Ave.
Urbana, IL 61801
www.aimco.com

Sunnycrest is subsidized housing providing independent living for the elderly and those with mobility impairments.

319

**Swann Special Care
Center**

356-5164

109 Kenwood Rd.
Champaign, IL 61821

Provides residential care for severely and profoundly developmentally disabled individuals. This program also operates a private school for school-age residents and a developmental day training program for adults.

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**Tax Counseling for
the Elderly**

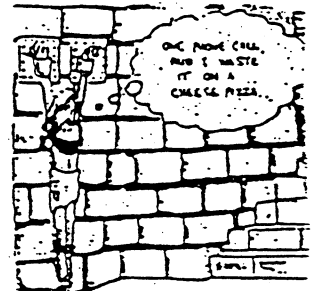
328-3313

Senior Services of Champaign
County
1776 E. Washington
Urbana, IL 61802

Free tax preparation assistance for seniors age 60 and older is offered at three locations in Champaign-Urbana from February 1 through April 15. The service is available at the Champaign Public Library, 501 S. Randolph St., Champaign; the Urbana Free Library, 201 Race St., Urbana, and the

WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The Student Legal Service Program at the University of Illinois welcomes you to campus. Each year our office serves nearly 3,000 students regarding various legal problems. The office is staffed by three full-time attorneys. The purpose of the program is to inform students of the practical aspects of the law as applied to their individual problems. Representation in court is available in many cases.

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE?**

All students who are enrolled at the University of Illinois who have not received a refund of the \$11.00 Student Organization Resource Fee (SORF) are eligible to use the service. The Student Legal Service cannot even give you general advice if you have refunded your SORF fee.

WHAT KIND OF SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE?

The office provides counseling and representation in landlord-tenant, traffic, misdemeanors, name changes, small claims, city ordinance violations, and in many other areas too numerous to list. All questions and concerns are kept completely confidential.

HOW TO USE THE SERVICE

To get help, you must come to the office in person and show your student identification and necessary research done prior to your appointment. Legal advice will not be given over the telephone. This policy is for the protection of your privacy.

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If you only have minor text changes, write them directly on the attached artwork and mail it back to us. Please keep a copy for your files. Thanks!

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ARTWORK SPECIFICATIONS
2003-2004 UI ORIENTATION POSTER

- Please send your computer-generated artwork on a CD-ROM.
- Make sure you send a COPY of the original file - do not send a scanned copy.
- A laserprinted proof of your finished work must be included as an accurate reproduction. Any special instructions must be clearly marked and noted on the proof, including the file name and location that your printed proof is exactly the same as the original.
- The artwork must be prepared to the proper dimensions (3" wide by 6" high). No type should extend to the edges.
- Create your "2-color" artwork using UI school colors on a white background with text in blue (PANTONE 281 CVC). Some knockouts/reversals and screens are okay, but they must be white. Do not rename any Pantone colors called out by the software application. Please indicate the color used.
- Provide native graphic files and indicate on the proof (preferably Macintosh-based). Please use one of the following: Pagemaker, Quark X-Press, or Freehand. Please do not use Corel Draw, or any other word processing application.
- DO NOT create any border around the artwork. (All four sides by our pre-press house.) Any keylines thicker than 0.5pt.
- Please use screens in increments of 10% (i.e., 10%, 20%, 30%, 40%, 50%, etc.).
- All font files used (screen, printer and true-type fonts) must be copied onto your disk. If the font files are not included, we will use one of our catalogued fonts. If you plan to use font styles, such as bold or italics, then please use an existing stylized font. For example, DO NOT simply italicize "MyriaMM", instead use "MyriaMM Italics".
- Save all scanned images (at 300dpi, 100% of actual size) and any logos or photos separately on the disk in EPS or TIFF format (not GIF). Save any created graphics or drawings separately on the disk in their respective applications (i.e., an image created in Illustrator should be saved as an Illustrator file). Images that are not saved separately as their own files on the disk remain imbedded in the main file and come across as missing images, which in turn prohibit the output of film.
- Please send the digital files (with all components on one disk) and the printed proof to the address below by FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2003.
(At your noted request, we will gladly return the disk to you.)

If you have any questions, please feel free to call Stephanie at 818-789-5125. Thank you!

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APPENDIX I

**STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE THREE-YEAR
BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR S.O.R.F.
BOARD CONSIDERATION**

**STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE
THREE-YEAR BUDGET PROPOSAL**

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE
 Budget Projections
 FY 01 Thru FY 03
 Acct # 1-6-45524

DESCRIPTION	ACTUAL EXPENSES FY00	ACTUAL EXPENSES FY01	ACTUAL EXPENSES FY 02	APPROVED BUDGET FY 03
=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Carryover FY	49230	37926	98431	138718
Allocation FY	178341	219368	219368	219368
Contingency		20000	20000	20000
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Cash Avail FY	227571	277294	337798	378086
Atty Salaries	114575	109461	131451	135400
Atty Benefits	10000	9000	11000	12000
Sec Sal/Benefits	32134	34321	16516	33812
Temp Sec		0	9729	0
Ofc Supplies	1849	1110	2331	2000
Ofc Upkeep	1981	0	36	0
Copying	1081	2050	3781	4000
Phone Service	1506	1554	1536	1610
Long Dist Calls	319	315	304	350
Repairs	0	0	0	95
Equipment	754	33	0	5000
Cont Legal Educ	5195	4108	3523	3800
Library	0	0	0	4000
PR/Advertising	2441	6825	7593	11250
Publications	17100	9635	9097	8730
Misc	710	451	2184	4600
	=====	=====	=====	=====
TOTAL FY	189645	178863	199080	226647
Program - Cash Bal FY	27926	68431	88718	81439
**Contingency - Bal FY	10000	30000	50000	70000
	=====	=====	=====	=====

658103 = 3 years @ 219368

**Reserve - not expended unless SLS program dissolved

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

Budget Projections

FY 04 Thru FY 06

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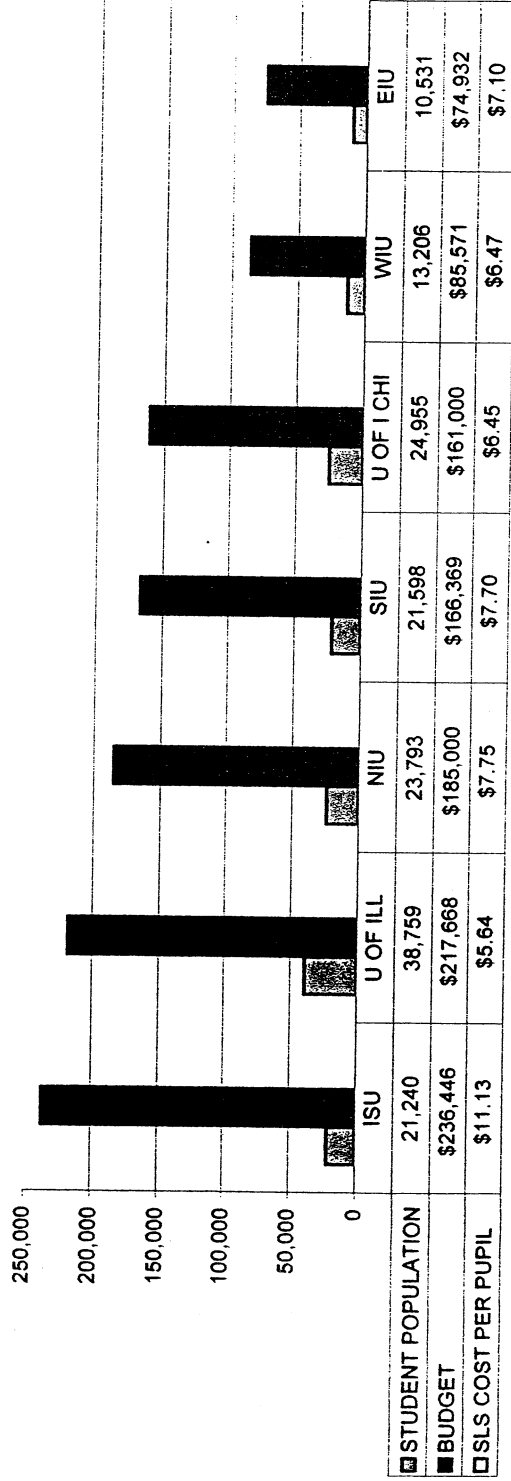
DESCRIPTION	APPROVED BUDGET FY03	PROPOSED BUDGET FY04	PROPOSED BUDGET FY 05	PROPOSED BUDGET FY 06
Carryover FY	81439	74160	65146	50475
Allocation FY	219368	217285	217285	217285
Cash Avail FY	300807	291445	282431	267760
Atty Salaries	135400	140400	143910	147510
Atty Benefits	12000	12000	12000	12000
Sec Sal/Benefits	33812	24610	25530	26474
Temp Sec		0	0	0
Ofc Supplies	2000	2050	2100	2160
Ofc Upkeep	0	50	50	50
Copying	4000	4100	4200	4300
Phone Service	1610	1650	1690	1730
Long Dist Calls	350	360	370	380
Repairs	95	98	100	100
Equipment	5000	2500	2560	2620
Cont Legal Educ	3800	3900	4000	4100
Library	4000	4100	4200	4300
PR/Advertising	11250	11530	11820	12126
Publications	8730	8950	9175	9410
Misc	4600	10000	10250	10500
TOTAL FY	226647	226298	231955	237760
Program - Cash Bal FY	74160	65146	50475	30000

651854 = 3 years @ 217285

***STATISTICS FOR S.O.R.F.
BOARD CONSIDERATION***

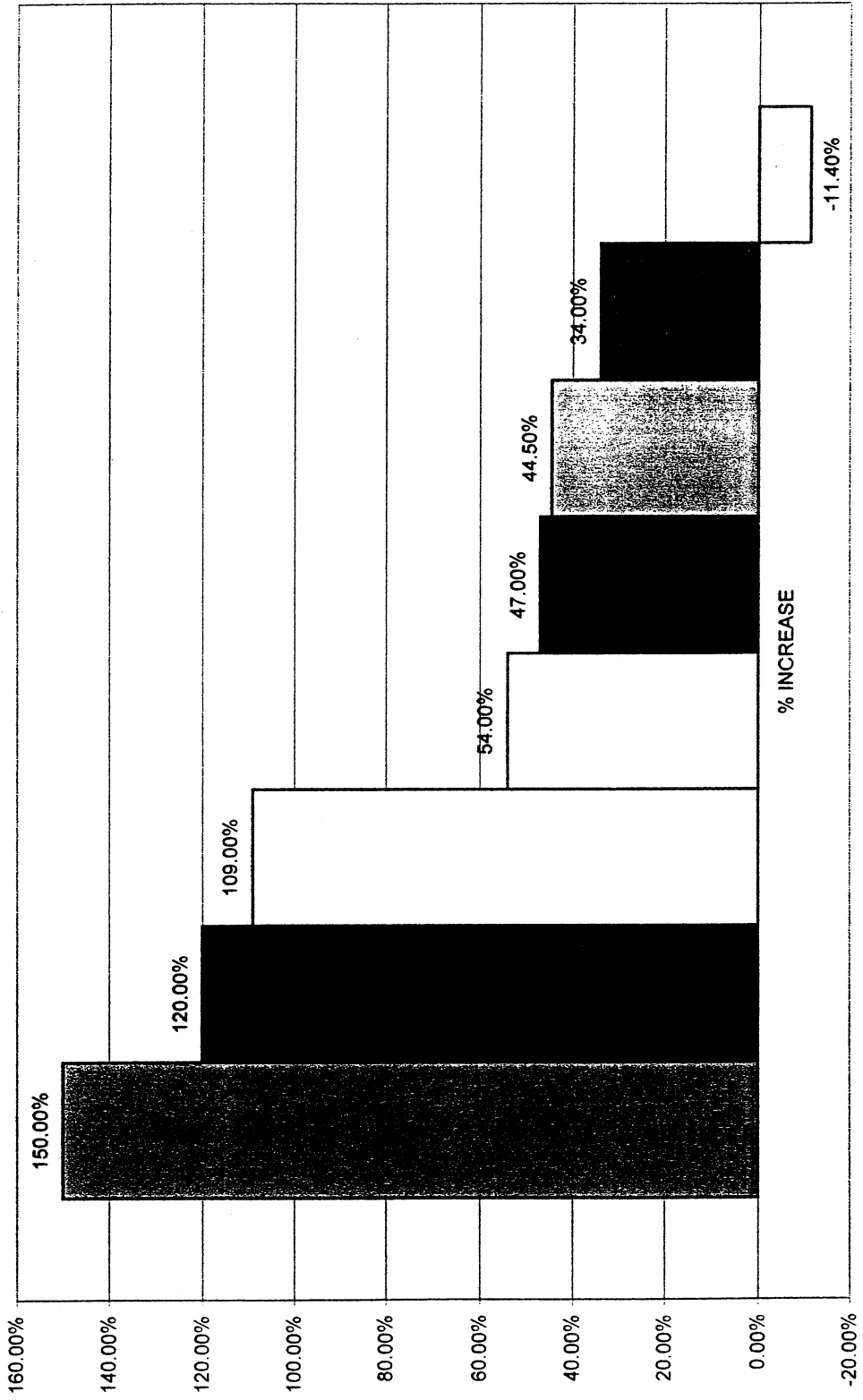
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budget figure based on 2002 budget



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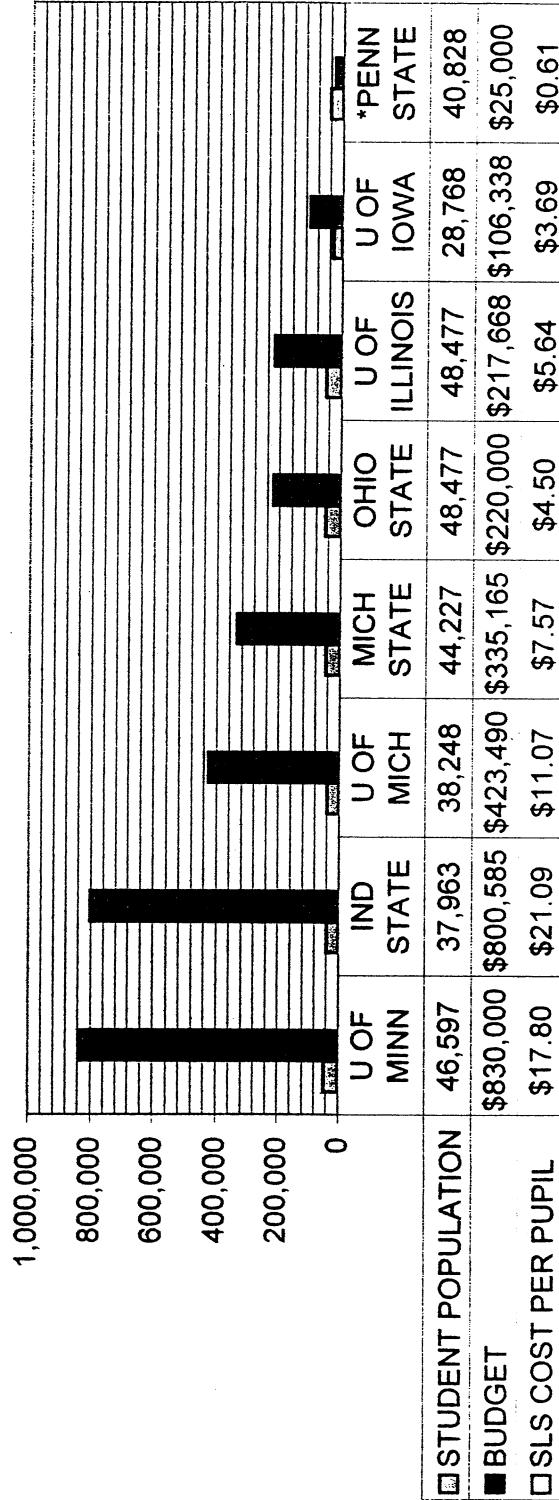
BIG TEN UNIVERSITIES BUDGET HISTORY
 increases from 1995-2002



■ PENN STATE	\$10,000	\$25,000	■ OHIO STATE	\$100,000	\$220,000	□ MICHIGAN	\$160,000	\$335,165
□ U OF MINN	\$538,000	\$830,000	■ INDIANA	\$544,000	\$800,696	□ U OF MICHIGAN	\$293,000	\$423,490
■ U OF ILLINOIS	\$162,000	\$217,668	□ U OF IOWA	\$120,000	\$106,330			

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□ STUDENT POPULATION
 ■ BUDGET
 □ SLS COST PER PUPIL

*Penn state does not provide legal service or have a full-time attorney.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION FOR UNIVERSITIES GREATER THAN 20,000 POPULATION

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>POPULATION</u>	<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>COST PER STUDENT</u>
U OF MASS	24,676	\$360,000	\$14.50
U OF NC (CHAPLE HILL)	25,494	\$312,309	\$12.20
COLORADO STATE	23,934	\$204,134	\$8.50
IOWA STATE	27,823	\$188,571.22	\$6.70
U OF FLORIDA	45,114	\$367,542	\$8.10
U OF COLORADO	29,609	\$259,078	\$8.70
U OF OREGON	18,956	\$175,682	\$9.20
NC STATE	29,286	\$210,000	\$7.10
U OF NEB	22,764	\$144,004	\$6.30
* U of Ill	48,477	\$217,668	\$5.64
U OF VIRGINA	22,739	\$113,000	\$4.90
WEST VA U	22,774	\$97,889	\$4.20
U OF WASHINGTON	37,412	\$85,972	\$2.20 (NO FULL TIME ATTY)
U OF N. TEXAS DALLAS	27,858	\$134,000	\$4.80