

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE
AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

DATE: JULY 1, 2005

-- ANNUAL REPORT --

*"UIUC Student Legal Service Program
celebrates 27 years of providing legal service to
University of Illinois students."*

**2005 RECIPIENT
"OUTSTANDING STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE OFFICE"
SOUTHWEST REGION UNIVERSITY STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE ASSOCIATION**

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I. ATTORNEYS' REPORT

The Student Legal Services Plan of 1978, Article IV, Paragraph I, created the tradition of the annual report,

“The Student Legal Services Advisory Board Shall: Advise the University Counsel and Chancellor when requested, and at least annually, of the status and progress of the Student Legal Services Program.”

The staff attorneys are pleased to submit the 2004-2005 Annual Report to the Student Legal Services Advisory Board, the Board of Trustees and the University community for the twenty-seventh year. The program is financially sound and continues to fulfill its missions of in-court legal representation, in-office consultation, and preventive legal education.

The program completed the second year of the three-year budget resolution adopted in 2003 by the Student Organization Resource Fee Board (hereafter S.O.R.F.). Pursuant to the resolution, the Student Legal Services Advisory Board gives an annual program status report to the S.O.R.F. Board. In the spring of 2005, the Chair of the Student Legal Services Advisory Board presented the report with positive comments from the S.O.R.F. Board. The office was proud to be named “Outstanding Student Legal Service Office” in 2005 by the Southwest Region Student Legal Service Association.

Two propositions were submitted for vote by the student body, which directly impacted the Student Legal Service Program. Each proposition was voted on from March 8, 2005, to March 9, 2005. The first proposition asked students the following:

“Do you support the continuation of the refundable \$10 Student Organization Resource Fee (SORF) which funds Student Legal Service, the Tenant Union and Registered Student Organizations?”

6750 students voted "yes" 990 voted "no". There is clearly overwhelming support for Student Legal Service and S.O.R.F.

The second proposition asked students whether the S.O.R.F. fee should be increased.

The proposition stated:

"If the Student Organization Resource Fee (SORF) is continued, do you support an increase of \$4 to SORF, a refundable fee, to help restore support for student activities on and off campus?"

4740 students voted "yes" and 2961 voted "no". This vote is similarly a strong indication of student support for S.O.R.F. and Student Legal Service

For the 2004-2005 reporting period, a total of 1245 S.O.R.F. refunds were made. In the last reporting period, there were 1254 students who obtained refunds.

In last year's annual report, staff noted that the Student Legal Service Advisory Board had authorized an appeal to the Illinois Supreme Court in the case of City of Champaign v. Torres. The Supreme Court accepted the appeal. Jeremy Grose delivered oral argument on November 18, 2004. On February 17, 2005, the Supreme Court rendered its decision affirming the Appellate Court, holding that police presence on official police business justified police entry into a student premise to stop the door from being closed. The dissent at the appellate court and at the Supreme Court noted that the holding is contrary to the actual facts in the record and against the great weight of analogous legal authority. The decision does provide guidance to staff attorneys and local police authorities regarding campus area parties and is therefore of substantial practical use.

The office ran preventive education ads regarding the NCAA Basketball Tournament (see p. 35). Students, in celebrating both victory and the final loss, behaved in an exemplary fashion. The coordinated campus and community efforts were successful.

The Staff

Beckee Bachman began working as a temporary secretary in August of 2003 and became a University employee on March 15, 2004. Ms. Bachman is an invaluable asset to the office and Student Legal Service Advisory Board. She goes above and beyond her duties by doing layouts and design for office brochures and has updated the website and made it more user-friendly.

Thomas E. Betz is the directing attorney for the office, currently nearing his twentieth year with the program. Betz is a 1981 graduate of Wayne State University Law School, a member of the Illinois Bar and formerly a member of the Michigan Bar. He is a member of the Champaign-Urbana Tenant Union Community Advisory Board, serving as its Secretary. Mr. Betz is also an elected member of the Champaign County Board, since 1995, and serves as Chairman of the Policy, Appointments, and Procedures Committee; Senior Majority member of the Budget and Finance Committee; and Chairman of the Labor Committee. Betz is also the Chair of the "Elizabeth Berg Streeter Community Service Award" committee of the National Legal Aid and Defenders Association -- Student Legal Services Section .

Susan Y. Hesse, a 1982 graduate of the University of Illinois College of Law, is in her seventeenth 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, Planned Parenthood, and the American Civil Liberties Union.

Jeremy D. Grose is in his fifth year as staff attorney. Grose is a 2000 graduate of University of Illinois School of Law. He began his staff attorney duties with the program on January 29, 2001. He recently argued the case of City of Champaign v. Torres before the Illinois Supreme Court.

In July of 2004, the staff attorneys attended the Annual Education Conference of the National Legal Aid and Defenders' Association, Student Legal Services Division in Chicago, Illinois. Our office, along with the University of Illinois at Chicago Student Legal Services, acted as informal hosts of the conference. Thomas Betz and Raymond Shifflet of the University of Texas at Austin Student Legal Service delivered a paper/discussion on "Student Legal Service Communications". The continuing legal education seminars, designed for student legal service offices, are invaluable to the staff attorneys.

In January of 2005, Thomas Betz and Jeremy Grose attended the Southwest Regional conference of Student Legal Service Association at New Orleans, and for the sixth time, Mr. Betz delivered a continuing legal education paper. The continuing legal education paper, entitled, "Stressful Clients and Client Situations", was well received.

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 at the need arises. The Students' Attorneys will make available to students the various information pamphlets

published by the Illinois State Bar Association, other bar associations, and other appropriate items (SLS Plan at 4).]

During this reporting period, the office published 21 information/preventive advertisements in The Daily Illini , with a total of 49 runs. The office was mentioned in 5 articles in *The News Gazette* and 10 in the *Daily Illini*.

The office participated in 16 speaking engagements. The office currently publishes 27 brochures and two booklets. Staff are currently preparing three new brochures, “Internet Fraud”, “Airline Travel: Scams and Passenger Rights”, and “How to Address Criminal Convictions During the Employment Process.” Staff are revising and updating several other brochures and regularly update the website. Last year we ordered 5,000 plastic bags with program information on them for use in distributing literature at various events. The bags were enormously popular at Quad Day, student orientations, and at legal education events. This year, we re-ordered and the Tenant Union received advertisement rights for one side of the bag in return for sharing half of the cost. We are pleased with the success of this promotion of the offices.

General Statistical Information

1685 students filled out intake forms and had appointments with an attorney; 270 obtained notary signatures. 573 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, 2108 students used the office as compared with 1955 in this reporting period. This represents a 7.25% decrease, which is within the normal range of the past ten years. The

ten year average of intakes is 2053.4, and thus this year's decrease was 4.79% lower than the average.

300 students sought help on housing related matters. 451 were interviewed on traffic related matters. 208 received assistance on City Offense matters, which are often alcohol related offenses.

Conclusion

The Student Legal Service Program at the University of Illinois has a national reputation for excellence in the delivery of services and in its focus on preventive legal education. The program can be proud of being named Outstanding Student Legal Service Office in 2005. For several years, the program web site has been regarded by other Student Legal Service offices as one of the most informative and thorough in the field. The mission of the program envisioned in 1978 is being fulfilled in every aspect.

This is the final year of the three-year budget allocation; therefore, it will be necessary for the incoming Advisory Board to develop a new Financial Budget Proposal for the S.O.R.F. Board in the Spring of 2006.

The Student Legal Service Advisory Board, the Student Organization Resource Fee Board, and the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois have given consistent support to an excellent program, which enjoys widespread student support. We look forward to an exciting and challenging 2005-2006.

Respectfully submitted:

THOMAS E. BETZ

SUSAN Y. HESSEE

JEREMY D. GROSE

II. **STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS**

William L. Riley, Treasurer
UIUC Office of Dean of Students

Margaret “Peg” Rawles
UIUC University Legal Counsel

Cynthea Geerdes
UIUC College of Law

Elaine Massock, Attorney at Law
Heyl, Royster, Volker & Allen

Fall Semester:

Jennifer Jin, Chair
UIUC Student

Michael Schlau, Vice Chair
UIUC Student

Brandon Vaughn, Secretary
UIUC Student

Faruq Nelson, Board Member
UIUC Law Student

Spring Semester:

Michael Schlau, Chair
UIUC Student

Faruq Nelson, Vice Chair
UIUC Law Student

Brandon Vaughn, Secretary
UIUC Student

Minutes for Student Legal Services
Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, October 21, 2004

Present: Elaine Massock, William Riley, Lisa Huson, Cynthia Geerdes, Jennifer Jin, Brandon Vaughn

Attorneys Present: Thomas Betz, Susan Hesse, and Jeremy Grose.

Meeting called to order at 4:07 p.m.

Lisa Huson was introduced to the board as the new representative from the Office of Legal Counsel.

There was a consensus that no voting would take place regarding new officer positions until the November board meeting, when all new student members of the board would be present.

Brandon Vaughn was appointed temporary Secretary. Jennifer Jin served as temporary Chair.

A copy of the Student Legal Services plan was distributed as part of the packet given to all board members at the outset of the meeting, in accordance with the mandates provided in said plan.

A motion was made by Elaine Massock to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Brandon Vaughn seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Bill Reilly presented the Treasurer's Report. He pointed out that the budget for the current fiscal year was amended in accordance with the board's wishes in the following manner: the budget line item afforded to Long Distance Calls was increased from \$370.00 to \$700.00; the budget line item afforded to Continuing Legal Education was increased from \$4,000.00 to \$5,000.00.

Tom Betz presented the Attorney's Report. There was a motion to approve the May/June expenditures of \$5329.28 by Brandon Vaughn. Lisa Huson seconded the motion and the motion was approved. There was a motion to approve the July-September expenditures of \$13,023.03 by William Reilly. Lisa Huson seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

There was a consensus to delay receipt of the annual report until the November meeting.

There was a consensus to delay discussion on choosing a date for the annual SORF Board update until the November meeting.

November meeting was set for November 12th at 3 p.m., location to be determined at a later date.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Cynthia Geerdes. Motion seconded by Jennifer Jin. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem

Minutes for Student Legal Services
Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, November 12, 2004 at 3 p.m.

Present: Elaine Massock, William Riley, Lisa Huson, Cynthia Geerdes, Jennifer Jin, Brandon Vaughn, Mike Schlau, Faruq Nelson

Attorneys Present: Thomas Betz, Susan Hesse, and Jeremy Grose.

Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m.

Jennifer Jin announced she will be graduating in December and must therefore resign from the Advisory Board.

Nominations for officers were taken. Brandon Vaughn nominated himself for the position of Secretary.

Elaine Massock made a motion to appoint Mike Schlau for Chair and Jennifer Jin seconded the motion. The motion to make Mike Schlau the new Chair of the Advisory Board passed by unanimous vote.

William Riley made a motion to appoint Brandon Vaughn the Secretary, Jennifer Jin seconded the motion and Brandon Vaughn was appointed Secretary by unanimous vote.

William Riley presented the Treasurer's Report. Faruq Nelson made a motion to receive the Treasurer's Report and to place it on file. Jennifer Jin seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Tom Betz presented the Attorney's Report. It was noted that there is a high volume of unclosed cases but Mr. Betz attributed the bulk of them to a back-up in the traffic court system.

Brandon Vaughn made a motion to approve the expenditures of \$2963.51. Jennifer Jin seconded and the expenditures were approved.

William Riley noted that the Student Affairs office informed him that they would like several copies of our Identity Theft brochure to hand out in the residence halls.

Faruq Nelson made a motion to receive the annual report and place it on file. Jennifer Jin seconded the motion and the annual report was received and placed on file.

Discussion ensued regarding the scheduling of the SORF board meeting. A preference was stated for March 3rd, 2005 with the second choice being April 7th, 2005.

Discussion ensued regarding the status of Jeremy Grose's case before the Illinois Supreme Court. The case was scheduled for oral argument on November 17th, 2004 at 9:30 a.m.

There was a sense of the body that Mr. Grose should get a hotel room in Springfield, IL so that he would not have to drive from Champaign on the morning of the hearing and that the board would be willing to pay for that hotel room.

December meeting was set for December 10th at 3 p.m., location to be determined at a later date.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Brandon Vaughn. Motion seconded by Cynthia Geerdes. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem

Minutes for Student Legal Services
Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, December 10, 2004 at 3 p.m.

Present: William Riley, Lisa Huson, , Jennifer Jin, Brandon Vaughn, Mike Schlau,
Faruq Nelson

Attorneys Present: Susan Hesse, and Jeremy Grose.

The meeting was called to order at 3:11.m.

Brandon Vaughn moved to adopt the agenda. Faruq Nelson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Jennifer Jin moved to place the minutes on file. Mike Schlau seconded and the motion was passed unanimously.

William Riley presented the Treasurer's Report. Faruq Nelson made a motion to receive the Treasurer's Report and to place it on file. Jennifer Jin seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Jeremy Grose presented the Attorney's Report. Brandon Vaughn made a motion to approve the expenditures of \$2596.09. Lisa Huson seconded and the expenditures were approved unanimously.

Jennifer Jin stated her resignation as of 12/10/04. Faruq Nelson moved to accept her resignation. Mike Schlau seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Identity theft brochures will be made into a poster to be placed in housing. The units will then pay for additional copies of the brochures.

The Advisory Board went into Executive Session.

After the Executive Session there was discussion about creating evaluation forms for Student Legal Service.

No date was set for a meeting after winter break as schedules will change. Date for next meeting will be determined after ascertaining mutually available time after break.

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandon Vaughn, Secretary

Minutes for Student Legal Services Advisory Board Meeting
Friday, February 25, 2005

Present: Lisa Huson, William Riley, Brandon Edison Vaughn, Elaine Massock, Faruq Nelson, Michael A Schlau

Meeting called to order at 3:07

Lisa Huson moved for approval of the Dec. 10th, 2004 meeting minutes. Faruq Nelson seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

The February 4th meeting, no business was conducted due to lack of quorum.

Dean Riley gave the treasurer's report stating that the Board was well within budget for the year. Faruq Nelson moved to have the treasurer's report placed on file. Brandon Vaughn seconded and the motion was approved.

Dean Riley moved to approve the total expenditures for December 2004 of \$1,071.00 and the expenditures of January 2005 \$ 2,199.43. Brandon Vaughn seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

Lisa Huson moved to give the attorneys authority to run a "Happy 'Unofficial' St, Patrick's Day" ad in the Daily Illini. Faruq Nelson seconded the motion and it was approved.

The University of Illinois Student Legal Services program was awarded Outstanding Student Legal Services for 2005.

Faruq moved to approve the expenditures for February 2005 in the amount of \$2,601.08. Lisa Huson seconded and the motion was approved.

The Board moved to cover ARDC dues for most current contract year for the attorneys.

Mike Schlau will write a letter to the SORF Board to determine how the referendum will be worded since SLS is funded by SORF.

Faruq Nelson moved to combine an informational bag with the tenant union for distribution and remove the Beta minus from the bag. Lisa Huson seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Board authorized Tom Betz to accept chocolates as a gift.

The Board will meet at 5:45 before the March 5, 2005 SORF meeting to finalize the presentation to the SORF Board.

At the next meeting the Board will discuss the Student Legal Services survey.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2005 at 4:00 P.M.

Meeting adjourned 5:03 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Brandon Vaughn
Secretary pro tem

Minutes for Student Legal Services
Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, April 1, 2005 at 4 p.m.

Present: Elaine Massock, William Riley, Lisa Huson, Mike Schlau, Faruq Nelson

Attorneys Present: Thomas Betz, Susan Hesse, and Jeremy Grose.

Meeting called to order at 4:11 p.m.

Elaine Massock made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Lisa Huson seconded and the minutes were approved.

William Reilly presented the Treasurer's Report. Faruq Nelson made a motion to receive the Treasurer's Report and to place it on file. Lisa Huson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Thomas Betz presented the Attorney's Report. Mr. Betz presented the board with a copy of the Student Legal Service client satisfaction survey. It was decided that the survey needed to be updated.

Dean Reilly suggested that a committee be formed to discuss possible changes to the survey and to present their ideas to the board. Dean Reilly moved to form a committee consisting of Lisa Huson as chair, and with Faruq Nelson, Elaine Massock and Thomas Betz. Elaine Massock seconded and the motion carried. It was decided that the committee should present its findings in July of 2005 so that a new survey can be prepared for the Fall semester '05.

Lisa Huson made a motion to approve the expenditures of \$2531.48. Faruq Nelson seconded and the expenditures were approved.

Thomas Betz asked for pre-approval to run an advertisement on checking out of your apartment. The cost would be close to \$1000.00 for the ad. A motion for pre-approval was made by Elaine Massock and Lisa Huson seconded.

The next meeting was set for April 22nd at 4 p.m. in the Arcade Building.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Lisa Huson. Motion seconded by William Reilly. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem

Minutes for Student Legal Services
Advisory Board Meeting

Friday, April 22, 2005 at 4 p.m.

Present: William Riley, Lisa Huson, Mike Schlau, Farukh Nelson, and Brandon Vaughn

Attorneys Present: Thomas Betz, Susan Hesse, and Jeremy Grose.

Meeting called to order at 4:09 p.m.

Farukh Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Lisa Huson seconded and the minutes were approved.

Thomas Betz presented the Attorney's Report. Farukh Nelson made a motion to approve the April expenses of \$1047.53. Lisa Huson seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Betz asked the board to consider authorizing the office to expend between \$2,500 and \$3,500 over the summer semesters to cover office expenses. Brandon Vaughn brought a motion to authorize the office to spend up to \$4,000.00 for operating expenses and to contact the executive committee if more is necessary. Lisa Huson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Brandon Vaughn pointed out that the office still asks students for their social security number on the intake sheets. Under University policy, we are either not supposed to ask for the number at all, or provide disclaimer language that warns that providing the number is optional. Lisa Huson advised that the office needs to contact Carol Livingston in the Provost's office for the requisite disclaimer language.

William Reilly presented the Treasurer's Report. Mr. Riley announced that the office did go over budget on library expenses and made a motion to move \$3,500.00 from the miscellaneous portion of the budget to the library portion to cover the loss and to receive the treasurer's report and to place it on file. Lisa Huson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Lisa Huson made a motion to form an executive committee comprised of William Riley, Farukh Nelson, and she to be responsible for stewardship of the board over the summer term. Farukh Nelson seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Brandon Vaughn. Motion seconded by Farukh Nelson. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary pro tem

III. STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE STATISTICAL SUMMARY

ADVICE ONLY – Type

Accident	42	Harassment	3
Americans with Disabilities Act	1	Housing	207
Bankruptcy	3	ID Theft	10
Certification	22	Insurance	13
City Offense	168	Internet Fraud	3
Civil	1	Interview	10
Civil Rights	1	Jury Duty	1
Collection	19	License Suspension	1
Conflict of Interest	3	Medical Malpractice	2
Consumer	60	Miscellaneous	56
Contract	25	Misdemeanor	31
Copyright	1	Name Change	5
Copyright Infringement	1	Negligence	1
Credit	3	Notary	270
Crime Victim	1	Parking	1
Criminal	40	Parking Tickets	6
Debt	2	Patriot Act	1
Defamation	1	Personal Injury	6
Discrimination	3	Power of Attorney	54
Divorce	15	Sexual Harassment	1
DUI	3	Small Claims	22
Emancipation	1	Student Discipline	25
Employment	15	Subpoena	2
Expungement	21	Towing	4
Fake ID	14	Traffic	178
Family	8	Voting Rights	1
Guardianship POA	2		
		Total	1387

OPENED - Type

Accident	11
Americans With Disabilities Act	1
City Offense	40
Collection	10
Consumer	15
Contract	2
Credit	1
Criminal	10
Divorce	1
Domestic Battery	3
DUI	10
Employment	1
Expungement	1
Housing	94
ID Theft	1
Insurance	1
Medical Malpractice	1
Medical POA	2
Miscellaneous	1
Misdemeanor	68
Name Change	8
Patriot Act	2
Small Claims	11
Student Discipline	6
Traffic	271
TOTAL	573

AOs and OPENED - Class

Blank	186
Freshman	169
Sophomore	231
Junior	297
Senior	417
Graduate	339
Professional	46
Non-degree	0
TOTAL	1685

AOs and OPENED - Learned of SLS

Blank	63
Brochures/Posters	55
Campus	67
Court	107
DI	44
Friend/parent/sibling	605
I-Book	122
Orientation	65
Other	34
Previous Use	182
Quad Day	18
Speaker	13
Tenant Union	139
Web/Internet	171
TOTAL	1685

CLOSED - Type

Accident	12
Americans With Disabilities Act	1
Auto Damage	1
Bankruptcy	1
City Offense	35
Collection	1
Consumer	19
Contract	1
Credit	1
Criminal	11
Domestic Battery	3
DUI	5
Employment	1
Housing	54
ID Theft	2
Insurance	3
Medical Malpractice	1
Medical POA	2
Miscellaneous	1
Misdemeanor	66
Name Change	6
Negligence	1
Patriot Act	2
Personal Injury	1
Probation	1
Small Claims	3
Student Discipline	3
Traffic	228
TOTAL	466

IV. TEN YEAR STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF OFFICE USAGE

YEAR	ALL INTAKES ¹	ADVICE ONLY ¹	OPENED CASES
2004-2005	1955	1387	573
2003-2004	2108	1553	555
2002-2003	2113	1444	669 **
2001-2002	2099	1449	650
2000-2001	1957	1435	522
1999-2000	2015	1398	617
1998-1999	1998	1351 *	647
1997-1998	1918 *	1424	494
1996-1997	2299 **	1859 **	440 *
1995-1996	2072	1478	594

¹ = Figure includes notary services

* = Lowest figure for the 10 years

** = Highest figure for the 10 years

Percentage difference between Lowest and Highest:

All intakes	16.57%
Advice Only	27.32%
Opened Cases	34.23%

Ten - Year Averages:

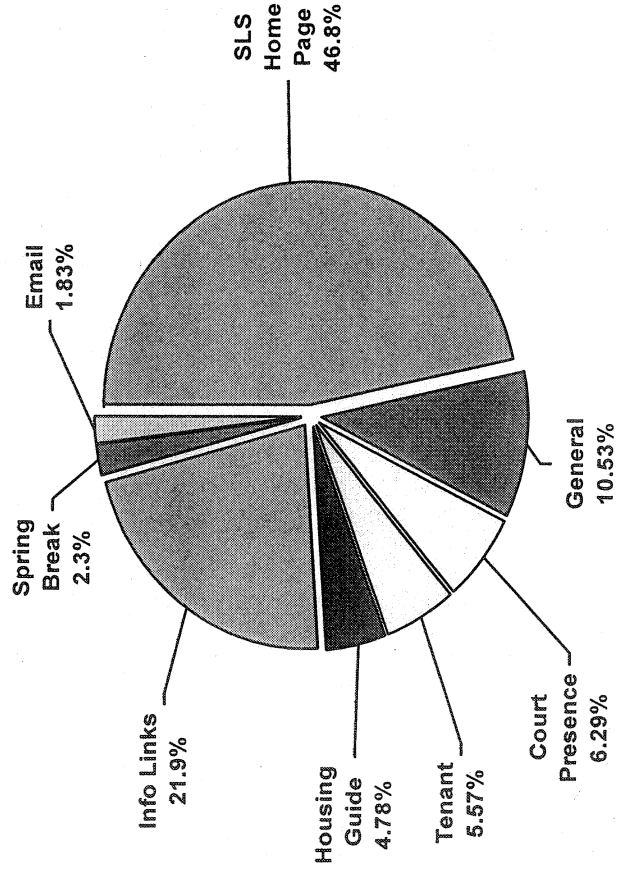
All intakes	2053.4
Advice Only	1477.8
Opened Cases	576.1

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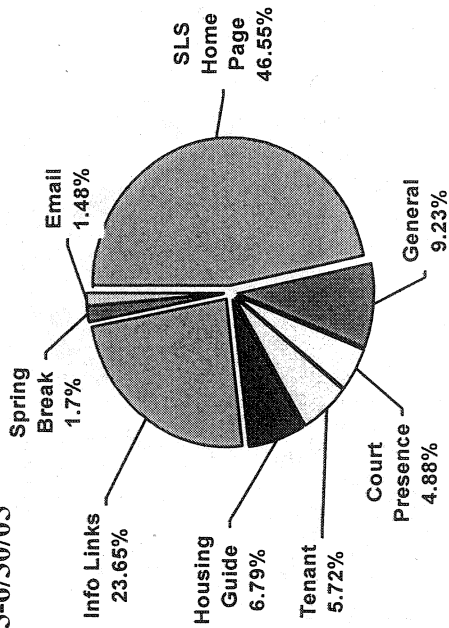
WEBSITE STATISTICS

FY2004/2005	SLSHome Page	General	Court Presence	Tenant/Housing	Housing Guide	Info Links	Spring Break	Email Guidelines	Total
JULY	417	86	58	72	70	165	9	12	889
AUGUST	563	122	76	75	88	211	18	18	1171
SEPTEMBER	871	176	102	165	83	280	28	29	1734
OCTOBER	805	185	104	103	88	283	25	19	1612
NOVEMBER	636	146	97	59	48	362	23	28	1399
DECEMBER	481	96	94	46	15	269	26	24	1051
JANUARY	615	149	87	86	66	298	35	30	1366
FEBRUARY	750	168	79	90	97	293	42	34	1553
MARCH	756	186	110	63	50	446	115	38	1764
APRIL	793	202	106	69	68	355	24	41	1658
MAY	668	151	88	46	59	463	22	18	1515
JUNE	439	87	46	54	64	223	16	14	943
Total	7794	1754	1047	928	796	3648	383	305	16655

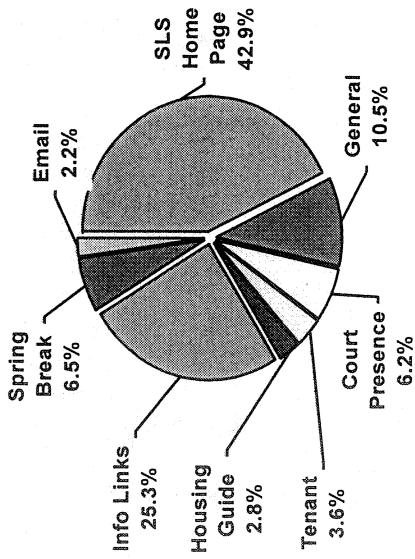
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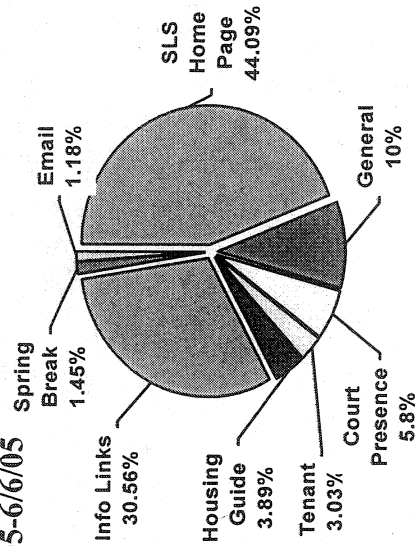
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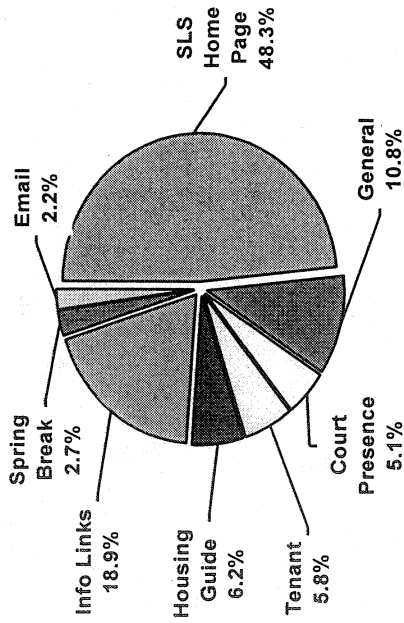
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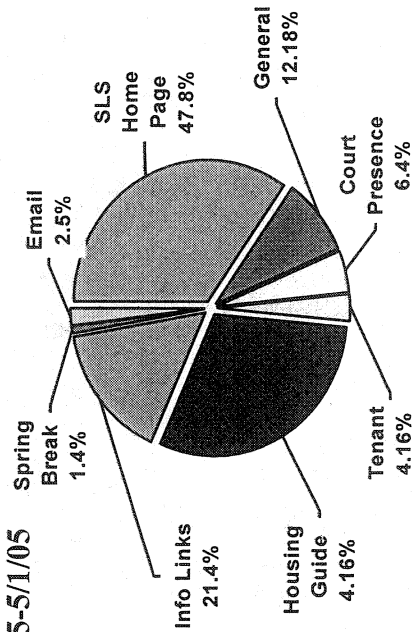
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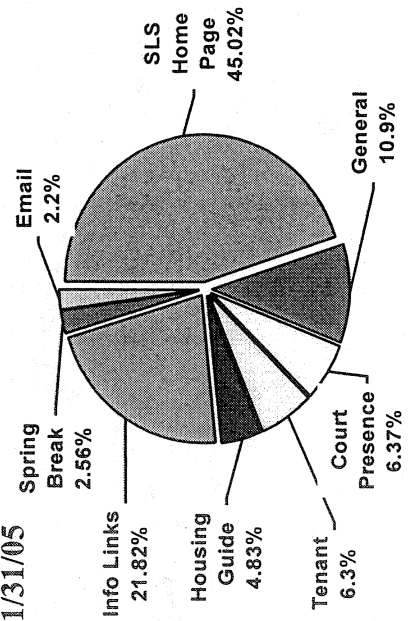
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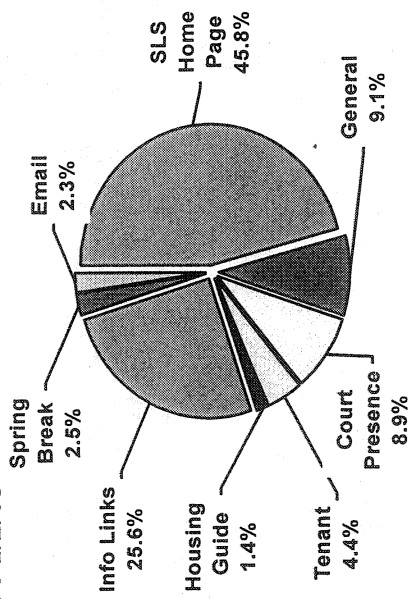
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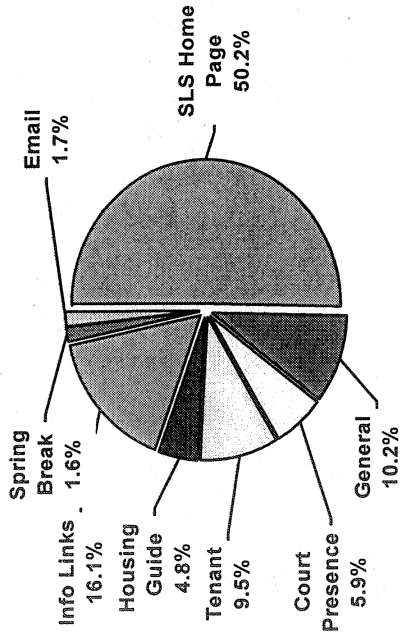
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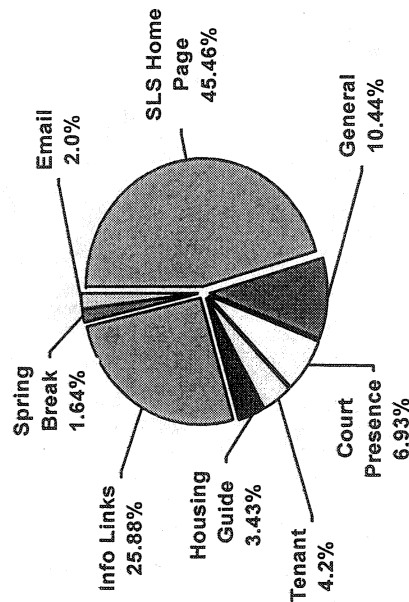
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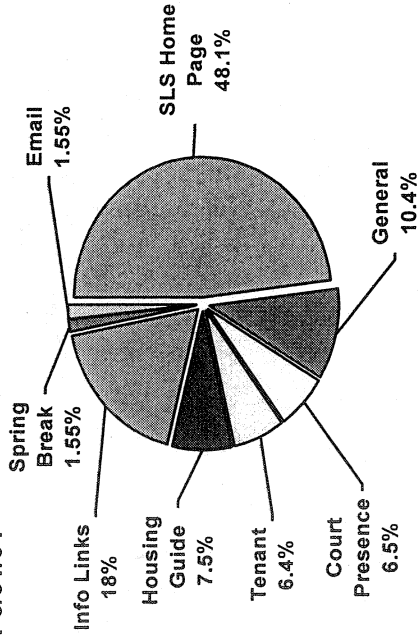
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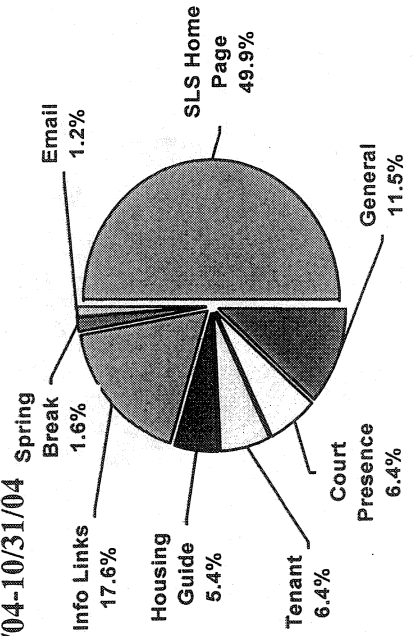
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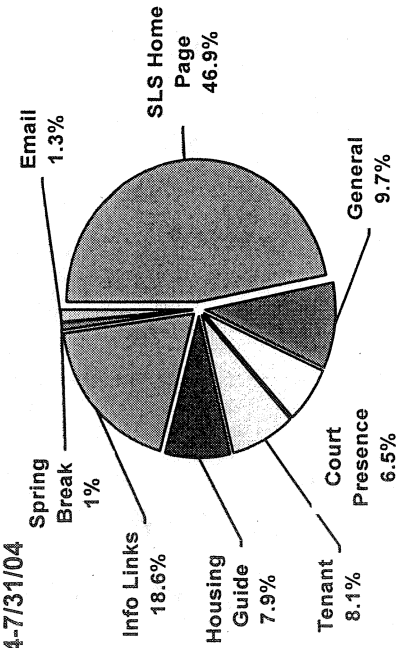
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VI. INFORMATIONAL / PREVENTIVE ADVERTISING – DAILY ILLINI

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Basketball Rules

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6 Steps to Signing a Lease

1/26/05

Apartment Move-In Guide

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Tips for Thanksgiving Break

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“Housing Fair Guide” 11/15/04

Guidelines for Throwing a Tailgate or
House Party

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Tips for Winter Break

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Guidelines for a Homecoming Party

10/25/04, 10/29/04

Urban Legend

10/7/04, 10/8/04

Happy St. Patrick’s Day

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Welcome to the University of Illinois

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Happy Unofficial St. Patrick’s Day

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Welcome Back!

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Moving?

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When you party before or after NCAA
Tournament games

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AVOID TRAVEL SCAMS!!!

Spring Break 2005, March 19-27



- ✓ Does the price seem too good to be true? (\$99 for 5 days/4 nights with Theme Park tickets in Orlando or Ft. Lauderdale???, \$199 for round-trip airfare for Orlando, Daytona Beach, Ft. Lauderdale AND a Bahamas cruise???? NO!!!)
- ✓ 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.
<http://airconsumer.ost.dot.gov/publications/flyrights.htm>
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When you party before or after basketball games, you've gotta play by the rules!



Personal(y) Foul: Urinating in public (\$135 minimum fine) Throwing up in public (\$185 minimum fine for public intoxication)

Slam dunk: You'll lose your license if you are caught using a Fake ID or someone else's ID (that person'll lose his/her license too) or if caught DUI (plus other penalties \$2,500 fine, 2 year loss of license, up to a year in jail)



Traveling after drinking can result in a DUI.
Dribbling happens when you're drunk. Can lead to being caught for public intoxication!



Technical foul Arguing with the "ref". If the "ref" is a police officer, you might get additional charges! If the "ref" is the judge, ...



Free Throw results from *technical fouls* with judges or *traveling DUI*—free throw into jail!

Pass on driving if you've been drinking. Have a designated driver.



3-pointers

- (1) Don't use a Fake ID
- (2) Don't drink if you're underage
- (3) Don't drink and drive



PARTY SAFELY!

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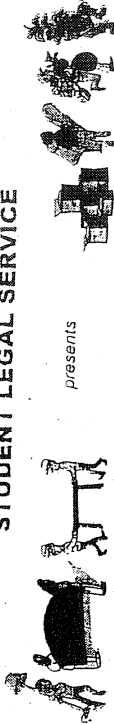
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APARTMENT MOVE-IN GUIDE

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 a video or pictures in 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: stained? cracked? dirty? needs painting? burns in rug?
- ⇒ Conduct an appliance inventory and describe condition of the stove, microwave, refrigerator, dishwasher, range hood and any other appliances, etc.: greasy? broken? filthy oven?
- ⇒ Check to make sure door locks and window locks are working, and that you have all promised keys.
- ⇒ Sign and date your inventory, give a copy to the landlord and retain a copy for yourself. 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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AVAILABLE SERVICES	EXCLUDED SERVICES
+ Landlord/Tenant issues	- Claims against the University of Illinois or the State of Illinois
+ Traffic tickets	- Income-producing activities
+ Misdemeanor charges	- Felony charges
+ Name changes	- Contingent fee matters
+ City Ordinance Violations	- Student vs. Student
+ Small Claims	- Real estate matters (other than landlord/tenant)
+ Auto Accidents and Insurance Problems	- Wills or trusts
+ Other miscellaneous problems/issues	- Courtroom representation outside Champaign County
+ Notary services	- Immigration or international law matters

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Look for us
 "on the quad"
 during **Quads Day!**



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THURSDAY, AUGUST 26, 2004 A-7



For Freshmen (and all other students under 21) CHAMPAIGN'S DRINKING SPECIALS



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

Possession or Consumption of Alcohol, under age 21	\$280.00 Fine
Carrying open liquor out of premises	\$135.00 Fine
Fake ID (unlawful use of identification)	\$2,500 Fine and/or 364 days in jail AND loss of driving privileges for 12 months
Possession of Unlicensed Keg	\$280.00 Fine
Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol	\$280.00 Fine

*** Searches through pockets, purses and wallets for additional charges will be performed at officers' discretion***



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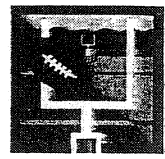


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Guidelines for Throwing a Tailgate or House Party

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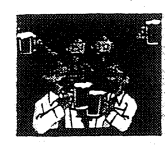
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What you should do:

- Plan your party around a theme other than alcohol.
- If sound/music can be heard outside of the house/apartment, *turn it down!* Noise is the major reason for a visit by the cops.
- Ensure that there are plenty of completely sober designated drivers.
- Set limits on the quantity of alcohol available.
- Talk to your neighbors before the party; let them know to call you if the party is disturbing them.



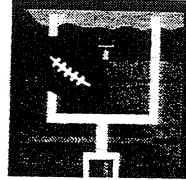
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Go Illini! **HOMECOMING!** Go Illini!



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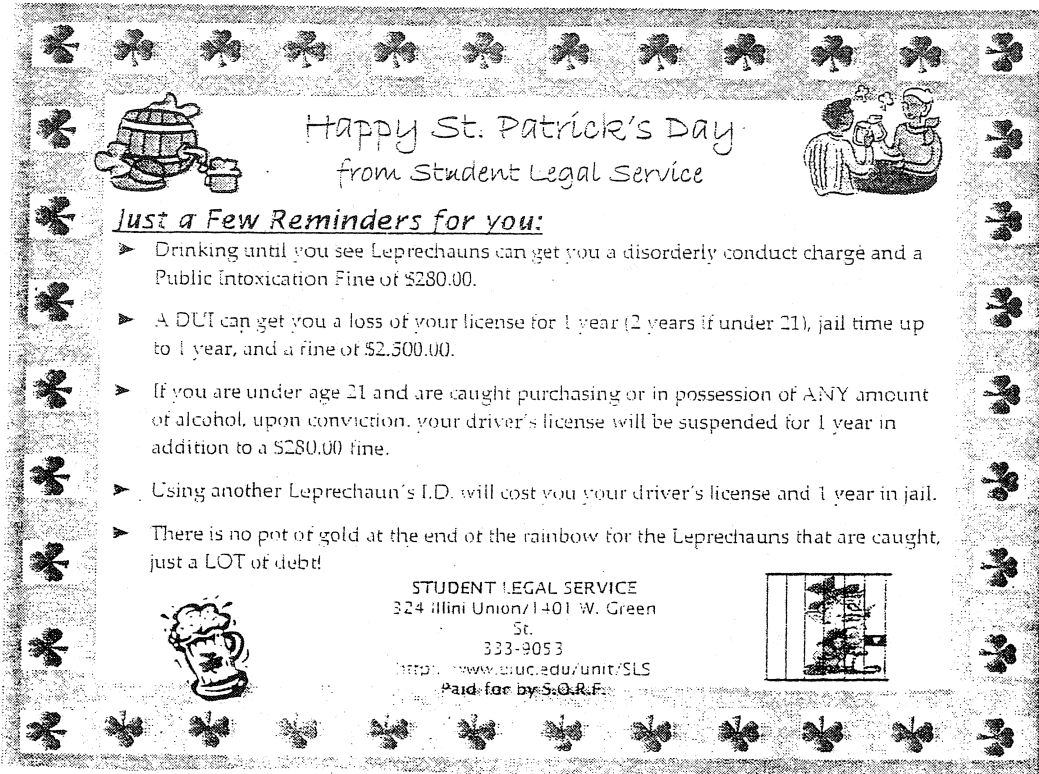
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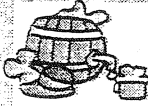
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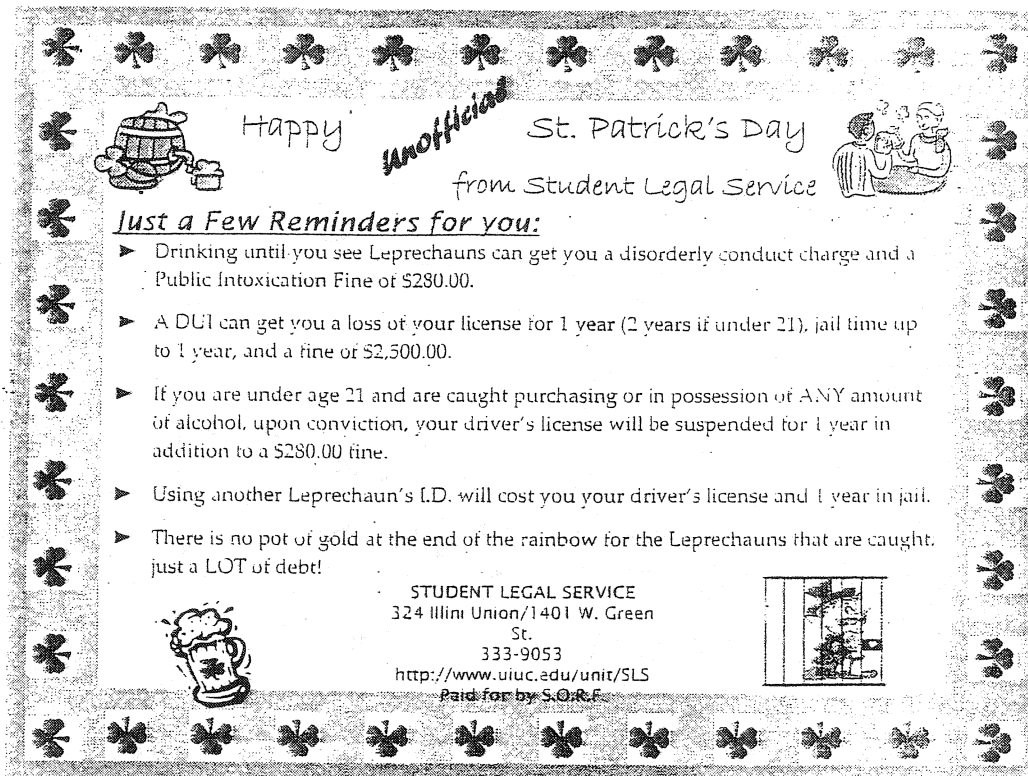
- ▶ Drinking until you see Leprechauns can get you a disorderly conduct charge and a Public Intoxication Fine of \$280.00.
- ▶ A DUI can get you a loss of your license for 1 year (2 years if under 21), jail time up to 1 year, and a fine of \$2,500.00.
- ▶ If you are under age 21 and are caught purchasing or in possession of ANY amount of alcohol, upon conviction, your driver's license will be suspended for 1 year in addition to a \$280.00 fine.
- ▶ Using another Leprechaun's I.D. will cost you your driver's 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!

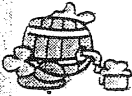


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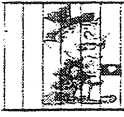


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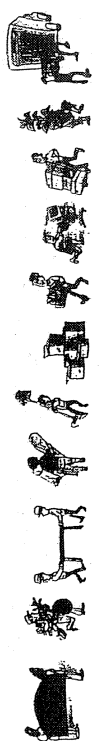
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MOVING??

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 belongings removed **before** your appointment time.
- 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. **NOT** a roommate or family member. Take lots of pictures that show how clean you left the apartment. Walk through your apartment with your witness and have him/her take notice of its condition. (Advantage: *video camera includes narration.*)
- STEP 4. If the landlord appears for the appointment, be sure to have him/her sign and date **YOUR COPY** of the inventory form. Be sure to use a witness and the camera.
- STEP 5. Take your pictures **before** you give back the keys. Also, make sure your pictures and your witness take note of the condition 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 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. **It's the wrecks the alias. It could cost you.**
- STEP 7. Be sure that you return **ALL** keys to the apartment, mailbox, laundry room, etc. Return them in person and get a receipt to avoid being charged for lock changes. Have one person in your group be responsible for returning all keys.
- STEP 8. When your deposit is returned, come to **Student Legal Services** 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 have refunded the SORF fee.
- STEP 10. Step into some money. Use your money to treat yourself to a reward for completing another year of school!!

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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 of 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 **\$230.00**

HOUSE/APARTMENT PARTIES:

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Six Steps Before Signing a Lease



1. **Don't Rush** into signing a lease for Fall of 2005! 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 yet**. 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.

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SUBLETTING YOUR APARTMENT?

INSTRUCTIONS:



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 subtenants.



Never leave any utilities in your name, including telephone, water, lights, cable, etc., for the subtenants to use and pay. Don't buy any sob stories about deposits or transfer charges.



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



Obtain a **local and "at home" address** on all 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**.



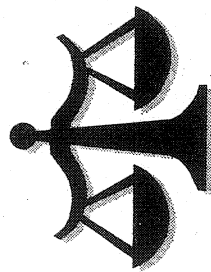
Remember! You will be **greatly discounting rent**; therefore, **you are taking a big risk of damages to your unit** because subtenants who pay bargain basement prices tend not to value the property.



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

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YES!

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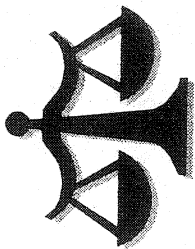
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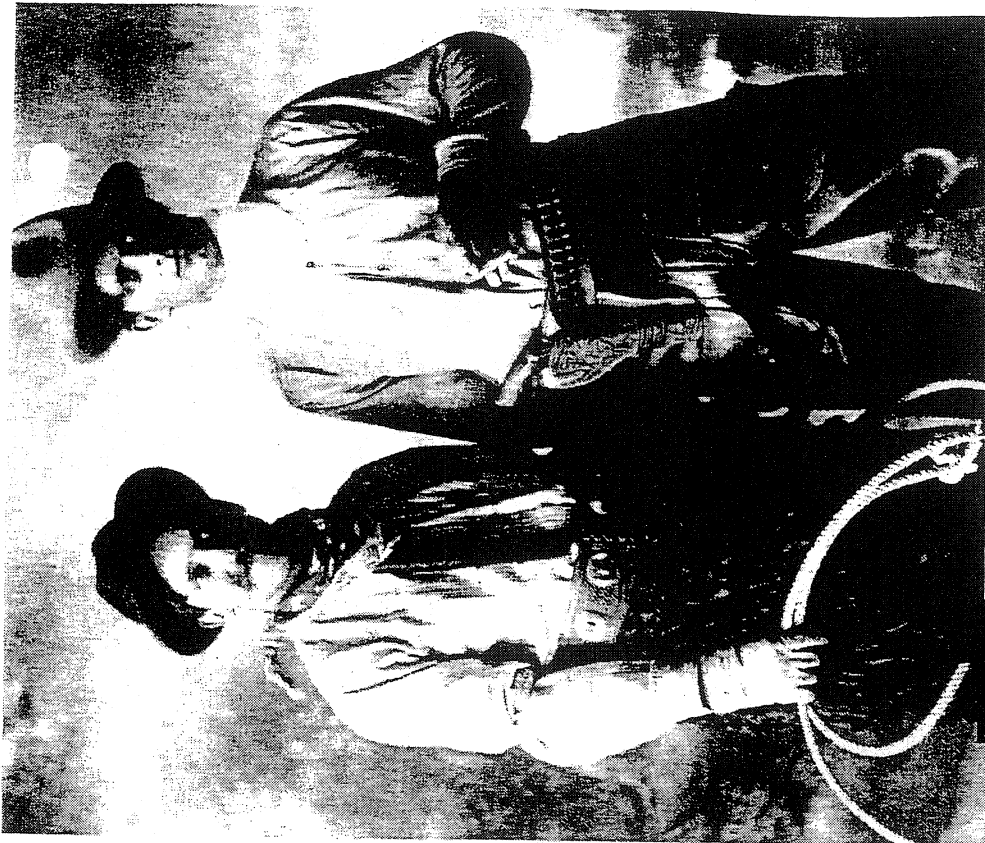
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Tips for

THANKSGIVING BREAK



BEFORE you take off on your Thanksgiving break, PLEASE:

1. **Make sure you have renter's insurance.** Thanksgiving break is a prime time for burglars. If you can't afford insurance, take your valuables with you!
2. **Lock all doors and windows.** A common means of breaking into apartments is the use of the pass key, but locked doors keep some honest.
3. **Turn on/Don't shut off the heat in your apartment!** Thanksgiving break can get cold in Central Illinois. This will lead to frozen pipes and major destruction. Check with your landlord to see what temperature you should maintain and leave the thermostat at least 2 degrees higher than what the landlord recommends. Tenants in past years have been billed as much as \$14,000 for frozen pipes!
4. **Inventory your personal items which have a quick sale value.** Keep a written list of serial numbers of TVs, stereos, CD player, etc. If a theft takes place, this information can help police investigate. Brand your CDs!
5. **Don't leave your car parked on the street while you're on break.** Streets are routinely plowed/cleaned during breaks. Your car will be towed/ticketed and unavailable when you return to campus. You can expect a minimum charge of \$80 to rescue your vehicle.



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Tips for WINTER BREAK

BEFORE you take off on your hard-earned winter break, PLEASE:

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Lock all doors and windows. A common means of breaking into apartments is the use of the pass key, but locked doors keep some honest.

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Inventory your personal items which have a quick sale value. Keep a written list of serial numbers of TVs, stereos, CD player, etc. If a theft takes place, this information can help police investigate. Brand your CDs!

Don't leave your car parked on the street while you're on break. Streets are routinely plowed/cleaned during break. Your car will be towed/ticketed and unavailable when you return to campus. You can expect a minimum charge of \$80 to rescue your vehicle.

Check your lease/Pay January rent before you leave. If you are going to return after January 1st (classes begin January 18) you may accumulate eighteen days of late charges unless you prepay January rent or your lease provides for a very long free grace period.

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Believing *urban legends* can cost you!!

Urban Legend: *Posting a sign at a party relieves you of responsibility for underage drinkers.*

NOTICE:
 You must be 21 to drink!

FALSE!!!!!!

The TRUTH:
 "Hosts" of a party can be given City Offense tickets (Adult Responsibility) for **EACH** underage drinker at a party!! (\$280.00 fine for **EACH** one).
 Legally, the sign means nothing!!

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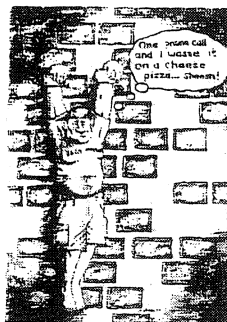
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What kinds of services are available? The office provides counseling and representation in matters such as landlord-tenant disputes, traffic, misdemeanors, name changes, small claims, city ordinance violations (drinking tickets, etc.) and in many other areas too numerous to list. **Services not provided** include immigration or international law matters and real estate (other than landlord/tenant). Questions and concerns are kept completely confidential.

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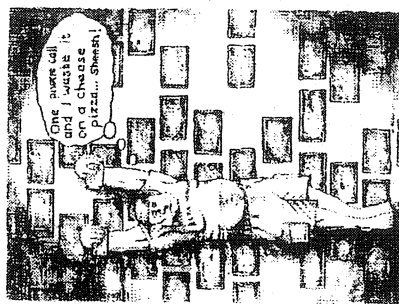
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When you party before or after NCAA tournament games, you've gotta play by the rules!

Personal(y) Foul: Urinating in public (\$135 minimum fine)
Throwing up in public (\$185 minimum fine for public intoxication)



Slam dunk: You'll lose your license if you are caught using a Fake ID or someone else's ID (that person'll lose his/her license, too!) or if caught DUI (plus other penalties \$2,500 fine, 2 year loss of license, up to a year in jail)

Traveling: after drinking can result in a DUI.



Dribbling: happens when you're drunk. Can lead to being caught for public intoxication!

Technical foul: Arguing with the "ref".
If the "ref" is a police officer, you might get additional charges!
If the "ref" is the judge, ...



Free Throw: results from technical fouls with judges or traveling DUI—free throw into jail!

Pass: on driving if you've been drinking. Have a designated driver.



- 3-pointers:
- (1) Don't use a fake, altered, or borrowed ID.
 - (2) Don't drink if you're underage.
 - (3) Don't drink and drive.

PARTY SAFELY AND RESPONSIBLY!



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VII. NEWSPAPER INTERVIEWS / ARTICLES

Attorneys were formally interviewed 10 times.

Articles that appeared:

08/13/04	"Legal advice just steps away"	Daily Illini
09/09/04	"Steering your way through traffic tickets"	News Gazette "The Answer Book"
10/06/04	"How to party responsibly"	Daily Illini
10/19/04	"Getting a Place? Get it in writing!"	Daily Illini
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2/18/05	"Court rules in favor of Champaign"	News Gazette
<u>Identity Theft/new Credit Report law</u>		
3/2/05	"Law allows residents to obtain free credit reports"	News Gazette
<u>"Unofficial" St. Patrick's Day</u>		
3/5/05	"Police write 60 citations for drinkers"	News Gazette
3/7/05	"'Unofficial' leaves campus trashed"	Daily Illini
<u>S.O.R.F. referendum/voting</u>		
3/7/05	"Support SORF", letter to Editor	Daily Illini
3/7/05	"Rock the vote", editorial	Daily Illini
3/8/05	"Renew and Increase", letter to Editor	Daily Illini
3/8/05	"Election opens online", article, p. A-1	Daily Illini
3/11/05	"UI student election results announced", P. A-1	Daily Illini
4/11/05	"Living will in spotlight"	Daily Illini
5/29/05	"Patt steps down to recharge"	News Gazette

Legal advice just steps away

Professionals provide cheap aid for students in legal trouble

BY THE DAILY ILLINI

Some legal troubles need more help than even Judge Judy can provide.

Underage drinkers in Champaign face a stiff penalty of at least \$270 for possession of alcohol. They do not even have to be seen drinking the alcoholic beverage or buying it — they merely need to

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identification charges and speeding tickets while on campus.

Tom Betz and the other lawyers at the University's Student Legal Services are there to help students in these and other situations. Student Legal Services counsels around 2,300 students a year with legal advice, and opens up about

be within an arms reach of it and appear to have possession of it.

And even if students avoid drinking or being around alcohol, they still face the legal concerns of parking fines, fake

If a student has obtained a refund of their SORF fee, they are not eligible for Student Legal Services. (Getting the refund) is very foolish — there's no other place to get legal counseling for \$11. It just doesn't happen.

TOM BETZ
Lawyer at the University's Student Legal Services

500 to 600 cases. Opening the case means taking any sort of legal action beyond counseling, such as litigation, arbitration, or mediating on behalf of the student. This can include services such as writing a letter to a landlord on behalf of a tenant, among other things.

The fee for the Student Legal Services comes out of the \$11 refundable Student Organization resource fee that each student pays each semester.

"If a student has obtained a refund of their SORF fee, they are not eligible for Student Legal Services," Betz said. "(Getting the refund) is very foolish — there's no other place to get legal counseling for \$11. It just doesn't happen."

All a student must do to receive legal advice is to go to the Student Legal Services office in Room 324, Illini Union and make an appointment. They will then be assigned to one of the attorneys,

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- Traffic violations
- Misdemeanors
- Name changes
- Small claims

who will do what they feel is necessary to help. In emergency cases, like if the student is in jail, the lawyers

can come to their aid immediately.

"Everything is confidential," Betz said. "We don't disclose anything to parents or the University... it's not the University's business."

Betz said that the lawyers often help students solve their problems without legal action. If necessary, he or the other lawyers will litigate on behalf of the students.



Darrell Hoemann/The News-Gazette

Champaign police Officer Von Young Jr. makes a traffic stop near Prospect and I-74.

Steering your way through traffic tickets

Read that traffic ticket closely; you 'may' have to pay or you 'must' appear

By **MARY SCHENK**
News-Gazette Staff Writer

So your foot got a little heavy on the accelerator or that cell-phone call had you so worked up that you blew a stop sign and got caught. What to do?

After you've finished cursing at yourself, and perhaps the officer who caught you, make sure you read the ticket carefully.

That's the best advice Sandy Romans, a supervisor in the

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Champaign County circuit clerk's office, can give for someone who couldn't sweet-talk their way out of the penalty.

"If you have questions, call our office. We'll be glad to let you know what your ticket says if you don't understand," she said.

Traffic tickets fall into two general categories, depending on the offense.

There are "may appear" tickets for offenses such as unlawful parking, not wearing a seat belt, following too closely, not using a signal or running a stop sign. If you want to dispute the ticket, you may appear in court.

The other type of ticket is a "must appear," meaning what it says. The offending driver has to come to court to resolve his case.

Those are given for offenses such as driving under the influence or driving under suspension, operating an uninsured motor vehicle, speeding in a school zone, passing a stopped school bus, speeding 31 miles per hour or more above the speed limit, or speeding in a construction zone when workers are present.

Romans explained that for a must appear ticket

you have to appear at the time indicated on the bottom of the ticket unless you choose to hire an attorney, in which case, you'd have a separate court date.

For may appear tickets, the date on the ticket is the date by which any payment or request for a bench or jury trial is due in the circuit clerk's office.

"It is not the date you get to see the judge. That's the biggest confusion for people," Romans said.

If you don't dispute that you ran the stop sign or that you were indeed speeding and just want to plead guilty, you can sign the back of the ticket, go to the clerk's office on the first floor of the Champaign County Courthouse on East Main Street in downtown Urbana and pay the fine.

"We take cash, money orders, bank drafts, personal checks with an additional \$1.25 processing fee, and Discover and Visa for an additional fee based on how much you are paying," said Romans.

Fines usually range from \$55 to \$95, depending on the offense. If you want to pay with a money order or bank draft and need to know the exact fine, call in advance.

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Romans said there are several requirements a driver must meet, but in general they are: You must not have had a ticket in the last 12 months; you must not have taken traffic school in the last 48 months; the ticket cannot be a must appear; and you were not going more than 21 mph over the speed limit.

"Those are just the basics," Romans said. "There are more."

Traffic school is a four-hour commitment conducted during the day, evenings and weekends for a fee of \$45 in addition to whatever fine you have to pay. Those who successfully complete it receive a period of court supervision. And if the driver gets through the period of supervision with no other offenses, then he has no record of a conviction.

If you're feeling confident of your ability

to defend yourself, State's Attorney John Piland advises that he and his attorneys can't give you advice. That's because it's his office prosecuting you and they can't give legal advice to the people they're prosecuting.

For University of Illinois students, Piland advises taking advantage of the lawyers in Student Legal Services. Fees that UI students are required to pay go to fund that service, which is available to all students.

That said, deals can be negotiated. Generally, they are done with the state's attorney in court on the day you've been given for your bench trial. Again, that's not the same date that's on the "may appear" ticket. That date is the date by which you should call the circuit clerk to get another date for a bench trial.

Confused?

Then just drive safely in the first place.

You can reach Mary Schenk at (217) 351-5313 or via e-mail at mschenk@news-gazette.com.



Failing to pay attention to a parking meter is one way to score a ticket.

How to party responsibly

What every resident should know about the consequences of hosting

BY LAUREN THORBJORNSEN
Staff writer

Students thinking of busting out shot glasses and setting up kegs for a house party may want to think again. The stress of a house party does not only begin with inviting friends and end with cleaning up. A house party could result in serious fines and serious damage if proper precautions are not taken.

"People who host parties are their own worst enemies," said Sergeant Scott Friedlein of the Champaign City Police Department. "They hold parties they can't control."

Out of control parties may seem like a good idea, but the negative consequences can far surpass just one night of fun.

Fines are the most common consequence of having a house or apartment party. Reasons for receiving fines range from noise violation tickets to adult responsibility citations.

"Adult responsibility citations are given when hosts of a party are 21 years or older and there are under 21 (people) drinking," said Jeremy Grose, attorney for Student Legal Services.

Some hosts put up signs around their party to discourage underage drinking, such as "Must be 21 to Drink," but Grose said the signs do not take responsibility off of the hosts.

"Hosts are still obligated to mon-

itor their guests," Grose said. "A sign still makes hosts liable for underage drinkers, and in the city of Champaign, the host and the minor each get a ticket for \$280. In Urbana, the ticket is \$135."

The tickets can be given to residents for serving multiple minors as well.

"In the city of Champaign, residents (hosts) can be charged \$280 for each minor present at their party," Friedlein said. "All residents present can be charged for each minor. Say there were 10 minors, then each resident could be charged \$2,800 — \$280 per minor."

Due to an increased number of adult responsibility tickets, Student Legal Service is running an advertisement at the end of this week in the Daily Illini to inform students that the "Must be 21 to Drink" sign has no meaning in the eyes of the law.

"I saw the signs at other parties, so I figured it could help in the event the police showed up at my party," said Jon Hansen, junior in communications, of an apartment party he threw earlier this semester.

Fines are not only given in the case of minors. Fines can be given out for not having a permit if more than one keg is present at a party in Champaign, Friedlein said.

"In Urbana, there are no keg permits," said Karen Snyder of the

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Urbana City Police Department.

Fines can also be given out for fighting and for charging partygoers for drinks or cups.

"There was a house on Second and John (streets), called 'The Palace,' that charged for drinking," Friedlein said. "The police raided the house and gave nearly \$27,000 in fines."

Charging guests for alcohol is a violation because by selling a product, the house would need a liquor license, Friedlein said. Also, selling a product makes the house a public dwelling and, as a result, it could be raided like a bar, he said.

In the event of a raid, partygoers are most likely to run, but that could result in a fine as well. Students can receive fines for running from the police that could result in a misdemeanor, Grose said.

Fines can seem small compared to what can happen when parties get out of control.

"Last year there was a fatal DUI accident," Friedlein said. "If a minor came from your party and there was a DUI accident, the house party could be liable and that is a felony level violation."

Other tragedies have occurred due to out of control house parties, such as fights with locals in which guns were involved or when a street person was invited in to a party and drew a knife, Friedlein said.

"The best precautions to take are to have a sober host and to register the party with the authorities," Friedlein said. "By registering, you get a letter of guidance to help with your party. It also shows you were responsible, so if a problem were to arise, (the police) would have a point of contact."

Friedlein said that a lot of times when police arrive due to complaints, the first person they talk to is the most "obnoxious and drunk" partygoer who usually tries to obstruct their path. If there is a point of contact, the police can avoid this person and fix the problem with the host.

"My goal is to help people survive their college experience," Friedlein said.

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Getting a place? Get it in writing.

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advice on
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CANDACE HAYS
[CONTRIBUTING WRITER]

Tenant Union's Coordinator Esther Patt said, the Union's motto is "Always get it in writing."

The University's Tenant Union is a resource for students who need housing advice or help with landlord or general problems. The Tenant Union offers several services to students, such as providing landlord complaint records, reviewing leases, and helping with general housing problems.

In addition to the Tenant Union, students also can use the Student Legal Service as another resource for legal problems, including housing and landlord-tenant problems. However, if the problem is not a legal issue, the Student Legal Service normally en-

courages students to go to the Tenant Union. According to Attorney Jeremy D. Grose, the Tenant Union normally has more well-documented information about complaints against landlords.

Both services advise students to take precautions before signing a lease. "You don't need to sign right away," said Matt Sutton, a Tenant Union housing advisor. "People have the need to rush into things and not make a good decision."

Students can start their apartment search by looking in the classified section of the News-Gazette or the Daily Ilini. Students can also use the Tenant Union services after picking a particular

real estate company; the companies' complaint records history will give students, as potential tenants, an idea of their record in areas such as maintenance and repair.

It is important students understand there is no grace period after signing a lease, Patt said. Leases are legal binding contracts, there is no legal way to break one after it is signed. The only way to break a lease is if both the tenant and landlord agree and the city declares the building "unfit for habitation," Grose said. However, these predicaments are unlikely because more often than not, a landlord will not consent to breaking a lease.

In addition to lease agreements, security or damage deposits might cause problems for students, especially at the end of the lease term. Security deposits are normally compensation for damages that a tenant may cause to the property while living on the premises. The lease considers this compensation for damages; however, the security deposit is normally returned to the tenant if the apartment is returned to the landlord in the same condition when first rented.

Patt explained ways students can protect their damage deposit. "Tenants must prove everything that was wrong when they moved in and tenants must prove how good it was when they move out," she said. "That's why we always recommend that tenants take pictures, normally with witnesses who are not family members or friends."

In addition to photographs, students can also videotape the apartment on move-in and move-out day. With a camcorder, the tenant can narrate explaining all the damages or cleanliness of the apartment, Grose said.

"Renting an apartment is different from buying a product in the store," Patt said. "With renting an apartment, you can't return it if you don't like it. There's no return policy."

Court rules in favor of Champaign

■ Ex-student's bid to contest violation fails

By KATE CLEMENTS

News-Gazette Capitol Bureau Chief
SPRINGFIELD — A former University of Illinois student who challenged a \$175 city ordinance violation all the way to the Illinois Supreme Court lost his case on Thursday.

Christian Torres, then 21, was a guest at a party in the off-campus apartment of one of his teaching assistants when a Champaign police officer responded to a noise complaint around 2 a.m. on April 30, 2002, according to court documents.

Sgt. Charles Shepard stood outside for about 10 minutes to listen to the loud music and laughter coming from the third-floor apartment and then he knocked on the door.

Torres answered the door, opening it just a crack.

Shepard asked him if he lived there, and Torres said no. The officer asked him to summon someone who did live in the

apartment, and Torres agreed. He attempted to close the door before going to get the apartment's resident, but the officer put his arm out to stop the door.

Shepard and Torres argued over whether the door should remain open or closed. As the dispute escalated, Torres attempted to slam the door shut, striking the officer's arm with the door.

Shepard then arrested Torres for obstructing a peace officer. He was given a written notice that he could either pay a \$175 fine or appear in court to answer the charge against him.

The vast majority of city ordinance violations are not challenged, but Torres opted to contest his with the help of the UI student legal services office.

The ordinance under which Torres was charged stated that no person shall knowingly resist or obstruct a city peace officer during the performance "of any authorized act within the peace officer's official capacity."

Torres argued that the offi-

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cer's actions were "tantamount to an entry and a search of the private residence without a warrant" in violation of the Fourth Amendment and therefore were not "authorized" as the ordinance requires.

The circuit court ruled in favor of the city, and ordered Torres to pay a \$175 fine plus court costs.

Instead of just paying the fine, he appealed the case to the Fourth District Appellate Court and lost on a split decision.

Torres then appealed to the Illinois Supreme Court.

In an opinion issued on Thursday, the Supreme Court found that Torres did not have standing to claim a Fourth Amendment violation because he did not live at the apartment and was only a party guest.

"Defendant's inability to assert a Fourth Amendment violation is fatal to his defense," said the majority opinion written by Justice Lloyd Karmeier. "Without such a violation, defendant has no basis for claiming that Shepard's actions exceeded his legal authority and were not 'authorized' within the meaning of the city's ordinance."

Justice Charles Freeman filed a dissenting opinion in the case.

Reached by telephone, Torres declined to comment Thursday. He said he graduated from the UI in December.

Champaign Assistant City Attorney Rhonda Olds said the city was pleased with the ruling.

"We are relieved that the court took a very logical approach to the case by making it clear that someone who's not a resident of a premise, can't insert themselves between the police and a resident," she said.

This is actually the second time in the past year that a Champaign ordinance case was decided by the Illinois Supreme Court, Olds said.

"Before that, I think we had maybe two every five years," she said.

In June 2004, the Supreme Court ruled on a pair of appeals by an Urbana boy accused of stealing \$100 from his grandmother when he was 12 years old and a Champaign boy accused of curfew violation at age 15. The cases both began in 2001.

The boys failed to comply with the terms of supervision

the respective cities imposed for ordinance violations and they were charged with contempt of court. Detention or imprisonment is a sentencing option for contempt, but is not an option for the original ordinance violations. Therefore, the cities were able to obtain tougher punishment by seeking contempt charges than what they were otherwise eligible to obtain by revoking supervision.

While the Supreme Court found that what the cities did in those two cases was not illegal or unconstitutional, the court was not happy with the practice.

"The root problem is that, fundamentally, prosecuting minors for contempt when they violate the terms of their court supervision misapprehends the nature of supervision and abuses the power of contempt," that ruling said.

The Supreme Court used the ruling to exercise its power as supervisor over the judges in the lower court system and order that contempt charges not be sought in such situations.

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Law allows residents to obtain free credit reports

BY DIRK VANOVER
Staff writer

For students concerned about their credit history, a recently passed law has made it easier and cheaper to obtain their credit reports.

Beginning March 1, Illinois residents can receive a free copy of their credit report once a year from the three national credit-reporting agencies.

An amendment to the Fair Credit Reporting Act requires the three national credit reporting agencies — Equifax, Experian and Trans Union — to provide consumers upon request with a free copy of their credit report every 12 months.

Gail O'Connor, spokeswoman for Illinois Attorney General Lisa Madigan, recommended ordering a report from one of the three credit companies every four months so consumers can better monitor their credit history.

O'Connor said college students should check their credit reports because they are at a time in their lives when they are just beginning to establish credit ratings. She said it is important to closely guard bank account and Social Security numbers.

"It's important at any stage to keep an eye on your credit and make sure you are the only one in charge of it," O'Connor said.

"The law is long overdue. It should have been done a long time ago," said Tom Betz, senior attorney of the University's Student Legal Services (SLS).

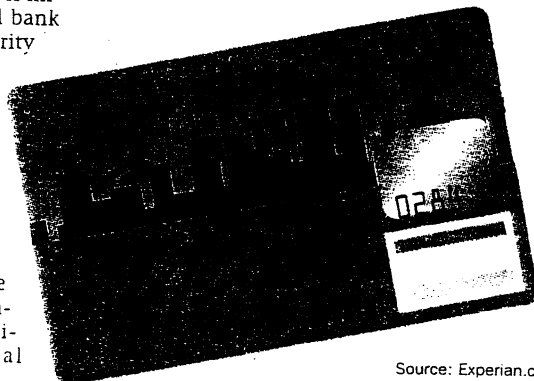
Betz said SLS helps about 75 to 100 students per year with credit report problems. He said it is important to watch your credit history because it can affect your ability to obtain loans when you are older.

"There's a lot of inaccurate information in credit reports. There's a lot of garbage in them," Betz said. "People need to not just get the report, but read it, check it and dispute any inaccuracies.

A look at your credit report

A typical consumer credit report includes **four** types of information.

- 1 Personal information**
Includes your name, current and past addresses, phone number, Social Security number, birth date, and past employers.
- 2 Public record information**
Details about paid tax liens, bankruptcy information, and any other public record information.
- 3 Credit information**
Includes account information such as the day opened, credit limit, loan amount, balance and monthly payments and payment patterns.
- 4 Others' requests to view your credit history**
Shows who has received information from your report and who was given your name recently, as allowed by law.



Source: Experian.com

Daily Illini graphic by Ana Martinez

Even if it seems small, it can make a difference later."

Betz also said students should check their reports regularly so they can attempt to get incorrect information removed, which can be a difficult process.

"They fight you tooth and nail every time you try to get an inaccuracy removed," Betz said.

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Law allows residents to obtain reports

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University graduate student Aaron Glass has had difficulty removing information from his credit reports. Glass' credit report listed the debt from his dad's credit card, for which he was an authorized user, on it. Glass has attempted to get the information removed, but he has had little success.

Glass said he thinks the law will help people with their credit history, but he said he wishes it had been passed sooner.

"I just ordered my reports a few months ago to check them and had to pay about \$10 for each one," Glass said. "It would've been much nicer if I could have gotten them for free."

Cris Daugherty, branch manager for Consumer Credit Counseling Services of Central Illinois, said her organization typically has credit report consultations with 40 to 50 clients per month ranging from inaccurate information on reports to problems with identity theft. She is a supporter of the new law.

"I think it's going to be a very good thing," Daugherty said. "It will impact students in a good way."

Daugherty said everyone, in-

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In order to obtain free copies of their credit reports, consumers can call 1-877-322-8228, order online at www.annualcreditreport.com or complete the annual credit report request form available at www.ftc.gov and mail it to: Annual Credit Report Request Service, P.O. Box 1000, Atlanta, GA 30348-5281.

cluding college students, should check their credit reports to make sure the information is correct.

"At several colleges incoming freshmen are targeted for scholarship scams," Daugherty said.

She said there have been incidents of scholarship student loan scams and students not to give out their Social Security numbers or investigating an organization first.

Daugherty also pointed out that free credit reports can be obtained from the three companies if someone is a victim of identity theft, or if someone has been denied credit based on information provided by a reporting agency.

Police write 60 citations for drinkers

By JODI HECKEL
News-Gazette Staff Writer

CHAMPAIGN — Police issued citations to 60 underage drinkers Friday during the "Unofficial St. Patrick's Day" event in Campustown.

Officers from the Champaign Police Department, the University of Illinois Police Department and the Illinois State Police conducted an Operation Campus/Tap detail because of the event. The operation focuses on underage drinking among college and high school students.

The detail included bar checks at six Campustown bars. Citations were issued at all six bars. The bars are: It's Daniels, 613 E. Green St.; C.O. Daniels, 608 E. Daniel St.; White Horse Inn, 112½ E. Green St.; Kam's 618 E. Green St.; Clybourne, 706 S. Sixth St.; and Station 211, 211 E. Green St.

Of those cited for underage drinking, 55 were ages 19 or 20 and five were under age 19. Two people were also cited for resisting arrest and five illegal IDs were seized.

'Unofficial' leaves campus trashed

BY CARLY NEEDHAM
Contributing writer

With no shortage of green beer, claims to Irish descent or enthusiastic college students eager for the excuse to partake in an all day drink-a-thon, Unofficial St. Patrick's day certainly took its toll on the University in multiple ways.

Local bars and restaurants noticed both the positive and negative effects of the campus-wide celebration.

Though certain bars such as C.O. Daniels, The Clybourne and Kam's held extended morning hours, Murphy's Pub kept their regular hours and still reaped the monetary benefits of Unofficial.

Murphy's employee Laura Banovic, senior in engineering, said there was a definite increase in business throughout the day and clean up was slightly worse than usual.

Silver Mine Subs Manager Wes Whiteman said one of the sub shops, located at 612 E. Daniel St., Champaign, actually had a record night, seeing sales of more than \$1,800 from 5:30 p.m. to closing.

Silver Mine Subs employee Anjail Abdullah, senior in LAS, noticed the negative effects of Unofficial the next day while working delivery.

"Daniel Street smelled so bad that every time I opened the car door I wanted to throw up! The streets reeked of puke and beer," she said.

Unofficial St. Patrick's day apparently painted the campus green Friday in more ways than one.

Geovanti's employee Medin

Onur reported a significant increase in business along with an unfortunate excess of vomit.

"Clean-up was torture. People were drunk and puking everywhere; cleaning it was just torture," Onur said.

The University's Superintendent of Building Services, Randy Kornegay, said, "There were no adverse problems in the buildings in response to the celebrations."

Reporting no increase in calls, Kornegay said he knew the celebrations were happening but thought they took place mostly outside of buildings because of Friday's pleasant weather.

Kevin Duff, the University's associate director for Grounds and Landscape, said he had only been on campus Friday for about an hour in the early afternoon, but said, "I saw lots of folks on campus wearing green who looked like they were having a great time."

As far as his response to campus conditions post-Unofficial, Duff hadn't been notified of anything yet, but said with a chuckle, "I'll probably hear about it on Monday."

Though University Facilities and Services did not deal directly with the madness of Unofficial, local authorities sure did.

"I've not seen a campus that trashed in a long time," said Champaign Police Department Sgt. Scott Friedlein about Friday's festivities. He also said the police department's resources were strapped as they continuously received call after call.

There were 60 reported liquor-related arrests, a total much higher than normal.

Support SORF

The staff at Student Legal Service appreciates 24 years of support for the program from the student body and the SORF Board.

The Student Organization Resource Fee (SORF) supplies 100 percent of the funding for Student Legal Service, which has enabled the office to advise and represent over 50,000 students over the years.

We have made law on behalf of tenants in the Illinois Appellate Court and at the State Supreme Court. Thousands of students have been helped with traffic tickets and city offense tickets. Your SORF fee gives you an attorney to sue your landlord for illegal deductions from your security deposit, invasions of privacy by the landlord and failure to make needed repairs.

Student Legal Service receives a percentage of your \$10 SORF fee. It is shared by the Tenant Union and hundreds of other groups that enrich campus life.

On March 8 and 9, you have an opportunity to renew the refundable SORF fee to support Student Legal Service's mission of legal education and representation.

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LETTERS

Renew and Increase

It is important when voting on the SORF Referendum that students take many facts into consideration. For instance, SORF is the ONLY funding source for Student Legal Services and the Tenant Union here at our University; both are services of undeniable value. Without SORF, these services cannot remain in existence.

On the issue of the funding increase, students should also take into consideration the \$4 funding increase is only to offset inflation, not to increase the size of SORF. Student Legal Services has operated for 6 years with continuous funding cuts from SORF and still has managed to remain within our budget. Even with these cuts, SLS was awarded the Outstanding Student Legal Service award for 2005 by the National Legal Aid and Defenders Association. Unfortunately, SLS can only handle these cuts for so long. I certainly urge all voters to vote for renewal of SORF and for the funding increase. Although we may not use SORF services all the time, one never knows when they will need the services that SORF provides. Voting against both referenda will not solve any problems and will only increase students' vulnerability in the legal system and to landlords.

MICHAEL SCHLAU
Chairman, Student Legal Services Advisory Board

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OPINIONS
EDITORIAL

The Daily Illini provides an open forum to educate, inform and enlighten the University of Illinois community. Editorials represent the majority opinion of The Daily Illini Editorial Board.

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Rock the vote

Campus wide student elections will be held online Tuesday and Wednesday. Students will be able to vote for the SORF Board members, student trustee and representatives from each college for the Illinois Student Senate.

What bothers us is the lack of campaigning by candidates. Students are already apathetic towards this election as is because they generally consider themselves as having little stake in student government — even claiming that nothing the ISS does affects them. You'd think candidates and the Student Elections Commission would paper the campus with ads pleading students to vote. And the only signs of advertising, aside from sporadic chalking on Quad sidewalks, are facebook groups and registered student organizations' e-mail lists?

Why exactly hasn't there been extensive campaigning? We don't expect mass media campaign ads, but at least flyers around the three Quad areas would be appropriate. Has there been a minimum of advertising just because the candidates want only their friends to vote to ensure their seats? It seems even student government doesn't give a damn about its own elections.

The ISS and the SEC need to sex it up and motivate the students to vote. Voting for student trustee matters because he or she is the most powerful voice for students on the Board of Trustees — the student trustee helps to decide everything from tuition, to budget appropriation for a new building to the hiring of the new chancellor. Voting for the SORF Board matters because these are the people who decide where the enormous amount of student funds to RSOs go. Voting for the ISS matters because its members give student input on, and heavily influence, everything from tuition to building a new basketball stadium. The fact that there's almost no advertising on these crucial issues is just plain ridiculous.

Having said that, it is important

for students to take initiative — not just because they're electing various candidates, but also because three separate referenda are up for consideration.

The first is whether or not the SORF board should continue receiving its \$10 fee from each student. We vote that this fee be continued. This year's SORF board has shown little sign of corruption and the funding is an important source to RSOs.

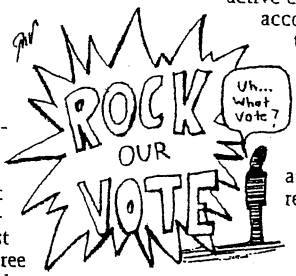
However, the second referendum asks if the fee should be increased from \$10 to \$14. The DI editorial board was split over this decision. Some are wary of awarding yet more student money to the SORF board, even if they have shown little sign of corruption.

The SORF board has not made an active effort to increase accountability and transparency in how it awards funding — instead, members have gone on the defensive and said they already have all the necessary rules in place. Until SORF actively

shows that it has standardized rules that adequately prevent corruption, it should not be given more money to fool around with. Yet, half the board felt that the fee should be increased to help adequately fund RSOs and Student Legal Services. One member chose to abstain.

The last referendum is whether the MTD fee, responsible for all campus bus routes, should be increased from \$33 to \$38 per student per year. Our vote for this is a resounding "yes." The extra \$5 is to continue existing services by countering the projected impact of inflation over the next four years. The buses are the backbone of transportation on such a large campus, especially with parking being such a problem and the cold weather being impossible for walking and cycling.

With such important issues up for voting, it is important for every last student at this University to vote. Come Tuesday, as was said during the November election, rock the vote.



Election opens online

Students log on
to place trustee,
referenda votes

BY DEVON SHARMA
Staff writer

Student election polls opened at midnight today, giving students the chance to vote online for the student trustee, Student Organization Resource Fee Board, Illinois Student Senate and three referenda questions, said Student Election Commission co-chair Kristin Hoff.

Students can view the ballot and cast their vote by visiting <http://www2.uiuc.edu/election/vote> and signing in with their Net ID and password. The polls close Wednesday at 11:59 p.m., so students should make sure they access the online ballot before then, Hoff said.

"It's important for students to have a voice in terms of who's representing them," she said.

Unofficial results will be announced on Thursday, Hoff said.

Candidate profiles and explanations of the three referenda are available online at the Illinois Student Senate Web site, <http://www.iss.uiuc.edu>.

Blake Taylor, junior in business, said the convenience of voting online is one reason he plans to vote in this year's student election.

"Being able to vote from my com-

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puter makes it so voting doesn't take up any significant part of my day," Taylor said.

The student election online ballot is divided into four sections. In the first of these sections, students can vote for one candidate for student trustee. Eight candidates appear on the ballot, and there is a box for students who wish to write in a name.

In the second section, students can vote for up to eight candidates for the SORF Board from a list of 13 candidates. As with student trustee, there is an option for write-ins.

A third section allows students to vote for Illinois Student Senate. Whereas the ballot is the same for all students regarding the student trustee and SORF board sections, the Illinois Student Senate section will include only the candidates for each student's college, Hoff said. The student's Net ID and password determine this, she said.

"Student trustee, SORF board and Illinois Student Senate are all very important in how they affect the student body at Illinois, and it's important that students have

a say in all three," Hoff said.

The fourth section of the ballot includes three referenda questions. Two of the referenda involve the SORF fee, a \$10 refundable fee collected each semester. The SORF Board uses the money from this fee to provide financial assistance to registered student organizations for speakers, films, permanent equipment and other on campus events, according to the spring 2005 referenda information page.

The first referendum question asks whether the SORF fee should be continued, while the second asks whether the fee should be increased by \$4.

The third referendum question asks students if they support a \$38 per semester fee — an inflationary increase of \$5 — to continue existing services provided by the transportation fee. The fee, a recurring referenda item that students vote on every four years, provides the intracampus bus system, SafeRides, and free and unlimited transit on MTD buses for students, according to the spring 2005 referenda information page.

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BY KIRAN SOOD
Staff writer

Nick Klitzing, sophomore in LAS, was declared the unofficial winner of the Student Trustee elections by the Student Elections Commission Thursday.

The commission also released unofficial winners of Illinois Student Senate elections and the results of the three referendum questions Thursday evening in room 314 of the Illini Union. Many students came to the Union to find out the results to the elec-

tions, which began Tuesday and closed at 11:59 p.m. Wednesday. A total of 8,535 ballots were cast, and the official results will be released Friday, pending appeals.

Ryan Ruzic, sophomore in LAS, was the only incumbent Student Senator in a competitive race to be reelected.

Students also voted to retain the SORF fee, raise the SORF fee from \$10 to \$14 and increase the MTD and Saferides fee by \$5 to \$38 per semester.

Klitzing, who won by a comfortable margin, said he was ecstatic about the results.

"I was in this campaign with my heart and soul," he said. "I am ready to work as student trustee for the entire student body at the University."

Klitzing attributed his success to his collaboration with several student organizations, and congratulated the other student trustee candidates for running dignified campaigns.

"I am proud to have campaigned against seven highly distinguished leaders in the community," Klitzing said.

Ritu Parikh, freshman in LAS, ran for the position on the Student Senate of LAS in the field of Social Sciences. She said the competition she faced was tough, running against thirteen other people.

"I ran to get more involved on campus," she said. "I want to have more of an influence on what goes on at the University, especially with issues that I directly deal with everyday."

Parikh, who did not win a seat in this year's elections, said she plans on running again next year.

"I learned a lot from the campaign process that can help me get a head start on the competition for next year," she said.

Zenobia Ravji, freshman in LAS, won one of the 4 Student Senate seats to represent the students majoring in the Humanities in LAS. She ran a successful campaign, but was criticized for her methods.

"I used fliers with my photograph on them and put them up everywhere," she said. "I received much e-mail from people saying that I had no issues to run on and was merely a face."

Ravji said the criticisms did not affect her, and that the fliers were crucial in her victory.

Alyson Kirkpatrick, a freshman in LAS, won a seat in one of the most competitive races: accountancy. Kirkpatrick beat out the incumbent candidate running, Hasen Al-Shawaf.

She said she was overwhelmed when she heard that she won the position.

"I definitely did not expect to win," she said. "I was very

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stressed throughout the entire campaign."

Kirkpatrick said one of her goals would be to bring stability to the ever-changing Student Senate.

"I joined the Senate in the fall, and I have gained a lot of important knowledge about working in committees," she said. "I figured since I had already accomplished something in the area, I might as well try to run for the position."

Klitzing, President of Students for Chief Illiniwek, said his first and foremost goal as the student trustee would be the preservation of the chief.

"I want the Board of Trustees to come to a consensus conclusion on the issue," he said. "I want to continue to educate people and lobby support for the Chief as our mascot."

Klitzing also said he will work to lower the tuition to compensate for the decrease in financial aid, as well as improving the parking situation.

Ravji said there are many things she wants to accomplish as a Student Senator, as well.

"The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences is the biggest school within U of I," she said. "I hope to have a big influence on my specific area of humanities, which deals with languages and philosophy."

Ravji also said she plans on working to improve diversity at the University of Illinois, even though she was told by many people that the campus was already ahead in this area.



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Living will in spotlight

Schiavo case raises concern about legal options in case of incapacitation

BY SE YOUNG LEE
Deputy news editor

Most college students do not consider the possibility of becoming permanently incapacitated. But after the story of Terri Schiavo became a national controversy, some University students are beginning to see differently.

Terri Schiavo, 41, spent the last 15 years of her life in a permanently vegetative state after suffering a heart attack that severely damaged her brain.

Her life ended on March 31 after her feeding tube was removed in accordance to the court ruling after Michael Schiavo, her husband and legal surrogate, successfully argued that Terri Schiavo would not have wanted to be sustained by a feeding tube before 19 different judges, despite strong objection from her family.

Thomas Betz, director of University's Student Legal Services, said several students have called this office to ask what options are available to ensure that their wishes are carried out if they

become permanently incapacitated.

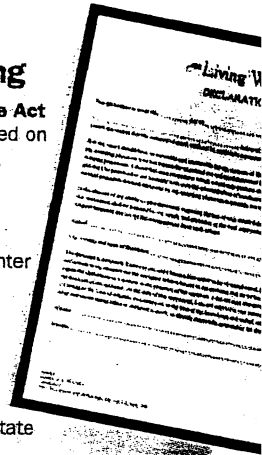
Betz said the Schiavo case would not have created as much controversy had she prepared an advance directive — a legal document instructing what she wants to be done once she is in a terminal state or permanently incapacitated. But because no such directives existed, the Florida courts appointed Michael Schiavo as her caretaker, in accordance with the state's surrogacy law.

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The legality of living

Illinois' Health Care Surrogate Act determines the surrogate based on the descending priority below.

1. Patient's guardian
2. Patient's spouse
3. Patient's adult son or daughter
4. Patient's parent
5. Patient's adult sibling
6. Patient's adult grandchild
7. Patient's close friend
8. Patient's guardian of the estate



Living will in spotlight

LIVING WILL from Front

You don't think when you're under 30, "Gee, I can die," Betz said. "What seems to be missing in the news coverage of the case is the objective lesson. You decide things in advance so you don't have to go through a mess."

Jack Kaplan, a professor of the university's College of Law, said in major cases in surrogacy law involved younger people, particularly young women.

They're the ones that are healthy enough to have the income up," Kaplan said, explaining that their bodies are more likely to survive longer than the incapacitated than the elderly.

Betz, who is one of the three attorneys working for Student Legal Services, said there are two types of advanced directives: a living will and the health care power of attorney.

Kaplan said that, according to the Illinois Living Will Act, a living will is triggered when a patient goes into a terminal condition that is defined as "an incurable and irreversible condition; which is such that death is imminent and the application of life-sustaining procedures

serves only to prolong the dying process."

"(A living will's) sole function is to terminate death-delaying procedures," Kaplan said. "The only time a living will is relevant is when a person can't understand what's going on or can't communicate."

In contrast, the power of health care attorney, which became recognized in Illinois in 1987, designates an agent to make the proper medical arrangements when the drafter of the document is incapacitated. However, Illinois allows drafters to ask for the maximum amount of care that can be provided by signing their initials next to one of the three statements listed.

"(Power of attorney for health care) can be used to say, 'Hey, I want it all. I don't care what the costs or the chances are. Bring it on,'" Kaplan said.

But Kaplan cautioned that, because the person designated as the agent is not legally bound to accept the responsibility, it is a good idea to name an alternate agent.

If there are no advance directives for a permanently incapacitated patient, the Illinois courts

appoint a surrogate based on the eight hierarchical categories specified by the Health Care Surrogacy Act to ensure that somebody will be making the decisions for the patient. Kaplan said the parents often end up becoming the surrogate for college students because they are not yet married and are unlikely to have a child who is a legal adult.

Betz said this could create a significant problem for homosexual couples because a homosexual partner would be considered at most a best friend, which is the seventh category to be considered for surrogacy. Kaplan said it would be the same for unmarried heterosexual couples.

"(Same-sex couples) are the ones who really need (the health care power of attorney)," Kaplan said. "They're in a relationship that's not sanctified by marriage."

Betz said students can obtain the forms for an advance directive through the Illinois Department of Public Health's Web site or at the Student Legal Services office in Room 324 of the Illini Union.

"Students should feel free to come and set up an appointment," Betz said.

But Imam Mujahid Al-Fayadh

You don't think when you're under 30, 'Gee, I can die.' What seems to be missing (from the news coverage of the case) is the objective lesson.

THOMAS BETZ
director, Student Legal Services

of the Central Illinois Mosque and Islamic Center said nobody has the right to compose a living will.

"My body and my soul is not mine; it is God's," Al-Fayadh said. "I have no authority over my body or my soul. Your body is owned by God."

Al-Fayadh, whose father once went into a coma for eight months after a car accident, also said a surrogate should not choose to take away food or water from a patient, regardless of his or her condition.

"As long as she's surviving and as long as people can support her, she has the right to survive until she dies because of a different reason (than the brain damage)," he said, taking the example of Terri Schiavo. "It is inhumane. The government should bear the financial and moral responsibility and care for such patients."

While the U.S. Congress

passed a resolution 10 days before Terri Schiavo's death to prolong her life with a feeding tube, Kaplan said the waving of the "federal legislative wand" did nothing but delay the inevitable. Federal courts also ruled in favor of Michael Schiavo.

"What all (the resolution) did was to say that the federal court can hear this case," Kaplan said. "The polls show that seven out of ten Americans thought that it was an awful charade. It's hard to see any good it did for the family."

Betz said because of the Terri Schiavo case, he is concerned about a possible chilling effect on future surrogates, who may no longer want to take on surrogacy in fear of public criticisms.

"The demonization of Michael Schiavo is almost unforgivable," Betz said. "Who in the world would want to make these kinds of decisions?"

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Commonly Asked Questions:

Will I Have A Criminal Record if I'm Found Guilty of a City Offense?

No. Because a city offense is not considered a criminal matter, you will not be given a criminal record if found guilty.

However, it may impact your immigration status if you are a foreign student seeking residency or citizenship.

Will Student Discipline Find Out About My Ticket?

The City of Champaign police send records of all arrests involving students to Student Discipline. Therefore, no matter what happens to you in city court, you can expect to hear from Student Discipline regarding the ticket.

If I Am Already on Court Supervision, Will a Finding of Guilt in a City Offense Case Affect Me?

One of the standard conditions of court supervision is that you do not violate the laws of any jurisdiction. That would include the cities of Champaign and Urbana.

If your city case goes to court, that becomes a matter of record, which is totally accessible. A finding of guilt amounts to a violation of court supervision.

If you have the option of paying your city ticket and avoiding going to court at all, it is much less likely that the event will be noticed, and your court supervision is more likely to remain undisturbed.

Visit us on the web:
[Http://www.uiuc.edu/unit/SLS](http://www.uiuc.edu/unit/SLS)

Questions, continued:

What Else Might Occur if I Get a City Ticket?

Often, during city offense arrests, the police will search you for fake IDs.

If you are ticketed for possession of a fake ID, or even if a fake ID is merely found in your possession, you can expect that you will have your license suspended for one year.

Illinois law provides for a loss of your license for a minimum of one year if you are found in possession of a fake ID. This is true whether you are ticketed for possession of a fake ID or not.

Also, if you simply ignore your city offense ticket, and you do not appear for your court date, a warrant for your arrest will be issued.

Important Numbers/Sites:

City of Champaign Legal Department 403-8765
http://www.ci.champaign.il.us/public_safety/psvec.php

City of Urbana Legal Department 384-2464
<http://www.city.urbana.il.us/Urbana/>

STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

324 Illini Union
1401 West Green St., Urbana
333-9053

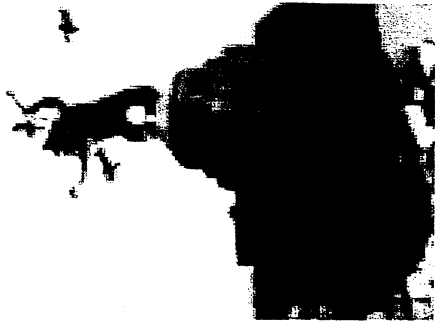
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CITY OFFENSES



"Public intoxication"

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What Is a "City Offense"?

The term "City Offense" is the term used to describe violations of city laws, as opposed to State laws. Just as states enact laws regulating the conduct and activities of people within their borders, city governments may enact laws which regulate conduct and activities within the limits of that city.

However, violations of city laws, unlike violations of state laws, are not criminal matters. Since city offenses are not criminal matters, there can be no jail time given as a sentence for a violation of a city law. City offenses are punishable by fine only, and the maximum allowable fine is \$750.



"Public Intoxication" and/or "Carrying open liquor out of premises."

Do I Have a Right to Challenge a City Offense Ticket?

Yes. You have a right to trial in a city offense matter. However, since city offenses are not considered criminal violations of the law, certain constitutional protections are unavailable in city court, which would be available if you were charged with a violation of a state law.

Most significantly, the burden of proof required to prove your guilt is not the same as if you were charged with a criminal matter. You are probably familiar with the criminal burden of proof where your guilt must be proven "beyond a reasonable doubt."

However, in city court, the city attorney only has to show that you are guilty by a "preponderance of the evidence." That means, in order for you to be found guilty, the city attorney only has to show that it is more likely than not that you committed the offense (a 51% likelihood). This is a very low standard that is very easy for the city attorney to meet.



"Noise Violation"

What Should I Do if I Receive a City Offense Ticket?

You should always come see Student Legal Service after receiving a city offense ticket. Although the odds of winning a city offense trial are generally low, it can't hurt to have an attorney review your case. Occasionally, tickets are issued improperly, or you may have a legal defense which can be asserted.



"Minor in Possession" or "Adult responsibility"

Also, in cases where students are issued multiple tickets, our office can often get some of the charges dismissed.

What Can I Do if I Do Not Want a Trial?

In the City of Champaign, almost all city tickets can be paid by mail. You are given 21 days from the date of the ticket to pay by mail. On the ticket, there will be two different dates: the "pay by mail date" and the court date. The "pay by mail date" is the final day on which you can pay the fine by mail.

After that date, you can no longer pay the ticket by mail and you will need to appear in court on the date listed on the ticket as your court date. You can still plead guilty at the court date, but you will have to pay court costs on top of the fine. Court costs vary with the amount of the fine, but will be at least an additional \$69.00.

In the City of Urbana, many city tickets, but not all, can be paid by mail. If the ticket can be paid by mail, the ticket will include the price of the fine. In Urbana, you have 14 days to pay the ticket after the date of issuance. If it is not paid by the due date, you will need to appear in court.



"Minor in Possession" or "Adult responsibility"

If your ticket is not payable through the mail, the ticket will indicate that your presence in court is necessary. Even if you are required to appear in court, you will still only be facing a fine.

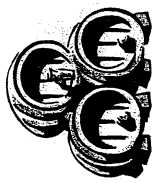
In both cities, if the ticket is paid through the mail on time, you do not need to appear in court.

Can I Do Community Service Instead of Paying a Fine?

In the City of Champaign, you can sometimes elect to do community service instead of paying a fine, with the approval of the city attorney and/or the judge. There are several things to consider before choosing to do community service.

First, you are only given credit for community service at the rate of \$5.00/hour. Therefore, if your fine is \$270.00, you will have to do a minimum of 50 hours of public service.

Second, you will only be given about 2 months to complete the public service work. Further, all the work must be done in Champaign County for Urbana city ordinance violations and within the City of Champaign for Champaign city ordinance violations.



"K-license violation" (Champaign, only)

If you fail to finish the community service on time, you can be ordered by the judge to pay the fine AND finish the community service.

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Common Traffic Law Questions & Answers

Q: Can I receive a traffic ticket if I am riding a bicycle?

A: Yes, the laws governing automobiles generally apply to bicycles and other similar vehicles.

Q: Can I automatically receive court supervision for my first speeding ticket?

A: No. Supervision is discretionary. The higher the speed, the less likely it is for supervision to be granted. The judge will evaluate your entire record before granting court supervision.

Q: How many times may I receive court supervision?

A: There is no express limit on the number of times you may receive court supervision; however, in Champaign County the judges will usually grant supervision one time only. Sometimes court supervision will be granted a second time if the earlier supervision is quite old and your record is otherwise good.

Q: What is a docket call?

A: The docket call is a procedure where attorneys declare the status of a given traffic case prior to trial or entry of a negotiated guilty plea.

Q: If the police officer or citizen witness doesn't show on the trial date, will my case be dismissed?

A: Yes. Please note, however, that police officers and other witnesses do not have to show at your arraignment, docket call, or pre-trial.

Q: Is a traffic ticket invalid if the police officer doesn't read me my "Miranda rights"?

A: No. For routine traffic tickets, you do not have to be informed of your Constitutional rights; rights must be read when you are taken into custody and questioned.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Student Legal Service 333-9053

Champaign County

State's Attorney 384-3733
Traffic Clerk 384-3717

University Police

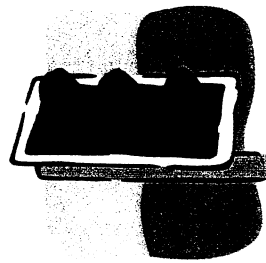
Emergency 333-8911
Non-emergency 333-1216

Champaign Police

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Non-emergency 351-4545

Urbana Police

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STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE is here to assist you with traffic violations!

Student Legal Service will provide advice and guidance in routine traffic matters. The service usually will provide an attorney in cases involving driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs (DUI); reckless driving, driving while license revoked or suspended; drag racing; leaving the scene of an accident; and unlawful use of driver's license or permit. In court, representation is limited to Champaign County traffic tickets

PLEADING GUILTY AT THE WINDOW

If you are, in fact, guilty and your ticket is a routine citation and is not a third offense (second offense if you are under the age of 21) or one of the offenses listed above, and your ticket is marked "*may appear*", it may be wise for you to pay the ticket at the traffic court clerk's window. This procedure will allow you to avoid the imposition of court costs which may be very substantial and must be paid if you appear before a judge. Court costs will be assessed even if you receive court supervision.

YOUR RIGHTS UPON A GUILTY PLEA

If you appear in court to plead guilty and the offense does not carry a possible jail sentence, a hearing will be held immediately to determine your fine. Before the judge decides upon the fine to be assessed, you will be given an opportunity to explain anything you may want him/her to consider.

If you wish to appeal from your guilty plea or sentence, you must file a written motion to withdraw your guilty plea in the traffic clerk's office within 30 days. You must put all the reasons why you wish to withdraw in your motion; otherwise, any reason you omit cannot be used upon appeal.

SUPERVISION - TRAFFIC SCHOOL

Court supervision involves a guilty plea but carries with it certain potential benefits. If the judge grants you supervision, it will be for a fixed period of time, and if you do not get another ticket within the supervision period, points will not be assessed on your

driving record. The Secretary of State does record court supervision on your record.

Generally, in order to receive court supervision for a petty offense ticket in Champaign County, it will be necessary for you to attend traffic school at Parkland College. In order to be eligible for traffic school, you must certify under penalty of perjury that you meet the following terms:

- 1) I have not received a ticket within 12 months of this ticket that resulted in a conviction.
- 2) I have not received a traffic ticket within 48 months of this ticket that resulted in court supervision, had the ticket amended to a "non-moving" violation, or completed any traffic safety program
- 3) I am not charged with speeding 21 miles per hour or more over the speed limit on this ticket;
- 4) My ticket is not marked with "must appear" offense; and
- 5) I further understand that I do PLEAD GUILTY to the charges on this ticket, WAIVE my right to a hearing by the court, and REQUEST court supervision.

You will receive the traffic school application in the mail or may pick one up at the traffic clerk's office. Keep in mind that completion of traffic school protects your driving records, but you must still pay the fine stated on the ticket and the fee for the traffic school.

YOUR RIGHT TO A JURY

If you plead not guilty, you have the right to a jury trial. In a jury trial 12 people who are registered voters in Champaign County are randomly selected. Before the 12 people who will hear your case are finally chosen, your lawyer or you, if you are representing yourself, will make sure that they are not biased. Once the jurors are chosen, they must be convinced beyond a reasonable doubt in order to find you guilty.

YOUR RIGHT TO A BENCH TRIAL

Regardless of the type of trial you choose, you have the following rights at trial:

- the prosecution must prove that you are guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.
- you have the right to confront the witnesses testifying against you, and you have the right to cross-examine these witnesses.
- You have the right to testify on your own behalf.
- But, if you do not wish to testify or to answer any questions, you cannot be forced to testify against yourself. If you choose not to testify, the prosecution cannot hold this against you.

PLEADING TO A LESSER OFFENSE

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- The prosecutor sometimes will be willing to reduce a moving violation ticket to a non-moving petty offense. Non-moving petty offenses do not become a part of your driving records, unlike moving violations. This process is sometimes referred to as "pleading to a 12-101". This type of plea is usually negotiated where proof of the original offense is weak, the offender would otherwise suffer a loss of driving privileges, and where the offender presents unique circumstances. A fine and court costs will still be required where the charges are reduced. It is likely that the fine will be substantially increased in return for the benefit of keeping the ticket off your record.

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Where To Get Help: Credit Reporting Bureaus

Equifax (www.equifax.com):

Report Fraud 800-525-6285
Order Credit Report 800-685-1111

Experian (www.experian.com):

Report Fraud 800-397-3742
Order Credit Report (same)

TransUnion (www.tuc.com):

Report Fraud 800-680-7289
Order Credit Report 800-888-4213

Social Security Administration

Report Fraud 800-269-0271
Order benefits and
Earnings Statement

Federal Trade Commission (FTC)

ID Theft Hotline 877-438-4338
www.consumer.gov/idtheft

Americans For Consumer Education and Competi-
tion: www.aaceusa.org/tips

The Privacy Counsel:

www.privacy-council.com/links_ontop.htm
National Check Fraud Center 800-571-2143
www.ckfraud.org/menu.html

Reporting Fraudulent Check Use:

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Chexsystems 800-428-9623
www.chexhelp.com

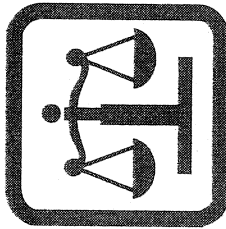
CrossCheck 707-586-0551
www-cross-check.com
Equifax 800-437-5120

Risk Management Service 800-898-3068
Global Payments Check Services 800-850-9061

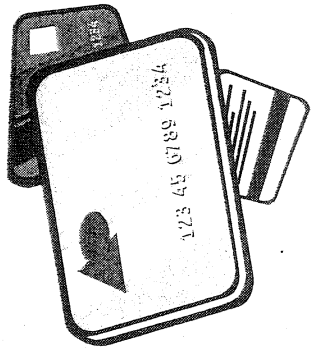
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Identify theft is one of the fastest growing problems in the USA. It occurs when someone makes use of your personal information such as your Social Security number to obtain benefits such as credit, cash, or goods and services, or even to commit crimes in your name. This sort of activity continues to rise because, like it or not, we're all on the Information Highway and controlling access to and use of your identity is not an easy matter.

An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and in no case is this more true than in identity theft. There are a number of steps that can and should be taken by everyone to safeguard against this calamity. All are simple, virtually cost-free, and should be made routine activities in life.

Steps To Safeguard Your Identity

1. Never give out personal information - SSN, credit card numbers, bank account information and the like -- to anyone who requests it unsolicited. It is acceptable to call L.L. Bean to order fishing gear and make the purchase using your Visa card. When someone calls you trying to sell you goods and services or claiming to be a charitable organization seeking donations and wants such information from you, you can generally assume it is not legitimate. Even if they give you the name of an organization you recognize, there is no way for you to verify that they are who they claim to be. Never divulge your data under those circumstances.

2. Always shred credit card receipts, ATM receipts, bank account receipts, and the like. Most people are aware of this. What fewer people think about are items such as pre-approved credit offers that arrive in the mailbox. These are frequently thrown away, often unopened, by recipients. Unfortunately, they contain information that can be very useful to identity thieves who are not above rifling through your trash. Always open and shred such mailings.
3. Never ignore your mail. Always open it and



examine it, even if it looks like junk mail to you. A mailing from a company with whom you have no business dealings could disclose information indicating they believe you to be a customer of theirs and are sending you a bill. If such a document is thrown out with no response from you, you could become stuck with responsibility for paying it back.



4. Likewise, do not ignore what isn't in your mail. If a regular account in your name, for example a MasterCard account, stops sending you regular statements, don't assume that there is no problem. Contact them immediately to find out what's going on. This can prevent your mail being sent to a false or defunct address, and permit you to see what appears on the statement.



5. Be sure to examine all credit card and bank statements immediately upon delivery to you. If inaccuracies appear, it could indicate that someone else is making use of your accounts and immediate attention must be called to any errors in order to keep you from becoming liable for charges or withdrawals you didn't make.

6. When selecting a password or a PIN code, don't use really obvious choices, which other people could easily guess. Pet names, birth dates, and the like are apt to be easy to guess if someone who knows you tries to invade your account. Yes, friends do this to one another; it's not just strangers.

7. Obtain a copy of your credit report from the three credit bureaus (Equifax, Experian, and Trans-Union) at least once a year. There is a minimal charge for this, and it is money well spent. Any irregularities should be checked out immediately.

8. When making purchases on-line, use only the most secure account. Generally, these are prefixed with "http". Internet use is a risky business in many ways, and all possible safeguards

should be undertaken. If none of this serves to prevent identity theft for you, then the following steps should be undertaken to help resolve the case and keep the damages and hassles to a minimum.

Steps To Take as an Identity Theft Victim

1. File a report with your local police agency. This establishes a record that you have, in fact, become a victim of identity theft.



2. Contact banks where you maintain accounts.

3. Contact all other financial institutions with which you have a relationship. This includes credit cards, obviously, but should also include magazine subscriptions, book clubs, or any other running accounts.

4. When closing accounts due to fraud, indicate with the holder that the record should read "closed at consumer's request". This way it will not seem that the account was closed due to your negligence.

5. Notify credit bureau fraud units and also place a fraud alert on your own credit report.

6. Request bi-monthly copies of your credit report until the case is resolved. These are provided at no charge for fraud victims.

7. Check the Post Office for any information they might have on any changes of your address on file with them which was unauthorized by you. This is a popular way for identity thieves to defraud.

8. Finally, follow up on all reporting. Do this in writing, not just over the phone. Keep records of all of your contacts and assume responsibility for working with all agencies to resolve the problem. Don't leave it all up

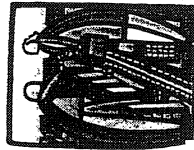
Step #4: Pre-trial

The pre-trial date gives the state's attorney and your attorney one last chance to try to negotiate a plea before setting the case for trial. If unsuccessful, your case will most likely be set for trial, or possibly placed back on the docket call (Step #3).

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO APPEAR at the Pre-Trial. This date is usually one week or less after the docket call date. Your attorney will notify you of the date.

Step #5: Negotiated Pleas

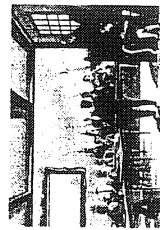
Often, the best option in a case is for your attorney to try to negotiate a deal with the state's attorney for the lightest possible sentence in your case. If an agreement can be reached, and you are satisfied with the terms, you will plead guilty in order to take advantage of the deal the state's attorney is offering.



The judge will verify that you understand the charge(s), that you are pleading guilty of your own free will, and will ask the state's attorney to disclose the terms of the negotiations. (NOTE: Negotiated pleas CAN be entered on the docket call date (Step #3), BUT ONLY if you are present AND if both the state's attorney and your attorney are prepared. If you enter a plea on the docket call date, you should not need to appear in court again.)

Step #6: Trial

YOU MUST BE PRESENT IF YOUR CASE IS SET FOR TRIAL. If you fail to appear for trial, a judgment WILL be entered against you in your absence.



At the trial, you, through your attorney, have the right to present your case and to cross examine the state's witnesses. The burden of proof is on the State to prove that you are guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

Useful websites:

Student Legal Service

<http://www.uiuc.edu/unit/SLS>

See our brochures:

- Your Court Appearance
- Misdemeanor Arraignment
- Court Costs & Filing Fees

Champaign County Circuit Clerk

<http://www.cccircuitclerk.com>

MISDEMEANOR

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MISDEMEANORS

What is a misdemeanor?

The term "misdemeanor" is a technical definition in Illinois for any crime punishable by less than one year in jail.

Misdemeanors, as a class, are further subdivided into four smaller classes: Class A; Class B; Class C; and Petty. Class A misdemeanors are the most serious and carry a maximum

penalty of 364 days in jail and/or a \$2,500.00 fine. Class B misdemeanors are punishable by up to 6 months in jail and/or a \$1,500.00 fine. Class C misdemeanors are punishable

by up to 30 days in jail and/or a \$1,500.00 fine. Petty offenses are punishable by fines only, with the maximum fine being \$1,000.00.

Most traffic offenses are considered petty misdemeanors, but some are classified as Class A misdemeanors (for example: Driving Under the Influence [DUI], Driving While License Suspended [DUS], Leaving the Scene of an Accident, etc.).

All misdemeanors except for petty offenses, will end up on your criminal record if you are found guilty.

TYPICAL PROCESS WHEN ARRESTED FOR MISDEMEANOR

Typically, there are 5 steps in the process: (1) the arrest, (2) the first appearance before the court (the "arraignment"), (3) the docket call, and (4) the pretrial or (5) the entry of a negotiated plea.

In all misdemeanor cases, you have the right to go to a sixth step: (6) trial. In cases where a trial is not appropriate, the best course of action is usually to plead guilty under the terms of a "negotiated plea". (see step #5). Your attorney will always make every attempt to notify you of every date you are required to appear in court. If you are unsure of your next court appearance, contact your attorney to find out.

NOTE: If you fail to appear for court at any point where your presence is required, the judge will issue a warrant for your arrest and will order that

you pay bond in order to be released from jail after you are arrested.

Step #1: The Arrest

The arrest is the beginning of the criminal process. If you are arrested for a misdemeanor charge, the officer may do one of two things: s/he may take you to the police station or s/he may release you. If you are released after the arrest, you can expect that you will receive a notice at a later date instructing you to appear in court at a certain time and date to answer the charges which have been filed against you. You have no control over whether you are taken to the police station or if you are released. That is the option of the police officer.

At the time of arrest, you may or may not be required to post bail. Bail is intended to be a monetary payment by you that will help ensure your appearance on your scheduled court appearance dates. If asked to post bail, you will not have to post the entire amount of bail set in your case in order to be released. You will have to post 10%. In other words, if bail is set at \$1,000.00, you will need to post \$100.00 in order to be released. If you fail to appear on a date you were instructed to appear by the court, you can forfeit any money you paid.

Often, you will be released on recognizance or "ROR". This means that you are being released without the payment of bail money on the understanding that if you don't appear at your court appearance, a warrant will issue for your arrest. When you are found, you will have to pay to be released from jail.

Step #2: The First Appearance / The Arraignment

YOU MUST APPEAR at the date and time you are instructed to appear in the notice you are given by the police officer. This is called the first appearance date or the arraignment. At the first appearance, you will be asked to verify that you are the person being charged with the crime by the state's attorney. Then, the judge will read aloud the charge(s) filed against you and tell you the

maximum penalties that could be imposed if you were to be found guilty of the charge(s).

You will also be asked if you would like to hire an attorney or to have the court appoint an attorney for you. At this point, you should let the judge know that you are a student and that you would like to use Student Legal Service. The judge will then give you another court date to return with an attorney. YOU MUST APPEAR again on this next court date. When your attorney appears with you, your attorney will set the case for the "docket call".

Step #3: The Docket Call

This is the next court date assigned in your case after the first appearance. The docket call is usually about one month after your first appearance. YOU ARE REQUIRED to appear at the docket call.

The purpose of the docket call is for the attorney to tell the judge what s/he plans to do regarding your case. The options for your attorney at the docket call are: (1) to enter a negotiated plea of guilty (see Step #5); (2) to set your case for another court date for the entry of a negotiated plea of guilty; (3) to set your case for a pre-trial (see Step #4); or (4) to get your case dismissed with the agreement of the state's attorney.

Often, your attorney will need to ask for a continuance to the next month's docket call because s/he has not been able to speak with the state's attorney regarding your case. If this happens, Step #3 is simply repeated at the next docket call.

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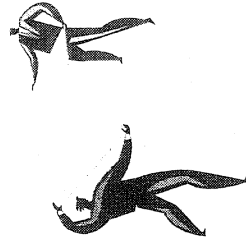
What information do I need to fill out the paperwork requesting a Power of Attorney be made for me?

1. Full legal names of the person you wish to designate as your primary attorney in fact and an alternate.
 2. Current home address, the address at which your attorney in fact will be living for the duration of the Power of Attorney and that of your alternate.
 3. Social Security numbers of your primary attorney in fact and the alternate
 4. Inclusive dates for the duration of the Power of Attorney.
- Then come in to the Student Legal Service office, fill out the paperwork (be sure to bring your I-card) and set up an appointment to come back to execute the **Power of Attorney**.



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POWER OF ATTORNEY

What is a Power of Attorney?



A **Power of Attorney** is a document signed by one person authorizing another person to act for him or her.

If you write and sign a **Power of Attorney**, you are the **principal**;

the person you authorize to act on your behalf is called an **attorney in fact**.

How do you select your attorney in fact?

An **attorney in fact** does not have to be a lawyer, but must be a legally competent adult. It is absolutely critical that the **attorney in fact** be someone whom you deeply trust.

A casual friend, a roommate, a boyfriend, or a girlfriend is a poor choice.

We suggest family members or very mature friends with an established history of financial responsibility.

Who needs a Power of Attorney?

Students traveling abroad or studying abroad who will need:

⇒ to maintain their bank/checking accounts,

⇒ to receive and cash financial aid checks, and/or

⇒ to renew enrollment

→ with financial aid and

→ with the University.

A financial power of attorney is not necessary for brief excursions such as Spring Break.

When should you obtain a Power of Attorney?

If you want a **Power of Attorney** prepared free of charge 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.

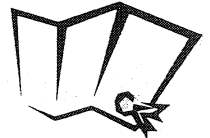
You will be asked to supply a proper name and address for your **attorney in fact** and an alternate **attorney in fact** in case your primary **attorney in fact** becomes incapacitated.

The day before you leave is not the best time to obtain serious legal documents.

What do you do with the document?

The **Power of Attorney** is signed in the presence of a Notary Public by you as principal and witnessed by two other competent adults.

The original **Power of Attorney** is given to the **attorney in fact** to be presented to banks and other financial institutions as if you were personally present. As principal, you should



retain a copy of the **Power of Attorney**.

What is Ratification?

As principal, you are holding those who rely on the written **Power of Attorney** presented by your **attorney in fact** harmless as long as the use was lawful and within the scope of the terms of the document. The bank is not liable for allowing the **attorney in fact** to clean out your account if the document permits general transaction of business, but the **attorney in fact** could be sued for theft and breach of fiduciary duty.

How can I revoke the Power of Attorney?

Your **Power of Attorney** can be revoked by:

- ⇒ physically destroying the document,
- ⇒ allowing the document to expire on the date on the face of the document, or
- ⇒ supplying written notice of revocation of **Power of Attorney** to the **attorney in fact** and any entities that may rely upon your **Power of Attorney**.

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Resources:

United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS)
<http://www.immigration.gov>

USCIS Forms and Fees (links)
<http://uscis.gov/graphics/formfee/forms/index.htm>

Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS)
<http://www.ice.gov/graphics/sevis/index.htm>

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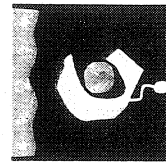
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U.S. Embassies and Consulates, Worldwide
http://travel.state.gov/visa/questions_embassy.html

Foreign Consular Offices in the U.S.
http://www.state.gov/www/travel/consular_offices/fco_index.html

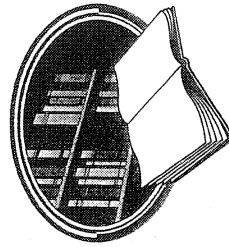
Foreign Embassies in Washington, D.C.
<http://www.embassy.org/embassies/index.html>



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STUDENT LEGAL SERVICE

RIGHTS OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS & SCHOLARS IN THE UNITED STATES



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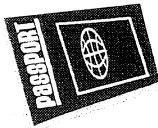
Your Rights

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, 2001, 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, the Social Security Administration, and other federal and State agencies.

What documents should I carry with me to prove I am legally in the U.S.?

INA Act 264 (c) states that every non-citizen, eighteen years of age and over, shall at all times carry and have in his/her personal possession any certificate of alien registration or alien registration receipt card issued to him/her. 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.



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

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. For an immigration hearing, the government is not required to provide an attorney for you at no charge to

What is different about my responsibilities under the Special Registration program?

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 changes, and it is a misdemeanor crime if a Special Registrar fails to do so. Change of address forms are available on the internet at:

<http://uscis.gov/graphics/howdoi/address.htm>.

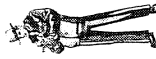
You are responsible for making required address change reports, and the Department of Homeland Security may apprehend, detain, or deport you, using a failure to report change of address as a reason or contributing factor.

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

Yes. Foreign nationals arrested in the U.S. have the right to call their consulates or have the police tell the consulate of the arrest. The police must let your consulate visit or speak with you. Your consulate might help you find an attorney. You also have the right to refuse help from your consulate.



What should I do if the local police, the FBI, or an agent of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) contacts me?



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 government officials' entry into your residence unless they have a valid search warrant that is signed by a judge.

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

Law enforcement authorities must have a valid search warrant signed by a judge, or have the employer's permission in order to enter your place of work. If DHS

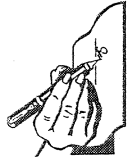
agents enter by force and arrest you, you have the right to remain silent and confer with legal counsel before answering questions. What you say can be used in court against you.

What rights do I have if I am detained?



An agent of the DHS is allowed to arrest you without a warrant if he or she believes that you are in the United States illegally and has reason to believe that you are likely to escape before a warrant can be obtained for your arrest. If you are arrested without a warrant you will be given a document informing you of the following:

- ⇒ You are allowed to speak with an attorney or other representative
- ⇒ If you ask to speak with an attorney, the DHS must give you access to a telephone and at least two hours to try to call an attorney.
- ⇒ During that time, the DHS may not interrogate you, other than to obtain basic biographical information.



You have the right to refuse to sign your name on any immigration document. You may also request to speak to an attorney before signing any documents. By signing a document given to you by a DHS agent, you may be giving up certain rights or agreeing to voluntarily return to your country.

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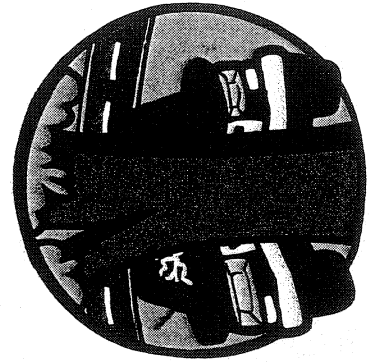
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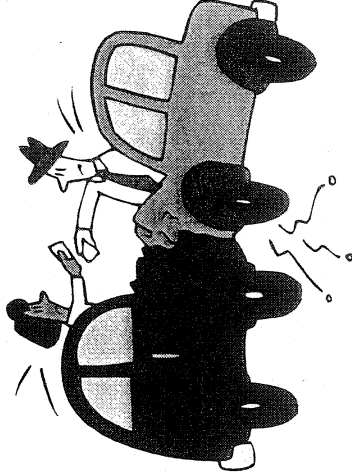
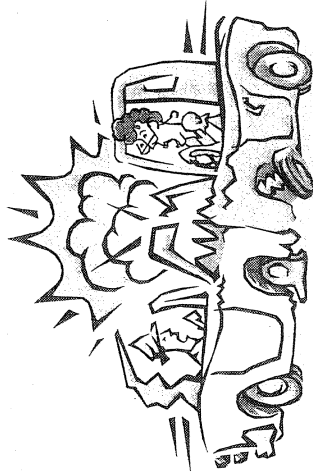
Q. *What if I am in an accident in which I hit something other than another vehicle?*

A. The same process should be followed as in the situation of colliding with an unattended vehicle. In particular, the accident must be promptly reported to the local police, and a report filed with the state. There have been instances in which drivers have run into objects such as fences and trees, and have suffered the consequences of not reporting those events.

You may think that no one is watching, but frequently somebody sees the accidents, writes down sufficient information about the vehicle involved, and calls the police. Don't let this happen to you. It is far better to report the accident yourself. After all, that's why you carry insurance.



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IF YOU'RE IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

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Traffic Accidents

Traffic accidents happen all the time, and yet people don't always know what to do when they are involved in one. There are important steps to take, and failure to follow through can jeopardize your ability to be compensated for damages and the status of your driver's license, as well as put you at risk for receiving traffic citations.

The first thing to remember is to remain at the scene of the accident. Leaving the scene prematurely is an offense with potentially serious consequences, so do not consider this as a convenient option.



You should also call the police, especially if someone is injured in the accident, even if the injury does not appear to be serious.

Next, make a full exchange of information with all others involved in the accident. This information should include names, addresses, phone numbers, driver's license numbers, automobile registrations and insurance policy information. The names, addresses

and phone numbers of any witnesses to the accident should also be obtained. Limit your exchange of information to these points. Do not discuss the circumstances of the accident with anyone on the scene. In particular, do not admit fault, even if you believe you were in the wrong. You may well have opinions as to what led to the accident, but keep them to yourself.

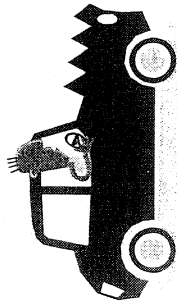
Once info is exchanged...

Once all such information has been exchanged and the police have completed their on-site investigation, there are still some important things to do.

First, call your insurance agent and report the incident. This will not automatically cause them to raise your premiums or have any other negative effects; it simply puts them on notice that an accident has occurred.

Second, file an accident report with the Department of Transportation. Your insurance company will be able to provide you with a form for completing this. The report should be filed within ten (10) days of the accident's occurrence. Filing of this report is required by law.

At this point, the insurance companies will take over the responsibility of settling claims for damages, and all you need to do is cooperate with them in that process.



Questions and Answers...

- Q. *What if I do leave the scene of an accident?*
- A. If you do, don't be surprised if a police officer is at your door soon after, to present you with a ticket charging you with that offense. It is usually charged as a misdemeanor, and can have serious consequences
- Q. *What if I am in an accident in which I hit an unattended vehicle?*
- A. In that case, you must leave a note attached to the vehicle, giving your name, address, phone number, vehicle registration, and owner of the vehicle if it is someone other than you. You must also promptly report this to the local police, and file the accident report, as in any other accident.

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YOUR COURT APPEARANCE

Champaign County Courthouse
101 East Main Street
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COURTROOM LOCATION

First Floor:

Clerk of the Circuit Court and Traffic Court
(Courtroom L) and
Champaign County Public Defender.

Second Floor:

Courtrooms F, G, H, and K,
Law Library (Room 242) and
access to State's Attorney Office.

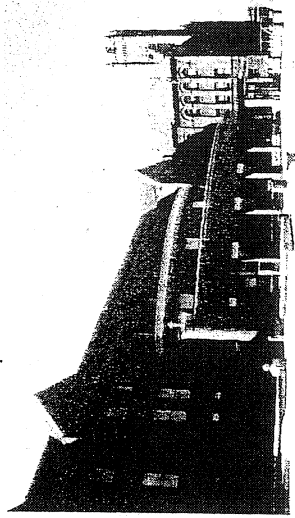
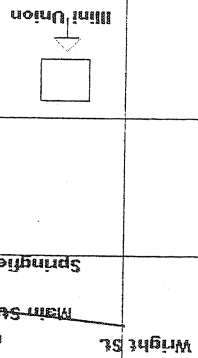
Third Floor:

Courtrooms A, B, C, D, and E and
Court Services/Probation

HELPFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Circuit Clerk:

Small Claims	384-3860
Traffic	384-3717
Criminal	384-3727
Civil	384-3725



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HOW TO DRESS

Dress as though you were going to an important job interview. Casual clothing such as shorts, bare feet, tank tops, halter tops, sandals, and hats, is not acceptable.



You will be removed from the courtroom if you violate court dress code; this may result in an arrest warrant for failure to appear or a default of your civil case. Regardless of how you personally feel about the dress code, obey the rules. You are not in court to make a symbolic statement regarding your lifestyle.

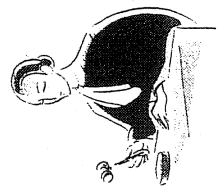
EMPLOYMENT

Always arrive to court on time. If you have a 9:00 a.m. appearance, arrive at least twenty (20) minutes early in order to allow for time to locate parking and the proper courtroom.

In Champaign County, the court is located at 101 East Main Street, in Urbana. There is limited on-street parking in Urbana. The following bus routes will most conveniently take you to the Champaign County Courthouse from the university: the 25 Loop, Green, Gold, and Orange.

COURTROOM DEVIANCE

- You and your witnesses should be quiet in court.
- Don't smoke or chew gum.
- Turn off your cell phone.
- Do not go in and out of the courtroom while waiting for your case to be called.
- During your case, speak clearly and loudly enough to be heard, and stay calm.
- Call the judge "Your Honor".
- Do not interrupt the judge, the attorneys, or any other party in the courtroom.



At all times, you should retain a composed and attentive posture whether you are in the audience, appearing as a witness, appearing as a criminal

defendant, or a civil plaintiff or defendant.

If you are entering a guilty plea, the court will inform you of your constitutional rights. You should listen carefully to the court's explanation in order to make sure you fully understand your rights and responsibilities. If you do not understand your rights, it is proper to ask the court for clarification.

It is never proper to speak, even in a whisper, with friends or other audience members, or on a cell phone while court is in session.

HOW DO I GET READY FOR COURT?

You can go to court yourself and watch other cases before yours comes up. If you do this, you'll see how the court works, where everybody sits, and what they do and say.

Plan to do this a few days or weeks before you have to go to court. It will make you more comfortable and less nervous when you go to court for your own case.

COURT SECURITY

When you enter the Champaign County Courthouse, you will be required to submit to security procedures before you can access the facilities. Your purse, briefcase, bags and other items will be placed on a conveyor belt to be x-rayed to make sure that they do not contain weapons, explosives, or any illegal items such as drug paraphernalia or controlled substances, such as marijuana.

As a user of the court, you will walk through a metal detector to ensure that you are not carrying any contraband. All knives, scissors, or pointed objects are subject to confiscation, so don't bring them. Do not wear steel-toed shoes/boots or large belt buckles which will trigger alarms and delay your entrance as well as that of other patrons. Court security is taken seriously, so do not treat it as a joke!

WHY DO I HAVE TO GO TO COURT?

Q: Why won't the State's Attorney negotiate with me regarding my traffic ticket?

A: You are not an attorney and are on the opposite side of the State's case. It can be unethical for the

State's Attorney to negotiate with a lay person because the State's Attorney's duty is primarily to seek justice for the State, not necessarily to ensure fairness or equity for you as a defendant.

Q: What is contempt of court?

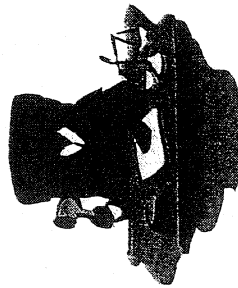
A: Any act which is calculated to embarrass, hinder, or obstruct the court in the administration of justice. Any act calculated to lessen the authority or dignity of the court. Insulting language in the presence of the court is punishable by a fine or imprisonment. Failure to obey the court regarding another party to the proceeding may be civil contempt, punishable by a fine.

Q: What is a default judgment?

A: It is a judgment which results from a party's failure to answer, appear, or defend a lawsuit. The defaulting party may set aside the judgment within a short period after rendering it.

Q: Am I entitled to a court-appointed attorney?

A: Not in most civil cases. You may receive appointed counsel in non-petty criminal cases.



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City _____ Zip _____

Phone: Local _____ Cell.(____) _____ Office _____

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State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____

UIUC Email address _____

May we contact you by email: Yes / No

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Appt: _____
Date _____ Time _____
Atty: TEB SYH JDC
Type: _____

PLEASE INDICATE:

CLASS: FR SO JR SR
GRAD MED/VET
College: _____
Major: _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen? Yes No (REQUIRED)

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Name of person to whom you wish to give power to make medical decisions: _____
Address: _____

Date on which power is to become effective: _____

OR

Event upon which you wish power to become effective (e.g., court determination of your disability, medical determination disability) _____

Date or event upon which you want this power to terminate prior to your death: _____

What limits do you want to impose? (specific limitations you deem appropriate, such as your own definition of when life-sustaining measure should be withheld; direction to continue food and fluids or life-sustaining treatment in all events, or instruction to refuse any types of treatment that are inconsistent with your religious beliefs or unacceptable to you for any other reason, such as blood transfusions, electro-convulsive therapy, amputation, psychosurgery, voluntary admission to a mental institution, etc.):

Names and addresses of successors if the primary agent dies, becomes incompetent, resigns, or refuses to accept the office of agent, or becomes unavailable:

(1) _____

(2) _____

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State _____ Zip _____ Phone (____) _____

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Please give a **BRIEF** factual explanation of your situation. Be as **SPECIFIC** as possible. Include any **RELEVANT QUESTIONS** you may have. Attach photocopies of all **RELEVANT DOCUMENTS**. You may use the back of this form if you need more space.

(continue on reverse, if necessary)

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Ticket(s) issued for what offense(s): _____ Are copies attached? Yes No

Why was student stopped initially? _____

Circumstances of offense (what happened): _____

Date of Birth: _____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

Any witnesses? (for student or for the State - Names and addresses) _____

Did you admit guilt? Yes No Explain: _____

What date is ticket due if paid by mail? _____ What amount? \$ _____

Your court date and purpose? _____

City offense or criminal offense record: offense: _____ date: _____ Conviction? Yes No

Have you ever been on supervision before? Yes No

If yes, what county, when, what offense: _____

Are you aware that a "City offense" is a civil fine only and will not count as a criminal record? Yes No

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Charged with what offense(s): _____ Are copies of charges attached? Yes No

Why was student stopped initially? _____

Circumstances of offense (what happened): _____

Date of Birth: _____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

Any witnesses? (for student or for the State - Names and addresses) _____

Did you admit guilt? Yes No Explain: _____

Your court date and purpose? _____

City offense or criminal offense record: offense: _____ date: _____ Conviction? Yes No

Have you ever been on supervision before? Yes No

If yes, what county, when, what offense: _____

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Ticket(s) issued for what offense(s): _____

Are copies of charges attached? Yes No (blue copy of ticket or photocopy)

Why was student stopped initially? _____

Circumstances of offense (what happened): _____

Date of Birth: _____ (MM/DD/YYYY) Driver's License Number: _____

Any witnesses? (for student or for the State) _____

Did you admit guilt? Yes No Explain: _____

Next court date and purpose? _____

Past driving Record:

Ticket for what offense: _____ Conviction? Yes No Date issued: _____

Ticket for what offense: _____ Conviction? Yes No Date issued: _____

Any criminal record? _____

Ever been on supervision before? Yes / No If yes, what county, when, what offense: _____

If accident:

Any other person involved? Yes / No If yes, U of I student? Yes / No

Insurance on other car? Yes / No Company: _____

Accident Report sent to Secretary of State? Yes / No Date sent: _____

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Mr. Grose,
I just wanted to thank you again for your services. I know to you, this is just your job, but your work truly meant a lot to me. I really can't even begin to tell you how grateful I am. Have a great rest of the summer!

Thank you

From:
Sent: Friday, June 04, 2004 1:18 PM
To: Beckee Bachman
Subject: RE: UIUC Student Legal Service

Dear Proffesor Betz,

The dismissal of the charges is indeed excellent news for me. Just to confirm I would be most grateful if you could send my bond money to my address back in as I am back there now.

The address is:

Thanks again for all your help, sincerely,

From :
Sent : Wednesday, July 21, 2004 11:39 PM
To : Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject : Re: Your Case

thank you thank you thank you thank you very much you have been really helpful i will go to the city clerks office and ask them to extend the date tommrow . once again thank you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

From :
Sent : Thursday, August 5, 2004 12:10 PM
To : Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject : Re: Your Case

Jeremy,
Thanks for taking the time to resolve this for me.

AUG 09 2004

Jeremy,
Thanks for taking care
of this! Email me with any
questions or problems
Thanks!

APPLAUSE-O-GRAM

To: Student Legal Service Attorneys and Staff
From: Patricia E. Askew *Pat Askew*
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs
Re: Student Legal Service Annual Report

I received from Tom Betz the *Student Legal Service Annual Report* and have had the opportunity to review the accomplishments for the past year. The demand for these services continues at a high level demonstrating the value to students.

I commend the proactive approach taken through the eye-catching *Daily Illini* ads to educate students of pertinent laws with the intent of helping students avoid violations and potential legal difficulties. Your attention to emerging issues such as identity theft and greater enforcement of laws related to house parties is important. The progressive nature of services delivered also is evident in the preparation of new brochures to address "Court Costs and Filing Fees," "Misdemeanor Arraignment," "Expungement," "Court Supervision," and "Marijuana Laws." I would like to offer a suggestion which might result in a small income stream for the office. The Counseling Center produces excellent brochures on several topics and markets these to other Counseling Centers for a reasonable charge. This has been an important source of supplemental revenue to its budget. I encourage Tom to contact Tom Seals, Director of the Counseling Center, prior to his retirement on August 31 to learn more about this system and determine whether this might be feasible to implement.

Alcohol abuse among college students is a major concern at the University and nationally. The results of the latest survey indicate an increase in the percentage of students engaging in high risk drinking behavior on campus. If there are insights from your work related to this major health and behavioral problem that would assist the campus in working with students to address this issue, I would appreciate you communicating those ideas to Bill Riley and me.

Thanks again for your important work and for the attention given to being a leading provider of such services nationally.

August 9, 2004

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August 26, 2004

AUG 31 2004

Mr. Thomas E. Betz
Student Legal Service
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
324 Illini Union
1401 West Green Street
Urbana, Illinois 61801


Dear Tom:

On behalf of the NLADA Student Legal Services, I want to thank you for participating in this year's conference in Chicago. The evaluations we have received indicate that the attendees greatly appreciated your presentation and found it to be beneficial, worthwhile, and educational in addressing the difficult task they have of assisting students on a daily basis.

I do hope you will consider not only attending upcoming conferences but once again serving as a facilitator.

Please accept my heartfelt gratitude and thanks on behalf of the entire organization and all attendees.

Very truly yours,


Mark J. Karon
Attorney at Law

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NATIONAL LEGAL AID & DEFENDERS ASSOCIATION
STUDENT LEGAL SERVICES SECTION
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JULY 27 - 31, 2004

Tuesday, July 27

12:00 - 6:00 p.m. Registration: BEST WESTERN INN of CHICAGO

6:00 p.m. WELCOME DINNER, Skyline Terrace, Inn of Chicago

Wednesday, July 28

7:45 a.m. BREAKFAST (Meeting Room)

8:00 - 10:00 a.m. Business meeting

10:00 - 12:00

Legal Issues Relating to Alcohol and Drug Use With College Students, Harm Reduction: A Paradigm Shift. Wm. Andrew Elliott, LFCC, CCDCIII-E, Rudolph, Ohio

Noon - 1:00 p.m. LUNCH (on your own)

1:00 - 3:30

The Patriot Act of 2001, Pub. L. No. 107-56, 115 Stat. 272 (2001), An examination of the search and surveillance, information gathering, arrest and detention provisions and proposed legislation. Connie Chung, Esq. Illinois ACLU

3:30 - 5:30

Office Management: Working with administrators, student boards and concerns with non lawyer involvement in management and administrative matters. Tom Betz, Esq., University of Illinois, Raymond Schifflet, Esq., University of Texas

Thursday, July 29

7:30 a.m. BREAKFAST (Meeting Room)

8:00 - 10:30 a.m.

(Ethics and Elimination of Bias) Grutter v. Bollinger and Gratz and Hamacher v. Bollinger, et al., Law School and Undergraduate Lawuits relating to admissions policies at the University of Michigan. Are admission testing procedures unfair or discriminatory? Racial and ethnic determinations in testing policies and procedures. Testing and the controversies currently raging about race/ethnicity in scholarship and reach out programs. Jay Rosner, Esq. (Expert Witness on behalf of the intervener University of Michigan cases)

10:30 - 1:30

Fair Debt Collection Actions, Consumer Protection Act Claims, O. Randolph Bragg, Esq., Law Offices of Horwitz, Horwitz and Associates, Chicago and Joliet, Illinois

1:30 - 2:30

LUNCH (on your own)

SEP 14 2004

Dear Susan,

I just wanted to show my appreciation in some way for all your help. I haven't been able to reach you, so I hope my case is going through smoothly. If you need any information or need me to stop by your office, please call and I'll be right over.

Thanks again for your help, it will be so relieving to not have the ticket on my record. I'm usually always a safe driver (I swear), but this was probably a good sign to just stay safe & continue to be careful. Thanks again, please call if you need anything.
Sincerely,

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jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com

Printed: Tuesday, September

From: Tuesday, September 28, 2004 2:04 PM
Sent: Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
To: Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject: Re: Your Case

Thankyou so much! I'm glad it worked out in the end.

Subject: Thank-you

Hi Susan,

Yesterday I received a check from JC Penney. I want to thank you for all the good work that you have done for me, both on the traffic ticket and the insurance matter. It has been a great pleasure to deal with you!

Too often mass media portrays attorneys as a group in a false light, and many people believe this. The popular opinion is that, if you are right, you don't need a lawyer because the system will take good care of you.

I learned about the true situation, however. Without your intervention, I would probably still be talking to the insurance company (I still remember some of the nonsense their agent had told me), even though the law was on my side.

Let's hope that we, along with many millions of others, will hear some good news at the beginning of November! I will be very happy to be your friend, and could only hope that someday I will be able to do something good for you.

From: Thursday, September 30, 2004 12:26 PM
Sent: Beckee Bachman
To: Re: Student Legal Service
Subject:

Importance: High

Hooray! Thank you so much, and please thank Mr. Betz for me, as well. Your services are greatly appreciated.

Jeremy,

Thank you so much for defending my case this summer. \$475.00 is a lot for a college kid, but better than a mistrial.

Thank you,

Message: Dear Susan,

Thank you very much for your help. I really didn't know how to go about my problem and you had it completely solved for me. I appreciate the service very much.

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Subject: Re: city case

To: "Susan Hesse" <jadedone97@yahoo.com>

Hi Ms. Hesse,

On behalf of myself and [redacted] I would like to thank you for taking the time to review and go over our case with us. We appreciate the advise you were giving us and we also appreciate the fact that you were willing to show up in court with us. Also, Thanks for representing us. We really appreciated the help that you provided to us.

Thanks Again,

Jeremy,

Thanks again for handling my case - I appreciate all that you have done. Please contact me if there are any problems from here on out. Thanks!

Mr. Metz,

Please accept the enclosed donation to Student Legal Services along with my thanks for taking care of this matter for me + I.

If you have any questions or need anything further please contact me on my cell phone at:

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12-07-04

Jeremy Grose,

Thank you so much for representing my daughter. She has paid the fines out of her account and we have discussed her actions with her on several occasions.

I believe she will improve her behavior.

I also want to thank Becky for her time. She gave me additional valuable information.

Sincerely,

January 17, 2005

Thomas Betz
324 Illini Union MC-384
1401 W. Green St.
Urbana, IL 61801

Dear Mr. Betz,

I wanted to write to thank you for settling my ^{daughter's} claim so quickly and efficiently. I apologize that it has taken me so long to write, but I am truly grateful for your excellent work.

Dear Susan,

Sincerely,

Mr. Betz,

JAN 24 2005

May the Joys of this Holy Christmas Season be with you throughout the New Year

Thank you very much for helping me!

Thank you very much for your legal help. Your kindness and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Thanks again,

To: jadedone97@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Ramshaw
Date: Tue, 23 Nov 2004 11:16:09 -0600

Dear Dr. Hesse,

Yesterday I received the check from Ramshaw. I learned a lot through this and from you, so I feel like I can manage to avoid this sort of situation in the future before it happens.

I really appreciate your help. Have a nice holiday.

From :
Sent : Tuesday, December 7, 2004 10:35 PM
To : Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject : Re: Your Case

Mr. Grose,

Thank you for the email. I plan to go and pay off the fine tomorrow (Wednesday), so it is not necessary that you set up a court time for me. Thanks again for everything, you've been extremely helpful.


JAN 20 2005

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Subject: FW: Applause-o-gram

Date: Mon, 11 Apr 2005 13:41:20 -0500

From: "William L Riley" <wlriley@ad.uiuc.edu>  Add to Address Book

To: tbezt_legalguy@yahoo.com, jermery_grose@hotmail.com,  jadedone97@yahoo.com

From: Patricia E Askew

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2005 2:46 PM

Subject: Applause-o-gram

Applause-o-gram

I wish to express my appreciation for the important and highly valued contributions that each of you made toward a peaceful and appropriate campus celebration of the success of the Illinois basketball team. We are proud of the respectful behavior of Illini fans. Actions are more important than words in celebrating the record breaking achievements of the basketball team and the coaches. The decorum of the fans after the semifinal and championship games is a source of pride for the University, the community, and our alumni.

I commend everyone for the important roles that you played in studying, planning for, and helping manage the events surrounding the Final Four. Every role was critical to the positive outcomes. This effort exemplifies the importance of collaboration and cooperation among the many stakeholders of the campus and the community. I thank you for your contributions to one or more of these activities.

- The report and recommendations of the Celebratory Violence Committee which studied the various dimensions of this issue, drawing upon the lessons learned at other Universities and the research and knowledge of Professor Clark McPhail, an international expert in crowd behavior.

- The preventive actions employed which included messages from Coach Weber, the campaign to "Represent all that is great about Illinois — the team, the fans, the way that we celebrate," ads in the *Daily Illini* featuring student leaders, the "Represent I Responsibly" buttons and table tents that were distributed, and the "Play by the Rules" ads in the *Daily Illini* sponsored by the Student Legal Services.

- Places for students to gather with their friends and view the games on big screen televisions with complimentary refreshments at the Illini Union, IMPE, Assembly Hall, and residence halls.

- The important actions taken by the mayors to use emergency authority to restrict hours of liquor establishments on campus, the size of drinks served, and the types of beverage containers. The work of the city officials in having refuse containers emptied as a safeguard measure in preventing fires.

- The coordinated planning by the University, Champaign, Urbana, Champaign County, State of Illinois, Parkland College, Rantoul, and Mahomet police to provide security after the games and to be prepared to respond in the event of civil unrest. Students appreciated the way in which the police managed the situations that could have escalated and how they responded to incidents that could have resulted in student injuries.

- Student Affairs staff members volunteering to be a presence in the campus town areas after the games on Saturday and Monday nights, serving as a calming influence and observers of actions that might lead to destructive behaviors.

- Student leaders and the Orange Krush modeling the behaviors that the campus expected of all fans.

We have learned much that can be applied in the future and have set a standard of behavior that makes us proud to be Illini.

Sincerely,

From : @uiuc.edu>
Sent : Wednesday, March 9, 2005 4:00 PM
To : Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject : Re: Your Case

Thank you for your help with the situation.

From : @uiuc.edu>
Sent : Wednesday, March 9, 2005 8:05 PM
To : Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
Subject : Re: Your Case

Thank You and God Bless

From: Jeremy Grose [jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 21, 2005 11:05 AM
To: Beckee Bachman
Subject: Thank you email

>From:
>To: Jeremy Grose <jeremy_grose2@hotmail.com>
>Subject: RE: ticket deadline
>Date: Wed, 20 Apr 2005 20:20:40 -0500
>
>Mr Grose,
>
>Thanks very much for getting the extension, I really appreciate it.
>Thanks for the advice as well. Hopefully I won't be coming to see you
>with any more tickets, or anything of that sort.
>
>Sincerely,
>

While You Were Out



To: TB

Date: 4/20 Time: 3:49

From: Charles Lozar
of Lincolnshire Properties

Phone: () - Ext

Telephoned Please Call Back Will Call Again
 Was Here to See You Wants to See You Urgent
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Message: appreciates our ad.
thanks for putting it in
the paper!
He plans to copy the ad
and give it to his tenant
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*I can't thank you enough
for working on my case. I
wish you all sorts of bests + luck!!
Thanks Again!*

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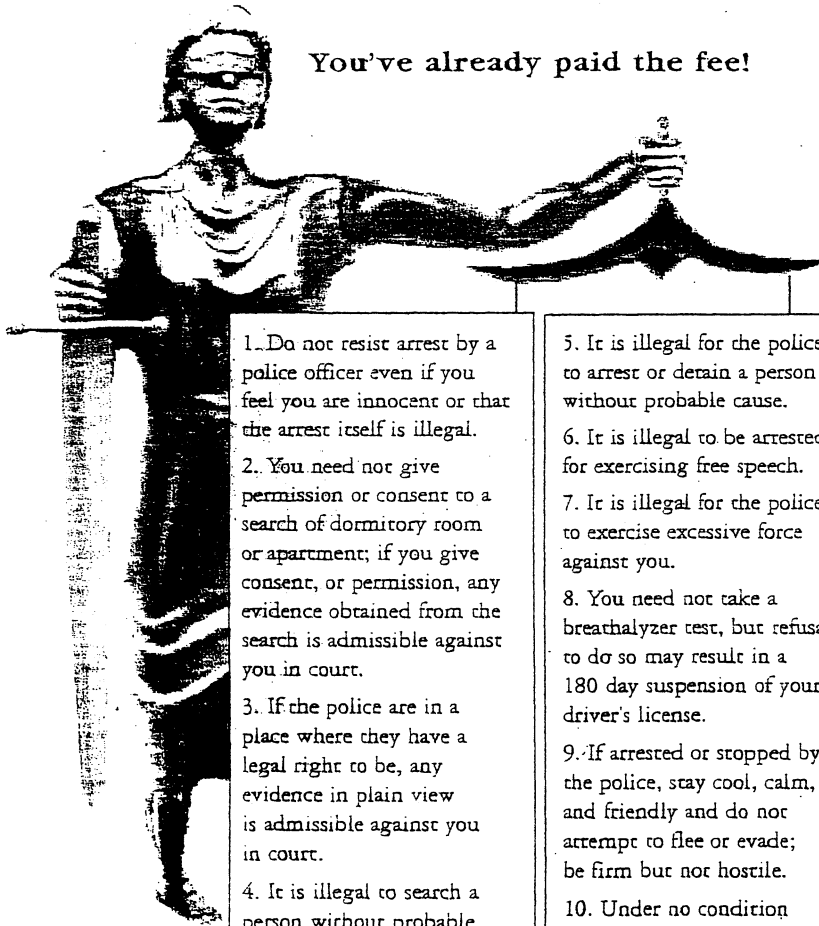
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3. If the police are in a place where they have a legal right to be, any evidence in plain view is admissible against you in court.

4. It is illegal to search a person without probable cause.

5. It is illegal for the police to arrest or detain a person without probable cause.

6. It is illegal to be arrested for exercising free speech.

7. It is illegal for the police to exercise excessive force against you.

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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Finnegan, Mike		Looser, Brian	
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