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Hackers breach SIUE computers Criminal investigation underway

Travis Ross
Assistant Sports Editor

The SIUE computer system has been breached.

Police are investigating three students, who share a Cougar Village apartment, for logging onto two university servers and downloading students' names and identification numbers.

The students' names have not been released.

SIUE spokesman Greg Conroy said the incident occurred because an Office of Information Technology worker forgot to log out of a server and that left the computer open to hackers.

"About 8 a.m. on every Friday morning, OIT runs a scan on all of the computers," Conroy said. "On this particular morning, they noticed a problem; somebody had gotten in and had downloaded some files, and they did it through an open file

transfer protocol site which should have been turned off but wasn't."

According to Conroy, OIT personnel tracked the computer via the Internet protocol address back to an apartment in Cougar Village.

"(OIT workers) immediately called the cops," Conroy said. "The cops secured the apartment, went to the state's attorney's office and got a search warrant. They got back to the apartment and found the computer that had the IP address reported by OIT and two other computers, so they confiscated all three computers."

Conroy said the students living in the apartment were taken in for questioning. He said the students were not held and the investigation is still going on.

"They were able to access files on different servers. They weren't really able to get into the

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Gay couples to get insurance benefits

Travis Ross
Assistant Sports Editor

SIUE is giving established same-sex couples a break.

In an e-mail from Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift to all SIUE faculty and staff, Vandegrift said the university has adopted a domestic partner policy that gives certain benefits to domestic same-sex partners of SIUE employees.

"The domestic partner policy includes a health insurance premium reimbursement," Vandegrift said in the e-mail. "Eligible employees may now be reimbursed for a portion of health care premiums for their domestic partners' insurance that the employee must purchase commercially.

"Other benefits provided

under the policy are those controlled solely by SIUE," Vandegrift said. "Benefits provided by the State of Illinois or any third party are not included in this program."

However, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor William Hamrick said a couple must demonstrate that they are in a long-term relationship. He said university officials are hammering out the definitions for what constitutes a long-term relationship and they hope to have forms out so that employees of the university can apply for the benefits by Sept. 1.

Hamrick said criticism of the adoption of the policy has been minimal.

"There has been no criticism of this as far as extending

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Chancellor helps students move into dorm rooms during weekend



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Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift helps a student carry boxes into her new home at SIUE. Despite the poor weather, students were able to move into the apartments and dorms. Many students also were assisted by University Housing's student volunteers, Movers and Shakers.

Convocation sets record

Kristen Reber
News Editor

More than 2,000 students, parents and faculty gathered Saturday in the Vadalabene Center for the freshman orientation and convocation.

"Freshman convocation is primarily a formal welcome to the academic community for the new freshmen," Assistant Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management Boyd Bradshaw said.

This year marked the fifth year and set an attendance record for the formal introduction.

"(We wanted) to establish a tradition," Bradshaw said. "We wanted to create a tradition providing a chance to bring the freshmen into one setting because

this is basically the first time all freshmen are in one setting with parents. It's a celebration at the beginning, knowing the next big celebration is commencement."

Convocation speaker Sue Thomas, an associate professor of psychology, offered the new students tips for a successful college career.

"You need to get involved," Thomas told the new students. "Going to a university and getting an education is more than class work."

Students Brandon Brown and Sadie Sanders were recognized at the ceremony with the Rising Sophomore Award. The honor is given to two outstanding sophomores who maintained a 4.0 grade point average and participated in

community service activities throughout their freshman year.

Faculty and teaching excellence recipients were also recognized at the ceremony.

After the convocation ceremony, Monster.com presenter Rodney Saunders offered an interactive presentation titled "The Ultimate Road Trip."

"He presented simple information in an innovative way," freshman Crista Chitwood said. "He took away some of our nerves by having an energetic presentation."

Parents and students continued their day at a one-hour session about choosing a major.

After the sessions, representatives of banks and

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SIUE dean of nursing wins nursing fellowship award

TYLER BENNETT
EDITOR IN CHIEF

SIUE Dean of Nursing Marcia Maurer has been selected as a Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellow.

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation is the nation's largest philanthropy devoted solely to health and health care.

According to the foundation's Web site, www.rwjf.org, the organization creates grants that concentrate on four areas: to assure that all Americans have access to basic health care at a reasonable cost; to improve care and support for people with chronic health conditions; to promote healthy communities and lifestyles; and to reduce the personal, social and economic harm caused by substance abuse, for example, tobacco, alcohol and illicit drugs.

"I was stunned to hear the news," Maurer said. "It was not until actually a couple of days later that it really hit me how fortunate I was to receive this \$45,000 award over three years. I learned that only 20 are awarded each year from hundreds of applications

across the nation. In addition, I also learned that it was typical that you did not receive this award on your first try. So, needless to say, upon learning all of this I realized that I was in pretty special company with all the previous and current awardees."

Maurer is the only nurse from Illinois to be selected and one of six academicians. As part of her award, Maurer will be given a grant of \$45,000 to create a leadership project. According to an SIUE press release, Maurer's project will focus on bringing more health care to underserved areas in communities surrounding SIUE by establishing partnerships with community leaders and by affecting health care policy in the areas.

"My leadership project will involve working with community leaders in the East St. Louis community to bring health promotion, illness prevention and primary health care programs to the area through the School of Nursing Community Nursing Service that is located in the newly built/remodeled East St.



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Dean Marcia Maurer

Louis Center for Higher Learning," Maurer said. "I want the School of Nursing to be a presence in the ESL community and to provide the kind of health services that the community indicates they need rather than what I think they need. I believe that it will take all of the three years to bring this idea to fruition."

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Hospitality program still taking donations

KRISTEN REBER
NEW EDITOR

Although orientation for new international students ended last week, the International Hospitality Program is still accepting donations to better accommodate the new students.

"There's a great need for donations," President of the International Hospitality Program Joyce Schrader said. "You have to remember many (international students) come with just two suitcases."

The new students and host families got together last week at a reception.

"It was wonderful," Schrader said. "We had a great group of people. The students were excited about orientation."

Furniture such as tables, chairs, lamps and mattresses as well as smaller household items such as towels, potholders, eating utensils and alarm clocks are suitable donations.

"For some students, if they are living off campus, there is a great need for the

furniture in unfurnished apartments," Schrader said. "In Cougar Village (where apartments are furnished), the household utensils are needed."

The campus community and people from surrounding areas have responded positively to the International Hospitality Program.

"We want to thank the campus community for the contributions. There were close to 12 to 15 responses with large household items from campus," Schrader said.

While donations have been generous, many students are still in need of household materials.

"We are very pleased with the response and we are still collecting," Schrader said. "With the beginning of each semester, we'll need more things."

Members of the International Hospitality Program are available to pick up donations for the international students.

For more information, contact Joyce or John Schrader at 931-0041.

Campus Scanner

Welcome to the Jungle: Meet Student Government officers, listen to music and enjoy free barbecue and soda 6 p.m. to midnight Tuesday on the Stratton Quadrangle.

SLDP Orientation: Introduction to the Student Leadership Development Program modules and volunteer projects will be in Peck Hall Computer Lab, Room 1410 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and 4:30 to 6 p.m. Wednesday. For more information, contact Suzanne Kutterer-Siburt at 650-2686.

Graduate School Welcome Booth: The Graduate School information and welcome booth will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday at the Engineering Building, First Floor Atrium. For more information, contact the Graduate School at 650-3010.

Sigma Pi Pig Roast: The Sigma Pi fraternity is providing free food, live music and contests at the second annual Sigma Pi pig roast and luau 3 to 9 p.m. Wednesday on the

Stratton Quadrangle.

Red Cross Blood Drive: The Red Cross Bloodmobile is collecting donations from 1 to 5 p.m. Wednesday on the Stratton Quadrangle. Donors will receive a coupon for a free Dairy Queen blizzard. For more information, contact John Davenport at 650-2686.

Eleventh Annual Rocky Horror Picture Show: Campus Activities Board is sponsoring a big-screen showing of the "Rocky Horror Picture Show" at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Morris University Center's Meridian Ballroom. Prizes for costumes will be given and props will be provided. For more information, call Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.

Staff Senate Ice Cream Cabaret: Students, faculty and staff are invited to the Staff Senate Ice Cream Cabaret at 11:30 a.m. Friday in the Morris University Center's Conference Center. Tickets are \$5 for faculty and staff and \$3 for students.

Volunteer Project Share

Food: Everyone is welcome to volunteer at the Community Care Center in Granite City for a food co-op program. The event is from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday. Meet in Parking Lot B by 8 a.m. for transportation. Sign up in advance in the Kimmel Leadership Center in the Morris University Center. For more information, call Suzanne Kutterer-Siburt at 650-2686.

Tobacco Counseling: The American Lung Association of Illinois is providing the Illinois Tobacco Quitline. Registered nurses, respiratory therapists and addiction counselors staff the toll-free line. Counseling is free to residents of Illinois. Those interested should call (866) QUIT-YES. Hot line hours are from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Alcoholics Anonymous: The Gut Level Group meets at 7 p.m. Saturday in the Religious Center. This is an open meeting of Alcoholics Anonymous and Al-Anon.

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Professor recipient of Excellence Award

BRENT NAYLER
NEWS REPORTER

Physics professor Tom Foster is the most recent recipient of the SIUE Teaching Excellence Award.

He was recognized at April's Honors Convocation with a \$2,000 award and at May's commencement with a plaque. To qualify for the award, a candidate must be a faculty member for at least two years. At that point, he or she may submit a dossier that includes students' teaching evaluations and a statement on teaching philosophy. A university committee must also evaluate a candidate's teaching. Foster was unavailable for comment, but colleague Kimberly Shaw had plenty to say.

According to Shaw, Physics Department chair, "He just brings an enormous amount of enthusiasm and energy, as well as talent."

She also said that Foster "tries to make the students and the students' learning the

center of his classroom, and his focus is always 'What can I do to better educate and inform students in the classroom?'"

Shaw described Foster as "one of the most energetic people I have ever worked with," and added, "He has improved my teaching and that of several of my colleagues just by having him in the office so that I can bounce ideas off him."

Foster is respected for more than his teaching ability, however. He also participates in outreach programs. For Halloween, he and physics professor Lenore Horner organize a "haunted laboratory" at the Children's Museum in Edwardsville. He also organizes the Physics Department's weekly Star Party viewings at the Shaw Sky Lab and holds special viewing sessions for important astronomical events, such as when Mars is at its closest approach to Earth.

Foster has taught at SIUE since the fall of 2000.

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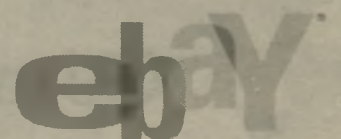
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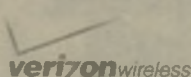
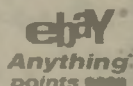
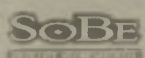
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system," Conroy said. "They weren't really able to get into the main part of the system, they just got into these two servers that did have some files and they were able to download the information."

According to Conroy, the only information the students got was names and ID numbers. He said there's no evidence that the students planned to do anything with the information.

"We're still investigating whether or not there was

malicious intent behind their actions," Conroy said. "The cops have interviewed these three students and are still conducting the investigation. Basically, we have to take a good look at the computers and peel away the hard drives and see exactly what they've got."

Conroy said in his 17 years university computers have had worms and viruses, but never a case where students got into the servers.

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financial institutions were on hand to assist the newcomers.

Getting acquainted with campus through orientation is highly recommended for new students.

"It's highly recommended (to attend) but it's not required. It probably will be in the future," Bradshaw said. "The

events really acclimate students to the campus. (Response) is very positive. Parents and students find it very worthwhile. They feel very comfortable that the university reaches out. They are reassured they made the right choice and that we are a friendly campus."

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benefits to same-sex partners go," Hamrick said. "There has been some faculty discontent from one person who was grieved because single faculty weren't getting any additional compensation for their

health insurance." The policy went into effect July 1. Similar policies have been adopted by the University of Illinois, Illinois State University and Western Illinois University.



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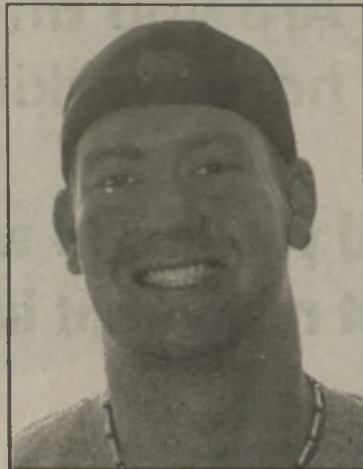
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If I mention Lucky the Leprechaun and you know what I'm talking about, you might be a Level I gambling addict. If you think of Rainbow Land, then you're at Level II, and if you're paycheck gets directly deposited to Harrah's Casino, you're a Level III.

I'd only gambled once before a recent trip down to Southern Mississippi. A good friend and I had done pretty much everything there was to do and we were looking for something else, so we hit a few casinos.

The first day I walked out about \$25 up – that was after a brief \$20, 3-minute interlude at a

Gambling can be addictive

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I won all of my money that day on a nickel slot machine

date, which we were. I lost somewhere between \$10 and \$1,000 and learned one valuable

whole life. The casino gives them little cards that they can put money on and then simply plug themselves into the machines. It's the casino's version of life support.

If you're wondering where the money you're paying into Social Security right now is going, look no further than the front door of your local casino.

And, how do you know if you're a gambling addict? The first sign is if you find yourself standing in front of the sperm bank asking yourself if it's really worth it. And, if you've reached that bank's limit – red flag.

Another warning sign is if you try to disguise your voice when calling the hotlines to stop gambling. And, last but not least, if you wake up having wet dreams about going to Rainbow Land with Lucky, you need to see a doctor because you're beyond the hotline help.

Travis Ross
Columnist

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"If you've ever gambled, then you know walking out \$25 on top means you'll be back at a later date..."

called "Leprechaun's Gold." Like all other nickel slots, it's a very complicated game where you push a button and hope the pixilated Lucky the Leprechaun is feeling generous. You will not know why you won what you won, or why you lost what you lost, but you will walk out at the end of a five-hour period, during which you will hit the automatic banking machine 127 times, never questioning Lucky's decisions.

If you've ever gambled, then you know walking out \$25 ahead means you'll be back at a later

lesson – there's more to say for a gambler who loses to a real dealer than one who gets taken by a machine.

The most interesting aspect of casinos is the amazing number of retired people there. Walk through a retirement home and you'll see old people playing bocce ball and struggling to lift the pieces on the checkerboard. Walk through a casino and you'll see those same people almost ripping the levers off the slot machines in the hopes of winning back all of the money they wasted paying for insurance their

Apply early for graduation

Finally, we are back for the fall semester and I don't know whether to tear my hair out, cry or yell with joy. A week ago I was thrilled. I finally made it. I am a senior. I had the dreams of graduating on time, as planned, with no setbacks. Sure the year would be tough, but I could handle it – two jobs, an internship and a full-time class schedule. I would have no free time, but I wasn't about

to let that get me down. I was ready to work hard and strive to be the very best. I have had enough of hanging out in college, and I am ready to graduate.

Then it arrived, the envelope that would sound my doom. It came in a white envelope with SIUE on the return address. Sure it looked innocent enough, like a bill, except those are all sent through E-mail. It was addressed

to me, using my full name. I knew this was serious. What was it you ask? It was my application for graduation. Of course, I knew what was inside before I opened the letter. I did pay \$35 for it after all. I hadn't been waiting for it long, but I was waiting for it to come. What I didn't know was that what was waiting inside would be a horrific glitch to my master plan.



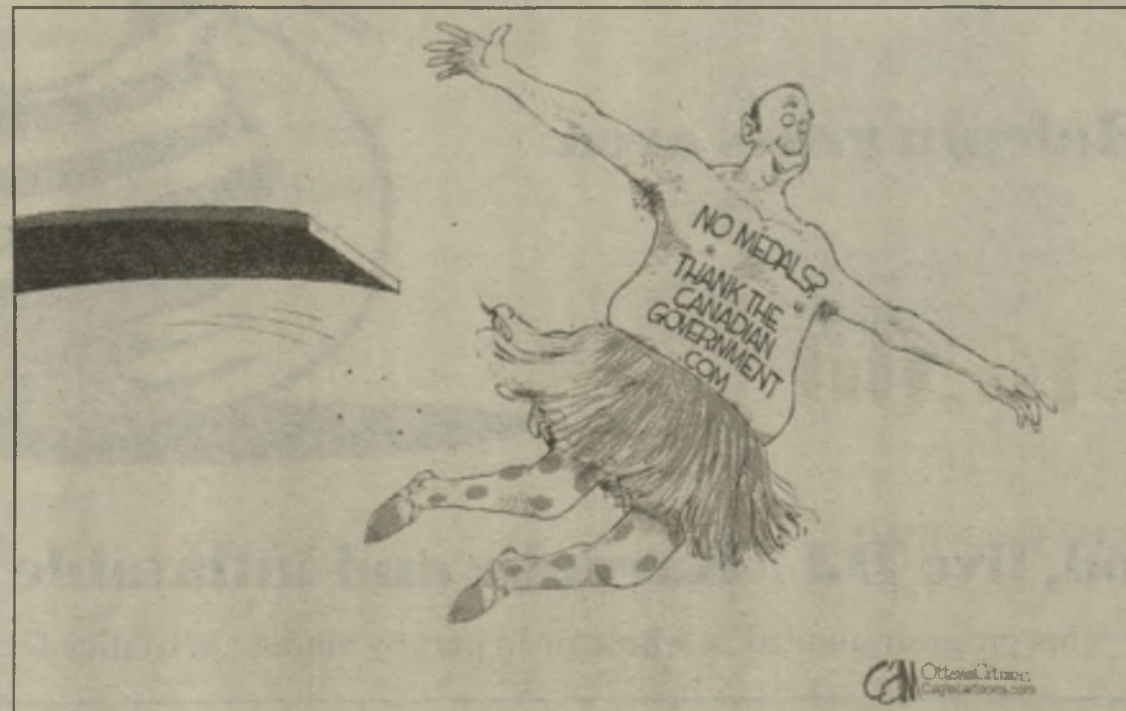
What the letter told me was that I was good to graduate, except for one class that I have no idea what it is, and a few million credit hours that I could not possibly make up in one year. Okay, so I'll be done by August 2005, and really one more semester is not that big a deal in the long run. But it did throw me for a loop when I first saw it. So I thought maybe I'd do everyone a favor and list the top five reasons to turn in your application for graduation early.

5. You found an extra \$35 dollars lying around the house and have nothing better to spend it on.

4. You'll know ahead of time when you have to take a course you've never heard of before.

3. You don't want to be a senior and realize you still need see GRADUATE, page 7

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to take freshman math.

2. Another year and your adviser is going to start making appointments with you.

You don't want to be a senior for the ninth year in a row.

These may not be the best of reasons, but I hope they are reason enough to at least think about the application for graduation deadline, which is the first week of the term in which you plan to graduate. Yes, it can be sad to see \$35 go, but I'm sure there is a good reason. And no, it doesn't pay for your cap and gown.

So hopefully the rest of the student body will listen to my warning and take heed. There is nothing wrong with being overly prepared when it comes to graduating from college. Whether it be four years, five years or nine years down the road, don't forget that you do have to turn in that application in order to graduate. Otherwise, the university will just keep you here, and that my friends is a very scary thought.

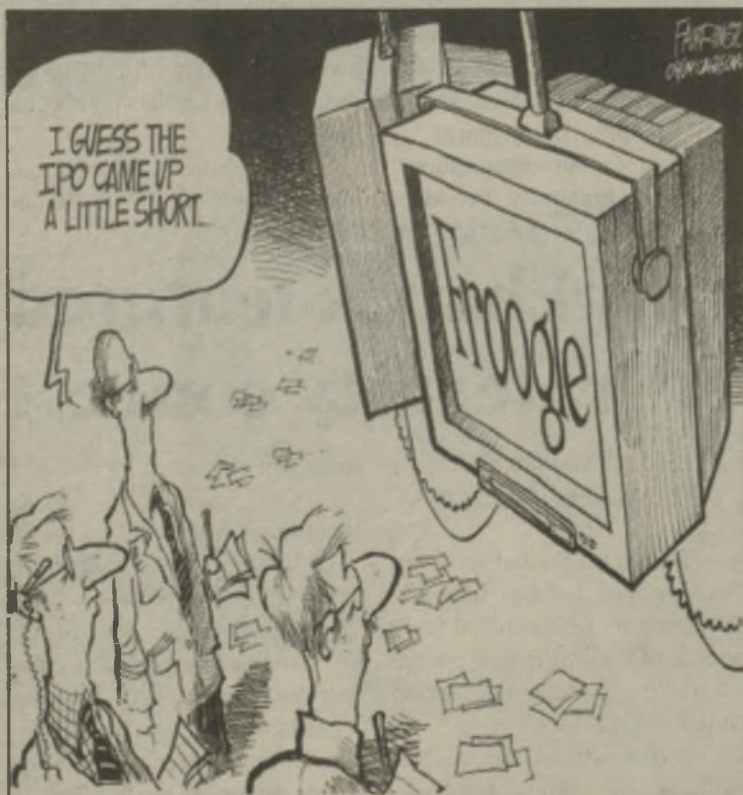
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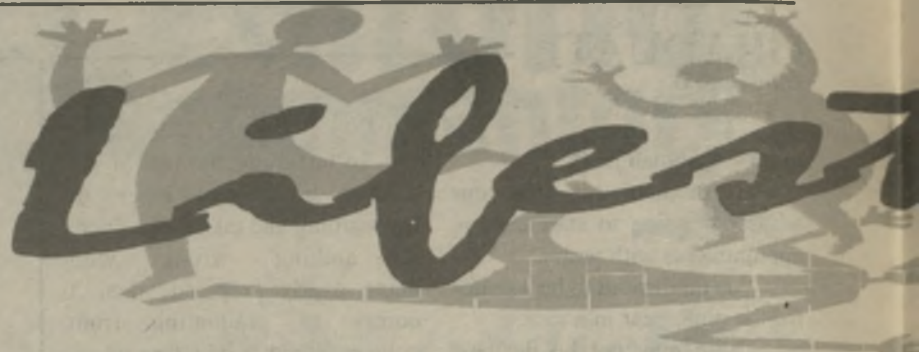


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Start off the fall semester

Welcome Week offers students the opportunity to hang

Party with Student Government at its first Welcome Week party

APRIL M. BUEL
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

Get to know members of SIUE's Student Government at the Welcome to the Jungle Party from 6 p.m. to midnight Tuesday on Stratton Quadrangle.

The theme for the party was

Student Government, will give students the opportunity to meet their representatives in a fun, informal environment.

Jones said all senators and executive board members, as well as herself and the vice president of Student Government will be in the quad to party with students.

Government," Jones said.

Jones said that the party is an opportunity for students to get involved at the beginning of the semester and take part in student government.

"We really want to exude a feeling of welcome," Jones said. "I really, sincerely want them (students) to come and be a part of Student Government. I want to help them get involved."

Jones, a nontraditional student herself, said she feels that it is important to have events that make new students feel welcome.

"You never know," Jones said. "You may meet someone who may be a mentor for the next four years."

The event will include free barbecue, soda and giveaways.

Music will be provided by disc jockey Dwayne Upchurch of Upchurch Productions.

Free T-shirts will be given to the first 50 people at the party.

For more information, contact Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.

Sigma Pi sponsors second annual roast

CHAVON CURRY
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

Students are invited to join the men of Sigma Pi for their second annual pig roast from noon to 8 p.m. Wednesday on the Stratton Quadrangle.

The event is free and offers pork sandwiches, snow cones, soda and chips.

Included in the festivities are hula dancing and limbo contests with the opportunity to win a T-shirt.

Inflatable racing will also be offered. A disc jockey will be provided for afternoon entertainment, following with a band performing later in the evening.

"Campus involvement is important to our organization," Sigma Pi Fraternity President Brad Bolt said. "We are not

only dedicated to academic improvement for ourselves, but for the campus community."

Bolt said last year the Sigma Pi pig roast had a nice turnout.

An estimated 500 students, faculty and members from the community came out.

"The pig roast is for incoming students and current students to take part in," former Sigma Pi president and event chairman Lloyd Jarden said. "It is to help familiarize them with a part of Greek life. The purpose is to give back to the community."

The Sigma Pi Fraternity was awarded Program of the Year by the Kimmel Leadership Center last year.

For more information, contact Bolt at 691-8710 or Jarden at 973-9277.

Local bands featured at fraternity concert

NICOLE GAUDREAU
ASSISTANT LIFESTYLES EDITOR

To kick off the fall semester, Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity is hosting its fourth annual Back to School Concert from 8 p.m. to midnight Saturday outside Woodland Hall.

Performing at the concert will be the bands Intrynsik, The River Saints and The Core Project. The concert is free and soda will also be provided.

Alpha Kappa Lambda Vice President Joe Madej said he is looking forward to the concert and encourages all students to

join the party.

"Our main focus is on incoming freshmen," he said. "We want to try to keep them from going home so they can stay on campus and meet new friends. We also like to use the concert as help for recruitment."

Madej said preparation for the concert began in January. Funds approved by the Student Senate help pay for the event.

He encourages all students to come and get to know new people and SIUE.

In the event of rain, Madej said the concert will be moved to the Meridian Ballroom in the Morris University Center.

chosen by Student Body President Dell Jones and Public Relations Chair Leylonda Maines.

"We wanted to choose a theme that would be fun, and with the nice Quad, we thought we could decorate for the theme," Jones said.

The party, sponsored by

About 20 members of the government will greet partygoers.

Jones added this is the first time Student Government has sponsored such an event during Welcome Week.

"I wanted to do something for Welcome Week that would give exposure to Student

Block Party plans for bigger crowd

KARA SCHUFFURT
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

The fourth annual Welcome Back Block Party is one of the few occasions when students, alumni, faculty and organizations, along with the Edwardsville community, come together to "rock the block."

The free party begins at 6 p.m. Friday.

"The annual block party aids in furthering the relationship between the city and the university, while introducing students to what downtown Edwardsville has to offer," Public Affairs Assistant Director

Gregory Conroy said.

Conroy said there are going to be many activities for children and adults, as well students.

The block party will have something for most tastes with a variety of events and entertainment such as local '80s band Son of Glam and a Z107.7 St. Louis disc jockey playing tunes from 7:30 to 11 p.m.

Other activities include inflatable games, vendors with a variety of goods and entertainment for children and adults.

Civic organizations will sponsor concessions including

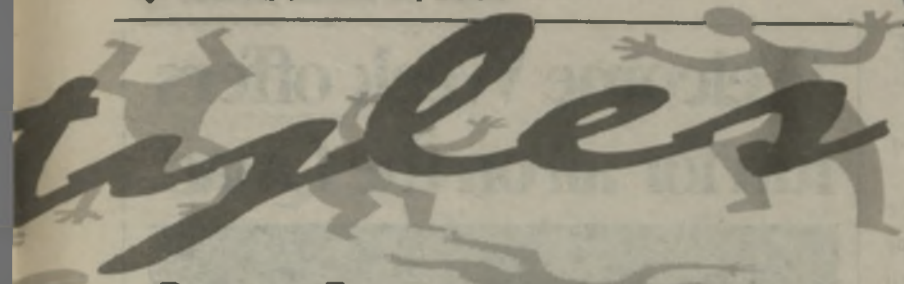
beer, food and soft drinks.

Conroy said there was an attendance of about 2,500 people last year and coordinators of the event are expecting as many as 3,000 this year.

To accommodate an increase in attendance, the event sponsors- the city of Edwardsville, SIUE, Campus Activities Board, Student Government and the Historic Edwardsville Merchant Society- have added another block to the designated area of Second and St. Louis streets.

For more information, contact Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.

For more information about Welcome Week, contact Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.



PEOPLE, ENTERTAINMENT, & Arts

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TYLER BENNETT/ALESTLE

Above, graduate students Chandy Chennupaki, left, and Sukumar Vaddi, right, give their best shot at bungee racing. Below, graduate student Nanrata Kesanakurthy picks up some free kettle corn from the Library and Informational Services booth where Melissa Kenney was serving participants of the Activities Fair on Stratton Quadrangle. The Activities Fair is just one of many Welcome Week events planned to help familiarize students with the campus and each other.

Welcome Week events

Tuesday

Global Prints Poster Sale

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Outside north entrance of Morris University Center (inclement weather, Morris University Center)

Activities Fair on the Quad

10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Stratton Quadrangle

Student Employment Online Orientation

10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Stratton Quadrangle

Evening Student Reception

5-7 p.m.

First Floor Lobby, Founders Hall

Cookout

5-7 p.m.

The Dome at the Religious Center

Just for Laughs Comedy Hypnosis Show

5:30-6:30 p.m.

Meridian Ballroom

Welcome to the Jungle Party

6 p.m.-midnight

Stratton Quadrangle

Heavenly Hash Ice Cream Bash

7-9 p.m.

The Dome at the Religious Center

Wednesday

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8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Outside north entrance of Morris University Center (inclement weather, Morris University Center)

Merchants' Fair

10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center

Ice Cream Social

Noon

Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center

Graduate School Information/Welcome Booth

4-6 p.m.

Engineering Building

Evening Student Reception

4:30-6:30 p.m.

First Floor Atrium, Art & Design Building

Thursday

Global Prints Poster Sale

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Outside north entrance of Morris University Center (inclement weather, Morris University Center)

Livewire

noon-1:30 p.m.

Stratton Quadrangle

2nd Annual Sigma Pi Pig Roast

noon-8 p.m.

Stratton Quadrangle

Graduate School Information/Welcome Booth

4-6 p.m.

Peck Hall

Evening Student Reception

7-9 p.m.

Atrium, Engineering Building

11th Annual Rocky Horror Picture Show

8-10 p.m.

Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center

Friday

Global Prints Poster Sale

8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Outside north entrance of Morris University Center (inclement weather, Morris University Center)

Ice Cream Cabaret

11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

Meridian Ballroom

Edwardsville Block Party

7 p.m.-midnight

Downtown Edwardsville

Saturday

Volunteer Project

8 a.m.-noon

Community Care Center

Granite City, Illinois

Back to School Concert

7:30 p.m.-midnight

Outside east entrance of Woodland Hall

On-campus living grows at SIUE

KARA SCHUFFERT
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

For university students, there are many circumstances that make up the whole college experience.

Although SIUE has had a commuter college image for years, it is gradually emerging into a more well-rounded university with more prospects and opportunities for students and faculty.

University Housing Director Michael Schultz said the popularity of on-campus living is increasing tremendously. By

mid-July, SIUE housing had reached its capacity of 3,025, which left 231 interested students unable to live on campus.

"On-campus living has many positive benefits," Schultz said. "It is a community where individual students are going through the same thing and are able to develop social interactions, form study groups and build lifelong relationships."

Schultz said the popularity is due to two reasons. For one, there

are more and more students coming to SIUE, and, secondly, there is a very high retention rate among students here.

The three residence halls and Cougar Village apartments offer air-conditioned rooms, expanded basic cable television, telephone and data jacks, computer labs and community laundry rooms as well as lounges and meeting rooms.

"I think that I would have missed out on the great friendships and good times that I experienced the past three years if I didn't live on campus."

~ Bonnie Gulley
senior chemistry major

Prairie Hall is primarily the freshman dorm where new students have the opportunity to participate in the Freshman Horizons, which is designed to help and encourage new students to become involved.

Bluff and Woodland halls house freshmen through seniors and offer a café, both morning and evening, and study rooms.

Bluff Hall also has Focused Interest Community areas where students interested in or studying

a particular discipline can live near one another.

Schultz added that the costs of off- and on-campus living are about the same when all the extra expenses of living off campus are compared to the included advantages of living on campus.

"I feel as though I got a good taste of the different

opportunities that the college experience offers by living in Prairie, then Cougar Village and now off campus," said Bonnie Gulley, a senior chemistry major. "I think

that I would have missed out on the great friendships and good times that I experienced the past three years if I didn't live on campus."

If interested in finding more information about campus housing, students should contact the University Housing office on the lower level of Rendleman Hall. Schultz said there is some availability in Cougar Village, with a few openings for women and a short wait list for men.

Welcome Week offers fun for all on the Quad



TYLER BENNETT/ALESTLE

Eight-year-old Forest Willman enjoys a run around the race track on a motorized toilet. The unusual raceway is provided by 62 Sports Group. The Activities Fair on Stratton Quadrangle provides entertainment and information to students and members of the community. More than 15 campus organizations participate in the event.



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Sigma Pi



Luaui & Pig Roast

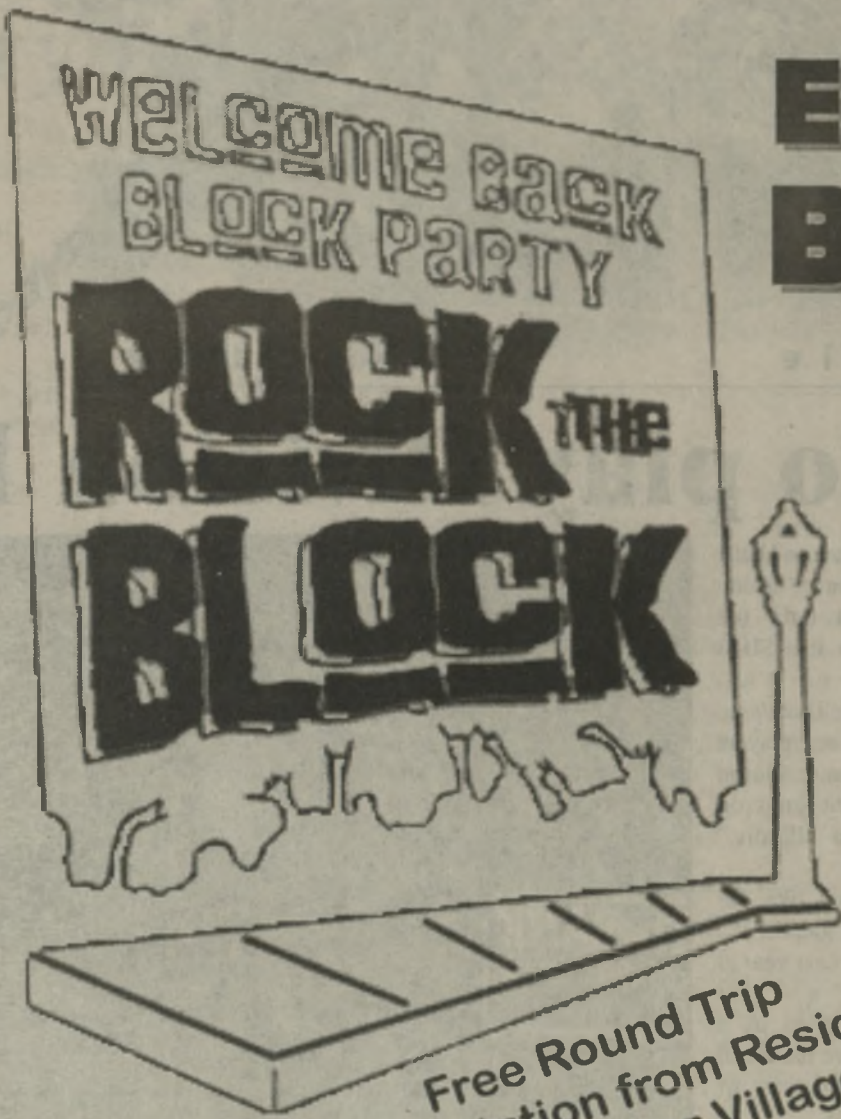
Wednesday, August 25

All Day and Into the Night on the Quad

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Free Food, D.J., Inflatable Games and more!

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Free Round Trip
Transportation from Residence
Halls and Cougar Village

4th Annual EDWARDSVILLE BLOCK PARTY

Friday, August 27
St. Louis & Second Streets
Downtown Edwardsville
6pm-12midnight

Z107.7 DJ
Son of Glam 80's Band
Inflatable Games
Food
Children's Area

Sponsors:
SIUE Campus Activities Board, Student Government,
Campus Recreation, University Relations, City of
Edwardsville, and Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber
of Commerce

4th Annual Back to School Concert

Hosted by: **The Men of AKA**

Featuring:

Intrynsik

The River Saints

The Core Project

Saturday, August 28

8pm-12 midnight

Woodland Hall Field

*In case of Rain, Concert Will be Held in Meridian Ballroom
"Funded in whole or in part by Student Activity Fees"

Sports Quote of the Day

"One man can be a crucial ingredient on a team, but one man cannot make a team."

~Kareem Abdul-Jabbar

Coming Up

Women's soccer team vs. Minnesota State - Mankato at 4 p.m. Friday at SIUE.



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TUESDAY, AUGUST 24 2004 ◆

Basketball teams to play Division I

Ajit Oza
SPORTSREPORTER

When the basketball season starts for the men's and women's teams, there will be new opponents from Division I of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

The men's team will play the University of Illinois at Champaign on Friday, Nov. 5; Western Illinois University Wednesday, Nov. 10; and Indiana University Friday, Nov. 12.

The women's basketball team will square off against Bradley University Saturday, Nov. 6; Western Illinois University Monday, Nov. 8; and Southeast Missouri State University Friday, Nov. 12.

Because of an NCAA rule change, Division I men's basketball teams can

no longer play all-star teams, so Division I teams have open dates on their schedules.

"In the past, Division I has always been able to play Amateur Athletic Union teams, such as Team Reebok, so now they have to play the Division IIs and Division IIIs," men's head coach Marty Simmons said.

Playing a Division I team is going to be a new experience for many members of the men's basketball team, but not for the women.

"The past couple of years we've played Division I exhibition games. The Division I teams are looking for Division II teams to play an exhibition game. The timing was great for both teams," head women's basketball coach Wendy Hedberg said.

The experience of playing

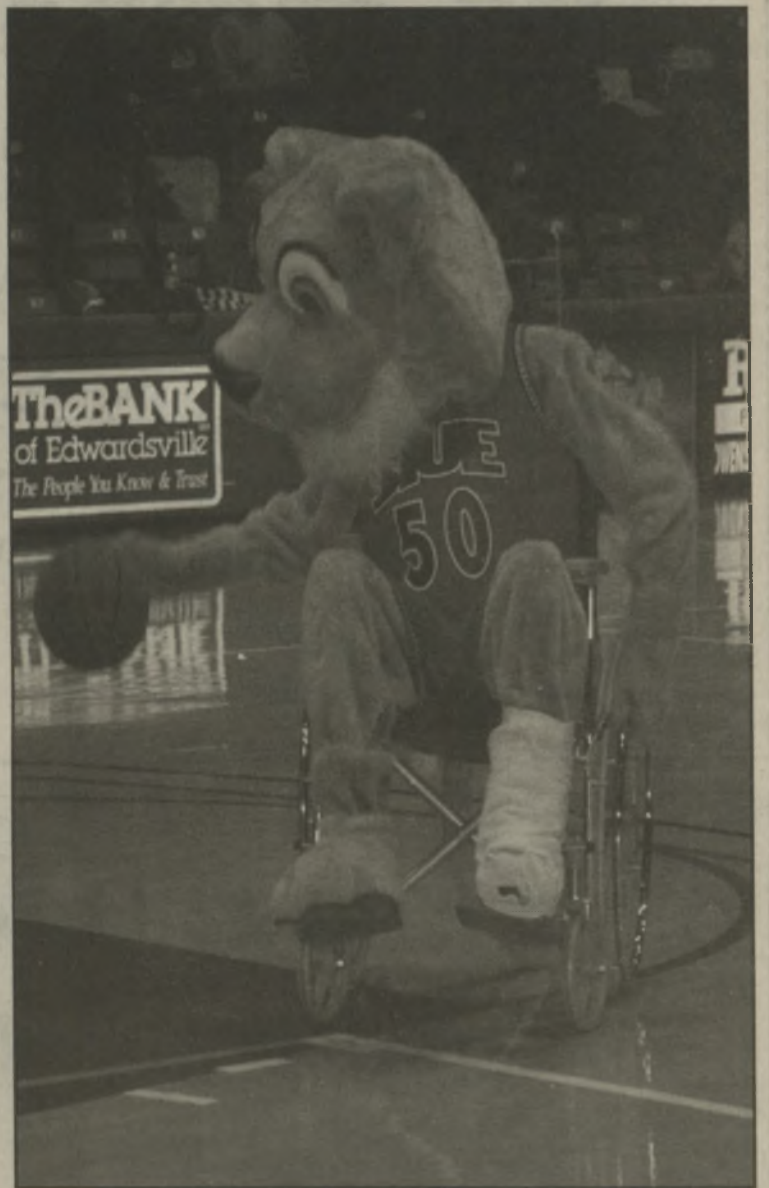
big-time programs, such as U of I and Bradley, can leave lasting impressions on not only the players but benefits the SIUE program as well.

"They're excited. There's no doubt. They get to see players like Dee Brown and Deron Williams. Most of the guys on our team are from Illinois," Simmons said.

"I think the kids like the Division I exhibition games. It's a great environment. Last year at WIU that was a great atmosphere. It also gives us a chance to see what we have and mix up our combination of players," Hedberg said.

Also this year, the men's basketball team will go to Hawaii for a tournament. "Hawaii is not a tournament we've played in before. It's going to be a neat experience for everybody involved," Simmons said. "I

see BASKETBALL, page 13



AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE

SIUE's Cougar mascot demonstrates his basketball skills undeterred by a leg injury at a game last season.

Men's soccer player injured during exhibition

AJIT OZA
TRAVIS L. ROSS
SPORTS REPORTERS

After losing three key players in the offseason, the men's soccer team took another major blow during exhibition action this weekend.

Junior midfielder Matt Siegel went down in an exhibition game against the University of Illinois at Springfield Prairie Stars. SIUE head coach Ed Huneke said Siegel will be out for six to eight weeks.

"Matt is a good athlete that is

well liked by his teammates and fortunately he will be involved with the team off the field," Huneke said. "His strength and experience will definitely be missed."

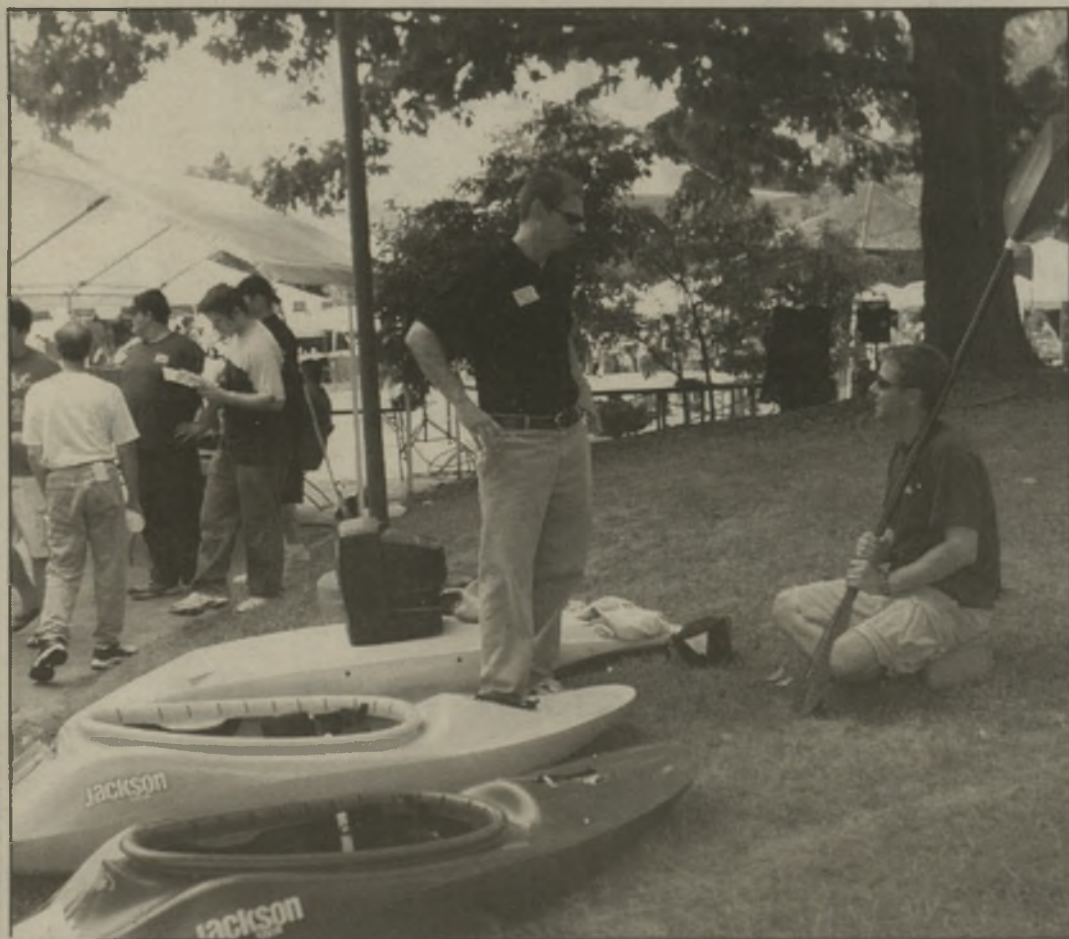
Huneke said he had high hopes for Siegel this season.

"Before he was injured, we were going to utilize him as a target man whose back is to the goal," Huneke said. "He seemed well suited for that role."

Huneke said he hopes some of the newcomers to the team can contribute in Siegel's absence. He mentioned freshmen

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Row on down to Welcome Week



TYLER BENNETT/ALESTLE

Mark Applegate, a grad assistant with campus recreation (standing), talks with Adventures Abound instructor Eric Vincent (holding oar). The two were signing up participants in a free kayak demonstration from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Thursday in the Vadalabene Center pool.

Cougars baseball to hold tryouts for new players

TRAVIS L. ROSS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

If you want to try cracking the Cougar baseball lineup, now's your chance.

Head coach Gary Collins

said the Cougars will hold tryouts at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 31, at Roy Lee Field.

Collins said the Cougars will have 24 practices and two scheduled scrimmages in the

fall. Practices will start Sept. 7.

Last season the Cougars finished 20-32 overall and 17-22 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

BASKETBALL

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probably never would've gone to Hawaii if I weren't associated with the basketball team. It gives the guys a chance to visit a place they otherwise might not."

Although the season is still three months away, players from both teams have been working out during the summer.

"We've had several guys on

campus with summer school that are working out on their own. Knock on wood, everything seems to be going OK," Simmons said.

The men's basketball team first home game is Monday, Nov. 15, against Lincoln Christian College at the Valdabene Center. The team then starts Great Lakes Valley

Conference play Friday, Nov. 26, at home against Lewis University.

The women's team opens home play Tuesday, Nov. 16, when the Cougars will face Robert Morris University. Lewis University faces SIUE in the GLVC opener at the Vadalabene Center on Friday, Nov. 26.

SOCCER

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forwards Adam Lanter and Ross Beveridge as possibilities to replace Siegel.

Earlier this month in a coaches' poll, the Cougars were voted to finish No. 1 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference.

"It's a nice vote of

confidence from the conference, but that does put a target on our back," Huneke said. "We just have to be ready to play."

According to Huneke, the vote came largely because of the Cougars 16-4-1 record last season.

"In a big part, it does reflect

what the team accomplished last year," Huneke said. "It also shows an awareness of our recruits and tradition and it recognizes us as a top program."

SIUE's next exhibition game will be at 7 p.m. Friday at Korte Stadium against the Cougars of Columbia College.

The Alestle is looking for sports writers!

If you follow sports, have good writing skills and want to get paid for attending sports events . . .

Contact

Alestle Editor Tyler Bennett

at the Alestle, Room 2022

in the Morris University Center,

or call 650-3530.



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WELCOME WEEK
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS 2004

Wednesday, August 25

Merchants' Fair

10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Fun, entertainment, giveaways and samples, and prize drawings! Take a break between classes and stop by to see what area merchants have to offer! Participating merchants include: A & A's Beads-N-Things, Aztec Tan & Salon, TheBank of Edwardsville, BIPOD, The Children's Museum, Cingular Wireless, Collinsville Holiday Inn, Dennis Technology Inc., Data Jacks, Edwardsville Intelligencer, FCB Edwardsville Bank, First Bank, Girl Scouts of River Bluffs Council, Kriegers Pub & Grill, Mary Kay Cosmetics, Montclair Bowl, Preferred Wireless, Scott Credit Union, SIUE Credit Union, The Tan Company, Target (Edwardsville), Union Planters Bank, United Parcel Service, The UPS Store, and Xcursions Salon.

Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center

Ice Cream Social

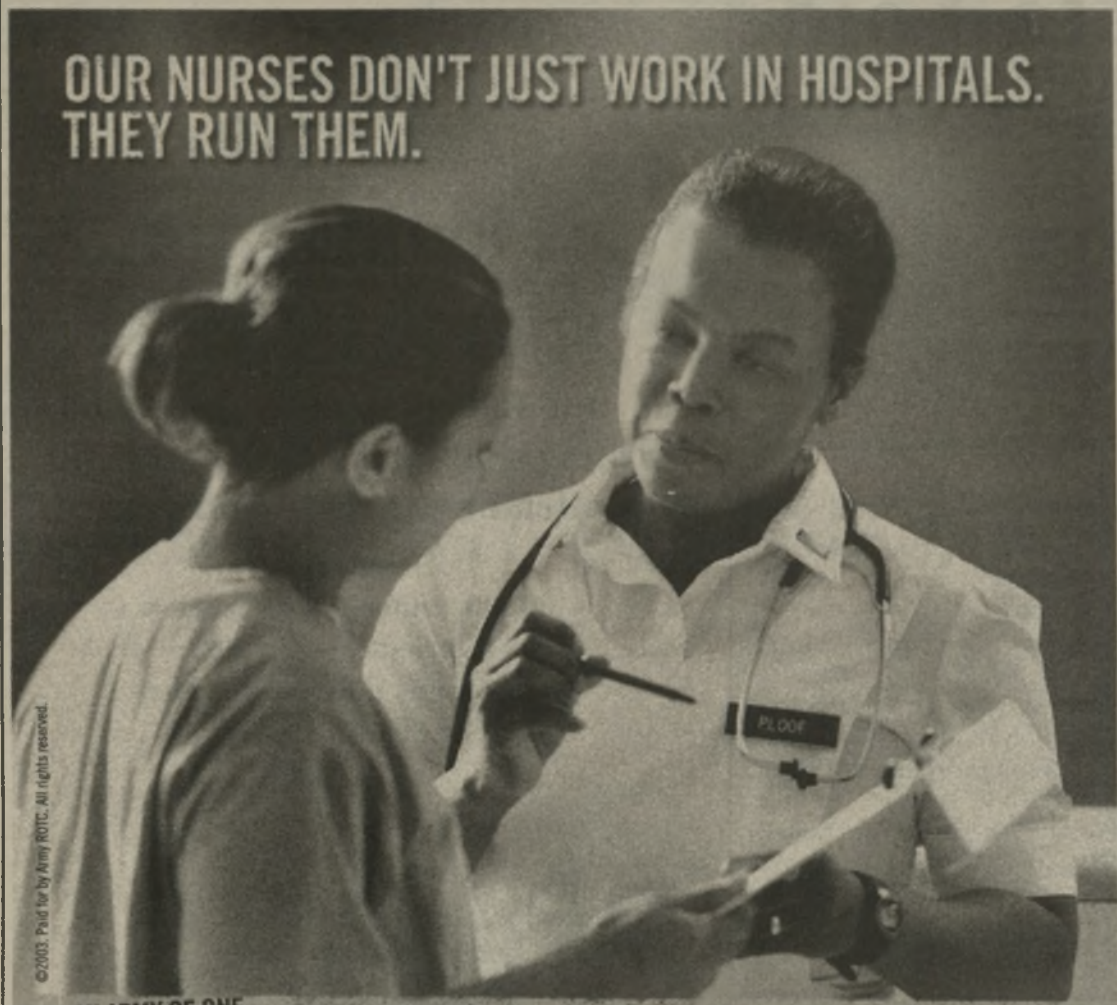
Noon

Meet Edwardsville Mayor Gary Niebur and Chancellor Vaughn Vandegrift while enjoying a free Dairy Queen® 5 oz. Blizzard! (while supplies last)
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MODULES
Student Leadership Development Program & Volunteer Services

SLDP Orientation
August 24, 2004
2:00 & 6:30 p.m.
Aug. 25, Sept. 1 & 8, 2004
4:30 p.m.
Peck Hall, Computer Lab 1410

SLDP Student Meeting
8/31/04
4:30 p.m.
Board Room, MUC

Modules

8/31/04
Module 11, 2:00 p.m.
Role Models & Risk Takers
Nikki Weinstein, Director, Citizen Engagement
Focus St. Louis
Board Room, MUC

8/31/04
Module 1, 6:30 p.m.
Leadership Characteristics: You Are A Leader
Tom Irwin, Vice President, Government Affairs
RCGA
Board Room, MUC

SLDP Reminders...

Volunteer Projects
August 28 - Share Food Co-op, Granite City, IL
September 7-24 - Voter Registration Drive, Morris University Center
September 8 - Absentee Ballot Information, Morris University Center
September 11 - St. Vincent dePaul Thrift Store, E. St. Louis, IL
September 15 - Do You Know Who You Are Voting For? Morris University Center
September 16 - Feel the Beat Get the Vote, Hairpin
September 25 - Share Food Co-op, Granite City, IL

Volunteer Fair, September 15 - Goshen Lounge/Center Court

For more information and the calendar, contact the Kimmel Leadership Center at extension 2686 or visit the website at www.siu.edu/KIMMEL/SLDP

Campus Recreation www.siu.edu/CREC

Aerobics Expo
Aug. 23-27*
Student Fitness Center Crt. #3
5:00-6:00 pm
Prize drawing on Friday!!
Meet the new aerobic instructors and see what each class is about!!
For information call 650-5611
Free to students, and SFC members with valid I.D.
*Regular class schedule starts Aug. 30

Canoeing and Sailing Lessons
Cougar Lake (on campus)
Saturdays and Sundays
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Available by appointment only!
Aug. 28 - Sept. 26
Free to SIUE students with a valid I.D.
650-BFIT or 650-3177.
Sailboat rental \$2.50 per hour
Canoe rental \$1.00 per hour
Only campus recreation boats may be used on the lake and life vests must be worn at all times.

Camping at Sam A. Baker State Park
Fri. Sept. 10 - Sun. Sept. 12
Registration due Aug. 30 at the SFC Front Desk
Students with valid I.D. \$45.00
Faculty, Staff, SFC Members \$55.00
Guests \$65.00

Two days of hiking, camping, and relaxation!!



Information call 650-3235 or 650-BFIT



Free Food Available for Participants!!

Sand Volleyball Tournament
Sunday Aug. 29
1 pm at the Cougar Village Court
FREE to all students, faculty, staff and SFC members.

ATTENTION STUDENTS:

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Directory Information includes the following:

1. Student Name
2. Student address and telephone number (local and permanent)
3. Student e-mail address
4. Major field of study
5. Classification
6. Dates of attendance
7. Full or part-time status
8. Attempted hours
9. Degrees and awards earned
10. The most recent educational agency or institution attended prior to enrollment at SIUE
11. Participation in officially recognized activity or sport
12. Weight and height of members of athletic teams
13. Date of birth

Important Note:

The Office of the Registrar would like to remind all students to take a moment to review their addresses on Cougarnet at <http://www.register.siu.edu/COUGARNET>. We strongly encourage you to maintain accurate address information in order for you to receive important University correspondence.

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Outside north entrance of Morris University Center (inclement weather, Morris University Center)
Campus Activities Board

Activities Fair on the Quad
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Enjoy student organization food booths, fun, information sharing, entertainment, giveaways, and activities! Check out what student organizations and University departments have to offer.
Stratton Quadrangle

Student Employment
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Online Orientation
Stop by to learn how to obtain on-campus employment using the latest in online campus employment services.
Stratton Quadrangle

Evening Student Reception
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Stop by to enjoy refreshments before class, receive information and giveaways, and experience a welcoming atmosphere for evening students.
First Floor Lobby, Founders Hall Service Center and Graduate Studies

Cookout
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Free to all Students!
The Dome at the Religious Center
Shurtleff Baptist Ministry

Just for Laughs Comedy Show!
5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
Have some laughs in the Meridian Ballroom, featuring Dale K, hypnotist comedian, enjoy refreshments, and win cool prizes.
Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center
Campus Activities Board

Welcome to the Jungle Party
6:00 pm – Midnight
Come meet your Student Government for a fun time on the Quad! FREE BBQ, soda, giveaways, and live DJ. Plus, FREE t-shirts to first 50 people.
Stratton Quadrangle
Student Government

Heavenly Hash Ice Cream Bash
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Make your own ice cream sundae – free to students!
The Dome at the Religious Center
United Campus Ministry

Wednesday, August 25

Global Prints Poster Sale
8:00 am – 5:00 pm
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Engineering Building
Graduate School

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Stop by to enjoy refreshments before class, receive information and giveaways, and experience a welcoming atmosphere for evening students.
First Floor Atrium, Art & Design Building
Art & Design

Thursday, August 26

Global Prints Poster Sale
8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Outside north entrance of Morris University Center (inclement weather, Morris University Center)
Campus Activities Board

Livewire Thursday
Noon – 1:30 pm
Come hear the sounds of Groupthink performing on the Quad!
Stratton Quadrangle
Campus Activities Board

2nd Annual Sigma Pi Pig Roast
3:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Join the men of Sigma Pi for their 2nd Annual Pig Roast and Luau on the Quad. FREE food and soda. Live music featuring Cloud Nine, contests and more.
Stratton Quadrangle
Sigma Pi Fraternity

Graduate School Information/Welcome Booth
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Peck Hall
Graduate School

Evening Student Reception
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Stop by to enjoy refreshments before class, receive information and giveaways, and experience a welcoming atmosphere for evening students.
Atrium, Engineering Building
School of Engineering

11th Annual Rocky Horror Picture Show
8:00 pm – 10:00 pm
Dress in vintage clothing and participate in the fun—featuring the cult classic movie and all the props.
Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center
Campus Activities Board

Friday, August 27

Global Prints Poster Sale
8:00 am – 5:00 pm
Outside north entrance of Morris University Center (inclement weather, Morris University Center)
Campus Activities Board

Ice Cream Cabaret
11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Cost: Students with valid SIUE ID \$3.00; Faculty and Staff \$5.00
Enjoy lunchtime entertainment performed in a cabaret style setting by faculty, staff, and students! Bring your lunch and some money to build your own sundae – it's for a good cause! (proceeds will support the Staff Senate Scholarship)
Meridian Ballroom, Morris University Center
Staff Senate

Edwardsville Block Party
7:00 pm – Midnight
Want somethin' to do the first weekend of school? The Edwardsville Block Party features live bands Son of Glam, Z107.7 Radio Party, carnival games and activities, and tons of local food options. All this and more for FREE!
Downtown Edwardsville
Campus Activities Board

Saturday, August 28

Volunteer Project
Share Food
8:00 am – Noon
Community Care Center
Granite City, Illinois
Student Leadership Development Program and Volunteer Services
Meet in Parking Lot B.

Back to School Concert
7:30 pm – Midnight
Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity would like to welcome everyone to its 4th Back to School Concert.
Outside east entrance of Woodland Hall
Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity

Watch for these upcoming events!
September 7-10

Sorority Recruitment
Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center
Greek Life

September 7-24

Voter Registration Drive
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Student Leadership Development Program
Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center

September 13-17

Fraternity Recruitment
Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center
Greek Life

September 15

Volunteer Fair
9:00 am – 2:00 pm
Meet area volunteer non-profit and governmental agencies and learn how you can make a difference.
Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center
Student Leadership Development Program

St. Louis Cardinals Baseball Game
7:10 pm
St. Louis Cardinals vs Houston Astros
(Cost: Students \$ 9.00; General Public \$12.00)
"Take me out to the ballgame!"
Join the fun at SIUE night at the ballpark.
Busch Stadium
Campus Activities Board

September 18

International Street Fair
Noon – 4:00 pm
Spend your Saturday afternoon learning about other cultures through music, dance, art and food. Four cultural performers and thirty cultural booths will be on display, plus plenty more free entertainment and fun for all ages!
Edwardsville City Park
Campus Activities Board

October 12-16

Homecoming/Family Weekend

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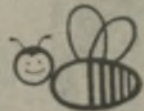
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