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# Sex crimes investigated Taco Bell and Freshens now serving

KRISTEN REBER
NEWS EDITOR

Police are investigating an alleged rape at a party Dec. 17 in Cougar Village.

According to SIUE Police Chief Gina Hays, a 19-year-old female student reported that a man attacked her in the bathroom of an apartment on the 500 side.

"We're still interviewing people," Hays said. "She knew his name and that's about it. He was an acquaintance."

Two other unrelated sexual crimes were reported on campus during the fall semester.

Two female students reported unrelated assaults at different parties in Cougar Village in October. One of the two crimes has been downgraded

from sexual assault to sexual abuse.

Sexual abuse involves inappropriate touching, rather than penetration, which constitutes a sexual assault.

SIUE police are still investigating the latest case, Hays said Monday.

To help prevent sex crimes, SIUE police are warning students to become more knowledgeable of their surroundings.

"The educational process of letting students know who is attending your parties (is important)," Hays said. "Know if you are going to drink in excess and make sure others are there to take care of you."

An SIUE spokesman said alcohol was involved in the latest case as well

# Students line up to get their first taste of the latest addition to the Cougar Den, Taco Bell Express. KRISTEN REBER business as usual by opening

News Editor

Taco Bell Express and Freshens Smoothies are now serving in the Cougar Den area, located in the basement of the Morris University Center.

The two newest additions to the MUC officially opened

"This is the end of our remodeling of the food area, and we are just going to do business as usual by opening up," MUC Director Mary Robinson said.

KRISTEN REBER/ALESTLE

Taco Bell returned by popular demand while Freshens, a smoothie bar, opened to offer the campus 25 flavors of smoothies, which could include different additives such as fat burners, memory enhancers and multivitamin boosters.

Free samples were given out Friday to those wishing to try the new additions.

"I am so excited (about the

renovations). The feedback I've gotten from students is that (these new dining services) are just what we needed," Robinson said. "We were shown by students that they were much more interested in having a Taco Bell than a Casa Ortega. Some of the students in line were pretty excited about having Taco Bell back."

Construction began in the Cougar Den in late October, and, according to Robinson, the construction of the two eateries, which was completed Thursday, cost around \$60,000.

The opening of the two establishments concludes the dining services portion of the \$19.3 million renovation.

While Robinson said the remodeling and construction is complete, her work is not yet finished.

"(In Dining Services), we have the right balance now of everything," Robinson said. "I do hope that this spring after graduation that we will be able to start with a minor renovation with the bookstore."

### Test your knowledge

RYAN WARTICK NEWS STRINGER

Students who think that they are smarter than Ken Jennings, the guy that won more than \$2 million on "Jeopardy," should consider College Bowl.

SIUE is looking for its best and brightest students to represent the university in the 2005 College Bowl Regional Championship Tournament in February against schools from Illinois and Indiana.

The College Bowl program is a long-running academic competition between nearly 300 colleges and universities across the country.

Teams of four students and one alternate are needed to

compete in the campus tournament Friday, Jan. 21. The winning team will then represent SIUE at the regional championships.

Anyone who would like to compete is welcome to sign up. Entry forms can be picked up at the front desk of the Kimmel Leadership Center in the Morris University Center and must be turned in by Friday.

"If students can create their own teams, great, if not, we will put them on a team, so everyone can participate," Current Affairs Chair for the Campus Activity Board Christine Williams said.

There will be a mock college bowl from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday in the Goshen Lounge.

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# Spring semester classes begin



DREW WILKIE/ALESTLE

Junior Sean Hayes and junior Justin Morell walk to classes. The spring semester began Monday.

# Scholarship offers

Janelle Dobson News Stringer

The SIUE chapter of Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society is offering \$2,600 in cash and scholarships.

Phi Kappa Phi has been on campus for 25 years and is the only recognized honor society on campus.

Undergraduates may submit a paper from any class or write one for the paper competition. Papers may not exceed 3,000 words and may be on any topic.

The papers will be judged for

clarity, organization, creativity, content and documentation.

The winner will receive \$300, second place earns \$200 and third place gets \$100. All entries must be submitted by Feb. 1 to College of Arts and Sciences Associate Dean Carl Springer.

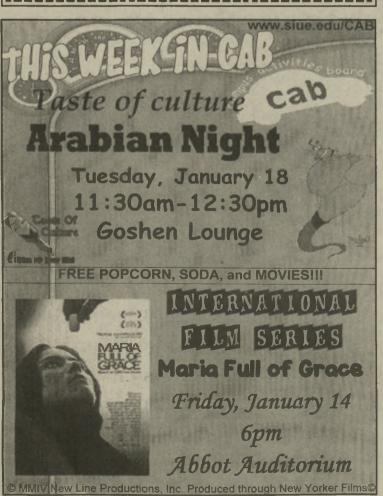
"It's not a huge amount of money, but it's a big honor to get this prize. To see this on a resume is a big plus," College of Arts and Sciences Associate Dean Wendy Shaw said.

Phi Kappa Phi is also offering a \$1,000 scholarship.

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### **President Bush visits Madison County**



SHARA REYNOLDS/ALESTLE

President George W. Bush addresses a group of doctors on health care in the Collinsville Convention Center on Wednesday.

# Retired biology professor dies

CORY FREEMAN NEWS STRINGER

Frank Kulfinski, an emeritus professor of biological sciences, died Dec. 11, 2004, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He was 74.

Kulfinski founded SIUE's environmental studies program and played an important role in developing the Donal G. Myer Arboretum, a 30-acre garden and forested area that was officially created in 1990.

Kulfinski was a native of New Jersey and graduated from Rutgers University in 1952 with a Bachelor of Science in plant science. He then went to the University of Massachusetts to earn a Master of Science in plant ecology in 1954 and a doctorate in plant ecology at Iowa State University in 1957

During the 1956-1957 academic year, Kulfinski was an instructor at Iowa State and went to Illinois Wesleyan University in 1957. While at Wesleyan, Kulfinski was an assistant professor, an associate professor and also director of the National Science Foundation Institute on the Wesleyan campus.

Kulfinski joined the Biological Sciences Department faculty at SIUE in 1969 in what was then known as the School of Science and Technology. He retired from SIUE in 1998 and was best known as the person who preserved and tended to the prairie grasses on campus

Kulfinski's remains were cremated.

# Foreign language lecturer dies

CORY FREEMAN NEWS STRINGER

Gladys Fowler-Dixon of Collinsville, a lecturer in the SIUE Foreign Languages and Literature Department, died Dec. 3, 2004. She was 78.

According to Foreign Languages and Literature Department secretary Sherry Venturelli, students and faculty alike loved Fowler-Dixon.

"The students loved her ... and she was respected and loved

by all her colleagues," Venturelli said. "She was a truly wonderful person who considered SIUE her second home."

Fowler-Dixon was a lecturer in Spanish and French at SIUE and also taught the same languages at Triad High School in Troy. After her retirement from Triad, Fowler-Dixon continued to teach at SIUE.

She was a native of Casablanca, Morocco. In 1978, she earned a baccalaureate with majors in French and Spanish at

SIUE. She received the Outstanding Student of French Language and Literature Award from the department and the Foundation Award for Academic Excellence in 1976.

Fowler-Dixon taught at SIUE until the spring of 2004 when her health began to decline.

"Colleagues and friends had urged her to retire and enjoy life, get a hobby, but her reply was 'teaching is my enjoyment in life," Venturelli said. "Teaching was her hobby, her pastime."

# Organization of the week

COURTNEY RAKERS
LIFESTYLES EDITOR

The English Language and Literature Association offers students the opportunity to study language and literature and meet other students with similar interests.

Senior Janella Moy, president of ELLA, said the organization has been in existence at SIUE for two years.

"There was no English organization (before ELLA)," Moy said.

The group meets for poetry readings and workshops to improve its members' writing skills, as well as for occasional parties and discussions at the Sacred Grounds coffee house in Edwardsville.

"We have so many people who are English majors, or not, who do like poetry," Moy said.

This year ELLA is also presenting its first speaker series. In the fall semester, the organization brought in four speakers. Moy said the organization plans to bring in four more this spring.

"It's our way of giving back to the SIUE community as a whole," Moy said. "We wanted to make a speaker series that interests the whole community. That's the goal of ELLA."

The group is looking for active members to continue its programs.

"It was important to me to leave something behind ... as a thank-you for what they've (SIUE and the community) done for me," Moy said.

For more information or meeting times and locations, contact Moy at jmoy@siue.edu.

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To apply, students must have at least junior standing at the end of this semester. Applicants must have a 3.5 grade point average and have earned at least 24 semester hours at SIUE.

Application packages must include a resume, transcript, personal statement and two confidential letters of recommendation from SIUE faculty or staff. Packages are due by Tuesday, Feb. 1 to emeritus professor Ik-Ju Kang in the Physics Department.

Phi Kappa Phi is also looking for outstanding seniors who are members of the honor society to apply for competitive fellowships worth up to \$5,000 for the first year of graduate or professional study

SIUE's chapter will submit

one member to the national competition. The student chosen as the local nominee will receive \$1,000 and compete for one of the 60 national awards of \$5,000.

The criteria include scholastic achievement, standardized test scores, honors programs, leadership and evaluations by faculty.

Application material is available on the Internet at phikappaphi.org/gradfellow. Applications should be submitted to professor Eric Voss in the chemistry department.

The application deadline is Tuesday, Feb. 1.

These competitions are nationally recognized and students are strongly encouraged to participate, Shaw said.

More information is available at phikappaphi.org.

# COLLEGE BOWLfrom page 1

Sign-up sheets for the mock College Bowl can also be picked up in the Kimmel Leadership Center.

"The questions are purely trivia questions," Williams said. "As far as I know, there are no problems that actually have to be worked out."

The qualifying tournament will be set up in three rooms with a moderator, timekeeper and two

score keepers. There will also be room for audiences to watch.

Additionally, there is a need for volunteers to fill the positions of judges and score keepers.

For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, contact Campus Activities Board graduate adviser Alyssa Bordeux at abodeux@siue.edu.

### Campus Scanner

Aerobics Expo: Join Campus Recreation from 5 to 6 p.m. Tuesday through Friday to discover which group fitness class is right for you. There will be two 30-minute class segments each day. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle. For more information, call 650-BFIT.

Annual Juried Graduate Student Exhibition: Visit the New Wagner Gallery in the Art and Design Building all day until Feb. 4 for an exhibition of works by graduate students. The exhibition will be juried by Dawn Nash, owner of the Xen Gallery in St. Louis. For more information, call the SIUE Art and Design Department at 650-3071.

The Art of Illness: An exhibition of photography exploring illness and its representation will be displayed all day through Thursday, Jan. 27, in the Morris University Center Art Gallery. For more information, call art and design

professor Steve Brown at 650-3013.

College Bowl Demo:
Campus Activities Board is holding a College Bowl Demo from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Tuesday in the Morris University Center's Goshen Lounge. Contact sophomore Donna C. Williams at dowilli@siue.edu or graduate student Alyssa Bodeux at abodeux@siue.edu for more information.

Drum Major for Peace: Join Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. and guest speakers, including SIUE anthropology professor Dallas Browne, as they pay tribute to the memory of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Morris University Center's second floor Conference Center. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call Larry Brown at 650-4101.

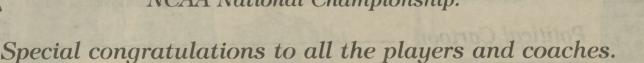
International Film Series: Join Campus Activities Board from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday in the Lovejoy Library Abbott Auditorium for a showing of "Maria Full of Grace." The film is about a plantation worker in rural Columbia who becomes a drug mule. For more information, contact junior Melanie Rodrigues at merodri@siue.edu or graduate student Alyssa Bodeux at abodeux@siue.edu.

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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In the past two weeks, the start of the New Year come and gone, and most likely everyone's New Year's resolutions went with it. That is why this year I decided to make a minor addition to my resolution. I've decided to call it "every two weeks resolution."

Why every two weeks? I figure that after two weeks, people are tired of the diets, the planning, the developing of a support system and reminding themselves that "I made a resolution, I must stick to it." At least that is my time frame to start slipping. So I figure the best way

# Add a new twist to resolutions

to keep a resolution is to keep making the resolution. That way, I'm continually reminded of what I have to do to achieve whatever goal it is I have set for myself.

Some people will tell time is more my pace. you to aim

lower than y o u normally would, and that some goals aren't realistic. There are 52 weeks in a year. Do you know how

far you can go with that much time? In my opinion, almost anything is possible unless you're trying to become the next president of the United States; that's a four-year resolution.

The best part about the twoweek plan is if you accomplish one resolution, for example, losing 10 pounds, you don't have to wait a year for the next one. You can move on to a new resolution, like losing another 10

pounds. Or, if you are better at multitasking, you can have multiple resolutions so that you are putting one into action every week, or every day of the week. I'm not that good, so one at a

"In my opinion anything is possible, unless your trying to become next President of the United States..."

> Whatever the case may be, there are hundreds of resolutions for people to invent and numerous ways to stick to them. Maybe you don't need a resolution. Maybe you're perfect. Well, the rest of us aren't that lucky, so let me rant a while

> Even if you didn't have a resolution on New Year's Eve there are hundreds of ideas on the Internet. You could try to become

a better person, if that's possible You could try to lose some of the weight you put on as a freshman. You could resolve to get off academic probation. You could resolve to stay off academic probation. You could resolve to come work at the Alestle; that's a great resolution. You could even resolve to graduate head of your class and get that dream job right out of the gate. I'm not telling you these resolutions have to be realistic; however, others might suggest that direction.

Whatever the resolution might be, it's good to have a goal, and I think whatever steps you need to reach that goal should be taken. So even if the "every two weeks resolution" doesn't work for you, maybe a smarter person out there, like a neurologist or rocket scientist, has a better idea that will work. Whatever the case, I wish you all luck, and I hope you all had a great and safe holiday.

> Tyler Bennett Editor in Chief

# Letters to the editor

# Student angry with Kimmel's leadership

heart, the best interest of its organizations and companies of govern organizations on and off

Political Cartoon

Ultimately, I believe it is safe students. Why then, has SIUE questionable reputation? The to assume that any college has, at become a breeding ground for problem lies in the guidelines that

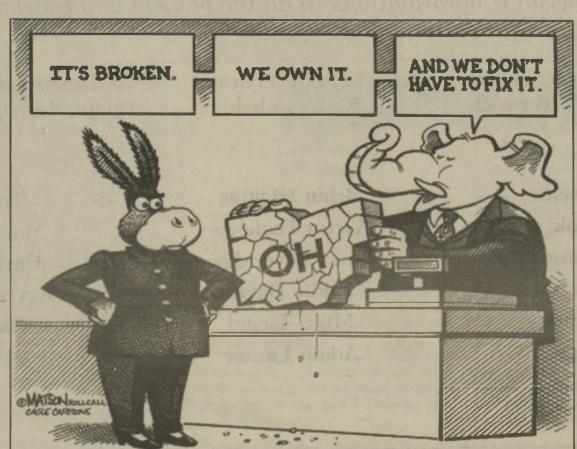
campus and their interactions with students.

Simply using an alias, a malicious organization has the ability to avoid scrutiny other legitimate as any organization could. And even after receiving complaints about certain organizations, Kimmel Leadership Center is still able to deflect criticism of inaction because it does not have "the right information." For instance, after being informed that a certain religious group with a checkered history was not on campus, I was able to point out that a group with a different name was the group in question. This was news to Kimmel.

As for other organizations that are not on campus but solicit in college classrooms and whose members use their work-study time to recruit for their so-called "moneymaking organizations," Kimmel mildly encourages students to check up on these companies with the Better Business Bureau.

In reality, Kimmel is almost willfully impotent due to its lack of resources and an incredibly lax

see KIMMEL, page 5



### KIMMEL from page 4

During the course of 100 pages, review. Student Organization student organizations. There rights;

might argue Handbook completely avoids any that to scrutinize organizations set system of punishment for to a higher degree violates however, is the Illinois law forbidding university's first responsibility is but otherwise to its students. Coming there is only the convoluted to a university from home

student organization code. and bureaucratic system of leaves these young adults vulnerable, and organizations on campus under the guise of benefactors are able to manipulate and eventually harm

> Marissa Grandone Freshman

# Quote of the Day

"Personality can open doors, but only character can keep them open." ~ Elmer G. Letterman

Political Cartoon





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### Directory Information includes the following:

- 2. Student address and telephone number (local and permanent)
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- 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.siue.edu/COUGARNET. strongly encourage you to maintain accurate address information in order for you to receive important University correspondence.



**Student Leadership Development Program & Volunteer Services** 

### **SLDP Orientation**

January 11, 2005 2:00 & 6:30 p.m. January 12 & 19, 2005 4:30 p.m. Suzanne Kutterer-Siburt, Assistant Director SLDP Peck Hall Computer Lab 1410

### **Modules**

Leadership Characteristics: You are a Leader! Sue Fischer, Executive Director Non-Profit Consortium Board Room, MUC

### 1/18/05

Module 11, 6:30 p.m. Role Models & Risk Takers Evon Sparks-Strauther, Executive Director Jackie Joyner-Kersee Center Board Room, MUC

### SLDP Reminders....

**Volunteer Projects** 

January 22 - Share Food Co-op, Granite City, IL

January 25-27 - Voter Registration Drive, MUC

January 29 - St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Store, E. St. Louis, IL January 29 - One Day Urban Plunge, E. St. Louis, IL

February 5 - St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Store, E. St. Louis, IL

Stephen Covey's Seven Habits of Highly Effective People® January 20, Korte Room (2407), Founder's Hall.

Volunteer Fair. January 26, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Goshen Lounge, MUC

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

PEOPLE, ENTERTAINMENT, & Arts

# Murals show glimpse of St. Louis

**EMILY TAUL** LIFESTYLES STRINGER

St. Louis history will soon be brought to the SIUE campus in the form of four rare murals recently donated to SIUE by Edwardsville resident, Heinz Peter, in honor of his mother, Elise Peter.

Peter, a retired financial planner and real estate investor, contacted University Museum Director Eric Barnett to

see if there was interest in obtaining four murals by an acclaimed Missouri artist, Michael Chomyk.

"The donor approached us and asked if we would be interested, and of course, we immediately said yes," Barnett said. "The murals were last displayed in the Old Farm and Home Savings and Loan Association in St. Louis.

"The hardest part of getting

the art to campus was the fact we had to disassemble the murals in order to take them out of the building," Barnett said.

"The canvas was mounted Masonite, and the disassembling ended up taking six ground workers, two carpenters, the museum's curator and myself to remove the murals," Barnett

These murals, of an estimated worth close to six figures, depict

St. Louis in its prospering years, one including a ticket area of the famous railroad terminal, Union Station.

"The process of removing the four murals was like a circus, and the Facilities Management was instrumental in all four removals. We are greatly indebted," Barnett

In the next several months, the murals will be cleaned, reassembled and sealed before the

public can view them. During this time, Barnett will seek a location for the exhibit.

"We have not yet decided where the murals will be put on display, but bear in mind our museum is the campus, and we will exhibit them in places for all to enjoy," Barnett said. "It is now a matter of how and where before the public can view this great history of St. Louis and Michael

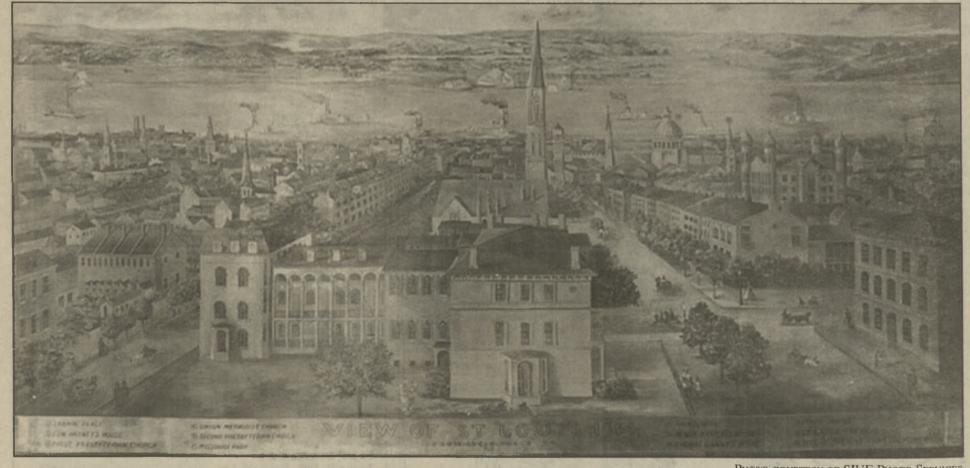


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This mural depicts the growth of St. Louis in the mid-1800s. It is one of four rare murals painted by Michael Chomyk and donated to the university

# 'Flaming Guns' moves to regional competition

THOMAS C. PHILLIPS III LIFESTYLES REPORTER

Call it "Flaming Guns: Reloaded."

In early December 2004, "Flaming Guns of the Purple Sage" hit the mainstage at SIUE as part of the 2004-05 theater season.

The cast and crew of the production are now feverishly rehearsing for the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Regionals, being selected for consideration by the national committee.

The regional competition, in a location yet to be announced, will feature the "Flaming Guns"

cast and crew members share ideas. performing the show Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan. 18-19, in attempt to move to the national finals at the Kennedy Center in Washington,

This honor is made even more special by the fact this is the first time in more than a decade that an SIUE production has been chosen to participate in the KCACTF

According Web KCACTF kennedyenter.org/education/actf, "The regional festival a gathering of people to see one another's work and to

addition performances, there are a wide range of activities that in the past have included workshops and seminars on such topics as playwriting, auditioning, voice, movement, stage combat, for children, painting, scenery construction and so on," the site

"Flaming Guns," a play written by Jane Martin and directed by SIUE theater professor Chuck Harper, is an off-kilter combination of a Bhorror film and a western, designed specifically for live theater.

combination is a nearly nonstop slapstick, satirical take on the two genres. It opened to rave reviews on the mainstage.

Stage manager Melissa Blair said the cast and crew are all proud of their accomplishment.

"We're all very excited about (the opportunity),' Blair said. "We went back into rehearsal on Jan. 10, and I'm excited about it. I know the actors and actresses and everyone involved in the production are excited, too."

According to the Web site,

1969, KCACTF "has served as a

improving the quality of college theater in the United States." Other productions for the SIUE Theater Department include the Black Theater Workshop and the "Bald

For more information on these and other productions, contact the Box Office at 650-

Soprano."

# **SIUE** donates seats to historic theater

JANELLE DOBSON News Stringer

Dunham Hall Theater seats were recently sold to the historic Wildey Theater in downtown Edwardsville, and the new seats for SIUE's theater are being installed.

SIUE sold its seats to the Wildey Theater in the beginning of November. At that time, SIUE had not chosen new seats. After many bids, SIUE decided to buy new seats from the Irwin

The Irwin Co. has been around a long time, Edwardsville Alderman and SIUE Assistant Vice Chancellor for Administration Richard Walker The company is well known across the United States.

According to Walker, the new seats are purple and gold and match the existing decor of the Dunham Hall Theater. The theater and dance faculty chose them.

The L. Wolf Co. is installing the seats. Walker said he expects it to take one week for the 400 seats to be installed.

Wildey Edwardsville's Theater has not installed the 397 seats it purchased from SIUE. The city of Edwardsville owns the theater and has only given funding to restore the outside of the building.

"The outside looks great and is pretty much done. I am very optimistic that someday the inside will be renovated," Walker

Walker said he is hoping to find a private partner to invest in the renovation of the inside of the theater. The renovation will be stopped until they find a private

SIUE students have offered their time and effort during this process. Theater and dance students helped with some of the interior demolition and clean up. The students volunteered their time on the weekends. They worked several weekends in groups of 10 to 12.

Walker said he believes once the theater is opened, it will be very popular.

"With a small auditorium we can do some nice events and have a full crowd to do it with," Walker said.

Once the theater is open, Walker said he expects it to be used for plays, music events, movies, children's dance recitals and other events.

"It's really meant to be an accommodating gathering spot for the community," Walker said.

# LISTINGS www.thealestle.com

# Summer study abroad deadline is extended

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

The deadline for the summer study abroad program has been extended to Tuesday, Jan.

Tamari and the English professor Seran Aktuna will be part of the

group making the trip from June 23 to Aug. 5.

During this trip, students will take two courses and will study at a Turkish university.

For more information History professor Steve or an application, contact Tamari by phone at 650-3967 or by e-mail at stamari@siue.edu.

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# Student Poll:

Have you ever cheated in school?

Yes, I regularly cheat on papers and exams. Yes, once or twice, but I normally do not.

Yes, I share homework answers.

No, I don't cheat, but I understand why students would be tempted.

No, I believe cheating is wrong.

Visit thealestle.com to vote





### Fraternity plans trip to honor King

THOMAS PHILLIPS LIFESTYLES STRINGER

For more than a decade, the Iota Pi chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. have paid tribute to the late civil rights leader the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther

By hosting its annual trip to Atlanta Friday through

Monday to honor King's legacy, the fraternity plans to bring students together for a weekend to get all to understand the impact King had on the nation.

The scheduled every year to coincide with a series of events in Atlanta known as MLK Weekend,

which celebrates the deceased leader's life.

"The trip is an opportunity for all students who attend to experience MLK Weekend in Atlanta," chapter president Larry Brown said. "There are members of other Greek organizations that come down to Atlanta as well, along with other students from historically black colleges and universities."

Noting the fact that King is one of Alpha Phi Alpha's most renowned and highly regarded members, Brown said the weekend will provide and entertainment.

"We will be visiting the home which King stayed in when he lived his adult life in Atlanta, along with visiting his church and grave site," Brown said. "We will also be going to different places as well that provide fun, such as a comedy show and opportunities for

opportunities for both reflection 18," Brown said. "If seats are available, reservations still can be made as long as we know in advance. Our Alpha Psi chapter from Lincoln University in Missouri will accompany there, and they may have space on their bus as well. It's best to get your money in as soon as possible, t hough, since it is first come, first serve."

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> ~Larry Brown, Iota Pi chapter president

shopping, since we'll be staying close to a popular mall."

The comedy show will feature several comics who appeared on Black Entertainment Television and will be open only to those attending the trip.

For those who don't have the the Wednesday deadline, Brown arrangements can be made for those who want to attend at the last minute.

"We're open to anyone who wants to attend, as long as they're over the age of

Aside from slight change in sleeping accommodations, which now puts those who are on the trip in the Comfort Inn near the Underground Brown said the trip's cost of \$160, which includes travel, lodging, admission to the comedy

show and two meals, is worth every cent.

"It's a great event, and one that we've been doing for the past 10-15 years at SIUE," Brown said. "Everyone that goes should benefit from it."

At 7 p.m. Thursday, the fraternity will sponsor another annual event, a march in memory of King from the Hairpin Drive to the Alpha House on

For more information on the trip or other events sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha, contact Brown at 650-4101.

The Faculty, Staff and Students of SIUE recognizes a team of

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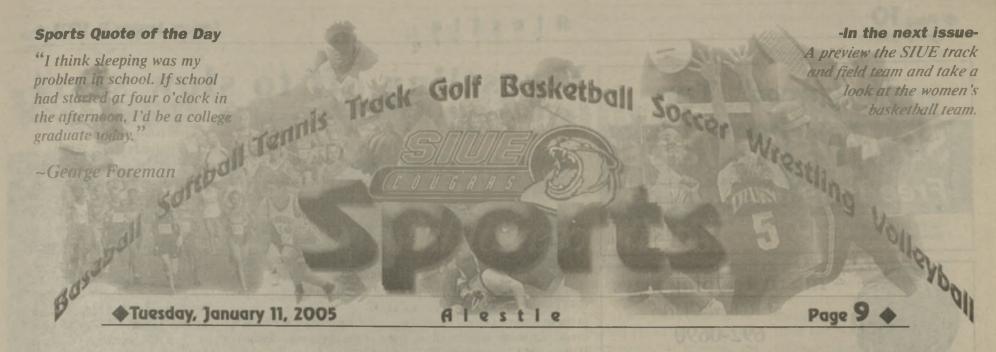
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**Upcoming sporting** events

1/12 Wed. - Wrestling continues to tackle the competition against Missouri Valley College at 7 p.m. in the Vadalabene Center.

1/14 Fri.- Wrestling travels to William Penn University to compete at 7 p.m. in Des Moines, Ia.

1/15 Sat.- Women's and men's basketball tips off against the Quincy University Lady Hawks at 1 p.m. in the Vadalabene Center.

Wrestling hits the road to take on the competition in the Denker Open at 10 a.m. in Warrensburg, Mo.

Track and Field makes it mark for the first time this season at the Saluki Booster in Carbondale,

1/19 Wed.- Last Day to register a team for Co-ed basketball, rec. league basketball and Men's and Women's basketball at the Vadalabene Center.

1/20 Thurs.- Women's and men's basketball hits the road to play Southern Indiana at 5:15 p.m. in Evansville, Ind.

1/22 Sat.-Women's and men's basketball travels to play Kentucky Wesleyan College at 1:15 p.m. in Owensboro, Ky.

# 13 and counting



CRISTA CHITWOOD/THE ALESTLE

Senior forward Tim Bauersachs lays the ball in for two against Southern Indiana earlier this season. Bauersachs' team-leading 12 points per game has helped lead the Cougars to the nation's longest Division II winning streak and a 16th national ranking

### Men's basketball rides the nation's longest winning streak to top-16 ranking

JONG CAMBRON SPORTS REPORTER

The number 13 is thought to be an unlucky number, but the SIUE men's basketball team set a school record on the strength of 13 straight wins.

The Cougars have the longest National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II winning streak.

The Cougars have not lost a game since their Nov. 20 loss to the Murray State Racers, a NCAA Division I team. SIUE sits in first place in the Great Lakes Valley Conference with a 7-0 record and a 14-2 record overall. According to the latest NCAA Division II rankings, the Cougars are the 16th best team in the

"As a coach, I try not to think about it (national ranking) too much, but the players are pretty excited," basketball head coach Marty Simmons said.

The University of Wisconsin-Parkside Rangers

were the latest victims to the Cougar's winning streak

Freshman guard J.B. Jones dropped in 17 points to lead the Cougars to a 67-52 victory. Jones added five assists and two steals. Senior center Dan Heimos was the only other Cougar to score double figures with 11 points and also chipped in seven boards.

J.B. (Jones) has been



AUBREY WILLIAMS/THE ALESTLE Mon's basketball coach Marty Simmons has his team firing on all cylinders this season.

outstanding from day one," Simmons said. "He's competitor, and he's getting more and more confident as the season goes on."

After the Rangers tied the game 20-20 late in the first half, the Cougars reeled off a 9-0 run to take the lead into halftime. The Rangers stormed out of the gates in the beginning of the second half to cut the Cougars' lead to am very fortunate to bring only seven, but the Cougars someone of her ability and answered back with a 12-1 run to character into the program, and lead

The Cougars defense was stout as they held the Rangers to 33 percent shooting from the floor and only 25 percent from beyond the arc.

"Our guys did a good job not getting screened," Simmons said. "We applied good pressure when they tried to shoot threes."

The Cougars look to extend their winning streak against Quincy University at 3 p.m. Saturday in the Vadalabene Center.



THE ALESTLE Head volleyball coach Todd

### Volleyball reloading with new recruits

ZACH GROVES SPORTS REPORTER

With next season in mind, the SIUE volleyball team has signed two new players.

Setter Mallory Clements of Mount Pulaski and outside hitter Emily Rahn of Waukesha, Wis., signed with intent during winter break to play for the Cougars.

Coming in at 6 feet, Clements earned second team All-State this past season in high school and was named player of the year by three newspapers, The Lincoln Courier, Decatur Herald and Review and The Springfield Register. In addition, her team went 147-19 when she played, gaining three straight secondplace finishes and third place in the state tournament.

"She is a phenomenal kid," head coach Todd Gober said. "I it's a great recruit for our program.'

The 5'9" Rahn did not play volleyball until her sophomore year, according to Gober. However, she helped her team at Wisconsin Lutheran High to a first-place finish in its conference. She was an All-State selection and earned Wisconsin Little Ten Conference Player of the Year this season. In addition, she was a letter-winner in volleyball and track and plays for the Milwaukee Sting volleyball

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# Wrestling off to slow start

ZACH GROVES SPORTS REPORTER

Early season struggles continue for the wrestling team, even after a 13th-place showing in the Midwest Classic this weekend at the University of Indianapolis.

Of the wrestlers who competed in their weight class, only sophomore Joe Rujawitz (149 LBS) came away victorious in the first round of the "pig-tail" event. Rujawitz defeated Ryan Hoffman of Chadron State 10-3, but later fell in the semifinals

"We went there without any thoughts of winning the tournament, just for improving as we go through the season,"

assistant coach Ronald Bessemer said. "That was our best finish though in a tournament since we entered the tournaments."

Senior Brandon Lorek (197) led the team in the "Wrestle-Backs" end of the event with a fifth-place finish and sophomore John Ficht (165) nabbed sixth. Rujawitz came home with eighth place overall. Also earning eighth was sophomore Pat Healy

Failing to advance in either end of the event was sophomore Steve Chico (133), sophomore Bill Breheny (141), junior Jamie Johnson (157), freshman Cory Scott (184) and sophomore Jason Hartman (285).

In spite of the 0-5 start and an injury to Scott, Bessemer feels the team will improve with players returning from injury.

Freshman Eric Scholle is also coming back from knee surgery and we hope to put him into action this week, which could either make us better or make us the same. We're not there, but the potential is there," Bessemer added.

The wrestling team tackles the competition in what is a busy week, starting with a home match against Missouri Valley College at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the Vadalabene Center, followed by road matches at William Penn University at 7 p.m. in Tuscaloosa, Iowa, and at Central Missouri State University in the Denker Open at 10 a.m. in Warrensburg, Mo.

### Vadalabene Center extending pool hours

JONG CAMBRON SPORTS REPORTER

Everybody, get your floaties inflated because the indoor pool at the Vadalabene Center is extending its hours.

The new hours go into effect this week. The hours are Monday through Friday 6:15 -8:15 a.m., 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and 4:30-9:30 p.m. On Saturday and Sunday hours are 12 -3 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.

"We found students wanted evening hours

accommodate their schedules," campus recreation specialist Keith Becherer said. "In addition, user numbers increased last semester, so we wanted to make sure we continued to provide the

highest level of service to the students, faculty and staff."

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"(Emily is) a very explosive type of player," Gober said. "And, she is just amazing and has a funky type of swing. She's athletic and can play all around."

Gober said he hopes to

continue his search for additional talent, seeing that eight of his current players will be graduating.

"I hope to sign two more this offseason and then sign four more next year to keep the roster up" Gober said.

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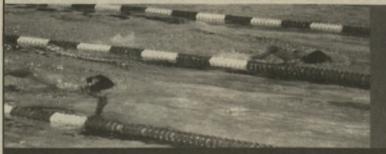


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# Women's basketball improves to .500



AUBREY WILLIAMS/THE ALESTLE

Senior guard Amber Wisdom looks to make a pass earlier this season. Wisdom's leadership has helped a young Cougar team win its last two games and reach an 8-8 record.

**ZACH GROVES** SPORTS REPORTER

After a 1-3 stretch over the holidays, the women's basketball team is heating up after some weekend action at home.

Before the edging University of Wisconsin-Parkside Rangers 62-56 Saturday, the Cougars tore apart the St. Joseph's College Pumas Carrillo's double-double (12 85-61 with 12 three-pointers.

Head coach Wendy Hedberg was pleased with the team's aggressive approach to shooting in the wins.

"We're getting a little better shooting the ball, which is the best part of the two wins," she

Led by junior forward Alisa

points, 10 rebounds) and freshman guard Whitney Sykes' three of four shooting from three-point land, the Cougars pounded their way to a short lead in the second half to beat the Rangers.

Cougars entered The halftime with a 34-26 lead, but squandered to a 51-47 lead with just seven minutes to go.

"That's basketball. It's a game of runs," Hedberg said. "We had them up by eight, and they cut it back down to four, but we kind of closed it with free throws."

Sykes' three three-pointers and eight of 10 free throws made her the team's leader in points with 17 and junior guard Amber Wisdom played all around with seven points, six rebounds and five assists.

SIUE's 21 of 29 shooting from the charity stripe helped in the win, along with its 45 percent shooting from field.

Thursday night was the first time the Cougars sank doubledigits in three-pointers (12) since their opening blowout of Robert Morris College, and producing the same results against the Pumas of St. Joseph's College.

"At times St. Joe's had the zone," Hedberg said. "We were just hitting our spots."

Sykes led the three-point attack, hitting five as the Cougars' jumpd ahead of the Pumas in the first half, 46-35. She finished the night with 18 points following six threes out of 10 attempts and nabbed five

Hedberg continued to stress the success Sykes has from hitting the three.

"(Sykes) will shoot the ball a couple feet from the three-point line," Hedberg said. "If (the opponents) lose her in transition, we will get her the ball when she's open and she will hit them."

forward Sophomore Julianne McMillen led the team overall in points with 20, including seven from the free throw line. Wisdom recorded 13 points, seven assists and grabbed six rebounds, and Carrillo scored six and took down six rebounds.

The Cougars as a team shot 53.8% from the field, a seasonhigh for them, and hit 12 of 23 from the three-point line.

Now a .500 team, Hedberg looks to maintain the team's current style of play against Quincy University.

"We've got to continue our game. We worry not so much about what (Quincy) is doing, but what we are doing," she said. "And, try to get that straightened in our game, our defense and the ball shoot

SIUE (8-8, now 3-4 in the Great Lakes Valley Conference) wraps up its three-game home stand against the Quincy University Lady Hawks at 1 p.m. Saturday at the Vadalabene Center.

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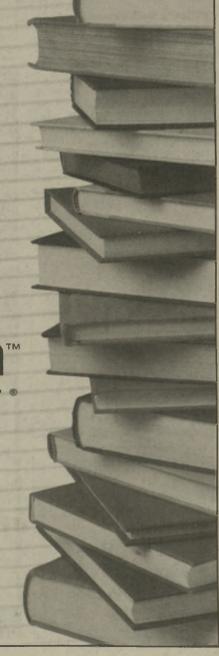
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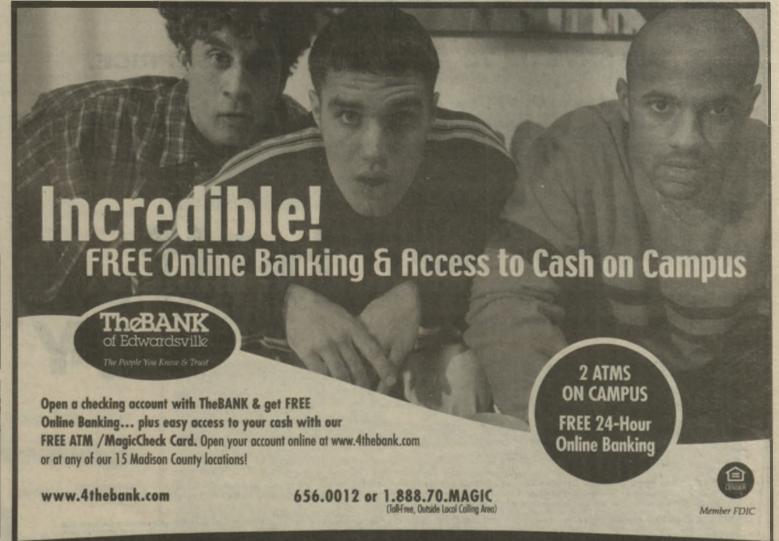
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