

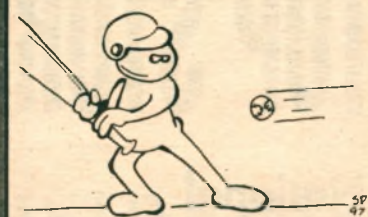
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the Alestle

ALTON, EAST ST. LOUIS & EDWARDSVILLE

BASEBALL IS BACK..!



Cap and gown time

Bob Fehringer/Alestle

SIUE bookstore manager Darlene Fox, left, hands a cap and gown to Missy Jackson as Maggie Messmer waits to purchase hers. The speech pathology majors will graduate on May 10. The graduation ceremony will be held in the Vadalabene Center.

SIUE students donate time and supplies for Project Helping Hand in Alton

By Mark Allo
for the Alestle

This weekend, Easter care packages were distributed to the needy from Project Helping Hand in Alton. The packages were made up and assembled by SIUE students.

For a class project in small group communication, LouAnn Cole, Chris Logan, Stacy Pate, Troy Kaufmann, Marcia Holder and Sam Pass received donations and bought supplies. They assembled the packages the weekend before Easter.

"We had canned food and dry goods for the adults, and toys and candy for the children. The group prepared around 18 adult and 30 child packages. We designed the kids bags to look like the Easter bunny," Sam Pass said.

Founder and director of the Project Helping Hand Center, Bessie Palmer Hubbard, said she appreciated the Saturday sacrifices made by the volunteers.

"It's good to know some people will give up their Saturday to think of someone less

fortunate," Palmer Hubbard said.

Marcia Holder was once helped by the project. "It was nice to give something back," Holder said.

Chris Logan, one of the class members, was disappointed that more people did not show up to help with the project.

"The sad thing is that Bessie had a lot of projects she needed help with and we were the only ones to show up to help," he said.

The Project Helping Hand Center is located at 1838 East Broadway in Alton. It provides help for over 50 different groups, organizations and communities, assisting thousands of people each year. For more information call Monday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at (618) 466-1922 or write to Project Helping Hand Center at P.O. Box 147, Alton, Ill. 62002.

Various companies, such as Dollar Bill, K-Mart, Target, That's a Donut and National Foods of Fairview Heights, and Wal-Mart and Sam's of O'Fallon, made contributions for the event.

Resident assistants chosen for next year

By Bethany Behrhorst
News Reporter

The Resident Assistant staff for Tower Lake and the Residence Hall for Academic year 1997-1998 has been chosen.

Resident assistants are students who have gone through a series of interviews, by other RA's and professional members of the Tower Lake and Residence Hall staff, to determine their potential as leaders.

Selection is based on leadership potential, interpersonal skills, positive attitudes and commitment to serving their peers. Students who apply for an RA position must complete three phases of the selection process and must meet academic and conduct standards.

"The actual process began in early January, once students returned from winter break," Scott Gluntz, Housing Coordinator said.

Students were required to attend information sessions about prerequisites in order to be considered for a position, and the responsibilities involved in taking the position.

"The purpose of the information sessions was to give students more information about the process and what it is like, and what is involved to be a resident assistant," Gluntz said.

Phase two and three took place during February and early March. These phases involved both an individual interview and a group interview process.

Phase two was the individual interview. Following were the group interviews, which consisted of the candidate, three current RA's and professional staff members. The final interview included the candidate and either the director or the assistant director of the Residence Hall or Tower Lake Apartments, or both, depending on where the student wanted to work.

Gluntz said that questions

and answers, as well as conduct, play a role in determining the potential and qualification of the prospective RA..

The requirements for RA consideration are to: live in university housing for at least one semester, be a full-time student in good academic standing and have at least a 2.0 grade point average.

"We try to find the best fit possible between the staff and the student population," Gluntz said.

Many of the students hired as RA's previously worked as staff members, either as RA's, desk attendants or peer assistants.

However, previous experience or active campus activity involvement will not guarantee an RA position.

"There are no guarantees," Gluntz said.

A student's responsibility at a staff position previously held has a great deal to do with whether or not that student will be hired as an RA.

RA's in the Residence Hall for next year will be Liz Eble, Angi Mayes, Tara Nesbitt, David Keck, Brennah Somers, Sonia Deal, Michelle Callender, Scott Hopfinger, Warren Berry and Sherri Toppel.

Trumerria Jennings, Elizabeth Seely, J.R. Petersen Kevin Kellerman and Amanda Littrell will be RA's for the 400 side of Tower Lake single apartments.

In Tower Lake apartments 501-516, the RA's will be Trevon Bell, Jeremy Lincicum, Rachel Pittman, Elizabeth Bloomfield, Dana DeShazo, Tawanna Hill and Lisa Buffa.

LaTrice Johnson, Cassie Rosenberger, Charmayne White, Rita Hicks, Azhar Umer, Dustie Headrick, and Tim Tolbert will be RA's for apartments 517-519.

RA's for the families on the 400 side will be Steve McLean, Jennifer Washington, Pat Viviano and Don Surerus.

A quick look inside:

op/ed

Gross debate on big business continues AND Chris Clayton with an analysis on voter apathy.

lifestyle/entertainment

Ty Norris tells what is the talk of the town PLUS a review of "Revenge of the Space Pandas" WITH

Another installment of college life from Matt Veenstra's perspective AND Say What?????

sports

Tennis travels to Indiana AND the preview and picks for the 1997 Major League Baseball season.

weather

Today: t-storms 68/49°

Friday: storms likely 71/58°

Saturday: Rain likely 67/58°

TOP STORIES



National

Two states should share it

ELLIS ISLAND (AP) — The lawyers and politicians fighting over whether Ellis Island belongs to New York or New Jersey may have to compromise.

A court-appointed fact finder recommended Tuesday that the Supreme Court divided the nation's gateway for 16 million immigrants with New York getting the main building, now a museum, and New Jersey getting most of the rest.

It wasn't clear what the court might rule. But the plan was panned by New York Attorney General Dennis Vacco as one that "ignores the law and rewrites history."

International

Conversion to judaism may be tightened

ISRAEL (AP) — Israel's Parliament gave initial approval Tuesday to a bill that would invalidate conversions to Judaism performed by non-Orthodox rabbis.

The bill, which was demanded by the religious parties in Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu's coalition, passed the first of three required votes by a 51-32 tally, with seven abstentions.

The legislation would change little. The Interior Ministry already registers as Jews only those born into the Jewish faith or converted in Israel by Orthodox rabbis.

In Our Area

State and Local

Mother fighting for better prison conditions

DANVILLE, Ill. (AP) — A mother fighting for better prison conditions for her daughter in Peru went to visit her during the Easter weekend.

Claire Davis has been working with American officials to improve conditions inside the Lima prison where her 20-year-old daughter, Jennifer, has been held since September.

Jennifer Davis, a graduate of Westville High School, was pursuing a modeling career in Los Angeles when she was arrested and charged with trying to smuggle drugs into the United States. She has said she was promised \$5,000 and a three-day vacation to Peru.

She has admitted carrying the drugs and has cooperated with authorities. She is awaiting sentencing.

Claire Davis said she was deeply upset to see the conditions in the prison. She said her daughter deserves to be punished if she is guilty, but the prison is violating human rights standards.

Jennifer Davis has said the prison is overcrowded, there are no showers, and three drains on each cell-block floor are the toilets.

Undergraduate Research Academy

The Office of Undergraduate Assessment and Program Review, in the Office of the Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affair, has supported more than \$11,000 in research and fellowship awards for undergraduate students in the 1996-97 Undergraduate Research Academy. While the projects vary in purpose and design, they all define the means by which the students undertook a creative activity, critical analysis, scholarship, and/or empirical investigation within their academic fields.

Everyone is invited to attend the URA Student Symposium being held tonight, April 3, from 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm in the Hickory-Hackberry Rooms in the University Center to salute the URA Fellows for their diligence and to applaud their achievements in the Undergraduate Research Academy.

The 1996-97 URA Fellows and Mentors

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Letter to the editor

What kind of impression are we trying to set with these off-color comedians?

After the event which I overheard from the Cougar Den, on March 26, I am ashamed to be an SIUE student and student worker. The event was titled "Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. Comedy Show." The majority of the comedians' dialog went beyond the parameters of profanity.

For many of those who would argue that this country is unique because of the first amendment, I would support you. I agree that freedom of speech is very important. But, should these profanities influence our young children, the future of this country?

While I was working in the cafeteria during the event, a group of parents, with their young children, were passing by the Cougar Den on their way to the bowling alley.

The emotions I felt after I saw the expressions on their faces as such profanities as "mother fu**er" and others were shouted out from the comedians, was incomprehensible.

I cannot believe that SIUE would not only allow this event to occur on their grounds, but would even support it.

Is this what SIUE wants to promote to its students, the community, and even the future of America?

Pat Taylor
Sr. Nursing

Letter to the editor

Matt Gross is grossly mistaken

I'm responding to Matt Gross' 3/27/97 letter to the editor. Mr. Gross has the ignorant mentality of U.S. House Speaker Newt Gingrich for believing that, "Downsizing and mergers are necessary to an economy."

Does he honestly think that people are a bunch of mushrooms that can be kept in the dark and fed a bunch of shit! What is occurring presently in the U.S. is sheer greed, not economics.

Let me begin by citing Newsweek's Feb. 26, 1996 edition which featured the cover story "Corporate Killers." Big company CEOs simply cut jobs to benefit themselves. Robert Allen, CEO of AT&T, has a personal salary of \$3,362,000. In January of 1996, he laid off 40,000 people.

Furthermore, Allen has been harshly criticized by Wall Street for his \$7.5 billion hostile takeover of computer maker NCR in 1991, and made much more than \$5 million when the value of his stock options skyrocketed when layoffs were announced.

- Edward Brennan, former CEO of Sears, Roebuck & Co., had a salary of \$3,075,000 and in January of 1993, laid off 50,000 workers.

- Louis Gerstner, CEO of IBM, has a salary of \$2,625,000, and in July 1993, laid off 60,000 workers.

- Robert Stemple, former CEO of General Motors, had a salary of \$1,000,000 and in December 1991, laid off 74,000 workers.

- Frank Shrontz, CEO of Boeing, has a salary of \$1,420,935, and in February of 1993, laid off 28,000 workers.

Letter to the editor

Ignorance is bliss:

McVey's letter to the editor came just in time for April Fool's day

Fittingly, Marion McVey graced the *Alestle* readers with an editorial letter on April Fool's day. I have never seen a more pitiful display of ignorance and immaturity in a newspaper. Marion should be ashamed of the accusations and name calling directed towards the Republican Party and myself.

Marion begins by complaining about the rich and large corporations. McVey said, "They care about the bottom line and greed, not the ability for the company to survive." I am not denying the fact that some executives are greedy. I merely made the point that layoffs and mergers are sometimes necessary to the survival of a company and that another person's earnings are not my business. Face it, Marion, profits drive people and companies. The survival of the company is the end result of its ability to create profits. If a company does not create more profit, shareholders and lenders will no longer want to invest in the company, thereby eliminating the company's ability to expand. Regardless of the motives (whether they are greed or the survival of the firm) of executives, layoffs are sometimes necessary to keep a

company afloat.

McVey also says that "big executives" are paid large salaries for "just being a figurehead." This is nonsense. Obviously McVey has no idea of the responsibilities that a top-level executive has. Are you capable of handling the stress related to the job, Marion? If so, why aren't you a top-level executive?

Next, McVey claims the Democratic Party, "has traditionally fought to make the lives of working people better." I am also a member of the "working class" and I can assure you that excessive tax and government regulations do not improve my life. McVey's comments are yet another example of the class warfare that I spoke about in my first editorial.

McVey also assumes that Republicans do not care about the poor, because I said "people should be content with what they already have." I simply stated that it is useless to complain about what other people have. What is the use of worrying about another person's earnings? Does all of this envy and jealousy make life any better for your family? I never said people should not want more or strive to be the best. I merely stated that it is useless to complain about the rich when

- Walter Shipley, CEO of Chemical/Chase Manhattan, has a salary of \$2,496,154 and in August 1995, laid off 12,000 workers.

- Charles Lee, CEO of GTE Corp., has a salary of \$2,004,115 and in January 1994, laid off 17,000 workers.

And the list goes on and on.

Mr. Gross, I would strongly suggest that you read this particular issue of Newsweek. I would also suggest that you take a real economics class, instead of being brainwashed by Rush Limbaugh, because you obviously don't know a damn thing that you're talking about.

Let me give you an example out of this same issue of Newsweek where a company cut its own costs instead of jobs. Scherer Brothers Lumber stopped buying sports tickets and fresh flowers for receptionists' desks.

The bottom line is that your own Republican party leader Newt along with his philosophy of greed is about to get the boot from his fellow party colleagues.

The only economics that you'd better worry about, Mr. Gross, is how you're going to get employed in a crumbling Republican party. Americans are slowly but surely beginning to see through the smoke and mirrors of your party, and when the smoke finally clears, the Republicans won't stand a snowball's chance in hell of ever being elected.

Neil O. Phillips
Jr., Political Science

you could be working to make your own life better.

Marion then proceeds to waste even more paper with two final paragraphs. McVey seems quite interested in why I signed my previous letter as President of SIUE College Republicans. The reason is quite simple. I am (proudly) a member who happens to be the President of SIUE College Republicans. I would also like to use every possible opportunity to inform interested students that there is a College Republicans' organization on campus. Is that a good enough reason, Marion?

McVey also criticizes me for "putting down those who disagree with my own philosophy" (which I never did to Ms. Hopkins in my first letter) and then proceeds to call me "Richard Cranium." That is an excellent example of hypocrisy, right, Marion?

In response to your final paragraph filled with nothing but garbage, I would like to suggest that you go back to high school or junior high where you will be amongst peers with similar maturity levels.

Matt Gross
President, SIUE College Republicans

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Students can make a difference: stand up and be counted



News Analysis
Chris Clayton
News Editor

With the student senate elections around the corner, I think it is time to look at one of the major

problems plaguing the university and society as a whole.

This problem is voter apathy, we just don't care who is in office.

I mean, look at the mayoral election in St. Louis, Tuesday. In a city of over 630,000, only 47,981 registered voters cast their ballot.

This number is only one-third of the registered voters in the city.

What is wrong with us? Why is it that no one seems to care what happens in one of America's largest cities?

After reading this, I decided to see if what happened in St. Louis was likely to happen at SIUE.

To begin with, we need to look at what happened last year with voter turn-out for student senate elections.

We have over 12,000 students here on campus, and by just being a student you are automatically registered to vote in student senate elections, but only 783 people took the time to vote.

Sure, most of you are saying, why should I vote, it is only the student senate.

But that is exactly why you should vote, to have a say in who represents you, the student, to the administration and to the university community.

I walked around the University Center talking to students and I asked them three questions, are you going to vote next week, did you vote in the national election last November and are you registered to vote.

Granted the number of people I asked was small and the survey was not conducted in an accurate manner, but I feel that it gives a good idea of the students' feelings toward voting.

Of the 25 people I questioned, 13 said they were going to vote, 13 said they voted in the last national election and 23 of them were registered.

Now, the first two numbers are a little higher than the national average, but the last number is the one that I question the most.

If 23 people were registered to vote, my question is, why didn't they use that right?

Why is it that students take the time to register, which, by the way, takes little time at all, then don't use it? It makes no sense.

Some of the reasons people gave were, "I'm just not politically minded, I don't know who the candidates are, I just don't care, etc."

The only excuse that has credibility is, none of them.

To the one who is not politically minded, you should at least care about your tuition being raised, your taxes being raised, where you are going to live.

To "I don't know who are the candidates are," read the paper. Look

around for Tuesday's edition of the paper, and open it up to page six and there you will find a list of the candidates and who they are and what they stand for.

To the one who said, I just don't care, my question is, why don't you? Look at the reasons I gave for someone not being politically minded.

Here is an interesting thought about the power of a single solitary vote.

John F. Kennedy was running against Richard Nixon in the 1960 presidential election. Kennedy won the election by only one vote per district in the country.

Just imagine if a few people had decided not to vote. But, they did. Those people knew that voting was important.

Here is another thought: as students on this campus, we have the most powerful lobby in the county and maybe in the state.

There is a student population of 12,000 people of different races, gender, age and class, but they all share that common bond of being a student.

If students took more of an interest in what is going on in the community and on campus, we could have a major say in what is going on with student senators, up through the governor.

Politicians would bend over backward to do what we want, because they realize that our votes can make or break them.

The decision to vote or not is entirely up to you, but there is a wise saying I heard a long time ago that truly applies.

If you don't use your right to vote, you lose your right to bitch.

Endorsements for student government candidates, who do you pick?

Commentary By
Melanie Adams
Editor in Chief

Ahh, election time is here again. That means time for endorsing candidates for student government elections.

Since there is only one real race this time around, I would like to start off by saying, just get out there and vote. After all, these students are interested in making your campus a better place for all of us. Now, on to the endorsing thing:

Student Body President—

While I know both candidates fairly well, I will have to go with Bill Anderson. Anderson can relate to many of the students here because he has had the unique opportunity to not only live in university housing, but also as a commuter and now as an off-campus, local resident.

As the pledge educator of Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity, Anderson has taken an active role in teaching pledges the importance of learning more than facts about the fraternity. He has also gained valuable leadership skills as housing manager of the fraternity and as a student senator, skills that will aid him as student body president.

Anderson believes that there are many issues on campus that do not get addressed properly, such as Greek housing and he feels very strongly that this campus will grow if we begin to bring in Greek housing and other activities to keep students interested in the campus.

Anderson is also very concerned about the needs of our commuter population and feels that sometimes their needs are not focused on. Anderson wants to concentrate on these needs and make the campus grow for everyone.

While James Little has been a good vice president of student government this year and will certainly be a dedicated student body president if elected, Bill Anderson is the better choice. Because being student body president takes more than just being dedicated, it takes the willingness and the drive to make a lasting impact on the campus and its community.

Letter to the Editor

We have to accept the repercussions of our actions

On Tuesday, Grahaeme Hesp, of Sigma Phi Epsilon wrote a reply to the article I wrote on the 25th of March. This reply discussed all the things the fraternity has done to improve their image. I feel the article was written for the same reason — to keep a positive image of the Sig Eps. I hope the editorial made you feel better about your fraternity.

The story I wrote was one of remembrance of a roommate who had his life end in a tragic accident with one of your brothers, Sam Reyes. The article was not written to bad mouth the fraternity or the Greek system.

In the editorial, Grahaeme discusses all of the actions the fraternity has taken

to promote alcohol awareness since the accident. I personally do not care what the Sig Eps have done since the accident. It has nothing to do with what I wrote.

The next thing I would like to ask is, did the Sig Eps perform this alcohol awareness before the accident? Before this accident happened, I had attended a handful of your parties. The only thing done was that we had to check-in our beer at the door. No one took my friend's keys, who was driving. No one ever offered to drive us home after we had been drinking. (I was under 21 at the time. If someone would like to exploit why I was breaking the law.)

There is a simple fact of the matter that I feel is being overlooked. As

college students, many of us drink alcohol. I drink. Fraternity members are known to be consumers of alcohol. When one joins a fraternity, they stick a label on themselves as being part of that organization. It is wonderful that fraternities perform many healthy activities to benefit the community and the school. But many fraternity members drink as well. At times, things go wrong when we drink. Sometimes what happens makes us look bad along the way. When this occurs we just have to accept what comes our way. This may be difficult, but we all must do it.

Matthew Veenstra
Sr., General Education

Child abuse VS. parent abuse

By Corey Stulce
Lifestyle Editor

Two weeks ago, I wrote a commentary about the oversensitivity of people, especially on campus. Thank you, Mark D. Hunter, for proving my point for me.

He provided a great example of how people tend to take things other people say totally out of context. I tried to give a couple of examples on the sensitivity and political correctness taking over the country, and yes, it is my way to point things out in a humorous or sarcastic light.

Instead of accepting my opinion, Mr. Hunter decided to turn it into a name calling contest. That's fine, I'm a big boy. I can

accept being called a redneck. What I cannot accept, though, is being taken out of context. I was trying to say that it is wrong for parents and teachers not to be able to discipline children anymore. Mr. Hunter tried to say I was advocating child abuse.

Well, there is a big difference between giving a child a spanking and burning them with a cigarette. It is sad that so many children are abused, but that should not cause parents to fear their own kids, and that is what is happening.

I don't have any perfect solutions, but changing the name of something to make it sound more important or cowering in fear because we are entering a new era of McCarthyism is not the way to do it.

Correction

In the Tuesday edition of the Alestle, we wrote that Audrey Smith was running for Student Trustee. Actually, Joe Arana is running for the position.

Also, a part of Bill Anderson's statement was omitted. The statement should have read as follows:

Greetings fellow students. My name is Bill Anderson and I am running for Student Body President. I am a junior, majoring in economics. I currently serve as a Student Senator. I am running for Student Body President because there is a need for a change in leadership and I am the best person to bring in this change. I possess many skills that are very useful for this office. Through membership in Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity, I have developed strong leadership skills. I am also a very good speaker and writer. Our campus environment is rapidly changing. It is developing a strong, diverse community atmosphere. In this environment the Student Body President must be able to clearly communicate the needs and concerns of the students. It is my goal to ensure that students are not the forgotten spectators in the growth of SIUE. I want everyone to have a part in this development and to be proud of what will be achieved. The Alestle regrets the errors.



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Friday, April 18, 1997

East Asian Philosophy and Religion Events:

(All events to be held in the Religious Center unless otherwise noted.)

"Relations of Philosophy & Religion in some East Asian Traditions"

lecture by Professor Graham Parkes

10:30 - 11:20 a.m. Room 2304 Peck Building

(Open to all)

Luncheon Noon - 1:00 p.m.

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Halle Berry is livin' large in B.A.P.S

By Ty Norris
Assistant Lifestyle Editor

Looking for something to do this weekend? Well, check out Halle Berry and Natalie Desselle in Robert

and wealth. Ironically, neither Nisi and Mickey (of them possess any of the three.

Berry and Desselle) remind you of Sha Ne Ne and Quandalisha. They have

ghetto hair styles and ghetto clothes and a big dream. They want to open up the world's first combo soul food restaurant/hair salon. In an effort to garner funds to aid in their plan, they audition for a music video in Los Angeles. The only twist is they end up in Beverly Hills caring for aged millionaire (Academy Award-winner Martin Landau) who happily welcomes the dazzling girls into his mansion.

Townsend's B.A.P.S.

Halle Berry shows us she can play more than a drug addict (Jungle Fever) and stated this is just a "transformation into his (Townsend's) wonderful character."

Berry and Desselle are best friends from Decatur, Ga. The hilarious twosome pack on the hair, press on the nails and head to Beverly Hills to teach the residents that life is really only about glamour, fashion

They end up living large and kickin' it. The plot, though, is to milk the millionaire out of his money and they're stuck in the middle.

B.A.P.S. also showcases the acting talents of Ian Richardson, Troy Beyer, Johnathan Fried, A.J. Johnson, Bernie Mac and features cameo appearances by Dennis Rodman, Heavy D., L.L. Cool J, Downtown Julie Brown and many others. So check it out.



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If your birthday is this week: So, tell me what you want, what you really, really want. Yeah, tell me what you want, what you really, really want. You wanna know what I want, what I really, really want? I want the Spice Girls dead.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Rub your employees feet. They will appreciate the gesture and it will leave your hands with a nice Velveeta smell.

***Taurus (April 20-May 20):**

Thoroughly stir your applesauce and pudding in order to remove the chalky flavor.

Gemini (May 21-June 20):

Milk does not always do a body good.

***Cancer (June 21-July 22):**

Vodka makes a nice chaser for every occasion, be it a birthday or a mass suicide.

***Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):** Cutting your skin off with a sharp paring knife will be a good way of getting to know your alien brothers and sisters.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Love your neighbor, just not your neighbor's dog.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Easter is

over, but there is still a strong boiled egg smell coming from your body. At least I hope that's egg and not your normal smell.

***Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):**

A close cropped haircut is a nice way of telling others around you, "Don't touch me, I'm celibate, dammit."

***Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):**

Castration can make a good party great. Just don't eat the "pigs in a blanket."

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): A good bowel movement never hurt a soul.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Reading is good, just ask Capt. O.G. Readmore.

***Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20):** Creating web pages is profitable and can be used to brainwash others.



*-Denotes horoscopes sent in by Heaven's Gate

Say What?!?

Would you tell if you saw someone cheating on a test?



"Yes, because it takes away from me. I've been studying all night."

-Victoria Smith, Fr.



"No. If they wanted to cheat, that's their prerogative."

-Julie Albl, So.



"I plead the fifth."

-Yvette Hicks, Sr.



"I would quietly finish my own exam, walk to the professor and tell what I saw."

-Priscilla Nwabude, Sr.



"I feel that's the teacher's job to make sure everybody's not cheating."

-Durian Johnson, Sr.



Talk on the Town
By Ty Norris

Well, Easter is over and for all of you that did not go to church ... shame, shame, shame. Church has done some of you all a world of good. Word is that the word Easter is a pagan word! Oops!! Well, Happy Belated Resurrection.

The **Talk on the Town** is that it's spring and everybody is anxious for school to be out, I ain't mad at ya though, so am I. But, beware the fashion police are lingering near. Ladies, remember all those bikini thongs and short shorts are definitely out! Let's strive for taste this spring. Flexing the skin is not cute.

Talk on the Town is that congratulations are much in order for the spring graduates.

Graduation is more than just a word, it's the biggest event of the semester. The good news is, you won't have to return to SIUE unless you so desire. The bad news is, you'll be out close to \$200 in graduation expenses. Ouch! Talk about pay back.

Well, last weekend was the Alpha Phi Alpha Inc. celebration. Hope you had a good time. This week is Delta Week. You know, Delta Sigma Theta Inc. This week's festivities include the Annual Debonair Ball, a Delta fashion show, Delta Greek social, an African/Edenic museum, a talent show, Delta party and a final Alumni Tea. Ya'll stop by one or two of these events and kick it with the ladies of DST.

Now don't fret, we have not forgotten about the Zealous ladies of Zeta Phi Beta. Last week these divas hosted an interesting open mic forum. I've got one word for it...outrageous! But, they didn't stop there, they also hosted a comedy show with some of the biggest comediennesses in the business, wonder what's next?



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Ahmadiel Ben-Yehuda, the executive director for the African/Edenic Heritage Museum, speaks about the origin of Africa as "the original cradle of civilization."

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April 15
2:30pm

MANAGING STRESS (24)
Laurie Frye
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7:00pm

NO MODULE
SCHEDULED

Modules are held in the Mississippi-Illinois Room unless otherwise indicated.

SLDP REMINDERS...

Action! Day April 19, 1997
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SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY

April '97

Sunday, April 6, 1997

Daylight Saving Time Begins
Softball - SIUE vs. Kentucky Wesleyan, 10:00AM
Softball - SIUE vs. Bellarmine, 12:00 Noon
"Revenge of the Space Pandas", 2:00PM
Student Experimental Theater Organization
Softball - SIUE vs. Southern Indiana, 4:00PM

Monday, April 7, 1997

Handling Financial Demands, 4:30PM
Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center
Wellness Program
Coffee Concert, 7:30PM
Meridian Hall, University Center
College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Music
Students - \$5.00

Tuesday, April 8, 1997

SLDP Modules, 2:30PM & 7:00PM
Mississippi/Illinois Room, University Center
Student Leadership Development Program
Choosing Daycare & Schools, 4:30PM
Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center
Wellness Program
Student Government Elections, 10:00AM - 6:30PM,
Peck Building First Floor Lobby, University Center,
Residence Hall Lobby, Equipment Issue Window
(VC/Student Fitness Center) Student Government

Wednesday, April 9, 1997

UCB Livewire Wednesdays
"Quikshot" & "Geiss"
Morris Quadrangle
Teaching Right from Wrong
Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center
Seven Habits Training
Cahokia Room, University Center
Student Leadership Development Program
Softball - SIUE vs. Morris, 12:00 Noon
Peck Building First Floor Lobby, University Center,
Residence Hall Lobby
(VC/Student Fitness Center) Student Government

Sunday, April 13, 1997

Rock Repelling at Pre Marquette, 8:30AM
Campus Recreation
Baseball - SIUE vs. Saint Joseph's, 12:00 Noon
Men's Tennis - SIUE vs. Southwest Baptist, 1:00PM
Women's Tennis - SIUE vs. Southwest Baptist, 1:00PM

Monday, April 14, 1997

NO SCHEDULED EVENTS
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Tuesday, April 15, 1997

Blood Drive, 10:00AM - 3:00PM
Meridian Hall, University Center
UCB Soup & Substance - The Environment:
What Can We Do?
12:00 Noon
Cahokia Room, University Center
SLDP Module, 2:30PM & 7:00PM
Mississippi/Illinois Room, University Center
Student Leadership Development Program

Wednesday, April 16, 1997

Blood Drive, 10:00AM - 3:00PM
Meridian Hall, University Center
UCB Livewire Wednesday
Featuring "SIUE Jazz"
11:30PM to 1:30AM
Morris Quadrangle
University Center Board
Baseball - SIUE vs. Morris, 12:00 Noon
Seven Habits Training
Cahokia Room, University Center
Student Leadership Development Program

Sunday, April 20, 1997

University Theater - "Hello Dolly", 2:00PM
Communications Building Theater
Students \$4.50
Honors Day, 3:00PM
Meridian Hall, University Center
Graduate Recital, 3:00PM
Lovejoy Library Auditorium
College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Music

Monday, April 21, 1997

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Tuesday, April 22, 1997

Passover
UCB Earth Day Concert, 1:30PM
Quad, University Center Board
SLDP Modules, 2:30PM & 7:00PM
Mississippi/Illinois Room
Student Leadership Development Program
Baseball - SIUE vs. Harris-Stowe, 3:00PM
UCB Movie - "Dirty Dancing", 8:00PM
Multi-Purpose Room, Residence Hall
University Center Board and the Residence Hall
Programming Committee

Wednesday, April 23, 1997

Secretaries Day
Springfest
UCB Date with Diver
Quad
University Center Board
Seven Habits Training
Cahokia Room, University Center
Student Leadership Development Program
Concert Band, Chorus
Wind Symphony, 7:00PM
TBA
College of Arts and Sciences

THE SCENE

Happenings Around SIUE

THEATER

The Repertory Theatre

The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis presents **The Glass Menagerie** through April 11 on the Mainstage at the Loretto-Hilton Centre, 175 Edgar. Performance times are at 8 p.m. Tues. - Fri. and 5 p.m. Sat.; call for information about additional special performances. \$9 - \$39.50. 314-968-4925. Signed performance for hearing impaired available.

The Ice Capades

The Ice Capades present **The Back Doors** perform at 9 p.m.,

SIUE Student Theater

The Student Experimental Theater of SIUE presents **Revenge of the Space Pandas** at 7:30 p.m. April 3 - 5 and 2 p.m. April 6 in the theater on campus. 618-692-2739.

MUSIC

Kiel Center

Vince Gill performs with **Bryan White** at 8 p.m. April 5 at the Kiel Center, 1401 Clark. \$19.50 - \$24.50. 314-969-1800.

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April 5 at Mississippi Nights, 914 N. 1st. \$6. 314-421-3853.

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WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

<p>7</p>	<p>Thursday, April 3, 1997</p> <p>The Beardstown Ladies, 1:00PM, Communications Building Theater, School of Business, Financial Management Association, and the Marketing Association</p> <p>Softball - SIUE vs. Greenville, 5:00PM</p> <p>5k 10k Marathon - Always Wanted to Try One Workshop, 7:00PM, Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center</p> <p>Kimmel Leadership Awards Banquet, 7:00PM, Meridian Hall, University Center, Kimmel Leadership Center</p> <p>Delta Sigma Theta Talent Show, 7:00PM - 10:00PM, Cougar Den, University Center, Delta Sigma Theta</p> <p>"Revenge of the Space Pandas", 7:30PM, Student Experimental Theater</p> <p>Student Experimental Theater Organization</p>	<p>Friday, April 4, 1997</p> <p>Student Senate Meeting 2:30PM</p> <p>International Room, University Center</p> <p>Student Government</p> <p>Delta Sigma Theta - Debonaire Ball 7:00PM - 9:00PM</p> <p>Cougar Den, University Center</p> <p>Delta Sigma Theta</p> <p>"Revenge of the Space Pandas" 7:30PM</p> <p>Student Experimental Theater</p> <p>Student Experimental Theater Organization</p>	<p>Saturday, April 5, 1997</p> <p>Action Day - Watershed Nature Center, 8:00AM</p> <p>Softball - SIUE vs. Kentucky Wesleyan, 10:00AM</p> <p>Softball - SIUE vs. Bellarmine, 12:00 Noon</p> <p>Softball - SIUE vs. Bellarmine, 4:00PM</p> <p>Viennese Ball, 6:30PM - 11:30PM, University Center, \$50.00 Per person</p> <p>"Revenge of the Space Pandas", 7:30PM</p> <p>Student Experimental Theater, Student Experimental Theater Organization</p> <p>Dance, 10:00PM - 2:30AM, Cougar Den, UC</p> <p>Delta Sigma Theta</p> <p>Student Government Elections, 10:00AM - 1:00PM, Peck Building First Floor Lobby, Student Government</p>
<p>April 9, 1997</p> <p>Friday Concert - Featuring "The Jammen", 12:30PM to 2:30PM, University Center Board</p> <p>Wrong, 4:30PM, Vadalabene Center, Wellness</p> <p>g, 4:30PM - 7:00PM, University Center</p> <p>Development Program</p> <p>Missouri-St. Louis, 5:00PM</p> <p>Elections, 10:00AM - 6:30PM, Peck Building, University Center, y, Equipment Issue Window Center) Student Government</p>	<p>Thursday, April 10, 1997</p> <p>Making a Safe Home, 5:30PM, Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center, Wellness Program</p> <p>5k 10k Marathon Part II, 7:00PM, Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center, Wellness Program</p>	<p>Friday, April 11, 1997</p> <p>Fitness & Nutrition for Children, 4:30PM, Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center, Wellness Program</p>	<p>Saturday, April 12, 1997</p> <p>Habitat for Humanity, 8:00AM - 12:30PM</p> <p>Student Leadership Development Program</p> <p>Baseball - SIUE vs. Wisconsin-Parkside, 12:00 Noon</p> <p>Men's/Women's Track - SIUE Relays, TBA</p>
<p>April 16, 1997</p> <p>M - 3:00PM, University Center</p> <p>Friday Concert - "Combo"</p> <p>ard</p> <p>Missouri-St. Louis, 3:00PM</p> <p>g, 4:30PM, University Center</p> <p>Development Program</p>	<p>Thursday, April 17, 1997</p> <p>Fritz Marti Lecture "Nietzsche and Asian Thought: Resources for Ecological Thinking" by Professor Graham, 7:00PM</p> <p>Peck Building Room 2403 (tentatively)</p> <p>Department of Philosophical Studies</p> <p>Triathlon I Workshop, 7:00PM</p> <p>Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center, Wellness Program</p> <p>University Theater - "Hello Dolly", 7:30PM</p> <p>Communications Building Theater</p> <p>Students - \$4.50</p>	<p>Friday, April 18, 1997</p> <p>Graham Parkes - "East Asian Philosophy & Religion", 9:00AM - 2:30PM</p> <p>Religious Center & Peck Building Room 2304</p> <p>Philosophy Society</p> <p>UCB Comedian, 7:00PM</p> <p>Cougar Den, University Center, University Center Board</p> <p>University Theater - "Hello Dolly", 7:30PM</p> <p>Communications Building Theater</p> <p>Students - \$4.50</p> <p>Arts League Players "Losing Father's Body", 8:00PM, Student Experimental Theater</p> <p>Tea Ceremony for Fritz Marti Lecture, 9:00PM</p> <p>Religious Center</p> <p>Department of Philosophical Studies</p>	<p>Saturday, April 19, 1997</p> <p>Action Day - Everyone Belongs, 9:00AM</p> <p>Student Leadership Development Program</p> <p>UCB Trip to Pere Marquette, 10:30AM</p> <p>University Center Board</p> <p>Junior Recital, 5:00PM</p> <p>Lovejoy Library Auditorium</p> <p>College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Music</p> <p>University Theater - "Hello Dolly", 7:30PM</p> <p>Communications Building Theater</p> <p>Students - \$4.50</p> <p>Arts League Players - "Losing Father's Body", 8:00PM</p> <p>Student Experimental Theater</p>
<p>April 23, 1997</p> <p>University - Concert, 11:00AM</p> <p>ard</p> <p>g, 4:30PM, University Center</p> <p>Development Program</p> <p>ber Winds & 10PM</p> <p>Sciences, Department of Music</p>	<p>Thursday, April 24, 1997</p> <p>Springfest</p> <p>UCB Center Stage - Gospel Choir, 11:00AM</p> <p>Quad, University Center Board</p> <p>Triathlon Part II, 7:00PM</p> <p>Wellness Center, Vadalabene Center, Wellness Program</p> <p>Must See TV, 7:00PM, Residence Hall</p> <p>University Center Board</p> <p>Arts & Issues: Donald Johanson, 7:30PM</p> <p>Meridian Hall, University Center</p> <p>Students \$2.00</p> <p>University Theater - "Hello Dolly", 7:30PM</p> <p>Communications Building Theater</p> <p>Students \$4.50</p>		

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SPECIAL EVENTS

Sports in Auction

The 7th annual **Sports in Auction** is held from 6:30 p.m. to midnight April 5 at the

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Stadium Club, 201 S. Broadway. Rams players Keith Lyle and Toby Wright serve as honorary co-chairmen. Proceeds benefit Kids in the Middle. 314-726-5588.

Art Museum, in Forest Park. The event features Italian art exhibitions, foods, lectures, music and fashion. Each week of the 8 week celebration focuses on a different Italian city and its distinctive art and culture. Tickets and reservations are needed for some events. 314-721-0072, ext. 419. Through April 6: Perugia.

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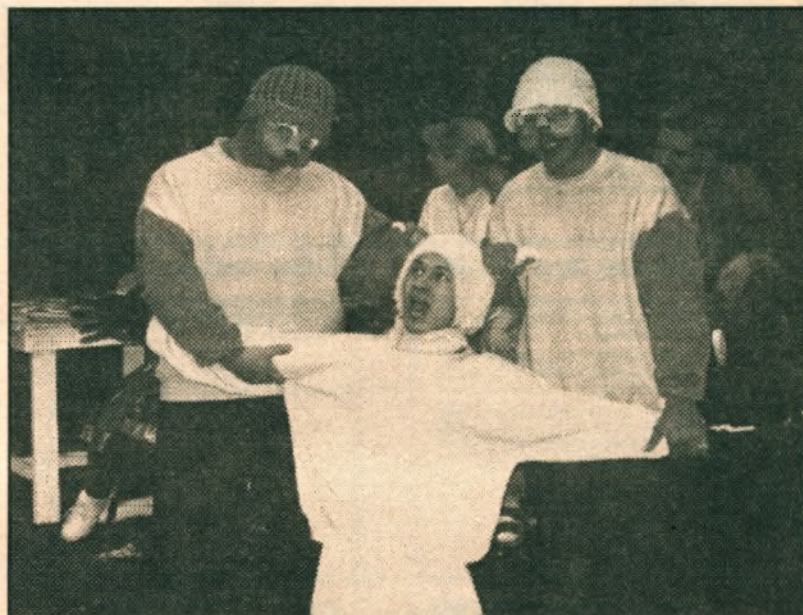
IT'S 'THE REVENGE OF
THE SPACE PANDAS'!!!

Photos By Corey Stulce/Alestle

Photos: Top Left: Chris Kieth as Leonard "Binky" Rudich and Katherine DeToye as Vivian Mooster prepare to have a pumpkin dropped on their heads by the Executioner (Amy Fletcher) in the concentration booth.

Bottom Left: George "Eternal Mercy" Torax rules his kingdom of Crestview while his retainer, played by Rachel Tiemann, grimaces.

Right: The Space Pandas, played by Al Razeghi and Tyson Blanquart, hold Bob the sheep (Christopher Adrienne) because they need his wool.



"Revenge of the Space Pandas," a children's play written by Davis Mamet, will premiere tonight at the Student Experimental Theatre. The show involves two earthlings and a sheep traveling to the world called Crestview. The leader

of Crestview, George Torax, wants a sweater with a letter on it. Antics ensue.

The production is held tomorrow through Sunday. Tickets are \$3 and can be reserved through the box office at 692-2774.



Autographed guitar to be auctioned soon

By Rebecca Hopkins
Corey Stulce
For the Alestle

An autographed guitar raffle is being held to benefit the Employment Connection of St. Louis. Kevin Boyd, a local music lover, has donated an acoustic guitar autographed by a wide variety of celebrities who include Sheryl Crow, kd lang, Beck, Kansas, Foreigner, Blues Traveler, Aaron Neville, Garth Brooks and B.B. King.

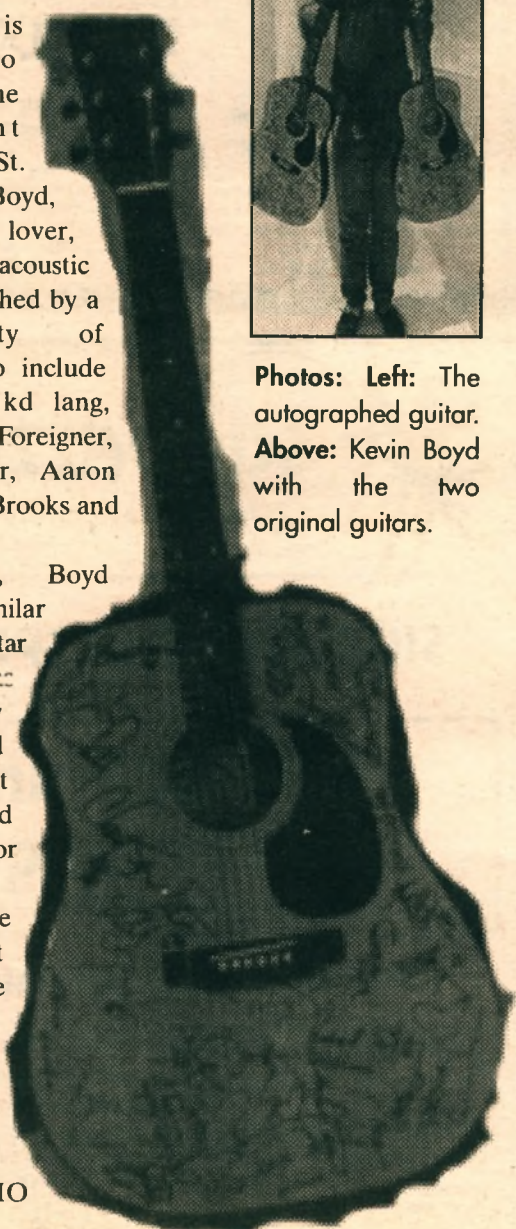
Last year, Boyd donated a similar autographed guitar that auctioned by Operation Food Search last November and raised \$400 for them.

The raffle ends soon, but tickets are available for \$10 at:

Guitar Raffle
P.O.Box 8367
St. Louis, MO
63132



Photos: Left: The autographed guitar. **Above:** Kevin Boyd with the two original guitars.



A crazy little guy named Tony, Veenstra's tenure chapter five

By Matt Veenstra
For the Alestle

Editor's note: This series recalls Veenstra's early days on Tower Lake with his assorted roommates. These are his memories and he is sharing them in order to shed some light on what it is like to live in Tower Lake.

Did you ever have one of those crazy roommates? You know, the one that just doesn't do things like the rest of us? Well, this was like my roommate Tony. During the second semester of my sophomore year in 1995, four of us lived together in Tower Lake.

Tony moved in two weeks after the start of the second semester of our sophomore year. Tony was 35 years old at the time — a fact we didn't know until after living with him for a month.

He definitely looked much younger than his age. He had a ten year old daughter that hid in his closet of secrecy. The ladies he dated were something else to talk about.

Tony was a nice guy, but just a little confused about his point in life.

The first week Tony moved in, my roommate invited him to go out and eat with them. They were just going to Ponderosa before they went to see Suede Chain play at Mississippi Nights.

After dinner, Tony asked if

they could take a stop by Wal-Mart so he could get a book bag, something which most of us usually have before the third week of school.

At Wal-Mart there were only two bags, one was an attache and the other was a traditional back pack. It took Tony forty minutes of comparing the two bags to decide. Neither of the two were that glorious. He finally chose the attache and this eventually made them late to the show.

Tony also had ambitions of being a doctor. But, Tony had difficulty with some of the basic classes that would be essential to success in medical school. His success in the medical profession peaked when he was a model in a calendar for a hospital. He kept this calendar from 1985 hanging up in his room all the time. This was a trip.

At times, Tony would just start cussing to himself. We never quite figured him out. He would just ramble on and say things that were off the wall. He would cuss himself out for forgetting to do something and then rush out of the door with hopes of being able to fix whatever he did wrong.

Tony remained a mystery to us until the day he moved out. After living with us for about four weeks, Tony left one Thursday and did not

return for five days. When he finally did come home, I jokingly asked, "Did you get put in jail? We were wondering if something happened." To my surprise he answered, "Well, something like that." That was the end of that conversation.

From then on, Tony would be gone for weeks at a time. He split this time between two girls he was dating. Both of whom lived in the same trailer court.

One day, Tony asked me what I thought about him dating someone younger than him. I replied, How much younger?

"Well, she is a sophomore."

"How old of a sophomore is she?" I asked.

"She will be twenty in about a month," Tony said.

All I could say was, "at least she is legal."

Tony made life that semester incredibly interesting. We never knew what he would be up to next. When the end of the year came and Tony was checking out, he said he had to run to the store real quick. I just thought he needed to pick something up, but he came back with a gift for me. He thanked me for all his help this semester and we both parted with a smile and memories.

GLOBAL celebrates a Day of Silence for community awareness

By Corey Stulce
Lifestyle Editor
Melanie Adams
Editor in Chief

To bring awareness to the silence society can force upon persons of alternate lifestyles, the Gay Lesbian Or Bisexual Alliance at SIUE (GLOBAL formerly known as GLASS) will be sponsoring a Day of Silence on April 9 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"We are trying to improve the climate on campus. There has been a lot of resistance and harassment and that is not acceptable," Angela Mayes, president of GLOBAL said.

The Day of Silence is held in conjunction with the National Day of Silence as organized by the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Union (LGBU) at the University of Virginia at Charlottesville. During the Day of Silence, participants will present business sized cards explaining their silent protest in lieu of speaking.

Mayes said that GLOBAL

wants the SIUE community to realize that the gay population is larger than they think and that it is time they get some acceptance.

The Day of Silence will conclude with a free social provided by GLOBAL at 5 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center at the Student Residence Hall. Participants from the Day of Silence will gather to share their experiences with the silent protest.

Refreshments will also be served and several resources will be made available including information on area Gay Pride events, counseling resources, AIDS/HIV resources and other general networking opportunities.

Next year, GLOBAL plans to do even more in the way of campus involvement by sponsoring National Coming Out Day as well as the Day of Silence.

For more information on the Day of Silence, Please contact Angela Mayes at 659-4463.



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Air Ball

By Todd Spann
Sports Editor

Oregon product

This week the University of Tennessee named Jerry Green of the University of Oregon to head their basketball team.

Of course, this will turn out to be college basketball's version of Rich Brooks.

Bad decision

Danny Fortson of Cincinnati is calling it quits at school and heading to the NBA draft.

Does Corliss Williamson come to mind?

Droppings

In London, random drug testing is to be carried out on British racing pigeons because there is a concern that some are being fed anabolic steroids to improve their performance.

Britain's 80,000 fanciers, who breed about 2.5 million birds a year, will face a three-year ban and loss of prize money if found guilty.

Do I really need to comment on this?

NCAA

A fifteen-year-old won the NCAA tournament brackets on the Internet after picking the right teams to make it through the tournament.

The kid will receive tickets to next year's final four and 64 pizzas.

Actually a fifteen year old is the only person who has the sense to pick Arizona to beat three No.1's, nonetheless make it out of the first round.

Soccer

The SIUE women's soccer team added on to their roster for next year after receiving a letter of intent from Glenwood, Il, product Megan Stewart.



Bob Fehringer/Alestyle

Jason Geminn practices is forehand Wednesday afternoon at the SIUE courts

GLVC's top three meet this weekend in Evansville, In. to determine the top spot

By Brett Licata
Assistant Sports Editor

Three of the Great Lakes Valley Conference's top tennis teams will converge in Evansville, In. to decide who sits in the drivers seat for the conference tournament in May.

The SIUE men's tennis team will battle the defending GLVC champions of Bellarmine on Friday. The Cougars would like to avenge a devastating 4-3 loss in last year's conference semifinal at the hands of Bellarmine.

"They'll be just as tough as they were last season," head coach Bill Logan said. "Our team is better than last year's team, so we're going into the match wanting to prove that we can beat them."

Southern Indiana will also be a contender to the conference title. SIUE bat-

ties them on Saturday afternoon.

"They should have the same team as last year except for a couple of changes in the bottom of the line-up," Logan said.

These same two teams met in the GLVC tournament last year. SIUE claimed a 4-3 victory over University of Southern Indiana in the third place match.

The Cougars will also entertain Kentucky Wesleyan on Saturday.

"We're looking to play three solid matches to keep us undefeated in the conference," Logan said. "We aren't overlooking any of our opponents. Any remaining GLVC match is extremely important."

"Whoever wins this weekend should be the top rated team," Logan said. "Winning the conference is our goal right now, so this weekend will be signif-

Baseball falls short to Missouri Baptist 14-10

By Brett Licata
Assistant Sports Editor

Solid pitching would have complemented an explosive hitting performance and produced a victory over Missouri Baptist. The hitting was there on Tuesday, but none of SIUE's five pitchers could figure out the Missouri Baptist sluggers.

The SIUE baseball team lost an offensive tug-o-war 14-10. The two teams combined for 28 hits.

"We scored a lot of runs, but our pitching was terrible," head coach Gary Collins said.

Shortstop Jeff Stephens scored three times and had three hits including a triple to start the Cougars out in the first inning. Mark Burris went 2 for 4 with two RBI and stole two bases. First baseman Steve Davis went 2 for 5 with a pair of RBI.

The Cougars are now 17-9 overall and have a Great Lakes Valley Conference mark of 5-2.

Stephens is batting .379 and leads the team in hits with 36. Mark Briggs has a .356 average and is tied for the team lead in home runs with four. Davis is hitting .429 with 30 hits and 20 RBI.

Nashville's Jason Guest, who was recently named SIUE Athlete of the Month, posts the best record on pitching staff at 5-1. Guest's 3.00 ERA is second on the team to sophomore Ryan Cox's 2.19. Rusty Sarnes has a 3.16 ERA to go along with a 2-1 record.

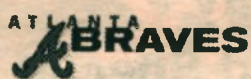
It is time to play some ball

St.Louis confident coming into the 1997 season

Cleveland brings new look to the field this year

The winners are:

East



Braves still have Maddux, Smoltz, Glavin, Neagle and Wholers.

Can't bet them out.

Central



Pick-up of Deshields as their true lead-off man gives the Cardinals a balanced line-up.

West



With the United Nation's pitching staff and all those rookies of the year, the Dodgers can give it a good run this year.

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Leave it to Todd Stottlemire to put a positive spin on the St. Louis Cardinals' disastrous playoff exit last October.

"It's easier to learn from the ones you screw up, because those are the ones that make you look a little closer," Stottlemire said. "The ones you do good, you kind of overlook."

The Cardinals were very good all year, winning 88 games and the NL Central, then very bad at the finish. After taking a 3-1 lead in the league championship series against Atlanta, Stottlemire and Donovan Osborne were embarrassed by football scores, and St. Louis' season crashed to a halt one game shy of the World Series.

Stottlemire lasted an inning in a 14-0 Game 5 blowout and Osborne got

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OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — For the most part, the Cleveland Indians' signature players from the 1995 AL championship team and last year's division-winning club are elsewhere as the new season begins.

Slugger Albert Belle signed with the Chicago White Sox as a free agent. Bullpen closer Jose Mesa, charged with rape, is on trial and will miss at least the start of the year.

Kenny Lofton, Julian Tavarez, Jose Vizcaino, Eddie Murray and Carlos Baerga all have been traded in a series of deals that began last July.

So, it will be a new-look Indians team that opens the season Wednesday night against the Oakland Athletics, an overachieving club last year that traded for Jose Canseco during the offseason to reunite him with fellow

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The winners are:

East



Good pitching with Kenny Rogers and David Cone plus the young talent that stepped up in playoffs last year will be back.

Central



Two reason why Chicago will pull ahead of the division: Thomas and Belle.

West



One of the most dangerous line-ups in baseball. Rodriguez, Griffy, Martinez, and Buhner leds the list.

Cardinals

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only two outs in Game 7, a 15-0 rout. So, at least there's no over-confidence heading into the April 1 opener at Montreal.

"Last year left a bitter taste in my mouth," outfielder Brian Jordan said "We were so close, I'm chomping at the bit. I want to take it to that next step."

Manager Tony La Russa went out of his way to express confidence in his team, causing a little controversy in the process. On consecutive days in February, he boldly predicted another Central title, creating bulletin-board fodder for rah-rah Cincinnati Reds manager Ray Knight.

The teams skirmished in spring training, and Cardinals reliever T.J. Mathews drew a six-game suspension after throwing behind the Reds' Bret Boone on one pitch, plunking him on the hip the next, and admitting he was aiming for him after the game.

Having started the fuss, La Russa is now trying to extricate himself.

"The way the game is today, if you can get a little controversy going verbally, some people seem to enjoy it more than what happens on the field," La Russa said, "I don't like it that way."

"What we're not going to do is spend a lot of time talking. If the interest is there, we don't need any phony (stuff)."

Except for one player, the Cardinals have pretty much the same team with which they

exited 1996. La Russa is hoping Delino DeShields, a free-agent pickup who will be the second baseman and leadoff hitter, can help put the team over the top this time around.

DeShields, 27, struggled in three seasons with the Los Angeles Dodgers and was benched for the final game of their playoff loss to Atlanta last fall. He also batted just .224 and his market value dropped to the point that he got only a one-year, \$1.9 million deal with the Cardinals.

DeShields said he struggled much of the year with a hip injury that was kept quiet and is bitter about the way his Dodger days ended. Still, his problems didn't stop him from stealing 48 bases.

"Do you know how good you've got to be to do that?" La Russa said. "You've got to be real, real good. I think a change of scenery is sometimes good for a player and he's still one of the best athletes in the major leagues."

In spring training, DeShields came closer to his years in Montreal, where he flirted with .300 in 1992-93 and combined for 89 stolen bases. Most of the spring he was among the league-leading hitters.

"This was already a good team before I got here," DeShields said. "It doesn't count until April, but I'm pretty confident something special is going to happen here."

DeShields' arrival should solidify the batting order and the middle infield. Shortstop Royce Clayton gets to move out of the leadoff spot, where he was not comfortable, to second in the order at least while center fielder Ray Lankford recovers from rotator cuff surgery.

Clayton's also happy to have a regular double-play partner. Last year Luis Alicea and Mike Gallego shared the position, and both struggled, Alicea with 24 errors and Gallego with a .210 average and four RBIs with 150 at-bats.

"It's funny," Clayton said. "Last year I thought about situations and I said I'd love to play with Delino. It happened."

Another rotator cuff survivor, left fielder Ron Gant, will bat third again. Unlike Lankford, he did not require surgery since the injury was to his left, or non-throwing, shoulder.

Gant had a busy offseason, getting married, building a home and rehabilitating the shoulder.

"I kept focused," he said. "I knew I was going to have to stay healthy this year."

La Russa's pitching staff was not so lucky. Andy Benes, who won 18 games last year, will miss at least a few starts recovering from a rib-cage muscle pull suffered March 6. Danny Jackson, slated to be the fifth starter, had yet another setback when he injured his rib-cage muscle and is not expected back until perhaps May.

That leaves two spots open behind Stottlemire, Donovan Osborne and Alan Benes. The fill-ins will be Mark Petkovsek, who was 11-2 last year mostly in middle relief, and Matt Morris, a 1995 first-round draft pick who was 12-12 at Double-A Arkansas last season.

"We're looking good, and when we get our two starters back, we're going to be really good," Osborne said.

Indians

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power hitter Mark McGwire.

The Indians are anything but patchwork, though. Paul Shuey, off a strong spring, assumes the closer role in Mesa's absence. Matt Williams, who hit 247 home runs in nine years at San Francisco, was acquired in November and is the cleanup batter in place of Belle.

Marquis Grissom and Dave Justice, both integral parts of Atlanta's NL championship team, were acquired last week as part of the trade that sent Lofton to the Braves.

Williams and Justice said they and the other newcomers have been able to fit right into the locker-room mix and veteran teammates such as Kevin Seitzer have filled them in on the nuances of playing in the American League.

"Everybody's cool here," Justice said. "It's made for a smooth transition."

Added Williams, "We've got a number of guys who have been around a long time, helping me out, who know how to hit. They're getting sick of me because I've been picking their brains as much as I can."

Cleveland's pitching remains strong and stable, with the return of Charles Nagy, Orel Hershisier, Jack McDowell and Chad Ogea.

Nagy, who went 17-5 with a 3.41 ERA and started the All-Star game last season, pitches opening night against Ariel Prieto, a star for the Cuban national team who is beginning his second full season with the A's.

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National League

MVP?

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Wild Card

The Marlins went out and brought in Moises Alou, Bobby Bonilla and Alex Fernandez. Not to mention manager Jim Leyland.

	East	Central	West
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American League

MVP?

Frank Thomas will win the MVP with teammate Albert Belle following him. Look for a big year from Frank



Wild Card

The Cleveland Indians will be battling with Chicago all year long for tops in the Central. But in the end the Indians will have to settle for the wild card position in the playoffs.

All-Homerun Team

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AΦ STEPHANIE, you are doing a wonderful job with rush. Keep on motivating. You are truly a Phi-nominal woman. AΦ love, Michelle. AΦ

AΦ KATHY: welcome to Iowa. Make you smile! I had a blast! I'm sure those boys did too. Wait until Thursday. AΣT Jenn

CONGRATULATIONS TO Jay-Ro for being the Most Outstanding Debonair in the 1997 Delta Debonair Ball. You did a job well done. We love you. Thanks.

CONGRATULATIONS JAY-RO for your outstanding performance in the Debonair Ball. Also, congrats to Prince Delta, Shawn, and King Delta, "Mo." The Ladies of ΔΣΘ love you.

ATTENTION! ΔΣΘ presents the Talent Show Extravaganza on April 3, in the Cougar Den at 7pm and Dance on April 4 at 10pm, Cougar Den.

THE LADIES of ΔΣΘ would like to thank everyone for supporting the Debonair Ball and Fashion Show. We appreciate your support. Don't miss our next events.

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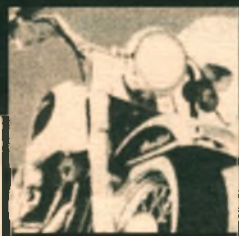
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