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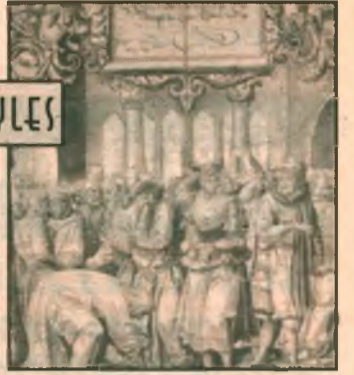
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## Ambassador to U.S. Campus steps up to fitness packs house at SIUE

BY ERIN O'MALLEY  
FOR THE ALESTLE



Sheri McWhirter/Alestle

**South African Ambassador Sheila Violet Makate Sisulu addresses SIUE students, faculty and staff Thursday in Peck Hall.**

BY MIKE TERRY  
NEWS REPORTER

South African Ambassador to the United States Sheila Violet Makate Sisulu filled one of the largest classrooms on campus when she spoke in Peck Hall.

Some students, staff and faculty were left standing as Sisulu, who was appointed to the position by South African President Nelson Mandela in 1999, covered topics such as race, gender, war, peace and the future of South Africa. She talked at length about the trials her country has gone through since becoming a democracy in 1994.

"We take our freedom very seriously in South Africa," Sisulu said Thursday. "This is not a process that happens without tension. But it is a process that will lead to a better life."

With South Africa's elections coming up on Dec. 5, Sisulu admitted she has watched in amazement at the problems that have arisen during the presidential elections in the United States.

Sisulu also discussed AIDS. She was active in fighting AIDS as the special adviser to the minister of education in 1994.

"This is about sex. This is about death," she said. "The people at the highest risk are young, and neither topic is easy to talk about to young people."

Sisulu holds bachelor's degrees from the University of

Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland in Lesotho, South Africa, and the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa. She is also fluent in the English, Xhosa, Sotho, Zulu and Afrikaans languages.

Throughout her career, Sisulu has been very active in education and youth development programs and has been recognized with several awards for her work in the community.

Between 1978 and 1988, she held several senior positions in the South African Committee for Higher Education, heading the student service department of a distance education college and editing distance education publications.

Later Sisulu became the education coordinator of the African Bursary Fund of the South African Council of Churches and the director of the Joint Enrichment Project, which specializes in youth services.

She has also served on many boards and committees, including the African National Council's National Education Committee, the United States of America/South Africa Leadership Training Programme, the Community Bank Foundation, the Board of Trustees Equal Opportunity Foundation, the Women's Development Foundation, the Women's Development Bank and the South African Broadcasting Cooperation.

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Students, staff and faculty came face to face with their true health picture at Fall for Fitness Day in the Student Fitness Center.

The event was sponsored by the Wellness Center and offers each participant 10 stations that measure a variety of physical functions and characteristics, from height and weight to blood pressure to cardiovascular fitness.

Coordinator Aimee Knitter said Friday's event was a good way to bring people into the center and to let them know about the advantages of good health and what is available to help them achieve or maintain it.

Knitter said the event is offered each semester. Friday's Fall for Fitness Day drew 100 people, she said.

"I haven't been to the gym in a while and I wanted to see how in shape I am," sophomore Christina Weekley said.

Participants not only found out the state of their health, but were given written material about fitness, nutrition and reducing stress.

"Everybody has way too much (stress) in their lives," Knitter said.

Some 40 to 50 volunteers are needed to staff the event.

Kinesiology major Mark Beatty helped with the height and weight station.

"I think it is a great thing so everyone has a chance to check out their level of fitness and improve on it," he said.

The next fitness check will be in February near Valentine's Day and will include a cholesterol screening among the stations.

Students, faculty and staff interested in improving their fitness can set up individual appointments at the Wellness Center. To schedule an appointment, call 650-BWEL (2935).



Jennifer Green/Alestle

**Wellness Center staff administer fitness and blood pressure screenings Friday in the Student Fitness Center as part of SIUE's annual "Fall for Fitness" day.**

## Board OKs speakers for King event

BY MIKE TERRY  
NEWS REPORTER

Pending final approval by the student senate, SIUE will be host to two nationally known speakers for the 13th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Dedication on Jan. 8 in Woodland Hall.

The event, sponsored by the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, will feature Donnell Smith and Felica Ezell-Flewellen. The dedication was unanimously approved by the student finance board on Friday for \$7,000.

Smith is circuit attorney in Berkley, Mo., and he graduated with a bachelor's degree from Webster University in St. Louis and a law degree from Texas Southern University in Houston, Texas.

Besides winning many honors, including the Malcolm X Distinguished Service Award, the American Jurisprudence Award and the Webster University Undergraduate Student Leadership Award, Smith has more than a decade of experience in practicing law across the country.

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**Board OKs honorary degree for professor**



Sheri McWhirter/

The SIU Board of Trustees meet Thursday in the Meridian Ballroom of the Morris University Center. The board approved an honorary doctor of fine arts degree for Ruth Slenczynska, an SIUE emerita professor of music. Slenczynska retired in 1988 after 24 years of service. She will be awarded her degree at the Dec. 16 commencement ceremonies.

**Campus Scanner**

**Art:** Hsiu-Ping Kuo, a textile arts major from Taiwan, will present an exhibition through Friday in the New Wagner Gallery, just off the atrium lobby of the Art and Design Building. An artist's reception is planned from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday. There is no admission charge, and the public is invited. Hsiu's work combines fibers, metals, leaves, feathers, and other found objects to create intimate, fragile structures that address themes of passage of time. For more information, call the art and design department at 650-3071.

**Laughs:** Comedian Steve Iott will perform at 6 p.m. Tuesday in Cougar Den. The show, which is sponsored by University Center Board, is free to all SIUE students, faculty and staff. For more information, call Allison Benoit at 650-3371.

**Quit:** Commit to quit smoking cigarettes for the Great American Smokeout Thursday. The Wellness Center will sponsor a program from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. that day in the Goshen Lounge. For more information, call Wellness Coordinator Mary Baya at 650-3873.

**Business:** As part of the SIUE School of Business "Business Hour" program at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Room 2401 of Alumni Hall, Sanjay Jain, founder and chairman of Worknet Communications Inc., will bring the insight of a manager, investor, attorney, and chief executive officer to his presentation about Worknet.

**Safety:** SIUE community health students will present a bicycle safety program to the "latchkey" students of LeClaire Elementary School at 3:45 p.m. Tuesday at the school, 1204 Franklin, Edwardsville. For more information, call Becky Downing at 538-7182.

**Music:** The SIUE Jazz Band and the Jazz Lab Band will perform in concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Dunham Hall theater. Tickets are \$2 for students and \$3 for the public. For more information, call the music department at 650-3900.

**College Bowl:** University Center Board will sponsor a College Bowl Exhibition Game from noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Goshen Lounge, Morris University Center. The trivia game will test contestants' general knowledge of topics such as history, art, politics, geography, science, business and current events. Matches will consist of two teams of four players. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Allison Benoit at 650-3371.

**Geography:** The SIUE geography department and Gamma Theta Upsilon will sponsor a geographic information systems and remote sensing laboratory open house from 2 to 4 p.m. Wednesday in Alumni Hall, Room 1302. Cookies and lunch will be served at the session, which is to celebrate Geography Awareness Week. For more information,

call geography professor Mark Hildebrandt at 650-2765.

**Mines:** Robert Gibson, an emergency section supervisor with the Office of Mines and Minerals of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, will discuss mine subsidence as it relates to various types of construction at 6 p.m. Wednesday in the SIUE engineering building auditorium. For more information, call 650-2088.

**Art:** The 23rd Annual Art Auction will be Thursday at Sunset Hills Country Club. Preview of works begins at 6 p.m. and the auction begins at 7 p.m. The event offers fine art pieces by SIUE art faculty and students. Proceeds benefit the Friends of Art scholarship fund. For more information, call the art and design department at 650-3071, or, from St. Louis toll-free, (888) 328-5168, Ext. 3071.

**More Music:** The SIUE Suzuki Strings Program will conduct an honors recital at 7 p.m. Friday in the John C. Abbott Auditorium, on the lower level of Lovejoy Library. For more information, call the music department at 650-3900.

**Madrigals:** Tickets are now on sale for the annual Renaissance Madrigal Dinner, scheduled for Wednesday and Thursday, Nov. 29 and 30, at Sunset Hills Country Club in Edwardsville. Tickets are \$25 per person and include dinner and an evening of musical entertainment by the SIUE Concert Chorale in period costumes. For more information, call the music department at 650-3900.

**Co-op:** Volunteers are being sought for the Share Food Food Co-op from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday to help package and distribute food. Participants must wear work clothes, sturdy shoes and bring work gloves. Transportation will be provided and will depart at 8 a.m. from Parking Lot B and return to the same location at noon. There is no fee to participate, but volunteers must make a reservation by calling the Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686 or e-mailing sharefood@hotmail.com.

**SBDC:** The SIUE Small Business Development Center will offer "Accounting Records on the Computer" at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in Room 1101 of 200 University Park, with instructor Carl Weakley. The fee is \$50, which includes the textbook, "Quickbooks for Dummies." For more information, call 650-2929.

**Workshops:** The Eugene B. Redmond Writers Club will conduct a literary-cultural workshop at its meeting Tuesday, Nov. 21, in Room 2085 of the East St. Louis Community College Center, 601 J.R. Thompson Drive, East St. Louis. The workshop will focus on literary styles and development of the writer. For more information, call Redmond at 650-3991.

## Letters to the Editor

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Dear Editor:  
 I agree with your belief that a program designed to help students graduate should not be exclusive to a particular race; however, I feel that a program designed to help students graduate should consist of subprograms that deal with different reasons why a student is failing. For example, I recently worked with someone who was having problems passing his courses. He would regularly work 45 hours per week. Because of his excessive workload, he often elected to skip his classes to either work or sleep. The reason he gave for working excessively was that he had to pay for college. The logic of working more than he could handle seemed to defeat his purpose for working. If he is failing his classes because of work and is working to pay for his classes, he is running himself on a tiresome (and expensive) treadmill. Perhaps, if he had attended a program that emphasizes the utilization of financial aid and time management, this person would have been able to attend his classes regularly and succeed.

A reason for failing could also be the result of a lack of motivation or self-esteem. Creating a program that emphasizes the importance of self-worth and self-esteem could benefit people who are in need of self-confidence. This program could show students how and where to find self-esteem.

Not understanding course material could also be a reason for a student failing. The university already employs tutors, but perhaps they're not as available and as accessible as they need to be. It is possible the current supply of tutors does not satisfy the demand.

Basically, the solution to helping a student graduate depends upon the student. Addressing the problem by discovering a student's individual reason for failing would provide a solid foundation for the creation of a successful program that caters to the needs of the student body. Programs should not differ by race, but they should differ by the situations they address because there are many possible reasons why a student is failing.

Sincerely,  
 Ben Landfried  
*Freshman*

Dear Editor:  
 I am writing you to offer my thoughts on improving our school academically. My idea came to me the other day while fulfilling my mandatory six lab hours for psychology. The experiment that I was participating in was designed to reflect the problem-solving skills and study habits of students. These results were given to the students' teachers after they were calculated and analyzed. Teachers were given these results in order to have a better understanding of their students.

The purpose of this experiment brought to my attention the need for the publication of instructor evaluations at SIUE. Many colleges already publish these evaluations and have had successful results. Making available instructor evaluations to students would highly benefit the university and students.

The publication of teacher evaluations benefits the university by encouraging instructors to better educate their students in fear of being publicly renounced for their lacking effort.

Also, the publication of teacher evaluations benefits the students by providing them the knowledge of instructors who will educate them best. This eliminates the uncertainty a student may have toward a teacher's ability before taking a class. Therefore, students would not have to drop a class simply because they don't agree with an instructor's way of teaching. Students would be provided with an instructor's teaching style before enrolling in a class if the teacher evaluations were published.

It is my hope that the university takes this idea into consideration.

Ben Landfried  
*Freshman*

**KNOW YOUR WORLD.  
 READ THE ALESTLE.**

Dear Editor:  
 A few weeks ago, a student suggested that the editor of the Alestle would benefit from taking a course on the sociology of gender. This was a wise suggestion. Based on the Nov. 7 editorial, it is now apparent that the editor would also benefit from a course on the sociology of race relations.

In the editorial, the editor opposes the new campus organization, Retention of African American Men, on the grounds that "there are other other students struggling to graduate, too" and that "when we enter the SIUE campus, we are no longer black, white, red, green or yellow."

The first of these statements misses the point, and the second is simply wrong. Regarding the first statement -- sure, other students struggle to graduate, too. And there is nothing wrong with the idea of having effort and programs to improve all students' retention. However, there is also nothing wrong with having programs targeted to the groups that have the greatest needs. At SIUE, we do graduate other students at much higher rates than we graduate African-American males. The reason for this has to do with a variety of circumstances that, both at SIUE and on other predominantly white campuses, create barriers to graduation for black students that white students simply don't encounter. Among these are:

- greater financial difficulties, because the median income of the families of African-American students is far below that of the median income of white students' families. The racial gap in the wealth of the families of black and white students is even greater, and lack of wealth has been shown in recent research to be major barrier to African educational attainment.
- a campus environment where African-American students and faculty are outnumbered and for the most part not in control. Most instructors are white, and the white majority students often complain about any effort to help black students fit in -- the editorial in question is an excellent example of this. Do you think this makes black students feel welcome on campus?
- a curriculum that is designed by mostly white professors, which still marginalizes the contributions and experiences of people of color.
- a greater likelihood of being first-generation college students, which means not only that the college experience is less familiar, but also that family and friends may not share that experience and hence may be less able to provide support and mentoring.
- a greater likelihood of family responsibilities that place competing demands on time for study and campus involvement
- a greater likelihood of having arrived at SIUE without the core of high school courses that is specified for college-bound students, due to tracking that steers black students away from such courses.

All of these things, and others, mean the average African-American students at SIUE face greater barriers to graduation than are faced by the average white students. And significantly, none of these things are the fault of the students themselves -- they are the result of the different circumstances of black and white students. Whatever we would like to believe, students do not cease to be black or white when they arrive at SIUE. And the reality of being black or white does affect student opportunity at SIUE and every other predominantly white university. Thus, while it is perfectly appropriate to have retention programs and organizations aimed at all students, it is also perfectly appropriate to have retention programs and organizations directed at particular groups of students, such as African-American men, who face particular barriers to their graduation that many other students do not face.

John E. Farley  
 Hugh D. Barlow  
 David Kauzlarich  
*Sociology Department*

Dear Editor:  
 I opened up the Alestle the other day and for the second time found a letter to the editor that attempted to diminish the credibility of the Bible by referring to precepts of the Old Testament covenant, commonly called the Law. In particular, regulations concerning animal sacrifice and cleanliness were brought up, presumably to show how Christians are inconsistent in their interpretation of the Bible, because we no longer sacrifice animals, or adhere to all the Jewish rites established under the Law.

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## Human Cytomegalovirus (HCMV) Vaccine Study

### Volunteers are needed to participate in a research study evaluating investigational vaccines that may prevent HCMV

Approximately 50% of all persons in the United States are infected with HCMV by the age of 40. HCMV is a leading cause of death, mental retardation and deafness in babies infected before birth and may cause serious illness or death in children or adults with weakened immune systems. This study evaluates investigational vaccines that may prevent HCMV.

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## LETTERS

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The challenge was posed in both letters to answer these objections first before making moral assertions based on the truth of the Bible. In addition to this, Christians were warned to remember that the Bible was written a long time ago in a culture different from ours, insinuating that it's no longer valid. In responding to these letters, I realize I'm probably not going to change the opinion of the authors about Christianity, but at least maybe people will realize the ignorance of those arguments.

God gave the Law to Moses, while the nation of Israel was in the wilderness after having been freed from slavery in Egypt. It contained the rules that the Israelites were supposed to follow. It was given in the form of a covenant, which is between two parties, in this case God and the nation of Israel. The Law could cover up sin in God's eyes, but it couldn't wipe it away; nor by following the Law could anyone be righteous in God's eyes. So God promised a Messiah because the Messiah could accomplish all the things the Law could not. The Law was not a mistake by God, but it served to point out the need for a Messiah and prophecy about him.

When the Messiah finally came in the form of Jesus, the old Law, which served to point toward him, was fulfilled and a new covenant was established. This new covenant eradicated the need for animal sacrifice, food regulations, cleanliness rites, etc., however, did not cease. Love, kindness, goodness, self-control, sexual purity, etc., are all things which Christians are taught to seek under the new covenant. The Old Testament Law is not a problem for Christians. It's absurd to think that for nearly a thousand years, all Christians have just arbitrarily been ignoring whole sections of the Bible because they are ignorant, hypocritical or whatever.

It's also ridiculous to assume that something is invalid merely because it originated in a foreign culture a long time ago. I'd like to remind readers that democracy originated in a foreign culture a long time ago. Mathematics had its beginnings under the same circumstances. It's true that in interpreting something it is important to keep in mind when and by whom it was written, but does not necessarily make it any less relevant.

I apologize if some readers consider these "mindless Bible quotes," but since the authors of the letters were using the Bible to make the Bible look stupid, I thought it was best to use the Bible to defend the Bible. There is much more to the story than can be expressed in a letter, and a newspaper is a clumsy medium to discuss theology. I've left out quotations and specific verses because of space constraints, but if anything I wrote sparked any interest or objections, feel free to e-mail me at [zero\\_chronicles@hotmail.com](mailto:zero_chronicles@hotmail.com).

Brad Blackard  
Junior

Dear Editor:

In reference to Thursday's editorial, I agree that more students should recognize the advantages of getting more involved with supporting SIUE athletic teams. In our recent quarterfinal win over the University of Southern Indiana, there was a great atmosphere because of an exciting game in which numerous students became very enthused and vocal. Their cheering during penalty kicks helped us win. Our players recognized such and celebrated accordingly with them.

Unfortunately, the soccer season is now over, but I would like to thank the "eastside" group for their support this year and encourage them to reignite next year for more fun. If other students join them, it will not only become bigger, but better.

Thanks again,  
Ed Huneke  
Soccer Coach

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SIUE SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE

## IMAGE gets makeover

BY ANTOINETTE BERNICH  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Career Development Center is giving the IMAGE program a face lift.

The old IMAGE program was designed to teach students job-search skills, interviewing techniques and offer valuable career advice. Sessions were once a week, and the program ended after 13 weeks. Each session focused on a different topic.

Now IMAGE is a one-day event called the IMAGE Seminar.

Jean Paterson, director of the CDC, said the one-day format was chosen because so many students found it hard to attend all the sessions throughout the semester.

"Students would miss one session, and then come back a week later and realize they missed the session they really needed," she said. "So we decided to make everything into a one-day event that would cover all the topics that are important to job seekers in college."

The IMAGE Seminar will be Saturday, Feb. 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Morris University Center. The one-day event will cover interviewing, job-search techniques, networking, dressing for success and surviving the first year on the job. Students will be given the opportunity to meet with area employers and career development specialists.

IMAGE is open to SIUE students only. The cost is \$10, which includes lunch and a T-shirt. Reservations must be made by Dec. 15.

The event is limited to the first 50 registered students.

For more information, contact the CDC at 650-3708 or check out the Web site at [www.careers.siu.edu](http://www.careers.siu.edu).

## Grant helps technology study

MELISSA UNDERWOOD  
NEWS STRINGER

Gov. George Ryan has announced a new grant to assist students who wish to pursue undergraduate study in information technology.

The Arthur F. Quern Information Technology Grant will award \$2,500 per year for two years. An estimated 1,100 awards will be available for the 2000-01 academic year.

The program, administered by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission, was designed to remedy a shortage of information technology specialists in the Illinois business community.

Eligible students are U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens who reside in Illinois. Students must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid. Students must be pursuing an undergraduate IT program on a minimum half-time basis at any eligible Illinois institution of higher learning. Students must maintain satisfactory academic progress and cannot be in default on any student loan or grant.

SIUE offers four programs that qualify for this grant: bachelor of arts and bachelor of science in computer science; bachelor of science in computer engineering; bachelor of science in electrical engineering; and bachelor of science in management information systems.

Applications are due Jan. 16. Applications can be obtained from the Office of Student Financial Aid. Interested students should make an appointment to speak with a financial aid adviser.

## SPEAKER

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Before becoming an ambassador, Sisulu was consul general at the South African Consulate-General in New York.

Her parents, Walter and Albertina Sisulu, were very influential in helping build a democratic government in South Africa and are considered some of the most important political leaders in the country's history.

## FINANCE

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He has also served as a judicial law clerk in Washington, D.C., and attorney and counselor at law in St. Louis.

Ezell-Flewellen also has an extensive background in law and graduated with a law degree from Texas Southern University. She received her bachelor's degree from Millikin University in Decatur. She is a solo practitioner in St. Louis.

The board also voted unanimously to table the program request of \$1,800 to the International Association of Jazz Educators for the IAJE-Jazz Masters Series and Jazz concert, because no representative from the organization were present at the meeting.

Board members Gabe DuBois and Sean Walton were not at the meeting.

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Mista McGriff

**Ques Comedy Club**

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BY MELINDA HAWKINS  
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

The St. Louis Art Museum is showing an exhibition of stained glass panels called "Painting on Light: Drawings and Stained Glass in the Age of Durer and Holbein." This exhibit will explore Renaissance masters of glassmaking as well as the connection between the two art forms and how the artists collaborated to make these stunning paintings of light. The exhibition will be at the museum until Jan. 7.

The "Painting on Light" exhibition was made possible by the efforts of Barbara Butts and Lee Hendrix. Butts is the former curator of prints, drawings and photographs at the St. Louis Art Museum. She was interested in developing an exhibition devoted to stained glass panels with the design drawings that related to them. She was able to begin her pursuit of this idea with a grant from the Travel to Collections program of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Hendrix is the curator of drawings at the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles.

Butts and Hendrix realized there had never been an exhibition devoted to the drawings and stained glass pieces of the south German and Swiss Renaissance. They hoped to demonstrate the "mastery of technique" that united both the works of art and the artists who created them. This exhibition is the result of 13 years of effort on the part of Butts and Hendrix, as well as the collaborative efforts of some of the most notable

artists of the Renaissance.

Artists working in stained glass were at the height of their mastery during the Renaissance of Germany and Switzerland. Stained glass was a thriving art form during the 15th and 16th centuries. The beautiful panels were requisitioned for use in churches, but they were also used in private chapels, hunting lodges, castles and homes. The imagery depicted in these pieces reflected the major themes of the Renaissance. Depictions of saints, soldiers, mythical heroes, knights and ladies, as well as commoners engaging in their daily and recreational activities were common themes during this time.

The "Painting on Light" exhibition primarily focuses on the work of two of the great masters of the Renaissance. Albrecht Durer, Germany's celebrated painter and printmaker, was revered for his mastery of one-point perspective and human proportion. Hans Holbein the



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Younger, Switzerland's renowned painter, was known for the conveyance of movement in his figurative work.

These brilliant craftsmen collaborated with glass painters to create some of the most beautiful examples of stained glass panels to be seen in this period. The exhibit will juxtapose the drawings with the panels they inspired. This show will feature 19 designers in addition to the glass painters with whom Durer and Holbein collaborated. Displayed with the stained glass panels are 75 of the original design drawings used to create them.

One of the exciting features of the "Painting on Light" exhibit is the reunification of two stained glass windows, originally created for the private chapel of Dr. Sixus Tucher of Nuremberg and designed by Durer. "The Annunciation" and "Saints Andrew and Pope Sixtus II" were separated when Tucher's home was destroyed in 1834. "When the windows are reunited in this exhibition, the public sees two of the greatest masterpieces of German Renaissance glass painting," Butts said.

"The exhibition is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to view in one place, a large quantity of radiant paintings on glass juxtaposed with related drawings," Hendrix said.

The show also includes a display of the process involved in glass painting. It shows examples of painted



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glass in various stages of production and the tools and materials used by glass artists of the time.

Admission to the St. Louis Art Museum and its permanent collection is free. Admission to "Painting on Light" is \$8 for adults, \$6 for seniors and students, \$4 for children ages 6 through 12, and free to children under the age of 6. The museum hours are 1:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. The museum is closed Mondays. For more information on "Painting on Light" and other exhibitions at the museum, call (314) 721-0072, Ext. 204. Or visit the St. Louis Art Museum Web site at [www.slam.org](http://www.slam.org).

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# Reel Big Fish rocks St. Louis

BY KELI KEENER  
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

Ska/punk band Reel Big Fish started off on its small Midwest-East Coast tour by making a stop at The Pageant in University City Wednesday.

Reel Big Fish is Aaron Barrett doing vocals and guitar, Grant Barry on trombone, Andrew Gonzales on drums, Scott Klopfenstein on trumpet and vocals, Dan Regan also on trombone, Tavis "There's no R in there" Werts on trumpet, and Matt Wong on bass.

Reel Big Fish is one of the legions of Southern California ska/punk bands that made its way into the mainstream in summer 1997 after the commercial success of groups such as No Doubt and Sublime. The group really hit the big time when its single "Sell Out" became a modern rock radio favorite.

The group, based in Huntington Beach, California, was originally a trio comprised of Barrett, Wong and Gonzales. After several months, the band discovered ska and decided to add horn players. After the success of its first album, the band signed with the indie record label Mojo Records. Next came its sophomore album titled "Turn the Radio Off." "Why Do They Rock So Hard?" was released a year later, and early this year the band returned with "Everything Sucks."

Midtown, from Springfield, N.J., was the opening band. Midtown is Gabe Saporta on bass and vocals, Heath Saraceno on guitar and vocals, Tyler Rann on guitar and vocals and Rob Hitt on drums.

Midtown's first extended play "The Sacrifice of Life" was released on Pinball Records in 1999. Shortly after, the band was signed to the Los Angeles-based label Drive Thru Records and released "A Newfound Glory." Midtown recently completed its second album, titled "Save the World, Lose the Girl." The name was derived from an old Spiderman comic.

"You have to give up things for the dream," Rann said, "and that's why we picked that title."

This summer Midtown performed a series of dates on the Vans Warped Tour. The band assembled in fall 1998 as the members attended Rutgers University.

Ska band Catch 22, from East Brunswick, N.J., followed Midtown. The group draws its sound from punk, swing and ragtime. Catch 22 is Jeff Davidson on vocals, Pat Kays on bass, Pat Calpin on guitar, Chris Greer on drums, Kevin Gunther on trumpet, Ryan Eldred on saxophone and Jamie Egan on trombone.

Catch 22's first full-length release was "Keasbey Nights." The band is powered by a three-piece horn section over a rhythm section, and it continually shifts from hard-hitting punk to upbeat sounds of early swing.

Reel Big Fish, Midtown, and Catch 22 will continue touring through December.

Check out [www.thepageant.com](http://www.thepageant.com) for listings of upcoming shows.



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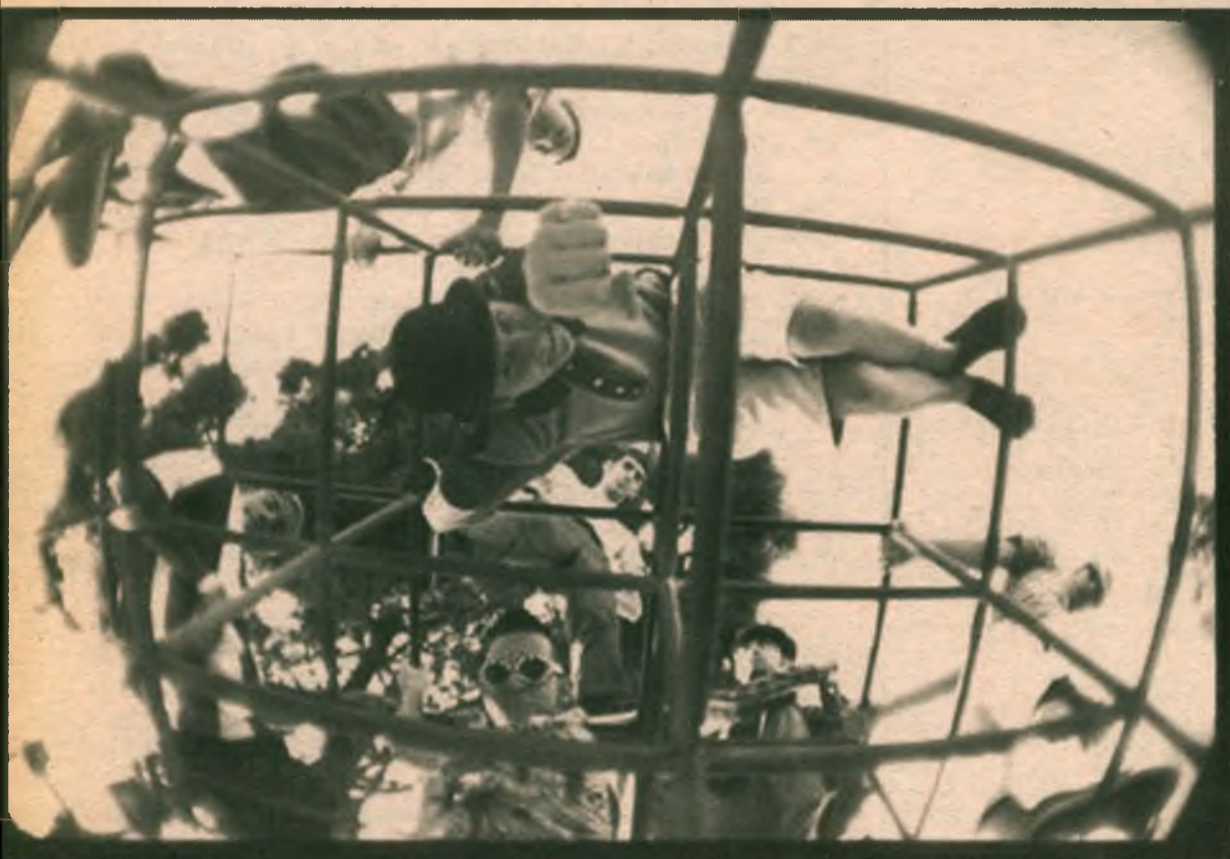


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# SAY WHAT?

BY SHERI MCWHIRTER  
PHOTO EDITOR

Question: If you were stranded on a desert island, who would you bring and why?



"I'd take my boyfriend, Dewayne, because he's a really good friend and I know I wouldn't be lonely that way."

Jamila Harris, biology, junior



"My mother because she helps me do everything and she'd probably keep me alive."

Misty Thompson, business administration, junior



"I'd go by myself."

Chad Hurley, mass communications, senior



"The Royal Order of the Wombat because their best friend is Keggy."

Tia Roth, sociology, junior



"My boyfriend because I have a lot of fun with him and when I'm not with him, I wish I was."

Natalie Boyle, elementary education, junior

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## The Freshman Experience

BY ANDREW LEHMAN  
GRAPHICS

It was a very enlightening weekend.

Friday I discovered that I could buy alcohol without any sort of identification. I just walked into the store, grabbed what I wanted, paid for it and walked out. This, despite its obvious advantages, is not a good thing, although my friends have told me otherwise.

So, after having a little too much to drink and going to a free concert, I went back to the dorms. I drove, just to let you know. But I am a professional drunken driver. I don't remember a period of time from when I got back to the dorms to when I carried a friend to her room because she could not walk. However, I was told repeatedly what I did and said. I trust they were telling me the truth.

That brings us to Saturday when I again bought alcohol from the same store and the same person checked me out. I paid and left with no questions asked. I drove back to the dorms to pick up my friends and headed to Cougar Village.

There I proceeded to drink three-fourths of a bottle of vodka in just over an hour. I was feeling pretty good despite the fact that I could not walk straight. But there were some hot girls in the apartment across the way. I got one girl's phone number — although I do not recall where I put it. But I wrote it down twice in case I could not read it the first time I wrote it down.

Then I decided to drive home. Luckily my friend convinced me to call my parents and tell them that I was staying. Unfortunately, I could not stay in the apartment because parents were coming down early the next morning. Had I been in my right mind, I would have gone back and sneaked into the dorms and stayed there. Instead I decided to drive home.

In all honesty, you should not be reading this because I should not be here writing it. I should be dead.

The fact that I am not dead amazes me still. The whole 30-minute trip is like Swiss cheese. I only remember stopping at one stoplight, pulling into my driveway and throwing up when I got inside my house.

But for some reason I am still here. To what end I do not know, but there must be some reason for it. So I have a purpose for being on this planet. Maybe I am going to do something extraordinary. I have always wanted to make movies. Maybe I'll change the world through film.



The point is that life is fragile. Do not throw it away on a whim. There are too many people who care about you.

Carry your head high. Look up and see what you are missing and what is right in front of your nose.



On Nov. 14, 1998, Dennis Rodman and Carmen Electra got married in Las Vegas. After nine days, Rodman filed papers to annul the marriage.

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For those of you who were looking forward to SIUE having a football team in the near future, I have some bad news.

If it ever happens, it won't be until most of us have graduated.

According to SIUE Director of Athletics Cindy Jones, football isn't an option for the school at this time.

"Essentially, the athletic committee, which represents the university constituents, made the recommendation that football was not in the best interests of the university at this time," Jones said Monday.

So basically, kiss football goodbye for now.

Another idea that has been thrown around campus lately is SIUE moving from a Division II school in the National Collegiate Athletic Association to a Division I school.

Bad idea.

SIUE is doing fine where it is at right now.

If SIUE were to go to Division I, all our teams would get romped by other schools and less people would come to the games than they do now.

With all this negativity about sports on campus, there is a glimmer of hope.

According to Jones, before anything drastic is done to the athletic program, there will be a push to bolster the programs we have now.

"What we should be undergoing is a comprehensive effort to upgrade our existing programs to a nationally or regionally prominent position," Jones said. "With that being done, what we ultimately have is a better athletic program all the way around. But we also have the program in a situation where if the university ever decided it did want to add football or go to Division I it could make that move."

One of the main problems the committee had was simply finding someone, or in particular, some conference to play in.

see BIG PIC, page 10

## Season ends with loss to NKU, again

Lady Cougar volleyball team finishes season with 11-18 overall record in 2000

BY RICK CROSSIN  
SPORTS EDITOR

For the second straight season, the SIUE volleyball season ended with a loss to Northern Kentucky University in the Great Lakes Valley Conference tournament.

The Lady Cougars fell to the Norse in the first round of the tournament 15-10, 15-8 and 15-11.

"We played well against them," coach Joe Fisher said. "It was just one of those things where you lose to a better team."

In the match, junior Shanan McLean led the Lady Cougars in kills with 18. Lindsay Rust was the only other SIUE player who reached double digits in kills with 11.

"We stepped up and did some things well," Fisher said. "Shanan and Lindsay both had good matches."

Northern Kentucky's Bethany Gastright led all players with 21 kills, but Fisher is happy with the way his team controlled some of the play.

"We did a halfway decent job of taking their middle hitters out of their offense to an extent," Fisher said. "Our passing was up and down, but a little more consistent than in past. We were able to run things a little quicker to the outside."

SIUE ends the season with an 11-18 overall record, but Fisher finds some comfort in the fact that the Lady Cougars played well in the last part of the season.

"Because we played tough the last third of the season, it's a bit of a consolation," Fisher said. "We've gone through a lot this season and to see us play the way we did, as a coach it makes you feel a little bit better."

"The only team that finishes the season happy is the one that wins everything," Fisher added.

The loss to Northern Kentucky will mark the end of four seniors' careers at SIUE.

Rust, Kathy Dulle, Heather Vaughn and Melissa Schaeffer have all donned the SIUE logo for the last time.

"Those are big shoes to fill

and they're going to be missed," Fisher said. "What they brought to the team is going to be difficult to replace."

Although Fisher will be losing his four seniors, he is looking to a couple of players to pick up their game next season.

"I look for our younger players to step up," Fisher said. "I think Jenny Franklin and Andrea Voss are going to step up next fall."

Those returning players will not have a lot of downtime however. Fisher expects his players to be in the weight room for the next three weeks before the end of the semester.

One Lady Cougar departing Lady Cougar was rewarded for her play this season.

For the third straight season, SIUE outside hitter Lindsay Rust was named to the All-GLVC team.

Over the past two seasons, Rust was named to the first team, but this season she was named to the second-team All-Conference.

"I think this is a credit to her," Fisher said. "She will be the

first to tell you that you can't do it with out the other 13 people on the team."

Rust finished her career with 1,435 kills and 1,299 digs. Both are second all-time at SIUE.

"It's not every day you get an athlete of that caliber coming into your program," Fisher said. "We've been fortunate to have athletes that have come in with a lot of talent and been able to contribute to the success of the program."



Rust led the **Lindsay Rust** GLVC in digs with 4.05 per game this season and finished seventh in the conference with 3.94 kills per game.

Rust transferred to SIUE after playing a season at Indiana State University. She was named to the All-Freshman team in the Missouri Valley Athletic Conference at Indiana State.

## Cougar basketball teams begin with exhibition games



Sheri McWhirter/Alestle

Junior guard Tim Rose (right) takes the ball to the basket in an exhibition game last week, while Glenn Collins looks on. SIUE won its opener against the Tornatta Stars 93-89 last week.

## Hedberg set for 22nd season as SIUE coach

BY KUMAR BHOOSHAN  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

For her 22nd year, coach Wendy Hedberg will be commanding the SIUE women's basketball team from the sidelines.



Wendy Hedberg

Hedberg, a graduate of Western Illinois University, has become synonymous with the women's program, compiling a 331-246 record during her tenure with the Lady Cougars.

"From the time I came in, this program has turned around tremendously," Hedberg said. "We play in a tough conference and it really helps our situation."

She has also led the SIUE squad to three National Collegiate Athletic Association tournament appearances, which includes an appearance in the 1998-99 tournament where the Lady Cougars advanced to the second round, losing to

Bellarmino College.

"The game is very basic. It's just a matter of fundamentals," Hedberg said. "There may be a twist on an offense or defense and year by year those are the adjustments we make."

As head coach, Hedberg has also produced four All-Americans: Lori Sebastian (1990-91), LeAnn Bryan (1993-94), Kim Lowe (1998-99) and Misi Clark (1997-98 and 1999-2000).

"Misi is one of the best players I have ever coached at SIUE," Hedberg said. "She may be the best all-around, most fundamental player at her position."

Clark will be joining Hedberg this season in her senior campaign to help the Lady Cougars improve on their 18-9 record last year in the 1999-2000 season.

"We will hope to get 100 percent from all our players and make an appearance in the NCAA tournament this year," Hedberg said. "We will also be aiming for the conference title."

see HEDBERG, page 11

# Five Lady Cougars earn All-GLVC honors this season

*Creamer, Decker, Siegel, Louderman and Mays receive spots on all-conference team for stellar play*

BY KELI KEENER  
SPORTS STRINGER

Five SIUE women's soccer players were recently named to the All-Great Lakes Valley Conference team by a vote of the league's 12 coaches.

Forward Colleen Creamer and midfielder Sara Decker, both from St. Louis, were named to the first team while backfielders Rebecca Mays (Springfield), Tasha Siegel (Collinsville) and goalkeeper Beth Louderman (Girard) were named to second team.

"Northern Kentucky (University) was the only other team to have more selections," coach Brian Korbemeyer said. "We have two first-teamers out of 11. It helps with recruiting and adds stature to our program."

Creamer, a sophomore, scored a team-leading 10 goals and five assists for the Cougars this season.

After just two seasons at SIUE, she is now tied for eighth with Kelly Drury (1990) on SIUE's all-time scoring list with a total of 23 goals and 14 assists.

Decker caught the eye of opponent coaches with her sharp passing and timely scoring.

Decker led the Cougars in points with 27 after scoring nine goals and picking up nine assists this year. She received Freshman of the Year honors.

"Sara has that little toughness about her that you need to have, but it is properly channeled," Korbemeyer said.

"She is a tremendous student of the passing game. She had nine goals and nine assists. That is just fantastic for even a nonfreshman. No other midfielders in the conference had that kind of a season, especially with the schedule we

played. I really think she is going to take charge of this team in the next couple of years."

Mays, a senior, and Siegel, a junior, are now recognized as three-time All-GLVC selections.

As a back, Mays was given the responsibility of marking the opposing teams' best offensive player.

Siegel, a sweeper, was the team leader on defense and scored three goals this season to increase her career total to 12 goals and two assists.

"Tasha had another solid season," Korbemeyer said. "I think the only reason she did not make the first team is because we had such a good team and they didn't want to have three first-teamers from the same team. I believe she is better than any sweeper in our league."

Louderman played a key

role in the team's low goals against average.

She recorded 103 saves and had a 0.84 goals against average in her 1,812 minutes played.

Korbemeyer's team completed the 2000 season with a 13-4-3 record overall

and an 8-0-3 record in GLVC play.

"I think it (the selection of the five) is indicative of how we finished in the league," Korbemeyer said. "I think it's really great for the program and great for our school. It's great for the individuals as well."



Colleen Creamer



Sara Decker



Beth Louderman



Tasha Siegel



Rebecca Mays



## FINAL GLVC LEADERS

### Scoring

Name	Points
1. Laurie Jones, UWP	41
2. Tricia Ruark, NKU	36
3. Bryanna Jurvis, UWP	33
4. Laura Gregory, UI	31
5. Betsy Moore, NKU	27
6. Sara Decker, SIUE	27
7. Colleen Creamer, SIUE	25

### Goals

Name	Goals
1. Laura Gregory, UI	14
2. Bryanna Jurvis, UWP	13
3. Betsy Moore, NKU	11
4. Lorrie Jones, UWP	11
5. Bessie Black, NKU	10
6. Colleen Creamer, SIUE	10
7. Kristen Macdonald, IPFW	9
8. Sara Decker, SIUE	9

### Goaltending

Name	GAA
1. Heather Hesman, USI	0.44
2. Lauren Pienin, NKU	0.57
3. Beth Louderman, SIUE	0.84
4. Heather Budenz, SJC	1.29

## BIG PIC

from page 8

"What we really found when we did the studies when we looked at Division I and football — even football at Division II — was that our programs weren't strong enough to find a conference that would give us the kind of strength that we wanted," Jones said.

Upgrading the current sports now would include getting more scholarships to teams and increasing the operating budgets of the teams. The committee that

researched all the information has not yet set a timetable for things to be set into motion.

"Nothing happens overnight," Jones said. "There's already a proposal to do a four-year plan of additional resources."

Good luck to the rest of you. My four-year plan is just about over.

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## Three Cougar grapplers take titles at Lindenwood

*Stephens, Butts and Weins take championships*

BY BRANDEN PETERSON  
SPORTS REPORTER

The SIUE wrestling team kicked off its 2000 season with a good showing.

The Cougars traveled to St. Charles, Mo., to compete in the Lindenwood Open at Lindenwood University.

"We came out of that tournament last year with one champion and a few guys placing here and there," coach Booker Benford said. "This time we had three official champions and four unofficially."

Junior Nathaniel Graumenz won but had to compete unattached because of eligibility.

In the 174-pound weight class, Zach Stephens went 3-0 in his matches, including the championship match he won in a 30-second tiebreaker.

"Zach had some tough matches," Benford said. "His success really sets the tone for a good season."

Last season Stephens was only a few wins above .500.

"He doesn't want to duplicate his performance last year," Benford said. "He wants to be an All-American or national champion."

In the 165-pound weight class, junior Michael Butts claimed his division championship in a 30-second

tiebreaker after winning four matches to make it to the finals, finishing with a 5-0 record so far this year.

"He wrestled really tough," Benford said. "That was his first test as far as being on SIUE's roster. We had seen him in practice and knew he was tough but as far as competition against others, this proved that he is a winner."

Aaron Wiens won the heavyweight class with a 3-1 victory in overtime.

"It was basically a new beginning for Aaron," Benford said. "He came out of last year 6-20. He did a lot of work over the summer, and it paid off. He's looking toward being All-American or even winning nationals."

Sophomore Steven Bryant won four matches and placed third in the 141-pound weight class.

"It is a big step in the direction we want to go," Benford said. "If the Lindenwood Open is any indication of how the wrestling team can do this season, it should be a very competitive season."

"Things are looking like the way I want the team to go," Benford added. "We're going to be a force in the future."

The Cougars will compete next in the Missouri Open at 10 a.m. Sunday in Columbia, Mo.

## HEDBERG

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Since 1986, Hedberg has finished over .500 15 times, including a 22-win season in the Lady Cougar 1997-98 campaign.

Also, SIUE went over the century mark, scoring 100 points on nine separate occasions under the tutelage of Hedberg.

The Lady Cougars will start the season ranked second in the Great Lakes Valley Conference Women's Coaches Poll.

Last year's national champion Northern Kentucky

University is the only team ranked higher than SIUE, after being picked to repeat in the 2000-01 season.

The Lady Cougars will start their season in the Central Missouri State Invitational at 5:30 p.m. Friday in Warrensburg, Mo.

"Right now I love my job, and I love the game of basketball," Hedberg said. "When the time comes, I'll know when to leave."

SIUE's first conference game will be Nov. 30 against St. Joseph's College at home.

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