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# Board will vote on tuition hike in May

CALLIE STILWELL  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Students may need to reach deeper into their pockets to pay for tuition next year if a 10.8 percent tuition increase is passed in the Southern Illinois University board of trustees' May meeting.

The trustees discussed the increase at Thursday's meeting and are expected to take action next month.

"The April meeting was set aside to discuss changes in tuition for the coming years," SIUE spokesman Scott Kaiser said.

The board discussed the proposal to raise tuition above the 5 percent increase set by the board last year.

SIUE is expected to get a budget cut of \$4.3 million from the state, partly from rising health care costs. The Legislature is set to decide the university's budget in May.

"We are confident we can continue the level of quality education at SIUE, but the tuition increases are necessary to assure that quality. Even with the increase, the cost of an SIUE education still remains affordable compared with other Illinois state



BETH BETRTLES/ALESITE

Board members met Thursday to discuss changes in tuition and will vote in their next session in May.

institutions," SIUE Chancellor David Werner said in a press release.

A student taking 15 credit hours can expect a \$396 tuition increase beginning fall 2002 if the board adopts the increase.

As part of the \$228 increase

for the following 2003 school year, fees will go up to provide funding for the Morris University Center, student welfare and activity, athletics and textbook rental.

Kaiser said money from the proposed tuition hike would fund

course programming and fill the gaps caused by the state's budget cuts.

If accepted, the tuition increase would be established for four years, Kaiser said.

The Professional Staff Association picketed outside the

Morris University Center, where the board of trustees' meeting was held Thursday. The informational picket was the second this semester.

According to PSA member Tom Dehner, the PSA has been working without a contract for two years.

He said members have been working under a set of rules unilaterally placed by the university.

Dehner said the university refused to discuss a contract settlement.

SIUE spokesman Keith Nichols said the university prefers to use more traditional forms of bargaining.

"The PSA has been negotiating in a public way, whereas the university prefers negotiating at the table," he said. "This campus has many unions. So far, we've been able to negotiate contracts with all but this one."

According to Dehner, the PSA and the university are tentatively planning to talk next month about the contract.

Dehner said the PSA is planning an informational picket at the May 4 graduation ceremonies.

## Grievances dropped in election

TRAVIS L. ROSS  
NEWS REPORTER

All complaints about the student government election have been dropped.

"There are no grievances in my possession," Election Commissioner Jeff Twardowski said Friday. "They have all been retracted and the deadline was last Wednesday."

Twardowski would not comment on what the grievances pertained to or who had filed them.

At Friday's senate meeting, senators reviewed and approved two students at large, Brandon Hudson and Ryan Hemphill, to sit on the election commission by a vote of 9-1. The students were needed on the board before any of the grievances could have been addressed.

"This should have been done

a couple of weeks ago," Twardowski said. "Hopefully, in the future, they will be appointed in a timely manner."

The student government election ended Tuesday, April 9, three days before the election commission members were appointed.

In other business Friday, Student Body President-elect Michelle King said student government is unofficially accepting applications for next year's executive board. Students can apply for finance board chair, student organization advisory board chair, director of personnel and public relations director.

Applications can be picked up at the student government office in the Kimmel Leadership Center on the first floor of the Morris University Center. King has not set a date when applications are due.

The senate recognized Denise Degarmo as the recipient of the 2002 Teacher of the Year award at SIUE.

Degarmo was recognized for her enthusiastic teaching style and willingness to help students.

Topping the old business portion of the agenda was approval of the Tae Kwan Do Club constitution. The constitution was approved by the senators 7-3 pending minor changes that must happen by Wednesday.

In other old business, the proposed meal plan and textbook service fee resolutions were tabled until the final senate meeting.

According to Student Body President Dwayne Bess, the resolutions were tabled so the senators could review the resolutions in depth.

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## Two students ready to appear in court

KAYCI COMBS  
NEWS REPORTER

Two SIUE students will appear in Madison County court next month.

Sophomore Lukasz Rarowski plead not guilty to misdemeanor charges on April 2.

He was arrested Feb. 23 after he was reportedly seen cutting chains and taking bicycles outside 517 Cougar Village.

Rarowski reportedly rode away with a \$400 Trek Antelope. His court date has been set for May 9.

SIUE graduate student Jose Hernandez, 25, faces a charge of driving under the influence. Hernandez was stopped on March 11 for speeding in Cougar Village.

He was arrested when officers on the scene smelled alcohol on his breath.

His court date is set for May 9.

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## Environmental group seeks people

AMY WINKLER  
NEWS STRINGER

Citizens for a Greener Environment is enlisting the help of anyone interested in preserving the green spaces in Madison County.

Headed by Carolyn Carter, the group meets on the third Thursday of every month to discuss keeping green spaces in the area protected from urban and corporate developers.

"Madison County is the next area for development after the Missouri areas, which have completed development," Carter said. "Our response needs to be proactive instead of reactive."

Carter said her organization is actively recruiting SIUE students interested in the cause.

The group meets at 7:30 p.m. in the First Federal Savings & Loan of Edwardsville in the Community Room. CGE tries to get citizens involved with their environment to help preserve the land in their community.

"We believe green spaces affect people psychologically," Carter said. "When it's gone, people can almost feel that it's empty."

One directive on the group's agenda is looking for landowners who would be willing to donate land.

In addition to being a tax write-off, knowing that the land would be preserved and saved forever is rewarding in itself, according to Carter.

The group is also trying to raise money to buy land for

preservation.

Another idea on the group's plate is green space inventory. Being able to record the size, type and location of trees, for example, would be useful for enacting a tree-saving ordinance like those already in place in Texas and Mississippi. Carter is interested in starting a chapter of SIUE students willing to further CGE's cause.

The group can always use volunteers to help defer costs. Volunteers can help inventory green space or assist in fund-raising efforts.

"It would be great to get enthusiasm from the SIU community," Carter said.

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## Campus Scanner

**Speaker series:** Dr. Ronald Sandlar, professor of philosophical studies, will present "Religion and Morality: Divine Command Theory" at noon Thursday in the Religious Center.

**Fund-raiser:** Students from the Speech Communication Department and six Greek organizations will be raising funds for The National Children's Cancer Society with "Hair Affair" during the three days of Springfest beginning Tuesday. Whichever Greek organization volunteer raises the most money will have something "wild and crazy" done to his or her hair during the final day of Springfest. Anyone can make donations to the organizations with all profits going to the NCCS.

**Speaker:** Keith H.S. Campbell will talk about "Cloning: What We Can Do and Should We Do It?" at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Meridian Ballroom of the Morris University Center. Campbell is a cell biologist who was involved in the cloning of Dolly, the first cloned sheep. Tickets are \$4 for students. For tickets, call 650-5555.

**Seminar:** The People's Law School will hold the next seminar from 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday in the Maple-Dogwood Room of Morris University Center. Barb Goeben will present "Landlord/Tenant Rights and Responsibilities" and Don Johannes will present "Wills and Durable Powers of Attorney." Goeben and Johannes are attorneys in Illinois. For more information, call 650-2687.

**Seminar:** Emeritus chemistry professor F. Henry Firsching will present "The Most Intriguing Story Ever Told: A Summary of Scientific Studies About How We Got Here" from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Wednesday and again April 24 in the Religious Center library. For more information, call 650-3210.

**Theater:** "Rowing to America: The Immigrant Project" will be performed at the Katherine Dunham Theatre 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday. In nine one-act

plays, "Rowing" provides a multicultural look at the immigrant experience. International musicians will perform before each show. Tickets are \$7 for public, \$5 for students and are available at the box office or by calling 650-2774.

**Business hour:** Phil Thomas, vice president of sales and marketing for the St. Louis Rams, will speak during Executive Business Hour at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Room 2401 of Alumni Hall room 2401. Thomas will speak about the highs and lows of marketing and sales. For more information, call 650-3822.

**Volunteer:** Volunteers are needed to assist the Share Food Project. The food co-op program provides low-cost food through a self-help distribution system. Volunteers will be picked up at 8 a.m. Saturday in Lot B and returned there at noon.

**Volunteer:** Salus Place needs volunteers to assist staff with purchasing and stocking groceries. Salus Place is a home for people suffering from HIV/AIDS, mental illness or who are recovering from substance abuse. Volunteers will be picked up at 8 a.m. Saturday in Lot B and returned there at noon. For more information, contact Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686.

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

**Online mentors needed:** Applications are being accepted for online mentors for children in eight after-school programs in Washington Park, East St. Louis and Fairmont City. No personal contact is required. For more information, e-mail Susan Kutterer-Sibert at skutter@siue.edu.

**Golf Tournament:** The Kinesiology Student Association is holding a benefit golf tournament Saturday. The tournament will be at Stonebridge Golf Course in Maryville. Food and beverages are included in the \$50 admission fee. Longest-drive and closest-to-the-pin competitions will be held. For more information, call 650-2306.

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## Students should spark new events



I'm sorry to say that times have changed and they have changed for the worse.

A student wrote a letter to the editor last week asking for a revival of the Mississippi River Festival. For those of you who don't know, the MRF was an annual series of summer concerts at SIUE that included the top performers of the day.

When I say top performers, I'm talking about Bob Dylan, the Beach Boys, the Eagles, the Grateful Dead, Janis Joplin, Rod Stewart and many others. The University Archives Web site has a list of most of the performers.

Take a look some time. You will be amazed at the people who took the stage at SIUE.

The MRF died after state funding declined and then SIUE President John Rendleman died. Drug abuse and violence at the festival didn't help matters either.

So, here we are 22 years later looking back at the greatest events SIUE ever put on and asking why we can't do that today.

The answer is money. Money was a problem in the '70s and it's even more of a problem now.

Back then, bands played because they wanted to play. They wanted to make music and have others enjoy it. They wanted to let their hippie hair flow in the wind and bust out music until they couldn't play anymore.

Today, musicians want \$50,000 a gig and they don't want to play longer than about an hour. Oh, and make sure they have their own dressing room

with something eccentric like a giant bowl of only green M&Ms.

Rock 'n' roll isn't what it was back then. At least that's what my mom says. You can't get into a concert for less than \$20 and don't expect a T-shirt for less than \$25. I hope you don't want a beer. College students don't usually have \$5 for a beer the size of a juice box.

The Mississippi River Festival is dead. Changing times have brought changing attitudes among performers. That's not to say all musicians are only out for the money. There are those few out there who enjoy making good music and don't want to charge you through the nose to hear it, but they are few and far between.

Don't abandon all hope, though. If SIUE wants to get on the map, students need to get to work. A Nelly concert here and an Urge concert there won't amount to a hill of beans 10 years from now. The shows were great and I appreciate all the hard work that went into them, but SIUE

should focus on something special, something different.

This is where I stop writing though, because I don't know what that something special, something different is. We have one of the largest universities by way of land in the world. We have bright minds and creative students, faculty and staff. More importantly, we have an administration that wants to build campus life.

Just remember, most of the administrators are old enough to remember the MRF. We can't expect them to know what kind of events are going to draw students today. Sometimes we have to give them a shove in the right direction.

I encourage the letters to the editor. Let me and the university know what is going to put SIUE on the map and in the minds of students 22 years from now.

Brian Wallheimer  
Editor in Chief

## Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Students have mentioned that there hadn't been any responses to the government issues in the Middle East, but with all due respect, most of the columns I've read have been pretty liberal. Who wants to argue from a conservative standpoint? I guess I will.

For starters, I believe that President Bush is doing everything he can to keep things under control. People believe that he has been chasing terrorism around in circles, but how else should he have responded to the Sept. 11 attacks? Forgive and forget?

I am proud of our troops for going overseas to stop this nonsense once and for all, which probably should have been finished long ago in the Gulf War. Students ask, "Why are our troops still in Afghanistan?" I say because the threat still stands, and if I'm not mistaken, the United States is probably pretty close if not No. 1 on a terrorist's priority list, which should not be ignored. Bush knows that this battle is far from over. Don't we?

I've also noticed that these past battles have been compared to Vietnam. If this is Vietnam, then we're a bunch of hippies screaming, "Peace" and condemning our own veteran soldiers for "murdering" the very people they protected us from. However, this battle is different. One of the worst terrorist attacks in history took place on American soil and there was never a better time to retaliate.

About Palestine and Israel: Have we not attempted to help them bury the hatchet for countless years? Have these attempts not failed each time? We do not need to hold everyone's hand when they don't know how to resolve the conflict on their own. The United States has tried not to take sides because liberals say, "No more killing. Leave them alone. We love everybody," but overall, the United States takes the blame anyway for not doing anything about it because then it's "Oh, no, people are dying. Why aren't we stepping in?" I'm sure it's awfully hard to control someone else's brawl when we still have to worry about Afghanistan, look over

our shoulders for terrorists in our own country and keep tabs on all other suspect countries while trying not to tick anyone off.

My favorite topic lately has been the so-called "unfair" treatment of the detainees at Guantanamo Bay. Human rights groups are going absolutely ballistic over the mistreatment of Al-Qaida prisoners. They kill innocent people without remorse but we have to make sure they had a nice flight on the way over. Don't our own prisoners in the United States get death penalties for murder?

Fellow students, U.S. troops are out there for our well being and for everything the United States stands for, but people turn it into a political game of chess; a homicide mission as if our military is out there deliberately causing a ruckus. Please don't go so far as to judge our military until you're personally out there on the warfront.

Stacey Taft  
Biological Sciences

Dear Editor:

This letter is to Andrew Bequette, the sophomore who apparently does not understand why there is so darn much reading in college. You were kidding, right?

Education without academic texts is called cable, and as far as I know, the ability to recite the broadcast schedule of the Discovery Channel still won't get you into graduate school.

Yes, the amount of reading involved in a university education can be overwhelming. I have nightmares about being buried alive in a Peck Hall classroom under tons of multicolored, "supplementary reading" handouts. Similarly, I have poignant, yearning daydreams about reading something – even a magazine – for absolutely no reason at all.

But here's the deal. The printed page is where they keep all of the knowledge and if you want the knowledge, you are going to have to become intimate with the printed page, including the boring stuff. The only other choice is to trust that some professor is absolutely accurate when he or she tells you what Shakespeare really meant or what Kant was actually saying and, frankly, that proposition just seems way too

risky to me.

Put more succinctly, an old-fashioned, liberal arts education is reading and suggesting that there should be less reading in college is about as absurd as suggesting that there should be less dancing at the ballet.

You knew there would be books here when you signed up, kiddo. So stop complaining and get busy. It's two weeks until finals and you still have 500 pages to go before bedtime.

Rebecca Jeyes  
Junior

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11:00 a.m. Student Organization Booths open  
11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Rock Climbing Wall (equipment and instruction provided)  
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Inflatable Games  
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Sepantha (Persian Jazz)  
3:00 p.m. Student Organization Booths open

#### Wednesday, April 17

11:00 a.m. Student Organization Booths open  
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Inflatable Games  
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Survivor Challenge 2002  
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Custard Pie (Rock)  
3:00 p.m. Student Organization Booths open

#### Thursday, April 18

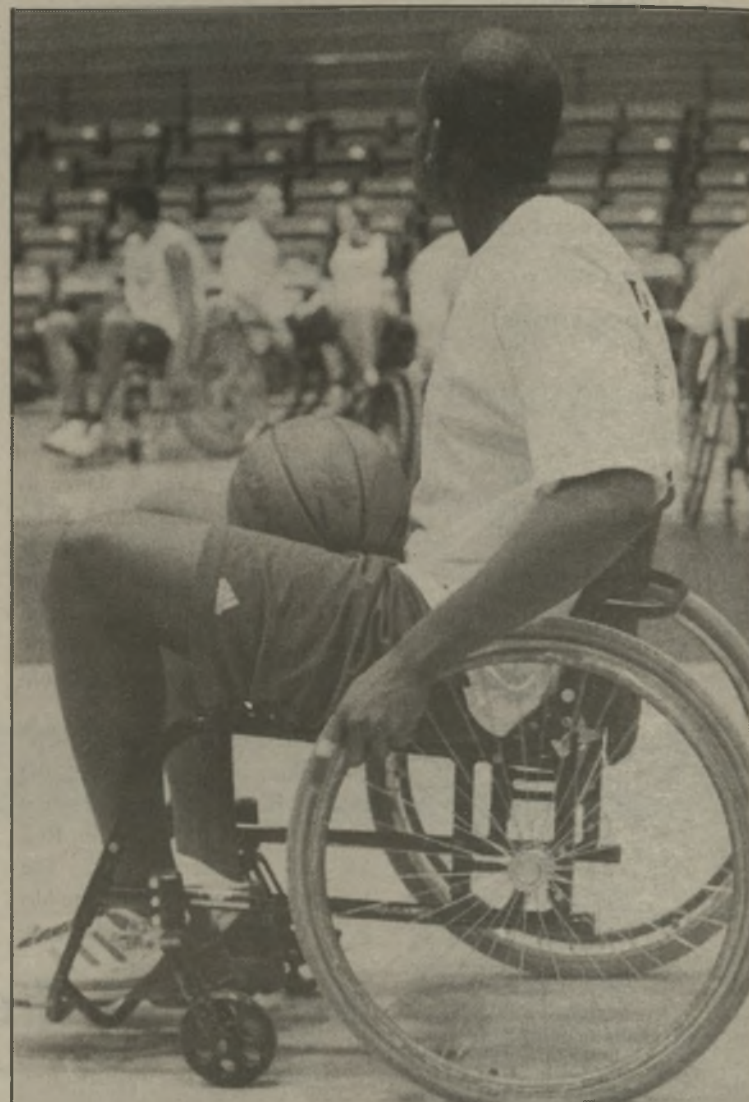
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Battle of the Bands  
11:00 a.m. Student Organization Booths open  
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11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Inflatable Games  
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Giant Banana Split  
3:00 p.m. Student Organization Booths open  
3:00 p.m. Booth winners to be announced

#### Friday, April 19

5:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Laser Tag

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HEATHER CAIRNS/ALESTLE

**The St. Louis Rolling Rams take on the SIUE Cougars basketball team Friday evening in the Vadalabene Center. The Rolling Rams beat the Cougars. The activity was part of Disabilities Awareness Week.**

## GOV

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The resolutions were originally proposed and tabled in March.

The resolutions asked administrators to look at other options instead of increasing the textbook fee and hiking meal plan prices.

In new business, travel requests of \$425 were approved by the senators for Alpha Kappa Lambda to attend the AKL National Conference Aug. 1-4 in Irving, Texas, and the American Society of Civil Engineers to attend the ASCE 150th National Conference June 21-24 in Madison, Wis.

The senators also reviewed the annual allocation appeals from the finance board.

The Student Art Therapy Association received \$500, the Turkish American Students and Friends Association was granted \$200 and the Society of

Professional Journalists was approved for \$425.

The annual allocation appeals were passed by a vote of 10-1.

The annual allocation request from Chi Epsilon was tabled. If Chi Epsilon members do not attend the senate's final meeting April 26, they will not receive an annual allocation.

Senator and Student Trustee Elect Melissa Glauber invited senators and students to attend the upcoming parking and traffic committee meeting.

According to Glauber, there will be a special parking and traffic committee meeting at 9:30 a.m. Friday, May 10, in the International Room.

Student government's final meeting will be at 2 p.m. Friday, April 26, in the Morris University Center.



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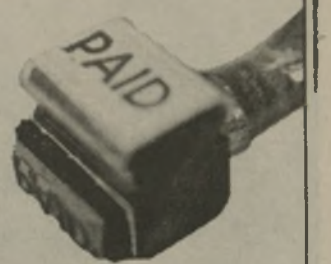
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"Star Wars: Episode II - Attack of the Clones" is the second episode of the prequel trilogy and fifth installment of writer and director George Lucas' "Star Wars." The film is set to hit theaters May 16.

Ewan McGregor and Natalie Portman reprise their roles as Obi-Wan Kenobi and Padme Amidala, respectively. Hayden Christensen portrays the young Anakin Skywalker. Ian McDiarmid reprises his dual role of now Chancellor Palpatine and Darth Sidious. Christopher Lee and Jimmy Smits join the cast, the former plays Count Dooku while the latter plays Senator Bail Organa.

And, of course, Samuel L. Jackson returns to play Jedi Master Mace Windu who, according to Jackson in a recent interview on [www.starwars.com](http://www.starwars.com), wields the only purple light saber in the Star Wars Universe.

As is the case of "Star Wars" movies, the plot has been kept under lock and key. But after compiling information from *Star Wars Insider*, [www.starwars.com](http://www.starwars.com), [www.theforce.net](http://www.theforce.net), [www.prequel-spoiler.com](http://www.prequel-spoiler.com) and [www.episode-x.com](http://www.episode-x.com), several key plot points were uncovered.

"Attack of the Clones" takes place about 10 years after "The Phantom Menace." Anakin Skywalker is now 19 years old and is the apprentice of Obi-Wan Kenobi. Padme Amidala is now the senator and representative of her home planet Naboo.

The three meet for the first time since "The Phantom Menace" and Anakin is quite taken with Padme. Thus begins the love story in Episode II.

Anakin and Obi-Wan part ways as Obi-Wan leaves for a planet called Kamino and Padme, Anakin and R2-D2 head back to the planet Naboo.

## Say What?

HEATHER CAIRNS  
PHOTO STRINGER

Who is your favorite "Star Wars" character and why?



"Greedo - bonsai bathtoy bachchoy waterboy lights shine bright in the old town tonight. He is a cowboy."

"Edward"  
Philosophy



"Mace Windu. He has differing moods throughout the movie."

Ahmad Mohsen  
Computer  
Science





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MENT & COMICS

# STAR WARS

## 'Attack of the Clones'

On Naboo, the love story between Anakin and Padme begins to take shape. This mirrors the events of "The Empire Strikes Back." In "The Empire Strikes Back," Luke Skywalker heads off on an adventure while Princess Leia and Han Solo have one of their own and their love story develops. Lucas does these things intentionally, so his "Star Wars" films are very cyclical in nature.

On Kamino, Obi-Wan encounters Jango Fett and his son Boba Fett. After a battle with Jango, Obi-Wan follows him through space to the planet Geonosis.

Anakin, Padme and R2-D2 leave Naboo and head back to Tatooine. It is here that Anakin meets Owen and Beru Lars who will eventually become the caretakers of Anakin and Padme's future son Luke.

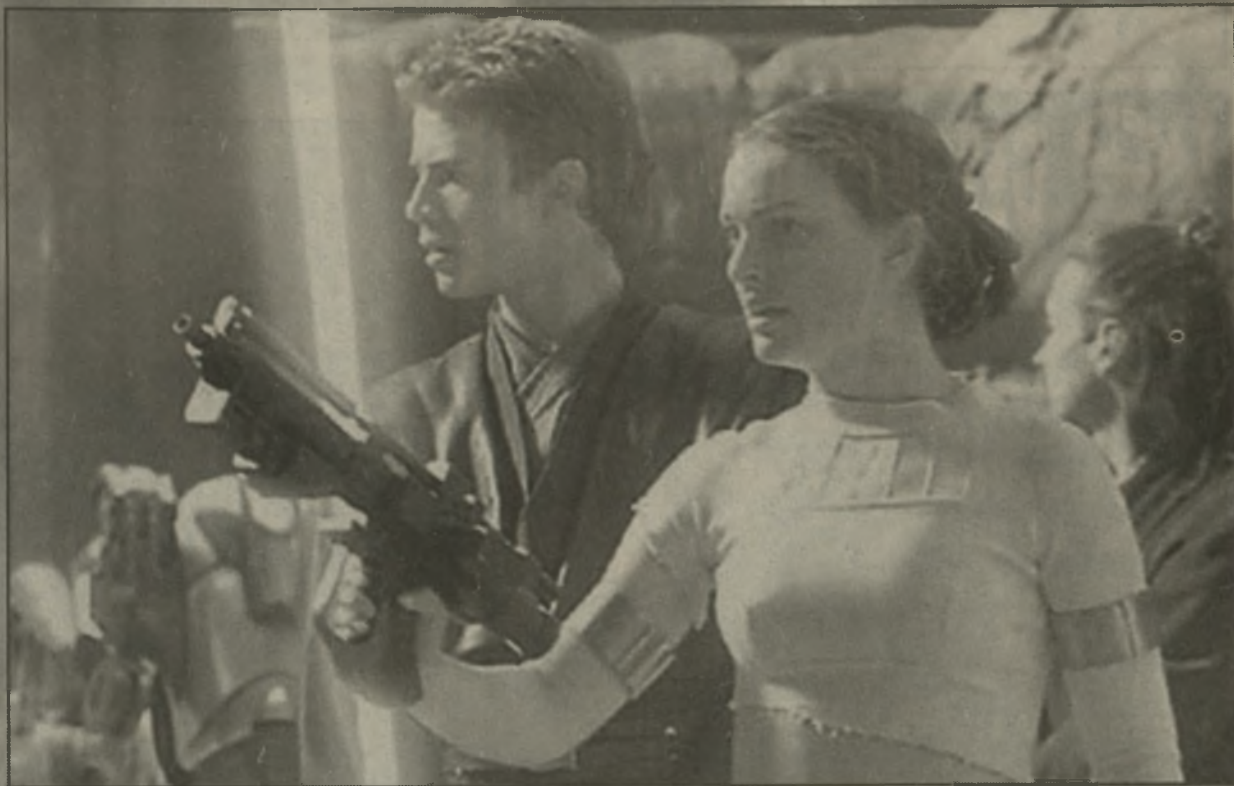
After receiving a communication from Obi-Wan, the group, now accompanied by C-3PO, heads to help Obi-Wan who has apparently got himself into a bit of trouble. More Jedi arrive to aid Obi-Wan, Anakin, Padme and the droids. This is apparently when the Clone War, talked about in "A New Hope," begins and will be concluded in Episode III.

One of the more interesting aspects of Episode II is its title. "Attack of the Clones" insinuates that this clone army is what the Jedi fight in the film. But after seeing the movie's trailers countless times, it seems that this may not be the case.

Count Dooku leads a separatist movement against the Galactic Republic. The separatists are causing the Jedi to be spread out pretty thin across the galaxy and the Jedi need help to preserve the peace. A Republic Army is talked about in the trailers and it could be that this Republic Army is in fact an army of clones.

But theories, rumors and Jar Jar Binks aside – thankfully the rumor that N'Sync was in "Attack of the Clones" was just a rumor – Episode II promises to have more drama, action and adventure than maybe any other "Star Wars" movie to date.

Now, fans just have to hope James Earl Jones is still around to do the voice of Darth Vader in Episode III.



"The Ewoks. They're cute and fuzzy."

Chad Nelson  
Ceramics



"Han Solo, because I think Harrison Ford is a good actor."

John Wright  
Spanish



"Darth Maul. How can you beat the two-sided light saber?"

Lee Michael  
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"R2-D2. He can make his head spin."

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## New sculptures on display

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

New art sculptures are on display throughout campus and more are scheduled to appear in the near future.

A big wooden circle, an untitled piece by Scott Stahlhut, is located between the Morris University Center and the Engineering Building. Another piece by Michael Trefzger is located in the Ellipse, a

piece by Crystal Kwentus is located near parking lot A by the library and another piece by Amy Harmon is located near the Peck Building Reflecting Pond next to Founders Hall.

Other pieces can be seen during the Sculpture Walk. The group will walk from sculpture to sculpture to see the rest of the pieces installed.

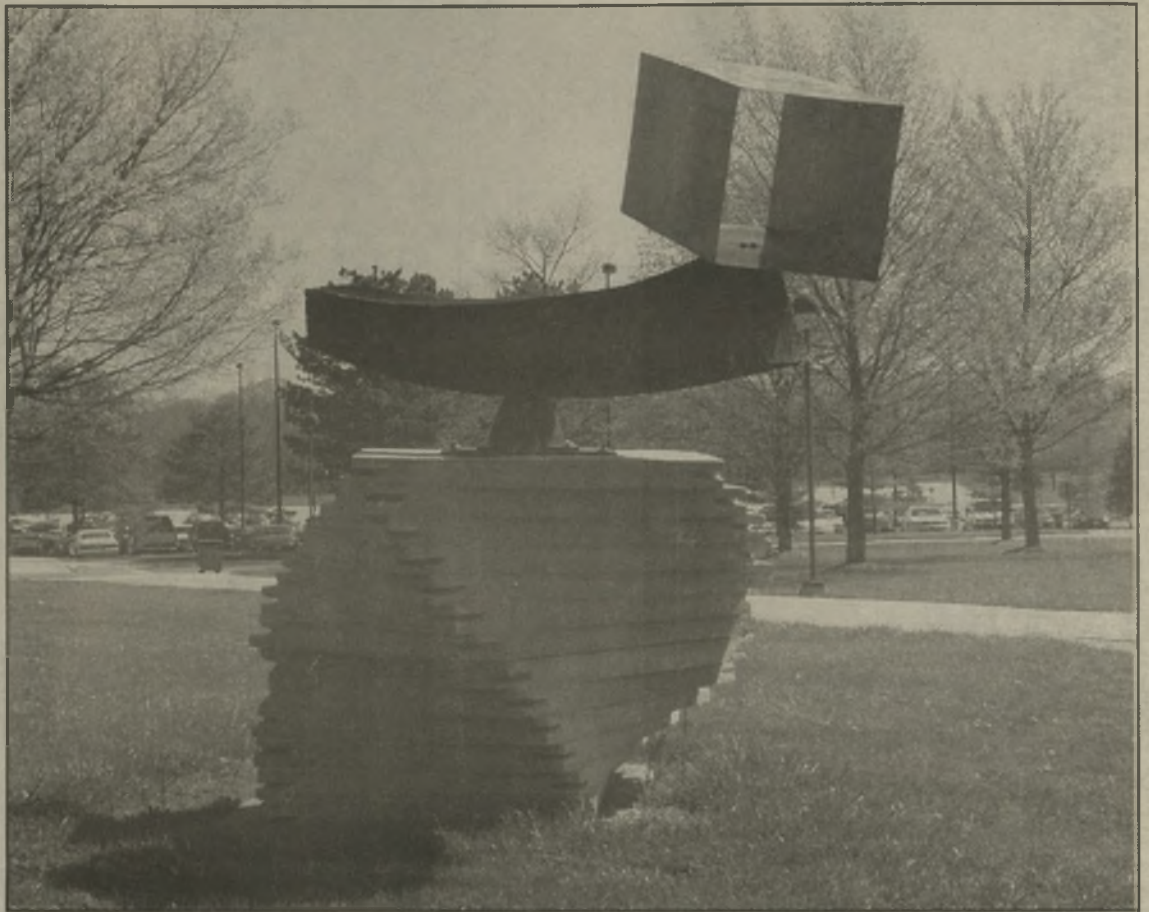
The walk will start at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Art and Design Building.

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# JOHN HOCK

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**Thursday, April 18th @ 9:30-4:30pm**

Artist will be meeting with students and discussing the SIUE Art on Campus Program. Individual studio visits will be available as well as ongoing demonstrations of large-scale sculptural techniques and problem-solving.

**Friday, April 19th @ 10:00-11:30am**

(TBA in Art and Design Building) All are invited to a lecture by Mr. Hock outlining his work, a culmination of 20 years of experience as a professionally active visual artist. Question and answer session will follow.

**@ 12:00-1:00pm**

All are invited to a pizza lunch hosted by S.A.W. in the Sculpture area to meet the artist.

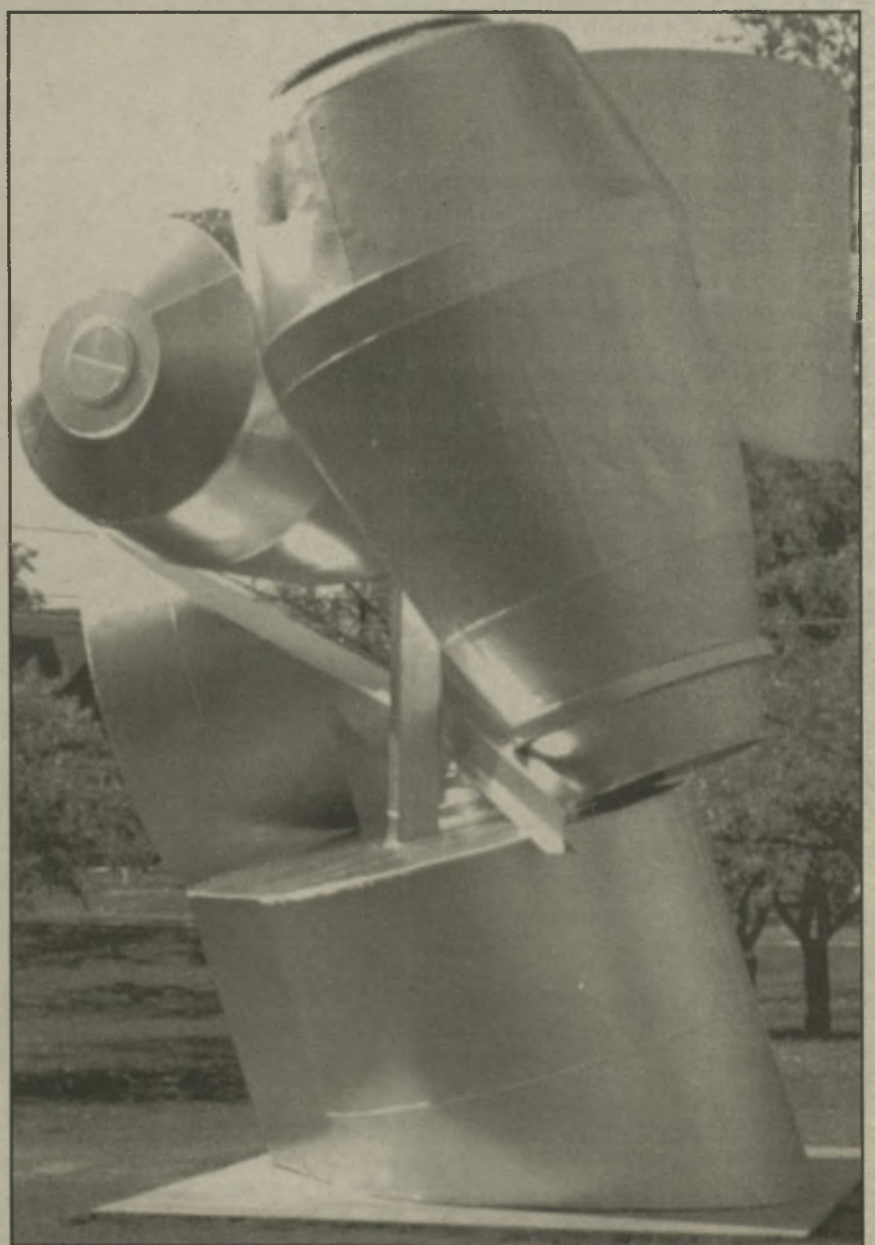
**@ 2:00-3:30pm**

(TBA in Art and Design Building) All are invited to a lecture by Mr. Hock regarding Public Art. Issues addressed will include safety, technical concerns, transportation, and large-scale arrangement. John will draw from his many years of experience as an arts administrator and curator.

**Saturday, April 20th beginning at 9:00am**

Mr. Hock will attend and oversee the annual Spring Iron Pour in the Sculpture area. All are invited to meet and talk with the artist, and to view the Iron Pour activities.

*This visit was made possible by generous contributions from:*  
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## Today in sports history

On this day in 1978, Cardinal pitcher Bob Forsch threw a no-hitter in a 5-0 win over the Philadelphia Phillies.

Track plays host to first home meet of the season and has runners qualify for national meet. see page 10



◆ Tuesday, April 16, 2002

A l e s t l e

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# SIUE softball takes advantage of home field

*Lady Cougars reach 40-win plateau easily in last six games of the season at Cougar Field*

AMY GRANT  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The softball team wrapped up its home games in record fashion Saturday and Sunday.

With six wins in doubleheaders against Central Missouri State University, of Warrensburg, St. Joseph's College, of Rensselaer, Ind., and the University of Missouri-Rolla, SIUE improved its record to 40-7 and reached the 40-win plateau faster than any other team in the school's history.

The Lady Cougars are also on the brink of breaking the school record for wins in a season which is set at 41.

Last season's team finished the year with a record of 41-17 and was within one game of advancing to the Elite Eight of the national tournament.

The weekend started out with a pitching duel against CMSU that resulted in a 1-0 shutout victory for the Lady Cougars.

The Lady Cougars recorded

the only run they would need to win the first game of their doubleheader against CMSU Friday in the first inning.

With senior second baseman Valerie McCoy on second base, freshman catcher Cassie Witherell singled and then advanced to second base on the throw to force in McCoy for the run.

Junior pitcher RyAnn Spann won the duel against sophomore pitcher Laura Ruebhausen, giving up only three hits and one walk in seven innings.

SIUE's offense broke out in the second game with two three-run innings in a 6-2 win.

CMSU held a two-run lead for half of the second game until the Lady Cougars recorded three runs in the fourth inning.

Freshman pitcher Erin Wood gave up three consecutive singles to SIUE batters to load the bases at the start of the fourth.

A fourth single by freshman shortstop Veronica Schmidt drove in junior outfielder Koree Claxton to put SIUE on the



BETH KRUZAN/ALESTLE

**Freshman outfielder Amanda Farmer has nine hits and has scored 12 times for the Lady Cougars.**

board.

Witherell and sophomore first baseman Melissa Lindgren added two more runs to close out the inning and the team recorded

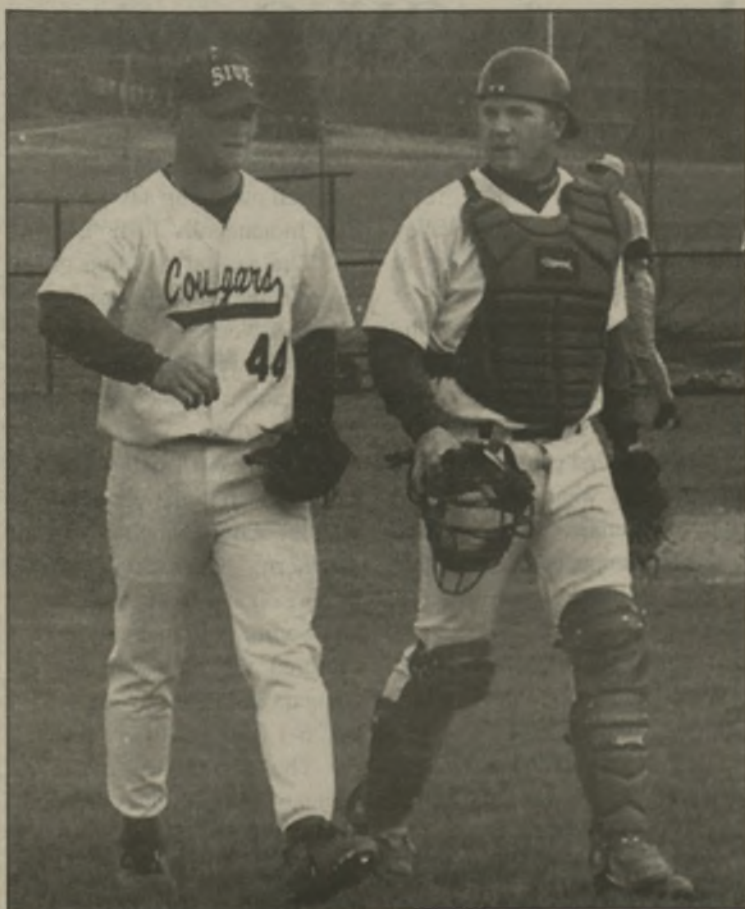
three more in the sixth to clinch the 6-2 win.

Sophomore pitcher Missy Koenig led SIUE with a hit, three RBIs, two assists and a double.

SIUE treaded into unfamiliar territory Saturday, trailing St. Joseph's for part of the first game but eventually winning 3-2.

see **SOFTBALL**, page 11

# Cougar baseball able to stay one game above .500



BETH KRUZAN/ALESTLE

**Junior pitcher Jarrod Peters (left) and junior catcher Justin Baecht**

KELI KEENER  
SPORTS STRINGER

The baseball team went 2-2 last week in two Great Lakes Valley Conference meetings away from home.

SIUE first traveled to Owensboro to meet up with Kentucky Wesleyan College Wednesday for a doubleheader.

The Cougars took wins in both games held at KWC's Panther Park.

In game one, SIUE came out on top 5-4. Senior left fielder Josh Cate led the Cougars on offense with two RBIs on two hits.

From the defensive end, freshman pitcher Jarad Rettberg got things started on the mound for SIUE.

Rettberg faced 12 batters, striking out one and allowing four hits and four runs in his 1.1 innings pitched.

Junior Jarrod Peters came in and pitched 4.2 innings. Peters

struck out two batters and allowed only three hits.

Senior Eric Meyer took the win for the Cougars, throwing three innings.

Meyer struck out five to move his record to 5-1 on the season.

Sophomore third baseman Adam Hancock led KWC with two RBIs.

Senior pitcher Aaron Biddle took the loss for the Panthers and is now 1-2 on the season.

SIUE was able to take another win in the second game 6-5. Junior first baseman Jason Kessler led the Cougars with two RBIs and two hits.

Freshman pitcher Ryan Spurgeon has been continuing to show good stuff on the mound for the Cougars.

Spurgeon picked up the win to move his overall record to 4-1.

Freshman Justin Wendling took the loss for the Panthers in his first outing.

He is 0-1 on the season.

KWC moved to 10th place in the GLVC standings with a record of 7-12, 17-15 overall.

SIUE took to the road again later in the week, this time traveling to Louisville, Ky., to Bellarmine University.

The Knights took both games of Saturday's doubleheader from the Cougars.

In game one, Bellarmine took the 4-1 decision.

The Knights were led by freshman pitcher Chad Cahoe.

Cahoe threw six innings while allowing only one run and scattering seven hits.

Sophomore Ryan Dodson came in the game in the seventh inning and picked up his first save on the season.


Sophomore Wes Pickering, who has been dividing his time between third base and the outfield, led the Cougars with three hits in the game.

Pickering's hits didn't bring in any runs, though.

see **BASEBALL**, page 11



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## SIUE track fares well at first meet at home

CHENOA GLENN  
 SPORTS STRINGER

The Cougar Classic kicked off SIUE's first home track meet of the season Saturday at Ralph Korte Stadium.

On the men's side, the Cougars had a couple of runners whose times were good enough to qualify for the national meet.

Senior Daniel Walden will travel to the national meet for the second time in two years by qualifying in the 800-meter run and placing second with a time of 1 minute, 51.56 seconds.

Indoor national qualifier sophomore Richard Skirball made his time for the outdoor season as well, finishing fourth in the race in 1 minute, 52.54 seconds.

Sophomore David Droege won the men's 3,000-meter steeplechase and came within seconds of also qualifying for the national meet.

His time of 9 minutes, 29.31 seconds is five seconds shy of reaching the provisional national qualifying mark.

Fellow sophomore and indoor national qualifier Kevin Koller won the 400-meter run in 48.66 seconds, bringing him closer to the time he needs to qualify in the outdoor season as well.

Freshman Jeff Fearday followed Koller in that race to finish third overall in 48.8 seconds.

The field participants had a strong showing as well, placing in three events.

Two Cougars fared well in

the javelin throw.

Senior George Murphy won that event with a 177-foot, 2-inch throw, with SIUE sophomore Taylor Reich following up in third with a 150-foot, 6-inch throw.

Sophomore Lee Weedon placed third in the shot put at 48 feet, 8.75 inches and junior Marvell Seals finished in third place in the triple jump at 48 feet, 3.5 inches.

The women had as much success as the men in the Cougar Classic.

The top finisher was junior Amanda Bozue, who won the 3,000-meter run in 10 minutes, 38.61 seconds.

Sophomore Maria Ewersmann finished close behind Bozue to place second at 10 minutes, 58.25 seconds.

Senior Tamekia Howard, who had already qualified in the 400-meter run, improved her place in the national ranking.

Howard dropped both her personal record and the 21-year-old school record to 55.92 seconds, earning second overall at the meet.

Junior Desiree Barcomb earned second place in the long jump at 17 feet, 7.5 inches and third in the 200-meter dash in 26.17 seconds.

Senior Kathleen Wilson took third place in the javelin at 110 feet, 1 inch.

The next meet for the team will be the Great Lakes Valley Conference Championships at St. Joseph's College in Rensselaer, Ind.

## Men's tennis takes two losses in GLVC action

KUMAR BHOOSHAN  
 SPORTS EDITOR

The Cougar tennis team suffered two Great Lakes Valley Conference losses Saturday at home.

SIUE was downed by the University of Indianapolis and the University of Northern Kentucky, of Highland Heights.

In their first game of the day, the Cougars went head to head with the Pumas of Indianapolis.

The Cougars were only able to pick up three points in a 6-3 loss.

The team of senior Heath Turpin and sophomore Chris Rigdon picked up the only Cougar victory in doubles action, defeating Ryan Van Don Selaer and Brandon Cook, 8-5.

Rigdon was one of only two Cougars to pick up wins in singles action, serving his way to

a 6-3, 7-5 victory over the Pumas' Scooter Demare.

SIUE freshman Mike Schmidt picked up a 6-4, 6-1 win over Indianapolis' Justin Brown.

The second matchup of the day put the Cougars against the Norse of Northern Kentucky.

SIUE was only able to claim two victories in a 2-7 loss to the Norse.

Turpin and Rigdon took the lone win for the Cougars in doubles action, winning 9-8 over Northern Kentucky's Chris Robertson and Jon Peters.

Senior Francisco Perez captured the only win for the Cougars in singles action with a 6-2, 6-1 win over Robertson.

The two losses move the Cougars to 3-5 in the GLVC and 4-8 overall.

SIUE is gearing up for the conference tournament Friday and Saturday in Indianapolis.

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## SOFTBALL

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Senior third baseman Erin Newman homered in the first inning against St. Joseph's with sophomore outfielder Jenny Esker on base to put the Lady Cougars up 2-0 in the game.

Witherell singled in Newman in the third inning to take a 3-0 lead before the Lady Cougars gave up two runs in the fourth.

Spann improved her record to 20-3, allowing three hits, two unearned runs and striking out five batters.

The second game was another tight defensive contest with SIUE needing only two runs to win the game and sweep the series.

Leading 1-0, Esker doubled in the fourth inning to drive in Koenig from second base and double up the Lady Cougars' lead before going on to win 2-1.

A four-run fifth inning capped an 8-2 win over UM-

Rolla for the Lady Cougars on Senior Day Sunday.

Esker recorded her first career leadoff home run against UM-Rolla to give SIUE the edge 1-0 in the first inning.

The Lady Miners tied the game in the third and took a 2-1 lead in the fourth, but the Lady Cougars' bats exploded for seven runs in the fifth and sixth innings.

SIUE spread out its offense in the team's final home game of the season, but the result was the same as the Lady Cougars won 5-2 and recorded their 40th win in 47 games.

Newman hit her 42nd home run of her career in what proved to be the go-ahead run.

Newman's 42nd home run put her 22 homers ahead of the previous school record.

SIUE will take on Lincoln University, of Jefferson City, Mo., at 2 p.m. Wednesday on the road.

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## BASEBALL

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Junior third baseman Jeff Schwierjohn and freshman center fielder Jared Brueggeman each picked up one hit.

Brueggeman picked up the Cougars' lone RBI.

Spurgeon took the loss for SIUE on the mound. He allowed seven hits and four runs in his six innings pitched.

Bellarmino took game two 10-6. The Cougars led at two points in the game, once at 2-0 and later 6-2. The Knights rallied back, recording five runs in the fourth inning to take the lead 7-6 and keep it.

In the sixth and seventh innings, Bellarmine added three insurance runs to take the win. Pickering again led the Cougars with three hits, two runs and three RBIs.

Senior shortstop Chad Opel picked up one RBI and one run on two hits.

Junior first baseman Josh Hanewinkel picked up one RBI on one hit and senior catcher Todd Haug had one RBI and one run with two hits.

Junior pitcher Mike Bowen took the loss for SIUE. Bowen threw 3.2 innings and allowed four hits and seven runs in his 21 batters faced.

Sophomore

Jason

Bibelhauser took the victory in a complete-game showing to even out his record on the mound 4-4 for Bellarmine.

Sunday's single game against the Knights was canceled due to rain.

Bellarmino is in the eighth spot in the GLVC with a record of 8-11, 15-18 overall.

SIUE is still fifth in the conference.

The Cougars are 8-7 in the GLVC and 20-17 overall.

This week the Cougars will play three games against the University of Missouri-St. Louis. SIUE will travel to UMSL Tuesday and Thursday.

UMSL will come to SIUE Wednesday.

All games are scheduled to begin at 3 p.m.

The Rivermen are seventh in the GLVC with a record of 6-8, 17-15 overall.

The Cougars will play host to the University of Wisconsin-Parkside, of Kenosha, this weekend at Roy E. Lee Field. Noon doubleheaders will be played Saturday and Sunday.

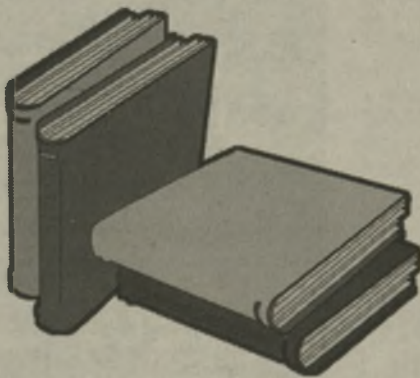
The Rangers are at the bottom of the conference standings at the 11th spot.

They are 5-9 in the GLVC and 8-17 overall.

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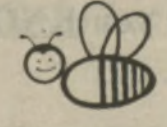
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