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SIUE wrestling has hope for continuing program next year

BRIAN WALLHEIMER
NEWS REPORTER

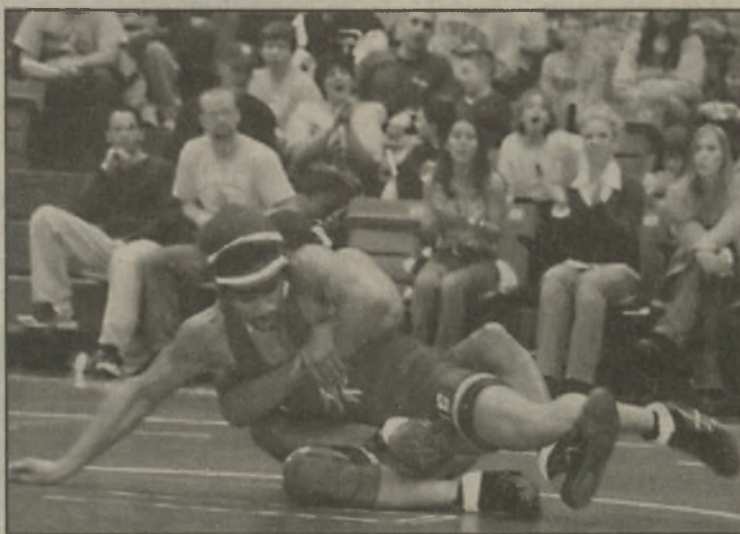
University officials and members of a group trying to save the wrestling team will meet within the week to discuss funding the team in the future, casting the first real hope of the program continuing after this season.

Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Narbeth Emmanuel said the university might be willing to take \$100,000 from the group to fund the team for next year "If we can come to some understanding on how we might develop a plan to generate the needed resources to sustain the program on a permanent basis.

"We need to create a healthy partnership to create a win-win for both of us," Emmanuel said.

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Mark Mestemacher, head coach of the Edwardsville Wrestling Club, and John Simmons, an area attorney, said they have that money in the bank and are ready to give it to the athletic department to keep the



AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE

Sophomore wrestler Alex Carter may get a chance to wrestle for SIUE next year if SIUE and a group trying to save the team can reach a deal on how the team will be funded.

team alive.

Mestemacher said there will be a meeting between members of his group and the university Thursday.

The earlier the meeting the better for coach Booker Benford. This weekend is the high school state tournament, which is also the biggest recruitment of the year.

"Basically the recruiting class is sitting there in one building," Benford said. "If we have a team, we can actually recruit and not look like we have the plague when we go in there."

Athletic Director Brad

Hewitt said he expects the meeting to include himself, a member of the SIUE Foundation and legal counsel on the university's side.

"This will have to be a formal agreement," Hewitt said. "This can't be done over a handshake."

Simmons said he thinks the meeting will be "a brainstorming session." He said he hopes the university doesn't throw all the weight of funding the program on his group. He said he wants to find a way to raise the funds in conjunction with the university to keep the wrestlers on the mats.

Unplowed parking stirs up questions Lack of workers and time leaves lots full of snow

BRIAN WALLHEIMER
NEWS REPORTER

Red student parking lots were not plowed after the weekend snowstorm because facilities management workers were understaffed during snow-removal efforts.

"There's no excuse for them not doing something."

Facilities Management Director Bob Washburn said there are usually 19 snow removal workers, but there were

only 12 to remove the snow that fell late into Sunday night. Four workers are on disability, and others who are seasonally laid off during the winter could not be reached to help with the plowing.

Washburn said the priority list for removing snow starts with roads connecting to the campus and inner roads. From there, workers focus on walkways, building entrances and finally parking lots. Workers finished everything Monday morning except the student lots.

"They got the inner lots and the blue (staff and faculty) lots, and they didn't get to the reds,"

Washburn said.

Crews worked on parking lots until about 7:30 a.m. Monday, Washburn said. They stopped when vehicles started filling the lots to avoid blocking in cars or damaging them.

Crews did not come back to the lots because Washburn said plowing would probably only remove the top layer of snow and leave a sheet of ice.

"After that, the decision was made that plowing would not be effective, and they were salted," Washburn said.

Many on the plow crews also worked long shifts, and Washburn said they needed to get

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Kids tourney to help fund SIUE wrestling program

BRIAN WALLHEIMER
NEWS REPORTER

A wrestling tournament for freshman and sophomore high school students is being moved to SIUE in an effort to raise money to save SIUE's wrestling program.

The Illinois Kids Wrestling Federation moved its tournament from Danville to SIUE after hearing about the university's plan to cut SIUE wrestling. Mark Mestemacher, head coach of the Edwardsville Wrestling Club and the IKWF south sectional director, said he proposed the plan to the organization and asked that money generated from the tournament be donated to the wrestling program.

"They were all in favor of that," Mestemacher said. "Rather than keep it in their organization, they're going to donate it to the wrestling program."

Mestemacher said the

tournament should bring in between \$5,000 and \$10,000.

Mestemacher has worked with several area wrestling coaches, legislators and supporters of amateur wrestling to keep SIUE's team alive. The university announced last year that budget problems would force it to cut the wrestling program after this season.

A group informally headed by Mestemacher has put together \$100,000 to fund the team for next year, but university officials do not want to work on a year-to-year basis. Instead, they want about \$2 million by the middle of March that can be put into an endowment fund that can generate interest and perpetually fund the team.

Mestemacher said he didn't think that would be possible in that amount of time. But this week Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Narbeth

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Emmanuel and Chancellor David Werner have said they are looking for a \$2 million endowment that could generate interest and perpetually fund the team. Simmons and Mestemacher said they don't know if they can raise that kind of money but are willing to work with the university to find a workable plan.

Emmanuel said there is no assurance there will be a wrestling program next year, but said the university has always been willing to work to save the team.

"That's always been our position," Emmanuel said. "We have been open; we have been honest; we have been candid."

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Get involved, raise your voice

NICOLE GAUDREAU
MANAGING EDITOR

Across the country, more than 100,000 college and university students, including some at SIUE, are taking part in the Raise Your Voice campaign.

With the help of faculty and community partners, the campaign is offering events on more than 250 college and university campuses this week as part of Raise Your Voice Week.

Leah Orwig, student coordinator for the campaign at SIUE, said a lot of students have contributed and gotten involved.

"The whole campaign is about getting involved in your community and becoming an active community member," she



NICOLE GAUDREAU/ALESTLE

Leah Orwig collects a Civic Engagement tabletop questionnaire Wednesday from a student in Center Court.

said. "I think it's gone really well so far. I'm really impressed."

Orwig said now is the time to get involved and students should

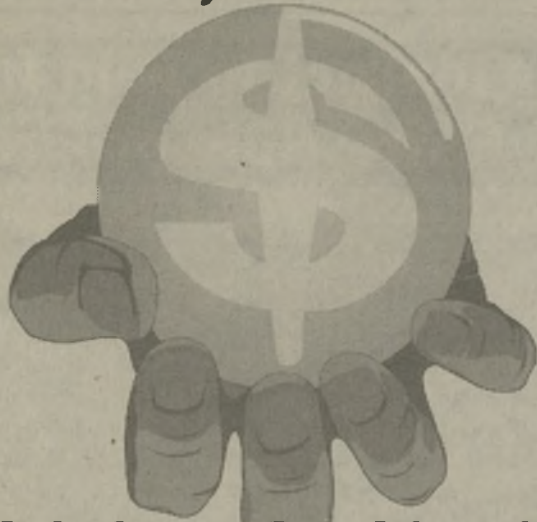
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MODULES

Leadership Modules Held on Tuesday

Modules

2/25/03

Module 16, 2:00 p.m.
Developing Self-Esteem
Judy Houston, Physical Education
E. Alton Middle School
Board Room, MUC

2/25/03

Module 6, 6:30 p.m.
Assess Your Service & Leadership Style
Rick Skinner, Director Volunteer Center
United Way of Greater St. Louis
Board Room, MUC

3/4/03

Module 17, 2:00 p.m.
Leading Your Peers
Melanie Adams, Director
Metropolis St. Louis
Board Room, MUC

3/4/03

Module 7, 6:30 p.m.
Conflict Resolution: Negotiating Differences
Mary Kane, V.P. of Public Finance
Stifel, Nicolas & Co., Inc.
Board Room, MUC

SLDP Reminders....

Volunteer Projects

February 22 – Share Food, Granite City, IL
March 1 – St. Vincent dePaul Store, E. St. Louis, IL
March 1 – Movie Night, Fairmont City, IL
March 8 – Dress for Success, Belleville, IL
March 9-13 – Spring Break Trip, Cherokee Nation, OK
March 22 – Dress for Success, Belleville, IL
March 29 – Share Food, Granite City, IL
March 29 – Open Gym, Fairmont City, IL

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

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some rest, which further reduced the work force.

Many students were not happy that their parking lots had not been plowed by Tuesday morning.

Sophomore Chaz Hardesty was stuck in Lot 4 for about 15 minutes as the tires on his Pontiac Firebird spun in the snow.

"As soon as I slowed down

for a spot, the tires started spinning," he said.

Another student helped push Hardesty's car until he was able to back into a spot.

"They've been like this for a couple days now," Hardesty said. "There's no excuse for them not doing something."

Senior Heidi Madura said

she thinks money she paid for a parking hangtag should cover making sure the lots are clear.

"I paid \$60 for parking, so they should at least do that for us," she said.

Junior Geoff Talbert agreed.

"Where's all that money going? Why aren't they cleaning the lots?" he asked.

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do what they can while they have the chance.

"We're at the age now that we can do more in our community and I think we need to get involved and take advantage of the opportunity," she said.

Campaign events, sponsored by the Student Leadership Development Program, began Feb. 6 and will continue through Saturday.

The next event is from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday when panelists will discuss civic engagement, such as volunteer

activities for students, in the Goshen Lounge in the Morris University Center.

For more information, or to learn how to get involved in the Raise Your Voice campaign, go to www.actionforchange.com or contact the SLDP at 650-2686.

The nationwide effort is coordinated by Campus Compact and funded by Pew Charitable Trusts.

Campus Compact is a national coalition of more than 860 college and university presidents committed to the civic

purpose of higher education. The coalition supports its civic mission by promoting community service that develops the skills and values of students.

Raise Your Voice is a student-led campaign and its main purpose is to get students involved.

"The program is about bringing students' voices to the forefront and making a difference in their community," Erin Elder, coordinator for student civic engagement for Illinois Campus Compact, said.

Police Incidents

Traffic

1/30/03

Police issued a citation to Matthew A. Marison for failure to stop at a stop sign on University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Alisha M. Borcharding for operating an uninsured motor vehicle on North Circle Drive.

1/31/03

Police issued a citation to Floyd S. Frey for failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk.

Police issued a citation to Andrea M. Klug on North University Drive for having no valid insurance.

Police issued a citation to Ryan C. Turner for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Thomas E. Harrell for leaving a motor vehicle unattended in Lot 5A.

2/01/03

Police issued a citation to Lamanda M. Knight for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Danielle N. LaPointe for parking where prohibited in Bluff Hall Circle.

Police issued a citation to Jamie L. McGill for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and speeding on Circle Drive.

2/2/03

Police issued a citation to Joshua M. Mullikin for speeding on University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Nicole V. Hejlik for operating an uninsured motor vehicle in Woodland Hall parking lot.

Police issued a citation to Christopher R. Turnbaugh for failure to stop at a stop sign on University Park Drive.

Police issued a citation to Lakeesha D. Nailing for speeding on North University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Kristin L. Cardwell for failure to stop at a stop sign on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Billy L. Stegall for failure to stop at a stop sign on South University Drive.

2/3/03

Police issued a citation to Darrell W. Kyle for failure to stop at a stop sign on Bluff Road.

Police issued a citation to Leo C. Pride for failure to stop at a stop sign in Lot C.

2/4/03

Police issued a citation to Robert M. Stephenson on University Drive for operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

2/5/03

Police arrested Phyllis D. Johnson for driving under the influence of drugs and issued a citation for improper lane usage.

Police issued a citation to James M. Qualls for having no valid registration on Circle Drive.

Police issued a citation to Marion D. Hanson for speeding on Bluff Road.

Police issued a citation to Aaron H. Crocker for speeding on Bluff Road.

Police issued citations to Cheryl M. Gardner for failure to stop at a stop sign and operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

Police issued a citation to Melanie R. Voyles for speeding on Bluff Road.

Police issued a citation to Robert E. Burns for speeding on South University Drive.

Police issued a citation to Stephanie M. Garvey for operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

Liquor

1/31/03

Police arrested David F. Thoele for illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor.

Other Offenses

2/3/03

SIUE Police picked up Shanika S. Flanagan from the Alton Police Department on an SIUE warrant for failure to appear and driving with a suspended license.

Theft

2/3/03

Police arrested Jacob L. Blaylock for theft after police responded to Lot C regarding a stolen hangtag being found.

1/31/03

Police arrested David F. Thoele for illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor. He posted \$100 bond and was released.

WRESTLING

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The university announced this would be wrestling's last season after they found a \$110,000 budget deficit. Rather than cutting a little from each team and weakening the programs, the university decided to cut one team.

Many politicians got involved in the effort to save the wrestling team. Among them were U.S. Rep. John Shimkus, U.S. Rep. Jerry Costello, U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin and, according to Mestemacher, U.S. Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert.

Mestemacher said Hastert is a supporter of wrestling and made calls to university officials in support of efforts to save it.

Southern Illinois University Trustee Mark Repking said he received a call from Shimkus.

"He's a big advocate for wrestling, and he was just concerned that the group trying to save wrestling gets a reasonable opportunity to present the fact that they raised \$100,000," Repking said.

Repking said trustees met in executive session and discussed the team and said he is glad there will be an effort from the university to work with Mestemacher and Simmons.

"If there's enough support in the community, we can't stand in the way of that," he said.

Repking added that while he hopes a deal is reached, he is wary of something that won't work in the long run.

"The last thing we want to do is commit to a program for five years and have the funding dry up," he said.

Trustee Ed Hightower said he was also contacted by political leaders but would not confirm who they were. He said he supports whatever decision the university makes on the wrestling team especially in light of budgetary problems across the state.

"I applaud the administrators," Chancellor Werner and his administration staff in being flexible enough to take another look at the wrestling program," Hightower said.

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Emmanuel said the university is willing to work with the group and take the \$100,000 to keep the team operating next year as long as there is a plan worked up to fund the team long-term.

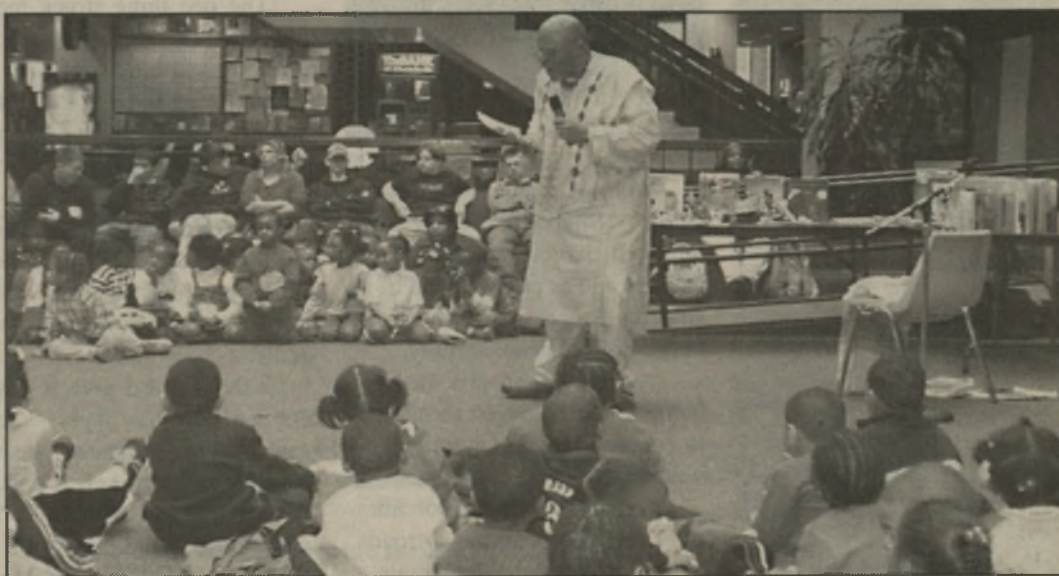
The IKWF Tournament will be March 8 in the Vadalabene Center. Weigh-ins will be completed by 8 a.m. and matches will start after that. Admission is \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

Black History Month activities teach all ages



BRIAN BACA/ALESTLE

Eugene B. Redmond, founder of the Eugene B. Redmond Writers Club, addresses members of the club at his Black History Program and Reading workshop, "Linkages: Black History & Black Literature."



TRAVIS ROSS/ALESTLE

Assistant Provost Rudy Wilson reads from 'Aesop's Fables' to the children of the St. Joseph's Head Start Program.

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A l e s t l e

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2003 ◆

From the Editor

No snow removal puts the "dis" in disability



Well, it's déjà vu all over again. Sunday's snowstorm wreaked havoc on the SIUE campus and as per usual, all of us students found ourselves on the bottom of the heap, literally.

Again, I had the task of being among the first to make it to campus Monday morning as I was working at the radio station.

Again, I found the condition of the on-campus roads, pathways and stairs deplorable.

When I get to work, before 5 a.m. mind you, it is dark. Monday, it was not only dark, but there was snow and ice everywhere. The parking lot behind Dunham Hall had not been plowed. Neither had the pathway leading to the building. And to top it off, the steps had not been cleared. I gingerly made my way from my car to the building.

Once inside, I spent most of my time again on the phone and telling callers classes were not canceled.

I figured since classes were not canceled, Facilities Management was as busy as a beaver making sure everyone would be able to drive, park and walk safely on campus. Nothing could have been further from the truth.

When I finished my shift at WSIE-FM at 8 a.m., the only thing that was better about being here than when I arrived was the sun had come up. At least now I would be able to see what I might fall into.

The one thing struck me as odd. There were two men operating snow blowers near the section for disabled in Lot E who instead of clearing that section, appeared to be piling the snow upon and around it.

I developed the notion long ago that the people who park in Lot E are grunts. After all, many are art, engineering and music students.

I thought I'd give it a shot and see how the upper echelon was faring, because heaven knows if there is a clear parking lot on the planet, it's Lot C. You know, the one in front of Rendleman Hall and the Morris University Center.

The metered spaces of Lot C were clear. I was not surprised. I was surprised, however, to find the spaces reserved for handicapped people were not cleared. All the spaces were occupied and it was obvious those who parked there were the only people to put tracks in the snow.

I checked the other lots with parking for handicapped. Lot B, behind the MUC, had a sheet of ice under all the cars parked in reserved spaces and the cleaner spaces were those opposite the ones for handicapped.

The same was true for Lot A behind Peck, Founders and Alumni halls.

Pardon me, but there seems
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A view from over the hill

Ponder the origin of life's essential oils



As I pass through life, I have amassed a few thoughts about things that did not make sense to me and questions to which I have never found adequate answers.

Maybe, together we can find

reasons for these events or the answers to my questions.

How about an answer to this one:

If coconut oil comes from crushed coconuts, peanut oil comes from crushed peanuts, and olive oil comes from crushed olives, where does baby oil come from?

Contact me if you have an answer, or a question for that matter at alestle_editor@hotmail.com

Steve Fulk
Graduate Student
Sociology

Letters to the Editor

SIUE falls down on snow removal job

Dear Editor:

I am writing to gripe about the crummy job SIUE did to clean the pathways and parking lots of the campus. I commute to campus and I was pleased that since we did have class on Monday, the roadways were clear, that is, until I arrived on campus.

The main roads on campus were clear until I reached the parking lots. I parked where I normally do; in Lot 6.

What I encountered was astonishing. It was basically vehicular chaos. No one was parked in a straight line due to the fact that no one could see a line. There were cars everywhere. Some people tried to conform to where others were parked. Many people parked behind other people leaving barely any room to drive between cars.

My boyfriend, for example, has a Jeep Wrangler with oversized tires and it is difficult for him to fit his car in small spaces.

He returned from his 8 a.m. class to find himself blocked in by other students' vehicles. He managed to pull out between the cars, but he had to drive opposite the direction of the aisle. When he reached the end of the aisle people were parked so far out he had to try to pull around them.

Since there was so much snow he could not judge where the curb was in relation to the

cars that were parked out so far. He made the turn and swiped the edge of the curb with his tire, which caused an air leak. He was not pleased about this. Nor was I pleased when I had to follow him to the mechanic to have it patched.

I also wanted to comment on the state of the paths between buildings.

Again, the main paths, like the roads, were not too bad but the side paths were treacherous. The stairway leading down to the basement of Founders Hall was ridiculous. It was not a set of stairs it was a hill of snow that had been stomped down to resemble stairs. The same is true with the slope going down to Founders. It was covered in snow. None of the paths were cleaned off enough for two people to walk side by side without one person having to walk in the snow. I feel for the SIUE students with wheelchairs who had to plow through the snow to get to their classes.

I believe if the campus was not prepared to have students safely come to class, they (SIUE administration) should have canceled classes altogether or started a few hours later so they could have done something about the condition of the paths and parking lots. Even a little salt would have been nice.

This is the second semester of my second year and I have
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Oh, by the way, we have options to war

Dear Editor,

This is in response to John C. Sever's letter in the Feb. 13 edition of the Alestle. He requested replies to his letter, so here it goes.

First, Mr. Sever is well spoken, but there are several holes in his argument. One hole is midway through his letter; he offers a closed-ended scenario about Saddam Hussein holding the United States hostage with New York as the hostage.

Sever said there are "no options" but surrender. There are options; there is a big, black, ugly Trident Submarine cruising submerged in the Persian Gulf.

If Hussein should make such a threat, or anyone else for that matter, he would never get to put a period at the end of the last sentence of that threat before he is a cinder. Oh, by the way, I'm a

submarine veteran.

Second, war is not a "moral imperative" in any case that is imaginable. War is stark evidence that a group of people blundered, made mistakes or tried to win economic assets that they could control. No, war is man's way of admitting errors.

Third, our president, George W. Bush, is attacking for the wrong argument. The genie is out of the bottle; the solution remains. How do we as a world live with it? War may be part of the solution, but certainly not the desired solution.

Fourth, the next time Mr. Sever gets an invite to war, he should bring a covered dish.

Oh, by the way, I am a retired Civil Engineer.

Sincerely,

Edward T. Schulze

From the Editor

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to be a pattern here. If the university stood to gain a few extra dollars at the meters or the gated visitor lot, extra effort to clear the space seemed to have been made. Raking in \$60 a pop at the beginning of the school year for a hangtag, however, was apparently not enough incentive to clean a space or a lot.

The red lots were an absolute atrocity. They looked as if an earthquake had taken place. Cars were so haphazardly parked it is a wonder no one was seriously hurt trying to get in or out.

Adding insult to injury, the paths and stairs around campus were also a mess. In fact, there were stairwells where snow had merely been trampled underfoot to resemble crude stairs or in

some cases, as with Founders Hall, a ski slope would have been more like it.

I cannot see any reason the university would not cancel classes and then respond as if there was no significant snowfall by not attempting to remove it.

The liability would seem to be too great. It's like 12,000 accidents waiting to happen. The administration did a terrible disservice to all SIUE's students by not providing a safe environment. In essence, by the apparent lack of concern, the administration crippled the university.

Karen M. Johnson
Editor in Chief

Letters

SNOW

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never seen the paths absolutely clean after a snowstorm, but Monday was the worst ever. It's not like the storm crept up on us all of a sudden Monday morning. It (snowstorm) was over by 10 o'clock Sunday night.

I believe they

(administration) had more than enough time to do something.

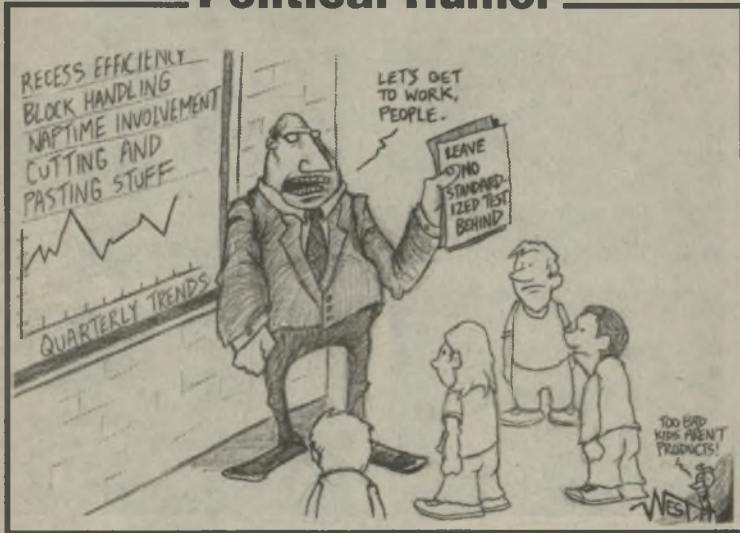
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Lifestyle

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Undergrads on display at New Wagner

LAUREN WESCOAT
LIFESTYLE STRINGER

Undergraduate students from the Art and Design Department are getting their chance to shine. The undergraduate art exhibit is on display in the New Wagner Art Gallery.

The exhibition had its opening ceremony Feb. 3 and will continue through Feb. 23.

A variety of different art forms are on display. Areas represented include ceramics, textiles, printmaking, wood, oil, digital photos, silk-screens, charcoal, clay, jewelry, mixed media and digital video.

"The exhibition is meant to be a teaching tool," ceramics professor and exhibition coordinator Matt Wilt said. "Students use it to see the work of professionals and other students and learn from them. We always have a vast smorgasbord of art forms on display, a little bit of everything."

For the undergraduate exhibit, a group of jurors selected which pieces would be featured due to limited exhibition space. Carol Carter was one juror who posted her statement in the gallery.

"Every submission was a delight to see, and I am impressed by the quality of the work being

produced at the undergraduate level at SIUE," Carter said.

Jurors also decided which works would be honored with awards. The name of the artist accompanies each piece as well as the materials used to create it.

Junior Jamal R.S. McLaughlin has a piece on display titled "Grandmother is a Martyr." It is a large-scale drawing, created using pencils and acrylic, and is the winner of the Friends of Art Award.

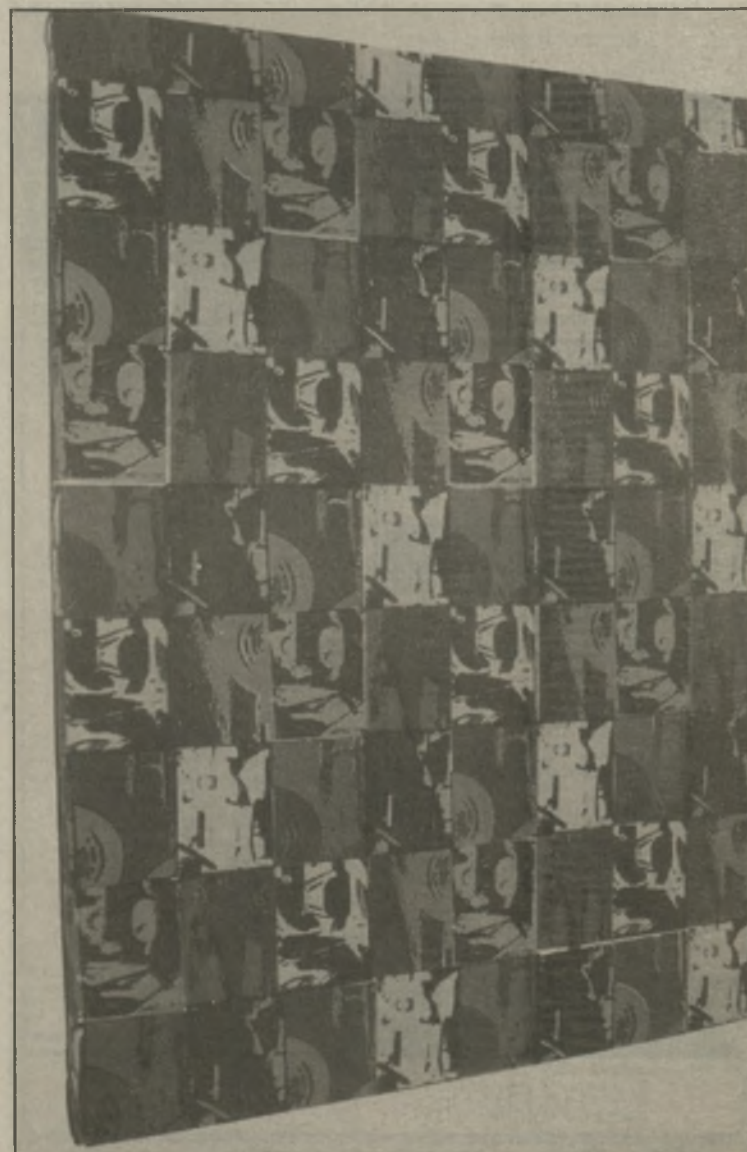
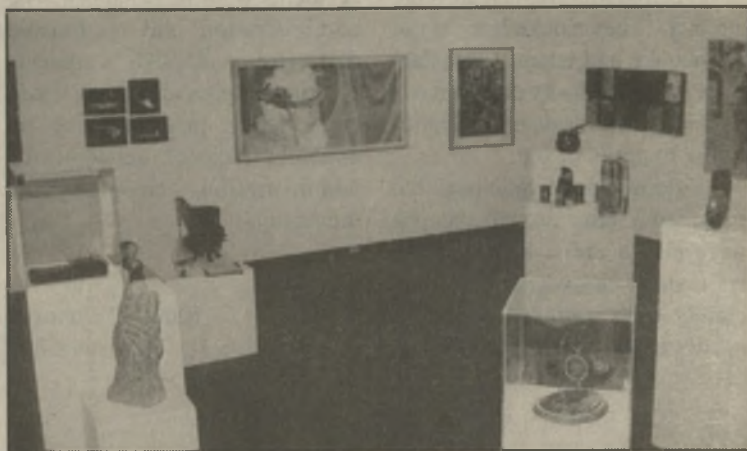
Senior Marlene True was awarded the Kendall Award of Excellence for her piece made of sterling, copper and mokumegane titled "Winter." Other awarded works are on display.

The undergraduate exhibition can be viewed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the week.

A new exhibit will open Monday Feb. 24, with an opening ceremony Tuesday Feb. 25 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. The ceremony will be in the Art and Design Building and is open to the public.

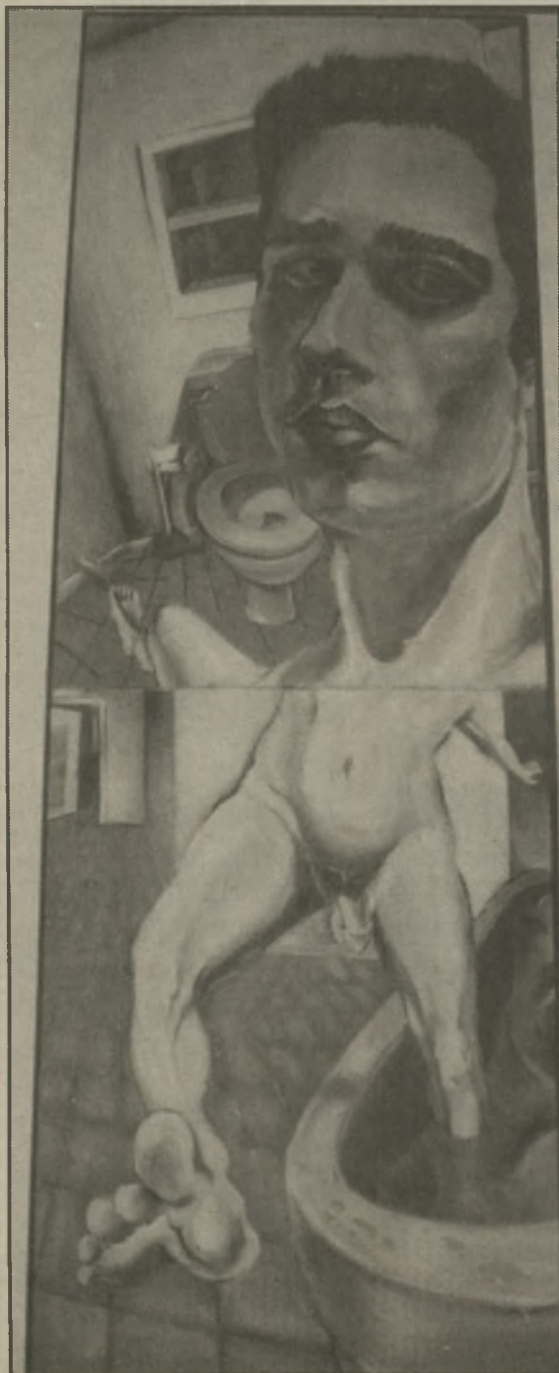
The exhibit will feature artists from high schools in Illinois and Missouri and will continue through March 14.

For more information call, the SIUE Art and Design Department at 650-3071.



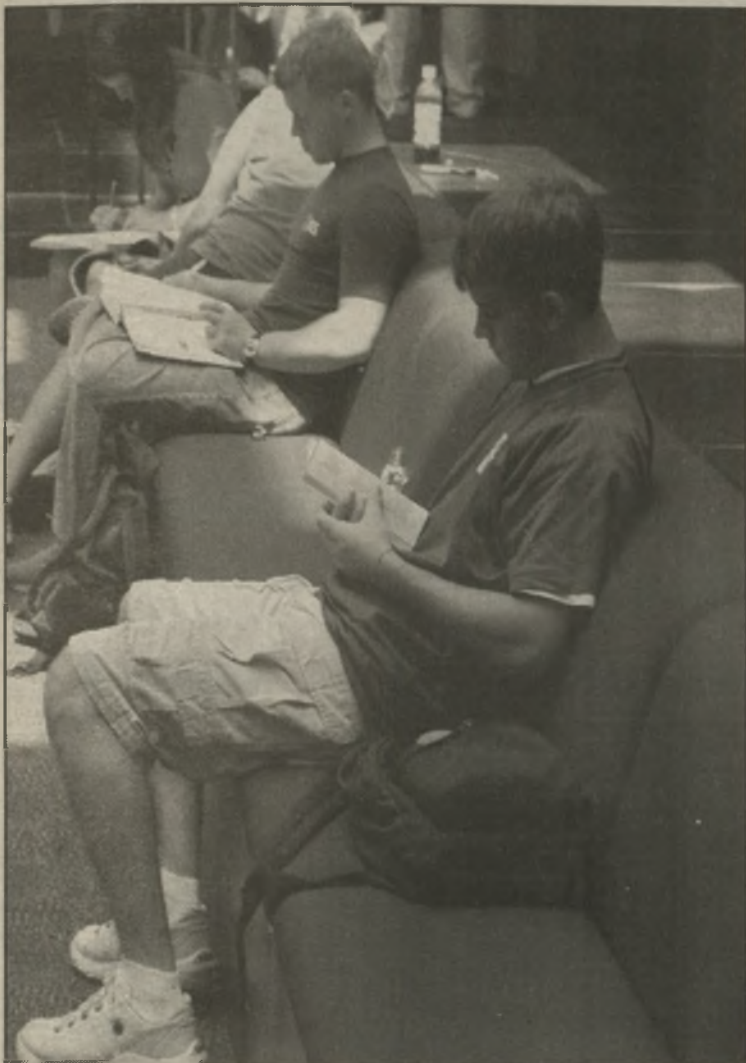
BRIAN BACA/ALESTLE

The undergraduate exhibit is now on display in the New Wagner Art Gallery located in the Art and Design Building.



MORE TO DO THAN JUST STUDY THIS WEEKEND

The weekend will offer new movies, two plays and parties to keep one busy



AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE

Students study in Goshen Lounge but plan to get out and see a movie or play or attend the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority party.

THOMAS C. PHILLIPS III
LIFESTYLE REPORTER

Snowfall, freezing weather and the approach of midterms can add up to cabin fever for students. The approaching weekend has some solutions to that equation.

Friday night the Epsilon Iota chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. will take over Club Level X at 115 Bluff Road in Collinsville. The climax to the sorority's "Skee Week 2003," dubbed the "Pink and Green Party in the Champagne Room," opens its doors at 9 p.m. Regular admission is \$10, with a \$15 admission for VIP status. For more information on the party, contact the Kimmel Leadership Center at 650-2686 or Club Level X at 346-4397.

The Neil Simon play "Brighton Beach Memoirs" continues on the main stage at SIUE Dunham Hall Theater. This patriotic comedy, featuring a cast of SIUE students, will run at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and at 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$7 for the public, but students with a valid student identification card get free admission. For more information, contact the fine arts box office at 650-2774.

Farther away from campus, the Repertory Theatre of St. Louis presents "Bee-luther-hatchee," a dramatic play of a young African-American editor-turned-novelist who is fighting to keep her life experiences as her own. This thought-provoking play, written by Thomas Gibbons and directed by Debra Wicks, will run at the Loretto-Hilton Center for the Performing Arts at 130 Edgar Road in St. Louis. Tickets range from \$10 to \$52.50. The play runs at 8 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, at 5 p.m. Saturdays and at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Sundays. For more information and directions, contact the Loretto-Hilton Center at

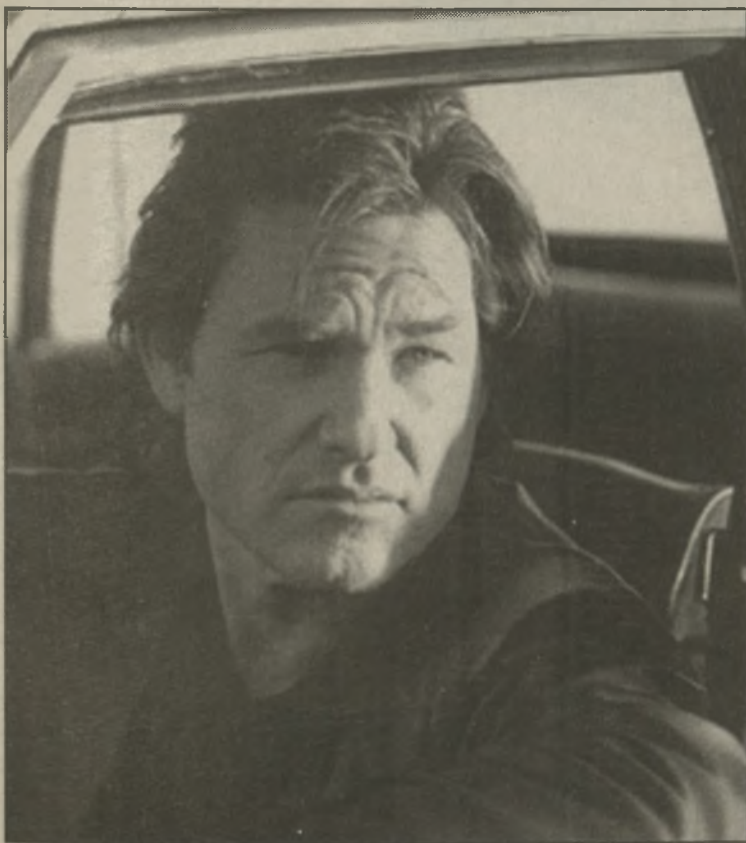
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Sunday afternoon, the "Okkadu" music festival will take over the St. Louis Weherenberg 9 Cine at the corner of Lindbergh and St. Charles Rock Road. The concert, sponsored by Seema Enterprises, promises an eclectic mix of West Indian and Arabic music by several performers. The concert is open to all ages, and admission is \$8. For more information on the event, contact Seema Enterprises at (314) 423-9990. Directions and ticket purchasing information are available on the Web site at www.sulekha.com.

If clubbing, curtain raisers and concerts do not fit the schedule this weekend, cinematic delights are in abundance as well. New movies opening this weekend include the college comedy "Old School" and the drama and action flick, "Dark Blue."

"Old School" finds three middle-aged men, played by Luke Wilson, Will Ferrell and Vince Vaughn, attempting one last shot at youth by moving into a house near their old college campus. After creating a fraternity with the sole purpose of partying, misunderstandings and comedic situations follow. The film is rated R for sexuality, language and inappropriate situations and runs for one hour and 31 minutes.

"Dark Blue" uses real-life events to construct a tale of veteran cop Eldon Perry, played by Kurt Russell, who must track down the culprits of a quadruple homicide, days before the beating of black motorist Rodney King in Los Angeles in 1992. Battling racial tensions and cold-blooded killers by using over-the-line tactics, Perry faces a powerful enemy in Assistant Police Chief Holland, played by Ving Rhames, who is determined to stop this rogue cop at all costs. Rated R for violence, language and brief sexuality, the film has a running time of one hour and 56 minutes. For locations and show times for each film, dial 444-FILM.



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'Dark Blue,' right, and 'Old School,' above, open in theaters this weekend. Both films are rated R.

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Sports Quote of the Day

"Let's put it this way: if one of my brothers were standing in front of the bus last night and we were about to leave and he was on the other team, I'd run over him."

~Brian Sutter,
Chicago Blackhawks
head coach

Coming Up

Women's tennis travels to Elsal Friday and Saturday to participate in the Principia Invitational.

Baseball heads to Alabama for games with Christian Brothers and North Alabama while softball heads to Georgia for Kennesaw Tourney.



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SIUE Hockey Club wins championship

Cougars triumph over Eagles in final

AMY GRANT
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

All the hard work that went into rebuilding the SIUE Hockey Club the past four years finally paid off Saturday night when the team brought the Mid-American Collegiate Hockey Association Division II Championship trophy home.

"From worst to first in a period of four short years is quite a feat for any organization," head coach Larry Thatcher said. "This accomplishment is a testament to the character and dedication of the players involved."

The tournament pitted the second-place Cougars against the first-place Robert Morris College-Springfield Eagles in the season finals.

SIUE struck first with a power-play goal from sophomore



PHOTO COURTESY OF LARRY THATCHER

The Cougar Ice Hockey Club takes a 5-4 victory over Robert Morris College-Springfield in the Mid-American Collegiate Hockey Association Division II championship game Saturday. Sophomore center Sean Walls receives the honor as the Playoff's Most Valuable Player.

center Sean Walls four minutes into the opening period.

Freshman center Matt Kaiser fought for the puck in the corner and set up sophomore left winger Joe DiMaggio to put the Cougars up 2-0 just two minutes later.

The lead soon slipped away when RMC scored three

unanswered goals to put SIUE in a 3-2 hole at the first intermission.

Junior right winger Joe Schmitt's ninth goal of the season evened the score up at 3-3 before the Eagles regained the lead with seven minutes on the clock in the second period.

With less than four minutes

remaining in regulation, freshman center Jason Walker set up Walls' second goal of the contest to tie the game at four.

Just 90 seconds later, senior captain Scott Cloin fed the puck to Walker, who skated in alone and snapped the puck between the Eagle goalie's pads to win the

game.

Sophomore goalie Patrick Day was solid in net for the Cougars, completing the game with 41 saves on 45 shots.

After the 5-4 win, Cloin accepted the trophy at center ice from MACHA President J.D. Power. Additionally, Walls was honored with the Playoff Most Valuable Player award.

"This championship has to be a huge payoff for guys like Scott (Cloin) because they have put up with so much to get here," Thatcher said. "I'm really glad that the freshmen got to know the veterans who are leaving. We have such a strong core of young players that have learned plenty from the old guys."

SIUE has developed from a club struggling to put together more than two wins a season to a club that cannot be easily defeated.

"It's great for the guys, especially the seniors, because we've come full circle from last to first," Cloin said.

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Cougars prepare for final regular-season road trip

Women's basketball team seeks pair of wins

AMY GRANT
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Revenge will be on the minds of the women's basketball players as they head out on one final road trip of the regular season Thursday and Saturday.

SIUE will take on the No. 3 Quincy University Hawks in a Great Lakes Valley Conference showdown Thursday in Quincy.

The Hawks are 13-4 in the GLVC, two games ahead of the Cougars, and hold an 8-3 record at home.

SIUE suffered a 68-56 loss in its first meeting against Quincy Jan. 25. The Hawks' leading scorer, senior forward Jill Unnerstall, recorded a double-double in the game with 10

rebounds and 20 points.

Senior forward Ruth Kipping, junior guard Jessica Robert and sophomore guard Sara Unterbrink each had 11 points for the Cougars.

"We're fired up for both games this weekend," assistant coach Lee Green said. "We were close in the final minutes of our last game against Quincy, and they made a number of free throws to win it. But I like our chances. We match up well against them."

Quincy is coming off a win against St. Joseph's College 78-60 Thursday and an overtime win against the University of Wisconsin-Parkside 73-64 Saturday.

Quincy's junior center Courtney VonderHaar has been named the GLVC Player of the Week for her play during the sweep.

She averaged 18.5 points and seven rebounds per game and was successful on 61.5 percent of her shots from the field.

The Cougars will meet the Riverwomen of the University of Missouri-St. Louis Saturday to close out the week.

UMSL is in the GLVC cellar with a record of 4-13 in conference play and 9-13 overall. The team lost its third straight game 92-86 at St. Joseph's Saturday after throwing away a 14-point lead in the second half.

UMSL sophomore guard Ebonie Halliburton managed to shoot 16-of-20 from the line and record 33 points in UMSL's 75-69 win over SIUE Jan. 2.

"UMSL was a better team the first time we played them," Green said. "But we know we're a better team overall. We're going to take it to them this time."

"We had a good week of practice because we got a lot of much-needed rest after some intense games last weekend," senior forward Liz DeShasier said. "So we're definitely ready."

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AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE

Junior guard Jessica Robert prepares for a shot in a home game earlier this season. She scored 11 points in SIUE's loss to Quincy University in the two teams' first meeting Jan. 25.

Cougar wrestlers eye NCAA Division II Regionals at Truman State University

SIUE falls to CMSU, 30-13

HEATHER KLOTZ
SPORTS STRINGER

The regular season is over for the SIUE wrestling team, ending in a 30-13 loss to the Central Missouri State University Mules Tuesday.

The Mules rank No. 12 among National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II wrestling teams.

SIUE was forced to forfeit the first two matches of the meet in the 125- and 133-pound divisions due to injury.

Following the forfeits, sophomore Alec Lininger was

the first Cougar to step out on the mat, falling 5-1 to CMSU's Ryan Lien.

Lininger was followed by sophomore Alex Carter, who collected the first win for the Cougars, defeating Kelly Lepert 8-3 in the 149-pound division.

Building on Carter's win, freshman Pat Selby won 14-6 over Brandon Lien in the 157-pound division.

CMSU's Lee Gatlin ended the Cougars' momentum, pinning sophomore Mike Davis in 4 minutes, 12 seconds in the 165-pound division.

Senior Zach Stephens ended his regular season with another win in the 174-pound division, disposing of CMSU wrestler Brett Barbarick in a 3-2 decision.

Stephens finished the regular

season with a record of 27-10.

The Cougars dropped the next two matches, putting any chance of victory out of reach.

Freshman Kyle Johnson lost a 10-7 decision to Justin Cooper in the 184-pound division, and the Cougars were then forced to forfeit the 197-pound division due to injury. In the final match of the meet, junior Aaron Wiens defeated Steve Berringer 14-7, ending the Cougars' regular season with an individual win.

The Cougars have two weeks to prepare for the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Regional. Truman State University will play host to the regional competition. The Cougars wrestled at Truman State Sunday, and Benford said he believes this will benefit the team going into the regional.

"The guys know what the conditions are like and what it takes to win at Truman," Benford said. "We know exactly what the drive is like, and that will take a lot of pressure off too."

The Cougars will compete in the regional Sunday, March 2, in Kirksville, Mo.

Regional qualifiers will move on to the NCAA Division II Championships Friday and Saturday, March 14 and 15, in West Liberty, W.Va.

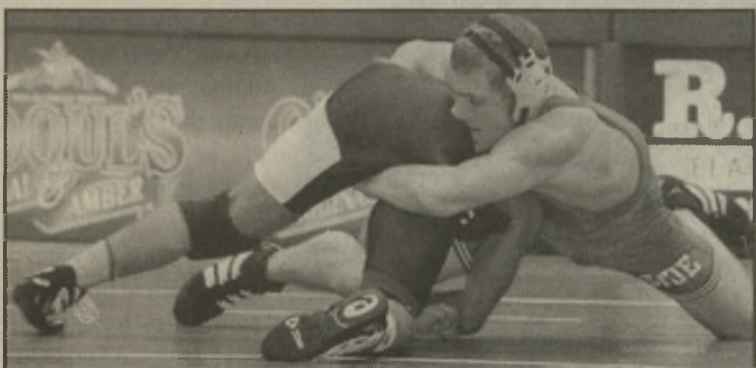


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Sophomore Matt Warren wrestles in a home match earlier this season.

Men's basketball looking to climb from GLVC cellar

Cougars hope for better performance

TRAVIS L. ROSS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The SIUE men's basketball team is looking to snap a nine-game losing streak and crawl out of the Great Lakes Valley Conference cellar.

The 7-16 overall Cougars will take on the Quincy University Hawks Thursday and the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen Saturday.

According to head coach Marty Simmons, picking up two wins on the road is going to be far from easy.

"Quincy is a good team and very strong on the inside," Simmons said. "They are big and physical with (center Phil) Gettinger and (center Brian) McNeil. They pose a lot of problems for us inside."

The Cougars were beaten by the Hawks 72-65 the last time the two teams met. However, SIUE chalked up a 61-51 victory against UMSL earlier this season.

Simmons said in spite of the nine-game losing streak, his team continues to hold its head up.

"I don't know exactly how we are thinking, but anytime you lose as many games as we have lost, it is hard," Simmons said. "I am proud of these guys because we have had more intense practices on Monday and Tuesday than we have had all year."

According to Simmons, the Cougars' key to winning the remaining four games in the regular season is running more consistent offense and defense.

"If we can run our offense and run multiple cuts and multiple screens, we can wear people down," Simmons said. "When we get our defense set in a half court, we can take some things away and be a solid defensive team."

Simmons is looking to junior guard Ron Jones to play a big part in motivating the Cougars' offense. Jones is averaging 15.9 points per game and is No. 7 in the GLVC in scoring.

"He is a marked man every time we go out," Simmons said. "I probably play him too much, but I have a lot of confidence in him. He creates scoring opportunities because of his ability to cut."

SIUE will take on Quincy at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Quincy and will take on UMSL at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in St. Louis.

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HOCKEY

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"We've done a good job letting everyone who goes to SIUE know that we have a team," Cloin added. "The club used to have 10 or 15 guys and now we have 40 guys on two teams (Division II and Division III)."

Thatcher said the key to the development and success of the team has been the addition of strong players throughout the past four years, most notably Walls and Kaiser.

Walls led the team this season with 57 points while Walker was the goal-scoring leader with 37 goals. Kaiser finished up with 23 goals and 23 assists playing in all 24 games.

Their contributions will help fill holes due to the graduation of Cloin, senior center Bryan Raymer and senior defenseman Tommy Brown.

"These are some character guys who have had a tremendous impact on the success of the club," Thatcher said. "Most of

those guys were here during the years when we were losing big. Had they not stayed and worked hard through it, I believe the club would not be here today."

The team is proud to announce, however, that Cloin will return as an assistant coach next season. In 23 games this year, Cloin has netted 18 goals and 30 assists.

He has also been a strong presence on the ice. He does not shy away from physical play, and his 44 penalty minutes reflect his willingness to defend his teammates.

"I really can't express the impact that Scott has had on this team," Thatcher said. "I can't imagine this club without him in some capacity."

The club plans to take some well-deserved time off before organizing a mini-camp in late March that allows the Cougars to scout high school juniors and seniors.

WOMEN'S

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Freshman point guard Amber Wisdom believes the Cougars are more than ready for Saturday's game.

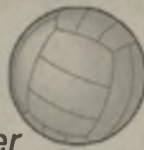
"We know it's a big game," Wisdom said.

"We know their (UMSL's) tendencies now."

The Cougars will face Quincy at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in Quincy and UMSL at 5:30 p.m. Saturday in St. Louis.

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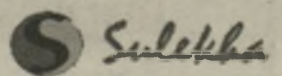
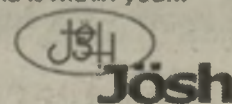
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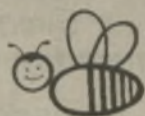
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