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## Science Building to get make over

KRISTEN REBER  
NEWS REPORTER

Gov. Rod Blagojevich included \$2.8 million for the planning of the renovation and expansion of the Science Building in his capital budget recommendations for 2005.

The recommendation is awaiting approval by the state legislature.

"What the governor recommended (the money for) is funding for the planning of this," SIUE Chancellor David Werner said. "The governor recommended funding for hiring the architects to do that work."

Following the planning, an approximately \$40 million renovation and expansion of the Science Building will take place.

"It's actually a two-part renovation and expansion," Werner said. "This project would build a wing on the north side of the building, and then it would renovate the old building."

The Science Building serves science, engineering and nursing students, as well as students who

are completing general education requirements.

"The building was built in the mid-60s. It was one of the original buildings on campus," Werner said. "These original buildings are 35 or 36 years old, and the Science Building, in part, gets a lot of wear and tear. It's a highly used facility."

The Science Building is suffering not only from wear and tear, but also lack of space. The expansion would include an increased number of labs for students.

"It's not that they are just worn out, we need more of them," Werner said. "(The labs built in the new wing) can be used so the existing labs can be renovated. They can't be renovated simultaneously."

SIUE presented a list of priorities to the governor for his approval and recommendation.

"There's a process by which universities submit proposals. In the case of SIU, we make proposals, and the President's Office and the Board of Trustees

see GOVERNOR, page 3

## Kids get to see the world



SHARA REYNOLDS/ALESTLE

SIUE student Latish Adnani teaches kids to play on a Carrom board, which involves flicking discs across the board to a goal, during A World Adventure Saturday night in Dunham Hall. Carrom was part of an imaginary trip to India the kids took to learn the Indian customs, culture and taste traditional food.

## Africa Night draws plenty of attendees for food, fun

BRIAN BACA  
FOR THE ALESTLE

The African Students Association sponsored its annual Africa Night Saturday night in the Morris University Center.

Approximately 160 people packed the MUC to enjoy the festivities.

The evening began at about 6 p.m. with authentic African cuisine.

Guest speaker, ASA adviser and anthropology professor Dallas Browne then addressed the audience.

"This was one of the highlights of the evening," ASA President Seth Danquah said. "His speech was very educational. He talked about how Africa was in the past and how it

became what it is now."

Following Browne's speech, there was a fashion show and a performance by Kunama, an African dance group.

Jabali Afrika was also

said he would like to offer more opportunities for students to learn and experience different aspects of African culture.

"What I want to propose for next year is to organize an Africa Week," Danquah said. "We could have different forums and programs throughout the week leading up to Africa Night."

Although the evening suffered a couple of minor setbacks, the event as a whole still accomplished its objectives.

"We had a couple of small problems, but I think the event was still a success," Danquah said. "People were able to learn about African culture and how Africa is today."

*"People were able to learn about African culture and how Africa is today."*

~Seth Danquah

scheduled to perform but was not able to make it on time.

Every year, the ASA evaluates the success of Africa Night and strives to make the experience more entertaining and educational.

As for next year, Danquah

## Site explains tuition

ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

The Southern Illinois University Board of Trustees has set up a link on the Admissions Web site, www.admis.siu.edu, which describes the 2004-2005 tuition rates for continuing students, as well as tuition guarantee for

new students.

Starting in the fall 2004 semester, SIUE will implement the Guaranteed Tuition Plan.

This new state law, Public Act 93-0028, requires tuition charged to a first-time undergraduate public university student who is an Illinois resident see TUITION, page 4

## Elevators back to work

NATALIE WALTERS  
NEWS STRINGER

The elevators in Peck Hall recently experienced problems, but as of Friday, they are up and running again.

"The elevators should be working. Unfortunately, breakdowns happen more often than we like," Facilities Management Assistant Director Lee Hoffmeier said. "All kinds of things can happen to make an

elevator not work. Those causes are environmental, abuse and normal use. Causes are not always easy to identify."

SIUE has a contract with Miller Elevator, so the company can be contacted directly when problems occur. The problems in Peck Hall were the result of water damage from a leak that occurred a few weeks ago. Hoffmeier said some of the problems are difficult to find because they may not surface right away.

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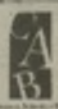


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# SIUE team of mechanical engineers wins first place

NICOLE GAUDREULT  
 EDITOR IN CHIEF

The SIUE American Society of Mechanical Engineers won first place in a regional engineering contest earlier this month for its design of a mine-sweeping rover.

Engineering professor and team adviser Majid Molki told the Belleville News-Democrat, "The rover goes into the field, collects the mine and should be designed so it can go over certain obstacles."

A major difference between the Cougar Rover and rovers of other schools is the Cougar Rover can pick up two mines at once.

It has been several years since SIUE has entered the

competition, which was in Lincoln, Neb., this year, so winning first place was a big deal for the team.

President of the team, Andrew Rummer, said the team members worked very hard on the project, and he gives a lot of credit to the whole team.

"I knew we were going to win. We are a very tight unit. The guys are very top-notch," Rummer said.

The team competed against 10 other universities, including the University of Nebraska, the University of Missouri-Rolla and the University of Minnesota Duluth.

The SIUE team won a trophy, \$200 and \$1,000 that will go toward a trip to the national

competition in Anaheim, Calif. in November, where the SIUE team will go against 12 other schools from around the country.

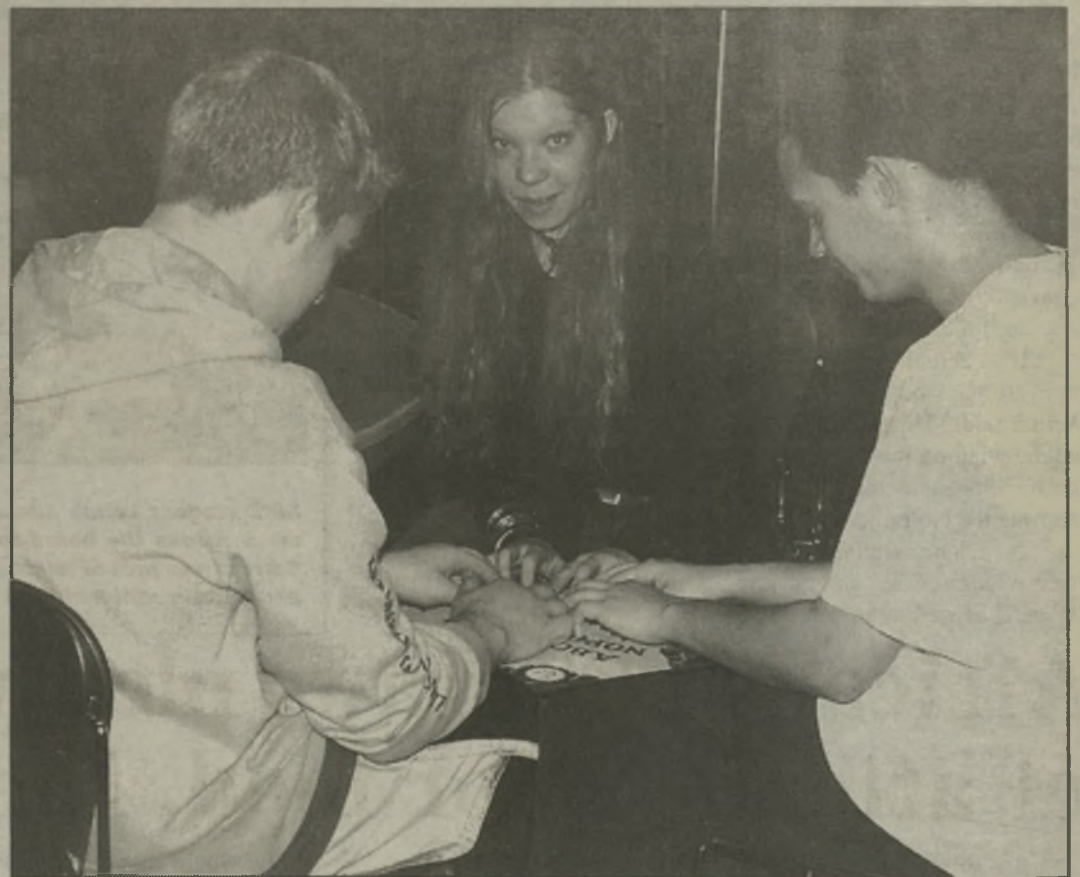
Rummer said the team wants to improve the robot and make it faster by November and said he has high expectations for the national competition.

"I think we will win the nationals," he said. "Our recent win just goes to show that a small school can do something like this. If we want to do something, we can."

The team needs help with funding for the national competition and is selling long-sleeve team T-shirts for \$15.

Anyone wanting to help by giving monetary donations can e-mail Rummer at arummer@siue.edu.

## Students explore psychic realms



SHARA REYNOLDS/ALESTLE

Left to right, SIUE freshmen Donald Burtschi, Ashley Williams and Brad Carrico play with a Ouija board during the Psychic Fair Friday night in the Morris University Center.

## Police Incidents

### Traffic

3/19/04

Police issued a citation to Lolita Moody for expired registration and operation of uninsured motor vehicle.

3/21/04

Police issued a citation to Shreyas Manjunath for expired registration on South University Drive.

3/22/04

Police issued a citation to Mia Lewis for speeding on South University Drive.

3/24/04

Police issued a citation to Gina Fowler for driving while suspended, operation of an uninsured

motor vehicle and speeding on South University Drive.

### Liquor

3/20/04

Police arrested Matthew LaPoint for illegal consumption of alcohol by a minor. LaPoint was processed and released with a notice to appear.

### Other Offences

3/24/04

Police arrested Anwar Alajmi for a valid warrant from the Edwardsville Police Department. Alajmi was booked and released after posting a bond.

# Wine-tasting fund-raiser benefits green sea turtles

KELLY SCHOMAKER  
NEWS STRINGER

On Saturday, The Rainforest Project held a wine-tasting fund-raiser at Crushed Grapes in Edwardsville to raise money for green sea turtles in Costa Rica.

"The Rainforest Project involves students helping out at Carara Biological Station in Costa Rica," said Cathy Santanello, biology professor and Excellence in Learning and Teaching program director.

"The bottom line is that it is service-working projects, and faculty from here and different schools and groups of students learn to be more cultural in Costa Rica with the environment and

physically work and learn at the same time," Santanello said. "The wine-tasting fund-raiser was a success, but we had hoped for greater attendance.

"Crushed Grapes have been very kind to us, and we plan to do another wine tasting with them in the fall."

Two trips have been scheduled to Costa Rica for May and July.

"We are working on handicapped accessibility, a turtle sanctuary and an education and research center as well," Santanello said.

Students interested in The Rainforest Project can contact economics and finance professor Laura Wolff at 650-2875 or Santanello at 650-3636.

# Two more ways to enjoy Women's History Month

ALESTLE NEWS REPORT

Women's History Month has two more events left to conclude the month.

A film discussion in honor of Shirin Ebadi will be at 4 p.m. Thursday in Founders Hall, Room 1408.

Ebadi is the 2003 Winner of the Nobel Peace Prize: Women and Human Rights in Iran.

Comedian Michelle Garb will be the entertainment for Fat

Brain, Skinny Body at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Morris University Center.

There were many events this month in honor of Women's History Month. The public is welcome to attend the last few events in honor of the month.

For more information, contact political science professor Martha Bailey, director of women's studies program, at 650-2744 or visit [www.siu.edu/WS](http://www.siu.edu/WS).

# Students dive into movies

KRISTEN REBER  
NEWS REPORTER

Jump into a swimsuit and dive into the Student Fitness Center pool Wednesday for the Student Dive-In Movie.

Beginning at 8 p.m., students can enjoy the hit movie, "Big Fish," before it's released in rental stores.

"We go through a company called Swink and they release movies," Campus Activities Board member Lise Suliman said. "It's a little more expensive, but we get them early."

The event, which is sponsored by CAB and Campus Recreation, is free and open to everyone.

"We had the idea and we

contacted Campus Rec., and we decided to do this together," Suliman said. "We're also going to have some door prizes and free pop and snacks."

The Family Dive-In movie, "Finding Nemo," which took place March 20, was popular with families.

"I'd say about 65 to 70 people were there," Suliman said. "There were a lot of kids there. It went over really well."

While this is the last Dive-In event for this semester, it will return.

"In the fall semester, we'll be (having Dive-In movies again)," Suliman said. "They'll all probably be a pre-release just like 'Big Fish' is."

# GOVERNOR

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decides the priority list," Werner said.

With the approval for the funding by the legislature, planning for the expansion and renovation will begin to take shape.

"Bidding could occur in the fall of 2005, and I think the earliest we could see this starting is in late 2005," Werner said. "It would take probably two years to finish. It would be finished in 2007 or 2008."

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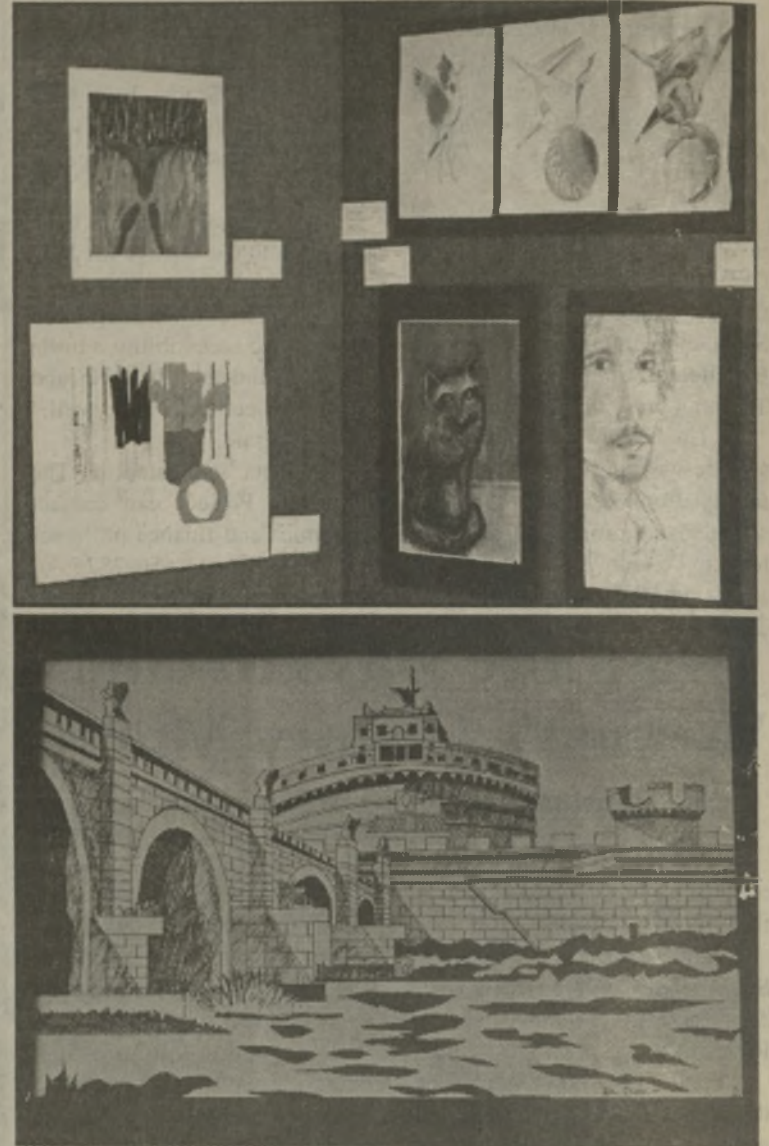
The comedian **Michelle Garb**, who has recently appeared on the Chris Rock show, will speak about her battle with anorexia and the need for positive body self-image.



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## Young artists display pieces in Dunham



JESSICA BALADAD/ALESTLE

Top, Dunham Hall lobby is filled with artwork from kindergarteners through ninth graders from Illinois and Missouri for the 30th annual Young Artists' Exhibition. Bottom, student Lake Fluhr's "Castle St. Angelo's" piece is one of about 90 pieces on display.

### ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

Students, faculty and staff walking through the Dunham Hall lobby will see more than students sleeping on the couches. Approximately 90 pieces of art are on display in the lobby as part of the 30th annual Young Artists' Exhibition.

The works of art will be on display through Friday, April 9. A reception took place Sunday afternoon for the young artists, their parents and their art professors.

The invitational exhibit includes the artwork of

kindergarteners through ninth graders from public and private schools in Missouri and Illinois.

The exhibit showcases skills and creativity in drawing, painting and collage.

Many of the students' art teachers are alumni of the art education program in the SIUE Art and Design Department.

The exhibit coincides with Young Art Month, a celebration of young artists across the country during the month of March. For more information, call the Art Education Office at 650-3183.

### TUITION

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to remain at the same level for four continuous academic years following initial enrollment.

Students will pay the same tuition rate in their fourth year that they paid during their first year.

Under the Guaranteed Tuition Plan, SIUE undergraduate students entering next year will pay \$134 per semester hour for the next four years.

For students who take a full-time schedule, 15 semester hours, tuition will cost \$2,010 for the entire semester.

Continuing students will pay \$8 more per semester hour than last year's rate.

This translates to \$120 per semester hour.

For students who take a full-time schedule, this will bring the total tuition cost for a semester from \$1,680 last year to \$1,800 this year.

The Web site details the tuition fees for all students and also contains a question-and-answer page to help answer a variety of questions students may have concerning their status.

## My Big Fat Indian Wedding

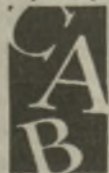


Here's your chance to attend a mock Indian wedding

Date: March 30<sup>th</sup>, 2004

Time: 11:30pm (other related events scheduled to start at 10am)

Venue: Goshen Lounge, MUC



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## Columnist finds dirty e-mails very disturbing

If I get one more e-mail from [claudette@paulspornpalace.com](mailto:claudette@paulspornpalace.com) in my e-mail inbox, I'm gonna go berserk.

There's nothing more exciting than getting up in the morning, turning on my computer and seeing 20 or so new e-mails. It makes me feel like somebody cares.

There's nothing more depressing than clicking on the inbox and seeing one e-mail from my mother wrapped in a web of e-mails telling me to get breast implant surgery or increase the size of my penis.

At the very least, these villainous heathens could do some research and find out whether I'm a male or a female. And, considering my first name is Travis, it shouldn't be that

hard. I don't know many women who are named Travis.

Really, what kind of person sends these e-mails? College students will check their pride at the door and do a lot of things for money, but c'mon now, this is just wrong and slightly disturbing.

I take that back. It's very disturbing. And, they always have subjects like, "Hey ... long time no see," "Hi," or "Lower your mortgage ... NOW!"

It's always twice as bad when they actually put the name of someone you know in the "from" box and the subject line says, "How are you ..." Because, you know your friends and family would never send you a message with that subject. My friends make it a point to put

something rude and lewd in the subject box, just so I know it's really from them. And, my mother just learned how to use the Internet a few years ago, so she doesn't put anything in the subject box.

And, I feel some sort of obligation to open up the nice e-mails and read them, just in case they are from a friend or my mom.

So, I open up the message and am greeted by the pixilated Macromedia Flash image of Scooby-Doo humping Shaggy or Superman using his "super powers" on Batman's servant, Alfred.

Oh, it could be worse, but I think you get the point.

These images are far from patriotic and will be burned into my brain forever.



What does this have to do with lowering the mortgage on a house I don't have? And, what did my poor parents do to get their names attached to it?

What kind of pleasure does the villain who sent this to me get, since they don't even get to see my reaction when I open it.

Just a note, if anybody reading this column does send picture-packed e-mails, please take [radiomnl@hotmail.com](mailto:radiomnl@hotmail.com) off the lists.

Travis L. Ross  
Assistant Sports Editor

## Media play a larger role than we think

Sometimes I am so amazed at how my everyday life reflects the media in so many ways and vice versa.

This whole idea came to mind because recently my fiancé and I decided to move up our wedding date a whole year.

Due to this off-the-wall decision, my mind has become jumbled, and I often don't know what to do next because there are so many things on my to-do list.

For instance, after finally convincing my fiancé it would be fun to register for wedding gifts together, we headed off to the mall with a list of items we will

need in the future.

At first he was hesitant at the whole idea, thinking that it was a "woman" thing and that he didn't really need to be involved.

That is, until he realized registering for gifts involved a gun. Yeah, all it took was the word gun and the fact that he could carry it around the store and use it to scan anything he wanted.

This scenario is ironic because just last night, while watching "The Simpsons," Bart did something quite similar.

Bart participated in a bridal registry by making up a fake

name for his bride, something along the lines of Alotta Cooties, and then he went bouncing through the store zapping anything and everything he saw with his bridal registry gun.

This scene hit so close to home because I witnessed the same thing just a day before.

My fiancé was just like Bart, a young boy having the time of his life with a bridal registry gun, only hours after criticizing the whole registry process because he thought it was too girly.

This made me think about how well media figures often reflect real human beings.

We may not look like cartoon figures or the actors and actresses on television or have as much money as they do, but we go through many of the same things that are portrayed in the media.



Whether it is issues such as dating, marriage or something as simple as Bart and my fiancé having fun registering for bridal gifts, the media both reflects and influences our lives in many ways, although we may not always realize it.

I guess the moral of my story is, don't knock it 'til you try it.

Nicole R. Gaudreault  
Editor in Chief

### Political Cartoon



### Quote of the Day

*"The hand that rules the press, the radio, the screen and the far-spread magazine, rules the country."*

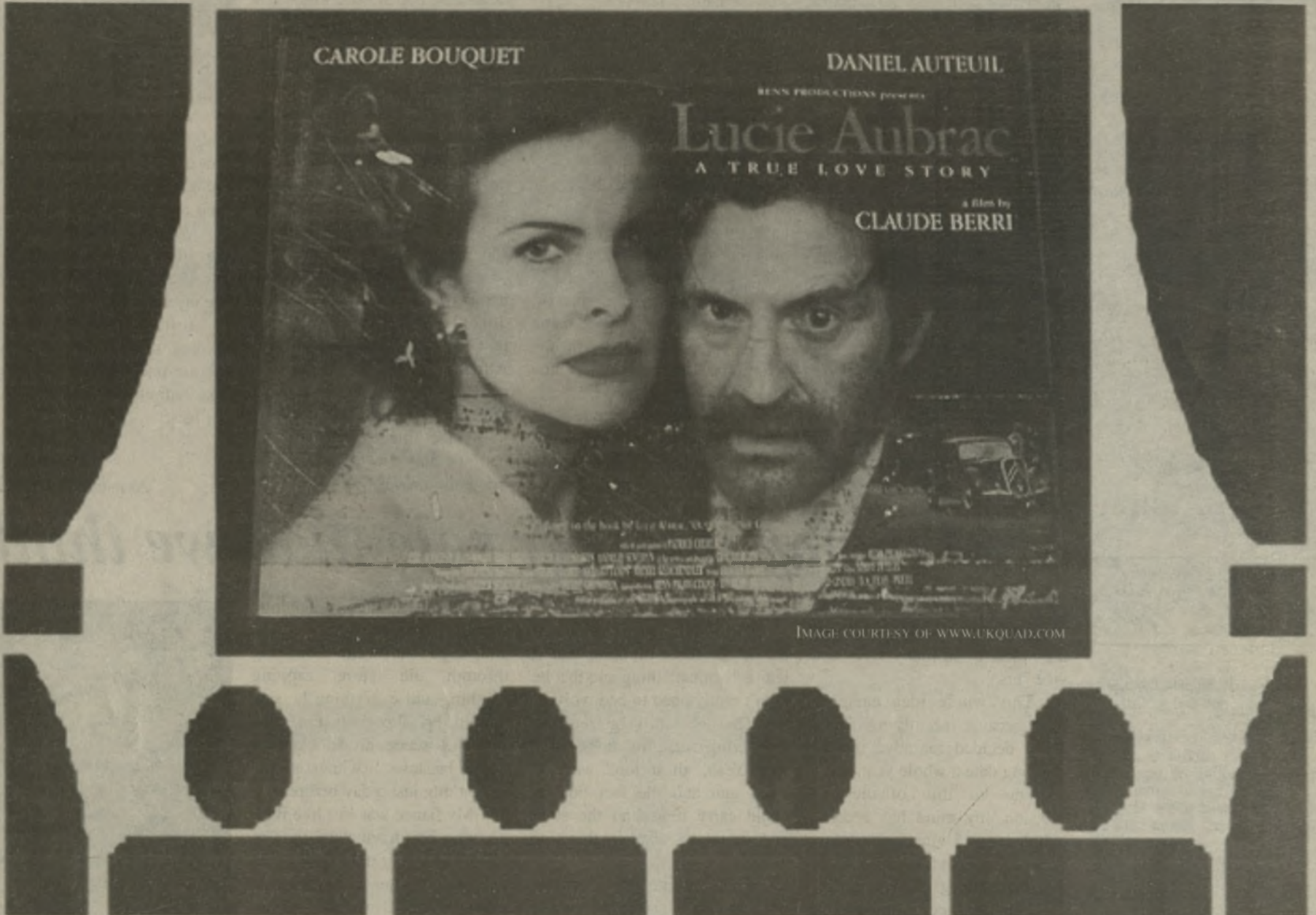
*~Learned Hand, Memorial service for Justice Brandeis, December 21, 1942*

# Lifestyles

PEOPLE, ENTERTAINMENT, & Arts

## Woman's power shines in film

*A Women's History Month film screening reveals Aubrac's commitment to the French Resistance. Aubrac steps out of the traditional role of a woman in the '40s and shows the importance of exhibiting strong characteristics.*



VICKI KRUSE  
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

The movie, "Lucie Aubrac," unravels nine months of a woman's life in a different time and place. Aubrac acted with love and human compassion for a cause she strongly believed in.

A group of about 20 people gathered in the basement of Peck Hall to view the screening of "Lucie Aubrac" Wednesday during Women's History Month.

Speech pathology and elementary education sophomore Jenna Varble said Aubrac is portrayed as a strong character, and that character is a strong woman.

Varble was part of a group of students who viewed the movie to earn points for a gender psychology class.

"A woman characteristically helped her husband get out of prison," Varble said.

History instructor Leigh Ann Eubanks provided background information as an introduction to the screening of "Lucie Aubrac."

Eubanks said Aubrac was a history teacher in the 1940s and politically active in the French Resistance during

World War II. The movie is based on Aubrac's memoirs, "Outwitting the Gestapo."

In the introduction of the book, Margaret Collins Weitz, author of "Sisters in the Resistance," said, "Lucie Aubrac's memoirs chronicle nine months of her activities in the French Resistance, from May 1943 to February 1944, the nine months of her second pregnancy. By any standard, her account is one of exceptional heroism and commitment, as well as of intense love and devotion."

Eubanks said there are not many women's memoirs after the war. Women did not write as much as men.

"Women were nontraditional combatants in war," Eubanks said.

Eubanks said the members of the French Resistance used nonsense phrases for escaping and to further the resistance.

The British Broadcasting Company aired codes such as "drunken with joy they leave" and "keep on climbing uphill."

Eubanks also said central France was unoccupied until 1942, even though Germany defeated France in 1940. During the Resistance, Aubrac was responsible for

breaking her husband out of prison on more than one occasion.

Her husband's parents were Jewish. In the nine months of Aubrac's pregnancy, her husband was a prisoner of the Gestapo twice.

Eubanks said Raymond, Lucie's husband, was an engineer and could have left France. They stayed, however, because of a strong sense of patriotism for their family and nation.

Eubanks pointed to a quote in the book when members of the Resistance were gathered during their departure. The host called out to the women to care for the child.

Aubrac said in her memoirs, "I stand up obediently." The host told her, "Not you! I was speaking to my women. You're a man, you know. You fight like a man. You stay with us."

Aubrac continued, "I look down at my stomach, thinking back to all my ploys with the Gestapo, that same old story of my illegal pregnancy. Is there anything masculine about that? Why is it that the greatest compliment a man can pay a woman is to tell her, 'you write, you work, you act like a man?'"

"As far as I'm concerned, I feel perfectly at ease as a woman, you know; what I did was a woman's job, and what's more, a pregnant woman's, something that would never happen to you."

Aubrac's story is universal. The story can be understood at any time, in any place, by any person.

Eubanks, in her research, has personally interviewed Aubrac, who is 91 years old and legally blind. Aubrac is still politically active with legal immigrants' resistance.

Aubrac, active in her beliefs, agreed to Claude Berri naming the movie "Lucie Aubrac" only if Berri agreed to make a donation to the National Resistance Foundation, Eubanks said.

Eubanks said she recommends reading the memoirs of Lucie Aubrac, "Outwitting the Gestapo," because the movie touches less on the significance of Aubrac's activism with the Resistance and more on romance.

Eubanks also said she recommends "Sisters in the Resistance," by Margaret Collins Weitz.

For more information, call Eubanks at 650-3966.

## World faiths unite at celebration



JESSICA BALADAD/ALESTLE

**The Religious Center serves as a spiritual center for the university community and hosts several events to increase religious awareness including the Second Annual Celebration of World Faiths.**

### ALESTLE STAFF REPORT

The religions of the world will come together during the Second Annual Celebration of World Faiths from 7 to 9 p.m. Saturday in the Religious Center.

The celebration is sponsored by the Friends of the Religious Center.

The organization is dedicated to preserving the Religious Center as a spiritual center for students, as well as preserving the Center's architectural importance.

In addition to serving as a spiritual place for students, the Religious Center is recognized for its unique, geodesic dome structure that displays the globe.

"We all share an interest in the structure (of the Religious

Center) for its programming available to the university community and for its architectural significance, associate professor of philosophy and Friends of the Religious Center chair, Greg Fields said.

The Celebration of World Faiths offers an opportunity for students, faculty, staff and members of the community to hear the teachings, music and prayer of various religions including Hinduism, Buddhism, Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

Members of local faith communities will be present to provide leadership in the various faiths.

The event will also include a fellowship time when refreshments with ethnic themes will be served. Guests will have

the opportunity to visit information tables for each faith during this time.

The event is free, but tax-deductible donations are welcome. The Religious Center is not owned or operated by SIUE and is partially funded by donations.

Parking for the celebration is also free in Lot B between the Religious Center and the Morris University Center.

In addition to events like the Celebration of World Faiths, the Friends of the Religious Center also helps support the Center's spiritual resources and educational events for students and the community.

For more information about the celebration or the Friends of the Religious Center, contact Fields at 650-2461.

## Season comes to an end for Coffee Concert series

BRIAN CRAMER  
LIFESTYLES STRINGER

Students looking for an interesting night that offers an artistic and cultural experience might want to attend this year's final performance in the SIUE Coffee Concert series.

The event will be at 7:30 p.m. Monday in the Madison Room of the Morris University Center.

Music professor Linda Perry said she hopes the concert will help enhance students' appreciation of music and expand students' horizons by hearing different kinds of music.

The Coffee Concert performances stray from the traditional structure of other concerts because audience members sit

at tables during the performance and are served dessert and coffee during intermission.

Diverse lineups between the three Coffee Concerts each year adds to the uniqueness of the series.

"We try to provide a variety of programming," Perry said. "This concert includes trios for two different combinations of

instruments. In October, we featured our voice faculty, and in February, we featured the brass and percussion faculty, as well as a silent movie with an instrumental ensemble accompaniment."

In addition to Perry on piano, music professors Lenora Anop, violin, James Hinson, clarinet, and Kangho Lee, cello, will be the performers for this year's concluding show.

The concert will open with the Ludwig von Beethoven piece, "Trio in E flat Major, Op. 38," which includes the clarinet, cello and piano.

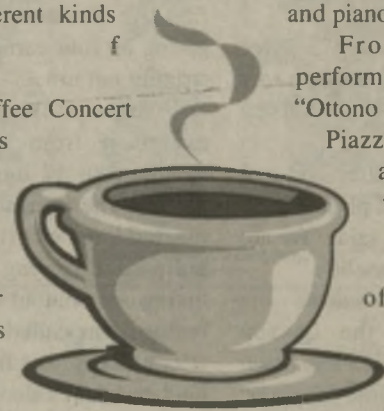
From there, the performance moves to "Ottono Porteno" by Astor Piazzola, which is arranged for the violin, cello and piano.

The conclusion of the show, arranged for the violin, cello and piano, is "Trio No. 1 in D Major, Op. 35" by Joaquin Turina.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at the MUC Information Desk.

Student tickets cost \$5. General admission tickets cost \$10, and senior tickets cost \$9.

For additional information, contact the SIUE Music Department at 650-3900.

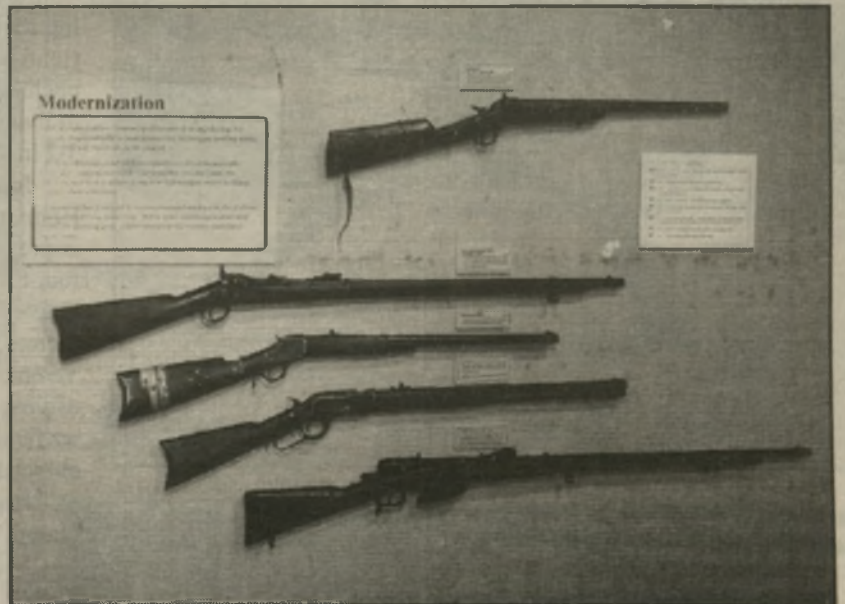


## Exhibit provides blasts from the past



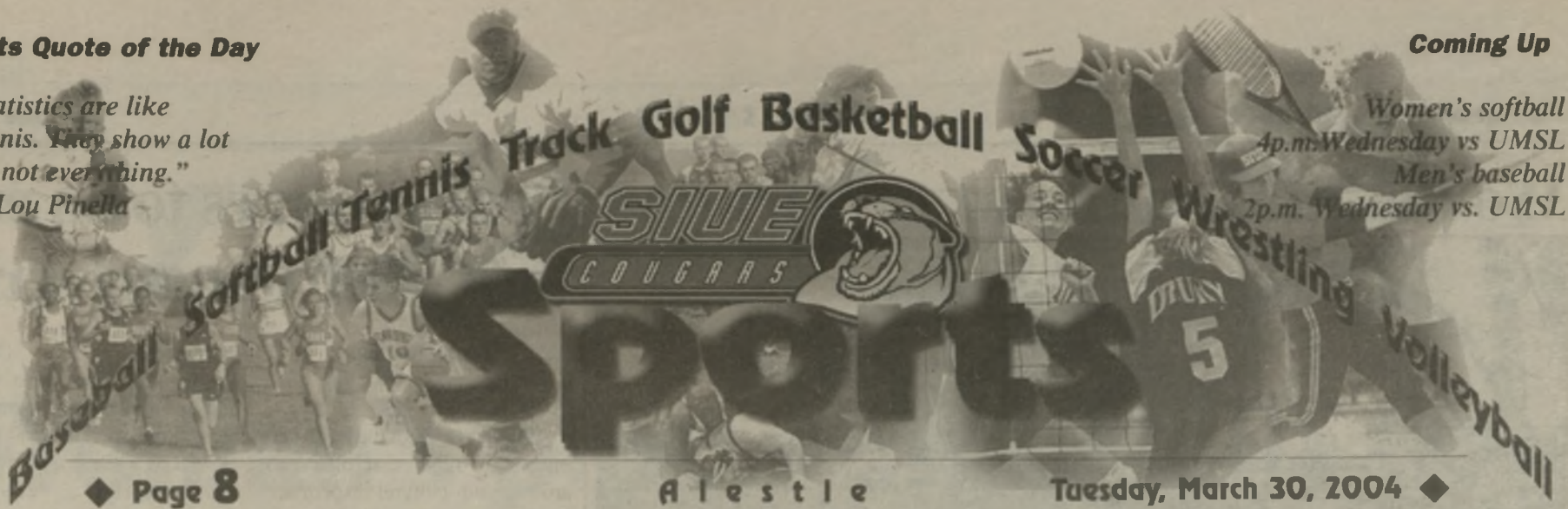
KWAME ROSS/ALESTLE

**"Cultural Trajectories: The Evolution of Firearms Technology," a practicum exhibit in the Morris University Center Art Gallery, features works organized and compiled by students in the SIUE Museum Studies Graduate Certificate Program. The exhibit showcases the progress of firearms through periods of history such as industrialization and modernization. Above, a flint lock rifle is displayed over a percussion cap rifle. Both provide examples of firearms during the 1800s. Top right, two "Savage" navy model pistols, from the Revolving Firearms Company, provide an example of firearms used in specific military branches. Bottom right, several rifles are displayed in the modernization section of the exhibit. The exhibit runs through April 9.**



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# Wet weekend concludes week of progress

## Rain-shortened week sees Cougars climb standings in GLVC

KEVIN CORRIGAN  
 SPORTS EDITOR

Slowly but surely, the SIUE men's baseball team is starting to put everything together.

The Cougars went 3-2 for the week, including two in a row against the Lewis University Flyers.

"We played better and got ourselves out of last place," head coach Gary Collins said. "We are starting to hit the baseball."

The Cougars started the week taking on the Quincy University Hawks. The two teams split the doubleheader, with Quincy taking the first one 6-5 and the Cougars rebounding in the second game 10-6.

Junior infielder Jared Brueggeman did everything possible to pick up a victory in game one, belting three home runs and collecting all five Cougar RBIs.

"Jared had a career day," Collins said. "It's a shame we wasted it."

Brueggeman's day was wasted as the Hawks picked up an unearned run in the seventh

inning to pick up the win.

Junior pitcher Jarad Rettberg was the tough-luck loser, giving up no earned runs. Senior southpaw Brian Keating went the first five and two-thirds innings, giving up four earned runs while striking out nine.

Game two saw an offensive explosion from the Cougars, banging out 12 hits in the 10-6 victory. The Cougars received an outstanding effort from their bullpen, throwing nearly five innings of shutout baseball. The bullpen was called to the rescue after a shaky start from freshman pitcher Adam Tallman, who gave up six earned runs in four-plus innings.

Offensively, the Cougars were led by Brueggeman. The junior from East Alton was 2-4 with three RBIs.

"He's been the most consistent performer all year, no question," Collins said. "He's hit the ball all year."

The Cougars also received big games from sophomore outfielder Joe Wargo and senior center fielder Luke Humphrey.

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KWAME ROSS/ALESTLE

Junior Craig Ohiau stretches out to corral the putout at first base. Ohiau is batting .304 for the Cougars with 15 RBIs.

# Pitching stays stingy for Cougars; go 3-2 in GLVC-GLIAC challenge last week

KEVIN CORRIGAN  
 SPORTS EDITOR

They say in softball you're only as good as your pitching. If that's the case, then the SIUE softball team is very good.

In the Great Lakes Valley Conference-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Challenge, Cougar pitching surrendered just six runs in five games. The Cougars went 3-2 in the Challenge.

Junior pitcher Ashlea Hoheimer continued an impressive season by throwing a four-hit shutout against Gannon University in a 5-0 Cougar victory. Junior shortstop Veronica Schmidt went 2-3 while driving in two runs. Senior outfielder Jenny Esker also chipped in with a hit and an RBI.

Hoheimer lost her other outing 2-1 in eight innings to

Ashland University. Hoheimer again only allowed four hits in her outing. Esker hit a home run for the only Cougar run.

Against Wayne State University, the Cougars needed extra innings to pull out the 8-2 victory. The Cougars finally broke away with six runs in the 11th inning. Junior pitcher Jessica Finch went the distance, allowing only the two runs on eight hits. Esker had another big day, going 2-2 with two RBIs.

Sophomore pitcher Mary Heather White was the ace on the mound against the University of Findlay, going the distance in a 3-1 Cougar victory. White surrendered just one run on four hits. Sophomore infielder Alicia DeShasier chipped in going 1-3 with an RBI. Esker connected for one hit and two RBIs.

Senior pitcher Missy Koenig was the tough-luck loser against

Grand Valley State University. Koenig went the distance by giving up one run on five hits. The Cougars' bats were silenced by Grand Valley State pitching, mustering only three hits.

On the year, the Cougars have a team miniscule earned run average of 1.34. Finch leads all pitchers with a remarkable 0.86 ERA. Her six victories also leads the team.

Last week, Hoheimer was named the GLVC Player of the week.

If the success on the mound continues for the Cougars, they could be in line for a third straight conference title.

The Cougars will be back in action Wednesday against the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen.

The Cougars are 19-9 and a perfect 4-0 in GLVC play, good for first place.



AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE

Sophomore Mary Heather White gets ready to deliver a pitch. White helped defeated the University of Findlay 3-1 last week.



# Track and field look to continue recent success in preparation of outdoor season

TRAVIS L. ROSS  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The track and field team is shifting its focus from dominating indoor competition to dominating outdoor competition.

After shredding the record books and running away with first place in the men's and women's Great Lakes Valley Conference Indoor Championships, the team is seeking the same success at Ralph Korte Stadium.

"I think we can get the same results," head coach Darryl Frerker said. "We had the added events with the outdoor season that will allow us to have the opportunity to have more qualify for the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II Nationals."

The outdoor track and field season adds the javelin throw, discus, hammer throw, heptathlon, 100-meter dash and

100-meter hurdles.

According to Frerker, the Cougars are no longer underdogs in the conference, but top dogs after winning the Indoor Championships. And, that means they have to be prepared for Lewis University to be hungry in the outdoor season.

"Indoors, Lewis' men's and women's teams have never lost in the GLVC Indoor Championships," Frerker said. "Lewis will be coming after us."

Frerker said he expects a very strong finish from his team members this season because they have traditionally been better outdoor runners than indoor.

"The biggest difference, in terms of what I look at across the board, is in indoors you deal less with the elements and it's a much tighter track," Frerker said. "Outside, you have the weather to contend with. If you have a great day weather wise, the 1 you

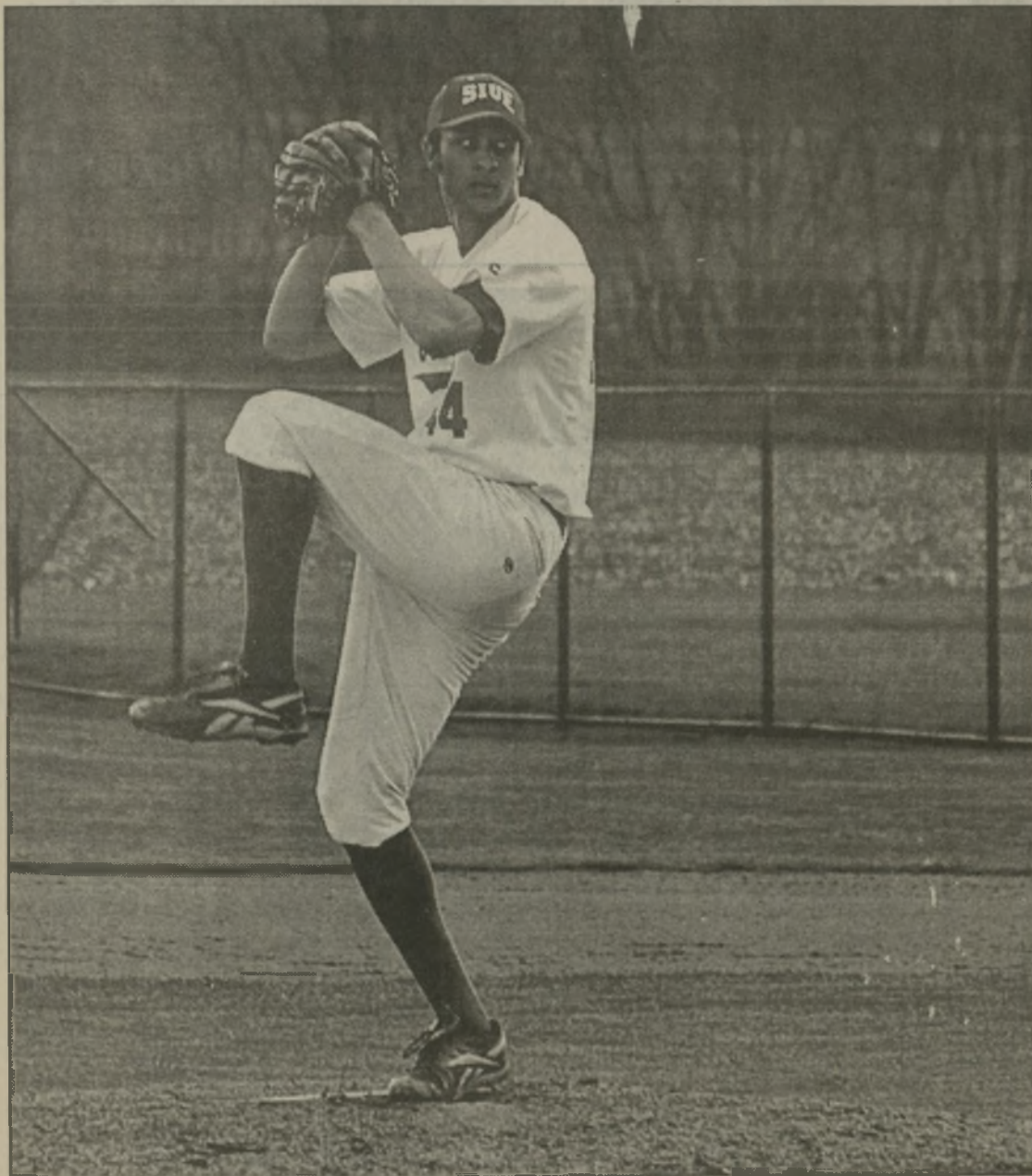
will probably have better performances from your athletes."

When asked to point out a team leader, Frerker said that's a little harder than someone might think.

"We have so many people on this team; it's hard to pinpoint just a few," Frerker said. "Freshman Jamie Thomas was big in the indoor season."

"(Jamie) Thomas and freshman Tairisha Sawyer are better outdoors and they have already went to Nationals in the indoors," Frerker said. "Senior Breanne Steffens, sophomore Brian Taghon and the field event people are going to be competing in four or five events. We don't have a lot of people that aren't going to be doing two events, if not three."

The Cougars' second event of the outdoor season will be Friday and Saturday at Southeast Missouri State University.



AUBREY WILLIAMS/ALESTLE

Junior pitcher Ron Jones gets ready to fire a pitch toward home plate. Since joining the baseball team after basketball season, Jones has been excellent for the Cougars. His 2-0 record and 1.04 ERA both lead the Cougars' pitching staff.

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**BASEBALL**

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Wargo went 3-6 with two RBIs and a stolen base while Humphrey was 2-5 with three RBIs.

Against the Lewis Flyers, the Cougars again dropped the first game 8-6 despite a great game from junior first baseman Craig Ohlau, who was 4-4 with three RBIs. Rettberg took the loss, going six and a third innings and giving up six earned runs.

A nip-and-tuck second game saw the Cougars persevere 5-4 due to quality pitching and timely hitting. Freshman Kyle Jones and junior pitcher Pat Evers combined to hold the Flyers to three earned runs. The Cougars got RBIs from Brueggeman, Ohlau, senior shortstop Wes Pickering and freshman infielder Tim Velten.

Sunday's doubleheader was shortened due to Mother Nature, with game one shortened to five innings and game two being canceled.

The Cougars didn't waste the short-lived day, pounding out 14 hits and 10 runs in the 10-5 Cougar victory. The bullpen

again bailed out shaky starting pitching, as junior pitcher Ryan Spurgeon wasn't able to get out of the third inning. Junior pitcher Ron Jones threw two impressive innings of shutout ball to pick up the win.

According to Collins, if the team is going to turn the corner, they are going to have to get similar efforts from the bullpen.

"Our bullpen has been doing a better job as of late," Collins said. "If we are going to make some noise in conference play, then we need pitchers to step up and continue to improve."

The Cougars stand at 7-17 and 4-7 in Great Lakes Valley Conference play.

"We just have to take it one game at a time and try to chip away," Collins said. "We kind of put ourselves behind the ball with our start."

The Cougars will look to continue their two-game winning streak this week against the University of Missouri-St. Louis Rivermen. The doubleheader will get underway at 2 p.m. at Roy E. Lee field.

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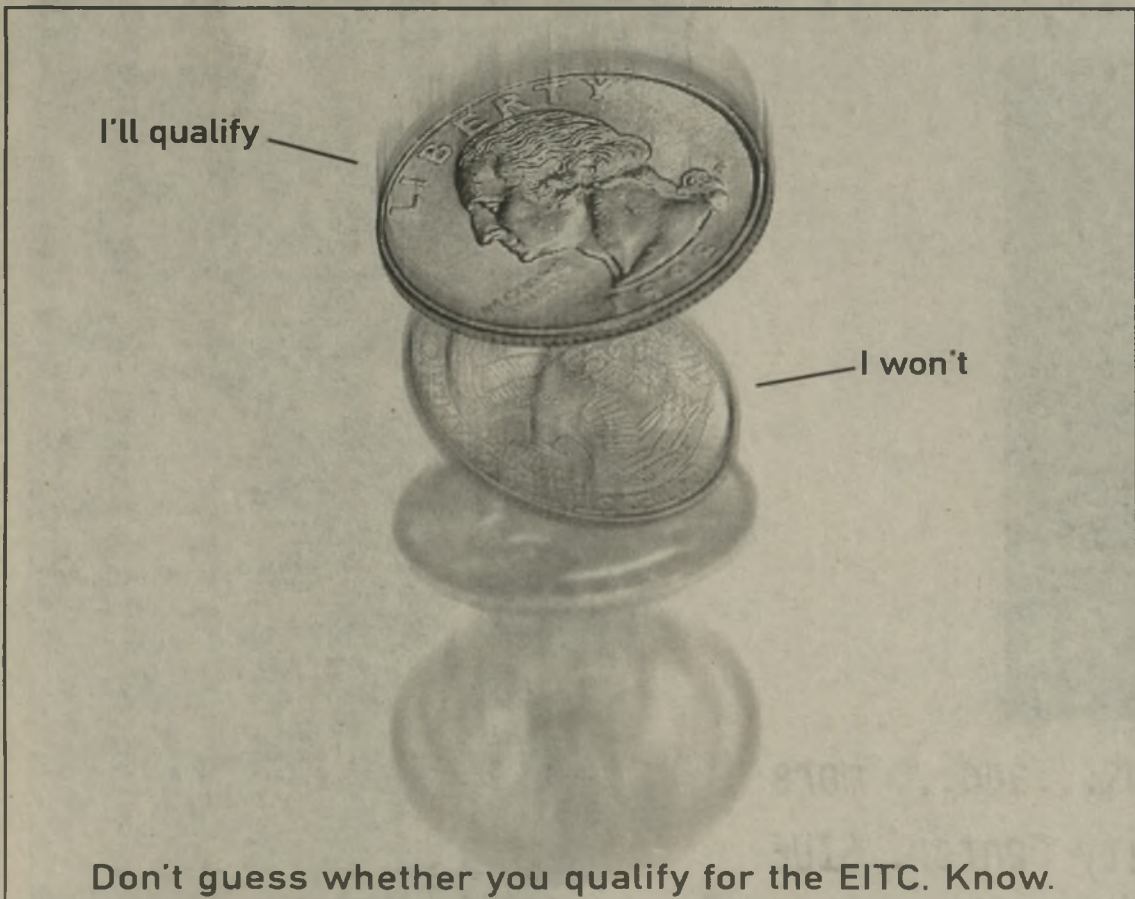
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
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